

WHEN THE CHURCH CAN'T MEET



"And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you

see the Day drawing near." Hebrews 10:24-25

In light of the imposed restrictions from COVID-19 (Coronavirus), Eastern Hills Baptist Church will cease meeting together for a time. Hebrews 10:25 says we should not forsake meeting together. Are we being disobedient to Scripture? We are not. Our hiatus does not come from neglect or fear but from faith and love according to Scripture. The leadership of Eastern Hills is trusting faithfully in our government authorities in their effort to keep us from harm (Rom. 13). We are also loving our neighbors by trying to keep others from harm (Matt. 22:39).

By failing to meet together as a church, are we losing something? Absolutely. Online music and preaching are not the gathered body of Christ. A recorded worship service, no matter how good it may be, is not the meeting together of believers for encouragement toward the good works of Christ. Make no mistake; the fact that we can't meet together as the church is a great tragedy. That being said, we do the best with what we have. Soldiers can survive on prepackaged meals (MREs) for a time, but they eventually need more nutrition. As a church, we are going to have to survive on "prepackaged worship services" for a time. We'll record worship services and encourage you to watch them with your families and share them on social media, but let us not become complacent in these services. Please hear this warning - if we don't come back together as a body as soon as possible, we will become spiritually malnourished. Pray vigorously that the Lord would bring us together soon!

In our waiting, let us not waste the time we have. This is an excellent opportunity to challenge yourself in **Bible reading**.

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ALL REGULAR CHURCH ACTIVITIES CANCELED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE!

WATCH FOR REGULAR INTERACTION THROUGH EMAIL AND SOCIAL MEDIA

THIS INCLUDES, BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE FOLLOWING:

Men's Prayer Group • Men's Bible Study • Wednesday Night Activities & Supper
Celebration Singers • Senior Adult Activities
Sunday School, Sunday Morning Worship & Sunday Evening Worship

PALM SUNDAY OUTDOORS

CANCELED! BUT WE WILL REUNITE IN CELEBRATION SOON!

FIRST STEPS

First Steps has been postponed, more info to come.

Mentors Meeting

MEETING FOR MARCH 24 HAS BEEN CANCELED

FISHING DAY

Fishing Day has been postponed, more info to come.

Due to health concerns, the Anniversary party honoring Lynne and Larry Huett on March 21st has been canceled.

See if you can dig deeper than normal, even if it's just a little deeper. See if you can read more, even if it's just a little more. Challenge yourself the same way in **prayer** and in **servicing others**. Connect and reconnect with your brothers and sisters in Christ through phone calls, texts, emails, even old-school letters. Lastly, and this is a tough one, challenge yourself in **giving**. Now, more than ever, we all need to trust the Lord in our generosity. Continue to give to the church (you can mail in your offerings or give online at www.ehbconline.com under the giving tab). Continue also to give to those around you as you see need. Remember, this may be a hiatus from meeting together as a church, but it is not a break from being the church. May we all continue in faith and love in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!

PASTOR JOSH

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IN THE PULPIT

A.M. On-Line "Shared Life"
Ephesians 2:11-22
P.M. No Evening Worship

**Youth Choir Fundraiser
PAINTING WITH HEIDI!**
POSTPONED UNTIL LATE APRIL
More information to come.

TERRY VEAZEY

*Pray for Evangelist Terry Veazey
as he preaches in NICARAGUA
from March 21-28.*

For additional information,
go online to www.terryveazey.org

**SERVICE TEAMS
THIS SUNDAY**

DEACONS OF THE WEEK
Mickey Golden, Ken McGraw

COUNTING COMMITTEE
Don Cluck, James Owens

**CHILDREN'S MINISTRY
BIRTHDAY BOARD**

Declan Burkhart	March 25	1
Phillip Higbe	March 26	11

ON THE GROW

Bible Study Attendance for
March 15, 2020

	Att.
G.O.	-
Preschool & Teachers	-
Children & Teachers	-
Youth & Teachers	-
Adults	-
Homebound	-
Total	-
Morning Worship Service	187
Evening Worship Service	-

BUDGET REPORT

Year to Date

Budget Requirements	\$365,668.38
Budget Receipts	362,608.28
Under Budget	3,060.10

Weekly Budget Report

March 15, 2020

Budget Requirements	\$33,242.58
Budget Receipts	15,710.00
Under Budget	17,532.58

Designated

Designated	\$245.00
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Easter Flowers



If you wish to place an Easter Flower in the Sanctuary in memory or in honor of someone, please complete the form below and place it in the offering plate or bring it to the church office. There are only 22 hydrangeas available. **Order DEADLINE is Wednesday, April 8. Pink Hydrangeas \$17.00 each. Please include payment.**

Given By _____

In Memory Of _____

In Honor Of _____