

My Church Family,

My family and I sincerely appreciate the prayers, cards, calls and visits during my recent surgery and recuperation period.

Thank you, Glenn Mackie

CBC Family,

I am so grateful for all the prayers, visits, phone calls, cards & meals during my recuperation following a fall. A special thanks to Heather Tucker for taking such good care of me for eight weeks. And thanks to Pastor Steven for the visit and prayer before my surgery.

Bonnie Lykins

Pastor Steven & Church Family,

Many thanks for all the phone calls, cards, visits and most of all the prayers during my recent illness and my treatments. May God Bless each and every one of you!

Barbara Vandiver

Central Baptist Church,

Thank you for allowing the Gideons to bring a presentation to your church. We have a long history of partnership with your church. Your offering helped place 350 bibles for the 5th grade in Paris & Bourbon County elementary schools, as well as 60 in Paris High and 75 for Bourbon County Seniors. Wednesday, we placed over 100 Bibles at Bourbon Heights, and 100 Spanish testaments placed during Central's Christmas Gift give-a-way.

Thanks for your support! Gideons & Danny Jackson

Church Office Closed Wednesday, July 4th
No Prayer Meeting
Or
Evening Activities

Ministerial Staff

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Sometimes in life we feel stuck. The honest among us will also admit that "stuck" occasionally (or perhaps frequently) describes the way we feel about our relationship with God. Maybe when we were younger we would describe our relationship with God with words such as "healthy" or "growing" or "real" or even "exciting." But over time, what feels like a gap has steadily widened and now God seems distant and our relationship with Him feels strained.

Sadly, many believers accept the dismal state of their relationship with God and act as if this most important relationship cannot be restored or improved. To believe this is to misunderstand not only the nature of God but also the desire of God. God says in His Word that He can

be understood and known (though we admit our understanding and knowledge of God is limited as human beings). Consider what God says to His people in Jeremiah 9:23-24: Thus says the LORD: "Let not the wise man boast in his wisdom, let not the mighty man boast in his might, let not the rich man boast in his riches, but let him who boasts boast in this, that he understands and knows Me, that I am the LORD who practices steadfast love, justice, and righteousness in the earth. For in these things I delight, declares the LORD." God not only says we can know Him, but He also reveals His nature and character to us. How good and gracious is our God!

I want to invite you to know and experience God in a fresh way. In the coming months, our church family will have the opportunity to rekindle our relationship with God as we study His Word through the *Experiencing God* smallgroup study written by Henry Blackaby. Blackaby explains the audacious aim of the study: "The goal is not to finish this course but to have a life-transforming encounter with God." A life-transforming encounter with God. Yes, Lord, we want this!

Here's what to expect in the coming months:

-Bob Payne (Experiencing God Weekend coordinator) will be with us during our morning worship services on Sunday, July 15. During his message, he'll introduce us to key *Experiencing God* concepts and share with us how God has used *Experiencing God* to transform lives all over the world. Your participation on July 15? Simply attend our services that morning and be open to hearing from God through Bob.

-We're hosting an *Experiencing God Weekend* at our church on August 17-19. Bob Payne will return to Paris and lead us, along with other volunteers from around the country. Sessions will be held Friday evening, Saturday morning, Saturday evening, and Sunday morning. More information will be shared in the coming weeks about the schedule. Your participation on August 17-19? Attend the

mini-conference and pray you'll begin to encounter God in a new and fresh way.

-The final (and perhaps most important) part of our *Experiencing God* emphasis this fall will kick-off the week following our *Experiencing God Weekend*. Henry Blackaby has written a 13-week workbook that we'll be using in small groups. We'll be forming small groups of no more than ten people that will meet at various times during the week. Many of our groups will meet on Sunday evenings but other groups will meet during the week. Some of the groups will meet in homes while other groups will meet at church. Your participation during these 13 weeks? Sign-up to be in a group and commit to complete all of the assignments in the workbook!

My prayer is that God will use Experiencing God to stir our hearts to know Him, love Him, serve Him, and worship Him. Please begin praying for all aspects of what we're doing this fall and your personal involvement. Are you willing to host a group in your home or lead a group? Are you willing to join a group? Are you willing to help plan and organize the Experiencing God Weekend? Are you willing to be on our Experiencing God prayer team? Most importantly, are you willing to surrender to God and be willing to be used by Him in any way that He desires? If you are and if there are enough of us that are, then I won't be surprised if God doesn't do something big in our church this fall. As Blackaby has written, "The goal is not to finish this course but to have a life-transforming encounter with God."

Be on the lookout for lots of additional information about *Experiencing God* in the coming weeks. Please let me know if you are willing to help in any of the ways mentioned above.

Thank you for allowing me to serve you,

Pastor Steven



MICKEY'S MUSINGS

Worship Ministry Crawfish and Shrimp Boil will be held at the Ballard house on Friday, July 13 at 6:00 pm. This event is for all choir, band, and tech volunteers and their families as we prepare to kick off a new year of ministry together. NOTE: There will also be hamburgers and hot dogs for the shellfish averse. Worship Choir rehearsals resume on July 11. Worship Band rehearsals resume on July 15.

KY Baptist Convention All-State Youth Choir and Orchestra (KBC ASYCO)

How exciting it was to have 53 high schoolers leading us in worship on Sunday, June 24! What a blessing it is for you to allow Sue Ellen and me the time away to contribute to the life of these teens and to support the ministry of the KBC. Bless you! Looking ahead to next year, I believe it is realistic to think that we could have as many as 10 participating in this discipleship ministry. If you have a high schooler who sings and/or plays an instrument, encourage them (force them, if you must LOL) to participate in the youth ensemble. We will resume in early August!

Youth Ensemble resumes on the first Sunday in August. Last year was tremendous and I'm looking forward to our building on the foundation we've laid. All 6th-12th graders should join us on Sunday afternoons at 5:30 during the school year! Mark your calendars for a Labor Day cookout at the Ballard house on Sunday, September 2 after church.

Music Makers resumes on Wednesday, September 5 in preparation for the Christmas presentation, "Carol and the Belles". This ministry is for all students in grades K-5. Please contact Kathy Kenimer or Leslie Morris for more information.

Boomers and Seniors

There is no **August** daytrip planned at this time. You are encouraged to participate in the Experiencing God Weekend the church has scheduled! In **September** we will travel to Kentucky Down Under to see animals indigenous to Australia. Be sure to sign up at the Registration Center. This would make for an interesting field trip for our homeschoolers, as well.

SING at CARNEGIE HALL in 2019

I have been invited to conduct a festival chorus of singers from around the country with professional orchestra on Saturday, June 1, 2019 and am able to invite **singers and non-singers** to join me. Of course, our program will consist of sacred selections sung in English. For more information, be sure to grab a highlight sheet posted near my office. Initial deposit is due August 31.



It is hard to believe the June has already come and gone. There was a whole lot going on in June. I would like to give a big shout out to everyone that put in their time and effort in both Vacation Bible School and Youth Camp in June. None of these ministries would be possible without the effort from our church family. So, Thank you!

While June went by like a blur, July will be the same. Anyone this is interested in going to Inez, Ky and being part of the mission team that is going, please sign up at the registration table. This is a mission that I thoroughly enjoy and gives everyone a chance to be a part of serving a community in Kentucky that is only two hours away. The team will be heading out on July 8th and heading home on the 13th. This is an incredible and inexpensive opportunity to serve and share the gospel with those that are less fortunate.

Also, July 23rd -27th is children's camp. This year the children will be heading to CentriKld at Campbellsville University. This is new camp for our kids and for some of the adults that are going as leaders. We currently have

some spots that are open to children and I need one more male leader to go. If you are interested in going to this camp, either as a camper or leader, please contact me as soon as possible.

The summer is going by quickly, please be in prayer for the Inez team and our group going to children's camp.

There is always opportunity to serve in both children and student ministries. If you are interested in becoming a leader in these ministries, please contact me. Thanks,
Jonny

Property Steering Committee (PSC) update:

Approximately 20 people in attendance on Tuesday, June 26th. Great feedback on the possibility of a new addition to our present facility. The committee is still gathering information and will be meeting again in the next couple of weeks. If you have any questions please see Pastor Steven, Chairman Tony Sosby or any of the committee members. We welcome feedback from everyone.

Men's Golf Scramble

Attention all men! We're having a four-man golf scramble on Saturday, August 4th at 8:00 AM at Stoner Creek Country Club in Paris. The cost is \$22/person and you may sign-up now at the Registration Center across from the church office. Teams will be formed after sign-ups are complete. See Ernie Trosper, Andrew Hampton, or Pastor Steven for more information.

Average Attendance & Giving Report through June 24th

Sunday School 187 Worship 306 Year to Date Budget Required \$227,750.00 Year to Date Budget Giving \$220,910.45

Julia Woodward Offering begins July 1st

WMU—By All Means
Benefits our Central Kentucky Network of Baptists Association
Central Baptist Goal—\$600
(Envelopes are on table in back & on registration counter)

Haven of Rest (Inez, KY)

Please be in prayer for the team serving at Haven of Rest in Inez, KY from July 8th-13th. The team will be ministering in a variety of ways. Sign-up sheet is on Registration Counter. See Bill or Wanda Sprinkle or Vicky Fleming for more information.

Special Missions Committee Needs Help

- 1) New socks for school children are being collected to be given away at Readifest on July 26th, there is a box under the mailboxes by the nursery
- 2) Need volunteers to help with the clothing giveaway at our church July 26th from 5:30 7:30 PM
- Volunteers to help with Block Party at Paris Pointe July 28th, from 5-7 PM, there is a sign sheet on Registration Counter

Church Website

Don't forget to visit our church website (centralbaptistparis.com) for weekly bulletins, monthly newsletters, sermon audio, and more! Lots of helpful content about our church is available to read. You may also follow us on Facebook (facebook.com/centralbaptistparis) for regular updates about events and activities.

Deacon of the Month Chris Jones

Chris has attended Central since he was just a few weeks old. He has been married to his wife, Shana, for going on 24 years. They have 2 sons, Zack and Aiden. As proud as he is to say that he is a third-generation member here, he is more proud and thankful that his wife and sons all have a relationship with Jesus and attend Central as well. Chris has worked in the lending industry for over 24 years. He spends his spare time volunteering at church where he teaches Sunday School, serves on several committees and has found his new passion in the video production role. He also volunteers at Paris High School where he serves on the Site Base Council, is President of the Band Boosters and helps the football team on Friday nights.



July 2018

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Dur Ministry Opportunities

Sunday:
8:30 AM – Worship Service
9:30 AM – Sunday School for ALL Ages
10:45 AM – Worship and Children's Church [K-Grade5]
4:30 PM – Worship Band Rehearsal
6:00 PM – REV 3 Ministries (Youth)
6:00 PM – Kids for Christ
6:30 PM – Worship Service

Tuesday: 2:00 PM – Encouragers Visitation Ministry

Wednesday:

6:00 PM Meal in Fellowship Hall by reservations 6:30 PM – REV 3 Ministries (Youth) 6:30 PM – Prayer Meeting

6:30 PM – Children's Ministry (K-Grade 5)

& Mission Friends

Third Tuesday of the Month:

2:00 PM - Current Missions

Third Wednesday of the Month:
1:00 PM - Mamie Wilmott