

ELIM COVENANT CHURCH
February 26, 2017



“Come, follow me,” Jesus said, “and I will make you fishers of men.” At once they left their nets and followed him.

Mark 1:17-18

Elim Covenant Church
5201 18th Avenue Moline, IL. 61265
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WORSHIP CELEBRATION

February 26, 2017

Elim's mission statement.

"To develop leaders who will impact the world for Christ."

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

WELCOME HYMN

Worship Facilitators

Victoria & Scott Fowler

SONG

"Are You Washed In the Blood"

GREETING ONE ANOTHER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Juanita Arellanos

MEMORY VERSE OF THE MONTH

"The LORD will guide you always; he will satisfy your needs in a sun-scorched land and will strengthen your frame. You will be like a well-watered garden, like a spring whose waters never fail." Isaiah 58:11

WORSHIP SONGS

"Your Grace Is Enough"

"Amazing Grace"

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!

CHILDREN'S SERMON

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

WORDS FROM GOD

Mark 1:9-20

*Scripture Reader, John Thompson
(Red Bibles p. 990 or p. 1045)*

MESSAGE

**“Mark: Called By God”
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

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 *“Be Thou My Vision/Here I Am To Worship”*

BENEDICTION

Scripture Readings for the Week

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Romans 5:1</i>
<i>Monday</i>	<i>Exodus 33:19</i>
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Psalms 63:8</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>2 Timothy 2:19</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Proverbs 3:12</i>
<i>Friday</i>	<i>1 Corinthians 2:9</i>
<i>Saturday</i>	<i>John 16:27</i>

TODAY'S GREETERS

Cecil & Carolyn Grimes

HEAD USHER

Gary Wells

USHERS

Heather Adams, Pat Hudson & Sandy Parrott

SOUND SYSTEM

Don Yoeckel

POWER POINT

Tom Dang

“Mark: Called By God”

Mark 1:9-20

Key Text: *“And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose”* (Rom. 8:28)

Key Thought: God’s call on our life is powerful and significant, shaping our very identity and establishing our life’s purpose.

- 1) Intro & Context
- 2) Affirmed by the Father (v. 11)
 - a. Those God loves & in whom He delights (cf. Neh. 1:5; Ps. 1; 32:10; 147:11) vs. those in whom God is angered (cf. Ps. 52:1-7; Hos. 10:12-15; Rev. 2:20-23)
 - b. The significance of hearing this affirmation from God (cf. Ps. 2:6-9; Rom. 8:28-30)
- 3) Time spent in the desert (v. 12)
 - a. Desert growth (cf. Rom. 5:3-5; James 1:2-4)
 - b. We have many examples of biblical leaders who spent time in the desert (and/or exile):
 - Joseph: 15 years (cf. Gen. 37:38-41)
 - Moses: 40 years (cf. Ex. 2:15-22; Acts 7:23,30)
 - David: 7-8 years (cf. 1 Sam. 18-31)
 - Elijah (cf. 1 Kgs. 19:1-18)
 - Nehemiah: Grew up in exile
 - John the Baptist: From youth to age 30 (cf. Lk. 1:80)
- 4) Responding to the call (vv. 17-20) (cf. (cf. Mt. 10:37-39; Lk. 9:23-27; 57-62)
- 5) Conclusion

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION

- Do you have the firm confidence that God loves you and delights in you? If not, are you willing to pursue God until you can receive that affirmation from Him?
- Have you spent sufficient time in the desert? Did it increase your faith, or weaken it?
- Are you willing to follow God with no limits? Are you ready to receive, then, from God unlimited grace and support?
- Are you more like a “worldly Christian,” or a “world-class Christian?”

PRAYER CONCERNS

Praises: God's gift of wonderful "springlike" weather in February.

Prayer Concerns: Sympathy to the family of Scott Fowler upon the passing of Scott's grandfather.

Those in Need of God's Strength and Healing:

Arlene Miller, Margaret Hasty, Anna Swanson, Jay & Judie Stanley, John & Linda Hutchison, Lyle & Maurine Beresford, Ann Seyller, Kathy, Belva Van Norman, Pennie Knary & family, Rollie Potts, 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 northwest classroom behind the sound system booth.

Prayer Gatherings

Each Monday evening at 5:30 p.m. there is a prayer gathering held at Elim. Also, there is a Wednesday morning prayer group meeting in Pastor's office @ 7:00 a.m. 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's topic at Grief Share –
“Guilt & Anger.”

Join us this afternoon @ 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.
Everyone is welcome.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Tonight @ 4:00-5:30 p.m., come back to Elim to spend time learning/discussing God's word and focusing on improving His reputation. If you've got a girlfriend, wife, and/or children, don't leave them home alone, they're welcome to come and hang out with my wife and kids. We'll be done in time for dinner on this school night. See Dave Christy.

January Financial Report

Current Expenses	Building	Other	Totals	
Balance 1/1	\$59,697	\$2,495	\$13,061	\$75,252
Receipts	\$13,480	\$ 870	\$ 1,417	\$15,767
Disbursements	\$16,954	\$ 0.00	\$ 666	\$17,620
Balance 1/31	\$56,223	\$3,365	\$13,811	\$73,398

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE

A “kid friendly” Ash Wednesday will take place on Wednesday, March 1st @ 6:00 p.m. Please come.



Mission Fundraiser @ Comedy Sportz

(to benefit Elim's Mission Fund & Love Hope) will be held at their location 220 - 19th Street Rock Island. The date is: Thursday, March 2nd @ 6:30 p.m.

The cost is \$8.00 per person.

Pizza & snacks are available to purchase.

**MEN'S
BREAKFAST**



The next men's breakfast is scheduled for Saturday, March 4th @ 8:00 a.m. There is a sign-up sheet in the gathering area.

MLT MEETING

**The next MLT meeting is Thursday,
March 9th @ 5:30 p.m.**

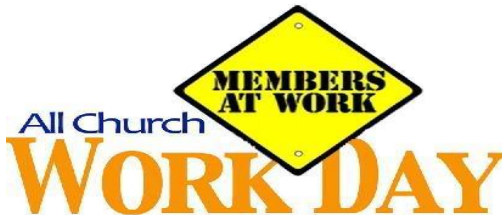


MEXICO MISSION TRIP

Elim's mission team will be leaving for their trip to Mexico on Saturday, March 11th & returning on March 18th. Please keep them in your prayers.



Set your clocks ahead 1 hour March 12th.



There will be a work day scheduled for Saturday, March 25th. If you know of a project that needs attention – please talk to Nick Wagner the Deacon of Property. There is a sign-up sheet in the gathering area. Thank you.

LOOKING AHEAD

Sun.	Feb. 26	9:15 a.m. Sunday School	10:30 a.m. Worship Celebration	3:00-5:00 p.m. Grief Share Meeting	4:00-5:30 p.m. Men's Bible Study
Mon.	Feb. 27	5:30 p.m. Prayer Team Gathering	6:30 p.m. CIU – RIC Prayer Meeting		
Tues.	Feb. 28	6:30 p.m. Choir Practice			
Wed.	March 1	7:00 a.m. "Amped" Prayer Gathering	5:30 p.m. Dollar Dinner	5:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study	6:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service
		6:00-7:30 p.m. <i>SPARK & AXIS</i>	7:30-9:00 p.m. Fusion		
Thur.	March 2	9:00 a.m. Keenagers Coffee Time/Bible Study	6:30 p.m. Mission Fundraiser @ Comedy Sportz		
Sat.	March 4	8:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast			
Sun.	March 5	9:15 a.m. Sunday School	10:30 a.m. Worship Celebration	3:00-5:00p.m. Grief Share Meeting	4:00-5:30 p.m. Sign Language Class
Mon.	March 6	5:30 p.m. Prayer Team Gathering			

February Birthdays

28 – Jessica Sandholm

March Birthdays

1 – Skylar-Vienna Elizabeth Jackson

3 – Cheryl Bear

6 – Margaret Hasty

7 – Carol Jacks

10 – Hailey Wagner

12 – Marc Ellis

17 – Katie Clarke

March Anniversaries

16 – Jim & Danielle Ogden

23 – Jay & Judie Stanley

24 – Ryan & Kelly Wood

29 – John & Tabatha Estes

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Attendance Last Week

Sunday School = 42

Worship = 135

CHILD CARE SCHEDULE

TODAY Feb. 26

Sunday Spark Victoria Fowler (Sandy Parrott)

Sunday Spark Jr. Dora Beth Christy (Mary Parrott)

Nursery Diana Wood & Rachel Peterson

NEXT WEEK March 5

Sunday Spark Victoria Fowler (John Thompson)

Sunday Spark Jr. Dora Beth Christy (Lacey Wagner)

Nursery Lori Smith & Abby Peterson