

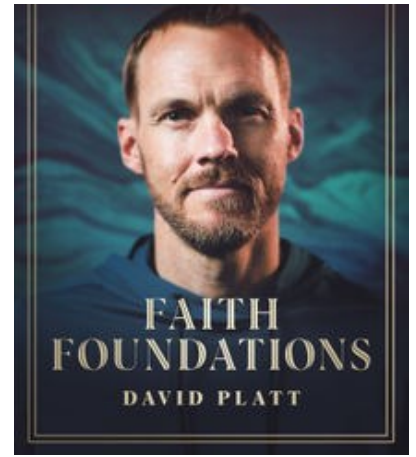
Elmwood West Methodist Church



Elmwood West News August 2024

The Discipline of Prayer from Faith Foundation by David Platt

The short description in Genesis 5:24 summarized the life of Enoch, who “walked with God.” He knew and followed God so thoroughly that people recognized the fruit of his faithfulness. His godly reputation was spoken of through generations. It’s the kind of reputation every believer should want to cultivate.



Enjoying God and exalting him with our words and actions does not come naturally. We must be intentional in staying connected to him. David Platt shared a way we can remain close to God through prayer.

In Matthew 6:5–13, Jesus taught his disciples how to pray. Praying is a humble endeavor between us and God, who already knows what we need. Yet he desires that we talk with him anyway.

Prayer is less about getting something from God and more about knowing him more deeply. As we spend time with him regularly, whether alone for a period of time or on the go throughout each day, we develop a deeper connection with him.

In the acrostic David suggested, he began with P for Praise, echoing the first line of the Lord’s Prayer in Matthew 6:9. Remembering what God has done in the world and for us should motivate us to praise him.

R stands for Repent. After praising God, we confess our sins and repent of them, coming clean before God. Our humility shows that we understand our rightful standing in his presence. And we can trust him when we repent because he has shown us his great love.

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Now it's time to Ask (A). Tell God what's on your mind. Make requests for yourself, friends, family, world events, work, etc.—whatever is on your heart. He's ready to hear us. Looking to him for help is right and good. Think through the requests you typically bring to God.

Finally, to finish, PRAY we should Yield (Y) to the Lord's leading and will. We entrust ourselves to him and how he sees fit to answer our prayers and direct our lives.

The Church Council has voted to reach out to a graphic company and work on updating our logo. James and I have been working with the company and this is the working logo we are considering. It includes our stain glass image. We will adding some color to the stain glass.

Any concerns or comments are welcome. We want to be as transparent as possible.



Circle of Faith Update

Circle of Faith will meet on August 8 at noon. We will have a potluck lunch followed by our regular meeting.

We will be election officers, delivering shower bags and planning our next projects.

Everyone is invited to be a part of this group.

EWMC YOUTH & CHILDREN

We are still working on getting a youth program going. Leland and James are working on a plan for the fall.

We are also looking at starting a children Sunday school class and possibly a Wednesday Night program for children.

Youth and children are the future of the church. We need to be doing things that encourage growth in these areas.

Be praying for the people who are working in these areas.

Wednesday Night Meal

We start serving at 5:30 and will continue to serve until 6:15.

Make note of the time change.

Everyone is welcome to come and fellowship with us.

FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP

\$5 adult

\$4 Children and college students

Children 3 and under free

\$15 family maximum

August 7— Pork Chop and Rice Casserole, Broccoli, Rolls and Brownie Trifle

August 14— Smothered Beef Patties, Mashed Potatoes, Peas, Rolls and Strawberry Shortcake

August 21— Jerk Chicken Sandwiches, Chips and Cookies

August 28— Mexican Pile On and Sopapilla Cheesecake



It Fair Time Again

The Fair will be Sept 5 through Sept 14.

Look forward to another successful year.

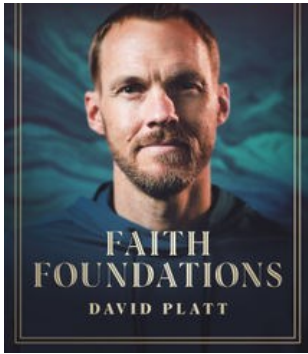
Homeschool is Back

We are hosting the same group as last year. Classical Conversation on Tuesday and Texas Homeschool Coop on Thursday.

They bring income as well as fun and joy into our building.

Luke 6:36

Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.



Excellent Study

If you are unable to attend, I encourage you to watch the videos on line at RightNow Media.

<https://app.rightnowmedia.org/join/ewmc>

We are changing Bible study back to 6:30

August 7, 14 and 21 we will be finishing the last 3 lessons of Faith Foundations.

August 28 we will do a quick follow up study on prayer.

Then we take off the first 2 weeks in September for the fair. We will pick up with a new Bible Study on September 18.

Burgers on the Lot

Mondays from 5:30 to 7 we will be serving burgers, chips and drinks to raise money to donate to the roof replacement fund.

Burger and chips \$8



Canned Drinks \$1

Through the month of July, we have been able to donate \$700 to the roof replacement fund. We plan on continuing Burgers on the Lot until the end of August. Hopefully, we can make raise our donation to an even \$1000.

I want to extent a huge thanks to those who have endured the heat and help with this fundraiser. And thanks to those who have supported us buying burgers and spreading the word to the public.

New from the Methodist Food Pantry

In the month of July we were able to serve 659 families which represented a total of 1568 individuals.

At the end of June The Emergency Food Assistance Program released their new income eligibility guidelines. The amount is base off 185 percent of poverty level. The amount rose slightly over last years amount. A family of one can make up to \$2332 per month and qualify for our assistance. Family of two \$3152. Family of three \$3981. Family of four \$4810. Family of five \$5640. The amount increases about \$830 for each additional family member after this .

This is being put out so our donors and supporters can pass this information on to any family they know.

Prayer Request

Continued prayer for:

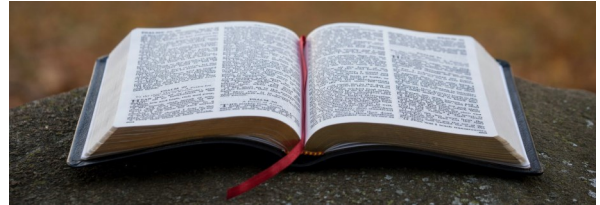
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| Lena Moore | Mary Steed |
| Carol Myers | Ava Howard |
| Bill Temple | Doris Harp |
| David Jackson | Marge Vargas |
| Reva Turner | Jose Garcia |
| Jackie Rincon | Lily Johnson |
| Lori Kirkpatrick | |

*Our prayer group meet on Tuesdays at 1:00.
All are invited to join.*

*You can call 692-1173 with prayer concerns or
email ewmc@elmwoodwest.com
slsabilene@outlook.com*

Memorials and Honorariums

In Memory of **Peggy Kirkpatrick**
By Mailyn Queen



July 7

Sunday School	13	Worship	In Person 28 Online 2
Tithe and Offerings	\$4,556	Memorials	\$50

July 14

Sunday School	13	Worship	In Person 29 Online 2
Tithe and Offering	\$676	Memorials	

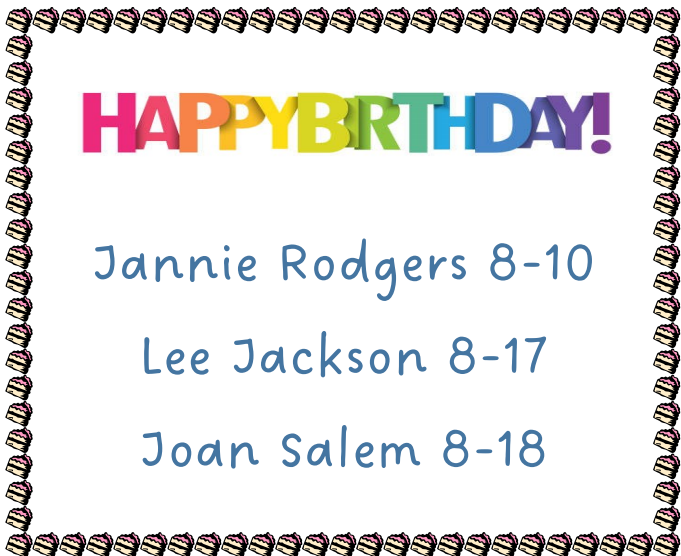
July 21

Sunday School	13	Worship	In Person 35 Online 2
Tithe and Offering	\$360	Memorials	\$285

July 28

Sunday School	10	Worship	In Person 27 Online 1
Tithe and Offering	660	Memorials	

July	Tithe and Offering	\$6,242
	Rental Income	\$2,450
Income	Home School	\$ 0
	Total	\$ 8,692



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August 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3 5:30-8:00 pm PNO
4 9:00 Sunday School 10:00 Worship	5 5:30-7:00 Burgers on the Lot 5:30 Basketball and Burgers	6 1:00 Prayer Group	7 5:30 Fellowship Meal 6:30 Bible Study	8	9	10
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Worship Service
Sunday 10:00



In Person and
Facebook Live