

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".

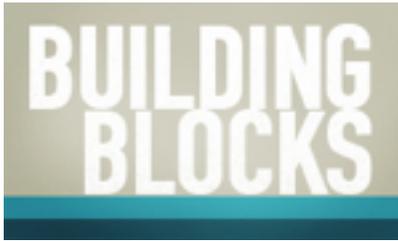
So it may come as a shock the way in which Hebrews speaks about Jesus—as if Jesus is really the only one option. He is higher than angels and more faithful than money. We can find rest in him and he never changes. His discipline is love and he never changes. The salvation he made on the cross is secure 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 25

**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.

Q4 Blocks will begin on October 2.

Watch for announcements about classes offered

Feasting and Fasting - Thursday Lunch (12-1pm)

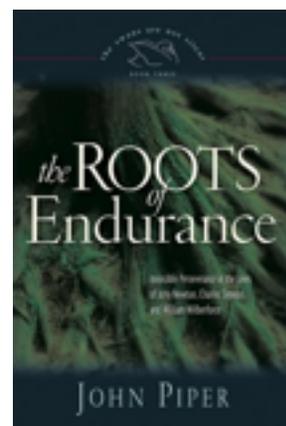
We invite men to fast from food and feast on God's word. We incorporate Bible study principals from Simeon Trust to build men up by equipping them to faithfully study and transmit the word of God. Contact nathan@milwoodbaptist.com if you are interested. Thursdays not work for you? Don't work close to the church? Call and we can try to make arrangements. Come when you can. Join us now on our study of Philemon. A new study starts Oct. 6.

BOOK HIGHLIGHT

The Roots of Endurance

Invincible Perserverance in the lives of John Newton, Charles Simeon, and William Wilberforce
by John Piper

John Piper's *The Roots of Endurance* gives us a picture of three men who persisted when it appeared they could not. So if for years you've prayed the same prayer and it seems unanswered, if it seems like one catastrophe after another claims what little faith you have, if bitterness has set in and will not budge, read about the lives of Newton and Simeon and Wilberforce, and learn no only to finish the race but to finish it stronger than when you began.



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

First Sunday Prayer Meetings - 5pm

The first Sunday of each month we will come together to take our burdens and the work of our mission to God.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



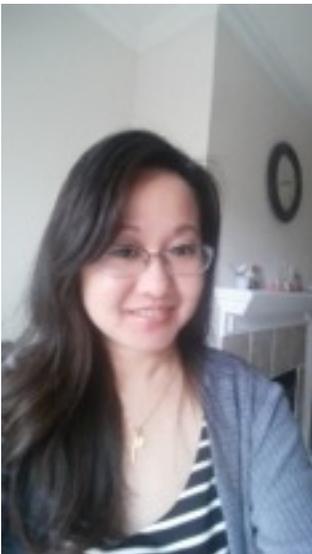
Roy Christian

I was born in Seminole, Texas. My wife Judy Christian and I have two daughters (Stephanie and Andrea). I am retired, but also do part time photography. We live close by in the Milwood subdivision and my hobbies include photography, movies and genealogy.



Fe Juan

I was born in the Philippines. My husband Leonardo and I have three children (Nerissa, Joyce and Juan). I attended Far Eastern University Philippines. My occupation is working in the home. I live in northwest Austin and enjoy reading and watching television.



Nerissa Juan

I was born in the Philippines. My parents are Fe and Leonardo Juan. I attended University of the Philippines and Austin Community College. My occupation is global technical support engineer. I live in northwest Austin and enjoy reading and browsing online.

Pastor Nathan's New Blog Entry

What Do I Do With That Guest Over There?

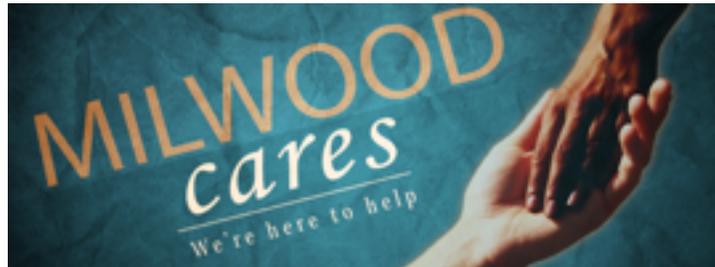
It's Sunday morning. You're at church heading for the service. Or you are in your chair just before the service starts. You notice someone in the foyer you've never seen before. You notice someone sitting over there and you don't know who they are. You are a Christian, a member of this church! and there is "sojourner" over there.

This scenario familiar to you? Assuming we know the "why" (joyfully building up...), what do we do?

Visit our website (www.milwoodbaptist.com) and click on the media>blog tab and read the full blog.

Ladies' Luncheon

Ladies, mark your calendars for Saturday, October 22 from 9:30am - 2pm. We will have a ladies' luncheon at the church. More details to follow.



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

[Bowman - New Baby](#) ID: 240293 / Code: 4832

STUDENTS



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

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



SPREADING THE LOVE OF GOD AT SUMMITT ELEMENTARY

We have identified several opportunities where we can serve at Summitt Elementary. Contact Nathan if you have questions or would like to volunteer.

MILWOOD EVENTS CALENDAR

September

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

October

1 - Membership Class (9a-12p)
2 - First Sunday Prayer Meeting (5p)
14-15 D-Now (youth)
21 - Youth Social Event
22 Ladies' Luncheon (9:30-2p)
31 - Fall Fest/OCC (6-8p)

November

6 - First Sunday Prayer Meeting (5p)
13 - Church Family Meeting
16 - Thanksgiving Dinner/OCC (6:30-9p)
23-25 - Church Office Closed

December

3 - Membership Class (9a-12p)
14 - Youth Christmas Party

SCOTT ZELLER at Redeemer Church in Dubai

Family: Expecting child number 4 in September. Pray for my wife and our family as we welcome the new one.

Redeemer Church: Historically in September, they see a lot of growth in attendance as new people move to the city after the hot summer. Pray for many to hear the gospel and believe!

Training and Seminary: This month, they are launching a year-long training cohort of 16 students who will study the bible, theology, and ministry. Pray for Scott's ministry to them and their future ministry to the nations.



CHURCH PRAYER POINTS



PRAY FOR THE CHURCH

- Key Verse: 1 Corinthians 14:20
- Pray that we would be infants to evil and mature in our thinking, so as to joyfully build up the body of Christ for the glory of God

PRAY FOR UPCOMING EVENTS

- Pray for pre-school students and staff as they start this month
- Pray that the pre-school would bear fruit in gospel truth to families involved
- Pray that our church would show the servant's heart of Christ to Summit Elementary
- Pray for the September 11 politics forum to be building up the body

PRAY FOR OUR MEMBERSHIP

- Pray for the member care list
- Pray for members (last name) E-M
- Pray for Peter Nelson and the Nelson family in health issues
- Pray for the Bowmans and Fullers as they welcome their new babies into their family
- Pray for increasing diversity in order to more reflect the supernatural unity in Christ
- Pray for those who went on the Steps program and for future ministry opportunities

PRAY FOR THE WORLD

- Pray stability in Iran and the middle east
- Pray for religious liberty, that Christians might freely glorify God
- Pray for God's strength and perseverance as Christians endure suffering
- Pray for the flood victims in Baton Rouge, LA