

The Central Christian 411



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Acts 10:34-43

Then Peter began to speak to them: “I truly understand that God shows no partiality,³⁵ but in every people anyone who fears him and practices righteousness is acceptable to him.³⁶ You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all.³⁷ That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism John announced:³⁸ how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him.³⁹ We are witnesses to all he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree,⁴⁰ but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear,⁴¹ not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead.

Many times, in scripture we read about “who were chosen,” “The chosen,” or “A chosen people.” Truth is, what the Gospel of Jesus Christ tells us is, “We are ALL chosen.” Rather than speak of being chosen as something special to a particular group of people, we should be speaking of how God has CHOSEN all whom He created as chosen. Chosen to live in the world He created. Chosen to breathe the air He created. Chosen to procreate and chosen to spread the word of His grace and mercy.

I was speaking with a friend and mentor last Saturday and he said, “I hear people talking about how Evangelism has changed and is different in today’s culture, but I don’t believe that for a minute. It’s the same as always. Tell the story of Christ. Just tell the story.”

As he always has, he made me think: Do Christians tell the story in today’s world?

So, my question for you is: Do you tell the story? After all, that’s where Evangelism begins.

May the God who CHOSE you be in your heart and mind always,

Wes

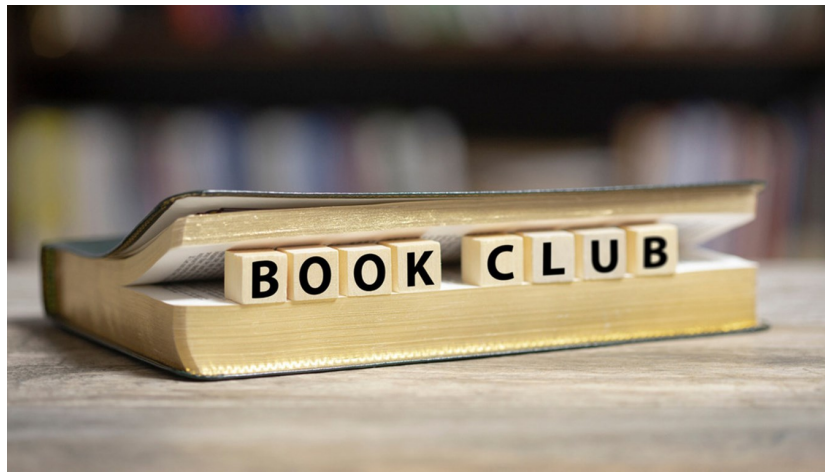


January is National Human Trafficking Prevention Month. Every year since 2010, the President has dedicated the month to raise awareness about human trafficking and to educate the public about how to identify and prevent this crime. The U.S. Department of State raises awareness of human trafficking domestically and abroad, through U.S. embassies and consulates.

During this month, we celebrate the efforts of foreign governments, international organizations, anti-trafficking entities, law enforcement officials, survivor advocates, communities of faith, businesses, and private citizens all around the world to raise awareness about human trafficking.

The History Behind the Month

More than 20 years ago, the [Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 \(TVPA\)](#) enshrined the United States' commitment to combating human trafficking domestically and internationally. In 2010, by presidential proclamation, President Obama declared January **"National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month"** and every year since, each president has followed this tradition.



ON MONDAY, JANUARY 12th
THE CCC BOOK CLUB WILL MEET AT 1 P.M.
IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM.

TO DISCUSS

THE COUNT OF MONTE CRISTO

BY

ALEXANDRE DUMAS

Thrown in prison for a crime he has not committed, Edmond Dantes is confined to the grim fortress of If. There he learns of a great hoard of treasure hidden on the Isle of Monte Cristo, and he becomes determined not only to escape, but also to unearth the treasure and use it to plot the destruction of the three men responsible for his incarceration.

Men's Fellowship

THE

***CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP
(CMF)***

WILL BE MEETING

Friday, JAN. 16th

at 7:30 A.M. at

Old Tyme Burger Shoppe

Located at 1205 Arkansas Blvd.

Come join us!



SUNDAY, JANUARY 18TH

WE HAVE OUR

MONTHLY

POTLUCK LUNCHEON

IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING

OUR

WORSHIP SERVICE

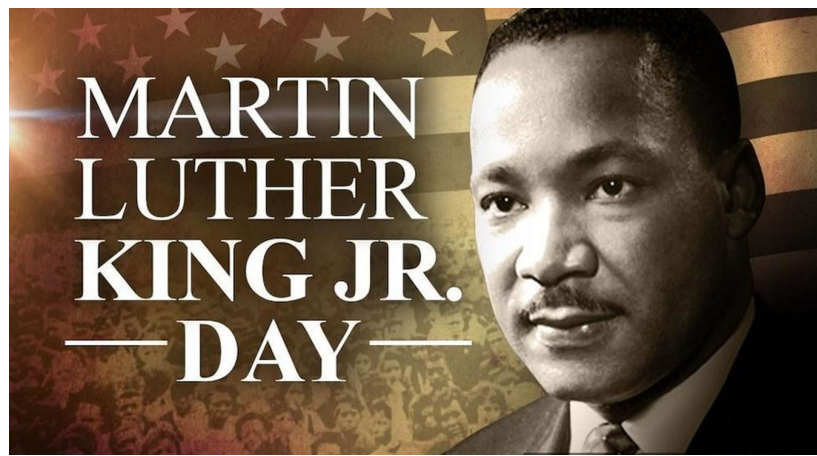
A-H VEGETABLE OR SALAD

I-Z MEAT

BE SURE TO ATTEND THIS VERY

SPECIAL MEAL TO CELEBRATE

GOD'S BLESSINGS!



MONDAY

JANUARY 19TH

IS

M.L.K. Jr. DAY.

**His dream was for a nation,
a world, unified regardless of
race. This is what our Lord
taught, as well.**

**Let us celebrate the DREAM
and**

MAKE IT HAPPEN!

COMMUNITY **OUTREACH**

Giving back to the community

SUNDAY, JANUARY 25, 2026

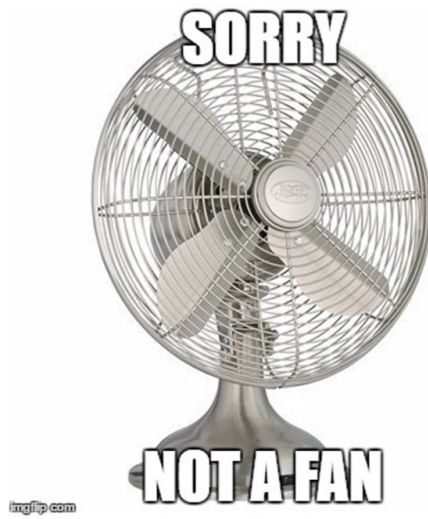
**WE WILL BE SERVING OUR LOCAL
RANDY SAM'S SHELTER**

**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.”



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 Journey Sunday School Class
will be studying***

2 Corinthians

We hope you will join us
for this important study.

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

The Second Epistle to the Corinthians is a Pauline epistle of the New Testament of the Christian Bible. The epistle is attributed to Paul the Apostle and a co-author named Timothy, and is addressed to the church in Corinth and Christians in the surrounding province of Achaia, in modern-day Greece. According to Jerome, Titus was the amanuensis of this epistle.



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

LETTER TO THE HEBREWS

We study various books of the Bible
and recently completed

THE BOOK OF MALACHI

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

January 12	1pm	Book Club
January 13	6pm	Hope Remains Grief Support Group
January 16	7:30am	CMF @ Old Tyme Burger
January 18	11:45am	Potluck
January 19	all day	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
January 19	all day	office closed
January 25	4pm	Randy Sams Prep
January 25	6pm	Randy Sams drop off
January 26	6pm	General Board Meeting
February 1	all month	Black History Month
February 9	1pm	Book Club
February 10	6pm	Hope Remains Grief Support Group
February 14	all day	Valentines Day



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.

January 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Potluck Luncheon: Last name beginning with: A-H: Vegetable/salad I-Z: Meat				1 New Year's Day Office closed	2	3 10am Undecorating sanctuary
4 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service	5	6	7	8	9	10
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25 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service 4pm Randy Sams Prep 6pm Randy Sams drop off	26 6pm General Board Meeting	27	28	29	30	31

January Birthdays

Jim Spears	1-1
Mary Cobb	1-4
Seth Byas	1-4
Laura Byas	1-10
Glenda Burkhart	1-15
Rusty Minx	1-15
Glen Hudspeth	1-16
Jerry Thomas	1-18
Ella Launius	1-18
Sydney Fowler	1-27
Janet Bennett	1-28
Hayden Stover	1-31

January Anniversaries

Mike & Glenda Worley 1-2



Servers for the Weeks Ahead

January 4, 2026

Greeters: Bob & Lynn Wilmoth
 Worship Leader: Jerry Thomas
 Hospital Elder: Glen Hudspeth
 Flower Elder: Tami Hudspeth
 Deacons: Mae Kidd & Sondra Bedwell

January 11, 2026

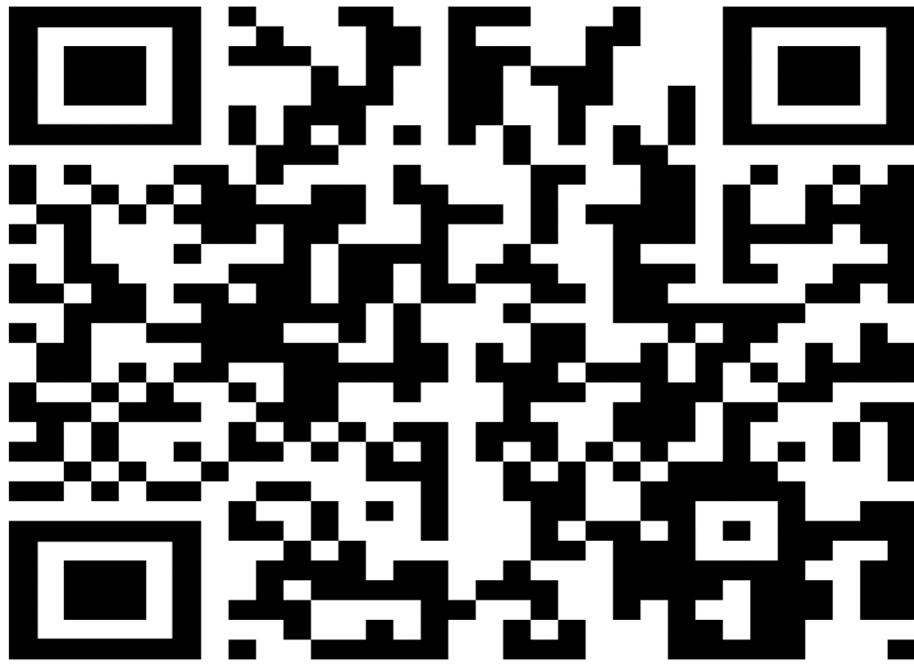
Greeters: Cowboy & Neldajo Mathison
 Worship Leader: Glenda Burkhart
 Hospital Elder: Jim Spears
 Flower Elder: Connie Spears
 Deacons: Ethan Cole & Jamie Bennett

January 18, 2026

Greeters: Jerry & Sheri Thomas
 Worship Leader: Michael Martin
 Hospital Elder: Tom Crow
 Flower Elder: Teresa Crow
 Deacons: Sheri Thomas & Jerry Thomas

January 25, 2026

Greeters: Joan & Jack Carter
 Worship Leader: Sondra Bedwell
 Hospital Elder: Robert Kern
 Flower Elder: Alice Kern
 Deacons: Bob Wilmoth & Judy Shilling



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TO SEE
OUR
CHURCH VIDEO!

SHOW
FRIENDS AND FAMILY.

Weekly Info

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Prayer Need

Our Church

Wes Byas

Jim Coleman, Alice Coleman's brother

Steve Brine, Beth's brother

Preston Nogar, Jerry & Sheri's grandson

Lois Moore

Julia Carpenter

Ongoing Concerns

Laura Byas

Mike Lamb

Jeffrey Turner, Abundant Life

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

Richanna Minx Whitehead, Rusty & Sharon Minx's daughter

Janice Dorn, Sheri Thomas' sister

Bruce Beeson, John Beeson's son

Kathy Sylar, friend of Connie Spears

Donna Lee, Robert Kern's sister

Randy Thomas, Jerry Thomas' brother

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

Betty Caudle, home

Midge Cooney, home

Herb Hamilton, Little River Nursing & Rehab Rm. 117

James Thompson, home

Susie Howdeshell, home

Bobbie Roberts, Pat Taylor's mom, The Villa room 207



Serving this Sunday
January 11, 2026

Greeters: Cowboy & Neldajo Mathison

Worship Leader: Glenda Burkhardt

Hospital Elder: Jim Spears

Flower Elder: Connie Spears

Deacons: Ethan Cole & Jamie Bennett

January 4, 2026

Attendance: 28

Offering: \$4,279.15

This Sunday:

"Chameleon"

Scripture:

Galatians 2:11-19

LECTIONARY FOR JANUARY 11, 2026

Baptism of the Lord

Isaiah 42:1-9

Psalm 29

Acts 10:34-43

Matthew 3:13-17