

Eastwood Epistle

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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.

HAPPY
New Year

Praise be
to his
glorious
name
forever;
may the whole
earth be filled
with his glory.

Psalm 72:19, NIV



JOIN US
For
The wedding of
Michelle Martinez
And
Tyler Jet Sander



Saturday, January 6, 2024
2' O'clock in the afternoon
Eastwood Church of Christ
El Paso, TX 79925
Reception to Follow

English as Second Class starts January 3,
6-7:30pm, Rm#68
Call Cristina Morales , 915-593-2772

Men to Serve
Sunday, January 7
Song Leader:
Ray Rivera

Opening Prayer:
Flaviano Enriquez Spanish
Samuel Hooper English

Lord's Supper/Contribution:
Ron Lindsey

Scripture Reading:
Bob Pechanec

Men's Prayer Breakfast
8 a.m. at fellowship Hall
All Men are invited



MEN'S PRAYER
BREAKFAST

Together

A person's attitude determines much about their life. You have noticed how some individuals are so negative about everything that there never seems to be a happy moment in their life. You may have thought that nothing ever pleases them. Sadly, there is little we can do to change others. This note is to encourage us to not be one of the negative people.

There are quotes and saying that are put in frames for the desk or wall. The purpose is to help us in our attitude. Here are some.

- Today is the greatest day of my life,
- yesterday is gone, tomorrow may not come, so today is all that I have.
- I may not know what tomorrow holds, but
- I know who holds tomorrow.
- "Your attitude, not your aptitude, will determine your altitude." -- Zig Ziglar
- Change your thoughts and change your world.
- Turn your frown upside down.

You probably know several more that make you smile and lift your spirit.

Our gratitude will do more than anything to make life better. The appreciation for the blessings we have will help our perspective for all things. While it is true there is usually some blessing in life, even when we are struggling, the ultimate blessing is our relationship with Jesus.

While in this world, there are many things for which we should be grateful. You have your own list that includes family, friends, the wealth you have, the health you have, the opportunities to serve and grow. You could have more, others may have more, but we can be grateful for what we have.

Christians understand their greatest blessing is Jesus and the salvation he has given to us. Disciples should see through the difficulties of life to the joy we have in Jesus. In the 7+ billion population of this world, someone is the least blessed of all. If he/she is a Disciple of Jesus, they have reason to smile and have a great attitude. So, what's your problem?

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 10am Ladies Bible Class will begin again on Jan 9. We will be studying the Psalms. See Teri Dove about getting a book.
Call 915-637-0351 or 915-822-2419



Happy Birthday

Jan 4, Sharon Armendariz,
Jan 5, James Conyers
Jan 5, Carlos Alvarado
Jan 12, Julyet Carrillo
Jan 15, Lillie Wayne
Jan 19, Julie Conyers
Jan 22, Johnnie Roberson
Jan 24, Samuel Hooper
Jan 28, Mike Fernandez



Happy Anniversary

Jan. 8, Alberto & Cristina Morales
Jan 14, Richard & Denis Boles
Jan 26, Israel & Maria Alvarado



For We Walk
by sight.

2 Corinthians 5:7



by faith, not by



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Sunday Morning Sermon

Speaker - Charles Clodfelter

Sermon: Church: Our Mission Statement

Scripture: 1 Cor 15:1-4

YOUR GREATEST CHALLENGES ARE ACTUALLY OPPORTUNITIES.

Life is full of challenges. It does not matter what stage of life you are enjoying, there will be challenges. We may look into our past and remember with fondness the challenges we faced and how we over came it. It is a good memory. But the present challenge – no so much.

My son, wanted to take his parents to a movie that he had enjoyed. The first minutes of the movie were calm, then the action began for several minutes and it was intense. When it stopped, he turned to his mother and said, you can relax for awhile. Sometimes, life is like that, extremely intense, then we get a break and relax. Other times there is no break, it is just one thing after another.

When we read a book or watch a video the hero is

always trying to solve a problem. It may be a big problem or a series of smaller troubles. What we admire is the fact they overcome. They win and in the process, become a hero. We want to do that also. The “come back” when we win against the odds or when all seems lost and we come back to win.

The Greatest Challenges are Opportunities. We don’t see it at the time. We are not thinking, “Wonderful this is going to make me a better person or allow me to become wealthy, et cetera.” Challenges are Opportunities.

May you have a wonderful Christmas and a totally awesome New Year. When the challenges come, may you see them as opportunities.

Charles M Clodfelter

Our source of Light

January 6 marks the day of Epiphany, when the wise men (who were Gentiles) came to worship Jesus and bring him gifts. During the church-year season of Epiphany, we remember that God’s Son is the Light of the whole world.

Ponder the gifts of Epiphany with these two reflections, written centuries apart:

Your light, dear God, surpasses all other light, because all light comes from you. Your fire surpasses all fire, because your fire alone burns without destroying. The flames of your fire reach into the soul, consuming the sin and selfishness that lie there. But far from damaging the soul, your fire sets it ablaze with love. What moved you to enlighten me with your truth? The fire of your love was the reason. You loved me so much that you could not bear to see me confused and perplexed. Can I ever repay the burning love which you have given me? No, because I have nothing of my own to give. Yet you assure me that the love which you put into my soul is repayment enough. You desire only the joy of seeing me receiving your gift. What more perfect Father could there be!—Catherine of Siena (c. 1347-1380)

Epiphany beckons us to come to the light of Jesus Christ. Epiphany calls us to stare into that light until our inner darkness is fully expunged. Epiphany then sends us out into a dark and weary world as women and men with shining faces, until we say with the apostle Paul, “It is the God who said, ‘Let light shine out of darkness,’ who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ” [see 2 Corinthians 4:6].—Jason Gaboury, campus minister in New York City

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PUZZLE

HAPPY NEW YOU!

Changing the calendar each January is a reminder that God makes all things new.

Directions: Use the clues and the calendar code to complete 2 Corinthians 5:17, ESV.

JANUARY 2024						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
	6	7	8	9	10	11
	12	13	14	15	16	17
	18	19	20	21	22	23
	24	25	26	27	28	29
	30	31				



- The second Monday _____
- The last Monday ____
- The 16th _____
- One day before the 20th ____
- The day before the first Friday ____
- The last weekday of the second week _____
- The day after the 20th ____
- The day after 18th ____
- The first day of the second weekend ____
- The last Sunday ____
- The last day of the month _____

Answers: Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation.

Elders

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In Our Prayers

OUR FAMILY

Anay Carrillo - Prayers of healing . She had a stroke and is recovering at home slowly. She having trouble with a leg but she is getting therapy at home. Your welcome to stop by . Send your donations or cards to help her recover at 3323 Donegal Rd, El Paso, TX 79925....

Teri Dove - Prayers for continued healing .Teri can be contacted on her cell phone at 915-637-0351. ..

Alberto Morales - Prayers for no dizziness & better sugar Level. Need to go to otolaryngologist and cardiologist...

Robert Muñoz Jr - (Alberto & Cristina Morales grandson) Thank you for prayers, need prayers for successful legal Issues....

Lulu Ochoa - Thank you for Prayers and thanks to the Ladies Bible Class for cards. Just started chemo therapy. Lulu has had no cancer pain lately. God has been so good to her for cancer treatment....

Venson Oliver - Keep Venson in your prayers for his Deployment. Send cards to SFC Oliver, Venson, B Co, 47th BSB 2-1 AD, Fos DPTA Konotop, Apo, AE 09754...

Bob Walker - Thank you for prayers. Thank you for cards. Waiting for results on radiation, chemo tests if needing more radiation.....

SHUT-INS

Mike Baron - Is on dialysis, prayers

Jill Breitinge - In home care with dementia, prayers

Teresa Dalke - Prayers for stronger immune system

Christine Hooper - home and recuperating

Our EXTENDED FAMILY

Maria Montanez - (ESL student) Prayers. Swift healing from cancer procedure..

River Russell - Keep him in your Prayers (Ida Russell's son) for his deployment

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

Fred Sierra—Prayers for good results from MRI.....

Javier Trevino(Rosa Trevino's brother)— prayers, recovering from cancer removal in liver. Prayers for swift healing...

Cesar Venegas - Prayers, he is back home from Houston hospital after his car accident, prayers for healing, prayers for his mom Lupe. (Cristina Morales's friend Rosa Trevino).....

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.

Our Records

December 31,2023

Morning Worship – 96
Wednesday - 10

Regular Offering: \$6312.00

Year to Date

Week

Baptisms - 0
Identification - 0

Year to Date

Year to Date - 2
Year to Date - 0

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