



Our WNSS (Wednesday Night Sunday School) program is open to children 4 years old (as of September) through 5th grade. We meet most Wednesday nights from 6:00 – 7:15pm throughout the school year. **Please note we do not provide supervision before or after WNSS.*

How our WNSS program works: At WNSS we will focus one Memory Bible Verse (MBV) for the year, we then use TRUE Bible stories from the Bible to help reinforce the MBV and how it applies to our lives today.

Each week your child(ren) will rotate to a different kid friendly station such as, Craft, Drama, Game or Kitchen, where the MBV and True Bible Story is taught in a fun, hands on way. By rotating each week, the kids will have a different Station Leader who leads the lessons. • To help relationships to form, each grade will have their own Shepherd. A Shepherd is an adult/youth that rotates each week with the same grade. By doing so they are getting to know each child and forming friendships with them.

Besides the different stations, we also gather for Large Group time where the MBV and True Bible Story is reinforced though fun, upbeat music, use of short movie clips, a skit and/or object lessons that relates to that month's Bible Story and Memory Bible Verse.

We discuss ways to take what we've learned from the Bible and apply it to our everyday lives. The WNSS kids and staff are challenged to be the Hands and Feet of JESUS at WNSS, at home, at school, and at play.

Theme Nights: To add a little extra fun each Wednesday Night we have different theme nights throughout the year. It could be anything from silly socks to donate items to various local causes. Theme Nights will be posted each week on the Back Roads Church WNSS closed Facebook Page.

Upon Arrival: We ask that 4K children are taken to their classroom. Please have your child use the restroom before going to class.

- 4K will meet in Room 10 (look for the bright green 4K sign).
- Kindergarteners – 2nd graders are to go to the room with their grade sign.
- 3rd – 5th graders will meet in the Fellowship Hall for Large Group Time.

Behavior Expectations: At WNSS, we love and value every child and want WNSS to be a place where **every child feels welcomed, safe, and cared for**. We understand that every child is different, and we want to meet kids where they are while helping them learn and grow.

Because our time together each week is limited, we ask each child to:

- Show respect to WNSS leaders and other children.
- Listen and follow directions.
- Keep hands, feet, and objects to themselves.
- Use kind and encouraging words.
- Participate in a way that allows everyone to learn and have fun.

When Expectations Aren't Being Followed: Our goal is always to **redirect, encourage, and help a child make a better choice**. When needed, we will use the following steps:

- 1. Reminder & Redirection:** A WNSS leader will remind the child of the expectation and give them an opportunity to make a different choice.
- 2. Take a Break:** If the behavior continues, the child will be removed from the room. A leader will talk with them about what happened, what needs to change, and help them rejoin the group successfully.
- 3. Parent/Guardian Contact:** If the behavior continues, is significantly disruptive, or prevents others from participating, a parent/guardian may be contacted. In some situations, we may ask that the child be picked up for the remainder of the evening.
- 4. Working Together:** If concerns continue from week to week, Ms. Nikki will connect with the parent/guardian so we can work together on a plan that helps the child have a positive and successful experience at WNSS.

Safety Comes First: If a child's behavior creates an immediate safety concern for themselves, another child, or a WNSS leader, we may need to skip the steps above and contact a parent/guardian immediately. We want **every child to be able to belong, learn about Jesus, build friendships, and enjoy their time at WNSS.** Thank you for partnering with us to help make WNSS a safe, encouraging, and welcoming place for everyone!

Dismissal: All kids are dismissed at 7:15pm.

- 4K children MUST be picked up from their classroom ONLY by the people listed on their registration form. If someone else is picking your child up, please send a note or call 608- 375-6069 to let us know who will be picking your child(ren) up. **DO NOT message/text Ms. Nikki, she is not looking at her phone** 😊
- 5K – 5th graders will be dismissed according to the instructions on the child's registration form.
- If you want your 5K – 5th grader to be dismissed to find family, we encourage you to have a meeting spot in place with your child(ren).

Offering: Is a special time we give back to God for the blessings He has given us. During this time, my hope is to instill in the heart of the kids to think of others, not just themselves. The kids choose an offering goal each year. All offering monies we receive will go to Feed my Starving Children – an organization that helps provide meals that are paid for and packed by volunteers. More information is at FMSC.org.

Memory Bible Verse (MBV) Incentives: The kids will be challenged to memorize the Memory Bible Verse. If they recite it word by word along with the Scripture reference to Ms. Nikki BEFORE May 6, they will be able to throw a pie in a WNSS Team member's face at the end of the year Family Picnic. For every five MBV (Ms. Nikki's choice) a child recites, he or she will earn an extra pie to throw.

Perfect Attendance: To help encourage consistent attendance- I am implementing an incentive for perfect attendance (which means a child does not miss a single night of WNSS, but if your child is sick, please do not send him/her). At the end of each month the kids who had perfect attendance will be acknowledged and will receive a trinket. If a child ends the year with perfect attendance, he/she will earn an extra pie to throw.

Illness protocols: If your child is sick or has been sick within the past 24-hour period before WNSS or events, we ask that you NOT bring your child to WNSS. Please adhere to the 24-hour rule, which states that a child needs to be fever free without medication for a 24-hour period before attending church.

Electronic Devices: To help ensure privacy of others and to avoid kids being distracted during WNSS, we ask all cell phones and electronic devices be given to the child's Shepherd until the end of the night.

Photos and Videos: Photos and videos will be taken of large & smaller groups of kids.

Parents and Guardians must give permission for Back Roads Church to post or print your child's photo or video, however, be aware that your child's image may appear in large group photos, even if you do not give us permission.

Safe Sanctuary: God has blessed Back Roads Church with opportunities to share His Amazing Love with the children and youth in our communities. We take that to heart and want the best for each child/youth that walks through our doors. Because of this, BRC has a Safe Sanctuary Policy, which helps provide protection of your children/youth from possible physical, emotional, or sexual abuse. It also helps protect our staff and volunteers from false allegations of abuse. *If you would like a copy of the BRC Safe Sanctuary Manual or have any questions, please let Ms. Nikki know.*

WNSS Closed Facebook Page: Please join the private WNSS Facebook page: [Facebook.com/groups/BRCwnss](https://www.facebook.com/groups/BRCwnss). All WNSS updates, theme nights, photos and videos will be posted on this page. It will give you a glimpse of what we do each week and keep you in the know! *If you would like to join, please send a request.*

DATES & INFO TO KNOW: No WNSS: October 7, November 25, December 16, 23-30, March 17

Inclement Weather: If Boscobel Area Schools are closed or have an early release due to weather, WNSS will not meet. *If unsure, please check our Facebook page.*

Bible Sunday: Each year we present our 3rd graders with their very own Bible. Bible Sunday will be held on October 18 at the 9:00 am Worship, Boscobel Campus. **PARENTS: PLEASE RSVP ASAP by October 4!** *If your child is older than 3rd grade and has not received a Bible from the church, please let me know. 3rd – 5th graders should bring their Bible to WNSS, we will encourage them to use it each week.

Christmas Program & Family Activity: Sunday, December 6. All grade levels participate in the play, but only 3rd – 5th graders will have speaking roles. Play practice for those with roles will begin on October 28 and continue each Wednesday. Permission slips will be available in October.

Family Nights- More information will be posted on the WNSS Facebook page.

Feed My Starving Children MobilePack: The MobilePack will be held in Boscobel April 8 – 10, 2027. 3rd – 5th graders and parents are invited to pack on Thursday, April 8 with me. Time will be set closer to the date.

Annual WNSS Family Picnic: The picnic will be held on Wednesday, May 12 from 5:30 – 7:30pm. The whole family is invited to attend. Please bring a dish to pass.

Missions (TBA): Elementary Mission Day, Middle School Mission camp, Senior Mission Trip

PRAISE Night: June 30 will be a get together lead by kids singing & dancing Praises to JESUS! ALL Welcome

July 18-22, 2027, is CRAVE VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
at the Boscobel Campus!

