

Welcome Alex and Lauren

Dear Milwood,

I want to start by saying “thank you”. Thank you for our special called church family meeting on March 1. Your concern for the well being of our church, the office of Elder, and for Alex was so encouraging to me as your pastor. I love you and thank God for you! May God continue to grant us eagerness “to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace” as we build each other up for God’s glory (Eph 4:4).

With joy I write to let you know that Alex has accepted our call to serve as our Associate Pastor and Elder.

Per our meeting I expressed our discussion regarding Alex serving as an Elder. Alex expressed that he understood that he was being pursued as an Elder throughout the process and that he does desire to serve as an Elder as long as the church affirms him as such.

Alex and Lauren conveyed that they plan to join us for worship and for our next Church Family Meeting on March 15th and Alex will officially start on March 17th. *Get your queso ready!* They are currently looking for an apartment here in Austin.

We praise God for his providence through Alex and Lauren. Pray for them as they commit themselves to each other in marriage next Saturday, March 7th!

I thank God for you.

**For His Glory,
Pastor Nathan**



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One of the Hundred - Spring 2015 Focus

This focus on church membership is about growing in love. It is about representing the gospel together by living out the gospel to each other. We'll focus on church membership primarily through the preaching and Lifegroups. Be in prayer as we venture through understanding the care, keys and gospel clarity of church membership.

Join us for Building Blocks Sundays at 9:30am

Adult Blocks Offered:

How to Study the Bible (for Men or Women)
Understanding the Bible as a Whole
Survey the Book of Matthew

Kids and Youth Blocks too!



March 15th is our next regularly scheduled Church Family Meeting. For our meal we'll have a Taco Bar and a Queso Competition. So, work on fine tuning that queso recipe! The sign-up to bring taco fixings is on the back table of the sanctuary.



LIFEGROUPS

Are you part of a LifeGroup? Find more information about our LifeGroups and how to join one on the Milwood Baptist Church website or call the office.

RECEIVING WEEKLY CHURCH NEWS?

If you aren't receiving the Milwood weekly email newsletter, go to the church website and sign up so you can get the latest updates and news about what is happening at Milwood Baptist Church.

You can also keep informed by liking our Facebook page: Milwood Baptist Church or following us on Twitter: Milwoodbaptist

The clubbers did it! Our Awana Global Outreach goal of 45 children has been met and exceeded. We now have funds to reach 46 children worldwide with the gospel through Awana clubs. Since the clubbers met their Missions Month challenge, *Commander Tom must shave his beard.*

Austin T&T Bible Quiz

Congratulations to Chris Bourland, Ella Bourland, Daniel Hampton and Ben Sloma on a job well done at the Austin T&T Bible Quiz last month.



GREETING TEAM

We want to grow in being more intentional in welcoming guests on Sunday mornings. This service is a way to show great hospitality. It is a way in which we as a church represent Christ to all who come through our doors. Join the Greeting Team. Contact Ed Wilson for more information.

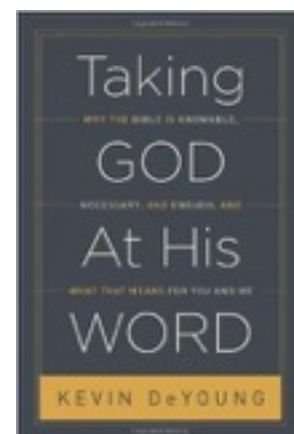
FEBRUARY RECOMMENDED READING

Taking God At His Word

Why the Bible is Knowable, Necessary, and Enough, and What That Means For You and Me

by Kevin DeYoung

Available in the book stall at the back of the sanctuary for \$5.00.





Bundles of Hope hosted its fourth baby shower last month. It was a sweet time of fellowship as we got to know Yanelly better and showered her with gifts! Thank you to everyone who provided food, brought or sent a gift, and came to show Christ's love to this sweet new mom and her family members that were there.



UPTOWN SERVICE PROJECT

The Uptown kids got together for some fun last month. After dinner, we spent some time playing balloon volleyball and balloon stomp. Rachel Lindsey was the balloon stomp champion! We also talked about how God's love can fill our empty hearts, and we are called to share that love with others around us. The kids made some fun, creative, and lovely valentine cards to share with the residents of Park Bend nursing home.



Students are participating in a study titled Jesus>Religion on Wednesday nights at 6:30. Come learn why He is so much better than trying harder, doing more and being good enough.

We are working on getting all the youth events put on the church calendar. Watch for that to come soon.

Adults...we need folks who will prepare and bring dinner for the students on Wednesday night. You don't have to be a parent of one of the students to participate in this ministry. Contact Izzy if you would like to help out. (izzy42892@yahoo.com)

MILWOOD PRAYER POINTS

Each Wednesday in the weekly email we list the prayer requests for our Milwood congregation. If you have a prayer request for yourself or someone in our Milwood family, please follow the link in the email or call the front office to have your prayer request added to the Prayer Points list. Here is the current list of prayer requests.

Randy Moore and Family

Pray for Randy and Jill as they begin their fundraising efforts. Pray that God would supply all of their needs and connect them with partners to support this new church plant.

Uli's Sister

Is undergoing chemo therapy for cancer. The treatment is showing signs of success. Praise God! Please continue to pray for her salvation.

Peter Nelson

The followup with Peter's neurologist and the EEG showed no signs of any major problems. For now we will continue to monitor Peter at home and school before we decide to adjust any dosages on his seizure meds. Overall this is great praise!

Lynelle Evans

Going through chemo-therapy for cancer. You can follow Lynelle's "Adventure Through Challenge" on her blog by clicking [HERE](#).

Church Purpose

Joyfully building up the body of Christ for the glory of God.

Staff Transition

Pray for the leadership and church to be unified in direction of determining staff future. Pray for God's good providence in our future staff.

Missions

Did you now that we give to IMB in our missions budget? Where does that money go? Learn more [HERE](#).

United Arab Emirates

Pray for our guy as he begins language school this fall.

Haiti

Pray for Pastor Gaetan, and Yahve Shamma Orphanage. Pastor Gaetan has trained one of his leaders to be a pastor of a new church plant in Pestel, Haiti. Pray for Pastor Gaetan, his family, the orphanage and school as well as this new church in Pestel. This is a picture of the church building and new pastor.

