Fastwood

Epistle

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POTLUCK SUNDAY May 12

Following the morning Worship service. Everyone is encouraged to bring food and share together. Fried chicken will be provided. Honoring our Mothers and All who volunteered during The Tabernacle Exhibit.



Looking for employment? Try jobs2careers.com

Rose Cobb needs a ride to Ladies Bible Class May 14, May 21, and May 28. Please contact her at 928-715-9195 to make arrangements.



Song Leader: Junie Chavez

Opening Prayer:

Enrique Carrillo Spanish Samuel Hooper English

Lord's Supper/Contribution: Ron Lindsey

> Scripture Reading: Daniel Reeks

"... and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." John 8:32, ESV





Together

Goals are important to everything in life. We all have goals, but we seldom write them down and commit to working for them. Our goals are more often likes we want to have. As in, I would like to ... We occasionally do something toward that and then achieve it almost by accident. Almost surprised, we say, I never thought....

At the same time, we know others who seem to accomplish everything and get all they ever wanted. They are often said to be "Lucky" and even undeserving. Jealousy may have a role as they may be labeled as cheaters. Hatred becomes an easy tool used to demean those who have achieved success.

Those who feed the anger, jealousy and hatred often do bad things and feel justified in their action. Why would someone walk around a new car in a shopping center and scratch it all the way. Its called "Keying." Their excuse would likely be, they don't deserve it, if I can't have it.

Goals apply to every area of life. We can have educational, financial, health, relationship and other goals. Most of those reading this would agree that spiritual goals are the top goals we should have. What kind of goal should we have? Perhaps, daily Bible reading or more prayer time even fasting and giving up things that tempt us to do sin. How about the goal of bringing others to Jesus Christ?

You may make a list of ten people you know to invite them to worship. You could set a goal of inviting five people every week. You can make all kind of goals, but they are worthless if you do not commit to doing them. A goal without a commitment is just a "Like." Yes, we all would like for our city to turn to Jesus, but what are we doing about it?

Charles Peace (1832-1879) was a lifelong criminal in England and a murderer. On the day of execution a chaplain came to tell him about Jesus. Peace interrupted by saying, "if I believed what you say...you believe, even if England were covered with broken glass from coast to coast, I would walk over it, if need be, on hands and knees and think it worth while living, just to save one soul from an eternal hell like that."

Set yourself some goals in life: goals for the many areas, but don't forget the spiritual. *Charles M. Clodfelter*

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 Break

Ladies Bible Class. Will have a break May 14, May 21 and May 28



Happy Birthday Blessings

- May 10, Irene Rice
- May 11, Gwendolyn Gale
- May 12, Esmeralda Flores
- May 14, Leola Deal
- May 17, Maria Alvarado,, Mary 20, Christine Hooper
- May 20, Vanessa Melendez, May 25, Tiffany Oliver
- May 26, Virginia Honea

Happy Anniversary



May 21, Abel & Sharlette Hernandez

<u>Recycle</u> - 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.



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Sunday Morning Sermon Speaker - Charles Clodfelter Sermon: In honor of women

Scripture: Philippians 4:3-6

ANTI-SEMITISM is UNCHRISTIAN

"Antisemitism (also spelled anti-semitism or anti-Semitism) is hostility to, prejudice towards, or discrimination against Jews." It is the false idea that Jews are inherently bad and should be eradicated from the world. It is evil and a sin to be prejudiced toward any group because of a preconceived idea. Jews are not evil, just because they are Jewish in descent.

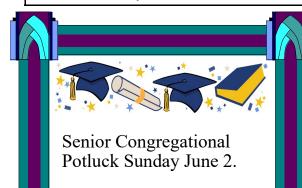
YHWH God wants all of humanity to follow Jesus. In fact, Jesus said, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." A failure to be reconciled with YHWH is not because a person is from a certain country, continent or race, but because of a refusal to follow Jesus. Those who do not follow Jesus are not to be killed or enslaved by believers. Humanity seems to be driven by negative emotions of fear, anger and hatred. It is difficult get us to act from good feelings, but fear, anger or hatred, oh yeah! We will do unspeakable things when our blood boils, things we could consider unfair if directed toward us. There may even be a tit for tat response as we escalate to greater violence. All the while, thinking we are in the right.

How do we fight antisemitism? First, do not fall into the trap of believing in it. Second, speak up when you are in the presence of those who are expressing it. Third, show love and respect for all people, regardless of their beliefs, country of origin, race or anything else that is used to apply a negative meaning to any person or group.

God loves the world and Jesus died for the world. Who are we to build a wall around any group?

Charles M Clodfelter

Belair church of Christ 7958 Esther Rd El Paso, TX Is having a Gospel Meeting May 31- June 2 Ram Rodriguez, evangelist Saturday lunch at 12:00 Call 915-491-5176 to eat Preaching at 1:00 pm Everyone welcome



Seniors are encouraged to prepare a memory board and we will provide a table. Dove Care group will set up and decorate. Seniors need to give all their information to the office. Call Cristina , 915-593-2772 School name, full name, any honors received, college or tech plans. Come and Support our young people!

Don't be root-bound

As a new gardener, Jan Riggenbach used to treat bedding plants with extreme care, setting them into soil without disturbing the roots. Eventually she learned that rough — even ruthless — treatment is better in the long run.

"If the plant has been growing in its pot so long that the roots are circling the bottom, I jab my finger into the bottom of the soil and pull down to untangle the roots," Riggenbach wrote in her gardening column. "If the whole pot is filled with circling roots, I have to be merciless. I don't worry if I break some of the roots. That's better than allowing the roots to continue to circle when the plants are growing in the garden."

In the same way, it's easy to grow complacent and inwardfocused in our walk with God. But bunched-up roots can't reach out for sustenance. So for maximum faith growth, dare to let God shake you up from time to time!



Hospitality groups looking for volunteers to have Sunday lunch once a month. Questions Call 915-593-2772 or Charles –915-433-4227



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Our Records

May 5,2024 Morning Worship - 78 Wednesday - 16

Regular Offering: \$2307.00

Year to Date

Week Year to Date Year to Date - 1 Baptisms - 0 Identification - 0 Year to Date - 0 Can Contribute on-line at www.eastwoodchurchofchrist.org

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In Our Prayers

OUR FAMILY

Alberto Morales - Prayers. Sugar level is high causing dizziness & headaches. Need to go to otolaryngologist and cardiologist.

Terry Morales – Thank you for Prayers. There was good results on MRI.. No issues.

Robert Muñoz Jr - (Alberto & Cristina Morales grandson) Thank you for prayers, need prayers for successful legal Issues. Robert no longer has tooth pain. Thank you for pravers.

Lulu Ochoa - Thank you for Prayers. Sending greetings to everyone. Will be on chemo therapy for a long time. She has some cancer pain lately. God has been so good to her for cancer treatment.....

Raquel Romelia Ramon - Is back home. prayers for swift healing from broken pelvic.

Bob Walker - Brothers and sisters, Here is an update. My doctor has found no sign of the throat cancer. But I am wasting away. So, my doctors have placed me on a regimen of diet, exercise, and occupational therapy for long term cancer recovery. The doctors believe by the way I am healing that I should be back to normal within 6-12 mths. Please continue to pray that I have patience. Bob Walker....

Lois Wiggins—prayers, Lois fell April 26 and is recovering from hip operation. She is now at Las Palmas Rehabilitation Hospital, 300 Waymore Dr, El Paso, TX 79902, Rm#202.

SHUT-INS

Mike Baron - He is on dialysis and back home from hospital .prayers

Jill Breitinger - In home care with dementia, prayers Teresa Dalke - Prayers for stronger immune system Christine Hooper - home and recuperating

Our Extended Family

Robert Casey - (The Oliver's Brother) has been diagnosed with conjunctival malignant melanoma and has started chemo....

Hayden Cooper - (Chuck Buckley's friend grandson) Jr High student has brain cancer. Improving with cancer treatments. Need Prayers.....

Bertha N Gomez- (Yolie Hernandez's sister) Prayers, needs Dialysis, has stage 5 kidney Diagnosis....

Katy Ortiz - prayers for competent doctors to cure her.... Celia Perez - (COC Montana member) Prayers needed. She was moved to Pebble Creek Nursing home. Thank you for prayers her leg pain has decreased with new medication.. Maria Salazar - (Our Community Neighbor) Maria is ask-

ing for prayers, She has been diagnosed with cancer.. Please remember in prayers the military & policeman in harms way. Please call the office to update our prayer list. Names not updated 4 weeks will be deleted.