

# september

2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 Church/School Closed Labor Day	2	3 Second Chance! Kids on Mission Begins	4	5 EHCA Grandparents' Day Groves/Norman Rehearsal	6 Groves/Norman Wedding
7 Grandparents Day	8	9	10	11	12	13 for Tarin Schott Bible Study Leaders Appreciation Banquet
14	15	16 EHCA Picture Day	17 The Forge for Young Adults	18 Patriot Day CornerStone Speaker and Lunch ERLC Candidate Meet and Greet	19 Student Ministry McCall's Pumpkin Patch (20th)	20 Men's Ministry Breakfast for James Michael Buddrius
21 The Lord's Supper Business Meeting	22 Autumn Begins	23	24	25	26	27 Open the Book Women's Ministry Retreat
28 Zoolapalooza	29	30 Staff Calendaring Retreat				

# october

2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 Second Chance!	2 CBA Annual Meeting	3	4
5 World Communion Sunday	6	7	8	9	10 EHBC KIDS Shepherds Dinner and Training EHCA Fall Break	11
12 EHCA Fall Break Pastor/ Clergy Appreciation Sunday	13 Columbus Day Indigenous Peoples Day Canadian Thanksgiving	14	15 The Forge for Young Adults Provide Lunch for Christian Challenge	16 BOSS DAY CornerStone Game Day	17	18 Men's Ministry Breakfast
19	20	21 BCNM ANNUAL MEETING	22	23	24	25 Women's Ministry BINGO
26 Reformation Sunday	27	28	29 Second Chance!	30	31 trunk or treat Reformation Day	

People helping people live out the unexpected love of Jesus every day. This is Eastern Hills' mission as a church: to help one another be more like Jesus, and to help others hear about, experience, and live out His unexpected love every day.

Our values declare that we are an **AUTHENTIC FAMILY**: We have fun and encourage each other through life's ups and downs. We value **REAL TRUTH**: We dig into Scripture for clarity in a confusing world. **TRANSFORMATIONAL GROWTH** is our third value: We thrive as we learn to become more like Jesus together. And finally, we desire to make a **PRACTICAL IMPACT**: We seek to meet the needs of our neighbors wherever we find them.

# INFORMER

The Baptist Convention of New Mexico

State Missions Offering

established 1912

2025

**EASTERN HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH 2025 GOAL - \$13,500**

BCNM focus on missions and ministries in the state through the State Missions Offering. The offering is vital. It insures that our convention, a fellowship of churches, has resources for mission work all across New Mexico through its churches and associations.

All of the gifts received toward the State Missions Offering are used right here at home! This is where the gifts will be allocated: Church Planting, Collegiate Ministries, Hunger Funds, Inlow and Sivells Camps (improvements), NM Disaster Relief, People Groups Ministry and Evangelism

SEPTEMBER 2025

## WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Open the BOOK:  
building Bible confidence

September 27th  
10am-2:30pm

Please Sign Up- Lunch is Provided



Eastern Hills  
WOMEN'S MINISTRY



## GIVE Us 2...

We are blessed here at Eastern Hills because of the amazing servant's heart displayed by so many of our church family. Lately, I personally have seen how our EHBC KIDS Shepherds love on the kiddos throughout our Children's Ministry. For that, I am thankful and grateful for their love. However, we have a new challenge to overcome, we have increased out numbers throughout EHBC KIDS! We have literally DOUBLED in size over the past 6 weeks. This is a blessing and a wonderful challenge to have. We want to add additional Shepherds to come alongside our kiddos and guide them through Biblical Teachings and Worship, just be there to be a reflection of Jesus. I'm asking that you pray and see if this may be you. We utilize teams that will rotate off and on every other month, so the load is not heavy and the responsibility is not forever. We ask that you give us TWO Sundays. TWO Sundays to check things out. TWO Sundays to pour into His children. TWO Sundays... I have a feeling that you'll want to stick around and continue to serve in EHBC KIDS. Let me know or contact Khyrstyn Seiler, Amanda Bowman, or Liana Hill if you feel God calling you into serving, shepherding, His kiddos. Friends, it is one of the greatest mission fields to serve in!!

-Pastor Joe

## Zoolapalooza Sunday!!

Join us on Sunday, September 28th at the ABQ BioPark Zoo!

Immediately after service on the 28th of September, we will all head down to the Zoo as a church family. We will meet at the park inside the zoo in front of the bandstand. Bring your lunch and invite family and friends. We will then take time to explore every exhibit; from the Penguins, the Big Cats, to the Polar Bears, to the Elephants and everything in between!

We are here to serve the Families and Children of Eastern Hills Baptist Church

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## PASTOR BILL

For the last 20 months or so, our weekly Prayer Meeting (5:45 pm on Wednesdays) has been focused on the "great prayers" of the Old Testament. We started this focus in January of 2024, and we started what will be our last unit in this series last night (I'm writing on Thursday morning). We have reviewed and thought through the great prayers of Abraham, Moses, Hannah, David, two of the prayers of Solomon, and the prayers of Jonah, Hezekiah, Nehemiah, Ezra, and now Daniel. I decided to share the teaching that we looked at last night for this article.

Take a minute, if you can, and go read through Daniel's prayer in chapter 9, verses 3-19 of the book that bears his name.

What I want us to notice about Daniel's prayer isn't the *situational* context that precipitates it, but the *personal* context that does so. We know from his run-in with the wise guys in Daniel 6 that Daniel was a man with a devoted prayer life. After the shysters had convinced Darius to issue that edict prohibiting prayer to anyone but him (as if he could hear anyone's—much less *everyone's*—prayers!), Daniel just kept right on praying:

When Daniel learned that the document had been signed, he went into his house. The windows in its upstairs room opened toward Jerusalem, and three times a day he got down on his knees, prayed, and gave thanks to his God, just as he had done before. (Daniel 6:10, CSB)

As a result, he was thrown into the lions' den, and we know the rest of that story. However, we see one other aspect that moved Daniel's heart to prayer when we look at the first couple of verses of chapter 9: In the first year of Darius, the son of Ahasuerus, a Mede by birth, who was made king over the Chaldean kingdom—in the first year of his reign, I, Daniel, understood from the books according to the word of the Lord to the prophet Jeremiah that the number of years for the desolation of Jerusalem would be seventy. (Daniel 9:1-2, CSB)

According to this, Daniel was praying this prayer some time in 538 BC, and he was likely about 80 years old at the time. Daniel was not only a man of prayer—his prayers were prompted by his understanding of the Word of God. The prophet Jeremiah had to have been completed after Daniel was taken into exile. As a teen, he was taken in the first wave of those carried off to Babylon back in 605 BC, and the much older Jeremiah prophesied for another 20 or so years, especially if you include Lamentations. The book that we call Jeremiah was completed in about 586 BC. But Daniel had somehow obtained a copy of Jeremiah's scroll. Along with his other scrolls, which he specifically referred to as the Word of the Lord, Daniel was focused on God's Word when he prayed.

And what he saw in Jeremiah's prophecy prompted him to begin praying about God's promised delivery of Israel from the land of Babylon:

For this is what the Lord says: "When seventy years for Babylon are complete, I will attend to you and will confirm my promise concerning you to restore you to this place. (Jeremiah 29:10, CSB; See also Jeremiah 25:11)

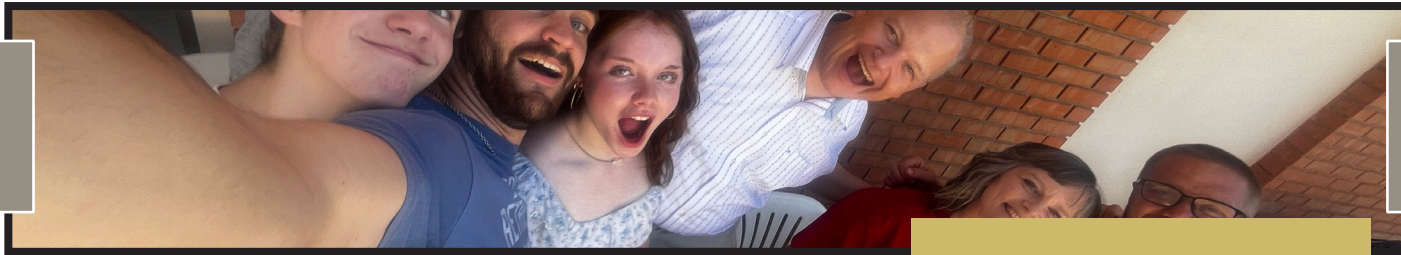
Here's my point: The promises that God makes in Scripture are at least in part recorded to teach us what it is that we should pray for. Some questions for reflection:

- Why is study and reflection on Scripture so important for our prayer lives?
- How does your understanding and study of the Word inform your prayers?
- How can Daniel's example help us as we approach the Word in order to learn how to pray?

Let's engage in studying the Scriptures so that we might be more informed in our prayers, and pray that we might understand the Scriptures more thoroughly!

Blessings,

Bill



## INFO...

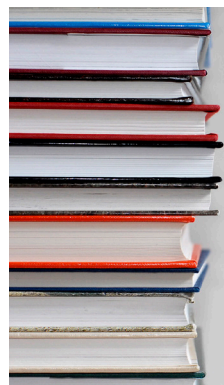
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ALBUQUERQUE BIBLICAL COUNSELING TRAINING CENTER

### Biblical Sexuality

September 12-13, 2025 Center City Church  
Speaker: 423 4<sup>th</sup> St. SW Abq 87102  
Marshall Adkins Cost: \$85



Registration:  
<https://secure.qgiv.com/for/ccefc/event/biblicalsexuality/>



**New Church  
Library  
Hours  
Open at  
10:15 am  
Sundays**



### Ethics and Religious Liberties Committee

This November's election is not as far off as one might think. We are looking at the election of some APS board members and a bond issue, City Council Representatives for districts 1, 3, 5, 7 and 9, and the Mayoral race. All this is just for Albuquerque. If you vote in one of the other counties please check the ERLC link on the church website for links to your election information.

In order to help you be able to make a more informed decision on the Mayoral and City Council races, the ERLC has set up a Meet & Greet for these

candidates. We have invited all the candidates for these races to come to EHBC on September 18th at 7:00 p.m. so you can hear them speak and ask them questions. A majority have already accepted our invitation and will be in attendance. The event will be in the FLC and we encourage you to invite anyone that you think would be interested.

The ERLC table will be back in the foyer starting on the 7th of September if you have any questions on this event or the November 4th election. As always we will be available to answer questions pertaining to the election, voting status and voter registration.

Please join us to help keep our voices heard.



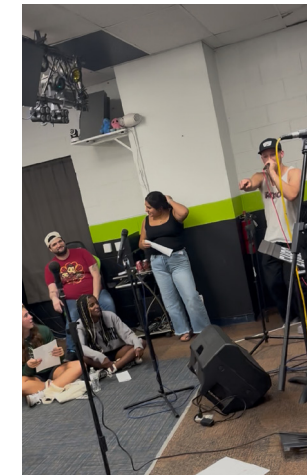
## STUDENT MINISTRY

## BACK TO SCHOOL

**McCalls Pumpkin Patch/Afterparty @ the Breens.** September 20, meet at McCalls at noon, stay for a few hours then head to the Breens for food, fellowship, and pumpkin carving! Transportation and tickets on you, but let me know if you need help.

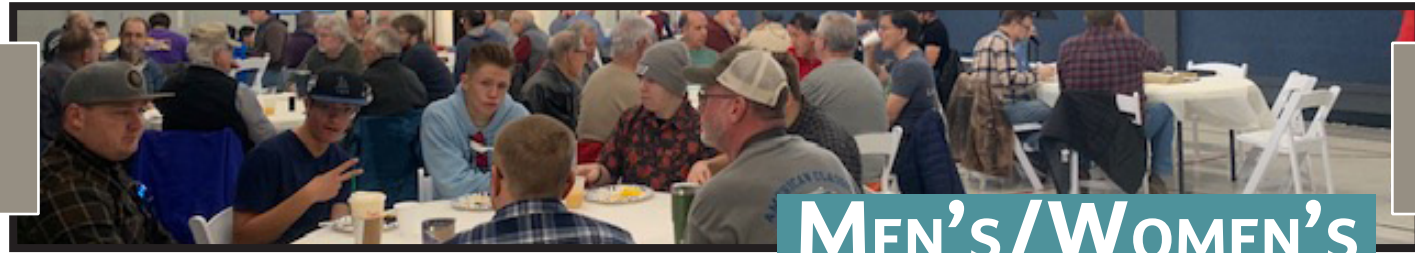
**BCNM's OneDay Mission Trip!** September 27. Leave EHBC @ 5am, return 7:30pm. More info on website.

**Other upcoming:** Pulling weeds at the Saltzman grandparents, DiscipleNow ("Pause," November 7-9).



Pray that we would grow deeper in our understanding of the Gospel





## MEN'S/WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

**Don't Miss the  
"Open THE BOOK,  
Building Bible Confidence"  
Retreat on September 27**



*Women's Ministry  
Prayer Connection Box  
on the Get-Connected Table  
Fill out a pink slip and put it in the pink  
box to get connected with a  
prayer partner.*



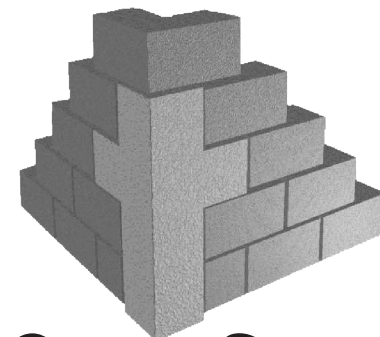
**UPCOMING**



**OCTOBER 25 9 AM TO 3 PM IN MILLER HALL**



## CORNERSTONE MINISTRY



**CORNERSTONE**  
60+ SENIOR MINISTRY  
FELLOWSHIP  
"Faithful Brothers and  
Sisters in Christ (Col. 1:2)"



### **SecondChance**

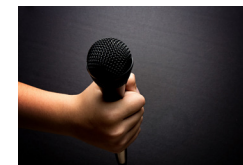
Wednesday, September 3 11:00 am in Rm. 101B

Movie  
"Facing the Giants"  
Bring your own Lunch!



### **Speaker and Lunch**

Thursday, September 18 11:00 am in Miller Hall  
Michael Schott will be the speaker  
Lunch Provided



### **SecondChance**

Wednesday, October 1 11:00 am in Rm. 101B

Movie  
TBD  
Bring your own Lunch!

