

We Are



# Central Baptist Herald

## October, 2018



Each year at this time we ask that all members of Central consider whether or not they might nominate someone to serve as a deacon. According to our Bylaws, the deacons are the spiritual and ministry leaders of the church. We are actively involved in working with the ministerial staff and leaders of ministry teams to accomplish important objectives. Much more background about the role of deacons can be found in our Bylaws. Beyond this, it is important to remember that each deacon brings a unique and very personal motivation for serving in this way. We

have a diverse congregation and our deacons body should reflect this.

Before nominating someone as deacon, you should talk with them about their willingness to serve. Encourage them to talk with one of the deacons who are currently serving. Any one of us can provide a copy of the Bylaws for information on the role and requirements of service, answer questions about responsibilities, and provide much more information about how the deacons work with the ministerial staff. It has been a very rewarding experience for me.

Here are the names of the deacons: Diana Allen, Laura Cason, Chip Gallman, Anthony McCulley, Anne Myers, Marty Petty, Mary Ellen Schmitt, Mike O'Sullivan, Priscilla Warner, and Diane Welch.

Laura Cason, deacon chair



### Sonny is Celebrating 10 Years @ Central!

The deacons are hosting a celebration luncheon immediately following worship on Sunday, Oct. 7, in Adams Hall, honoring our senior pastor and showing gratitude for his ministry among us. Don't miss the fun and fellowship. There will be a basket for cards and a money tree available to shower him with blessings and thanks. There's no need to cook or bring a covered dish; the food is being donated. We hope everyone will make plans to be there to share stories about how he has blessed us. **Your presence** will make the day extra special!

### Nominate Deacons NOW!

Nomination forms will be available in foyers beginning Sunday, Oct. 7. Nominees will be published in the worship bulletin on Oct. 28; voting will be at the annual church conference on Nov. 11. It is important to confirm the nominee's willingness to serve before submitting their name. Scriptural qualifications for deacons are discussed in Acts 6 and 1 Timothy 3, as well as other passages pertain to servant leadership. Please prayerfully consider the next deacon body.

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## Sonny's Sayings...



Many of you know that this Spring I applied for two programs that I thought would enhance my ministry at Central. The first was a summer-long sabbatical set for 2019, where I would go and study other churches in contexts similar to ours to see what they were doing to be effective in ministry. I received word last month that I was not accepted for that grant program, so I will wait and apply next year. The second was the Doctor of Ministry (DMin) program at McAfee School of Theology (part of Mercer University). This I was accepted for. The DMin program is a 3 ½ to 4 year program. I have decided to place my focus of study on Christian Leadership.

The program is designed to help me in several ways:

- Re-discover my passion for ministry by evaluating my original calling.
- Develop deeper knowledge about leading people in contexts that are similar to ours.
- Learn how to design, execute, and evaluate targeted ministry based on my ministry setting.
- Receive coaching from some of the best minds in Christian leadership to give guidance to my thinking and doing.

The program is designed to help the local church in several ways:

- They want the student to remain in the ministry position where they are serving for the duration of the program, which ensures leadership stability.
- The project thesis (a paper of about 100 pages) must focus on an area of ministry directly related to the local church where the student is serving.
- Classes are only over the course of 3 weeks each summer, with 2 additional classes taking place in the fall.
- You will ultimately (hopefully) have a better pastor, equipped for helping the church meet its challenges, and offering you ministry opportunities that really make a difference.

I want you to be partners in this journey with me. I intend to give you regular updates on my studies, and insights I gain for ministry in our church. I hope that you will pray with me and for me, and for our church during this process. I hope you have a great rest of the month, and may God bless you always.

-Sonny

## Praising God!

### Year-to-Date (9/23/18)

Avg. Worship Attendance: 123  
 New Members: 10  
 Total Receipts: \$298,222.56\*  
 Total Spending: \$347,134.89  
 \$91,127.59 paid to date for Hurricane Irma repairs. Source: Flood Insurance

\*YTD receipts include (\$15,826.04) interest from camp sale.

### Special Gifts this Month

#### In Loving Memory of:

**Trevor & Jennifer Leonardi**  
**For: General Fund, MOPS,**  
**Children's Ministries & Youth**  
**From: Kevin & Kimberly Leonardi**

**Betty Collins**  
**For: J.O.Y. Class**  
**From: Bob & Mary Anne Trumbull**

### You Can Give Now

Use this QR code to connect to your online bank. Your generosity means that Central can more easily shine a light for Christ in our neighborhood and around the world. You may also contribute at [www.centralbc.org](http://www.centralbc.org).



### Touching Miami w/ Love Wish List for Fall, 2018

Folks wishing to help our (CBF's) mission center in South Florida may go online to purchase much needed supplies and equipment for TML from Amazon and have it shipped directly to the mission center in West Homestead or Overtown. Typing the following link into your browser should take you directly to the Amazon site and TML's wish list: <https://smile.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/printview/1XOGW1PHOO564>  
 The physical shipping address is 500 NW 2ND AVE, P O BOX 01 -3279, MIAMI, FL 33101-9998



# Linda's Log



This year for our fall festival, we are considering expanding our usual trunk 'r treat to also include some fun and games for the rest of us. We already have several adult type games that were previously used by CBS'ers. We would still need decorated trunks and the associated "treats" but if we add some games for all ages, our activity could become more of a community event. It could be a chance for us to get to know our neighbors, especially those who have (so far) not come to worship with us. Joyce and Jerry Wolf and several others have already agreed to help out. But we will need LOTS of hands. Watch for a notice of a planning meeting, if you'd be willing to help in any way. We NEED you; it will be fun, too!

You may already be aware that the children are preparing a song to be included in the adult choir cantata; Ruth Bethea and I began work Wednesday night on a short Christmas drama that we would like our children to present during worship sometime during the advent season. If you have children or grandchildren who would like to be included in these activities, we need especially consistent attendance and participation in both Sunday School and Shine between now and December so we can be fully prepared.

MOPS, as an outreach activity is simply fabulous. We want everyone to be aware that we are still in "start up" phase, but we have faithful enthusiastic leaders and we know that they and the rest of the church are all praying that we can serve in ways that will truly make a difference in the families God has already chosen for us. We have a new banner to help advertise and Mary Ellen Schmitt (our coordinator) is an excellent publicist, but YOU can do more for us than any of the media outlets. Word of mouth is the best encourager. Will you be vigilant and invite any young moms you encounter to join us?

Each week I grow more excited at the possibilities for growth, spiritually and physically. You are a wonderful congregation with whom to serve. Together we can accomplish the tasks God has placed before us. He already knows our strengths and I believe if we focus on His will that His strength will sustain us all!

Together in His love, -Linda

## From Building & Grounds

A very special thank you to Keith Schmitt for his hard work and diligence in obtaining plans and estimates to improve our air conditioning in the Marchman Building. This will be a big cost saving as we will only need to run the chiller for special occasions. Each of the Sunday School rooms will have its own A/C unit and controllable thermostat. We will be presenting this proposal to the church in the near future. He also arranged to have two A/C units replaced in the Main Building that had rusted through and were no longer functioning.

The East parking lot is scheduled to be repaired in four areas next week and sealing and re-stripping the other lots has already begun. Everyone is asked to please park accordingly. -Sylvia Meincke (chm.)

## Arts Team Making Progress

With the leadership of Gary Broughman and others, the arts team is working on developing a framework for structuring a creative arts academy at Central. This would be a transformational ministry that supports the community and congregational artists by providing space to practice their art, encouragement and collegiality, and opportunities and venues in which to perform, display, and share their creative expressions. Please be in prayer that a plan can be devised that will be mutually beneficial to the church, to the artists, and to the community at large.

## Women's Christian Book Club—New Book on 10/9

Lois Carrig did a fine job leading the discussion of the recent video series on Discovering God's Will for Your Life. Books have been ordered for the next read: *Fervent*, by Priscilla Shirer. This is a good time to join this group....in case you've been thinking about it and may have hesitated because of the timing. See Alice Glover if you'd like her to order you a book.

## Mission Team Sponsoring "Change for Change"

For the next few weeks, any loose change that is added to the offering on Sundays when the plates are passed, will be wrapped and donated to a community-wide project that seeks to provide a holiday meal for families who are in need. The money collected will be used to buy turkeys for the families. About eleven different faith congregations are cooperating in this effort again this year. A little later we will also collect one of the food items to be placed in the bag of food. Be alert for this announcement, if you'd like to help with that as well.

Thank you, in advance for adding your loose change to the



## Christival Happens in November

For the past three years we have set aside November as the month in which we intentionally and specifically draw our focus to the connection between the arts and spirituality. Plans are underway to include guest artists in our worship as well as finding special ways to encourage the artists who are already serving alongside us to share their creative gifts.

**Regular Sunday Schedule:**  
 9:15 a.m. Faith Discussion Grp.  
 9:30 a.m. Sunday School (all ages)  
 9:30 a.m. LifeTree Café  
 10:45 a.m. Worship w/ Preschool  
 Nursery Provided


**Regular Tuesday Schedule**  
 10:30 a.m. Pastor's Bible  
 Study  
 1:00 p.m. Women's Christian  
 Book Club  
 2:30 p.m. Beginning Bridge

**Regular Wednesday Night**  
 5:45 p.m. Family Dinner  
 6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study,  
 Shinel, Youth Gathering,  
 Nursery Provided  
 7:30 p.m. Choir Practice, Sanctuary

**Regular Thursday Schedule**  
 2:00 p.m. GriefShare, Rm. 4

*Lifetree Café: Sundays 9:30 a.m.,  
 Marchman Bldg., Rm. 115  
 10/7 Dr. Danger?  
 10/14 Life's Myths  
 10/21 If Only...  
 10/28 Encountering God*

# October 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b> 5:00 p.m. Church Council, Rm. 4  <b>Birthday:</b> Marilyn Albovas	<b>2</b> Birthday: Glen Sheffield	<b>3</b> Birthday: Pat Gosney	<b>4</b> Birthdays: Daniel Pigott Genevieve Swartz	<b>5</b> Birthday: Rhett Swallows	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b> 12:00 p.m. Pastor Appreciation Luncheon 2:30 p.m. Cantata Practice  <b>Birthday:</b> Susan Regan	<b>8</b> 9:30 a.m. MOPS, "Boundaries for Children" 6:00 p.m. Deacons' Mtg.  <b>Birthdays:</b> Toni Dobbins Ron Walton	<b>9</b> 11:30a.m. Book Club Lunch 4 p.m.—Arts Team Mtg.  <b>Birthday:</b> Julia Matthews	<b>10</b> Birthdays: Matthew Langley Austyn Warren Mary Beth Wilson	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> Birthday: Steve Lauxman	<b>13</b> Birthday: Nate Davis
<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> 5:00 p.m. Bldg. & Grounds Mtg.	<b>16</b> Birthdays: Dennis Iglay Camille Plakon	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>  <b>Birthdays:</b> Patty O'Sullivan Rev. Jim Smith	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b> 1:00 p.m. Cantata Practice  <b>Birthdays:</b> Nancy Byrd Charlotte Frye Theresa Goris Mae Johnson	<b>22</b> 9:30 a.m. MOPS, "Permission to Be Who You Are"	<b>23</b> Birthdays: Shirley Browder Jessica Matthews Gail White	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> 10:00 a.m. Prime Timers To DeLeon Spgs. Pancake House  <b>Birthdays:</b> Jonathan Pigott Philip Ransbottom	<b>26</b>  <b>Birthday:</b> Michelle Jackson Gunter	<b>27</b>  <b>Birthday:</b> Elaine Paraggio
<b>28</b> 3:00-4:30 p.m. Trunk 'R Treat East Parking Lot	<b>29</b> Birthdays: Nicholas Nesbit Mary Ellen Schmitt	<b>30</b> Birthday: Cade Gallman	<b>31</b> Birthday: Nancy Bransom			<b>Family Dinner Menu:</b> 10/3 Meaty Spaghetti, Mixed Veggies, Garlic Toast 10/10 Fried Chicken, Tater Tots, Gravy, Green Beans 10/17 Tacos, Refried Beans, Salsa, Sour Crème, Cheese 10/24 Ham, Sweet Potatoes, Green Beans 10/31 Lasagna, Mixed Veggies Salad, Garlic Toast All meals include Salad, Rolls, Beverages & Dessert. Cost - Seniors 65+: \$5, Adults: \$7, Kids <18 EATFREE





22 youth and chaperones from Central went to Rock the Universe in Orlando the first Friday night in September. It was a fun-filled evening of Christian music, rides, and hanging out together at the theme park. They are so grateful for the financial support of our congregation that made this possible.







Fred's Market Restaurant



Lake Mary, 9/27/18

## NEXT!!

- Breakfast @ DeLeon Springs Pancake House  
Thursday, 10/25
- Holiday Dinner, Thursday, 12/6  
Entertainment by 'The Shenanigans'  
(Christmas Follies) - 11 A.M., Adams Hall

Sign-up in Church Office or

Call Rosenell (386-253-1369)  
or Tommie Lou (386-767-0123)

### Servant Leadership

Ministers.....All Members  
Senior Pastor.....Rev. Sonny Gallman  
Assoc. Pastor of Discipleship/Outreach....Rev. Linda Pigott  
Music Leader.....Laurie Moran  
Youth Director.....Matt Layton  
Organist.....Penny Redfearn  
Pianist.....Meg Pokorny  
Office Manager.....Gwen Bills  
Custodian.....Steve Lauxman

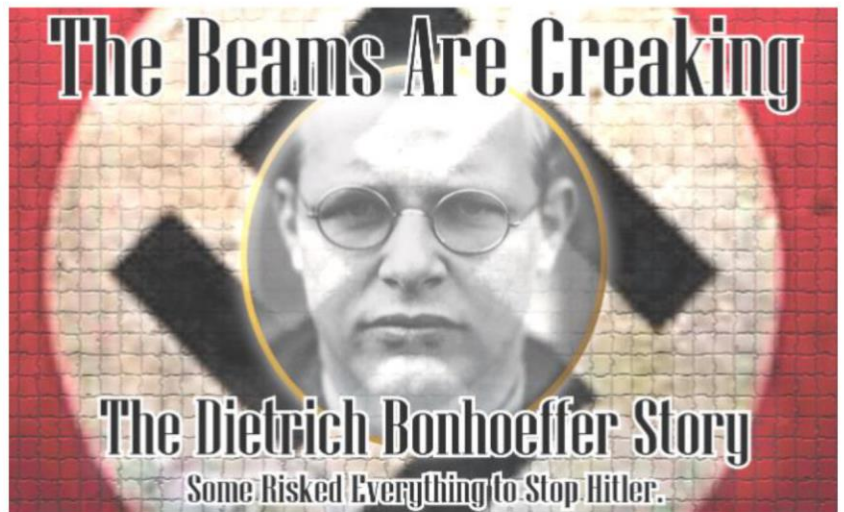
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*The Beams are Creaking*, the story of theologian Dietrich Bonhoeffer who helped lead the resistance to stop Hitler, will be presented live on stage at Central Baptist Nov. 1-4. The play is presented by Positively Florida Theater Company, led by Gary Broughman of our church. Gary is also in the cast, as is pastor Sonny Gallman. Tickets are \$10 for church members. Five performances are offered, with evening shows at 7:30.

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