

Prayer?

Please list your prayer requests with detailed information of people in need. Thank you!



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Women



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Equipping



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Sermon.

Speaker: Matt Reagan, Campus Outreach Director

Message: The Hope That Is In You

Text: 1 Peter 3:13-17

"Now who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is good? But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect, having a good conscience, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God's will, than for doing evil."
1 Peter 3:13-17

"It isn't enough to hear truth in words; you have to feel truth in your soul." Justin Whitney Earley, *The Common Rule*

2 Big Assumptions:

1. The readers of the letter are _____. - 1:1, 1:17, 2:11
 - a. Exiles don't _____ where they are.

"The world is rated R, and no one is checking IDs. Do not try to make it G by imagining the shadows away. Do not try to hide your children from the world forever, but do not try to pretend there is no danger. Train them. Give them sharp eyes and bellies full of laughter. Make them dangerous." N.D. Wilson, *Notes from the Tilt-a-Whirl*

- b. Are we exiles?

2. The readers of the letter are on a _____. - 2:10

3 Big Questions:

1. Will we be _____ when we do good? - vs. 13-14
 - a. South Sudan?
 - b. What does it mean to be blessed?
2. How can we keep from being _____ or _____? - vs. 14-15
3. Why would they ask about our _____? - vs. 15
 - a. Countercultural _____ - Matthew 5:13, Acts 17:6
 - b. Countercultural _____ - vs. 9
 - c. Countercultural _____ - 2:10

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Sermon.

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Our problem is not generally that we don't _____ with gentleness and respect; it's that we don't _____.

Application: _____ your hope.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

1. In which relational areas of your life are you fearful or troubled (because of your faith)?
2. How can you show/share your hope in your spheres of influence?
3. "It might be God's will that you suffer for doing good." Discuss.



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Welcome.

We're glad you are here to worship with us. If you are new to East Cooper Baptist, we would love to meet you. Please stop by the Welcome Center following the worship services to say hello and let us answer any questions you may have. Thanks for being our guest.

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Traditional Worship / Sunday equip•u Classes
Sanctuary 9:00a & 10:45a
Contemporary Worship / Sunday equip•u Classes
Worship Center 9:00a & 10:45a



Next Steps.

Attend a Guest Luncheon

Get to know us better at our next Guest Luncheon and see what God has in store for you. You'll meet our pastor and some of our staff and enjoy fellowship with a great meal. Our next free luncheon is **January 12 at 12:15p** in the gym. For more information, please contact Carol at carolw@eastcooperbaptist.com.

Find an equip•u Class

Our equip•u classes are groups that meet before or after the worship services to study the Bible in depth. Visit the Welcome Center to pick up an equip•u guide, or go online to choose from a variety of classes. Register for track classes at eastcooperbaptist.com/classes.

Join a Community Group

An authentic biblical community provides a place where we can grow, learn, and serve as we seek to know Jesus. We have a variety of over 30 open groups from students to adults. Please go online today to locate a group near you. eastcooperbaptist.com/groups

Become a Member

Register online for our upcoming New Members Class on Saturday, **January 25**. This class is a basic introduction to our church family and is a requirement for joining the church. We designed this class to clearly explain what we believe at East Cooper Baptist.

Serve in equip•them

Equip•them is the serving arm for Sunday morning ministries. We have nearly 600 opportunities to serve. Some needs require 15 minutes before the service; others may require the whole equipping hour. eastcooperbaptist.com/serve

Childcare.



We have a safe and loving environment for your children where they can learn about God. Please take advantage of our nursery for children up to age three during the worship services. Our ushers are ready to assist you.



This Week.

For detailed information, please go online.

SUN

DEC 1

Combined Services TODAY
9:00am & 10:45 Sanctuary
No equip•u classes

TUE

DEC 3

Prayer & Fasting
6:30-7:00p Worship Center
Worship Band Rehearsal
6:30-8:30p Worship Center

WED

DEC 4

Children's Choir (WAM)
6:30-8:00p A-Wing Classrooms
Choir & Orchestra Rehearsal
6:30-8:00p D203 Choir Room
MSM T4:12
6:00-8:00p Gym
DivorceCare
6:30-8:00p B221

THU

DEC 5

Women's Morning Devotional
6:30-7:30a Welcome Center
Re|engage Marriage Program
6:30-8:30p D-Wing Choir Room
Foster Care Commissioning
6:00-8:30p Worship Center

FRI

DEC 6

Man2Man
6:20-7:30a Gym

Student Life Center Update



The construction fencing was installed recently around the new Student Life Center building site (see illustration above). Please note that the rear exit drive will remain open on Sundays to alleviate traffic congestion. We apologize for the inconvenience; however, we are excited to see construction begin.



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Upcoming.

For detailed event information, please go online.

TODAY This book of daily readings for the month of December by best-selling author Paul David Tripp will help you slow down, prepare your heart, and focus on what matter most: adoring our Savior, Jesus. Pick up yours today in the Resource Section for \$11.



DEC 1-JAN 26 The International Mission Board uses 100% of the gifts given to Lottie Moon to send missionaries all over the world. Our church goal this year is \$460,000. You may give online, by offering plate, or text "GIVE #lottiemoon 50" (to give \$50) to 843-202-4848.



DEC 6 & 7 Order your tickets today for this year's Christmas Concert, "This Day." Performances will be held on the 6th at 7:00p and on the 7th at 4:00p and 7:00p. The concert is free, but you need a ticket for admission. **GET TICKETS ONLINE.**



DEC 8 With the delivery of a gift, Angel Tree boys and girls hear the free gift of salvation and feel the love of their incarcerated parents. Make sure to have your gifts back on December 8. We also need help sorting the gifts after the second service.



DEC 24 You, your family, and friends are invited to one of our Christmas Eve Services in the Sanctuary. Service times are at 4:00p (with childcare) and 5:30p. Please join us for this special worship service that celebrates the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ.



JAN 10-12 Join us for this year's Women's Retreat. Speaker Mary Willson (along with Kelsie Ellison) will be teaching us about how our God is faithful to provide all that we need. **REGISTER ONLINE.**



FEB 12 All men are invited to our Wild Game Banquet. There will be prizes, music, and lots of barbecue. This year's speaker is Michael Franzese, former "Prince of the Mafia." Tickets go on sale January 6. **SEE YOU THERE!**



WHO ARE YOUR 3?

- Who are 3 people that God has been laying on your heart?
- What are you praying for God to do in their life?
- How will you love them, and when will you share the gospel with them?

NEW TO ECBC?
After the service, stop by the Welcome Center.

Please complete the perforated section and place in the offering plate or bring by the Welcome Center.

Hello.

If you're here for the first time, please come by our Welcome Center and say hello. We'd love to answer any questions and say thanks for being our special guest today.

I/We attended worship at:

9:00a 10:45a

I am a first time guest

Name

Spouse

Birthdate

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Address

City

State

Zip

Mobile

Spouse Mobile

Email

Spouse Email

Preferred method of contact:

Call Text Email

Interested in the following:

- Become a Christian
- Join the Church
- Request a personal visit
- Subscribe to newsletter
- Join a Community Group
- Other