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EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

Coffee Meet

Sunday, February 16- 2:00 pm

Cohesive Coffee

301 Airport Road, Greenville

Join us for some coffee
and casual conversation!



WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER

Wednesday, February 19th

5:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall

Ham, Macaroni and Cheese, Potato Salad

Grilled Chicken Salad or Pizza Entree

Please remember to **register by 12:00 pm on Monday, February 17th**. This deadline is to give our caterer an accurate headcount and time to shop and prepare. If you asked to be added after the deadline, please be aware we may not be able to accomodate your reservation.

Dinner Reservations

XYZ SENIOR ADULT MEETING AND MEAL

Thursday, February 20th

11:00 am in the Fellowship Hall

As part of our Global Missions Celebration, our senior adult group is pleased to host George Hardeman and Amber Howell. George and his wife, Helen, are retired International Mission Board missionaries to Guatemala. Amber Howell is the Primary Program Director at A House on Beekman. Join us as we listen to their remarkable stories and learn what we can do to help. Everyone is welcome to attend. If you plan to stay for the luncheon, please register by clicking below or by calling the church office.

XYZ Reservations



GLOBAL MISSIONS CELEBRATION

February 19-23

Our Global Missions Celebration begins next week! In addition to local missions partners, we will be joined by Amber Howell, Primary Program Director, A House on Beekman; Carrie Chappell, Calvary International Baptist Church, Bangkok, refugee ministry; Dane Jackson, Manager for Missions Service, CBF Global Missions; and George and Helen Hardeman, IMB retired, Guatemala.

Please make plans to be a part of this exciting event! For ESBC, missions is not a part of our church program, it's our identity as a missional church, so join us as we have the opportunity to hear from our partners, learn how we can support them, and learn how we can be involved ourselves locally, nationally, and/or internationally.

- **Wednesday, February 19/6:00 pm:** Kickoff worship celebration and time to visit with special guests at their tables.
- **Thursday, February 20th/11:00 am:** Amber Howell (AHOB) and George and Helen Hardeman (IMB,retired, Guatemala) will speak at XYZ. Everyone is welcome!
- **Thursday, February 20th Dessert Fellowships:** Adult and Youth Sunday School classes will have opportunities to hear from our guests.
- **Saturday, February 22/6:00 pm:** Missions Celebration Banquet with barbecue buffet dinner from Henry's. Join us for fun and fellowship around the table, and a guest panel to answer your questions about their various ministries. Please purchase your banquet tickets by clicking below.

Banquet Tickets

- **Sunday, February 23/9:30 am:** Guests will speak in Sunday School classes.
- **Sunday, February 23/10:30 am:** Special worship service featuring guest interviews and an opportunity to pledge your 2025 support for missions giving above our regular budget offerings. David Newton, Thailand, retired, will be speaking.

JOIN US IN WORSHIP

Sunday, February 16

9:15 am: Sunday School

10:30 am: Worship

Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany

Ordinance of Communion

Children's Love Offering

Prelude: *Send the Light* by Melanie Wells and Lamar McCarrell, clarinets; Wells Smith, bass clarinet; and Eric Wells, euphonium

Anthem: *Like a River Glorious* by the Sanctuary Choir

Scripture: John 6:48-69

Sermon Series: *A Radical Call to a Higher Way*

Sermon: "The Bread of Life: An Offensive Feast" by Gary Strickland

SYMPATHY

Sympathy is extended to the family of **Hugh and Rosemary Cureton** upon the death of their daughter, Carrie Stringer.

ATTENDANCE REPORT

Week of February 9, 2025

Sunday School Attendance

On Campus.....118

Virtual.....0

Total.....118

Worship Attendance

Sanctuary.....189

Preschoolers and Children.....20

Total.....209

Virtual.....96

* Virtual refers to the total number of times the livestream has been viewed by publication of this newsletter.

BUDGET REPORT

Report for February 9, 2025

Weekly Budget Requirements.....\$18,235

Budget Gifts (this week).....\$14,178

Year-To-Date Expenses.....\$118,272.89

Budget Gifts to Date.....\$84,518

DEACON OF THE WEEK



Derek Lord is our deacon of the week. He has been attending Earle Street since 2003. He is married to ESBC lifer Anna Kay Hewitt Lord, and father to Moira Lord. He currently serves in the Children's Department, on the Recreation, Video, Parliamentarian, and Pastor Search committees.

CALENDAR

Sunday, February 16th

9:15 am	Sunday School (All Rooms)
10:30 am	Worship/Basketball Sunday (Sanctuary)
2:00 pm	Coffee Meet (Cohesive Coffee)
4:00 pm	Youth Ensemble Rehearsal (Choir Room)
4:30 pm	Youth Handbell Rehearsal (Choir Room)
5:15 pm	Earle Street Ringers Rehearsal

Monday, February 17th

9:00 am	Yoga and Flexibility Class (Gym)
2:00 pm	Gym Reserved (Pickleball)

Tuesday, February 18th

9:00 am	Staff Meeting (Room 200)
2:00 pm	Gym Reserved (Pickleball)
6:30 pm	Women's AA Open Group Meeting (FLC)

Wednesday, February 19th

11:00 am	Ladies Bible Study (Room 200)
5:00 pm	Dinner (Fellowship Hall)
	Youth Hangout (Gym/FLC)
6:00 pm	Global Missions Celebration Kick-Off
	Youth Small Groups (FLC)
	Preschool/Children's Activity Night
7:15 pm	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

Thursday, February 20th

11:00 am	XYZ Senior Adult Meeting and Meal (FH)
2:00 pm	Gym Reserved (Pickleball)
4:00 pm	Fellowship Hall Reserved (Arrowood)

Friday, February 21st

2:00 pm	Gym Reserved (Pickleball)
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Saturday, February 22nd

6:00 pm	Global Missions Banquet (Fellowship Hall)
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Pelham Road
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IT'S TIME TO COLLECT EGGS!

We are in need of pre-filled Easter eggs for our egg hunt. You may purchase items from the wishlist below. Donations may be placed in Room 204 near the smaller elevator. Please contact Catherine Carnes at catherine@esbcgreenville.org with questions.

Easter Egg Wishlist

OPPORTUNITY TO HOST A FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENT

CIEE: Council on International Educational Exchange is looking for a family to host a high school exchange student from Germany. Lena, the student, requested coming to South Carolina. She is very involved in her church and youth group in Germany, and would like to be with a family who is involved in church. The organization asked if she would be welcome at Earle Street, and if there might be a family willing to host her, starting in August.

Host Families

- Accept a student into their home as a part of their family for one or two semesters
- Provide a bed and room (student can share a room with a host sibling of the same gender within 4 years age difference)
- Share 3 meals a day (if students choose to purchase school lunches it is their responsibility)
- Receive local and regional support 24/7 from well-trained staff and volunteers (additional 24 hour emergency hotline to provide support around the clock)
- Can invite the student to travel with them (even internationally) or arrange for the student to stay with friends or family

Students

- Are between the ages of 15 and 18
- Are well screened for success on exchange program
- Must be proficient in English
- Have access to their own spending money for sports, activities with friends, and personal care
- Have full coverage health insurance through CIEE

The Local Exchange Program

- You will have a local coordinator who lives in the area to support your family and the student
- Your local coordinator will check in monthly with the student and your family
- Expand your network through meeting other like-minded families and their great exchange students

If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Janice at janice@esbcgreenville.org.

