



## WELCOME TO CENTRAL BAPTIST CHURCH

Thank you for attending and participating in the worship services today. We trust that you will have a meaningful, spiritual experience with us, and that you will develop some Christian relationships with us here. If it is your first time, **please take the Registration Card** from your Welcome Brochure, kindly fill out the information, detach it, and **place it in the offering plate** so that our Ushers can give it to our Pastor.

## FORTY YEARS IN PANAMA CITY!



We are thankful for the investment of time and service of John and Mary Lou Barton since 1979 when coming to work on our staff. They have held a variety of position but always with a faithful servant attitude. Since retiring from full-time service, they continue to be faithfully involved in the work of Central Baptist Church...at 80 years of age!

## THIS EVENING @ CENTRAL

**5:30pm** Ensemble, Instrument and Tech Rehearsal  
**6:15pm** Women's Prayer Meeting, the Crossway  
**6:30pm** Evening Service, Dr. Bruce Barton preaching  
**7:45pm** Monthly Pastor and Deacons Meeting

## PRAY FOR PASTOR AND MRS. BARTON

*Their 35th Anniversary Vacation, August 23-30*



### SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS

**Betty Beckham**  
*Gulf Coast Medical, pneumonia*

**Crystal Coulter**  
*radiation begins Monday, Dallas, TX*

**Stephanie Curry**  
*Tacoma, WA, brain tumor, hospice care*

**Evangelist Randy Hogue**  
*Gadsden, AL, recovering from brain surgery*

**Zach Ferguson**  
*broken wrist*

**Beverly Fraoli**  
*gastrointestinal cancer, treatment, 8/23*

**Charles Senda**  
*leg swelling decreased, much improvement*

**Patsy Senda**  
*blood pressure complications*

**Hal Tew**  
*Lymphoma cancer*

**Jeanine Wise**  
*Encompass Health Rehab, new heart valve*

**Bob Waddell**  
*skin cancer on leg, infection/swelling*

### — LAST SUNDAY OFFERINGS —

|                       | Last Week          | 2019 Average       | 2019 Budget        |
|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Tithes                | \$ 3,163.25        | \$ 4,983.79        | \$ 4,997.69        |
| Faith Missions        | 697.00             | 1,051.86           | 913.85             |
| <b>Total Offering</b> | <b>\$ 3,860.25</b> | <b>\$ 6,035.65</b> | <b>\$ 5,911.34</b> |



**Three Routes That Can Pick Up 60-75 Children**  
**Loving, Trained Workers on Each Route**  
**Air-Conditioned, Safe and Comfortable**

- **Bus Route 2** **John Douglas, Driver**  
**Bobbie Tansky, Worker**  
**Need Door Runner, Worker**  
**Need Visitation Partner, Worker**
- **Bus Route 4** **Need CDL Driver, Driver**  
**Chuck Giambra, Worker**  
**Mark Emmanuel, Worker (new!)**  
**Helen Emmanuel, Worker (new!)**

**Visitation and Outreach, Saturdays @ 9:30am**  
**Sunday Morning Children's Church @ 10:30am**

*Re-starting September 8!*

## WHILE WE REBUILD ....

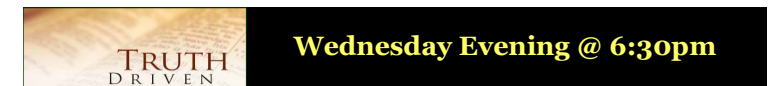
You may **use both east and west parking lots**, but please only enter/exit the double glass doors into the Education Building from either parking lot.

The **Ladies Restrooms** are in the hallway toward the auditorium; the **Men's Restrooms** are in the Kitchen area.

Please remember to **not bring food or drinks** into the building.

**Cell phones should be in the muted/off positions.**

**The Nursery should be used for children 0-48 months** so the service can have little distractions.





## REVIVED RIGHT NOW?

Psalm 85 reveals the heart-felt cry of a Psalmist wanting to see God work. The prayer for revival is passionate, genuine, and real. The Psalmist already understands the product of revival. *“Wilt thou not revive us again: That thy people may rejoice in thee?”*

What are the signs of revival? It must be more than just a great service. If it is from the Lord, it surely must last more than just a few hours. If revival takes place, expect the following—

**God’s Presence Seems Near.** Years ago, I read a simple book entitled *God Came Near*. In it, the writer marveled at how the world changed with the incarnation of Christ. Yet, this was not the only time in world history in which God desired to draw near. He has told us that if “we draw nigh to God, He will draw nigh to us.” One clear sign of a spiritual awakening is that there is an increased perception of God’s presence among us.

**God’s Spirit Works Unhindered.** In times of revival, God’s Spirit is not being quenched or grieved. His people are obedient to His leading; they are sensitive to His voice. His work of conviction, leading believers to repentance is more pronounced, more observed—how can we put into words when the Divine is working to draw us even closer to Him. As more believers confess their sins, that which had been a hindrance to His work is removed. Our sins cause us to draw back when God invites us to draw near.

**God’s People Want To Be In His House.** Have you ever wondered what would happen on one Sunday if every person on a church roster actually showed up? What would it be like if every single believer heard and responded to a sermon on the same Sunday? Today, it is easy to find excuses to miss here and there. We are too busy, we are tired, we don’t feel good, we need a day to ourselves, we can worship at home—you name it. These and many more excuses are offered on a weekly basis. Yet, when revival happens, God’s people hunger for truth and righteousness and cannot wait to get to hear preaching.

**God’s People Tell Others About Christ.** When revival fires are kindled in our heart, we cannot help but tell others about Christ. He becomes our focus, our passion—the main priority of our life. We cannot help but to speak about the One that we love, worship, and serve.

Have you ever seen a true revival? Are you a revived Christian?



## REVIVAL IN NAME ONLY

**Text: Revelation 3:1-6**

The Church at Sardis reminds us that the things that so often impress us about churches are the things that least impress the Lord. We are often more captivated by externals when God is more concerned with internals. We would have said the Church at Sardis was alive, but God said it was dead.

### I. The Reputation that was \_\_\_\_\_

- A. The Church was Lively in its \_\_\_\_\_  
*“lively” (vs. 1)*
- B. The Church was Lifeless in its \_\_\_\_\_  
*“dead” (vs. 1)*

### II. The Revival that was \_\_\_\_\_

- A. A \_\_\_\_\_ Response to Their Condition  
*“watchful” (vs. 2)*
- B. A \_\_\_\_\_ Review of Their Condition  
*“remember” (vs. 3)*

If there is a passage of Scripture that should speak to our hearts, it should be this one that Jesus gave Sardis. Our greatest concern and prayer should be for life in our bones and within this body!

***Wilt thou not revive us again:  
that Thy people may rejoice in thee?”  
—Psalm 85:6—***

**HEAL  
OUR  
LAND**

2 CHR. 7:14

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