

MESSENGER

FROM THE DESK OF THE GENERAL OVERSEER



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Greetings in the precious name of our Lord Jesus Christ,

I pray this letter finds each of you walking in His grace, enjoying His peace, and remaining steadfast in the work He has called us to do. As I reflect on this summer, one word comes to mind—**awesome**. Our Camp Meeting was truly a season of divine visitation. We rejoice that one precious soul was gloriously saved, another was baptized in the Holy Ghost, and many others experienced the moving of God's Spirit as He ministered to hearts and met individual needs. We give Him all the praise, for every life touched is a testimony of His faithfulness.

I want to express my heartfelt gratitude to everyone who attended and helped make Camp Meeting such a wonderful success. To those who were unable to be with us but faithfully remembered the services in prayer, thank you. Your prayers strengthened the meeting in ways that only eternity will fully reveal.

We were richly blessed through the ministry of Bro. Kenny Morris and Bro. Tim Baggett. Each man preached with conviction, humility, and a clear anointing from the Lord. Their willingness to pour themselves into the preaching of God's Word challenged, encouraged, and strengthened the body of Christ. We thank the Lord for faithful ministers who continue to proclaim the truth without compromise.

As summer draws to a close, our attention now turns toward one of the most anticipated events of the year—our **General Assembly**, which will be held **October 14–16, 2026**. I encourage every member, minister, and church family to make plans now to attend these special days of worship, fellowship, and spiritual renewal.

This year's Assembly will also feature the **Second Annual NOW Conference**, held in conjunction with our General Assembly. Designed especially for our teenagers and young adults, this conference continues our commitment to investing in the next generation of believers and leaders. It is our desire that every member of the family—from our youngest attendees to our senior saints—will find encouragement, fellowship, and spiritual growth throughout the week.

We are also looking forward to outstanding preaching from men whom God has greatly used. Bro. Matt Haynes will minister during the morning services, while Bro. Andy Stringfellow will bring the evening messages. We are praying with great anticipation that God will once again meet with us in a powerful way.

The Assembly will begin with our Wednesday evening service on **October 14** and conclude following the Friday evening service on **October 16**. I urge every church to make this gathering a priority, and announce it in your churches. There is something uniquely strengthening about God's people assembling together in unity to worship, seek His face, and hear His Word.

Thank you for your continued faithfulness to the work of the Kingdom. Whether you serve from the pulpit, the pew, the mission field, or quietly behind the scenes, your labor is not in vain in the Lord.

Together, let us continue pressing forward, contending for the faith, and expecting great things from our faithful God. I look forward to seeing each of you at General Assembly.

May the Lord richly bless you and your family.
In His Service,

David Clewis,
General Overseer

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Abe Branch EHC

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Loving Our Community One Meal at a Time Teacher Appreciation: Lunch at Tarheel School

"Let all that ye do be done with charity." – 1 Corinthians 16:14 (KJV)

One of the greatest blessings of being the Church is having opportunities to show the love of Christ in practical ways. On Friday, May 8, the ABEHC family was honored to celebrate the wonderful teachers and staff of Tar Heel School with a special lunch.

Our volunteers prepared a home-style meal featuring crispy fried chicken and all the fixin's. From the delicious sides to the homemade desserts, every detail was prepared with grateful hearts as a small way of saying, "Thank you for all you do."

As teachers stopped in to enjoy lunch, smiles filled the room and conversations flowed easily. It was a wonderful reminder that simple acts of kindness often leave the biggest impression. Every tray served was accompanied by sincere appreciation for the countless hours these educators spend encouraging, teaching, and investing in the lives of children throughout our community.

"Teachers plant seeds of knowledge that last a lifetime.

We simply wanted to remind them that their work is seen, appreciated, and prayed for."

As a church family, we believe our local schools deserve our prayers and our support. Every classroom represents an opportunity to influence future generations, and every teacher carries a responsibility that deserves our respect and encouragement.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to the administration, faculty, and staff of Tar Heel School for opening their doors to us once again. It was truly our privilege to serve you, and we pray the Lord will continue to give you wisdom, strength, patience, and joy as you invest in the lives of your students.

May God continue to bless our educators, our schools, and the community we are called to serve.

"By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another."

– John 13:35 (KJV)

Sunday School: Fruit of the Spirit

Since the month of April, our Primary and Junior Sunday School branches here at ABEHC have been engrossed in timeless lessons every week regarding the Fruit of the Spirit. Our remarkable teachers have a way of making even the most challenging subjects to teach, both understandable and interesting for their pupils. While the Junior branch consumed most of their time in class plunging into the weekly subject with their teacher; (Ms. Heather Stephens) the Primary branch delighted in significantly shorter lessons alongside a variety of activities such as crafts with their teacher, (Ms. Debbie Davis) to keep the slightly younger minds engaged. Each week a new topic was presented by the teacher in question. The teacher then explained to her class how that Fruit of the Spirit is essential for the life of a Christian, in addition to giving them a firm understanding of the everyday application of that quality to their lives. Though the terminal lessons discussed subjects that had been previously studied, they were presented from a slightly different viewpoint, the teacher presenting the story of a Biblical hero who demonstrated love, patience, etc. Sunday School concluded every week with students transferring to the tabernacle for service, filled with head knowledge that would soon be put into play as they returned to the world a reflection of Christ for a generation engulfed in spiritual turmoil.

Fruit of the Spirit

LOVE

JOY

PEACE

PATIENCE

KINDNESS

GOODNESS

FAITHFULNESS

GENTLENESS

SELF-CONTROL

On June 14, ABEHC joyfully recognized the academic accomplishments of our children and youth during a special time of honor in our morning service. As each student stood before the congregation, Bro. David shared their individual achievements, allowing our church family to celebrate the hard work and dedication of every scholar.

This year has been one of remarkable growth for our young people—not only in their education but also in their walk with the Lord. Many students received honors for excellence in academic subjects such as science, mathematics, and language arts. Others were recognized for accomplishments that reach beyond the classroom, including memorizing portions—and in some cases, entire chapters—of God's Word.

At ABEHC, we believe that developing both the mind and the heart is essential. It has been a joy to watch our students pursue excellence in their studies while growing in their knowledge and love of Scripture. Their diligence, perseverance, and commitment are a testimony to the investment of their parents, teachers, and church family.

We are incredibly proud of each of our students and thank God for His faithfulness in their lives. Congratulations to all of our 2026 scholars! May the Lord continue to bless your efforts as you seek to honor Him in every area of your life.

Celebrating Our 2026 Scholars



Honoring Our Fathers

ABEHC is blessed with many godly fathers who faithfully serve not only their own families but also the young people throughout our congregation. Day after day, these men work diligently to provide for the financial, emotional, and spiritual needs of those entrusted to their care. Their example of faithfulness, sacrifice, and steadfast love is a tremendous blessing to our church family.

On June 21st, in celebration of Father's Day, we paused during our Sunday morning service to recognize these remarkable men and express a small measure of our gratitude for all they do. Riley Clewis led the fathers in a fun game of Who Said It?, which brought plenty of laughter and enjoyment to everyone in attendance. Each father was also presented with a Lowe's Home Improvement gift card as a token of appreciation, along with our sincere thanks for the unwavering commitment they continually demonstrate to their families.

While many men become fathers by birth, far fewer embrace the sacred responsibility of leading their children spiritually. We are grateful to say that the fathers of ABEHC have consistently shown a desire to raise their families in the nurture and admonition of the Lord, serving as examples of Christian character both at home and within the church.

To each of our ABEHC dads, thank you for your faithful leadership, your sacrificial love, and your steadfast commitment to Christ and your families. Your influence reaches far beyond your own homes, helping shape the next generation for the glory of God. We honor and appreciate each one of you.



A Heart for Missions: Olivia Skipper's First Mission Trip

Sharing the Love of Christ Through VBS in Trinidad

"Go ye therefore, and teach all nations..." — Matthew 28:19 (KJV)

She Dreamed She Would & SHE DID! For many, a mission trip is a journey to a different place. For **Olivia Skipper**, her first mission trip became a journey of faith, compassion, and seeing the heart of God at work in the lives of others.

Stepping outside of her familiar surroundings, Olivia had the opportunity to serve on the mission field and share the love of Jesus with precious souls who were eager to hear the Gospel. One of the highlights of her trip was leading **Vacation Bible School at St. Charles**, one of the smallest churches visited during the mission outreach.

Because of its size, St. Charles provided a unique opportunity to truly connect with each person. Rather than simply passing through, Olivia and the team were able to spend meaningful time getting to know the people, hearing their stories, and building relationships. The smaller setting allowed ministry to become personal, creating moments of encouragement, laughter, and genuine fellowship.

The excitement of the children was unforgettable. They eagerly received every activity, lesson, and gift that was brought to them. Something as simple as **bubble gum** became a source of great joy and excitement, reminding everyone that what may seem small to us can represent a tremendous blessing to someone else. Their smiles and enthusiasm reflected grateful hearts and a childlike joy that touched everyone involved.

One of the most moving parts of the experience was witnessing the living conditions of many of the people in the area. Some families lived in homes without roofs, doors, or air conditioning, facing daily challenges that many of us cannot imagine. Yet, despite their circumstances, they welcomed the team with open hearts and were eager to receive the message of hope found in Jesus Christ.

The people of St. Charles readily received the Gospel as Olivia shared the truth of God's Word. Their openness and hunger for spiritual things served as a powerful reminder that the message of Christ transcends language, culture, and circumstances. The love of God reaches every heart, and His grace is available to all people.

For Olivia, this first mission trip was not simply about traveling to another location—it was about learning the joy of serving others, discovering the impact that a willing heart can have, and fulfilling a childhood dream. Through teaching, sharing, and simply showing Christ's love, she experienced firsthand that missions is about people, relationships, and pointing souls toward the Savior.

As Olivia returned home, she carried more than memories and photographs. She brought back a renewed appreciation for God's blessings, a greater compassion for others, and a deeper understanding of the importance of taking the Gospel wherever the Lord leads.

We celebrate Olivia's willingness to answer the call to serve and pray that this first mission experience will be the beginning of a lifetime of faithfully sharing Christ with others

"How beautiful
are the feet
of them that
preach the gospel
of peace, and bring glad
tidings of good things!"
— **Romans 10:15 (KJV)**



May Meeting Comes to EHC, Inc.

There are seasons in the Christian life when the Lord calls His people to pause, rest in His presence, and allow His Word to search and strengthen their hearts. This year's May Meeting at Emmanuel Holiness Church Campgrounds was one of those treasured occasions.

Hosted by **Bro. Irvin and Sis. Dawn Ambrose**, the gathering provided a welcoming atmosphere where ministers, families, and friends from across several fellowships came together to worship, fellowship, and be renewed in the presence of the Lord. While the pace of the meeting was intentionally slower than many of our larger gatherings, the impact was no less significant. The unhurried schedule allowed attendees to step away from the demands of everyday life and simply enjoy sweet fellowship with one another while focusing on the things of God.

Morning services were led by **Rev. John Humbert**, whose messages encouraged believers to remain steadfast in their walk with Christ. With clarity and conviction, he reminded the congregation that spiritual growth is cultivated through faithful obedience to God's Word and a daily commitment to His will.

Each evening, **Rev. Mike Switzer** faithfully delivered messages that challenged hearts and called the Church to deeper consecration. His preaching was both encouraging and convicting, emphasizing that while God delights in refreshing His people, He also calls them to continual spiritual maturity and wholehearted devotion. The services were marked by attentive hearts, earnest prayer, and a genuine hunger for the presence of God.

One of the highlights of the week was the **Ladies' Tea Party**. The beautifully prepared gathering provided an inviting setting where ladies of all ages enjoyed fellowship, laughter, and meaningful conversation centered on God's faithfulness. More than an elegant event, the Tea Party served as an opportunity to encourage women to grow in their love for the Scriptures, strengthen one another in the faith, and continue pursuing God's purpose for their lives.

Throughout the meeting, there was a noticeable sense of peace. Without the distractions of a hurried schedule, worshipers found time to linger in prayer, reconnect with fellow believers, and quietly reflect on the truths being proclaimed. Although restful in spirit, the services never lacked biblical conviction. Time and again, God's Word challenged those in attendance to examine their hearts, deepen their commitment to Christ, and faithfully fulfill the calling He has placed upon their lives.



ALEXANDRIA EHC

Alexandria, AL



In this quarter, we were blessed to celebrate our mothers and fathers on their respective holidays. We also enjoyed a memorable Friends & Family Day in May with around 90 people in attendance! Bro. Tim Baggett brought a powerful message, and Sis. Barbara Johnson was honored for her faithful service and dedication to AEHC.



Following Friends & Family Day, Bro. Rex Mashburn led us in a series of revival services. Souls were truly touched, refreshed, and helped during these powerful meetings.

At the end of May, our congregation gathered for a wonderful time of fellowship to celebrate Bro. Dexter Lindley's birthday. It is always a joy to come together as a church family and honor those who mean so much to us!

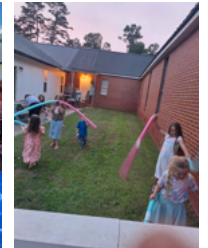


In May, Bro. Raymond and Sis. Amanda Jones presented a memorable skit during our Special Apostles service, reminding us all that our Shepherd is good and deeply caring. In July, Sis. Mary Davis led devotion. During

this service the Special Apostles were moved by the Holy Ghost during their singing. Seeing their uninhibited praise was truly an inspiring blessing to the entire church!



On Sunday night, June 28th, Bro. Chandler and Sis. Hannah Bailey ministered to us. Sis. Hannah's singing lifted our spirits, while Bro. Chandler's message deeply stirred our hearts. The move of God was so powerful that we extended the meeting into Monday night, where Bro. Chandler again brought a timely word for the hour.



June brought an exciting week of VBS at the Illuminating Station, where the young people explored the question, "Who is He?"

Our ladies enjoyed two fellowship meetings this summer. In June, Sis. Courtney Kennedy shared a heart-challenging word that deeply blessed everyone present. In August, Sis. Rebecca Davis was our guest speaker, followed by a special book drawing. These meetings are wonderful times to be refreshed, connected, and inspired.



In part of our effort to ramp up community outreach, postcards were printed and distributed as an on-going way to invite others to church.

Secretary Day

May 3rd 2026

Eastside Emmanuel Holiness Church honored Sis. Connie Carr for her dedication and loyalty as secretary to the church. Connie was honored with a gift card and flowers.



**Homecoming
& Revival**

Eastside Emmanuel Holiness Church had a great revival on Friday June 5, Saturday 6th, and Homecoming was celebrated on Sunday June 7th. Bro. Dylan Walker preached the services

Pastor Chuck Bennett, Bro. Lynn Carr and Secretary Sis. Connie Carr



Mother's Day May 10th, 2026

Eastside Emmanuel Holiness Church honored the oldest mother, youngest mother, and the mother with the most children to attend church with her on this day with a gift. All the mother's who attended service on this special day were also honored with a gift.

Father's Day June 21, 2026

Eastside Emmanuel Holiness Church honored the the father with a gift card for the most children to attend service with him on this special day, Bro. Larry Allen.



The Father of the Church, Pastor Chuck Bennett, was also honored with a gift card.

All the Father's that attended service on this special day were also honored with a gift bag.

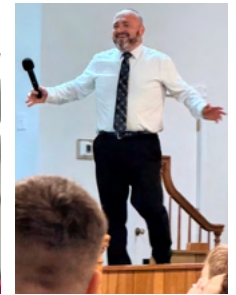


*Left to right:
Youngest Mother
Sis. Nicole Carr
with baby
Madelyn Carr,
Oldest Mother
Sis. Virginia
Prickett, Mother
to have the most
children with her
in church on this
day Sis. Sheila
Bennett.*



Youth Camp

Our 2026 Youth Camp, held June 14–19, was an incredible week as we gathered under the theme **“IGNITE: Let the Fire Awaken This Generation.”** Through the story of Elijah calling down fire from heaven, our young people were challenged to make a choice about whom they would serve, rebuild the broken altars in their lives, recognize the one true God, and fully surrender everything to Him. Each day began with powerful morning devotions led by **Daniel Alford**, preparing hearts for what God had in store. We were also blessed by the anointed preaching of **Bro. John Humbert** and **Bro. Rex Mashburn** during our evening services as they faithfully shared God’s Word throughout the week. We are overwhelmed with gratitude for what God did during camp. We rejoice with those who were **saved, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost**, and we give God all the glory for every life that was touched. We are also deeply thankful for the churches, pastors, leaders, volunteers, and families who came together to support this camp. Thank you for investing in this generation. We believe the fire of God has been awakened, and the impact of this week will continue for years to come!

**Youth Service**

Our **Youth Service on May 29** was a wonderful night of worship led by our young people, who did an outstanding job leading every part of the service. We are so proud of how God is using this generation and the willingness they have to step out and serve Him. We were blessed to have **Bro. David Mashburn** minister from **Genesis 26** with a message titled **“Dig a Well.”** He reminded us that, just as Isaac continued digging wells despite opposition and dry seasons, we must keep seeking God and pressing forward, even when life becomes difficult. Spiritually, we are called to dig wells not only for ourselves but also for our families—creating a place where they can draw strength and experience God’s presence until they are able to dig their own wells and build a personal relationship with Him. We are thankful for the challenge and encouragement to remain faithful, knowing that God still blesses those who continue to seek Him.

Women's Conference

Our Women's Conference, "He Called Her By Her Name," was a beautiful and refreshing time in the presence of God. Centered on the powerful moment when the risen Jesus lovingly called Mary .

Magdalene by name outside the empty tomb, we were reminded that He knows each of us personally

and calls us with purpose.

We were blessed by the ministry of **Sis. Stephanie Nesbitt**, who preached Friday night's service, and **Sis. Amy Clewis**, who shared an encouraging Saturday morning devotion. We are also so thankful for the men of our church who faithfully served by preparing every meal, allowing the ladies to relax and enjoy the weekend. One special highlight was our Flower Bar, where each woman created her own beautiful bouquet as a reminder of God's love and care.

We are grateful to all of the churches that came and supported our conference. Thank you to everyone who helped make this weekend such a meaningful time of fellowship, encouragement, and spiritual renewal. We look forward to seeing all that God continues to do in the lives of the women He lovingly calls by name.



Praise God, we have had a very busy summer, out preaching the Word of God and sharing God's goodness. We have been working diligently on raising funds for the mission trip to make another mission trip from July 29 to August 12 in Kenya and Tanzania . We are looking forward to seeing the almighty hand of God moving in lives as the anointing pierces the hearts and draws people to repentance.

Thanks to everyone who has helped to make this mission trip possible. The mission team is on their way now to the airport. Pray for a safe flight to and from Africa and that many souls will be converted to Jesus Christ. We look forward to sharing what God is going to do on this journey.

God Bless,

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The trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory. - 1 Peter 1:7

Imagine holding two pieces of gold jewelry side by side: one solid, high-quality gold, and the other cheap plastic painted with a shiny gold finish. In a jewelry box, both look equally bright. It's easy to look the part when there's no pressure.

Now imagine taking a steel-wool pad to both.

Scrub the fake piece, and the paint flakes off, exposing the gray plastic underneath. But take that same steel wool to real gold, and the friction doesn't destroy it or change its color; it shines brighter as the surface dirt rubs away.

Pressure works the exact same way. If your identity is just painted on to help you fit in, it will disintegrate the second you face friction. A genuine transformation doesn't adapt to the environment or compromise under heat.

This is the essence of being true gold. When the world applies friction, true character isn't flaky; it doesn't peel away to reveal something cheap underneath. Instead, the trials of life only purify your faith, allowing you to shine bright even in the darkest rooms.

Consider how temperature tools work.

A thermometer is passive. It merely reflects the room around it, whatever the environment is it just reads the room, it adapts to fit right in. Far too many people act like spiritual thermometers, shifting their conversations, modesty, and convictions depending on who they stand next to.

A thermostat is entirely different. Wired to a hidden power source, it sets the standard and forces the room to adjust to its settings.

When you are backed by the boldness of the Spirit, you don't trade an eternal crown for temporary acceptance. Stop acting like a thermometer that conforms to the room, and start being a thermostat that changes the climate around you.

Stay connected to the True Power Source and when your faith is tested you will come forth as pure gold!

Be real. Be genuine. Be the difference!



Would you call your friend, talk 90 to nothing for an hour, and then hang up without letting them say a word and go straight about your day?

No. Why?

Rude, yes. But also, shouldn't you want to hear what your friend has to say?

Conversation is a two way street. It involves talking and also listening.

Why did God give you two ears and one mouth?
So you could do twice as much listening.

My favorite part of prayer is the stillness. The quiet and peace that fills the room when you have finished a prayer...still feeling God's presence...still in the weightlessness of laying the burdens down. Many times the words from the old hymn drops in my spirit, "In the stillness of the midnight precious sacred scenes unfold."

and where I know that is from Precious Memories and referencing memories, I still can see those scenes as the clarity that comes in the stillness after prayer. The things that God says and does in our Spirit if we just take the time to stay in His presence.

How close do we have to be to hear a whisper?

Let's take it a step farther, how quiet do we have to be to hear a whisper?

We talk to God, but don't give Him a chance to speak. We pray to God, but don't listen for the answers. We ask for directions, but never wait for the reply.

Prayer is not just turning in a list of your needs and wants. It is spending time with the One who loves us most. Speaking and listening - true open communication! Opening our minds, hearts, and ears!

Next time you pray don't just rush to the next thing on your to-do list. Stay a few minutes and bask in the stillness. Even if sacred scenes don't unfold, a few moments of peace may be what you need as you proceed with your day.



Kind greetings to everyone! As I write this, my heart is still rejoicing over the our Camp Meeting! Truly time is short and we must realize more than ever before that our lives must manifest Christ to a lost world. In our Ladies Sunday School Class at Alexandria, we are currently engaged in

studying a lesson entitled, **“A Heart Refined: Finding Beauty and Strength in Sanctification”** and I wanted to share part of that lesson. I am so grateful for the work of the Holy Ghost in our lives.

The Internal Transformation (The Fruit of the Spirit)

Sanctification is most visible in the internal changes of a person's heart. As a Christian grows, the "Fruit of the Spirit" becomes increasingly evident in their life, as described in Galatians 5:22–23:



- **Love, Joy, Peace:** An increasing capacity to love others unconditionally, maintain inner peace despite external circumstances, and experience joy that isn't dependent on happiness.
- **Patience, Kindness, Goodness:** A shift from impulsive reactions to thoughtful, patient responses.
- **Faithfulness, Gentleness, Self-Control:** A growing ability to remain committed to God's values and to exercise discipline over one's temper, speech, and habits.

1. A Shift in Desires and Priorities

Sanctification often manifests as a changing "want to." Things that previously held high priority—such as personal status, material gain, or self-gratification—begin to take a backseat to the desires of the heart to honor God.

- **Increased Hunger for Scripture:** The Bible becomes a roadmap rather than a rulebook.
- **Consistent Communication with God:** Prayer evolves from a list of requests to a posture of constant conversation, seeking God's guidance in the mundane details of life.
- **Value Alignment:** Aligning personal time, finances, and energy with what the believer understands to be God's priorities, such as generosity, service, and integrity.



2. Progressive Victory Over Sin

Sanctification does not mean perfection; it means a change in relationship with sin.

- **Increased Sensitivity:** Things that once seemed acceptable or "small" may now cause a greater sense of conviction as the conscience becomes more attuned to God's holiness.
- **Repentance as a Lifestyle:** Rather than being defined by failures, a sanctified life is marked by quick repentance—admitting wrong, asking for forgiveness, and turning back to the path of righteousness without lingering in shame.

Outward Service and Love for Others

Sanctification is never meant to be private or purely internal. It is outward-facing.

- **The "Second Commandment":** As love for God deepens, the capacity to love "the neighbor" grows. This often looks like increased empathy for those who are suffering, a willingness to serve without seeking recognition, and a desire to see others flourish.
- **Reflecting God's Character:** The believer begins to reflect God's grace and mercy toward others, especially in situations where it might not be "earned" or deserved, mirroring the grace they feel they have received.

Reliance on the Holy Ghost

Sanctification is the work of the Holy Ghost living within the believer. It is a partnership: As Christians we are called to pursue holiness, but the power to actually transform the heart belongs to Him.



Ladies, let's live our lives in a way that creates in others a hunger and thirst for God!

Carrie Hilton

EHC Ladies Auxiliary President



Ladies Conference 2026: Women of the Word Holding Fast to the Scarlet Cord of Redemption

*"Thy word is a lamp unto my feet,
and a light unto my path."*

— Psalm 119:105

The annual **Ladies Conference - Women of the Word** once again proved to be much more than a weekend event—it was a sacred gathering where women of every generation were refreshed through fellowship, strengthened by worship, and challenged by the unchanging truth of God's Word.

From the opening fellowship activity, where ladies enjoyed making their own pizzas, the weekend was filled with joy, laughter, and meaningful conversations. New friendships were formed, old friendships were renewed, and the atmosphere reflected the beauty of sisters in Christ gathering together with one purpose—to draw nearer to the Lord by hiding His Word in our hearts.

The spiritual focus of the conference centered on the powerful ministry of **Sis. Stephanie Nesbitt**, whose messages continually directed hearts back to God's Word and the hope found only in Jesus Christ. Drawing from the account of Rahab, she beautifully unfolded the significance of the **scarlet cord** as a picture of redemption, reminding every woman that just as Rahab's household found safety beneath the scarlet cord, we too must securely hold to the redemption provided through the precious blood of Jesus Christ. Her biblical teaching challenged each attendee not merely to admire the promises of God but to anchor her life firmly to them. Through every message, ladies were encouraged to remain faithful, courageous, and unwavering in a world that desperately needs women firmly grounded in Scripture.

The congregation was ushered into worship under the leadership of **Sis. Carrie Hilton**, whose heartfelt worship prepared hearts to receive God's Word. Adding to those special moments was the anointed ministry of **Sis. Jade Mitchell**, whose special singing beautifully magnified the Lord and encouraged the congregation to worship Him wholeheartedly. The conference choir, directed by **Sis. Jessica Haynes**, further enriched each service with music that pointed every heart toward Christ.

One of the special highlights of the weekend was **Author's Corner**, featuring one of our very own, **Sis. Rebecca Davis**. Throughout the conference, attendees had the opportunity to meet the author, browse her published work, participate in book signings, and enjoy exciting book giveaways. It was a blessing to celebrate the gifts God has placed within our own fellowship while encouraging ladies to continue growing through Christ-centered literature. Many enjoyed taking home signed copies and spending time visiting with Sis. Rebecca as she shared her passion for writing and pointing others to the truths of God's Word.

One of the distinguishing features of **Women of the Word** continues to be its intentional investment in every season of a woman's life through age- and life-stage-specific sessions.

Our youngest attendees delighted in **Little Ladies W.O.W. Super Heroes**, where **Sis. Rachele Ramirez** creatively taught that the greatest heroes are those who faithfully follow Jesus Christ. Through Bible lessons, activities, and interactive learning, these young girls were encouraged to stand boldly for their faith.

The **Young Girls** were lovingly instructed by **Sis. Amanda Baggett**, who encouraged them to build their identity upon God's Word, pursue holiness, and seek the Lord while they are young.

The **Unwed Adult Ladies** gathered with **Sis. Lori Teague**, whose practical, Scripture-centered teaching encouraged women to embrace the unique opportunities God has given them in this season of life. She reminded them that contentment, purpose, and fulfillment are found not in circumstances but in faithfully walking with Christ and trusting His perfect plan.

The **Married Adult Ladies** were ministered to by **Sis. Jessica Haynes**, whose biblical instruction encouraged wives to cultivate Christ-centered homes, strengthen their marriages, and faithfully fulfill the calling God has placed upon them. Her heartfelt teaching reminded every married woman that a godly home is built one faithful day at a time.

The **Seasoned Ladies** were encouraged by **Sis. Carmen Humbert**, who reminded them that years of faithful service have not diminished their influence. Their wisdom, steadfastness, and example remain an invaluable blessing to the Church and to the generations following behind them.

Throughout the weekend, ladies also enjoyed creative **craft activities** led by **Sis. Sheila Bennett**, providing opportunities for fellowship while creating meaningful keepsakes from the conference. Joy and laughter filled the room during the lively **Women of the Word Game Show**, enthusiastically hosted by **Sis. Rachele Ramirez**, strengthening friendships and creating memories that will long be cherished.

The conference also featured a vibrant **Vendor Mall**, where attendees enjoyed supporting small businesses including **The Vintage Charm**, **Keeka's Closet**, **Children Are Unique Boutique**, **Creations by C**, and **Over Yonder Coffee Truck**. These vendors added another enjoyable dimension to an already memorable weekend.

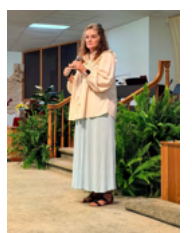
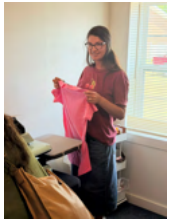
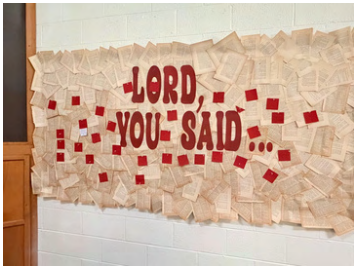
Some of the most sacred moments occurred during the dedicated seasons of prayer led by **Sis. Trina Daniel** and **Sis Kelly Harper**. As ladies gathered around the altar, seeking the Lord together, burdens were lifted, hearts were strengthened, and lives were touched by the presence of God. Those quiet moments of surrender beautifully reflected the heartbeat of the conference—that women would not simply attend an event but experience genuine spiritual renewal.

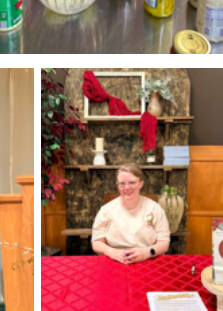
As the conference concluded, there was a common testimony heard throughout the weekend: **the ladies left differently than they came**. They returned to their homes and churches carrying more than conference notes and handcrafted keepsakes. They left with renewed hope, strengthened faith, deeper friendships, and a fresh determination to hold fast to the scarlet cord of redemption found only in Jesus Christ.

The success of **Women of the Word 2026** was made possible through the faithful service of many dedicated individuals. Heartfelt appreciation is extended to every volunteer, decorator, hospitality worker, media team member, musician, nursery worker, vendor, and the many faithful servants working behind the scenes. Your labor of love created an atmosphere where women could encounter Christ, grow in His Word, and encourage one another in the faith.

To every woman who attended, and to every person who prayed, prepared, served, and supported the conference, **thank you**. Your willingness to invest in the lives of others helped make **Women of the Word** an unforgettable weekend. Above all, we give glory to God for His unmistakable presence and for the transforming work accomplished in the hearts of His daughters. We eagerly anticipate what He has in store for **Ladies Conference 2027**, trusting that He will continue to raise up generations of women firmly anchored to His Word and faithfully holding to the scarlet cord of redemption.







EHC, Inc. Camp Meeting 2026

A Time of Refreshing, Renewal, and Revival

*"For where two or three are gathered together in my name,
there am I in the midst of them."*

— **Matthew 18:20 (KJV)**

There are moments when God's people gather together that become more than just a scheduled event on the calendar. They become divine appointments—times of worship, spiritual renewal, and unforgettable encounters with the presence of God. The annual **Emmanuel Holiness Church, Inc. Camp Meeting** was one of those special occasions.

Throughout the week, believers from across the conference gathered with hearts prepared to worship, receive the Word, and seek the Lord. The atmosphere was filled with expectation as families, ministers, youth, and friends came together for a time of refreshing and spiritual renewal.

The morning services featured a powerful teaching series from **Rev. Tim Baggett** entitled "**The Church and the Image of Christ.**" Through each message, Rev. Baggett challenged believers to examine what it means for the Church to reflect the character, love, holiness, and purpose of Jesus Christ. His teaching reminded us that the Church is not simply a gathering place but a living testimony of Christ to the world around us. Each morning, hearts were encouraged to grow deeper in their relationship with the Lord and to faithfully represent Him in every area of life.

The evening services were blessed through the ministry of **Rev. Kenny Morris**, whose preaching brought forth powerful messages that challenged, encouraged, and strengthened the body of Christ. With conviction and clarity, he proclaimed the truth of God's Word and reminded us of the importance of remaining faithful in our walk with Christ. The messages throughout the week stirred hearts, encouraged believers, and called each person to a closer commitment to the Lord.

The Camp Meeting services were beautifully enhanced through the ministry of music. The **Youth Choir** blessed the congregation with heartfelt worship, and the **band of musicians** helped create an atmosphere where hearts were prepared to receive from the Lord. Special singing throughout the week added another meaningful dimension to each service, reminding us that worship is a powerful expression of our love and gratitude toward God.

Beyond the services, the fellowship and hospitality of the week were truly special. Delicious meals were prepared and shared throughout the meeting, providing opportunities for families and friends to gather around the table and enjoy sweet fellowship. The concessions provided another enjoyable place for attendees to connect, relax, and create memories together. These moments of fellowship reflected the love and unity that make Camp Meeting such a treasured time for our church family.

While the fellowship was wonderful and the activities were enjoyable, the greatest highlights of the week were spiritual in nature. We rejoice that souls were saved, believers were baptized in the Holy Ghost, lives were challenged through the preaching of God's Word, and hearts were encouraged by the moving of the Holy Spirit. Time after time, God faithfully met with His people and reminded us that He is still transforming lives and answering the prayers of His children.

Our youth were also blessed with opportunities to grow in fellowship and strengthen friendships throughout the week. Activities such as **bowling, after-church games, and countless moments of fellowship** allowed our young people to build relationships while enjoying time together in a Christ-centered environment. These activities served as a reminder that the Church is not only a place where we worship together but also a family where lasting friendships are formed.

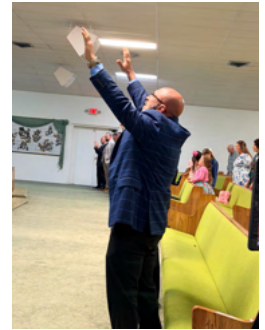
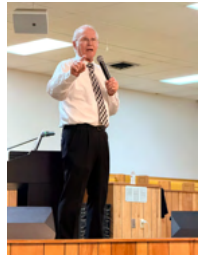
A heartfelt appreciation is extended to every person who helped make this year's Camp Meeting a success. To the ministers who faithfully proclaimed the Word, the musicians and singers who led us in worship, the cooks and volunteers who served behind the scenes, the youth leaders who invested in our young people, and every individual who prayed, attended, and supported the meeting—thank you. Your labor of love helped create an atmosphere where God could move.

As we look back on Camp Meeting 2026, we are reminded that God continues to bless His Church when His people gather together with hungry hearts and a desire to seek Him. We leave this meeting encouraged by His Spirit, challenged by His Word, and renewed in our commitment to serve Him faithfully.

May we continue carrying the fire of revival, the truth of God's Word, and the love of Christ into our homes, churches, and communities until we gather together again.

"And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers."

— **Acts 2:42 (KJV)**





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