

SERMON NOTES

Pastor Mike Bronson
Isaiah 9:1-7

The Struggle for Peace

1. Comparison

2. Competition

3. Carnality



Thank you for joining us on this Lord's day.

We exist to see people saved,
lives changed, and Jesus glorified.

December 15, 2019

WELCOME!

We're glad you have joined us for our weekly worship gathering. Our prayer is that during this time, you would see the beauty, grandeur, and glory of God as we worship him together in song, prayer, and the preaching of His word.

We exist to see people saved, lives changed and Jesus glorified. Our desire is that you know Jesus Christ, be born again and rest in the gospel.

Connect With Us!

We'd ask everyone to fill out a Connect Card located in the seat in front of you. Please place this card in the offering plate, as it passes by.

If you're interested in visiting with one of our members or pastors, please indicate that on your Connect Card. We'd love to buy you a cup of coffee, or simply make a phone call, to tell you more about us or answer any questions you may have. We won't surprise visit or spam you!

We value membership at West Haven. The idea of experiencing salvation without belonging to a local church is foreign to the New Testament. If you would like to explore membership, please give us your best contact information on the back of the Connect Card. One of our pastors will be in touch with you!

CALENDAR

Sunday, December 15

6 pm 2020 Outreach Meeting

Wednesday, December 18

9:30 am WOW Bible Study
5:15 Meal Cancelled
6:15 pm AWANA-Store Night/Parties
6:30 pm Student Ministry
6:30 pm Adult Bible Study

Tuesday, December 24

6:00 pm Christmas Eve Service

Wednesdays Dec. 25 & January 1

Office Closed

Sunday, December 29

All Sunday School cancelled

Sunday, January 5

5:30 pm Churchwide Prayer Meeting

Wednesday, January 8

5:15-6:00 pm Meal Served-Pulled Pork & Chips
6:15 pm AWANA Jeopardy
6:30 pm Student Ministry
6:30 pm Adult Bible Study

Sunday, January 12

7 am Men's Prayer Breakfast
5:30 pm Deacon Ordination

Tuesday, January 14

7 pm Deacon Meeting

Wednesday, January 15

5:15-6:00 pm Meal Served-Soup & Cinnamon Rolls
6:15 pm AWANA
6:30 pm Student Ministry
6:30 pm Adult Bible Study

Saturday, January 18

8:30—11 am Sunday School Teacher Training; childcare available

Wednesday, January 22

5:15-6:00 pm Meal Served-Taco Salad
6:15 pm AWANA Jeopardy

Breeze

In the new year we will be transitioning to a new church management database called Breeze. You may be asked to update your contact information or individual photo. We will transition away from KidCheck this Spring and we will give instructions on using the Breeze App.

MEMBER INFORMATION

Budget Detail as of 12/8/2019

Weekly Budget Req. - \$9,011.55

General Fund Rec. - \$14,769.36

Month to Date Budget Req. - \$18,023.10

Month to Date Giving - \$24,371.36

NEWS & UPDATES

2020 Outreach Meeting—Today

December 15 at 6 pm in the Train Station Pastor Ryon will lead a meeting focused on vision casting and brainstorming outreach for 2020. The meeting will last less than an hour. Your ideas and input will be valuable.

No Meal Served—Dec. 18

Due to AWANA Store and AWANA Christmas Party setup we will not be having a meal served Wednesday, December 18. We will have AWANA, Student Ministry, and Adult Bible Study as usual.

No Sunday School or ABF classes

Due to the Christmas Holiday we will not be having Sunday School on **December 29**. We will have our normal worship service at 10:30 am.

Sunday School Teacher Training— Saturday, Jan. 18

Pastor Mike will teach this class from **8:30-11:00 am**. This is primarily aimed at adult and student teachers although teachers of any age will benefit from this. This will include textual considerations, how to understand context, website sources, and understanding the genre of literature. Non-teachers are welcome as well. Childcare will be available for 0-5. If you have questions, email Bro. Mike at mike@westhavenbaptist.org.

Kansans for Life Petition

Kansans for Life is circulating a petition calling for our State Legislature to vote for a proposed Kansas Constitutional Amendment. The Amendment is in response to the recent Kansas Supreme Court's ruling which allows dismemberment abortion, taxpayer funding of abortion, and limits the State Legislature's ability to regulate abortion. If you are a registered Kansas voter, please see and sign the Petition at the Welcome Center.

Volunteering at TES

Tonganoxie Elementary has an ongoing need for volunteers to listen to kindergartners read on Tuesdays at either 7:50-8:50 am or 12:30-1:15 pm. The greatest need is the earlier time slot but both are needed. To volunteer go to the elementary school office at the appropriate time and explain you are there from West Haven to be a listener for Lauren Snyder's kindergarten class. The goal is to have a volunteer every Tuesday.

2020 Budget Vote

The 2020 budget passed unanimously. Thanks for your participation as we look forward to a fruitful new year and new decade in our church!

A Weekly Note From **Pastor Mike Bronson**

I'm glad you are with us this morning! Today we turn to Isaiah 9:1-7 to consider Isaiah's prophecy about the "Prince of Peace." Isaiah announced that the Savior would bring peace at His birth. Yet many today lack peace. And it's reflected in the headlines. I read Albert Mohler's "The Briefing" where he cited a New York Times article about a New Age tea party with the subheading "In Los Angeles, Some Women are Finding Serenity in a Cup." The article quoted one of the participants. She said, "We're in a time where people are so toxic, toxically lonely I think that what everyone's desperate for is intimacy, but you know what we've been doing here? Nothing. It's been pointless." Mankind's quest for peace is unending until he finds peace with God and the peace of God; and they are found only in the Lord Jesus. That's what we'll look at this morning.

Our budget passed unanimously last week. Thanks for your generous giving toward what we pray will be a spiritually fruitful 2020. They called the 1920s the "Roaring 20's" because of the increase in economic prosperity. I pray the 2020s would see an increase in spiritual prosperity.

We have reached a critical point in needing people who will serve in the nursery on Sunday mornings. Please consider taking a turn. If you have certain limitations, we can work around those. Contact Joan Cobb or Nathan LaFave to get started. I am very grateful to those who are serving gladly and diligently.

Please join us for our Christmas Eve service. We are moving it to 6 p.m. this year in the hopes that will be a better time for most of you. Please give us feedback on that time. God bless you!

Tools to Help You

NAVIGATE OUR CHURCH CHILDREN

We have a nursing mothers area in the back of the worship center, the hospitality room in the foyer serves as a cry room and has a Live Feed of our Worship service. A nursery is on the lower level. Children's church is available for Kids K-4th on the lower level. Feel free to take your children down before the service.

AWANA

Our children meet every Wednesday night at 6:15 p.m. for our AWANA program. To register, simply come into the foyer some time after 6:00 p.m.

STUDENTS

Our 7th to 12th grade Student Ministry meets each Wednesday night at 6:30 p.m. during the school year.

FACILITY

If you have never been in our building, please stop by the visitor kiosk in the foyer. We would love to give you a tour!

RESTROOMS

There are two sets in the upper level and two in the lower level. Changing tables are available in men's and women's restrooms.

VOLUNTEERS

We do nationwide background checks on every person working with students and children.

Find Your Way

AROUND WEST HAVEN

SEATING — Feel free to sit anywhere you like!

SONGS — We stand when we sing, but it is not a requirement. You are welcome to sit.

OFFERING — Giving is a part of our worship. As a visitor, do not feel obligated to give.

Connect With

OUR STAFF

PASTOR MIKE BRONSON
mike@westhavenbaptist.org

PASTOR RYON SANDER
ryon@westhavenbaptist.org

KIRK BAGGETT, MAINTENANCE DIRECTOR
kirk@westhavenbaptist.org

CHRISTINA LINDHOLM, ADMINISTRATION
christina@westhavenbaptist.org

MINISTRY LEADERS

AWANA

Gordon Brest Gordon.brest@gmail.com

Bill Mages Bill@westhavenbaptist.org

STUDENT MINISTRY

Nathan LaFave Nathan@westhavenbaptist.org

Bill Weatherford Wbweather@yahoo.com

2019 Prayer Requests:



December 8, 2019

Stress test this week (Trisha Masters)
Our nation & leaders to speak truth (Helen Craig)
For us as Chris cannot take his pain meds for the next two months. But praise that the Mayo Clinic is willing to see him. (Liz Small)
Debbie Laundry: please pray for her she is having her gall bladder taken out 12/9 (Yvette Laundry's mom)
Darian Hess: injured in a fatality accident on 12/5 at KUMC (Joe Derzinski's co-worker)
Barb: son was killed in a car wreck. Father of two young kids. Please pray for the family. (LuAnna Lingo's friend)
Zack Langford: fighting a virus, needs heart transplant (Randy & Pam Stevens' grandson)

December 1, 2019

Ron Robbins: infection after recent foot surgery; prayers for healing
Jena McCoy Reischman: has had some health issues regarding her heart. Heart attack upon child birth last year/Aneurism recently. Mother of five, ages 9-1 (Roxane McCoy's daughter)
A good friend passed suddenly on 11/27. Prayers for Green family in Ottawa. (Loretta Kunard)
Sale of house, purchase of house (Al & Annie Anderson)
Robert Plattner: cancer (Erma Thorne's brother)
Andrew: prayer as he finishes Navy helicopter pilot training and prepares to move to base in Atsugi Japan Jan. 2020. (Cathy Stueckemann)
Terri Brest: pneumonia. Prayers are appreciated.

Expecting Mothers of WHBC:

Amber Workman: April 2020
Jessie Schultz: April 2020

Other Expecting Mothers:

Erin Miller: June 25 (Kelly & Chris Bingham's daughter)

Long Term Requests:

Nick Cox: In prison (Kevin Cobb's nephew)
Raiden Harnden: Spina Bifida (Bill & Denise Harnden's grandson)
Karli Harnden: Kniest Dysplasia (Bill & Denise Harnden granddaughter)
Patrick & Casey: salvation, and a miraculous life change from the Holy Spirit. Pray for God to protect Gage. (John & Jenny Worden)
Isaiah: prayers for him (Bambi Dome, adoptive mom)
Brent Koprivica: continued prayers for health (Lenora Baggett's boss)
Velma Morgan: cancer treatment (Cathy Stueckemann's mom)
Aunt Jo: continued recovery for bladder cancer (Cathy Stueckemann)
Jon, Lindsay, & Haylie's salvation (Cathy Stueckemann)
Jacob Stine: prayers with the daily struggle of addiction recovery
Aaron McIntyre: prayers for good health & safety while studying abroad in China (Mike & Michelle McIntyre's son)
Sarah Breuer and family
Zack Langford: (Randy & Pam Stevens' grandson)

Military:

ILT Parker Osborne, US ARMY: stationed at Ft. Jackson, SC (Donna Osborne's daughter)
TSgt. Ben Goldsberry: USAF, Ft. Bragg, NC (Donna Osborne's nephew)
CPT Dan Hopkins, Jr., US ARMY, Korea (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. Bliss, TX (Dan & Sesuk Hopkins' son)
CPT Kelsey Hopkins, US ARMY Reserve, Ft. Bliss TX, (Dan & Sesuk Hopkins' daughter-in-law)
LCDR Catherine Hopkins, US Navy, Univ. of Iowa (Dan & Sesuk Hopkins' daughter-in-law)
Derrick Wagner: Air Force (Jennifer Belcher's brother)
Staff Sargent Joshua Spruill: USAF stationed at Alamogordo, AFB, NM (Mike & Becky Derzinski's nephew)
Lexis Fehol: Air Force Basic, San Antonio, TX (Elisabeth Laundry's friend)
Andrew Stueckemann: Navy-Navy at Naval Air Station North Island (San Diego, CA) (Cathy Stueckemann's son)
Austin Stueckemann: ARMY, stationed at Fort Campbell KY/TN (Cathy Stueckemann's son)
Elisabeth Schaffer: US ARMY (Brad & LuAnna Lingo's niece)
A1C Rebecca Baggett: Air National Guard Tennessee (Kirk & Lenora Baggett's daughter)
Christian Hernandez: Marine, 29 Palms, California (Teresa Sickman's son & great grandson of Olive McCracken)
Joey Edwards: deployed in Afghanistan (Bob & Vicki Edwards' son)
Brendan Caufield: U.S. Navy Nuclear Power Training Command, Charleston, SC (Mike & Becky Derzinski)
Jacob Derzinski: US Marine Corp, US Army quartermaster school, Ft. Lee, VA, (Mike & Becky Derzinski's son)
Ian Wheaton: US Navy—Pearl Harbor (Kirk & Lenora's family friend)