

Eastwood Epistle

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Jesus Said,
For judgement I
came into this
World, that those
who do not see
may see, and those
who see may
become blind.

John 9:39



Light

Ladies Bible Class is adopting the Child Crisis Center for a service project for 2023. We are collecting gently used small luggage, backpacks, carry-ons, or large tote bags. Why, you ask. When children leave the Child Crisis Center or move from one foster home to another, they must take their meager possessions in a trash bag if nothing else is available. We hope to put an end to this demoralizing circumstance for as many children as possible. If you can help, we will appreciate it. If you have questions please contact Teri Dove. 915-822-2419



Men's Prayer Breakfast
All men invite March 4
8 am, at our fellowship hall
10104 Album, El Paso, TX 79925



Men to Serve
Sunday, February 26
Song Leader:
Junie Chavez

Opening Prayer:
Alberto Morales Spanish
Samuel Hooper English

Lord's Supper/Contribution:
Abel Hernandez

Scripture Reading:
Terence Wade

LOOKING FOR WORK

Try <https://www.careeronestop.org/>



Together

O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare your praise. You do not delight in sacrifice, or I would bring it; you do not take pleasure in burnt offerings. The sacrifices to God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise. Psa 51:15

David's words would make us conclude that even in his time there were people who tried to buy God's forgiveness without being penitent. What God seeks is for mankind to be humble and follow God's word. Humility may be our most difficult struggle as humans.

Humility toward God is more than a few do's and don'ts. It is more than not acting toward your fellows like you are the greatest. It is not refusing to brag when you did well at something. Humility toward God is submission to His will in your life. Humility is seeking His will in what you do as a person. The words of Matt 6:33 *seek first God's Kingdom* will turn our lives upside down because it applies every part of our daily living.

David says that God is not interested in sacrifice or burnt offering. God wants our hearts, minds or souls to follow Him! Now before you rejoice that you are not asked to offer an animal sacrifice on an altar, ask what is it that God wants? What will be required for us to give God what he expects from us? Think about that for a minute...

Now ask, are you doing it? Are you like Jesus in all your relationships? We know the answer and like David we ask, *have mercy on me, O God.*

Then David recognizes that if the people will turn to God, they will be blessed. Zion will prosper and protection will be given by God. While David is speaking the earthly kingdom, would we agree that it also applies to the spiritual kingdom, even the congregations of Jesus.

If Christians will serve Jesus as we know we should and are capable of doing, we will be blessed and protected.

Charles M. Clodfelter

Did you speak to our Guests on Sunday? Look for them.
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Schedule Services

Sunday

Bible Class - 9:00 A.M.
Morning Worship - 10:00 A.M.
Children's Class 9:00A.M.

Wednesday

Bible study 7:00pm
Children's hour
after communion

Our Ladies Tuesday Class Lesson, 10am will be about "Joy In the Morning."

Thank you Teri Dove 915-822-2419

Care Group

Feb 26, Junie & Susie Chavez

Happy Birthday

Feb. 13. A. Marcos Morales
Feb.14, Lucille Ochoa
Feb. 14, Elaine Carrillo
Feb. 17, Denise Boles
Feb. 24, Gina Walker



Happy Anniversary

Feb. 7, Bob & Gina Walker



Christian Schools of El Paso

Please don't forget to bring your unneeded clothes, shoes, blankets and coats to the Big Blue Donation box in the CSEP parking lot. The clothes go to those in need. CSEP benefits from your generosity!
915-593-5011



www.facebook.com/groups/ecocmembers/

Sunday Morning Sermon

Speaker - Charles Clodfelter

Sermon: Total Commitment
Scripture : Philippians 3:12-17

INVITE OTHERS

No one knows the chain of events that culminated in our becoming a follower of Jesus. Like the links of a chain, the Gospel was shared from one person to another until it came to you. Some of the links may have been quiet, as when a child grew up in a godly home with parents who lived and taught the message of the Gospel. Other links may have been dramatic as when an ungodly person heard the Gospel and turned their life around to follow Jesus. It is not required that we trace our chain back to Jesus or the day of Pentecost. It is required that we continue to forge the chain for future generations.

Most people do not even know the names of their great, great grandparents. Neither do we know the links of faith that led us to Jesus. If a person traces their genealogy back a thousand years, there is a good chance there will be someone famous or infamous in their family line. The majority will be nondescript members of society, but they continued the bloodline.

Easter will be recognized this year on April 9. It is a recognition that Jesus was resurrected from the dead and is the Son of God, our Savior. We are surrounded with people who believe this, but only celebrate once a year and are not in the service of the Lord. This is an opportune time for Christians to invite others to worship on April 9. Many plan on attending a worship service, they just don't know where.

Now is the time for each Christian to invite others to worship. Ask them to sit with you, tell them where you will be sitting and arrive early, so they will find you easily. Introduce them to others and be sure to speak to the guests of other disciples.

This day is typically the most attended Sunday of any year. Invite others and welcome others. Don't run off and leave guests alone. This is your home congregation and we want our family to grow. It will grow when we serve as a link to reach out into the community with the Gospel of Jesus.

Charles M Clodfelter

Dennis Williams, husband of Diana, passed Sunday morning just before noon.

Keep the family in your prayers. Send cards to

Diana Williams, 3207 Kilkeny, El Paso, TX 79925



“Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.

Matthew 11:28

VBS this year is scheduled for mid-July. Our theme is “But Wait, God Had a Plan”: The Story of Joseph. We will be making Sharing Bags again as one of our crafts. We will need 100 each of the following items: color books, crayons, puzzles, craft kits, colored pencils, bubbles, etc. If you can help, please start bringing these items to the building. Thank you for your help last year and in advance for this year.



Moses misunderstands his doctor's orders.



Esmeralda Flores was baptized February 19. We welcome her to God's family.

Recycle - Remember to save your aluminum cans and other aluminum for recycling. You may bring them in the foyer or toss your bag into the fenced compound to the trailer. If you crush the cans, we can get more in the trailer. We usually get several hundred dollars when the trailer is taken into the recycler.

Elders

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In Our Prayers

OUR FAMILY

Enrique Carrillo - Is recovering from spinal surgery. He is recovering at home. prayers for swift recovery....

Angelina Gomez - prayers for health problems...

Alberto Morales - Prayers for no dizziness & better sugar level...

Lulu Ochoa - Prayers for future surgery for malignant Cancer kidney tumor..

SHUT-INS

Mike Baron - Is on dialysis, prayers

Teresa Dalke - Prayers for stronger immune system

Christine Hooper - home and recuperating

Rudy Ramon--prayers for health issues..

Our EXTENDED FAMILY

Sergio -(Mary Porras's friend) Sergio is home recovering from surgery for pistol shot in stomach. Prayers for complete healing..

Paula Brown - thank you for Prayers, husband's surgery Feb 13 went well, he is in rehab, prayers for swift healing.

Amanda Buckley -(Chuck Buckley's daughter) lives in Wichata, Kansas and prayers for successful job search, she has 2 boys having a tough time. Please have her in your prayers.... Send cards to Amanda Buckley, 5050 North Maize Rd Apt 811, Maize, Kansas 67101..

Mary Cordero - Prayers for full recovery from cough....

Terry Morales - Prayers to have complete guardianship for her profoundly disabled son, Albert who will be 18 soon in March. To manage his medical & financial affairs...

Yvonne - (Mary & Lorenzo Porras's Daughter) Will be having surgery be having surgery for dislocated right shoulder. Pending date. Please keep her in your prayers...

Luna de Reyes de Ramos- (visitor) Luna has hard times, struggling to find a home and get healthy to work...

Maria Salazar - (Our Community Neighbor) Maria is asking for prayers. She has been diagnosed with cancer...

Please remember in prayers the military in harms way.

Please call the office to update our prayer list. Names not updated 4 weeks will be dropped.

Our Records

February 19, 2023

Morning Worship - 77

Wednesday - 19

Regular Offering: \$2572.00

Year to Date

Week

Baptisms - 0

Identification - 0

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