



Welcome to East Lumberton

As Senior Pastor of ELBC, I want to welcome you to our church. We are a diverse church of believers whose goal is

to lift up the name of Jesus Christ. We welcome all races, ages and walks of life to come be a part of our church family. We are glad you came and we hope you feel at home with us today. If you are

visiting for the first time, please see one of our greeters in the vestibule to get a visitor's packet, so that we can get to know you better.

MINISTER ON-CALL

Monday-Rev. Roger Smith (423) 557-5515

Wednesday-Dr. Tom Martin (910) 876-3462

Tuesday & Thursday-Rev. Michael Bowen (910) 736-6170

Friday & Saturday-Rev. Roger Smith (423) 557-5515

EMERGENCY PRAYER REQUEST

Melissa Humphrey (910) 416-0312

If you have an Emergency Prayer Request and would like for your church family to be in prayer, please contact Melissa Humphrey.

Weekly Willing Workers

VAN DRIVERS

8/27: Donald White (258-2435) 9/3: Howard Reaves, Jr. (316-2819)

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Children's Church is provided for children ages 2 thru kindergarten

2 & 3 years old

8/27: Whitney & Austin Hester, Cindy Horne 9/3: Lisa Stephens, Lauren Locklear

4 & 5 years old

8/27: Debby Bledsoe, Angie Hardee 9/3: Haley Smith, Rebecca Lamb

NURSERY WORKERS

8/27: Claudia Cooke, Cindy Horne, Alana Taylor 9/3: Shannon Blackwell, Cindy Caulder, Claudia Cooke

DEACONS OF THE WEEK

Roger Pittman (258-6033) & Thomas Walters (618-8009)

INTERCESSORY PRAYER MINISTRY

8/27: Danny Johnson, Danny Leggett 9/3: Nancy Dudney

FIRST IMPRESSION TEAM

8/27: Terri Gerlad, Tonya & Hanah Baxley, Gail Lassiter 9/3: Maria Cooke, Cathy Lamb, Cindy Horne

For your safety, please know we have a security team in place for all services.

SUNDAY MORNING

"From Bitter To Better"

2 Kings 2:19-22

Theme: "How To Overcome A Bitter Heart"

- I. The Circumstance At The Spring (v. 19)
 - A. The Potential Was Boundless (v. 19a)
 - B. The Problem Was Bitterness (v. 19b)
 1. It Displeases The Person Of God (Heb 12:14)
 2. It Divides The People Of God (Heb 12:15)
 3. It Disrupts The Praise Of God (Matt 5:23-24)
 - C. The Place Was Barren (v. 19c)
- II. The Cure For The Spring (v. 20-21a)
 - A. The Container Had To Be Special (v. 20a)
 - B. The Contents Had To Be Salt (v. 20b)
 - C. The Contact Had To Be Supplied (v. 21a)
 1. Salt Purifies
 2. Salt Pleases
 3. Salt Penetrates
- III. The Cleansing Of The Spring (v. 21b-22)
 - A. The Purification That Was Performed (v. 21b)
 - B. The Person That Was Praised (v. 21c)
 - C. The Purity That Was Permanent (v. 21d-22)

SUNDAY EVENING

Rev. Roger Smith, Speaker

"Watch What You Say"

James 3:8-10



Birthday Celebrations

August 27th - September 2nd

27 th	Arlan Nealy Cay Hunt Patsy White Paige Reaves Samantha Kahn-White Kacie Taylor 28 th	30 th	Camden Locklear Yvonne Britt Samantha Britt Daniel Lee Chelsea Stone Linda Oliver Mitchell Willoughby Jamie Wilkins 29th	31 st	1 st	Shelly Hope Heather Owens

SAVE THE DATE

The Whisnants

Sunday, October 22th

6:00 PM



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August 27, 2023

Church Theme for 2023:

The Blessing of Kids in Church ~ Matthew 19:13-15

EAST LUMBERTON
Baptist Church

Staff Directory

Senior Pastor

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Dr. Tom Martin
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Mr. Matthew Horne
(910) 734-4356

Ministry Assistant

Ms. Janet Taylor

Worship Team

Mr. Larry Cooke & Mr. Shon Anderson

Treasurer

Ms. Carolyn Hedgpeth

Custodian

Mr. Jeff Pait

8:30 AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude	Pianist
Call to Worship	
	<i>"To God Be the Glory"</i>
Invocation & Welcome	Deacon of the Week
Offertory Hymn	
	<i>"Let Others See Jesus in You"</i>
Message in Song	Thomas Walters
Message	Rev. Michael S. Bowen
"From Bitter To Better"	
2 Kings 2:19-22	

*Hymn of Commitment

Benediction	Layman
Postlude	Pianist

11:00 AM BLENDED WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude	Pianist
Call to Worship	
	<i>"What A Wonderful Place"</i>
	Soloist: Jennifer Davis
Invocation & Welcome	Rev. Roger Smith
Offertory Hymn	
	<i>"He Set Me Free"</i>
Parent Child Dedication	

Message in Song	Alana Taylor
Message in Song	Sanctuary Choir
	<i>"I Speak Jesus"</i>
	Soloist: Lauren Locklear
Message	Rev. Michael S. Bowen

"From Bitter To Better"	
2 Kings 2:19-22	

*Hymn of Commitment

	<i>"Speak to My Heart"</i>
	Layman
	Pianist
Postlude	

Hymn of Commitment

During the Hymn of Commitment if you would like to talk with someone about salvation, join the church or become a candidate for baptism, our Pastors will be available at the front during this time.

6:00 PM EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude	Pianist
Call to Worship	Sanctuary Choir
	<i>"Look for Me Around the Throne"</i>
Invocation & Welcome	Rev. Tom Martin
Offertory Hymn	
	<i>"Kneel at the Cross"</i>
Congregational	
	<i>"Just a Closer Walk with Thee"</i>
Message in Song	Lauren Locklear
Message in Song	Sanctuary Choir
	<i>"Amazing Grace My Chains are Gone"</i>
Message	Rev. Roger Smith
	"Watch What You Say"
	James 3:8-10
*Hymn of Commitment	
	<i>"All to Thee"</i>
Benediction	Layman
Postlude	Pianist

REGULAR SERVICE TIMES

TODAY	8:30 AM	Traditional Worship Service
	9:45 AM	Sunday School
	11:00 AM	Blended Worship Service
	6:00 PM	Evening Worship Service
Wednesday		NO Family Night Supper
	6:30 PM	Children's Choir (Grades 1-6)
	7:00 PM	Prayer Meeting
	7:00 PM	Nursery thru Grade 12

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Vision Committee

 The Vision Committee will meet **TODAY**, after the evening worship service in the Circle of Sisters classroom. If you have any questions, please see Mitch Lassiter

Children's Choir

 Children's Choir is on Wednesday's at 6:30 PM. If you have any questions and/or concerns, please contact Kayla Lee.

Denim and Pearls

 Denim and Pearls will meet on Friday, September 1st, at 6:30 PM. All ladies are invited! If you have questions, please contact Lisa Hendren or Sharon Leggett.

Intercessory Prayer Team

 The Intercessory Prayer Team members pray for the Pastor and congregation during the morning worship service. If you would like to join the prayer team, please contact Molly Horne.



New Ministry for College Students

The church would like to start a new ministry for college students. Often times these students become disconnected with the church once they go to college. You will

become a "secret pal" for that particular student during the school year. There are many ways to remember the student by sending them a card or small gift etc. but most of all add them to your prayer list. The student will not know who you are until the end of the school year. Somewhere around June, you will have a time where you meet your student and they have the opportunity to tell you "Thank You" for the support. Parents, please give the name of student and current mailing address along with the birthday to Kristie Martin no later than Sunday, September 10th. Also, if you would like to sponsor a student or if you have questions, please contact Kristie Martin (734-2922).

Collecting New or Gently Used Clothes

"*Campers on Missions*" are collecting new or gently used Men and Women clothes for the NC State Fair Workers. There is a need for black pants, belts, shoes, steel toe boots, blankets, sheets and towels. These items are needed no later than Sunday, October 1st. Drop the items off at the church office or give to Bob or Jan Hobdy directly. If you have questions, please contact them.



Upcoming Events

Monday, September 4th – Labor Day
Church Office Closed

Sunday, September 10th
5:00 PM Church Council Meeting

Monday, September 11th
7:00 PM Deacons Meeting

Tuesday, September 12th, 19th and 26th
7:00 PM Outreach

Sunday, September 17th
4:00 PM WMU Meeting

Monday, September 18th
7:00 PM Baptist Men

Wednesday, September 20th
7:00 PM Church Conference/Prayer Meeting

Saturday, September 23rd
Children (Grades 1-6) Game Night
Additional Information Forthcoming

Friday, September 29th
Youth (Grades 7-12) Lock-In
Additional Information Forthcoming



Reminder!



Don't forget the tracts in the hallway. Please feel free to pick one up and share a tract with a friend.