

## Pastor's Note



I've had a busier week than usual so I wasn't able to catch much of Monday night's debate. I listened on my phone for about 15 minutes and couldn't take it any longer. It's a sad day when those are our choices. I know many of you are wondering, "What is going to happen to our country?" Certainly, we can't expect the future to be

good in the absence of a nationwide repentance.

In today's sermon, I am going to mention that I grew up on the Mississippi River. You learn at an early age to treat the power of the river with great respect. When you stand on the banks, you can see the mighty flow of its current. Whatever gets in its way is carried quickly downstream. The current of today's culture is running hard and fast, it's growing wider and deeper and its direction is the same as the river – south. More and more are being pulled away by the current.

I've been going through 1 and 2 Kings in my quiet times. It's amazing how the people conformed to their rulers. Most were wicked. Out of all the kings of the southern and northern kingdoms, only Hezekiah and Josiah were called "good." But I read something very encouraging in the preface to 2 Kings in my Bible. It said, "Throughout this dark period, the Bible mentions 30 prophets who proclaimed God's message to the people and their leaders . . . even in the midst of terrible situations, God will have His faithful . . . remnant. He desires courageous men and women to proclaim His truth." Will that be you?

Our current situation may seem dire but consider the people who lived in the days of 1 and 2 Kings. Would you prefer to have been among the courageous sufferers or the mainstream of society? The mainstream is going downstream. We are called to swim upstream. Take heart! Jesus said, "Revelation 22:7 (NASB) And behold, I am coming quickly."

*Pastor Mike*

## Upcoming Prayer Meetings

Mark your calendars for our upcoming Prayer Meetings 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."

- Nov. 6
- Dec. 4

Childcare will try to be provided at these meetings. If there is anyone willing to help with childcare, please see Pastor Mike.

## Connect

### Prayer Meeting Tonight

Please join us tonight at 6 p.m. in the Train Station for an all church prayer meeting. Thank you.

### In Touch Ministry

We want to stay in touch with West Haven college students by sending them care packages periodically. If your child is a college student not living at home please help us include them. You can share their address with Reann French, [reann@runningr.com](mailto:reann@runningr.com).

### Leavenworth Co. Life Chain

The National Life Chain is the largest peaceful, prayerful, pro-life, public witness in the world. More than 1500 cities across the US and Canada are expected to participate today from 2:30-3:30 p.m. Please see the bulletin insert for more information.

### Senior Adult Fellowship

Monday, October 10<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 a.m. the Senior Adults will be having Breakfast here at the church in Fellowship Hall. Do not bring any food, but do bring a friend. See Rose Swain if you have any questions.

### Church Business Meeting

Sunday, October 16, there will be a Church Business Meeting following Worship. The meeting will take place in the Train Station. Please consider attending.

### Bulletin

If you have any bulletin announcements for Sunday, October 16, please turn them into the office by Monday, October 10 at noon. Thank you.

### Budget Information

Weekly Budget Requirement: \$8,726.72  
General Fund Receipts: \$9,257.00  
Month to Date Budget Requirement: \$34,906.88  
Month to Date Giving: \$41,588.25

### Backpack Buddy Program

This week: \$380.00  
Total given: \$7,642.00

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### The Storehouse

"The Storehouse" contains groceries that are no longer carried, are in damaged packages, or are past the "sell-by" date. These groceries are available to you or to your neighbors, courtesy of West Haven Baptist Church and Brothers' Market. They are located in the closet on the south end of the foyer. Feel free to buy groceries and add them to "The Storehouse." This can be used to open an evangelistic door to a neighbor or friend. The closet is only open on Sundays immediately after church and during activities on Wednesdays. We are unable to meet requests in the evening or weekends. Please help us keep the closet neat and clean. Thanks to Chris Small for the idea and for stocking the shelves!

### Backpack Buddies Program

Thank you for your generous giving to the "Backpack Buddy" food program for USD 464 Elementary School students. Our goal was \$4,000. The district's need was \$6,000. To date, you have given \$7,262! Another church has given approximately \$3,000 so there is approximately \$10,000 in the fund!

Due to the generous giving, a discretionary fund will be created. This fund will provide shoes, coats, gloves, lunch money etc. for children when the need arises. This way teachers and other school personnel will not need to pay out of their own pocket for these necessary items. If you have any questions about the Backpack Buddies program contact Jen Klamm.

Thank you so much for meeting the needs of our children in this community. Thanks for giving so freely and gladly! This honors the Lord. It is a good example of what we mean when we say "Be The Church."  
– Pastor Mike & Jen Klamm

## This Week

### Sunday, Oct. 2

6 p.m. Prayer Meeting (Train Station)  
After Worship-Stewardship Team Meeting

### Monday, Oct. 3

5-8 p.m. Fowler Visitation

### Tuesday, Oct. 4

11 a.m. Fowler Funeral

### Wednesday, Oct. 5

6:15-8:00 p.m. AWANA  
6:30-8:00 p.m. Student Ministry  
6:30-7:30 p.m. Worship Service

### Facebook



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[www.facebook.com/westhavenawana](http://www.facebook.com/westhavenawana)

## New to West Haven?

- 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-2<sup>nd</sup> 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](mailto:christina@westhavenbaptist.org).

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## Upcoming Events

### Sunday, Oct. 9

7 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast  
Lord's Supper

### Monday, Oct. 10

8:30 a.m. Senior Adult Fellowship  
Breakfast

### Tuesday, Oct. 11

6 a.m. Prayer Meeting

### Wednesday, Oct. 5

No AWANA or Student Ministry  
6:30-7:30 p.m. Worship Service

### Saturday, Oct. 15

8 a.m.-Noon Deacon & Deacon  
Wives' Retreat

### Sunday, Oct. 16

Church Business Meeting after  
Worship

## Am I Following Jesus?

Luke 5:1-11

Oct. 2, 2016

Pastor Mike Bronson

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October 2, 2016

