



December 25, 2016

**Sermon "A Great Light in a Dark Place"
By Pastor Brian Harrison**

Isaiah 9:2; 6&7; Matthew 2:1-18

You can also take notes and engage with the message content using the hand out you received when entering the sanctuary.

**Please remember to silence your cell phones during the service. Thank you!
During the service, hearing devices are available for the hearing impaired at the sound booth. If you would like to access the wireless internet service, the password is lamaGuest. Since we are videotaping the service, you may appear on the internet. If you would like to connect to DevoHub, a free devotional resource app, please see one of the pastors!**

**Glorifying God by Modeling Christ,
Extending His Love and Building His Church**

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THIS WEEK

Visit the website (www.eastshorebaptist.org) for information about these events and more.

SUNDAY (12/25)

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

MONDAY (12/26)

OFFICE CLOSED

TUESDAY (12/27)

WEDNESDAY (12/28)

Wednesday Evening Meetings & Studies @ 6:30pm
Keystone Ministry @ 7pm

THURSDAY (12/29)

FRIDAY (12/30)

SATURDAY (12/31)

Worship Practice at 9:30am

EVANGELISM NOTES

Here are some examples of how East Shore Baptist Church (ESBC) members have “SHARED THE GOSPEL” this past week. These examples are meant to encourage YOU to Share the Gospel where you live, work, and play.

-One of our ESBC members engaged an acquaintance in a spiritual conversation. The acquaintance shared that he did not know how to pray. Our church member shared a copy of the “Prayer Boot Camp” information our church recently received training in. They ended their discussion by praying together.

-Another ESBC member sent an email to a local business commending them for their religious-based advertisement in a local newspaper. The owner of the company replied to the email with words of praise for his Savior and Lord, Jesus Christ.

-And finally, another couple from our church was sharing with a neighbor about ESBC’s involvement with Transcend church in downtown Harrisburg. The neighbor made the comment about how much he enjoyed seeing the inside of old churches. So...guess who received a written invitation to the Christmas Eve Service at Transcend?

So, what have YOU done to SHARE THE GOSPEL lately? Pray for opportunities and be ready when the Lord gives them to you!!

FINANCIAL UPDATE

GIVING LAST WEEK TOTAL	\$ 8,647.23
ONLINE GIVING FROM TOTAL	\$ 1,020.00
WEEKLY BUDGET GOAL	\$ 8,948.58



You may give in person, by scanning the QR Code to the left with your smart phone, or online.

We have collected \$2175 of our goal of \$4500 thus far for the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. Please use an envelope from the seat backs if you would like to give towards missions.

MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT!



Ministries at East Shore Baptist Church

Merry Christmas! Thank you for joining us this morning at East Shore Baptist Church (ESBC). In this section of the bulletin, we typically “Spotlight” one of our church’s ministries that we use to accomplish our mission. Today, we would like to draw your attention to a few of the ministries we have here at ESBC that serve our community.

Jesus said to “go” and make disciples and to love our neighbors as we love ourselves. Thus, we strive to serve our community in unique ways. These projects range from Christmas caroling, working alongside our township to assist in their events, and the collection and distribution of food to families in need. In addition, we offer FREE, confidential, Biblical Counseling and help tutor children at a local elementary school. We’ve made bandages for hospitals in Africa, held events for the men of the Keystone Correctional Facility, led games for children at a township event, and participated in or held many other community service activities. Ultimately, we believe that the Church should be out serving and loving others and not just doing things within the walls of the church building. We are putting feet to our faith!

Thank you for reading the Ministry Spotlight! If you would like more information about any of the ministries listed above or to see all of the other ministries we have here at ESBC, check out our website (www.eastshorebaptist.org) or call the church office (717-657-0614).

If you would like to see a ministry appear in the Ministry Spotlight, please contact Pastor John (717-657-0614) or email jtoone@eastshorebaptist.org.

NEWS & EVENTS

The Greatest Privilege of All...SHARING THE GOSPEL

Come and join us in January every Wednesday evening in the Sanctuary from 6:30 – 7:45 p.m. Together we will discover the tools, techniques, and most importantly, the faithful practices we can prayerfully utilize to build genuine relationships and share the good news of Jesus with others. Regularly scheduled adult classes will be canceled during January so many can attend. Child-care and babysitting will be available. Our first meeting will be Wednesday, January 4th, and to kick off this exciting training we will be providing supper the first night beginning at 5:30 p.m. (through 6:25 p.m.) in the Multi-Purpose Room for all who attend. A sign-up sheet is in the lobby.

THE JOY CLUB

WAIT!!! Don't throw away those nice Christmas cards, or all occasion cards. Please save them for the JOY CLUB project for the St. Jude's Children's Ranch in Arizona. The children use them for their projects. They can't accept Hallmark or Disney or American Greeting cards and prefer 5X7 or smaller. You will find a contribution box for the cards near the coat rack at the end of the hall. No need to pull off the backs...the JOY CLUB will do that. Thank you!

GRANDPARENTS @ PRAYER

We will be meeting on Wednesday, January 4th from 6 until 6:30pm in Room #203.

Just a Note from Mrs. Ann Richards

Your Offering Envelopes for 2017 are here for you to take. If there is not a box on the table for you, and you would like to have one, please sign your name and put your address on the tablet which is near the envelopes.

Thank you for completing your envelopes correctly each time you give your offering. That makes the work of the Counting Committee, and also for me a lot easier!

Malachi 3:10