November 15th, 2026 – Week #3
Milton Campus – Pastor Branden Mestach



Week 3:

Purposeful Parenting

Psalm 127:1-4
Ephesians 5:25, 33 6:4
Deuteronomy 6:6-7;
Psalm 68:5-6

A. A Theological Framework for Parenting

1. Children belong first to the Lord.

"Behold, children are a heritage from the Lord, the fruit of the womb a reward." Psalm 127:3 (ESV)

2. Parents are stewards, not owners.

"Like arrows in the hand of a warrior are the children of one's youth." Psalm 127:4 (ESV)

3. The goal of parenting is maturity in Christ, not control.

"And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise." Deuteronomy 6:6-7 (ESV)

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B. The Atmosphere of a Godly Household

1. Marriage models the Gospel before our children.

"Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave Himself up for her… However, let each one of you love his wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband." Ephesians 5:25, 33 (ESV)

2. Christlike authority nurtures rather than provokes.

"Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord." Ephesians 6:4 (ESV)

3. Single parents are never alone—God and His Church share the load.

"Father of the fatherless and protector of widows is God in His holy habitation. God settles the solitary in a home…" Psalm 68:5-6 (ESV)

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C. Three Practical Applications to Bring It Home

1. Guard your family against the riptides of each stage (Ages 0–5 distraction, 6–12 overscheduling, 13–18 disengagement).

Mirror Moment:
What stages are my children? What are some areas that (We/I) could do better?

2. Build anchoring routines of focused presence and connect with other intentional parents.

Mirror Moment:
If we do not have a routine already, what is one routine that we could create with our children?

3. Set the Gospel standard at home and release your arrows to God in prayerful trust.

"Unless the Lord builds the house, those who build it labor in vain." Psalm 127:1 (ESV)

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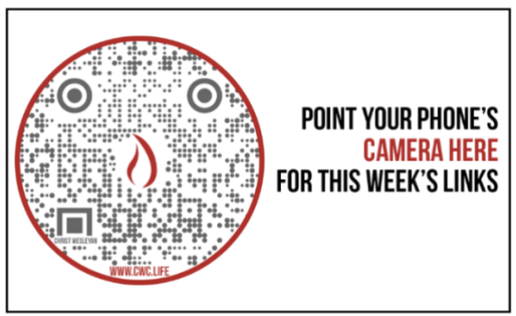
Bottom Line:
Steward your children's hearts, model Christ at home, and trust God to build the house.

To begin a relationship with Jesus…
Text: "Jesus" to 570-273-0088

Next Sunday:
Bring it Home

Week 4: Making Time on Purpose

Milton Campus: Pastor Branden Mestach
Sunbury Campus: Pastor Billy Robel



Giving & Attendance Update

Giving last Sunday: 114%
Giving (year to date): 88.1% of goal
Giving (Tithe) behind by: $292,409
Attendance Last Weekend: 1,896
Salvations to date: 60 | Baptisms to date: 101

Upcoming Happenings:

September 13 – November 22 - Marriage Matters: Intentionally Growing Healthy Relationships
(During First Service)

November 8, 15, and 22 - 9:00a Growth Track - Room 102A

November 29 - Angel Tree tags available in the foyer

"Reach the One" Campaign Update

491 Total Participants
$4,000,000 – Giving Goal by Nov. 2027
$2,690,339.80 - Donations Anticipated by Nov. 2027
$2,399,834.24 - Received Donations – 60% of $4M Goal

Want to pledge, donate, or learn more?

Scan:

Looking for your next step at CWC?

Welcome Party: 1st Sunday of Every Month

- ***If you are new*** or if you've been around a bit and are looking to build friendships with others, our Welcome Party is for you! ***Get to know others*** who are newer at CWC as well as our welcome team and our pastors in a relational environment. There will be light refreshments and the opportunity to hear about our small groups, baptism, and your next step of Growth Track. If you're asking the question, "*How can I make friends here*?" then this is for you! No registration is required, you can just show up. Look for the signs on the first Sunday of the month.

Growth Track: 3-week classes/Sunday morning

- Growth Track exists to help you learn about the vision of CWC, the gifts God has given you, and how you can use them in specific opportunities to serve His church. This class will guide you to not only become a vital part of our ministries, but more importantly, how to use what you learn to continue growing in your faith to share with others. You can see what classes are available by going to cwclife.churchcenter.com/registrations and select the Next Steps filter.

Membership Class: Once a quarter on Sundays after 2nd service

- Membership class is the last step of fully assimilating at CWC. Learn about our denomination, The Wesleyan Church and the bigger movement we are a part of across the world. This 3-hour class with the lead pastor provides you a place to **ask important questions about our beliefs as a church** and allows you to become eligible for our local board of administration. You also become eligible for denominational events like our district and general conferences. To sign up for our next class, let us know at the Hub or email: loretta.paulhamus@cwc.life