

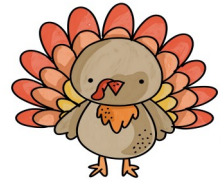
Eastwood Epistle

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And this is
the testimony,
that God gave us
eternal life,
and this life is
in his Son.

1 John 5:11, ESV

Eastwood Middle is asking for turkey donations for their Thanksgiving drive for low income families. Drop off donation by 11/15/24 at Eastwood church, Call 915-593-2772



Christian Schools of El Paso,
CSEP is selling Papa Eric's Burgers, \$10 each ticket (Includes Burger or Cheeseburger, fries, soda)
Call 915-593-5011 for tickets.



Our bank has informed us that in the future all offering checks must be made out to the legal corporate name of the church. **Church of Christ in Eastwood.** This has been the rule for some time, but because they are now scanning checks electronically the rule must be enforced. AI is not smart enough to know that checks made to: church of Christ or Eastwood church of Christ or Eastwood church should be accepted. So, please write your offering check payable to **Church of Christ in Eastwood.**

Men to Serve
Sunday, October 27

Song Leader:
Junie Chavez

Opening Prayer:
Enrique Carrillo Spanish
Ron Lindsey English

Lord's Supper/Contribution:
Jimmy Moore

Scripture Reading:
Kiki Carrillo

Dove Care Group

Will Meet Nov. 3. Turkey will be provided.
Please let Teri (915-822-2419) or
Iretha (915-422-7846)
know what you will bring.



Looking for employment?
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Together

"I will exalt you, my God the King; I will praise your name for ever and ever. Every day I will praise you and extol your name for ever and ever." Psalm 145:1-2

This psalm by David is an acrostic, with the first word of each verse beginning with the first letter of the Hebrew alphabet. It is worthy to note his first verse is about praising God. Praise that is not once, but his pledge is to praise God every day for ever and ever. It is a pledge of loyalty and faithfulness.

"For ever and ever" is a phrase that is to be understood as eternal, unending. This is David's pledge, to serve and worship God to the very end and more. It is the same kind of pledge that all believers make when they are born again. Every Christian has the same mindset or attitude, even though they may not say these exact words.

David sinned and in doing so he failed in his pledge. What is admired in David is his return to God after his failures. David was not perfect, but he returned to the path after his failures. This is what we should do.

Everyone will fail in their effort to live the Christian life. Our challenge is to live without sin, but our failure to do so does not mean we are hopeless. We return to God with the new knowledge we learned from failure. We improve by returning to God, not by giving up on our pledge of faithfulness.

Some will not return to God because they say their sin is too big. In their mind, the sin they committed is too great for God to forgive. If you seek to answer, they reply, you don't know. The problem is, they can't forget and if they can't forget, the assumption is God cannot forget either. Do you think David ever forgot he had Uriah killed? Did the apostle Paul forget that he was responsible for the death and imprisonment of disciples. You are not to forget your sin, you are to use it to motivate yourself to do better!

Some will not return to God because they say it has been too long. Nonsense. As in the parable of the spendthrift son, the father is always looking for his child to come home.

Exalt and Praise your God and King. Let it be a reminder in all of life that his love and forgiveness is great!

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



Happy Birthday

Oct 4, Rocky Enriquez,
Oct. 6, Mary Ann Whipple
Oct. 7, Abel Hernandez
Oct. 10, Aaron Enriquez
Oct. 11, Mary Porras
Oct. 15, Jan Rivera
Oct. 17, Krystal Enriquez
Oct. 22, Crystal Alvarado
Oct. 28, Bob Pechanec



Oct 9, Vanessa & Gabriel Melendez
Oct 19, Mike & Jill Breitingner



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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Sunday Morning Sermon

Speaker - Charles Clodfelter

Sermon: The Great Commission

Scripture: Mathew 28:18-19

CRYING OF A BABY

Most have heard a baby cry. It can be irritating and is not something we delight in hearing. If it is in a public setting and someone else's baby, we may think, "can't you make that baby stop!" Consider for a moment the baby's perspective.

A baby is thrust from a comfortable environment where everything is automatic. There is nothing for the baby to do. Suddenly, it is in a totally different situation: temperature fluctuates, hunger is felt for the first time, uncomfortable positions, et cetera. The parent from the baby's perspective is god. They gave life and now the parents are providers and protectors.

When the child has a need that is unsatisfied, how is to be revealed? The child is unable to communicate because it does not know the language of it's god. So, it cries. Perhaps, it does not even know it needs to burp, it just hurts. So, it cries. Whatever the need, the only recourse of the baby is to cry. Does it cry to be an annoyance to the caregiver? No, it is a prayer.

This babe that is not aware of the wonderful potential of the future, is only knowledgeable of this bit of time. All it understands is the moment of discomfort and perhaps a fear. What can the babe do? It can pray in the only language it has, to the only god it knows. The cries of a baby are prayers.

In life, disciples are often like a baby. It seems to be impossible to understand the situation. The Lord blesses us but we are still suffering. Yes, we like the joy of being a disciple, but we need help. Often we don't even know what kind of help we need.

Happily, we have a translator that helps us talk to our Lord God in clear language. As we are told in Rom 8:26: "In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groans that words cannot express." Say your cries, offer your prayers and your Lord will hear and understand.

Charles M Clodfelter

Be A Santa To A Child In Need

Gifts For Children Needed

Art Supplies/Sketchbooks/Coloring Books, Arts & Crafts kits, Sports Balls-All Types, Remote Control Cars/Trucks/Helicopters, Board Games, Lego Sets, Action Figures/Barbies, Gift Cards (Walmart, Target,etc.) Skateboard/Scooter, Gifts for Teens, Make Up, Cologne/Perfume, Bath & Body Sets, Purses/Wallets, Nail Kits, Movie Gift Cards, Food Gift Cards (Whataburger, McDonalds, etc.) Tablet, Headphones.

Call Office 915-593-2772

If you want to donate or drop off

In marked box for Children Protective Service



Christ is enough

from churchart.com

Though never ordained, H.A. Ironside (1876-1951) was a prolific Bible teacher and preacher. Inspired by Dwight L. Moody, he began delivering sermons at age 16. While still a teenager, he worked his way up to captain in the Salvation Army. But he soon had a breakdown from preaching more than 500 messages per year — and from feeling burdened by sin.

After Ironside recovered, his ministry blossomed. He pastored Moody Church in Chicago for 18 years while continuing his evangelistic travels. Most importantly, he learned to rely on Christ alone, not on his own merit.

"Christ *and* ... is a perverted gospel, which is not the gospel," wrote Ironside. "Christ without the *and* is the sinner's hope and the saint's confidence." He concluded, "For salvation itself, Jesus is not only necessary, but he is enough."

HUNGRY FOR JESUS ..Many residents of first-world countries avoid true physical hunger, grazing at the slightest stomach rumble. Spiritually, the opposite is common. Many people run on empty, unaware of or rejecting Jesus' free gifts of grace, love and abundant life. In her Magnificat, Mary proclaims, "He has filled the hungry with good things but has sent the rich away empty" (Luke 1:53, NIV). To be filled with Jesus, first we must empty ourselves and hunger for him. But what does that look like? At Bible.org, pastor Steven J. Cole writes, "Starving people aren't interested in new smart phones or computers, unless they can somehow sell them to buy food. Hungry people have one focus — where to find food. It consumes their whole existence. ... That's how we should hunger for God!" Spiritual hunger leads to a feast of God's blessings. He generously gives us gifts that overflow into the lives of others. So let's share Jesus with people who are starving for him!

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Our Records

October 20, 2024

Morning Worship – 76
Wednesday - 15

Regular Offering: \$1072.00

Year to Date

Week

Baptisms - 0

Identification - 0

Year to Date

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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.

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

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.

Gracie Wade - Prayers. Gracie is having issues with thyroid and is scheduled for hysterectomy in October....prayers are still needed...

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

Teresa Dalke - Teresa Dalke has been admitted to a hospital for evaluation of increased dementia symptoms and should be there about three days. From there she 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

Our EXTENDED FAMILY

Amanda Buckley- (Chuck Buckley's daughter). Amanda asking for prayers for her job issues... .

Hayden Cooper - (Chuck Buckley's friend grandson, lives with parents) update: Thank you all for your prayers Hayden has no cancer. Will be going to follow up appointments....

Linda Hernandez - (Carol Baker's neighbor) Linda is home and continues to improve. Thank you all for prayers. Please continue to pray for Linda and her family.

Beni Krisko- (Ina Penala's daughter) Is being deployed to Jordan for 6 mths. 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.....

Norman Ontiveros- (Lorraine Ontiveros husband) Lorraine requesting prayers for Norm's mom. She had a heart attack on Saturday. Her heart is very weak and has low blood pressure.

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 & eating better....

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

Lucy San Miguel - (Mark Enriquez friend) Suffered a stroke and is hospitalized....

Maria Salazar - (Our Community Neighbor) Maria is asking 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.