

Estes Echo



Estes Church of Christ

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"Endeavoring to keep
the unity of the Spirit
in the bond of peace."
Ephesians 4:3

November 10, 2017

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Bethany Iversen.....Peru
Skylar Johnston.....Peru

Medical Missions

FHU Bible Teaching Program
and Graduate Bible Program
Thailand Literature Program
World Bible School
West TN Children's Home

Sign language interpretation
available as needed.

Infertility

1 Samuel 1 and 2 relay the events of Hannah eventually having Samuel and praising God for looking upon her barrenness. Today, we do not typically call a woman or couple barren or childless but we have a word which strikes fear and anxiety into the hearts of many – infertility. There are couples in virtually every congregation who struggle with infertility. Nearly every extended family has members who struggle with it. It is a difficult thing and one which must be handled with care.

A few weeks ago, I was asked to deliver a lesson on Hannah and, in preparation for the lesson, I interviewed four couples who have struggled with infertility. It was informative and emotionally heart-wrenching. However, there were some valuable lessons to be learned.

It is difficult for us to relate to the concept of multiple wives. In 1 Samuel 1, Elkanah is introduced and it states he had two wives – Hannah and Peninnah. It is interesting that these ladies were defined as one who had children (Peninnah) and one who had no children (Hannah). The text goes on to say that Peninnah provoked Hannah. It seems she bragged that she had children and intentionally mocked Hannah for her infertility. Hannah, as many couples today, grieved even to the point that she would neither eat nor drink.

In interviewing these couples who struggled with infertility, all of them revealed things people had said to them which were hurtful. One lady, who after a long struggle with infertility, was able to have four children, learned she was pregnant and but miscarried for the third time! After sharing this information with someone, the friend flippantly responded, "Oh, well at least you have four children." This does not take the pain of loss away. In retrospect, it was neither comforting or good that she said this. Another said they opted to discontinue medical treatments and adopt. When they shared their decision with some friends, some asked what was wrong with them and why they could not have children. The person told me he just wanted others to be excited and to pray for them during the adoption process. The reality is there were people more interested in the gossip of the situation than in the providential avenues of God.

All of these people were quick to point out they did not believe anyone said any of these hurtful things intentionally. But, that is just the point. We often excuse ourselves of things we say on the basis that it was not intentional. Yet, intentionality is the only way we will improve. We would do well to be more intentional with our speech. While Peninnah was intentional in provoking Hannah, often we are not. We can learn from Peninnah's intentionality to better deal with our unintentionality. One final thing I asked in these interviews is: "What would something appropriate to say?" All of them responded with something along the lines of: "Tell me you love me and that you are praying for me."

"But I say to you that for every idle word men may speak, they will give account of it in the day of judgment" (Matthew 12:36).

--Jeremy Northrop

In Our Prayers

Prayer Requests

The **Miskelly family** and the **Dalton family** are working on adoptions.
Alisha Washington is recovering from an arm injury and surgeries.
Rachel Baggott, B. J. Naylor's niece, has been placed on hospice care.
Robert Gann is struggling with kidney stones.
 Linda Anderson asks prayers for her friends, **Della and Daniel Carmen**. Della's husband is in very serious condition.
Judy Tilghman, Susan Bradford's cousin, has been placed on hospice care.
Larry Bingham, Pat Tucker's brother, has been placed on hospice care.
David Ross is hospitalized and undergoing tests.
Madga Young, Tiffany Elder's mother, is recovering from surgery.
Alice Gann is recovering from pacemaker surgery.
Laura Wilson is recovering from thyroid surgery.
B. J. Naylor is awaiting test results.
Cliff Bennett had successful vocal cord surgery this week and is now at home.

Cancer Concerns: Hal Cardiff (Terri Sokoloski's relative), Colton Gates, Forrest Vest, Blondell Powers (Minnie Davis' sister), Megan Jarrell (Erica Parten's cousin), Summer Maples, James Peacock (Zach Peacock's grandfather), Sam Kachelman, Renee Phelps, Lula Johns (Debbie McLaughlin's aunt), Trey Leonard (Marvin and Renee Croom's nephew), Sam Daniel (Heather Stewart's grandfather), Nicollette Isaacson, Natalie Morris, Kristian Carlton (Ginger Frank's friend), Sheryl Thompson (David Falkenheim's aunt), Van Dyer (Brenda Johnson's cousin), Diane Davis (Adrienne Riggs' sister-in-law), Jeanette Morris (Tony Morris's mother), John Phillips (Ralph & Martha Austin's friend), Willie Milam (Martha Austin's brother), Linda Robinson (Ann Lutz's niece), Dwaine White (Margaret Payne's father), Doyle Murphy, Lonna Griffin, Richard Wood's grandparents, Danny Jones, Sue Cotton (Todd Cotton's mother), Robin Connor (Kevin Moore's sister), Heidi Lipphardt (Sandra Wilson's friend), Lee Matthews, Jr. (Matt Matthew's nephew), Gary Williams (Frank Williams' brother), Karen Fozard (Tony Kirk's sister), Ever Johnson (Paul and Tricia Johnson's grandson), James Harvison, Jose Ferreira (father of FHU grads from Brazil), Mark Wilson (Denise Phillips' brother-in-law), Angelia Haltom, Everett "Junior" Naylor (B.J. Naylor's brother), Sharon Kea, Ann Watson (Lana Pirtle's mother)

Ongoing Health Concerns

Jeff Payne; 420 Melodie Circle; Henderson
 Emergene Weaver; Crestview Health Care Center, Brownsville, TN. 38012
 HHRC - Lois Garner (410B), Lurlene Hysmith, Merle Little, Ermer McNeil, Nell Vires (403)
 Lou Anderson; Maplewood Healthcare Center, Room 210, 100 Cherrywood Pl., Jackson, 38305
 Betty Vincent; 1197 Finger Leapwood Rd., Finger, TN 38334
 Ruby Robison; 3360 Yates Road, Hornbeak, TN 38232
 Marie DuBerry; Elmcroft, 911 Old Humboldt Rd., Jackson 38305
 Jurilee Rouse; 614 Rosebud, Henderson
 Robert Gann, 1915 Old Finger Rd., Henderson
 Bill Maness; 2800 Old Friendship Rd., Finger, TN 38334
 Leonard and Ann Lutz, 1980 Sanford Rd.
 Carolyn Henry, 1870 Old Finger Rd.
 David Ross, 1020 Memory Lane, Henderson
 Phyllis Lackey, 326 E. Third, Henderson
 Chris Moore (Libby Maynard's nephew)
 Gala Stewart (Rachel Salmon's grandmother)
 Richy Butler (J. R. Hames' son-in-law)

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Looking Ahead

Sunday: -Worship @ Heritage Towers, 2:00 pm (each Sunday)
 -Worship @ Southern Oaks, 2:30 pm (1st & 5th Sundays)
 -Worship @ HHRC, 2:30 pm (4th Sundays)
 -Visitation teams 2A, 2B, & 1B meet.
 -Bible Bowl, 3:30 p.m. - I Corinthians 14-16

Wednesday: -Wednesdays @ Estes -- The Big 10: #9, Tell the Truth -- Rick Brumback

For the Record

Week of November 5, 2017

Sunday Bible Study.....	332															
Sunday Morning Worship	495															
Sunday Afternoon Worship.....	354															
Mid-Week Bible Study.....	362															
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Brittany Bradford - Ft. Bragg, NC - brittany.bradford14@yahoo.com
 Mason Wallace (Shannon Morris' nephew)
 José Urzua
 Hunter Miller, Army basic training.
 PVT MILLER, HUNTER A.
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 3rd PLT Maddogs
 6007 Rothwell Str.
 Ft. Sill, OK 73503



Pulpit Preview

A.M.: "Faith without works is dead," James 2:14-17 -- Doug
P.M.: "Not to be served, but to serve," Mark 10:35-45 -- Mark

12 Anna Tucker
 14 Wyatt Hysmith
 14 Suzanne Scott

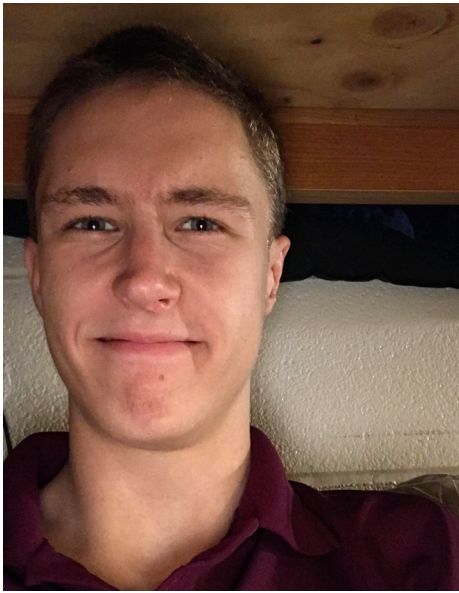


18 Leah Barnette
 18 Linda Beshires



Sympathy to Bob Little on the death of his wife, **Merle Little**.

In the Spotlight



We welcome **Dimitri Sims** to our Estes family. Dimitri is an FHU student from Pelham, AL. His future plans include pulpit ministry, teaching Greek, and pursuing an M.Div. Dimitri was adopted from Russia when he was two years old. His interests include archery, gummies, and Iron Man.

Young Families 

Bonfire & Weenie Roast

Friday, November 10, 6:00 p.m.
Brian & Sara Massey's house

Check the Facebook group for more information.

You are invited to a **Veterans Day program** featuring the music of the Mobility Brass Quintet, an ensemble of the U.S. Air Force Band of Mid-America, Sat., Nov. 11, at 10:15 - 11:00 a.m., Heritage Commons at FHU.

YOUNG PROFESSIONALS 

20s - early 30s, post-undergrad

Bonfire, Devo & S'mores

Saturday, Nov. 11 | 6:00 p.m. @ the Pirtles' house

See the Facebook group for more info. If you have not yet joined the Facebook group, contact April Schulte (april.schulte4@gmail.com).


REJOICE AND REJUVENATE

Devo & fellowship with the Estes ladies

Monday, November 13 | 6:00 p.m.

Guest Speaker: Cindi Cotton

Bring homemade soup and/or quart or pint jars.

Big Thank You!

Kids for Haiti Fair

Thanks to the servant hearts of our children and the generosity of our Estes members, our kids raised \$2,147 to gift to the Estes elders for use in our Haiti ministries! Some of this money will be used to provide a Thanksgiving meal for the kids at the Sonlight Children's Home. The rest has been applied to our Santo Nutrition Center program which feeds many children twice a day.

INCITE

MEN'S BREAKFAST

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16 - 6:30 AM

LATE NIGHT INCITE

Friday, November 17 - 7:30 PM



Angela Hill and Linda Anderson ask for prayers.

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- Nov. 11 Rake 'n Run
- Nov. 12 FFF honoring ministers, after evening worship
- Nov. 14 Hot Tea Tuesday
- Nov. 15 Parents' meeting after Bible class
- Nov. 18 Childcare for the Deacons' Appreciation Dinner
- Nov. 19 Devo @ the Kitchens' house, after evening worship

DEACONS' APPRECIATION DINNER

Saturday, November 18, 5:00 p.m.

All deacons and their families are invited; sign up on the Activities' Board.

Thanksgiving

an evening of singing,
prayer & scripture

Wednesday, November 22 | 7:00 p.m.

Henderson Church of Christ

Everyone is invited. There will be no Bible classes at the Estes building this night.

Those To Serve

Morning Worship

Lord's Supper: Josh Taylor, Pearce Walker, Alex Tucker, Carver
 Messenger, Lucas Tucker, David Showers,
 Bishop McLaughlin, Alex Jones

Prayer: Xavier Falkenheim

Closing Prayer: Benjamin Rudder

Singing: Nathan Judd

Nursery: Lynne, Loren, Kaitlyn Moore

Greeters: Jackie Hibbett, Jonathan & Ashley Estes, Scott
 & Christy Miskelly

Afternoon Worship

Opening Prayer: Mike Showers

Lord's Supper: Brandon Woolard

Closing Prayer: Ethan Veneble

Singing: John McCaskill

Nursery: Michelle McCaskill, Rachel Taylor

Ushers: Ron Dee, Jim Brown, Nathan Judd

Shepherds Receiving Responses: John McLaughlin, Harold Pirtle

Cards: Dustin Noah Partain, Brody Hysmith

Sound Booth: Frank Bell, Dan Messenger

Safety: Dan Parker, Deryl Hilliard, Dan Messenger,
 Richard Wood, Kyle Connor

Prepare Communion: Anthony and Beth Naylor

Bldg. Lockup: Mark and Diane Stewart

**Please dress appropriately and respectfully.
 If unable to serve, call Richard Wood at 731-608-2346.**

Schedule of Services

Sunday

Bible Study.....9:30am

Morning Worship.....10:30am

Evening Worship.....5:00pm

Spanish Language Worship....5:00pm
 (Room 5)

Wednesday

Bible Study.....7:00pm


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 Date	Reading 1	Reading 2
12	Ezekiel 1,2,3	Hebrews 9
13	Ezekiel 4,5,6	Heb.10:1-23
14	Ezekiel 7,8,9	Heb.10:24-39
15	Ezekiel 10,11,12	Heb.11:1-19
16	Ezekiel 13,14,15	Heb.11:20-40
17	Ezekiel 16	Hebrews 12
18	Ezekiel 17,18,19	Hebrews 13