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Return Service Requested

Congratulations

Amanda and Joshua Henry welcomed their newest son, Lane Foster on February 4th. Richard and Ryan Maples also welcomed their newest son, Myles Bennett on February 8th, proud grandma is Annette Maples.

Sympathy

To Pete and Stephanie Worley in the passing of Stephanie's mother.



Disaster Relief Training

If you are interested in volunteering with Southern Baptist Disaster Relief, you must attend one of the trainings they offer. See our Facebook page or the display case in the Missions hallway for more information.

Right Now Media

Central Baptist is called to be a light in the darkness and every believer is called to make a difference in the world. We have made this service available for free to all our members. It provides access to over 10,000 online bible study videos on parenting, marriage, finance, discipleship, leadership, kids videos and much more. Sign up on our website, scroll down to the RightNow Media screen and fill out the dialogue box with your name and email address. For more information contact Matt Flindt.

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Dates at a Glance:

- Feb 26th: Secret Sister Sign Up Ends
Feb 26th: Missions Conference, 4pm
Mar 4th: Mission:Ignition, 8:15am
Mar 5th: Annie Armstrong begins
Mar 11-15: Youth Missions Trip
Mar 12th: Daylight Savings Time Starts
Mar 11th: Men's Breakfast, 8am
Mar 17th: Chat 'n Chew @ Brownies
Mar 17th: Youth Nerf Ops, 6:30pm
Mar 19th: Potluck & Business Meeting
Mar 20th: Seniors Mondays Spring Bible Study with Glenn Plum, 11am
Mar 31-Apr 1: Rugged Faith Men's Retreat in Rogers, Arkansas.
Apr 14th: Good Friday Service



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Central Baptist Church, Owasso, OK

February 23rd, 2017



Mission Conference Sunday, 4pm

This Sunday at Central we will have a Missions Conference with special guests representing various missions, both local and abroad. We will also have a special Missions area for kids (1st-5th grades) in Kid Central. There will be a representative from Mission:Owasso, Pregnancy Resource Center of Owasso, Sk8Church, John 3:16, Hospitality House of Tulsa, Disaster Relief, Dayspring Villa and a special guest of the IMB speaking on Missions in Africa. You can sign up through our church calendar or Facebook page (or call the church office).



Church Potluck & Business Meeting

Sunday, March 19th at 6pm, we ask that you bring a dish to share based upon your last name: A-F: Main Dish, G-N: Salad/Side Dish, O-Z: Dessert. You can bring your dishes to the kitchen as early as 5:30pm, we will eat and have the business meeting afterwards.

Annie Armstrong

Our spring state missions offering, Annie Armstrong, begins March 5th and runs through Easter Sunday (April 16th). The Missions Committee has set a goal of \$7,000 for this emphasis, please be praying for how God would have you give. You can designate Annie Armstrong on your offering envelope or when giving online.

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Mission Ignition (1st-6th grade)

Mission Ignition is Saturday, March 4th for 1st-6th graders (\$10 each, lunch included). We will meet at the church at 8:15am (leave around 8:30am) for FBC Tulsa, we will return to Central around 3:30pm. If you haven't signed your child up yet, contact Debra Stephens ASAP to reserve your child's spot.

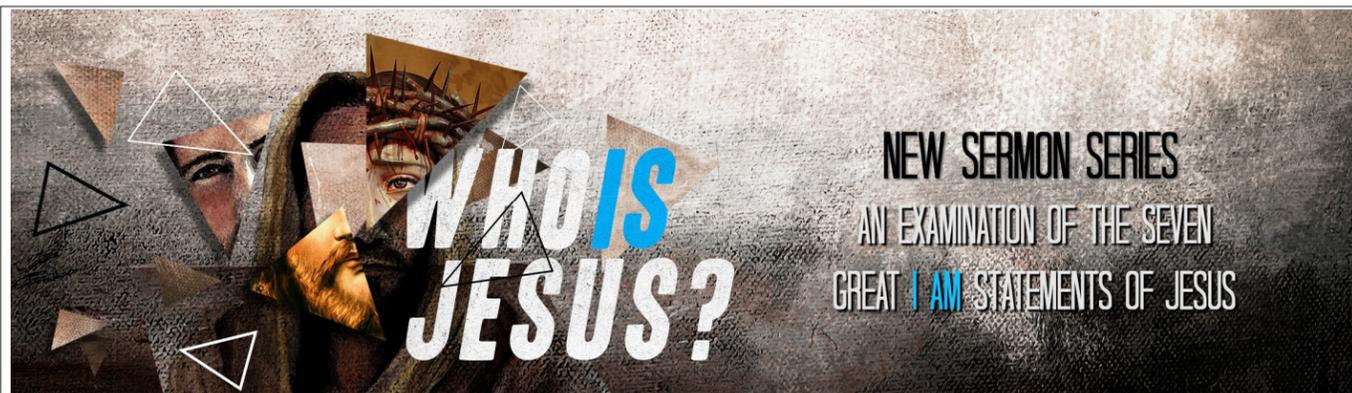


Youth Spring Break Missions Trip

The youth have an opportunity to take a spring break Missions trip to First Indian Holdenville, March 11th - 15th (Saturday - Wednesday), the cost is \$100. The youth will be helping with construction and clean up. Here is a list of what to bring: Cot/Blowup mattress, Sleeping bag, pillow, sheet or blanket, Work Clothes (no open toed shoes, jeans, Christ like shirts), Bible, toiletries (shampoo, soap, deodorant, toothbrush, toothpaste, etc.), towels and washcloths. We will go to church at First Indian Baptist of Holdenville on Sunday. If you are interested in learning more or would like to sign up, see Jeremy Goggans (or email Jeremy.Goggans@cbcowasso.org).

Youth Nerf Ops

Next Nerf Ops is March 17th from 6:30-9:30pm. Get more info in youth and pick up a release.



**Who is Jesus?** This question has been asked for more than 2,000 years. Of course, people are not shy in giving their opinion on this question either. Was he simply a good man, a prophet, a revolutionary, a teacher? Was he delusional, crazy, or mentally ill? Or was he exactly who He claimed to be, God in the flesh? Beginning on March 12th and concluding on Easter Sunday (April 16th) we will be answering this question by looking at the very words of Jesus Himself in his seven "I AM" statements found in the gospel of John. This will be a great opportunity to invite your friends and associates who need to know Jesus personally.

When I went to Israel last year, one of my most memorable experiences came when I visited a place called Caesarea Philippi (ancient Paneas and modern day Banias). It is in Northern Israel close to the Syrian border. The area around Caesarea Philippi has tremendous historical significance. Even before Abraham and his family entered the promised land this site had been used to worship many false and pagan gods. By the time Jesus took his disciples there on a winter retreat right before his crucifixion, it had become a huge center of pagan worship.

If you go there today you will find rich green vegetation in a beautiful picturesque setting. How does it get so green? There are many underground streams that come up to form the great "Jordan River" which flows down through the heart of Israel. The water comes from Mount Herman which sits up high in the background. Mount Herman is the tallest mountain in Israel and in Syria which stands 9100 feet above sea level. Often you will see the mountain peak covered in white because of the snow fall. There is actually a snow ski resort up top.

But there is also something else that you will notice at Caesarea Philippi. There is a rock structure with a massive cave. If you go into the cave you will see a very large opening at the top. In the day of Jesus, water would gush out from this large opening. It was called the "Cave of Pan." Pan was a pagan god, known as the "Goat god", a "god of fertility" among other things. People would come to this cave and see the water gushing out of its mouth and just assume that it was a gift from "Pan." Therefore, this very site had been known for cultic and pagan worship. Later, an earthquake would stop the flow of water from its mouth and underground streams would then carry the water underneath the structure to form the Jordan River. Why do I share all of this?

This was the setting of Jesus and his disciples in Matthew 16 where Jesus asked them, "Who do people say that I am?" Some answered Elijah, some answered John the Baptist and some answered Jeremiah. But then Jesus looked at Peter and asked, "Who do you say that I am?" Do you remember what Peter said? "You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God." With the backdrop of pagan worship and idolatry in the background, Peter changed history with his statement. **"There is only One God! And He is living! And Jesus is that God."** This is the heartbeat behind the seven "I Am" statements.

We are going to have a marvelous and worshipful time as we approach Easter. My prayer for our church is that Jesus would be known in our community, workplaces, family, homes, and hearts. May our beliefs move from head knowledge to transformational heart knowledge. And may our understanding of who Jesus really is change the way we think, live, and love! Lets make certain we tell as many people as possible the truth about Jesus before we go to meet Him!!

It is my honor to be your Pastor. I love you with all my heart!!

*Pastor Scott*

### Do You Like To Sing?

Choir meets Sundays at 5pm! They have just began working on music for Good Friday.

### Food Pantry Needs

The food pantry is in need of toilet paper, canned meat, dry pastas, marconi and cheese.

### Grand Central Kids, Now Enrolling

Grand Central Kids is now enrolling for babies up to age 4, applications are available outside of Miss Jana's office (Kid's Hall) or in the office. Public enrollment begins on March 1st.

### Summer Camps and VBS

Youth Camp will again be at Summit, June 12th-16th. It is \$175 per camper and we will have a select few scholarships available. (Contact Jeremy Goggans for more information.) Youth camp is for students who have just completed 6th-12th grade. Kids Camp is also at Summit on June 6-9th. This camp is for students who have just completed 1st-6th grade and it is \$150 per camper. Looking ahead to VBS, this year's theme is Galactic Starveyors: Discovering the God of the Universe and will be July 16th-20th. Our VBS is in the evenings starting at 6pm. If you are interested in teaching or being a tour-guide, contact Debra Stephens.



### Secret Sister: Last Chance To Sign Up!

**This Sunday** is your last chance to sign up. You can remain anonymous or pick your sister, get more information and sign up at the display in the Ministry Hallway.

### Ladies Chat 'n Chew

Each month, the ladies will meet at a different spot to just hang out and chat while enjoying some munchies. It's about fellowship, friendships and fun! Ladies, reserve a sitter (or the hubs) and join us at Brownie's (service road, past the YMCA) **March 17th at 6:30pm**. Appetizers start at \$5 and meals are \$10-15, no childcare will be available. See the display in the Ministry Hall for more information and to sign up!

### Men's Breakfast

The Men's Ministry is hosting a breakfast on **March 11th at 8am!** Free event, donations are accepted.

### Pastor's Discovery Class

This class will be open to guests, prospective members and anyone wanting to know more about CBC, what we believe, and where we are going as a church. This class is required for church membership. You must preregister at least one week in advance and read class materials prior to the class. Register for a class, online through our website (under the "new to CBC" tab) or through our Facebook page. A light meal will be served during this class. The next class date will be **March 26th at 6pm**. Childcare is provided by reservation only. Contact Debbie Dalaeli with any questions.

### Senior Adults: Coming Events

We will again offer Monday morning Bible Studies with Dr. Glenn Plum starting **March 20th-April 10th at 11am**. He will be speaking on "Strengthening Our Faith in A Deteriorating World". You are welcome to bring a lunch with you to enjoy together afterwards. Plus, save these dates: Owasso Gospel Opry on **April 15th** and a Bartlesville trip on **May 11th**. We will have more details as they get closer!



### Rugged Faith Men's Retreat

Guys, save the date! There will be a men's retreat in Rogers, Arkansas on **March 31st-April 1st**. Bring your guns! They will have 4-wheelers there for rent but you are welcome to bring your own. The cost is \$80, contact Jaret Heil (jaretheil@yahoo.com) for more information.

### Conceal Carry Class

Our Men's Ministry is sponsoring a Conceal Weapons Class on 4/29 from 9am-2pm in Fellowship Hall. This class is for individuals who would like to obtain their conceal carry. Cost is \$50 per person. The class is at CBC (no need for firearm in class). Bring your own firearm and 50 rounds of ammunition to the firing range following the class. The instructor has a firearm to shoot if you don't have one but you will be required to pay \$10 more for ammunition. Childcare will not be provided. Contact Tony Michela with questions at tmichela@sbcglobal.net.