

## Be Like the Elk

Maybe you saw the following article from [www.usatoday.com](http://www.usatoday.com) in the news this week:

*She saw the antlers and a big brown body in the bushes. And with one shot from her rifle Saturday, Abby Wilson, 14, killed what she thought was a very large white-tailed buck. It wasn't. It was an elk.*

*"She called her dad, who was hunting nearby, and her dad realized it was an elk," said Tom Strother, protection regional supervisor for the Missouri Department of Conservation. The dad called our agent in Boone County, Adam Doerhoff, and said, "We think we just shot an elk."*

*Doerhoff said he was surprised to get that call and thought it probably wasn't an elk, noting that animal misidentifications are very common. "The dad sent me a photo to my phone and it was very clear that, yes, that's an elk," Doerhoff said. "You don't expect to see something like that. I've learned to never say never."*

*Missouri has no hunting season for elk, though MDC is growing a herd in southeast Missouri after reintroducing elk to their native habitat at Peck Ranch Conservation Area in 2011. Strother said the elk that Abby shot was more than 200 miles away from that Peck Ranch herd, in an area between Hallsville and Centralia. It took five men to load the elk into a truck, where MDC is doing a number of tests on the carcass.*

This 14-year-old girl clearly made a mistake. She thought she saw something she didn't, but it boils down to something that was not her fault - this elk was simply not where it was expected to be.

As Christians in the world today, we should stick out like the elk because we are somewhere that we do not belong. We are light in a world of darkness. Yes, sometimes there is a price to pay for that, but do not let that push you from walking on the path less chosen. In all things, remember **Romans 12:2**, which says, *"Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect."*

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## Sunday, November 19, 2017

<p><b>Prayer List Updates</b></p> <p>Darlene Hetler – Shingles Pat Bolar – new medication causing drowsiness Kimzey Cagle – hope medication change helps Laverne Thomas – Kimzey’s Grandma had a stroke Welcome to the world, Conner James</p> 	<p><b>Upcoming Events</b></p> <p>Dec. 9, 10am ladies’ brunch and ornament exchange at Pam Beach’s home; bring a wrapped ornament</p> <p><b>Memory Verse</b></p> <p>Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good: His love endures forever.</p> <p>I Chronicles 16:34</p>	<p><b>November Haiti Needs</b></p> <p>hard candy toothbrushes toothpaste</p> <hr/> <p><b>Correspondence Course Ministry</b></p> <p>week of November 12-18: 10 lessons graded</p> <hr/> <p><b>Last Week’s Attendance</b></p> <p>Sunday morning worship: 41 Sunday evening: 27 Wednesday evening: 31 After School Special: 59 kids, 9 adults</p>
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## Weekly Service Assignments

<p><b>Sunday Morning</b></p> <p>Bible class: 9:45 am worship: 10:45 am</p>		<p><b>Sunday Evening</b> 6:00 pm</p>	
First Prayer	Rudi Cagle	First Prayer	Rudi Cagle
Announcements	Ken Beach	Closing Prayer	Joel Ingram
Second Prayer	Jerry Bolar	Lord’s Supper	Matthew Sills Larry Brooks
Scripture Reading	Josh Vires	<p><b>Wednesday Evening</b> 7:00 pm</p>	
Lord’s Supper	1. Braden Drury 2. Rudi Cagle	First Prayer	Larry Brooks
Closing Prayer	3. Larry Brooks 4. Justin Beach Larry Towell	Closing Pray	Joel Ingram