

Church Family,
I just wanted to send a HUGE thank you to all of those that helped with the Toy Store. Whether donating toys, money, helping set up, or helping with the event, I greatly appreciate it all. It was a great day and everything flowed smoothly. The best part of it all....127 kids were blessed!

I am already planning for Toy Store 2022. Each month, there will be a specific age/gender to shop for. When you're out shopping and see sales, try to remember our Toy Store. You can also make monetary donations at any time.

January- 0-2 Boys

February- 0-2 Girls

March-3-5 Boys

April-3-5 Girls

May-6-8 Boys

June-6-8 Girls

July-9-10 Boys

August-9-10 Girls

September-11-12 Boys

October-11-12 Girls

November-All ages

Thanks Again!
Ashley Swearingen

To My Church Family,
I would like to say thank you for the Christmas gift, it was greatly appreciated. And I'm looking forward to serving my Church family and our Heavenly Father in 2022. Kaye Purcell

Dear Church Family,
Thank you for the Christmas gift. I am truly blessed to be a part of the CBC family. I look forward to serving you & serving with you in furthering God's kingdom in 2022. Cathy Toadvine

Special thank you from Leonard & Virginia Watson they would like to thank the church family for all their prayers and to please continue to pray for them.

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MICKEY'S MUSINGS

All Year Long

As we pack away our Christmas decorations and begin a new year, I am ever mindful of a song to which Sue Ellen introduced to me. In the Larnelle Harris song, "All Year Long," a young child asks his father as they are putting away the Christmas decorations "Do we store away Jesus too?"

It is my prayer that 2022 will be the year where we return to worship with a newfound vigor. May we sing with joyful exuberance. May we read and study scripture with a hunger and thirst for righteousness. May we serve the Lord with gladness. May we proclaim the truth in love. May we boldly share the good news of Jesus with all. May we truly be His hands and feet. May we work together for healing and reconciliation. May we "live in harmony" as the Apostle Paul exhorted.

Worship service is at 10:45 preceded by Sunday School at 9:30. If you are not in a Sunday morning Bible Study, why not? It is in these small groups that connections are made, Bible discussions are held, and ministry happens on a personal level. May our lives and not just our words reflect a resounding NO, we will NOT "store away Jesus too!" Instead, He will be at the forefront of all we do!

Worship Choir resumes on January 5th
Music Makers resumes on January 12th

THANK YOU

My family and I are profoundly grateful for the expressions of love with which you have showered us. The cards, notes and gifts we've received in December have blessed us tremendously. Thank you for being such a blessing to us.

Blessings,
Mickey Ballard



Jonny's Corner

Hello Church Family,

It is hard to believe that it is 2022. Yes, 2021 had its ups and downs, but we have another year to look forward to. As we seek for a new lead pastor here at Central Baptist, I want to encourage everyone that ministry does not stop. Everyone has an opportunity to serve and everyone has an opportunity to share the good news of Christ.

Even through the tough times, God is still at work. There has been a baptism, another young man came to know Christ as his Lord and Savior, and a family joined our church family. God is still at work even in tough times. Keep our church in your prayers as we seek God's will and wait for the man that He is calling to Central Baptist to serve as lead pastor.

I am looking forward to how God is going to use the church in this community in 2022. Keep seeking his will and finding ways to serve others. I challenge everyone in the church to take the opportunity, each

day, to share the love of Christ with someone else. I am looking forward to see how God is going to use Central Baptist Church!

January is usually a fairly slow month for children and student ministry, but there are still things moving in these ministries. The students will be heading to Winter Jam on January 29th. This is for all who want to go, children must be attended with a parent if they plan on going to Winter Jam. The cost is \$45 and is due by January 16th.

The student ministry is also looking for help with Sunday evening meals for the youth. Before the pandemic, the youth had a rotation of parents and church members, that would prepare a meal for the students, we would like to get that going again. If you are interested in helping with student ministry meals, please contact me.

At some point in the near future, children's ministry is planning on starting children's church again. I am unable to start children's church until we have volunteers to staff it. It will look different, and we plan on training everyone that wants to be involved. If you are a member and are interested in teaching children's church, or even helping, please contact me as soon as possible.

There are plenty of events going on at Central and we would love to have everyone involved, if you have any questions, please call myself or the church office.

God Bless,
Jonny



It's Due Time

We walked into the door of the small church on that Sunday night and greeted a handful of people. Pam, my ministry partner, hugged the children. Some of them, she hadn't seen since the hurricane. It was a tender, sweet reunion.

The tiny congregation came to order, sang some songs, and listened to a message from the preacher. After the service, the people lingered. It was a good lingering – a catching-up, seeing-how-you-are-really-doing kind of lingering. Storms have a tendency to do that.

Pam talked to a young couple with two children. The man and his older boy had been baptized in the morning service in a brought-in tub just outside the door on the church porch. After several minutes of conversation, Pam recognized the man. Twenty-six years ago, she had taught him about Jesus, as part of a church van ministry.

Galatians 6:9 tells us that in due time, we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.

Live on mission, church. It's due time.

January AWANA Calendar

January 2nd - No AWANA/Christmas Break
January 9th - Regular Club Night
January 16th - Regular Club Night
January 23rd - Regular Club Night
January 30th - Regular Club Night/Light the Night

Average Giving Report through December

Year to Date Budget Giving \$457,671
Year to Date Budget Required \$430,175
Budget Surplus \$27,496

December 2021

Average Sunday School 90 Average Worship 154

2022 Offering Envelopes

Boxes are on the registration counter for you to pick up. They do not have a name or number (only the date).

Please pray for our Pastor Search Committee

The committee consists of the following people:
Frank Arcari, Alyssa Crump, Curtis Kenimer,
Jill Maynard, Glenn Mackie and Michael Swearingen.

Central Baptist Welcomes New Members
Sky, Stephanie & Skyler Ishmael

In Loving Memory of CBC Members that were called home in 2021

Linda Cameron Ione Donahue
Charlotte Downing Rickey Fryman
Margaret Fullmer John Gay
Lorena Johnson

Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

All money given to the Lottie Moon Christmas offering supports our missionaries serving abroad with the International Mission Board (visit www.imb.org for more information). Thank you, Central Baptist members, for your generosity in giving this Christmas to help make disciples around the world. Our goal this year was \$5,000 and we have collected \$11,490.

*Just a reminder if you are not receiving our emails, please check your spam/junk folder as some people are stating they are not getting the church emails. Also make sure that we have your correct email address.



2022



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 NEW YEARS DAY
2 6:00 PM Youth Prayer time in chapel	3 Church Office CLOSED	4	5 10 AM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM Prayer Meeting 7:30 PM Choir Practice	6	7	8
9 6:00 PM Youth AWANA & Prayer time in chapel	10	11	12 10 AM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM Prayer Meeting Music Makers 7:30 PM Choir Practice	13	14	15
16 6:00 PM Youth AWANA & Prayer time in chapel	17	18	19 1 PM W/MU 6:30 PM Special Called Business Meeting Music Makers 7:30 PM Choir Practice	20	21	22
23 6:00 PM Youth AWANA & Prayer time in chapel	24	25	26 10 AM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM Prayer Meeting Music Makers 7:30 PM Choir Practice	27	28	29 Youth Winter Jam
30 6:00 PM Youth AWANA & Prayer time in chapel	31					

Our Ministry Opportunities

Sunday:

- 9:30 AM - Sunday School for ALL Ages
- 10:45 AM - Worship Service
- 6:00 PM - REV 3 Ministries (Youth)
- 6:00 PM - Prayer Time in the Chapel
- 6:00 PM - AWANA
- 6:30 PM - Bible Study

Wednesday:

- 6:30 PM - Prayer Meeting & Music Makers
- 7:30 PM - Choir Practice

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 also scan the QR code below with your phone's camera to be
 directed to the link.



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