

WESTSIDE

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Church Events

- **July 10** Women's Bible Study begins
- **July 13** "Oklahoma" The Wagon Wheel
- **July 14** Communion Sunday
- **July 28** Clocktower Community Service PM
- **August 11** Sundae Nite with a Missionary PM
- **August 24** AWANA Kick-Off Party @ 4:30 PM
- **September 2** Labor Day
- **September 8** The Ultimate Griller
- **September 11** AWANA Begins
- **September 21** Unity 66: Fish Fry Fundraiser

West Missionary's New Children's Complex is Underway!

By: Kristi Cressman

Children's Director, Michelle Wolf and the Children's Complex committee has been busy preparing and planning for West Missionary's new "Blue Waters" Children's Complex. Pictured below is the projected Blue Waters Children's Complex logo.

Wolf describes the meaning of the water theme and logo, "Blue, in scripture, is sometimes used as a symbol to represent God. Water, in scripture, is sometimes used as a symbol to represent God's word. It is our hearts desire that every child who enters our ministry will know God, learn the truth of His word, grow in their spiritual walk, ultimately give their life to God, and become disciples to share the love of God with others."



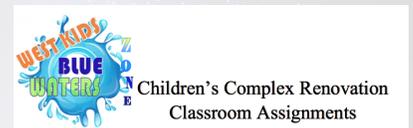
Children's Complex Logo



The children's departments will be classified as the "zones" of the ocean: sunlight, midwater, midnight, and deep blue zone. The older the age, the deeper their ocean zone will be, hence

going deeper in their spiritual understanding and adding depth to their spiritual walk with Jesus.

Starting in August, renovations will take place in the basement of the church to create the water themed children's complex. Sunday school and children's church classes will be temporarily relocated during the renovation process over the next four to six months. The new class locations will begin on Sunday, July 21.



Children's Complex Renovation Classroom Assignments

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL	CLASSROOM PLACEMENT
Preschool Opener	Room 103 (behind Nursery)
K-5 th Opener	Gym
2/3 yrs. old	Room 103 (behind Nursery)
4/5 yrs. old	Room 17 (basement)
K-2nd	Library
3 rd -5th	Gym
CHILDREN'S CHURCH	CLASSROOM PLACEMENT
2/3 yrs. old	Room 103 (behind Nursery)
4 yrs - 1st	Room 17 (basement)
2 nd /3rd	Library
4 th /5th	Room 20 (basement/youth)
ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL	CLASSROOM PLACEMENT
Discipleship Class	Room 102 (Kristi's Office)
Forever Yours	Room 16 (old youth room)

*Children will be in their temporary classrooms starting on JULY 21st.

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West Missionary would like to thank the people of West for their understanding and cooperation during this process to help make these changes and transitions go smoothly.

As this project continues over the next several months and the excitement increases, may we remember our true purpose and goal for our children of West; their spiritual walk and growth. Together may we pray for the salvation of our children and wisdom for our teachers. May we strive to present the gospel to them in a meaningful way. May the children of West develop a hunger for the Word of God. And through God's direction may we bring up the next generation to be strong in their faith; ready to defend and stand for Jesus Christ.

Below are projected images of a few main areas of the complex.



Check-In Area and Hallway



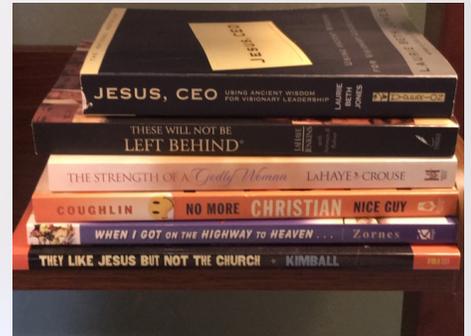
Opening/Worship Stage



AWANA Store

A Bundle of Books:

Are you in need of new devotional? Maybe you struggle to find the words to say to a friend in need? Whatever your reason, you are welcome to take any of the gently-used books pictured to the right. These books have been donated and are available to you! Contact Kristi Cressman if you are interested or stop in her office to collect yours.



AWANA REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

WEST MISSIONARY CHURCH



Learn More and Register at

www.westmissionarychurch.com

Children's Ministry

Looking for a Wednesday night children's program that focuses on the Word of God and Truth?

AWANA at West believes in the importance of Bible memory, prayer, goal setting, building friendships, and having fun. Starting at age 2 through 5th grade, there is a place for your child.

We welcome you!

Help spread the word and take a yard sign located in the north foyer!



get to know *The Orrs*



Eric and Amy Orr met as students at Indiana Wesleyan – both were studying music at that time. They married in December 2002 and lived in Indianapolis briefly before relocating to Berne in 2006.

Eric operates a general law practice in Berne and travels to the courts in Adams, Jay and Wells counties. He enjoys reading John Grisham's legal novels and doing home improvement projects.

Amy helps out as Eric's receptionist. She has a personal interest in wellness and nutrition following some health problems.

Each of Eric and Amy's daughters joined them at the office every day until it was time to start kindergarten. Sophia, 10, is in 4th grade and enjoys STEM subjects; Audrey, 8, is a 3rd grader who spends free time practicing piano; and Kathryn, 7, is in 1st grade and likes riding her scooter when the weather is nice. All three of the girls love to read.

As a family, the Orrs like to travel and explore new places together. The Gulf Coast is a favorite destination, but they've also visited Washington, D.C. and Niagara Falls. Eric and Amy help with Awana Club on Wednesdays – they are thankful this ministry is available at West Missionary for their girls!

Family Matters: Make Parenting Fun

Excerpt taken from www.focusonthefamily.org

Parents have the ability to positively influence their family's future more than they think. The lessons about character and integrity you're working so hard to instill into your kids' lives are not merely for their benefit today. What they learn from you will reverberate down through the years into future generations.

It's amazing to consider. Not only are you passing on important lessons about life, faith, and family to your children, but you're passing on those lessons to your grandkids and generations beyond.

Youth expert and author Doug Fields says there are several things you can do to create a relationship with your son or daughter that will allow life's most important values to transmit:

Encouraging words. Your words can instill confidence in your children or destroy their hope.

Genuine affection. Children have "skin hunger." They need physical affection in appropriate ways, so they don't seek it out in inappropriate ways.

Delicate discipline. Guide your children with disciplined love, not angry punishment. Yelling doesn't work. Instead, help your children exercise their power of choice and learn to deal with the consequences.

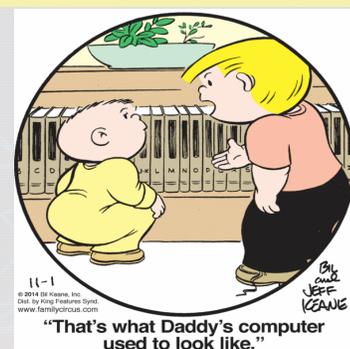
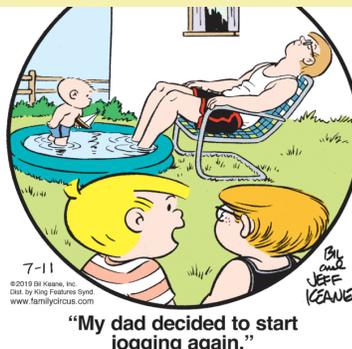
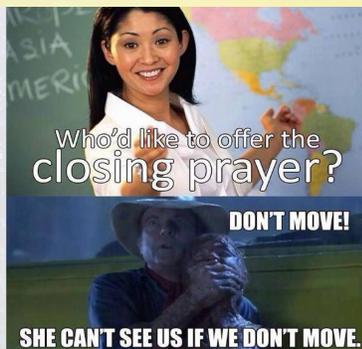
Responsibility is not genetic. They have to learn it. Don't bring them the lunch they forgot.

Serious Fun. Today's generation of kids is stressed out. Christian parents need to lead the way in "leaking fun."

The book of Mark says of Jesus, "And he took a child and put him in the midst of them, and taking him in his arms, he said to them, 'Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, and whoever receives me, receives not me but him who sent me'" (9:36-37).

When you welcome a child, you welcome Jesus. That's one reason parenting is such a high calling. It's much more than a job or an obligation. It's a life purpose. One of the most spiritual things you can do is to invest yourself into your children.

Belly Laughs



Sundays

Sunday School: 9:00am

Morning Service: 10:00 am

Nursery and Children's Services Available (am)

Unity 66 Youth Group: 6:30pm

Evening Service: 7:00 pm

Wednesdays

AWANA: 6:30pm

Unity 66 Fellowship: 6:30pm

Bible Study: 7:00pm

Nursery Available

FLASHBACK

MARRIAGE RETREAT



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