

| SUNDAY   | MONDAY                                    | TUESDAY                        | WEDNESDAY            | THURSDAY     | FRIDAY   | SATURDAY   |
|--|---|--------------------------------|----------------------|--------------|--|--|
|  |   |                                |                      |              |  | 1<br>Rehearsal for<br>Christmas Drama<br>All Saints' Day                           |
| Operation<br>Christmas Child<br>Packing Party<br>Daylight-Saving | 3   | DON'T<br>FORGET<br>TO VOTE     | 5                    | 6            | 7<br>Stu. Min. I   | Rehearsal for <sup>8</sup><br>Christmas Drama<br>Disciple Now                      |
| Time Ends  |   |                                | CA Scholastic Book F | air          |  |  |
| Stu. Min.<br>Disciple Now  | 250th Marine Corp<br>Birthday Celebration | Veterans 11 Day No EHCA School | 12                   | 13           | 14<br>EHCA Movie Night   | Men's Ministry<br>Breakfast<br>Rehearsal for<br>Christmas Drama<br>Women's Council |
| Budget Vote and Business Meeting                                 | 17  | 18                             | The Forge 19         |              | EHCA Parent/Teacher<br>Conferences<br>NO School<br>Set up for Than |  |
| JOIN US FOR  | Operation Christmas Child Drop-Off        |                                |                      |              |  |  |
| THANKSGIVING 23 CELEBRATION                                      | OCC Drop-Off                              | 25                             | 26                   | 27           | 28   | 29   |
| Week of Prayer 30  |   | EL                             | CA Thanksgiving Pr   | 2014         | Church Office Close  | a  |
| Week of Prayer 30 for International Missions                     |   | En                             | CA Thanksgiving Bro  | Thanksgiving |  |  |

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Christmas Church 6 WoP Dessert/ 1 Day of Prayer for <sup>3</sup> WoP Breakfast @ the Treece's Prayer fellowships omes Decorating Joe's 18th 9 Anniversary w/ EHBC Parade of Follow the Sun **Gingerbread Homes** Women's Cookie Exchange Bible Club EHCA Art Show/ Christmas Program and Dinner Lisa Francis Christmas Program Deacon Christmas Party Piano Recita Worship Choir Staff Christmas Party Christmas Program Cocoa and Men's Ministry Breakfast Caroling Parade of Gingerbread Homes Winter Begins 29

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.



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Missions Emphasis Sunday &

**Thanksgiving Dinner** 

**Sunday November 23 After Morning Service** 

Help support this year's
Thanksgiving meal through your
donations online (Special Dinners)
or at the door.

Catered Meal - Please bring Desserts to Share
9:00 am Bible Study Rm 102
10:30 - 11:45 am Missions Emphasis Service
Kick Off for the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering
Missionary Speaker: Sheri Gaches
12:00 pm Lunch-Miller Hall & Family Life Center

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November 2025

## **Pack a Shoebox**



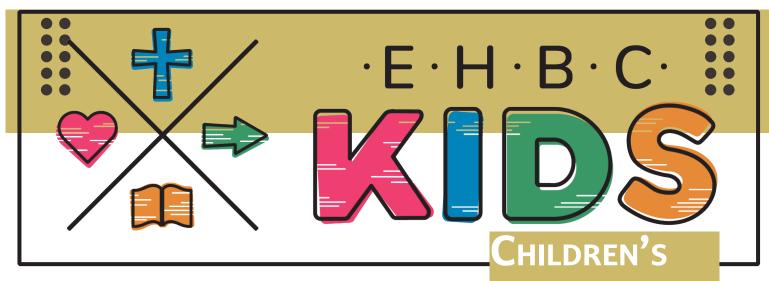




Bring packed boxes to the church by November 23

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### **OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD**

On Sunday the 2nd of November will be our annual OCC Packing Party. Samaritan's Purse sends gift-filled Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes to children in need around the world together with the message of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

By filling ordinary shoeboxes full of toys and other fun items, we as a church family can be part of giving boys and girls what may be their first gift ever!

EHBC will continue to collect boxes through November 23rd. I would like to encourage each family here at EHBC to fill additional boxes and bring them in before the 23rd.

And I'd like to also recognize our OCC Team here at EHBC: Glen and Lisa Delaney & Trish Armenta. Their tireless year round work is a blessing to our church family as well as the children receiving the shoeboxes.

-Pastor Joe Vivian

### Gingerbread House Display

Pick Up Your Reserved Gingerbread Kits on either the 23 or 30 of Nov We will have 24 Gingerbread House Kits available by reservation only. Please email Pastor Joe at joe@ehbc. org to reserve your kit. Those reserved will be handed out the Sunday of the 23rd or 30th of November. You will take em home and use those kits as well as any additional materials to build your home and even reconstruct the building to a new structure all together; however, ALL materials used must edible and fit on a 16" round cake board (Also supplied with your kit.) Displayed throughout December in the foyer.

### **Sunday, November 23rd**

No EHBC KIDS, except will be the Nursery during Family Worship Only, due to Missions Emphasis Sunday and Church Wide Thanksgiving Meal!

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

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Last week (October 21-22), the Baptist Convention of New Mexico (BCNM) held our annual meeting at First Baptist Church of Las Cruces. This annual meeting is basically like our church business meetings, but for all of the participating Southern Baptist Convention (SBC) churches in the entire state. Each church is entitled to send "messengers" to participate in the meeting as representatives in order to cast votes on behalf of the

# Pastor Bill

congregation. Eastern Hills sent three messengers this year: Donna Treece, Woody Weed, and me.

The theme for the Convention this year was "One Faith, One Mission." We gathered for two days and heard reports from various ministries, such as the New Mexico Baptist Children's Home and the New Mexico Baptist Foundation. We joined in musical praise and worship together with other New Mexico Baptists led by various musical groups, and were challenged by messages from our outgoing Convention President Stephen Baum and our Executive Director Steve Ballew, as well as from Pastor David Brittain from Emmanuel Baptist Church of Farmington, as well was a special keynote from Dr. Adam Groza, President of Gateway Seminary, BCNM Team Leaders Rick Brittain and Matt Thackerson gave a wonderful report on the results of the One Day Mission Trips to Tucumcari and Silver City that occurred in September (we sent a team to Tucumcari), and Stephen Baum led a panel discussion about Statements of Faith with Adam Groza and Jeff Dalrymple, the SBC Executive Committee's Director of Abuse Prevention and Response. The Convention also elected next year's president and first and second vice-presidents (Chris Promersberger from Mountain Valley Baptist Church in Edgewood, Joel Gunn from FBC Bloomfield, and Sam Swann from Calvary Baptist Church in Las Cruces, respectively). We adopted resolutions for the Convention, including a resolution on the celebration of the 100th anniversaries of the Baptist Faith and Message and the Cooperative Program, and one on Evangelism and Missions: recommitting ourselves to the tasks of evangelism, disciple-making, and missions, exhorting: "RESOLVED, That we urge New Mexico Baptists to joyfully share the good news about Jesus with great urgency in their families, personal relationships, pulpits, Bible study classrooms, and in every possible opportunity."

As a result of this meeting, I want to encourage our church family with a few things. First: Go to our website's "What We Believe" page (ehbc.org/what-we-believe) and review our Core Beliefs (aka our Statement of Beliefs). You can even click the titles of the various sections and jump to sermons on those topics from our "We Believe" series a few years ago. We should all be on the same page on these things in our church family. Our Statement of Belief is a slightly less wordy version of the Baptist Faith and Message 2000, which leads me to my second encouragement—

Second: Go and read the Baptist Faith and Message 2000 (bfm.sbc.net/bfm2000/) and spend some time reading through and reflecting on the Scripture passages that support each point. This is a wonderful exercise in biblical thinking through these topics, and God will use that reflection to strengthen your understanding of His Word, of Himself, of the Gospel, and of the Church (both universal and local). Having this knowledge stored deep in your heart is a great help in sharing the hope of the Gospel, which brings me to my final encouragement—

Third: Commit yourself to asking God for opportunities to share the Gospel, to tell people about how Jesus has loved you and about how you love Him, and then keep your eyes open for the opportunities God will provide. As David Brittain said at the annual meeting, evangelism is really just, "Talking about the One we love, with people we care about, because that's just who we are." Evangelism doesn't have to be scary, because we can't save anyone, and we can't condemn anyone to hell because they're already headed there apart from Christ! Success in evangelism isn't when someone believes as a result of our sharing—success is when we share in the first place. Only God saves souls, so the pressure is off!

Thanks for being such a wonderful, faithful church family!

Blessings.

Bill



# Ethics & Religious Liberty Committee

10%. As of last Wednesday, only 1 in 10 of eligible voters had cast ballots in our current election. The majority of voters, 90%, have decided to let some unknown person decide for them whom will be making the laws and running the public offices in our city. In addition, we are allowing someone else to obligate us to \$180.000.000 of bonds that we may or may not agree with. Leadership for APS, that will affect how our children are taught, encouraged and protected is also being decided. And APS is asking for an additional obligation for another \$350,000,000. We as citizens have the right and responsibility to make these decisions for ourselves. The only way we can show our support or our disfavor is by casting our ballot. We still have that final opportunity on Tuesday, November 4th for in-person voting. If the ERLC can assist you in any way, sample ballot or assistance getting to the polls, please contact us and we will help any way we can.

#### DO NOT GIVE AWAY YOUR RIGHT TO HAVE YOUR VOICE HEARD

If a runoff election is needed for any of the races, the election will be on December 9th, with early voting beginning on December 1st. Absentee ballots for this election will need to be requested by the 3rd week of November. The ERLC will be available to assist with any needs you may have.

**VOTE! YOUR RIGHT YOUR RESPONSIBILITY** 



### **Pursonalities Ministry**



We are collecting purses and personal items for women who have been battered, sexually abused or recently released from prison. The collection bin and a list of needed items are at the Get Connected table.





## **N**OVEMBER

**Feeling stressed? Overextended?** This year's Disciple NOW considers the theme of rest, a Sabbath mindset, through a study called "Pause." We'll also play laser tag and serve our community and spend some nights in host homes along the way! November 7-9

**Thanksgiving Boxes!** Every year the youth group packs these boxes for members of our church and community who are in need.

**Christmas Party!** December 17!







Pray that we would be sloooooooooooooowww where needed







### **BINGO WAS A BLAST**







BREAKFAST November 15 FLC @ 8 AM







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



#### **NEWS AND UPDATES**

November begins the holiday season, bringing alongside the busyness that comes with it. Planning the Thanksgiving meal, hosting friends and family, or traveling out of town can be stresses that we face during the holidays.

Traditionally, there are no scheduled Cornerstone events in November but if you look at the church calendar there are other events scheduled. One favorite event is

on Sunday, November 23rd, which is the churchwide Thanksgiving meal that follows the morning service.

On Thursday, December 17th, we will have the Cornerstone Christmas party, meal, and gift exchange (\$20.00). This will be the final senior adult event for 2025.



