



JULY 17, 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***

Counting Every Blessing

Come Thou Fount

How Marvelous

Heart of the Father

***Worship in Celebration***

Rev. Wellington Gorham, Jr.

***Worship in Commitment***

It Is Well

***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

**Our Armed Forces**

Landon Koonce

Brock Koonce

Nancy's granddaughter, Alex

Tyler Machal

**Health Needs**

Donna Hobbs

Max Breshears' mom, Faye

Bruce Noah

Alan's friend, Debbie

Sharon & Alan's neighbor, Debbie

Brian Machal

Tom Machal

Shirley & Edwin Bowden

Wynona Dodd

Kathy Yokley

Joyce Terry

**Prayer Family of the Week**

Alan & Sharon Kinder

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

**Coming Events**

**Leadership Team Meeting**

**July 18<sup>th</sup> 6:00-7:30 pm**

We will meet to discuss the future direction for Central and to seek God's wisdom as we plan for that direction. Mark Clifton will be our guest to provide counsel and answer questions. *Date and time are tentative!*

**Morning Prayer**

**July 20<sup>th</sup> 7:00-7:30 am**

Time of corporate prayer for Central, those in need of the gospel, and for God's provision

**Mid-week Bible Study**

**July 20<sup>th</sup> 11:00-11:30 am**

Currently studying the Gospel of Mark.

**Worship Team Rehearsal**

TBD

**Advisory Board**

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Max Breshears

Nancy Branham

Larry Starnes

Larry Taylor

## The Will of God

During the mid-week Bible study this last Wednesday, I spoke about being part of the family of God, and that Jesus had defined for us the entrance standards to be a part of His family.

We know, of course, that our only path to salvation is by grace, through faith. We are not saved by works, by doing good things. The message of the gospel is clear, we are saved by God's grace through the avenue of faith in Jesus, in who He is and what he has done for us.

That being said, there is an issue we need to address in the area of action, and how actions relate to our faith.

In Mark's gospel, Jesus told His followers that his family was composed of those who did the will of God. Jesus wasn't expecting

His followers to disavow their natural family! He was telling His followers that those who would choose to truly be connected to Him would, as a result, be fully committed to doing the will of God.

I think what Jesus is saying to His followers is the same as what James said in his letter, and was even echoed by Paul, in a fashion. Faith is a verb. Faith requires action. Real faith, sincere faith in Jesus, **will** result in doing. The will of God becomes the driving force in the life of someone who is truly sold out to Jesus, and that force compels them to action. At least, if the faith they have is true faith, it will compel them to action.

I think some people believe that once they have prayed and asked Jesus to forgive them, their ticket is punched.

If I understand the words of Jesus, He was saying the same thing that James would repeat, after Jesus ascended back into heaven:

James 2:20 (ESV) ~ *20 Do you want to be shown, you foolish person, that faith apart from works is useless?*

I don't know about you, but the last thing I want to be useless. In any endeavor, I don't want to be useless! I want to believe that my life means something, that it has purpose, and that I am fulfilling that purpose. If being a part of the family of God requires me to do the will of God, then that is my goal, my purpose. I hope when I am called home one of these days, I will be busy doing...doing His will...for His glory...as a member of His family!

### Nursery/Toddler Worker

TBD

### Audio-Visual Technician

Noah Team

### Security

Max Breshears

### Greeters/Hosts

Kay Andrew

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

### ANNIVERSARIES

Max & Anna Breshears ~ July 21<sup>st</sup>

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