

THE HERALD

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THE NEWSLETTER OF CENTRAL BAPTIST CHURCH

Bringing People In! Lifting People Up! Sending People Out!

LET THE HEAVENS REJOICE...

“Let the heavens rejoice, let the earth be glad...” the Psalmist declares (96:11) as he recalls the triumphal entry of the Ark of the Covenant into Jerusalem. God defeated Israel’s enemies and now marches into the world to plant his throne in the middle of the world for all people to see and worship him. This highly symbolic psalm highlights God’s march into the world as *Christus Victor* and Crowned King of the Universe. This Psalm is the perfect reminder that the “heavens rejoice and the earth is glad” at the birth of Jesus Christ!

The people of God rejoiced (“shout praises to God”) as they witness God’s long-awaited coming. Scholars tell us, “Where God rules...his humblest creatures can be themselves; where God is, there is singing.” Coming before the Lord with song and silence are the best ways to express love, devotion, adoration, and praise to God. Therefore, our Christmas services will be filled with songs – old and “new” (Psalm 33:3), traditional and contemporary, ancient and modern. Since God came into the world in Jesus Christ – it’s time to celebrate!

Christmas celebrations will begin at Central Baptist Church with the *Hanging of the Greens* on Saturday, Nov. 26 at 9:00 a.m. My Advent sermons will focus on moments when “Heaven rejoiced...” (1) the annunciation, (2) the birth of Jesus Christ, (3) the moment a sinner is saved, and (4) when Christ comes again. Join us for these special messages designed to “Lift People Up!”

On Christmas Eve, we will host our traditional “Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols” based on King’s College classical Christmas Eve celebration on **December 24. Join us for this 60 minute service of traditional music and nine short Bible stories. The services will be 4:30 and 7:30 p.m.** The 4:30 p.m. service is designed for individuals and families who want to celebrate the Nativity before attending family gatherings or travelling for the holiday. You will want to invite your family and friends to these celebrations!

We will begin the **New Year** “rejoicing...and being glad” with a Southern Gospel worship service on January 1 at 8:30 a.m. The men’s quarter Gospel group, “Master’s Voice,” from Oklahoma will be our worship leaders. You can find more information about Master’s voice at www.mastersvoice.com.

Our Christmas celebrations will end with **Epiphany on Sunday, January 8** when we commemorate the visit of the Three Magi.

Merry Christmas!
Pastor Ivan



**PASTOR’S
OPEN
HOUSE
COOKIE
PARTY**

Pastor Ivan, Rexanne and the kids invite members, friends, staff, and neighbors of Central Baptist Church to sample hundreds of cookies during their Open House Cookie Party on Saturday, Dec. 3 from 1:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. at their home: 2432 Chestnut St, Quincy.

CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS AT CENTRAL

These days, people associate Christmas with festive music at the mall, sparkling ornaments on pine trees, and electronics wrapped up in brightly colored paper. Christians are called to celebrate Christmas in a simpler and more meaningful way – with the birth of a baby. Incredibly, the God who created the universe came to live among us, to offer us His unending love, and the hope of eternal life. It is a holy season when Christians worship God by celebrating the Incarnation (the mystery of our Creator God coming to us in Jesus Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit) as we watch and wait for Jesus Christ's Second Coming in Glory. It is a season of joy, merriment, and traditions!

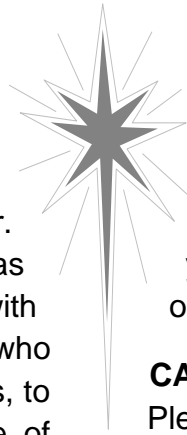
This year, begin your Christmas by experiencing God's love in Jesus Christ...at Church! Our theme will be "Let the Heavens Rejoice...And the Earth be Glad."

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT (Nov. 27) – *Let the Heavens Rejoice...Christ is Coming!* Genesis 3:15 and Luke 1:26-38

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT (Dec. 4) – *Let the Heavens Rejoice...Christ is Born!* Luke 2:1-20

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (Dec. 11) – *Let the Heavens Rejoice...A Sinner is Saved!* Luke 15:1-7

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT (Dec. 18) – *Let the Heavens Rejoice...Christ is Coming Again!* Luke 24:1-12. The Chancel Choir will perform their annual Christmas Cantata on Sunday, December 18 at 11:00 a.m.



ANGEL ORNAMENT – Each person or family is encouraged to bring *one* angel ornament to the Church to help decorate the Christmas tree in the Parlor. Write your family name on the front or back of the ornament, and hang on the tree. Pastor Ivan

CARDS FOR SHUT IN & HOMEBOUND – Please remember to send a Christmas card to our many members who live in nursing homes, are home bound or shut in. A current "Homebound" list is available from the Church Office. Some members may not eat candy and cookies because of diets. Please contact the nurse's desk before delivering "goodies."

Christmas Cards



CHRISTMAS CANTATA – The Chancel Choir is rehearsing their Christmas Cantata, "The First Noel," on Wednesday nights at 7:30 p.m. in the Chapel. There will be a special Cantata rehearsal on Saturday, Dec. 1 from 1:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. **The Choir will perform their Christmas Cantata on Sunday, December 1 at 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary.** Persons interested in joining the Choir for the Christmas season only should contact Rexanne Greuter, Director.



CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM - The



children are beginning to practice this year's Christmas program. All children are welcome to join us as we practice the music and parts for the program on Sunday mornings after the 8:30 service and before Sunday school. Most of

the children have been given a CD of the music for the program. If your child did not receive a CD, please let Rexanne Greuter know. The children's Sunday school Christmas program, **A Bunch of Gifts for Christmas** (by Cathy Skogen-Soldner), will be held on December 18, at 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary at Central Baptist Church.

CHRISTMAS DAY (SUNDAY) SERVICE -



The Ministry of the Diaconate voted we would have **one worship service on Christmas morning at 11:00 a.m.** There will be no children's Sunday school or

children's church. Adult Sunday school classes can decide to hold class. The Ordinance of the Lord's Supper will be served during this worship service.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES - "A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols," based on

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CHRISTMAS TEA PARTY - Pastor Ivan and Esther Fletterer are hosting a **Christmas Tea Party to bring in our neighbors on Tuesday, December 6 at 10:00 a.m.** This formal, evangelistic, English Tea Party will be coordinated by Susan Asher, owner of Thyme-Out Tea Parties. A guest will share their testimony about Jesus' birth. Menu: finger sandwiches, desserts, homemade scones, and various brewed teas. Suggested donation of \$20.00 per church member, but non-members are free.

Reservations required: RSVP By Thurs., Dec. 1 to 222-1310. Please wear your favorite, Christmas attire.



GIVE TO THE CHRISTMAS OFFERING - Help make a child's Christmas special. Give to the Christmas Offering at Central Baptist Church! The Church will receive its annual Christmas Offering for our national mission partners, Anchorage Children's Home and Kodiak Baptist Mission. These mission agencies serve at-risk and abused, neglected and abandoned children in Alaska. Please use the Christmas offering envelope in box sets or designate your donation "Christmas Offering" on a regular envelope. Thank you for making a positive difference in a children's life this Christmas.



Christmas Offering



HANGING OF THE GREENS

– The Decorating Committee invites all persons – men and women, boys and girls, youth and young adults – to help decorate the Sanctuary and Parlor for the Christmas season. The Committee will start decorating on the **Saturday after Thanksgiving (November 26) at 9:00 a.m.** Speak with Jane Rupert for more details.



ORDER YOUR CHRISTMAS POINSETTIA – Place an order for a poinsettia in appreciation or memory of a loved one through the Church Office before Wednesday Dec. 14. Call or email secretary@cbcquincy.org. Cost is:

1. **\$10.00 for the 6” pot or**
2. **\$25.00 for the 8” pot.**

Flowers will be delivered to the Church by local florist in time for the Christmas Cantata service on Sunday, Dec. 18. Or, bring a poinsettia to the Church Office before Friday, Dec. 23 at 12:00 p.m. Families are encouraged to take their poinsettia after the 7:30 p.m. Christmas Eve Service.

RETIRED MINISTERS & MISSIONARIES OFFERING

- Since 1935, American Baptists have contributed to special offerings received in their churches for retired American Baptist ministers and missionaries or their widowed spouses. The Retired Ministers and Missionaries Offering (RMMO) was established in 1977. Through this annual offering, American Baptist congregations say thank you in a tangible way to the denomination’s retired ministers and missionaries or their widowed

spouses. The RMMO will be received by our congregation on Sunday, December 4, 2011.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS PARTIES – the Sunday school classes have planned Christmas Parties for the following dates:

- **Aletheia** – Saturday, Dec. 10 at 11:00 a.m. in the Parlor
- **Co-Builders** – Friday, Dec. 9 at 6:00 p.m. in the Lounge
- **Loyal Workers** – Sunday, Dec. 18 at 9:45 a.m. in the Lounge
- **New Life**– in January 2012
- **Pairs & Spares** – Thursday, Dec. 8 at 6:00 p.m. at the City Women’s Club

Please contact the class president or social coordinator for more details.

AMERICAN BAPTIST MEN – All men are invited to the Saturday Morning Men's Prayer Breakfast. Bring your brown bag breakfast and laughter to the Church Parlor on Saturday mornings at 8:00 a.m. for a time of fellowship, storytelling and fun. The men spend time each morning in prayer for celebrations and concerns. Men of all ages are welcome!

AMERICAN BAPTIST WOMEN

“JOY CIRCLE” - The Joy Circle will be meeting at Sprout’s for the December 1, 2011 Christmas party at 11:00 a.m. If you would like to join us, please call Nata at 223-5196. We are making reservations now and each person is bringing some item for the nursery. Joy Joy Joy! The Lord has come!



“SARAH CIRCLE” will meet Thursday, Dec. 8 at the Patio restaurant for their Christmas Party. All women of the church are invited to join this small group. Please see Su Langenburg for details.

“**CIRCLE 31**” meets Friday, Dec. 9 at 6:30 p.m. for their Christmas Party. All young women of the church are invited to join this small group. Please see Cindy Brown for details.

ANNIVERSARY ANNOUNCEMENT – Please join **Richard and Marilyn Lisenbee** on **November 26, 2011 from 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.** to celebrate their 45th Wedding Anniversary. The Lisenbees request, in lieu of gifts, a financial donation is made to the Youth Fund for their Washington D.C. trip or other Youth activities.



ANNIVERSARY ANNOUNCEMENT – Please join **Betty and John David Harker** on **Sunday, December 4, 2011 from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.** in the Church Lounge to celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary. No gifts please. Cards are welcome!

ANNUAL REPORTS – All Officers, Boards, Committee, Auxiliaries (ABMen, ABWomen circles, Scouts, etc.) need to submit a **written** 2011 annual report to the Church Office before December 31, 2011.



OFFERING ENVELOPES - In 2012 the Church will not tions to the Building or Mission funds. Persons wishing to give to the “Building” or “Missions” must designate their gifts on an offering envelope. New box set offering envelope sets for 2012 will be available for

pickup in the Heritage Room on the last Sunday in December. Persons wanting Jim Mealiff, Stewardship Secretary, to mail their box sets should contact him at 217-936-2668. Thank you for generously giving to God through Central Baptist. All financial gifts to the congregation must be postmarked by December 31 to apply to your 2011 Giving Statements. *Central Baptist Church is a non-for-profit 501(c)3 organization. All cash donations are tax deductible as allowed by law. Please see your tax advisor regarding any gifts.*

OUR DAILY BREAD - Take a free copy of the devotional to help in your daily Bible reading and prayer time. Copies of these inspirational books are available in the foyer.

PROPOSED 2011 BUDGET - Prayerfully review the proposed budget. The 2011 Budget will be discussed and voted upon during the **Wednesday, December 14, Quarterly Business Meeting at 7:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall**, as outlined in the Church Bylaws. The **2012 Slate of Officers** will also be on the ballet for adoption from the Nominating Committee.



SALVATION ARMY FOOD ITEM: TUNA. Please place items in the grocery cart in the coat foyer.

THANKSGIVING OFFERING – The Ministry of Missions received \$741.00 on Sunday, November 20 for the annual Thanksgiving Offering benefiting Murrow Indian Children’s Home and Bacone College. This annual offering supports our Native American orphanage and school of higher learning in Muskogee, Oklahoma. Thank you for giving!

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS – Surprise,

Surprise, Surprise! Would you believe that 12 youth and 5 adults loaded up the minibus and a vehicle to spend 14 hours together? Well it happened. What was this occasion? THE MYSTERY TRIP!

The first stop was a ferry ride across the river. Some braved to get out of the vehicles to get a breath of fresh air. The ride lasted only a couple of minutes; it was the first for some to ride a ferry, even a couple of staff.

As we ventured further we were going thru the woods, one of the youth stated we've gone over the river and now we are going through the woods. Then asked are we going to see someone's grandmother, the answer was, "Yes." The begin to debate among themselves as the message was passed by walkie talkie, trying to figure out our next destination, as we were going down, "Memory Lane."

You guessed it, Carrolton, Il., First Baptist Church were we met the grandmother of Lane Coonrod and the mother of Chet Coonrod. Chet shared this was church he was baptized when he accepted the Lord. It was also the place he and Jean were married. We were not able to see the sanctuary, it was under construction.

We boarded the vehicles and continue our journey. The clue you ask, "we're going to push your bodies to its physical limit. While they were trying to debating the possibilities of our next location, we slipped in the back way into town.

We almost got to our destination until someone noticed the St. Louis Arch. Moments later we pulled into the St. Louis City Museum. They

looked at the outside structures of a fire engine, an airplane and a couple of medieval looking towers, and a ferris wheel, a school bus wheel on the roof.

Once inside the youth walked the different exhibits crawled thru cracks and crevices that the adults said, we'll be right here when you find your way out. They climbed through metal structures way up in the air, then ventured ten stories high only to face the spiral slide down. They claimed to be having so much fun.

Some made snowflakes, other swung, ran and explored the caves, but all made their way to see the Harmony Acrobatic Circus. Youth performed acrobatic flips, tumbles, stunts and juggling that all were amazed. Please do not ask the youth about the bibs!! (hint ,hint)

Where to next they asked, "Oh, my" was the clue given. It slipped; one of the staff who shall remain nameless (RJ) told the youth we were headed to the St. Louis Zoo. (Lions, Tigers and Bears –yup we saw them). When we arrived, we ate sack lunches prepared for us by Mrs. Cathy Allen. (Thanks)

Our last stop we were going "worldwide" to eat. We ate at the International House of Pancakes. The youth were responsible for their meals. They enjoyed themselves and a great time was had by all.

The ride back was anything but quiet. Will you join us on our next mystery trip? Who knows where we will end up or how long we will be there?

Thanks Chet, Jean, Cindy and Ronna!

Rev. Cedric Allen,

Youth Minister

2012 SKWIM TRIP - The SKWIM trip is set for January 13 – 16, 2012. SKWIM is a ski retreat designed to create a shared experience between students and adults. The church hopes that our group will



have a great time, experience God in a unique way through worship and teaching, and grow closer to one another through the activities and group time together. *Middle school, high school and college students are welcome to attend!* SKWIM happens thanks to the support of the American Baptist Churches of the Great Rivers Region, all churches and denominations are welcome to participate. Registration packets are available from Rev. Cedric Allen, Youth Minister. ***The registration and deposit deadline is in the Church Office before Wednesday, November 30.*** See Pastor Ivan for a balance of your Youth Student Fundraising Account.

2011 NATIONAL CLERGY RENEWAL

GRANT: Central Baptist Church of Quincy,



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Illinois has received a grant of **\$47,461.00** to enable its minister, The Reverend Ivan E. Greuter, to participate in the 2011 National Clergy Renewal Program funded by the Indianapolis-based Lilly Endowment Inc. It is one of 158 congregations across the country that will

support their ministers in the program, which allows pastors to step back from their busy

lives and renew their spirits for the benefit of their ongoing ministries.

Now in its 12th year, the program invites Christian congregations and ministers to consider and plan a period of intentional reflection and renewal. It provides a time for ministers to take a break from their daily obligations and gain the fresh perspective and renewed energy that a carefully considered “sabbath time” of travel, study, rest and prayer can provide.

Each congregation is eligible to apply for a grant of up to \$50,000. Up to \$15,000 of that amount can be used to fulfill pastoral duties during the minister’s absence and for expenses related to the congregation’s own renewal. The 158 grants this year totaled \$6.8 million.

Central Baptist Church applied for this National Clergy Renewal Program so they can grant Reverend Greuter twelve consecutive weeks of uninterrupted rest and renewal so he could revitalize relations with his family while intentionally exploring Baptist heritage in England. The Congregation voted overwhelmingly that a time of study and travel to religious sites in England held great promise for the revitalization of Reverend Greuter’s love for God, his family, the Congregation, and our Baptist identity. **Reverend Greuter’s sabbatical leave begins on June 1, 2012 and end on Wednesday, August 22, 2012.**

On June 1, 2012, Reverend Greuter and his family will travel to England for eight-weeks of sightseeing, adventure, genealogical research, a Baptist History and Heritage conference, and study at the University of Oxford. Reverend Greuter has enrolled in two courses in the University of Oxford’s history department:

1. THE FORGOTTEN TUDORS: EDWARD, JANE AND MARY (8-14 July 2012):

The iconic figures of Henry VIII and Elizabeth I dominate the history of sixteenth century England. Yet it was during the middle part of the century, from 1547-1558 that some of the most radical political and religious conflicts and changes of the period took place. During this brief 11-year spell, Edward VI presided over the most radically Protestant reformation in English history and attempted to divert the throne to Lady Jane Grey. The failure of this plan was immediately followed by Mary Tudor's efforts to restore the Catholic Church. This course will follow recent scholarship in seeking to understand more about this intensive and exciting period in English history. Tutor: Janet Dickinson.

2. HENRY VIII: RENAISSANCE MONARCH (15-21 July 2012):

The course begins with the early life of Henry VIII and discusses how it may have influenced his character and later policies. It will look at the problems and opportunities facing the new king, his intentions, and the nature of the Henrician court. We will move on to study the rest of the reign thematically, looking at the king's wars and foreign policy, his marriages, the Reformation, his government, artistic patronage and propaganda. The course will end with a discussion of the impact upon England of Henry's reign. Tutor: Glenn Richardson.

The Greuters plan to visit historical sites throughout England and Scotland, including: Bath, Bristol (ancestral birthplace), Cambridgeshire (birthplace of Charles Spurgeon), Canterbury Cathedral, Dover, Edinburgh, Kings College Chapel in

Cambridge, Leeds Castle (ancestral home), Northampton (birthplace of Baptist missions), Oxford, Stonehenge, Stratford-upon-Avon (birthplace of William Shakespeare), York, and multiple sites in London, such as Buckingham Palace, Spurgeon's Metropolitan Tabernacle Church, Parliament, and Westminster Abbey. The tour will conclude with several days in Paris, France, before returning home to Quincy, Illinois.

Rev. Greuter wrote, "I developed an affinity for Charles H. Spurgeon's devotionals, prayer life, and preaching over the past two years. I discovered Charles Spurgeon's writing during an academic experience which required that I read about a famous Baptist of our past. He spoke directly to my heart. I read more of his writings and other famous British Baptists like William Carey, John Smyth, and Thomas Helwys. A member of the Congregation graciously purchased all of Spurgeon's sermons, devotional writings and prayer books for me. I read exhaustively about his life, ministry, and spiritual practices. This Clergy Renewal Program would allow me to walk in the footsteps of one of the greatest Baptist preachers in English history, and hopefully Spurgeon will spur me on to a deeper, devoted spiritual life."

Central Baptist Church will covenant with the **Reverend Doctor Woodrow Burt, President of Hannibal LaGrange University, Missouri** (a private Baptist school in Hannibal, Missouri) to provide pastoral leadership, Sunday sermons, mid-week Bible study, officiate funerals and weddings, staff supervision, and other pastoral duties during the sabbatical.

This year's group includes congregations in 40 states. In the mix are congregations of many

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sizes – some as small as 40 members, others as large as 3,000 present at Sunday worship services. The oldest is St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Baltimore. It was founded in 1692 as the parish church for Patapsco Parish, one of the original 30 parishes in colonial Maryland. Three churches – the Riverside Congregation of Alamo Heights United Methodist in Spring Branch, Texas, Downtown Presbyterian in Greenville, S.C., and United Disciples of Christ in Charleston, W.Va. – tie for the youngest. They were founded in 2004. The 2011 class brings to 1,598 the number of congregations that have received clergy renewal grants since 2000.

“We ask these congregations and ministers to consider the question, ‘What will make your heart sing?’, as they devise their plans,” said Craig Dykstra, senior vice president for religion at the Endowment. “They never fail to come up with wonderful and imaginative yet doable ways to fulfill their dreams. Their time away has freed them up to pursue personal and professional interests and needs in ways that have given them new energy for ministry – and the congregations have discovered that they too experience a refreshment of their own and a newfound sense of their own strengths.”

The Endowment's larger goal is to bolster the good work that America's pastors and congregations accomplish day in and day out and to reinforce and build upon important work being done on both sides of the pulpit. “In our religion grant making, we hope to strengthen the efforts of today's excellent pastors because it is no secret that pastors who have reconnected themselves to the passions that led them to the ministry in the first place are more likely to lead healthy and vibrant congregations today,” Dykstra said.

I would like to express my thanks for the prayers, the many cards, calls, food and visits at the time of the passing of my special friend Bill Selves, my sister Nadine Frazier and my granddaughter, Tammy Logsdon. I feel very blessed to be a part of God's family at Central.

Breta Cook

I wish to thank Pastor Ivan and my church family for the prayers, visits, phone calls and cards I received while in the hospital and after I came home. I am gaining strength each day and I appreciate all the thoughts and well wishes I receive each day.

Thanks again,
Esther Fletterer

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Because of your faithfulness, love and support; we are able to fulfill the call on our lives in Northeast India. If it were not for you, and your ongoing commitment to us, we would not be where we are today in Guwahti, India.

Please know that you are sharing in the work that we are doing. We are grateful to you! Thank you so very much!!!

With much love,
Taku and Katie Longkumer,
New Commissioned Missionaries in India

Dear Pastor Greuter,

We received this morning our monthly copy of The Herald from Central Baptist Church. It has been sent faithfully to us since we moved from Quincy in 1999. We follow the news of the church and longtime friends from Pairs & Spares Sunday School class. We have noted with thankful hearts the growth, spiritual, physical and financial that has come about since your advent as Pastor. Enclosed please find a contribution for the Roof Fund. We were active members of CBC for the 24 years we resided in Quincy and have deep

love and wonderful memories of the fellowship and friendships that association brought. May God continue to bless and prosper your efforts.

Sincerely,
Beverly and Gene McClellan

Dear Church Family,

Thanks so much for all the prayers, cards, phone calls and Messages of Encouragements during my recent surgery and now radiation. They really meant a lot to me. It is great being part of such a loving church family.

Rita Schmitt

A BIG Thank you and God Bless Central Baptist Richly for being so kind and helping Bill Selves' family in celebrating his life and providing good food and wonderful help when needed. A special Thank You to Breta Cook for making Bill's last years happy. We thank you. Also for Pastor Ivan and his return to handle services. We thank you!

Love to All in Christ,
Roger, Nata, Nicole & Bill Selves

Dear Church Members:

We would like to take this opportunity to advise you that the Hansen-Spear Funeral Home of Quincy is arranging to have a young tree planted in memory of Aulton Mason. This memorial tree will be planted on public lands during the earliest appropriate season.

The living memorial is a part of a large endeavor to restore the Illinois landscape with the eternal beauty of living trees, for the benefit of all the residents of the state. As a broad reaching legacy to all, it will grow without personal inscription and become an important, enduring part of its natural surroundings.

We would like to extend our condolences to the friends of Aulton Mason, along with the staff of the Hansen-Spear Funeral Home, who have provided this living memorial.

Sincerely yours,
Robert S. Pearson, President
Lofty Oaks Association

PATHFINDERS MEMBERSHIP CLASS –

Introduction to Central Baptist Church: a three-week class to introduce new and perspective

members to the Good News of Jesus Christ, Christian

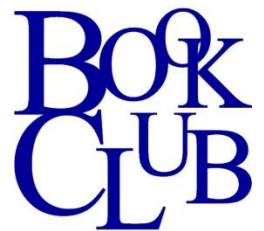
Living and the Church. This course is taught by the Pastor in partnership with the Diaconate. Topics include: Christian discipleship, Believer's Baptism, and History of Central Baptist Church. Come find God's path for your spiritual life.

Upcoming classes:

- Mondays (6:30 p.m.) – Dec. 5-19, 2011
- Mondays (6:30 p.m.) – January 9-23, 2012

CHRISTIAN BOOK CLUB – The Christian Book Club will not meet in December, January, and February. The book for March is "Nearing Home," by Billy Graham.

Graham teaches important lessons on how to view our time here on Earth. Books are available for purchases at the Mustard Seed Christian Book Store or on-line at www.Amazon.com. The date for March will be announced at a later time.



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DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1 – Wil Wells, 220 Westview St
Palmyra, MO 63461
- 4 – Paul Morales Jr, 2172 E 1150th St
Mendon, IL 62351
Lynn Sprick, 740 S Hilltop Dr 62305
- 5 – Vivian Pryor, 2132 Cherry Lane Estates W
Quincy, IL 62305
- 6 – Frank Beaston, 3317 W Tower Rd 62305
Ginny Mast, 1822 Maple 62301
- 7 – Dorothy Randall, 2041 Locust 62301
- 8 – Richard Brown, 3232 Gross Gables 62305
Brady Forrest, 622 Monroe St 62301
Daniel Grubs, 833 S 15th St 62301
- 9 – Daylin Anders, 1327 S 6th St 62301
Scott Arrowsmith, 309 S Douglas St
Loraine, IL 62349
- 10 – Nancy Huston, 1531 Sycamore St 62301
Joanne Sigler, 3240 Frese Dr 62305
- 12 – David Rife, 315 N State St
Mendon, IL 62351
Star'Keesha Tucker, 642 Harrison 62301
- 13 – William Wells, 4620 Jayden Ct 62305
- 14 – Nancy Sparks, 431 Evergreen Dr E 62305
- 15 – Keaton Thomas, 2025 Spruce 62301
- 18 – Abby Cannell, 3031 Payson Rd 62305
- 19 – Brenda Brown, 3232 Gross Gables 62305
Heather Coulter, 306 S Warsaw St
Ursa, IL 62376
Janet Hall, 5530 State St 62305
Amy Williams, 1634 S Marion Ave Apt A
303 Springfield, MO 65807
- 22 – Ronald Forgy, 1233 N 6th 62301
Trenna Lawson, 719 Payson Ave 62301
David Sprague, 195 Foster
Plainville, IL 62365
- 23 – Jason Allen, 525 Military Ridge Dr
Verona, WI 53593
Daniel Bearden, 2822 Oakbrook Ct 62305
Katherine Franz, 421 April Oaks Ct

- Ballwin, MO 63021
Joe Ingram, 500 Albers St
Golden, IL 62339
- 24 – Esther Fletterer, 301 N 8th St 230 62301
- 25 – Kathleen Boese, 2930 Bluff Ridge 62305
Chris Ely, 1233 N 6th St 62301
- 28 – Jordon Eldridge
636 Country Club Heights 103 62301
Hannah Livingood, 615 N 5th St 62301
- 29 – Zachary Ackerman, 1610 Heavens Peak
San Antonio, TX 78258
Maizy Lynch, 207 Cherry St 62301
Philip Putnam, 2720 Cedar View Rd
Fowler, IL 62338
- 31 – John C. Albright, 713 NE Tudor Rd
Lee Summit, MO 64086
Mark Parrick, 2501 Cedar St 62301
* INDICATES SHUT-IN MEMBERS
† Missionary



DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 10 – Lem & Carol Williams
4233 Bishop St 62305
- 12 – Dennis & Teresa Koch
1701 Fieldstone Dr 62305
- 16 – Keith & Marilyn Smith
1911 Wilmar Dr 62301
- 18 – Mike & Mary Giles
2615 Woodale Ct 62301
- 19 – Kevin & Karen Wellman
1451 S Lakeshore Dr
Fowler, IL 62338
- 20 – William & Wanda Weed
1117 N 8th St 62301
- 30 – John & Betty Harker
6119 N Hickory Grove 62305
- 31 – Robert & Carol Buddemeyer
1613 Wilmar Orchard 62301

DECEMBER 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27 8:30 AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP 9:45 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:00 AM RADIO MINISTRY WTAD AM 930 11:00 AM CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP 5:30 PM Youth Student Leadership Council	28 6:30 PM 90 Days Small Groups w/Rexanne	29 6:30 PM Foundation Bible Study, Fel. Hall 6:30 PM Praise Band Reh	30 9:00 AM Bible Study-Good Samaritan Home 10:00 AM 90 Days Small Groups w/Rev. Wayne Lock 5:00 PM CHUPPERS 6:00 PM BuGs Bible Club 6:00 PM Youth 6:15 PM Bible Study 7:30 PM Choir	1 11:00 AM "Joy" Circle Small Group – Christmas Party at Sprouts 6:30 PM Ministry of Children	2 11:00 AM HORIZON "Soup Kitchen",701 Hampshire	3 8:00 AM AB Men's Breakfast - Parlor 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Open House at 2432 Chestnut
4 COMMUNION 8:30 AM Traditional Comm. 9:45 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:00 AM RADIO MINISTRY WTAD AM 930 11:00 AM Contemporary Worship 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM Harker Anniversary, Lounge	5 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM Ministry of Youth, Youth Room 6:00 PM Ministry of Missions 6:30 PM 90 Days Small Groups 7:00 PM Pathfinders	6 11:00 AM Sunset Home Christmas Tea Party, Parlor 6:30 PM Foundation Bible Study, Fel. Hall 6:30 PM Praise Band Reh 7:00 PM Ministry of Diaconate	7 9:00 AM Bible Study-Good Samaritan Home 10:00 AM 90 Days Small Groups 5:00 PM CHUPPERS 6:00 PM BuGs Club 6:00 PM Youth 6:15 PM Bible Study 7:30 PM Choir	8 6:00 PM ABW Sarah Circle Christmas Party @ Patio 6:00 PM Pairs & Spairs Christmas Party @ Womens City Club	9 11:00 AM HORIZON "Soup Kitchen",701 Hampshire 6:00 PM CO-BUILDERS CHRISTMAS PARTY, LOUNGE 6:30 PM "Circle 31" Small Group	10 8:00 AM AB Men's Breakfast - Parlor 11:00 AM ALETHIA CLASS CHRISTMAS PARTY
11 8:30 AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP 9:45 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:00 AM RADIO MINISTRY WTAD AM 930 11:00 AM CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP	12 6:30 PM 90 Days Small Groups 7:00 PM Pathfinders in Chapel	13 6:30 PM Foundation Bible Study, Fel. Hall 6:30 PM Praise Band Reh 7:00 PM Ministry of Trustees 7:00 PM Council Meeting – Heritage Rm	14 9:00 AM Bible Study-Good Samaritan Home 10:00 AM 90 Days Small Groups 5:00 PM CHUPPERS 6:00 PM BuGs Club 6:00 PM Youth 6:15 PM Bible Study 7:30 PM QUARTERLY BUSINESS MEETING 7:30 PM Choir	15 10:00 AM Karen & Lynn's Training @ Summit	16 11:00 AM HORIZON "Soup Kitchen",701 Hampshire	17 8:00 AM AB Men's Breakfast - Parlor
18 8:30 AM Contemporary 9:45 AM Loyal Workers Party in the Lounge 9:45 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:00 AM RADIO MINISTRY WTAD AM 930 11:00 AM CANTATA 6:00 PM Children's Christmas Program	19 6:30 PM 90 Days Small Groups 7:00 PM Pathfinders in Chapel	20 6:30 PM Praise Band Reh	21 9:00 AM Bible Study-Good Samaritan Home 10:00 AM 90 Days Small Groups w 6:00 PM Youth Christmas Party No Adult Bible Study	22	23 11:00 AM HORIZON "Soup Kitchen",701 Hampshire	24 CHRISTMAS EVE COMMUNION SERVICES - 4:30 & 7:30 P.M.
25 10:00 AM RADIO MINISTRY WTAD AM 930 11:00 AM BLENDED WORSHIP SERVICE	26 OFFICE CLOSED PASTOR ON VACATION UNTIL JAN 2, 2012	27	28 No Wed. Activities	29	30 11:00 AM HORIZON "Soup Kitchen",701 Hampshire YOUTH LOCK IN	31 8:00 AM AB Men's Breakfast - Parlor

