

The Messenger

Westside Christian Church

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Parsons, KS

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June 3 & 4-Clothing Exchange

June 5-10-Junior High 1

June 6-9-Explore-OCC Event for Adults 55+

June 12-Report Meeting

June 12-16-Junior 1

June 13-17-Explore-OCC Event for Adults 55+

June 19-Father's Day

June 19-21-Get Acquainted at Hidden Haven

June 21-22-Overnighter Camp at Hidden Haven

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God's word for all occasions

People often look at the Bible as an out of date book for has beens or fanatics. But actually, the Bible is the most relevant book you will ever read. The deal is this... it is only good for those who believe in it and seek out its advice and direction. Those who don't believe in the Bible will scoff and mock and be blinded to its value.

In 2 Timothy 3:16 and 17 says... "All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work." God's word gives us direction in life for all things... and warnings.

As you may know, Proverbs is one of my favorite books of the Bible. I ran across a passage the other day that really struck me about slothful individuals. 15:19 says "A lazy person has trouble all through life; the path of the upright is easy." (this is the New Living Translation)

Wow. I hear it a lot. People complain about their life being hard when they don't have a job, they don't pay their bills, they don't go to church. And then they say I have it so easy. Hahahahaha. They have no clue, but God does. And his word points it out.

As we continue to look at God's word for direction in our lives. We can see discipline, perseverance, understanding, prudence, justice, fairness, insight and many other good attributes taught in scripture in very practical ways. What other book does this and gives eternal direction too? I dare say NONE! Because the Bible is the best book ever. And He has a word for all occasions.

What an amazing book and a good one to keep reading and looking into.

Have a marvelous week. I am looking forward to sharing more of God's instructions Sunday morning.

Father's Day

Cookout

Father's Day is coming up on June 19th. We will be having a cookout for our men after church to show how much we appreciate what they do for us! Watch for more details on the cookout as it gets closer and plan to bring your dad's favorite dish!

We would also like to have photographs of you with your dad and your kids with their dad. You can email photos to the office,



bring them in and we can scan them, send them on Facebook or we'll come take a picture if you don't have one. Just let us know. We'd like to have a nice representation of all the dads in our church family. Thanks!

Monthly Prayer

Meeting-The monthly

Prayer Meeting will be held on **June 26th at 5:00** in the auditorium at the church.

"Again, I tell you that if two of you on earth agree about anything you ask for, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three come together in my name, there am I with them."

Open House at Cookson Hills-June 4th at 10:00 am Cookson Hills Christian Ministries is holding an open house and everyone is invited! There will be a Ranch Rodeo, bounce houses, campus tours, dramas, activities for the whole family. A free lunch will be provided. There is more information on the bulletin board in the lobby.



A thank you note...

Dear Church Family,

No words can express our gratitude for all the prayers, love and concern during George's illness and death. We felt your prayers. You have touched our hearts.

We thank you for the phone calls, visits, and cards. We thank the ladies of the church for the delicious dinner. Everything is so appreciated.

In Christian Love,
Mary Ruth Allen and family

Help needed at Hidden Haven

Each year Hidden Haven camp asks us to send volunteers to help in the kitchen one day of the camp season. This year we are asked to help in **Monday, June 6th**. Volunteers are asked to be there at 8:30am and it is helpful if they can stay until after the supper dishes are done. If you can help with this, please let the office know. Thanks!

Update from the Penningtons...

Hello Everyone,

Thanks for your support and prayers and God bless.

Upcoming Events

Mid Year Prayer Day – May 26

On May 26 we will be closing down our offices and gathering from 8:30am – 5:00pm to pray. This will be a time of thanksgiving and praise, dependence on God, lifting up the suffering, separated, church planting efforts and millions of unreached.

MEMO – May 30-June 3

MEMO is our orientation/training for new workers. We have over 20 new workers who will be attending this event and are excited to see how God uses them for His kingdom over the years.

Reunion 2011 – June 7-12

Reunion is our annual conference where our workers and their family (over 300) come to Chiang Mai for a week of relaxation, hearing the word of God, updates, training, and preparation for the future. We also have an international team of child care workers coming to work with our children and have a type of Vacation Bible School with them.

Vietnam Pj – 14-30

Rodney will be leading an international team through Vietnam. We will be backpacking from the north working our way to the south visiting, seeing the needs, praying for the unreached and helping out where needed.

Serving Him,

Rodney Pennington

Prayer Concerns

Those with cancer:

Amy Steig
Doug Heiskell
Marcus Jackson
Walt Keely
Lisa Hays
Tammy Naffzinger
Carol Conway

Shut-ins:

Sherm Morgan
Connie Gilbert

Missions:

Scott Springer
Hidden Haven

Farrans
Cookson Hills
Melinda Velasquez

Other concerns:

Rachel Baty
Our military
Storm victims in Joplin and other locations
Nola Fisher-back problems
Vida North
Gene Robinson

If you would like prayer requests printed in the bulletin, please write them down and place them in the offering plate, place them on the desk in the office or email the office. Thanks!

Hidden Haven Christian Camp 2011

Junior High 1	June 5-10
Junior 1	June 12-16
Get Acquainted	June 19-21
Overnighter	June 21-22
Wilderness	June 23-July 1
Junior High 2	July 10-15
Junior 2	July 17-21
High School	July 24-29
Ladies' Retreat	September 16-17
Men's Retreat	September 23-24