



Central Baptist Church Family,  
Thank you to all the ladies that prepared food for us that was served at Kathy's memorial service. Your kindness and generosity were much appreciated.

In Christian Love,  
The Family of Kathy Fryman McGlothin  
(Woody & Rickey Fryman's sister)

Central Baptist Church Family,  
Thank you for all your acts of love and kindness during the passing of our mother, Jane Kitchen. The food you served after the funeral was delicious.

With love,  
Linda, Rosemary & Raymond Kitchen

#### Mission Trip to Blackey KY

Leaving the church parking lot at 6:30 AM Friday, December 8th  
Signup sheet at Registration Center for more information  
contact Bill Sprinkle.

#### Willing Hand Quilters—Lottie Moon Fundraiser

There are 3 quilts and other numerous handmade items in the hallway for sale. Most items are marked with a price, if an item has no price your donation for that item would be appreciated. Please place your cash or check in a Lottie Moon envelope and place in the jar on the table. All proceeds will be given to our Lottie Moon Offering.

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*We pray you experience the joy of  
Christ's birth this holiday season.*

*Central Baptist Church Staff*



You may have heard the story about the old shoe cobbler who dreamed one Christmas Eve that Jesus would come to visit him the next day. The dream was so real that he was convinced it would come true. So the next morning he got up and went out and cut green boughs and decorated his little cobbler shop and got all ready for Jesus to come and visit. He was so sure that Jesus was going to come that he just sat down and waited for Him.

The hours passed and Jesus didn't come. But an old man came. He came inside for a moment to get warm out of the winter cold. As the cobbler talked with him he noticed the holes in the old man's shoes, so he reached up on the shelf and got him a new pair of shoes. He made sure they fit and that his socks were dry and sent him on his way.

Still he waited. But Jesus didn't come. An old woman came. A woman who hadn't had a decent meal in two days. They sat and visited for a while, and then he prepared some food for her to eat. He gave her a nourishing meal and sent her on her way.

Then he sat down again to wait for Jesus. But Jesus still didn't come.

He then heard a little boy crying out in front of his shop. He went out and talked with the boy, and discovered that the boy had been separated from his parents and didn't know how to get home. So he put on his coat, took the boy by the hand and led him home.

When he came back to his little shoe shop it was almost dark and the streets were emptied of people. And then in a moment of despair he lifted his voice to heaven and said, "Oh Lord Jesus, why didn't You come?"

And then in a moment of silence he seemed to hear a voice saying, "Oh shoe cobbler, lift up your heart. I kept My word. Three times I knocked at your friendly door. Three times my shadow fell across your floor. I was the man with the bruised

feet. I was the woman you gave food to eat. I was the boy on the homeless street."

Jesus had come. The cobbler just didn't realize it.

As the season of Christmas is upon us, let us look for ways to lovingly serve Jesus by lovingly serving others. A kind word, an encouraging note, a thoughtful gift, a personal visit to those struggling during the holiday season are all great ways to reach out and share God's love.

Christmas is about God's love—He generously sent Jesus to us as a demonstration of His love. Let's generously share God's love with others as we approach our celebration of Jesus' birth.

Thank you for allowing me to serve you,

Pastor Steven

#### Average Attendance & Giving Report through November

Sunday School 190    Worship 273  
Year to Date Budget Required \$424,320.00  
Year to Date Budget Giving \$405,052.82

#### 2017 Lottie Moon Offering

International Missions Week of Prayer  
December 3<sup>rd</sup>-10<sup>th</sup>  
Central Baptist Goal \$9,000

#### Central Baptist Welcomes New Members

Debbie Fritsch, Neilesa Jackson, Andrew & Wyatt Norton

#### Christmas Worship Service December 24th 10 AM

No Sunday School

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service 9 PM

#### Church Office will be closed December 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>

Celebrating the Birth of our King!



## MUSIC NOTES

### DECEMBER EVENTS

**Music Makers** will present their Christmas Musical, A Rockin' Royal Christmas at 6:30 pm on Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> at Central Baptist Church. Admission is Free

**Boomers and Seniors** daytrip to Cincinnati on December 9<sup>th</sup> is sold out. However, there are a few names on the waiting list just in case. We were able to reserve 20 tickets with a deadline for payment on November 12; but if individuals must cancel and are unable to go, it may be possible to be added to the list. We will depart at 10:00 am.

**Worship Ministry** will combine with the choir and instrumentalists at First Baptist Church to present Little Lion, Little Lamb at Central Baptist Church on Saturday, December 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm and again at First Baptist Church on Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. Admission is Free

### A Personal Note:

- This has certainly been an interesting year for my family and me. My dad's extended illness carried him all the way to May—much longer than I ever anticipated. Sue Ellen's mother spent a week in the hospital with health issues as well. In both cases you were right there to comfort us and shower us with love. It's not easy being 9+ hours from home, but you continue to be the body of Christ to us, for us, and with us. Thank you!
- We've seen tremendous growth in the youth choir with 18 on roll. In fact, we sent 10 to the KY Baptist All-State Junior High Choir in November—easily making up more than 10% of the choir. We're looking forward to adding instruments to our arsenal in January.
- We've seen musical and numerical growth in our worship band and may soon develop teams within the group to explore expansion.
- The Boomers and Seniors participation and ministry opportunities continue to grow and expand (as has my waistline!)
- The Worship Choir continues to inspire me with their selfless dedication week in and week out as they seek to glorify His name and enhance our experience of Him each Sunday morning.
- Last, but certainly not least, I am honored to serve alongside such wonderful pastors and staff. We are blessed to call Central



Baptist Church our home and are looking forward to the new year to see what God has in store for us and our community.

Merry Christmas,  
Mickey



### ***Jonny's Corner***

It is amazing that 2017 is winding down and Christmas is here. We have a busy month in the life of the church, especially with the Children and Student Ministries. Here is a schedule for student ministries:

Student Ministry:

December 5th: Toy Store  
December 9th: Progressive Dinner  
December 16th: New Life Day Center  
December 19: Youth Christmas Party @ Young's Residence

College and Career Ministry:

December 15: Christmas Party @ Cathy & Jim Toadvine's residence

Children's Ministry:

December 3rd: Awana Musical (A Rockin' Royal Christmas)  
December 6th: Pajama Christmas Party from 6:00 -7:30 in fellowship hall.  
December 21st: Children's Fundraiser @ The Rock 5pm to 9pm.

This is a very busy time of the year. I would like to thank everyone that is involved with these ministries for their love and commitment to the students and children. There are many needs in each of these ministries and I welcome any member who is interested in getting involved in these ministries to contact me.

Throughout this month let's take time to remember the reason for celebrating Christmas. The birth of our Lord and Savior is that reason and I pray that we all take time to celebrate His birth. I understand that everyone is busy through the holidays, making plans, and visiting family; but remember that none of those things are more important than Christ. Take time

to share the good news of Jesus Christ with others and help them see the gift of Jesus Christ.

As this year is winding down, next year is going to be just as busy. There are several new events and ministries that are going to happen in 2018. Keep your eyes and ears open and check my board next to my office for upcoming events and ministry updates. God Bless and have a MERRY CHRISTMAS!!

Jonny

**December AWANA Calendar**  
**NO AWANA this month**

There will be several Christmas programs presented by various church groups this month. We would like to encourage clubbers, leaders and parents to attend these programs.

**Annual Toy Store**  
**December 5th, 6-8 PM**

Signup sheet at Registration Center, in need of people to help set up store, elves to help customers to shop, clerks to restock toys at tables, snack room help and lots & lots of gift wrappers!!! We need people to help set up Tuesday morning. **We also need wrapping paper, tape, bows and most of all more toys for 0-2-year-old boys & girls and 9-12-year-old boys.**

**Deacon Food Boxes**

Deacons have begun collecting food for the Deacon Christmas Food Boxes. As always, canned goods & nonperishables are needed. Collection boxes will be in the hallways. Monetary donations to purchase items may be given to any Deacon.

**Deacon Senior Adult Christmas Dinner**  
**December 11th 6 PM**

Sign-up sheet at the Registration Center

**CHRISTMAS CARD DELIVERY BOX** for attending friends and family of Central Baptist Church is up and ready.  
All donations for delivery will go to the Youth

**Baby Dedication**

We will have a baby dedication on Sunday, January 21, 2018. The dedication will occur during the 10:45 worship service and all babies or small children are welcome to participate. Please sign-up at the Registration Center across from the church office.

**Membership Class**

Our next membership class will be on January 28, 2018 from 3:30-7:30 PM. If you would like to learn more about our church or if you are thinking about becoming a member, please come! The class will focus on answering four questions: Who We Are, What We Believe, What We Do, and What We Ask. Please sign-up at the Registration Center across from the church office if you plan to attend.

**CASA Informational Meeting**

Bourbon County CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) is looking for volunteers to advocate for abused and neglected children in our area. Being a CASA volunteer is a great way to love and serve the vulnerable in our community. Megan Craft, CASA volunteer manager for Bourbon County, will host a brief informational meeting in Room 205 immediately following our 10:45 service on Sunday, December 10th. If you have any interest in serving in this way, please make plans to stay for the meeting!

**Deacon of the Month**  
**Jack Kegley**

Jack was born and raised about six miles east of Morehead Kentucky in a small community called Gates. Jack and his wife Sharon have been married 52 years and have two sons and three grandchildren. Brian and his wife Rebecca live in Nicholasville and have two grown children, Adam and Ally. Brad and his wife Mary live in Georgetown and have a son, Hunter. After graduating from college Jack went to work for Ashland Oil & Refining Co. in Ashland, Ky. Jack retired from Ashland in 2003 after 36 years of service. He was baptized at Rose Hill Baptist Church in Ashland. In 1980 Jack and his family moved to Bourbon County and began attending Central and moved his letter in 1981. Jack has been serving as a Deacon since 1991. One of Jack's favorite verses is James 4:8.

# December 2017



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
International Missions Week of Prayer December 3rd-10th Lottie Moon Offering CBC Goal \$9,000						
3 6:30 PM Music Makers Program 7:30 Deacon's Meeting	4 9 AM Willing Hands Quilters	5 6-8 PM Toy Store	6 11 AM Staff Meeting 6:00 PM Children's Christmas Party	7 6:30 AM Mission Trip to Blackey, Ky	8 6:30 AM Mission Trip to Blackey, Ky	2 11:00 AM Sisters in Christ Fellowship Hall
10 6:30 PM Combined Christmas Cantata at First Baptist with Central Baptist	11 9 AM Willing Hands Quilters 6:00 PM Deacon Senior Adult Christmas Dinner	12 6:30 PM Youth Christmas Party at Ray & Michelle Young's	13 11 AM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM Business Meeting	14 5-9 PM Children's Fundraiser at the Rock	15 6:30 PM College & Career Christmas Dinner at Jim & Cathy Toadvine's	16 6:30 PM Combined Christmas Cantata at Central Baptist with First Baptist
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24 10 AM Combined Worship Service and No Sunday School 9 PM Christmas Eve Candlelight Service	25 Church Office Closed	26 Church Office Closed	27 6:30 PM Youth Christmas Party at Ray & Michelle Young's	28 5-9 PM Children's Fundraiser at the Rock	29 6:30 PM College & Career Christmas Dinner at Jim & Cathy Toadvine's	30 6:30 PM Combined Christmas Cantata at Central Baptist with First Baptist
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## Our Ministries Opportunities

### Sunday:

8:30 AM - Worship  
 9:30 AM - Sunday School for ALL Ages  
 10:45 AM - Worship and Children's Church (K-Grade 5)  
 4:30 PM - Worship Band Rehearsal  
 6:00 PM - REV 3 Ministries (Youth)  
 6:30 PM - Worship Service

### Tuesday:

2:00 PM - Encouragers (Visitation Ministry)

### Third Tuesday of the Month

2:00 PM - Current Missions

### Wednesday:

6:30 PM - REV 3 Ministries (Youth)  
 6:30 PM - Prayer Meeting  
 6:30 PM - Mission Friends  
 7:30 PM - Choir Practice

### Third Wednesday of the Month:

1:00 PM - Mamie Wilmott

### Third Saturday of the Month:

9:00 AM - Sew Blessed