



To Live is Christ

One of my favorite old westerns has this line: "Dyin' ain't hard for men like you and me. It's livin' that's hard." That line came to my mind, recently, as I was thinking about Paul's words in Philippians 1:21, "to live is Christ, and to die is gain." The second half of this statement is pretty simple to grasp even if it's a challenge to our faith when the time really comes. For a believer, we can know that death is the entrance to glory in the presence of Jesus, and that is "very much better" than our present life. But what about the first part? "To live is Christ." For Paul, I think this meant that his whole life was now dependent on the living Christ and that he lived to know and glorify Christ. Christ was the object of his desire, the focus of his energies, and the overarching purpose to everything he did. How about you and me? In one sense, it's easy to affirm, "to die is gain." But do we truly know what it means that "to live is Christ?" As Christians, we're called to a life that glorifies Jesus and centers on him. We do that when we trust him, fully, for all we need and make it our central aim to serve him and grow in our relationship with him.

Pastor Mike Shingler ~ Board Member

Called to *Serve*

Part of EWA's mission is serving God and those He puts in our lives. (1 John 3:18; Ephesians 6:7)

Recently, some of our older scholarship students volunteered on their day off to help watch FHS staff children and help lead devotions during our early morning time. What a blessing!



EWA Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon

On October 22nd we gathered together to celebrate all the Lord is doing in EWA through the many volunteers He has raised up!



What Will Set You Apart?

Our students are rewarded for work or behaviors that **set them apart** from their peers. We talk about how this helps to prepare them for the work the Lord has for them. (Ephesians 2:10)

Mary received an award for being responsible and well prepared with her academics. Congratulations!



In Memory and Honor Of...

We recently received a donation from **Mrs. Beatrice Maser, in memory of George Wisnowski.**

We truly appreciate and praise the Lord for this gift. It is humbling for EWA to be the conduit by which someone chooses to remember loved ones. We always strive to be good stewards of each and every gift we are given to further His kingdom.

We recently received a donation "**In Honor of Beatrice Maser**" from **David & Anna Shipe.** Mrs. Maser is turning 99 years old this November and was used in God's sovereign plans to introduce the Lord Jesus to Anna's family in the 1960s. This has made an eternal difference in their lives and many praises are lifted up in gratefulness to Him. May this be a birthday blessing to Beatrice!

Honoring someone you love with a donation to EWA not only helps this ministry but is also meant to be a blessing to the person being recognized. **Rose Biegler turns 94 years old** this November and her daughter & son-in-law, Anna & David, have given a generous gift to honor her many decades of love, caring, and encouragement to her family. A gift like this is used by the Lord to enable EWA to continue helping scholarship students to know, love, and serve Him, who has been Rose's Savior for many years.



Through the Eyes Of...

There are many individuals that the Lord raises up to help support EWA. We hope that hearing different perspectives **through the eyes** of volunteers will give you a glimpse of how the Lord works and provides by using many different people.

“As a former employee of Faith Heritage School, I was familiar with the operations of the ministry of EWA: how they function in the school, what they look for when enrolling students into their ministry, and their process for accepting students. Since recently being on the Board of EWA and a prayer partner to one of the students, I have gained a greater understanding of the “heart” of this ministry.

EWA offers hope and change to students by helping them succeed, first and foremost spiritually, in that each student understands who Jesus Christ is, and the importance of reading, studying, and applying God’s word. Secondly, that each student succeeds academically, by putting supports in place, providing individual focus and help, and having an Administrator who is readily available to help them with challenges and mediates between FHS and the parents. And lastly, financially, by providing scholarship funds to pay for Christian education for families that would otherwise not be able to afford it. I look forward to seeing how God will continue to use EWA for His kingdom and His glory and how that will impact the students’ lives in the years to come.” ~ Sue Auwarter

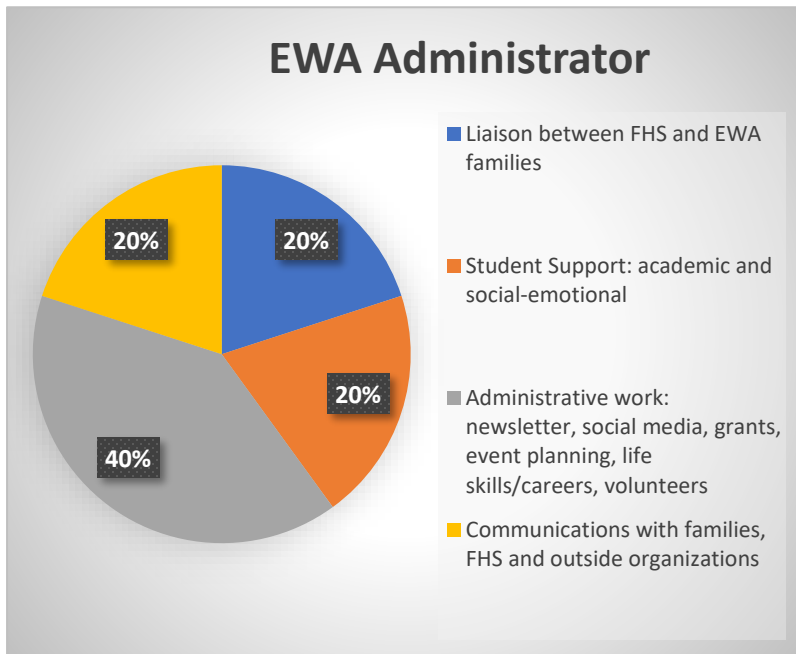


Parent Orientation

At our annual parent orientation, we heard from FHS nurse Abby and board members Elisabeth Looney and David Shipe. This is an important time for our families to gather and learn about expectations for the new school year.



EWA's Support Structure



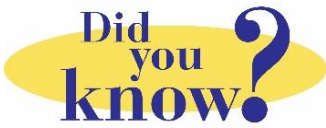
We recently asked Stephanie Dow what she does during a fairly typical day as the EWA Administrator. Hopefully, this graphic will give you a good understanding of what takes place in Room 204 (within Faith Heritage School).

We are so very grateful to all those who give of their time to pray and volunteer at EWA, as well as all those who donate to provide scholarships for our students to attend FHS. All that the Lord is doing in and through this ministry occurs because He is using a multitude of people to make it happen!

EWA Advisory Council
Mary Anne Lane & Anna Shipe



Green Hills Farms and Wegmans recently donated gift cards for our Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon. With these donations, we were able to provide a delicious lunch for our volunteers and guests. Thank you for your generosity!



Are you over 70 ½ years old and have a traditional IRA? You may be eligible for the special tax advantages of a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) while donating to the ministry of Eagle Wings Academy. Speak to your accountant, tax professional, or other financial advisor for details about the procedures and advantages of a QCD.



Thank you to **ALL** who support this ministry with **prayer, time, and donations**. We praise Him for YOU and are thankful for the blessing of partnering with you to do His work.
Stephanie Dow – EWA Administrator



Go to our website, eaglewingsacademy.org, and there you can give through PayPal or check! **Please note, because we are a ministry, PayPal does not charge a fee, so 100% of your donation will go to EWA!**

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THANKS GIVE

We hope you enjoy reading the thank you notes below from our families. It is because of your support and generosity that their children are able to attend Faith Heritage School.

"Dear EWA Donors,
 "I give thanks to God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus."
 I Corinthians 1:4
 We are very blessed by your kindness and support for EWA students. We do not cease to give thanks to the Lord because of your faithful giving.
 May God bless you abundantly!
 In Christ ~ parents of 11th, 10th and 5th grade students"



"Dear Donors,
 Thank you for sponsoring education for children at Faith Herigae School though EWA. Because of your kind gesture, my older child is able to continue his education at FHS. I am pleased to see my son grow academically and spiritually at a very young age. You have been a source of constant support and inspiration for me and my family. I am blessed and humbled to realize the amount of time, dedication and money you have spent on children through out each school year. It will never be enough to express my gratitude to you on this short letter. Same as other parents, I would like to say I will always be grateful to you and pray that God will bless you abundantly.
 Sincerely,
 elementary parent"



"Dear Donors,
 I want to thank you for the generous donations to EWA. Without donors like you, my kids and other kids will be unable to attend FHS. But because of your donations our children can pursue the career of their dreams and learn and grow spiritually. Every gift is like a water drop that fills up the bucket. Once again, I offer my sincerest thanks for your generous support. My prayer is the Lord will bless you for your generosity.
 Parents of 4th and 2nd grade students"



"Dear Supporters,
 Thank you so much for your support and encouragement. Your kindness and guidance have helped my daughter grow and I truly appreciate it. May God bless you and healthy.
 Thank you,
 Parents of 5th grade student"



"Dear Supporters,
 I want to say thank you very much. May God bless you for all you have given to EWA. "
 Sincerely,
 Parent of 6th and 2nd grade students"



"Dear EWA Supporters,
 Thank you for supporting us. We appreciate the effort and time you given us. We are eternally thankful, and we'll never forget your support and kindness. May the Lord bless you.
 Sincerely,
 Parents of 7th, 4th and 2nd grade students"



“Dear Donor,

We are continually thankful for all your donations. We are blessed that one of our kids could graduate FHS with the help of your donations and we hope that our other child may also continue to attend FHS. We appreciate the strong Christian education. You are all in our prayers; may God bless you all.

Sincerely,

Parents of a
11th grade student”



“Dear Supporters

I would like to start off by expressing my thanks for praying on behalf of my son’s well-being. Despite our financial struggles we are so thankful our son can attend a Christian school. Words cannot convey exactly how grateful I truly am for everything, but I want to write this letter anyway. I hope you understand, as I am unable to say such things face-to-face due to the language barrier. Again, thank you for all your help. I pray that all your kind souls get all the nice things you deserve.

God bless you all,

Parents of 3rd grade
Student”



“Dear Supporters,

On behalf of my husband and myself, we would like to thank you for making it possible for our daughter to attend FHS. We are from Haiti, and it means so much to know that our daughter is receiving an excellent Christian education, which would be impossible in Haiti. May God bless you!

Parents of
a 1st grade
student”



“First and foremost, we want to thank God for showing us EWA. We are blessed to have been here for 9 years, starting from a small Christian school and ending with scholarships for our kids. Receiving scholarships has benefited our children’s education and overall getting to know God and who He is. While our children do not always perform well in school, EWA has always assisted them in overcoming that. Being immigrants ourselves, we find it challenging to support our children in the English language, but we are thankful to have EWA on our side. We have seen a remarkable improvement in our children’s academic performance and growth in the Bible. We are truly grateful for the support and generosity of the donor, as it has not only relieved our financial burden but also provided our children with an education in a Christian environment.

Parents of
9th and 3rd grade
students”



“Dear Supporters,

This is the Shahzad family, and we just wanted to let you know that we are very grateful for all your efforts in EWA. This opportunity for my kids to attend FHS has been a massive blessing to us for these past years and we truly appreciate you.

Thank you again,

Parents of 10th
grade student”



“To all the Donors,

**We are so thankful for EWA!
Your support and
commitment make it possible.
God has truly blessed us with
the existence of Faith
Heritage School and to have
EWA within FHS is truly a gift.
Our granddaughter is in fifth
grade and EWA makes the
FHS experience even better.
The ‘before school” time she
spends with Mrs. Dow and the
other students is invaluable.
This time benefits her
academically, spiritually and
socially. Thank you so much
for your commitment to Eagle
Wings Academy.**

Sincerely,

**Grandparents
of 5th grade
student”**



“Dear Donors/supporter,

**Ephesians 1:16 – “I will never stop
giving thanks for you, as I remember
you in my prayers.”**

**We thank God for you and pray the
Lord will supply and multiply your
seed for sowing and increase the
harvest of your righteousness. I am
glad that the Lord brought you into our
life and for your continued support.
The lord overwhelms us with joy
through your faithfulness to us.**

Thank you,

**Parents of 9th, 6th
and 2nd
students”**



“Dear Scholarship Donors,

**I feel honored and grateful
to be a recipient of the
EWA scholarship
program. By your
kindness and willingness
to give, our child is able to
attend Faith Heritage
School and have a
Christian education. I
want to thank you for
your generosity in funding
this scholarship program,
it is truly the work of the
Holy Spirit. May God
bless you for blessing us.**

**Parents of 5th
Student”**



“Hello Resected Donors,

**Wea re grateful for EWA’s blessing and the
donors that enable our son to attend a Christian
school and obtain holistic development.
Christian spiritual growth is critical in today’s
technologically advanced society. If we are to
control ourselves and stay on the right track, we
must stay in God’s word.**

**We are grateful for the contributors’ efforts and
sacrifices in offering scholarships so that
children can continue to attend FHS. I pray that
as they mature in their understanding of God,
they will be able to point others to the Lord. We
shall remember you in our prayers.**

**Thank you,
Parents of 6th
grade student”**



“Dear Donor,

**My family and I are so blessed by your
generous donation. We want to thank
you for sharing your blessing with us.
Thank you for investing in our children
for the kingdom of God. Without a
cheerful giver like you, we can’t afford
Christian education. FHS helps train
up our children in the right way and
I’m so blessed that my child gets the
chance to attend FHS, because of your
gift. You are making a difference that
last eternal and may our almighty God
bless you abundantly.**

**Love,
Parents of 6th
and 2nd grade”**

