

Estes Echo



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

March 9, 2018

Finding Balance in the Wisdom of Proverbs

If I'm allowed to have a favorite book of the Bible, then Proverbs is probably a top contender for that title. Regardless of whatever else I may be reading for personal Bible study, I keep going back to Proverbs to read two or three verses at a time to learn from their wisdom. A word that summarizes many of Proverbs' teachings is "balance." The different contributors to Proverbs often make statements that can only be understood in light of another statement in the book, or they may make statements that on the surface simply seem contradictory. One of the best examples of this is Proverbs 26:4-5:

Answer not a fool according to his folly, lest you be like him yourself.
Answer a fool according to his folly, lest he be wise in his own eyes
(Prov 26:4-5).

If taken as absolute statements, then these teachings cannot both be applied in someone's life. If taken as general instructions, then Solomon provides us with insight for how to answer fools and leaves us to use our discretion (or wisdom) in choosing which route to take. Other passages that call for balance in dealing with life include Proverbs 24:13 and 25:27:

My son, eat honey, for it is good, and the drippings of the honeycomb are sweet to your taste (Prov 24:13).

It is not good to eat much honey, nor is it glorious to seek one's own glory
(Prov 25:27).

One final example is one of my favorite passages in the entire book:

Give me neither poverty nor riches; feed me with the food that is needful for me, lest I be full and deny you and say, "Who is the LORD?" Or lest I be poor and steal and profane the name of my God (Prov 30:8-9).

Part of why I love Proverbs is because it is instantly applicable, and yet it may take a lifetime to truly bring our lives in stride with the instructions it contains. The balance the book often emphasizes is only found through the fear of the LORD, which is declared as the ultimate source of wisdom at the beginning of the book (1:7). When is it wise to answer a fool and when is it not? When should one keep "eating honey" (enjoying life), and when is one overindulging? When does a person have too many riches or too few? Those who fear the LORD will know, and the more they are in tune with His will the more they will perceive. James tells us that those who ask for wisdom without doubting will certainly receive it (James 1:5-6). Perhaps one of the ways God grants that wisdom is through time spent in books like this one. Life is full of joy, tragedy, hope, despair, good, and evil. Whatever part of the rollercoaster of life we are on right now, the LORD has words of guidance and comfort for us. Because of His love and protection, we can live the confidence that our paths will ultimately be made straight.

—Lee Hagewood

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Skylar Johnston.....Peru

Medical Missions

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

Sign language interpretation
available as needed.

In Our Prayers

Prayer Requests

The **Miskelly family** and the **Dalton family** are working on adoptions.
Cindy Mosher, Katie Deck's aunt, is struggling with photophobia, a hypersensitivity to light.
Joel Sanford is recovering from a procedure to relieve back pain.
Troy Williams is recovering from extensive hand surgery.
Chad Henry, Carolyn Henry's son, is recovering from an aneurysm.
Kenny McLeod is undergoing treatment for severe anemia.
Anne Phillips is recovering from surgery to repair a broken wrist.
Judy Thomas is recovering from surgery to repair a broken ankle. She is at HHRC for a while during recovery.
Dwaine White is undergoing immunotherapy for cancer.
Mildred Geest, Terri Sokoloski's mother, has improved.
Ann Lutz is recovering from surgery to repair a broken leg and is undergoing rehab.
Roma DuPree, Carrie Sells' stepmother, is scheduled for difficult aneurysm surgery on March 12, and has been hospitalized until then.
Mary Johns, Debbie McLaughlin's mother, is recovering from knee replacement surgery.
Taryn Bolton, B.J. and Barbara Naylor's daughter, was hospitalized last week and will have further treatment at Vanderbilt.
Thelma Hemby is taking medication to clear an arterial obstruction.
Mary Maness is in Room 807 at JMGH after a mild heart attack. She is undergoing tests.
Ethan & Becca McLaughlin leave next week to begin teaching English in China for a year.

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), Nicolette Isaacson, Natalie Morris, Kristian Carlton (Ginger Frank's friend), 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), Doyle Murphy, Lonna Griffin, Richard Wood's grandparents, Danny Jones, Sue Cotton (Todd Cotton's mother), Robin Connor (Kevin Moore's sister), 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), Lawrence Johnson (Nell Vires & Carolyn Henry's brother), Debbie Schwartz (Paul Schwartz's sister-in-law), Michelle Brewer

Ongoing Health Concerns

Jeff Payne; 420 Melodie Circle; Henderson
 Emergene Weaver; Crestview Health Care Center, Brownsville, TN. 38012
 HHRC - Lois Garner (410B), Ermer McNeil, Nell Vires (403)
 Lou Anderson; Pine Meadows Healthcare, 700 Nuckolls Rd., Room B6, Bolivar, 38008
 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 38340
 Leonard and Ann Lutz, 1980 Sanford Rd.
 Carolyn Henry, 1870 Old Finger Rd.
 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)
 R. C. Schwartz (Paul Schwartz's father); 1645 Enville Rd., Henderson

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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 and 2B meet.

Wednesday: -Wednesdays @ Estes --God's Mighty Acts in Acts: A wonderful widow raised from the dead -- J. T. Northrop
 -Ladies' class, Room 5
 -Uplift class, Solomon's porch
 -Adult class on the Apostles, Fellowship Room

For the Record

Week of March 4, 2018

Sunday Bible Study.....	334															
Sunday Morning Worship	502															
Sunday Afternoon Worship.....	373															
Mid-Week Bible Study.....	387															
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Brittany Bradford - Ft. Bragg, NC - brittany.bradford14@yahoo.com
 Mason Wallace (Shannon Morris' nephew)
 José Urzua - San Diego, CA
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 Carson Naylor, Army Basic Training, Ft. Benning, GA - naylorcarson@gmail.com



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Pulpit Preview

A.M.: "What are you waiting for?" Luke 2:25-38 -- Doug
P.M.: "Strength Under Control," Matthew 11:29 -- Mark

11 Gary Irwin		13 Grant Matthews
11 John McLaughlin		13 Colton Brown
11 Patsy Davis		13 Nell Vires
11 John Daniels		13 Xander Swain
11 Crystal Kuykendall		14 Linda Vires
12 Bryson Stewart		16 Laurie Tucker

In the Spotlight



We welcome **Ben Cupples** (his wife **Jenna** was already an Estes member) to our Estes family. Ben and Jenna have two boys, Kase and Cheston. Ben is Lead Lineman at Southwest TN Electric and Jenna works at East Chester Elementary. Kase is in the 6th grade and Cheston is in the 2nd grade. In his spare time, Ben enjoys hunting, fishing, and being outdoors with his family. He also is a taxidermist and coaches community sports.

INCITE MEN'S BREAKFAST

THURSDAY, MARCH 15 - 6:30 AM



DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME begins Sunday, March 11. Set clocks **FORWARD** one hour.

YOUNG PROFESSIONALS
20s - early 30s, post-undergrad

Game Night & Devo

Friday, March 16 | 7:00 p.m. @ the McLaughlins' house

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



Digging Up our Buried Talents
Saturday, March 17 | 9am-12pm
Talent-Sharing with the Estes ladies
Devo speaker: **Kelsey Hagewood**



Dear Estes youth and families - thank you so much for the wonderful Senior Saints' Valentine's Day Banquet! We very much enjoyed it and appreciate all of your hard work. --

Richard and Susan Sain

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- March 9 Devo @ the Moores' house, 6-9 p.m.
- March 10 Marigolds for the Olds
- March 13 Hot Tea Tuesday
- March 21 W.O.W., 6:00 p.m.



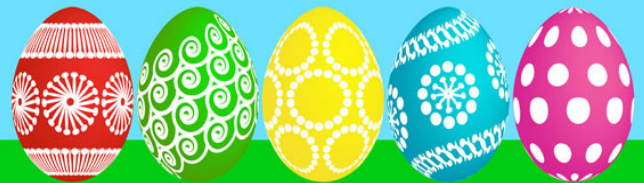
Our sympathy to Pat and Lila Fischbach and family on the death of Lila's mother, **Rose Brown**. Sympathy to Tom and Linda Wade on the death of their friend, **Bill Trimble**.



We rejoice with **Jamal Thomas** who put on Christ in baptism this week!

ESTES KIDS' EASTER EGG HUNT SATURDAY, MARCH 24

10 AM - NOON AT TRENT & SUZANNE SCOTT'S HOUSE



Celebrate the 50th wedding anniversary of
Jim and Glenda Stanley
at a come-and-go reception
Saturday, March 24
2-4 p.m. in the Estes fellowship room
No gifts please.

AREA HAPPENINGS

Ladies' Day @ Bethel Springs Church of Christ, Saturday, March 10. Speaker is Cindy Rodgers. Registration begins at 9:00 a.m., program at 9:30 a.m.

Ladies' Day @ Pinson Church of Christ, Saturday, March 17. Speaker is Jane Kirk. Registration, 8:30 a.m.; program, 9:00 a.m.

"THERE'S STILL LOTS TO DO!" Senior Adult Rally at Henderson Church of Christ, Saturday, March 24. Speaker is David Powell. Registration 9:30 a.m.; program begins 10:00 a.m. Lunch is provided. RSVP to office@hendersoncoc.com or 989-5161.

"Managing Me: Purpose & Priority," for young adults, Saturday, March 24; 9a.m.-1 p.m. Lunch provided. Register at search@eastjacksoncofc.org or 731-422-6341.

GOSPEL REVIVAL MEETING at East Jackson Church of Christ, March 25-27 with speaker William Stephens. A full schedule of meeting times is posted on the Activities' Board.

Those To Serve

Morning Worship

Lord's Supper: Ben Reese, Brian Massey, Ben Cupples, Carver
Messenger, Grant Matthews, Matt Matthews,
Larry Thomas, Dan Messenger

Prayer: C.J. Vires

Closing Prayer: Daniel Salmon

Singing: David Falkenheim

Nursery: Shawna and Kaylee Northrop

Greeters: Roy & Dorothy McIntyre, David & Laurie
Novak, Rex & Denise Phillips

Afternoon Worship

Opening Prayer: Brandon Woolard

Lord's Supper: Steve Kitchen

Closing Prayer: Bishop McLaughlin

Singing: Nathan Judd

Nursery: Tamara, Annabelle, Hallie Lockridge

Ushers: Jason Lockridge, Dan Messenger

Shepherds Receiving Responses: Allen Walker, Tony Hysmith

Cards: Cheston Cupples, Kase Cupples

Sound Booth: Frank Bell, Richard England

Safety: Dan Parker, Anthony Naylor

Prepare Communion: Puente family

Bldg. Lockup: Danny Eldridge

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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Monday-Friday Bible Readings

Mon 3/12 – Luke 7
Tues 3/13 – Luke 8
Wed 3/14 – Luke 9
Thurs 3/15 – Luke 10
Fri 3/16 – Luke 11