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Return Service Requested

Donations:

A donation was made to CBC in memory of Fernon Clark by James & Sherrel Routon, George & Sandy Rayburn, Sam & Debbie Dalaeli and Mr. & Mrs. RL Koth. The Miracle Class made a donation to CBC Benevolence in memory of Melba Brumley, Rich Pounds and Fernon Clark.

Sympathy:

To family and friends in the passing of Fernon Clark.

You're Invited To Celebrate:

The New Adventures Sunday School class is hosting a baby shower in honor of Delaney Johnson. It is open to the church and will be held November 12th from 2-4pm at Central. Delaney is registered at Wal-Mart, Amazon and Babies 'R Us, giftcards are also welcome.

A wedding shower is scheduled December 2nd at 11am at Central for Kyla McMurphy and Michael Jordan. The happy couple is registered at Target and Bed, Bath and Beyond.

Winter Weather Notice

In the event of bad weather, if you download the Central app you will be notified of any service cancellations, make sure notifications are turned on. Otherwise, please check our Central Facebook page or call the church office for a service cancellation message on our voice mail.

Upcoming Dates

- 10/29: GCK Day (Celebrating 10yrs)
10/29: Fall Family Fest, 6pm
11/5: "Fall Back" Time Change!
11/5: Baby Dedications, 10:45am
11/7: Smart Money Free Livestream
11/10: Chat 'n Chew, 6:30pm
11/11: Men's Breakfast, 8am
11/12: Baby Shower, Delaney, 2pm
11/19: Christmas Child deadline, 12n
11/19: Church Thanksgiving Dinner
11/29: Budget Q&A, 6pm
12/2: Wedding Shower Kyla/Michael
12/3: Q&A session after 2nd service
12/3: Business Meeting, 6pm
12/5: Senior Adult Christmas Party
12/9: Christmas Program, 6pm
12/10: Christmas Program, 2pm/6pm

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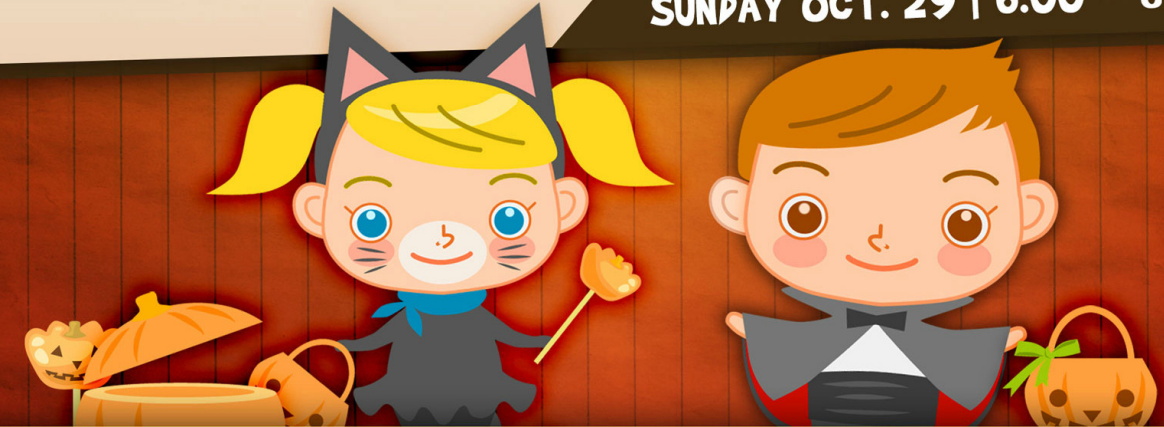
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Central Baptist Church, Owasso, OK

October 26th, 2017

FALL FESTIVAL

SUNDAY OCT. 29 | 6:00 - 8:30 PM



CARNIVAL GAMES - CANDY - FACE PAINTING - INFLATABLES - HAYRIDE & MORE!

Fall Festival THIS Sunday at 6pm!

Thank you for everyone who donated coats and candy or is volunteering your time to love on our community for this year's Fall Festival! Don't forget to pick up your Fall Fest invites in the foyers!

GCK Day

Grand Central Kids preschool is celebrating it's 10th year! We will be recognizing our teachers and the children will be singing during the 10:45am service this Sunday! GCK will be doing a McDonald's Pancake Fundraiser on November 14th. Tickets will be available soon from the church office. We'd like to thank GCK for their donation of 106 food items for our community pantry! We love GCK!

Advertisement for Dave Ramsey's Smart Money live stream event on Tuesday, November 7th at 7pm. Includes a photo of Dave Ramsey and the text 'A FREE EVENT AT CENTRAL DAVE RAMSEY'S Smart MONEY LIVE STREAM Tuesday, November 7th at 7pm Live More, Worry Less.'

Dave Ramsey's "Smart Money"

Central is hosting a free livestream event on November 7th at 7pm. It will give you Dave Ramsey's seven-step proven plan for dumping debt and building wealth. Get a clear vision for your family's financial future. Sign up online (https://goo.gl/K3PEi4). A new series of "Financial Peace University" will be starting in January!.

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Just Pray

Have you ever asked the Lord to teach you to pray? How can prayer be so simple yet so difficult at the same time? How can deep abiding prayer be the yearning of our hearts at one moment and the next be so *resisted*? It's as if our hearts can go from tender and soft then to cold and harsh within seconds!

Often the last thing we want to do is pray when we know it should be our first course of action. While we are at it, why would Jesus tell us *not* to pray as the pagans pray by repeating something over and over and then give us the example of the Lord's prayer; only for us to make it the most repeated prayer of all time? *Has that ever-seemed kind of strange to you?* Listen to what the prince of preachers had to say about prayer.

"True prayer is neither a mere mental exercise nor a vocal performance. It is far deeper than that - it is spiritual transaction with the Creator of Heaven and Earth." - Charles Spurgeon

When we pray to God, we are entering a spiritual conversation with the very one who created us. Think about it. You get to talk with God *anytime* you want. *How crazy is that?*

During the month of November, we will be unpacking the "Lord's Prayer" that Jesus gave as an example of how to pray. We are calling this short 4-part series, "**Just Pray!**" As we ask the Lord to teach us to pray, He will take us on a journey of reflection, meditation, and beautiful communion. We get to call our very own Creator "Abba" Father. You don't have to be good at prayer to pray. You don't have to be a seasoned pro. You don't even have to know *who and what* to pray for! Just pray! Try it! Practice it! Talk to Him! But don't forget to *listen*. Listening is as much about prayer as talking. I would even go so far as to say that listening is *more* important than talking, especially if you are communing with your Creator.

Listen to the ageless wisdom that E.M. Bounds gives us about prayer.

"Prayer makes a godly man, and puts within him the mind of Christ, the mind of humility, of self-surrender, of service, of pity, and of prayer. If we really pray, we will become more like God, or else we will quit praying." - E.M. Bounds

If there was ever time we needed the mind of Christ, it is now. And prayer will help us to attain that very thing. Let me close with part of poem I put together. Maybe someday Ryland can put music to it. :) I look forward to speaking to you on Sundays on how to "Just Pray!"

Just Pray

When you feel you have nothing more to say...just pray!
When you're numb and nothing feels the same...just pray!
When answers all but flee away...just pray!
Remember Jesus promises to stay...just pray!

Until the whole world hears,

Pastor Scott

Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

We are again joining with Samaritan's Purse for this wonderful missions opportunity to share the love of Christ through the gift of a shoebox. In our Ministry hallway we have boxes and brochures full of packing information, tips and the label for marking who the box is for. We will start accepting boxes November 5th and ALL boxes need to be turned in **no later than 12noon on Sunday, November 19th** to the main foyer. Please follow the instructions and include postage of \$9 in cash or a check made out to Samaritan's Purse in the brochure's attached envelope and place inside your box and secure your box closed with a rubber band. And don't forget the most important part, to pray for the child who will receive your gift!

Women's Ministry

The next Chat 'n Chew will be on **November 10th at 6:30pm** at Central for s'mores! No sign up is needed. (Surveys are due Oct. 31st to the Ministry Hall basket.)

Men's Ministry

The next Men's Breakfast is **November 11th, 8am** at Central. Special Guest speaker is Dustin Mitchell, a local business owner with a passion for discipleship. This is a free event, no sign up is needed.

Senior Adult Ministry

Save the date for the annual Christmas party on **December 5th, 5-7:30pm** in the Fellowship Hall North. More details to come!



2018 Budget & Business Meeting Info

The Stewardship committee has been working hard on the proposed 2018 budget. Here are some important dates to remember:

- Nov. 19th:** Printed copies of the 2018 Proposed Budget will be available in all foyers.
- Nov. 28th:** Last day to submit to the church office any new business for the Business Meeting.
- Nov. 29th:** Q&A session will be at 6pm with representation from the Stewardship & Personnel committees.
- Dec. 3rd:** Q&A session after 10:45am service with the Stewardship & Personnel committees representation.
- Dec. 3rd:** Proposed budget will be presented at the **6pm Business Meeting**. We will also present new committee members and Sunday School teachers. There will be an offering collected for Benevolence. We will vote on the 2018 budget during this meeting. These meetings are open to anyone who attends Central, no childcare will be available but children are welcome to attend with you.

Thanksgiving at Central

We would like to invite your family to our Thanksgiving dinner. It is coming up **Sunday, November 19th**. We will eat dinner at **5pm**. The church provides the turkey, potatoes, stuffing, gravy, rolls and drinks. We ask that you bring a dish (or two) to serve 15 according to your last name and you can drop your dish off to the kitchen after 4pm on the 19th (*don't forget to put your name on the dish and pick it up afterwards if you want it back*).

A-H: Side Dish I-N: Dessert O-Z: Salad

If you could, please pick up a boneless turkey breast in the kitchen (plus a foil pan and the easy-to-follow directions) on Sunday, November 12th after either morning worship service. We will have a sign-out sheet in the kitchen, just add your name and how many turkeys you will be baking. We ask that you return these to the kitchen baked, sliced and ready to serve the following **Sunday, November 19th at 4pm**.