

## Prayer?

Please list your prayer requests with detailed information of people in need. Thank you!

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## Sermon Notes.

**Speaker:** Leland Brown, Discipleship Pastor

**Message:** Crushed to Cruising

**Text:** Psalm 119:25-32

<sup>25</sup>My soul clings to the dust;  
give me life according to your word!  
<sup>26</sup>When I told of my ways, you answered me;  
teach me your statutes!  
<sup>27</sup>Make me understand the way of your precepts,  
and I will meditate on your wondrous works.  
<sup>28</sup>My soul melts away for sorrow;  
strengthen me according to your word!  
<sup>29</sup>Put false ways far from me  
and graciously teach me your law!  
<sup>30</sup>I have chosen the way of faithfulness;  
I set your rules before me.  
<sup>31</sup>I cling to your testimonies, O Lord;  
let me not be put to shame!  
<sup>32</sup>I will run in the way of your commandments  
when you enlarge my heart!"  
Psalm 119:25-32

**Big Idea:** God brings us from sorrow to sweetness (and beyond!) through fervent prayer.

**From weighed down to wonder (v.25-27).**

A cry for life (v.25)  
Life is given (v.26)  
Hope for wonder (v.27)

**From wavering to running (v.27-32).**

A cry for strength (v.27-28)  
Strength is given (v.30-31)  
Hope for running (v.32)

*"The Grinch hated Christmas! The whole Christmas season! Now, please don't ask why. No one quite knows the reason. It could be his head wasn't screwed on just right. It could be, perhaps his shoes were too tight. But I think that the most likely reason of all may have been that his heart was two sizes too small."* Dr. Suess

*"This sickbed is a Bethel to me: it is none other than the house of God, and the gate of heaven. I can scarcely express the pleasures that I have enjoyed in this affliction. The nearer I draw to my dissolution, the happier I am. It scarcely can be called an affliction, it is so counterbalanced with joy."* Samuel Pearce

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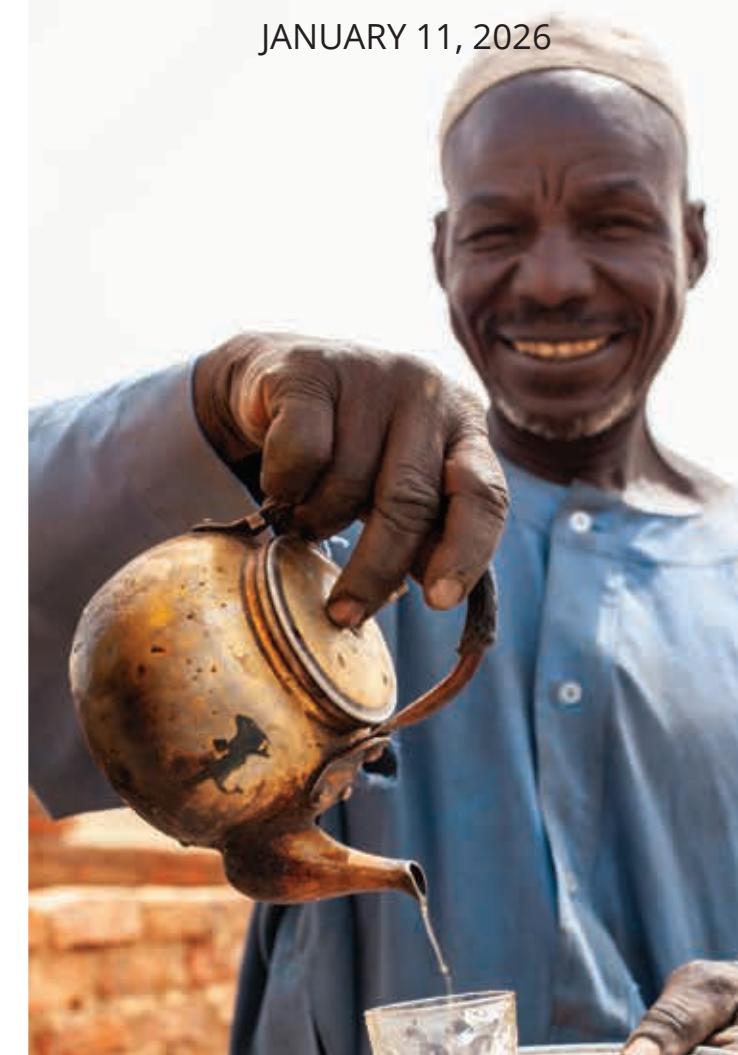
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### Questions for Discussion:

- 1.) How do you tend to handle "soul sorrow"? What do you think your biggest barrier is to crying out to the Lord in it?
- 2.) What is the life that God gives in v.26? How is that different that we typically think of "life"?
- 3.) Where are some areas you are wavering? What would a new strength or resolve look like for you?
- 4.) What is the difference between "standing" in God's ways and "running" in God's ways?
- 5.) Describe one way you want the Lord to enlarge your heart in 2026, and spend time praying with a fellow believer for that.

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# Welcome.

We're glad you are here to worship with us. If you are new to East Cooper Baptist, we would love to meet you. Please stop anyone with a name-tag and let us answer any questions you may have. Thanks for being our guest.

**Buster Brown**, Senior Pastor  
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**Traditional Worship and Classes**  
Sanctuary 9:30am  
**Contemporary Worship and Classes**  
Worship Center 9:30am & 11:00am

## Ways to Give.

Giving is part of our worship to God. Through your faithful giving, God continues to change lives here in our area and around the world.

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**Give online** by visiting our website at: [eastcooperbaptist.com/give](http://eastcooperbaptist.com/give).



**Give via text** by texting the word "GIVE" to 843-202-4848.

## Get to Know.



**Katelyn McCoy**

### GRAPHIC DESIGNER ON STAFF

Katelyn is from Tupelo, Mississippi. Her parents faithfully shared the gospel with her and displayed what it looked like to follow Jesus. Over time, she developed a deep curiosity about Jesus, recognizing her own sin and need for a Savior. Katelyn joined the ECBC staff in August of 2025. In her free time, she enjoys coffee, walks, and fitness classes.

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**SEE YOU THERE.**



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### LIFELINE FOSTER CARE LICENSING CLASS

These licensing classes are required for all who would like to foster through Lifeline. Applications must be submitted 1 week before the class begins to participate in this class. January 31 & February 7.

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### WOMENS CONFERENCE

Join us March 13-14 for food, fellowship, and a sweet time of encouragement in the Word with our guest speaker, April Brown. We will dive into the Scriptures together and seek the source of all joy and life.

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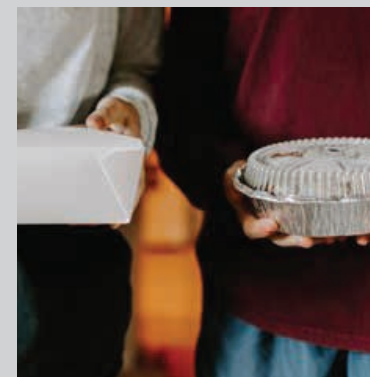


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### SERVE ON THE MEAL TEAM

This serving team exists to provide meals to individuals or families in a time of need, such as illness, the loss of a loved one, or the new birth of a baby. Volunteers are needed to coordinate, prepare, and deliver meals.

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9:30am  11:00am

I am a first time guest

Name

Spouse

Birthdate    Spouse Birthdate

Address

City

State  Zip

Mobile

Spouse Mobile

Email

Spouse Email

Preferred method of contact:

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