



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

Donna Holden (910) 534-0616

If you have an Emergency Prayer Request and would like for your church family to be in prayer, please contact Donna Holden or the church office. Melissa Humphrey may be unavailable for a brief period of time.

Weekly Willing Workers

VAN DRIVERS	
9/7: Hugh Bledsoe (910-874-1961)	9/14: Jeff Bass (910-316-2570)
CHILDREN'S CHURCH	
Children's Church is provided for children ages 2 thru kindergarten	
2 & 3 years old	
9/7: Cindy Horne, Robin Donaldson, Chelsea Stone, Starla Stephens	9/14: Alana Taylor, Brittlyn Stubbs, Megan Freeman:
4 & 5 years old	
9/7: Sommer & Nathan Broadway, Jamie Foster	9/14: Austin & Whitney Hester, Sophia McLamb
NURSERY WORKERS	
newborn to 2 years old	
9/7: Claudia Cooke, Kristy Gerad, Robyn Morgan, Angel Thomas	9/14: Cathy Lamb, Gail Lassiter, Debby Bledsoe
DEACONS OF THE WEEK	
Randy Graham (910-374-8399) & Matthew Horne (910-734-4356)	
INTERCESSORY PRAYER MINISTRY	
9/7: Nancy Dudney	9/14: Molly Horne
FIRST IMPRESSION TEAM	
9/7: Melissa Humphrey, Carrie Mae Jacobs, Debby Bledsoe	9/14: Cathy Lamb, Gail Lassiter, Debby Bledsoe

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

SUNDAY MORNING

“Don’t Put Out The Fire”

1 Thessalonians 5:19

Theme: “Quenching The Spirit Of God”

- I. The Reality Of Quenching The Spirit (v. 19a)
 - A. How Quenching Is Defined
 - B. How Quenching Is Done
 1. By Dismissing The Holy Spirit’s Conviction (John 16:8)
 2. By Denying The Holy Spirit’s Control (Eph 5:18)
 3. By Disobeying The Holy Spirit’s Commands (Zech 7:12)
- II. The Remedy For Quenching The Spirit (v. 19b)
 - A. Understand The Call To Be On Fire For God
 1. We Are Called To Fuel The Fire (Gal 5:16)
 2. We Are Called To Fan The Flame (2 Tim 1:6)
 - B. Understand The Characteristics Of Being On Fire For God
 1. How It Starts
 2. How It Spreads
 3. How It Singes
 4. How It Separates
 5. How It Saturates
 6. How It Sounds
 7. How It’s Seen

SUNDAY EVENING

“Have You Heard The Good News”

Galatians 2:1-5

Theme: “The Truth Of The Gospel

- I. Paul’s Pilgrimage To Jerusalem (v. 1-2a)
 - A. The Companions He Took To Jerusalem (v. 1)
 1. Barnabas Who Was Gentle (v. 1a)
 2. Titus Who Was a Gentile (v. 1b)
 - B. The Call To Travel To Jerusalem (v. 2a)
- II. Paul’s Plan For Jerusalem (v. 2-5)
 - A. To Clarify The Message He Was Offering (v. 2-3)
 1. The Purpose In His Meeting (v. 2a-2b)
 - a. The Gospel He Was Preaching (v. 2a)
 - b. The Gentiles He Was Reaching (v. 2b)
 2. The Privacy Of This Meeting (v. 2c)
 3. The Person In His Meeting (v. 3)
 - B. To Confront The Men Who Were Opposing (v. 4-5)
 1. He Removes Their Mask (v. 4a)
 2. He Rebukes Their Method (v. 4b)
 3. He Reveals Their Motive (v. 4c)
 4. He Rejects Their Message (v. 5)



Menu for Sept. 10th

Vegetable soup, peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, dessert and drink.

\$5.00 donation per person; Free for Children under 6
Maximum donation of \$20.00 per family.

You MUST sign up on the sheet in the hallway as we need to know how much food to prepare.



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September 7, 2025

Church Theme for 2025:

You Can’t Out Give God - 2 Corinthians 9:6-7

EAST LUMBERTON Baptist Church

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Mr. Jeff Pait

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

11:00 AM MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude	Pianist
Invocation & Welcome	Rev. Roger Smith
Call to Worship	Sanctuary Choir
“When The Holy Ghost Shows Up”	
Offertory Hymn	
“Send the Light”	
Congregational	
“Soon and Very Soon”	
Message in Song	Daniel Lee
Message in Song	Sanctuary Choir
“It Took A Lamb”	
Soloist: Cassie Martin West	
Message	Rev. Michael S. Bowen
“Don’t Put Out The Fire”	
1 Thessalonians 5:19	
*Hymn of Commitment	
“Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross”	
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

Sept. 7th - Sept. 13th

7 th	Missy Beal	12 th	Melissa Evers
	Jamie Foster		Jamie Edwards
9 th	Caroline Stephens		Joshua Jones
	Jerry Allen		Maddox Saunders
11 th	Paula Roberts		

Save the Date: Revival – September 14th-17th

We are having a revival, September 14th-17th. 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 14th 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.




6:00 PM EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude	Pianist
Invocation & Welcome	Rev. Roger Smith
Call to Worship	Sanctuary Choir
“Let The Rocks Keep Silent”	
Offertory Hymn	
“Bless That Wonderful Name”	
Congregational	
“How Great Thou Art”	
Message in Song	Matthew Stephens
Message in Song	Sanctuary Choir
“It’s About The Cross”	
Message	Rev. Michael S. Bowen
“Have You Heard The Good News”	
Galatians 2:1-5	
*Hymn of Commitment	
“Wherever He Leads I’ll Go”	
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 (resume Sept. 21st)
	6:00 PM	Evening Worship Service
Wednesday	5:45 PM	Family Night Supper
		NO Children’s Choir (Grades 1-6) (resume Sept. 10th)
	7:00 PM	Prayer Meeting
	7:00 PM	Nursery thru Grade 12
	7:45 PM	Bulletin Deadline
	7:45 PM	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
Thursday	7:00 PM	Google Meeting



Final Judgement Upcoming Meetings

TODAY – 5:00 PM – Scene 1, Outside Fellowship Hall
(Sabrina Sanderson-Floyd)

TODAY – 5:00 PM – Scene 6, Preschool Area (Daniel Lee)

TODAY – 4:30 PM – Scene 8, Downstairs Basement (Duane Stubbs)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Deacons Meeting

The regular monthly Deacons meeting will be held on Monday, Sept. 8th, at 7:00 PM. If you have any questions and/or concerns, please contact Randy Graham.

Women’s Bible Study: Revelation

There will be a new Women’s Bible Study, on the book of Revelation, beginning on Monday, Sept. 8th. If you are interested in participating, please contact Molly Horne or Jerri-Kelly McLamb.

Denim and Pearls: Game Night

Denim and Pearls will be meeting on Friday, Sept. 12th, at 6:30 PM, in the Fellowship Hall, for game night. All ladies are invited! If you have questions, please contact Lisa Hendren or Sharon Leggett.

Homecoming Sunday, September 14th

Homecoming Sunday will begin with high attendance Sunday School at 9:45 AM, with a goal of 325. Contact all your class members and friends and make sure they join us in Sunday School. Our morning worship service will begin at 11:00 AM, with guest speaker Evangelist Rick Coram. Also, during the worship service we will have our Joash Chest march. You will be given the opportunity to bring your sacrificial gift, above your tithes, for the new Family Life Center. **Following the worship service, there will be lunch in the fellowship hall. Please bring a covered dish lunch to share.** Thank you, Events Committee

7 Days Until Joash Chest Offering

On Sunday, September 14th, 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.

College & Career: Wednesday Evening Class

There will be a new College and Career class on Wednesday Evenings, in the College and Career Sunday School classroom. The class will be taught by Mike White. If you have any questions, please contact Mike White or Rev. Roger Smith.

Parking

The construction company for the new Family Life Center, has placed a fence in our back parking lot, for security and protection. This fence has taken up some of our parking spaces. We would like for our younger adults to please park in the grassy area or across the road at the school and leave the parking lot for our handicapped and older adults. We appreciate everyone’s cooperation as we continue with the construction of our new Family Life Center.

Youth (Grade7-12): Main Event, Fayetteville, NC

The Youth (Grades 7-12) will be going to the Main Event in Fayetteville, NC, on Saturday, Sept. 27th. We will meet at the church at 9:00 AM and return around 12:00 (noon). Cost is \$10.00 per student plus money for food. Please sign the sign-up sheet in the hallway. Also, if you plan to attend, please complete a permission slip. If you have questions and/or concerns, please contact Rev. Roger Smith.

Joy Bells: Southern Supreme Fruitcake

The “Joy Bells” will be going to Southern Supreme Fruitcake in Bear Creek, NC, on Tuesday, Sept. 23rd. All senior adults are invited to attend! We will be departing the church promptly at 8:30 AM and enjoy a brief tour at 11:00 AM. We will stop for a dutch lunch on the way back. Please sign the sign-up sheet in the hallway, no later than Sunday, Sept. 17th. If you have questions and/or concerns, please contact Rev. Ricky Donaldson.

Preschool – Grade 6 Lumberton Bowling Center

The Preschool thru Grade 6 will be going to the Lumberton Bowling Center, on Saturday, Sept. 20th. We will meet at the Bowling Center at 11:00 AM and bowl until 1:00 PM. Cost is \$5.00 per student. Please sign the sign-up sheet in the hallway. Also, if you plan to attend, please complete a permission slip. If you have questions and/or concerns, please contact Rev. Roger Smith.

Walkers of Faith

Walkers of Faith will hold their regular monthly meeting on Friday, Sept. 26th at 6:30 PM. The group will be going to the Carrolton to sing to the residents at 7:00 PM. If you have any questions and/or concerns, please contact Michelle Lewis.

Alarm System

Effective Monday, Sept. 8th, the old alarm code will no longer work. You must use the code assigned to you. If you have any questions and/or concerns, please contact Matt Horne or the church office.

SAVE THE DATE

Senior Adult Fish Fry

Tuesday, October 14, 2025

Additional information forthcoming.