

Church Family,

Thank you seems so small after everything our church family has done for us since my stroke. The cards, visits, food, and especially prayers have been overwhelming. I still have a way to go, but every day is a little bit better. God certainly blessed us with such an awesome church family.

Love you all, Terry and Judy Jones

Central Baptist Church,

Our family deeply appreciates the food you prepared, your thoughts and prayers during our time of sorrow.

Family of Tommy Hatton

Friends of CBC,

I wanted to say a huge thank you for your prayers!
We certainly appreciate and need them. We are very lucky to have the support of our local churches!
Sincerely, Megan Sturgeon,

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Principal, Cane Ridge Elementary School

Average Giving Report through August

Year to Date Budget Giving \$239,227
Year to Date Budget Required \$250,407
Budget Shortfall \$11,180

Collected for Eastern KY Flood Victims \$2,910

Trustee Capital Campaign for church repairs Collected \$15,395

August 2022

Average Sunday School 107 Average Worship 190

Central Baptist Welcomes New Member Hadley Norton

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September 1, 2022



There are still some hot days ahead, but summer is coming to a close for 2022. At Central, we have been blessed with guests, baptisms, learning of God's plan, and more. Instead of a summer slump, as in many churches, we have experienced continual climb in attendance and response. Our worship services are inspiring as we are led to the throne of God. All praise, honor, and glory go to God, our Father in Heaven and on earth.

The first Sunday in August, I preached on the prayer of one otherwise obscure man from the scriptures, Jabez. Jabez, prayed a brief prayer but, in God's eyes, it was powerful enough to stop the roll call of Israel. Many of us committed together that day to pray the prayer of Jabez for the month of August.

Oh, that You would bless me indeed, and enlarge my territory. That Your hand would be with me, and that You would keep me from evil, that I would not bring pain (or shame). And God granted his request.

I believe God is blessing, and the effectual, fervent, prayer of a righteous man availeth much (or can accomplish much). God desires us to pray and He listens to our prayers.

This past Sunday, the 21st, we sang, prayed, and studied the story of the plight of the widow in 2 Kings 4. In the story, God does something miraculous with only a small amount of oil. We learned that each one of us has something in our possession that God wants to use. The challenge was "What do you have in your house (possession) that God wants to use?" What are you doing to be blessed by God through the use of what He has given?

In September (beginning the 11th) we will be hearing a message series titled "God's Story Is for Everyone." We will hear from some of our own church members. I am excited and encouraged as God is shaping this up. I know it will be a month of blessings to each one as we join together worshipping and hearing from our speakers and ultimately from God.

For His glory, Pastor George



MICKEY'S MUSINGS

MUSIC MAKERS begins on Wednesday, September 14 at 6:30 in Room 310. Leslie Morris and Sue Ellen Ballard are preparing a semester of music, discipleship, and fun for all children in grades K-5.

SENIOR ADULT ACTIVITIES

LUNCH BUNCH

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

- Tuesday, September 13: Paradise Cafe located at 731 Main Street in Paris.
- Tuesday, October 11: The Kentucky Castle located at 230 Pisgah Pike in Versailles.
 NOTE: We will meet at the church at 10:45 and ride together. Reservations must be made in advance.
- Tuesday, November 8: Jerry's Restaurant located at 4129 Lexington Road in Paris.
- Tuesday, December 13: The Ballard House located at 131 Cross Creek Drive in Paris.
 "It ain't no castle, but it's home."

QUARTERLY LUNCHEON on Thursday, September 29 at 11:30 am at the property.

THANKSGIVING LUNCHEON on Thursday, November 17 in the Fellowship Hall. Stay tuned for more details.

SOUTHERN LIGHTS HOLIDAY FESTIVAL Friday, November 25 at 5:00. Yes, that is the day after Thanksgiving. Mark your calendars and plan to join us. Take some extra money to feed yourself and the animals at the end of the visit.

UK CHOIRS HOLIDAY COLLAGE on Saturday, December 3 at 2:00 pm. We will have lunch at the UK Student Center prior to the event. More details to follow; mark your calendars now.

FALL FESTIVAL will be held at the church property on Saturday, November 5. The activities that day include hot chocolate, hot cider, hot dogs, hayrides, a pumpkin patch, bobbing for apples, inflatables and games, and a photo booth for you and your family. By taking pictures in the photo booth that day, we can update our database to help the new pastor learn names and faces!



Hello Church Family,

Schools have started and the year is moving quickly. Usually through the month of August, we do not have much planned. The reason for this is because schools have started back and there are several things going on with the students and their school activities. But that does not mean that things are not busy in both children and student ministries.

A major task that is being worked on is getting Future Christian Athletes (FCA) and First Priority rolling in the schools. There are clubs in both school systems that are allowing the gospel to be shared in the schools from elementary through high school. Be in prayer for the schools throughout our county, be in prayer that students will come to know Christ by being a part of these clubs. Also, be in prayer for those that are leading these clubs at the schools. Pray the truth of the gospel will be shared and that the students will get to know Christ and the love that He has for His creation.

Along with the clubs, devotions will be shared with several sports teams. In both Paris and Bourbon school systems, God has opened several doors to allow the gospel to be shared through the schools and sports teams. Please be in prayer for those that are leading the devotions and that the Holy Spirit move through the schools and we see a revival within the schools. How amazing would that be?

Not just with the schools, but also here at CBC, we will be having Awana starting soon and also Music Makers. These are two great ministries to serve the kiddos here at CBC. But it also takes bodies to help make these ministries successful. Please be praying about how God can use you and your gifts to serve in these ministries. There is always a need for help, please pray that God shows his people how they can use their gifts to help further His kingdom.

Please keep praying for God's church and everyone involved in His ministry. God calls for his people to be active in His ministry. The Holy Spirit is active and we can see that here at Central Baptist. Just think of the baptisms we have been witnessing, and the Life House Ministry that has started. I pray that God's people will start, and keep, moving their feet and let our actions and words be a light in this community.

If you are interested in becoming involved in any of the ministries at Central Baptist Church, please contact the church office, or any of the staff. Please pray, and ask God how you can serve in His ministry here at CBC.

God Bless, Jonny

Toy Store 2022

The month of September is for 11- & 12-year-old boys You can also make monetary donations at any time.

Pastor Search Committee Update

Continue to pray for us and the man that God is leading to CBC.



Contact Sue Ellen Ballard for more information



WMU Mission Moments

Excited to announce that the WMU has adopted missionaries from Thailand, Jason and Robin Ebeyer. Please keep them in your daily prayers. More information to come later.

Life House Pregnancy Center is up and going. Our first night open was wonderful. Please continue to pray for this ministry. Thank you for all that you have donated.

Mark your calendar:

Tuesday September 6th, 6:30 PM at the Life House Pregnancy Center - Organizational meeting. *This is a must if you want to be part of the Life House Pregnancy Ministry.

Tuesday September 13th - work day- sign-ups will be done on September 6th at the organizational meeting Tuesday September 20th - Life House will be open for ministry 5–8 PM. Sign-ups will be on September 6th at the organizational meeting.

Items still needed: diapers, wipes, lotion, baby bath, diaper rash medicine, children's clothes or monetary donations and of course prayers.

As always please keep our missionaries in your daily prayers and continue to pray for Life House Pregnancy Ministry!





Church Council 6:00 PM Youth AWANA Training & Women's Ministry Prayer time in Chapel Chapel
Lunch Bunch @ Paradise Café Life House Work Day
6:30 PM Prayer Meeting Music Makers

Our Ministries Opportunities

Sunday:

10:45 AM — Worship and Children's Church 9:30 AM - Sunday School for ALL Ages

6:00 PM — Prayer time in chapel 6:00 PM — REV 3 Ministries (Youth) 6:00 PM - AWANA

6:30 PM - Worship Service

Wednesday:

6:30 PM - REV 3 Ministries (Youth)

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

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