



# Ector Baptist Church



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Morris Cook, Pastor

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I WAS JUST THINKING.....It is so hard for me to think that February is already here! Where did January go?

As we entered 2009 it was my prayer to know what God wanted for us through the year. It didn't take long for an answer to come: go deeper in our relationship with God. Realize that discipleship is learning about God and about our relationship with Him. That way whatever we do is out of that relationship and not out of a sense of duty. 2009 is to be a year when our hearts and minds are focused on God. Two things happened that confirmed this to me.

The first one came from an email. I only get to check email when I go home to Howe and with the girls there, I only got to check it once in four weeks! I had over 1800 pieces of spam and 57 that went to my "inbox". Out of those 57, I had two pieces of what I would consider mail, the rest being forwards. One of them was a note and a prayer from a friend of mine from Howe. She included a prayer for the year. Guess what it was about—focusing on God in this new year!

The second came in an unexpected way. My dad is an avid reader and often he gives me the books he's read and won't read again. This time he mailed a book to me called "The Shack". Some of you have no doubt read it. But the theme of the book, when boiled down to a single thought, is God being real in the man's life.

So here we are! Use this year to get closer to the One who loves you with an everlasting love. We're going to have to get past a lot of ourselves and our own opinions and preconceived notions to do it. But in the end we'll find our lives far richer for the journey.

Thank you for allowing me to be a part of your life as your pastor.

Bro. Morris

# Happy Birthday

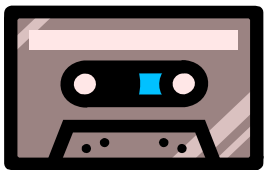
OPPORTUNITIES	
<b>SUNDAY</b>	
Sunday School.....	9:30 AM
Morning Worship Service...	10:30 AM
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	
AWANAs.....	6:15 PM
Prayer and Bible Study .....	7:00 PM



## Senior Coffee And Donuts

Tuesday, February 24  
8:30AM at the Church

*Remember:  
Deadline for Newsletter is  
February 22  
Have items to Lisa Hicks by  
the Evening service*



## Tape Ministry

Tape Recipient  
Flora Capehart

Tape Carrier  
Jerry Drachenberg

Ernie Hill	Feb. 1
Sherry Smith	Feb. 1
Amanda Ashlock	Feb. 2
Eric Hicks	Feb. 4
Taylor Cook	Feb. 4
Nema Morris	Feb. 5
Terry Gibson	Feb. 8
James Hicks	Feb. 9
Hailey Earl	Feb. 9
Abby Harris	Feb. 10
Zachary Green	Feb. 11
Gavin Garcia	Feb. 11
Hailey Cox	Feb. 12
Lee Cadenhead	Feb. 13
Kevin Crouch	Feb. 13
Sherri Ramirez	Feb. 15
Margaret Edwards	Feb. 19
Dave Mackey	Feb. 20
Dianne Cadenhead	Feb. 20
Perry Crouch	Feb. 24
Bethany Hager	Feb. 26
Holly Shrum	Feb. 26
LeAnn Sellers	Feb. 29



Breakfast  
for the church is  
Sunday, February 1  
At 8:30am  
Everyone is invited



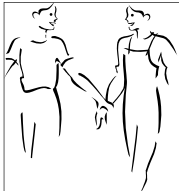
## Military Personnel on Active Duty

Clint Atchley	Michael Hunt
Charlie Bellows	James Irwin
Darren Bellows	Chris Mackey
Jason Bohannon	Justin Martin
Terry Boney	Douglas McDonough
Cody Cole	Terry Wayne Morse
Amy Rae Daughtery	Kent Pendleton
Gary Don Dorman	Gary Lynn Proctor, Jr.
Dustin Flannery	Andy Ramer
Kevin Gallemore	Justin Resson
Penney Gallemore	Garrett Rogers
Alicia Glaser	Brian Rosenbaum
Ryan Hawkins	TK Sutherland
Robert Henderson	Craig Turbyfill
Aaron Hill	Tanner Waggoner
Gerald Hughes	Justin Weeks

## Nursery Workers

Feb. 1	Susan Hicks Marilyn Hicks
Feb. 8	Michelle Burtis Shelly Abbott
Feb. 15	Bethany Hager Michelle Mackey
Feb. 22	Dawn Bohannon LeAnn Sellers

If you are unable to stay on your designated date, PLEASE contact the next person on the list. Contact Tina Mackey at 903-961-2690 if you are unable to find a replacement.



## *Titus Line* *Women's Ministry* *& WMU*

*Thursday, February 12*  
*All ladies are invited*

*East Paris Ladies Conference*  
*February 13 & 14*  
*See Judy Taylor for details*



## **The Men's Ministry** Meet every Thursday night at 7pm

“Authentic Quest for  
Manhood” study Come be a part  
Ken Gallemore--Director  
903-583-9280

***Iron Sharpens Iron***  
Men's Conference  
February 6 & 7th  
Cornerstone Baptist, Texarkana  
Leaving Friday at 1:00pm  
See Ken Gallemore or Gary Hicks

**East Paris Men's Conference**  
February 27 & 28  
See Ken Gallemore for details



**Kindergarten-12th Grade**  
**Wednesdays**  
**6:15-8:00pm**

**Awana Clubs**

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

**LONG TERM ILLNESS**

Herschel Baker  
 Kelly Baker  
 John Beeson  
 Bonnie Bellows  
 Bobby Blain  
 CW & Dixie Bond  
 Bob Brown  
 T.J. & Doris Brownfield  
 Juanita Carr  
 Callie Caylor  
 Michael Chandler  
 John Wayne Chaney  
 Joyce Chavez  
 Don Christian  
 Danny Clary  
 Cale Clements  
 Keith Cobble  
 Brenda Collins  
 Barbara Crouch  
 Amy Delmosa  
 Sharon Dross  
 John Eskue  
 Kathy Evans  
 Michael Foster  
 Jeff & Pat Gallagher  
 Joyce Gallemore  
 Frank Gray  
 Hayden Grosvner  
 Mary Haasch  
 Bobby Hansen  
 Melvin Harris  
 Glenda Hayes  
 Betty Henson  
 Edith Henson  
 Charles Herpeche  
 Judy Holder  
 Tony Huerta  
 Donnie Huff  
 Eddie Jones  
 Cheri Keene  
 Anita Kyle  
 Cecil Kyle  
 Rachel Lambert  
 Ruth Lambright  
 Pauline Linville  
 Dennis Morgan  
 Leontine Morris  
 Nema Morris  
 Bryce Nelms

Robert Norrell  
 Douglas Norris  
 Susanne Omaley  
 Shirley & Imogene Sells  
 Mary Simmons  
 Joe Tom Smith  
 Brent Smithson  
 Hazel Stroud  
 Dan Talley  
 Bryan Taylor  
 June Taylor  
 Jimmy Verive  
 Bill Webb  
 Duwayne White  
 Buddy Wiggins  
 Cheryl Wilson  
 Danny Wilson, Sr.  
 Holly Wyeth  
 Tonya Yaw's Daughter  
 Stewart Zuver  
**IN HOSPITAL**  
 Don Boone  
 Amy Brinlee  
 Kenneth Durand  
 Brian Holland  
 Kailen Kavanaugh  
 Raymond Keith  
 Rena Myers  
 Jeanette Nichols  
 Edna Tanner  
 Richard Thomas  
 Weldon Underwood  
 Patty Verive  
 Shirley Weldon  
 Jason White  
 Jim White  
**RECOVERING**  
 Sara Brownfield  
 Bill Buck  
 Ken Crouch  
 Kevin Crouch  
 Carl Edwards  
 Theresa Franklin  
 Rochelle Gatewood  
 Christi Johnson  
 Jimmy Johnson  
 Barbara Jean Lambert  
 Charles Large  
 Hoyt Layman  
 Ashley Leakes

Carrie McMorris  
 James Polk  
 Kevin Rice  
 Mary Seale  
 Betty Sellers  
 Jerry Dale Smith  
 Flora Smith  
 Mary Thomas  
 Peggy Thompson  
 Steve Ward  
 Kevin Weaver  
 Mattie Winkels  
 Jimmie Wood  
**ILLNESS**  
 Steve Arthur's Dad  
 Brooke Baker & Son  
 Nick Bailey  
 Sue Bellows  
 Susan Borowski  
 Martha Brown  
 James Capehart  
 Richard Capehart  
 Larry Cogburn  
 Taylor Cook  
 Perry Crouch  
 Glenna Crow  
 Dortha Dodson  
 Molly English  
 Theresa Easley  
 Leslie Fulton  
 Leonard Garcia  
 Oma Graves  
 Ruthie Hansen  
 Dana Harris  
 Mason Keelz  
 Beverly Kraft  
 Cassie Lawrence  
 Helen Abbott Layman  
 Landon Liebel  
 Dyrle & Virginia Maples  
 Mallory Mayo  
 Ruby McKinney  
 Jimmy Roberson  
 Caroline Sandlin  
 Melody Shaw  
 Stan P. Smith  
 Catalina Stephens  
 Roger Talley  
 Raymond Teague  
 Jessica Tilley

Chorlinda Walley  
 Teree' Wilson  
 Debbie Winkler  
 Jeff Woodard  
 Shirley Wright  
**OTHER**  
 James & Susie Allen  
 Gladys Anderson  
 Leonard Athey  
 Cathy Borden  
 Jennifer Cross  
 Regan Eldridge  
 Karsten & Bethany Hager  
 Rosemary Harrington  
 Scott Johnson  
 Britney Pense  
 David Peterson  
 Casie Sammons  
 Randi Stewart  
**SPIRITUAL CONCERNS**  
 Devin Abbott  
 Shonda Carter  
 Ronnie Coldiron  
 Rebecca Clement  
 Kevin Criss  
 Justin Earl  
 Steve & Wendy Flores  
 C. G.  
 Josh G.  
 Brad Heathcock  
 Brittany Hill  
 J.D. Jones  
 B.J. Kennedy  
 Doug Limbert, Jr  
 Ryan & Jennifer Mercer  
 P. N.  
 Ray & Heather Ramirez  
 Rudy Ramirez  
 Jesse Shaw  
 Shelia Smith  
 Larry Taylor  
**SPECIAL REQUESTS**  
 Joseph Akakpo &  
 Family-Cameroon  
 Melinda Anderson  
 B.B.  
 Barbara Beeson  
 Marty Bellows  
 Deborah Blevins

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Angie Brownfield  
Dusty Brownfield  
Dylan Caylor  
Trevor Bush & Youth  
Ministry  
Kyle Clark  
Leaneasha Crowell  
Jimmy Gallemore  
Rene & Vanessa  
Gonzales  
Holly Lemmons  
Alex Martin  
Tom & Missy Meador  
Men's Fraternity  
Mt. Carmel Baptist

Nation Family  
Ryan Nelms  
Jay Norris  
April Peterson &  
Nicholas  
Pleasant Hill Baptist  
Spring Ranch Baptist  
Spanish Mission  
Valerie Steele  
Sunset Baptist  
Trinity Baptist, Bonham  
Unspoken  
U.S.A.  
Nick & Celia Weeks  
Susan Wright in Tibet

<b><u>HOMEBOUND</u></b>	Thelma Elliott
H.M. Abbott	Opal Goodwin
Glenda Bland	Dick Grunert
Annie Bruce	Price Howell
Flora Capehart	Lee Jackson
Bob & Gloria Cody	Denell Redman
Clifford Daniel	Howard Wright
Pete Dizmond	

**If you need the vans during  
December, January or February  
See Kevin Crouch**

No van service on Sundays due  
to low numbers of passengers.  
If you need to be picked up,  
please call  
Dana Harris 903-961-0033  
or  
Karsten Hager 903-961-2109  
to make arrangements

### **From the Youth Department**

We have gotten through the first month of the year rather smoothly. Now looking ahead we have a few things to look forward to in the upcoming months. Superbowl Sunday we will have a bowl party which we had last year and hopefully watch the underdog win once again. On Valentine's Day we have our annual V-Day banquet starting at 6 o'clock in the Ector Baptist fellowship hall where we will serve couples a delicious meal for \$10 a couple. In March a couple of things. March 6th is a day that will be marked in history as the day that I made it to my 21st b-day with all my hair and most of my sanity. Then from March 16-20 is Ector ISD spring break. That week Gary Hicks will be taking the students and I camping and rock climbing for our Christmas in the Spring since we could not arrange a time to have an actual party. April 7 we will be heading to Falls Creek for our Easter Retreat with the other churches in our surrounding communities. Other than that I wish you all a HAPPY NEW YEAR and may God bless and guide you through this upcoming year.

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|------------|---|
| Feb. 1     | Superbowl Party                         |
| Feb. 14    | V-Day banquet                           |
| Mar. 6     | MY b-day                                |
| Mar. 16-20 | Ector ISD spring break/<br>camping trip |
| Apr. 7-9   | Easter Retreat                          |

Press On,  
Trevor Bush  
Ector Student Minister



*Valentine Banquet*  
*Saturday, February 14*  
*6:00pm*  
*Ector Baptist Fellowship Hall*  
*\$10 a couple*

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**Dates to Remember  
FEBRUARY**

- 1 Deacon's Meeting after evening service
- 6-7 Men's Conference in Texarkana
- 8 Youth Council at 4:00pm
- Church Conference after evening service
- 13-14 East Paris Women's Conference
- 14 Youth Fund Raiser Valentine Banquet at the church at 6:00pm
- 15 Church Council after evening service
- 16-18 Evangelism Conference in Euless
- 24 Senior Adult Coffee & Donuts at 8:30am
- 27-28 East Paris Men's Conference

**MARCH**

- 8-11 Spring Revival with Chris Johnson

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 PO Box 248  
 Ector, TX 75439  
 (903) 961-2175  
 Leave a message and someone will contact you

Bro. Morris Cook  
 Cell phone number  
 903-227-6815

*MSgt. Richard Moore, 88  
 February 4, 1921-January 17, 2009  
 Brother of Dortha Dodson*



*But now abideth faith, hope, love, these three; and the greatest of these is love.  
 1 Corinthians 13:13*