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Fall Family Festival

Monday, October 31 6:00p to 8:00p



Please note that maps with FFF booth locations and setup instructions will be in SS rooms on Sunday. Setup can be any time Sunday afternoon 2:00-6:00p, or any time Monday. Booths should be ready to open by 6:00p on Monday. Contact Debra Stephens if you have any questions. *Please continue to bring candy!*



All-Church Family Thanksgiving Dinner Sunday, November 20

It's our annual gathering of the church family to enjoy a Thanksgiving feast together. The church provides the turkey, potatoes, stuffing, gravy and drinks. We ask you to bring a dish—to serve 15—according to the schedule listed below.

A—G Desserts H—O Salads
P—Z Vegetables

After the dinner we will have a Thanksgiving program presented by our CHAMPS.

There will also be a special recognition of Mike Maxwell for his service with disaster relief and mission trips.

Operation Christmas Child

We are participating in Operation Christmas Child again this year. Shoeboxes filled with toys, personal care items and more go to children around the world who may not otherwise receive Christmas gifts. They are distributed by Franklin Graham's Samaritan's Purse organization.

Brochures are available for you to pick up at the display in the main foyer if you have not already done so; the directions for packing your boxes are clearly outlined in the brochure. Please observe the guidelines for contents of the boxes and their wrapping.

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Newsletter Mailing List

As part of our cost-cutting effort, we are going to re-do the newsletter list for the physical mailing. If anyone wants to continue receiving the physical copy of the newsletter, you need to contact us in the office to be put on the list. Otherwise, you can view it on the website or sign up for the email list.

Crosspoint will now be published on the last Thursday of each month.

Senior Adults

Soup on the Menu

We are rapidly moving into the holiday season. In just a few weeks it will be time for Thanksgiving, and then it will quickly be December with all the holiday happenings.

Your leadership team has decided to not have any additional activities during this holiday time.

However, we have planned a **Soup Lunch for Thursday, January 12**. We will have sign-ups for soup, sandwiches and desserts. We'll gather at 11:30a to enjoy the home made soups and other goodies. Following the lunch we will play Bunco.

Warm soup and super fellowship will be a great post-holiday pick-me-up! Join us!

Transition Class

This new class for people who have experienced the loss of a loved one through death or divorce started on **Sunday, October 23 at 9:30a**. The class is not limited to gender or age. If you would like to participate in this group, please contact Pat Winsby at pwinsby@hotmail.com or call her at 918-272-9890. It is not too late for you to join this class.

Wednesday Evenings

Pastor Scott is currently teaching "The Jesus People", a study of the book of Acts, verse-by-verse, on Wednesday evenings at 6:30p. The group meets in the Miracle S.S. classroom—Room 304/306. If you are not otherwise involved in ministry on Wednesday evenings, please join us; all ages are welcome.



Dear Central,

Is it really almost November already? We must be having fun because time sure does seem to be flying by. Sarah and I recently arrived back home after a few days of vacation. We visited old friends and had a marvelous time. We rested, played, ate, laughed and genuinely enjoyed each other's company. That's what you're supposed to do...right? As Sarah and I were driving back home God reminded us of the blessed privilege we have to partner with you for the sake of the gospel. I am thankful and honored to be your Pastor. We have a lot of work ahead of us if we are going to fulfill the great commission that Jesus gave us. I don't know about you, but I am ready.

In the book of Psalms there is a prayer by David himself. It helps us to keep things in perspective as time roars by. Listen to his words to the Lord,

**"Teach me your way, O Lord, And I will walk in your truth;
Give me an undivided heart, That I may fear your name."**

My prayer for our church is that God would indeed give us hearts undivided, and that He would teach us His way as we walk in His truth. As a result we will fear His name and many will come to know Him in all truth.

I want to challenge you to be *Centered in Christ* through His Word, *Connected to His People* through your small groups, and *Committed to Him* by using your gifts, talents, and resources in the ministry and mission that God has given you.

If you get a chance, make certain that you tell my good friend, Faye Loyd, what a great job she has done here at Central over the past 10 years. By the time you get this newsletter, which she put out by the way, she will have worked her last day in our offices. In other words, after 10 years she is retiring. I am thankful that Jim and Faye will still be around Central, but sad that I will not get to see her bright shining face every day in the church offices. She will be missed greatly. Faye truly is one of those servants of God that you simply can't replace. I love you, Faye!!

God bless each of you as we serve our King!!

Till the whole world hears,

Pastor Scott

Pastor Scott's Discovery Class

Pastor Scott begins a new series of his four-session Discovery Class on **Sunday, October 30**. The class, which continues **November 6, 13 and 20**, meets Sundays at 9:30a in his office. There is an alternative one-day intensive class that is scheduled for **Saturday, November 12** from 9:00a to noon. If you plan to come to the Saturday class, you **MUST** sign up by Thursday, November 10. If no one signs up, the class will not be held. If you need childcare for this class, you must also request that by the 10th. The classes are:

SESSION ONE: "Centered in Christ"

SESSION TWO: "Connected With People"

SESSION THREE: "Committed to Serve—Ministry"

SESSION FOUR: "Committed to Serve—Missions"

Guests, Prospective Members, Current Church Members and anyone wanting to know more about CBC, what we believe and where we are going as a church may join this ongoing class at any time. It is not mandatory that you sign up for the Sunday class, but it would be appreciated.

Bodylife Journey

November 6 & 13 or
December 11 & 18

This mini-workshop helps you discover your identity in Christ, grow in your relationship with Him, develop meaningful relationships and invest your life in personal ministry through service in your local church and community. Session 1 explains the five areas of S.E.R.V.E. You will complete the assignments at home and the following week we will discuss your opportunities for ministry.

Most Important Thing

In conjunction with Pastor Scott's current sermon series, "Testify", he is encouraging us all to go to mostimportantthing.org, and put our testimonies there alongside others from Central.

To share your online testimony with others, pick up several of the small booklets in the main foyer and give them to people you meet.

AccessACS Training

Matt Flindt is offering one-session training on web-based software called AccessACS in the conference room. This training guides you through the steps needed to view certain information on our database. Whether you are a member, Sunday School Leader or Small Group Leader, this training will allow you access to your personal information and contact information for your Sunday school class or small group. No sign-up necessary. Dates for training are **Sundays, October 30 and December 4**. You may choose to attend either one.

Women's Ministry

Mom To Mom

Mom to Mom is a mentoring ministry that meets twice a month on Fridays in KidCentral. The remaining October date is the 28th. The group meets from 9:00 – 11:30a. Nursery and activities are provided for children 5 and under. All women are invited to join them for a time of food, fun, friends, Bible study, small group time, and practical teaching on homemaking and parenting skills. November dates are the 11th and 18th.

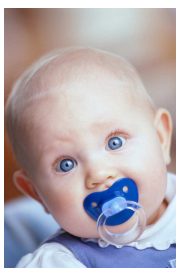
Holiday Party - Breakfast at Cracker Barrel

November 12 at 8:30a

Ladies...sign-up begins October 30th at the Women's Ministry table in the main foyer. We need to get an approximate headcount so we have accurate numbers for the reservation.

Please plan to bring something to the breakfast for Operation Christmas Child—we will pack a few shoe boxes.

Put the date on your calendars now and plan to join us!



Baby Dedication Sunday, Nov 6 10:45a Service

Parents are invited to dedicate themselves to raising their little ones according to God's holy standard. If you would like to participate in this meaningful service, **please contact Debra**. You will need to give her the relevant information and a picture to use in the service.

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It is vitally important that you return your boxes to the sanctuary **BY NOON Sunday, November 20th**. No boxes can be accepted here at the church after noon on the 20th. All boxes must be transported to the pick-up site Sunday afternoon.

While the brochure says that you should put the \$7.00 postage in the shoebox, **we are asking you to put the \$7.00 in a church envelope and designate it for Operation Christmas Child**. Then we will write one postage check for all of the boxes.



Faye Loyd Retires

After 10 years of service at Central, Faye Loyd has retired effective October 28. We would like to express our deepest gratitude for all of her hard work and faithful service! We will be recognizing Faye in both of our morning services on Sunday, October 30.

If you would like to write a personal note or card to encourage Faye and thank her for her service to the church, you may bring them on the 30th or send them to the church office.

—*Personnel Committee*





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New Baby



Jaiden Grace Sullivent was born to **Jason and Mandy Sullivent** on September 27. She weighed 6 lbs. 9 oz and was 19-3/4 inches long. Grandparents are **Steve & Debbie Shklar**.

Christian Sympathy to...

...**James & Marilee Nies** and family in the passing of Marilee's father, Gary Wagner.

...**Delbert & Judy Kelsey** and the **Kelsey** family in the passing of Judy's sister.

...**Tammy Bonner** and family in the loss of husband and father **Bruce Bonner** on September 27.

...**Jeff & Karen McMurphy** and family in the passing of Karen's brother-in-law Kevin Bartel.

...**Boyd and Kathy Cabanaw** in the passing of Boyd's mother.

Thank You

Dear Friends,
"Thank you" seems so inadequate to express the deep gratitude our family has for all your kind expressions of love. The cards, notes, flowers, meals, kind words, and love are deeply appreciated. Thank you for the ministry you have performed for our family and thank you for allowing our Dad and husband to minister to you. God's richest blessings to the Central Church family. We love you!

The Family of Joe Don Olds

Thank you for all your help with collecting/donating material for the Kenya Book Drive. We were able to collect over 190 boxes of books that filled six pallets. The books have begun their journey to Kenya where they will be distributed to pastors. Thank you again for your investment in this ministry.

Andrew Rankin, Freedom Church

Donations...

These gave donations to our *Youth Camps* in memory of **Joe Don Olds**:

- Travis & Tonya Cowan**
- Jack & Doris Toussaint**
- Bun & Joyce Wright**
- Chris & Kim Carney**
- Sam & Debbie Dalaeli**
- John & Mary Ann Castillo**
- John & Jenny Dirck**
- First Bank of Owasso**
- Hope S. S. Class**
- James D. Wilson**
- Fred & Linda Hampton**
- Charles C. Darland**
- Jeffrey & Susanna Thyer**
- Miami Tribe of Oklahoma**
- Miracle Class**
- Ray & Anne Duckett**

Jim & Faye Loyd gave a donation to the *Youth Camp fund* in memory of **Joe Don Olds** and **Colleen Lanham**.

Pat Nickell gave donations to the *Joplin Mission team* and to the *Youth Camp Fund* in memory of **Colleen Lanham**.