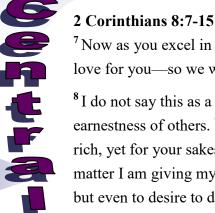


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<sup>7</sup> Now as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you—so we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking.

<sup>8</sup> I do not say this as a command, but I am testing the genuineness of your love against the earnestness of others. <sup>9</sup> For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so by his poverty you might become rich. <sup>10</sup> And in this matter I am giving my advice: it is appropriate for you who began last year not only to do something but even to desire to do something— <sup>11</sup> now finish doing it, so your eagerness may be matched by completing it according to your means. <sup>12</sup> For if the eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has—not according to what one does not have. <sup>13</sup> I do not mean there should be relief for others and pressure on you, but it is a question of a fair balance between <sup>14</sup> your present abundance and their need, so their abundance may be for your need, in order that there may be a fair balance. <sup>15</sup> As it is written,

"The one who had much did not have too much, and the one who had little did not have too little."

One word stands out to me in this passage and that is the word: Eagerness.

The definition is: Enthusiasm to do or to have something; keenness.

That being said, I wonder how many of us are actually EAGER to come to worship? Or, how many of us are EAGER to tell our family and friends about our faith, our church, or our church activities?

For some time now our Evangelism/Church Growth committee has asked that we INVITE unchurched family & friends or inactive family & friends to come to our church. Our committee even instituted Friends & Family Sundays throughout the year as a reminder to be actively "evangelizing" for the growth and health of our church. Paul said, "Now as you excel in everything – in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you – so we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking."

My question to you is this: As Paul and our Evangelism/Church Growth committee have asked, Are you "excelling" in everything? Are you eager to do so? Please be actively inviting others to join us.

Grace, Peace & Mercy to all,

Wes

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## THE SEEKERS SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

meets every Sunday morning at 9:40 a.m. to discuss the Bible.

We have spirited discussions along with great class participation on lessons from *The Present Word* study book

You are invited to join with us each Sunday.

We are located in the Education Building next to HeBrews.



The **TNT** Sunday School Class Is continuing its study of THE GOSPEL OF MARK.

We study various books of the Bible and recently completed the Books of 1 & 2 Samuel.

If you enjoy a wide range study of scripture, we would love to have you join us.
We meet every Sunday in the Community Room.



#### The Journey Sunday School Class will continue its study of

Paul's Letters to the Corinthians

Or.

Sunday, July 1st,

We hope you will join us.

Please read chapters 8 & 9 of 1 Corinthians and be prepared to discuss them.

The Journey class meets in the Library in the Community Center.

The First Epistle to the Corinthians, usually referred to simply as First
Corinthians and often written 1 Corinthians, is one of the
Pauline epistles of the New Testament of the Bible. The epistle says Paul the
Apostle and "Sosthenes our brother" wrote it to "the church of God which is
at Corinth," although the scholarly consensus holds Sosthenes was the
assistant who wrote down the text of the letter at Paul's direction. Called "a
masterpiece of pastoral theology", it addresses various issues that had arisen
in the Christian community at Corinth.



### THE FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

Meets every Sunday morning at 9:40 a.m. to study the Bible chapter by chapter.

Presently, we are studying the Book of Genesis.
You are invited to join us as we proceed thru the
Bible. We meet in the "Parlor" adjacent to
HeBrews, in the Education Building.

We have stimulating discussions that really help us understand the Bible on a deeper level.

Remember, we meet in the "Parlor" adjacent to HeBrews at 9:40 a.m.



# OUR ANNUAL 4<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY CELEBRATION WILL BE ON

WEDNESDAY, JULY 4<sup>TH</sup>,

AT 5:30 PM, in HeBrews

# THERE WILL BE FOOD AND FUN FOR EVERYONE!!!

# SUNDAY, JULY 8<sup>TH</sup> REV. DR. ANDY MANGUM,



**OUR REGIONAL MINISTER,** 

WILL BE VISITING US.

HE WILL TEACH

A JOINT SESSION

OF SUNDAY SCHOOL,

THEN PREACH

IN OUR 10:40 SERVICE.



# IT HAS BEEN A PRIVILEGE FOR CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH TO SERVE THE PEOPLE AT

RANDY SAM'S.

## HERE IS OUR SCHEDULE FOR

2018

July 22<sup>nd</sup> Deacons

August 26<sup>th</sup> T-N-T

September 23<sup>rd</sup> Youth

October 28<sup>th</sup> CWF

November 25<sup>th</sup> Journey

December 23<sup>rd</sup> CMF

LET US CONTINUE THIS MINISTRY IN THE SPIRIT OF CHRIST



THERE WILL BE A GENERAL BOARD **MEETING** MONDAY JULY 23<sup>RD</sup>. AT 6 P.M. IN THE

COMMUNITY ROOM.

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#### **NEWSLETTER AND 411 REMINDER**

Just a reminder that any articles you would like to submit for publication in the Newsletter or 411 must be submitted to the office no later than noon on Tuesdays.

After that time, we cannot guarantee your article will be published.

Day & Time may vary during holidays

#### **CHURCH BULLETIN**

Any information you will like in the Church Bulletin must be submitted to the office no later than 10am on Fridays.

Day & Time may vary during holidays



#### DO YOU PREFER RECEIVING TEXT MESSAGE OR PHONE CALL REMINDERS FOR MEETINGS?

Central Christian will be sending out text messages and phone calls to remind members of upcoming meetings and inform every one of prayer needs.

If you would like to receive text messages, please text ccctxk to 292929, as shown above, to have your number put on our list.

If you do not receive text messages but would like to be added to our call list, please email or call the church office at (903) 792-1915 and let Tonya know.

#### **Upcoming Events & Services**

June 27	5:30pm	Choir
July 1	10:40am	Independence Sunday
July 4	all day	office closed
July 4	5:30pm	4th of July celebration
July 8	9:40am	Sunday School with Rev. Dr. Andy Mangum
July 8	10:40am	Worship service with Rev. Dr. Andy Mangum
July 8	12pm	Luncheon
July 9	5:30pm	Events Committee
July 10	10:30am	CWF Day Group
July 11	5:30pm	Choir
July 12	6:30pm	CWF Night Group
July 18	5:30pm	Choir



#### THE NEW CCC WEB SITE

Our web site has been renovated!

Be sure to visit www.ccctxk.com

to see what's new!

Our site is easy to navigate and there is lots of information.



# LOOKING FOR OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE THE LORD?

#### **Matthew 25:40**

And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me.'

COME JOIN US

THE 4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH

AS WE "SERVE" THE HOMELESS

AT THE RANDY SAM'S SHELTER.

WE MEET IN DISCIPLE HALL AT 4 PM

TO PREPARE THE MEAL, THEN SERVE AT RANDY SAM'S AT 6 PM.

AGAIN, COME JOIN US IN SERVING THE LORD AND OUR COMMUNITY.



#### **UNABLE TO ATTEND SUNDAY SERVICE?**

If you are unable to attend Sunday service and desire to have communion brought to you, please call the church office at (903) 792-1915 with your request.

This communion is normally served on the 2nd and 4th Sundays but CAN be served most anytime, if prior arrangements are made.



## IMPORTANT NOTE ABOUT

#### **PRAYER LIST**

In recent discussions with the Southwest Region, it has come to our attention that "The Prayer List" may be cause for litigation if we place people on it that have not given their personal consent to be placed on it. It is a violation of HIPAA Law to release information about anyone without their personal consent. Therefore, we ask that you not call requesting that a "friend" be placed on the list unless you have their consent. THANK YOU.

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# Weekly Info

#### **Prayer Need**

Our Church

Wes Byas

**Betsy Spencer** 

Michelle Douglas, friend of Julia Carpenter

Jo Maxey, friend of Julia Carpenter

Vida Brine, Beth Brine's mom

Herb Hamilton

Wilma Milidge, Elaine Hamilton's cousin

Mike Oates

Julie Bray, friend of Elaine Hamilton

Matt Lowe, Robert and Alice Kern's son-in-law

John & Roberta Fooks, friends of Midge Cooney

Jeff Misenheimer, friend of Lee Nailling

Shirley Werst, Tamara Campbell's mom

#### **Ongoing Concerns**

Jack Donaldson, friend of Beth Brine Teresa Johnson Bobby Tallent Paul Wayson, Evelyn Tallent's brother Debbie Duren, Beth Brine's cousin Roger Spencer Frank Vidrik, Alice Kern's nephew Vickie Oliver

#### Homebound

Bob Benbow, The Retreat, room 203 Jeffrey Turner, Abundant Life Susan DeFoy, MRC Cornerstone, Rm. 505 A Central Christian Church Decals \$5.00

Church office or Hebrews

Serving this Sunday July 1, 2018

**Greeters:** Philip & Teri Stover **Worship Leader:** John Beeson

**Hospital Elder:** Lisa Kern **Flower Elder:** Julia Carpenter

Deacons: Claudine Brown, Martha Clinton,

Lynn Wilmoth, Bob Wilmoth

June 24, 2018

Attendance: 49

Offering: \$ 3,444.00 Weekly Needs: \$ 4,276.04 Difference: \$ -832.04

**YTD Collected:** \$ 98,305.23 **YTD Needed:** \$102,624.96 **Difference:** \$ -4,319.73

#### LECTIONARY FOR JULY 1, 2018

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27 Psalm 130 2 Corinthians 8:7-15 Mark 5:21-43

Sermon This Sunday:

"More Than a Feeling"

Scripture:

Mark 5:21-43