



Good morning West Haven family! I'm excited for 2016 and what God has in store for His church. I've written quite a few tips and articles for our outreach ministry over the last several months, so I wanted to dedicate the next two articles to worship, specifically the songs that are part of our Sunday morning gatherings. I believe the process through which those songs are selected must be evaluated with tools that will build sound doctrine, uphold Biblical integrity, glorify God, and strengthen the church. I use six basic filters when selecting worship songs. I will start by covering filters 1 and 2 because they are non-negotiables.

Filter #1

Is this a song that gives all the focus and all the glory to my God and King? I love being a worshipper of God. I also love music of all shapes and forms that glorify God and speak of God Almighty and the relationship I have with Him. *I am firm* that my love for worshipping God takes ultimate priority over my love for music and songs style. *The song I sing is never equal to the God I love and serve.* I use this as my over-arching guide for song selection in our worship to God. As an example; I do not sing patriotic songs in worship. I love this country I live in, but it is not the affection of my worship.

Filter #2

Is this a song that upholds sound doctrine of scripture? God is my authority and His authority is defined in His holy word. *A song must be scripturally sound* before it can be deemed a song worthy of worship to God. The song Above All has some powerful words about Christ's death on the cross, but it falls apart doctrinally at the last phrase in the chorus which says, "like a rose trampled on the ground You took the fall and thought of me above all." According to scripture Christ's foremost thought about the cross was fulfilling the will of God. It's true that Christ's death on the cross is for our redemption, but the song places my value above God's will.

I find these two filters helpful for weeding out songs that take the focus away from God and His word. I encourage everyone to use these two filters for the songs you recommend for worship.



USHERS NEEDED

West Haven is in need of more men to sign-up to volunteer to usher on Sunday mornings. If you feel led to help out, please contact head usher John Worden, at john.worden@weitz.com or call him at (913) 238-8068. Thank you for serving.

SENIOR ADULT FELLOWSHIP

At noon on Monday, January 11th in the Fellowship Hall, the Senior Adults will be hosting a luncheon consisting of chili, all the trimmings, and dessert. You do not have to bring any food, but do bring a friend. Contact Rose Swain if you have any questions.

TEXTING SERVICE

One way that we like to keep in touch with our members is through texting. We use a text messaging system to send out important updates to our schedule, as well as cancellations and other notifications about church activities. If you would like to subscribe for this free service (text messaging rates do apply), please go to www.westhavenbaptist.org and click on "text messaging" and click the word "here" and you'll see the church name in blue letters - select it and fill out the form. Be sure to reply YES to the Opt-in request on your cell phone, so you can be sent messages.

INVITATION

Austin & Rachel Hable were married yesterday in Indiana. Please join us for a Kansas reception to celebrate their marriage: on Saturday, January 9, 2016 at 2:00-4:00 p.m. West Haven Baptist Church 1000 West Street Tonganoxie, KS If you plan to attend, please let Laurie know via Facebook, 913-775-0371, or lauriehable@gmail.com.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY SCHEDULES

Online is a compiled (Sunday School, Children's Church, & Nursery) children's ministry schedule, go to: <http://www.westhavenbaptist.org/#/downloadssermons/document-downloads>. Then scroll down to: "Children's Ministry Schedules". Just check out the website if you've forgotten where you signed up. Thanks! — Children's Ministry Team

CHURCHWIDE PRAYER MEETING

We know that a prayer less church is a powerless church. Thus, it's important for us to continue to pray for an awakening and a revival. So you can plan, here are the next scheduled prayer meetings: *Friday, Jan. 8 at 6:30 p.m., and Sunday, Feb. 7 at 5:30 p.m.* If you would like to volunteer for childcare for ages 0-3rd grade at any of the meetings, please contact Christina in the church office at christina@westhavenbaptist.org or (913) 369-9422. I hope to see you there! — Pastor Mike

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

You're invited to Brian Klamm's Adult Sunday School class which will start Jan. 10, 2016. The study will be in the gospel of Mark. The study will focus on: Serving Others as You Walk with the Master Servant. The book is by Warren Wiersbe which will guide learning and discussion. Also Todd Janseen invites you to his class which will study the book of Colossians. Feel free to contact Brian or Todd if you have any questions.

If your address, email, or phone number have changed please be sure to fill out the tear off card in the bulletin and mark accordingly. Thank you.

Sunday, January 3

Reminder: No S.S. classes
Pastor Ryon preaches & Kyle Anderson leads worship

Tuesday, January 5

6:00 a.m. Prayer Meeting

Wednesday, January 6

6:15 p.m. AWANA
6:30 p.m. The Well
6:30 p.m. Bible Study

Friday, January 8

6:30 p.m. Church wide Prayer Meeting (Train Station)

Sunday, January 10

New Adult S.S. classes begin
7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast
9:15 a.m. New Member Connection Class

Tuesday, January 12

6:00 a.m. Prayer Meeting

Wednesday, January 13

6:15 p.m. AWANA
6:30 p.m. The Well
6:30 p.m. Bible Study

Saturday, January 16

2:00-4:00 p.m. Reception for Austin & Rachel Hable

10:30 Worker Schedules

January 3

Children's Church (K-1st) – Shelley McGhee & Emmie Derzinski
(2nd-3rd) – Phil & Sarah Laundry
Bed Babies– Bill & Karyle Weatherford
Walkers– Brian & Jen Klamm
3 & 4 year olds– Lenora Baggett & Grace Windler

January 10

Children's Church (K-1st) – Shelley McGhee & Emmie Derzinski
(2nd-3rd) – Shawn & Dawn Sommers
Bed Babies– Sarah Breuer & Caitlyn Breuer
Walkers– Jon & Kristen Hain
3 & 4 year olds– Donna & Sara Osborne

Counters/Ushers

Counters: Mike Titterington & Eric Wylie

Ushers: Philip Laundry, Mike Derzinski, Dan Williams, & Jeff Sickman

Budget Info:

Weekly Budget Requirement: N/A
General Fund Receipts: N/A
Month to Date Budget Requirement: N/A
Month to Date Giving: N/A
Jamie Bates work email: jamie@batestaxservice.com

I would like to sign up for:

New Members' Class, Jan. 10th, 17th, & 24th (9:15-10:15 a.m.)

I would like to meet with someone about:

- How to be saved
- Being baptized
- AWANA Ministry (3 yr. olds-6th grade)
- Student Ministry (7th-12th grade)
- Senior Adult Ministry
- Other: _____

Prayer Requests:

Your name and relation to above:



“BE THE CHURCH” TIP

Winter break and summer break seem to be the most common times when people move. Moving in or moving out can be pretty overwhelming, and it's a great time to show people love. If you see your neighbors are moving out you might offer to help them pack and/or load. You might also offer to bring them some pizza. It's good to ask where they are moving. If you know someone or a church in their new community you can reach out to them and ask them to make an initial contact. For those moving into your neighborhood you can offer the same help of unloading, unpacking, and food. People that are moving in typically don't know a lot about the community, and it's an opportunity to share general community information. It's a great opportunity to ask where they came from and if they had a church family. It can be tough even for a believer to find a church home in a new community. Most of the time they will go by word of mouth over what denomination they were part of in the past.

— Pastor Ryon

MEXICO CHURCH & ORPHANAGE MISSIONS GIVING

In addition to the \$2,000 given by the Mission Team, you gave an extra \$965 for the property at Pastor Modesto's church in the squatters camp in Matamoros as well as for plumbing at the Children's Home just outside of Matamoros. Thank you for your generosity! Phil and Sarah Laundry will help with this project for a few days. When they return, we'll hear a report from them and hopefully have some pictures to show you as well. Thank you for you missions giving!

— Pastor Mike

REGULAR WEEKLY SCHEDULE

SUNDAY MORNING

Sunday School 9:15 a.m.

Worship Service 10:30 a.m.

Children's Church (Room 103)

WEDNESDAY NIGHT

AWANA 6:15 p.m.

Adult Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

Student Ministry-The Well 6:30 p.m.

Worship Attendance:

1/03/16

I am a: Guest or Member

Name:

Address:

Is this an address change? Yes No

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Children at home (age):

How did you hear about WHBC?

Are you on Facebook?

If so, what is your Facebook name:

Age Group:

13-19

20-29

30-39

40-49

50-59

60+

This is my:

1st time

2nd time

3rd time

Regular

CLASSES AND GROUPS

SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:15 A.M.

CLASS/TEACHER	AGE	LOCATION	CURRENT STUDY
Babies Brad & LuAnna Lingo	Birth-18 mo.	Nursery	
Walkers Nancy & Christina Millison	18 mos-2 yrs	Space Academy Yellow Room	A Sure Foundation
Pre-School Mike & Becky P.	3-4 years	Space Academy Orange Room	He Established A Testimony
5 yrs. — 7th grade Kathie		Space Academy Red Room	Faithful To All His Promises
3rd & 4th grade Missy		Space Academy	To Be Like Jesus
5th & 6th grade Michele Jenny			
Junior High Jen Kl			
Senior High Bob L			
Young Adults Kirk B			
Bible Teaching Class Pastor Mike & Tara			
Next Step Pastor Ryon & Jon Hain	All Adults		
Ladies' Class ReAnn French	Ladies, 18+	Conference Room (Office area)	
Adult I Keith Miller	All Adults	Fellowship Hall	History of the Church Part II
Adult II Gordon Brest	All Adults	Fellowship Hall	Finding Your Value in God
Senior Adults Ron & Gail Robbins	Senior Adults	Room 201 (Top of the stairs)	Matthew

*We appreciate our Sunday School volunteers and want to give them a break for the holidays, so there will be no Sunday School classes for adults or kids on Dec. 27th or Jan. 3rd.
Merry Christmas!*

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