



April 2018

- April 1** Easter Sunday—No P M Service
- April 1** The Ordinance of Baptism AM Service
- April 2-7** Hope Week
- April 10** WOM Meeting 6:30
- April 11** Senior Lunch at the Church
- April 14** Work Day at the Church
- April 15** Mission Lunch
- April 21** 7:00 PM The Jesus Story
- April 22** 10:30 AM The Jesus Story
- April 22** 2:00 PM The Jesus Story
- April 28** Blood Drive
- April 29** 5th Sunday Singing

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Morning Worship – 10:30 a.m.; Evening Worship - 6:30 p.m.

Sunday School – 9:30 a.m.

Wednesday Services - 10:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

A Bible Believing, Christ Centered, Mission Minded, Friendly Fellowship

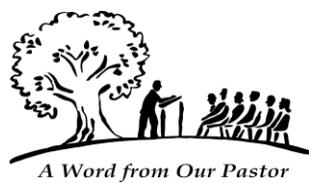
“To be light by proclaiming the Gospel of Christ and to be salt by standing against evil”

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Matthew 28:6-7

He is not here: for He is risen, as He said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay. 7) And go quickly, and tell His disciples that He is risen from the dead; and behold, He goeth before you into Galilee; there you shall see Him: lo, I have told you.





FROM THE PASTOR'S HEART

Greetings, in the name of The Lord.

What an honor to celebrate the resurrection on the first Sunday of April. Some call this April Fool's Day. The scripture says the fool has said in his heart, there is no God. Praise God that we believe in the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Praise God today that the tomb is empty. Praise God that we have a story to tell about the crucified and risen Christ. Praise God that our church family is able to join with April as we baptize her today and welcome her into the fellowship of our church.

I am thankful for Rylan, Kayla and The Youth for leading us in the AM Service on March 18th as we celebrated Youth Day. I am thankful for Butch and Kathy for planning the Senior Trip to Georgia and getting us there and back safely. It was a good trip.

I am thankful for Vernon, Ernie, and all the Choir and Cast members as they continue to work hard getting ready for our Easter Musical later this month. (April 21 & 22). Please pray for this event.

Don't forget the work day on April 14th. Also, I recommend that you attend the Evangelism Conference on May 22nd at the NGU Graduate School, and the National Day of Prayer Service on May 3rd at TRBA Building.

Continue to give to our Annie Armstrong Easter Offering if you can. We have many of our church family who are sick, so let's all pray for each of them.

I want to ask each church member to continue to pray for at least one lost person, Also, try to spend some time discipling at least one believer. May God bless each of you this month.

Because of Him,

Joe Seay

MUSIC NOTES



The Music Ministry is working tirelessly on "THE JESUS STORY", the Musical-Drama to be presented next month on April 21st & 22nd. We are getting the musical portion of this program together as we prepare each week to present "The Greatest Story Ever Told".

The last week Jesus spent on earth referred to as the "Passion Week" will be presented in such a way as to remind us one and all of just how much Jesus gave for each of us, even His life's blood.

We plan to present this to El Bethel and to our community three times to afford everyone a chance to witness this "Story of Stories".

Those dates and times are:

Saturday – April 21st at 7:00 PM

Sunday – April 22nd at 10:30 AM

Sunday – April 22nd at 2:00 PM

You will have the opportunity to help us notify the community by passing out and mailing brochures here in the Greer area, and to your family and friends (and even those you may not normally call friends), so they too can witness "The Jesus Story". (Pick up several of these brochures and share them with others).

The selection of the songs to be sung will surely bless you as you hear the story unfold with drama and special effects that will touch not only your heart, but also the hearts of those you invite to witness these presentations.

We are counting on the "prayer warriors" of El Bethel to bathe this endeavor in prayer every day as the preparation time draws near.

We are also counting on your physical support as you volunteer or accept assignments that will be needed and much appreciated to assist in this program. We

have invited several special guests to participate in this effort.

We ask that you welcome anyone you see over the upcoming weeks who may not be members of El Bethel, but who are joining us in these presentations.

The Jesus Story is why we've come, to tell the Story of God's own Son, who gave his life-blood on Calvary's tree, that we might live our lives more abundantly. This is His story, , , the Gospel Story, , , THE JESUS STORY .

Sing-cerely,
Brother Vernon

Jolly Senior News

HAPPY EASTER TO ALL!

Thank you to all who participated in our trip to Macon to the Cherry Blossom Festival. We all had a great time together.

Our Senior Luncheon will be after the Morning Prayer Service on Wednesday, April 11th. I hope you all can attend.

We wish you all an enjoyable Easter Celebration with your family and friends as we celebrate and worship our Risen Lord.

Lots of Love,
Kathy & Butch

Transformed Student Ministries

Hey Church family,

I hope this newsletter finds all of you well. Thank you all for supporting the Student Ministry here at El Bethel. Without your generous love and support we would not be where we are today. Ultimately, let's all praise God for his goodness and graciousness. Without Him we would not

even have a church and a reason to celebrate. I want to thank all of the youth who participated in Youth Day. You all did wonderful! I am so proud of you! Thank you to the Student Ministry leaders. You all did great! I ask that you continue to pray for our Student Ministry. My prayer is that we will see this Student Ministry grow and grow in a healthy way. I want us to grow in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Not only just a head knowledge, but also in our hearts that the Lord will continue to transform us into His likeness. Pray with me that God will do with this ministry as He sees fit.

We had a good time at Touch a Truck this year. My girls really enjoyed seeing all of the big rigs and being able to climb in and out of them. I ask that you go ahead and start praying for our Vacation Bible School. I am excited to see how the children will respond to the gospel.

I encourage you to participate in Hope Week this year if you have not already signed up. If you want to help with Big A, please see me. Also, pray that the people of Big A will be receptive to the Lord's calling. I would love to see the entire apartment complex there be on fire for Christ! Thank you for all that you do church family! Let's live life on mission and share the greatest news in the world with those whom God has placed in our path. Let's share our HOPE with others!

I love you all

Rylan Johnson.