

# BIBLETALK

## LIGHT-brained

Our brains matter...

1) ...for the efficacy of our salvation.  
*1 John 5:20*

2) ...for the effectiveness of our Good News presentations.  
*2 Corinthians 10:4-5*

*Acts 17:2-4*

*2 Corinthians 5:11*

*1 Peter 3:15-16*

*Matthew 4:19*

*1 Corinthians 9:19-22*

3) ...for the triumph of our truth-claims.  
*Colossians 2:8*

4) ...for our capacity to be obedient.  
*Matthew 22:37-38*

*Philippians 2:5*

*Colossians 3:2*

*Romans 14:5*

5) ...for the potential to feel peace.

*Philippians 4:6-7*

*Isaiah 26:3*

## THANK YOU NOTE EXCERPTS FROM WESTWOOD HOUSEHOLDS

*"I thank God for guiding me to Westwood Church. We took comfort as a family in the gift baskets and cards...for putting in prayer requests knowing I did not have to hold onto all of it myself and could give to others to hold onto for me."*

*"Thanks for all you've done to help us come to Christ and continue to reach out to others. We are so grateful!"*

*"Thank you for the pizza gift card, book, and fleece blanket for our new baby girl. We are so happy to call Westwood our church home and feel so blessed!"*

*"Thank you for the love, prayers, hugs, and encouragements during my sister's struggles and at the time of her home-going."*

*"We just want to thank you for all you did for us during our time of loss. We couldn't ask for a better church to belong to. You are definitely a blessing to us."*

*"Words cannot express my response to your gift that encourages me still. It warms my heart, this thoughtfulness and prayers."*

*"Thank you for the thoughtful card and grocery gift card. It was a huge answer to prayer. God has been so faithful and I am thankful for my Westwood family."*

*"Thank you for your kindness in making our holidays brighter. I don't know how to thank you for reaching out to my family."*

*"Thank you so very much for the gift cards. They helped more than you'll ever know. Thank you for the cards, and most importantly, for the prayers."*

*"Thank you again...I see Westwood not just as a building, but a church family that has changed and supported me during the most troubled time in my life. I was given hope when I saw nothing but darkness. Thank you for being there for me."*

# WELCOME TO WESTWOOD CHURCH

## Today's BibleTalk

*Between the intellectual and behavioral guardrails set by our genetic code, the road is wide, and we hold the steering wheel. Through what we do and how we do it—moment by moment, day by day, consciously or unconsciously—we alter the chemical flows in our synapses and change our brains. And when we hand down our habits of thought to our children, through the examples we set, the schooling we provide, and the media we use, we hand down as well the modifications in the structure of our brains.*

—Nicholas Carr, *The Shallows*, p49

*We use God's mighty weapons, not worldly weapons, to knock down the strongholds of human reasoning and to destroy false arguments. We destroy every proud obstacle that keeps people from knowing God. We capture their rebellious thoughts and teach them to obey Christ.*

--2 Corinthians 10:4-5 (NLT)

## WHAT TO EXPECT TODAY

SINGING 25 MINUTES

BIBLE TALK 35 MINUTES

OFFERING / ANNOUNCEMENTS 5 MINUTES

Visit [westwoodstcloud.org](http://westwoodstcloud.org) to listen to previous BibleTalks. Click on BibleTalk (messages). To read or study the verses on your own, go online to [Biblos.com](http://Biblos.com) or [BibleGateway.com](http://BibleGateway.com)

5.12.2013

9:00 & 10:30AM

# MINISTRIES

## KIDCITY DOWNTOWN INFANTS-AGE 5

Sundays, 9 & 10:30am.

Check-in at the East Green Lobby.

The Parents Room (for those with wiggly ones) is located just outside the Auditorium doors.

## KIDCITY UPTOWN KINDERGARTEN-GRADE 5

Sundays, 9 & 10:30am,

Check-in upstairs in the Blue Room.

**FINAL WEEKLY KIDCITY UPTOWN:** Sun, May 19

## SUMMER KIDCITY UPTOWN LITE

Second and third Sundays, begins June 9, 10:30am.

## YOUTH MINISTRIES

### GRADES 6-12

### HOUSEFIRES (SUMMER YOUTH GROUP)

Wednesdays starting June 19, 6-9pm. More details to come. Check us out on Facebook for updates: [www.facebook.com/westwoodwednesdaynights](http://www.facebook.com/westwoodwednesdaynights).

## YOUNG ADULTS

### SUNDAY NIGHTS CHURCH, 7PM

Visit [SundayNights.org](http://SundayNights.org) for more info.

### MONDAY NIGHT VOLLEYBALL

7:30-10pm. Join us for volleyball in the Barn. Hang out at Applebee's with us afterwards.

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Mon-Thurs, June 24-27, 6-8:30pm. Volunteers needed, sign-up today at the Connection Pointe.

| [WESTWOODSTCLOUD.ORG](http://WESTWOODSTCLOUD.ORG)

| [INFO@WESTWOODSTCLOUD.ORG](mailto:INFO@WESTWOODSTCLOUD.ORG)

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# GROUPS

## “THE WAY OUT” RECOVERY GROUP

Tuesdays, 7pm.\*

## MEN'S PURITY GROUP

Thursdays, 7pm.\*

## CHARITY CRAFTING

Second & Fourth Tuesdays, 7pm.\*

\*For more info, email [info@westwoodstcloud.org](mailto:info@westwoodstcloud.org)

## ANYI BIKE-A-THON

Sat, June 1, 8:30am. Still looking for volunteers and riders. Funds raised will go toward the Literacy Center in the Ivory Coast. They will be starting at St. Joseph Lake Wobegon Shelter. Sign up at the Connection Pointe.

## DASH

### A BOOMERS+ MINISTRY

Dash connects individuals born before 1964. This ministry also sponsors and participates in intergenerational activities both within the church body and in the greater St. Cloud area.

For more info, email [irv.kuch@westwoodstcloud.org](mailto:irv.kuch@westwoodstcloud.org).

### MEALS AT SALVATION ARMY

Sat, May 18, 10am-1pm or 3-6pm. Sign up at the Connection Pointe to help prepare and serve meals.

### WESTWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PICNIC

Wed, May 22, 5-7pm. Sign up at the Connection Pointe to help monitor the kids on the inflatables.

## WOMEN'S EVENT RECAP

MANY thanks to everyone who helped with the Being Brave event! Around 425 women heard about the MOST important decisions they can make and 19 accepted Jesus!

**CONNECT CARDS** can be filled out and put in the offering baskets. Mark “I have decided to make Westwood my church home” to receive emails, church mailings, and offering envelopes.

# MAY 12 - MAY 18

Sun	9:00/10:30am 7:00pm	Worship/KIDCITY Sunday Nights Church
Mon	7:30pm	Volleyball
Tues	6:30pm 7:00pm 7:00pm	Young Adult Community Group Charity Crafting “The Way Out” Recovery Group
Thur	7:00pm	Men's Purity Group
Fri	7:00pm	Women's Craft Night

## SPRING SOFTBALL

Tues	6:00pm	<b>Men's vs. Waters1</b> Field 5, Whitney Park
Wed	7:10pm	<b>Sunday Nights vs. Ultimate</b> Field 4, Whitney Park
Thur	6:00pm	<b>Co-Rec vs. Blue Line</b> Field C-3, Whitney Park

## VOLUNTEERS

### KIDCITY DOWNTOWN TEACHERS\*

- 4-5's Room, 9am.
- Infants Room, Second & Fourth Sundays of each month.

### KITCHEN HELP\*

- Third Sunday of each month, second service.

\*Email [katie.zintek@westwoodstcloud.org](mailto:katie.zintek@westwoodstcloud.org).

## SUMMER KICK-OFF BBQ & CHURCH CELEBRATION

Sun, June 2. Food is served after the 10:30am service; meeting starts at 12:15pm. Childcare available at noon. Please register at the Connection Pointe by May 27. Staff will be highlighting the past ministry year and sharing ideas for next year. Members will also be able to vote on next year's ministry budget. Members and non-members are welcome to attend!