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Rethinking Our Privacy Settings

By Mike Green

Chris Ridgeway notes in a 2018 Christianity Today Magazine article that, “by 2020, 4.2 billion digital voice assistants were in use worldwide, with projections reaching 8.4 billion by 2024.” Given the recent rise in AI platforms, I think we’ve probably surpassed that number. These widespread digital microphones have sparked new concerns about privacy and the possibility of being overheard in our homes. I share some skepticism about the assurances that our privacy is always secure. However, I like to believe I live transparently enough that I have nothing to hide. Still, I prefer not to have strangers listening in on my private moments.

Too many Christians act as if they have spiritual privacy settings, unaware that God is completely aware of everything. As David writes in Psalm 139: “Where can I go from Your Spirit? Or where can I flee from Your presence? If I go up to heaven, You are there; if I make my bed in Sheol, behold, You are there. If I fly on the wings of the dawn or dwell in the remotest part of the sea, even there Your hand will guide me, and Your right hand will hold me” (Verses 7-10). It is understandable to care about others respecting our privacy, but it is foolish to think an all-powerful, all-knowing God is unaware of parts of our lives. Does this thought frighten you? It shouldn’t, because God’s nature is different from ours (Cf. Isaiah 55:8-9). While He sees our sins, He also understands our pain and suffering. His lovingkindness always works for our good, even when we doubt His presence (Cf. Romans 8:28). People are understandably concerned about privacy in today’s culture. However, we deceive ourselves when we believe we can throw up a firewall between our God and us! Instead, let us embrace God’s presence and adjust our spiritual privacy settings to reflect more of Him and less of this world.

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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Walking Towards a New Year

Walking and Working Together in the Lord

Looking back on a Fitness Tracking App, you might see...

- Times you worked out a _____
- Times you _____

Look back at your year with a Spiritual lens...

- Times you were Walking _____
- Times you were Walking the _____ Way
- Times you were Walking only by _____

As we wrap up this year's theme, let's encourage one another to...

Walk Somewhere _____

Walk Around _____

Walk _____

Walk All the _____ to the _____

Caminando Hacia un Año Nuevo

Caminando y Trabajando Juntos en el Señor

Al mirar atrás en una aplicación de seguimiento de actividad física, quizás veas...

- Momentos en los que te ejercitaste _____
- Momentos en los que _____

Mira tu año con una perspectiva espiritual...

- Momentos en los que caminaste _____
- Momentos en los que caminaste por el camino _____
- Momentos en los que caminaste solo por _____

Al concluir el tema de este año, animémonos unos a otros a...

Caminar hacia un lugar _____

Camina alrededor de los _____

Caminar _____

Camina _____ el _____

Westhill Church of Christ
2026 *Events*

JAN. 16-18	Winter Retreat @ Ft. Parker
JAN. 30-31	Women Of Westhill Retreat
FEB. 9	Sweetheart Banquet
	For Young At Heart Age
FEB. 13-14	T3 (Teach The Truth)
	For High School
FEB. 22	Friends & Family Day
MAY 31 - JUNE 6	E3 Summer Camp
	Grades 6th-12th
JUNE 15-18	VBS (Vacation Bible School)
JUNE 24-27	Mission - Cherokee Home
JULY 20-24	Leadership Initiatives
JULY 31 - AUG 1	DU - Discipleship University
OCT. 11-14	Westhill Lectures
OCT. 31	Trunks with Treats
NOV. 7	Forever His Day Camp
	For Children with Special Needs

Prayer Needs:

Tanya Rowden's daughter, Tiffany Smith, is back in the hospital with an infection, and Tanya Rowden is recovering from knee replacement surgery.

David Mahoney is improving with his foot infection and is receiving treatment from home.

The Ramirez family is transitioning to their new home.

Jose Sosa Jr. & Vanessa Sosa moved to California this week.

Jim Milam recently fell and broke his arm.

The Rincon family is grieving the loss of Karen's grandmother.

Continue to remember: Bronny & Ruth Watson, Dan & Rita Dominy, Eula Henry, John Braly, Louie & Patty Williams, Nick Tooley, Bill & Beverly Abercrombie, Beverly Heathcote, David Mahoney, Millard & Martha Dowdle, Carol Barham, Judi Olsen, Cam Haden, & Jim Haden

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

This Week's Birthdays

December 29 - Jaylon Faulk, London Olsen, & Greg Olsen

December 30 - Paul Newman

December 31 - Dylan Nors & McKenzie Olsen

January 1 - Frizzell Henry

January 2 - Caleb Hendrix

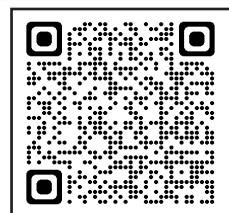
Records for December 21, 2025

AM Worship 208

Contribution \$8,425

Visitor Form

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



Announcements:

We rejoice with **Joseph Haden** and his decision to obey the gospel as he put on Christ in baptism!

Wednesday Night Singing Service – Dec 31 @ 6:30pm
Join us for a night of singing, then stay afterward as we ring in the New Year together.

Youth Area Wide Devo - Sun Jan 4 @ New Road Church of Christ in Waco, TX. Depart @ 3:45pm and return @8:30pm.

Men's Breakfast – Fri. Jan. 9 @ 7am

Baby Shower for Korri Nicholson
- Sun, Jan 11 @ 3pm in the Parlor.

Baby Shower for Clair Gowen
- Sun, Jan 25 @ 3pm in the Parlor.

WOW Ladies' Retreat – Jan 30–31, 2026
Theme: "You Can Do Hard Things" w/ speaker Lindsay Olsen.

Young at Heart Class will not meet on Tues. 12/30

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

Privileged to Serve

AM Song Leader

Zach Drain

AM Opening Prayer

Jose Sosa

Scripture Reading

Paul Wells

Communion Leader

Brent Stewart

Communion Servers

Carson Barham

Luke Baumgartner

Micah Haden

Joshua Miller

Donny Beal

Rick Newton

Jason Burnett

Dylan Nors

Ronnie Giles

Ti Saulus

AM Closing Prayer

Scott Barham

PM Song Leader

Zach Drain

PM Opening Prayer

James Horn

PM Devo

Anthony Warnes

PM Closing Prayer

Casey Hendrix

Wed. Service

Singing Service

Dec. Worship Coord.

Matt Newman / Billy Roughton

Dec. Elder of Month

Rusty Owens