



Why Focus on Adoption?

1) We Have a Great Gospel. Ephesians 1 tells that all who are in Christ have been adopted to God according to the purpose of his will. In Christ we *are* adopted.

2) We Have a Great Need and Opportunity. If just one family in every three churches in the US adopted a child there would be no more children waiting for a forever home.

3) To Glorify God. As we live out the nature and character of God which we see in the gospel, then God is on display to our community and our nation.

Preaching

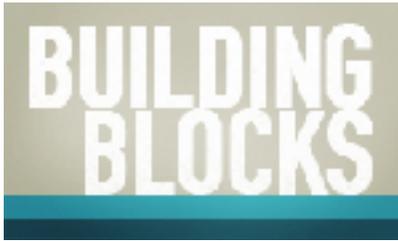
Two weeks we will hear from Chase Bowers, Missions Pastor at Temple Bible Church in Temple, Tx. Chase and his wife Laura (who spoke at Milwood's last luncheon) have adopted three children themselves, including two boys locally and one from Rwanda.

Sunday Nights in September

See the schedule below for the events scheduled for the month

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Quarter 3 2017 Blocks

July 2 - September 24

JOIN US SUNDAYS at 9:30am

ADULT BLOCKS

Romans

Location: Fellowship Hall - Led by Nathan Loudin

The book of Romans was Paul's greatest literary achievement, a majestic letter in which the apostle explores crucial doctrines such as original sin, election, substitutionary atonement, the role of the law, and justification by faith alone. This book, like few others, truly plumbs the theological depths of the gospel of God in the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Christ, Culture and Your Neighborhood

Location: 2nd Floor Conference Room - Led by Alex Sosler

How are we to think about the city of Austin? Do we keep it weird? How do we have meaningful conversation with our neighbors? How can we connect with people in our workplace that seem so different? This building block gives us some categories and ideas of how we can grow in loving our neighbors and glorifying God.

YOUTH BLOCK (6th-12th grade)

Evangelism

Location 3rd Floor - Led by Karl Grosz

Central to our identity as evangelicals is the "evangel" or messenger. We have good news (the gospel) to share. In this class, students will learn what makes this news good and how to share this good news with others.

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.

Adoption Luncheon - September 17 Chase Bowers Q and A (after worship)

Chase will share a bit about his adoptions and be open for Q and A after worship. Lunch will be provided. Please sign up at the back of the sanctuary if you plan to attend.

STEPS Begins Monday, September 11

Steps is a semester-long, heart-focused discipleship program, where participants learn to live out the gospel in daily life. Participants come to weekly meetings for teaching and small groups, complete daily homework and meet with a mentor as they seek to apply the gospel of Jesus to the heart of their sin.

Teaching and Small Groups will meet Monday nights at 6:30pm.

For more information contact *Pastor Nathan*.

Sunday Evenings at Milwood

We will have special events at Milwood on most Sunday evenings. Watch this space to learn about these upcoming events.

September 3 - First Sunday Prayer Service (5pm)

Join us as we pray together for adoption in Austin, in our church families, and for the orphaned in our state and county.

September 10 - Adoption Stories (5pm)

Bring your favorite lawn chair and join us for popcorn and a night of enjoying adoption stories.

September 17 - Church Family Meal & Meeting (5pm)

September 24 - STARRY Information Night (5pm)

Nita Riggins will speak to us at Milwood to give a clear picture of the need, challenges, and process of adoption. See more at <http://www.starry.org>.

Evangelism // Tuesday, September 12th

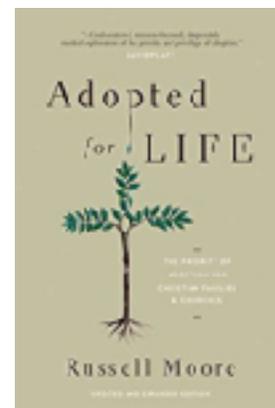
Meet at church at 6:30 for short prayer and primer. Bring a partner! Great to take someone from your Lifegroup and say, "Lets do this together".

New in the Bookstall

Adopted for Life

The Priority of Adoption for Christian Families and Churches
By Russell D. Moore

The doctrine of adoption—God’s decision to adopt sinful men and women into his family—stands at the heart of Christianity. In light of this, Christians’ efforts to adopt beautifully illustrate the truth of the gospel. In this popular-level and practical manifesto, Russell Moore encourages Christians to adopt children and to help other Christian families to do the same. He shows that adoption is not just about couples who have struggled to have children. Rather, it’s about an entire culture within evangelicalism—a culture that sees adoption as part of the Great Commission mandate and as a sign of the gospel itself.



Ladies' Bible Study

We will meet every Thursday this summer from 7-8:30 PM at Stephanie Lindsey's home, 5900 Sierra Grande Dr., Austin, TX 78759.

We will be studying Women of Faith in the Old Testament by Mary Davis. We will meet through mid-October.

Contact Stephanie Lindsey for questions.

Chicago Mass Choir In Concert at St. Stephens MBC

Saturday, October 7, 2017

7:00 pm - 10:00 pm

St. Stephens MBC 12300 Amherst, Austin, TX 78727
For Info: Minister Ambres Kearney 512-837-1196, EXT 19

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

MILWOOD EVENTS CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER

5 - First day of preschool
23 - Baby Shower for Kristen Jordan

OCTOBER

7 - Ladies' Luncheon (9:30am-2pm)
21 - Membership Class (9am-12pm)
31 - Fall Fest



PASTOR'S BLOG

Read the latest entries on our Milwood Blog by Pastor Nathan. Go to

milwoodbaptist.com/media

[17 Reasons to Gather Your Children With the Church](#)

[Satan Has Raged Against Me](#)

STUDENTS



Wednesday nights at 6:30pm. We seek to build a firm, gospel-centered foundation for students in middle school and high school through formative practices and through study of God's Word.

Mark your calendars! Here are our events for 2017

September 1: Lock-In

October 13-15: D-Now

Contact Alex for more information.

The prayer focus this month is included in the booklet "The Gospel of Adoption." Pick up your copy at the back of the sanctuary.
