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*“When you come to the end  
of all the light you know,  
and it’s time to step into the  
darkness of the unknown,  
faith is knowing that one  
of two things shall happen:  
Either you will be given  
something solid to stand on  
or you will be taught to fly.”*

— Edward Teller

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# The Visitor



## CWF Officers Installed

CWF Officers for 2011-2012 were installed at the general meeting brunch held July 20, 2011, in Fellowship Hall. **Cindy Carson** from Canon City was installing officer and guest speaker.

President  
Vice President & Membership Chair  
Recording Secretary  
Corresponding Secretary  
Treasurer  
Worship & Study Co-Directors  
  
Outreach Service Co-Chairs  
  
Sewing Co-Chairs  
  
Publicity Chair  
Funeral Co-Chairs  
  
CWU Key Woman  
Kitchen Co-Chairs

**Judy McLin**  
**Peggy Whaley**  
**Thelma Rilling**  
**Linda Hammer**  
**Jeanne Cacciatore**  
**Connie Stephens**  
**Connie Burkholder**  
**Thelma Rilling**  
**Pat Thomas,**  
**Peggy Whaley**  
**Judy Thomas,**  
**Roberta Dalsing**  
**Connie Burkholder**  
**Ruth Anne Pearce**  
**Mae Sloan, Sandi Rupp,**  
**Mary Copeland**  
**Jean Cacciatore**  
**Pat Flynn,**  
**Rebecca Nolting**

Thank you to those willing to carry out the duties of each office. God bless each woman as she serves Christ, Central Christian Church, and the community during the coming year. Pray that Christian Women’s Fellowship will continue to be a guiding influence in the church family.



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## OFFICE HOURS

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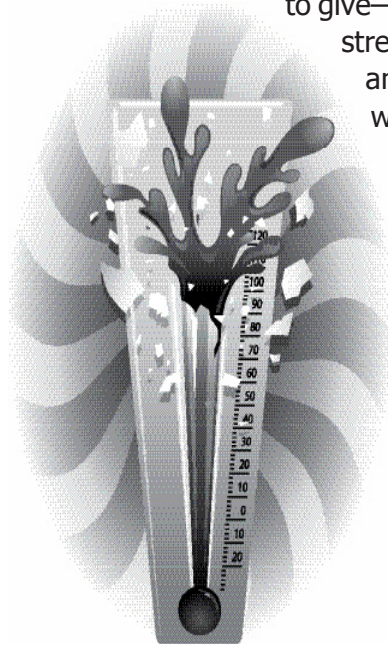
Custodians  
M/M Steve Pena

The first Sunday in August will mark my thirteenth year as pastor of Central Christian Church. When I moved here I drove a truck from Tennessee. We stopped in Oklahoma for the night and I was warned not to touch the door of my room (it was metal and painted black and it would burn you if you touched it). It was hot! Over the years some things have changed, some have not. It is still hot!



Sometimes hot is bad, sometimes hot is good. Lately, we have been experiencing a cooling down of our financial support. It's time to get fired up. Now, we can do a lot of things to cut cost and we can ask people to give more, but the main focus is to heat up our faith. How is your prayer life? I'm asking you to light a fire under it. Pray for the church, pray for people you know who are in need, and pray for yourself. In the prayer for yourself, pray that God puts people in your path that need what you have

to give—mainly your faith. Pray that God gives you the strength and the words to share that will touch another's heart and help them on their faith walk. Spend more time with God. Make yourself available so God can work through you. Just like those first Disciples on Pentecost when the Holy Spirit, like tongues of fire, came upon them, we need to be on fire!



Grace and Peace,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'David'.

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## Sermon Topics

- Aug. 7 #4 – When the Light Shines  
Scripture: Isaiah 58:6-10; Matthew 5:14-16
- Aug. 14 Gospel on Broadway, #1: Naming and Claiming  
Scripture: 2 Peter 1:3-11
- Aug. 21 #2: Les Miserables: Triumph of Mercy  
Scripture: Matthew 9:9-13; James 2:13
- Aug. 28 #3: High School Musical  
Scripture: Romans 12:1-10

Please call the office if you would like a visit from Pastor David.



## Mary's Musings

Can you believe half of 2011 is past? We are looking ahead to the last half of the year. Soon it will be time for school to start and summer will be over.

Round up Sunday will be September 11th. We always look forward to getting back together with everyone after the summer.

Earlier this year, we talked about CHANGE. One of the changes we made was aligning our fiscal and our calendar years. This means **budgets will be due at the September 14th Board Meeting.** All ministry teams are strongly encouraged to submit a budget in order for the Finance Committee to create the 2012 church budget.

Our stewardship campaign kicks off in August. More information will follow. Please prayerfully consider what you will be able to pledge to the church in the coming year. We realize finances are tight for everyone, but it is important the Finance Committee have this information to plan the budget. Our building is old and our needs will become greater. We know God is able to provide for our needs, both individually and for the body of Christ.

Please ask the Lord how He would have you become more available and active in furthering His kingdom here on earth. Maybe it will be asking your neighbor to join us in worship, giving more generously of your talents, time and finances, or becoming a prayer warrior on behalf of our church body. There are many ways to become more involved in the life of Central Christian Church and we need every part to make the body whole.

In service.....**Mary**



## Missionary's Mission

Recently, the congregation caught up with Jeff and Lucy Osborne. "How much do we know about all the missions we support?" This is the beginning of a miniseries regarding each mission.

Jeff and Lucy had very different upbringings leading to mission work. When Jeff was in his 30's his daughter got involved. He went from being just a churchgoer, to realizing God's plan for him. He and his wife, Rita, sold their belongings, went to missionary school, and headed to an unreached part of Kenya.

Lucy had her spiritual awakening when she was about five. She remembers being taught about the Bible by a sickly older man. She thought the young should be teaching children about God. She asked the teacher about this. He replied, "My child it is true that God wants young people to teach children, but they're not available." She never forgot, and as a young adult committed herself to postpone marriage to serve God.



This couple works hand-in-hand to do God's work. "There is no typical day," says Jeff in regards to his work in Nairobi. One week may be spent doing administrative work, and the next might be leading seminars. When Jeff first got into missionary work, he was out in the desert talking to non-Christians. Lucy does a little bit of both now. She leads groups that go out in the field. Both are very active in their local church, and lead up the Missions team.

The work that's being done in Kenya is a group effort. Even though Jeff and Lucy work for United World Missions, many other organizations come together to form a synergy. One such movement is Finish The Task. They mobilize churches by drawing up plans that allow them to do their own missionary work.

Jeff wants to make the most out of the time he has left before retirement. By this he says, "Doing things that have significance in the Kingdom for the Lord's sake." Lucy wants to see the Kenya church expand to help others. Both Jeff and Lucy believe that the Protestant churches in Kenya has become strong enough to not just receive missionaries, but also sent out their own!

Jeff and Lucy have had heartwarming experiences where they've helped change someone's lives. Both know they are part of something much bigger. "Missionaries cannot do it alone," states Lucy. It takes those praying, getting the word out, and contributing financially to make it all possible. Jeff says that we're all missionaries, just like Jesus, and encourages all to get involved.

For more information or just to keep up with the Osborne's their email address is [jeffandlucy2008@gmail.com](mailto:jeffandlucy2008@gmail.com).

God Bless.....**Linda Gallagher**

## My Daily Prayer

Almighty God . . . . .

1. Grant me the wisdom to be a faithful representative of the body of Christ.

2. Grant me the heart of your Son, Jesus and his abiding love.

3. Grant me the wisdom to see a lost soul You have placed before me.

4. Grant me the wisdom to share my love of You with that soul.

5. Grant me the wisdom to allow the Holy Spirit to work through me in sharing your Word . . . . . A-men  
2 Thess. 3:1

Finally, Brethern, Pray for us that the Word of the Lord will spread rapidly and be glorified, just as it did also with you . . .

**Fall Women's Bible Study** to begin the Monday following Labor Day. Watch for sign up sheets in the lobby. All ladies welcome!

## Calling All Musical Enthusiasts

An enthusiastic open invitation is sent to anyone who may be interested in being in the vocal or bell choir that will be starting up this fall. Please see **Caroline Vose** for more information, or keep an eye out for more details next month!

## In the Mail

### Thanks A Bunch

Dear Central Central Church,

I just wanted to thank you for the 2011 Charles and Jean Whitmer Evangelistic Preaching Award...I was one of the recipients this term. Receiving this award was a very pleasant and humbling experience for me...I look forward to becoming ordained next May...Thank you again for the award, I certainly do treasure it.



**Laura West**

Ladies,

Thank you so much for all your prayers and the prayer shawl, especially since you don't know us. Janet (Pena) has always been so good to us and very thoughtful. We are taking each day as it comes.

Thank you, **Keith & Donna Edwards**

To the Congregation Family of Central Christian,

The Files family and **Sharon Ross** would like to thank you all for the lovely cards sent in the behalf of my brother's (Greg Files) death. It was so memorable of all of you to remember me and my family at this time. Thank you.  
Will all of our love, Sharon and family



Dear Central Christian Church,

Thank you very much for sponsoring the 2011 Charles and Jean Whitmer Evangelistic Preaching Award. The recognition from Phillips Theological Seminary and friends of Phillips Theological Seminary is very important to me. I currently serve a small Disciples of Christ congregation in Arkansas. I am humbled by such an award, and I will strive to live up to the expectations set forth with such recognition. Thank you again for your support of the student body here at Phillips.

Sincerely, Bill Hemm

ALOHA, dear friends,

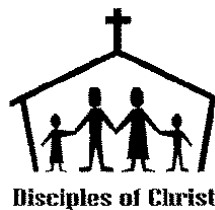
Mark and I recently returned from our adventure on the beautiful island of Kauai! We were blessed to be able to spend a week in that tropical paradise with my sister and brother-in-law, and we want to thank you for helping make it such a memorable trip. We used the monetary gift from all of you to take a helicopter ride over the island. We got a bird's eye view of God's amazing handiwork! We indeed serve an AWESOME GOD!!

We, also, want to thank you for the wonderful party! The food was wonderful and the program was a real journey down "Memory Lane" for us. Wasn't it just yesterday.....?? Our trip to the Glenwood Springs B & B and pool will be something to look forward to this fall. Thank you so much for your kindness and generosity! It has been both a pleasure and a blessing for the two of us to serve god together with you over the past 18 years!

You all are in our thoughts and prayers as we wait upon God to point us in the direction that we can best serve Him now and again, thank you from the bottom of our hearts. Or as they say in Hawaiian, "MAHALO" (thank you)!

Yours in Christ,  
**Mark & Debie Duns Moor**





## Specific Prayer

Christian love and prayers are extended to **Sharon Ross** and family following the passing of her brother, **Gregory Files**, on June 23, 2011. Memorial services were held July 1, 2011, in Trinidad.

Christian love and prayers are extended to **Becky (Brian) Bregar** and **Barbara (Larry) Whitely** following the passing of their grandmother and mother, **Donna Berger**, on July 4, 2011. Memorial services were held July 16, 2011, in Pueblo.

Christian love and prayers are extended to **Rev. Charles Whitmer** and family following the passing of his beloved wife, **Dr. Jean Whitmer**, June 28, 2011, in Oro Valley, Arizona. Memorial services were held in Oro Valley on July 8, 2011.

Charles and Jean served Central Christian Church for many years. Both are fondly remembered by many in the congregation. Jean was a professor in the Education Department at the University of Southern Colorado. She helped train many future teachers in Pueblo. Jean was, also, very active with many programs in the church. For many years she was the teacher in the WinSum adult class. Enjoying the beauty that God created by taking nature hikes was one of her favorite pastimes.

The Charles and Jean Whitmer Evangelistic Preaching Fellowship at Phillips Theological Seminary was created in their honor. Memorial contributions may be made to that fund in Jean's memory by sending a check to Phillips Theological Seminary at 901 N. Mingo Rd., Tulsa, Ok 74116.

We have a lot of reasons to get closer to our God. The economy has had an effect on almost everyone, but the economy is a worldly thing. The Bible tells us to turn to God for our needs, but we have the human problem of saying "I'll take care of this Lord". Actually doing that is showing God we really don't have the faith we said we did when we became a Christian. We all give our problems to God, and then we take them back! We don't understand one thing...God doesn't wear a watch!

Humans are an impatient lot. We are, also, vague in our requests to God. It's like asking for transportation. Not being specific, God sends you a bicycle. Well, you did not say what kind of transportation you needed. Oh yes, usually you want it now! God wants to help and he is willing to answer prayer, but there a few things he needs from you.

When was the last time you had a real one on one with God. Praising Him, thanking Him, welcoming Him into your life? Also, God knows your needs better than you do and he will respond when he thinks it's best, not when you think it's best.

Oh! And then there's the testing...You say you are worthy, but God will determine if you are worthy. Satan will come and offer you almost everything you prayed for, but...try to get you to accept less. Don't fail this one! Look at your prayer list and if one thing is not offered, it's not from God. If you asked for a loaf, God will NOT give you a half a loaf. It is written "Ask and it will be given to you." Remember, we all will be tested....**Tom**

### June Giving Report

General Fund \$19,423.90

Budget \$22,458.00

Designated Giving \$7,630.59

### Loose Change Offering

Preschool \$121.18

July Wayside Cross

Aug. Caring Pregnancy Center

**ATTENTION:** The financial status of Central Christian Church is in crisis. Please pray regarding how you and your family can help remedy this situation! It has been proposed that the church building be closed one day a week (Friday) to save money. That proposal would hurt employees.

# AUGUST CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Wednesday	3rd	9:30 a.m.	C.W. Executives
Wednesday	10th	9:30 a.m.	CWF Groups 1 & 2
Wednesday	17th	9:30 a.m.	CWF Coffee
Thursday	18th	12:00 p.m.	<i>Visitor</i> Deadline
Sunday	21st	12:00 p.m.	Women's Luncheon
Wednesday	24th	9:30 a.m.	CWF Stitches
		10:15 a.m.	<i>Visitor</i> Mailing
Wednesday	31st	9:30 a.m.	CWF Stitches

## Regular Weekly Events

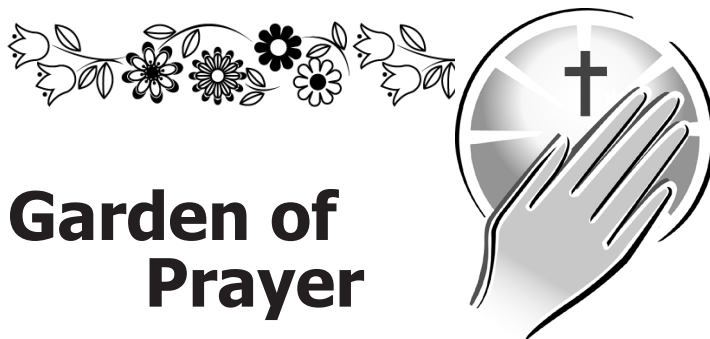
Sunday	8:15 a.m.	Praise Worship in Rose Garden
	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Traditional Worship
	Noon	Youth
Monday	1:00 p.m.	Bridge for Fun
Tuesday	10:00 a.m.	Strength Training
	11:00 a.m.	Prayer & Prayer Shawls Team
	7:00 p.m.	TLC
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	God's Messenger's (Evangelism)
	1:00 p.m.	Guitar Lessons (1st & 3rd Wednesdays)
Thursday	10:00 a.m.	Strength Training
	7:00 p.m.	TLC (two groups)

**NOTE:** Please check office calendar for room availability if planning a meeting or special event to avoid conflicts. Several groups use church facilities on a regular basis. Thank you.

AUGUST 2011						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			



# Birthdays & Anniversaries



## August Anniversaries

- 1 Harry & Juanita Hoffman
- 9 Patrick & Erin Corcoran
- 10 Bill & Shirley Egley
- 18 Wayne & Sharon Rayburn
- 20 Damian & Pat Rotolo
- 22 William & Judy Thomas
- 23 Ken & Kay Medved
- 27 Norm & Connie Burkholder



## Garden of Prayer

Please pray for these "flowers" (people & things) that are part of the beautiful "bouquet" that makes us family at Central Christian Church. God knows each specific need.

## August Birthdays

- 1 Amanda Aragon, Sandi Vance
- 4 Annabelle Brown
- 6 Gregory Leber, Jr
- 7 Marilyn Weidner
- 8 David Mercer, Ron Reems
- 9 Wende Davis
- 10 Noelle Bratina, Loren Young
- 11 Ola Austin, Connie Estep, Kit Tihonovich, Kavan Brown
- 14 Dustin Fair
- 15 Pam Chambers, Colleen Davis, Mickey Price
- 16 Robert Berry
- 18 Westin Mathies, Emma Carter
- 19 Julie Chamberlain, Dwight Smith
- 20 Greg Abernathy, Benjamin Bregar
- 21 Verna Nolan, Mae Sloan
- 25 Aimee Tihonovich
- 26 Linda Rider, Sylvia Lane
- 27 Patsy England
- 28 Donna Eitemiller, Albert Gerth
- 29 Steve Breckenfelder, Tara Schut, Eola Reynolds
- 30 Dave Bratina, Judy McLin
- 31 Patricia Thomas



- Lorraine Buckner's daughter's fiancé**
- Family of Donna Berger**
- Rick Hammer**
- Josh Warren**
- Janet Panza**
- Margaret Adams**
- Kavan Brown**
- Vince & Sandy Romito**
- Sam Corley**
- Mission 300 and the Shepherding Program**
- Chris Daugherty**
- The Ten Most Wanted**
- Trinny Dawson**
- Jillian Summers**
- Martha Farwell**
- Louella King**
- Carolyn McGraw**
- Marge McGraw**
- Wiles and Moselle Thomas**
- Olive Kale**
- Bobby Van Pelt**
- Cristina Montana**
- Lloyd Eitemiller**
- Barbara Duffield**
- Frances Johnson**
- Ola Austin**
- Mary Hellwig**
- Don Vigil**
- Lynette Goodrich**
- Troops and their families
- The outreach ministries of the church and missionaries
- Your Church
- Your Pastor
- Jed Cook and the youth program
- Where God can place you in the ministries of the church
- The needs God has placed on your heart

*Best Wishes for a Happy Day!  
God bless each member and couple!*





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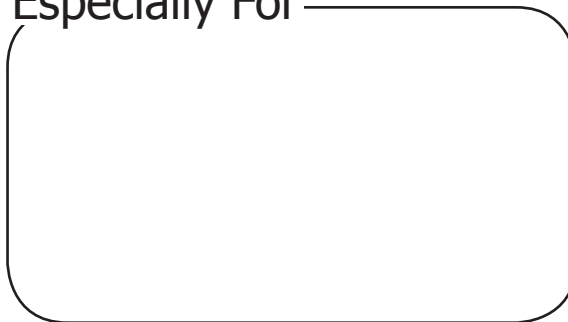
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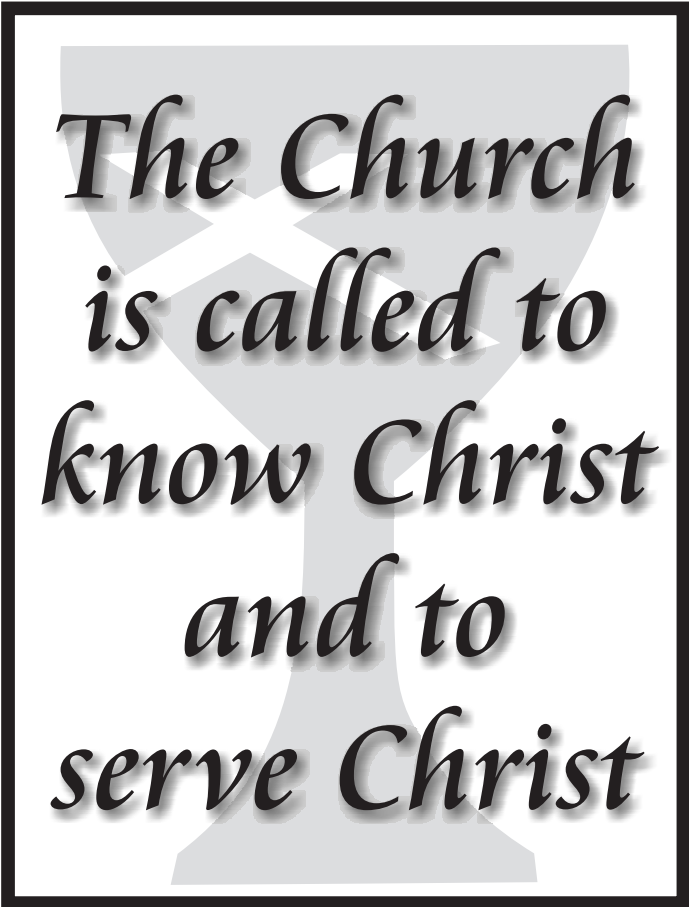
Praise Worship in Rose Garden ... 8:15 am  
Bible Discovery..... 9:15 am  
Morning Worship..... 10:30 am  
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Dr. David Chambers, Pastor



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is called to  
know Christ  
and to  
serve Christ*



**NEXT ISSUE:  
Noon, Thursday,  
August 18**