



January 2012

Sunday, January 1
(See Sunday Schedule)
Monday, January 2
Church Office Closed
Tuesday, January 3
9:00 Prayer Warriors
Wednesday, January 4
(See Wednesday Schedule)
Friday, January 7
5:30 Room in the Inn
Sunday, January 8
(See Sunday Schedule)
6:30 International Worship Service
7:30 Deacons Meeting
Monday, January 9
10:30 Rachel Marks Grp.
7:00 Barbara Hunter Grp.
7:00 Dorothy Riddle Grp.
7:00 GROW

Tuesday, January 10
9:00 Prayer Warriors
10:00 Pam Rhodes Group
10:00 Senior Adult Choir
Wednesday, January 11
(See Wednesday Schedule)
Friday, January 13
5:30 Room in the Inn
Sunday, January 15
(See Sunday Schedule)
Tuesday, January 17
9:00 Prayer Warriors
10:00 Senior Adult Choir
Wednesday, January 18
(See Wednesday Schedule)
Friday, January 20
5:30 Room in the Inn
Saturday, January 21
12-4:00 National Federation of the
Blind / fellowship hall

Sunday, January 22
(See Sunday Schedule)
12:30 Brazil Construction Luncheon
5:30 Church Council
Monday, January 23
7:00 GROW
Tuesday, January 24
9:00 Prayer Warriors
10:00 Senior Adult Choir
Wednesday, January 25
(See Wednesday Schedule)
Friday, January 27
5:30 Room in the Inn
Saturday, January 28
1-4:00
Sunday, January 29
(See Sunday Schedule)
Tuesday, January 31
9:00 Prayer Warriors
10:00 Senior Adult Choir

The Food Pantry is open every Thursday from 1:00-4:00
and Saturday from 9:00-12:00, unless closed for holidays

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| YOUTH SCHEDULE | |
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| Sunday: 9:45-10:45 Community Groups | 5:00 Pour Out Discipleship Groups, Snacks |
| Supper, Covenant & Small Groups | |
| Wednesday: 6:00 Fun Activities & Lesson | |
| CONTACT US | |
| Monday - Friday: 9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m. | |
| Phone: 704-537-5101 Fax: 704-537-7734 | |
| E-mail Address: office@ehbc.info | |
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| SUNDAY | |
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| 9:30 Media Center Open | 5:00 Hand bells |
| 9:45 Sunday School | 6:15 Discipleship Classes |
| 11:00 Worship Service | 6:30 Bible Study |
| CHURCH STAFF | |
| Kevin Phillips, Pastor | Jorge Ospina, Latino Pastor |
| Renato Costa, Minister of Worship | Monte Baskaron & Judd Boutos |
| Brandon Mullis, Student Minister | Arabic Pastors |
| Martene Connell, Administrative Assistant | Jennifer Costa, Pianist |
| April Holsclaw, Financial Secretary | Rick Schwartz, Organist |
| WEDNESDAY | |
| 6:30 Young Adult Discipleship | 6:30 Prayer Meeting & Bible Study |
| 6:30 Youth Worship & Lesson | 7:30 Choir Rehearsal |



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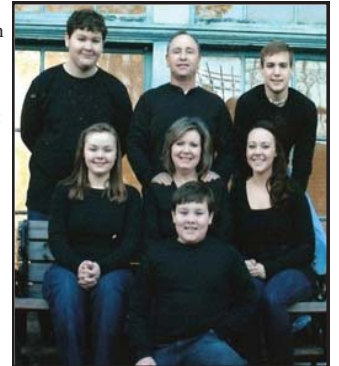


REV. KEVIN PHILLIPS

Rev. Phillips, or Kevin as he prefers to be called, was born in Cowpens, South Carolina on January 23, 1964. The son of a minister, Kevin was raised in a Christian home and made a profession of faith in Christ at seven years of age. As a young man serving in the United States Marine Corps, Kevin felt called into full-time vocational ministry. In obedience to God's call, Kevin entered the pastorate in 1993 and since that time has served on staff at numerous Baptist churches in three different states.

Kevin is both a skilled preacher and caring pastor. He exhibits a strong expository preaching style while also maintaining the heart of a shepherd. Kevin believes discipleship, missions, and evangelism are key components of a healthy church. He also believes in planning for church growth by being prayerful in approach and innovative in methodology.

We are also blessed to welcome Kevin's family to Eastern Hills. Kevin's wife, Myra, earned a Master of Arts degree in Religious Education from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. Myra is musically talented and has a passion for women's ministry. She maintains an internet "blog" where she regularly posts family pictures and shares her thoughts on various life issues. To view Myra's blog, please visit the following website: <http://thesodizzylife.blogspot.com>. In addition, our youth group looks forward to welcoming Kinsey, Nicholas, and Nathan, while Rebekah and Jared will be joining our college and young adult ministry.



Please pray for the entire Phillips family as they transition to Charlotte. Kevin began his ministry with us on

Sunday, January 1, 2012.

On top picture from Left to right, Pastor Daniel De Paula, our host pastor in Brazil, Renato Costa and Karen Kiser. The lot where the church is to be built measures 65 feet by some 132 feet, a total area of some 8600 square feet. The church building will have an area of some 1100 square feet. You can ask more about this property when you talk to those who were there to see it, namely, Paul Fine, Marvin Kiser, Cecil Riddle, James Wallace, Ann Parrott, in addition to those shown in the pictures.



ALSO CONSIDER:

- Making a direct donation to the Brazil Construction Fund
- Giving your unwanted jewelry to the Brazil Construction Fund, see Judy Davis for details.

Fund Raising Events

Brazil Construction Luncheon

Sunday, January 22 ~ 12:00 noon
Soup and Salad - Take Out Available
NO set price. DONATIONS ACCEPTED

The 9th Annual
Rev. J. Grady Faulk, Sr.
Memorial Golf Tournament For Missions



Money will be used for construction project in Brazil, September 2012

Let me start off by saying Happy New Year, and it is great to be home again. 2011 has been a pretty good year for me, with the marrying of my beautiful wife Cassidy, and becoming ordained, we have been able to celebrate much of this year. And now how fitting to close this year and open the New Year with the celebration of coming home. The opportunity to come and be a part of the Eastern Hills' staff and church family is an honor and responsibility that I am excited about as well as cherish. I remember the warmth and encouragement that I felt as a student growing up here and the idea of having that warmth and love that we have had throughout the years makes me humbled and joyful of this new endeavor. The idea of working for Eastern Hills began a little over ten years ago. I had accepted my calling into youth ministry and was starting to look at what this would mean for my future. I remember in 2001 talking with Adam Hocutt and Jamie Burdette about what it would be like to be on staff at Eastern Hills and how great it would be to serve at home. This idea to serve Eastern Hills is something Adam and I both cherished and even talk about to this day. Just a little over a month ago the idea and dream became a real possibility and it was with a grateful heart that Cassidy and I accepted. But the idea did not live in 2001 and then resurface in November but rather really started to take shape at homecoming this year. As Cassidy and I walked into the building to see the warm faces and feel the tight embraces we began to feel God reminding us that this is home and this is your desire. I truly believe it was that moment God began to call us back.

I am extremely excited about the opportunity to start this New Year at Eastern Hills; this is especially exciting with the arrival of Kevin Phillips and his family. I have told several people this and I believe this whole heartedly, God has an amazing plan for this church and this New Year. The youth ministry will be a vital part of God's plan. There is a great history behind this youth group, that demonstrates how great our God is and what mighty things He can and will do in the lives of students. My promise as the youth pastor is that we will not be a youth group that tries to just be ourselves, but rather a youth group striving to serve God along side of the church. We will also never take advantage of the fact that everyone needs Christ and that people are always hurting. I believe in this generation more than ever that this generation is a broken and hurt generation. The good news to that is we will have the Great Physician to take them too. I would ask for your continual prayer and encouragement in this ministry. I also pray that God will reveal Himself to us as a church family that there will be no doubt God's plan for Eastern Hills. Thank you so much.

In His Love,
Brandon Mullis, Youth Pastor

**GREETINGS TO MY
 EASTERN HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH FAMILY,**

The first thing I want to say is that it is an honor and privilege to serve as your new pastor. I believe God has some great things in store for us. I am certainly excited about the opportunity God has placed in front of us. My family is extremely excited about moving to Charlotte.

I am reminded of the word of the Lord as He gave it to the prophet Jeremiah. He said in Jeremiah 29:11, *For I know the plans I have for you,* declares the LORD, *"plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.* Although the context of that promise was a bit different than our context, we can find comfort knowing that God desires to prosper His people. We are standing on the crest of a New Year. What plans does God have for you? What plans does He have for EHBC? I am certain that God has tremendous plans for us. He has a plan that is filled with hope and a good future. What a tremendous promise! I look around the world and it seems pretty bleak and hopeless. I was told just today, that it is a hard world. The Christian can relish in the promise of God, that He has our back.

I am uncertain about the specifics of God's plan, but I am certain that He loves us and has a tremendous plan for us. The possibilities are limitless in a city like Charlotte. God has brought us here for a time such as this to do something great. I look forward to God's great blessings here at EHBC.

Pastor Kevin

Ladies' Afternoon Tea



Saturday, January 28, 2012
 2:00-4:00 P.M.
 Fellowship Hall

Please join us for an afternoon of fellowship over tea, sandwiches, scones, and pastries. Help us welcome Myra, Rebekah, and Kinsey Phillips to EHBC. There is no charge for this event, but reservations are required. Sign up sheets will be posted at the church.

Please bring a favorite teacup if you have one. Hats and gloves are optional. Young ladies age 8 and older are also welcome to attend. See Jennifer Costa or Karen Kiser for more information.

DEAR FRIENDS AT EASTERN HILLS:

What a wonderful privilege Betty and I have had being your interim pastor the last nine months. Our call for God is to help churches between the leaving of a pastor and the coming of a new pastor. You have called a new pastor. Our prayers will be with Rev. Phillips and Eastern Hills asking God to richly bless the work in this place.

Betty and I want to thank the Personnel Committee and you the church for allowing us to serve in your midst. You are a loving congregation that accepted us, welcoming us warmly as part of you. I have enjoyed being your preacher for you are so engaging and attentive during sermon delivery. I appreciate the staff and thank them for support and encouragement. Thanks for all the words of encouragement, support and friendship. We will be forever blessed by getting to know, worshiping and serving the Lord with you. Thanks for all the cards, goodies and Christmas wishes during this marvelous seasons of Christmas. May God bless you for your kindness, love and accepting us.

Betty and I will return to First Baptist Charlotte where we are members. We have been members there since 1998. I am a deacon there and will go back to catch up on my responsibilities.

Rev. Phillips and family will want and need your love and support. Love them and accept them as God's sent servant and family. As you love, accept and support them God will bless you through them and bless His kingdom work at Eastern Hills.

Bill Saylor, Interim Pastor

WITH GRATITUDE

The Paul McCullough family would like to thank the church for your prayers, support, words of encouragement and cards during this difficult time in our lives. Bette will be missed but she is finally at peace and rest. Thank you all, again.
The Paul McCullough Family

INTERNATIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE

SUNDAY, JANUARY 8 ~ 6:30 P.M.

Rev. Kevin Phillips will be bringing the message with Rev. Jorge Ospina, Harvest Ministries pastor, interpreting. If you have never attended this service you are missing a true blessing. Christian people of different countries coming together to worship God as one. Hope you will come.

G.R.O.W. During the months of January, February and March GROW will meet on Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m.

Here are the January dates: 9th and 23rd.