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Thank you for visiting. To those who visited with us via livestream or in person, we're glad you chose to worship with us. You all are our honored quests!

We invite you to read further to find additional ways to connect with us.

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THE BUZZARD, THE BAT, AND THE BEE

If you put a buzzard in a pen six or eight feet square and entirely open at the top, the bird, in spite of his ability to fly, will be an absolute prisoner. The reason is that a buzzard always begins a flight from the ground with a run of ten or twelve feet. Without space to run, as is his habit, he will not even attempt to fly, but will remain a prisoner for life in a small jail with no top.

The ordinary bat that flies around at night, a remarkably nimble creature in the air, cannot take off from a level place. If it is placed on the floor or flat ground, all it can do is shuffle about helplessly and, no doubt, painfully, until it reaches some slight elevation from which it can throw itself into the air. Then, at once, it takes off like a flash.

A bumblebee, if dropped into an open tumbler will be there until it dies unless it is taken out. It never sees the means of escape at the top, but persists in trying to find some way out through the sides near the bottom. It will seek a way where none exists, until it completely destroys itself.

In many ways, there are lots of people like the buzzard, the bat, and the bumblebee. They are struggling about with all their problems and frustrations, not realizing that if they look up, they'll find the answer.

~via Fairview Church of Christ



2024 CHURCH THEME

A God for All Times, All Seasons, and All Generations "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever." Hebrews 13:8

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Please pray, along with East Side's leadership, for the following individuals:

OUR HEARTFELT SYMPATHY IS EXTENDED TO Nicole Smith & the Smith, Rand, & Andrews family on the loss of her great-uncle, Bufford Rand.



ENCOURAGEMENT, REPENTANCE, TRAVEL

Marlon McGhee - travel

Francine Matthews - wisdom & discernment

Cheryl Travenia - repent; children; prayers that results from medical tests are favorable

Kisha Christian - repent; school; prayers for self/husband in all areas of our lives

Curtis Brown - travel; children

Patrick Gamble - all young men in Christ dealing with tough times

Brannon Pennick - traveling for job training

Janra Powell - travel for self & son as he helps me relocate

Babara Humphrey - keep God first regardless of trials Christopher May - travel; children; continued prayers for our family on the loss of grandmother (mom's mom)

Elza Goff - prayers for safe year & forgiveness

Gloria Ellis - repent; family illness; school

Renee Miles - travel; job/guidance & wisdom for a work

opportunity; right decision & strength

Miriam Jean-Charles - repent; family illness; job; relocating; school; strength with life's struggles; stay strong in the Lord Rachelle King - repent; medical test/procedure/challenges; family illness; children & their families; self & husband; Leslie Edwards-Baker

Mishane Hightower - medical test/procedure Jesse Barnes - recovering from illness Gretchen Jackson - recuperating from surgery Janice Coleman - healing Carol Colquitt - medical test/procedure

FAMILY & FRIENDS

Portia Robinson - continued prayers for Cynthia & Hillery Robinson's health/healing; thanks for acts of kindness; prayers for Crystal & P.D.

Vickie Pryor - prayers for mom, Selma Green's health; travel *Nicole Smith* - grandmother, Claude Louise Smith's hospice care Anthony Ross, Sr. - family illness: Roy Ann, Gilda, Haywood, Angela, Ed Jones, & Anthony Jr.; job search for Dr. Linda Ross; children/grandchildren: Jessica & Andrew, Anthony Jr., Ruby, Anthony III, & Melanie

Gail Abron - family of Sanai Hester on her passing





JAN2024

Ladies' Tuesday Bible Study, 10-11 am 3rd Tuesday Mobile Food Pantry, 8:30-11 am

- 13 Singles Kick-off Meeting, 1-4 pm Seasoned Saints Kick-off Meeting, 3-5 pm
- 14 FSBS All Ladies Meeting, 12-12:30 pm All Teachers' Meeting, 4:30–5:45 pm
- 16 Men's Bible Class, 7 pm
- 19 Care Group 2 Fellowship, 7-9 pm
- 19-21 Youth Winter Retreat
 - 20 Married Couples Dinner & Rap Session, 1-4 pm
 - 23 Men's Rap Session, 7 pm
 - 26 WINGS, 7 pm
 - 27 FSBS Prayer Breakfast, 10 am
 - 30 Men's Bible Class, 7 pm



Please send announcements for the weekly bulletin to announcements@eastsidecoc.com no later than TUESDAYS AT NOON.

Men Privileged to Serve January 14th			
10 am		6 pm	
Song Service	Ronny McClarron	Ryan Brown	
Invocation	Demarron Berkley	Curtis Brown	
Prayer	Ernest Booker	Anthony James	
Sermon	Dr. Carlos Gupton	Ethan Williams Sr.	
Confessions	Quinton Smith	Darryl Manor	
Com/Off	Anthony Ross Sr.	Byron Clark	
Benediction	Timothy Arnold	Kyle Rogers	

NURSERY ATTENDANTS

January 14th

Shania Freeland Tanya Freeland

January 21st & 28th

Seresa Moore De'Ana Williams

Announcements and Upcoming Events

Welcome to the family!

Richard Noel | Care Group 3 Placed Membership January 7th



Please check Shelby for directory information.

Think Tank

Healing the
Wounded Heart – Grief

Scan code to provide
feedback.



Sorrow looks back, Worry looks around, But faith looks up.

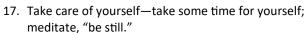
Live simply, Love generously, Care deeply.

Speak kindly, and Trust in our Creator, Who loves us.

~Author Unknown

HEALTH AWARENESS MINISTRY NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS 2024

- Focus on your passion/find something you are passionate about.
- 2. Work out to feel good, not to be thin.
- 3. Stop gossiping—spread positivity.
- 4. Give one compliment a day.
- 5. Do random acts of kindness.
- 6. Go someplace you've never been.
- 7. Clear out clutter.
- 8. Reduce your waste. The average American wastes 2000 pounds of trash a year.
- 9. Volunteer—good for your mental and physical health.
- 10. Write down one thing you're grateful for every night.
- 11. Drink more water.
- 12. Stop multi-tasking—reduces brain's grey matter, hurts productivity and efficiency, increases stress, anxiety, and depression. Focus on one thing at a time.
- 13. Talk to yourself with kindness think nicer things about yourself.
- 14. Call a friend instead of texting.
- 15. Don't buy things you don't need.
- 16. Keep a journal; helps battle anxiety, stress, and depression.



18. See the doctor, take care of your health issues, do your health checks, dental, and eye screenings.



Source: https://parade.com/969195/megangrant/new-years-resolutions-ideas/



East Side Tech Support

Time:

Wednesdays, 6:00p – 6:45p (Starting Jan. 17th, 2024)

Location:

Education Building, rm 104

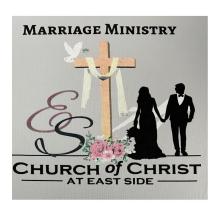
Services:

- ShelbyNext Help
- Anti-Virus Check (Windows)
- Network Connection Troubleshooting
- Digital Hygiene Recommendations
- General Question and Answer

Contact Timothy Arnold

with Questions

Marriage Ministry T-Shirt Sale



Attention all married couples, please stop by the Marriage Ministry table after services to place your order for a Marriage Ministry T-Shirt.

Prices are as follow:

Short Sleeve Dry Fit – All sizes - \$20.00 Long Sleeve Dry Fit – All Sizes - \$25.00



SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM



The Summer Youth Employment Program provides **paid opportunities** in a variety of industries. Youth work a maximum of 20 hours per week.

DATES:

One Session, 7 Weeks: June 10 - July 26

CONTACT:

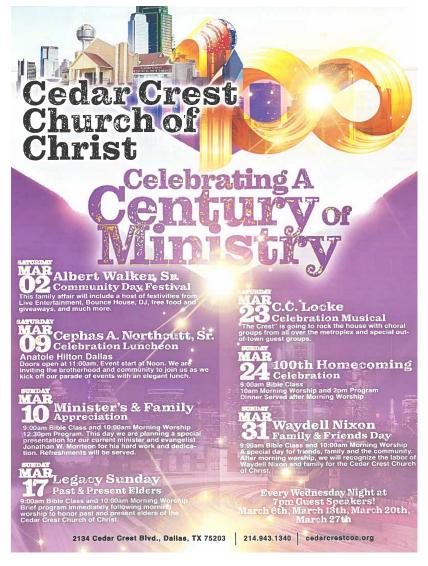
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MEN'S MINISTRY



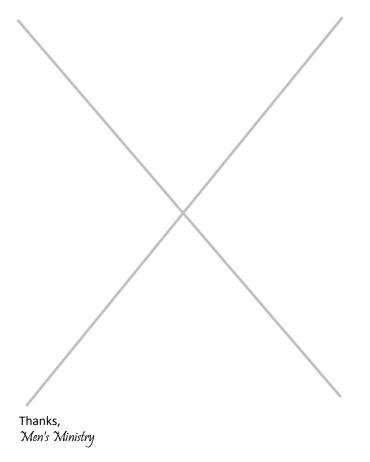
The Men's Ministry has a weekly call via WebEx taking place at 7 pm Tuesdays. We invite all men to join the call.

We have now been going strong with our call for three years, it has had a significant impact on the brothers who have attended.

There are great topics covered, such as personalities, cohesiveness, and Men's Health issues, along with many more.

Please feel free to join at the following link:

Meeting link:





January Birthdays

- 2 Deshar Davis Heather Johnson Robin Siah
- 5 Ta'iria (Tay) Miller Orlando Smith Sterling Smith Taliyah Promise Ehigie Wright
- **6** Stephaine Williams
- 8 Henry Eke Brycen McQueen
- 9 Rendy Gordon Willie Williams
- 10 Walter Shaw
- 11 Amber Kelley Ralph Watson
- 14 Robert Jackson Dashya Moore Quinton Smith, Jr.

- 19 Makiya Carter Preston Loving Kymiah Rogers
- 21 Zinnia Bell Mishane Hightower Lillian Lowe
- 22 Alisia Hardison
- 26 Carolyn Chamberlain Pennick Zion Olivia Moffett David (D.J.) Randolph Portia Robinson Samuel Williby
- 27 Savion Moses Alexis Shaver
- 28 Velma May
- 29 Crystal Jacobs
- 30 Willie Sue Anderson Zambria Randolph

January Anniversaries

2	Ernest & De Shondra Booker	31 years
4	Cranston & Linda Hardeman	10 years
6	Orlando & Nicole Smith	23 years
9	Charles & Cherilyn Wadley	25 years
17	Charles & Mary Alexander	9 years
19	Michael & Felicia Williams	11 years
30	Emmanuel & Robin Siah	3 years

May God continue to bless your marriage.



Fall | September – December 2023

Sundays | 9 am * Wednesdays | 7 pm

Mission:

The East Side Program provides quality Christian education to Bible students, enabling them to learn Bible facts and principles to encourage a desire to study God's Word and live a Christian life.

Purpose:

To provide a set of guidelines and spiritual foundations upon which children, youth and adults will build a lasting relationship with Jesus, and to develop disciples for Christ within an environment built on love, encouragement, and support.

January 2024 Lessons/Topics

Ages 2&3 | Room 101

A to Z Thru the Bible – A Is For Adam, B Is For Bible

Ages 4&5 | Room 102

What Can I Do? – A Series On Jesus' Early Life & Ministry

Grades 1&2 | Room 110

What Can I Do? - A Series On Jesus' Early Life & Ministry

Grades 3&4 | Room 206

What Can I Do? – A Series On Jesus' Early Life & Ministry

Grades 5&6 | Room 209

What Can I Do? – A Series On Jesus' Early Life & Ministry

Grades 7-9 | Room 203

On the Flip Side – A Study From the Prophets & Gospels On Justice

Grades 10-12 | Room 212

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Young Adults | Room 211

Classes will resume in February.

Adults | Room 108

Solving Problems God's Way – A Study of 1 Corinthians

Adults | Room 111

Luke On Spiritual Growth

Adults | Room 113

Gospels On Jesus

New Converts Men | Room 107

Successful Living In Today's World - A Study of James and 1&2 Peter

New Converts Women | Room 105

After Baptism, What Then?





"You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up." ~ Deuteronomy 6:7



Email Communication

The Church of Christ at East Side sometimes uses email to communicate with the congregation.

If you're not receiving emails from the church:

 Check for church emails in your email client's Spam folder.

If there are no East Side emails in your Spam folder:

- Use ShelbyNext to verify your contact information.
- Send an email to info@eastsidecoc.com to request to be added to the East Side mailing list.

If there are East Side emails in your Spam folder:

• Add the sender to your address book and/or report that the email is not spam.

Online Prayer Requests

To make a prayer request, go to www.eastsidecoc.com, use your mouse to hover over Church Information, then click on Prayer Request or click here.

Giving

To give through ShelbyNext, download the app from your device's App Store.

To give online, go to www.eastsidecoc.com, use your mouse to hover over Church Information, then click on Online Giving or click here.

East Side YouTube Channel

Our livestream and many past sermons can be viewed on <u>East Side's YouTube channel</u>.

To receive a notification when East Side begins a livestream, click the Subscribe button, then click the notification bell icon and select All.

RADIO BROADCAST, BIBLE CLASS, & WORSHIP TIMES

Sunday Radio Broadcast,
101.1 FM and 1120 AM ~ 8:30 – 9 am
Sunday Bible Classes ~ 9 am
Sunday Worship Services ~ 10 am & 6 pm
Wednesday Bible Classes ~ 7 pm

How to be **SAVED** according to the **SCRIPTURES**



HEAR the Gospel Acts 15:7 BELIEVE in Jesus John 8:21, 24 REPENT of Sins Acts 17:30, 31 CONFESS Christ Acts 8:36-38

BE BAPTIZED

Acts 2:38

You are saved by grace and the Lord adds you to the church of Christ.

Acts 2:47 | Matthew 16:18 | Romans 16:16

REMAIN FAITHFUL

Hebrews 3:12-14 | 1 Corinthians 10:12



If you need to speak with Brothers George Williams, Mike Deen, or Russell Clemons, please feel free to make appointments with them for a telephone conference to discuss any concerns, suggestions, or spiritual counseling needs.

NEED A RIDE?



Floyd Fresch will be driving the church van to pick up riders for 9 am Bible class and 10 am Sunday worship in January.

Van riders, please call and/or text the van driver at least three hours prior to worship service at