

BRADY LANE LEDGER

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Brady Lane Church

Believing–Living–Connecting

THE BIG THREE!

End of Summer Bash

End of Summer Bash will be on August 1, 2020 from 5-8pm. Carnival Games, Food, and Fun! For All Ages! Join us! Hosted by the Next Generation Team.

Upcoming Events/Schedule

July 26 - Open to Adults

August 1 - End of Summer Bash

August 9 - Kids Sunday School Begins.

Back to Church Policies

- Refrain from handshakes and hugs and try to social distance
- Utilize hand sanitizer stations around the church
- If you have to sneeze or cough do so into your elbow...please cover your mouth. If sick...stay home!
- We will utilize communion stations rather than pass trays and plates. Instructions will be given during service. There will be a offering box on the entrance table.
- If you plan to sing bring a mask
- Brady Lane Kids ministry is in the 11am service only.

Tools for the Times

The following article is from Friday July 3rd's e2 - Effective Elders e-newsletter. The author is Jeff Faul, Pastor of Mt. Gilead Church in Mooresville, IN. I felt the article was encouraging and also challenging and wanted to share it with you. I will share a couple of thoughts at the end.

Chances are, you saw the same stuff I'd read. Dust storms all the way from the Sahara are the latest threat to our safety. One person humorously responded to the news like this:

"Always wondered what it would be like to live during the times of the Civil War, the Spanish flu, the Great depression, the civil rights movement, Watergate and the dustbowl."

And, I might add, murder hornets, giant asteroids, Cyclospora food-borne illness and the list goes on... Seems that threats are multiplied. We definitely live in a V.U.C.A. world: Volatile, Uncertain, Complex, and Ambiguous.

So how do we live on this planet in these chaotic times? How do we respond to 2020? And what can elders do to understand the times and help believers navigate this increasingly insane culture?

We who are shepherds can start by identifying some tools for God's people to have in their discipleship toolbox to face uncertain times. We can't merely tell them what they are supposed to think, but we can provide biblical tools to help them learn to think and use the tools well.

At Mt. Gilead, where I serve, we are highlighting and demonstrating some of these tools and how to use them. We call it 2020 Tools for the Times. We are building our toolbox and developing our skills with things like...

Finding Peace

By Nathan Hazelgrove

The first six months of 2020 have been very difficult. The Pandemic and social unrest in the United States and the world have caused extreme pain and suffering. I think we can all agree that we live in a polarized political environment.

We should ask our self how to find peace in all of this uncertainty and anxiety. Is peace truly obtainable?

Only the Bible, God's word and the Holy Spirit can bring us comfort, direction and peace.

John 14:27

“Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.”

Only those who have been forgiven and covered by the blood of Jesus are truly at peace with God the Father.

Apart from the Father there is no peace.

Brady Lane family- pray for peace and find peace in our Lord and Savior.



- Courage and Conviction
- Discernment and Wisdom
- Spiritual Awareness
- Active and Prayerful fasting
- Good Theology and Hermeneutics
- Uncommon Decency
- Healthy Community
- Righteous Justice
- Honest History
- Enduring Effort

Our responsibility as leaders and elders is to equip our people, including our children, with these essential cultural tools to use in an increasingly confusing and unsettling future.

We can do this. Indeed, we must.

From Jeff Keller:

I agree with Jeff, we need to continue to work on the list he shared and we need to do so with love and mercy. We do need these tools for the times!

Folks we have to get serious about our faith. The days of coasting as Christians in America are over. You are either going to have to step up and be counted on to walk alongside us through the trenches and the difficulties, or you can do what so many are - and surrender to the world. The latter is certainly easier by far. But the blessings that come with the former are great!

Of the list he gave I believe that the majority of Christians struggle with having solid theology and hermeneutics...or in other words...what we believe about God, and interpreting and understanding His word. The only way to get better at that stuff is to do it. Study God's Word - EVERY DAY. Prayerfully meditate over it. Have spiritual conversations with other Christians and challenge each other.

I also liked the “Uncommon Decency” on his list. This is what I call sowing seeds of peace. Being so full of peace and love and mercy that people recognize your uncommon decency! There is certainly a great deal of unrest in our country...but as Christians it is our responsibility to help others seek and find the peace they are longing for - to do that we need to be increasing the tools for the times in our toolbox!

Join us this week!
Services at 8:30am and 11am on campus
Live online at 11am on YouTube