

THE ECHO

DESCRIBE YOUR GOD



ONE DAY AT A TIME

Those words always make me think of a gospel song by that same title. This song points out the need for each of us to live that **“ONE DAY”** for Jesus. In fact, there is a line that is very challenging. As you read the following line does it explain your life or expose a life need? ***“One day at a time sweet Jesus, that’s all I’m asking from you, Lord for my sake, teach me to take, ONE DAY AT A TIME.***

We just celebrated our 50th Anniversary as a church and now we face a NEW DAY. How will we approach that new day? We heard stories of how God worked in days gone by and all the excitement of seeing the church grow from its birth to almost 1000 in attendance at its highest point. Because we are no longer at that “peak” does that mean the Lord is no longer working at ERBC? Let me say it as best I know how, ABSOLUTELY NOT! We Baptist are sticklers for numbers; especially the baptisms, budgets and bodies. However, numbers are not all there is to the story. I want to call our attention to some other factors.

- ◆ The school is still teaching children every day about Jesus.
- ◆ The church is still open every week to do ministry.
- ◆ Our outreach ministry this past year saw over 100 professions of faith.
- ◆ We have started 3 house churches and have more on the drawing board.
- ◆ We have seen God work miraculously in some physical needs in our

membership.

- ◆ The Lord has brought new staff members in the last few years to join in the ministry.
- ◆ We have become co-laborers with Anchored Love Ministries in mission work in America and foreign countries.
- ◆ We are entering into a partnership with “Feed the Children” in our area.

ONE MORE THING! This was all built on the foundation laid over 50 years ago, but we must still move on, ONE DAY AT A TIME.

I encourage each of you to remind yourself that is our challenge today just like it was February 7, 1960. There have been a lot of changes in the world, the community and the church since then. But, as God reminds us, He is still the same. He leads us through life, ONE DAY AT A TIME.

Do we still have the same commitment to the work God gave ERBC so long ago? Do we still have that same ONE DAY AT A TIME mentality? Remember, that can explain our life of faithfulness or expose a life of fruitlessness.

Will you make a fresh commitment to a ONE DAY AT A TIME relationship with the Lord for 2010? Will you be faithful to read His word, pray, give and serve Jesus O-D-A-A-T!

On call 24/7,

Bro. Larry

Eisenhower Road Baptist Church

Special points of interest:

- > New Members ~ Join The Pastor For Lunch
- > Gone Fishing to Find Prospects
- > Invite A Friend On High Attendance Sunday
- > How You Can Help With Vacation Bible School?
- > Prayer Ministry Opportunities—Is There One For You?
- > Spring Break Camp In March
- > New Chair, Vice-Chair and Secretary Of The Deacons
- > Join Us As We Celebrate Juanita Mike’s Retirement

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Education Ministry

By Sandra Cisneros

In Touch Ministry ARE YOU READY TO GO FISHING?



The plan is to GO F.I.S.H. **How will we do this?** The emphasis will be on a quarterly basis. In this plan, we will Go and...

F – FIND PROSPECTS. This emphasis is to begin now and conclude the last week in March. Every Wednesday night we want to pull all the prospect cards and identify who they are, where they live, and identify a Sunday School Class age group for follow up.

I – Invite. We will look at intentional activities to invite prospects and their families. This emphasis will take place the first week of APRIL through the last week in June.

S – Share. In this emphasis, we will make sure that people have heard the plan of salvation if they are not saved, and assimilate them in the life of the church. This emphasis will take place the first week in July through the last week in September.

H – Harvest. Harvest time will take place the first week in October through the last week in December.

Church members and Sunday School Class leaders are encouraged to come on Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. and get this **“Go Fishing Plan Going.”**

Just imagine what will happen if we come together and work diligently on the task set before us without getting distracted!

Mark Your Calendar

Pastor Staff New Members Lunch Sunday, March 28 After Morning Service

Pastor Staff New Members lunch is a quarterly fellowship that will be observed here at ERBC. Our purpose is to get acquainted with families and individuals that have joined the church in recent months.

Sunday School High Attendance Sunday April 25

Teachers, keep this date in mind and begin to plan a goal attendance for your class, together with your class. Each class is to turn in their goal on the last Sunday of March.

SAVE THE DATE! Vacation Bible School June 21-25



Make plans to attend the
Associational VBS Training
Friday, March 26
6:30 p.m.—8:30 p.m.
Saturday, March 27
9:00 a.m.—11:00 a.m.

At Northeast Baptist Church
2930 Bitters Road

**Our first preparation meeting will
take place on**
Wednesday, March 31—6:00 p.m.
ERBC Fellowship Hall
~ Carolyn Cope, V.B.S. Director ~

Prayer Ministry

Welcome to the Ministries Corner!
We believe God hears and answers prayer! We are standing on: *“Again I say to you, if two of you agree on earth concerning anything that they ask, it will be done for them by My Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered together in My name, I am there in the midst of them.”* (Matthew 18:19-20)

PURPOSE

The purpose of the prayer ministry is to actively encourage and promote prayer within the life of the church. By being open and responsive to the working of the Holy Spirit, we pray that God's love, guidance and healing power would be released for the benefit of His people and to His glory.

At ERBC, we do not believe that prayer is "A" ministry of the church, but "THE" ministry of the church. Our goal is to not simply be a church with a prayer ministry - but a praying church. We strive to create many opportunities for participants to make our congregation a house of prayer.

PRAYER MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Men's Prayer Meeting
Every Tuesday at 11: 00 A.M.

Wednesday Prayer Center
6:30 P.M.

Prayer Chain—Every day – 24/7
38 individuals have signed up to be part of the prayer chain. This is a 24/7 ministry. Call Sandra Cisneros at the church office to place your prayer concerns, and she will communicate those prayer needs to me. I will call the first person on the prayer list and the entire prayer chain will be mobilized to begin prayer as soon as the requests are presented.

**By John Willis, Prayer
Coordinator**





Women's Ministry

By Sandra Cisneros

Daughters of the King

All *Daughters of the King* are invited to a special time of sharing and planning.

Sunday, March 21—5:00 p.m.

ERBC Fellowship Hall

Friendships of Women

Every Tuesday Morning at 10:00 p.m.

What an awesome time these women are having studying *Women in the Bible* as a guide for our Bible learning time. We have learned about Ruth, Abigail, Gomer, Mary and Martha, Dorcas & Sarah.

We have learned that the Bible mentions 187 women by name and includes hundreds of nameless women described as daughters, wives, mothers, widows, and so on. Whether you are young or old, single or married, a mother or childless, a homemaker or a businesswoman, you can clearly see God's pattern for godly living in the lives of Old and New Testament Women. One of the ladies that attends said: "I didn't know the Bible had so many names of women"!

Join Us as we learn about the following women...

Rebekah, Rachel, Elizabeth, Sapphira, Eve, Hannah, Naomi, Mary, Lois and Eunice, Huldah, The Proverbs 31 Woman, Rhoda, Lydia, Priscilla, Miriam, Deborah, Esther, Anna, Phoebe, Hagar, Dinah, Mary Magdalene, The Hemorrhaging Woman, and the Woman at the Well.

THANK YOU

I want like to thank the members and friends of ERBC for the cards, notes, and money on the celebration of my retirement. I specially want to thank the Personnel Ministry Team for the time they took in order to make it special for me. It was truly an evening I will not forget.

God bless each and everyone of you!

Jim Cope

Children's Ministry



Spring Break Camp

March 15-17

For PreK-6th Grade Children

Place: Here at Eisenhower Road Baptist Church
Schedule of Activities – 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Teachers are needed in the following age groups

Pre-K and Kinder Children

1st – 2nd Grade Children

3rd – 4th Grade Children

5th – 6th Grade Children



Your help is needed in the following Rotating Centers:

Music Team, Crafts Team
Recreation & Refreshments Team, Kitchen Team

The following items are needed for lunch and refreshments

Hot dogs, Spaghetti, Tuna or chicken (for sandwiches)
20 bags of hot dog buns, 20 bags of hamburger buns,
30 pounds of hamburger meat, 3 dozen eggs,
12 loafs of bread, chips, pickles, mustard, relish,
Mayonnaise, peanut butter, strawberry jelly.
Fruit cups, apple sauce cups, juice packs, cool-aid.

We will conclude the Children's Camp with a
Fiesta Night—Thursday, March 18
6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

Children will be encouraged to bring their families and neighbors
The evening will consist of...

Worship, games, door prizes, piñatas, candy.

Volunteers are needed in the following booths:

Snow cones, pop-corn machine,
Jenny Jump, face painting, nail salon,
dart balloon, crazy hats, musical chairs, putt-putt, and basketball hoop.

We are in need of 3 piñatas and candy.

Hot dogs, chips and drinks will be served.



Please sign up in the foyer and let us know how you can help us make this an extraordinary experience for our children and families in our community.



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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Church News



Join us
as we celebrate
Juanita Mike's
Retirement

Sunday, March 14
Right after morning
Worship Service

February Attendance and Offerings

Sundays	<u>7</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>28</u>
BIBLE STUDY ATTENDANCE				
Enrollment	306	307	307	N/A
Members Present	175	98	122	N/A
WORSHIP ATTENDANCE	159	350	163	N/A
Mid-Week Attendance	<u>Feb 1-5</u>	<u>Feb 8-12</u>	<u>Feb 15-19</u>	<u>Feb 22-26</u>
House Churches	21	25	24	N/A
Friendships of Women	5	5	5	5



Missy Boaz and everyone that
helped prepare the delicious dishes
we enjoyed during our
Valentines Banquet.

The house was full of love and
great fellowship!

DEACON OF THE WEEK

Dan McDonald March 7
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Lonnie Reece March 14
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Lanny Smith March 21
(210) 656-2436
Jay Bowden March 28
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For Your Information

Lanny Smith
Chairman of the Deacons
Richard Hard, Vice Chair
Jim Cope, Secretary