



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. Michael Bowen (910) 736-6170

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

7/30: Jeff Bass (316-2570)	8/6: Hugh Bledsoe (874-1961)
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CHILDREN'S CHURCH

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

2 & 3 years old

7/30: Heather Owens, Karen Schwanger	8/6: Roger & Kim Smith, Missy Beal
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4 & 5 years old

7/30: Brooke Willoughby, Sharon Locklear, Cynthia Woodell	8/6: Heather Owens, Karen Schwanger
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NURSERY WORKERS

7/30: Claudia Cooke, Margaret Ramirez, Lisa Smith	8/6: Whitney & Austin Hester, Brooke Willoughby
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DEACONS OF THE WEEK

Bobby Cox (734-4539) & Perry Dudney (258-4952)

INTERCESSORY PRAYER MINISTRY

7/30: Howard Reaves, Jr.	8/6: Crystal Martin
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FIRST IMPRESSION TEAM

7/30: Maria Cooke, Cathy Lamb, Heather Owens	8/6: Doris Britt, Margaret Ramirez, Julia Martin
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For your safety, please know we have a security team in place for all services.

SUNDAY MORNING

"Fighting A Losing Battle?"

James 4:7

Theme: "How To Win The Battle Against Temptation"

- I. The Foe We Will Encounter (v. 7a)
- II. The Fight We Will Endure (v. 7b-7c)
 - A. Resign Our Efforts (v. 7b)
 1. We Must Be Truly Saved
 2. We Must Be Totally Surrendered
 - B. Resist Our Enemy (v. 7c)
 1. By Applying Our Armor (Eph 6:13)
 2. By Analyzing His Arsenal (2 Cor 2:11)
 3. By Avoiding His Attacks (1 Thess 5:22)
- III. The Fleeing We Will Experience (v. 7d)
 - A. The Devil Will Retreat
 - B. The Devil Will Return

SUNDAY EVENING

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



Vacation Bible School: "Keepers of the Kingdom"

Sunday, July 30th thru Thursday, August 3rd
 Supper 6:00 PM; VBS 6:30 PM-9:00 PM

THEME FOR EACH NIGHT:

Monday-King and Queen Night (Dress like royalty)

Tuesday-Crazy Hair Night

Wednesday-Duct Tape Night

Thursday- Glow Stick

(We will provide 3 glow sticks per child, however, feel free to bring your own.)

NIGHTLY MENU:

Sunday-Hot Dogs

Monday-Chicken-n-Rice

Tuesday-Spaghetti

Wednesday-Sloppy Joes

Thursday-Chicken Tenders

OFFERING: Goal: \$1,000.00

Offering will go to the Boys & Girls Home of Lake Waccamaw.

There will be contest between the boys and girls.

Pastor Mike will be on the girl's team and Pastor Roger will be on the boy's team.

The loser will get dunked in the dunking booth.

The offering will be taken up nightly in each classroom.

COMMENCEMENT:

Friday, August 4th, 6:00 PM -9:00 PM

Pizza, Ice Cream, Snow Cones

Also, waterslide and bouncy house

Please be in prayer for VBS teachers, workers, students and that souls will be saved. If you have questions, please contact Jennifer Bowen or Melissa Reaves.



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July 30, 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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Minister of Senior Adults

Dr. Tom Martin
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Worship Team Leader

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

11:00 AM JOINT WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude	Pianist
Call to Worship	"Victory in Jesus"
Invocation & Welcome	Rev. Roger Smith
Offertory Hymn	"There Is Power in the Blood"
Congregational Song	"Blessed Be the Name"
Message in Song	Belinda Locklear & Alana Taylor
Message	Rev. Michael S. Bowen "Fighting A Losing Battle?" James 4:7
*Hymn of Commitment	"Softly and Tenderly"
Benediction	Layman
Postlude	Pianist

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.

REGULAR SERVICE TIMES

TODAY	9:45 AM	Sunday School
	11:00 AM	Joint Worship Service (JULY ONLY)
	6:00 PM	VBS
MONDAY THRU THURSDAY		
	6:00 PM	Supper
	6:30 PM	VBS
FRIDAY	6:00 PM	VBS Commencement



Save the Date:
Revival – August 20th-23rd
We will be having a revival on August 20th-23rd with Evangelist Rick Coram. There will be a joint worship service on Sunday morning at 11:00 AM, Sunday evening at 6:00 PM and Monday thru Wednesday at 7:00 PM nightly. Please be in prayer for our upcoming revival and that many souls will be saved.

Nominating Committee Survey

The nominating committee has provided surveys to determine where you would like to be considered to serve in the new church year. Forms are at all the entrances and in Sunday School class rooms. Please check all areas of interest and turn into the church office or place in the offering plate no later than **TODAY**.

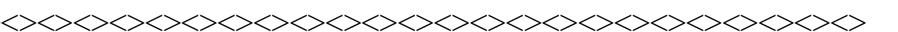


6:00 PM EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

BUS DRIVER FOR VBS

		SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS
Pick up	Bus	Jeff Bass (316-2570)	John Reaves (736-0158)	Jeff Pait (733-1651)	Jeff Bass (316-2570)	Perry Dudney (258-4952)
Drop off	Bus	Jeff Bass (316-2570)	John Reaves (736-0158)	Jeff Pait (733-1651)	Jeff Bass (316-2570)	Perry Dudney (258-4952)



ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

The church office hours will be open from 8:30 AM until 12:00 (noon) Monday, July 31st thru Thursday, August 3rd due to VBS.



There will be **NO** Children's Choir on Wednesday, August 2nd (VBS). If you have any questions and/or concerns, please contact Kayla Lee.

Children's Choir

There will be **NO** sanctuary choir practice on Wednesday, August 2nd due to VBS. If you have questions, please contact Matt Horne or Shon Anderson.



The regular monthly Deacons meeting scheduled to be held on Monday, August 7th, at 7:00 PM. If you have questions, please contact Thomas Walters.

Deacons Meeting

CPR (Contact, Prayer, Recovery)
The regular monthly outreach will be held on Tuesday, August 8th, at 7:00 PM. We will focus on the **CONTACT** of church prospects through visits and postcards.



Regular Worship Schedule Resumes
Beginning Sunday, August 6th, we will resume our Regular Worship Schedule:

8:30 AM Traditional Worship Service,
9:45 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Blended Worship Service, and
6:00 PM Evening Worship Service



We have completed the third 13-week cycle of **GRIEF SHARE!** It's amazing the wonderful way God has helped us all during this process and the closeness we have developed with Him and each other. We are going to take some time off and plan to start the next cycle in the Fall. Please share this opportunity with others that have experienced a loss so they can join us. Thank you ELBC for providing this opportunity.

Tom and Kay Martin



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.

In Case of An Emergency

We would like to develop a list of nurses, paramedics and doctors along with the phone numbers and Sunday School class attending. This list would be used in case of an emergency and will be posted beside the emergency bag. Please sign the sheet on the bulletin board or contact the church office. Thank you for your assistance.



Birthday Celebrations July 30th - August 5th

30 th	Dale Davis	Krista Morgan
31 st	Claudia Cooke	Jeff Bass
	Lisa Blanton	Belinda Locklear
	Amanda Hunt	Patrick Locklear
1 st	Samiya Jones	Peggy Mercer
	Rubin West	Debbie Allen
	Mitchell Smith	Gail Lassiter
2 nd	Becky Willoughby	



Upcoming Events
Sunday, July 2nd thru July 30th
9:45 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Joint Morning Worship Service
6:00 PM Evening Worship Service

Tuesday, July 25th
7:00 PM Outreach

Sunday-Friday, July 30th-August 4th
Vacation Bible School

Monday, August 7th
7:00 PM Deacons Meeting

Tuesday, August 8th and 15th
7:00 PM Outreach

Friday, August 11th
6:30 PM Denim and Pearls

Friday, August 11th
8:30 PM Movie Night "Overcomer"

Monday, August 14th
7:00 PM Baptist Men

Sunday, August 20th
4:00 PM WMU

Sunday, August 20th
11:00 AM Joint Worship Service- Revival
6:00 PM Revival

Monday, August 21st thru Wednesday, August 23rd
7:00 PM Nightly - Revival