# A Weekly Note From Pastor Mike Bronson



As reopen on the 24<sup>th</sup>, it seems God has highlighted some areas of His word that we are, perhaps, more attentive to than we were in the past. Here are three lessons I'm relearning:

- 1. The need for weekly fellowship. I've talked to several of you who desperately miss your brothers and sisters in Christ. I feel that way too. I've had moments of loneliness and discouragement. I realize much of it is because I don't have that fellowship that God intended. Hebrews 10:25 says we are to assemble together to "encourage one another." You may not realize it but your very presence in a church is an encouragement to others. We greatly underestimate our ability to edify other people. There is a ministry of presence. I hope this time away from each other reveals the truth of God's Word in that verse.
- **2. The beauty of corporate worship**. How I've desired to hear the saints rehearsing the beautiful truths of the gospel in song. Singing is so important. It teaches us biblical truth. I can't remember what I preached three weeks ago but I CAN remember "is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole? Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll? The lion of Judah, who conquered the grave, He is David's root and the Lamb who died to ransom the slave. Is He worthy? Is He worthy? He is!"

And not only can I remember spiritual truth because of song, when we preach or hear preaching in a corporate setting we are glorifying God. At the same time, we are receiving truth in a context of accountability to one another. Proverbs says "as iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another." If I try to learn truth only by myself, no one can ever challenge what I want to believe. When others challenge me, then I have to think and engage my mind in a way the Lord desires. It's through this process we are sanctified.

**3. The value of our time**. I've talked to parents who tell me how much they have appreciated not having such a hectic schedule. Some say they have grown closer as a family. One person said the time with their kids has been "beautiful."

I've preached before about the devil doing a subtle work by keeping families running from one activity to another. I believe it's a termite that eats away at the foundation of the family. When things gradually get back to normal, we will rush headlong back into the same routine of life? Or will we say "no" to all the secular opportunities before us and spend time as a family and in God's Word? Which is a better quality of life? We are to spend time redemptively. At the judgment seat of Christ, what will we look back and rejoice in?

**Our regathering will be such a blessing.** I know some of you don't feel safe in regathering. That's fine. We love you. We are all in this together. God is making us stronger through these stressors. We will come out of this closer to our Lord. God bless you!

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Pastor Mike Bronson 1 Peter 1:13-16

#### The Call to Holiness

1.	The Preparation of Your	

- A. A Ready Mind
- **B.** A Sober Spirit
- C. A Fixed Hope
- 2. The Separation Of Your \_\_\_\_\_\_
- 3. A Dedication Unto A \_\_\_\_\_

#### **MEMBER INFORMATION**

Budget Detail as of 5/10/2020

Weekly Budget Req. - \$9,506.19 General Fund Rec. - \$12,194.15

Mo. to Date Budget Req. - \$19,012.38

Mo. to Date Giving - \$25,315.20

We exist to see people saved,

lives changed, and Jesus glorified.

### **2020 Prayer Requests:**



#### May 10, 2020

Prayer for the Hable family after the passing of Keith's mother (in Colorado).

Pastor Bryan Baggett in TX: surgery revealed his brain tumor was malignant. Be in prayer for him, his family, & his church Pinecrest Baptist in Texas. (Kirk Baggett's cousin)

Debbie Bundy Miller: has endometrioid adenya carcinoma stage 1A aggressive, will begin chemo & radiation treatments (Debbie Bartkoski's friend)

#### May 3, 2020

Pastor Bryan Baggett: in TX, will be having brain tumor 5/13. Please be in

prayer for him and his family. (Kirk Baggett's cousin)

Sarah Breuer: continued prayers for her health Suzanne May: continued prayers for her health

Mike Frye: prayers

Corey King: (Hal & Nancy Brock's grandson)

#### **Expecting Mothers of WHBC:**

#### **Other Expecting Mothers:**

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

Jonathan Clubine & Jenna Lucas: July 2020 (Donna Bartkoski's son)

#### 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)

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:

1LT Parker Osborne, US ARMY: stationed at Ft. Jackson, SC: continued prayer (Donna Osborne's daughter)

MSGT Benjamin Goldsberry: USAF, Ft. Bragg, NC: change of rank (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)

Staff Sargent Joshua Spruill: USAF stationed at Alamogordo, AFB, NM (Mike & Becky Derzinski's nephew)

Lexis Fehol: Air Force Basic, San Antonio, TX (Elisabeth Laundy's friend)

Andrew Stueckemann: Navy-moving to Japan in January (San Diego, CA) (Cathy Stuekemann's son)

Austin Stueckemann: ARMY, stationed at Fort Campbell KY/TN (Cathy Stuekemann'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, Ft. Schwab, Okinawa, Japan

(Mike & Becky Derzinski's son)

Ian Wheaton: US Navy—Pearl Harbor (Kirk & Lenora's family friend)

Derrick & Angela Wagner: USAF, stationed at McDill AFB (Jennifer Belcher's brother & sister-in-law)