

## Calendar of Events

- 06/03 Food Network
- 06/12-15 Day Camp w/  
Hastings EFree
- 06/18 Father's Day
- 06/19-22 Day Camp w/  
Apex
- 06/20-21 EFCA One

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## Bible Study

— 6:00-7:15pm Monday

— 11am-12:15pm Saturday

## Men's & Women's

### Groups

— 9am Sunday

## Worship Service

— 10:45am Sunday

## A Word from Pastor

To all my brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus, I give thanks to God always for all of you, making mention of you in my prayers as often as He brings you to mind, which is quite often, As we see how the world is being influenced by a demonic and rebellious selfish attitude to turn from God and go its own way, which causes division, dissension, depravity, and depression among the people of the world and even some in the church, are we, as the Church, making strides to become the entity of change as God has called and commanded us to be?



There are four basic questions and challenges I ask myself and the members of Bridge of Hope that help keep our perspective of glorifying God by being agents of change in our community,

- 1) Are we being **Intentional** as Jesus was according to Luke 19:10, "For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which is lost"? Are we as preoccupied with our commission as Jesus was? Is this the first thing on our minds when He blesses us to be awakened in the morning? Do we have His agenda on our minds or do we have our own?
- 2) Are we being **Relational** in our quest to making disciples (Matt 28:19-10)? In other words, are we seeking common ground and identifying with those who are lost and have need of a Savior, like our Savior did us (Heb 2:14-18; 4:15)? Are we looking past the responses (negative behavior) and seeing the need of the person with compassion and not condemnation (2 Cor 5:19)?
- 3) Are we being **Incarnational** so the people of the world can experience Jesus instead of us (Gal 2:20)? Can the people of the world identify us as Christ followers by our conversations and the works that we do (John 14:10-12)? Can they experience the love of Christ through us by how that love is expressed (John 13:34-35)?
- 4) Are we being **Supernatural** by being filled with the Holy Spirit to do things that are beyond human capabilities? Are we being as humble as Jesus was in His ministry here on earth by being lead, filled, empowered and anointed by the Holy Spirit to accomplish what His Father had set Him out to do (Luke 4:1, 14, 18-19)?

"Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children; and walk in love, just as Christ also loved you, and gave Himself up for us, an offering and sacrifice to God as a fragrant aroma." - Eph 5:1-2

Thank you for your continual partnership in serving the lost in our community through your prayers, volunteerism, and financial support!

All for His Kingdom,

Pastor Luther C. Eatman Jr.



# Laura's Story of Hope

'The LORD is near to the brokenhearted and saves the crushed in spirit.' Psalm 34:18

"Be prepared to tell people the reason you have hope." Hope? Yes, I have hope, I thought to myself. The reason? Simple, God.

I recall sitting at the kitchen table in BoH's Shanna's House when I first saw those words in one of my daily devotionals. I was excited and, honestly, scared. Me, God? I thought to myself. Well of course I have hope but to take action and share my hope seemed a daunting task. I was to go out and share the message of God with others? Well what if I messed it up as I had done with many things in my life.

I came into Shanna's house in November 2016 directly from a three week stay in the hospital due to the havoc I had wreaked upon my body through my alcoholism. I was admitted to the ICU weighing 90lbs with an extensive list of ailments, detoxing and in extreme pain. I couldn't walk, sit up, eat, brush my own hair or teeth, I could barely move I was so weak. That hospital bed was my prison for three weeks of self-made hell.

During my stay a lady stopped into visit me, she introduced herself as Annette. She told me a little about Bridge of Hope and Shanna's House and asked me if I would like to come stay there after I was discharged. I had never met this lady before but something told me to go. I know now that it was not something, it was God.

When I arrived at Shanna's house I was homeless, in pain, penniless and still suffering many other consequences of my addiction. Everything seemed to be foggy and I had no idea what I was doing but soon God began to reveal himself to me in mighty ways. He told me to trust him and he will provide, I have never needed for food, shelter, or love. He told me to seek and I would find, I now see Him EVERYWHERE. In the sunrise that greets me each morning, in the people I meet and how they know Him and the kindness they show me – I simply can't stop seeing God all around me. He told me to pray because he is listening. I now hear Him answer, at church on Sunday, during the bible studies I am blessed to attend and through fellowship. He seems to always send me the exact message I need.

My life now is nothing like I thought it would be, it's so much better. As I walk with Christ I see an even brighter future than I could have ever imagined. -Laura



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TRANSFORMING LIVES  
THROUGH JESUS CHRIST**

## Praise & Prayer Requests

### Praise:

- New carpet!
- Day Camp Registration Full
- Teacher Appr at Grant Elem
- Safe Travels for Luther to Hastings, NE
- Terry & Bev found a home!!
- Premie Serenity is Out of Incubator!

### Prayer Requests:

- May & family After Loss of Son
- Groups Leading Day Camp
- Preparations for Summer
- Hearts of Kids Coming to Camp
- Luther, Lanita, Terry & Bev go to EFCA One
- Growth & Development of Our Leaders & Programs
- Raising Support for Terry & Bev
- Raising Support for Church, Pastor & Sarah

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## New Carpet!



Just in time for day camps and dozens of little feet running up and down the hallways, new carpet was installed this last month! We've had the previous carpet since we first moved into this building (10 years ago!), and while it's lasted well, with as much traffic as it has received, significant wear and tear has been showing.

At our fundraiser in October, among our other projects, we raised funds for new carpet and baseboards. After searching around, we were able to purchase and install the new carpet not only in the sanctuary, but also in the hallways and the conference room for the amount we had budgeted for just the sanctuary!

We are excited to have the new carpet in time for the day camps, perfected to hide spills and no loose bits to pull.

Thank you for your helping in making this happen!



