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## Connecting Families with the Family of Faith at Edgewood Baptist Church



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February being the month of Valentine's Day, it's always easier to write or speak on love. Generally, you have to reference the romantic side of that emotion to make sense connecting it to the month of endless sentimental cards and boxes of chocolates! Yet, I want to encourage you that love is not just the key to a healthy romantic relationship, it is the bedrock on which any faith community is built. We know from Peter's testimony that the church, theologically, is built on the reality of who Jesus is, "The Christ, the Son of the living God" (Matthew 16:16-18). Yet, the community of faith is made up of those who have surrendered their lives to follow Jesus. The love of Jesus leads to loving like Jesus which fosters the love you have for others who participate with you. One of the greatest encouragements in life is when you lock arms

with other people who look to love in Jesus' name. You, then, learn the privilege of serving, and caring, and doing life with imperfect people just like you--who rely on the relentless grace and unyielding forgiveness of the Son of God. There are many passages in Scripture which speak to this, but let me instead share a passage from a book written by a man who is not a Christian (to my knowledge) but one who understands the importance of community and purpose.

In his important work, *Leaders Eat Last*, author & speaker, Simon Sinek asserts:

*This is what it means to be a part of something bigger than ourselves. That we are a part of a movement that will live on beyond the goals we set or the lives of the people who set them. It is the camaraderie and shared purpose, as much as the milestones we set, that gives our lives meaning. It is only by committing to a path, remaining steadfast on that journey, sticking it out through thick and thin, marching shoulder-to-shoulder with those who share our values and our vision that we can ever find that deep sense of joy, satisfaction and fulfillment in our lives.*

My prayer for you, in this "month of love", is that you reflect on the beauty of being called to a life that exemplifies the love of Jesus. And, beyond that, the pleasure of living that life with others who are called to do the same. That you seek and enjoy the exhilaration of a faith community--people with whom you share the discouraging and the victorious seasons of life. Further, that you will invite others to do the same, so that you will all know satisfaction and fulfillment in your life!

February...the month of love...chocolates, roses...all that mushy stuff. Well, I hope you have a great February, and know that the light at the end of the pandemic tunnel is hopefully getting brighter (and hope it's not a train ready to run you down!).



**Brett Burton  
Worship Pastor**

While we continue to see any updates of aerosol studies, we still need to maintain social distancing and wearing masks while we are gathered together. I still love seeing those faces lighting up and hearing your voices being raised in our time of worship.

After being in lockdown during these last couple of months, it was wonderful to be able to see my students face-to-face as well as making some wonderful musical sounds. I am so looking forward to seeing the church choir be able to rehearse and sing in our worship services again. But until then, keep praying for an end to this pandemic, keep moving forward in your relationship with God, and lift each other in this crucial time.

\*ala Finding Nemo\* Just keep swimming, just keep swimming...

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Hello Edgewood faith family!

While we are still in a weird place in our world, ministry is still happening in great and awesome ways! I want to encourage you to check out a few different things going on this month. On February 6<sup>th</sup>, from 10:30-Noon you can participate in the Gospel to Every Home training at Crosswoods Baptist Church where we will be learning how to safely and effectively get the Gospel to Every Home in Jessamine County. This will be a great opportunity to connect (even from a distance) with other people in the churches we are partnering with in this great ministry opportunity.

Another training that is happening this month is we will be having an Usher training on February 27<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 am. This is for our current ushers as well as people who would be interesting in investing in this ministry to be a part of our welcoming environment here at Edgewood! If you do not feel comfortable attending in person there will be an online version available within a couple of days afterwards, please feel free to reach out to me with any questions that you have!

## Happy Birthday!

Josiah Dean	2-1
Ryan Morris	2-1
Ashton Rhineheimer Fox	2-1
Jason Wafford	2-1
Jadon Lapasnick	2-1
Laura Burton	2-2
Ronda Irgang	2-2
Scott McCracken	2-3
Gladys McCoy	2-5
Frank Muse	2-6
Linda Brock	2-7
Irene Smith	2-9
Alex Morgan	2-9
Susan Moss	2-10
Bobby Morgan	2-10
Dustin Eden	2-10
Mylie Young	2-11
Jeff Gaffney	2-11
Niki Gibson	2-12
Cody Harrison	2-13
Zelma Bowling	2-14
Hannah James	2-14
Vicki Graham	2-15
Marie Jordan	2-15
K.D. Ingram	2-15
Luke Ingram	2-16
Tom Ingram	2-17
Sara Partin	2-17
Shawn Spurlock	2-18
Frances Miles	2-18
Cary York	2-20
Tracy Howard	2-21
Darlene Williams	2-21
Tiny Bingham	2-22
Demetria Dean	2-22
Judy Stevenson	2-23
Joyce Shelley	2-23
Karen Goldey	2-23
Jim Willhoite	2-23
Ryan Sponcil	2-23
Jackson Kinchen	2-23
Joyce Miller	2-24
Hunter Kidwell	2-25
Isabell Lewis	2-26
Harry Cordier	2-27
John Slugantz	2-28
James Simms	2-28



# February 2021

## Edgewood Baptist Church

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>FEBRUARY</b> Mature Living Magazines and Journey Devotions are available in church office.	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> 11am - Ladies Grow Group (Mask and Social Distancing) - Sanctuary	<b>3</b> 12 noon -Don't Lose Hope w/Pastors (Facebook Live)	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> 10:30-Noon Share The Gospel to Every Home— Crossroads Baptist
<b>7</b> 10:30am - Worship 3pm - Deacons 4pm - Church Council 9:15am - Grow Group Online	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> 11am - Ladies Grow Group (Mask and Social Distancing) - Sanctuary	<b>10</b> 12 noon -Don't Lose Hope w/Pastors	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b> 10:30am - Worship 9:15am - Grow Group Online Valentine's Day	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> 11am - Ladies Grow Group (Mask and Social Distancing) - Sanctuary	<b>17</b> 12 noon -Don't Lose Hope w/Pastors 6pm - Finance Team Ash Wednesday	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b> 10:30am - Worship 9:15am - Grow Group Online	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> 11am - Ladies Grow Group (Mask and Social Distancing) - Sanctuary	<b>24</b> 12 noon -Don't Lose Hope w/Pastors	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> 10:30am Usher Training
<b>28</b> 10:30am - Worship 9:15am - Grow Group Online	<b>Sympathy</b> Jim Harrison 1932-2020 Ernie Lawson 1946-2021 Gene McKinney 1952-2021		Office is open each day of the week Monday-Thursday from 8:30-4 p.m. On Fridays the office will be open from 8:30—12 noon.			



## Happy Anniversary

Chris & Julie Wells 2-27

## HERE TO SERVE

### NURSERY

Feb. 7 .....S. Dean/Addelyn Moody  
 Feb. 14..Laura Burton/Haylee Moody  
 Feb. 21 ...Robby Irgang/Talan Moody  
 Feb. 28 .....Kristen Irgang/D. Dean

## 4 Ways To Give



**IN PERSON MAIL ONLINE TEXT**

Sundays at 10:30am

EBC  
717 S. Main Street  
Nicholasville, KY 40356

edgewood.life/give  
E-check  
Debit/Credit Cards

Send text to 52014  
In message, type the following:  
@edgewoodbc  
Give (Amount)



Search Edgewood Baptist Church Nicholasville on YouTube to find services.



Check out Edgewood's Facebook Page for updates and videos.

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