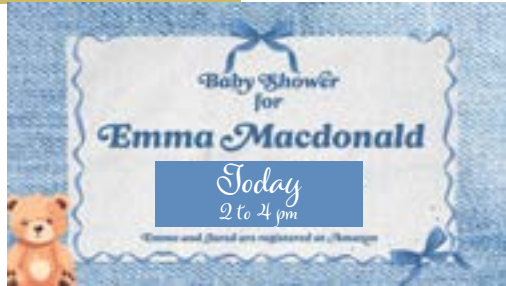


UPCOMING



Collecting Jewelry for the

"BLING SHOW"

...A Shine Fundraising Event

DO YOU HAVE costume or fine jewelry, scarves or accessories you no longer want??

Bring to Church Office. Please donate all items by September 13

SHOW DATES:

Friday, October 16, 4 pm to 8 pm • Saturday, October 17, 9 am to 1 pm

Netherwood Park Church of Christ • 5101 Indian School Rd. NE



Starting again September 2



Evangelism Training

Provided by The Baptist Convention of New Mexico

Thursday August 27 at 6:00 pm in Miller Hall

This training is mandatory if you plan to serve on the BCNM One Day Mission Trip in September.

But this is also an amazing opportunity to brush up on your faith sharing skills.



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LIFE

People helping people live out the unexpected love of Jesus every day.

Last week, my article explained the concept behind Connect Groups: that they connect members to GOD, ONE ANOTHER, and the MISSION OF EHBC. Remember that the point is that Connect Groups will be a part of the strategy to help us all be **People helping people live out the unexpected love of Jesus every day.**

This week, I want to share the distinctive qualities that define what makes something a Connect Group. These qualities were prayerfully crafted by the Vision Framing team using the feedback that we received from Bible Study leaders at last year's Bible Study Leader Appreciation Banquet.

Connect Groups are groups whose:

- *Size and duration are organically suited to connect meaningfully with each other.*
- *Regular meetings display a culture of welcome (awareness of visitors, name tags, exits/on-ramps of classes, etc.).*
- *Members learn and use the language of the EHBC Mission, Values, and Outcomes.*
- *Leaders intentionally use EHBC's Mission, Values, and Outcomes to guide and evaluate the group.*
- *Common purpose unites them, while curriculum, format, and composition are not prescribed.*

What we want to make clear is that Connect Groups aren't "cookie-cutter." They should be as unique as the people that make them up. Difference—uniqueness—between the groups is actually a part of what helps us connect meaningfully. Connect Groups will each have their own "personality" that is formed by the makeup of the members. Some groups will use curriculum that they've always used, such as *Explore the Bible*. Some groups will continue in their verse-by-verse study or biblical topic study. We plan to start new Connect Groups as we move forward.

However, the idea is that each Connect Group will intentionally engage its members in learning, understanding, and growing in the Mission, Values, and Outcomes of Eastern Hills. This will include some form of action as a group. But again, this isn't one-size-fits-all. One group might do a quarterly service project. Another might actively pray for a particular ministry. Still another might choose to financially support a particular cause. The Connect Groups will determine these things for themselves. Next week, I'll address some of the questions that have come up about Connect Groups.

Blessings,
Bill

TODAY



SanctuaryWiFi Password: ehbc3100
EVERYONE: Please remember to mute your cell phones during service. Thanks!



Senior Pastor Bill Connors

Beloved #9: The Wedding Day
Song of Songs 3: 6-11



YouVersion Notes

Offering August 16, 2026

	This Week	Year-To-Date
Budget Needs:	\$22,637.00	\$747,021.00
Budget Receipts:	\$9,808.90	\$720,545.04

ENDEAVOR Campaign Received to Date: **\$1,400,874.88**



THIS WEEK

Sunday, August 23, 2026

8:30 to 10:15 AM • Church Library Open
9:00 AM • Bible Study for all ages
10:30 AM • Family Worship (Sanc.)/Kids Worship - Infants - 5th Grade
12:30 PM • One to One ACBC Training meeting (Rm. 102)
2:00 PM • ACBC Exam Training (Rm. 102)
2:00 PM • Baby Shower for Emma Macdonald (MH)
5:30 PM • Pastor's Bible Study (Rms 101B to 103A)

Monday, August 24, 2026

6:30 PM • Handbell Rehearsal (Choir Rm.)

Tuesday, August 25, 2026

7:30 AM • Curtis Smith's Bible Study
(Zoom Meeting ID:459 651 0196 Pass code: 1000)
9:00 AM • Staff Meeting (Conf. Rm.)
6:00 PM • EHCA School Board Mtg (Conf. Rm.)
6:00 PM • Properties Management Meeting (MH Rm. 105A & B)
6:30 PM • Worship 4:24 Praise Band Rehearsal (Sanc.)

Wednesday, August 26, 2026

9:00 AM • EHCA All School Chapel (Sanc.)
9:30 AM • Hope Ahead Women's Bible Study (Rm 101A)
5:45 PM • Prayer Meeting (MH)
6:30 PM • Women's Bible Study - Monica Seiler (Parlor)
6:30 PM • Youth Prime Time (Youth Rm)
6:30 PM • Worship Choir Rehearsals Resume!! (CR)

Thursday, August 27, 2026

6:00 PM • BCNM Evangelism Training (MH)

Friday, August 28, 2026

1:00 PM • Men's Bible Study - Church History (Conf. Rm.)

Saturday, August 29, 2026

ALL DAY • EHCA Fundraiser @ Barnes & Noble (Coronado)
2:00 PM • Fundraiser for Harmonies of Hope/Grief Center (Sanc., MH)

Sunday, August 30, 2026

4:30 PM • Deacon Candidates Examination Council (MH)

MH = Miller Hall FLC = Family Life Center/Gym Sanc. = Sanctuary CR = Choir Rm.
CH = Clubhouse CY = Courtyard CC= Cross Courts

