



My heart is full when I consider what God is doing at East End! As I look back over the past months, I am reminded of God’s goodness even in tough times. Nahum said it more eloquently when he said, *“The Lord is good, a stronghold in the day of trouble; he knows those who take refuge in him.”* (Nahum 1:7)

When the pandemic of Covid -19 started, I was concerned about the effects it would have on the church abroad and here at East End. How will this affect membership? How will it affect attendance? How will it affect giving? ...and the list goes on! I must admit I worried and was overcome with anxiety multiple times. Sometimes I think, if Jesus were to speak to me audibly, He would begin with , *“O you of little faith....”* The apostle Paul’s words in Philippians 4:6 have passed through my mind a thousand times it seems. *“Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.”*

Even in those hardest days, God remained faithful just as His word promises. I am thankful now more than ever for the faithfulness of our God who has called us into fellowship with His son. 1 Corinthians 1:9 tells us, *“God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.”* Like many Christians, I have been holding fast and doing my best not to waver. Hebrews 10:23 says, *“Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful.”*

In ways that only God can, He has continued to do great and mighty things even when times were tough... even when I felt like I was just holding on and trying not to waver. During the pandemic, we have had visitors on most Sundays. Souls have been saved as a direct result of our ministry. Some have obeyed the Lord through baptism, and several new families have officially joined East End and have begun serving Him. We have new babies and babies on the way! God is good and He is faithful! Not once did He stop working in our midst! He still is! As I said, my heart is full! East End is a special place! I can not wait to see what He will do next! Hold fast everybody! Do not waver! He who promised is faithful and He always will be!

*great is your faithfulness.*  
Lamentations 3:23

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- Pastor .....Byron Benson
- Minister of Music .....Josh Tilley
- Minister of Education & Senior Adults .....Matt Moehring
- Youth Minister..... Taylor Chisolm
- Children’s Minister ..... Heather Dees
- Preschool Director .....Daphne Bordelon
- Ministry Assistant ..... Christie Tyndall
- Pianist .....Renee Veazey
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## MEN'S BREAKFAST

**Sunday, May 2  
7:15 a.m.**

**Sign up in the Welcome  
Center hallway**



**8:00AM  
Worship  
is MOVING  
INSIDE  
on  
Sunday, May 2.**

**This is a mask  
friendly service  
with social  
distancing.**

Provided by the MBCB Cooperative Program

## SENIOR ADULT RETREAT

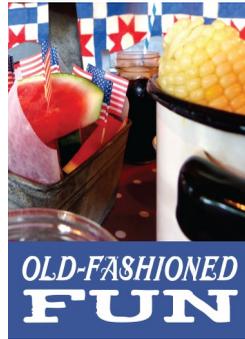
12-4PM, MAY 11  
Calvary Baptist Church, FMC GYM  
Speaker: Dr. Shawn Parker

No registration needed.  
Lite refreshments provided.



**Melody Drew**  
**Women on Mission  
Group Meeting**  
Monday, April 5  
6:30PM at the church

**National Day of Prayer Observance**  
Thursday, May 6  
Noon  
Lowndes County Courthouse lawn



**OLD-FASHIONED  
FUN**

**Senior Adult Old Fashioned  
Picnic**  
Friday, May 14  
5:30 p.m.

Hamburgers, Hot Dogs,  
Baked Beans,  
Potato Salad,  
Homemade Ice Cream

Sign up in the Welcome Center hallway

### MONTHLY MEETINGS

Wednesday, May 12

- Church Council - 5:30 p.m.
- Finance Committee Meeting - 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, May 16

- Deacons Meeting - 4 p.m.
- Staff Meeting - 6 p.m.



**Monday, May 31**  
**Church Office is closed**



**GRADUATING  
THIS YEAR.**

- **Tyler Looney** - Columbus Christian Academy
- **David Smuz** - Caledonia High School

**Senior Celebration Service**  
Wednesday, May 19  
6 p.m.

**Senior Recognition**  
Sunday, May 23  
During the 10:30 a.m. service



**LifeChoices**

*Pregnancy Care Center*

**Baby Bottles for Life 2021**

*Mother's Day, May 9  
through Father's Day, June 20*

Help make a difference in the lives of young women in our community by getting involved in this project. Your efforts will help to save the lives of unborn babies and help their mothers and fathers learn about Jesus simply by filling up a baby bottle with your spare change, cash, or check. It is our goal to collect \$25 or more per bottle.

Pick up your baby bottle  
at the Welcome Center



Join us for a Meet and Greet

**Women's Ministry Brunch**

Saturday, May 22  
10 a.m.

East End Baptist Church  
Worship Center

Sign up sheet in Welcome  
Center hallway

There will be games, door  
prizes, food, and fellowship



W.I.N. Columbus  
shirts are on sale now.  
\$15 each  
Order envelopes are  
available in the  
Welcome Center  
hallway. Place filled  
out envelopes in the  
offering box.

**Lord's Supper  
Sunday, May 30**



**Mission VBS Columbus:**  
June 7-9

**Mission VBS Hernando:**  
June 17-19