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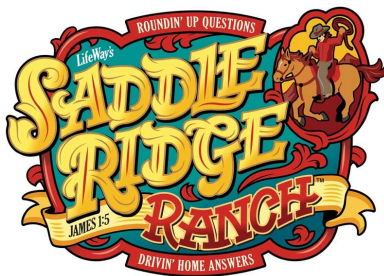
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believe?

Spring and Summer Message Series
Pastor Scott takes us verse-by-verse
through the Book of John



Recruiting for Vacation Bible School!

Vacation Bible School is always one of the highlights of our summer here at Central. This year the VBS dates are **Sunday—Thursday, July 18-22, 6:00-8:30p.** Vacation Bible School is a great tool for winning youngsters to Christ. We try to make it a fun time for the children and they are eager to come and listen. If you are interested in serving in VBS, please contact Debra Stephens, Karen McMurphy, Heather Koerner or Jennifer Breedlove ASAP!

Ladies' Night Out at the Pink House in Claremore

Tuesday, May 11

The Central Women's Ministry invites the Ladies of Central—and anyone you invite to come with you—to join us at the Pink House for dinner at 7:00p. So plan to join us! Please sign up at the table in the main foyer; we will need to know how many are coming, so the restaurant is adequately prepared for the number of women eating there. Meet at CBC at 6:15 if you would like to carpool.



Upper Brackets

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

Think Hawaii, warm breezes, leis, pineapples and the hula! Tom Cleary is roasting the pig for us. We ask you to bring the side dishes to accompany the pig. Hope you signed up already!!!

Pot Luck/Game Day May 21 at Noon in Fellowship Hall

We've planned another activity that won't cost you money!!! Just whip up your favorite dish and bring it for the Pot Luck Lunch, and plan to stay for game time. Games will include Bingo and Table Scavenger Hunt. Prizes will be awarded!

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 stage presence and conveys a great message with it!

Other Plans...

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

July 3--*Red, White & Blue Ice Cream Fest* at CBC—6:30p

September 25 —*Cook-out*

October 25—*Foliage tour on the Talimena Drive*

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

Looking for a Driver!!

Do you have a CDL license and love senior adults? We're looking for someone to take on the ministry of driving the People Mover to the Baptist Village on Sunday mornings to pick up some of our folks. Hopefully we can expand and bring some seniors who don't already attend. If you are interested in this ministry, please contact Joe Don Olds at the office or e-mail joedon.olds@cbcwowasso.org.

National Day of Prayer Thursday, May 6

Pray for our nation, our leaders and for a return to Godly values in our land.



Helping Those in the Valley

When I was a kid, I used to watch the Beverly Hillbillies after school. Actually, I still watch the Beverly Hillbillies and before you accuse me of still being a kid, I would take that as a compliment. One particular episode that stands out in my mind was when a chauffeur dropped off Jed Clampett and his family at their mansion. The chauffeur lets the family out and sticks out his hand, waiting and hoping for a generous tip. The expression on Jed's face proves he is clueless as to what the man was wanting. Coming to his aid, Jethro told his rich uncle that the man was hoping for a tip. Without hesitation Jed Clampett replied, "Well, doggies, I can give a great tip...plant your corn early."

In this article I want to give you a tip. Currently I know many people who have been walking through some dark times. What do you say to someone who is walking through the valley? If you are like me you are a fixer. It is in my DNA to try to fix people. It might have something to do with being a Pastor. After 25 years of marriage, 23 years of fatherhood and almost 30 years of ministry experience I can honestly say I can't fix anybody. But that doesn't stop me from trying.

Why do I bring this up? So we know how to help people in dark times. What people need most when they walk through the valley is not our words, our advice, our accolades, or even our wisdom. They don't need to hear us say, "I know how you feel." What they need is simply you... your time... your compassion. They need you!

In 1992 my 20 year old youth pastor called me with the tragic news that his wife was about to die. That afternoon and evening and into the early morning hours I was at his side. To this day he will say that it wasn't my words that comforted him, but that I was simply there with him. Later he told me that he didn't remember a single thing I said, but he did remember me being there.

Mary Gardiner Brainard said, "**I would rather walk with God in the dark than go alone in the light.**" We would do well to remember these words. Believers in Jesus Christ possess His very Spirit. And when we walk with those in the valley we are assured that God is walking with them, too, and it is His spirit that ministers to their very souls. It is not our job to fix them, but to walk with them.

The next time you are with someone who needs fixing remember Psalm 46:10. It begins, "**Be still and know that I am God.**" May God bless you as you walk with your friends through the tough times.

Pastor Scott

Discovery Class

Pastor Scott begins a new Sunday morning Discovery Class. This series of four sessions meets at 9:30a on **Sundays, May 16, 23, 30 and June 6**. Please sign up on your bulletin tear-off, at any bulletin board, at the information desk, call Amber at the church office or e-mail amber.mushegan@cbcwowasso.org. 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"

An alternate Saturday only class will meet on Saturday, May 22 from 9:00a to Noon. You must sign up for this class by May 20 in order to attend.

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. For the Sunday classes, it is not mandatory that you sign up but it would be appreciated.

Youth Ministry...

Slarpfest

Wednesday, May 5 at 6:30p

What??? You don't know what Slarpfest is? Just ask RevKev or Jeremy. You just have to know it will be messy. It's an all-evening event in the Senior High room. Guaranteed laughter and good times.

Falls Creek Youth Camp Monday-Saturday, June 14-19

Our 7th – 12th graders will make their annual trek to Falls Creek on June 14. Cost this year is \$150, and a non-refundable deposit of \$50 is due by May 9. There is a **mandatory parent meeting on June 9 at 6:30p** in the youth wing. Get a registration form in ministry hall by the Youth display case.

Children's Ministry...

KMAK Kids' Mission Adventure Kamp

KMAK is June 21-24

KMAK is for youngsters who will have just completed 3rd-6th grades. Cost is \$145.00 this year. Deadline for registration is May 31.

1st & 2nd Grade Day Camp August 2-4

A first camping experience for those children who have completed 1st and 2nd grades. They enjoy the same camping experience as the older children, but return home every evening. Cost is \$75 per camper. See Debra Stephens for registration details.

Want to Know what your babies through 5th graders are learning in Sunday School? Go to this website <http://parent2parent.ning.com/>. After you click on the website – go to [KISS Connections](#), KISS stands for Kids In Sunday School. So each week, KISS Connections will help you know what your children are learning in Sunday School. If your church is using LifeWay curriculum, KISS Connections will help equip you to have spiritual conversations with your son or daughter about what they are learning. You can click on “sign up” and receive weekly updates.

Tulakogee Work Days

Three work days are planned at Tulakogee in the month of May to help the staff prepare the cabins for KMAK. The dates are **Fridays, May 7, 14 and 21** from 9:30a to 3:00p.

The group will work together to give the cabins a thorough cleaning and make some light repairs. If you need transportation, a bus will leave from FBC Tulsa at 8:30a. Please RSVP to the camp staff at 594-5024 and give your name and phone number.

More details are available in the CBC office if you need them.

New Babies



Briana Danielle Stattel was born to **Jennifer Fleig Stattel** and husband on April 10. She weighed 7 lb 10 oz and was 20 inches long. Grandparents are **Mark & Maria Fleig**.

John and Lori Pogue welcomed son Finnly Wyatt, 8 lbs 9 oz and 21” long, on April 21.

Doug and Christina Glenn added Coley Rae to their family on April 25. She weighed 7 lbs 9 oz and was 19.5 inches long.

Thank You...

Thank you for your faithful support of Hope Pregnancy Center of Tulsa. What a privilege it is to join with you in touching the hearts and lives of hurting women. May God richly bless you for standing up for those who cannot speak for themselves. We appreciate you.

Darla Neighbors

Kim and I are overwhelmed and humbled by the love and appreciation expressed to us by Central. The reception was special to us, and we want you to know that we appreciate the thoughts, gifts and kind words. This time has been a blessing to us; it was an honor to serve with you.

Many, many thanks for all the amazing, generous gifts provided to us and the unexpected but much appreciated kindness you've shown us.

Alan & Kim Spencer

The “carding” you have done for Joan and me was overwhelming. Your tangible outpouring of love was awesome and will always be one of those treasured moments in our lives. We are grateful for such thoughtfulness and generosity.

**Gratefully,
Joe Don & Joan Olds**

What a joy the last few weeks have been for my family and me here at Central. We feel right at home here already and thank you for bringing us in as part of the family. As I told the choir, “I just hope I'm not the crazy uncle in the family!”

I wanted to say a big thank you for the many gift cards we received from you all. We have been overwhelmed with your generosity and look forward to gaining a few pounds by eating at all the restaurants we received cards for. I look forward to getting to know you all better in the coming weeks. My family and I feel blessed to be a part of Central.

Ryland Russell
Worship & Media Arts Pastor



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Crosspoint will be published next on **Tuesday, May 25**. The **deadline** for news and information for the next issue is **Friday, May 20**. For the latest edition of *Crosspoint* by e-mail, sign up on the CBC website, cbcowasso.org.

Welcome New Members

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

Tommy & Lynn Hicks

Christian Sympathy to...

...**Don and Carol Palmer, Jim and Wendy Palmer** in the passing of Don's brother-in-law Ernie Cornelius.

...**Chuck & Rachel Mitchell** in the passing of Rachel's brother in Arkansas.

...**Jean & Ed Hyde, and Blu & Leslie Guthery** in the passing of Jean's brother on April 6.

...**James & Marilee Nies** and family in the passing of Marilee's grandmother.

...**Charles & Judy Seals** in the passing of Judy's brother-in-law.

...**Pat Winsby** in the homegoing of her brother-in-law James Nottingham.

...the family and friends of long-time CBC member **Alpha McCullough**.

Donations...

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

- Curtis & Jo Brazeal
- Myrl & Glenna Ford
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- Duane & Lorrie Gray

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- Bill & DeLores McBee
- John & Jean Hudson
- Patty Hampton
- Wilson, Lillie & Associates
- Appraisal Company
- D M Sokolosky Family

John & Jean Hudson gave a donation in memory of **Jerry Keys**.

Danny & Monta Ewing & family gave a donation in memory of **Carey Goyer** and **Jerry Winsby**.