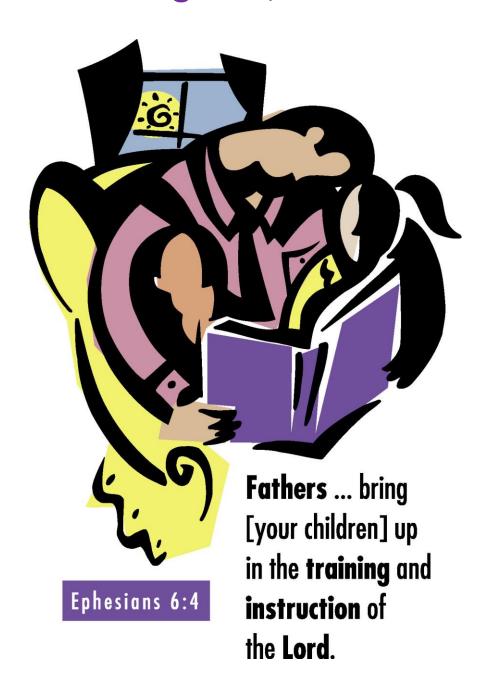
ELIM COVENANT CHURCH August 9, 2015



WORSHIP CELEBRATION August 9, 2015

"It does no harm to esteem yourself less than anyone else, but it is very harmful to think yourself better than even one. The humble live in continuous peace, while in the hearts of the proud are envy and frequent anger." (Thomas a Kempis)

GATHERING BEFORE GOD

We are invited into the presence of God!
Please turn your cell phones off Please sign the register book & pass it on.

PRELUDE

SONGS OF PRAISE Zach Coil Worship Facilitator "Sing to the King"

"The Stand"

HYMN #299 "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

GREETING ONE ANOTHER

HEARING FROM GOD

We give our attention to God by opening our lives to His Word! We invite God's Spirit to take this Word into our lives that we might be formed into the image and likeness of Jesus!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEMORY VERSE OF THE MONTH

"No one has ever seen God, but if we love one another, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us."

(1 John 4:12)

CHILDREN'S SERMON

(Children dismissed for Children's Church, please for ages 3 thru 5th grade only).

WORDS FROM GOD

ROM GOD Ephesians 5:21, 6:1-9
Scripture Reader, Rachel Peterson
(Pages 1227 or 1159 in the red Bibles)

MESSAGE

"Godly Relationships" Pastor Steve Peterson

RESPONDING TO GOD

Now that God has spoken to us, it is time for us to speak to Him!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERTORY

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

BEING SENT BY GOD

God sends us out into the world that he desperately loves. His presence goes with us.

We leave as God's agents of grace and mercy.

HYMN #583

"Help Us Accept Each Other"

BENEDICTION

Scripture Readings for the Week

Sunday 1 Corinthians 10:13 Monday 2 Thessalonians 3:3

Tuesday 1 Thessalonians 5:23-24

Wednesday Romans 1:16-17

Thursday Galatians 4:22-23, 28

Friday Colossians 2:6 Saturday Ephesians 3:6

TODAY'S GREETERS HEAD USHER USHERS

SOUND SYSTEM

Rodney & Judy Ouderkirk Mike Hermann

Chris Carsell, Pat Hudson, Jim Nelson

Orlin Johnson

"Godly Relationships" Ephesians 5:21, 6:1-9

Key Text: "And the Lord's servant must not be quarrelsome but must be kind to everyone..." (2 Tim. 2:24)

Key Thought: Out of reverence for Christ, we must do our utmost to relate to everyone (above and below us) with respect and dignity.

- 1) Intro & Context
- 2) Children, obey (6:1-4)
 - a. Rooted in 5th Commandment (cf. Deut. 5:16; Mt. 15:3-6; Lk. 18:20)
 - b. Rooted in wisdom (cf. Pr. 1:8; 6:20; 10:1; 13:1; 23:22) "A foolish son brings grief to his father and bitterness to the mother who bore him" (Pr. 17:25)
 - c. Promised blessing (cf. Ex. 20:12; Pr. 20:20; 30:17)
 - d. Exceptions: When devotion to the Lord trumps devotion to parents (cf. Deut. 33:9; Lk. 12:49-53) "If anyone comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters—yes, even their own life—such a person cannot be my disciple." (Lk. 14:26)
- 3) Parents, don't exasperate (v. 4)
 - a. Exasperate defined: "To irritate or provoke to a high degree; annoy extremely" (Dictionary.com)
 - b. Instead, train & educate (cf. Gen. 18:19; Dt. 6:6-7; Pr. 13:24) "Train a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not turn from it" (Pr. 22:6)
- 4) Slaves, obey (vv. 5-8)
 - a. Respect & fear (cf. Titus 2:9-10; 1 Pt. 2:18-23) "... so that God's name and our teaching may not be slandered" (1 Tim. 6:1)
 - b. With sincerity of heart (cf. Rom. 12:9; Col. 3:22; 1 Tim. 1:5)
 - c. As with Christ (vv. 5,7-8) (cf. Rom. 6:22; Col. 3:23-24; 1 Pt. 2:13-17)
- 5) Masters, Christ-like management (v. 9)
 - a. No threats (Eph. 4:29,32; Rom. 12:17-18; 2 Tim. 2:24)
 - b. Humble perspective (cf. Job 31:13-14; Ps. 146:6-9; Mal. 3:5; Ja. 5:1-6)
- 6) Conclusion Questions for reflection:
- Are there any relationships in which your attitude has been less than Christ-like?
- Can anyone slander the name of Christ because of the way you have treated them?
- What will you do to remedy this?

PRAISES and PRAYER CONCERNS

Praises: 2015 Snowbird Attendees

Greg, Mallory, Paige, & Tucker Burney, Tom Bivens, Megan & Mariah DeArmond, Natalie Nipper, Thao Luong, Elizabeth Smith, Rebecca Schaechter, & Allie Majetic. Please keep them in your prayers for a safe & fun time.

Prayer Concerns: Lee Kinney in rehab @ Hope Creek due to an infection. Those who have recently lost loved ones. Students & teachers getting ready to go back to school..

Those in Need of God's Strength and Healing:

Pat Whiting & family, Juna Wortz, Joann Potts, Arlene Miller, Dorothy & Adolph Laurick, June Riley, Margaret Hasty, Anna Swanson, Vivian Smith, Marj Nelson, Gene & Ellie Wildermuth, Jay Stanley, John & Linda Hutchison, Lyle & Maurine Beresford, Ruth Armstrong, Travis Ferry, the Ferry family, Ruth Armstrong, families that have lost loved ones, military families, and unspoken concerns.

Prayer Notes:

Prayer Following Worship

Please feel free to take your burden or praise to one of the Elim Prayer Team members available to pray with you. Team members include: Julie, Linda, Carolyn, Juanita, & Tasha and can be easily found at the back of the sanctuary in the northeast classroom.

Monday Evening Prayer Gathering

Each Monday evening at 5:30 p.m. there is a prayer gathering held at Elim. You are encouraged to come and pray with the team members and share your requests/praises.

Prayer Chain

The prayer network is used when special needs arise during the week. Call Judy at the church 764-6920 Monday thru Thursday 8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. otherwise call or text Tasha Munger @ (309) 281-8784 with your request. If no answer, you may leave your concern on the answer machine and it will be relayed ASAP.



TODAY FOLLOWING WORSHIP.



Elim is on the lookout for a 12' fiber glass step ladder. If anyone has one that they are not using and would like to donate it to the building, we would be grateful.

See Mike Hermann or Tom Bivens.



"Influence: Developing an Impactful Life"

Pastor Steve is conducting a 5 week series with the option of attending on Wednesdays or Sundays.

The sessions will begin on Wednesday, Aug. 12th (6:00 p.m. – 7:15 p.m.) or on Sunday, August 16th (4:00 – 5:15 p.m.) Child care will be provided.

The August Lamplighter is on the table in the gathering area for those who pick it up at the church.



Saturday, August 15th @ 5:30 p.m.

(Doors open @ 5:00 p.m.) \$10.00 per person There is a sign-up sheet. (Fundraiser for the Elim Block Party)!!!

S.P.L.A.S.H. Meeting Saturday, August 22nd 9:00-11:00 a.m.

CHRISTIAN CARE'S CURRENT NEEDS

Fresh fruit – all kinds

Yogurt, eggs, milk
Nuts (walnuts, almonds & cashews)
Garbanzo beans
Butter/margarine
Sugar
Canned fruit/veggies
Men's razors
Hydrocortisone
Paper towels/TP
Deodorant
Laundry soap
Windex glass cleaner
All kinds tape
Disinfecting wipes

Sunflower k
Coffee/crean
Beef broth
Bus tickets (
Men's new
Vitamin D
33 Gallon Tr
Bleach/dish
All size re-se
Lysol spray
Cleaning pr

Salad ingredients (dark leafy greens, Spinach, lettuce, tomatoes) Fresh potatoes Sunflower kernels Coffee/creamer/tea bags **Beef broth** Bus tickets (IL & IA) Men's new white socks Vitamin D 33 Gallon Trash bags Bleach/dish soap All size re-sealable bags Lysol spray Cleaning products Light bulbs/pliers

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LOOKING AHEAD				
Sun.	Aug. 9	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School	
		10:30 a.m.	Worship Celebration Service	
		11:45 p.m.	Congregational Meeting following worship	
Mon.	Aug. 10	5:30 p.m.	Prayer Team Meeting	
Tue.	Aug. 11	5:45 p.m.	MLT Meeting	
Wed.	Aug. 12	5:30 p.m.	Dollar Dinner	
	J	5:30 p.m.	Women's Bible Study	
		6:00-7:15 pm	"Influence: Developing an Impactful Life" Series	
		6:00 p.m.	SPARK & AXIS	
		7:30 p.m.	Fusion	
Sat.	Aug. 15	9:00a-3:00p	CIU Estes	
	J	5:30 p.m.	Trivia Night Fundraiser for Block Party (open @ 5)	
Sun.	Aug. 16	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School	
	J	10:30 a.m.	Worship Celebration Service	
			Collection for CF/Youth Hope	
		4:00-5:15 p.m.	"Influence – Developing an Impactful Life" Series	
Mon.	Aug. 17	5:30 p.m.	Prayer Team Gathering	
Wed.	Aug. 19	5:30 p.m.	Dollar Dinner	
	C		Women's Bible Study	
		6:00-7:15 pm	"Influence: Developing an Impactful Life" Series	
			SPARK & AXIS	
		7:30 p.m.		
Sat.	Aug. 22	9:00-11:00am	S.P.L.A.S.H. Meeting	
Sun.	Aug. 23	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School	
		10:30 a.m.	Worship Celebration Service	
			"Influence: Developing an Impactful Life" Series	
Mon	Aug. 24	3:30-6:30 pm	Blood Drive @ Elim	
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31 – Tabatha Estes

August Anniversaries
15 – L.J. & Rachel Cunningham
21 – Jim & Carolyn Carsell

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Attendance Last Week – Sunday School = 45 Worship = 120 Mowing Schedule

Aug. 15 Tom Bivens & Greg Burney
CHILD CARE
TODAY Aug. 9
NEXT WEEK Aug. 16
Nursery Judy Martel & Leonna Ellis (Rachel L)
Jr. Church
Elizabeth P. (Elizabeth S. & Rachel P.)
There is now only 1 Jr. Church class since we are low on volunteers. Helpers appear in ().