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Welcome New Members

We welcome these folks as the newest members of the Central family:

Jim and Donna Cox Kelly and Shana Davis **David and Karen Hester** Kirk and Lindsay Fields



Christian Sympathy to...

Kirk & Lindsay Fields in the passing of a loved one. Jimmy & Patsy Johns in the passing of Jimmy's mother.

THANK YOU

Thank you to the Personnel Committee for the framed certificate and the monetary gift recognizing my retirement. I appreciate, too, all the cards and kind words of appreciation and encouragement I received from our church members. To the staff I want to express my gratitude for 10 great years working with the best people who were supportive to me and made the job fun. Thank you for the candy bouquet and the farewell luncheon. I love and appreciate you all.

Faye Loyd

Special Thanks— to the 32 volunteers that helped our church Thanksgiving dinner run so smoothly. We appreciate you.

Donations...

Sam & Barbara Whisenhunt gave a donation to the Youth Camp fund in memory of **Joe** Don Olds and Colleen Lanham.

Sam & Barbara Whisenhunt gave a donation to the food pantry in memory of Jimmy Johns' mother.

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Way to Go Central! We were able to send 126 boxes for Operation Christmas Child.

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"Now, our God, we give you thanks, and praise your glorious name." I Chronicles 29:13





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Christmas Musical and Drama

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What if the manger were empty? What if the Magi had no star to follow? What if Christ never came? Make plans to join us for our Christmas musical drama on **Dec** 10 & 11 at 6:00pm entitled "A World Without Christmas." We will see what life would be like for a man named loel if Christ had never come into our world. Bring your family and friends for this multimedia production presented by the CBC choir & drama ministry which will include sleigh rides, stomp groups, and all the sounds of the season. This years musi-

Men's Bible Study—Beginning Jan. 3rd

There will be a 2 week class on the Hermeneutics study "Herman Who?" led by James Nies and Sean Cryer. The study will be held in Fellowship Hall South on Tuesdays, January **3rd and 10th at 6:30p**. For more information contact James Nies at (918) 271-3365 or Sean Cryer at (918) 212-6414.



Team Kid Caroling

TeamKid will be going caroling at the Baptist Village on Wednesday evening, December 14th. Meet in Kid-Central before 6:30p. We'll leave at 6:30p (riding in the peoplemover) and will return around 7:30p. Be sure your child fills out a permission slip and returns it to Debbie Collins asap!

Mrs. Debra

Lottie Moon Chili Cook-off

It's that time of year again for the Lottie Moon Christmas offering to support missionaries in the IMB around the world. Our church goal is to raise \$10,000. This year we will be pitting Sunday School classes against each other in a chili cook-off to raise funds for the Lottie Moon Christmas offering. The cook-off will be December 4th after the second service in the Fellowship Hall. Each class needs to provide chili and enough food to feed their class. Larger classes can enter more than one chili. Bring your best cornbread, side dishes, and desserts as well. Please let Barbara Munger know what your class will be bringing at babsmung@gmail.com or (918) 371-9256.

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CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

We will have a special service on Saturday, December 24th at 5:00p. Come join us as we celebrate the birth of our dear Savior.

Crosspoint will now be published on the last Thursday of each month.



Soup on the Menu

We have planned a **Soup Lunch for Thursday, January 12**. We will have sign-ups for soup, sandwiches and desserts. We'll gather at 11:30a to enjoy the home made soups and other goodies. Following the lunch we will play Bunco.

Warm soup and super fellowship will be a great post-holiday pick-me-up! Join us!



Transitions Class

This new class for people who have experienced the loss of a loved one through death or divorce started on **Sunday, October 23 at 9:30a.** The class is not limited to gender or age. If you would like to participate in this group, please contact Pat Winsby at pwinsby@hotmail.com or call her at 918-272-9890. It is not too late for you to join this class.



Wednesday Evenings

Pastor Scott is currently teaching "The Jesus People", a study of the book of Acts, verse-by-verse, on Wednesday evenings at 6:30p. The group meets in the Miracle S.S. classroom—Room 304/306. If you are not otherwise involved in ministry on Wednesday evenings, please join us; all ages are welcome.



Dear Central,

So many thoughts flood my mind as we enter into the busiest time of the holiday season. Here is how I want to encourage you today:

in the midst of all the busyness . . . never forget . . . you were created by God and for God. You belong to Him. Make certain that your time, your talents, your resources, and your very soul are spent for His glory and His purposes. I'm certain that when Jesus was born in a stable and died on the cross it was during a very busy time. And yet the God of the universe was never rushed when He did His most important work. Slow down today and tomorrow and the next day, and ask yourself the question, "Will what I am doing right now make a difference a hundred years from now?" If it won't make a difference, then you might want to change your activity. God bless you and enjoy each day. Every moment is a gift from God for us to use for His Glory!!

Until the whole world hears,

Pastor Scott



One Service On Christmas Day

There will be only one service at 10:45am on Christmas Day. There will be no Sunday School on that day so that you can celebrate Christmas with your families before coming to worship together Christmas morning. On New Year's Day church services and Sunday School will follow our regular schedule.

FAMILY PRAYER ON NEW YEAR'S EVE

Our Men's Ministry team is inviting you to join them for prayer on New Year's Eve. The church will be open from 5:00pm to 7:00pm. Come and go as you are able to start the new year right by spending time in prayer with your family and friends.

Pastor Scott's Discovery Class

Pastor Scott's Discovery class will not be meeting during the month of December. New session dates will be announced after the first of the year.

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 for the Sunday class, but it would be appreciated.

Bodylife Journey December 4th & 18th, 5:00p

This mini-workshop helps you discover your identity in Christ, grow in your relationship with Him, develop meaningful relationships and invest your life in personal ministry through service in your local church and community. Session I explains the five areas of S.E.R.V.E. You will complete the assignments at home and the following week we will discuss your opportunities for ministry.



Missions Survey

The Missions Team has put together a survey that they are asking everyone at Central to take in order to get some feedback. Please go to the Missions page on the website (www.cbcowasso.org) to take the survey. If you do not have



AccessACS Training

Matt Flindt is offering one-session training on web-based software called AccessACS in the conference room. This training guides you through the steps needed to view certain information on our database. Whether you are a member, Sunday School Leader or Small Group Leader, this training will allow you access to your personal information and contact information for your Sunday school class or small group. No sign-up necessary. The next training date is **Sunday December 4th** at 4pm.

Women's Ministry

Mom To Mom

Mom to Mom is a mentoring ministry that meets twice a month on Fridays in KidCentral. During the month of December there will be only one meeting on Friday, December 9th. The group meets from 9:00 – I I:30a. Nursery and activities are provided for children 5 and under. All women are invited to join them for a time of food, fun, friends, Bible study, small group time, and practical teaching on homemaking and parenting skills.

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Self-Defense/Martial Arts Training Classes

You are invited to join classes on Tuesday nights from 6:30p-8:30p for self-defense training and martial arts training. Separate classes are offered for ages 7-12 and 13 & up. Our instructors are certified in selfdefense and multiple martial arts styles. Enrollment costs are a one time \$20 registration fee per person, and \$5 per month per person. More information is available in the church foyers or contact: John Burnett at 918-408-5800 or Mark Fleig at 918-724-2340.

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Cowboy Church

God is pouring out his blessings on the new Cowboy Church in Owasso. They had their first Sunday service at 11:00a on Nov. 13th with more than 70 people present.

On Thursday evenings they have an informal Bible study at 7:00p. Scott and Shelly McAfee continue to follow God's leading as they head up these meetings. The Cowboy Church is sponsored by Central Baptist, First Baptist Collinsville, First Baptist Owasso, and Freedom Baptist Church. Please support Cowboy Church with your prayers. If you would like more information about the church contact: **Scott** McAfee on facebook; email rockn3m@yahoo.com; or call Scott at 918-857-2429.



Family Christmas Tree

We want each Central family to be represented on our family Christmas tree which will be set up in the main foyer very soon. If your family has not previously had an ornament on the tree, please make or purchase one and personalize it with your family name. You may leave it in the church office or simply place it on the tree.

Office Schedule For the Holidays

The church office will be closed on Dec. 23rd and 26th, and Jan. 2nd. The office will be open 8am to noon on Tuesday, December 27th thru Friday, December 30th.