



JANUARY 16, 2022

Today @ Central Church

9:30—10:00 am **Worship Team Walkthrough**

10:00-10:45 am **Life Group Classes**

10:45-11:00 am **Central Connections**

11:00 am—12:00 pm **Family Worship**

Prelude

Welcoming

Announcements and opening prayer

Offering of Praise and Worship

Nothing But The Blood

I Stand Amazed (How Marvelous)

As The Deer

O Praise The Name (Anástasis)

Worship in Celebration

Unorthodox Times Jeremiah 29:4-10

Rev. Wellington Gorham, Jr.

Worship in Commitment

My Jesus I Love Thee

Closing Prayer

Prayer Requests

Spiritual Needs

Unspoken

Pray for our country!

Andrew Family

Family of Tyler Briscoe

Unsaved family/friends ~ who is your one?

Material Needs

Facility needs

Our Armed Forces

Landon Koonce

Brock Koonce

Nancy's granddaughter, Alex

Tyler Machal

Health Needs

Wellington's cousin, Skip Henderson

Marissa & Josh Hills

Bruce Noah

Tom Machal

McGill Family

Shirley & Edwin Bowden

Wynona Dodd

Kathy Yokley

Joyce Terry

Prayer Family of the Week

Adrian Smith

For Prayer Chain requests please contact Pastor Alan at (816) 868-2080
or Nancy Branham at (816) 588-5418

Coming Events

Deacon Ministry Team Meeting

January 16th 12:15-1:15 pm

Review of family group assignments, church health discussion.

Advisory Board Meeting

January 17th 6:30-8:00 pm

Review of ministry reports, future planning, and church health discussion.

Mid-week Bible Study

January 19th 11:00-11:30 am

Currently in the Book of Genesis, live streamed on Facebook and YouTube.

Annual Business Meeting

January 19th 7:00-8:00 pm

Our annual business meeting will be held on Zoom. E-mail invitations with the link for the meeting will be sent to our newsletter list, so if you currently don't get our email newsletter make sure to let Pastor Alan know. This is also a reminder to ***all*** ministry leaders that a written ministry report is needed at least a week before the meeting.

Advisory Board

Brett Daire ~ Chairman

Gary Breshears ~ Treasurer

Amy Smith ~ Secretary

Laura Griffie

Wellington Gorham, Jr.

Deacon Ministry Team

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Facility Board

Tim Smith

Max Breshears

Mathew Williams

Nancy Branham

Larry Starnes

Unorthodox Times

Jeremiah 29:4-10

One thing that most people in America are fixated on is **time**. We want things fast; from our food to our internet, we want things now.

What does that do to us when we apply our “hurry up” mentality to our faith? Does God work according to our schedule?

In Jeremiah 29, the prophet writes a letter to the Jewish people in exile from their land. Some who professed to be prophets were telling the Jewish exiles that they would soon be returning to the land of their fathers. However, the Lord had told Jeremiah that the exiles were going to be staying there for seventy more years. The desire of the Jewish people to make it back to Israel was going to be delayed.

In our American churches we are often guilty of a couple of things related to time.

First, we allow our desire for Jesus’ second advent to lead us into enormous discussions and even debates. We write books about when it might be happening and how the church can be better prepared for Jesus’ return. We do this even though Jesus told His disciples that no man would know the day or hour of His return. We waste time and energy that should be devoted to the mission of the church on trying to determine the **time** of Jesus’ return.

Second, we are often guilty of the fast food culture concerning time. We want solutions and results, we want “silver bullets” that will fix our problems and we want them NOW! When we don’t get them we look for the next book or seminar to try and find them.

What if, instead of wasting time and energy on unfruitful things or on trying to fix the issues within our church in a day, we took a different approach?

What if we simply decided to work where we are, when we are, with the gifts that God has already bestowed upon us, and allow God to work out the timing?

When Jeremiah wrote his letter to the Jewish exiles, that is essentially what he told them to do. He told them that their dreams were not going to happen. For some of those exiles, they weren’t going to survive that long.

Sometimes our efforts may not realize the results that we want to see. Sometimes our efforts may even seem futile. Don’t give up! Don’t quit! Keep going, working and living to the glory of God, and let Him determine the right time, no matter how unorthodox.

<p align="center"><u>Nursery/Toddler Worker</u> Krystal Williams</p> <p align="center"><u>Children’s Church</u> Beth Daire</p>	<p align="center"><u>Audio-Visual Technician</u> Brett Daire</p> <p align="center"><u>Security</u> Gary Breshears</p> <p align="center"><u>Greeters/Hosts</u> Wellington Gorham</p>
<p align="center">Our vision is to labor in the Greater Kansas City area to connect people to one another and to God, to serve our community, and to encourage a deeper relationship with Jesus.</p>	<p align="center"><u>BIRTHDAYS</u> Beth Daire ~ January 20th Nicole Breshears ~ January 23rd</p> <p align="center"><u>ANNIVERSARIES</u></p>

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