



CENTRAL CHURCH

OUR MISSION IS TO BECOME
DISCIPLES WHO MAKE
DISCIPLES!

JUNE 12, 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
Are You Washed In The Blood
All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name
Good, Good Father
Living Hope

Worship in Celebration
In the Fight ~ Be Ready Ephesians 6:15

Worship in Commitment
Blessed Assurance

Closing Prayer

Prayer Requests

Spiritual Needs

Health of Central Church
Unsaved family/friends
Who is your one?
God's direction and will
God's provision
Alan & Sharon's friend, Susan

Health Needs

Laura Griffie
Alan's friend, Debbie
Brian Machal
Tom Machal
Shirley & Edwin Bowden
Wynona Dodd
Kathy Yokley
Joyce Terry

Our Armed Forces

Landon Koonce
Brock Koonce
Nancy's granddaughter, Alex
Tyler Machal

Prayer Family of the Week

Lauren Giles

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

Coming Events

Morning Prayer

June 15th 6:00-6:30 am
Time of corporate prayer for Central, those
in need of the gospel, and for God's
provision

Mid-week Bible Study

June 15th 11:00-11:30 am
Currently studying the Gospel of Mark.

Worship Team Rehearsal TBD

Leadership Team Meeting

June 26th 12:15-2:15 pm
We will meet to discuss the future direction
for Central and to seek God's wisdom as we
plan for that direction

Advisory Board

Gary Breshears ~ Treasurer
Amy Smith ~ Secretary
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In the Fight ~ Be Ready

Ephesians 6:15

This past week I heard several very sobering statistics. One was dealing with an informal survey done in a Sunday school class of fourteen 40-60 year-olds. Most of them had been Christians for a long time. The survey only had a single question, "How many people have you won to the Lord, excluding VBS or camp?" The answers were anonymous...

One answer was 5, one answer was 3, there were two answers of 1, there were ten answers of 0. Ten of the fourteen people in that particular Sunday school class had NEVER shared the gospel with someone and led them to faith in Jesus. If this were an isolated case, it wouldn't be as disturbing as it is. Unfortunately, the truth is very disturbing. 95 percent of all evangelical Christians have NEVER led anyone to faith in Jesus. Over 80 percent state that they do not consistently witness to people about Jesus. In fact, only about 2 percent of evangelical Christians claim to be actively engaged in evangelism. I wonder how the numbers would play out here at Central if we asked the same question...

Just as disturbing to me is the lack of active participation in the overall ministries of the church. Once again, it appears that over 80 percent of those who claim to be an evangelical Christian are unaware of their spiritual gifts and are not active in the ministries of their church. The disturbing part of this is that we are told that our spiritual gifts have been bestowed upon us for the express purpose of promoting the common good of the body of Christ.

How can we not use what God has given to us for the common good of those we say we love? We are supposed to love our brothers and sisters in Christ, after all!

Now, I admit, some of the problem with this issue rests upon me, as your pastor. If I have not sought to help you determine your spiritual gifts then shame on me! However, some of the blame goes to you, for not seeking out this information and acting upon it. Anyone who is a believer in Jesus, who desires to follow Him and become the disciple we are meant to become ought to be invested in seeking out the gifts they have been given and how best to use them for the glory of God!

If Central is in trouble it is the result of complacency, of apathy, and of a spirit of comfortableness.

Complacency is a sense of self-satisfaction, a lack of concern about one's condition, or the condition of another. I have asked this question before, and I will ask it again, "Who is your one?" Who is the one unchurched, unreached person you are concerned about, that you are praying for, and that you are seeking to share the gospel with?

Apathy is related to complacency, as it is a lack of emotion for someone or something. If we truly believe that not knowing Jesus is a certain path to an eternity in hell, how can we justify being apathetic?

Being comfortable is one of those things that can easily capture all of us. I like being comfortable, and most likely, so do you! But if being comfortable means I don't use my gifts for the common good of the body of Christ, and if it also means I rarely or never share the Good News of Jesus with anyone—then Lord make me the most uncomfortable man on earth!

Maybe this week, instead of praying for health or happiness, you pray to become uncomfortable, pray to find your gifts and the means to use them...

Nursery/Toddler Worker

TBD

Audio-Visual Technician

Joel McGill/Alex McGill

Security

Gary Breshears

Greeters/Hosts

Wellington Gorham, Jr.

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.

BIRTHDAYS

Naomi McGill ~ June 18th

ANNIVERSARIES

Mike & Wynona Dodd ~ June 13th

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