

october



2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	CBA Annual Meeting 2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
World Communion Sunday					EHCA Fall Break	
12	13	14	15 Provide Lunch for Christian Challenge	16 CornerStone Game Day	17	18
EHCA Fall Break Pastor/ Clergy Appreciation Sunday						Men's Ministry Breakfast
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
EHBC KIDS Shepherds Lunch and Training		BCNM ANNUAL MEETING				Women's Ministry BINGO
26	27	28	29	30	31	
Budget Discussion Reformation Sunday					 Reformation Day	

november



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						1
						All Saints' Day
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Daylight-Saving Time Ends						
	EHCA Scholastic Book Fair					
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Operation Christmas Child Packing Party		 No EHCA School			EHCA Movie Night	Student Ministry Thanksgiving Shopping
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Budget Vote and Business Meeting					EHCA Parent/Teacher Conferences NO School	
	24	25	26	27	28	29
30						
Week of Prayer for International Missions	EHCA Thanksgiving Break					Church Office Closed
				Thanksgiving		

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



Budget Planning

Be a part of planning next years Budget
Budget Discussion – October 26 • Budget Vote – November 16

2026 Calendaring

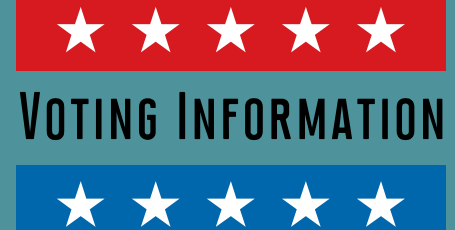
Submit your 2026 Calendar Dates
Facilities Use Forms Available in the Office

OCTOBER 2025

Our local elections are just around the corner so let us help you make sure that you are ready to vote.

Are you registered to vote in your location? Come by the ERLC booth and we will check for you. The last day to register online or by mail is October 7th. And they must receive them by this date. After this date you must register same day registration at the polling sites. There are documents that you must bring with you when you do the same day registration to verify your eligibility. Early voting starts October 7th at the County Clerk's office and October 18th at the other early voting locations. All mail in ballots must be requested by October 21st at nmvote.org.

Are you informed about the candidates? On our link on the EHBC web page you can find links to each candidates web site. Know your candidates opinions on issues before you vote for them. We



VOTING INFORMATION

are putting as much information on the ERLC site as we can locate to help you in your decisions.

Questions on any these items? The ERLC booth in the foyer is available every Sunday before Sunday school classes and before and after morning services. Come by and any of the ERLC members will be happy to assist you any way we can.

Want a printed ballot for your address? As they become available from the city, we will be happy to print out your ballot to allow you to study and take with you when you go to vote. Just come by, give us your information and we will print it out.

As always Educate yourselves, Pray and Vote Biblically.



THANK YOU SHEPHERDS!

If you are not aware of it, I refer to those who serve in EHBC KIDS, the Children's Ministry of EHBC, as Shepherds. I do that because those who serve in EHBC KIDS are more than volunteers or helpers, they Shepherd His children. They guide and direct the next generation. They spend time sharing the Gospel with those they are in charge of through not only the lessons and teachings, but by their words, their expressions, their love. I have been involved in Children's Ministry for over 26 years. When I say that I believe Children's Ministry is the greatest mission field in the church today, I truly believe it.

We usually only have 90-180 minutes with the children each week. That's it. 3 hours max out of 168 hours each week. Friends, this is why I am saying THANK YOU to our Shepherds, they make sure each time they serve to make it one of the best 3 hours of that child's week.

Shepherds, each of you are a blessing. You serve His kiddos with love and compassion. Some sacrifice your time from your Sunday School class, some from your time in Family Worship. Sacrificial service may cost each of you something, but it reflects Jesus' love most clearly. When each of you sacrificially give, others glimpse the humility and heart of Christ. Each of you are living out John 13:14.

Again, Thank You Shepherds!

-Pastor Joe

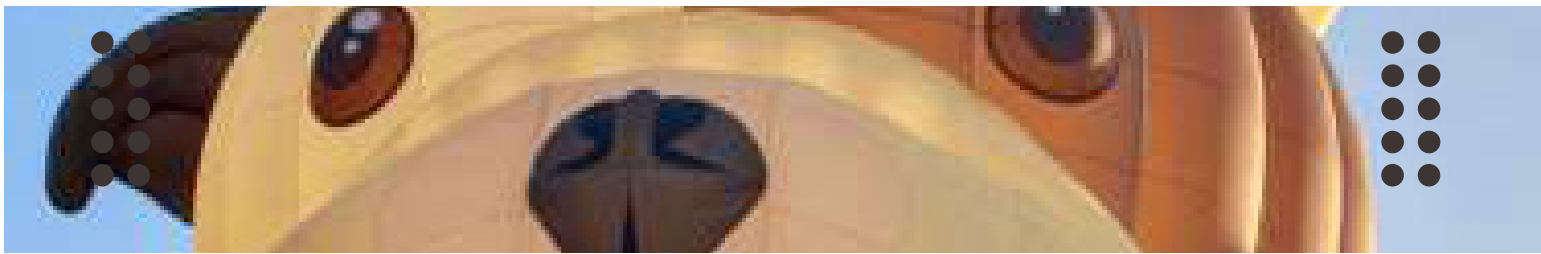


We are here to serve the Families and Children of Eastern Hills Baptist Church

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Just so you know, I'm writing this on Wednesday, September 24. I haven't finished my sermon yet for this weekend, and to be honest, this article is related to my sermon. However, it's at the same time completely separate. It's about stewardship. I know, I know...It's almost a cliché: When a pastor mentions "stewardship," he's going to ask for money. Well, this isn't true this time. I'm actually writing to rejoice in how God has been moving our church family to incredibly generous stewardship.

PASTOR
BILL

I've been a member of Eastern Hills for going on 36 years, and in all of that time, I do not recall a year such as this one. Most years (2021 was a major outlier), our giving is generally in the ballpark of our budget needs: usually a little behind, on rare years a little ahead. But in 2025 our giving is not just beyond our needs, our giving is CRUSHING our needs by nearly 6% through September 21! Now, 6% might not sound like much, but our budget needs through that week are \$791,502. Our budget receipts are \$837,509! That's a difference of over \$46,000! Thank you for your faithfulness, church family!

Not only that, but this year we have given over \$62,000 to our special missions offerings, as well as nearly \$118,000 to the Endeavor campaign (the building campaign that provided for our roof, lights, and air conditioners in the foyer, offices, and sanctuary, and which we are still paying on). All totaled, Eastern Hills has given well over ONE MILLION dollars to kingdom work this year! Your generosity is amazing, church!

This past week, we read through 2 Corinthians in our Bible Reading Plan. Paul spent a good deal of time in this letter addressing a financial gift that they had desired to give and had planned to give to Paul for him to administrate in blessing the church in Judea. It was during our reading of this letter that I was informed of our current budget status. Immediately God brought to mind the passionate generosity of the Macedonian churches that Paul mentioned at the beginning of 2 Corinthians 8: "I can testify that, according to their ability and even beyond their ability, of their own accord, they begged us earnestly for the privilege of sharing with the saints..." (2 Cor 8:3-4, CSB).

Furthermore, I was encouraged by the attitude and heart of unity and joy that we are currently enjoying in the church family as we give with such liberality. This shows that we are living out the words that Paul wrote to the Corinthians in the ninth chapter: "Each person should do as he has decided in his heart—not reluctantly or out of compulsion, since God loves a cheerful giver." (2 Cor 9:7, CSB). I see this happening, church, and it's a blessing to be a part of!

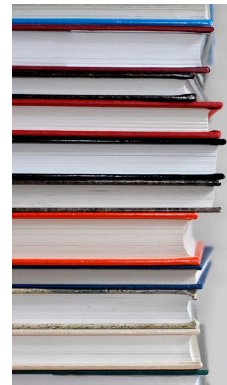
Finally, I praise the Lord for His provision for Eastern Hills, both in this matter of giving and in our unity and care for one another. I'll let Paul's words finish out this article, with his encouragement to confident faith in God's provision as we are faithful: "And God is able to make every grace overflow to you, so that in every way, always having everything you need, you may excel in every good work. As it is written: He distributed freely; he gave to the poor; his righteousness endures forever. Now the one who provides seed for the sower and bread for food will also provide and multiply your seed and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for all generosity, which produces thanksgiving to God through us...Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!" (2 Cor 9:8-11, 15, CSB)

Thanks for your faithful giving, church. You're a joy to pastor!

Blessings,
Bill



INFO...



**Visit the
Library
Hours
8:30 to
10:15 am
Sundays**



Wednesday October 15th
Eastern Hills will provide
the free lunch to College
students at the UNM
Christian Challenge. Your
staff will help serve the
meal, but we need desserts
to accompany. If you can provide a dessert
for this lunch, please drop it by the office on
Wednesday October 15th, by 9:00 am.

Fall Food Drive for the Baptist Children's Home COLLECTED THROUGH OCTOBER 22


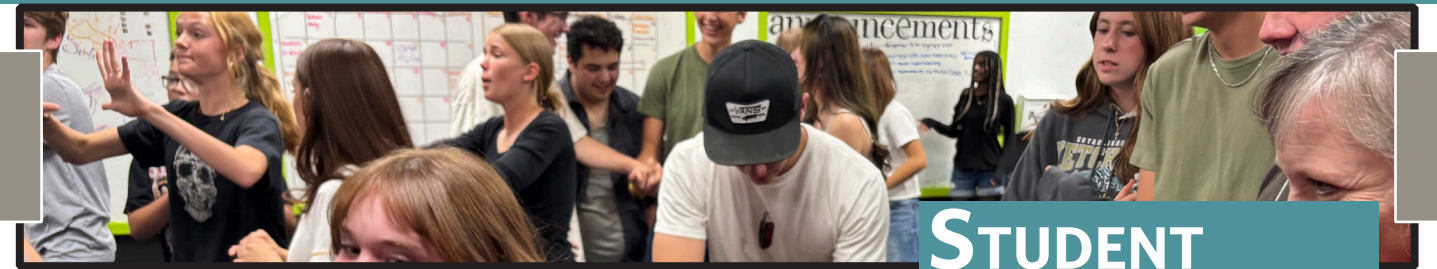
Granola Bars	Breakfast Bars
Canned refried beans	Canned fruit
Mustard	Cookies
Mac N Cheese	Brownie Mix
Sports Drinks/ Mix	Toothpaste

Pursonalities Ministry



Collecting purses and personal items
that are given to women who have
been battered, sexually abused or just
out of prison.
Collection Bin and Flyers are in the
foyers with a list of items needed.

Join Eastern Hills on a trip to Israel!
February 14th, 2027-February 25, 2027
for more information
ehbc.org/trip
or see Joe

STUDENT MINISTRY

AUTUMN FALLS

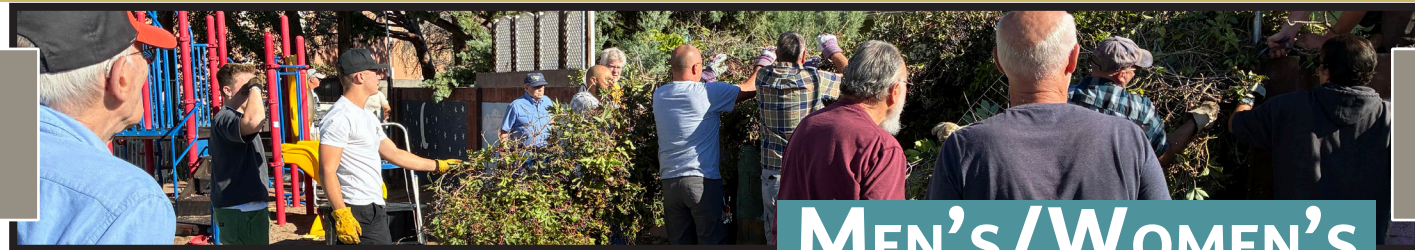
Thank you Beth and AJ Breen for hosting a pumpkin carving party for youth after our trip to McCalls, and to Bill and Mel Connors, Dawn Hoffman, and my wife Amanda for sticking around as sponsors and parents.

DiscipleNOW is coming November 7-9! The theme is "Pause." All students grades 6-12 are welcome. There's an overnight element in host homes, a service project (at The Rock ABQ), lots of running in church after dark, and small group Bible studies on the need to rest, the meaning of rest, and radically resting.



Thank you so much to the adults who pour themselves into our youth!





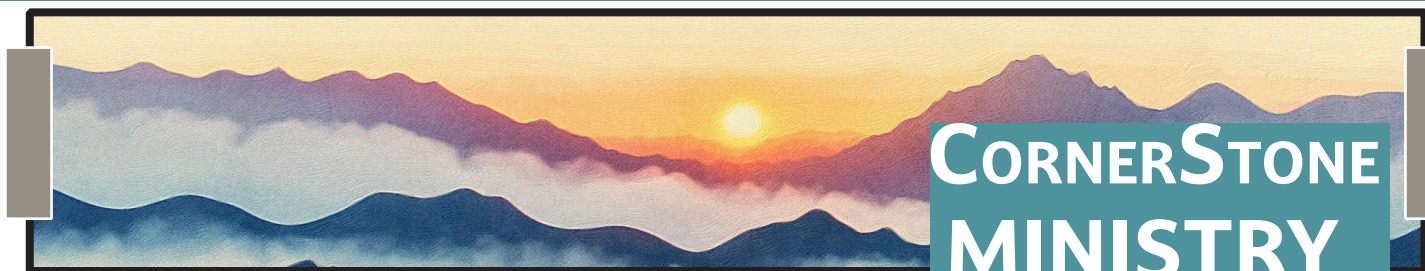
MEN'S/WOMEN'S MINISTRIES



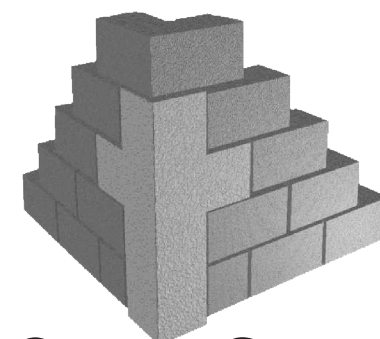
**OCTOBER 25 9 AM TO 3 PM
IN MILLER HALL**



BREAKFAST
October 18
FLC @ 8 AM



Faithful Brothers and Sisters
in Christ (Col. 1:2)



CORNERSTONE
60+ SENIOR MINISTRY
FELLOWSHIP
Psalms 118:22;
Matthew 21:42



SecondChance

Wednesday, October 1 11:00 am in Rm. 101B
Movie
"October Baby"
Bring your own Lunch! Snacks are Provided

Game Day

Thursday, October 16 9:30 am in Miller Hall
Coffee, Donuts and Lunch Provided

SecondChance (Or is it ThirdChance?)

Wednesday, October 29
Lunch @ Gabriel's Restaurant (4 Banana Ln. Santa Fe, NM 87506)
We'll Caravan! Meet at the Church at 10:00
Please Sign Up on the Sheet at the Get-Connected Table

