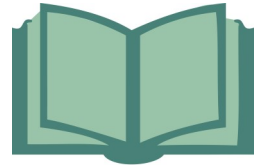


# Eastwood Epistle

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Family Storytime: Sat.  
March 15, 9:30-11:00am  
Eastwood Church of Christ  
Multipurpose room, Welcome  
Spring & St. Patrick's Day.  
Teri Dove, 915-822-2419



**Story Time**

**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.

Church Potluck, March 30 after service at Eastwood church of Christ Fellowship hall. Bring Enough For your family and extra to share.



*All-Church Potluck*

Please write your offering check payable to  
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**Men to Serve**  
**Sunday, March 9**  
**Song Leader:**  
**Junie Chavez**

**Opening Prayer:**  
**Flaviano Enriquez Spanish**

**Samuel Hooper English**

**Lord's Supper/Contribution:**  
**Shawn Mang**

**Scripture Reading:**  
**David Davis**



Speaking the truth in love,  
we are to grow up in all  
aspects into Him who is head,  
that is, Christ.

Ephesians 4:15, NASB

**Daylight Savings** starts  
3 am, March 9, turn your  
Clock forward 1 hour



# Together

“Now, brothers, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you which you received and on which you have taken your stand. By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you. Otherwise, you have believed in vain.”

1 Cor 15:1-2

Throughout the history of God's dealing with mankind the cycle seems consistent. First, there is the covenant relationship with YHWH that is bestowed, then there are the constant reminders and warnings to return to the first pledge that was made by humanity. In reading the Bible, the actions of our fore fathers is like a broken record, starting with Adam and Eve. We start out great, then we sin, then we try to hide from the Holy.

Even the four gospels, which tell us about the life and ministry of Jesus, contain many admonitions to the Jewish leaders. The many letters to congregations and individuals are mostly about getting back to the basics and doing what you started in the beginning. They are calls for us to be faithful.

What does it mean to be faithful in the Lord? What does it mean to the Lord and what does it mean to us individually? Which is the most important: God's point of view or ours? When Jesus repeatedly reprimanded the Jewish leaders they thought they were the most faithful ones in the nation. Who can forget the pharisee and the publican praying on the steps of the temple? The pharisee thought he was the good guy, the best around. So, what is your definition of being faithful to the Lord? Is it God's meaning?

It is said by those who do statistics that the meaning of faithful is attending worship 18 times at year. At least, that is what those who attend 18 times are thinking. Attendance is not the sole measurement, read Romans 12. But, to assemble with the saints and eating of the communion is certainly important. The energy that drives us grows when we share it. There was a man stationed in Europe, riding a bus on a blustery snowy Sunday. He was thinking the weather was so bad, he probably should have just stayed home. Still several blocks from the worship hall, the bus passed an old lady trudging through the deep snow, he could see it was a sister in Christ walking to worship.

*Charles M. Clodfelter*

Did you speak to our Guests on Sunday? Welcome our guests

## 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. Rm #63. All ladies are cordially invited to join us for a study in scripture, coffee, conversation. More info call Teri Dove Call 915-637-0351 or 915-822-2419 . Gina Walker teaching Song of Solomon



## Attention Eastwood Members

The 2025 Church of Christ in Eastwood, Inc.  
Operating Budget Report is available for you to view located in the auditorium on the communion table.  
Albert Morales

## Happy Birthday

March 4, Violet Muñoz  
March 4, Zoe Morales  
March 6, Junior Albert Dominquez  
March 9, Shelby Oliver  
March 9, Clayton Hamilton  
March 10, Janet Hill  
March 15, Lorenzo Porras  
March 27, Eva Carrillo



## Happy Anniversary!

March 26, Enrique & Anay Carrillo



[www.facebook.com/groups/ecocmembers/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/ecocmembers/)

## Sunday Morning Sermon

Speaker - Charles Clodfelter

Sermon: Too many Religions

Scripture: Deuteronomy 6:4-7, 13-14

After moving to a college town, Pastor Kendra Thompson learned about the athletic phenomenon known as March Madness. And after a nondenominational upbringing, as a young adult she learned about Lenten traditions.

Lent and the NCAA college basketball tournament, which usually coincide, both point to the divine, Thompson argues. "In Lent, with each day we are drawn closer to the crushing reality that we've crucified our God. And yet we are also faced with an impossible victory: that death did not win, that our God is raised in Jesus Christ," she writes. "Likewise, watching college basketball invites us into a season of hoping in unlikely possibilities, marveling at upsets, and giving thanks to God for the connection we find as his people."

Like fans swept up in high-stakes games, Jesus' disciples abandon everything to follow him. Lent might be "holy madness," Thompson muses. It's "an opportunity to 'feel' our religion, not just in our heads but with our skin, our voices, even in the anxieties of our prayers."

## Welcome to the family

Martin Palomeque was baptized  
March 2.



Surprise!

"Each day holds a surprise," wrote Henri Nouwen. "But only if we expect it can we see, hear, or feel it when it comes to us. Let's not be afraid to receive each day's surprise, whether it comes to us as sorrow or as joy."

Wait — *sorrow* as a surprise? And I'm not to fear it? Aren't surprises supposed to be happy things? What does Nouwen mean?

He continues: "It will open a new place in our hearts, a place where we can welcome new friends and celebrate more fully our shared humanity." And I remember, too, the psalmist's words: "The LORD is near to the brokenhearted" (Psalm 34:18). Maybe that's the surprise in our sorrow: that when we ache, as when we celebrate, God is there — in new friends, in shared humanity. Surprise! —Heidi Mann

## PUZZLE

### FROM WORD TO WORLD

Words are important! God spoke and created all things.  
What does the psalmist declare about creation?

Directions: Using the word clues, unscramble the letters to complete Psalm 102:25, NIV.

A preposition	NI	--
An article	HTE	---
Genesis means this	NINBGEIGN	-----
A second-person pronoun	OUY	---
Past tense of to lay	IDAL	---
An article	HET	---
A plural noun meaning base	SODTAINFONU	-----
A preposition showing possession	FO	--
An article	TEH	---
A concrete noun meaning world	HRTEA	-----


Psalm 102:25, NIV

Answer: In the beginning you laid the foundations of the earth. (Psalm 102:25, NIV)

## Bible Quiz

Complete this sentence which introduces a well-known Bible story:  
"The hand of the Lord was on me, and he brought me out by the Spirit of the Lord and set me in the middle of a valley; it was full of \_\_\_\_."

A. flowers  
B. sheep  
C. rocks  
D. bones



Answer: D (See Ezekiel 37:1, NIV)



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Venson Oliver, Lorenzo Porras, Bob Walker

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## Our Records

### March 9, 2025

Morning Worship – 56  
Wednesday - 14

Regular Offering: \$4998.04

### Year to Date

### Week

Baptisms - 0  
Identification - 0

### Year to Date

Year to Date - 3  
Year to Date - 0

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# In Our Prayers

### OUR FAMILY

Mike Breitingner - Mike will be a resident of Rosedale Adult Foster Home, 3111 Edgerock Dr. El Paso TX, 79935. He across from his wife Jill which he enjoys the ease of visiting her. Please keep him and Jill in your prayers..

Junie Chavez - Our condolences to Junie for the death of his brother Rueben Chavez. Send cards to 1469 Sara Danielle, El Paso, TX 79936...

Leola Deal - Will resume radiation Dec 30.....

Virginia Honea - Our condolences to Virginia & Lashel Rich. Hershel passed away Feb. 4 peacefully surrounded by family in Lubbock. Arrangements late March or early April for El Paso Service. Virginia will be staying in Lubbock with granddaughter Lashel. Send cards to 4217 53rd St, Lubbock, TX 79413....

Alberto Morales - Prayers. Sugar level is high causing dizziness & headaches., chest pressure. & heel spur pain....

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

Tiffany Oliver - (Venson Oliver's wife) Recovering from surgery. Keep her in your prayers..

Gracie Wade - Prayers for work traveling and deployment in Kentucky for 30 days..

### SHUT-INS:

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

Jill Breitingner - In home care with dementia, prayers. Send cards to 3116 Edgerock, El Paso, TX 79935

Rose Cobb - Will continue to stay home to strengthen legs. Asking for prayers. She would appreciate calls, cards, and visits. Please call before visit. 3630 Evelyn Ave., El Paso, Tx 79904, 928-715-9195. She has her rehab at home. Sending love to everyone.

Teresa Dalke - Teresa Dalke has increased dementia symptoms and is expected to go to an interim facility for about three weeks until she can be moved to a care facility. She has been put on hospice care. [Glenna Bunn](#) and her siblings request prayers for the family during this time and respectfully request no visitors since it will cause Teresa to become more agitated...

Christine Hooper - home and recuperating

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

### Our EXTENDED FAMILY

Beni Krisko - ( Ina Penala's daughter) Is being deployed to Jordan for 6 mths. Starting Nov. 2024. Pray for safety.....

Charlene Looney (COC Truth or Consequences member) - Her sister Nancy Randlett asking for prayers for Charlene. Charlene is in Casa del Sol rehab, Las Cruces, #207. Prayers are needed.....

Alexas Myre ( Jan Myre daughter in law) Has aggressive breast cancer that was caught early. Please pray for her.....

Celia Perez - (COC Montana member) Prayers needed. She was moved to Pebble Creek Nursing Center Room #108. Thank you for prayers her leg pain has decreased, more active & eating better....

Maria Gutierrez - (Rivera/Luna COC) prayers, in Pebble Creek Nursing Center room, she has less pain #414...

Martha Mendoza - ( Cristina Morale's sister) Prayer for swift healing and less pain from knee operation....send cards to 3421 Durazno, El Paso, Tx 79905

Crystal Ortiz ( Mark Enriquez's daughter). Prayers for Crystal for the medical procedure and swift healing.

Isaac Porras (Mary Porras Nephew, lives in NC) Is very sick and needs Prayers..

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

Please remember in prayers the military & policeman, fireman in harms way. Please call the office to update our prayer list. Names not updated 4 weeks will be deleted.