

Headwaters Newsletter

His Church is not a building or a physical location. It is a living, breathing, holy temple built with living stones.



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Headwaters Kids

We Need YOU!

Trunk or Treat will be our primary community outreach event this year. It will be held **Sat, Oct 31 from 2-5pm**, just before Trick-or-Treat usually begins. This will be a completely outdoor event, with cars safely spaced, so families can spread out.

Volunteer

- Decorate Your Vehicle.
 Get inspired, Google
 "Trunk or Treat ideas."
 (Candy will be provided)
- Direct Traffic
- Assist Parking
- Direct Foot Traffic
- Pass Out Glow Sticks
- Make Balloon Animals
- Donate Fun-Size Candy

Judges' Choice & Kids' Choice Prizes for BEST TRUNK!



Sign up to help by clicking **HERE** or go to our website: headwaterschurch.org.

Questions: Contact Erin Wood at ewood@headwaterschurch.org.



Did you know...

Nearly every Saturday and Sunday, a multi ethnic soccer league with hundreds of participants plays soccer in the Wells Street gyms (during the school year) and on the outdoor soccer fields (during the summer)? LDS Soccer is directed by Oswaldo Parapi, aided by his wife Maria and their sons. The Parapis live across the street from our Wells Street campus, and have been running the league at this location for 20 years!

Here's a brief description of the league from Oswaldo:

"We are a recreational soccer league for children, ladies, and gentlemen. Our goal is to bring families together/closer than what they already are through soccer. Secondly, we attempt to bring all the different cultures, race, ethnicities, that live in Fort Wayne and its surroundings together through the sport. We have two indoor sessions (#1 October through December) and (#2 January through April)."

LDS Soccer presents two great opportunities for us at Headwaters Church to get to know people in our community:

First, and perhaps best, for those of you who have family members who play soccer (or want to learn), **consider joining the LDS league**, which has a place for players of all ages and abilities. We will have opportunities for LDS sign-ups at the Welcome Center over the next several Sundays.

Second, if you're a male 18 years or older, **consider signing up as a paid soccer attendant**. In either case, you'll get to know the Parapis and have lots of chances to meet dozens of other families that love being a part of our community. (We must have attendants who represent the church on site during activities for third party groups.)

Contact Jeannie Fredrick at <u>jfredrick@headwaterschurch.org</u> for more info or to be added to the attendant roster/schedule.



Parent / Child Dedication

Headwaters Church believes children are a gift from God, and we are glad that you desire to dedicate your child to the Lord. You may dedicate your child at any age. Headwaters Church plans two Dedication Services each year, one in the spring and one in the fall.

Our next Dedication Service will be November 22.

Please fill out an application so we can contact you to discuss with you what role Dedication plays in our faith. **Application deadline is Nov 11.**

Be aware there is also a REQUIRED Parent Class for all first-time dedicating parents Nov 15.

All returning parents are encouraged to attend, as a way to refocus on your commitment before the Lord. Please consider your schedule in choosing when to dedicate, as ALL parents wishing to participate in the Dedication Service are required to attend the Parent Class at least once.

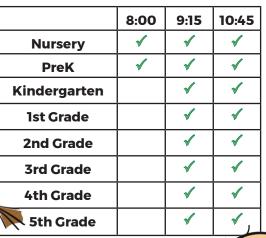
As a church we care deeply about your family's spiritual growth. We want to come alongside you as you train up your children in the discipline and instruction of the Lord. We are excited to help you in this step of Dedication.

Register **HERE**, with the Church Center App, or go to our website.





What is Available for my Kids THIS Sunday?





8:00 am Masks Required | Wallen Road

- NEW!!! Nursery PreK | weekly K-5th Grade | 2nd & 4th Sundays

9:15 am Masks Optional | Wells Street

- Nursery -2nd Grade | weekly
- 3rd-5th Grade | 3rd Sunday only

10:45 am Masks Optional | Wallen Road

- Nursery -2nd Grade | weekly
- 3rd-5th Grade | 3rd Sunday only

All Sanctuary seating will be socially distanced.



WHEN IS IT?

We are excited to announce Awana Sunday during service on

Sunday, October 25!!

WHAT DO I NEED TO DO?

- · Have your kids wear their Awana uniform to church that day.
- · Email photos or video of your kids saying verses at home groups to Erin Wood at ewood@headwaterschurch.org.

WHAT HAPPENS THAT SUNDAY?

We will have a small presentation showcasing the kids and have the kids come up front as a group in all three services.

WHAT IF MY KID DOESN'T **HAVE A UNIFORM?**

We are able to purchase Puggles shirts! We can also still order Cubbies or Sparks vests and T&T shirts if your clubber doesn't have one.

If you would like to order one before Awana Sunday email Shirley ASAP and let her know. sglover@headwaterschurch.org.

QUESTIONS?

Contact the Church Office 260.489.4942



Safe Families for Children

New Volunteer Training:

Safe Families for Children Northeast Indiana invites you to a training event to learn about our ministry and what it means to serve as a host family or family coach through Safe Families!

Sat, No 14th | 8:30am -12:30pm Wallen Road, Room A-1

Please sign up at **HERE**

Needs:

Frozen Meals - URGENT Meal Ingredients - URGENT Grocery Gift Cards - URGENT Boys Socks - 2T-3T Boys Sleepers - 6 mo Girls Sleepers - 6 mo

You can drop off donations at the Welcome Center or at the Church Office labeled "FOR SAFE FAMILIES."



IN PERSON:

- 1) Grab a star off the tree in the foyer
- 2) Write your name on the Russian side for the child
- 3) Attach \$25 to the star (\$25 per star) write "Immanuel's Child in memo line
- 4) Place star & money in the box on table
- 5) Take home English side and hang it on your tree
- 6) Pray for the child receiving it

ONLINE:

- 1) Use the Church Center App or Website. Go to GIVE
- 2) Select "Immanuel's Child"
- 3) Give \$25 / star
- 4) The office will fill out the Russian side of the star
- 5) Contact the office to arrange to get the English side of the star for your tree at home
- 7) Pray for the child receiving it

DEADLINE: OCTOBER 25

With your gift for SGA's Immanuel's Child Outreach, you will bring the hope of the Gospel to girls and boys in Russia and the surrounding countries at Christmastime.

Every \$25 you share helps provide one hurting child with:

- A Children's Bible and Christian literature!
- A special Christmas present.
- ♣ Follow-up care and discipleship by believers!
- ♠ A Star of Bethlehem Ornament that says "JESUS LOVES YOU!" in Russian with your name printed on it.

Your gift can change their lives forever! A caring Christian will hand your gifts and ornaments to girls or boys this Christmas. By God's grace, we want to lead 20,000 children to faith in Jesus!

Slavic Gospel Association Sharing the Gospel | Equipping the Church | Helping the Forgotten





SURVIVING THE HOLIDAYS

Help and hope as you navigate the Christmas season

Wondering how you will survive the weeks surrounding Thanksgiving and Christmas? Are you dreading these holidays, knowing that everything has changed and that happy memories from past years can't be recreated?

Our Surviving the Holidays seminar is especially for people who are grieving a loved one's death.

You'll learn:

- · How to deal with the many emotions you'll face during the holidays
- · What to do about traditions and other coming changes
- · Helpful tips for surviving social events
- · How to discover hope for your future

About the Event

Here's what happens at a Surviving the Holidays seminar:

A Surviving the Holidays event lasts for about two hours. You'll be welcomed by warm, caring people who understand what you are going through and who want to help. During the seminar, you will:

- 1) Watch a 40-minute video, filled with practical holiday survival tips and the real-life stories of people who have navigated the season after their loved one's death.
- 2) Hear other seminar attendees explain how they are dealing with the holidays.
- 3) Have the opportunity to share how grief is affecting you. (No pressure—this is optional. We want you to feel comfortable.)
- 4) Receive a personal copy of the GriefShare Holiday Survival Guide.

Invite a friend and join us:

Thursday, November 5th from 7-9pm at Wallen Road for this one-time seminar.

Register by clicking **HERE** or go to our website: headwaterschurch.org.



Noah's Hope ministers to families in our city grieving the loss of a baby.

The Numbers

Did you know that 1 in 4 women will experience miscarriage, infant loss or still birth? Did you know that each year around 30-40 mothers leave Dupont, PRMC, Parkview Randalia and Lutheran Hospitals with empty arms. That's 30-40 from each hospital.

Each year the Women of Headwaters prepare 200 "Noah Bears" for Labor and Delivery and NICU units, as well as 200 "Small Bears" which are specifically given in the ERs at Parkview to hundreds of women experiencing early miscarriage each year.

The bears are delivered to our local hospitals by Headwaters volunteers. We also provide bears to DeKalb & Whitley County Hospitals.

Hope and Healing

Over the past 13 years Noah's Hope has offered comfort to thousands of families in our community, including many in our own church family who have experienced loss.

What a privilege it is to come together as a church family to pray for and encourage the brokenhearted in our community in this small, but very tangible way.

On occasion we have had local families join us to assemble some bears after receiving one themselves, as a way to honor their child.

A Testimony

"Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort. Who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves have received from God."

2 Corinthians 1:3-4

A mom who received a Noah Bear wrote us in 2019:

"About 2 months ago we found out our baby at 18 weeks didn't have a heartbeat. We delivered at Lutheran Hospital, and one of the nurses gave us a teddy bear from your church. The letter that was attached to it was absolutely perfect, and it's so touching that you do this. I read the letter a lot during the day, and the teddy bear stays in our living room. I just wanted to say thank you so much!"

Join us

You don't have to be crafty. If you have received comfort from God in your troubles, then we'd love for you to join us **Sunday, November 1st, from 6-8pm in A-1** to assemble tags for 100 Noah Bears as well as make cards and pray for the families receiving them.

Learn more

If you'd like to know more about Noah's Hope you can read more about it at **noahshopebears**. **blogspot.com**. or by contacting Jen Potter at **jenifer**. **potter@gmail.com**.







Birth Announcement

Congratulations to Sam & Miranda Ewing on the birth of their son Jack Arlen. Jack was born Saturday, October 10, at 9:43 pm. He weighed 7lbs 11 oz and was 20 inches long.







Membership Welcome! **New Member:** Leah Dawkins

Let us know how we can pray for you. Fill out an online Communication Card on our website.

Giving Totals

\$45,644 Last Week General Giving YTD General Giving \$1,440,399 Weekly General Budget \$36,875 YTD General Budget \$1,511,875

Amplify Giving*

Last Week Giving 2020 YTD Giving Total Amplify Fund Giving

\$1605 \$187,429 \$909.584

Sunday Attendance

Wallen Road 8am Wells Street 9:15am 285 Wallen Road 10:45am 340 **Total**

*The Amplify Fund is a building fund for preparing our new facility at 2000 N. Wells Street for current & future ministries.

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