

MADE #2

"Equipped, not tossed"

Ephesians 4:10-16 / November 10, 2013

Jesus' plan for making disciples: Jesus gives to equip the saints, to build up his body, and to grow up in him because He is the head.

- **He gave... (vs. 11, context: vs. 7, compare I Corinthians 12:6-11, 12:28-31)**
 - **apostles (see Acts 1:21&22, 2:42)**
 - **prophets**
 - **evangelists**
 - **shepherds**
 - **teachers**
- **...TO EQUIP (vs. 12a)**
 - **works of ministry (12)**
 - **held together by every joint (16)**
 - **each part working properly (16)**
- **...TO BUILD UP (vs. 12b)**
 - **unity (faith and knowledge of the Son - (13)**
 - **speaking the truth in love**
 - **builds itself up in love**
- **...TO GROW UP (vs. 15)**
 - **no longer children (easily moved & easily tricked - see James 1:6)**
 - **mature adulthood**
 - **measured against Christ**
- **He is the Head (Ephesians 1:22&23)**

Prayer for Eastview Christian Church

- Father empower me by your Spirit to equip the saints in my life today as the saints I know equip me.
- Father help me be engaged in building up your body, the church today.
- Father help the family of Eastview to have complete unity by your Holy Spirit. I pray against division in your body and ask you to help me promote unity through my words and service.
- Father teach me to speak the truth in love.
- Father keep me from being influenced by spiritual waves and winds that are not from you.
- Father help the part of your body called Eastview to be a part that is working properly for your kingdom. Help us grow.

Baptism Testimony

Kelly Bever (11:30)

Through the grace of God, I was born into a Christian family. My mother was a church leader and role model in our community. I accepted Jesus as my Savior when I was 12 years old. I have had moments during my past where my relationship with Jesus would ebb and flow. By attending Eastview and participating with my small group through Open, I understand the need for my baptism through immersion. Today I am ready to say and show that I am open to God's work in my life, giving Him all the Glory.