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West Hill

Church of Christ

All In

Does Anyone Understand?

By Robert Lupo

Focus 2026

It is hard growing up. In the short time leading to adulthood, a child can experience a wide variety of issues, tragedies, heartbreaks, losses, mistakes and disappointments. And, in the world teens are living in today, these challenges are compounded in ways that are hard for older generations to comprehend.

Sometimes, when children are experiencing the trials of life, the only thing that helps is knowing someone understands how they are feeling. Dealing with hurt can feel isolating and oppressive. In other words, it feels like the entire world is out to get them. So, hearing a word of advice or encouragement from someone that has been in their shoes can do wonders for making them feel normal and accepted.

Teens need to know that help is found in the adults in their lives at home and at church. Parents, grandparents, preachers, elders, and older men and women at church have valuable things to say to teenagers. There is no doubt that today's particular challenges are very different from what they had to deal with. But, that fact was still true when they were teenagers. The 60-year-old sister who has been married for 40 years was living in a world just as different from her elders as it is today. The Bible tells us in Ecclesiastes 1:9, "...That which has been is what will be, that which is done is what will be done, and there is nothing new under the sun." While the names and forms of issues change, their core causes stay the same.

Any teen reading this should know that while their elders never had to deal with online bullying or influencer culture, they understand what it is like to be ashamed, embarrassed, mocked, ridiculed or unloved. These feelings have always been present, and our seniors already learned to overcome them. Imagine what they can share with you to help you with your challenges. "My son, hear the instruction of your father, And do not forsake the law of your mother; For they will be a graceful ornament on your head, And chains about your neck" (Prov. 1:8-9).

Likewise, any older Christians reading this must accept their responsibility to give sound advice to the teens in their lives (cf. Tit. 2:6-8). If we are finding it difficult to relate, then look at the example of our Lord Jesus who did everything He needed to do in order to reach us. "Therefore, in all things He had to be made like His brethren, that He might be a merciful and faithful High Priest in things pertaining to God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people" (Heb. 2:17). You can relate if you're willing to try. God understands our needs. And He has given us the church to guide the youth through any trial they face.

Sunday: Worship 10:30am & Class 5:00pm

Tuesday: Benevolence 9:00-10:00am & Young at Heart Class 10:30am

Wednesday: Class 6:30pm

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“All In on the Next Generation”

There has always been the thought about the _____
_____.

- The Danger of _____
 - Judges 2:10-12 -... another generation arose after them who _____ the Lord nor the work which He had done for Israel.
 - Hosea 4:6 - My people are destroyed for lack of _____.
 - Big Picture
 - _____ decisions: 1-3 generations
 - Economic / _____ decisions: 3-7 generations
 - _____-level decisions: 7+ generations
- The Job at _____
 - _____ - Deut. 6:6-9; Matt. 28:19; 2 Tim. 2:2; Titus 2:1-8
 - _____ -Ps. 78:4-7
 - _____ - 1 Tim. 4
- The _____ Process
 - “_____” Mentality
 - Moses & _____ (Ex. 33:11 / Num. 11:28)
 - Elijah & _____ (1 Kings 19:21)
 - _____ & Disciples (Matt. 4:19)
 - Paul & _____ (1 Tim. 1:1-2 / 1 Cor. 4:17)
- What _____ Can Do!
 - _____ with & for them
 - _____ with them
 - _____ moments
 - _____
 - _____

The Pattern: Find someone to _____ you or find someone to _____!

“Apostamos todo por la próxima generación”

Siempre ha existido la idea sobre el _____ --
_____.

- El peligro de _____
 - Jueces 2:10-12 -... surgió otra generación después de ellos que _____ al Señor ni la obra que Él había hecho por Israel.
 - Oseas 4:6 - Mi pueblo es destruido por falta de _____.
 - Panorama general
 - Decisiones _____: 1-3 generaciones
 - Decisiones económicas/ _____: 3-7 generaciones
 - Decisiones a nivel de _____: 7+ generaciones
- El trabajo en _____
 - _____ - Deuteronomio 6:6-9; Mateo 28:19; 2 Timoteo 2:2; Tito 2:1-8
 - _____ -Salmo 78:4-7
 - _____ - 1 Timoteo 4
- El proceso de _____
 - Mentalidad “_____”
 - Moisés y _____ (Éxodo 33:11 / Números 11:28)
 - Elías y _____ (1 Reyes 19:21)
 - _____ y discípulos (Mateo 4:19)
 - Pablo y _____ (1 Tim. 1:1-2 / 1 Cor. 4:17)
- ¡Lo que _____ puede hacer!
 - _____ con y para ellos
 - _____ con ellos
 - _____ momentos
 - _____
 - _____

El patrón: ¡Encuentra a alguien que te _____ o encuentra a alguien que _____!

Congratulations Westhill Seniors 2026

Grayson Baumgartner

Ryder Newman

Cash Hendrix

Senior Banquet to honor Westhill's graduating seniors
will be May 24 6:30-8pm in the Outreach Center.

Church Leadership & Westhill Works

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Community Outreach

Addiction [Recovery](#) Counseling
Benevolence Program

Food for Fitness
Forever His

Local Missions

Bear Valley - Wayne Jones
Cherokee Children's Home
Disaster Relief
The Jenkins Institute
Knoxville School of Preaching
Memphis School of Preaching
[WVBS school.wvbs.org](http://WVBS.school.wvbs.org)

U.S. Mission Points

Tilton, NH & Mesa, AZ

Foreign Missions

Cameroon Preacher Training
India Preacher Training

Prayer Needs:

Teresa Shastid – Recovering well after shoulder surgery.

Matt Zaayer – Seeking treatment options for a spot in his jaw.

Tiffany Smith (daughter of Tanya Rowden) – Recovering from recent surgery.

Cooper Olsen – Recovering from ACL surgery.

Larry Rowden – Recovering after back surgery.

Doris Lynch (mother of Keri Barham) – Recovering from knee replacement surgery.

Janet Earles – Fell recently; thankful she was able to return home after hospital evaluation.

Kelley Tidwell (mother of Kari Newman) – Battling cancer; now at home on hospice care.

Family of Martha Dowdle – Martha passed away recently.

Family of Nira Jean McCoy (sister of Marcus Dancer) – Recently passed away.

Family of Dorothy Young (mother of Tremo Cote, former Westhill member) – Passed away April 27. Service: Kerens Church of Christ, May 9 (Visitation 10:00am Service 11:00am)

Continue to remember: Bronny & Ruth Watson, Dan & Rita Dominy, Eula Henry, Louie & Patty Williams, Nick Tooley, Bill & Beverly Abercrombie, Judi Olsen, Myrna Haufe, Barbara Gould, Royce Smith, & Loyd Ander

Announcements:

We're launching Lightpost, our new church communication platform. Our previous records were lost, so please open your **welcome email** asap, **activate your account**, and complete your profile to help us rebuild our directory and stay connected.

Mens Breakfast – Sat. May 9 @ 8:00am

Baby Shower honoring Dalton & Julianna Shastid – May 24, 3:00–5:00pm in the Parlor.

High School Senior Banquet – Sun. May 24 6:30-8pm

Young at Heart Classes – Tues. morning @ 10:30am

Westhill ARC (Addiction Recovery Counseling) meets weekly - contact Jay Mahoney

Staffed nursery available for babies up to 2 yr old.
Nursery Attendant this week: **Carolyn Milton**

Records for April 26, 2026

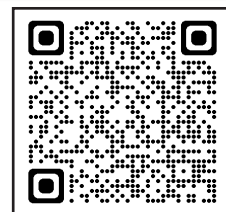
AM Worship..... 208
Contribution\$12,486

This Week's Birthdays

May 9 - Cohen Drain & Reese Jones
May 10 - Rusty Smith

Visitor Form

Thank you for joining us for worship! We would love to follow-up with you...



Privileged to Serve

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|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| AM Song Leader | Joshua Haden |
| AM Opening Prayer | Scott Barham |
| Scripture Reading | Paul Wells |
| Communion Leader | Marcus Dancer |
| Communion Servers | |
| Owen Warnes | Ethan Drain |
| Jason Burnett | Brent Stewart |
| James Olsen | Joe Haden |
| James Horn | Levi Haden |
| Marcus Dancer | Lukus Seat |
| AM Closing Prayer | Josh Newman |
| PM Song Leader | Joshua Haden |
| PM Opening Prayer | Paul Ross |
| PM Devo | Anthony Warnes |
| PM Closing Prayer | Cash Hendrix |
| Wed. Song Leader | Listan Ellis |
| Wed. Invitation | Matt Newman |
| May Worship Coord. | Matt Newman / David Shastid |
| May Elder of Month | Scott Barham |