

**JOURNEY #3**  
**"Survival Journey 2 - Nervous"**  
Genesis 43:1-15 / May 5, 2013

- **This looks familiar - real life family stuff (vs. 1-7)**
  - **Dilemma (Famine and warning)**
  - **Conversation: "If you will... we will", "why did you...?", "How were we to know?"**
- **Now what? Do what Israel did.**
  - **Trust someone ("send the boy along with me" – vs. 8-10)**
    - **Judah (Matthew 1:2, Luke 3:33)**
  - **Do what you can ("if it must be, then do this – vs. 11-13)**
  - **Pray for mercy ("May God Almighty grant you mercy" – v. 14)**
  - **Let it go ("if I am bereaved, I am bereaved" - v. 14)**
- **Judah looks familiar ("so that we... may live and not die - v. 8)**

**Prayers for Eastview Christian Church**

- \* Pray for our Pastoral Leadership Team as they retreat this week to plan the next year's ministry.
- \* Pray that the Holy Spirit will reveal to them the direction He wants Eastview to go.
- \* Pray for guidance in the proper priorities of resources for the greatest good in the Kingdom of God.
- \* Pray for inspiration as they visit other churches and interact with other church leaders.
- \* Pray for our college age students as they prepare for finals.
- \* Pray for our college and high school seniors as they prepare for graduation and God's guidance for what's next in their journey with Christ.

**Baptism Testimony**

**Donald Neilson (11:30)** Before I knew Christ my life was empty; I didn't know much about him. I am fortunate that God gave me a wonderful Grandma and Grandpa, Donna and Lonny Benedict, who have given me a great home and life. ECC has helped me to know God more and I love him for being my savior. I will always live my life in God's ways.

**Marion Sabum (baptized 4/28/13)** I have been a Christian all my life but not a true follower because I never surrendered everything to God. I've realized that I cannot keep running away from the truth. I came to Eastview because of the pain I was experiencing when I lost my sister in a car accident a few months ago. I realized how vain life is without Christ; I said to myself "this is it!" I am ready to follow the path that God has for me, to love and serve him with all my heart, mind and soul. I believe in the saying that we should live each day as if it was our last just like my sister's on October 27, 2012.

**Robert Sabum (baptized 4/28/13)** On November 24, 2012 I was in a car accident. The car was totaled and there was no earthly explanation of how or why I survived without injury. It was only through Jesus that I remained alive. For this reason I have decided to accept Christ as my personal Savior.

**Daniel Ndibnu (baptized 4/28/13)** I was born in a Christian family and grew up fearing God but didn't want baptism. At age 13 I veered away from the Lord due to peer pressure. My life was full of worries and no peace. God still looked after me and was there when I called upon him.