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Easter at Central

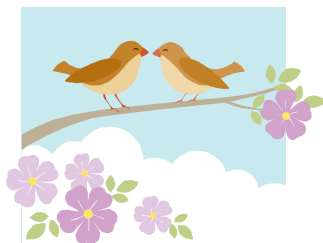
Sunday, April 4

As always, Easter is an exciting time at Central! We will celebrate the resurrection of our Lord in both the 8:15 and 10:45 services.

We also have plans in process again this year to have family portraits taken. Professional photographers Randy Trotter and Ashley Hopper will do a great job at capturing your family in their best light!

Also on the agenda is a great pancake breakfast. Breakfast and photos will be happening simultaneously from 9:15 to 10:15a. Volunteers are needed to help with the breakfast. If you are willing to help cook or clean up, please e-mail Billy Crawford at bcrawford@thermalwindows.com.

Plan to be part of the Central family celebration! Invite someone to come with you; some folks will come at Easter when they might not agree to come at any other time. So invite them!



Spring

THE Case for Easter

Sunday, March 28 6:00-7:30p

In this all new presentation, Lee Strobel and Mark Mittelberg challenge us to explore fresh evidence in The Case for Easter—a clear-

headed, no-holds-barred look at the debate surrounding the resurrection of Jesus—and the implications for our lives. Award-winning legal journalist Lee Strobel retraces the startling findings that led him from atheism to belief.

Join us for this outstanding simulcast and invite many to come and view the evidence for themselves. This is a FREE event...tickets are not required.



BETH MOORE SIMULCAST

Saturday, April 24 9:00a to 3:00p

Live via Satellite. Topic: *So Long Insecurity*. Kiss your insecurities goodbye and discover the joy of living with confidence. Based on Beth's new book *So Long, Insecurity* now in bookstores.

Tickets cost \$20.00. Your ticket includes admission and a box lunch. Tickets can be purchased at the Women's Ministry table in the main foyer.

RYLAND RUSSELL: NEW MINISTER OF MUSIC & MEDIA

On Sunday, March 7, we had a special evening service and voted on the recommendation from the Personnel Committee and Music Minister Search Team to call Ryland Russell as our Minister of Music and Media. The congregation overwhelmingly approved the recommendation by a 99% vote.

We're excited to have Ryland, Mindy and Isaac join the family of Central. **Their first Sunday with us at Central will be April 18.**

Plan to be with us to welcome them to the Central family.

DISCOVERY CLASS

Pastor Scott's Sunday morning Discovery Class has been delayed because of the snow storm. This series of four sessions meets at 9:30a on **Sundays, March 28, April 11, 18 and 25.** Please sign up on your bulletin tear-off, at any bulletin board, at the information desk, or e-mail amber.mushegan@cbcowasso.org, or call Amber at the church office. Join the class at any time and make up any missed sessions in the next series. The classes are:

SESSION ONE:

"Centered in Christ"

SESSION TWO:

"Connected With People"

SESSION THREE:

**"Committed to Serve—
Ministry"**

SESSION FOUR:

**"Committed to Serve—
Missions"**

Guests, Prospective Members, Current Church Members and anyone wanting to know more about CBC, what we believe and where we are going as a church may join this ongoing class at any time. It is not mandatory that you sign up but it would be appreciated.

DEAR CHURCH FAMILY,

I just returned from a mission trip in Asia. Several things took place while I was away. Two saints of Central went to be with the Lord and I wasn't here to help bring comfort. Our house was burglarized and I wasn't there to protect my family. I was run over by a taxi! OK, it was only my left heel, but that is part of my body. It sounds more dramatic to say I was run over.

Though I usually have internet and phone connections available on these trips, this time connections back to the states were very limited. I felt helpless. I wanted... needed...to be in contact with my people. God provided at the time I had to talk to my family, but other times I tried to contact home and was unable to connect. Sometimes God allows you to be in situations to remind you that He is God and you are not. It is amazing when you surrender to Him knowing that if something is going to be done, He is going to have to do it.

I have learned some amazing things. Others stepped up to the plate in my absence. RevKev and the staff and membership reached out to the Goyers and Winsbys. My neighbors and good friends reached out to my family. God intervened and the taxi accident wasn't as bad as it could have been.

I serve a God who is in complete control! I might not always see it or feel it. I may not always believe it, but that doesn't change the fact that my God is an unchanging God. Heb. 13:8 says, **"Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever."** The Psalmist cried out **"For in the day of trouble He will keep me safe in His dwelling; He will hide me in the shelter of His tabernacle and set me high upon a rock."** Psalm 27:5

Next time you feel that things are slipping away and you are no longer in control...look up...your redeemer draweth nigh! (Luke 21:25-28)

Until the Whole World Hears,

Pastor Scott

REACHING OWASSO FOR CHRIST

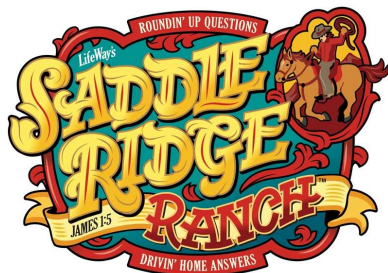
Your staff has enjoyed a very good training time with Dr. Curt Watke. We now have a strategy and the tools to help us identify groups of people who are seeking after spirituality but are not looking to the church for answers. Beginning with individuals in our church who tested Apostolic as their Missional role on the APEPT survey, utilizing the tools we have obtained, and going forward under the leadership of the Holy Spirit, I truly believe we can begin to reach whole groups of people for Christ.

So who are the Apostolics? They are the Pioneers, the people who like to "Do it New." They don't mind taking calculated risks and living life with a certain amount of uncertainty. They put their faith in the leadership and direction of the Holy Spirit. They often focus on community ministries and want to build relationships though existing venues or newly created ones in order to build personal relationships.

We had 16 individuals who tested Apostolic as their primary Missional role and an additional 18 who have it as their secondary or tertiary role. This gives us a great base to work from as we continue to find new approaches to reach Owasso for Christ. It is never too late to take the APEPT survey and discover your Missional role and how you can be used by God according to Ephesians 4:11-12. Go to www.cbcowasso.org, and click on the APEPT Missional icon. We will receive the results, then meet and share these with you.

Bro. Matt

Children's Ministry...



Recruiting for VBS!

We are recruiting NOW for VBS workers! VBS dates are **July 18-22, 6:00-8:30p**. If you are interested in serving, please contact Debra Stephens, Karen McMurphy, Heather Koerner or Jennifer Breedlove ASAP!

All Volunteers: Please plan to attend our area VBS Clinic here at CBC on **Tuesday, April 27, 7:00-9:00p**.

Those who attend will receive a FREE VBS t-shirt.

Summer KMAK

Parents...as you plan for your summer season, please remember

KMAK is June 21-24.

KMAK is for 3rd-6th graders. Cost is \$145.00 this year.

The Heart of the Child Conference

It's back at First Broken Arrow this year. This is one of THE BEST conferences anywhere for Pre-school and Children's Workers – many of our teachers have attended before and love it! There are many diverse topics – Sunday School, Children's Music, Weekday Pre-school, Children & Salvation, dealing with parents, teaching methods, psychological and spiritual issues, how-to's, hands-on's, etc – every-

Parent/Child Dedication

Sunday, May 9

If you want your family to participate, please contact Debra by April 25.

one can find classes to inform and enjoy.

We have it built into the budget to take you to this conference if you wish to go. It will be held on **Friday, April 16, and Saturday, April 17**. If you work and cannot attend on Friday, just go for the Saturday conference. Children's workers...please let Debra know soon if you will go so she can make reservations.

Grand Central Kids Summer Enrollment

The Summer program this year will be a 5-week program for the month of June. Ages 1 through 5th grade will be accepted. The program is a combination of Christian curriculum and academic learning...and FUN! There will be changes in the method of enrollment and payment.

The first enrollments accepted will be for the full five weeks only. The cost is \$50/week, and we will require full payment of \$250.00 up front. After May 1, we will accept enrollments for certain weeks within the five week period. Full payment for weeks reserved will still be required up front.

Ages 5 and up will take weekly field trips. This will require a \$25 enrollment fee which includes a t-shirt.

To reserve your child's spot, call Jessica at 272-3376 or e-mail her at grandcentralkids@cbcwowasso.org.



Youth Ministry...

Youth Girls Retreat

Saturday/Sunday, March 27-28

The ladies in the youth department are going to have a getaway, leaving Saturday, March 27 at 10:00a and returning Sunday at noon. Check with Kendra Laufer for all the details.

Upper Brackets

Senior Adult Luau Friday, April 30 at 5:30p

Think Hawaii, warm breezes, leis, pineapples and the hula! Think roast pig! Don't *even* think about poi! We're providing the pig and ask you to bring the side dishes to accompany the pig.

Sign-up begins this Sunday in the main foyer!

Senior Adult Rally Tuesday, August 24

You'll want to put this date on your calendar! We're planning for the 7th Annual Senior Adult Rally on August 24. Our program this year will feature Christian comedian **Dennis Swanberg**. He has an outstanding show and conveys a great message with it!

Other Plans...

May 21—Pot Luck & Game Day at Noon in Fellowship Hall

June 14--Dinner at Cowboy Junction in Vinita; leave CBC at 4:30p

September 25 —Cook-out

October — Foliage tour pending

November 15-16—Bible Conference; 8:30a to Noon



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Crosspoint will be published next on **Tuesday, April 27**. The **deadline** for news and information for the next issue is **Friday, April 23**. For the latest edition of *Crosspoint* by e-mail, sign up on the CBC website, cbcowasso.org.

New Baby



Daughter **Emery Mae** was born to **Russell and Erin Kern** on March 7. She weighed 8 lbs 11oz and was 20-1/2 inches long.

Christian Sympathy to...

...**Taylor Mitchell** and family in the loss of his mother.

...**Pat Winsby, Travis & Liz** and their family in the homegoing of husband and father **Jerry Winsby** on March 10. The family has requested that any donations in Jerry's memory be made to the Youth Department.

...**Danette Goyer** and children **Josh, Gordon, Matthew, and Elizabeth** and their family and friends in the homegoing of husband and father **Carey Goyer** on March 13. They request donations be made to the Children/Youth Department.

Welcome New Members

We welcome these newest members of the Central family...

- Sean and Stephanie Cryer**
- Rebekah Hewitt**
- John & Diane Richison**
- Jacquelyn Wieden**

Donations...

These gave donations in memory of **Jerry Winsby**:

- The Miracle Class
- Jim & Faye Loyd
- Ray & Anne Duckett
- Darlene Caves
- Clyde Williams
- Wanda Hart
- Marlene Keys
- John & Jenny Dirck
- Candy & Mark Shelts
- Terry Shaffer
- Sam & Debbie Dalaeli
- Don & Carol Palmer
- Fred & Linda Hampton

Donations...

These gave donations to the Children/Youth Fund in memory of **Carey Goyer**:

- First Baptist Church Inola Metals, Inc
- Clyde Doyle
- Apogee Engineering
- Healthcare Solutions, Inc.
- Robert C. Bates, LLC
- C. G. Martin Co., Inc.
- Mark & Nina Wesley
- Sam & Debbie Dalaeli
- Don & Carol Palmer
- Fred & Linda Hampton
- Philip & Linda Willaby
- Don & Sharon Goyer
- Chuck & Ann Wendorff
- Courtney & Nye, Inc.

Messages on CD

Each week the Sunday morning message is available on CD. The CDs can be picked up at the table in the main foyer after the Sunday School hour. A suggested \$2.00 donation will help defray the cost of production.