

# ELIM COVENANT CHURCH

## August 28, 2016



Elim Covenant Church  
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# WORSHIP CELEBRATION

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**“Living by faith includes the call to something greater than cowardly self-preservation.”**

**J.R.R. Tolkien**

## **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**

Worship Facilitators

Victoria & Scott Fowler

*“Holy Is the Lord”*

*“Better Is One Day”*

*“Here I Am To Worship”*

## **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**

Orlin Johnson

## **MEMORY VERSE OF THE MONTH**

**“Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful.”**  
**(Colossians 4:2)**

## **CHILDREN'S SERMON**

*(Children dismissed for Children's Church, please for ages 3 thru 5<sup>th</sup> grade only).*

## **WORDS FROM GOD**

Hebrews 12:1-3

*Scripture Reader, Natalie Hermann*  
**(Page 1263 or 1193 in the red Bibles)**

## **MESSAGE**

**“Introduction to Heroes”**

**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**

*“The King Is Coming”*

Martin Bear

## **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.

### **SONG**

*“The Wonderful Cross”*

## **BENEDICTION**

### ***Scripture Readings for the Week***

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>1 Thessalonians 4:15-18</i>
<i>Monday</i>	<i>Numbers 23:19</i>
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Matthew 5:6</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>John 5:24</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Titus 2:14</i>
<i>Friday</i>	<i>Isaiah 33:6</i>
<i>Saturday</i>	<i>Psalms 147:11</i>

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### **TODAY’S GREETERS**

Pat Hudson & Karen Johnson

### **HEAD USHER**

Gary Wells

### **USHERS**

Felipe Cantu, Pat Hudson & Sandy Parrott

### **SOUND SYSTEM**

Orlin Johnson

### **POWER POINT**

Josh Brookhart

# “Introduction to Heroes”

## Hebrews 12:1-3

**Key Text:** *“We are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses”*  
(Heb. 12:1)

**Key Thought:** God is forever looking to call, equip and empower great heroes of the faith.

- 1) Intro & Context
- 2) CALLED by God (cf. Rom. 8:30; 1 Pt. 2:9)
- 3) They had great COURAGE: Manifested from their faith in God (not in self) (cf. Deut. 31:6; Josh. 1:9; 1 Cor. 16:13)
- 4) They had a HEAVENLY focus (cf. Php. 3:20-21; Heb. 11:13-16; 13:14) *“... they were longing for a better country-- a heavenly one”*)
- 5) They lived lives of RIGHTEOUSNESS: Like Enoch, they *“walked with God”* (Gen. 5:23,24); not perfect, however (cf. Ps. 33:5; Pr. 15:9; Mt. 5:6)
- 6) People of great INFLUENCE: Legacy of faith, courage, righteousness, faithfulness (cf. Num. 27:18; Heb. 12:1). The mission of Elim Covenant is... Impact!!
- 7) Rock solid FAITH (cf. Hab. 2:4; Heb. 11:1-2; 2 Cor. 5:7) *“faith... is what the ancients were commended for”* (Heb. 11:1-2)
- 8) FAITHFULNESS (cf. Josh. 24:14; Hab. 2:4; 1 Cor. 4:2) *“faith without deeds is dead”* (Ja. 2:26)
- 9) OVERCOMERS of great adversity (cf. Rom. 8:37; 12:21; Rev. 2:7)
- 10) Conclusion

### QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION

- Do you recognize that, being in Christ, you are already fully qualified to be a hero of the faith?
- Are you willing, then, to be a hero for God’s Kingdom?
- Are you willing to put in the time & effort for hero training?

## PRAISES and PRAYER CONCERNS

**Praises:**                      **The heroes in our lives.**

**Prayer Concerns:**      **God's healing powers.**

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### **Those in Need of God's Strength and Healing:**

The Josh Brookhart family, The Gluba family, Juna Wortz, Arlene Miller, Adolph Laurick, June Riley, Margaret Hasty, Anna Swanson, Marj Nelson, Jay & Judie Stanley, John & Linda Hutchison, Lyle & Maurine Beresford, Ann Seyller, Belva Van Norman, Pennie Knary, Felipe Cantu, Sean & Ashley Cosgrove, families that have lost loved ones, military families, and unspoken concerns.

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*“Worry is a heavy load, but a kind word cheers you up.”*

*Proverbs 12:25*

### **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 northwest classroom behind the sound system booth.

#### **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.

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## CHIPS 'N SALSA TODAY

Please join us for chips 'n salsa following worship today, August 28<sup>th</sup>.

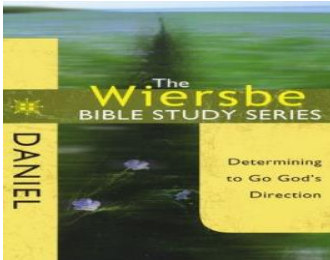
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**DAYTIME**

*Tuesday, September 6<sup>th</sup> Doors open @ 11:00 - Game starts @ 11:30 a.m. ends @ 2:00 p.m. Bring a sack lunch. \$5.00 per person. Fundraiser for Christmas Shoebox Mailing Fees. There is a sign-up sheet.*

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## WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

The Women's Bible Study group will start up again on Wednesday, September 7<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-7:00 p.m. They will be studying from Warren Wiersbe's Study Book on Daniel.

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# CURRENT NEEDS for CHRISTIAN CARE

Salad dressings (large bottles)	Fresh fruits/potatoes/veggies
Yogurt, eggs, milk, sliced cheese	Canned fruits/veggies
Butter/margarine	Coffee/creamer/tea bags
Sugar/Powdered milk	Ketchup/Charcoal/Cooking spray
Breakfast foods	Pork & Beans/Chili beans
Beef broth	Bus tickets (IL & IA)
Men's new white t-shirts XL-4X	Foot powder
Tooth paste/shaving cream	Gently used cookware/utensils
Deodorant	Paper towels/toilet paper
Any cleaning products	13 & 33 Gallon Trash bags
Dish soap/Automatic Dishwasher Soap	Kitchen Hand /Dish Towels
Laundry soap	



**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD – THE BOX IS OUT!!**

**AIMING FOR 88 BOXES!!**

Please put donations for Operation Christmas Child (shoebox gifts) in the box or donate \$7.00 for shipping costs. Monetary donations can be given directly to the church office. Next to the donation box in the gathering area is a list of items needed/suggested. Bars soap, pencils, sharpeners, calculators, wash cloths, pocket folders, toothbrushes, coloring books, markers.

The packing party will be Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup>  
from 10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

## LOOKING AHEAD

Sun.	Aug. 28	9:15 a.m. Sunday School
		10:30 a.m. Worship Celebration Service
		11:45 a.m. Chips 'N Salsa Following Worship
Mon.	Aug. 29	5:30 p.m. Prayer Team Gathering
Wed.	Aug. 31	7:00 a.m. "Amped" Prayer Gathering
		5:30 p.m. Dollar Dinner
		6:00-7:30 p.m. SPARK & AXIS
		7:30-9:00 p.m. Fusion
Thurs.	Sept. 1	Parking Lot Repair
Sun.	Sept. 4	9:15 a.m. Sunday School
		10:30 a.m. Worship Celebration Service
Mon.	Sept. 5	Labor Day – Church Office Closed
Tues.	Sept. 6	11:30 a.m. Daytime Trivia – Doors Open @ 11:00 a.m.
Wed.	Sept. 7	7:00 a.m. "Amped" Prayer Gathering
		5:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study
		5:30 p.m. Dollar Dinner
		6:00-7:30p.m. SPARK & AXIS
		7:30-9:00 p.m. Fusion
Thurs.	Sept. 8	9:00 a.m. Keenagers Coffee Time/Bible Study
		5:30 p.m. MLT Meeting

### August Birthdays

31 – Tabatha Estes

### September Birthdays

3 – Madeline Lumpkin

4 – Lila Ferry

4 – Austin Fowler

11 – Judy Martel

11 – Joy Wright

12 – Sylvia Anderson

### September Anniversaries

5 – Don & Jane Peterson

9 – John & Pam Thompson

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Attendance Last Week      Sunday School = 46      Worship = 123

## CHILD CARE SCHEDULE

### TODAY August 28

Sunday Spark    Victoria Fowler (Sandy Parrott)

Sunday Spark Jr.    Dora Beth Christy (Rachel Cunningham)

Nursery    Ashley Brookhard & Rachel Peterson

### NEXT WEEK September 4

Sunday Spark    Victoria Fowler (John Thompson)

Sunday Spark Jr.    Dora Beth Christy (Cindy Minard)

Nursery    Carol Jacks & Karen Johnson

## MOWING SCHEDULE

September 3      Orlin Johnson & Nick Wagner

September 10     Tom Dang & Giao Luong