



Central Baptist Church,
Thank you for all your prayers and cards during my
sister's death. I love my church family!
Cindy Parsons

My Church Family,
Thanks for all the calls, prayers, cards and food. I love all
my church family.
Love and Prayers
Martha Jackson

Dear CBC,
Thank you for the Christmas gift. It was a great surprise
and is much more appreciated. Thank you so much!
Christian Beauman

Mark your calendars

March 31st Easter Egg Hunt Outreach **10 AM- Noon**
at our 762 Clintonville Road Property
(need volunteers to set up & work during hunt)
and 2 PM Easter Egg Hunt for Paris Pointe Mission Project
(need volunteers, contact Vicky Fleming)

Visitation Ministry

All are welcome to make visits each Tuesday afternoon at
2 PM. Meet in Room 205 at church for prayer and
assignments. Visiting our church family and others is a
simple way to live out our "Love God and Others" core
value.

Average Attendance & Giving Report through February 25th

Sunday School 183 Worship 266
Year to Date Budget Required \$72,880.00
Year to Date Budget Giving \$65,157.98

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Doctrine matters. If doctrine matters, what is it? Author Gregg Allison defines it simply as "Christian belief based on Scripture" (*50 Core Truths of the Christian Faith*). We know doctrine matters because it mattered to those who wrote the New Testament.

Paul left Titus in Crete to "put what remained into order, and appoint elders in every town as I directed you" (Titus 1:5). He then lists moral and character qualifications for the elders (pastors) Titus is to appoint. The final qualification concerns the pastor's duty as it relates to doctrine: "He must hold firm to the trustworthy word as taught, so that he may be able to give instruction in sound doctrine and also to rebuke those who contradict it" (Titus 1:9). Pastors, then, are to be men who rightly believe, teach, and defend what Paul calls "sound doctrine."

Sound doctrine stands in contrast to false doctrine—doctrine that is not based on proper interpretation of Scripture. Paul warns Titus of the dangers of false doctrine as taught by people within the churches of Crete: “For there are many who are insubordinate, empty talkers and deceivers, especially those of the circumcision party. They must be silenced, since they are upsetting whole families by teaching for shameful gain what they ought not to teach” (Titus 1:10-11).

Jude was also concerned about sound doctrine. He originally planned to write his letter celebrating “our common salvation” but his plans changed when he learned what was going on in the church. Instead, he “found it necessary to write appealing to you to contend for the faith that was once for all delivered to the saints” (Jude 3). In the Greek, the word “contend” means to strive intensely, to struggle, to fight with intense effort. The word brings to mind a military or athletic context where two opponents are battling head-to-head, each struggling to overcome the other. For Jude, maintaining sound doctrine is a battle worth fighting.

Jude exhorts his audience to contend for the faith because of what was currently going on in the church: “For certain people have crept in unnoticed who long ago were designated for this condemnation, ungodly people, who pervert the grace of our God into sensuality and deny our only Master and Lord, Jesus Christ” (Jude 4). Doctrine is important, especially when matters of salvation, grace, and the lordship of Jesus are at stake.

If the Lord wills, for seven Sunday evenings in March, April, and May we will be learning about what theologians call “the doctrine of the Word of God.” I have enlisted six men to help communicate the basic truths of this doctrine. The schedule is as follows:

The Inspiration of Scripture—Steven Scherer (March 4)
The Truthfulness of Scripture—David Yeiser (March 11)
The Authority of Scripture—Gayle Fields (March 18)

The Sufficiency and Necessity of Scripture—Daniel Langfels (March 25)
The Clarity of Scripture—Jack Crump (April 8)
The Transformative Power of Scripture—Zack Jones (April 22)
The Canonicity of Scripture—Bryan Beauman (May 6)

I will be working closely with these men as they read, study, and prepare to teach on these challenging topics. They have each agreed to attend a number of meetings with me and the others who are teaching as together we will help each other strive to teach with excellence. Part of my calling as a pastor is to “to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ” (Ephesians 4:12) and I believe allocating my time and energy to endeavors like this is tremendously valuable.

Please consider coming out on Sunday evenings to learn more about the doctrine of the Word of God and to support those that are teaching.

Thank you for allowing me to serve you,
Pastor Steven

Central Baptist Welcomes New Members

Andrew & Elaine Hampton
Drew & Brittany Palus
Tammy Weaver
Chris Berry
Drew & Holli Hatmaker
Scotty & Stephanie Thacker

Membership Class

Our next Membership Class will be Sunday, April 29th from 3:30-7:30 PM. The class addresses four questions: Who We Are, What We Believe, What We Do, and What We Ask. If you are thinking about joining our church or would like to learn more about our church, please make plans to attend. A sign-up sheet will be available at the Registration Center at a later date.



MUSIC NOTES

Music Makers meets on Wednesday nights at 6:30 in room 205. This group of young musicians is open to all children in grades K-5. Attendance at rehearsals is very important for the success of the program so clear your calendars now of conflicts.

Youth Vocal Ensemble will lead in worship during the 10:45 service on Sunday, March 4 and again on March 25. This ever-growing ensemble will lead in a time of praise and an offering of celebration. If you know someone in grades 6-12, encourage them to join us in praising the Father with the talents He has given. We meet on Sundays from 5:30-6:00.

Youth Instrumental Ensemble meets on Wednesdays from 5:30-6:00. All participants must have at least one semester on their instrument prior to participating. This exciting group is working hard to prepare music for the 10:45 worship service on March 25.

BOOMERS AND SENIORS

OOPS! The 2018 Activities Booklet had a few errors. Please correct your booklet with the following:

March 8, Underground Railroad Museum
April 17, KBC Senior Living Celebration
May 8, Governor’s Mansion/Capitol Tour
June 8, UK Grand Night for Singing
July 10, Shaker Village Trustees’ Table and Riverboat Ride
August 18, Blue Licks Revolutionary War Reenactment
September 6, Kentucky Down Under
October 9, Huber Farm
November 8, Big South Fork Scenic Railway
December 1, UK Choirs Holiday Collage
Signup sheets will be located at the Registration Center.

Men's Weekend

Ernie Trosper and I are planning a men's retreat to Greenbo Lake State Park for June 15-16. The general plan is golfing or fishing on Friday with an evening worship service after dinner. Saturday begins with breakfast and morning devotional followed by more golf or fishing. Mark your calendars now. Stay tuned for more information.

Personal Note

Thank you for your prayers and your support! On February 23, Sue Ellen and I had the privilege of conducting the KY Baptist Convention (KBC) Youth Choir in performance at the American Choral Directors Association Southern Region Convention. Members of that choir included our very own Jake Ballard and Emily Cox. I'm excited to announce that the KBC All-State Youth Choir will be leading worship in our sanctuary on Sunday, June 24 during the 10:45 worship service.



Jonny's Corner

2018 is rolling on and life in the student ministry is getting busier. We are already preparing for youth camp, children camp, VBS, and a new children's ministry that will start this summer. As of right now, the youth camp is full, but there is still some room for children's camp. I am currently in need of a male chaperone for children's camp. If you are interested, please contact me as soon as possible.

I will also be putting up a sign up for teachers and workers for VBS. This year, the theme is Game On. It is a sports related theme which should provide some fun and great theme nights. If you would like to help with VBS, look for the sign up on the registration table. We need a lot of volunteers to make VBS successful. If you have any questions please contact the church, or talk to me.

As you can tell, the student ministries are in full fundraising swing. So far fundraisers have been successful and we are definitely moving in the right direction towards funding these camps. We are selling Old Kentucky Chocolate candy bars, serving tables at The Rock and other fundraisers to help cut the cost of camp. Make sure to pay attention to announcements, emails and social media to see when the next fundraisers are

and hope that you will join us on those nights. Thank you for your support.

On March 16th, there will be a kid's game night here at the church. This is a fun event for children K through 5th grade. There will be food and plenty of games that children will have the opportunity to come to church hang out with myself, adults, and youth that will be helping with this event. There will be a sign up on the board next to my office, so please make sure that your child is signed up so I can make sure there will be enough food.

There will be several activities going on this spring with ministries firing up like archery and a few others. Please make sure to check the church calendar and announcements for upcoming events.

Thank you for the reception and gift that was given to me for graduating Seminary. The Lord has blessed me beyond measure to be a part of a loving church that loves its staff, members, and the Lord most of all. It is an honor to serve here at Central Baptist and look forward in seeing how Christ is going to use me and this church to help further His ministry. Thank you and God Bless, Jonny

March AWANA Calendar

- March 4th – Regular Club Night
- March 11th – Wear Your Team Colors Night
- March 18th – Regular Club Night
- March 25th – Regular Club Night

Secret Church 2018

We will simulcast David Platt's *Secret Church 2018* on Friday, April 20th from 7PM-1AM in our fellowship hall. This year's theme is "Cults and Counterfeit Gospels." For more information, visit: <http://www.radical.net/secret-church/>. Cost is \$10/person. If you plan to attend, please sign your name on the sign-up sheet located at the Registration Center.

Discipleship Group Leader Training

If you are currently leading a discipleship group, interested in starting one, or being in one, please make plans to attend our first Discipleship Group Leader Training on Sunday, March 25th at 4:30 PM. The training will help equip you to begin, lead, and multiply discipleship groups. More information to follow.

Deacon of the Month

Ernie Trosper

Ernie grew up in Harlan County, Kentucky the son of a Southern Baptist preacher. His family sang at tent revivals and churches all over Eastern Kentucky, southwest Virginia and east Tennessee. After graduating from Harlan High School and Union College, he pursued a career in teaching and coaching basketball for many years. Ernie holds the distinction of being Union College's first All American Basketball player scoring 2,040 points during his career. Ernie met his wife, Jan Combs when he started his coaching career at Whitesburg High School in 1955. He and Jan moved to Bristol Tennessee and coached there for the next fourteen years prior to coming to Paris. While in Bristol he served for fourteen years as Minister of Music at Calvary Baptist Church. Jan served as pianist there also. Ernie came to Paris in 1972 as High School principal. For the next 34 years he served as Minister of Music at Central Baptist Church. Jan was his pianist until her death in 2005. Ernie and Jan had one child, Stephanie Trosper Buchanan. She and her husband, David have three children, John Combs, Emma Grace and Trosper David. Ernie proudly served along side of seven pastors, one interim pastor on two different occasions while at Central Baptist. He has also served as a Deacon during most of this time. Ernie shares Jan's favorite Bible verse, Jeremiah 29:11, "For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."



100% of your gifts to the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering supports North American missionaries.


NATIONAL GOAL: \$70 Million



Central Baptist Church Goal - \$5,000
Week of Prayer March 4th-11th



March 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for North American Missions AAEO Central Baptist Goal \$5,000						
4 6 PM AWANA 7:30 PM Deacon's Meeting	5 9 AM Willing Hands Quilters	6 AARP Tax 9-3	7 11 AM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM Music Makers Mission Friends	8 9 AM Boomers & Seniors to Under- ground Railroad Museum	9 10	3 AARP Tax 9-3 11 AM-1 PM Sisters in Christ at 8th First Baptist
11 Daylight Saving Time begins 6 PM AWANA	12 9 AM Willing Hands Quilters 9 AM Boomers & Seniors to Louisville KBC Bldg.	13 AARP Tax 9-3	14 11 AM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM Music Makers Mission Friends	15 16 6- 11 PM Children's Game Night	17 7:30 AM New Life Center AARP Tax 9-3 9 AM Sew Blessed	
18 6 PM AWANA	19 9 AM Willing Hands Quilters	20 AARP Tax 9-3 2:00 PM Current Missions	21 11 AM Staff Meeting 1:00 Mamie Willmott 6:30 PM Music Makers Mission Friends Paris Pointe Prayer Walk	22 23	24 AARP Tax 9-3	
25 4:30 PM Discipleship Group Leader Training 6 PM AWANA	26 9 AM Willing Hands Quilters	27 28 AARP Tax 9-3 	28 11 AM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM Music Makers	29 11:30 PM Boomer & Seniors Quarterly luncheon	30 31 AARP Tax 9-3 Easter Egg Hunt 10-12 2 PM Easter Egg Hunt at Paris Pointe 2 PM Winter Jam	

Our Ministry 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
5:30 PM – Youth Ensemble
6:00 PM – AWANA [K – Grade 5]
6:00 PM – REV 3 Ministries (Youth)
6:30 PM – Worship

Monday:

9:00 AM – Willing Hands Quilters

Tuesday:

2:00 PM – Encouragers Visitation Ministry

Wednesday:

5:30 PM – Youth Ensemble
6:00 PM – Dinner in Fellowship Hall
6:30 PM – REV 3 Ministries (Youth)
6:30 PM – Prayer Meeting
6:30 PM – Mission Friends/Music Makers
7:30 PM – Worship Choir Practice

Third Tuesday of the Month:

2:00 PM – Current Missions

Third Wednesday of the Month:

1:00 PM – Mamie Willmott

Third Saturday of the Month:

9:00 AM – Sew Blessed