

The Central Christian 411



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Hebrews 11:29-40

By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as on dry land; but when the Egyptians tried to do so, they were drowned.

³⁰ By faith the walls of Jericho fell, after the army had marched around them for seven days.

³¹ By faith the prostitute Rahab, because she welcomed the spies, was not killed with those who were disobedient.

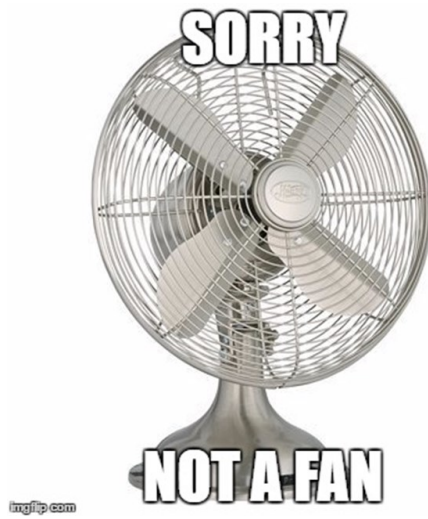
³² And what more shall I say? I do not have time to tell about Gideon, Barak, Samson and Jephthah, about David and Samuel and the prophets, ³³ who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, and gained what was promised; who shut the mouths of lions, ³⁴ quenched the fury of the flames, and escaped the edge of the sword; whose weakness was turned to strength; and who became powerful in battle and routed foreign armies. ³⁵ Women received back their dead, raised to life again. There were others who were tortured, refusing to be released so they might gain an even better resurrection. ³⁶ Some faced jeers and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. ³⁷ They were put to death by stoning; they were sawed in two; they were killed by the sword. They went about in sheepskins and goatskins, destitute, persecuted and mistreated—
³⁸ the world was not worthy of them. They wandered in deserts and mountains, living in caves and in holes in the ground.

³⁹ These were all commended for their faith, yet none of them received what had been promised, ⁴⁰ since God had planned something better for us so only together with us would they be made perfect.

The author of Hebrews places great emphasis on Faith, just as Jesus did. Remember when Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, if you have faith as small as a **mustard seed**, you can say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move. Nothing will be impossible for you."

I believe it is clear the author of Hebrews feels the same way. Faith is the key to living in the light of our Lord. There have been movements and programs based on Mustard Seed Faith. Have you got Mustard Seed Faith? Are you one who will be commended for your faith? Remember, God has planned something better for us so only together will we be made perfect.

May the God of Love and Perfection be with you always, Wes



PLEASE BE SURE YOU **NEVER** SET ANY
THERMOSTAT ON “**FAN**” MODE. IT
WILL **NEVER** CUT OFF, AND
THEREFORE **RUN 24/7**, WHICH RUNS
OUR ELECTRIC BILL **SKY HIGH**. WE
FOUND A THERMOSTAT ON **FAN** THAT
HAS BEEN RUNNING FOR NEARLY A
YEAR.

PLEASE **NEVER** USE “**FAN**” MODE,
JUST AUTO.



THE
CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP
(CMF)

WILL BE MEETING

Friday, **AUG. 15TH**

at **7:30 A.M.** at

Old Tyme Burger Shoppe

Located at 1205 Arkansas Blvd.

Come join us!



SUNDAY, AUGUST 17TH

WE HAVE OUR

MONTHLY

POTLUCK LUNCHEON

IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING

OUR

WORSHIP SERVICE

A-H MEAT

I-Z VEGETABLE OR SALAD

BE SURE TO ATTEND THIS VERY

SPECIAL MEAL TO CELEBRATE

GOD'S BLESSINGS!



August 21st is

Senior Citizens Day

Senior Citizen's Day

is celebrated on 21 August each year.

The celebration took place for the first time in 1991. The day is intended to increase awareness of the factors and issues that affect older adults, such as health deterioration and elder abuse. It is also a day to recognize and acknowledge the contributions of older people to society.

Senior Citizen's Day is an opportunity to celebrate and appreciate senior citizens for their services, accomplishments, and dedication they have given in their lives.



SUNDAY, AUGUST 24, 2025

**WE WILL BE SERVING OUR LOCAL
RANDY SAM'S SHELTER**

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO
HELP SERVE THE HOMELESS
PLEASE COME JOIN
IN.**

**WE MEET IN DISCIPLE HALL AT 4 PM
TO PREPARE THE MEAL, THEN SERVE AT
RANDY SAM'S AT 6 PM.**

John 13:34-35

I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. ³⁵ By this everyone will know you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

Cabinet Meeting

MONDAY, AUGUST 25TH

WE WILL HAVE OUR

CABINET MEETING

AT 6 P.M.

IF YOU ARE ANY OF THE
FOLLOWING, YOU ARE ON THE
CABINET:

Moderator, Vice Moderator, Board Secretary,
Treasurer, and Assistant Treasurer. The Chair
of each Committee, President of CMF & CWF.



SUNDAY, AUGUST 31ST, IS OUR
5TH SUNDAY

BREAKFAST!

ALL THOSE WHO WISH TO PARTICIPATE
(AND WE HOPE ALL OF YOU DO)

PLEASE BRING A
CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST FOOD ITEM

COME JOIN US AT 9:30 A.M. IN

BREAKING BREAD

AS WE CELEBRATE

OUR LORD



MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 1st, IS LABOR DAY

To work is to pray is the motto the Order of St. Benedict adopted.

St. Benedict, the founder of the order, recognized the sacred value of hard work, the notion that through the sweat of our brows and the strength of our arms and backs, we can worship the Creator.

Each of us works, whether with our hands or with our minds. Whether we are builders and teachers, executives or students, all of us spend a good portion of our lives at work. How we do that work and how we treat those who labor to make our world what it is says a lot about how we see the world spiritually.

Let us come together to pray for our
workforce on this special day!



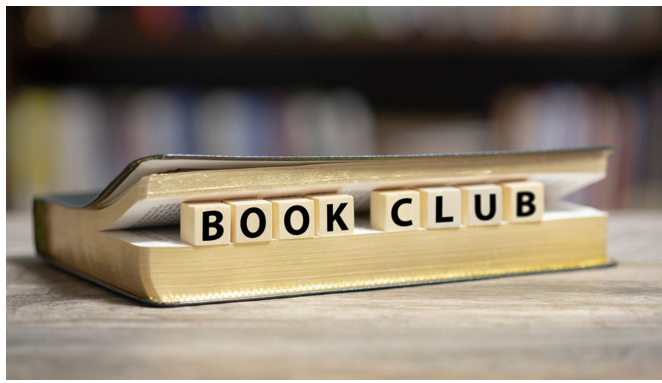
OUR CHURCH OFFICE
WILL BE CLOSED

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 1ST

FOR THE
LABOR DAY HOLIDAY
AND

WILL REOPEN ON
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2ND

HAVE A VERY RELAXING
LABOR DAY
HOLIDAY!!!



ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2025
THE CCC BOOK CLUB WILL MEET AT 1 P.M.
IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM.
TO DISCUSS

THE COVENANT OF WATER

BY

ABRAHAM VERGHESE

Spanning the years 1900 to 1977, *The Covenant of Water* is set in Kerala, on South India's Malabar Coast, and follows three generations of a family that suffers a peculiar affliction: in every generation, at least one person dies by drowning—and in Kerala, water is everywhere. At the turn of the century, a twelve-year-old girl from Kerala's long-existing Christian community, grieving the death of her father, is sent by boat to her wedding, where she will meet her forty-year-old husband for the first time. From this unforgettable new beginning, the young girl—and future matriarch, known as Big Ammachi—will witness unthinkable changes over the span of her extraordinary life, full of joy and triumph as well as hardship and loss, her faith and love the only constants.

A shimmering evocation of a bygone India and of the passage of time itself, *The Covenant of Water* is a hymn to progress in medicine and to human understanding, and a humbling testament to the difficulties undergone by past generations for the sake of those alive today. It is one of the most masterful literary novels published in recent years.



HOPE REMAINS WILL MEET TUESDAY,

SEPTEMBER 9TH

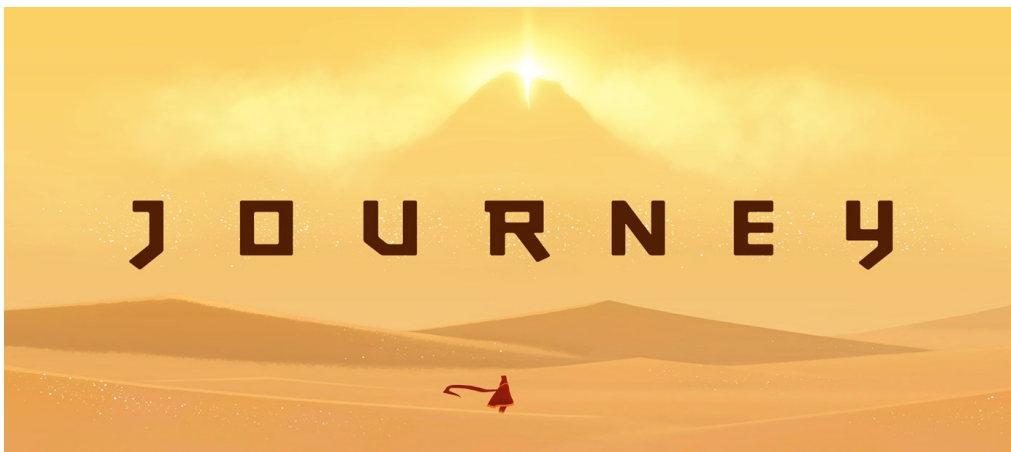
IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM

It has been said, “We never truly get over a loss, but we can move forward and evolve from it.” While this is true, it is a process many of us never fully move through, especially if we experience the loss of a child. So often, we get “stuck” in a stage of grief and remain there. This is the reason groups that deal with grief are so important; they help us move through the stages so we can move forward and evolve. Sadly, such groups are often not advertised, promoted, or supported by local organizations.

Here at Central Christian Church, we are very blessed to have such a group and we want to promote this organizations work. The ***Hope Remains*** Chapter of Texarkana meets in the Community Room on the ***2nd Tuesday of each month from 6 to 8 p.m.*** The focus is for parents and grandparents grieving the loss of a child or grandchild.

The mission of Hope Remains is to offer a safe place where any and all emotions may be freely expressed. There may be tears shed at the meetings. There may be laughter and smiles shared as precious memories of a child, grandchild, or sibling is recalled. And there will always be acceptance, friendship and hope offered at the meetings.

If you have suffered the loss of a child or grandchild and wish to join this greatly needed organization, please contact Cindy Sanford at (903) 280-4130.



***The Journey Sunday School Class
will be studying***

1 Corinthians

We hope you will join us
for this important study.

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

The First Epistle to the Corinthians is one of the Pauline epistles, part of the New Testament of the Christian Bible. The epistle is attributed to Paul the Apostle and a co-author, Sosthenes, and is addressed to the Christian church in Corinth. Scholars believe that Sosthenes was the amanuensis who wrote down the text of the letter at Paul's direction. It addresses various issues which had arisen in the Christian community at Corinth and is composed in a form of Koine Greek. Despite the name, it is not believed to be the first such letter written to the Corinthian church.



The **TNT** Sunday School Class
is continuing its study of

**THE BOOK OF
MALACHI**

We study various books of the Bible
and recently completed

LETTER TO THE ROMANS

If you enjoy a wide range study of scripture, we would
love to have you join us
in class or **on FACEBOOK**.

We meet every Sunday in the Community Room.



WE WILL NO LONGER
LEAVE THE ALLEY DOOR
TO THE SANCTUARY BUILDING
UNLOCKED
DUE TO UNWANTED GUESTS WHO
MAKE THEIR HOME UPSTAIRS.
IF YOU ARE A KEY HOLDER,
PLEASE
DO NOT UNLOCK
THE ALLEY DOOR.



NOW AVAILABLE!!!

OUR BEAUTIFUL

CCC BALL CAP

AND

T-SHIRT

CAN BE YOURS FOR

ONLY \$20 EACH!!!

To purchase your

CCC Ball Cap

and

T-Shirt

Call or come by the

Admin. Office today!!!



In our Sanctuary/Education building we have three areas where we try to maintain an energy efficient temperature that can be adjusted as needed. These areas are the sanctuary, the parlor, and HeBrews. Each area has its own controls.

It has now become necessary, in an attempt to control the cost of heating and cooling in our Sanctuary/Education building, to turn off ALL units except in the sanctuary. Therefore, the parlor and HeBrews will no longer have AC/Heating units on. If you wish to use the parlor or HeBrews, please let the Property Committee Chair, Jim Spears, know. It will also be necessary to reserve the parlor or HeBrews by booking it through our Admin. Assistant, Tonya Shumake.

With everyone's help we can save on the cost of gas AND electricity.

Thank You!

Your Property Committee



BE SURE TO JOIN US FOR WORSHIP EVERY MONDAY

VIA

OUR CHURCH FACEBOOK PAGE.

OUR WORSHIP SERVICE WILL BE POSTED **BY 4:00 P.M.**

AND

YOU WILL BE ABLE TO VIEW IT

EACH AND EVERY MONDAY ON FACEBOOK.

REMEMBER:

WATCH WORSHIP ON MONDAYS **AT 4:00 P.M.**

ON

OUR CHURCH FACEBOOK PAGE

[HTTPS://WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/CCCTXK/](https://www.facebook.com/ccctxk/)



JUST A REMINDER

HONORARIUM

&

MEMORIAL

GIFTS ARE WELCOME

ANYTIME.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO GIVE AN

HONORARIUM OR MEMORIAL

PLEASE MAKE YOUR CHECK TO CCC

WITH A NOTE STATING WHO YOUR

HONORARIUM OR MEMORIAL

IS IN HONOR OR MEMORY OF.



FLOWERS!!!!

Be sure to purchase flowers for
the sanctuary to honor
Friends or Family or
in memory of a loved one.

The cost is only
\$40.

Office Hours

JUST A REMINDER TO

OUR CONGREGATION

CHURCH

OFFICE HOURS

ARE

8 A.M. TO 4 P.M.

MONDAY

THROUGH

FRIDAY

(Lunch 11 am – 12 pm)



If you are looking for a safe way to give to the church, download the “Givelify” app onto your phone.

You can find it at the [App Store](#) or at the [Google Play Store](#) under:

“Givelify [Mobile Giving App](#).”

Our church is listed, and this is a safe and fast way to give. Please [be sure you find](#)

Central Christian Church [Texarkana](#).

ATTENTION ALL ELDERS AND BOARD MEMBERS!!

In an effort to increase attendance at our Elder meetings and Board meetings, we would like you to sign up for text messaging so you can receive reminders of meetings.

THIS IS NOT A GROUP TEXT!

No one will receive your phone number through this messaging service! If anyone responds to a text it goes straight to the messaging computer system, not you. This is a completely safe way to receive reminders without risking your privacy.

Please follow the instructions below to sign up for the messaging service.

We need **ALL** of you to do this, please.



Central Christian will be sending out text messages to remind members of upcoming meetings. To receive text messages, please text ccctxk to 292929, as shown above, to have your number put on our list.

411 REMINDER

Just a reminder that any articles you would like to submit for publication in the 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

August 15	7:30am	CMF @ Old Tyme Burger
August 17	11:45am	Potluck Luncheon
August 19	5pm	Steering Committee
August 21	all day	Senior Citizen's Day
August 24	4pm	Randy Sams Prep
August 24	6pm	Randy Sams drop off
August 25	6pm	Cabinet Meeting
August 31	9:30am	5th Sunday Breakfast
September 1	all day	Labor Day/office closed
September 8	1pm	Book Club
September 9	6pm	Hope Remains Grief Support Group
September 19	7:30am	CMF @ Old Tyme Burger
September 21	11:45am	Potluck Luncheon
September 22	6pm	General Board Meeting



Be sure to keep up-to-date
with Church Activities

By visiting

www.ccctxk.com

to see what's new!

Our site is easy to navigate and
there is a lot of information.

Prayer Requests



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.

August 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Potluck Luncheon: Last name beginning with: A-H: Meat I-Z: Vegetable/salad					1	2 1:30-3:30pm Bingo
9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service	4	5	6	7	8	9 7am-5pm 4 States Fusion Rummage Sale
10	11 1pm Book Club	12 6pm Hope Remains Grief Support Group	13	14	15 7:30am CMF @Old Tyme Burger	16
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17	25 6pm Cabinet Meeting	26	27	28	29	30
9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service 4pm Randy Sams Prep 6pm Randy Sams drop off						
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9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am 5th Sunday Breakfast 10:40am Worship Service						

August Birthdays

Claudine Brown	8-2
Joan Carter	8-7
Randy King	8-8
James Thompson	8-14
Tom Crow	8-15
Bobbie Atkinson	8-18
Herb Hamilton	8-26
Jamie Bennett	8-31

August Anniversaries

Rusty & Sharon Minx	8-3
Tom & Teresa Crow	8-7
Glen & Tami Hudspeth	8-9
Harold & Pat Taylor	8-12



Servers for the Weeks Ahead

August 3, 2025

Greeters: Jack & Joan Carter
 Worship Leader: Glenda Burkhart
 Hospital Elder: George Carpenter, Jr.
 Flower Elder: Julia Carpenter
 Deacons: Sondra Bedwell & Bob Wilmoth

August 10, 2025

Greeters: Mike Lamb & Lois Moore
 Worship Leader: Bob Wilmoth
 Hospital Elder: Tom Crow
 Flower Elder: Teresa Crow
 Deacons: Robert Kern & Alice Kern

August 17, 2025

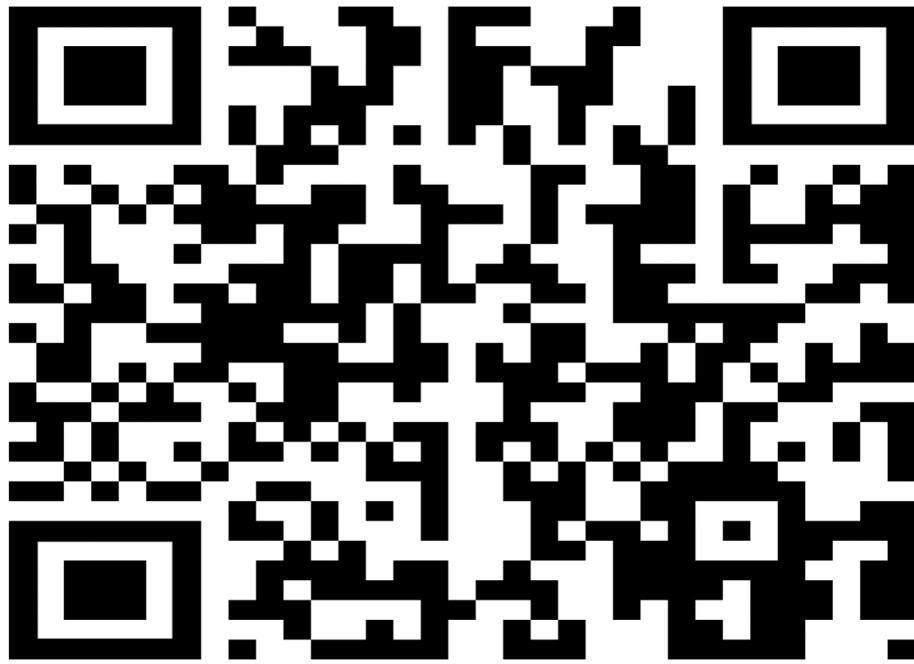
Greeters: Troy & Patia Kern
 Worship Leader: Sondra Bedwell
 Hospital Elder: George Carpenter, Jr.
 Flower Elder: Julia Carpenter
 Deacons: Glen & Tami Hudspeth

August 24, 2025

Greeters: Cowboy & Neldajo Mathison
 Worship Leader: Jerry Thomas
 Hospital Elder: Jack Carter
 Flower Elder: Joan Carter
 Deacons: Mike Lamb & Lois Moore

August 31, 2025

Greeters: Tom & Teresa Crow
 Worship Leader: Mike Lamb
 Hospital Elder: Jim Spears
 Flower Elder: Connie Spears
 Deacons: Bob Wilmoth & Lynn Wilmoth



SCAN THIS
QR CODE
TO SEE
OUR
CHURCH VIDEO!

SHOW
FRIENDS AND FAMILY.

Weekly Info

Prayer Need

Our Church
Wes Byas
Jack Carter
Bruce Beeson, John Beeson's son
Sharon Minx
Lynn Wilmoth
Janice Dorn, Sheri Thomas' sister
Donna Lee, Robert Kern's sister

Ongoing Concerns

Laura Byas
Richanna Minx Whitehead, Rusty & Sharon Minx's daughter
Kathy Sylar, friend of Connie Spears
Rhonda Hunter, friend of George & Julia Carpenter
Randy Thomas, Jerry Thomas' brother
Lonnie Hale, friend of Jerry Thomas
Marie Barfoot, friend of Julia Carpenter
Emily Smith, Wes' niece
Jeanne Phillips, Sheri Thomas' sister
Carolyn Hudspeth
Anthony Johnson
Ed Shilling, Judy Shilling's husband
Bill Griffin, Glenda Burkhardt's son-in-law

Homebound

Joe Frost, Sr., home
Margie Beeson, Golden Villa in Atlanta Room 305
Betty Caudle, home
Elizabeth Cooney, home
Jane Watson
Herb Hamilton, Little River Nursing & Rehab Rm. 117
James Thompson, home
Susie Howdeshell, home
Bobbie Roberts, Pat Taylor's mom, The Villa room 207
Jeffrey Turner, Abundant Life



Serving this Sunday
August 17, 2025

Greeters: Troy & Patia Kern
Worship Leader: Sondra Bedwell
Hospital Elder: George Carpenter, Jr.
Flower Elder: Julia Carpenter
Deacons: Glen & Tami Hudspeth

August 10, 2025

Attendance: 26
Offering: \$4,856.75

This Sunday:

"Running the Race"

Scripture:

Hebrews 11:29-12:2

LECTIONARY FOR AUGUST 17, 2025

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Isaiah 5:1-7
Psalm 80:1-2, 8-19
Hebrews 11:29-12:2
Luke 12:49-56