

Pastor's Note



God bless you today! We are in 1 Peter 3 as we look at part two of my sermon "How To Love Life And See Good Days." Next week, I want to isolate on the phrase in 1 Peter 3:15 "sanctify Christ as Lord in your heart." The week after that, we'll look 1 Peter 3:13-17. All of these verses contain crucial instruction and encouragement as we seek to "Be The Church" in 2016!

Thanks for your faithful giving in 2015. While we didn't quite meet budget, we were able to retire \$154,764 of the principal on our debt last year. That is a testimony to God's faithfulness and your graciousness. I am praying for the day we are debt-free. We are blessed with the building we have. Future generations will be blessed by what we do today. A building gives a church visibility, stability and credibility in a community. You can help us retire debt faster by giving to our building fund directly. Also please keep West Haven in mind in your estate planning. Tara and I just modified ours. We want to be able to bless the church even after we are home!

Mike Derzinski is now our head usher. Mike and Becky have been faithful members since before I came here almost ten years ago. If you would like to serve as an usher, please contact him. If you would like to serve our children through nursery, Children's Church or AWANA, let me know. There is always a place God has for you to serve!

Bao, Mike

Associate Pastor's Note



Worship songs part two

A few weeks ago I covered two filters our praise band uses when choosing worship songs. If you missed that article those filters are:

1. Does the song give all the glory to God and
2. Is it a song that upholds sound doctrine. The second set of filters used to choose Sunday morning worship songs are more pragmatic and

have less priority over the first two filters.

Filter #3 Can the worship team play the song fluidly?

Some songs are just too musically technical or awkward. Those songs range from modern day worship songs to some of the old classic hymns.

Filter #4 Is the song easy to sing? The phrasing of some songs can be difficult. The key of a song or the range of notes may be unrealistic for anyone other than a performer.

Filter #5 Does this song unify the church? Some songs have more of a church wide impact while others focus on an individual's relationship with God. We prioritize finding songs that engage the entire church in worship.

Filter #6 Is the church connecting with the song? We use a "three tries you're out" rule for all songs. The third time a song is used in worship, if the congregation is still struggling to sing or connect with it, we discard it.

John Swain

Evangelize

Church Wide Prayer Meeting-TIME CHANGE

Let's have our next church wide prayer meeting at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 7 in the Train Station. We'll start by observing the Lord's Supper. Then we'll pray. Afterwards, can you stay and watch the Super Bowl. In these "days of Noah" let's pray with one another and pray all the more as you see "the day drawing near."

— Pastor Mike

July 9-15th Mexico Mission Trip

We are going back to Matamoros, Mexico for a summer mission trip with Steve Smith of Focus on Missions on July 9-15. We do not know at this time what we will be doing but we are always flexible and find much profitable work to do. If you want to reserve those dates now, we will let you know more as we have more details. I am grateful that Christ will allow us to continue to invest in the work there.

— Pastor Mike

Connect

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

Giving Statements

Please drop by the Welcome Center and pick up your West Haven Baptist Church Contribution Statements for 2015. They are in alphabetical order by last name. Thank you.

Phone Lines

Our phone lines are currently down in the church office. If you need to contact the office or any staff, please use email. A list of emails can be found under "Our Staff" in the bulletin. Thank you.

Senior Adult Fellowship

Following church service on Sunday, February 7th in the Fellowship Hall, the Senior Adults will be hosting a luncheon for Seniors age 62 and older. The Senior Class will furnish baked potatoes. Please bring a salad, toppings, or dessert. Please RSVP by January 31st to, Rose Swain at (913) 271-6250.

Connect

This Week

Sunday, January 24
9:15 a.m. New Member Connection Class

Tuesday, January 26
6:00 a.m. Prayer Meeting

Wednesday, January 27
6:15 p.m. AWANA
6:30 p.m. The Well
6:30 p.m. Bible Study

Get our most current calendar at www.westhavenbaptist.org.

Next Week

Tuesday, February 2
6:00 a.m. Prayer Meeting

Wednesday, February 3
No Wednesday Activities- TES out of school

Sunday, February 7
4:00 a.m. Church wide Prayer Meeting (Train Station)
Noon Senior Adult Fellowship

Monday, February 8
7:00 p.m. Deacon Meeting

Tuesday, February 9
6:00 a.m. Prayer Meeting

Wednesday, February 10
6:15 p.m. AWANA
6:30 p.m. The Well
6:30 p.m. Bible Study

Facebook



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www.facebook.com/pages/westhavenbaptistchurch
www.facebook.com/pages/westhavenstudentministries
www.facebook.com/westhavenawana

Budget Information

Weekly Budget Requirement: \$8,726.72

General Fund Receipts: \$9,803.25

Month to Date Budget Requirement: \$26,280.16

Month to Date Giving: \$26,081.26

Member Information

1/24/16

I am a: Regular or Member

Name:

Address:

Is this an address change?

Yes No

Phone:

Email:

Children at home (age):

Prayer Requests:

Your name and relation to above:

New to West Haven?

- Our nursery is located at the north end of the lower level. You can leave your infants or preschoolers in a warm, caring and well-supervised environment. You will be given a pager that will immediately alert you if your child needs attention.
- Children's Church for children K-2nd grade is located on the north side of the lower level in Room 103.
- Please complete the tear-off in this worship folder entitled "Visitor Information" and pass it to the inside of your aisle at the end of the service during our time of tithes and offerings.
- Believers are to be connected to a church for their good and God's glory! You can become a member of West Haven by being baptized by immersion upon your profession of faith; by transferring your membership from another Southern Baptist Church; or by a statement of faith, having been baptized by immersion in a church like belief. Pastor Mike or Pastor Ryon would be glad to talk to you further about this. We prefer that all desiring membership attend a New Member's Connection Class, which is offered periodically throughout the year. You can indicate your interest by checking the appropriate box on your information card attached to the bulletin, or by emailing your request to christina@westhavenbaptist.org.
- Women with babies/nursing mothers— we offer a cry room located in the northwest back corner inside our worship center. It is equipped with recliners, a changing table, a few necessities, and a TV that broadcasts the service.

Our Staff

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Visitor Information

1/24/16

Age Group:

13-19

20-29

30-39

40-49

50-59

60+

This is my:

1st time

2nd time

3rd time

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Children at home (age): _____

Are you on Facebook?

If so, what is your Facebook name: _____

If you have questions about West Haven Baptist Church, please visit: www.westhavenbaptist.org or feel free to call the office (913) 369-9422.

Grow

How To Love Life And See Good Days (Part 2)

1 Peter 3:8-12

January 24, 2016

Pastor Mike Bronson

1. THE _____ OF CHRISTIAN CHARACTER

2. THE _____ OF CHRISTIAN CHARACTER

1 Peter 3:9 (HCSB) not paying back evil for evil or insult for insult but, on the contrary, giving a blessing, since you were called for this, so that you can inherit a blessing.

Leviticus 19:18 (HCSB) Do not take revenge or bear a grudge against members of your community, but love your neighbor as yourself; I am Yahweh.

Proverbs 20:22 (HCSB) Don't say, "I will avenge this evil!" Wait on the LORD, and He will rescue you.

Proverbs 24:29 (HCSB) Don't say, "I'll do to him what he did to me; I'll repay the man for what he has done."

Romans 12:17 (HCSB) Do not repay anyone evil for evil.

3. AN _____ OF CHRISTIAN CHARACTER

1 Sam 21:11 (HCSB) "the servant of Achish said . . . 'Is this not David the king of the land? Did they not sing of this one as they danced saying, 'Saul has slain his thousands and David his ten thousands?'"

A. _____

1 Peter 3:10 (HCSB) For the one who wants to love life and to see good days must keep his tongue from evil and his lips from speaking deceit

James 3:5-6 (HCSB) So too, though the tongue is a small part of the body, it boasts great things. Consider how large a forest a small fire ignites. And the tongue is a fire. The tongue, a world of unrighteousness, is placed among the parts of our bodies. It pollutes the whole body, sets the course of life on fire, and is set on fire by hell.

B. _____

1 Peter 3:11 (HCSB) and he must turn away from evil and do what is good.

C. _____

1 Peter 3:12 (HCSB) because the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous and His ears are open to their request. But the face of the Lord is against those who do what is evil.



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