

# EASTERN SHORE CHURCH OF CHRIST

JULY 29, 2018



**Minister:** Bryant Evans **Youth Minister:** Jonathan Ling

**Minister, Sand Creek Church of Christ in Guyana:** Innocent Marcello  
**Minister, Awarawaunau Church of Christ in Guyana:** Elvis Bernard



**Thank you for joining us today at Eastern Shore Church of Christ!**  
Whether you are a long-time member here or a visitor, we are thrilled to have you. Please be sure to stick around following services so we can get to know you a little better, and let us know if we can do anything for you!



**Welcome to our  
Fifth Sunday Friends & Family Day!**

**We hope you will stay after morning services to join us for a potluck meal. Visitors, we'd love you to stay especially so we can get to know you better.**

## Today's Sermons

**Morning Service**  
Jars of Clay  
2 Corinthians 4:7-12

**Afternoon Service**  
Fifth Sunday Theme:  
Jesus

<sup>7</sup> But we have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us. <sup>8</sup> We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; <sup>9</sup> persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; <sup>10</sup> always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our bodies. <sup>11</sup> For we who live are always being given over to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our mortal flesh. <sup>12</sup> So death is at work in us, but life in you.

**2 Corinthians 4:7-12 ESV**

### Elders

Sid Chupek  
Bill Jordan  
Scott Kelly  
John Langham

### Deacons

Chad Chupek  
Tim Kenney  
Jonathan Ling  
Scott Lloyd  
Kent Purser

### Sunday

Bible Class 9 AM  
Worship 10 AM  
Worship 5 PM

### Wednesday

Bible Study 7 PM

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## Events for this week:

### Tuesday:

**Men's Weekly Brown Bag Bible Study**, 9-10 AM

**Summer Bible Storytime**, 10:30 - 11:15 AM

**Men's Weekly Evening Bible Study**, 6:30 PM

(all meet in the Fellowship Hall).

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**Saturday, August 11th**– Education Work Day at 9 AM to prepare for the new year. Breakfast will be provided.

**Sunday, August 12th**– Promotion Sunday for all Bible Classes.

**Family Movie Night at the Saenger Theater in Pensacola.** There are 2 sign-up sheets on the bulletin board across from the library. Any questions, please see Linda Chupek.

"The Wizard of Oz", August 18th at 7:00 PM

"The Sound of Music", August 25th at 7:00 PM

Tickets are \$5.00 each.

**Hospitality Team** for July is:

**Erin Chupek & Bobbi Evans**

If a need arises, these ladies will help provide food to the sick or bereaved. If you would like to help, please contact the ladies in the Hospitality group.



07/29 **Jonathan & Susan Ling**  
Mallory Jessee

07/30 Amanda Lloyd

08/01 Linda Farris

08/02 Gail Bush

Curt Wolfe

08/04 MaeBelle Perry

08/06 Peter Verrett

08/07 Cullen Freeman

08/11 Brenda Davis

08/13 Holland Chupek

TR & Marvetta Clevenger

08/14 Nelda Sanford

08/16 Ann Christopher

Ed Hudson



Visit our Facebook page  
Eastern Shore Church of Christ  
to see more!

We will be posting pictures, announcements, and more here each week, so please check it out! If you cannot find the page, see **Bryant**.

## Mark Your Calendar!

08/02 Ladies Bible Study, 11-12 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

08/03 Serving dinner at the Ronald McDonald House. Sign-up sheet is in the foyer.

08/04 Ladies Day at Palisades church of Christ in Birmingham. Guest Speaker: Cindy Warren.

08/07 Men's Brown Bag Bible Study, 9-10 AM in the Fellowship Hall.

Men's Evening Bible Study, 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

08/11 Education Work Day to prepare for the new year. 9 AM and breakfast will be provided.

08/12 Bible Classes will be promoted.

08/14 Men's Brown Bag Bible Study, 9-10 AM in the Fellowship Hall.

Men's Evening Bible Study, 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

08/16 Ladies Bible Study, 11-12 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

08/18 Ladies Monthly Bible Study, 8:30 AM in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring a breakfast item.

Saenger Classic Movie Night in Pensacola, 7:00 PM. Sign-up sheet is on bulletin board across from the library.

08/21 Men's Brown Bag Bible Study, 9-10 AM in the Fellowship Hall.

Men's Evening Bible Study, 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

08/24 Knowledge Seekers, 6:30 PM. Location is TBA.

08/26 L2L Kick-off following our evening services.

08/28 Men's Brown Bag Bible Study, 9-10 AM in the Fellowship Hall.

Men's Evening Bible Study, 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

# Where's All The Hate Coming From?

By: Bryant Evans

The world is an angry place. Venom runs deep. It is ugly, even nauseating to see it running so deeply through our world. Why? Where did this mess come from?

Anger and hatred can be classed into a half dozen very broad categories: Crime, Politics, Revenge, Anti-Authority, Economics, and Narcissism. These are in no particular order but simply group comments and actions together based on similar actions. In a sense, the classification is not relevant. Hate is hate and is bad. Likewise, there are at least a half dozen outcomes from hate: Pain & Suffering, Chaos & Confusion, Stress & Anxiety, Depression, Division & Isolation, and Sin.

There are no good outcomes from hate.

Does anyone profit from all this trouble? Who gains the most from it all? If you are a Christian, a person of faith, you know the answer. Satan!

We are not ignorant of Satan's efforts or his schemes ([2 Corinthians 2:11](#)). We know how he operates. We have seen his lies in the past, and we take note of his horrible tortures of Job and the many prophets slain for speaking against him ([Hebrews 11:32-38](#)). We remember that Satan was the driving force behind the mob shouting "crucify him, crucify him" ([Matthew 27:22, 23](#); [Mark 15:13, 14](#); [Luke 23:21](#)). The anger and hatred we see today must be laid at the feet of the evil one. He alone profits from the troubles.

Therefore, we oppose the hatred by opposing the evil behind it. Darkness is often a metaphor for evil. It describes the horrible reality that is commonly our world. By driving out darkness, we establish light. While that sounds easy, it is not. The world loves darkness despite the fact that the light of Jesus has entered ([John 3:19](#)). Jesus described the hours of his arrest and crucifixion as being in the power of darkness ([Luke 22:53](#)). He calls upon his people to oppose and rebuke darkness ([Ephesians 5:11](#); [2 Corinthians 6:14](#))

Christians must be careful not to contribute to the darkness through our opposition to it. How can we oppose, even rebuke evil, without being evil ourselves?

## Love is the Centerpiece of Our Response

Scripture says we are to speak truth in love, and apart from love, we are only noise ([1 Corinthians 13:1](#); [16:14](#); [Ephesians 4:15](#)). Our Lord was motivated by love ([John 3:16](#); [Romans 5:8, 10](#)) so we must be so motivated too.

At the beginning of his work, Jesus declared that people in darkness were seeing the light that would deliver them ([Matthew 4:15, 16](#)). The battle persists between light and dark and will so long as the world stands ([John 1:5](#)).

## Motivations Matter

Ask yourself, "why am I opposing this statement, behavior or event?" If we cannot link our motivations to an overriding concern for the individual involved, we should probably pause and rethink our approach.

At his first coming, Jesus did not come to judge, although he had every right to do so. His motivation was to "seek and to save the lost" ([John 12:47](#); [Luke 19:10](#)).

## Think of Yourself Too

By examining self, we will purge out the darkness of our own hearts. The well-known parable of the log in our own eye is very instructive ([Matthew 7:1-5](#)). It reminds us that we have weaknesses and failing that must be addressed before assailing another. Paul warns that we should "take heed lest he falls" ([1 Corinthians 10:12](#); c.f. [Galatians 6:1](#)) while Solomon reminds that "pride goes before destruction and a haughty spirit before a fall" ([Proverbs 16:18](#)).

Our goal is not to save others at the expense of our own souls, but to save ourselves and others too.

We can combat the horrible environment in which we live. There is little I can do on the world's stage compared to what I can do in my own corner of the globe. The danger is doing nothing. We can change the world one soul at a time.

## Please Keep In Your Prayers

### Please keep in your prayers:

**Carolyn Tucker**— recovering from heart surgery in Atlanta. (mother of Sarah Velazquez).

**Richard Davis**— having health problems and not doing well. (father of Dawna Ratliff).

**Harold and Gail Witherington**— he had a stroke and suffers from dementia. (friends of Hampton & Gail Bush).

**Frank Sunday**— still recovering from kidney stones.

### Please remember our friends and loved ones who are fighting cancer:

**Gus Stranch**— leukemia (great nephew of Patti Van Iderstine).

**Betty Holt**- Breast cancer & Alzheimer's (friend of Glenda Verrett).

**Kristy Laster**— Liver cancer (neighbor of Isenhawers).

**Jeff Stewart**— Brain cancer. (friend of Jerry Doughty).

**Cheryl Lawrence**- cancer (friend of Jo Ann McDonald).

**Dina Von Campe**— Breast cancer.

**Dawn Gilley**- cancer (mother of Ryan Purser's friend).

### Please keep our shut-ins in your prayers:

**MaeBelle Perry, Vi Vines, Lum Morrison, Elizabeth Till, Hampton and Gail Bush, James & Ann Christopher.**

Help us keep our **bulletin & sick list** up to date!  
Please email *Glenda* at [glenda.verrettescoc@gmail.com](mailto:glenda.verrettescoc@gmail.com)  
to have someone added, updated or removed from the sick list. Thank you!

## Privileged to Serve

Greeters:	George & Lucretia
Usher:	James Day
Jr. Usher:	Caleb Ratliff
Communion:	Phyllis Gill
Building Lockup:	Gerald Seales
Treasurer Assistants:	Chad Chupek and Sid Chupek
Yard Team	Curt Wolfe and Jesse Olive

## Sunday Morning

Lord's Table (presiding):	James Day
(serving):	Tony Jackson
	Andy Ford
	Bill Jones
	Jeffrey King
Leading Prayer:	Kent Purser
	Johnny McLaughlin
Leading Singing:	Chad Chupek
Scripture Reading:	Colby Sanford
Nursery:	Brenda Davis

## Sunday Afternoon

Leading Prayer:	Bill Jones
	Danny Velazquez
Leading Singing:	Will McLaughlin
Nursery:	Susan Purser

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