

CENTRAL CHURCH

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Monday, October 14, 2013

A Free Will Baptist Church

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➤ CURRENT MESSAGES

It's good to be back on track! Here are the latest messages from Central Church:

[*Being a Matthew ~ Nothing Special*](#)

[*Why Should We Pray?*](#)

[*How Should We Pray?*](#)

[*Being a Matthew ~ Only Look*](#)

➤ UPCOMING EVENTS @ CENTRAL CHURCH

The Advisory Board will meet on Tuesday, October 15th at 6:30 PM.

The Encouragers Class will have a fellowship meal on October 18th at 6:00 PM.

➤ MISSIONARY NEWS

MISSION FAMILY: Pray for expectant moms [Alicia Crowe](#) (November, Japan) and Rachel (November, THP Spain). Both Alicia and Rachel have had difficult pregnancies and deliveries in the past. Pray moms and babies remain healthy. Ask God to provide safe deliveries.

PANAMA: Praise God for the baptism of Marilyn at the mission work in Le Paz de Chame on Sunday, October 6. Ask God to continue to build His church in this community.

BRAZIL: The Jaraguá Mission Church in Uberlândia, Brazil, will officially organize October 25-26. Pray this congregation will grow and mature. Ask God to bless the work of Lay Pastor Sérgio Lira.

FRANCE: JCrois, an annual youth event held at our church in Nantes, will take place October 25-27. Designed to encourage and strengthen Christian young people in their faith, the three-day event draws both unbelievers and Christians, challenging them to accept the truth of the gospel, incorporate it into their lives, defend their faith, and share it with others. Ask God to confirm the faith of young people who are struggling and to bring other young adults to Himself. Pray for those planning, preparing, and finalizing details for this strategic event.

PANAMA: Praise God for a productive training session last Friday and Saturday (October 4-5) at the seminary for those interested in working or helping with the seminary in the future. Pray professors, administrative staff, and others needed to operate and fund the seminary will come from this group and others who were unable to attend.

MISSIONARY KIDS: Pray for our missionary kids (MKs) as they continue their adjustments to school. Whether overseas or in the States, ask God to provide capable, caring teachers; furnish good, safe friendships; ease students' adjustment to new cultures or schooling situations; and use these transitions to teach life lessons about true dependence on Him. Several MKs have been sick over the last week or so. Pray for good health and ask God to help them as they try to keep up with classwork.

➤ **BIBLE CHALLENGES**

Bible Reading Challenge: Ephesians 3:1-21

Bible Memorization Challenge: Ephesians 4:1-3 (ESV)...¹ *I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called,* ² *with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love,* ³ *eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.*

➤ **PASTOR'S NOTE**

It was good to be able to preach yesterday, after missing two weeks. For those who were there, I know I was a little more 'animated' than normal. I guess bottling up the desire to preach makes for a more explosive delivery...

I hope and pray that you'll listen to the Holy Spirit and consider being a Matthew home in the next few weeks. If you feel like you can't do it alone, then consider partnering with someone else. At the very least, pray for the Matthew homes that will be hosting parties, parties where Jesus can be introduced to people in need of Him.

Thank you to all who were involved in the football team dinners. We have a wonderful opportunity to impact the lives of these young men, and those of you involved in this effort make it possible.

I hope to see **you** in church soon!

Pastor Alan Kinder