

SERMON NOTES

Pastor Mike Bronson

Luke 18:15-27

Helpless Children and the Miserable Ministry of Money

1. Every Child Is A Ministry

A. The Value of Ministry to a Child

B. The Need to Become Like a Child

2. Every Person Needs The Message

3. Every Conversion Is A Miracle



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

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

September 16, 2018



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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!

Spiritual Growth Conference - Nov. 2-3

To register go to: Spiritualgrowthconference.com

Use code: mywesthaven

Tickets: \$8 for members and regular attenders

CALENDAR

Monday, September 17

9:30 a.m. W.O.W. group

Tuesday, September 18

6:00 a.m. Prayer Meeting

Wednesday, September 19

6:15 p.m. AWANA

6:30 p.m. Student Ministry

6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study

Monday, September 24

9:30 a.m. W.O.W. group

Tuesday, September 25

6:00 a.m. Prayer Meeting

Wednesday, September 26

6:15 p.m. AWANA

6:30 p.m. Student Ministry

6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study

Monday, October 1

9:30 a.m. W.O.W. group

Tuesday, October 2

6:00 a.m. Prayer Meeting

Sunday, October 7

8:30 a.m. Donut Fellowship

5:30 p.m. Sermon &
Churchwide Prayer Meeting

Monday, October 8

9:30 a.m. W.O.W. group

Senior Adult Fellowship
(TBD)

Tuesday, October 9

6:00 a.m. Prayer Meeting

Sunday, October 14

7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer
Breakfast

Tuesday, October 16

6:00 a.m. Prayer Meeting

Wednesday, October 17

Parent Teacher
Conferences—No AWANA
or Student Ministry
No Adult Bible Study

MEMBER INFORMATION

Budget Detail as of 9/09/2018

Weekly Budget Requirement - \$8,830.43

General Fund Receipts - \$3,885.15

Month to Date Budget Requirement - \$17,660.86

Month to Date Giving - \$14,772.15

NEWS & UPDATES

Wednesday Night Activities

AWANA

Starts at **6:15 p.m.** for children ages 18 months–6th grade. For more information, go to West Haven AWANA Clubs Facebook page or contact Bill Mages or Gordon Brest.

Student Ministry

Meets at **6:30 p.m.** in the Train Station. Visit West Haven Student Ministry Facebook page for more details or contact Nathan LaFave or Bill Weatherford.

Adult Bible Study

6:30 p.m. is Adult Bible Study, led by Pastor Mike, in the Hospitality Room. Bring your Bible.

6th Graders and Student Ministry

Sixth graders have always been in AWANA and 7th graders go to Student Ministry. However, sixth graders often vary widely in their physical and intellectual development. The leaders of AWANA and Student Ministry met this week and reached a unanimous consensus.

1. Sixth graders will go to AWANA
2. If a parent believes their 6th grader should be in the Student Ministry, he or she must:
 - a. Contact either Bill Weatherford or Nathan LaFave to discuss what will be expected of the student.
 - b. Read and sign off on the covenant of conduct that all students must sign.

I believe this to be a wise conclusion and thank God for His wisdom.—Pastor Mike

Download the Bulletin

Just a reminder: you can download the bulletin on the Friday before a Sunday by going to our website and clicking on the “Download the Latest Bulletin” link on the home page. It will download to your phone or PC in pdf format. Please take time to read it each week and perhaps even use it to invite a friend to church!

A Weekly Note From **PASTOR Mike Bronson**

These are good days at West Haven. Awana and Student Ministry are thriving. We are getting the gospel message out. Many of you are actively trying to reach your “One Life.” And keep this in mind – our worship gatherings are not just “church.” They are pleasing in the sight of God. An SBC leader recently wrote this:

“In the Bible, a local church—with all its ridiculous flaws—is an unveiling of the mystery of the universe (Eph. 3:6). She is in a one-flesh union with Jesus such that, as in a marriage, everything that belongs to him belongs to her (Eph. 5:22–33). A congregation, in covenant with one another as an assembly of Christ’s people, is a colony of the coming global reign of Christ (Eph. 1:22–23), a preview of what his kingdom will look like in the end (1 Cor. 6:1–8). Where there is a covenant among believers a disciplined community of faith—the Spirit of Jesus is present among them, just as God was present among the people of Israel in the temple of old (Matt. 18:15–20) . . .

The Scriptures reveal to us what we would never discern on our own. The church—not an ideal congregation but the real one you go to every week, with the lady who smacks her gum and the man with the pitiful comb-over hair and the 1970s-era audio system and the kids banging Tonka trucks on the back of the pew in front of you—is the flesh and bones of Jesus. It’s his body, he tells us—inseparable from him as your heart and lungs and kidneys and fingers are from you (Eph. 5:29–30; 1 Cor. 12:12–31).”

A sincere “thank you” goes to everyone who worked so hard in our Community Carnival last Sunday. What a great day! There were 333 attendees. Ryon gave away several Bibles and some other material. We blessed the community. God was glorified. I am grateful for everyone who participated and for engaging guests. You are amazing!

Next week we’ll show you a promotional video for the Spiritual Growth Conference and give you some more information. Word is starting to spread. I was asked to present the conference at a conference I attended this week. I will also show the video and talk about it briefly at our state convention (Kansas-Nebraska Convention of Southern Baptists) next month in Pratt, KS. My son’s church is going to actively promote it. **I encourage you to invite friends and coworkers. We have business cards with information about the conference available at the Welcome Center.** Take as many as you need. If you want digital promotional material, contact Nathan LaFave at nathan@westhavenbaptist.org. He can give you the video you will see next week as well as social media banners, etc. This is going to be very well done. Invest the time. Reap the blessing. If you haven’t bought a ticket or for more information, go to spiritualgrowthconference.com.

Tools to Help You

NAVIGATE OUR CHURCH

CHILDREN

We have a cry room in the back of the worship center, and a nursery is on the lower level. Children's church is available for Kids K-4th in 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 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

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2018 Prayer Requests:



September 9, 2018

Cora: hospitalized with an infection but now home. Please pray for her and the family (Scott & Brittany Henderson)

Joy Gainer: recovery and healing from gall bladder surgery

Gravesite Service was Monday, Sept. 10th for Janet Schnell-she passed away of cancer (Jen Klamm's mother)

For the family that I had misplaced due to a carbon monoxide danger in house—pray that they are well & family is doing good and is continued to be safe (Angelina & Michael Boyd)

Jack: prayer as he battles cancer (Donna Gambrill's brother-in-law)

Pray for our marriage (Joe & Joyce Spielman)

Our country & elected officials (Helen Craig)

Charles: going through a very trying time and needs prayers (Nancy Brock's brother)

Brendan Caufield: Navy Basic Training in Chicago (Mike & Becky Derzinski)

Kiana: prayers after emergency appendectomy (Dara Maley's cousin) and prayers for baby Cora and family

George: recovery from serious surgery (Al & Annie Anderson's friend from Oregon) and salvation for our daughter & family in Portland, Oregon

Mike Dove: third round of chemo (Rachel McGuire's Dad)

The Henderson family: Cora (Kyle & Liz Cobb)

September 2, 2018

Jordan Gagne': hip surgeries and healing

Jordan, Joslyn, Jay's move to Georgia (J. Needham Gagne' & Jordan Gagne')

Guidance for my mother & us (whether to stay in her apartment or to move in with Dan and me; Dan's continued recovery successfully from knee surgery (Cathy Stueckemann)

Wise decisions for country and those in power of leadership; me and my families to grow our faith in God (Helen Craig)

Loretta Kundard: pain, recovering from back surgery (Mike & Gail Drake)

Cora Kunard: pray there are no more delays & her surgery can proceed on 9/17; She is very discouraged.

Expecting Mothers of WHBC:

Cindi Benson: Nov. 2018

Maggie Estes:

Other Expecting Mothers:

Rebecca Moore: Nov. 2018 (Chris & Alice Moore's daughter-in-law)

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)

Joyce Evans: health—The Piper #213

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)

Orvella Schultz: health (Schultz family)

Brent Koprivica: continued prayers for health (Lenora Baggett's boss)

Kathy Laub: health concerns (Michelle Fridlington's mom)

Velma Morgan: cancer treatment (Cathy Stueckemann's mom)

Aunt Jo: continued recovery for bladder cancer (Cathy Stueckemann)

Jon, Lindsay, & Haylie's salvation (Cathy Stueckemann)

Lenora Baggett: health

Jacob Stine: prayers with the daily struggle of addiction recovery

C.J. Shiner: is leaving 9/10/18 for the World Race Gap year 9 month missions trip (Cary & Tracy Shiner)

Military:

ILT Parker Osborne, US Army: assigned to S. Korea for 12 months (Donna Osborne's daughter)

TSgt. Ben Goldsberry: USAF, Ft. Bragg, NC (Donna Osborne's nephew)

ILT Dan Hopkins, Jr., US Army Infantry, Fort Hood, TX (Dan & Sesuk Hopkins' son)

CPT Tim Hopkins, US Army, Fort Polk, LA, Airborne Light Infantry Team (Dan & Sesuk Hopkins' son)

CPT Tom Hopkins, US Army, Ft Bliss, TX Military Police (Dan & Sesuk Hopkins' son)

Derrick Wagner: Air Force (Jennifer Belcher's brother)

Joshua Spruill: USAF NM (Mike & Becky Derzinski's nephew)

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

Zach Povlitzky—Army, El Paso (Amanda O'Bryan)

Andrew Stueckemann: Navy at NAS Pensacola, FL (Cathy Stueckemann's son)

Austin Stueckemann: Army at Ft. Campbell KY (Cathy Stueckemann's son)

Elisabeth Schaffer: US Army (Brad & LuAnna Lingo's niece)

A1C Rebecca Hecker: temp. active duty Kirtland Air Force Base (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: Navy Basic Training in Chicago (Mike & Becky Derzinski)