

**RIDICULOUS #2**  
**“Ridiculous Love for my Family”**  
**I John 4:7-12 / September 28, 2014**

**Intro – First family**

- **LOVE SENT (vs. 9&10)**
  - **Made manifest (9)**
  - **That we might live (9)**
- **LOVE BORN (vs. 7&8)**
  - **Born to be righteous (I John 2:29, 3:9, 5:18)**
  - **Born to love**
- **LOVE EXPRESSED (vs. 7&11)**
  - **“Beloved, love one another”**
  - **“ought to”**
- **LOVE PERFECTED (v. 12)**
  - **God abides here**
  - **We grow here**

**Close – First, family**

**Decision Box**

**Today I learned...**

**As a result, I will...**

**Prayer for Eastview Christian Church**

- Pray for God to bring healing for the brokenness some families in our congregation are experiencing. Pray peace for their home and strength for the journey.
- Pray for the parents of rebellious teens. Ask God to give them wisdom and for their teenagers to come to repentance and renewal of faith.
- Pray for the marriages that are struggling. Ask God to help troubled spouses work through issues in love and ask for God to bring healing to emotional, mental, and spiritual scars.
- Pray for grown ups who are estranged from their families. Ask for God to provide opportunities for reconciliation. Pray for hearts renewed and compelled by the love of Christ.
- Pray for families who are experiencing the upheaval of illness or injury in their homes right now. Ask God to increase their hope and faith as they endure these hard times.
- Pray for the children of your small group by name. As you mention each to God, ask him to guide them in right paths by His Spirit and to lead them not into temptation.
- Pray for the families and marriages of our pastors and staff.

**Baptisms**

**Terry Everett (8:00)**

I'm being baptized today because Jesus brought me out of the pit of guilt, brought me into the light of His love and showed me the way, the truth, and the life.

**Monay Duvendack (9:45)**

I want to get baptized because it tears away my old life and starts a new one. I believe in God and Jesus. I believe that Jesus died on the cross for us. Jesus is my Lord and I am ready to live my life for God not myself.

**Brandon Duvendack (9:45)**

I believe in God and Jesus. God is my father from above and Jesus died for our sins. I believe that Jesus is the only way to God. I am ready to start my life towards God not towards sin. I confess that Jesus is the Lord and I need Him to save me from my sins.

**Heather McCoin (9:45)**

I have always believed in God but I hardly used to pray when I was struggling. This past year I have been praying to the Lord and thanking Him for blessing me and for my kids, home, car, job, and for my friends. I want to follow God's ways. I'm very happy for the changes in my life.

**Parker Newton (5:00)**

I want to be baptized because I want Jesus to be The Lord of my life. I feel like I am ready and understand. I feel like he is calling my name. And I want to tell my friends all about Jesus Christ.