

GIVING ~Thanks...

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for all the prayers, support, meals, calls, texts and continued love you have bestowed upon us. God has been so gracious and merciful to us and continues to show us His glory in all things. Seeing the body of Christ come together, the way you have, has been such a testimony and blessing to us. We still have a long road ahead of us and would love to have your continued prayers for us through the days ahead. Joe is a "God proven" miracle. We give Him all the glory and praise for all He is doing and has done for us and ask that He over and abundantly bless each of you spiritually, more than you could ever imagine! We love you and praise God for you...

With Love and Blessings,

The Triggs

Thank you so much for the delicious meal. We appreciate you so much. You are so thoughtful.

The Hatleys

Dear Central Baptist Church and Michael Kirby,

Thank you so much for all the cards, visits, calls and text checking on Rick. We enjoyed the visits so much and appreciate all the prayers. Please keep praying as we are looking into clinical trials for him. We love you all so much.

Love-

Rick and Cindy Waters

Get the FLU SHOT not the flu!

Roden Smith Pharmacy will be administering flu shots on Wednesday, November 8 from 3:00-5:00 pm in the CBC Connection Coffee Shop. Sign up sheet will be available at the wall table in the foyer. Most insurance accepted-bring insurance card and photo id.

Mission New Mexico

2017 STATE MISSIONS OFFERING
Our Goal of \$6000 has been met! To date we have \$10,129. Thanks for all your support.

Attendance

| Attendance | 10/1 | 10/8 | 10/15 | 10/22 |
|----------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| 8:30 Service | 395 | 395 | 438 | 402 |
| <i>Pre-S/Kids-C</i> | <i>46</i> | <i>39</i> | <i>42</i> | <i>47</i> |
| 11:00 Service | 248 | 241 | 277 | 215 |
| <i>Pre-S/Kids-C</i> | <i>73</i> | <i>65</i> | <i>79</i> | <i>53</i> |
| Total | 643 | 636 | 715 | 617 |
| 9:45 SS | 458 | 438 | 460 | 450 |

Financial Report

Received

| 10/1 | 10/8 | 10/15 | 10/22 |
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| \$31,625.88 | \$39,169.16 | \$15,793.09 | \$19,001.37 |

Weekly Goal

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| \$32,342.30 | \$32,342.30 | \$32,342.30 | \$32,342.30 |
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Property Maintenance

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| \$1330.00 | \$582.00 | \$2582.00 | \$4913.00 |
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Bible Studies

| Name | Day/Date | Time | Location |
|--------------------------------------|--|-----------------|---------------------------|
| Men's Bible Study | <u>Sundays</u> <i>Ongoing</i> | 6:30-8:00 am | CBC Room 203 |
| Women on Mission | <u>3rd Tuesday</u> <i>of each month</i> | 9:30 - 11:30 am | CBC Room 203 |
| Where Moms Connect (formerly MOPS) | <u>1st & 3rd Tuesdays</u> | 9:00 - 11:00 am | The BRIDGE Worship Center |
| Women's Tuesday Evening Bible Study | <u>Tuesdays</u> <i>November 7 - December 12</i> | 6:00 - 8:00 pm | CBC Room 203 |
| GriefShare | <u>Wednesdays</u> <i>Sept. 6-Dec. 6</i> | 6:00 - 8:00 pm | CBC Room 203 |
| S.A.C.R.E.D. | <u>Tuesdays</u> <i>Ongoing</i> | 7:00-8:00 pm | Home 501 Anthony Dr |
| Home Front Servants | <u>Wednesdays</u> <i>Aug. 23 - Dec. 13</i> | 6:00 - 7:00 pm | CBC Room 208A |
| Mid-Week Bible Study | <u>Wednesdays</u> <i>Ongoing</i> | 6:00-7:00pm | CBC Room 207 |
| Thursday Morning Ladies' Bible Study | <u>Thursdays</u> <i>Sept. 7-Dec. 7</i> | 9:00 - 11:00 am | CBC Room 203 |

Welcome New Members

By Baptism:

By Letter: Kenny, Amanda and Analyse Hamlett; Cipriano, Samantha, Xavier, Aryanna, Gabriel and Santiago Martinez; Sandy Wagner

By Statement: Jim and Wilma Roller; Kip and Sherry Defoor; Adriana Lopez; Venezia McCain-Hays; Ryan and Italia Spinler



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"O Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good." - Psalm 107:1



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Christmas At KidCentral

FEATURING ZACK AND THE MINOR PROPHETS

Parents and KidCentral Kids,

We are so excited to announce that we will be having a *Children's Christmas Musical "Christmas at KidCentral"* this year on *December 3rd at 6:00 pm.* We ask all Kindergarten through 5th grade kids to be a part of this fun and exciting event. It is important for your child to attend as many rehearsals as possible.

Rehearsals will be each Sunday from 4:00-5:15 pm in the ****Choir Room.* (*No rehearsal on November 12-Upward Rally*) Dress Rehearsal on December 3, 2:00-5:00 pm in the Worship Center.

****Parents are asked to accompany their kids to the Choir Room (through the double doors on either side of the stage) and pick them up there after rehearsal.*

Thanks, Kylee Cain

We still need a KIDCentral **volunteer teacher** or couple for the 1st Sunday of each month. Call Kylee at 762-4727 if you're interested.

A Letter from Pastor BJ Brooks



The Grace of Thanksgiving

"Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all comprehension, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." (Philippians 4:6-7)

As we approach the Thanksgiving holiday, many of us are considering all that we have to be thankful for. Our families, our health, our financial blessings, our homes, our country, our friends, our freedoms, and so much more. It only seems right to thank God for the many blessings He has bestowed upon us. As James wrote "every good and perfect gift comes from God" (James 1:17). But beyond simply giving God credit for what He's done, thanksgiving is actually beneficial for the one giving thanks – you and I.

In Philippians 4, Paul speaks to one of the human experiences that if unchecked can rob us of joy and contentment – anxiety. Anxiety is fear that predicates on being preoccupied with the uncertainties of the future. We all know what this feels like. Worrying over our finances, our jobs, our children, our health, our country, our safety, our relationships, and the list goes on and on. While a certain level of vigilance can be constructive, an obsession with what may or may not happen can paralyze us from joyful obedience to the Lord. Paul's prescription is to give our worries to the Lord through prayer and supplication and thanksgiving.

The therapeutic qualities of thanksgiving come not from simply thanking God, but also in allowing ourselves to be reminded of the ways in which God has been there for us and will continue to be. As we recognize God's providence and sovereignty over our past circumstances we come to embrace His power and care for us in the present also. The result is that we will receive peace from God that He will lead us through whatever we face, that He will care for us and protect us and enable us to benefit through any trial. This peace acts to guard our hearts and minds from further worry. This peace can surpass the weight of all our burdens and fears, making us able to face whatever the future may hold. After all, we serve and worship the One who holds the future, as well as our lives, in His hand.

As we celebrate Thanksgiving, let's be sure to do what the holiday name implies – Give Thanks. As we do so, not only will God receive the glory that He is due, but we will benefit from an assurance that His goodness and mercy will continue to guide us no matter what the future may hold.

Happy Thanksgiving!

FOOD FOR THOUGHT From the Desk of Dr. Yancy

As Thanksgiving is approaching, one most important question is:

"What do we as Christians have to be thankful for?" Great question! We thank God for his "Gift."

Thanks be unto God for his unspeakable Gift!
2 Corinthians 9:15

WHAT WAS HIS GIFT?
John 3:16-17

¹⁶For God loved the world that he gave His only begotten Son, (Praise the Lord: Gift number one) "His Son,"

Matthew 1:21 - *And she will bring forth a Son, and you shall call His name JESUS, for He will save His people from their sin.*

1 Corinthians 15:3, 4 - *For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, ⁴ and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures, (NKJV)*

That whosoever believes in Him should not perish. We will not perish (the old body may decay), but we will have eternal life. (Praise the Lord: Gift number two). "Eternal Life"

1 John 5:11 - *And this is the testimony: that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son.*

¹⁷For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved. We are saved from Satan's wrath, (the work of the devil). (Praise the Lord: Gift number three) "Gift of Salvation"

Romans 5:9, 10 - *⁹ Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him.*

Ephesians 2:8, 9 - *For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves it is the gift of God not of works, lest anyone should boast.*

Just to name a few of **God's Gifts:**

1 Corinthians 15:57 - *But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. "Hallelujah!"* **Another Gift: "Victory"** through our Lord Jesus Christ.

2 Peter 1:3a - *As His divine power has given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness.*

Amen!

FROM THE BOOK NOOK ...

November brings changes in weather and time... a time for THANKSGIVING and for all the blessings God has given us.

O give thanks unto the Lord; for he is good; for his mercy endures forever. 1 Chronicles 16:34.

The Book Nook staff recently bid farewell to one of its members: Joy Coston. Joy is leaving us for medical reasons and moving to Lazbuddie, TX to live with her daughter, Debbie.



(pictured left to right: Gladys Birdsong, Ardeth Leslie, Nancy Bartholomew, Ann Shuckman, Lora Harlan, seated: Joy Coston)

Joy worked in the library for about 17 years. She saw many changes through the years, and remembers the transition from card catalog to a computerized program. All media had to be individually entered into the computer. She saw the window change to a more simplified method of decorating in order to inspire passersby to come visit the library's fine collection. She also saw a significant increase in the volume of books, and a transition from VCR to CD and DVD.

Joy, we will miss you!

HAPPY THANKSGIVING from the Book Nook!
(Remember: there is just something special about turning the pages of a good book!)

~ Ann, Ardeth, Lora, Nancy and Gladys ~

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BookNook Hours: Sunday, 8:00 –8:30 am; 10:30 –11:00 am
Wednesday, 4:30 –7:00 pm

Bereavements...

Jessica Trigg
on the death of her grandfather,
Carra Sullivan, West Monroe, Louisiana

Steve Riggins
on the death of his biological mother,
Gloria Booth, Albuquerque, NM

Iris O'Rear
on the death of her brother,
Waymon Mitchell. Clovis, NM

Jim and Sharon Hart,
on the death of Sharon's sister,
Pamela Dalbey, Westville, Illinois

Brian and April Barnwell,
on the death of Brian's grandmother,
Mildred Agee, Friona, Texas

Mike and Debby Chisum; Rex and Kim Chisum
on the death of Mike's and Rex's mother,
Polly Chisum, Clovis, NM



If you want something put in our Connection Newsletter, please remember that we have a deadline.

For the month of December, please have information to us no later than, *Thursday, November 16.

Anything received after that date, will go into the next month's newsletter.

***Office will close at noon on November 22 and on November 23 and 24 for Thanksgiving holiday.**

Just a reminder...



We are working on a new Pictorial Directory for our church. Each family photographed, will get a free 8x10 photo, a directory, and an opportunity to purchase more photos. Sign-ups for photo sessions will be online. Please refer to the enclosed informational flyer for dates and times of photo sessions or contact Susan White at 575-309-7162.

Stop, Drop & Roll

5th Wednesday of the month is an outreach from our Food Service Ministry and is this **Wednesday, November 29**. This is how it works: **Stop:** Take time to think about someone you could bless through a quick easy contact (*new neighbor, recent visitor, someone you've been praying for*). **Drop:** Pray for the person or family that God has shown you. Pray that He will receive glory and that lives will be pointed to Him. **Roll:** Deliver a pan of cinnamon rolls ASAP. A limited number of pans of cinnamon rolls will be available this Wednesday from 5:00—6:00 pm at a table in the church foyer. Adults only to pick up, please.



If you've lost a spouse, child, family member, or friend, please join us for one of our 13-week sessions, each with teaching videos. You can join in at any meeting.

Fall Session: Sept. 6 – Dec. 6 (will not meet Nov. 22) 6:00 - 8:00 pm
Surviving the Holidays: Saturday, November 4 (9:00 - 11:00 am)

Sessions held in Room 203. (Light breakfast refreshments provided for November 4th session.)



New Ladies Tuesday Night Bible Study

1 Peter: A Living Hope in Christ by Jen Wilkin

November 7 - December 12

6:00-8:00 pm Room 203

SURVIVING THE HOLIDAYS

A 2-hour event for those who are grieving the loss of a loved one this Holiday Season.

Including:




- * A workbook for the Holidays
- * A 40-minute video
- * Light refreshments
- * Discussion and time for questions
- * Preview of an ongoing 13-week grief recovery support group

Saturday November 4th, 9:00-11:00 am
Central Baptist Church
2501 N. Norris St., Room 203
Questions? Call Central's office @ 762-4727 or Call Kathy Hammill @ 760-917-3051 or Melissa Perkins @ 575-309-4208
No Charge. No Childcare.



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| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| Sunday Services: 8:30 am Connection Service 9:45 am Sunday School 11:00 am Celebration Service Men's Bible Study 6:30-8:00 am Room 203 | Youth Band - Wednesdays The BRIDGE - 5:00-6:00 pm Praise Team Practice Wednesdays 7:00-8:00 pm Active Military and Family eat FREE 1st Wednesday of every month. Need Military ID. *IN HOUSE ONLY PLEASE* | | 1 <div>4:45 pm Meal-Worship Center Meatloaf, Scalloped Potatoes, Green Beans, Salad, Roll, Applesauce Cake</div> <div>Home Front Servants Military Wives 6:00-7:00 pm Room 208A</div> <div>Grief Share 6:00 - 8:00 pm Room 203</div> | 2 <div>Women's Bible Study 9:00 - 11:00 am Room 203</div> | 3 | 4 9:00-11:00 am <div>GRIEF SHARE</div> <div> SURVIVING THE HOLIDAYS</div> <div>UPWARD Game 6</div> |
| 5 Daylight Savings Time Ends <div>Fall Back</div> | 6 <div>Glory Choir 10:00 am Fellowship Breakfast Room 203B</div> | 7 <div>Where Moms Connect BRIDGE Building 9:00-11:00 am</div> <div>Women's Bible Study 6:00-8:00 pm Room 203</div> | 8 <div>4:45 pm Meal-Worship Center Ham, Baked Mac and Cheese, Peas, Salad, Mexican Cornbread, Pumpkin Pudding Parfait</div> <div>Home Front Servants Military Wives 6:00-7:00 pm Room 208A</div> <div>Grief Share 6:00 - 8:00 pm Room 203</div> | 9 <div>Women's Bible Study 9:00 - 11:00 am Room 203</div> | 10 | 11 <div> Bread of Life: Service Saturday at Matt 25. Clothing/Food Distribution</div> <div>UPWARD Game 7</div> |
| 12 <div>DANNY RAY ILLUSIONIST 5 PM - WORSHIP CTR</div> <div>UPWARD Awards Celebration 3:00 pm</div> | 13 <div>Glory Choir 10:00 am Retirement Ranch</div> | 14 <div>Women on Mission 9:30-11:30 am Room 203</div> <div>Women's Bible Study 6:00-8:00 pm Room 203</div> | 15 <div>Church Thanksgiving Celebration and Program-Worship Center Doors open at 5-Program at 5:30 Please do not reserve seating prior to 5:00 pm</div> <div>Home Front Servants Military Wives Will not meet</div> <div>Grief Share 6:00 - 8:00 pm Room 203</div> | 16 <div>Women's Bible Study 9:00 - 11:00 am Room 203</div> <div>Connection Deadline</div> | 17 | 18 <div>UPWARD Evaluations</div> |
| 19 <div>Baby Dedications Both Services</div> | 20 <div>Glory Choir 10:00 am Wheatfields Sr. Living</div> | 21 <div>Where Moms Connect BRIDGE Building 9:00-11:00 am</div> <div>Women's Bible Study 6:00-8:00 pm Room 203</div> | 22 <div>Church Office closes @ noon</div> <div>No Meal/No Activities</div> | 23 <div>Church Office Closed</div> <div> Come before His presence with THANKSGIVING</div> | 24 <div>Church Office Closed</div> | 25 |
| 26 | 27 <div>Glory Choir 10:00 am Farwell Convalescent Center</div> | 28 <div>Women's Bible Study 6:00-8:00 pm Room 203</div> | 29 <div>4:45 pm Meal- Worship Center Ro-Tel Roast, Corn, Flour Tortilla, Lettuce and Tomato, Mississippi Mud</div> <div>Stop, Drop & Roll</div> | 30 <div>Women's Bible Study 9:00 - 11:00 am Room 203</div> <div>Connection Out</div> | Regular Wednesday Activities <div>6:00 pm Mid-week Bible Study- Rm 207 7:30 pm Prayer Team-Rm 208A Choir-Music Suite Youth: The BRIDGE Grades 6-8: 6:00-7:30 pm Grades 9-12: 7:30-9:00 pm</div> <div>Cornerstone Kids: Preschool Suite 5:45 pm Doors Open 6:00 pm Mission Friends KidCentral K-3rd: 6:00 pm Bible Skills, Drills & Thrills Rotation Crossing Ministry 4th-5th: 6:00 pm Answers for Kids Curriculum</div> | |