



They will know us by our Love

John 13:35

SEPTEMBER, 2024 NEWSLETTER

September Fighter Verse 2 Corinthians 5:20

We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God.

OUR WORSHIP

IN-PERSON

LIVESTREAM, FACEBOOK & YOUTUBE @ 11:00AM
www.centralbaptistnyc.org

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Adult Sunday School 9:45AM via Zoom
Youth Sunday School 11:15AM
Kindergarten to 12th Grade
—2nd, 3rd and 4th Sundays.

September Theme: Reaching wider, Growing deeper

CBC CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2024, @ 7:00PM

All members are invited to join us.

- Join us In-Person in the Parlor
- Join Zoom Meeting:
<https://zoom.us/j/6831601413>.
- Or dial in on your phone: (646) 558-8656
Enter the meeting ID 683 160 1413 when prompted.

PASTOR'S DEVOTIONAL



In Luke 15 Jesus tells the story of a disobedient son, who makes an unheard-of request of his father. He asks his father to allow him to receive his portion of his father's estate while his father is still living. The request is tantamount to wishing that his father was dead. Yet his father ignores the offense of the request and grants his son's desire. The son receives his portion of the estate, hurriedly liquidates his shares, selling what his father had worked hard to obtain at rock bottom prices, and with the wealth obtained from the selling of his assets, goes as far away from his father as his money could take him.

The son lived lavishly, spending his fortune on friends and pleasure, living the lifestyle of an Instagram influencer. Until his money runs out. And with his wealth gone, so to goes his friends. The son eventually had to resort to the most menial and humbling task imaginable, that of feeding pigs, the type of work that you don't post on social media, just to

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put food in his stomach. And in his humiliation, he resigns to go back home, hoping that his father would welcome and receive him as some type of laborer or servant. He even constructs an elaborate speech that he hopes to recite to his father, where he pleads for his father's forgiveness.

What the son receives from his father, however, is far beyond what he would have ever dreamed of. While the son is still some distance from his family's home, the father sees a figure in the distance, that bears a striking resemblance to his son. The father fixes his gaze on the figure of in the horizon. And when he recognizes this figure as his son, he lifts his garments and runs off to meet him. And before the son can get in a word, the father, through a series of culturally significant gestures, welcomes his lost son home not as a servant but as his son. The son is restored and welcomed home.

This story, you and I know, as the parable of the prodigal son. And Jesus tells this story to teach an important lesson about the character of God. That God loves his people even when they wander away from him and he waits always willing to welcome and receive them back if they repent and return to him. The story of the prodigal son is the most well-known place in scripture that teaches us this remarkable truth about God; but it is not the only place in scripture that teaches this truth.



This painting was formerly attributed to Francesco Fracanzo.

If there is an Old Testament equivalent to the story of the prodigal son, it is Hosea 6:1-3. In Hosea 6, motivated by the fear of God's judgement and all the humiliating consequences that judgement would ensue, the prophet Hosea puts into the lips of disobedient and wayward Israel words of repentance, and these words of repentance once again remind us of the character of God, God loves his people so much so that when they wander away, he waits for them and is willing to welcome and receive them back if they repent and return to him.

At the end of Hosea 6:1 the prophet gives the assurance that God will reverse his promise of judgment and instead deliver blessing if national repentance occurs. Verse 2 describes these blessings in terms of a reawakening or resurrection where Israel's return to God causes them to experience a new recovered life. What Hosea is describing is the hope of revival, a renewed experience of life that God gives when God's

people repent and seek Him. Revival can occur on a personal level where God can breathe new life into the broken areas of our lives if we seek his face in our marriages, our finances, and our health. There is not an area of your life that cannot be renewed and recovered if you return to God.

But what Hosea is speaking of is national revival: the renewal that a nation can experience if people turn to God. The speaker insists that Israel can experience healing and restoration. Israel can recover what she has lost if She turns to God. And what God could do in Israel God can do here. The ills of this country are not a byproduct of having elected the wrong people to office or the having the wrong people in the Supreme Court or the wrong people in seats of power. The ills of this country is a direct result of the nation turning away from God. And if turning from God has created the problems turning to God can fix the problems.

*C*ome, let us return to the LORD.
He has torn us to pieces
but he will heal us;
he has injured us
but he will bind up our wounds.

Hosea 6:1

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Opportunities to come together to learn, pray and fellowship.

BIBLE STUDY

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Adult

9:45AM— In person and via Zoom

<https://zoom.us/j/6831601413>

Enter the meeting ID 683 160 1413 when prompted.

Phone: 646-558-8656

Youth

11:15AM

2nd, 3rd & 4th Sundays

In-Person OR

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/6831601413>

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BIBLE STUDY (cont'd)

WEDNESDAY IN THE WORD

RESUMES SEPTEMBER 25

7:00—8:00PM

Wednesday Night Bible study is a great way to keep your heart and mind on God! Join us for an interactive, in-depth reflection on the scriptures and how they can be applied to your life.

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/6831601413>

Enter the meeting ID 683 160 1413 when prompted.

Join Zoom by Phone: 646-558-8656

7 PM on Zoom

TALK
BACK

Tuesday

RESUMES SEPTEMBER 10
Join us as we explore and
diagnose our spiritual health.

Join Zoom Meeting: [https://
zoom.us/j/6831601413](https://zoom.us/j/6831601413)

Or dial in on your phone:
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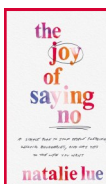
Senior Bible Study Wednesdays

Start Date: September 11, 2024

12 Noon to 1:00pm

Miss Ann's Room

Senior Ministry Church Wide Events



SENIOR BOOK CLUB

September 7, 2024

2:00pm to 4:00pm

Miss Ann's Room

"The Joy of Saying No" by Natalie Lue



Senior Ministry Exercise Program

Time: 11:00am to 11:45am

Location: Chapel

Saturday, September 14, 2024

Saturday, September 28, 2024



Saturdays 10-11:30A in Lower
Gym

Open to the public.
All levels. Equipment
available.

No Pickleball 9/14

CELEBRATING 20 YEARS OF MINISTRY!

Senior Monthly Meeting

20th Anniversary Celebration

Saturday, September 21

2-4PM — Chapel

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YOU ARE INVITED

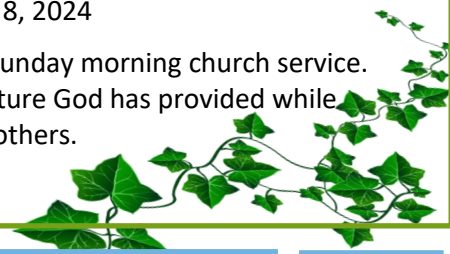
Afternoon tea in the garden featuring hat wear for men and women.

Place: The Garden of Love

Date: Sunday, September 8, 2024

Time: Immediately after Sunday morning church service.
Celebrate the beauty of nature God has provided while
enjoying the fellowship of others.


All are welcome.



THE RIVERSIDE

PREMIER REHABILITATION & HEALING CENTER

150 Riverside Drive & West 87th Street
New York, NY 10024

Each 2nd Saturday Central goes to The Riverside center to bring the residents a worship service. Come and bring a willing heart to serve. We meet at the church at 10:00AM, Walk over to the center as a group. Ministry ends around 12 noon. See the upcoming dates. 

September
14

October
12

November
9

MISSIONARY OF THE MONTH



Matt & Nicole, missionaries we support, will be at CBC on Sunday, September 29, 2024! Come hear Matt speak during the Missions Moment at Sunday's Worship Service. Then, come participate in the

Sip & Chat directly after service to hear Matt & Nicole share their experiences in the field.

The Paschalls are on the move. There are many transitions. Most of the children are in college or graduate school and working towards becoming equipped to fulfill their role in God's mission field (local / global). Matt continues to provide leadership, spiritual formation and discipleship classes/workshops for refugees to create church plants in their home area. Nicole is closer to completing her doctoral program. Throughout it all, they continue to work in building up the Body of Christ and expanding God's Kingdom within the same ministries.

In their recent newsletter, they shared:

"Since our tie to the school here in Budapest is now finished, we have been praying about where the Lord may be leading us to live next. Our ministries will stay the same, but we are looking for a city in Europe where some of our current partners for QUEST Academy are actively involved.

That means that we are packing up our life, and putting everything into storage for the next few months as we discern the best place to settle.

We have already visited several cities in Spain, France and Italy where we could continue our ministry with QUEST Academy and Spiritual Formation. We are asking for you to pray for us as we actively seek God's plan for our home for the next season.

We will be in the States for several months as we settle Adelaide into school and Nicole works on her doctoral project which is due in early February. Matt will be traveling to Europe, Asia and the Middle East as he continues to develop the partnership and finances for QUEST Academy.

Pray specifically that we sell our minivan in Hungary and for God to provide a vehicle for us to borrow while we are in California for these 7 months. If you know someone with an extra vehicle, please let us know mnpaschall@gmail.com

We could also use some extra prayer support as we were recently robbed while visiting Barcelona, Spain. The back window of our rental car was smashed and they grabbed four bags including 2 MacBook laptops, a purse and a passport. We filed a police report with total losses were estimated between \$5,000-\$6000. Credit cards were cancelled and there were several trips to the Embassy to replace stolen documents which has taken a lot of time, energy

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

As you grow another year older, may you also grow closer to God, finding wisdom and comfort in His word.

Stacey Holman	Sept. 1
Celine Plaisir	Sept. 1
Leroy Williams	Sept. 5
Casey Jones	Sept. 6
Carol Nickelson	Sept. 7
Asher Nordby	Sept. 9
Ayanna Dickerson-Parker	Sept. 13
Jennifer Fortune	Sept. 13
Dinnel Spencer	Sept. 15
Jeanette Webster	Sept. 15
Ernestine Jackson-Moore	Sept. 18
Juanita Bailey	Sept. 19
Mya Ramos	Sept. 19
Corey Anderson	Sept. 21
Tyler Valentin Griffin	Sept. 22
Paulette Forbes-Igharo	Sept. 24
Shelby Bryant	Sept. 26
Sasha Jones	Sept. 27
Charles Callaway	Sept. 28
Bertha Pettus	Sept. 28
Mark Marchak	Sept. 29
Kristie Jaramillo	Sept. 31



<https://blog.loveable.us/blog/christian-birthday-wishes/>

and money. Fortunately Nicole's dissertation was recovered on the cloud, but there were several days of dread wondering if she had to start her research and writing all over again. Buying two new computers was not in our budget this year.

If you would like to give, please click on this link:
<http://uwm.org/missionaries/31424/>

Thank you for journeying with us and praying through these all of exciting transitions and traumas.”

Our mailing address is:

Matt & Nicole Paschall - United World Mission
 3 Maple Forest Drive
 Ballston Lake, NY 12019

SAVE THE DATE

YOU ARE INVITED TO MISSIONS CONFERENCE WEEKEND

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28—
 SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2024

Brothers & Sisters, Family & Friends, GOD has blessed us to be a blessing to others. HE grants us the opportunity to offer a listening ear (without judgement), speak words of hope, provide a helping hand, walk alongside those who need support, and participate in what HE's doing in our community and in our world.

Esther Romero

MISSIONS CONFERENCE WEEKEND

Schedule of Events

TO BE A BLESSING

Saturday, September 28th, 2024



9:30 am to 10:00 am
 Continental Breakfast



10 am to 11 am -
 Dale Belli “How to do a Home Bible Study”
 Workshop

11 am to 12 pm -
 Ray Ramos “Dealing with Addiction”
 Workshop

12:00 pm to 3:00 pm -
 Recovery House of Worship Baptisms!

Sunday, September 29th, 2024

Matt Paschall @ 11 AM Worship Service -
 Missions Moment
 Meet & Greet directly after service in the
 Chapel

We look forward to seeing you.

TO BE A BLESSING
Hands Across the World
 ACTS 20:33 - 35 (NIV)

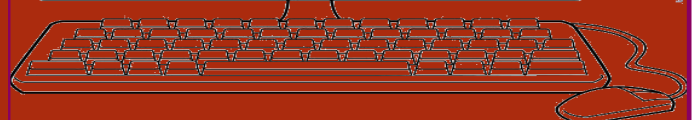
Saturday, September 28th, 2024
 9:30 am to 10:00 am - Continental Breakfast
 10 am to 11 am - Workshop #1
 11 am to 12 pm - Workshop #2
 12:00 pm to 3:00 pm - Recovery House of
 Worship Baptisms!

Sunday, September 29th, 2024
 Matt Paschall @ 11 AM Worship Service
 - Missions Moment
 Meet & Greet in the Chapel after

We look forward to seeing you there!!

10% of Central's tithes and offerings go to support our missionaries.

Newsletter Staff: Pastor Robert Casteline, Oversight; Paulette Forbes-Igharo and Sharrata Hunt. Special thanks to Debby Diaz, and Tanya Glenn.



Praying Together

With so many opportunities to pray corporately with one another, here is some information that will help you remember the various requests and praise reports to create your own prayer journal.

CENTRAL BAPTIST CHURCH	CITY, STATE & COUNTRY
Pastor Fils-Aime	New York City
Pastor Robert Casteline	Leadership of NYC, State and Country
Willana Mack Hudson	The World and personal circumstances
Deacons & Elders	
Ministries	<i>Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. Hebrews 4:16</i>
Missionaries	
Members and Friends of Central	
Sick and Shut-in	

The sanctuary is open during the week Monday-Thursday between 10:00A and 6:00P to anyone who desires a quiet place to pray.

DAILY PRAYER MEETING BY CONFERENCE PHONE

Led by Elder Deryck and Sonya Tonge
(609) 746-1164
Access Code: 667293#
Monday — Friday
6-6:30 AM

EVENING PRAYER

September 28, 2024
At 7:00PM
Via Zoom

<https://zoom.us/j/6831601413>

Enter the meeting ID 683 160 1413 when prompted.
Phone: 646-558-8656

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Praying for our Leadership

Below are the name of our Elders, Trustees and Deacons. Please pray for them and their families. As members of our congregation, we each have a Deacon who will reach out to you periodically to see how you're doing and if you have any needs or prayer requests. If you don't know who your Deacon is, email deaconsasmarch2024@groups.outlook.com or call the church office and leave a message for the Deacons requesting a call from your Deacon.



ELDERS

Rev. John Fils-Aime
Rev. Robert Casteline*
Vincent Clark*

*Interim for 1 year



TRUSTEES

Yulando McMullen, Trustee
Myrna Phillips Gibson, Trustee
Taji Phillips, Trustee



DEACONS

Deacon AnnDenise Brown
Deacon Kimberly Casteline
Deacon Otis Coleman
Deacon Sharrata Hunt
Deacon/Trustee Yulando McMullen
Deacon Michelle Newkirk
Deacon Joyce Powell
Deacon Sherry Reid
Deacon Esther Romero
Deacon Jean Thelusme



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 11A-SUNDAY WORSHIP	2 6-6:30A Prayer on Conference call	3 6-6:30A Prayer on Conference call	4 6-6:30A Prayer on Conference call	5 6-6:30A Prayer on Conference call	6 6-6:30A Prayer on Conference call 12P-Midweek Prayer-Phone; 7P-Wed Nite Bible Study—ZOOM	7 10:00-11:30A-Pickleball 2-4P— Senior Book Club
8 9:45A —Adult Sunday School 11A-SUNDAY WORSHIP 1P-Garden of Love—Afternoon Tea	8 6-6:30A Prayer on Conference call	10 6-6:30A Prayer on Conference call 7PM-Tuesday Talk Back RESUMES	11 6-6:30A Prayer on Conference call Conference call 12P-Midweek Prayer-Phone; 12-1P SENIOR BIBLE STUDY BEGINS 7P-Wed Nite Bible Study—ZOOM	12 6-6:30A Prayer on Conference call	13 6-6:30A Prayer on Conference call	14 10A-RIVERSIDE REHAB (Meet at Central) NO Pickleball 11:00-11:45A-Senior Exercise—Chapel
15 9:45A —Adult Sunday School 11A-SUNDAY WORSHIP	16 6-6:30A Prayer on Conference call	17 6-6:30A Prayer on Conference call 7PM-Tuesday Talk Back	18 6-6:30A Prayer on Conference call Conference call 12P-Midweek Prayer-Phone; 7PM— CONGREGATIONAL MEETING	19 6-6:30A Prayer on Conference call	20 6-6:30A Prayer on Conference call	21 10:00-11:30A-Pickleball 2P- SENIOR MINISTRY 20TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION Senior Luncheon-Chapel
22 9:45A —Adult Sunday School 11A-SUNDAY WORSHIP	23 6-6:30A Prayer on Conference call	24 6-6:30A Prayer on Conference call 7PM-Tuesday Talk Back	25 6-6:30A Prayer on Conference call Conference call 12P-Midweek Prayer-Phone; 7P-Wed Nite Bible Study RESUMES —ZOOM	26 6-6:30A Prayer on Conference call	27 6-6:30A Prayer on Conference call	28 10:00-11:30A-Pickleball 10A-3P - MISSIONS CONFERENCE WEEK-END 11:00-11:45A-Senior Exercise—Chapel
29 9:45A —Adult Sunday School 9:45A —ABUNDANT LIFE CLASS BEGINS=Nursery 11A-SUNDAY WORSHIP 1P-MISSIONS WKND RECEPTION	30 6-6:30A Prayer on Conference call	<p><i>Remember this: <i>Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.</i></i></p> <p>2 Corinthians 9:6-8</p>				

**Keep
Central's
finances in
prayer!**



CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

To help offset the costs of the repairs, we kindly request that **EACH MEMBER** contribute.
Campaign Goal:
\$100,000.00.

**Amount
collected as of
8/29/24
\$36,524.95**



*Senior Ministry
of Central Baptist Church
celebrates its*

20th
Anniversary

Saturday, September 21, 2024

2:00 pm ~ 4:00 pm

Chapel


Celebration includes

Luncheon

Special Program

Art Exhibit

ABUNDANT LIFE



The Life of Jesus In You

The Abundant Life class is an 18 Lesson, 10 week course designed to strengthen the Believer, both new and mature, help them grow spiritually and deepen their personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

STUDY BOOK:

Abundant Life—The Life of Jesus in You.
SEAN International 1996.

COST OF STUDY BOOK:
To be announced.

If you or anyone you know who wants to grow or wants to more about following Jesus, contact the church office.

Classes begin
Sunday, September 29
9:45-10:45 am
Location: Nursery