

**Pastor Mike Bronson**

Today is the 23<sup>rd</sup> and final sermon in our series entitled “Practical Christianity” out of the book of James. In this passage, James explains how important it is to keep one another from the “error of his way.” This is something that occurs when you are in community with your local church. I’ve been thrilled to see a very high percentage of Adult Bible Fellowship attendance compared to worship attendance. That is probably the best place that community occurs (along with Wednesday night studies and ministries.) When we are in close community, others can speak truth into our lives. We are encouraged. We are strengthened. We gain wisdom. Proverbs says “as iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another.” And the end result is that we do not stray into the “error of our way.”

One of the next times we want to be visible in and bless our community is the Mayor’s Christmas tree lighting on Nov. 20. The city of Tonganoxie has given us the green light to put our hospitality tent there. We intend to serve hot chocolate and maybe cider, give away some items, and show grace and kindness to our community. Thanks for your generous giving, and faithful service that makes this possible. We want to bless our community in the name of Jesus because Jesus is worth it!

Much thanks to the eight ladies who participated in the “Mom’s and Muffins” event at Tonganoxie Elementary School on Thursday. The TES principal emailed me to thank us for that. I thought his email would encourage you:

*Mike,*

*It was awesome! We needed the extra help today so thank you! On behalf of TES please know we appreciate all the support of West Haven Church. I want to put a bug in your ear for our Dads & Donuts that will take place on November 16<sup>th</sup>. Same scenario, just men who can help. I will touch base again as we get closer to that time.*

We also gave \$3,000 toward the TES Backpack Buddies” program that supplies food to kids for the weekends. I am grateful for a church that wants to bless our community in the name of Jesus.

I want to keep the issue of inviting people to church on your radar screen. No matter what kind of studies or research is done, outside of parents leading children to Jesus, nothing is more fruitful than friends inviting friends to church. As we’ve said the last two weeks, God often works through human agency. And He can and is working through you!

# 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 this text-only number: (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 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, as well as, 4<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Students 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> 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-2<sup>nd</sup> 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](mailto: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 Meals

Wednesday night meals are from **5:15-6:00 p.m.** Extra help would be greatly appreciated, please contact Becky Derzinski. This week's menu: Italian meatball subs, chips, veggies, and lemonade.

- Kids 2 & under— eat FREE
- AWANA kids—\$2.00
- Student Ministry & adults—\$3.00
- Families more than 3—\$10

## Wednesday Night AWANA Workers

We are in need of nursery volunteers for Wednesday night ministries. We are looking for enough volunteers to form a rotation. Also, we are in need of volunteers who can listen to verses for our AWANA Clubbers! To serve in this capacity, please contact Gordon or Terri Brest or the church office: [info@westhaven.church](mailto:info@westhaven.church).

# NEWS & UPDATES - Continued

## Senior Citizen Fellowship Breakfast

All seniors in the congregation are invited to breakfast tomorrow at 9:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. Please let Rose Swain know if you plan to attend (913) 271-6250.

## Council on Aging Needing Help

Meals on Wheels at the Council on Aging is looking for 5-10 people to deliver meals in Tonganoxie. It is one day a week 1.5 hour commitment. There is currently a waiting list for the Tonganoxie area. This would help get everyone off the list. If interested call Scarlet Ross (913) 684-0777.

## In Touch

If you have a college student living away from home please help us keep in touch with them. We will send a small care package three or four times a semester to let them know we are thinking of them and praying for them. To include your college student, please send their name and address to: Grace Windler, [gracewindler@gmail.com](mailto:gracewindler@gmail.com) or Carol Anderson, [cldanderson@yahoo.com](mailto:cldanderson@yahoo.com).

## Church Directory

We are updating our church directory and hope to print it this fall. 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.

## Wednesday Night Cancellation Policy

In the past, our cancellation policy was tied to whether or not USD 464 was in session. This is no longer the case. In the event of inclement weather, each ministry determines separately whether or not to meet.

1. If AWANA cancels, you will be notified via the church text service and our website.
2. If Student Ministry cancels, you will be notified via the church text service and our website.
3. Adult Bible Study will always follow AWANA. If AWANA is canceled, so is Bible Study.

It is possible that one ministry will cancel while the other meets. The most likely scenario is that Student Ministry meets but AWANA cancels. And as always, check the church calendar for cancellations.

## **MEMBER INFORMATION**

Budget Detail as of 10/3/2021

Weekly Budget Req. - \$9,702.36

General Fund Rec. - \$14,440.00

Mo. to Date Budget Req. - \$9,702.36

Mo. to Date Giving - \$14,440.00

Sermon Notes

**James 5:19-20**

Pastor Mike Bronson

October 10, 2021

## God Keeps His Children By The Means Of His Children

1. The \_\_\_\_\_

2. The \_\_\_\_\_

3. The \_\_\_\_\_

# BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CLASSES & SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

(FALL—Sept., Oct., Nov.)

## 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!

Class/Teacher	Age	Location	Current Study
<b>Adult I</b> Bill Mages/Todd Janssen	All Adults	Room 102 Fellowship Hall	2 & 3 John
<b>Adult II</b> Gordon Brest	All Adults	Room 104 Fellowship Hall	Bible Studies for Life
<b>Adults IV</b> Blake Waters	All Adults	Train Station	Philippians; Colossians; Philemon
<b>Adult V</b> Jon Hain	All Adults	Room 100 Downstairs Classroom	Psalms
<b>Adult - Other</b> Pastor Nathan	Music/Tech Teams & spouses	Room 202 Upstairs Classroom	Gospel Rhythms: Music in the Life of the Gathered Church
<b>Student Ministry Class</b> Bill Weatherford & Bob Link	7 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> grade	Room 105 Fellowship Hall	Zelos: Facing Death
<b>Children's Classes</b> Director: Kathie Riddle & Elizabeth Spurlin	K-3 <sup>rd</sup> 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 <sup>th</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> grade	Downstairs Classroom Blue Room	The Gospel Project
<b>Nursery:</b> Available during 8:45 a.m. Sunday School & 10 a.m. Worship	Infants-4 years	Downstairs	The Gospel Project

## 2021 Prayer Requests:

### October 3, 2021

Injured right shoulder lifting weights, MRI on Tuesday. (Pastor Mike)

My lease is up the end of this month. Please pray for my daughter and granddaughter and other family. Thank you for praying for my family! (Bambi Dome)

Bryant Kunard: moved Wednesday from St Luke So. to their main hospital. He's now on a Ventilator & needs larger Dialysis machine. Please Pray for strength & healing.

### September 26, 2021

Mike Derzinski: recovering from knee replacement surgery.

Prayers for those recovering from COVID.

### Expecting Mothers of WHBC:

Ashley Boor: April 7

### 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

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 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 on deployment (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)