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# The Visitor

## A Little Homework for ALL Members

School's back in session, which means most students are busy doing their homework. I'm sure you don't want to let them have all the fun, so WE ARE ASKING THAT EVERY SINGLE PERSON/FAMILY IN THE CHURCH FILL OUT THIS FORM!!! Even if you are happy with the way you currently receive the newsletter, we ask that you fill this out and return it.

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We are always concerned about the children. Do our children have the proper support to develop into responsible adults? Do our children have proper nutrition to help them grow and mature? Are our schools equipped to teach our children? These and many more are the concerns we have for our children. But...

What if our children lived in a dump? Every day is a struggle to find enough food to eat to keep them alive (much less adequately nutrition). What if our children had no access to medical support? No doctors, no hospitals, no medicine of any kind to help when they are sick. What if our children had not only never heard of Christmas, but had never, ever received a present of any kind in their lives. No dolls, model airplanes, not even a toothbrush...much less a trip to the dentist. What if your child did not own a pair of socks to wear to school; or no school books to learn from; or no way to get to a school even if there was on within walking distance?

We are approaching the time of Operation Christmas Child. We have been thinking about and preparing for OCC all year, but the time is getting close. It is hard for us in the USA to understand the day to day life in many parts of the world. In many countries orphanages and schools are the same thing. As you think about what you are going to do this Operation Christmas Child season, think about the children. Put yourself in their place and feel the suffering and the neglect. Is that what you would want for your children? Reach out and touch a child this year... not for me, not for any personal reason other than to respond to Jesus: "Whoever becomes humble like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me."

(Matthew 18:4-5).

Grace and Peace,



David

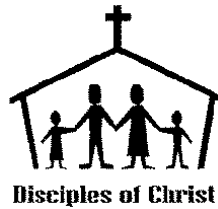
## Sermon Topics

- Oct 2 World Communion Day
- Oct 9 What Runners Know: #1 Running Away, Jonah 1:1-3
- Oct 16 #2 Hitting the Wall, Jonah 2
- Oct 23 #3 Two Goals, Jonah 3-4
- Oct 30 Forgiveness: #1 Forgive Me, Psalm 32:1-5.

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

## Is Christ in the Closet?

I had this memory come to my mind the other day, and realized that I must not be the only one that has done what I did in the past. On Sundays, after the services at church and after we had went out for lunch, I would come home and hang up my clothes in the closet. I had only worn them for a couple of hours, so they didn't need to be put in the wash. I realized now that I also would put God and Christ in the closet. I wouldn't need them until I went to church again. We were not involved in any Bible Studies or Sunday school; the fact was I hadn't needed the Bible for a long time. I had been in a Bible Study quite a number of years back, so it's not like I had never read it. I was sure that I was doing everything necessary to fulfill my walk in faith.



I had to cut back on the amount of money I was giving to the church since we bought the boat. We could now go fishing on the weekends now, and I needed a break from my job. Was I aware in the least about my walk with God? No... I had too many distractions. We would attend church once in a while; unless something came up. I was a Deacon and would serve when my name came up on the schedule. I became a Creaster, (Christmas & Easter). Then, in my later forties, I got involved in CBMC a Christian businessmen's group. They taught me all about evangelism as Paul taught Timothy. We were Bible students. We would share with other businessmen who had been to the luncheons. We shared our love of Christ. I still believe we must go forth telling the good news as commanded by Jesus.

Heb 6:10-12 "For God is not unjust so as to forget your work and the love which you have shown toward His name, in having ministered and in still ministering to the saints. And we desire that each one of you show the same diligence so as to realize the full assurance of hope until the end, so that you will not be sluggish, but imitators of those who through faith and patience inherit the promises."

Heb 10:23-27 "Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful; and let us consider how to stimulate one another to love and good deeds, not forsaking our own assembling together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another; and all the more as you see the day drawing near. For if we go on sinning willfully after receiving the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins, but a terrifying expectation of judgment and THE FURY OF A FIRE WHICH WILL CONSUME THE ADVERSARIES."

God Bless You,  
**Tom**

## New Age Happenings

Well, school has started and our youth are already longing for a break from all that homework! We've had

some great activities so far this school year; and we've got plenty more right around the corner. We all donned our best "giddy up" clothing for Round Up Sunday a few weeks ago, and then helped take down all those vittles in fellowship hall afterward. You may have also noticed some youth spread out among hundreds of playing cards recently. No, we're not starting up a casino in the church lobby; you can blame it all on the recent "Nerts Fever" which has swept through the youth group. If you've never played Nerts before, we highly recommend you grab a deck of cards and join us some Sunday afternoon (but watch out, these kids don't hold back).

Upcoming events include a youth lock-in on October 28th-29th, helping out at the Operation Christmas Child Spaghetti Dinner on October 2nd, and the "Trunk-or-Treat" activity here at the church on October 29th. We'll also have a team of hard-workers ready for some yard work when Rake-Up Pueblo takes place on November 19th. Our Sunday school classes have moved to 10:30 during the school year, so don't forget to pass the word on to any youth you may know of!

In Christ,  
**Jed**



## Trunk or Treat, Smell My Feet, Give Me Something Good To Eat (Please!)

It's hard to believe fall is already here. The thermometer outside sure gives us no doubt about it though. This leaves the church in a tizzy, full of events to fill up your schedule, so you have no time to think about the changing weather outside. Halloween will be here before you know it! ALL (and we do mean ALL) children are encouraged to attend a safe, fun environment for their scary little sweet-teeth. Trunk or treat will be held on Saturday, October 29th (the time of this even is still being worked out). Volunteers will be needed to supply their trucks and their treats for this event.

## Heaven is For Real

The Evangelism team will soon be selling the book Heaven is For Real. Here's a brief description of the story:

"A little boys astounding story of his trip to heaven and back. Heaven Is For Real is the true story of the four-year old son of a small town Nebraska pastor who during emergency surgery slips from consciousness and enters heaven. He survives and begins talking about being able to look down and see the doctor operating and his dad praying in the waiting room. The family didn't know what to believe but soon the evidence was clear.

Told by the father, Todd Burpo, but often in the boy's own words, the disarming simple message is heaven is a real place, Jesus loves children, and be ready, there is a coming last battle."

This heartwarming book would be a wonderful book for you to read, use as stocking stuffers, and give to your friends who are struggling with their faith. The cost is \$7.00 which is cheaper than bookstores, and includes a small donation to further the Evangelism Team's Mission. All orders must be preordered by Sunday, October 30th. You will find order forms in the foyer. See **Irene Weeks** or **Tom Whaley** for more information.

## Knowing God through Bible Study

As many of you know, **Jim and Irene Weeks** started a Southside Bible Study Group that meets on Thursday evenings at 7 p.m. While there has been some interest, the group is eager to expand. Our current study is on Discipleship. There's no need to make any type of reservation; you are more than welcome to just show up! Their residence is at 930 Maplecrest Drive and they can be reached at (719) 561-0911. (Notice their phone number ends in 9-1-1, so they are there for your Bible emergencies!!!)

## Male Call

You've been waiting for it, and now the time has come. A new Bible Study Group has formed for all of you with the XY chromosome. This means while your lovely lady is meeting with her Women's Bible Study, you too can participate in one of your own. The group meets Mondays at 6:30 p.m. in the Educational Wing. Be sure to attend!

## Men's Clothing Drive

CWF will be sponsoring a Men's Clothing Drive on Sunday, October 16th (the day of the Men's Breakfast). All gentlemen of the church, with the help of their wives, are asked to clean out their closets and bring in items (ALL sizes are needed). The clothing will be donated to men leaving the State Hospital, and need attire for job interviews and court appearances. This will be a one day only deal so make sure you don't miss it!

## Hungry, Why Wait, Get Some Spaghetti (for a worthy cause)

God has given us so much and we are asked to do some good to help others. Operation Christmas Child will be holding their annual Spaghetti Dinner on October 7th. It will run from 4:30-7:00 p.m., with a Chinese auction to follow. Adult

meals are \$8 and child's meals are \$6 (dine in or carry out). Desserts will be available for an additional donation. It's being held the same place as always: Saint Joseph's Hall in the Grove, Please plan to be there (maybe with some friends) and bring the piggy bank for this worthy cause!



## Kids Just Wanna Have Fun

Pre-School is well on its way and that means it's time for their auction and luncheon. **Janet Pena** is asking for people to donate basket items such as gift certificates, toys, seasonal items, and themed baskets. All donations are wonderfully appreciated. Items need to be turned in by October 28th. The auction will begin on October 30th with the soup, stew, and salad luncheon finishing off with the auction following the service on Sunday, November 6th.



P.S. Pre-School is still collecting Box Tops for Education and Campbell Soup Labels.

## New Editor

Beginning this month, **Linda Gallagher** is now the new newsletter editor. Any article suggestion, question, or comment can be made by calling (719) 821-5001 or email [lily11\\_13@hotmail.com](mailto:lily11_13@hotmail.com).

P.S. The editor is not responsible for any typos, misspellings, or errors! Ha-Ha!!!

## [www.centralchristianchurchpueblo.org](http://www.centralchristianchurchpueblo.org)

In the foyer you will find a pamphlet on the specifics of the website. Please take a few minutes next time you're surfing the web to check it out. While you're there take a minute to select your preference for how you want to receive the newsletter.

## New Member: We're so Happy!

We would all like to give a big warm welcome to **Ivy White** who joined our church family on August 28, 2011. Ivy spent 28 years as a governmental nurse. She lived here in Colorado, and after being gone awhile, moved back to Colorado, settling in Pueblo to live with her daughter. Ivy is a widow, but is blessed with having six children, ten grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren. In the past Ivy was a volunteer policewoman for six years. Now she enjoys a less strenuous pace, saying she enjoys watching TV, especially "The Young and the Restless." We are all so

happy you've decided to join us!

**Donna Evans** joined our church family on September 17th, 2011. Although shy, and not wanting to go down front to do her faith walk, something was driven within her to do so. Unfortunately, Donna recently became a widow after her husband passed from a freak accident last December. They did enjoy 43 wonderful years together though. Donna currently works at Gobin's, and has two sons, six grandchildren, and very soon will become a great-grandmother for the first time. She says she spends most of her time working, and being with her family. Donna even has one of her granddaughter's living with her while she goes to Colorado State University-Pueblo. We would all like to give Donna a friendly "Hi there, and welcome to the family!"

## Congratulations!!!

Way to go **Morgan Kester** for being selected as drum major for Pride City Band! We are all so proud of you and know you'll do well.

## In the Mail

### Thanks So Much!

The church as a whole would like to sincerely thank **Fred Rilling** and **Jim Reedy** for repairing the fence along the south parking lot. They are always willing to lend a helping hand when anything needs to be done!



Dear Central Christian Church and all in the Congregation:  
I want to thank everyone at Central Christian Church who prayed over the prayer shawl that I received at **Tom and Peggy Whaley's** TLC group Tuesday night. Tom wrapped the prayer shawl around my shoulders and I can't begin to tell you the power of the Lord's arms that I felt wrapped around me at that time. I wrap the prayer shawl around me every opportunity I get and I feel the strength and love of the Lord at all times. It is so comforting to know that I have so many friends at Central Christian Church. I sure miss everyone, and that means "everyone". I will keep in touch

as often as possible and will let you know how things go for me this next month. I have been feeling a lot better the last five days, and it sure feels good to "feel good". I love and miss you all very much.

You're all in my prayers daily and may God bless every one of you.

Love to you all

**Pat Heuton**

To all our great friends,

Peggy and I want you all to know how much we loved all the cards, thoughts and out pouring of love concerning the loss of my brother. We survived because of our church family. Also we thank those who knew or little Molly. She appreciated every tummy rub that you gave her. Her loss has been replaced by another little wonder Abbi Su Ming or just Abbi. She really received a great welcome at the picnic at the Nature Center. Her little feet hardly even touched the ground; and what a laugh when Bob thought Peggy had handed him a skunk in the canvas bag.

Blessings to all of you,

**Tom & Peggy**



Three members of our church family have recently experienced the grief that occurs when a family member passes. Christian love and prayers are extended to them.

**Alice Waide**, former member of Central Christian Church, passed away August 31, 2011. Memorial services were held in Pueblo on September 6, 2011.

Keith Edwards, uncle to **Janet & Steve Pena** and brother to **Pat Stonebraker**, passed away August 30, 2011. Memorial services were held in Phoenix, AZ on September 4, 2011.

In daily prayer, ask God to wrap His "Cloak of Comfort" around each of these families. As the sadness passes, memories of happy times will become treasures in their hearts.

## August Giving Report

General Fund	\$20,947.75
Budget	\$22,458.00
Designated Giving	\$12,040.97

## Loose Change Offering

Caring Pregnancy Center	\$181.94
Sept. - Operation Christmas Child	
Oct. - Shut-In Christmas Baskets	

**ATTENTION:** The financial status of Central Christian Church is in crisis. Please pray regarding how you and your family can help remedy this situation!

**UPDATE:** The Pavement Fund has been repaid. Thank you to all who found some extra funds to help. Repaying the accounts for the heat still has a little further to go.

# OCTOBER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Wednesday	5th	9:30 a.m.	C.W. Executives
<b>Monday</b>	<b>10th</b>	<b>All Day</b>	<b>Office Closed for Holiday</b>
Wednesday	12th	9:30 a.m.	CWF Groups 1 & 2
Sunday	16th	8:00 a.m.	Men's Breakfast Men's Clothing Drive for CMHIP
Tuesday	18th	9:30 a.m.	CWF Coffee
Wednesday	19th	12:15 p.m.	Women's Luncheon
Thursday	20th	12:00 p.m.	Newsletter Deadline
Wednesday	26th	9:30 a.m.	CWF Stitches
		10:15 a.m.	Visitor Mailing
Wednesday	30st	9:30 a.m.	CWF Stitches

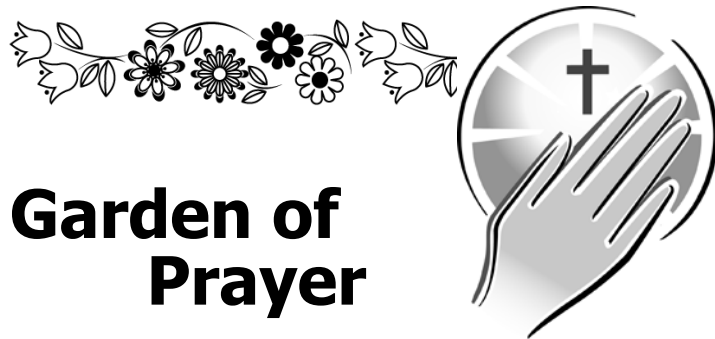
## Regular Weekly Events

Sunday	9:15 a.m.	Praise Worship
	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Traditional Worship
	Noon	Youth
Monday	1:00 p.m.	Bridge for Fun
	6:30 p.m.	Women's Bible Study Men's Bible Study (New, please come!!!)
Tuesday	9:00 a.m.	Shoe Box Wrapping
	10:00 a.m.	Strength Training
	11:00 a.m.	Prayer & Prayer Shawls Team
Wednesday	7:00 p.m.	TLC
	9:00 a.m.	God's Messenger's (Evangelism)
	10:00 a.m.	Women's Bible Study
	1:00 p.m.	Guitar Lessons (1st & 3rd Wednesdays)
	6:00 p.m.	Night Ringers
Thursday	7:00 p.m.	Choir
	10:00 a.m.	Strength Training
	6:30 p.m.	Women's Bible Study
	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.

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# Birthdays & Anniversaries



## October Anniversaries

- 3 Jon & Christine Frost
- 8 Jeff & Tina Dean
- 11 Jim & Becky Bartmess
- 13 Jerry & Dora Chetelat
- 17 John & Christina Martinez
- 17 – Mike & Yvette Rebensdorf
- 22 Mark & Betty Schmidt
- 24 Dave & Rita Marquez
- 24 Tom & Chellee Price
- 26 Don & Kelley Kyle



## 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.

## October Birthdays

- 1 Clayton Bostleman, Madalyn Hemphill, Marissa Davis, Barbara Whiteley, Margaret Smith
- 2 Kim Abernathy, Gregory Leber III
- 3 Frank Mutz, Diane Warren, Trinny Dawson, Kayla Dawson
- 5 Linda Linfoot
- 8 Clela Long
- 9 – Toby Brown
- 10 Harry Voss, Tiffany Fair, Eric Frost
- 11 Pat Rotolo, Adrenna Bidwell, Matthew Wassell
- 12 Wayne Rayburn
- 14 Harold Kissick, Kynlee Peaker, Anne Warren
- 17 – Fred Rilling
- 18 Bryce McDowell
- 21 Riley Alton, Art Gaide
- 24 Gayanne Hotzel, Coleton Young, Jenna Young
- 25 Marilyn Fuller, John Lamb, Chellee Price
- 26 Ruth Anne Pearce
- 27 – Ron Bidwell, Cory Voss
- 28 Vivian Davis, Joshua Chamberlain, Brad Winn, Caedon Kyle
- 29 Kristy McKenzie



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|---|----------------------------|
| <b>Moselle Thomas</b>                                   | <b>John Lamb</b>           |
| <b>Pat Hueton</b>                                       | <b>Kay Medved</b>          |
| <b>Marilyn Fuller</b>                                   | <b>Donna Hudran</b>        |
| <b>Evertree Martinez Family</b>                         | <b>Orville Gillette</b>    |
| <b>Rick Hammer</b>                                      | <b>Janet Panza</b>         |
| <b>Margaret Adams</b>                                   | <b>Kavan Brown</b>         |
| <b>Vince &amp; Sandy Romito</b>                         | <b>Sam Corley</b>          |
| <b>Mission 300 and the Shepherding Program</b>          |                            |
| <b>Chris Daugherty</b>                                  | <b>The Ten Most Wanted</b> |
| <b>Trinny Dawson</b>                                    | <b>Jillian Summers</b>     |
| <b>Charles Whitmer</b>                                  | <b>Martha Farwell</b>      |
| <b>Louella King</b>                                     | <b>Carolyn McGraw</b>      |
| <b>Wiles and Moselle Thomas</b>                         |                            |
| <b>Marge McGraw</b>                                     | <b>Olive Kale</b>          |
| <b>Bobby Van Pelt</b>                                   | <b>Cristina Montana</b>    |
| <b>Lloyd Eitemiller</b>                                 | <b>Barbara Duffield</b>    |
| <b>Frances Johnson</b>                                  | <b>Ola Austin</b>          |
| <b>Mary Hellwig</b>                                     |                            |
| 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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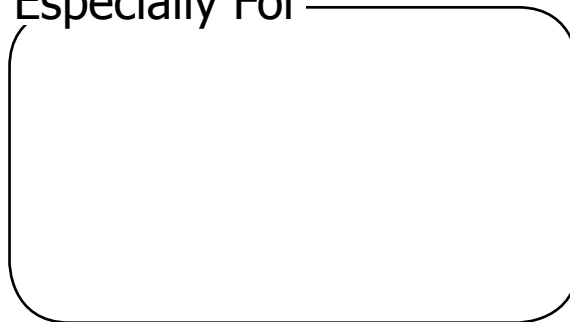
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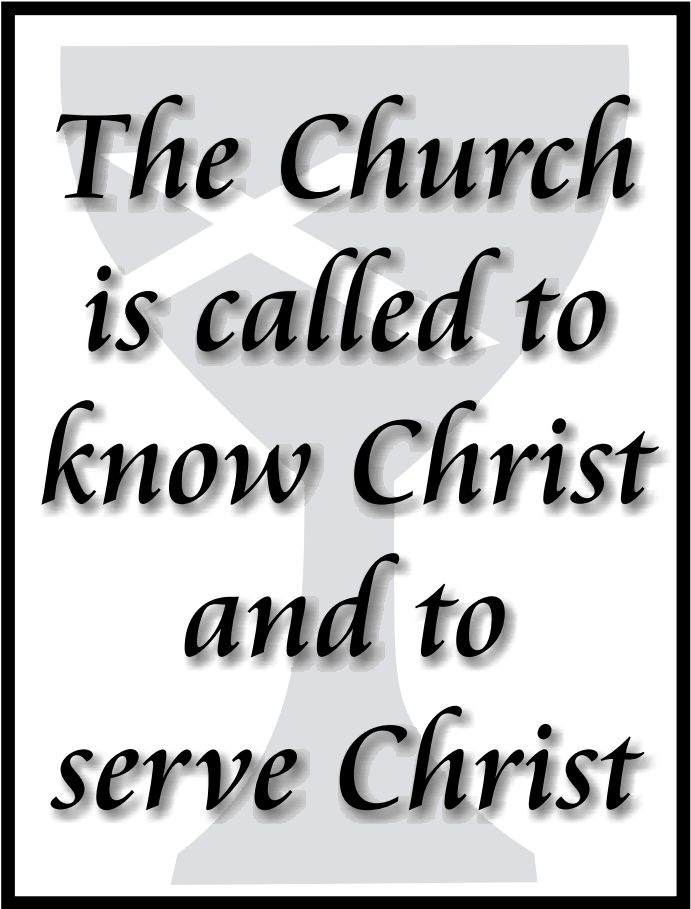
Praise Worship in Rose Garden ... 8:15 am  
Bible Discovery..... 9:15 am  
Morning Worship..... 10:30 am  
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