

If you haven't already, you'll face moments when you wonder if Jesus is really worth your life. Or maybe you've never seen Jesus as worth much at all. Is the man named Jesus really someone to behold and someone to hold on to? Should we put our faith in him?

Our lives in the west are all about choice. We keep our options open. We demand the right to have a choice about everything. We'll say "yes" knowing we might stumble upon a better choice with the option to choose it later. As one pastor has said, "too many of us worship at the altar of the god of options".

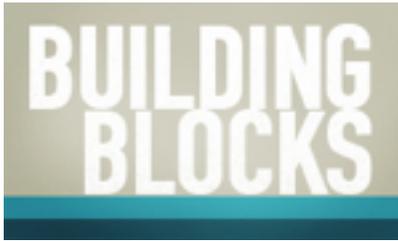
So it may come as a shock the way in which Hebrews speaks about Jesus—as if Jesus is really the only one option. He is higher than angels and more faithful than money. We can find rest in him and he never changes. His discipline is love and he never changes. The salvation he made on the cross is secure in Heaven. He is the very imprint of the nature of God and he upholds the universe by the word of his power.

Simply, Jesus is the better choice. He is our only hope for eternal life, he is the the anchor of our souls, and he is the eternal savior.

Have you forgotten the supremacy and worth of Jesus? Would you consider him? Join on Sundays starting August 14th.

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Quarter 3 2016 Blocks - July 3-September 18

**JOIN US SUNDAYS
AT 9:30am**

ADULT BLOCKS

Christian Theology

Location: 2nd Floor Conf. Rm - Led by Pastors Nathan and Alex

This block we will seek to arrange the whole of Biblical teaching into logical, topical divisions. This, then, allows for the formulation of doctrine and helps us to construct an overall view of the nature of God, as He has revealed Himself in Scripture, and the manner in which He interacts with His creation.

Jesus in the Old Testament

Location: Fellowship Hall - Led by Brian Wallace

Jesus repeatedly communicated that the Old Testament Scriptures spoke about Himself [Lk 24:27, Jn 5:39, Jn 5:46-47]. If you desire to understand more clearly how Jesus could make such statements, consider attending the "Jesus in the Old Testament" building block. This engaging and enlightening block will look at MANY Old Testament texts. See [website](#) or email [briantds@gmail.com] for more information.

Philippians

Location: 1st Floor Rm 103 - Led by Steve Sivells

The book of Philippians challenges Christians to remember their true identity as citizens of God's kingdom, especially when faced with difficult circumstances and painful trials. Helping us grasp the apostle Paul's gospel-centered exhortation to endurance, this guide explains the biblical text with clarity and passion - encouraging us to joyfully imitate Christ in the midst of hardship.

YOUTH BLOCK (6th-12th grade)

How to Study the Bible

Location 3rd Floor - Led by Stephanie Lindsey

One of the main regular means of grace in the Christian life is reading the Bible. In the Word of God is truth, direction, wisdom, and righteousness. It is of utmost importance for our students to know how to mine for the treasures within.

KIDS BLOCKS (0-5th grade)

Children Desiring God

Aimed to impart to children a vision of God, who He is, and who we are in relation to Him, and to establish them with a foundation of doctrine and truth.

LADIES' SUMMER BIBLE STUDY

We meet every **Wednesday at 6:30pm** throughout the summer at the church. We are studying James and Ephesians.

BOOK HIGHLIGHT

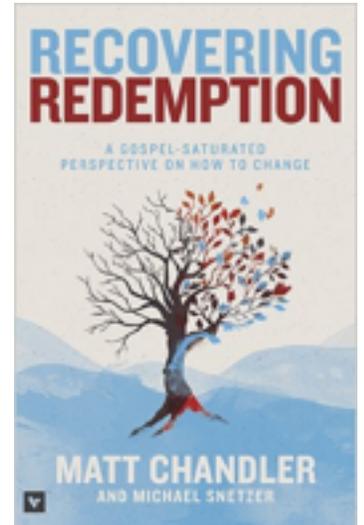
Recovering Redemption

A Gospel-Saturated Perspective on how to Change
by Matt Chandler

Recovering Redemption, written with a pastor's bold intensity and a counselor's discerning insight takes you deeply inside yourself, discovering that the heart of all our problems is truly the problem of our hearts. But because of what God has done, and because of what God can do, the most confident, contented person you know could actually be *you*—redeemed through Jesus Christ.

This book is connected to the August 26th-27th STEPS Intensive. See the easel display in the sanctuary for more information.

Pick up a copy from the book stall at the back of the sanctuary. Suggested Donation \$10.



RECOVERY INTENSIVE

Come to Plano for Recovery Ministry Intensive // August 26-27

In August we'll take a group to Plano to attend a Steps Study Intensive. This is a Friday night and Saturday intensive look at their Steps Study which seeks to help individuals recover from sin struggles through redemption of the gospel of Christ.

We are attending this intensive to investigate how this ministry could be used at Milwood for our members and the community around us.

Recovery Ministry — Special Offering

Dear members, we want to take up a special offering to support members attending the STEPS intensive in Plano at The Village Church. This is an opportunity for us to give above and beyond our tithe in order to support each other. At this time, several have already committed to going and we are finalizing cost and itinerary. Please prayerfully consider supporting those who go on behalf of Milwood to learn more about the gospel in recovery ministry.

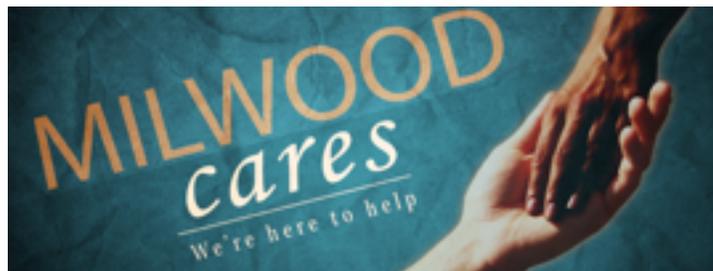
If you are able to help or interested please contact Nathan at nathan@milwoodbaptist.com.



Summitt Elementary School Supply Drive



Beginning THIS Sunday we will be collecting school supplies for Summitt Elementary. Bring school supplies to the church and place them in the bins at the back of the sanctuary. The deadline for donations is Sunday, August 21. Feel free to select as many items from the list as you like. All donations are gladly welcomed!



Milwood Baptist families are currently in need of our care. Please visit the care calendars below to see what needs you are able to meet at this time. Below is the address to the website and the codes to access each calendar and sign up.
website: carecalendar.org

Bryant - Transportation Needs ID: 222311 / Code: Jesus

LIFEGROUPS

Are you part of a LifeGroup? Find more information about our LifeGroups and how to join one on the Milwood Baptist Church website or call the office.

RECEIVING WEEKLY CHURCH NEWS?

If you aren't receiving the Milwood weekly email newsletter, go to the church website and sign up so you can get the latest updates and news about what is happening at Milwood Baptist Church.

You can also keep informed by liking our Facebook page: Milwood Baptist Church or following us on Twitter: Milwoodbaptist



Awana happens on Sundays at 4pm during the school year.

For more information please contact Tom Nelson (512.731.3184).

MILWOOD EVENTS CALENDAR

AUGUST

- 6 - Membership Class (9a-12p)
- 7 - Prayer Service (5p)
- 12 - Family Fun Night (6p)
- 26-27 - Recovery Ministry Intensive
- 28 - Baby Dedication

SEPTEMBER

- 4 - Church Family Meeting
- 11 - Christian Response to American Politics in 2016 (5-6:30p @ High Pointe Baptist Church)

October

- 1 - Membership Class (9a-12p)
- 29 - Fall Fest (6-8p)

November

- 13 - Church Family Meeting
- TBD - Operation Christmas Child Pack/ Thanksgiving Dinner

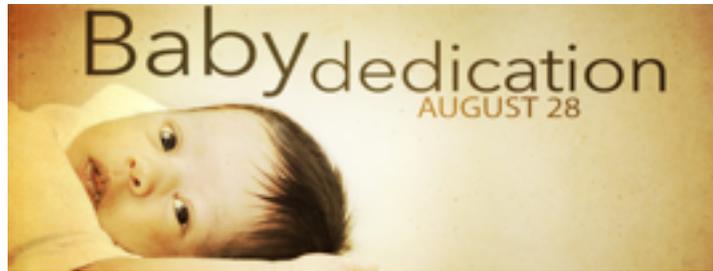
December

- 3 - Membership Class (9s-12p)
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STUDENTS



Students 6th-12th grade are studying Isaiah. Come out Wednesday nights at 6:30 for food, fellowship and sharing God's message. Contact Alex for more information.



Baby Dedication - August 28th

We invite members to bring their children two and under in front of the church in order to commit them to the Lord. Baby dedication is a commitment on the parent's part to raise their children in the ways of the Lord. It is also a commitment on the church's part to join you in this ministry. Children are a heritage and gift from the Lord. This will be a special day. Please contact Pastor Nathan at nathan@milwoodbaptist.com if you would like to dedicate your child or if you have any questions.

SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION SEMINARIES

The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky (1859);
The Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas (1908);
New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary in New Orleans, Louisiana (1917);
Gateway Seminary of the Southern Baptist Convention in Mill Valley, California (1944);
The Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary in Wake Forest, North Carolina (1951);
Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Kansas City, Missouri (1957).

- Thank God that the seminaries of our convention are healthy and increasing in enrollment
- Pray for their faithfulness and purity in Gospel teaching and living
- Pray for an increased enrollment of gospel ministers and missionaries
- Pray that this time spent training will bear fruit across the world and across lifetimes



CHURCH PRAYER POINTS



PRAY FOR THE CHURCH

PRAY FOR OUR MEMBERSHIP

-Key Verse: Romans 15.13

-Pray that Milwood would grow in joy rooted in God as we seek to build up the body of Christ for the glory of God.

- Pray for the member care list
- Pray for members (last name) A-D
- Pray for Peter Nelson and the Nelson family in health issues
- Pray for Nancy and Steve Moore as they care for their family with health issues
- Pray for comfort and peace for Megan and Brandon Fuller and for their family in the loss of their nephew

PRAY FOR UPCOMING EVENTS

PRAY FOR THE WORLD

- Pray for our members traveling to the Steps program in Plano and the recovery ministry at Milwood
- Pray for the family transitions from summer to fall
- Pray for Family Fun on August 12
- Pray for Summit Elementary service opportunities
- Prayer for the September 11 politics forum

- Pray for the Middle East and growing terrorist threat
- Pray for the presidential election and wisdom for the voters
- Pray for racial reconciliation and love and against tensions and hate—starting in the church