

I Don't Get It

At my recent family reunion in Colorado, the evenings were closed with a devotional time, a tradition that goes back 50+ years. Under the gifted guidance of the “younger generation” composed of YU graduates Joshua Marcum, Jordan Sikes, and John T. Langley, they had us focus on the Psalms of Ascent that were recited and sang during the Israelites’ pilgrimage to Jerusalem. Psalms that recounted God’s protection, waiting on the Lord, looking for His provision as in the past, the wisdom found in placing God at the center of the family, etc. A few weeks before the reunion, family members were emailed the theme and given the opportunity to participate in the worship by memorizing one of the Psalms to recite the evening it was featured.

The second night’s devo was a highlight for me. Each family had the opportunity to describe how God's presence had been seen over the last few years in both trials and triumphs. One family spokesperson after another got up and shared, at times very emotionally, their experience and view of God’s mercy and blessing. Some were celebratory in nature; others a painful work in progress, and still others holding out hope for God’s timing.

It was an unscripted wonderful evening that for some was an outpouring of their heart and for others was an awakening to the Spirit’s “daily grind” in family members’ unique and challenging circumstances.

Then the unscripted got uncomfortable.

A young nephew who just finished high school walked slowly to the mic and introduced himself. Reflecting on

the lineage of his broken home and that he was struggling with the evening’s conversations, said, “I don’t get it,” with a shake of his head. “I’m hearing all these stories of how God is at work in your lives, and I don’t get it. I don’t see Him in my life. I want to, but I don’t. I read my Bible. I follow the Ten Commandments. I pray that He will make Himself known, but...” He shrugs his shoulders and his voice trails off.

He asks us, his family, to be patient with him – that he’s trying and will hopefully figure it out.

Family members gathered around him in prayer and conversations took place throughout the week with encouragement for him to keep asking hard questions and to not give up. To seek the Spirit’s help in understanding the heart of God and lean on his family for support.

What courage! What desire! And in a surprising way... what faith!

I have to believe that the witnesses in Heaven referenced in Hebrews 12 were applauding his admission to doubt and the questions he raised to God’s presence in his life. His yearning for what was good. His hunger for righteousness. His courageous call for grace.

Psalm 27:7-9 “Hear my voice when I call, O Lord; be merciful to me and answer me. My heart says of you, “Seek his face!” Your face, Lord, I will seek. Do not hide your face from me — do not turn your servant away in anger; you have been my helper. Do not reject me or forsake me, O God my Savior.”

~Steddon

Welcome to East Hill Church of Christ, a place where you can discover the gospel!
Please, don't hesitate to let any of the greeters or ministers know how we can serve you.

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August

Week days: Meals on Wheels Deliveries

- 19 Progressive dinner for YU freshman
- 21 YU classes begin
- 25 Sunday Morning Young Adult Class begins
- 25 YU Welcome Potluck
- 27 Food Distribution 10:30-11:30 am in south parking lot
- 28 Potluck—Children's Ministry Fall Kickoff 5:30-7:30

September

- 6 Son Shiners at Chances "R" at 5:30
- 6-8 Dads-n-Lads at NYC
- 14 Men's Breakfast: 8 am in FH
- 24 Food Distribution 10:30-11:30 am in south parking lot
- 28 Dads-n-Daughters at NYC

Save the Date

- Fall Clothing Exchange Oct 6-12
- Giveaway on Saturday the 12th

- 8/18 Joel Coehoorn
- 8/21 Hal Hockersmith
- 8/22 Harry Yunevich
- 8/23 Connor Leetch
- 8/23 Noah Fifield
- 8/23 Jake Schmid
- 8/24 MaryAnn Case
- 8/24 Britney Phan
- 8/24 Eloise Lotuleli

- 8/18 Jerry & Tana Albin
- 8/19 Ken & Jodie Yunevich
- 8/20 Larry & Kareen Light

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MINISTRIES & EVENTS

East Hill Welcomes anyone who would like to be a member of East Hill and participate in this church family in our service to Jesus. We're in the process of visiting with people who've been attending for a while and ask you if you would like to place membership. You're also welcome to contact one of the Glenns.

Young Adult Class: The young adult class, for university students, 20s and 30s, starts next Sunday. It will meet in the fellowship hall at the regular 9:00 class time. The topic is the Sermon on the Mount. Glenn Dallmann is teaching. The question we'll study is, "Now that the kingdom of heaven is near, how should we live as followers of Jesus?"

Fall Children's Ministry: Parents, please consider volunteering to help in one of your children's classes during the upcoming fall quarter. Many people have been teaching without a break for a long time. The children's program cannot be run without volunteers. Our kids are the future church, preparing them for the Kingdom is one of the most important things we can do for their future! Sign up at the QR code or contact Tana or Hannah for more details.



Wednesday Evenings for Children:

Families at the Park: We'll meet at the park one last time this Wednesday the 21st.

The Children's Ministry's Fall Kickoff will be on next Wednesday the 28th. A potluck with hot dogs provided will begin at 5:30. Please bring a side dish to share. The pot luck will be followed by a bounce house, games and activities.

Meals on Wheels: East Hill volunteers will be delivering for the York Meals on Wheels program for two more weeks. If you can help with this community service, please sign up on the sheets in the foyer. Deliveries are made weekdays at 10:40 am and take about an hour. You can sign up for individual days to fit with your schedule. To meet state requirements there is some paperwork for volunteers to fill out yearly, so if you haven't done it yet this year please get signed up early so the office staff can help with the paperwork. The sign up sheets are on the information table in the foyer.

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*Make every effort to live in peace with everyone and to be holy;
without holiness no one will see the Lord.*

East Hill 2024 Theme Verse—Hebrews 12:14 (NIV)

BODY LIFE & PRAYERS

Prayer Requests:

Marla Huber is continuing to slowly improve, with some movement like squeezing of hands and thumbs up when prompted. The hope is she will be off the breathing tube this week. The recovery is long with this kind of brain injury, so continue to keep her in your prayers. If you would like to encourage her kids, CJ and Jamie, call the office for contact info

Body Life

On Thursday, September 5, **Dr. Jared Pack** will present for Clayton Museum's annual fall speaker series. His presentation is *Constantine Converts: Constantine the Great's Impact on the Christian Faith*. The free presentation will be in the Miller room of the Mackey Center on YU campus at 7 pm.

Congratulations to **Travis and Heather Suhr** on the marriage of the son, Evan Cunningham to Adia (Hartman), at NYC last Saturday. May God bless their marriage as they walk in his light.

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Prayer Focus: York University welcomes around 250 freshmen and transfer students this week. In addition, all the rest of the students return and classes start on Wednesday. Let's pray for a fruitful academic year of growth for YU students. Let's pray for God to be glorified and lives to be transformed. Let's consider how we can serve and encourage these young adults. Amen.

Weekly Events

Attended Nursery: You can drop off children ages 0 up to 2 years in the nursery during services.

Service at Legacy Square: There is a service for the residents of Legacy Square in Henderson at 2:30 each Sunday. See Tommy Carr if you have questions.

Youth Updates: Contact Garrett Schwarz to get the Remind notices.

Wednesday Meal: The meals will resume in the fall.

Women's Thursday Class will resume in the fall.

Weekly Prayer Pal Suggestion

Peace-Loving – *Let us therefore make every effort to do what leads to peace and to mutual edification.* ~Romans 14:19

Scripture Memory—Psalm 8 for July 7 through August 24

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens. From the lips of children and infants you have ordained praise because of your enemies, to silence the foe and the avenger. When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, what is man that you are mindful of him, the son of man that you care for him? You made him a little lower than the heavenly beings and crowned him with glory and honor. You made him ruler over the works of your hands; you put everything under his feet: all flocks and herds, and the beasts of the field, the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea, all that swim the paths of the seas. *O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!*

Schedule of Services

Sunday

Worship 10 am, livestreamed on Facebook
 Bible classes for all 9 am
 Sunday evening 5 pm, communion available

Wednesday

Adult Class 6:30 pm (livestream-East Hill's Facebook)

Children & Families meet 6:30 at Minks Park

For the Record:	August 11, 2024
Weekly Attendance:	276
<u>Weekly Giving</u>	
Budgeted:	\$7,143.85
Actual:	\$6,695.21
Children's:	\$39.12
<u>Year to Date</u>	
Budgeted:	\$228,603.20
Giving:	\$211,267.78
Children's for Ecuador:	\$1,222.66

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Shepherd of the month is in bold font.

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Opportunities for Hospitality:

Tomorrow night we are hosting a **progressive dinner for YU freshmen.**

The first group of about 60 students will be here for the main course and the second group will be here for dessert. There are still a few openings for food, set up, and on-site



hospitality. If you have the Google doc ap you can sign up at the QR code, otherwise you can see Michele Briggs today (she has the ap) or call the office tomorrow.

All Church Potluck to welcome back university students: On Sunday, August 25. everyone is invited to welcome all the students new and returning with a pot luck meal. We will need to cook extra food for hungry students.

Dads-n-Lads is September 6-8!!! This year's theme is being a strong man of God from Titus 2. Come out for an inexpensive weekend of Bible, bacon, fellowship, bonding, shotguns, campfires, boats, and more bacon ... all at Nebraska Youth Camp!! Register at www.dadslads.org. Questions or info see Mark Miller.

Order of Worship

Hallelujah! Praise the Lord

Worship Leader: Jared Pack

Reading of Psalm 111: Troy Flynt

3 Hallelujah Praise Jehovah

76 How Great Thou Art

Prayer: Garrett Schwarz

123 The Steadfast Love of the Lord

337 Hallelujah! What a Savior

Communion: Ron Kretz

Children's Offering

Magnificat

"Why Are You So Afraid?"

Mark 4:35-41

Glenn Hawley

453 Love Lifted Me

Shepherd's Prayer: Steddon Sikes

Body Life: Glenn Dallmann

23 Our God, He is Alive