



# WELCOME TO FIRST EVAN

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

**SUNDAY, JULY 23, 2023**



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*Pictured above: First Evan Summer Safari on a field trip to the Memphis Zoo.*

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# FIRM FOUNDATION

*"For no one can lay a foundation other than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ."*

1 Corinthians 3:11

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Welcome Taylor Park, *Executive Pastor*

Call to Worship 1 Corinthians 3:10–13

Songs of Worship and Hope The Solid Rock (Hymn #517)  
This is Amazing Grace

Responsive Reading Psalm 19

Choral Meditation The Meditations of My Heart

Elder Prayer Steve Boyd

God at Work Charity Gurley

Dismissal of Children (Ages 3 through 2nd grade)

Scripture Reading: Genesis 16:1–16 Leigh Sistrunk

Sermon Rev. Steve Winstead, *Lead Pastor*  
*International Evangelical Church, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia*

*"The Waiting Room"*  
Genesis 16:1–16

Song of Response Goodness of God

Benediction

*The flowers in the sanctuary are given in celebration of the marriage of Dr. & Mrs. Austin Hardaway. Mrs. Hardaway is the former Miss Ashley Banks, daughter of Cindy and Wes Banks, granddaughter of Martha and Clayton Banks.*

*Musicians: The Worship Choir, Benny Balderrama, Jeremy Conner, April Fichthorn, Edrie Gray, Kathryn LaVire, Jamie Scholik, Mark Stelling, Phil Thompson. Ken Boer, Pastor of Worship.*

# **“The Waiting Room”**

*Genesis 16:1–16 | Rev. Steve Winstead, Lead Pastor  
International Evangelical Church, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia*

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### Baptism, Sunday, August 27, 10:45 a.m., Sanctuary

Jesus commanded all His followers to be baptized, publicly proclaiming that God has brought them from death to life. If this describes you, we'd love to help you take the next step. Sign up by July 30 for the August baptism at [www.firstevan.org/baptism](http://www.firstevan.org/baptism) or contact [kbernardini@firstevan.org](mailto:kbernardini@firstevan.org) for other dates.



### Hymn Sing, Sunday, August 6, 6:00–7:30 p.m., Sanctuary

Join us for an evening of singing hymns together! We'll sing some of our "regular" hymns as well as old favorites from years ago. Ken Boer will also share devotional thoughts about some of the hymns throughout the evening.



### Women's Fall Kickoff, Sunday, August 13 9:30–10:30 a.m., Fellowship Hall

All women are invited to gather during the Sunday School hour to preview the next year, register for Heart to Heart Bible Study and the Women's Retreat (register by August 17), as well as enjoy fellowship with each other. [www.firstevan.org/women](http://www.firstevan.org/women)

## WEEKLY SUMMER SCHEDULE

- **Young Adults:** Girls Pottery at Belltower (Today, 3:00 p.m.); Sunday Night Dinner (Tonight, 6:30 p.m.)
- **Men's Ministry:** Men's Prayer Breakfast (Jul 24) • **Students:** Bible Study (Jul 26)
- **Women's Ministry:** Tuesday Morning Prayer Time (Jul 25); Sage "Avoiding or Getting Out of Debt" with speaker Sarah Beach (Jul 27); Conversations on Art and Faith (Aug 1)
- **FEC Kids:** Terrific Tuesday: Bellevue Indoor Playground aka Creation Station (Jul 25)

## MISSIONARIES OF THE WEEK

**Jeff and Katie Saunders, MTW/RUF, Japan**  
Praise

- That we had a semester full of great events with our group topped off with maybe our most well-liked party yet this past weekend.
- That we have had about 15 different students participate in the Bible study opportunities we offered over the semester.
- That we had one student profess faith this year.

### Pray

- That students attend our Saturday Night Dinner this coming weekend, especially those who may not have been drawn to the other style of study.
- That many students join our Summer Beach Trip and we create a deeper sense of trust and openness to spiritual conversations with them.
- For safe travel to the States this summer, especially as Katie is in her third trimester.

## MEMPHIS PARTNER OF THE WEEK

**Global Friends Memphis**

### Praise

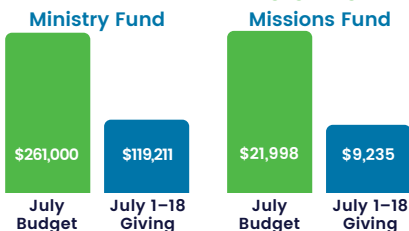
- That the Lord has blessed me (Anna Lang-Campus Staff) with two wonderful neighbors; a Pakistani family and a Bangladeshi family.
- For our last team meeting where we heard from someone who served overseas in the Middle East.
- For the Saturday morning bible study; It is such a consistent and encouraging group.

### Pray

- For a young woman from South Korea who has been coming consistently to bible study for the last 6 months.
- For a couple from Bangladesh who we have also been walking with for the past few years.
- For Anna Adams and myself as we continue recruiting volunteers and fundraising.

## WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

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## FAMILY MATTERS

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**Marriage** Dr. and Mrs. Austin Hardaway  
 July 22, 2023  
 Former Miss Ashley Banks, daughter of Cindy and Wes Banks, granddaughter of Martha and Clayton Banks