

August 2, 2026

West Hill

Church of Christ

All In

Making Schoolwork God's Work

By Robert Lupo

Focus 2026

The new school year is only two weeks away. Hopefully, the summer has been a good recharge for our kids. But you can't be on break forever. At some point, you need to get back to work.

There is work that God expects young people to do. Sometimes, we think about going to school, paying attention to classes, and doing homework as work that our parents make us do. But the truth is that God cares about your schoolwork even more than your mom or dad.

Many of us are familiar with Colossians 3:20, where the Paul says, "Children, obey your parents in all things, for this is pleasing to the Lord." God expects you to listen to and do as your parents say. But God is not just interested in you getting the work done. God cares about how you get it done.

In verses 23 and 24 of the same chapter, Paul , continues, "And whatever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord and not to men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward of the inheritance; for you serve the Lord Christ." Paul uses an interesting word here. To do something "heartily" means to do something with all of your soul. You put your whole self into it. While mom and dad might be hoping you get an A on your next test, God is hoping that you do your absolute best.

In this chapter, Paul is giving commands for how different kinds of people are to act toward one another. He talks about husbands and wives, children and parents, and slaves and masters. Paul wants us to know that the command to work heartily is about our relationships with others. The way we approach the work that is set before us makes an impression on how people view us. If we put our all into the work we have to do at school, then people will have a positive opinion of you.

This is why God wants you to be the best student you can be. Not because he wants you to get smarter (which you will). Not because He wants you to have a chance to go to a better college (which you will). And, not because He wants you to get a great job (which you will). God wants you to be a good student because your good example can cause someone to want to become a Christian.

As young Christians, God has given you work to do—to be a light of the gospel in your school. So, you must do your best to use your time at school wisely. "Walk in wisdom toward those who are outside, redeeming the time" (Col. 4:5). It's time to get back to work. You will meet new teachers and make new friends. This year, make up your mind to make your schoolwork God's work by doing your very best.

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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Estranged Ephesus
ALL IN: Overcomers
Revelation 2 & 3 Series – Part 1

Helpful Alliterations

- _____ Ephesus
- _____ Smyrna
- _____ Pergamum
- _____ Thyatira
- _____ Sardis
- _____ Philadelphia
- _____ Laodicea

Commonalities with the letters

- _____ of Jesus
- Jesus states what He _____ about them
- Every Congregation is Highly Encouraged to _____
- “He who has an ear, let him _____” – Matt 7
- For the Five congregations that needed to, Jesus offers _____

Estranged Ephesus

Description of Jesus:

- Possessor of the _____
- Possessor of the _____ (2:1; 1:20)

I Know You:

- Past _____ (Info from Acts, Ephesians, 1 & 2 Timothy)
- Still doing _____

Why Repentance was Needed:

- You Left your First _____
- _____ where you used to be

Two Possible Outcomes:

- I will Remove your _____
- You can eat of the _____ of _____ if you OVERCOME

What if it read: To the angel of the church in _____? How would this change us?

Éfeso, la ciudad alejada
TODO EN: Vencedores
Serie Apocalipsis 2 y 3 – Parte 1

Aliteraciones útiles

- Éfeso, la ciudad _____
- Esmirna, la ciudad _____
- Pérgamo, la ciudad _____
- Tiatira, la ciudad _____
- Sardis, la ciudad _____
- Filadelfia, la ciudad _____
- Laodicea, la ciudad _____

Similitudes con las cartas

- _____ de Jesús
- Jesús declara lo que sabe de _____
- Se anima a cada congregación a _____
- El que tenga oídos, que _____ – Mateo 7
- Jesús ofrece _____ a las cinco congregaciones que lo necesitaban

Éfeso, la ciudad alejada

Descripción de Jesús:

- Poseedor de los _____
- Poseedor de las _____ (2:1; 1:20)

Te conozco:

- _____ pasados (Información de Hechos) Efesios, 1 y 2 Timoteo)
- Sigues haciendo el _____

¿Por qué era necesario el arrepentimiento?

- Dejaste tu primer _____
- _____ dónde estabas antes

Dos posibles resultados:

- Quitaré tu _____
- Podrás comer del _____ de la _____ si VENCES

¿Qué pasaría si dijera: Al ángel de la iglesia en _____? ¿Cómo nos cambiaría esto?

Westhill Church of Christ 2026 Summer Series

FAITH

June 3 (Jon McKenzie)
Maintaining **Faith** in Hard Times

June 10 (Evan Butler)
Saved by **Faith** (What does that
look like)

June 17 (VBS)

June 24 (John Gooch)
Building a Strong **Faith**

HOPE

July 1 (Adam Warnes)
Making a Defense of the **Hope**

July 8 (Garrett Sawyers)
A Living **Hope**

July 15 (Tim Cooke)
The God of **Hope** Gives **Hope**

July 22 (Leadership Initiative)

July 29 (Neil Steidolf)
False **Hopes** vs True **Hopes**

LOVE

August 5 (Jake Sledge)
Love Covers a Multitude of Sins

August 12 (Tyler Bush)
God Showed **Love**

August 19 (Stephen LuPlace)
Love Fulfills the Law

August 26 (Ferman Carpenter)
Love is how the World will know
we are His Disciples

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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

U.S. Mission Points

Tilton, NH & Mesa, AZ

Foreign Missions

Cameroon Preacher Training
India Preacher Training

Prayer Needs:

Larry Green has been transferred to Encompass Rehabilitation in Tyler, where he is expected to spend the next several days continuing his recovery.

Steve Phillips – Has begun chemo for cancer treatment.

Garnette Russell – Recovering well from pacemaker surgery.

Jeremiah Parrish – Continuing his recovery from injuries.

Becky Simpson – Recovering from a broken shoulder.

Stella Alvarez – Undergoing evaluation and treatment for digestive issues.

Continue to remember: Bronny & Ruth Watson, Dan & Rita Dominy, Eula Henry, Louie & Patty Williams, Nick Tooley, Bill & Beverly Abercrombie, Loyd Ander, Larry Rowden, Tiffany Smith, Cooper Olsen, Levi Haden, Cohen Drain, David Mahoney, Sandy Perryman, Myrna Haufe, Aubrey Parrish, Faith Beamon, & Baby Hank

Records for July 26, 2026

AM Worship..... 215
Contribution\$9,561

This Week's Birthdays

August 2 - Camden Banks & Dan Thomas

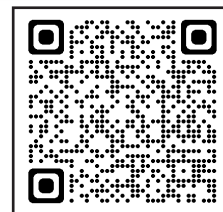
August 4 - Amy Haden

August 6 - David Shastid

August 7 - Claire Gowan

Visitor Form

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



Privileged to Serve

Announcements:

Diaper Shower for Jourdan Begnaud — TODAY from 3:30–5:00 p.m. Huggies Skin Essentials diapers and wipes are appreciated.

Wed. Night Summer Series — All adults, Jr. High, and High School students will meet in the auditorium. Classes will be provided for 5th grade and under.

Back-to-School Devo — Sun. Aug 9, 6:30–7:45pm in the Outreach Center for all families with school-age children. A nacho bar will be provided; families are asked to bring a dessert to share.

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: **Laura Haden**

Sun. Safety: James Horn & Grayson Baumgartner
Wed. Safety: Thomas Helms & Jose Sosa

AM Song Leader
AM Opening Prayer
Scripture Reading
Communion Leader
Communion Servers

Josh Newman
Paul Stewart
Dylan Nors
Eli Haden
Jospeh Haden

AM Closing Prayer

PM Song Leader
PM Opening Prayer
PM Devo
PM Closing Prayer

Wed. Song Leader
Wed. Summer Series

Aug. Worship Coord.
Aug. Elder of Month

Zach Drain
Scott Barham
Mike Wylie
Brent Stewart

Micah Haden
Casey Hendrix
Ronnie Giles
Caleb Jackson
Clay Jackson

Rusty Smith

David Baumgartner
Brandon Watson
Owen Warnes
Jose Sosa

Listan Ellis
Jake Sledge

M. Jones / J. Mahoney
Paul Stewart