



# The Eastwood Beacon

*Eastwood nurtures positive development in people's lives through the love and teachings of Jesus Christ.*

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**Psalm 127:3-5** *“Behold, children are a gift of the Lord, the fruit of the womb is a reward. Like arrows in the hand of a warrior, so are the children of one's youth. How blessed is the man whose quiver is full of them; they will not be ashamed when they speak with their enemies in the gate.”*

As we enter the New Year we are reminded of how often God gives us what we do not deserve. This year I was given a great opportunity to do what I am passionate about; the chance to cultivate the love I have for Christ in the next generation with Full Draw Student Ministry.

The name Full Draw started with a respect for arrows. I have always been fascinated with arrows. Since I started bow hunting at 10 years old I have always loved the way they fly through the air, the noise they make as they fly, and the power and force behind them. The thing I love most about bows and arrows is the feeling you get when you are at *Full Draw*. When you draw back an arrow, if you release too soon then the arrow won't go anywhere. If you release with too quickly your arrow won't fly straight or smooth. If you are afraid to pull back to full draw then you will never be able to reach your target.

There is a lot of symbolism between arrows and our walk with Christ. It takes time to reach full maturity; if you stop growing, life can bring you down. If you aren't anchored in your faith, your mission, or your goal your spirit will began to lack. If you don't have patience in your walk, you wont be able to see the wonders God bestows in your life. If you are afraid to go all the way and get out of your comfort zone you could deny your true potential. The bible says our youth are like arrows and we are blessed to have a quiver full of them to send them out into the world to make an impact.

This is the purpose and base for Full Draw Student Ministry, to provide our youth with a new beginning and a fresh, exciting start. Full Draw is dedicated to cultivating a culture of intimate relationships with God and an excitement about learning about Him. We have created a new schedule that we are very excited about. Saturday evenings from 6 pm - 8 pm we will be meeting for a more contemporary and traditional youth gathering. This will include games, food, worship, and a lesson with discussion. Sunday mornings we will meet before church at 9:15 am - 10:15 am for a deeper look into books of the Bible by going through verse by verse.

In order to stay connected, I would encourage all who have Facebook to like Full Draw Student Ministry's Facebook page. For those who do not have Facebook, feel free to contact me via email and/or cell phone. We will also have boards with upcoming event posters, and monthly calendars in both the youth room and the main atrium of the church. Each month we will do one local event, like bowling, a movie night, a trip to Rogue Air, etc. Each quarter (every 3 months or so) we will be having what we call an adventure trip! We will go on mission trips, both local and foreign, camping trips, ski trips, and other exciting adventures to get out into nature and experience God in the wilderness and adventure.

## EASTWOOD STAFF

**Grant Rubln**  
*Youth Director*

**Sharon Dady**  
*Choir Director*

**Linda Tripp**  
*Accompanist*

**Sue Becker**  
*Church Secretary*

**Sam J. Angulo**  
*Custodian*

**Kaltlyn Brunson**  
*Nursery Attendant*

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When studying outdoor leadership at Colorado Christian University, I found a beautiful passion for seeking God in nature and adventure and I would like to pass that on to our students. Each month we will be having a theme for the youth and a series, which will be posting on Facebook, the beacon, our board, and on calendars.

### What can we do to help?

Great question! Youth Groups always need things to keep the environment lively and energetic, if you have old game systems, televisions, pool balls, billiards, scrap wood, pallets, connections, or anything you have and don't need that you think, "Oh, that could be good for the youth." run it by me and I'll tell you if we could use it at the moment or in the future.

We are always looking for resources and connections to camps, hiking trails, and cool places to visit so don't hesitate to contact me.

Grant Rubin, Youth Director

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### Mission Giving Opportunity

January's Mission Giving Opportunity will be Rainbow Acres. Rainbow Acres was founded in 1974, but existed as a dream long before. Rev. Ralph Showers grew up to be an accomplished American Baptist pastor and a social visionary, but spent much of his childhood struggling through school with learning disabilities, including dyslexia. He dreamed of creating a place where adults with developmental disabilities could lead lives guided by meaning, purpose, dignity and spiritual strength. Through physical, emotional and operations setbacks, this dream survived to become Rainbow Acres - a special place where miracles occur every day. For over 40 years, Rainbow Acres has been empowering people with developmental disabilities to live to their fullest potential with dignity and purpose.

Rainbow Acres is located in the central part of Arizona, just an hour and a half drive north of Phoenix and 20 minutes from Sedona and its incredible Red Rocks. Residential facilities include twelve homes, each with 10 private bedrooms and a Caregiver suite, and eight on-bedroom apartments that allow a greater degree of independence for Ranchers who meet rigorous requirements of self-management.

Program areas include:

- The Worden Lifelong learning Center
- The Daehler building with multiple craft rooms and rec room
- Three greenhouses and a small orchard
- A modern, well-equipped barn with stables and a riding arena
- Trails for walkers, bicyclers and highly experienced horseback riders.

Bottles are available on the Mission table to take home and bring back with your loose change.

## Thanks and Praise (1/7)

God bless you, Pastor Nye. So good to hear your sermons again.

Wonderful, uplifting sermon.

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Dear Eastwood Friends,

We would like to thank you for your prayers, cards and words of encouragement as we have dealt with special health and injury issues.

We continue to cherish your prayers. Have a great 2018!

In His Love,  
Don & Gail Eastman

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**Thank You,**

Your kind expressions of sympathy - cards, phone calls, hugs, cookies, - were so appreciated after the loss of my dear husband, John. How blessed we are to be a part of such a caring church family!

Virginia Yungen & Family

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## Thank You for Making a Difference!

It is a pleasure to acknowledge your very generous gift to The Salvation Army received on 12/4/17.

We are humbled by your confidence in our ability to provide vital services including food, utility and rent assistance, after school programs, senior citizen programs and shelters.

East year, The Salvation Army helps nearly 30 million Americans. That's one person helped every second!

The needs are as diverse as the people we serve and we remain committed to answering the call for help when asked. We simply could not do what we do without your partnership. On behalf of all those whose lives are impacted so directly through your giving, please accept my sincere thanks. May God richly bless you for caring about your neighbors in need.

With deep appreciation,  
Majors Jason & Angelina Keonig

## REQUESTS FOR PRAYER

**Our Church:** its leaders and families

All of those with health needs.

All service people here and overseas, including:

**Kevin Hoffman**, Army

**Lolo Vasquez**, Iraq

**Aaron Chisem**, US Navy

**Jason Cesario**, Iraq

**Logan Oravetz**, Army

**Tyler Powell**, Marines

**Tiffany Hart**, Air Force

**Trevor Swanson**, Air Force

**Samuel Strom**, Army

**Eric Lektorich**, Army National Guard

Please pray for all students, teachers and parents (of all ages of children)

Unemployed / Underemployed

Our ABC-CPC churches, pastors and missionaries

**(Dan & Sarah Chetti, Ed & Miriam Noyes, Glen & Rita Chapman, and Kyle & Katrina Williams)** serving around the world.

**Tim & Mary Dady** serving in Latvia

Dear Eastwood Baptist Church,

“The joy of brightening other lives, bearing each others’ burdens, easing other’s loads and supplanting empty hearts and lives with generous gifts becomes for us the magic of Christmas.” W.C. Jones

Thank you for sharing gifts of joy that brighten the lives of the women and men who face complex conditions with courage and perseverance! Thank you for joining our dedicated employees in bearing each Rancher’s burdens, easing their pain and loneliness. Thank you for your compassionate love that fills their hearts when others might have forgotten, neglected or dismissed them. Your generous gift(s) become for us the miracles of Christmas.

The vision of Ralph Showers, our Founder, is our vision today, “Creating a place where all are welcome, regardless of culture, race, or national origin. A place where everyone is treated with acceptance, unconditional love, dignity and respect. A place where Ranchers can fulfill their hopes and dreams.” Your gift helps to fulfill this vision, and provides Rancher families with assurance that their loved one is living their dream of independence, friendship, and community!

Thank you for making their dreams come true.

For the Ranchers,  
Gary W. Wagner  
President & CEO

**Women of Eastwood Fellowship Breakfast  
Saturday, January 20th - 9:30 a.m.**

Come join us for fellowship and breakfast at Punky's Diner in Medford. See you there!



Questions? Need a ride?  
Call Sue Lektorich (541) 499-1059

**Annual Meeting  
January 21, 2018**

The Annual Meeting of Eastwood Baptist Church will be held January 21, 2018 immediately following the Worship Service.

The 2018 Budget and Nominees for Deacon positions will be voted on during the meeting.

**Please register your attendance on the Yellow Communication Cards or call the church office.**

**Items for 2018 Annual Meeting**

- **Budget**
- **Request for Waiver for Constitutional limitation on term for position of Moderator to provide a one year extension.**
- **Deacon Nominations**



**Eastwood Beacon**

The next issue of *The Beacon* will be **January 24th, 2017**. If you have anything you would like put in the *Beacon*, an up-coming event, a function, etc. please **have all copy in the church office by 12:00 noon on Tuesday, January 23rd, 2017**.

Email [sbecker@ebcmedford.org](mailto:sbecker@ebcmedford.org)  
This Beacon will be mailed.

**2018 Budget/Deacon Nominations**

The 2018 Budget and Deacon Nominations have been posted on the kiosk closest to the Church Office.

**2018 Calendars**

A gift to you of a calendar for the coming year will be available toward the end of December.

Do not follow where the path  
may lead - go instead where  
there is no path and leave a trail.

*Your ears shall hear a word behind you, saying, "This is the way, walk in it..."*

Isaiah 30: 21 NKJV

**January 14, 2017**

**SUNDAY, January 14th**

Prayer in Chapel	8:00
Sunday School	9:15
Worship Service, Rev. George Nye, preaching	10:30

**MONDAY, January 15th**

Women's Grove Bible Study	10:00
Boy Scouts Troop 5	7:00

**TUESDAY, January 16th**

Men's Luncheon	12:00
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**WEDNESDAY, January 17th**

Staff Meeting	11:00
Choir Practice	7:15

**THURSDAY, January 18th**

**FRIDAY, January 19th**

Builder's Social	9:00
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**SATURDAY, January 20th**

Women's Fellowship Breakfast at Punky's	9:30
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**January 21, 2017**

**SUNDAY, January 21st**

Prayer in Chapel	8:00
Sunday School	9:15
Worship Service, Rev. Steve Bills, preaching	10:30
Annual Meeting	12:00

**MONDAY, January 22nd**

Women's Grove Bible Study	10:00
Boy Scouts Troop 5	7:00

**TUESDAY January 23rd**

Men's Bible Study	Noon
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**WEDNESDAY, January 24th**

Staff Meeting	11:00
Choir Practice	7:15

**THURSDAY, January 25th**

Deacons' Business Meeting	5:30
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**FRIDAY, January 26th**

**SATURDAY, January 27th**