

The End is Just the Beginning

Today, we're moving on to a new theme verse, but let's take one last look at Hebrews 12:14. What does God truly want from you as followers of Christ? There's a long list of things, but the writer of Hebrews boils it down: Persevere by "Fixing your eyes on Jesus." In other words, focus on the blessing of knowing Jesus and the incredible future that awaits you as a believer. But how does "fixing your eyes on Jesus" guide how you live today?

This is where Hebrews 12:14 fits in. It provides two crucial goals: "Make every effort to live in peace with everyone AND be holy."

- **Peacemaking:** Jesus taught us to love our neighbors as ourselves and to love our enemies. This isn't just about avoiding conflict but actively seeking reconciliation. When relationships are broken, I need to be the one to mend the fences. I need to be a harmony-maker, not a complainer. I need to understand others' perspectives before expecting them to understand mine. I need to find common ground and work towards solutions that benefit everyone. This means making every effort to be a peacemaker anywhere I interact with people.

- **Holiness** isn't about being better than others or just being a 'good' person. It's about reflecting God's character in my own life. It's about living righteously, with integrity and fairness. It's about living purely and keeping my heart and mind focused on God. It's about living lovingly, showing compassion and forgiveness to others, just as God shows me grace. It's about living obediently and following God's commandments, as revealed in the Bible. It's about how I daily evaluate my behavior in light of God's character.

Despite giving my best effort, I know I can't do this alone. I get tired and discouraged, and sometimes, life seems unfair. I need the Holy Spirit's help to motivate me and show me how. Hebrews 12:14 not only tells me how to live but also reminds me what this life is all about. Life is about persevering so that I will see God.

Please ask yourself how well you're doing at peacemaking with family and friends or on social media. Ask yourself what areas of your character are not representing God well. Then pray for the help of the Holy Spirit as you "fix your eyes on Jesus." This is the end of Hebrews 12:14 as our theme verse, but it's a daily beginning point for followers of Jesus.

Blessings, Glenn D.

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

Hebrews 12:14 (NIV)

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.

CALENDAR

February

- 2 Shepherd Led Service
- 2 Elder's Meeting
- 7 Son Shiners at Chances "R" at 5:30
- 23 Soup Lunch Fundraiser for Youth Mission Trip
- 23 Elder's Meeting
- 25 Food Distribution 10:30-11:30 am in south parking lot

March

- 1 Ladies' Crafting 8 am-6 pm in FH
- 7 Son Shiners at Chances "R" at 5:30
- 8 Men's Breakfast 8 am in FH

Save the Dates

- April—Meals on Wheels Deliveries
- April 6-12—Clothing Giveaway week
- April 27—Mission Sunday

FriendSpeak: Do you know someone who would like to have conversational English lessons? Have them call our FriendSpeak hotline: 402-710-0042

- 2/2 Nancy Phan
- 2/3 Lila Suhr
- 2/5 Troy Schmid
- 2/5 Denny Leetch
- 2/5 Cornell Bonde
- 2/5 Loran Yunevich
- 2/7 DJ Rager-Ridley
- 2/8 Danny Jaekel
- 2/7 Denny & Sara Leetch

CELEBRATE

MINISTRIES & EVENTS

College and Young Adult Class starting today. It's not easy living as citizens of the Kingdom of God in the midst of the kingdoms of the world. God has called us to represent Him in the midst of the darkness, but it can often feel like the darkness is winning. The good news for us is that God's people have been here before and their example can serve to encourage and inspire us. This Sunday, February 2, the East Hill College and Young Adult class is kicking off a new study, "Daniel: Living Kingdom Lives in Exile." As we walk through the book of Daniel this spring, we are going to attempt to answer that question of how we should live as citizens of the Kingdom of God while living in a world that is not as God intended it and find hope and encouragement from God in the stories of Daniel and his friends.

Son Shiners will meet at Chances "R" on Friday at 5:30pm.

Mark Your Calendar for the Youth Mission Trip Fundraiser on Sunday, February 23. There will be a soup lunch served after worship to help those who are planning to go to Ecuador this summer. There will be a free will donation. Please pray for the following Youth as they plan to go June 16-24: **Milan Babcock, Ryan Coehoorn, Peter Dallmann, Ava Goodwin, Audrey and Madi Miller, Carlye Philipp, Ben and Harrison Sears, Lael Schwarz, and Charlie Van Gimple.**

Join Us for Leadership Training for Christ (LTC) - We're thrilled to invite all 3rd through 12th graders to participate in Leadership Training for Christ (LTC), a program designed to inspire and equip young people to grow in their faith and become active in God's church. The convention is held in Kansas City, MO, over Easter weekend, April 18-20.

LTC offers a wide variety of exciting events. You can see everything that is available in the manual at the QR code.



LTC isn't just about learning new skills—it's about building deeper connections with other families and creating memories that will last a lifetime. For more information or to volunteer, contact Brittany Kretz. Families interested in attending, please fill out the form at the QR code (or on EHPN) **this week** by Friday, February 7.



Community Volunteering Opportunity: Red Cross is looking for volunteers to help with registration for several local blood drives. The drives are every 8 or 9 weeks for the community, NPPD and York General Hospital. Contact Deena Tandy for information.

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

BODY LIFE & PRAYERS

James and Amelia Luben from Geneva are requesting prayers for their 16 month old daughter Blaire. Blaire hasn't been well and Amelia took her to the doctor on Wednesday. The doctor heard a miss in her heart beat and they are thinking there might be a heart murmur. Amelia is requesting prayers for Blaire to get the help she needs quickly, as they are waiting for an ultrasound.

Brent Magner had neck surgery last Friday at Bryan West.

John Ratliff was in the hospital on Wednesday with Influenza and was released to go home on Thursday.

Ron Shields' blood pressure issues are slowly improving. He now has been approved to walk in the house while by himself, which will give him much more independence. Hopefully within the next week or two, he will begin Physical Therapy at the hospital. Thank you for your prayers.

Thank you to the volunteers who made meals for the guests at the Hope Gospel Rescue Mission. We appreciate you for not only serving these folks but also for your example of following Jesus. Please see Sharon Woods if anyone wants to get in on the next "cooking day."

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: For the weekly youth activities contact Garrett Schwarz to get the Remind notices.

Women's Thursday Class is 10-11:30 am in the fellowship hall and is available via Zoom. Rose Miller is teaching on "God's Word and Interpersonal Relationships."

Praise in Motion: Ladies are invited to gather Thursdays 6:30-7 pm in the fellowship hall to breathe, stretch and praise God together.

Weekly Prayer Pal Suggestion

Justice—*He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.*

~Micah 6:8

Scripture Memory

Hebrews 12:14

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

Hebrews 10:24

And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds.

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's Class 6:30 pm (drop off 6:20, pick up 7:15)
MS & HS Huddle 6:20-7:20 pm

For the Record:	January 26, 2025
Weekly Attendance:	271
<u>Weekly Giving</u>	
Budgeted:	\$
Actual:	\$9,652.25
Children's:	\$26.21
<u>Year to Date</u>	
Budgeted:	\$
Giving:	\$33,912.72
Children's for Ecuador:	\$179.65

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Children's Ministry - School Age

Tana Albin

Children's Ministry - Preschool

Hannah Sikes

Youth Ministry - Coordinator

Garrett Schwarz

Administrative Assistants

Michele Briggs 9 am-noon

Tera Knapp 11:30-2:30

Missionaries in Ecuador

Joshua & Julie Marcum

Michaela, Eliana, Jana, Enoch

Shepherds:

Tim Carr

Michael Case

Ron Kretz

Keith Miller

Mark Miller

Todd Sheldon

Steddon Sikes

Eric Tremaine

Shepherd of the month is in bold font.

Deacons -----Area of Service

Marty Barrett ----- Benevolence

Trey Colle----- Emergency Meals

Robert Cunningham ----- Son Shiners

Troy Flynt ----- Treasurer

Trent Hinton -----Livestream

Larry Light ----Single Seniors, Facilities

Garrett Schwarz----- Youth

Jeff Shafer-----Worship Support

Ken Van Gomple -----LTC

East Hill's Vision Narrative

East Hill is a community where every Christian belongs to the body and grows together into the image of Jesus Christ. We acknowledge that each of us is unique and has different gifts, but we are one body in the Spirit.

At East Hill, our Christianity is lived out through the use of our gifts. We believe that every member has been gifted and that each one of us is called to use his or her gift in service to the family of God. We challenge one another to make church-life central to our own lives. We encourage and support one another in our combined effort of serving Christ.

At East Hill, our Christianity is also lived out through our proclamation of the gospel of Jesus Christ in our community. We share privately and publicly what God has done and is doing among us. We also equip one another to share their faith with those outside of Christ so that they, too, can participate in the grace of God and the blessings of the Kingdom.

We know that East Hill exists not just for our own good, but to serve as a witness of Jesus before the world, beginning right here in the York community. We are motivated by the return of Christ and the glory of God.

Order of Worship

Compelled by Christ's Love

Worship Leader: Steddon Sikes

Welcome

167 *Hosanna*

227 *On Zion's Glorious Summit*

Prayer: Todd Sheldon

325 *Boundless Love*

364 *Come, Share the Lord*

Communion: Keith Miller

Offering & Children's Offering

655 *Poured Out Like Wine*

2025 Theme Scripture: Mark Miller

709 *How Sweet, How Heavenly*

Shepherd's Report: Tim Carr

570 *A Beautiful Life*

Body Life: Ron Kretz

Shepherd's Prayer: Michael Case