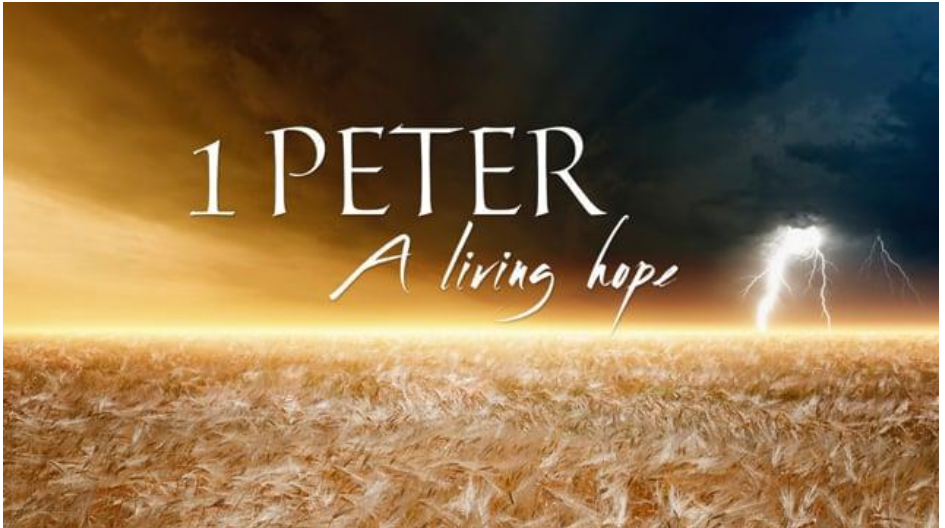


# ELIM COVENANT CHURCH

## September 20, 2020



### **Elim Covenant Church**

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**WORSHIP CELEBRATION**  
**September 20, 2020**  
**10:30 a.m.**

***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*

*The service is also being live-streamed and recorded, for  
immediate or later viewing, and can be accessed at  
[elimqc.org](http://elimqc.org)*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**OFFERING**

**MEMORY VERSE OF THE MONTH**

*"Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you."*

*– 1 Peter 5:7*

**ADORATION TO GOD**

We offer to God "a sacrifice of praise," expressing our  
love and devotion to Him.

**WORSHIP SONGS**

*"Tis So Sweet"*

*"Revelation Song"*

**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!

**WORDS FROM GOD**

1 Peter 5:10-11

## **MESSAGE**

**“Peter’s Benediction of Hope”**

**By Pastor Steve Peterson**

## **PRAYERS TO GOD**

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

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

### **BEING SENT BY GOD**

God sends us out into the world that He passionately loves.

## **WORSHIP SONG**

*“Reckless Love”*

## **BENEDICTION**

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

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>2 Corinthians 1:20</i>
<i>Monday</i>	<i>Philippians 4:19</i>
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Psalms 37:39-40</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Jeremiah 31:34</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Romans 10:13</i>
<i>Friday</i>	<i>Hebrews 11:6</i>
<i>Saturday</i>	<i>Psalms 103:12</i>

### **September Birthdays**

*21 – Ethel Hesler*  
*22 – Teresa Jackson*  
*24 – Leonna Ellis*  
*25 – Felipe Cantu*  
*28 – Don Yoeckel*  
*28 – Sandy Winthurst*  
*29 – Ford Vinar*

### **September Anniversaries**

*22 – Steve and Margo Coil*  
*25 – Dewey and Carol Jacks*  
*26 – Dave and Miranda Vinar*  
*27 – Dale and Linda Gilmour*

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**Sermon Notes**  
**September 20, 2020**  
**“Peter’s Benediction of Hope”**  
**1 Peter 5:10-11**

**Key Text:** *“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit”*  
(Rom. 15:13)

**Key Thought:** As Peter concludes this epistle, he offers a beautiful benediction, infusing hope in the hearts of those who have suffered for the sake of the gospel.

- 1) Intro & Context
- 2) Peter’s benediction
  - a. **Grace:** The “God of all grace” (1 Pt. 1:2,10,13; 4:10; 5:10,12)
  - b. **Calling:** “who called you” (1 Pt. 1:15; 2:9,21; 3:9; 5:10)
  - c. **Glorify:** “to his eternal glory in Christ Jesus” (1 Pt. 4:13,14; 5:1,4,10)
  - d. **Suffering:** “after you have suffered a little while” (cf. 1 Pt. 1:6; 2:19-21; 3:14; 4:1,13,15-16,19; 5:9-10)
  - e. **Restoration:** “will himself restore you” (cf. Ps. 103:3-5; Isa. 40:31; 2 Cor. 4:16)
  - f. **Strengthening:** “and make you strong, firm and steadfast” (cf. Ps. 59:16; Isa. 41:10; Eph. 3:16; Php. 4:13)
- 3) Final remarks
- 4) Conclusion

**QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION:**

- In your times of suffering, are you standing strong in grace, assured of your calling?
- Do you have the hope of glory, deep in your soul? Are you assured, by your faith, of God’s restoring/redeeming work?

## PRAYER PAGE

**Praises:** God's love, mercy, and faithfulness, especially during these difficult times.

**Prayer Concerns:** The devastation caused from recent fires and hurricanes.

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

Earl Burklund	Arlene Miller	Margaret Hasty
Anna Swanson	Jay and Judie Stanley	Margaret Crandall
Tasha Munger	Iva Cutler	Beverly Reese
JoAnn Nelsen	Gary Wells	

Families that have lost loved ones, caregivers, military families, and unspoken concerns.

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### **Pray for Covenant Missionaries:**

#### **Cynthia & Peter Ekstrand**

Cynthia and Peter serve in DR Congo. Their ministries include Evangelism and Outreach, Leadership Development, Health Education, Women Ministry



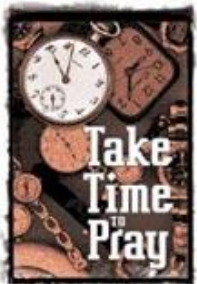
If someone were to visit us in DR Congo we would first like them to experience the Congo Covenant Church (CEUM).

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### **Prayer Opportunities**

**Prayer Chain:** Have a prayer need? Call Sandy at the church 764-6920 Monday thru Thursday 8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. or call or text Tasha Munger at (309) 281-8784 with your request.

*If prayer leads us into a deeper unity with the compassionate Christ, it will always give rise to concrete acts of service. – Henri Nouwen*



## **MARRIAGE NIGHT AT ELIM COVENANT CHURCH**

Dear Elim family,

We have an exciting opportunity coming up on Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>. We are registered as a host site for the Marriage Night event presented by RightNow Media.



Marriage Night is a one-night event for married and engaged couples to laugh and learn as they hear from marriage experts and discover how to honor God through their relationship. The speaker lineup includes Matt and Lauren Chandler, Conway and Jada Edwards, Les and

Leslie Parrott, and comedian Michael Jr. Make the time to invest in your marriage—it will pay back great dividends!

You have two options for attending:

- Join us at church, on Saturday, October 3, to watch it together with other couples in a fun, party atmosphere!
- Or watch it from home, anytime between September 12 and October 12.

Tickets are available for \$15 per person. Click below to register:

<https://events.rightnowmedia.org/attendee/site/3851>

### **SERVICE OPPORTUNITY**

On Saturday, October 3, 2020, we will be doing a roofing project at Mark and Heather Sachleben's house and need some help. On the roof or on the ground, there's lots to do. Many hands make light work. Questions? See Mike Hermann.



## **TEXT PRAYER CHAIN**

Just an FYI: Tasha Munger, who takes care of our text prayer chain, does not currently have phone service. If you have a prayer concern, please call the office (764-6920) or Sandy Parrott at (309) 592-7703 and we will take care of that for you.

## **S.P.L.A.S.H.**

Our next S.P.L.A.S.H. meeting is this ***Saturday, September 26***, from ***9:00 to 11:00 a.m.***, in the fellowship hall at Elim. Also, be sure to bring your journals to share. If you missed out on it, you can still participate. Questions? See Mary Murphy.

## **OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD**

***Sandy Perry*** of Faith Lutheran Church in Moline visited the ***SAS*** Bible Study this past week. She and a group of ladies make dresses for the “Dress a Girl Around the World” program for girls in poorer countries.



In the past they have sent them with those who have gone on mission trips.

Since COVID has made mission trips impossible, they have been looking for other ways to distribute the dresses. The shoeboxes

are a perfect way to get them where they are needed.

If you are interested in one of these dresses for your shoebox, contact Sandy Parrott or you can call Sandy Perry directly at 762-6563.

***Labels are now available for your shoeboxes in the Sunday School classroom along with the signup sheet and shoeboxes.***

## Looking Ahead

Sunday	September 20	9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship Celebration Service
Monday	September 21	5:30 p.m. Prayer Team Gathering
Tuesday	September 22	9:30 a.m. <b>SAS</b> Bible Study
Wednesday	September 23	8:00 a.m. "Amped" Prayer Meeting 5:45 p.m. Axis
Thursday	September 24	9:15 a.m. Keenagers 5:00 p.m. Worship Service
Saturday	September 26	9:00 a.m. S.P.L.A.S.H. Meeting
Sunday	September 27	9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship Celebration Service

## Attendance Last Week

Thursday Worship = 12; Sunday Worship = 43  
42 views on YouTube; Sunday School = 21



The Christian Care needs continue. Please consider picking up some supplies for them the next time you are at the store. Bring them to the church and we will deliver them for you. Thanks! And thank you, **Don** and **Jane Peterson** for making those deliveries for us!

- Shampoo
- Coffee
- Conditioner
- Creamer
- Bar soap
- Sugar
- Body Wash
- Napkins
- Razors
- Ranch
- Shaving Cream
- BBQ
- Lotion
- Foot Powder
- Plastic Silverware
- Black Trash Bags
- Hoodies
- Sweatshirts
- Sweatpants
- Deodorant
- Toilet bowl cleaner