

# Central Baptist Church

# *the* Heartbeat

## From the Pastor's Study

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Last year I challenged our Budget/Finance Committee to produce a 2011 Budget that our church could fully support; one that would reflect that our spending could be completely underwritten by our giving. They, as a group, had already been working in that direction prior to my arrival so that challenge was only a continuation of their ambitions also. I thought it might take us two, possibly three, years to reach that place but we managed to do it in one year! I am so proud of you and gratefully realize that your giving is not to an institution that we might reach a goal but your giving is unto the Lord and that is the real source of my pride.

In round figures, our budget this last year was \$725,000 and we gave a little over \$732,000, not counting our designated receipts for 2011. We actually spent \$691,000 so that our giving to the General Fund exceeded our expenses by \$41,000. The adopted Budget for 2012 is \$761,250. That reflects the requests from our Standing Committees, Organizational Heads, and Staff in relation to their plans for ministry in 2012. It will be a challenging budget but one that we believe we can underwrite and give with God's continuing blessings to our lives.

As we did last year, we propose to underwrite our entire Budget in one day. The day that has been set aside is January 29. You have received a letter from Bryan Fitts and me encouraging your participation. In that letter was an "Estimate of Giving" card for 2012 that you are asks to prayerfully fill out and return to the church in the sealed envelope. No one will see that information but the Church Administrator, and that, for the purpose of calculating a total to see if our planning is in line with our anticipated giving. Those "Estimate of Giving" cards will immediately be shredded. No one will be sending you a reminder of your giving or will even know what you estimated. That is between you and the Lord. We are encouraged in the New Testament to not plan without counting the cost and it is always such an encouragement to the entire congregation if they can know that our plans are in line with our anticipated giving.

Please turn that "Estimated Giving" card in by no later that Sunday morning, January 29. Deacons will call on those that Sunday afternoon who need someone to come by and pick up their envelope. We will announce by email and on the web site as to how we have done by the evening of January 29. Let's do it again this year, to the glory of God.

*Wallace*

## God Will Take Care

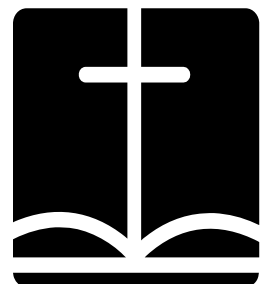
The musical, presented by the WOO Senior Adult Choir

THIS SUNDAY EVENING, JANUARY 22nd, 6:00 p.m.

### Our Mission

*Central Baptist Church exists to help people discover loving, vital relationships with God, themselves, and others through...*

*Worshiping God  
Sharing the Gospel  
Discipling believers  
Caring for others  
in the power of  
the Holy Spirit.*



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Wednesday,  
February 1, 2012  
6:30 - 8:30 p.m.  
Fellowship Hall

**FOOD PANTRY DATES:**

January 20 - Food Bank Pickup  
January 23 - Abraham's  
February 17 - Food Bank Pickup  
February 20 - Abraham's

**MARSHALL PRAYER FORCE**

*... Diligently praying for those who faithfully serve*

*Celebration 2012 Banquet will be held on January 28, at 6:30 p.m., at First Baptist Church. Cost is \$20. The blessings you will experience through serving in this manner will be remarkable. God has proven He loves and appreciates what we are doing. You may also place your name on a list to pray for a person daily. Contact the church office for more info!*

**Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions**

Our Church Goal \$18,000.00  
Received to Date: \$16,029.00

*We will continue to receive gifts toward this special missions offering through January 31, 2012*

**2012 OFFERING**

**ENVELOPES UPDATE:**



Due to a delay by the envelope service, 2012 offering envelopes will ship on January 23. We apologize for any inconvenience.

**NOTICE: 2011 CONTRIBUTION RECORDS are now ready, and available for you to pick up at the Welcome Center on Sundays or at the church office during the week! If you have any questions, contact the church office.**

**VISIT A HOMEBOUND CHURCH MEMBER**

Take the time to read them a story or a Sunday school lesson, the Heart-beat Newsletter or WOO Club Newsletter. These members are very important to our church family. They enjoy visiting with old friends. You'll see what a difference a visit makes!

**Upcoming Events**

**Friday, January 20 -**

6-10 p.m. - Open Event Nursery

**Saturday, January 21 -**

8:00 a.m. - Deacons Training in Fellowship Hall

11:00 a.m. - WOO Choir Rehearsal

**Sunday, January 22 -**

8:15 a.m. - Personnel Committee Meeting

4:00 p.m. - WOO Choir Warm-up; Missions Committee Meeting in Church Annex

5:00 p.m. - Pot Luck Supper and Church Conference in Fellowship Hall

6:00 p.m. - WOO Choir Musical Presentation

**Tuesday, January 24 -**

9:30 a.m. - Staff Planning Meeting

**Wednesday, January 25 -**

6:00 p.m. - Outreach

**Sunday, January 29 -**

10:45 a.m. - Budget Underwriting Day

3:30 p.m. - Strategy Team Meeting (*There will be no evening worship service*)

**Monday, January 30 -**

1:00 p.m. - WOO Choir Travel Day (Meet at Reunion Inn)

**Wednesday, February 1 -**

5:30 p.m. - Music and Worship Committee Meeting in Old Pastor's Study

6:30 p.m. - Faith Medical Clinic in Fellowship Hall

**Sunday, February 5 -**

12:00 p.m. - Small Group Facilitators Training/Lunch

5:00 p.m. - City Choir & Children's Choirs



**OUTREACH NIGHT**  
Wednesday, January 25  
6:00 p.m.



Come join us in making a few phone calls and writing a few notes to members that we are missing in church! Invite them back to join us! For more information contact the church office at (903) 935-9391.

## GROWTH GROUPS / SMALL GROUPS

The blessing of relationships with your Central family members is at the heart of all of our small groups. Have you found "your" group? There's a place for you. New groups are forming, and beginning this month.

Need more info?

**Call the church office for information to be sent to you via mail or email.**

*Reach "in" through small groups, and then reach "out".*



### MEALS ON WHEELS FIFTH TUESDAY...

We are in need of volunteers to make deliveries on Tuesday, January 31. If you can give an hour of your time to help feed the homebound, please contact the church office at (903) 935-9391.

### Men's Prayer Breakfast...

Please join us on the last Sunday of each month in Fellowship Hall, beginning on February 26, at 7:00

### OPEN EVENT NURSERY



Friday  
January 20  
6-10 p.m.

Please make your reservations no later than the Wednesday prior to the event. If you have any

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19:

The youth will be serving a Fundraiser Chicken Spaghetti Lunch. Come enjoy a great lunch and know that you are helping Central's youth department. If you have any questions, please contact Brooke or call the church office.

## YOUTH NEWS ...

Souper Bowl of Caring, Super Bowl Sunday, February 5. On Super Bowl Sunday, youth and children will be participating in helping raise money for our local food pantry. On a day that can be overwhelmed by football festivities, we'd like to take a moment and remember those who aren't able to put food on the table and do something to help them. When you give money to the food pantry, you are helping to provide food for families who are in need. The dollar you give goes much further with the Food Pantry than at the grocery store because of our partnership with East Texas Food Bank.

### Birthdays

January	23:	Betty Bills, Earline Childers
January	25:	Francene Barton, Geraldine Schwartz
January	26:	Irene Wright
January	27:	Pauline Mabry, Dale Person, Tim Huff, Jenna Glorioso
January	29:	Suellen Simpson
January	30:	Frances Jackson, Crystal Earley
January	31:	John Oney
January	1:	Weldon Stutes, Melani Belanger
January	2:	Brian Heflin
January	3:	G. R. Oney, Ethan Yates
January	4:	B. R. Siebenlist, Makenzie Hollis
January	5:	Jerolene Culpepper

### Facts and Figures

	Month	Year-to-Date
Budget Required:	\$ 63,437.50	\$ 43,089.63
Receipts:	\$ 34,550.44	\$ 34,550.44
Expenses:	\$ 22,334.15	\$ 22,344.15

Receipts are current. Most expenses are incurred at the end of the month.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE:

January 8, 2012	130
January 15, 2012	142

## WEEKLY MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6

9:00 Central Christian Preschool  
1:00 WOO Choir  
6:30 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8

9:00 Central Christian Preschool  
5:00 Youth Meal & Connection  
5:15 Wednesday Night Meal in Fellowship Hall  
6:00 Bible Study/RA's & GA's  
7:00 Committee Orientation, University Worship/Bible Study

### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10

6-10 Open Event Nursery

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12

9:00 Pancakes for Youth and College in Fellowship Hall  
9:30 Sunday School  
10:45 Morning Worship Service  
5:00 City *Choir*/Children's Choirs  
5:45 AWANA  
6:00 Small Groups/Bible Study

### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13

9:00 Central Christian Preschool  
1:00 WOO Choir  
6:30 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14

11:30 Homebound Ministry Meeting

### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15

9:00 Central Christian Preschool  
5:00 Youth Meal & Connection  
5:15 Wednesday Night Meal in Fellowship Hall  
5:30 Finance Committee Meeting in Annex Conference Room  
6:00 Bible Study/RA's & GA's  
6:30 Faith Medical Clinic in Fellowship Hall  
7:00 University Worship/Bible Study

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19

9:00 Pancakes for Youth and College in Fellowship Hall  
9:30 Sunday School  
10:45 Morning Worship Service  
12:00 Youth Fundraiser Chicken Spaghetti Lunch in Fellowship Hall  
5:00 City *Choir*/Children's Choirs  
5:45 AWANA  
6:00 Small Groups/Bible Study

## OUR CHURCH STAFF

**CONNIE CROWE**, Church Secretary  
**LILA DEEL**, Minister of Childhood Education  
**MARY FITTS**, Prayer Ministry Coordinator  
**BOB FRY & BRENDA HARRIS**, Custodians  
**BROOKE HOLLOWAY**, Minister of Youth and Community Missions  
**DON PARKS**, Minister of Music & Senior Adults  
**DAVID SIMPSON**, Church Administrator  
**JOY WALSH**, Financial Secretary  
**DR. W. WALLACE WATKINS**, Pastor

## VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

### USHERS

January 22: Team White  
January 15: Team Blue

### SOUND TECHNICIANS

January 22: A.M. T. Huffhines, Kent Reeves  
(K. Yandell, appr.)  
January 29: A.M. J. Newsom, B. Graves  
(L. Salyards, appr.)

### SECURITY PATROL

January 22: A.M. K. Yandell P.M. B. Fitts  
January 29: A.M. L. Salyards P.M. D. Jones

### DEACON OFFICERS:

T. Huffhines, Chairman 903-930-0524  
Kevin Reeves, Vice-chairman 903-938-6578  
Kevin Yandell, Secretary 903-934-9631  
John Morton, Deacon Ministry Coordinator 903-926-0205

### MEALS ON WHEELS

January 24: C. Lee, J. Crowley, R. Walsh, P. Smith,  
M. Smith, C. Haynes, B. Stevens, J. Pinkston,  
S. Hammtree, A. Harrison, B. Bills

January 31: **Fifth Tuesday-Need Volunteers**

February 7: C. Lee, J. Crowley, L. Salyards, J. Salyards,  
B. Holloway, L. Deel, D. Parks, A. Harrison,  
A. Slusher-Morton, M. Coghlan, C. Haynes,  
G. Tarpley

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