

# Church Family,

I would like to thank everyone for all their prayers, calls and cards during my recent illness. I am finally feeling better but wanted to tell my church family how much I appreciated their thoughtfulness. Virgaleen Worthington

# Central Baptist Church,

The Kitchen Family would like to express our sincere thanks for all the prayers, visits & food you have provided for us. And special thanks from Linda Robinson and Raymond Kitchen for allowing the visitation and funeral for our mother. Jane Kitchen, to be held at CBC. Special thanks for the meal after the funeral. Thanks again for all your prayers for our family. Rosemary, & Raymond would like to thank you for your years of prayer for her (Rosemary) we know that she is still with us because of your prayers and the Grace of God. May God bless all of you! The Kitchens

# Central Baptist Church,

Thanks very much for the prayers, cards, visits and the wonderful meal during the illness and passing of my son, Donnie. Everyone was so nice and concerned. Special thanks to Pastor Steven for his visits and a great personal message of hope. Don Green & Family

# Central Baptist Church,

I am not good at putting my thoughts on paper. It makes me very humble to know what my church family does for people including me. I want to thank the Pastor and all those involved in moving me, I am very thankful for all of you and for the gift the church gave to me. In Christian Love, Sue Humphrey

# Hi CBC Family,

We are back in Haiti along with a suitcase of flip flops! We enjoyed our time away in January and stopping into the office to say hello. Thank you for always making us feel welcome. Thank you also for the financial contribution to our family and our ministry. This May will be 4 years of our serving with Baptist Haiti Mission and Mountain Maid. Thank you for being a part of that. Your prayers, encouragement, and financial support have been appreciated more than you will ever know. We appreciate you!!

Mark, Melanie (McCarty), Clay, Lydia & Blake Dearing

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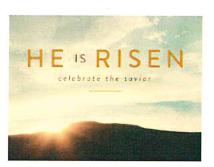
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"Fake news" is not a recent phenomenon. Sure, the phrase's popularity exploded during the 2016 election cycle, but the idea of fabricated information posing as truth can be traced back for centuries.

Matthew 28 contains two of arguably the most important incidents in the life of Jesus—His resurrection (vs. 1-10) and His giving of the Great Commission to His disciples (vs. 16-20). Sandwiched in-between these incidents are an early attempt at "fake news." Matthew writes:

While they were going, behold, some of the guard went into the city and told the chief priests all that had taken place. And when they had assembled with the elders and taken counsel, they gave a sufficient sum of money to the soldiers and said, "Tell people, 'His disciples came by night and stole Him away while we were asleep.' And if this comes to the governor's ears, we will satisfy him and keep you out of trouble." So they took the money and did as they were directed. And this story has been spread among the Jews to this day (vs. 11-15).

Social media didn't exist then but if it did, we can imagine how quickly the guards' explanation of the empty tomb would have spread. At first glance, their explanation of the stolen body does seem plausible because it is not often that dead men walk out of their own tombs. But Jesus did just that. If Jesus didn't, Paul says our faith is futile and we are still in our sins (1 Corinthians 15:17). The resurrection matters.

Peter writes that we have "a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead" (1 Peter 1:3). The message of Easter is a message of hope. Hope that there is life after death. Hope that reconciliation with God is possible. Hope that sin will be defeated once-for-all. Hope that our enemy and adversary will one day be banished for good.

In a world inundated with fake news, let us be people of truth and people of grace and people of hope. We have good news to share—Jesus lived, Jesus died, Jesus arose—and this good news is for all. Let us share this news with humility and love. Happy Easter!

Thank you for allowing me to serve you, Pastor Steven

# Reception to Honor Kaye Purcell and Cathy Toadvine

You are invited to attend a reception to honor Kaye Purcell, church secretary, and Cathy Toadvine, financial secretary, on Sunday, April 22nd immediately following the evening worship service. Kaye and Cathy have served our church family well for five years now and we want to express our appreciation to them. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend!

# **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 is now available at the Registration Center.



# MICKEY'S MUSINGS

## **EASTER**

A special thank you to all who came out to help up run our fifth annual Easter Egg Hunt. Join us in praying that we have made an eternal difference in the lives we touched that day.

What a tremendous job our Worship Choir and Worship Band did in leading us in worship as we joined with believers around the world in celebrating the resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! We are blessed to have such servants of the Lord to enhance our worship experience each week.

# **MUSIC NOTES**

Music Makers rehearsals are in the sanctuary this month in preparations for spring musical, <u>O Chicken of Little Faith</u>, to be presented on April 15. Please make every effort to have your child at ALL rehearsals. In addition, there will be an encore performance at the Paris Fine Arts Center on April 17 to proclaim the message and to serve as a fundraiser for Lucy Beauman's treatments.

Youth Ensemble will present a couple of selections on Sunday, April 22 as part of the Youth Sunday services. Mark your calendars; this is one event you will not want to miss.

# KY Baptist Convention All-State Children's Choir

The following individuals have been selected by audition to participate in the KBC All-State Children's Choir being held on April 27-29: Bailee Beauman, Luke Beauman, Ellie Boshears, Bryna Graves, Blake Hunt, Samuel Morris, and Lydia Pope.

# **BOOMERS AND SENIORS**

On **Tuesday, April 17** we travel to Parkway Baptist Church, Bardstown, KY to participate in the Kentucky Baptist Convention Senior Living Celebration. We will hear from Missions Strategist Doug Williams and be entertained by retired pastor and renowned author and comedian Dennis Swanberg. A signup sheet may be found at the Registration Center

On **Tuesday, May 8** we head to Frankfort to tour both the Governor's Mansion and the Capitol Building. Afterward, we will enjoy lunch on the river at Jim's Seafood. A signup sheet may be found at the Registration Center.

# SPECIAL EVENT

On Sunday night, April 29 during the evening worship hour, we will have a 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday "Y'all Sing" service. If you have something you'd like to sing and/or read as part of our worship hour that night, please let Mickey know by April 22 so he can plan accordingly.



# Jonny's Corner

March has ended and April is here! It is exciting to see that God is using Central Baptist to reach the lost and inspire believers to share the gospel in different ways. I am excited that our church is using video, classes, and small groups to reach and disciple people, not only in our

church, but others outside the church. With this being said, we will be having other opportunities to serve in the community and share the gospel.

One of my favorite ministries, that we offer at Central, is serving at the New Life Day Center every third Saturday each month. While we have mostly students that serve in this ministry, I would love to get a few more adults involved in this ministry. This is truly a life changing ministry. Not only do we have the chance to serve, we have a wide-open door to share the gospel with people that really need the good news of Christ. While it takes most of us out of our comfort zones, that is exactly what all of us need. Let me encourage everyone to serve in this ministry. The shelter is open six days a week and is always in need of volunteers. If you are interested in becoming involved in this ministry, please contact me.

Right around the corner is Vacation Bible School. VBS is scheduled for June 3th-7th and we need volunteers. On the registration table will be sign-up sheets for all the positions needed for VBS. Another sheet is for everyone that wants to volunteer but does not matter where. We will need a large number of volunteers to make VBS a success. Please be looking for the sign-up sheets and sign up to help with VBS in June.

April 22<sup>nd</sup> is YOUTH SUNDAY! This is a great opportunity for the church to learn more about what is going on in student ministry and see the students in action during both morning services. Yes, the students will be leading both services and bring the message at both services. I thoroughly enjoy Youth Sunday because it allows the church to see how special our students are at Central Baptist Church. Please make sure to come out on April 22<sup>nd</sup> and enjoy a great service and the opportunity to meet and greet with the students of Central Baptist Church. At the end of both services students will be standing by the doors with baskets. We want to give everyone an opportunity to help with Student Camp this summer by giving a donation.

We have plenty of opportunities to serve in the community and at the church. The summer is always busy with a lot going on in the life of the church. Please make sure to look for emails, announcements, and texts for opportunities to serve. We must remember that our very purpose in this world is to make disciples by sharing the gospel. Please do not allow yourself to be comfortable with your current life but become uncomfortable for Christ and make His ministry your way life.

God Bless, Jonny

# **April AWANA Calendar**

April 1<sup>st</sup> – No AWANA, Easter Sunday

April 8<sup>th</sup> - Regular Club Night

April 15<sup>th</sup> – No AWANA, Music Maker Program

April 22<sup>nd</sup> – Jungle Night (Peter 5:8-9)

April 29th – Regular Club Night

# Secret Church 2018

Join us Friday, April 20th from 7 PM-1 AM for David Platt's Secret Church simulcast in the fellowship hall. The cost is \$10 and you must sign-up (at the Registration Center) no later than April 8th. The theme is "Cults and Counterfeit Gospels." David Platt will teach not only what the true, biblical gospel is but he'll also explain how the gospel is distorted by a number of cults and heretical movements in existence today and throughout history. You will not want to miss this great evening of in-depth study and learning!

# **Community National Day of Prayer Service**

Community National Day of Prayer Service will be at Central Baptist Church on **Thursday, May 3rd** at noon. Please mark your calendar and join us in prayer as we host this community prayer endeavor. The theme is Pray for America – Unity. Ephesians 4:3 Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.

# Paige Honaker Mission Trip

Paige Honaker will be going on a Mission Trip to Lund, Sweden with CRU for 4 weeks this summer! There will be a fundraiser at The Rock April 6th to help Paige with the expense of the trip. Come out for some great food and donate to a wonderful mission or the easiest way to give is on Cru's secure online giving site: https://give.cru.org/0689660 or if you prefer, you can simply send your gift in an envelope to 1103 Karla Dr. Paris, KY 40361. Please make checks payable to Cru.

# **Youth Sunday**

Our middle school and high school students will lead our morning worship services on Sunday, April 22nd. Please pray for our students as they prepare and support our students by attending that morning.

# **Annie Armstrong Easter Offering**

Central Baptist Goal \$5,000 (collected \$3,017), as of March 25th There are three quilts in the hallway donated by The Willing Hand Quilters, all proceeds will go toward our AAEO.

# Average Attendance & Giving Report through March 25<sup>th</sup>

Sunday School 181 Worship 267 Year to Date Budget Required \$109,320.00 Year to Date Budget Giving \$110,059.26

# Deacon of the Month Scott Toadvine

Scott Toadvine was raised in Paris and Central Baptist Church by his parents Brad and Sherri Toadvine. Scott accepted Christ as a child at Central Baptist Church. Scott and Stefanie (Clines) Toadvine were married in 2008 at Central Baptist. They have three children-Robbie (6), Morgan (3), and Jackson (1). April 2018

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| Mon | 2<br>9 AM<br>Willing Hands<br>Quilters  | 9 AM<br>Willing Hands<br>Duilters                                 | 16<br>9 AM<br>Willing Hands<br>Duilters<br>6:30 PM<br>Ghurch Council   | 23<br>9 AM<br>Willing Hands<br>Quilters  | 30<br>9 AM<br>Willing Hands<br>Duilters  |
| Sun | Easter<br>Sunday<br>No evening activities   | 8<br>6 PM AWANA<br>7:30 PM<br>Deacon's Meeting                    | 15<br>6:30.PM Music Maker's<br>Program   | 22<br>Youth Sunday<br>G PM AWANA<br>7:30 PM Reception for<br>Cathy Toadvine &<br>Kaye Purcell. | 29<br>3:30-7:30 PM<br>Membership Class<br>6 PM AWANA<br>6:30 PM "Yall Sing"<br>Service   |

Sunday:
8:30 AM – Worship
9:30 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: I:00 PM – Mamie Wilmott

Third Saturday of the Month: 9:00 AM – Sew Blessed