

Pastor's Note



I'm glad to see you on this wonderful Easter morning here at West Haven! If you are a guest, or if you haven't been to church in a long time, I want you to know I am thrilled that you've joined us this morning!

Easter is the day we celebrate the foundation of the Christian faith: the resurrection of Jesus from the dead.

When He was raised, He conquered death and defeated sin. When you repent (which means to reject all known sin and the attitude of rebellion against God) and you have faith in Jesus (completely trusting in Him for your salvation) you become what the Bible calls "saved." What are you saved from?

1. You are saved from the penalty of sin. The penalty of sin is eternal life apart from Jesus in a place called hell but when you repent and believe, you have eternal life! 1 John 2:25 (NASB) says "This is the promise which He Himself made to us: eternal life."

2. You are also saved from the power of sin. Once you are saved, you begin to grow in Christ. He empowers you to develop spiritually healthy habits such as regular Bible reading, prayer, church attendance and participation, worship, fellowship and ministry. The Holy Spirit teaches you truth as you are in the Word. As you grow in Christ, your desire to sin decreases. Your love for Him increases!

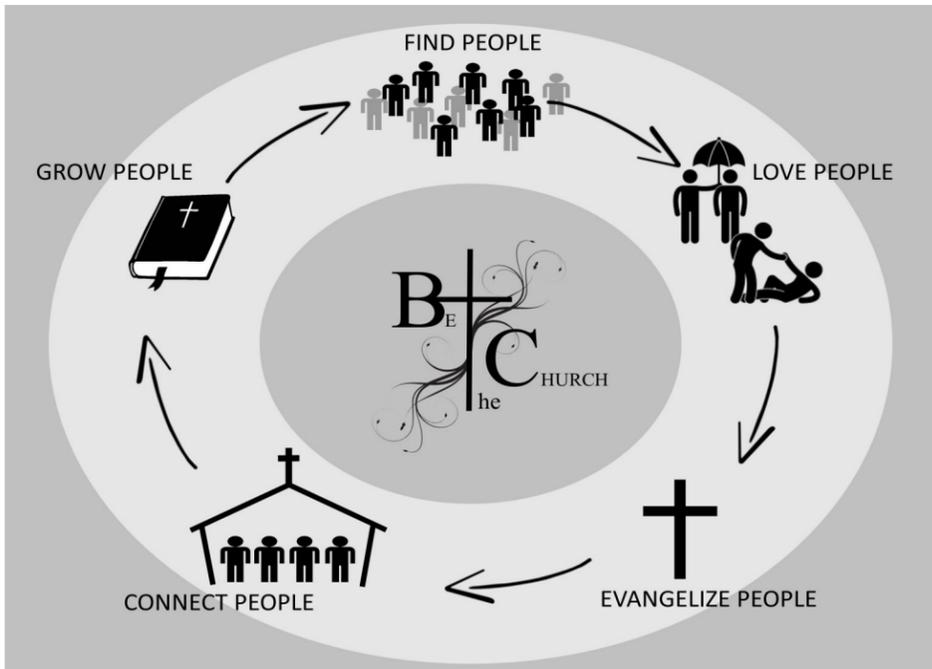
3. Finally, you are freed from the presence of sin. When you die, you go immediately into the presence of the Lord Jesus where there is no more sin. There is no more sorrow or suffering for the first things have passed away.

Every person needs this hope. I read a secular article this week. It concluded that the human race needs many things in order to survive and thrive but surprisingly, it said that what the world needs the most is hope. The problem is that the world puts its hope upon that which cannot deliver in the day of death. Most deathbeds are filled with regret. Money will not deliver on the day of death. All of the pleasure we accumulate will not be remembered. The only hope we have is Jesus! And He is not a cross-your-fingers type hope! He is not the type of hope that says "I hope the Royals win the World Series." When the Bible uses the word "hope", it means a certain expectation of things to come! Jesus died and rose again so that we can possess joy and peace in this life and that possess the certain hope of being in the presence of Jesus in the next life!

If you've never put your trust in Jesus, or you have questions about the faith, you are in the right place. What I or one of our deacons or many of our members would love to do is to have a conversation with you about doubts and questions. I would consider it a privilege. I wasn't saved until I was 23 years old and I had MANY questions. If you would like to be saved today, or if you have questions, please let me know. If you want to contact me directly, you can email me at mike@westhavenbaptist.org.

I can't tell you how glad I am to see you. I pray that this would be the day that every person here would leave experiencing the promise of 2 Corinthians 5:17: "If any man is in Christ, He is a new creation. Old things are passed away; behold, all become new!"

Bro. Mike



Associate Pastor's Note



Be The Church

The cycle of multiplication is a practical visual for implementing your "Be The Church" outreach. The first three parts of the cycle (find people, love people and evangelize people) describe the life of a Christian outside of the church.

1. "Finding people" refers to recognizing those people who live around you and those that God has placed in your path.
2. "Loving people" means you invest in the lives of those people and build relationships through selfless acts.
3. "Evangelizing people" is about sharing Christ through everyday conversations with the goal of personally leading someone to Christ.
4. The last two parts in the cycle are "connect people" and "grow people", both things that happen within the church.

a. "Connecting people" is the act of encouraging them to become participating members of the church. After a person is introduced to Christ they must become part of the church to enter into a relationship with other believers for accountability, stability, spiritual growth and fellowship.

b. "Growing people" is found by the study of God's Word. His Word not only helps develop a deeper understanding of God, it equips Christians to start the cycle over again and continue multiplying His kingdom.

John Paul

Evangelize

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**. If you have questions please visit with Sarah Laundry. I am grateful that Christ will allow us to continue to invest in the work there.

— Pastor Mike

Evangelize

Thank You

We would like to thank everyone who made donations this winter to help the homeless. Donations included over 75 Coats, several blankets, hats, gloves, scarves and blessing bags. Many were blessed with warmth and the gospel. Thank you West Haven for your generosity.

— Dan & Sherri Williams

Connect

Prayer Chain



Do you enjoy lifting others up in prayer? Join our prayer chain. You can receive prayer requests either by a text, an email, or a phone call. To sign up for the first time or update your information stop by the welcome center!

Churchwide Prayer Meeting

Please join us for a Churchwide Prayer meeting on **April 3 at 5 p.m.** The meeting will be held in the Train Station.

New Member Connection Class-New Dates

If you are thinking about becoming a new member of West Haven, please consider meeting Pastor Mike on **April 3, and 10 from 9:15 a.m.—10:15 a.m.** If you'd like to participate, please sign-up using the tear-off card in the bulletin or call the office at (913) 369-9422. This class is a great way to learn more about West Haven!

Budget Information

Weekly Budget Requirement: \$8,726.72

General Fund Receipts: \$13,414.00

Month to Date Budget Requirement: \$26,180.16

Month to Date Giving: \$30,550.25

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This Week

Sunday, March 27

8:30 a.m. Easter Breakfast

No Sunday School

10:30 Worship

Tuesday, March 29

6:00 a.m. Prayer Meeting

Wednesday, March 30

6:15 p.m. AWANA

6:30 p.m. The Well

6:30 p.m. Bible Study

Thursday, March 31

9:30 a.m. WOW (Women of the Word) group (Train Station)

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

New to West Haven?

Grow

- Please complete the Discover card in this worship folder and pass it to the inside of your aisle at the end of the service during our time of tithes and offerings.
- Women with babies/nursing mothers— we offer a cry room located in the southwest 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 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.
- 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.

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Next Week

Sunday, April 3

9:15 a.m. New Member Connection Class (Pastor Mike's office)
5 p.m. Churchwide Prayer Meeting

Monday, April 4

7:00 p.m. Deacon's Meeting

Tuesday, April 5

6:00 a.m. Prayer Meeting
6:30 p.m. Girls High School Bible Study (Train Station)

Wednesday, April 6

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

Thursday, April 7

9:30 a.m. WOW (Train Station)

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The Glorious Chaos Of The Resurrection

Luke 24:1-9, Matthew 28:11-15

March 27, 2016

Pastor Mike Bronson

1. AN _____ SOURCE

2. A _____ SCENE

3. A _____ STATEMENT

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