



# CENTRAL *Chimes*

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July 19, 2011

## EACH SUNDAY

### Morning Light:

8:30 am

### Meet and Greet:

9:30 am - FH

### Sunday School:

9:45 am

### Traditional

#### Worship:

11:00 am

### Youth Group:

6 pm

### Youth Bible

#### Study:

6:30 pm

### Evening

#### Worship:

7 pm

## EACH WEDNESDAY

### Pastor's Study

6:30 pm



## “homo unius libri”

In a letter dated May 14, 1765, John Wesley informed one of his correspondents, John Newton, that it was “in 1730 I began to be ‘homo unius libri’, to study no book but the Bible.” Hence Wesley has often been referred to as a “man of one book”. Actually, Wesley was in the words of James Joy “a man of a thousand books and a Book.” No one in his day was perhaps better read than our founder John Wesley. In his own estimation he had read more than 600 volumes and we know that he wrote or edited at least 400 other publications. Yet for him, the focal point of all his learning was the Bible. He even placed the Scriptures above his own reason and experience. Experience and reason were allowed to clarify and confirm Scripture, but never supersede it.

Why was the Bible and its study so important to Wesley and for us? First, because of its place as the greatest book in world literature, because of its formidable influence on the history and literature of the world. To be considered and educated person you need a working knowledge of its contents. Second, because of its crucial role in the renovation of moral character and the development of Christian conscience. Permanent change of one’s life and character does not come by some mythical, irresistible sweep of God’s Spirit. The Bible plays a significant role in developing us as moral beings. Third, if we are to “walk as Jesus walked” (1 John2:6) how will we know unless we study his life by using the only text created for that sole purpose? How did Jesus treat women? What was his attitude toward religious tradition? What did he think was important for worship? What principles governed his daily actions? The Bible is the single most important architectural document for building of the church. In his tract, “Properly Calmly Considered,” Wesley instructed that, “in all cases, the Church is to be judged by the Scripture, not the Scripture by the Church. And Scripture is the best expounder of Scripture with Scripture, and thereby to learn the true meaning of it.”

Reading the Bible was not an elective to Wesley, it was a requirement to follow Jesus. Reading and studying this sacred text is at the center of becoming disciples of Jesus. Here at Central we try to provide multiple opportunities for study and reflection . If you are not already involved in a group study, a Sunday School class, or the Pastor’s class on Wednesday evening I really encourage you to get involved. It is our heritage, it’s who we are, the people of a Book...the Book of Life!

So I invite you to join us. Grab your Bible and come on out to the place where we try to “walk as he walked”.

Mike

## Record of Faithfulness

Attendance	7/10/2011	7/17/2011
Morning Light	97	98
Sunday School	144	133
11:00 am Worship	149	151
Evening Service	15	16
<b>Total Worship</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>265</b>

*"They gave not only what they could afford, but far more; and I can testify that they did it because they wanted to."*

*II Corinthians 8:3*

### 2011 Operating Budget: \$458,203

	7/10/2011	7/17/2011
Needed YTD	246,736	255,548
Received YTD	229,277	234,842
Received Sunday	9,229	5,565
Building Fund	515	425
Designated Gifts	30	130

## Upcoming Volunteer Schedule

### Nursery, Sunday, July 24

Michael & Kristi Aiken, Darron & Sharon Oliver, Rob & Sandra Caldwell

### Nursery, Sunday, July 31

Marti Jones, Taylor Downey, Janet Effler, Kay Cook, Keith & Kari Fender

### Meet and Greet, Sunday July 24

GYFT

### Meet and Greet, Sunday, July 31

Education Committee

### Acolyte, Sunday July 24

Haley Wheeler, Brittany Caldwell

### Acolyte, Sunday, July 31 & August 7

Breanna Hollins, Brittany Caldwell



# POTLUCK DINNER FOR THE SALVANT'S

Join us July 24 at 6:00pm for a potluck then at 7:00pm to hear a presentation from Scott and April (Pat Collins daughter) Salvant. Scott and April are with the New Hope Haiti Mission where Scott serves as the executive director. NHHM has been active in orphan care, discipleship, community development, and relief since 2000. They currently are raising 21 children to adulthood. These children are not released for adoption for various reasons. All of the children were toddlers/babies when given to them and now range from 7-15. NHHM's hope is that these 21 precious children will serve God as entrepreneurs, teachers, doctors, lawyers, etc. when they grow up. They hope to offer them the best education possible, as well as, a Christ-centered and nurturing environment.



# GOLF TOURNAMENT

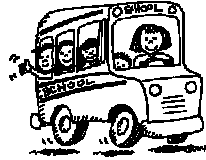


The 14th Annual Camp Dickenson Four Man Captain's Choice Golf Tournament will be held at Draper Valley Golf Club on Wednesday, August 5, 2011 with a shotgun start at 1:00pm. Prizes will be given for first, second, and third place. Entry fee is \$280 per team and includes green fees, cart, a cookout lunch, beginning at 11:30am, including Pulaski Baseball BBQ, and soft drinks on the course during the round. For registration call the camp at 276-744-7241 or John Hawley at 540-980-7381. Hole prizes will be awarded on each hole. There will be a \$10,000 hole in one prize on #16 and hole in one prizes on the other par 3's.

*Thank you Central family for all for your cards, visits, phone calls, prayers— and those that brought food during my illness. Your concern and love has been heartfelt. Recovery is slow from congestive heart failure, but I look forward to being back with you soon. Love in Christ, Verna Bishop*

## August Kids

Here is a letter from Thora Jervey, president of the Radford Clothing bank. Again this year, the Radford Clothing Bank will sponsor the August Kids Voucher Program which provides vouchers for qualifying Radford School families to purchase back-to-school clothes at Wal-Mart. Last year 259 Radford Schools students received vouchers. **Some families were unable to get vouchers because we spent our entire budget (\$18,000) in two hours!** We would deeply appreciate any donations you could make to help us help our neighbors in need.



## COATS FOR KIDS

Whew! It's Hot! But cold weather will come again and we would appreciate your donation of in-good-condition children and teen coats, light jackets, and sweatshirts for the Radford Clothing Bank's Coats for Kids project in October. Donations are appreciated in July, and Cooks Clean Center will clean the coats for free of charge in August. That out-grown winter wear will find a good home: we appreciate your dropping the coats off at the Radford Clothing Bank, 2000 West Ave., near Bisset Park. There is a drop off box for after hours. For more information please call 633-5050



## LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS



Worshipping God is the most important thing we do as Christians. There are many roles in vital worship and a lot of service opportunities. We are always looking for volunteers to help in this critical aspect of the Christian life. If you are interested in assisting in one or more of the following opportunities please contact the church office or fill out the insert on Sunday morning and place in the offering plate. Thanks for your willingness to stand and say "You can count on me Lord!"

Service Opportunities Available: Sunday Greeter (both services), Usher (both services), Audio-Visual (all 3 services on Sunday), Sanctuary design for worship, or Worship team member.

## DOUBLE BLESSING!



The GYFT class would like to shower Aaron and Crystal Philipp with a baby gifts on July 24th. Aaron and Crystal are expecting twin boys. If you would like to give a gift, please set it on the gift table in the fellowship hall by 10 a.m. on July 24th. Our class will present the gifts to them following meet and greet.

## BABY SHOWER

It's time for a BABY SHOWER for Kristy Aiken. All ladies are cordially invited to celebrate this joyful occasion with Kristy. Sunday, July 31st at 12:15. Join us as we bless the Aiken's and the arrival of their second daughter. Michael and Kristy are registered at Walmart and Target.



## PAGES CAMP MEETING

Mark your calendar, August 14-17, Pages Camp Meeting at Hickman Cemetery Rd. in Fairlawn. Resident Bishop James Swanson will preach each night at 7:00pm. A snack supper will be served each night beginning at 5:30pm by different groups for a donation.



The following memorial gifts have been given to the glory of God & in loving memory of:

### **David Harless**

Frances Williams

Bill and Nancy Wallace

Sterling and Joann Tyndall

Joe and Jackie Hester

Lee and Sharon Effler

Judith Dodson

Parrott United Methodist Church

Larry and Gail Taylor

Sara Lee Thacker

Sonny and Connie Hoover

Ernest Mitchell

New River Pediatrics

Bill and Ramona Fleisher

Martha Young

Larry and Wendy Gaby

Mark and Carolyn King

*\*\*All memorial gifts will be placed into the Missions Fund.*



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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

**CARE CORNER**

**July 19, 2011**

<p><b><u>Current Care</u></b>  <b>A new concern with-  in the last two weeks</b></p> <p><i>Harless Family</i></p> <p><i>Zach Villanueva</i>  <i>(Tina Cox's nephew)</i></p> <p><i>Bill Goode</i></p> <p><i>Sherman Collins</i></p>	<p><b><u>Prolonged Care</u></b>  <b>A concern that has  lasted between two  weeks &amp; a couple of  months</b></p> <p><i>Brian Taylor</i></p> <p><i>Becky Ritter</i></p> <p><i>Andrew Taylor</i></p> <p><i>Sherril Vandyke</i></p> <p><i>Vivian Ellis</i></p> <p><i>Charlotte Leslie</i></p> <p><i>Bobby Abercrombie</i></p> <p>♥ <i>Maddox Anderson</i></p> <p><i>Eloise Brown</i>  <i>(Sharon Taylor's Sister)</i></p> <p><i>Bill Crowe</i></p> <p><i>Clyde</i>  <i>(Carolyn King's father)</i></p>	<p><i>Jan Wukich</i></p> <p><i>Connie Hoover</i></p> <p><i>Jeff Lambert</i>  <i>(Tina Cox's brother)</i></p> <p><i>Bob McNeel</i>  <i>(June Hazelton's brother)</i></p> <p><i>Liz Mills</i></p> <p><i>Eddie Smallwood</i></p> <p><i>Betty Wilson</i>  <i>(Connie Hoover's  sister-in-law)</i></p> <p><i>Juanita Grantham</i></p> <p><i>Christine Barton</i></p> <p><i>Brittany Carter-  Barrett</i></p> <p><i>Ida Brown</i>  <i>(Karen Smith's  Grandmother)</i></p> <p>♥ <i>Indicates - a child</i></p>	<p><b><u>Constant Care</u></b>  <b>A concern that is  ongoing</b></p> <p><i>Walter Case</i></p> <p><i>Troy Hampton</i></p> <p><i>Mark Lynch</i></p>	<p><b><u>PRAY FOR OUR</u></b>    <b>MILITARY</b></p> <p><i>Ryan Haynes</i>  <i>Georgia</i></p> <p><i>Kerry Keys</i>  <i>Washington</i></p> <p><i>Isaiah King</i>  <i>Hawaii</i></p> <p><i>Jordan King</i>  <i>Iraq</i></p> <p><i>Parker  Simpson</i>  <i>Iraq</i></p> <p><i>Scylar Woods</i></p>
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Please contact the church office at 639-3529 or office@centralmethodistchurch.com to give updates, reports of recovery or to move into the next category.