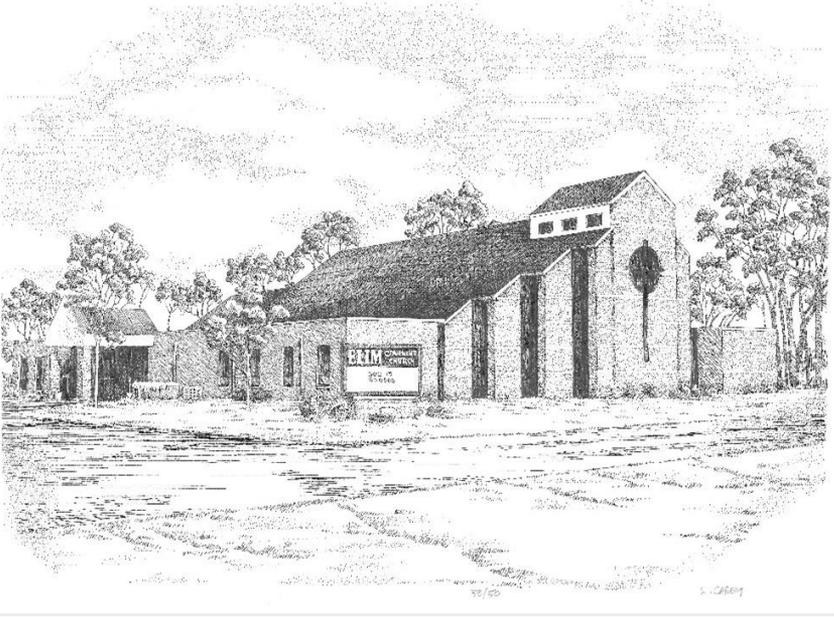


# **ELIM COVENANT CHURCH**

## **July 27, 2025**



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# WORSHIP CELEBRATION

July 27, 2025

10:30 a.m.

*Elim's mission statement:*

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

## GATHERING BEFORE GOD

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Kim Shuda**

**OFFERING**

## MEMORY VERSE OF THE MONTH

*"For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes..." (Romans 1:16)*

**WORSHIP SONGS**

**WORDS FROM GOD**

## MESSAGE

**Pastor Rodney Sawyer**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**Mike Hermann**

**WORSHIP SONG**

**BENEDICTION**

**GREETERS TODAY** Cecil & Carolyn Grimes

**Sermon Notes**  
**July 27, 2025**  
**“The Grace of God and the Root of Bitterness”**

*Heb. 12:15 See to it that no one fails to obtain “the grace of God”; that no “root of bitterness” springs up and causes trouble, and by it many become defiled... [ESV]*

**Obtaining grace in the mist of bitterness requires an understanding of...**

**I. The Root of Bitterness as a M\_\_\_\_\_**

A. The C\_\_\_\_\_ bitterness

1. The Seed represents a H\_\_\_\_\_ [Matt. 18:15]
2. The Soil represents a H\_\_\_\_\_

B. The C\_\_\_\_\_ of bitterness

1. A c\_\_\_\_\_ root
2. A c\_\_\_\_\_ fruit [Matt. 7:16; chapter 23]

C. The C\_\_\_\_\_ bitterness

1. T\_\_\_\_\_ for people
2. T\_\_\_\_\_ other people

Words from other translations in place of “defiled”: unclean, poisoned, corrupted, polluted, contaminated, tainted

**“Bitterness c\_\_\_\_\_ the c\_\_\_\_\_ it is c\_\_\_\_\_ in.”**

**II. God’s Grace is a M\_\_\_\_\_**

- A. Let the Lord e\_\_\_\_\_ it [Jer. 17:9; Ps. 139:23-24]
- B. Let the Lord e\_\_\_\_\_ it

## **Looking Ahead**

|           |          |            |                             |
|-----------|----------|------------|-----------------------------|
| Sunday    | July 27  | 9:15 a.m.  | Sunday School               |
|           |          | 10:30 a.m. | Worship Celebration Service |
| Tuesday   | July 29  | 9:30 a.m.  | SAS Bible Study             |
| Wednesday | July 30  | 9:00 a.m.  | "Amped" Prayer Meeting      |
|           |          | 10:00 a.m. | Mats for the Homeless       |
| Thursday  | July 31  | 9:30 a.m.  | Keenagers                   |
| Sunday    | August 3 | 9:15 a.m.  | Sunday School               |
|           |          | 10:30 a.m. | Worship Celebration Service |
| Tuesday   | August 5 | 9:30 a.m.  | SAS Bible Study             |

### **July Birthdays**

31 – Pastor Steve Peterson

### **August Birthdays**

1 – Linda Gilmour      3 – Brandon Dang  
5 – Amakoe Akpla      5 – Diane Snipes  
6 – John Clarke      6 – Leah Hermann  
10 – Carolyn Grimes      11 – Jeanne Laird

### **August Anniversaries**

1 – Larry & Sandy McNeal  
4 – David & Jamie Cespedes  
6 – Bill & Cindy Minard  
10 – Marc & Leonna Ellis

### **Attendance Last Week**

Sunday Worship = 58/ Views on YouTube = 18  
Sunday School/Children's Church = 16

### **Mowing Schedule**

August 2..... Jim Nelson & Mike Hermann  
August 9..... L.J. Cunningham & Orlin Johnson

### **CHILDCARE SCHEDULE**

#### **TODAY, July 27**

Children's Church: Kristen Burns & Kim Shuda  
Nursery: Sheila Yoeckel & Cheryl Bear

#### **NEXT WEEK, August 3**

Children's Church: Natalie Hermann & Mary Parrott  
Nursery: Cheryl Bear & Amanda Le