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Welcome New Members

Tim & Jeannie Gramly, Paul & Dayna Griffith, Brian, Jennifer, Abigail, Elizabeth and Joe Holden, Roger and Stephanie De-Coster, James Burwell, Chris & Tonya White

Congratulations

To Kim and Chris Carney in the birth of their son, Gracen Eli.

Condolences

To Jim Swank, Tracey, Allyssa & Matthew Daniels and family in the passing of Shirley Swank.

To the Stephens family in the passing of Clay Stephen's father, CL Stephens.
To the family of Lola Allen in her passing, as well as to Joe and Cassie Hensley and family in the passing of Joe's dad.

Edna McMillian Offering

During the month of September we will be collecting for the Edna McMillian State Missions Offering. Our goal is \$4,000. There is no better time to reach the lost than today!

Helpers Needed!

We have had a baby boom and are now in need of helpers in the nursery (Leapers and 2yr olds). If you can help, once a month, please sign up in the Ministry hallway or speak with Tonya Cowan (918-504-1895). A background check will be required.

Thank You!

Owasso Community Resources wants to thank Central Baptist Church for the generous food donations. CBC donated \$250 worth of canned goods collected in the month of July. It will be used to help numerous families in Owasso and Collinsville.

Donations

Donation made to the Building Fund in memory of Shirley Swank by Sam & Debbie Dalaeli. There was an anonymous donation to Sk8 church in memory of Shellie Pace.

Return Service Requested

Moving??

If you change your address or your phone number, please call the church office or you can email Charlotte.Farr@cbcowasso.org with your new information so we can update our database!

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 if you would like to be included on the list, please contact the office.

Join Us!

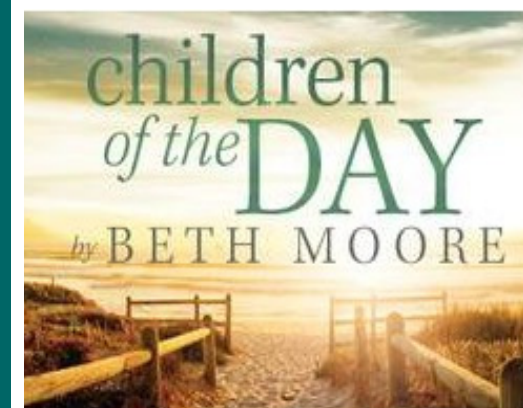
Drama Team and Choir will both be starting back up on September 7th. Drama is for ages 10 and up and no childcare is available. Drama will meet at 4pm in the choir room, Choir meets there at 5pm and childcare is available.

August 28th, 2014



Men's Breakfast

Guys, grab some friends and join us for breakfast on SATURDAY, 8am on September 6th, in the Fellowship Hall for a Town Hall meeting to discuss the Men's Ministry.



Discussion of Evolution

Join us **Sundays at 6pm** in Fellowship Hall North starting **September 7th** (through the 28th). John Carter will lead a discussion on "Evolution vs Creationism: What are the Facts?", "Evolution vs Intelligent Design: What is the Truth?", "Theory of Evolution: Is There Any Scientific Evidence?". Sign up in the Ministry Hall by the Mens Ministry display case. All are invited, this class is open to all ages. No childcare will be provided.

New Wednesday Fall Schedule:

- **5pm:** Bro. Leon Shade's Adult Bible Study on Daniel: Miracle Classroom (room 304/306)
- **5:30-6:15pm:** Dinner (FHN) Sign up on the South Bulletin Board.
- **6:30-7:30pm** Student Takeover (ages 4years through high school)
- **6:30pm:** Moms Small Group (Joy Classroom, Room 105/107)

Childcare will be available for babies up to 3yrs for worker's children and those attending the Moms Small Group.

Beth Moore Bible Study

Is family life a challenge? Is work is driving you crazy? Do you know God has a purpose for your life, but can't figure out what it is? Find encouragement for living the Christian life now and hope for when Christ returns. This new study by Beth Moore will be offered on **Sundays at 4-6pm** starting **September 7th** or Tuesday mornings at **9:30-11:30am** beginning **September 9th**. Sign up in the Ministry Hallway at the Women's Ministry table or online through the church calendar or website. Childcare will be available for the Sunday evening class only.





Dear Central,

When was the last time you had your heart examined? For those of you with “Heart Issues” you know more than anyone else how important it is to take care of yourself physically. This includes eating right, exercising regularly, getting plenty of rest, and of course staying in contact with your doctor. Having a faulty heart is not something to take lightly.

When I was 28 years old I was a young married Pastor with three small children. I was also experiencing chest pains. What did I do? I went to the doctor of course. After a series of tests I was told to wait in the “waiting room.” Don’t you just love those rooms? When I was called back to the Doctor’s office he told me to sit down across from his desk. He said, “Hi, I am Doctor Johnson (I forget his real name), would you like a donut? I just got them from the bakery.” Here I thought he was going to give me “The Speech,” but instead he offered me a donut. Really??? This was not what I expected.

Later I discovered that many Doctors don’t have a long “life expectancy” due to the stress of their jobs, poor eating habits, the lack of sound sleep, and the absence of regular exercise. At least this is what I read back in the early 90’s. Fast forward about 30 years or so. One could say that I, being a Pastor, am in the “Spiritual heart” business. The only problem is that I, just like you, struggle to keep a healthy heart. My heart gets wounded and sometimes operates less than 100%. How can I help people with wounded hearts when I myself have a wounded heart? It’s kind of like me offering a person with heart problems a donut?

The Psalmist said in Psalm 26:2, “**Test me, LORD, and try me; examine my heart and mind.**” David said this in hope that God would recognize that his motives were true and pure and that his life was consistent with his obedience to the Lord and his faith. The scripture I relate to more comes from Jeremiah 17:9. It says, “**The heart is more deceitful than anything else, and incurable--who can understand it?**”

Someone might argue, “What about the new birth? What about God making us into new creatures?” Oh, I believe the truth of scripture when it speaks about God giving us His Holy Spirit when we are born again. I believe that, at salvation, God indwells us and makes us whole. I believe that we have been given the mind of Christ and that indeed all things are made new. But the reality is we still live in these fallen bodies being corrupted by the flesh. We still sin! Have you ever heard of spiritual warfare and the battle between the flesh and the spirit within each Christian? Paul spoke about this very thing in Romans 7:15 when he said, “**For I do not understand what I am doing, because I do not practice what I want to do, but I do what I hate.**”

There is a constant battle within each believer between the flesh and the Spirit who lives within. And that battle is for the heart. We can either allow our hearts to grow cold and hard or allow the Spirit of God to make them softer and fresh as we age.

From August 31st to September 28th I will be preaching a series entitled, “**Examining the Heart.**” We will be looking at what the Bible says about the heart and what God desires to do about bringing healing to that heart. We live in a world of shame and disappointments. God has something better for his people. And it all starts with the heart! As we allow God to bring about healing in our hearts from former wounds, God will begin to use us to help others find that same healing. I greatly look forward to seeing what God will do in our midst!

Until the whole world hears,
Pastor Scott

Do You Play?

We will be adding some extra instruments to our 8:15am service and we need you to join with us. If you play and would be interested in joining Praise Band, please talk to Ryland!

Wednesday Meals (September 3rd)

We have started a new format with a kids menu option! There is a brand new sign up sheet on the bulletin board by the office. Please take a moment to sign your family up, you can do this each week or put yourself on the standing list. You can also use the tear away form to the right and place in the offering bucket.

The menu for adults and half portion this week is: Spaghetti and Meatballs, Green Beans, Garlic Bread, Salad Bar and Dessert. The kids menu is Mac ‘n Cheese, Side, Bread and Dessert. Please note the new time: **5:30-6:15pm**. The rate is \$5 for a full portion or \$2.50 for a half portion, \$2.50 for a kids meal and little ones 3 and under are free. We ask that you sign up by Monday at noon so that we can be certain to have purchased enough food.

The Song

Every couple starts their relationship with great hopes. Life takes its toll and even the strongest marriages can be rocky at times. THE SONG, a movie coming out on September 26, highlights some of the small (and big) decisions that can cause painful bumps in relationships and the spiraling that can occur if those problems are left untended. I would encourage every married couple to see this movie and a bible study is available for those classes or small groups that want to utilize this 6 week study. For more information contact Matt Flindt in the office or go to www.Outreach.com/TheSong

Offering Boxes

If you miss the offering plate or need to make a payment for a tee or study, you can now use our new offering boxes. They are located in each lobby by the doors is new black offering boxes.

Changes Coming Soon!

Please be patient with us, we are currently updating our children’s wing with new paint and carpet.



Dave Ramsey’s FPU

The Fall Financial Peace University course will begin on **September 21st** from 4-6pm. Childcare will be available upon request. Sign up in the Ministry Hallway.

Ladies Painting Party

The Women’s Ministry will be hosting another canvas scripture art painting party on October 4th at 11am. Sign up and check out the painting in the main foyer. Class size is limited! It will be a salad potluck and the fee for supplies is \$5.

There’s An App For That!

Central now has an all-in-one app that is available for free download for your smart phones and tablets. On Apple and Android devices, search the app store for “CBC Owasso”. You can now easily follow along Sundays by clicking “YouVersion”, stay updated with the news and calendar. You can even give your offerings online! And much, much more! Download it today!

New to Central? You are invited to the Pastor's Discovery Class

If you are new to Central, this special class hosted by Pastor Scott is designed for you! It is open to guests, prospective members, and anyone wanting to know more about CBC, what we believe and where we are going as a church. If you have questions, we have answers!

This class meets in Pastor Scott’s office on Sunday mornings at 9:30am. You can join the class at any time and make up any missed sessions in the next series. **A new series begins September 28th.**

SESSION ONE: “Centered in Christ” (September 28th)

SESSION TWO: “Connected With People” (This Sunday, August 31st)

SESSION THREE: “Committed to Serve: Ministry” (September 7th)

SESSION FOUR: “Committed to Serve: Missions” (September 14th)

As an alternative to the four-session class on Sunday mornings, you can choose to attend an all-in-one intensive session. Contact Debbie Dalaeli in the church office (Debbie.Dalaeli@cbcowasso.org) to schedule an appointment with Pastor Scott and arrange to pick up class materials for you to read over (at least a week in advance before the class).