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## EABC MINISTRIES-IMPORTANT DATES

Weekly  
Church  
Activities  
**SUNDAY**

CHURCH OFFICE  
HOURS  
**MONDAY - THURSDAY:**  
9 AM - 3:00 PM

Library Open.....9-9:30 A

Sunday School ..... 9:30 A

Morning Worship ... 10:45 A

### **WEDNESDAY**

Children's Ministry.....6:30 P

Youth Group ..... 6:30 P

Bible Study / Prayer .....7 P

Sanctuary Choir ..... 7:50 P

## **JANUARY**

- 5—Brotherhood**  
**Women's Bible Study**
- 6—Church Council**
- 11—Finance Committee**  
**Deacon's Meeting**
- 13—Game Day**
- 18—Missions**
- 19—Women's Bible Study**
- 20—Game Day**
- 21—L.I.G.H.T./WMU**  
**Business Meeting**

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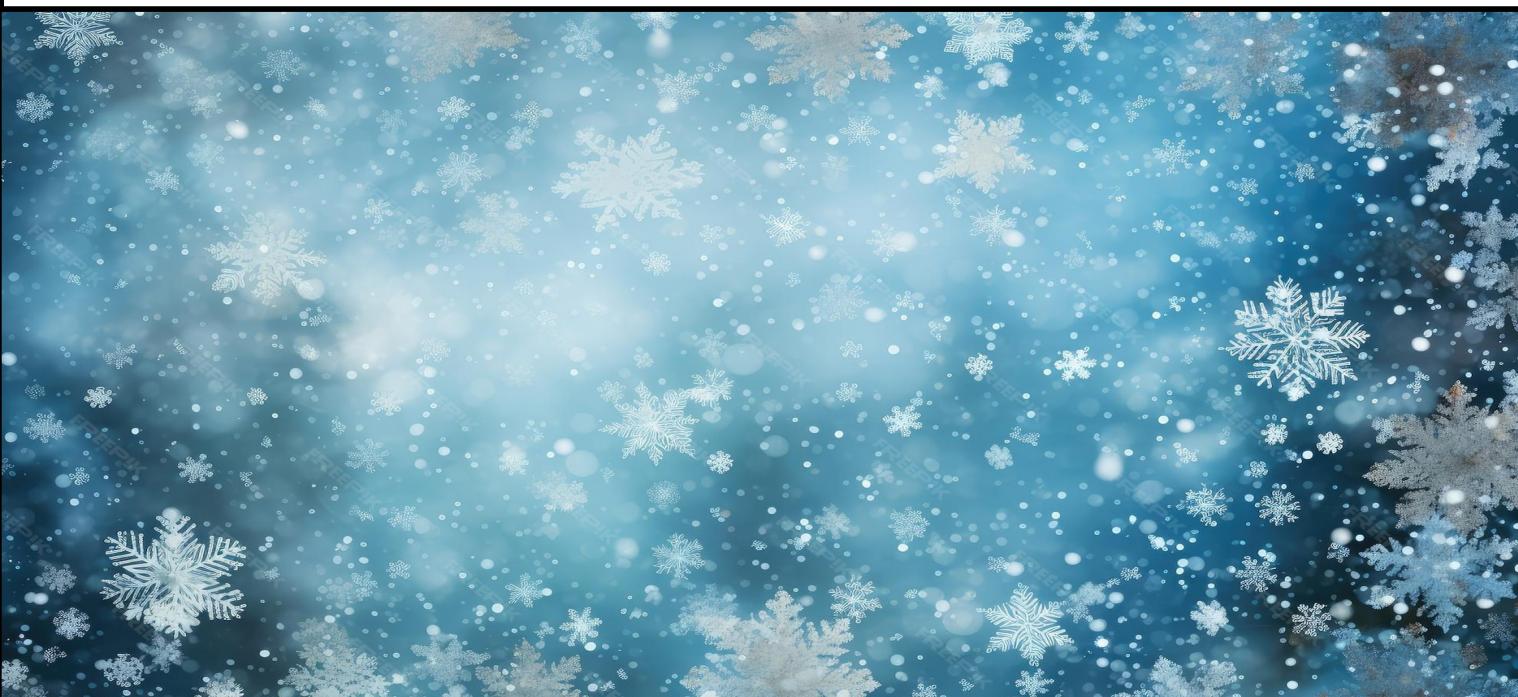
**Dr. Brian Trapp**  
Senior Pastor

I hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. As I look back on 2025, I think of God's blessings through the good and the bad experienced in the last 365 days. I am reminded of how our God has been faithful to me, my family and my faith family at East Athens. We serve a God who year after year, dispenses mercy and grace on his children and this year was no different. I am thankful for another year and look forward to what he has in store for 2026.

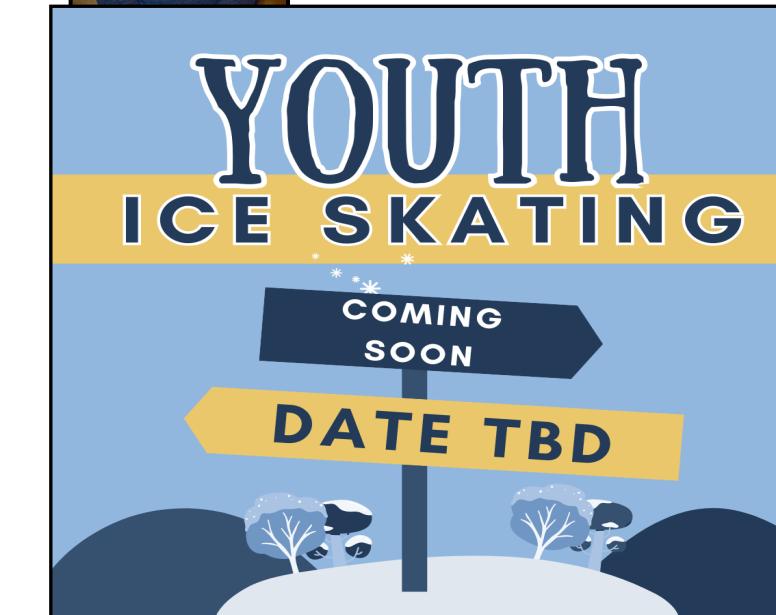
As we enter this new year many of us will have "New Year Resolutions" intended to bring some benefit to ourselves or to others. Many make resolutions involving physical activity, like working out or walking daily for better health. Taking care of one's body is important and needed; staying active and watching what we eat are keys to a healthier life. I want to challenge each of you to take care of yourself physically, but I also want you to be mindful of your spiritual health too. In 1 Timothy 4:7-8, Paul tells Timothy, "Train yourself for godliness for bodily training is of some value, godliness is of value in every way, as it holds promise for the present life and also for the life to come."

In this new year, I want to challenge you to spend time in God's word praying daily, and sharing the gospel. There are numerous Bible reading plans and prayer guides to help you. I encourage you to start on January 1 and continue with it all year long. I would like to recommend some books for you to add to your reading list this year: Suffering and the Sovereignty of God, by Pipier & Taylor, The Marks of a Healthy Church, by Mark Dever (I have copies if you want to borrow), Evangelism and the Sovereignty of God, by J. I. Packer, and Scandalous; The Cross and Resurrection of Jesus, by D. A. Carson. Let me know what you think after reading these excellent books.

Blessings,  
Pastor Brian



**RICHARD HARRILL**



## Deacons of the Week and Hospitality Team

<u>January 4th</u>	<u>January 11th</u>	<u>January 18th</u>	<u>January 25th</u>
Rodney Ammons	Joe Knox	Hoby Toomey	Jason Bush
Jamie McConkey (Front Entrance)	Sue McDonald (Front Entrance)	Rodney Ammons (Front Entrance)	Debo Toomey (Front Entrance)
Phil Hadorn (Nursery)	*Need Volunteer (Nursery)	*Need Volunteer (Nursery)	*Need Volunteer (Nursery)
Nathan Odom (Family Life Center)	Steve Bridges (Family Life Center)	Darrell McCormick (Family Life Center)	Donny Anderson (Family Life Center)