

Pastor's Note



Thank you for giving us this day, Lord Jesus! We observe both church ordinances today with two baptisms and the Lord's Supper. We'll learn about faith and how to apply it to our lives. Let the words of our mouth and the meditation of our heart be acceptable in Your sight, O Lord (Psalm 19:14).

If you were here last Sunday, you know that we are planning a mission trip to an orphanage in Honduras next spring. I'm excited that some of you want to be part of the organizational team to work on the details. If you would like to be part of that team, please contact Sarah Laundry at laundysjoy@gmail.com. (Being part of the organizational team doesn't mean you are making a commitment to go.) Please pray about being part of the team. Here are the details as we know them today:

*The primary goal is to dig a well. The orphanage depends primarily upon rainwater for its needs.

*The caretaker was raised in that orphanage. He and his wife care for 100-110 children.

*We will be led by a small mission organization led by an attorney and her husband. It is named Foundation Missions, Inc., just north of Baton Rouge, La. Myself and two of the members of our Missions Team, Sarah Laundry and Jennifer Belcher, attended a Skype call with her on Feb. 25. They have been to Honduras 20 times.

*The orphanage depends upon private support to exist. They are regulated by the government but receive no funding.

*They can provide translators but a working knowledge of Spanish is helpful.

*A church in Missouri and a church in Louisiana may partner with us.

*There are a large number of potential projects a team or teams can tackle while there. Possibilities include an eyeglass clinic, children's and adult Bible studies, door-to-door food and Bible distribution (households are multi-generational and there is usually one literate person there), build bathrooms, work on a church, hold revival services, basketball evangelism and other possibilities.

*There are two places to stay near the orphanage. One is a hotel. The other is a series of small cabanas.

As it is with any mission work, flexibility is crucial. Details will change on a regular basis! Please pray about going! West Haven has been used remarkably over the past decade in a variety of ways. The one area we've not made an impact is globally. Let's work on fully obeying the Great Commission!

This also fits with our "Be The Church" emphasis. We think this is something unbelievers may latch onto. We are planning our annual 5K for May 13. However, we are unable to use the school so we are applying to the city. We would start the 5K from our parking lot. Jennifer Belcher made a presentation on this project to the Tonganoxie Chamber of Commerce board of directors and they gladly agreed to promote this to local businesses. I think the "spin-off" potential is great.

Thanks for being a church that loves God and loves people!

Bro. Mike

Connect

New to West Haven?

- Thanks for coming! I hope to meet you today! – Pastor Mike
- There is a cry room located in the southwest corner inside the worship center. It is equipped with recliners, a changing table, a few necessities, and a TV that broadcasts the service.
- The 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. After drop-off you will be contacted via text message if needed.
- Children's Church for children K-2nd grade is located on the north side of the lower level in Room 103.

Membership

- Church membership is valued at West Haven. It is a formal commitment to a local church for divinely given purposes: receiving and giving instruction in God's Word (1 Tim 4:13; 2 Tim 4:2), serving and edifying one another (Rom 12:3-8; 1 Co. 12:4-31; 1 Pet 4:10-11), participating in the ordinances, and proclaiming the gospel (Matt 28:18-20). It requires a system of leadership, direction, teaching, discipline, an agreed theology and a set of values directing how the church will carry out life together.
- The biblical basis of membership is seen in examples such as the early church (Acts 2:41, 47; 5:14; 16:5), the establishment of church government (1 & 2 Tim, Titus), the context of epistles, and the exhortation to church discipline (1 Cor 5, Titus 3:10-11). You can explore membership by contacting Pastor Mike at mike@westhavenbaptist.org or Pastor Ryon at ryon@westhavenbaptist.org. We'll meet with you on an individual basis, answer your questions and explain more about West Haven. The way to join is by being baptized by immersion upon your profession of faith, by transferring your membership from another Southern Baptist Church (Acts 18:27, Rom 16:1) or by a statement of faith having been baptized by immersion in a church like belief.

AWANA Calendar

March 8 — First Annual WHBC AWANA Hungry Games!

March 15 — Green Night, Clubbers will be designing cars

March 22 — No AWANA

March 29 — Sparks, T&T sand cars, Cubbies will paint their cars

April 5 — Cubbies Grand Prix at West Haven; Sparks, T&T paint their Grand Prix cars

April 12 — Annual AWANA Grand Prix (off church grounds), No Cubbies or Puggles

April 19 — Club parties, AWANA Store, and Awards night within each club

Prayer Meeting

Please join us this evening for a prayer meeting at 6 p.m. in the Train Station. Luke 21:36 (NASB) "But keep on the alert at all times, praying that you may have strength to escape all these things that are about to take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

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Witness Training—March 19

On **Sunday, March 19 at 5:30 p.m.**, Ryon and I will lead a "witness training" session in the Train Station. This will be an open-ended discussion of ways to open doors and start gospel conversations. We will provide you with some ways to build your confidence and give you ideas on how to share your faith. There will be childcare for ages 5 and under. We will have some specific presentations but much of the session will be guided by your questions. If you have questions regarding a specific situation, please let us know any time. We are glad to equip you in any way possible!

Bulletin and Website

Next week we will roll out a new bulletin format. The new format is designed to be user friendly and easy to navigate for visitors. It will have increased content in a couple areas that are critical to growing our church. Please understand these changes limit the content we can put in the bulletin. Our calendar page will simply be the event, place, time, and event leader to contact. Over the next few weeks we will also be updating the website information. We will strive to keep the site up to date and user friendly. Our goal is to keep communication effective and applicable to our church family and our guests.

Reminder: Spring forward...Get ready to move your clock ahead as Daylight Saving Time returns March 12.

This Week

Sunday, March 5

8:30-9:00 a.m. Donut Fellowship
Lord's Supper Observed
6:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting (Train Station)

Wednesday, March 8

6:15 p.m. AWANA (First Annual Hungry Games)
6:30 p.m. Student Ministry
6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study

Thursday, March 9

9:30 a.m. WOW Group Meets

Saturday, March 11

Student Ministry to City Union Mission

Reminder: set clocks ahead an hour before bed!

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

Student Ministry

Saturday, March 11

Assist at City Union Mission. Contact Nathan LaFave for details. He can be reached at: nathan@westhavebaptist.org.

Creative Arts Team Forming

A Creative Arts Team is forming under the leadership of Nathan LaFave. If you have technological skills, we could use your help! There are a number of things we can do to enhance worship and ministry of West Haven. For example, we would like to see if it's worth developing "YouVersion Events." We could use help with graphic design, website updating, computer troubleshooting and more.

If you would like to help and have any of these skills, please contact Nathan at nathan@westhavenbaptist.org or Pastor Mike at mike@westhavenbaptist.org. Thanks!

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Budget Information

Weekly Budget Requirement: \$8,714.81 Month to Date Budget Requirement: \$34,859.24
General Fund Receipts: \$16,594.00 Month to Date Giving: \$46,728.61

Upcoming Events

Sunday, March 12
Daylight Savings Time
7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast (Fellowship Hall)

Monday, March 13
Senior Adult Fellowship-see Rose Swain for details

Wednesday, March 15
6:15 p.m. AWANA (design cars)
6:30 p.m. Student Ministry
6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study

Thursday, March 16
9:30 a.m. WOW Group Meets

Friday, March 17
TES No School
6:30 p.m. Community-wide Prayer Meeting
Spring Break March 20-24, No AWANA or Student Ministry

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Living A Life Of Faith

Luke 7:1-10

March 5, 2017

Pastor Mike Bronson

1. AN _____ REQUEST

2. AN _____ RESPONSE

3. _____ REWARD

4. THE _____ OF A LIFE OF FAITH

A. Approach God With _____

B. Approach God Under _____

5. THE _____ OF A WALK OF FAITH

A. _____ Before You _____ It

B. _____ When You Don't _____ It

6. THE _____ OF A LEGACY OF FAITH



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