April 4, 2017

Friends and Family,

Since the fall of 2014, Brandon Werner has been a fulltime student at Moody Bible Institute while working full time for our church. After this spring semester, Brandon will have 31 credit hours remaining to complete his bachelor's degree in Biblical Studies. His projected graduation date is May, 12, 2018. Brandon currently has a 3.932 GPA. This currently qualifies him to graduate with the highest honors from Moody Bible Institute. I think you would agree that this is a monumental accomplishment considering his work for our church and the fact that he is married and has children.

Moody Bible Institute is a very fine school, especially for training ministers, and it has a very good reputation. (See the below for more info about Moody.) I have personally witnessed on multiple occasions how this training has enhanced Brandon's knowledge, skill and handling of the Word, and skill in ministry.

When Brandon first informed me that he wanted to pursue this degree, I felt the Lord prompted me to do everything I could do to help Brandon raise the funds that he needed to pay for his education. Then the Elders and Trustees of our church unanimously agreed that we as a church should do everything we can do to help Brandon raise the funds for his educational cost. Since that time, through the generous gifts from our church, the members of our church, family, and friends, the Lord has answered our prayers and provided for all of Brandon's expenses.

The total projected total cost for the 31 hours that Brandon needs to complete is \$5724. There is also another \$740.41 that he currently owes for this semester. If we together could raise another \$6500, we could help Brandon finish what he has started. Would you prayerfully consider giving to meet this need?

Would you let me know asap? We are trying to raise these funds by May 31, 2017 before Brandon begins the summer semester.

Sincerely,

Pastor Jerry Wells 405-831-9454 jerrywells@westernhillschurch.com

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P.S. - These gifts are tax deductible. Just give your gift to Western Hills Baptist Church with a separate note or church envelope that designates the gift to the Brandon Werner College Education Fund. You can submit your gift through our Sunday offering or by mail (401 SW 44th Street, OKC, OK 73109). You can also give online by going to our church website at **www.westernhillschurch.com/staffeducation** and give to the Staff Educational Fund. All gifts given to this fund will be used for Brandon Werner.

About Moody Bible Institute

Moody Bible Institute is a prestigious school that was founded in 1886 by D.L. Moody. For over 125 years, Christ-followers such as Gary Chapman (author of *The 5 Love Languages*), Jerry B. Jenkins (author of *Left Behind*), and Tim Walberg (U.S. Congressman representing Michigan's 7th congressional district) have come to Moody to be richly equipped in God's Word to impact the world for Christ. Moody is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association, which is the same accreditation as the University of Oklahoma (OU) and Oklahoma Baptist University (OBU). They are also recognized and accredited by the Association for Biblical Higher Education and the Association of Theological Schools. Degrees from Moody Bible Institute are recognized by post-undergraduate programs at institutions such as Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary and The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.