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TIMBER LAKE CHRISTIAN CHURCH NEWS

February 2010

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## CCCB DAY

**FEBRUARY 28, 2010**

Dr. Ron Oakes, President of Central Christian College of the Bible, will be preaching at both services on February 28. We're thankful for this opportunity to hear about the ministry of CCCB and how they're impacting the lives of people here and around the world. We are fortunate to have contact with many Central students and faculty! A love offering will be taken for the college that morning. All gifts to Central should be designated as such on either your check or offering envelope.



CENTRAL CHRISTIAN COLLEGE  
OF THE BIBLE

## ALL-CHURCH POTLUCK

**FEBRUARY 28, 2010**

Everyone is invited to attend the potluck meal following morning services on the 28th. We are inviting our new members and their families as our special guests so everyone else is encouraged to bring well-filled baskets to ensure plenty of food for all! The kitchen committee will be preparing the meat and drinks for the meal. We hope to have such a meal each quarter to encourage fellowship in the body here at TLCC. Plan to join us!

Ministry Leaders: If you need to recruit some help for your ministry please contact Doug. The All Church Potluck is the perfect place to let our church know about your ministry's vision and needs.

If you need to meet with your ministry team contact the office to schedule one of the classrooms following the all church pot-luck.

## A MESSAGE FROM DOUG

The term Renaissance is French for "rebirth." The twelfth century is said to have been a rebirth of social, political, economic philosophies with an emphasis on scientific disciplines.

Some Christian authors are suggesting that the Church is amidst a renaissance, a "rebirth" of mission. Reggie McNeal suggests the church cultural shift looks like this:

### 1. From an internal to an external mission focus

Instead of most of the church's resources unapologetically focusing on those inside the church we look at those outside and ask, "What do we have that they need and we can provide?" That sounds like Col. 4:5,6

### 2. From program development to people development

Instead of most of the church's resources being used to design expensive programs that lure people to become busier at the church we ask our people to look as those around them and help them find what God has for them. That sounds like Matt. 28:19-20.

### 3. From church-based to kingdom-based leadership

Instead of always asking how decisions will affect the

congregation they lead they look at the kingdom at large. Foreign missions, Bible colleges, and annual goal setting sessions are priorities. Youth and children's ministries that utilize their youth as leaders and promote missions trips for serving are common. That sounds like 2 Tim. 2:2.

I don't know if the concept "Missional Renaissance" is a face lift on the 21st century "Church Revival" and just for selling books, or if it's going to provide a major church cultural shift. But, I do think the church of the consumer age is due for more selfless thinking. It seems for every copy of the book *It's Not About Me* that was sold, another self-absorbed leader was ordained into ministry only to leave their church 5 years later disenchanted.

From our missions to our multiple children's ministries, from our funeral dinner to our shut-in communion ministries, from our food pantry to our Celebrate Recovery ministries, from our youth's nursing home and small groups ministries to our benevolence ministry, from our worship teams, to our kitchen and various facilities ministries, I am proud to be a part of a church that thinks outside of our little box. But as a word of caution...every church thinks they think outside of their box, but only a few really do.

See you Sunday!

## ELDERS EXHORTATION

### *A Line In the Sand—Dan Dennis*

I mentioned one Sunday in my devotion how the scripture came alive for me when I realized that I was considered by God to be His enemy. Luke 11:23 says, "He who is not with me is against me and he who does not gather with me scatters." Even though I was looking for answers about God and His plan, I was still on the wrong side of the line, so to speak. Not standing with Him meant standing against Him. Not a comforting thought!

A claim to believe is a claim of discipleship and must be supported by some action. 1 John 1:6 says, "If we claim to have fellowship with Him, yet walk in darkness, we lie and do not live by the truth." What does that mean in everyday terms? It means not making time with God and His word a priority, holding on to what belongs to God, and seeking to serve self over serving God. His plan for life is much better than ours.

How do we start the process and change our position in Him? 1 John 1:9 says, "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness." Acts 2:38 says, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of sins and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit." It was on that very day that I understood I needed a change of priorities in my life and needed to become a friend of Jesus. I knew that getting on His side of the line was my only option.

Do you have doubts today about whose side you are on and where you stand with God and Jesus? Let us seek His answers through prayer and study of the word.

Now in Him!

Dan

## OBEDIENCE

—*Mary Green*

Recovering from a recent bout of stomach flu that ran rampant through our church and community, I was amazed at just how long it takes to feel good again. Even after the symptoms fade, there is still that general malaise that lingers. Not enough to stop you in your tracks, but enough to make you think before you put something in your mouth. Unfortunately, the memory of the recent misery is only too clear and you are eager to avoid a reprise.

Am I that cautious about shunning behaviors or attitudes that brought about sin? Or do I once again inch as close as possible, trusting in my own judgment to avoid a repeat of a past calamity. Do I justify my involvement or my proximity to sin (even “just” a sinful attitude)? Or do I cling to the One who has set me free?

Lord, help me to rejoice in being a slave to righteousness, focused on You and Your holy words for my life.

## BELIEVE!

—*Allen Todd*

Thirty (30) Jr. High students and sponsors are registered to head to CIY (Christ In Youth) Believe Conference in St. Louis. I am so excited about the opportunity to worship together and build connections among our students and sponsors.

The theme is “Messiah” and we have already started the curriculum on Sunday nights that will prepare our students for the conference programming and messages. They will be challenged not only to accept Jesus as Messiah, but live for Him as Lord and reach others for Christ. Then we will continue the Sunday night curriculum to reinforce the theme and solidify the decisions and provide accountability.

Jr. High is the age when many students decide to either be committed followers of Christ or to drop out of the church and hang out with friends who have a different set of beliefs and values. Trips like these can make an eternal difference in students’

*Don't you know that when you offer yourselves to someone to obey him as slaves, you are slaves to the one whom you obey—whether you are slaves to sin, which leads to death, or to obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God that, though you used to be slaves to sin, you wholeheartedly obeyed the form of teaching to which you were entrusted. You have been set free from sin and have become slaves to righteousness. Romans 6:16-18*

## VBS!

- July 19—23, 2010
- If you have an interest in helping with this year's VBS, contact Mary Green at [mary@timberlakechristian.org](mailto:mary@timberlakechristian.org) or Krista Norbury at [kartwheelqueen@yahoo.com](mailto:kartwheelqueen@yahoo.com)

Watch next month's *Connections* for details about the White Oak Christian Camp summer schedule for 2010!

lives. It is where community is created and memories are made and shared for years to come.

The same is true for high school students. The last chance to sign up for the mission trip is this Sunday. Make plans to send your children to camp. Make sure they are in Sunday School class and come to youth group meetings on Sunday or Wednesday nights. Study God's Word in your home and pray together. It all makes a difference in the lives of our children...who won't stay children for very much longer.

## Youth Events Coming up...

### February:

21 Youth Mission Trip Lunch Meeting. #302

27 Pray & Play at the Todds. 7:00pm

28 All-church potluck. CIY sponsor meeting #303

### March:

3 Jr. High REACH night in the gym.

5-6 CIY Believe in St. Louis. Load at Noon Friday.

17 Sr. High Gym Night.

21 God Squad from Unionville in concert. 6:30pm.



### TAKE NOTE

#### *Sing A New Song*

—by *Brian Sevits*

Many people expressed to me their opinions about our blended musical style over the past couple of years. As you know, we have been blending music from many different generations into each service. On any given week, we may sing two songs surrounding one theme right next to each other in the order of worship. One of these songs may be two centuries old, while the other may have been written just two years (or two months) ago. I have received many comments recently about how our attendees have gotten used to this format of intergenerational worship, and I believe most of you are realizing the benefits of this style.

A few months ago, one of our younger attendees told me that he did not believe that we were singing enough “new songs” in our corporate gatherings. Those who prefer more contemporary songs to hymns will often quote Psalm 96:1 to support their claim that we must constantly be introducing brand new compositions into our repertoire: “Oh sing to the Lord a new

song; sing to the Lord, all the earth!”

The key to our interpretation of “new song” passages in Scripture is the understanding of what “new” means. There are a couple of options that we will consider. First, the word *does* in fact sometimes mean “original.” Our God is a creative God, and He gives musicians the creativity to compose new songs for individual and corporate worship. Second, however, is a more important point. The word “new” could possibly be better translated as “fresh.” When we think about singing to the Lord a *fresh* song, the date of composition becomes irrelevant. The point is that each time we sing a song, it should mean something new to us. For some, a “new song” may in fact be a brand new song. For others, a “new song” might be an *old* song, sung with an inward freshness of spirit.

Either way we choose to interpret “new,” the point is that our songs should never become stale or stagnant. Each time we gather together for corporate worship, whether we sing a timeless Christian hymn or a recent composition, our singing should be from the heart, and our focus should be on the message of Jesus Christ and what He has done in our lives.



### WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

*The warm welcome of our fellowship is extended to these new family members!*

Alaina Williams was immersed into Christ on January 24. She is the 7-year-old daughter of Ben & Melissa.

Joe Hamilton placed membership on January 24. Joe lives in Salisbury at 32680 Brummel Road. His phone number is 660-388-6888.

Nellie Herron joined our family on January 31. Nellie lives at 800 Sinnock, Apt. 46 and is the mother of Kim Ridgway.

Keven Ridgway also came on January 31. He and his wife Kim & family live at 116 Thompson

Marty & Eileen Kossak placed their membership at TLCC on February 7. Their address is 701 S. Williams and phone number is 263-3244.

## TLCC TALENT NIGHT & FUNDRAISER

On March 16<sup>th</sup>, CARE groups will be dismissed while we gather as a church for an evening of music. We will also be having a dessert auction to raise money for continued improvement of our sound and lighting. If you are interested in participating in the talent show in some way or providing a dessert, please contact Brian as soon as possible.

## announcements

### GRIEF SHARE GROUP

GriefShare is a grief recovery support group that meets weekly. A new group is now forming and will begin meeting on Sunday, Feb. 21 at 6 p.m. in the church library. Fran Burton is the leader and encourages anyone grieving to join them. Contact Fran at 263-2166 if you are interested in attending or have questions.

### LIBRARY NEWS

We will be celebrating Spring with an open house in our library on March 21. Sign up for our free drawing in the foyer, visit our book sale in the office hall, and enjoy homemade refreshments in the library. To emphasize our theme of the Psalms, we will be handing out Psalms Pass-It-On cards.

### FINANCIAL PEACE OPEN HOUSE

Anyone interested in getting a taste of Financial Peace University is invited to come on March 4 from 6 to 8 p.m. Mark Morgan says that this is one of his favorite sessions! They meet in rooms 402/403. If you have questions, you may contact Mark at 651-0817.

### CCCB MEN'S DAY & BANQUET

Men's Day at CCCB will be March 11, 2010. Randy Gariss, minister at College Heights Christian Church in Joplin, MO, will be the featured speaker at the workshop and banquet. Activities begin at 4:30 p.m. with the banquet at 6:30 p.m. Cost is \$12 per person. Reserve your spot by March 8 by contacting CCCB at 263-3900, ext. 110.

### CELEBRATE RECOVERY

... is an addiction recovery group that meets every Friday evening at 6 p.m. in rm. 405. James McIntyre is one of the training coaches and would be happy to answer any questions.

### THOMAS KIM TO SPEAK

Thomas Kim of CRAM (Christ Reaching Asia Mission) will be speaking in Dale Samp's Sunday School class at 9 a.m. on March 21. All adults are invited to attend. Ryan & Lori Eidsen, former students who worked with our children, are working in China with CRAM.

### MISSOURI CHRISTIAN CONVENTION

Theme: What God Can Do

March 19 & 20, 2010

Location: St. Charles Convention Center

[Www.mcconvention.org](http://www.mcconvention.org)

There is more detailed information on the church bulletin board.

### CMCE

The March 15 meeting of Central Missouri Christian Evangelizers will be at Blue Ridge Christian Church in Columbia. Eldon Wilson will be portraying a sketch of Raccoon John Smith with David Sowers bringing the message.

### CCCB WOMEN'S DAY & BANQUET

Women's Day will feature Julie Gariss as the main speaker. Julie is the wife of Randy (Men's Banquet speaker.) Workshops will also be presented by Anne Menear and Kathy Craig. The day begins at 9:00 a.m. and the luncheon will be at 12:15 p.m. Child care will be provided during the day. Reserve your spot by March 22 by contacting CCCB at 263-3900 ext. 110.

### LIFE NETWORK BANQUET

Life Network of Central Missouri cordially invites you to the 19th Annual Banquet and Silent Auction with Keynote speaker Beth Chase. It will be held Thursday, March 11 at Holiday Inn Executive Center in Columbia. The Silent Auction is from 5:30-6:30 p.m. with the dinner and program beginning at 6:45 p.m. RSVP by March 1 to 573-874-3561. Tickets are \$20.

### GOD SQUAD

...is coming to TLCC on March 21! Both Jr. & Sr. High youth are invited. Enjoy an afternoon of games, food, and fellowship as the God Squad of Unionville, MO will come to join us and then perform a special drama presentation. Games will begin at 3:30 p.m. and a meal will be served at 5:30 p.m. The concert/drama will begin at 6:30 p.m. This will take the place of Come-unity and the Lewis' group that evening. Invite a friend!

# people and prayer requests

## CELEBRATIONS

### March Birthdays

- 1- Nick Eckhoff  
Fred Green
- 2- Carmelita Kaser  
Frieda McKinney  
Talon Worstell
- 4- Jim Meyer  
Rick Petersen  
Tori Ricketts
- 5- Delesa Frantzen
- 6- Micah Marshall
- 7- Emma Bright  
Robert Crutcher  
Doug Henry
- 8- Jordan Pasbrig
- 9- Alex Fincher
- 11- Avery Broemer  
Jayden Marshall  
Mike Mathis
- 12- Janet Gladstone  
Anne McKinney  
Steve St. Clair  
Anna See



- 13- Jack Richardson
- 14- Taylor Mathis  
Tracy Seitz  
Gage St. Clair
- 15- Tayler Stice
- 17- Marty Kossak  
Abby Ralls  
Sam Richardson
- 18- Natalie Botkins  
Brian Perry  
Blake Wilson
- 19- Beth McIntyre  
Evan Todd

- 20- Kristie Watson  
Sandy Bledsoe  
James Coureton  
Wanda Henry
- 21- Michelle Herron  
Breanna Seitz  
Brooke Wilson
- 22- Tony Beaverson  
Joyce Haller  
Annette Todd
- 23- Priscilla Mehaffy
- 24- Regan Walden
- 25- Nancy Boeding
- 26- Gerald Browning
- 27- Cheryl Botkins  
Aaron Henry
- 28- Jamie Bledsoe
- 29- Janet Farmer  
Dezi Worstell
- 31- Megan Wilson

### March Anniversaries

- 6- Jerry & Marlene Wilson
- 8- Darold & Cathy Evans
- 11- Paul & Lori Garrett
- 15- Steve & Pam Botkins
- 16- Chris & Rachel Harman

## PRAYER REQUESTS

### Please remember these in prayer...

Lorissa Beach Amant, Joselyn Beach, Mike Boren, Thomas Corbin, Linda Davis, Terry Denney (broken foot), G. K. Edwards, Bob Franklin, Gil Franklin, Karen Franklin, Shirley Henderson, Lonnie Henry, Patrick Henry, Tara Hough, Jim Johnson, Tom Kaser, Shirley Nichols, Bob Ollmann, Gail Peterson, Carl Pittman, Timothy Pittman, Helen Prange, Frank & Margie Richardson, Bev Robertson, Laura Sagner, Rachel Stall, Matt Steffen, Jerri Cravens-Sum, Sally Walker, Barbara White, Edonna White

### Those in Nursing Homes or Care Centers...

Bluff's Nursing Home, Columbia—Catherine Williams; Cameron Manor—Anna See; Loch Haven—Sue Smith; Loma Linda—Irene Crawford, Dan Dolan, Betty Dunwoody; Mark Twain—Lillian Collins, Lyle & Hilda Stout; Ravenwood Terrace—Susie Ash, Dorothy Fausz, Mary Worstell; St. Louis Nursing Home—Dorothy Cozadd



### Those in the Military...

Afghanistan: Chris Beaverson, Bobby Bulens; Cherry Point, NC: Travis Bash; Hawaii: Justin Lewis, Jeff Taylor; Iraq: Nicholas Clear, Ryan Colwick, Josh Conklin, Jacob Dykstra, David Rinehart, George Thornburg, Gerrett Vessar; New Jersey: Travis Harvey; Texas: Drew Stice, Thiet Tran, Jr; Virginia: Bryan Ralls; Washington: Isaac LeGrand; Reserves: Adam Cousin, Matt Martin

# statistics and serving schedules

	1/24	1/31	2/7	2/14
<b>ATTENDANCE</b>				
TOTAL Sun. Sch.	249	245	238	240
1st Worship	109	132	110	109
2nd Worship	247	287	275	261
Children	95	43	79	85
TOTAL Worship	451	462	464	455
<b>OFFERING</b>				
General	\$9,969	\$14,140	\$10,615	\$8,370
Designated	2,623	1,513	1,101	2,446
TOTAL Offerings	\$12,592	\$15,653	\$11,716	\$10,816

## YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS

**Worship Average:** 460  
**Sunday School Average:** 237  
**Total Offering Received:** \$71,787.18  
**Average Weekly Offering:** \$10,255  
**Weekly Budgeted Offering:** \$10,284

## VOLUNTEER SCHEDULES

### March Servers

**1st Worship:** Harley Funk, Gary Hargis, Dick Koffarnus, Norman Lavinder, Kyle Robuck, Rob Robuck, Mark Russell, David Sears

**2nd Worship:** Kevin Bartholmey, Todd Beaverson, Keith Bosch, David Fincher, Jim Glover, Ralph Hoppe, Jeff Lawrence, Alan Wilson, Mark Wilson, Steve Wright

*If you are unable to serve one Sunday, please find a substitute. If you cannot serve for the entire month, please contact Keith Bosch.*

### March Pulpit Helpers

**1st Worship:** David Sears  
**2nd Worship:** Allen Todd

TLCC Facility Completion	Needed	Given
Sound & Video	8,000	2,950
Chairs	15,000	1,781
Moveable Walls	30,000	2,300
Workroom cabinets/ Office Furnishings	3,000	1,114
Decorations	3,000	500
Classroom cabinets	8,000	1,000

	Feb. 21	Feb. 28	Mar. 7	Mar. 14	Mar. 21	Mar. 28
<b>Greeters</b>	Devra Jones Shirley DeVos  Jack & Karen Richardson	Mark & Sherry Russell  Steve & Karen Wright	Keven & Kim Ridgway  Glen & Michelle Herron	Tracy & Nancy Roach  Ron & Phyllis Self	Keith & Melissa Bosch  Jim & Cindy Meyer	Charles & Roberta Crutcher  Scott & Shannon Bright
<b>Visitor Greeters</b>	Dan & Barb Dennis	Jeff & Lara Lawrence	Dawn Beaverson	Rena Lang  Joyce Haller	Ray & Lorraine McCully	Dan & Barb Dennis
<b>Shut-in Communion</b>	Fred Green	David Sears  Ron Self	Jack Richardson  Harley Funk	Doug Delp  Doug Henry	Fred Green	David Sears  Ron Self

**TIMES OF SERVICES**  
**SUNDAY**  
 Dual Worship/Sunday School.....9 & 10:30 a.m.  
 Sunday Night C.A.R.E. Groups (Sept.—April)  
**WEDNESDAY (Sept.—April)**  
 C.A.R.E. Groups .....(times to be set by group)  
 Adult and Children's Programming  
 for Age 2—Grade 12.....6:30-8 p.m.

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**MARCH 2010**

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28	29	30	31			

- 1- WOCC Board Mtg. @ Sunrise CC.
- 5 & 6 Jr. Hi Believe
- 11- CCCB Men's Banquet
- 11- Life Network Banquet & auction
- 12&13 CCCB Homecoming
- 14- Talent Night & Dessert Auction
- 15- CMCE in Columbia, Blue Ridge CC
- 19-20 Missouri Christian Convention
- 19-20 Teen Lock-In
- 21- Library Open House
- 21- God Squad performing
- 27- CCCB Women's Day & Luncheon
- 31- Spring Break; No Wed. classes

**Recurring Events**

- Sun. Bible Bowl Practices—4:00-6:00 p.m.
- Tuesday NAMI—7:00 p.m.
- Wednesday Bible Bowl—5:00-6:00 p.m.  
 Youth Classes, age 2-grade 12  
 6:30-8:00 p.m.  
 Women's study—6:30-8:00 p.m.  
 Men's study—6:30-8:00 p.m.
- Thursday Worship Team/Choir Pract.—6:30 p.m.  
 Choir Only—7:30 p.m.  
 Financial Peace University, 6:30 p.m.

**CURRENT SERMON SERIES**

- February*
  - 21— "Jesus & the Serpent on the Pole" Jn. 3:1-21
  - 28— Dr. Ron Oakes preaching; CCCB Day
- March*
  - 7— "Jesus & Manna" John 6
  - 14— "Jesus & the Feast of Tabernacles" Jn 7:11-39
  - 21— "Jesus & Moses" Jn. 7:40-52