

WELCOME TO FIRST EVAN

“We exist to glorify Jesus Christ and magnify His gospel in all of life until He comes.”

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2024



We are so excited you are visiting with us today! Be sure to visit the Connect Center, fill out a connect card in the pews, or visit www.firstevan.org/connect.



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Pictured: First Evaners attending Everyday CoJourney: Step 3. This outreach training session was divided into two events: Zoom with Gabor on January 20 and in person led by the Outreach Equipping Team on January 28. Highlights of the session included identifying a God-prepared person, discipling a new believer, and creating a personal evangelism plan.

THE WARFARE OF PRAYER

*"...praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication."
Ephesians 6:18*

Welcome Taylor Park, *Executive Pastor*

Kids Missions Conference Kate Taylor, *Children's Ministry Director*

Call to Worship Ephesians 2:1-7

Song of Worship And Can It Be (Hymn #473)

Elder Prayer John Touliatos

The Lord's Supper Josh Raspberry, *Pastor of Family Ministry*

Choral Meditation Jesus Died for Me

Song of Praise King of Kings

Scripture Reading: Ephesians 6:18-20 Gina Hensley

Sermon David Stevens, *Paraclete Mission Group*

*"The Warfare of Prayer"
Stand Firm
Ephesians 6:18-20*

Song of Invitation What a Friend We Have in Jesus (Hymn #622)

Benediction

Sanctuary flowers this morning are in memory of Todd Vanderpool by his loving family.

*Musicians: Jeremy Conner, Trent England, Edrie Gray, Brandon Herrington, Andy Holler,
Lori Ingram, Tori Martin, Jamie Scholik, Phil Thompson. Ken Boer, Pastor of Worship.*

"And Can It Be" by Charles Wesley (1738) and Thomas Campbell (1825). "Jesus Died for Me" by Steve and Vikki Cook, arr. B.J. Davis, © 2006 Integrity's Hosanna! Music. "King of Kings" by Jason Ingram, Brooke Ligertwood and Scott Ligertwood © 2019 Hillsong Music Publishing. "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" by Joseph M. Scriven, Charles C. Converse (1855.). CCLI #47316.

“The Warfare of Prayer” Stand Firm

Ephesians 6:18–20 | David Stevens, Paraclete Mission Group

Stand therefore...praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end, keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints, and also for me, that words may be given to me in opening my mouth boldly to proclaim the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains, that I may declare it boldly, as I ought to speak.

Ephesians 6:14a, 18–20

Why are we to pray?

How are we to pray?

What are we to pray?

“Pray also for me . . .”



Global Missions Conference "Listening to the Lord of the Harvest"
 Saturday–Sunday, February 17–18: Pastor Antonio Muñoz
 Friday–Sunday, February 23–25: Dr. George Murray
 (Children's Programming or Childcare offered.)

We will hear from these speakers about the importance of GOING and also SENDING. Then, we will be asking you what you believe your role is in the Great Commission. **Details and schedule at www.firstevan.org/gmc.**



Kids' Missions Conference "Ears to Hear"
 Friday–Saturday, February 23–24
 (KMC: 4 years old–5th grade | Childcare: Birth–3 year olds)

We want to become good listeners to God's word, letting it take root in our hearts, so we can worship Him and joyfully "go into all creation and proclaim the good news" (Mark 16:15). Do YOU have ears to hear? Let's listen! **Register by this Wednesday, February 7 at www.firstevan.org/kmc.**



Student Ministries IRL Weekend, Friday–Saturday, March 1–March 3, Pinecrest Camp in Moscow, TN | Cost: \$140

"In Real Life" weekend will be an enriching time for our students diving into 1, 2, and 3 John and being in community with one another. On Saturday, the high school will be taking a hiking trip for the day, and the middle school will be competing in our annual Survivor Games! Register here by Sunday, February 18. Register by Sunday, February 18 at www.firstevan.org/irl.

Midweek Fellowship Meal, Wednesday, February 7, 5:00–6:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall
 Menu: Spaghetti and Meatballs/Vegetable Lasagna, Steamed Vegetables, Garlic Bread, and Fruit OR Italian Wedding Soup and Salad Bar. Dessert: Gelato.

****Note: The Life Choices Bottles for Life fundraiser has been extended to Sunday, February 11.****

MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK

Charity Gurley, Orphanos, Ethiopia

Praise

- That the community has welcomed me back with open arms.
- That God has used this season to show more of His character to not only myself but those around me.
- For safety while traveling back to Addis as well as remaining healthy.

Pray

- For the process of adjusting back into life here.
- For the health of the host family I live with as many of their children have been struggling to stay well.
- For new ministry opportunities.

MEMPHIS PARTNER OF THE WEEK

YoungLives Memphis

Praise

- That our year is off to a great start with plans and training for the year.
- For a great week in Anaheim, CA for global staff retreat: 5,700 staff from 113 countries, worshipping, praying, and celebrating together.
- For our last day camp in Nashville on January 27.

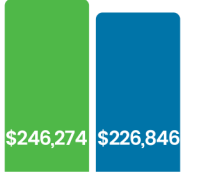
Pray

- For \$1,300 to be raised for moms, babies, mentors, and childcare.
- For mentors for moms and childcare for club times, as well as, the Amazon Wishlist items to be added to the baby boutique.
- For our Outreach Club on April 10.

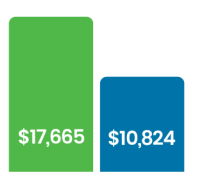
WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

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Ministry Fund



Missions Fund



FAMILY MATTERS

Rehab

Jim Henry, Trezvant Rehab

Deaths

Tina Dover, January 29, 2024
 Grady Sanborn's sister

Richard Barnhart, January 28, 2024
 Alan Barnhart's father

Ann Pettey, January 4, 2024
 Becky Anderson's sister