

Toy Store 2022

The month of May is for 6 year-old and 8 year-old boys. You can also make monetary donations at any time.

May AWANA Calendar

May 1st – Closing Night Celebration/AWANA Store

Average Giving Report through April

Year to Date Budget Giving \$112,594

Year to Date Budget Required \$125,203

Budget Shortfall \$12,609

Annie Armstrong Easter Offering

CBC Goal \$5,000

Collected \$6,653

April 2022

Average Sunday School 102 Average Worship 180

Ministerial Staff

George Yates: george@centralbaptistparis.com

Interim Pastor

Mickey Ballard: mickey@centralbaptistparis.com

Associate Pastor of Music & Worship

Jonathan Graves: jonathancbc2019@outlook.com

Associate Pastor of Families & Youth

Church Secretary: kaye@centralbaptistparis.com

Financial Secretary: cathy@centralbaptistparis.com

visit us at www.centralbaptistparis.com

Church Connect: centralbaptistparis.churchtrac.com

Find us on Facebook,

www.facebook.com/centralbaptistparis

www.facebook.com/centralbaptistparisyouth

US Postage Paid
Non-Profit Org
Permit No. 111
Paris, KY 40361

Central Baptist Church
829 High Street
Paris, Kentucky 40361

Return Service Requested



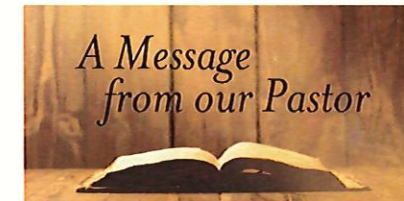
Messenger

829 High St. • Paris, KY 40361

859-987-3951 or 859-987-5638

www.centralbaptistparis.com

May 1, 2022



As a child eagerly, with excited anticipation awaits Christmas morning so I await the return of Christ. Until then I am called to the work of Christ, preparing his bride for the wedding feast. We are called to that work together. I am grateful and thankful to serve God and thankful at the opportunity to serve alongside you.

We have witnessed God at work in recent weeks. We observed two baptisms, heightened worship

participation, growing unity, renewed passion for ministry, guests and returning members in our services. This past week we have entered into the Return to Me Bible study. My desire is that everyone who is a part of Central Baptist Church join us in the five day a week study and join a small group for discussion and encouragement each week. Groups are available on Sunday evening, Monday evening, Tuesday evening and Thursday.

Even if you are not available for group participation due to work, I pray you will not pass the opportunity to work through this study with your church family. God is at work, and I believe he desires to use this to propel us into His greater works that lie ahead. You do not want to be the one to miss out on this bounty of blessings God will bring through this unity of study. You can contact the church office to pick up your copy of Return to Me.

Just as you are making summer plans for family, we too are making summer plans for our church family. Pray for the staff and leadership as we consider these plans. And if you have any ideas, share them with a staff member to be considered.

I am grateful God has brought us together for such a time as this and I look forward each week to being with you.

With all that God has blessed you, do all you can, with all you have, every place you go.

In his Love,
Pastor George



MICKEY'S MUSINGS

MUSIC NOTES

MUSIC MAKERS will present their spring musical, The Lions, the Switch, and the Warm Robes, during the Sunday morning worship service on May 1. You will not want to miss this fun presentation of God's Sovereignty, and individuals who committed to worship only Him.

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER is the first Thursday of May. We will host a prayer service as we commit to gather to "Exalt the Lord Who Established Us" at noon on Thursday, May 5 in the sanctuary.

Oh, magnify the LORD with me,
and let us exalt his name together!
Psalm 34:3

LUNCH BUNCH

...will meet to eat on the 2nd Tuesday of every month.

- Tuesday, May 10: Dairy Queen located at 205 Locust Drive in Paris.
 - Tuesday, June 7: Windy Corner Market at 4595 Bryan Station Road in Lexington
- NOTE: We will meet at the church at 11:00 and ride together.

QUARTERLY LUNCHEON on June 30 at 11:30 am will be an Independence Celebration Picnic at the property. Hot Dogs and Ice Cream will be provided; please bring a side dish to share.

EASTER REFLECTIONS

How tremendously exciting it was to worship with a full house of family and friends as we celebrated the Risen Savior. The Worship Choir did a fantastic job, the congregation sang with great vigor, and the message of salvation was proclaimed. Every Sunday is a celebration of the resurrection or why else would we gather! I look forward to worshipping with you again this and every Sunday. Make it a priority for yourself and your family.

Blessings,
Mickey Ballard



Jonny's Corner

Hello Church Family,

How blessed we are to serve a God that loves us, even in our sin, He forgives us through faith. It is hard to believe that May is already here. A busy season for student ministry is just beginning and there are plenty of opportunities to serve and be a part of both children and student ministries. I constantly hear that the children and students are the future of the church. How correct that statement is, but without adults guiding and teaching in these ministries, it is difficult for these ministries to grow and move forward. If there are any adults that would be interested in serving in these ministries, let me encourage you to join us. It is amazing watching God change the lives of the children and students here at CBC. It is also amazing watching God change the lives of the adults that give their time serving in these

ministries. If you are interested in serving in either of these ministries, please contact me.

Through the month of May, the children and student ministries will be having a camp donation fundraiser. Out in the foyer will be a table with cards, each card has either children's camp, or youth camp. You can select a card and give a donation that is marked on the card, or give whatever your heart desires. We did this last May and it was a huge success for both camps. Both camps are life changing experiences for children and students. Please pray about giving to help both ministries.

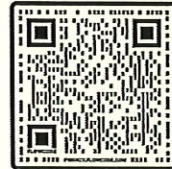
Graduate Recognition Sunday will be May 15th. There will be a short amount of time given in the morning service to recognize all graduates from high school to college. But we are also doing something a little different this year! On Wednesday, May 18th, we will be recognizing our high school graduates during the evening service again. But this time, we will have a panel and allow the graduates to talk about their plans and answer some questions. We are doing this because we have 13 students graduating from high school this year and would like to give a little more time to recognize and congratulate them on this milestone in their lives.

I can't express how much I love my church family, thank you for all your support, and I am looking forward to seeing how God's uses CBC in the future.

God Bless,
Jonny

Pastor Search Committee Update

The CBC Pastor Search Committee has received 82 surveys (93% members, 7% non-members) with the largest participating age group being 60+ (51%). Thus far, the results reveal the majority of the participants seek a pastor with 5 years or more experience (73%) and a degree from a seminary/divinity school (50%). The data for the Gifts of a Pastor acknowledges the following, listed from Greatest to Least: Preaching, Leadership, Evangelism & Missions, Pastoral Care, Administrative, Counseling & Crisis Ministries, Prayer and Bible Study/Teaching, Community Involvement, and Identifying & Developing Spiritual Gifts. The deadline for completing the survey is May 1st. If you have not participated in the survey, please use the QR code to access and complete the survey. The search team asks for you to continue to pray for God's guidance in the search for our next pastor. Thank you



Please pray for our Pastor Search Committee: The committee consists of the following people: Frank Arcari, Alyssa Crump (Prayer Coordinator), Curtis Kenimer (Chairman), Jill Maynard (Vice Chairman), Glenn Mackie, Lydia Sosby (Secretary) and Michael Swearingen. Also pray for the man that God is leading to CBC.



Exciting News!

A new ministry has started at our 813 High Street house, Life House Pregnancy Ministry. The ministry will be open 2-3 hours once a month in the evenings and will be distributing miscellaneous items (diapers, wipes, clothing and other gently used baby items) and we will be offering ministry to single mothers. Donations of items needed for this ministry: Lots of Prayers, Diapers, Baby Wipes, Children's clothing up to size 4, clear large totes for storage and monetary donations. These items can be given to any WMU member and there will be a designated spot to drop the items off by the nursery. If you have any questions contact Shannon Kenimer, Judy Jones, or Wanda Sprinkle.

Sisters in Christ

All ladies are invited to Sisters in Christ. We will be meeting June 4th at CBC in our Fellowship Hall from 11 AM – 1 PM.

Women's Ministry

May 2nd, 6 PM in the Fellowship Hall
Meal Prep and Committee Meeting
Items Needed for meal prep: washed potatoes (any kind) and bags of frozen peas (please place in freezer in kitchen).
We will also be discussing plans for 2022 and 2023 events. All ladies are invited!



MAY 2022



| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|--|---|---|--|--|--|--------------------------------|
| 1 10:45 AM Music Makers Musical | 2 6 PM Women's Ministry in the Fellowship Hall | 3 | 4 10 AM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM Prayer Meeting | 5 12-12:45 National Day of Prayer in our sanctuary | 6 | 7 Fellowship Hall in use |
| 8 Baby Bottle Fundraiser thru Fathers Day | 9 | 10 11 AM Bourbon Heights 11:30 AM Lunch Bunch to Dairy Queen | 11 10 AM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM Prayer Meeting | 12 | 13 | 14 |
| 15 Graduates Recognized | 16 | 17 | 18 10 AM Staff Meeting 1 PM WMLU 6:30 PM Graduate Recognition Service | 19 | 20 6-8 PM Children/Youth Appreciation Cookout at the | 21 11-6 Property in use |
| 22 6:00 PM Youth | 23 | 24 | 25 10 AM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM Prayer Meeting | 26 | 27 | 28 |
| 29 6:00 PM Youth | 30 Church Office CLOSED Memorial Day | 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)

Church Connect can be activated by visiting
www.centralbaptistparis.churchtrac.com/connect. You can
 also scan the QR code below with your phone's camera to be
 directed to the link.

Wednesday:

6:30 PM - Prayer Meeting

7:30 PM - Choir Practice



CHURCH CONNECT