

A Weekly Note From

Pastor Mike Bronson

I'm glad you are here today! And if you are a guest, thanks so much for being here!

It's been a good week of ministry. Pastor Nathan, Dan Williams, Diane Titterington, and a group of students spent the week in Salina, KS at Super Summer. That's a summer camp sponsored by the Kansas-Nebraska Convention of Southern Baptists. Meanwhile, several of us were at "Faith and Family Day at the K" last night. I pray that kingdom fruit would come from both of these ministries.

Not only has it been a good week of ministry, today will be a good day of worship.

We have our first Parent/Child Dedication in two years this morning. This is an important time. Sociologist Charles Smith recently wrote a compelling piece in "First Things" about how the Christian faith is transmitted from parent to child. (Search for "First Things" and "Keeping the Faith" to find it.) His research found that parents are overwhelmingly the decisive factor in children's spiritual formation. He writes, "The good news is that, among all possible influences, parents exert far and away the greatest influence on their children's religious outcomes." Parents, you have more influence than you think. So today, we want to encourage these parents as they publicly state their intention to raise their children in the faith. And as a church, we will pledge to help them. We will pray for them and try to edify and strengthen them in the Lord. I believe it's harder to raise children in the faith than at any time in my lifetime.

Today we turn to James 3 as we resume the Bible's teaching about the tongue.

I specifically want to focus on the damage inflicted by the tongue. Some of you may have struggled for years because of careless or malevolent words. I pray for the power of the Holy Spirit to heal your hear this morning.

This afternoon at 5 p.m. we will meet in the Train Station for our monthly prayer meeting.

I urge you to be there. Charles Spurgeon called the church prayer meeting the "boiler room" of the church. Let's be honest: a prayerless church is a prideful, presumptive church. A prayerFUL church is a powerful church. We have a choice! I hope to see you this afternoon.

July 18, 2021

NEWS & UPDATES

Visitors

If you are visiting today, we are so glad you are here! We would like to touch base with you, please fill out the worship information card in the back of the chair and place it in the basket by the doorway. Or text us your contact information to: (913) 369-4450. Thank you for being here!

Sunday School & Bible Fellowship—8:45 a.m.

Children's Sunday School is available for ages 3-4 years, Kindergarten through 3rd grade, as well as, 4th to 6th grade. Students 7th-12th grade can join the Student Ministry Class downstairs in the Fellowship Hall. Please see the back of the bulletin for adult class options and room locations.

Worship Service—10:00 a.m.

- During worship service, Children's Church is available for kids who are currently in K-2nd grade.
- Nursery care is available for ages 0-5, during 8:45 a.m. Sunday School, and 10:00 a.m. Worship service. The nursery is located in our lower level. To access the nursery, enter the north door. Take the steps on your left. At the bottom of the steps, there is a hallway to the right. Down the hallway is the nursery area. Security procedures are in place and every volunteer has undergone a background check.
- Worship service is streamed to the classroom off the foyer, Room 202. There is a chair for nursing mothers available in this room.

Children's Ministry Volunteer Rotation

To serve on the nursery rotation, please contact anyone on our Nursery Leadership Team (Cindi Benson, Vickie Ewoldsen, Jessie Schultz, or Amy Inlow) at: nursery@westhaven.church.

To serve in Children's Church, please contact Shelly McGhee at (913) 461-6558. Thanks for serving our children in the name of Jesus!

Wednesday Night Adult Bible Study

Wednesday night Bible study **is over** until the start of the school year. Thanks!

Donut Distribution Restarted

We have begun to distribute donuts every Tuesday to area businesses. Donna Gambrell, Kathy Link, Terri Brest, and Ronda Wager make them and then distribute them. We've received a lot of positive responses from this. They could use more drivers. You would start around 9-9:15 a.m. It takes about 30-45 minutes. If you are interested in helping, contact Donna at (816) 810-2665.

Church Directory

We are in the process of updating our church directory. Rose Swain has been taking updated pictures of individuals and families. Please text or call Rose (913-271-6250) to set up a time any Sunday to get your picture taken. Pictures are solely used for the church database. Thank you.

NEWS & UPDATES - Continued

Prayer Meeting—July 18

Please join us for a prayer meeting at **5:00 p.m. this evening, Sunday, July 18.**

Member Meeting-July 25

We will have a brief member meeting after worship on **Sunday, July 25.**

Save the Date—Sept. 18

Please save **Saturday, September 18** on your calendars for the Community Carnival and Tonganoxie Days , Sunflower Stroll event.

KFL Baby Bottle Project Donations

West Haven donations for Kansans for Life Educational Fund and area pregnancy centers so far have totaled: \$1,930.21. The money will benefit babies and mothers in your community and help educate the Metro area. Thank you for your generous donations!

Mission Trip Update

We are still planning on going to Nicaragua through Compassion International sometime in 2022, likely late in the year. There is much up in the air but we do have a very approximate cost for you. They are estimating between \$2,100-\$2,600. We hope you will pray and plan on going!

Thank You

Thanks again for welcoming our Summer Theater Program back in your facility last month. It is a wonderful facility and your staff is excellent to work with. We greatly appreciate your efforts on our behalf. Thank you!
— Brad Eccles, Assistant Director, Tonganoxie Rec Commission

Prayer & General Communication Text Lists

If you are a member or regular attender and would like to be added to the West Haven text/email prayer list, contact the church office (913) 369-9422. Or you can add yourself by using the church database online or the phone app called—Breeze.

The online web address is: westhaven.breezechms.com. Click on “edit” on the “contact” section, update your contact information, and click “yes” to opt-in for the church prayer text notifications. You also have an option to opt-in and receive the general church text notifications about church updates. As a side note: please be sure your cell phone number is not listed in the home phone box but is in the cell phone box. If you have any questions contact the church office at (913) 369-9422.

The Breeze App is [Breeze CHMS](#). The first time you open it, type: westhaven in the Church ID box. Next, to sign in, type the username and password you created. You can update your profile information under the people tab. The website and app offer the same access to our church management database.

Storehouse

Free Donated Grocery Items—check out the West Haven Storehouse open Sunday after services or contact Chris Bingham at: (785) 393-5441. It is located downstairs by the kitchen.

MEMBER INFORMATION

Budget Detail as of 7/11/2021

Weekly Budget Req. - \$9,702.36

General Fund Rec. - \$10,792.00

Mo. to Date Budget Req. - \$19,404.72

Mo. to Date Giving - \$23,079.00

The Remarkable Power of the Tongue (Part 2)

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BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CLASSES & SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

(SUMMER)

Why Attend?

Whether you're an adult or student we want you to join a study group in God's Word. A lot can happen when you join a group! You can grow deeper in your knowledge of the Bible, get a chance to hear the personal insights and experiences of other people, and develop new and/or deeper connections with other Christians. These are all vital to our spiritual health and our churches strength. Your attendance is encouragement to others as well. We have personally found that people connected to a group who study God's word together have more stability in the church and in their personal walk of faith.

How to Join?

Just show up, pick a study, and grab a seat! All our studies are open and new people are welcome to join at anytime. We want every person in our church connected with one of our study groups, we would love to help you find one!

High School Students

Multi-generational fellowship and study is vital for your spiritual growth and health. To that end, Pastor Nathan encourages you to attend one of the "Adult" classes. Please talk to Nathan if you have any questions!

Class/Teacher	Age	Location	Current Study
Adult I Bill Mages/Todd Janssen	All Adults	Room 102 Fellowship Hall	1 John
Adult II Gordon Brest	All Adults	Room 104 Fellowship Hall	Bible Studies for Life
Adult III Brian Klamm	All Adults	Room 106 Fellowship Hall	James
Adults IV Blake Waters	All Adults	Train Station	Job; Ecclesiastes
Adult V Jon Hain	Young Adults	Room 100 Downstairs Classroom	Jesus in the Old & New Testament
Student Ministry Class Bill Weatherford & Bob Link	7 th -12 th grade	Room 105 Fellowship Hall	The Gospel Project
Children's Classes Director: Kathie Riddle & Elizabeth Spurlin	K-3 rd grade	Downstairs Classroom Red Room	The Gospel Project
Teachers Rotate Leaders: Donna Gambrell, Kathy Link, Michelle McIntyre, Rebekah Schutz, Diane Titterington, Jenny Worden, & Alicia Wylie	4 th -6 th grade	Downstairs Classroom Blue Room	The Gospel Project
Nursery: Available during 8:45 a.m. Sunday School & 10 a.m. Worship	Infants-4 years	Downstairs	The Gospel Project

2021 Prayer Requests:



July 11, 2021

Please pray for the family of David Seymour as he lost his life on Tuesday (friend of Donna Gambrell's family)

A friend's great grandson has COVID (he's an infant) (Larry & Donna Schutlz) Son Jordon, wife Tosha, grandson Evan (14 years), daughter Chelsey, grandson's, Carter (14), Payton (9), granddaughter Adlee (3) and myself. We are a broken family. No longer have Isaiah, 20 years old; down the wrong path and haven't seen him since he was 17 ^{1/2}. (Bambi Dome)

Tim Slusser: having knee replacement surgery July 21. Please pray for him as well as the doctors.

July 4, 2021

Matt: in Colorado diagnosed with stage 4 prostate cancer, already in treatment. Prayers for peace & God's grace. (Loretta Kunard's cousin)

Terri Brest: Prayers for her recovery. She had complications from a routine procedure and had to stay in the hospital, but is back home.

Alicia Wylie's dad has a cancerous tumor in his parotid gland & lymph nodes. Surgery is on 7/15, w/chemo & radiation to follow. Pray for him & the medical team.

My great nephew Robbie was killed. Please pray for the family. (Donna Gambrell)

Prayers for me and my wife's spiritual life, that God may lead my wife and I to a church. Prayer that we can reach souls in our neighborhood. (Ross Smith)

Stephen: 49 years old, passed away Wednesday with his mom and kids with him. The same day, nine years ago Cathy's sister lost her younger son Michael. Please pray for her and the family. (Cathy Stueckemann's nephew)

Expecting Mothers of WHBC:

Other Expecting Mothers:

Long Term Requests:

Nick Cox: in prison (Kevin Cobb's nephew)

Pastor Bryan Baggett: malignant brain tumor; given a year to live. Is on an experimental radiation in Dallas, TX. Keep praying. (Kirk's cousin)

David Bronson: health (Mike & Tara Bronson's son)

Aaron McIntyre: for safety and good health as he studies abroad in China (son of Michael & Michelle McIntyre)

Cora Lee Huffines and her grandson Jarrett Russell: he is paralyzed and stays with Cora, but had surgery which has now allowed him to be able to speak. Please pray for them both and for more reliable nurses that can help. (Rosemary O'Bryan)

Karli Harnden: Kneist dysplasia and vision loss and

Raiden Harnden: spina bifida (Bill & Denise Harnden's grandchildren)

MILITARY:

CPT Parker Osborne, US ARMY: TDY Fort Lee, VA for training (Dan Osborne's sister)

CPT Dan Hopkins, Jr., US ARMY: Fort Benning, GA (Dan & Sesuk Hopkins' son)

CPT Tim Hopkins, US ARMY: Ft. Polk, LA, Airborne Light Infantry Team (Dan & Sesuk Hopkins' son)

CPT Tom Hopkins, US ARMY: Ft. Bragg, NC (Dan & Sesuk Hopkins' son)

CPT Kelsey Hopkins, US ARMY: Ft. Bragg, NC (Dan & Sesuk Hopkins' daughter-in-law)

LCDR Catherine Hopkins, US Navy: Univ. of Iowa (Dan & Sesuk Hopkins' daughter-in-law)

Andrew Stueckemann, Navy: back from successful deployment, stationed in Atsugi, Japan (Cathy Stueckemann's son)

SrA Rebecca Baggett, Air National Guard: Tennessee (Kirk & Lenora Baggett's daughter)

LCPL Jacob Derzinski, US Marine Corp: Ft. Schwab, Okinawa, Japan

(Mike & Becky Derzinski's son)

A1C Jon Derzinski, Kansas Air National Guard: 190th Air Refueling Wing, Forbes Field, Topeka, Kansas (Mike & Becky Derzinski's son)

HN Emmie Derzinski, US Navy: Naval Station Great Lakes, IL Dental Clinic, USS RED Rover (Mike & Becky Derzinski's daughter)