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Return Service Requested

Baby Shower

You're invited to a baby shower in honor of Amber and AJ McMath on Saturday, July 25th at 11am in the Fellowship Hall. The parents-to-be are registered at Babies 'R Us and with Target.

Welcome Little One!

Congratulations to Travis and Jenean Deckard on the birth of their little boy, Clay Wyatt, born on June 19th.

Welcome New Members:

Travis & Jenean Deckard, Faith Richison, Taylor Lambley, Alice Bowman, Melissa Grubb. The Michela Family: Tony, Crystal, Jordan, Carley, Joe and Micah.

Condolences:

Patty Hampton and Fred and Linda Hampton in the passing of their brother, Bill. To the Central friends and family of Joyce M. Smith. To Ray and Anne Duckett in the loss of Anne's brother, Douglas Donnelly. To Judy Seals in the loss of her husband, Charles. To Judy Collins in the loss of her husband, Gary.

Donations:

A donation was given to the Building Fund by Jayne Austin in memory of Bill Hampton, by Sam and Debbie Dalaeli in memory of Joyce Smith and Charles Seals. A donation was made to our community food pantry by Sam and Barbara Whisenhunt in memory of Charles Seals and the Miracle Class also donated to the pantry in memory of Charles Seals and Jim Cox's father, Ted.

Weather Related Schedule Changes

In the event of inclement weather, severe storms, snow or ice, you may access info on our church Facebook page, our website (www.cbcoawasso.org), the church office voice mail or if you have the CBC App (with notifications turned on) you will receive service cancellations on your mobile device. You can download our app for free on iTunes or Android devices, search "CBC Owasso".

Prayer Requests

Every weekday morning, the staff holds a prayer time at 9am. We also have a Prayer Chain email list. If you would like to add a prayer request or would like to be included on the list, contact the office.



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CENTRAL CONNECTION

http://cbcoawasso.org/e-news

Central Baptist Church, Owasso, OK

June 25th, 2015



Mission: Dignity Sunday

Since 1918, GuideStone Financial Resources has been on a "Mission" to provide "Dignity" to retired Southern Baptist ministers, workers and their widows. These are men and women who have faithfully served God's people and now find themselves struggling to meet even the most basic of needs. Many have served small rural churches that paid only modest salaries and worked extra jobs just to make ends meet. Mission:Dignity currently helps almost 2,000 people with housing, food and vital medications. This Sunday, June 28th is designated as "Mission: Dignity Sunday", please prayerfully consider how God would have you give towards this wonderful cause and designate "Mission Dignity" on your offering.

Wednesday Schedule

Bro. Leon Shade's Bible Study will meet each Wednesday night at the church at 5pm to study the Bible and to pray for those going out that evening. He just started teaching on the book of Revelation. No childcare is available during the Bible Study. Wednesday nights will be a "come and go" at that week's designated park from 6-8pm. We will be in the gazebo though you are welcome to bring your dinner and a lawn chair with you! We also invite those that feel led to prayer walk the surrounding neighborhoods (prayer walking bookmarks with helpful information are in the foyers). You can see more information about the parks amenities, the addresses and the complete summer schedule in the "Connecting with our Community" handout, available in each of the foyers.

This Wednesday, July 1st, we will be at Centennial Park (15301 E 86th St N) for their playground, walking track and 18 hole disc golf course. Nearby neighborhoods include Preston Lakes, Cambridge Park and Silver Creek. Those that are able, might want to arrange to carpool from the church parking lot as parking is limited. Youth are invited to join us at Cherry Berry afterwards (\$5-8 average depending on how to fill your Froyo).

Church Picnic: July 5th

The first Sunday of each month in the summer we have a picnic potluck at the church! Let the kids play on the playground, take over the volleyball court or play some kickball! Debra will also have inflatables for the kids, come prepared for water fun!

- Potluck List:
[A-G]: Dessert,
[H-M]: Side Dish/Salad,
[N-Z]: Soda/Drinks

Dates at a Glance:

- June 28: Mission: Dignity Sunday
July 1st: Visit Centennial Park
July 5th: Church Picnic
July 8th: Kolby King
July 12-16th: VBS (6-8:30pm)
July 15th: No Park Visit (VBS)
July 19th: Pastor's Discovery Class
July 22nd: DayCamp Meeting
July 22nd: Visit Rayola Park
July 25th: Baby Shower (McMath)
July 29th: Baptist Children's Home
Aug. 8th: BCHO Style Show

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# the abc's of *Life Change*



How many times have you heard someone promise that something would change your life?

Maybe they were selling you a product or challenging you to buy their book. If only you *tried* this. If only you would *buy* that. If only you *ate* this. If only you would *drink* that. We are inundated with infomercials that promise life change. You probably have even heard me preach from the pulpit that if you would only do (*fill in the blank*) your life would change *forever*. I imagine there is something in each of our lives we would like to change. I know that is true with myself personally. We know that Jesus changes lives. Every true born again believer understands about the immediate transformation that takes place once you trust Jesus. But most change happens over time, and often times it happens over a *lifetime*.

Paul tells us in Romans that change happens with the renewing of our minds. What we *truly* believe really *does* matter. True beliefs translate into actions, and over time those actions translate into life change. Maybe that's why when you first learned how to tie your shoes all by yourself, it was such a big deal. Do you remember when you first learned how to say your ABC's all by yourself? *My life changed overnight with that accomplishment! I felt I could do anything and everything!* Learning as a kid is captivating and addicting, it's a shame that as we get older we lose the excitement of learning.

Beginning on July 6th, I will introduce a brand new sermon series entitled "**The ABC's of Life Change.**" The idea came from my good friend and mentor Dr. James Reeves who wrote the book, "The ABC's of Life Change" and "Life Change for Couples." These books will actually be our base curriculum for our foundational class for our freedom groups that we will begin to offer this coming fall. Each letter, A – J represents one of 10 major steps needed in order to bring about true change in a person's life. Whether it is overcoming addiction, an attitude, a lifestyle or *anything* that hinders a person from being the person God wants them to be, we will discover what God says about how to have true change.

Each of these steps are rooted in scripture and can be found throughout the Bible. You won't want to miss a single message in this series because each step builds upon the other! The good news is, if you do have to miss you can catch up on our podcast that usually is posted on our website the next day.

We have been talking quite a bit about becoming a safe place. We want to be a safe place for people who are hurting and we want to provide a safe process to help them become completely healed, but before we can become a safe place for *them*, we need to make certain we are *in* a safe place *ourselves*. What do they tell you to do if you are on an airplane and the oxygen masks are dispersed? That's right, first put on your mask, and then put it on your child. Why? They don't want you passing out before you can save someone who is dependent upon you! Meaning...we all need safe places.

I look forward to our journey together through the alphabet as we seek safety and healing in His arms allowing Him to help us toward true life change.

It is my honor and privilege to be your pastor.

Until the whole world hears,

*Pastor Scott*



## VBS 2015

VBS will be **July 12th-16th from 6-8:30pm**. This year's verse is Isaiah 30:21 and the theme is "Unknown to us, known to Him."

We'd like to invite you to join us for a "Journey off the Map". You can register your child (4yrs-6th grade) online and order VBS tees at [www.cbcoawasso.org](http://www.cbcoawasso.org). This year as a Missions project instead of an offering, we will be collecting canned goods to benefit Owasso Community Resources.

Join us for prayer in the weeks before VBS from 6-7pm on **Tuesday evenings** in the Lydia classroom.

## ReConnect

ReConnect will be offered at CBC on **August 29th** from 9am-12noon. This training provided by the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma is for those teaching or interested in teaching Sunday School or Small Groups. For more information, contact Matt Flindt.

Our next class is **July 19th**. A light meal will be furnished as well as childcare provided for those in attendance. 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 is a required class for church membership. It will be held in the Fellowship Hall at 6pm on select Sunday evenings. You must preregister for this class at least one week in advance and read class materials prior to the class. Contact Debbie Dalaeli (**by July 12th**) to register for the class, obtain the materials and reserve childcare if needed.

## Free Kids Event: July 8th

Ventriloquism, illusions, drama, fire eating, balloon animals, high energy songs, stunts with 6 foot balloons and more! Bring the whole family for this one night event with Kolby King! Wednesday, **July 8th at 6pm**, here at CBC! This event will take the place of our park visit for the week.



## Sk8 Church

Sk8 Church needs adults, youth, and families to serve one or two nights in August through October to help with a variety of jobs like giving out water and handing out prepared food items from the food trailer or greeting the skaters. Please sign up by **July 15th** if you can help, contact Ashley Hopper, the church office, or sign up on the clipboard by the Sk8Church display case in the south foyer.

## DayCamp July 27th-29th

Sign your child up for DayCamp! It's all the fun of kids camp at Camp Tulakogee without any of the overnights. It is for children who have completed 1st or 2nd grade. The cost is \$80 per camper. Each morning they leave from Central and return each evening. There is a parents meeting **July 22nd at 6pm**. If you have any questions, please contact Debra Stephens.

## Senior Adults Pool Party Rescheduled

Senior Adult Patio Pool Picnic Party rescheduled for Friday, **July 17th**, from **5-9pm**. Your committee will provide meats and buns, and you are asked to bring sides, salads or desserts. We invite you to come to Jack and Barbara Fuchs' home at 15715 E 110th Street N in Ranch Acres. Take 106th St to 157 E Ave and make a right on 110th Street. To carpool, meet at the church at 4:45pm. Swimming and fishing will be available if you choose to participate.

## Baptist Children's Home: Style Show & Brunch

LeAnne Taylor of the News on 6 is the Mistress of Ceremonies for this fun event with a style show, a brunch and a silent auction. Saturday, **August 8th** at 10:30am, the silent auction begins at 9am, at the Renaissance Hotel in Tulsa. Tickets are \$20 each or a table of 10 for \$200. Advance purchase is required. Contact Carolyn Crownover (918-272-6133) to purchase tickets. All proceeds will benefit the children of our Owasso campus.

## Pastor's Discovery Class