

# “Heart to Heart”

*Pastor Dale and Cathi Campfield – Eastgate Community Church*

October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2009

1. Opening Song – to call the congregation to order 9:58 – 10:05  
Tune: \_\_\_\_\_
  
2. Welcome and Explanation of Service by PD/C 10:05 – 10:10
  - A. Special song by PD/C 10:10 – 10:15

CHORUS: Surely the Presence of the Lord is in This Place.  
I can feel His mighty power and His grace.  
I can feel the brush of angel's wings; I see glory on each  
face.  
Surely the Presence of the Lord is in this place.

Vs. 1: Here we are at a church called Eastgate; and  
we're all a family.  
We love to celebrate together; with each one, or two or  
three.  
And we'll be here through the tough times, to cry and  
hold a hand.  
For together we are called, to make an IMPACT in this  
land...

Vs. 2: Our vision is very simple; it's to love and grow and  
serve.  
We want to make a mighty IMPACT, to every adult, and  
boy and girl.  
But most of all our main desire; is to please our Father  
above;

To enjoy His mighty presence, and receive His mighty love...

3. Worship by P. Géron 10:15 – 10:35  
Tune: \_\_\_\_\_  
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4. The State of Eastgate by PD 10:35 – 11:15

A. Reiterate our Vision

- a. **Matt 28:19** “Go and make disciples of all nations...”

**ECC Process of Discipleship:  
Making an IMPACT...by Loving...To Growing...and Serving**

We have 3 priorities:

To love...which is expressed in our Sunday morning celebration.  
To grow...which is expressed in our Connection Groups.  
To serve...which is expressed in our daily lives in the places we live, work and play; as well as through the local church.

The vision of E.C.C. is to gather together weekly for corporate worship, loving God and each other; then to come together in small Connection Groups for discipleship and fellowship, and are regularly involved in reaching out to others with the love, acceptance, and forgiveness of Jesus Christ through community outreach. To Love...To Grow...To Serve!

- b. **Text on the Eastgate and God's Glory coming from the East**

**Ezek 43:1-5** *Afterward he brought me to the gate, the gate that faces toward the east. And behold, the glory of the God of Israel came from the way of the east. His voice*

*was like the sound of many waters; and the earth shone with His glory. It was like the appearance of the vision which I saw – like the vision which I saw when I came to destroy the city. The visions were like the vision which I saw by the river Chebar; and I fell on my face. And the glory of the LORD came into the temple by way of the gate which faces toward the east. The Spirit lifted me up and brought me into the inner court; and behold, the glory of the LORD filled the temple.*

We as a church believe that the EASTSIDE of Cincinnati has a significant role to play in what God wants to do in Cincinnati and N. Kentucky in the end times in which we live.

c. **We are only a piece of the puzzle in the city.** There are many puzzle pieces made up of governmental workers, school officials, business leaders, housewives, workers, singles, married folks, divorced, man, woman, kids, etc. etc. that make up the “church.” We are the church and as we work together, we will see His Kingdom come to pass in our city!

d. **STADIUM VISION given to me in 1983.**

In 1983, sitting with the local high school pep band, playing and watching a football game in Anaconda, Montana, the Lord opened my eyes to see that stadium full of people worshipping God. There were actively involved people standing on the field itself worshipping God and involved in the ministry of the church. And not only were they on the field, but they were going to the outside of the stadium and bringing others in.

There were multitudes in the stands watching and getting more involved as they would begin to make their way down the rows of seats until they eventually came onto the field as well. As they would get out of their seats to get lower and closer to the field, the presence of God, others would come from the outside and take their seats. It was an ongoing process of people becoming true disciples of Jesus Christ.

**QUESTION:        What are we doing at EASTGATE in being a piece of the puzzle?**

## **I. Ministry Within the Walls**

## **II. Ministry Outside the Walls**

- Our goal is to be an outward focused church opposed to an inward focused church.
- At the same time, there are things that happen within the local church family.

## **Ministry Within the Walls**

### **1. Ministry Leaders**

#### **Youth Ministry: Pastor Joel and Tracy Frame**

The Stand – Reaching, Equipping, Sending

*The Stand* exists to reach youth within the local community and the world for Christ; equipping them with the spiritual tools they need to grow stronger in their personal relationship with Him; and to send them out into a lifestyle that radiates God's light illuminating the lives of all people.

#### **Future plans:**

Next Sunday – Jr. High School Class Begins

Next Thursday – Jr. High begins (7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grades)

Wednesdays – Sr. High meets at the Youth Center

## **Music Ministry: Pastor Gerson and Danielle Lopes**

Not only does he do the Sunday morning worship but he also takes care of the youth ministry worship, works with the children's ministry choir and dancers. He also takes care of updating the web site, loading the computer slides for Sunday, etc. A hard working man of God with a passion to worship the Lord.

Associate Pastor: Pastor John and Debra Baird (She is also over the internet prayer ministry)

Administration: Ray and Darlene Kubik

Bookkeeping: Stephanie League

Discipleship/Altar Ministry: Pastor John and Lynn Martin

Graphics/Mailing/Promotion: Justin Cain, Todd Green, Eileen VanRiper

Sports Ministry: Ian Smith

Guests Services: Bob and Crystal Ulrich

Hospitality: Rick and Melissa Keller

Meals: Katrina Howe

Prayer Chain: Pat Lasley

Prayer/Illness Ministry: Etta Williamson

Sound: Greg Stroup

Ushers: Bernie Rusconi/Tom Cole (*Sunday Morning Set Up Crew*)

Greeters: Bill and Donna Phelps

Volunteer Coordinator: Joyce Fletcher

Communion: Joyce and Herman Ashley

Secretary: Dee Deaton

TV: Brother Carroll

All Connection Group Leaders

Children's Ministry Advisor: Dave Sorrell

Preschoolers: Dave and Laura Durham (18 commitments to Christ last weekend)

Children's Ministry: Kathy Huelsman

- **HARVEST PARTY: Candy Contest and Volunteers Needed**
  
- **WE NEED SPACE FOR OUR CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES**
  
  
- **SPECIAL SONG BY THE CHILDREN**

## **Ministry Outside the Walls**

**Outreach Ministry: Judy Rusconi and Sue Polaski**

### **NEXT OUTREACH...October 17 (Saturday) - "Our Daily Bread"**

From noon - 2pm, at the Washington Park (we will be car pooling as needed). Volunteers needed to pass out loaves of bread and minister to the homeless in this inner city park. Come join us as we serve our community...you will be blessed. Donations for loaves of bread, volunteer sign-up sheet, and additional information will be at the Outreach Table.

**Counseling and Mission's Ministries: Pastor Howard and Carol Bunch**

**Support Monthly**

### **FOREIGN MISSIONS**

Africa – Dr. Badu Bediako  
Philippines – Brian Gaitano  
Mexico – Pastor Reyes  
Greece – Gail Stathis  
    (sending teams only)  
Russia – Pastor Edward  
Romania – The Greves Team  
Jordan – Jamal Hashwey

### **DOMESTIC MISSIONS**

Teen Challenge – George Martin  
Healthy Beginnings – Donna Phelps  
Crescent Project – Tamara Shaya (ministry to the Muslims)

**TAKE NOTE: IT TAKES FINANCES TO DO WHAT WE DO...**

**FINANCIAL UPDATE   Tithes/Offerings Since Jan. 1, 2009 - \$482,028.58**

#### **What Your Tithes and Offerings Goes To:**

**1 – Missions.** Off the top we give 10% of all income to missions. So far this year...  
\$48,000.00 given

**2 – Outreach.** Its one/third of our vision, thus we want to put as much into as we can.

**3 – Necessary Staff.** We believe that a person is worthy of their hire.

**4 – Future Facility.** We currently have in the building Fund - \$440,000.00 (Thank You Lord!)

#### **Facility Possibility**

- Eastgate Station

## I Challenge You to be a GIVER!

- Time
- Talent
- Treasure

Challenge everyone who calls Eastgate Community Church their home to tithe!

### **The heart of a giver by Pastor Howard Bunch**

The heart of a giver has always been a way to show love. When we give presents for any situation it is never to get one in return but always to show appreciation and love. This has been abused by people who are pushing an agenda they want what you got, so they will misrepresent what they are doing.

Planting a seed

Planting a seed is always about receiving a harvest. The purpose of receiving a harvest is so you will have enough to live on and enough to give to others and having seed to replant. In 2 Cor. 9:5-15 God illustrates this thru Paul. However the purpose God uses in planting a seed is always about harvesting into the Kingdom. Paul made further comments about the Corinthians giving. He said they and one other church were the only ones who had given for the preaching of the gospel.

### **Giving to get in return**

When you are giving to get something in return you are not giving. You are investing. When you buy stock or purchase a CD from a bank you have expectations of receiving something in return. You haven't given it at all. You are actually holding on to it.

**Mark 7:11-13; 11 but you say, 'If a man says to his father or his mother, whatever I have that would help you is Corban (that is to say, given to God),' 12 you no longer permit him to do anything for his father or his mother; 13 thus invalidating the word of God by your tradition which you have handed down; and you do many things such as that."**

What is happening here was the children who were to lay up money for the purpose of taking care of their elderly parents when they were too old to care for themselves, were taking that money to

the priests and getting a receipt for it and when their parents died they would take their receipt back and receive their money back. They were not giving to the priests at all. It was an investment

When we give for the purpose of receiving back 10%, 40% or even 60% we are not giving. We are holding on to our money. There is no love in that. We give tithes and offerings out of our love for God and for the purpose of advancing the Kingdom of God not expecting anything in return.

In the Old Testament the word is Korban and it is translated sacrifice. This is found in Leviticus chapter 7 thru 9. Here it talks about the different types of sacrifices. A sin offering - a sacrifice that is offered for a sin against God. A guilt offering – a sacrifice that is offered for a sin against man also known as a peace offering. A thanks offering or praise offering. All sacrifices are for the purpose of drawing near to God. What happens when our motive is for the wrong purpose? Leviticus 10 calls it strange fire and it has consequences.

The process for making a sacrifice is to make ready, give it, offer it, and let it die. The same sequence of planting a seed.

## Receive Mornings Tithes and Offerings

- Special music by: “When We all Pull Together” led by P. Cathi

When we all pull together, together, together.  
When we all pull together, how happy we'll be.  
For your way is my way and our way is God's way.  
When we all pull together, how happy we'll be.

- Ushers bring offering to front after received to pray over

## Our Future Depends Upon Prayer

Our future is good – but it depends upon our prayers. ALL OF US!

- Challenge people to be praying about the future
- Cast vision for Jan 1-40; 40 day fast/prayer
- Corporate prayer

## Fellowship

11:15 – 11:30

Snacks, etc. with Leadership Team hosting the room

11:45 tear down of sanctuary