



Dear Central Baptist Church,
 Thanks to everyone who called, visited, sent cards and
 prayed for me during my recent accident and recovery.
 Phyllis Gay

Central Baptist Church Family,
 I would like to thank the church, particularly the music
 committee, for the generous (and surprising) gift given to
 me at the end of last year. I would like to thank all in my
 church family and beyond who visited, sent cards, gave
 offers to help, and most importantly prayed before, during
 and after my recent surgery. Our Mighty God heard your
 prayers and they have lifted me.

Jack Crump

Central Baptist Church Family,
 Just a note to say thank you for all the texts, calls, cards and
 prayers. We truly appreciate your support and love. We are
 so thankful for our years at Central Baptist and the love you
 have shown our family. What a blessing the body of Christ
 is!

Love, Caleb & Joni Harms

Giving Report for January

Year to Date Budget Required \$40,491

Year to Date Budget Giving \$25,038

Budget Shortfall \$15,453

2024 Offering Envelopes are on the registration counter.

January 2024

Average Sunday School 113 Average Worship 178

Central Baptist Welcomes New Members

T J Crump

Benjamin Small

The Dab Family, Terry, Julie, Coya, Braydon & Carter

*In Loving Memory of CBC Members
 that were called home in 2023

Patty Martin was left off the list last month

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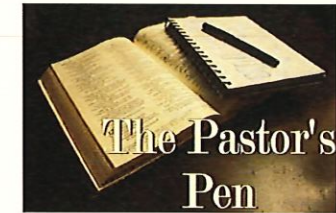


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February 1, 2024



Dear Church Family,

Valentine's Day is around the corner, a time of the year
 strongly associated with red roses, chocolates, and, of
 course, love. Quite a bit of time and energy is spent on
 this day, trying to make it special for that special
 someone in our lives. Quite a bit of money is spent on
 this day as well. According to the National Retail
 Federation, "Americans spent a total of \$25.9 billion on
 Valentine's Day in 2023... The average amount spent per
 person was \$192.80." Don't feel bad if you didn't spend
 that much. (Cont'd)

Likewise, God spent quite a bit to express His great love for us. He spent His time searching for us when we were lost in our sin. The Parable of the Lost Sheep communicates the extent to which God's love compelled Him to find us. In Luke 15:4-7, Jesus said, "Suppose one of you has a hundred sheep and loses one of them. Does he not leave the ninety-nine in the open country and go after the lost sheep until he finds it? And when he finds it, he joyfully puts it on his shoulders and goes home. Then he calls his friends and neighbors together and says, 'Rejoice with me; I have found my lost sheep.' I tell you that in the same way there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who do not need to repent."

It's amazing to think that God rejoiced over us when we repented of our sins and trusted in Jesus as our Savior. His love for us is so great, that He didn't want us to perish, but to have everlasting life. He wanted us to be with Him forever and He made a way through His Son. He came looking for us when we were lost in our sin wandering far from the truth. Thank God for a Shepherd who comes looking for the lost sheep! As you think about love this Valentine's Day, take a moment to think about God's love...and take a moment to thank Him for finding you when you were far from the sheepfold.

Pastor Josh

Super Bowl Sunday Night Fellowship

February 11th we will begin with Youth Praise Band in the sanctuary at 6 PM followed by food, snacks and watching the Super Bowl in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring your favorite snack to share! There is a sign-up sheet on the registration counter.



Jonny's Corner

Hello Church Family,

It is already February and life at Central Baptist Church is pushing forward. Outside of the normal services on Sunday morning and evening, and Wednesday evening, there is a ministry for all ages. We have Awana, Bible Drill, Youth, Women's and Men's small group meetings, Music Makers, Young at Heart ministry, Quilting ministry, Young Adult Ministry and several others not mentioned. There is something for everyone, but it requires the church family to be active in these ministries. The more church family that is involved, the more that can be done, and also it makes the ministries to run smooth and members do not get overwhelmed. We are called to be active in ministry, if you are not involved in a church ministry, find a ministry to use your gifts.

Not just being active in the church body, but make sure to make time to spend with the Lord. It is so important to have quiet time with the Lord. Make a time in your day to spend with the Lord, somewhere where distractions are minimum and you can focus on the Lord. It is so important to spend time with the Lord, in His Word, in prayer, and in praise and worship. I realize everyone is busy, but do not neglect time with the Lord.

Parents, spend time with your kids in God's Word, praying for them and with them. Make time in discipling your kids, and whoever else is in your household. Our job as believers is to build disciples, we do this by growing and maturing in God's Word and building our relationship with Him. I realize life is busy, but we should never be too busy for God. Parents, make sure to prioritize some time each evening to spend time with the Lord, but also allow your kids to be a part of

that time. I encourage every household, make time for God every day. Spend time with Him, allow the whole family to be involved. If you have questions on how to do this, please contact me. I have bible reading plans and other resources that can be recommended. Parents, please prioritize God in your home, you set the example for your kids, if you prioritize God in your life, your children will as well.

God Bless,
Jonny

February AWANA Calendar

February 4 th	Regular Club Night
February 11 th	Regular Club Night (Favorite Team Night)
February 18 th	Regular Club Night
February 25 th	Regular Club Night

SENIOR ADULT ACTIVITIES

Lunch Bunch

- ... meet on the 2nd Tuesday of every month.
- February 13th at Trackside

Young at Heart (formerly Builders & Boomers)
February 29th Luncheon 12:00 PM
in the Fellowship Hall

WOW (Women of the Word)

On Monday night, February 19th at 5:30, the next meal prep will be held in our fellowship hall. It will be our soup meal. Please make a soup you love, pour it into a plastic Solo cup and freeze it. When frozen, take the soup out of the cup and place it into a quart bag. Label the bag with the name of soup. Bring the soup bags you have and place in the kitchen freezer at any time or bring on February 19th and help us organize to distribute. Also, bring names of people we can share soup with. Thank you, we have so many we take an act of kindness meal to, can you help?



Fresh Grounded Faith April 12th - 13th
Porter Memorial Baptist, Lexington
Contact Sharon Berry for more information.
Signup sheet on registration counter



Single Senior Valentine Dinner

Sponsored by the M & M's Sunday School Class, 5:30 PM in our Fellowship Hall. There is a signup sheet on registration counter. Please let us know if you need a ride.



Who are we? We are a group of women who love God and Missions.

What do we do? We learn about missions, missionaries, we pray for missionaries, financially support missionaries and we do mission projects in our community.

When do we meet? Every third Wednesday of the month at 1:00 PM in the fellowship hall at Central Baptist Church.

Who can come? Any woman who loves God and wants to know more about missions and missionaries.

Do I have to attend or be a member of Central Baptist Church? No

All women are welcome, pray about joining us, we would love to have you!

Mission Moments

WMU did not meet in January because of the weather. We will meet on February 21st at 1 PM in the fellowship hall. All women are invited. We will be planning our next mission.

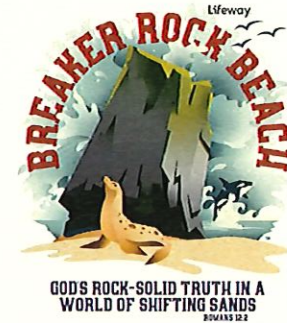
Life House, bad weather hit hard in January and we were not able to open on January 16th. On January 2nd, 9th, and 23rd we had 18-21 shoppers each week. The Life House Committee met to see what we can do to improve on our mission. We now have our conference room ready and it looks great. A big thank you to all who made this happen.

2023 report: 365 served representing 499 children

*Special notes: Three families were homeless but because of our help being able to direct them to services that could help them, they are no longer homeless. Three families were foster families, 250 gave us permission to pray. We gave out 210 dozen diapers, 522 packs of wipes, 42 blankets and over 1,034 pieces of clothing, 63 pieces of baby equipment, 14 cans of formula, 9 packs of baby food, 5 bottles, 19 toiletries. We would have given out more bottles, food and toiletries but that is all that was donated. We can always use: diapers (especially sizes 5 & 6), pull ups, wipes and toiletries (baby bath, baby lotion and shampoo).

Thanks for all that you do to keep the mission going!

Judy Jones, WMU Director and
The Life House Committee



2024 VBS Breaker Beach

Mark your calendar! June 2nd - June 6th

Anyone interested in helping in any way you can contact Jill Maynard or click on the QR Code below and sign up for the area you would like to help with. All are invited to help; this will truly be a group effort to get the decorations created for the basement, main floor, and sanctuary. We will be decorating on Tuesdays and Thursdays. What we need if anyone wants to donate: Paint (all colors), Brushes (all types of brushes), Permanent Markers (Black to outline), Seashells, Blue Plastic Table Cloths, Brown Plastic Table Cloths, Green Plastic Table Cloths, Pool Noodles, Glitter, Christmas Trees -- We will give back at the end of VBS, Logs, Rope (Large), Rafts, inflatable boats -- We will give back at the end of VBS, Brown, Green, and Blue Tarps, Brown Crafting Paper (Long Rolls), Beach Things - We will give back at the end of VBS, Beach Chairs, Different Sized Tubes (Medium and Large), White Christmas Lights (Small lights), Larger Dowel Rods, Kites, Streamers (mainly blue), Scrap wood pieces, Anything else Northwest Beach Theme.



February 2024

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

Focus on WMU 12th – 18th						
4	5 9 AM Willing Hands Quilters	6 11-7 Life House Ministry	7 10 AM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM Music Makers 6:30 PM Wednesday Night Ministries Youth	1	2	3
2 PM Winter Jam 6 PM AWANA Prayer time in chapel 6:30 PM Worship					YES Conference in Bardstown	
11	12 9 AM Willing Hands Quilters	13 11-7 Life House Ministry Trackside @ Lunch Bunch	14 10 AM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM Music Makers 6:30 PM Business Meeting Youth	15	16	17
6 PM AWANA Prayer time in chapel & Youth Praise Band 6:30 PM Super Bowl Fellowship						5:30 PM Single Seniors Valentine Day's Dinner in Fellowship Hall
18	19 9 AM Willing Hands Quilters	20 11-7 Life House Ministry	21 10 AM Staff Meeting 1 PM WMU 6:30 PM Music Makers 6:30 PM Wednesday Night Ministries Youth	22	23	24
6 PM AWANA Prayer time in chapel 6:00 PM Youth Praise Band/ Wor- ship Service	5:30 PM WDW Meal Prep					
25	26 9 AM Willing Hands Quilters	27 11-7 Life House Ministry	28 10 AM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM Music Makers 6:30 PM Wednesday Night Ministries Youth	29		
Brandon Watkins's Financial class 6 PM AWANA Prayer time in chapel 6:00 PM Youth Praise Band/ Wor- ship Service				11:30 Young @ Heart Luncheon in Fellowship Hall		

Our Ministries Opportunities

Sunday:

- 9:30 AM – Sunday School for ALL Ages
- 10:45 AM – Worship and Children's Church
- 6:00 PM – Prayer time in chapel
- 6:00 PM – Youth Praise Band
- 6:00 PM - AWANA
- 6:30 PM – Worship Service

Wednesday:

- 6:30 PM – REV 3 Ministries (Youth)
- 6:30 PM – Wednesday Night Ministries
- 6:30 PM - Music Makers

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