



Welcome to East Lumberton

As Senior Pastor of ELBC, I want to welcome you to our church. We are a diverse church of believers whose goal is to lift up the name of Jesus Christ. We welcome all races, ages and walks of life to come be a part of our church family. We are glad you came and we hope you feel at home with us today. If you are visiting for the first time, please see one of our greeters in the vestibule to get a visitor's packet, so that we can get to know you better.

MINISTERS ON-CALL

Rev. Michael Bowen (910) 736-6170  
Rev. Roger Smith (423) 557-5515

EMERGENCY PRAYER REQUEST

Melissa Humphrey (910) 416-0312  
If you have an Emergency Prayer Request and would like for your church family to be in prayer, please contact Melissa Humphrey.

Weekly Willing Workers

VAN DRIVERS	
8/10: Howard Reaves, Jr. (910-316-2819)	8/17: Robert Mishue (910-827-9096)
CHILDREN'S CHURCH	
Children's Church is provided for children ages 2 thru kindergarten	
2 & 3 years old	
8/10: Chasity & Noah Reaves, Heather Williamson	8/17: Haley Smith, Jeff Bass, Cassie West
4 & 5 years old	
8/10: Janice & Brian Bullock, Michelle Smith	8/17: Donna Holden, Christy Locklear, Kathy Buffkin
NURSERY WORKERS	
newborn to 2 years old	
8/10: Claudia Cooke, Megan Freeman, Gail Lassiter, Elisha Parker	8/17: Claudia Cooke, Whitney Hester, Chasity Reaves, Alana Taylor
DEACONS OF THE WEEK	
Josh Locklear (910-374-1142) & Robert Mishue (910-827-9096)	
INTERCESSORY PRAYER MINISTRY	
8/10: Brenda Hester	8/17: Buddy Cribb
FIRST IMPRESSION TEAM	
8/10: Susan Tyner, Heather Williamson, Debby Bledsoe	8/17: Doris Britt, Kathy Buffkin, Debby Bledsoe

For your safety, please know we have a security team in place for all services.

SUNDAY MORNING

“The Man Who Cheated Death”  
Genesis 5:24

Theme: “What It Means To Walk With God”

- I. Enoch’s Dedication (v. 24a-24b)
  - A. He Started With God (v. 24a)
  - B. He Was In Step With God (v. 24b)
  - C. He Stayed With God (Genesis 5:22-23)
  - D. He Spoke For God (Jude 1:14-15)
  - E. He Satisfied God (Hebrews 11:5)
- II. Enoch’s Departure (v. 24c)
  - A. It Was Unique
  - B. It Was Unexpected

SUNDAY EVENING

“The God Called Pastor”  
Galatians 1:10-16  
Theme: “The Duties Of A Preacher”

- I. The Commitment Of Paul (v. 10-12)
  - A. The Objective Of His Message (v. 10)
    - 1. Who He Wanted To Persuade (v. 10a)
    - 2. Who He Wanted To Please (v. 10b)
  - B. The Origin Of His Message (v. 11-12)
    - 1. It Wasn’t From Man (v. 11-12a)
    - 2. It Was From The Master (v. 12b)
- II. The Calling Of Paul (v. 13-16)
  - A. Paul In The Past (v. 13-14)
    - 1. His Enmity With The Lord (v. 13)
    - 2. His Education In The Law (v. 14a)
    - 3. His Enthusiasm In Life (v. 14b)
  - B. Paul In The Present (v. 15-16)
    - 1. He Was Separated By God (v. 15a)
    - 2. He Was Saved By God (v. 15b)
    - 3. He Was Sent By God (v. 16)

Family Night Supper

Family night supper will resume in September.  
Special “Thank You” to our cook teams  
and enjoy your summer break.



Dinner Theatre: Art to Die For

“Art to Die For” will be presented Aug. 22-23, 2025. Cost is \$20.00 per person (reserved seating), please no children under 6 years of age. Menu is as follows: Ham steaks, potato salad, green beans, corn, roll, salad, red velvet cupcakes and tea/water. Tickets are available by contacting the church office. Make checks payable to East Lumberton Baptist Church. **LAST DAY TO PURCHASE TICKETS IS WEDNESDAY, AUG. 13<sup>th</sup>.**



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August 10, 2025

Church Theme for 2025:  
You Can’t Out Give God - 2 Corinthians 9:6-7



Staff Directory

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Rev. Roger D. Smith  
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Minister of Senior Adults  
Rev. Ricky Donaldson  
(910) 499-5218

Worship Team Leader  
Mr. Matthew Horne  
(910) 734-4356

Ministry Assistant  
Ms. Janet Taylor

Worship Team  
Mr. Larry Cooke & Mr. Shon Anderson

Treasurer  
Ms. Carolyn Hedgpeth

Assistant Treasurer  
Ms. Kenan Chance

Custodian  
Mr. Jeff Pait

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2 Corinthians 9:6-7

11:00 AM MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude	Pianist
Invocation & Welcome	Rev. Roger Smith
Call to Worship	Sanctuary Choir
"I Believe It All"	
Offertory Hymn	
"I Feel Like Traveling On"	
Congregational	
"Just a Closer Walk with Thee"	
Message in Song	Jennifer Davis
Message in Song	Sanctuary Choir
"Midnight Cry" Soloist: Nick Stone	
Message	Rev. Michael S. Bowen
"The Man Who Cheated Death" Genesis 5:24	
*Hymn of Commitment	
"Softly and Tenderly"	
Benediction	Layman
Postlude	Pianist

Hymn of Commitment  
During the Hymn of Commitment if you would like to talk with someone about salvation, join the church or become a candidate for baptism, our Pastors will be available at the front during this time.

Birthday Celebrations  
Aug. 10<sup>th</sup> - Aug. 16<sup>th</sup>



12 <sup>th</sup>	David Baxley	Kristy Gerald
	Tonya Baxley	Justin Hucks
13 <sup>th</sup>	Debby Bledsoe	Mary Lane
16 <sup>th</sup>	Perry Dudney	



Samaritan Purse Christmas Shoe Boxes  
Items for the August: school supplies

Walkers in Faith

"Walkers in Faith" is a group that will be meeting once a month for a time of fellowship. This group is open to anyone. On Friday, August 15<sup>th</sup> we will meet, at 6:30 PM, in the Fellowship Hall, for a time of fellowship, games and snack food. Please bring a \$5.00 gift and a finger food to share. Please sign the sign-up sheet in the hallway or contact Michelle Lewis at (910) 374-1131.



6:00 PM EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude	Pianist
Invocation & Welcome	Rev. Roger Smith
Call to Worship	Sanctuary Choir
"Listening for the Shout"	
Offertory Hymn	
"Standing on the Promises"	
Congregational	
"When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder"	
Message in Song	Alana Taylor
Message in Song	Sanctuary Choir
"Miracle In Me"	
Message	Rev. Michael S. Bowen
"The God Called Pastor" Galatians 1:10-16	
*Hymn of Commitment	
"Trust and Obey"	

Benediction	Layman
Postlude	Pianist

OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK

Today	9:45 AM	Sunday School
	11:00 AM	Morning Worship Service
	11:00 AM	Haitian Ministry
	2:00 PM	Nursing Home Ministry (Harborview Nursing)
	NO Handbell Choir (will resume in Sept.)	
Wednesday	6:00 PM	Evening Worship Service
	NO Family Night Supper (will resume in Sept.)	
	NO Children's Choir (Grades 1-6) (will resume in Sept.)	
	7:00 PM	Prayer Meeting
	7:00 PM	Nursery thru Grade 12
Thursday	7:45 PM	Bulletin Deadline
	7:45 PM	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
	7:00 PM	Google Meeting

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Final Judgement: Scene Captains  
There will be a meeting of Scene Captains for Final Judgement TODAY, at 4:30 PM, in the Fellowship Hall.

Deacons Meeting

The regular monthly Deacons meeting will be held on Monday, August 11<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 PM. If you have questions, please contact Randy Graham.



CPR (Contact, Prayer, Recovery)

The regular monthly outreach will be held on Tuesday, August 12<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 PM. We will focus on the CONTACT of church prospects through visits and postcards.



Biltmore Mansion at Christmas

There will be a trip to the Biltmore Mansion, on Friday, November 14<sup>th</sup>. The cost of tickets is \$145.00 per person and due no later than TODAY. This cost does not include hotel or chartered motor coach transportation. Hotel accommodations have not been confirmed at this time. Make check payable to East Lumberton Baptist Church and turn into the church office. Please sign the sign-up sheet in the hallway if you are interested. If you have questions and/or concerns, please contact Pastor Ricky Donaldson.

Baby Shower: Christen Rogers

Everyone is cordially invited to participate in a Drop-Off Baby Shower for Christen Rogers and her daughter, Olivia Renea Locklear. Olivia is the granddaughter of Tammy Rogers and great granddaughter of Betty Rogers. We are asking you to drop-off your gift or gift card at the table in the preschool area no later than Sunday, August 17<sup>th</sup>. Diapers and wipes would be greatly appreciated.



35 Days Until Joash Chest Offering

On Sunday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, during the morning worship service we will be having the Joash Chest march. You will be given the opportunity to bring your sacrificial gift, above your tithes, for the new Family Life Center. If you have questions and/or concerns, please contact Pastor Bowen.

SNAC (Sunday Night After Church)

We are in need for four (4) families to open up their homes to our youth following the monthly youth service. The youth will come to your house after church for about an hour for fellowship after the service. Each family would provide some type of light refreshments. If you would be interested in this or would like additional information, please contact Rev. Roger Smith.



Volunteers for Cook Teams

We would like to continue to offer meals each Wednesday Night. However, in order to do this, we must have additional cook teams. If you would like to start a new cook team or join a cook team, please contact Kenan Chance or the church office. Thank you for your willingness to serve!



A special thank you to all VBS workers, teachers, volunteers and parents. It was a great week with many souls saved. God is good!



Final Judgement  
Upcoming Meetings

TODAY \* 4:30 PM – Scene Captains

Sunday, August 17<sup>th</sup> \* 4:30 PM – Tour Guides/Door Knockers

Sunday, August 31<sup>st</sup> \* 4:30 PM – Counselors

Save the Date: Revival – September 14<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup>

We are having a revival, September 14<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup>. Our guest speaker will be Evangelist Rick Coram. Services will begin on Sunday morning at 11:00 AM, Sunday evening at 6:00 PM and Monday thru Wednesday 7:00 PM nightly. Also, on Sunday September 14<sup>th</sup> we will observe high attendance Sunday School at 9:45 AM. Please invite your friends and family to join us. Be in prayer for our upcoming revival that many souls will be saved.

