

Prayer?

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Sermon.

Speaker: Buster Brown, Senior Pastor

Message: Waiting with Expectation to Receive Empowerment: Fellowship

Text: Isaiah 40:31; 1 John 1:1-10

"But they who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint."
Isaiah 40:31

"That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we looked upon and have touched with our hands, concerning the word of life — the life was made manifest, and we have seen it, and testify to it and proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and was made manifest to us — that which we have seen and heard we proclaim also to you, so that you too may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. And we are writing these things so that our joy may be complete. This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us." 1 John 1:1-10

"Christian fellowship is two-dimensional; it is first vertical and then horizontal. The horizontal plane of fellowship, which is our immediate concern, presupposes the vertical for its very existence. The vertical dimension of fellowship was described by John when he wrote: 'Our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ' (1 John 1:3). This fellowship is what makes a Christian; indeed, John's words afford a precise definition of a Christian. The man who is not in fellowship with the Father and the Son however upright and pious he may be, is no Christian at all. The horizontal dimensions of fellowship is the habitual sharing, the constant giving to and receiving from each other, which is the true and authentic pattern of life for the people of God." J.I. Packer, God's Words, p. 193

1. Fellowship with God is the source from which fellowship among Christians springs, and fellowship with God is the end to which Christian fellowship is a means.
2. God in trinitarian kindness has made us as relational people because we are made in his image.
3. The Father has given us the church as a means of building, encouraging, sustaining, and equipping his people.
4. The above is accomplished (in large part) through relationships that share in the mutual life that flows from the trinitarian understanding of God.
5. Believers who do not diligently avail themselves of this sharing of the common life in Christ severely

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limit a primary means of growth/grace in the knowledge of Christ. (Therefore, we should find ourselves in webs of relationships that are centered on the reality of Christ).

The solid reality of Christ and him crucified is the basis of true fellowship. (1 John 1:1-4)

Two Claims and Two Responses

CLAIM 1

Those who claim to have fellowship with the Lord but walk in (non-obedient, unbiblical) darkness leads to l_____ and a non-p_____ the truth.

"And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their works were evil. For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his works should be exposed. But whoever does what is true comes to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that his works have been carried out in God." John 3:19-21

"The eye is the lamp of the body. So, if your eye is healthy, your whole body will be full of light, but if your eye is bad, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light in you is darkness, how great is the darkness!"
Matthew 6:22-23

RESPONSE 1

But, if we continually walk in the light, we have fellowship with one another and the blood of Jesus CONTINUALLY cleanses us from all sin.

CLAIM 2

If we claim to be without sin, we live in a state of self-d_____ and the t_____ is not in us.

RESPONSE 2

But, if we continually confess our sins, the Lord is faithful and just to forgive our sins and CONTINUALLY cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

As there is no sin so small but it deserves damnation; so there is no sin so great, that it can bring damnation upon those who truly repent.

Westminster Confession of Faith, Ch. 15, Article 5.

Therefore, we walk in joyful obedience and (humbling) self-awareness.

"Whoever conceals his transgressions will not prosper, but he who confesses and forsakes them will obtain mercy."
Proverbs 28:13

ANSWER KEY: lies, practicing, deception, truth

Discussion questions can be found on the church website.



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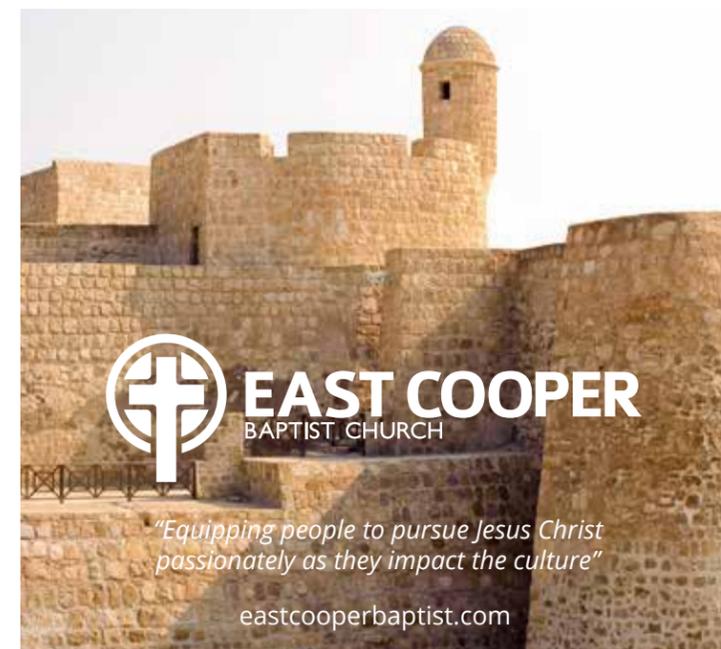
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DECEMBER 1 - JANUARY 26



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Welcome.

We're glad you are here to worship with us. If you are new to East Cooper Baptist, we would love to meet you. Please stop by the Welcome Center following the worship services to say hello and let us answer any questions you may have. Thanks for being our guest.

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Traditional Worship / Sunday equip•u Classes
Sanctuary 9:00a & 10:45a
Contemporary Worship / Sunday equip•u Classes
Worship Center 9:00a & 10:45a



Next Steps.

Attend a Guest Luncheon

Get to know us better at our next Guest Luncheon and see what God has in store for you. You'll meet our pastor and some of our staff and enjoy fellowship with a great meal. Our free luncheon is **March 8 at 12:15p** in the gym. For more information, please contact Carol at carolw@eastcooperbaptist.com.

Find an equip•u Class

Our equip•u classes are groups that meet before or after the worship services to study the Bible in depth. Visit the Welcome Center to pick up an equip•u guide, or go online to choose from a variety of classes. Register for track classes at eastcooperbaptist.com/classes.

Join a Community Group

An authentic biblical community provides a place where we can grow, learn, and serve as we seek to know Jesus. We have a variety of over 30 open groups from students to adults. Please go online today to locate a group near you. eastcooperbaptist.com/groups

Become a Member

Register online for our upcoming New Members Class on Saturday, **March 14**. This class is a basic introduction to our church family and is a requirement for joining the church. We designed this class to clearly explain what we believe at East Cooper Baptist.

Serve in equip•them

Equip•them is the serving arm for Sunday morning ministries. We have nearly 600 opportunities to serve. Some needs require 15 minutes before the service; others may require the whole equipping hour. eastcooperbaptist.com/serve

Childcare.



We have a safe and loving environment for your children where they can learn about God. Please take advantage of our nursery for children up to age three during the worship services. Our ushers are ready to assist you.



This Week.

For detailed information, please go online.

SUN

JAN 26

J-term equip•u classes
9:00a & 10:45a
GriefShare
10:45a-12:15p B227
Hot Dog Ministry Clothing Drive
Place items in ECBC trailer
HSM D-Groups
6:00-8:00 Host Homes

TUE

JAN 28

Women's Bible Study
9:30-11:30a Worship Center
Worship Band Rehearsal
7:00-8:30p Worship Center

WED

JAN 29

Children's Choir (WAM)
6:30-8:00p A-Wing Classrooms
Choir & Orchestra Rehearsal
6:30-8:00p D203 Choir Room
MSM T4:12
6:30-8:00p Gym

THU

JAN 30

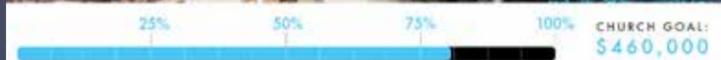
Woman2Woman
6:30-7:30a Welcome Center
Women's Bible Study
9:30-11:30a Worship Center
EC Sports
6:00-10:00p Gym
Families Count
6:00-9:00p Annex
Re|engage Marriage Program
6:30-8:30p D-Wing Choir Room

FRI

JAN 31

Man2Man
6:20-7:30a Gym

LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING* THIS WEEK: \$383,701.19
DECEMBER 1 - JANUARY 26



The International Mission Board uses 100% of the gifts given to Lottie Moon to send missionaries all over the world. Our church goal is **\$460,000**. You may give:

- **ONLINE** at eastcooperbaptist.com
- **BY OFFERING PLATE**
- **TEXT 843-202-4848: GIVE Lottie Moon 50 (to give \$50.00)**



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Upcoming.

For detailed event information, please go online.

TODAY We are collecting winter clothing for the homeless through our Hot Dog Ministry. They need mostly menswear. Please bring any new or gently used jeans, sweaters, coats, and blankets to the ECBC trailer after the service.



FEB 2 The 66 books in the Bible include many different literary genres. Understanding their literary features will greatly enhance your ability to study the Bible on your own, as a family, and as you teach others. Classes are available at 9:00 & 10:45a.



FEB 2 Understanding the breadth of the Biblical narrative, from Genesis to Revelation, helps us understand the grandeur of God's sovereignty and the tremendous scope of His redemptive plan. Classes are available at 9:00 & 10:45a. **SEE YOU THERE.**



FEB 12 All men are invited to our Wild Game Banquet. There will be prizes, music, and lots of barbecue. This year's speaker is Michael Franzese, former "Prince of the Mafia." Tickets are on sale now. **SEE YOU THERE.**



FEB 28-MAR 1 The Global Impact Conference is a time when we, as a church, focus on Christ's Great Commission. For more information about our speaker, schedule, and to register, please go online. **REGISTER ONLINE.**



FEB 28 & 29 The Kids Mission Festival goes alongside our Global Impact Conference. This year we will be focusing on the country of Colombia. Your kids will love being apart of this. **REGISTER ONLINE.**



APR 10-21 This trip will be centered around serving partners in Bangalore who have a Child Care Center and will include running/volunteering through their VBS week. Application deadline is February 3. **APPLY ONLINE.**



JUNE 26 - JULY 4 Join our partner, Joy, in ministering to immigrants from around the world. You will work alongside Joy to provide citizenship classes, teach English, tutor, and lead Bible clubs. Application deadline is April 8. **APPLY ONLINE.**



NEW TO ECBC?
After the service, stop by the Welcome Center.

Please complete the perforated section and place in the offering plate or bring by the Welcome Center.

Hello.

If you're here for the first time, please come by our Welcome Center and say hello. We'd love to answer any questions and say thanks for being our special guest today.

I/We attended worship at:

9:00a 10:45a

I am a first time guest

Name

Spouse

Birthdate

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State

Zip

Mobile

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Email

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Preferred method of contact:

Call Text Email

Interested in the following:

- Become a Christian
- Join the Church
- Request a personal visit
- Subscribe to newsletter
- Join a Community Group
- Other