



They will know us by our Love

John 13:35

**OCTOBER, 2024
NEWSLETTER**

October Fighter Verse: 1 Corinthians 8:6

Yet for us there is but one God, the Father, from whom all things came and for whom we live; and there is but one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom all things came and through whom we live.

OUR WORSHIP

IN-PERSON

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

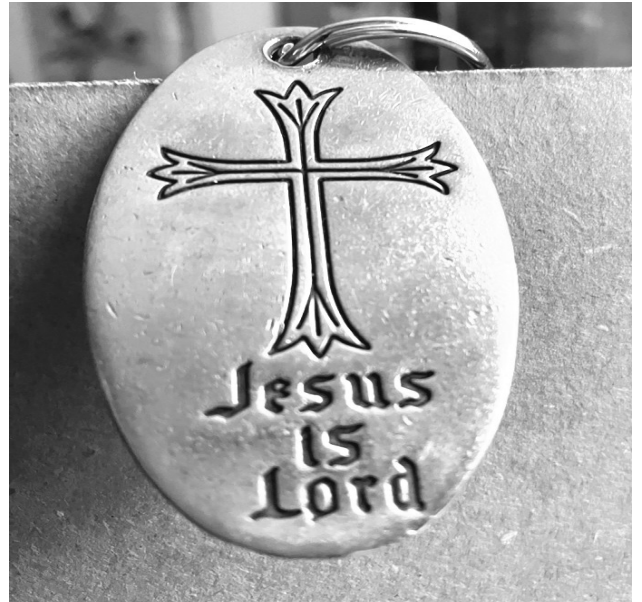
SUNDAY SCHOOL

Adult Sunday School 9:45AM In Person and via Zoom
Starting October 13—Youth Sunday School 11:15AM
Kindergarten to 12th Grade
—2nd, 3rd and 4th Sundays.

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OCTOBER DEVOTIONAL

NOT "ONE OF THE GROUP"

And John answered him and said, "Master, we saw one casting out devils in thy name and he followeth not us; and we forbid him because he followeth not us. And Jesus said: Forbid him not for there is no man which shall do a miracle in my name, that can lightly speak evil of me. For he that is not against us is on our part. – Mark 9: 39-41 (KJV)

The Living Bible, a transliteration of the King James Version, is worth noting here:

John told Him, "**Teacher, we saw a man using your name to cast our demons, but we told him not to because he isn't one of our group.**" – Mark 9:38TLB

Before we mention "groups," let's read more deeply Jesus' reaction, Verse 39:

But Jesus said, "Do not stop Him.-NIV, NRSV, TLB.

For there is no one who does a miracle in my name who can in the next moment say anything bad about me. (NIV)

For no one who does a deed of power in my name

will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me.
(NRSV)

I so strongly believe that verse 40 is the key verse for us that I give to you now the seven English versions I own in book form. (You can also find them on The Internet.)

For he that is not against us is on our part.
(KJV)*

For the man who is not against us is on our side. (PT)

For he that is not against us is for us. (RSV)

For he who is not against us is for us. (NASV)

For whoever is not against us is for us. (NIV)

Whoever is not against us is for us. (NASV)

Anyone who is not against us is for us. (TLB)

Does it matter what “group” we belong to or are assigned to? I think if we are honest, many or most of us will answer yes, but does it matter to Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ? Does it matter to The Son of God whether we are Protestant or Catholic, Evangelical or “Mainline” (Episcopal, Lutheran, Etc.) Pentecostal or Baptist, Church Member or Regular Attendee, Denominational or Non Denominational? Reflecting on Mark 9: 38-41, we see that no, it does not. What then matters to Our Lord Jesus?

This amazing passage is one of the precious scriptures in which Jesus Himself tells us what doesn’t and does matter! I trust it makes us think and rethink. What was important to Jesus and His early disciples? What is important to Jesus and His disciples today? What did and does Jesus say? What does Jesus want us to do? Speaking from my own experience, I admit that these labels matter to many or most of us. Jesus, who loves each of us dearly, knows we are all equally guilty of judging and dividing—**when Jesus wants us to accept and unite and to love each other as we love ourselves.**

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KJV—King James Version
Phillips Translation
RSV—Revised Standard Version
NASV—New American Standard Version
NIV—New International Version
TLB—The Living Bible

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

Sunday Youth Group — KICK OFF — October 13

11:15AM—2nd, 3rd & 4th Sundays

In-Person OR

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

Enter the meeting ID 683 160 1413 when prompted.

Phone: 646-558-8656

WEDNESDAY IN THE WORD

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



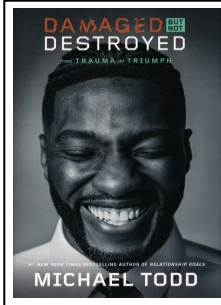
Join us as we explore and diagnose our spiritual health.

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.

Senior Ministry Events



SENIOR BOOK CLUB

Saturday, November 2, 2024

2:00pm to 4:00pm

Miss Ann's Room

"Damaged but not Destroyed" by
Michael Todd



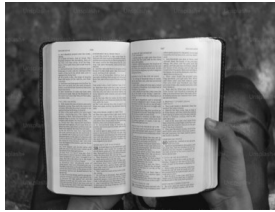
Senior Ministry. Exercise Program

Time: 11:00am to 11:45am

Saturday, October 5—Mezzanine

Saturday, October 12—Chapel

Saturday, October 26—Chapel



Senior Bible Study
Wednesdays
12 Noon to 1:00pm
Miss Ann's Room

**Senior Monthly
Meeting and
Luncheon**
Saturday, October 19



Church Wide Events

**Church
Girl
Nights**

OCTOBER 4TH
166 WEST 92ND STREET,
NEW YORK CITY, NY 10025

**Hillsong featuring
Willana Mack**
Friday October 4th
Doors open @
6:30pm Worship
Night begins @ 7pm

CENTRAL BAPTIST CHURCH
PRESENTS

**GAME
NIGHT**

Saturday, October 5th @ 4P
Young Adult Game Night -
Ages 25 to 45
For more info contact
Tanya Glenn
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166 West 92nd Street

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.

October 12

November 9

December 14

CBC Discipleship Kickoff
Sunday, October 6
Immediately following Service

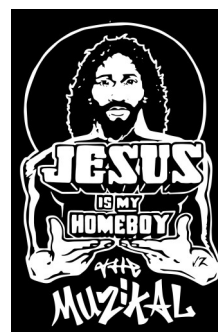
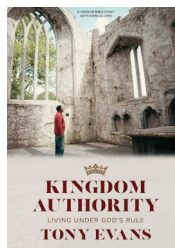
This will be an opportunity to sign up for a discipleship group.

We will be using the book and video sessions
"Kingdom Authority" by Tony Evans.

From the Amazon description:

"If you're going through life and find that your mood and manner are tossed to and fro by the waves of circumstance, something may be out of sync. Self-help and self-improvement are not the answer.

Now more than ever, you need to look to heaven's solutions to solve your earthly problems."



JESUS IS MY HOMEBY THE MUZICAL
Friday, October 18 @
3PM and 7PM

Jesus is My Homeboy is a new musical that reimagines "What if Jesus first came to New York in the 1980's & 1990's?"

The story revolves around the battle culture that formed as the golden age of hip hop emerged in this era.

Tickets are available on Eventbrite at this link: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/jesus-is-my-homeboy-muzikal-mixtape-vol-1-concert-version-tickets-1018528023737>

120 complimentary tickets have been set aside for Central members using the code: **CentralBaptist**

The Jesus is My Homeboy Website: <https://homeboymuzikal.com>

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

October 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

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

Praying for our Leadership

Below are the names 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



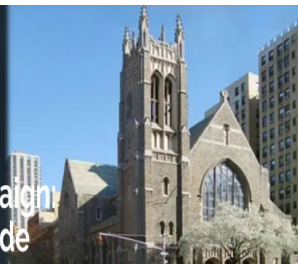
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 MONDAY—FRIDAY 6-6:30A Prayer on Conference call	2 12P-Midweek Prayer-Phone; 12P Senior Bible Study-Chapel 7P-Wed Nite Bible Study—ZOOM	3 6-6:30A Prayer on Conference call	4 7:30P-CHURCH GIRL NIGHTS	5 10:00-11:30A-Pickleball 2-4P— Senior Book Club 4P-GAME NIGHT
6 9:45A —Adult Sunday School 9:45A —Abundant Life—Nursery 11A-SUNDAY WORSHIP 1P-DISCIPLESHIP KICKOFF	7 6-6:30A Prayer on Conference call	8 6-6:30A Prayer on Conference call 7PM-Tuesday Talk Back	9 6-6:30A Prayer on Conference call 12P-Midweek Prayer-Phone; 12P Senior Bible Study-Chapel 7P-Wed Nite Bible Study—ZOOM	10 6-6:30A Prayer on Conference call	11 6-6:30A Prayer on Conference call 7P-NIGHT OF WORSHIP—Praise Him in Advance	12 10A-RIVERSIDE REHAB (Meet at Central) 9:30A-12P-Pickleball 11:00-11:45A-Senior Exercise—Chapel
13 9:45A —Adult Sunday School 9:45A —Abundant Life—Nursery 11A-SUNDAY WORSHIP 11:15-Sunday Youth Group BE-GINS	14 6-6:30A Prayer on Conference call	15 6-6:30A Prayer on Conference call 7PM-Tuesday Talk Back	16 6-6:30A Prayer on Conference call 12P-Midweek Prayer-Phone; 12P Senior Bible Study-Chapel 7P-Wed Nite Bible Study—ZOOM	17 6-6:30A Prayer on Conference call	18 6-6:30A Prayer on Conference call 3P & 7P HIPHOP CONCERT Jesus is my Home-boy	19 10:00-11:30A-Pickleball 2P-Senior Luncheon-Chapel
20 9:45A —Adult Sunday School 9:45A —Abundant Life—Nursery 11A-SUNDAY WORSHIP	21 6-6:30A Prayer on Conference call	22 6-6:30A Prayer on Conference call 7PM-Tuesday Talk Back	23 6-6:30A Prayer on Conference call 12P-Midweek Prayer-Phone; 12P Senior Bible Study-Chapel 7P-Wed Nite Bible Study—ZOOM	24 6-6:30A Prayer on Conference call	25 6-6:30A Prayer on Conference call	26 10:00-11:30A-Pickleball 10A-PRAYER WALK 11:00-11:45A-Senior Exercise—Chapel
27 9:45A —Adult Sunday School 9:45A —Abundant Life—Nursery 11A-SUNDAY WORSHIP	28 6-6:30A Prayer on Conference call	29 6-6:30A Prayer on Conference call 7PM-Tuesday Talk Back	30 6-6:30A Prayer on Conference call 12P-Midweek Prayer-Phone; 12P Senior Bible Study-Chapel 7P-Wed Nite Bible Study—ZOOM	31 6-6:30A Prayer on Conference call 4-6P— HALLELUJAH! NIGHT		

Remember this: *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.*
2 Corinthians 9:6-8

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



CBC
Capital Campaign
Building Facade



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
9/28/24
\$37,022.18**

HOW MISSIONARIES SERVE

HOMELESSNESS IN AMERICA AN ONGOING MISSION—HOW CAN YOU SERVE?

"Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me."

Matthew 25:40-45

About 653,000 Americans experienced homelessness in January 2023 according to Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) point-in-time data, which measures homelessness across the US on a single night each winter. That's a 12.1% increase from the same report in 2022.



The national rate of Americans experiencing homelessness in 2023 was approximately 19.4 people per 10,000. Mississippi had the lowest rate of homelessness, at 3.3 people per 10,000, while in other states — namely New York and Vermont — the rate jumps to more than 50 per 10,000. Washington, DC, comprised entirely of a single city, had rates higher than any state, 72.5 per 10,000.

Homelessness isn't a particularly urban or rural issue. Vermont is the nation's most rural state — as of 2020, 65% of its population lived in rural areas — and had one of the highest rates of homelessness. California and Nevada are the states with the highest percentages of inhabitants in urban areas, and their homelessness rates were also in the top 10.

Source: <https://usafacts.org/articles/which-states-have-the-highest-and-lowest-rates-of-homelessness/>
Updated on Fri, March 29, 2024 by the [USAFacts Team](#)



Saturdays

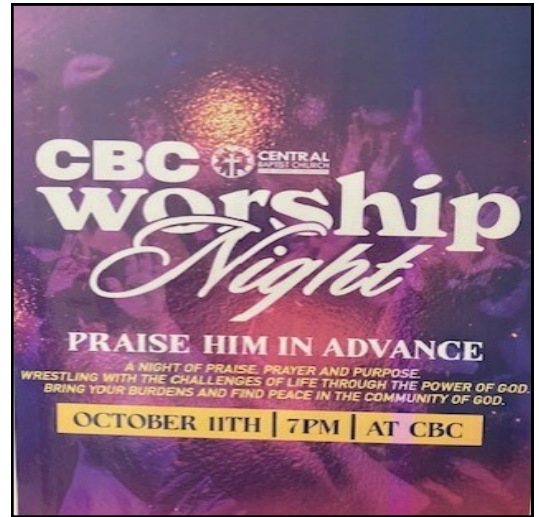
10-11:30A

in Lower Gym

Open to the public.

All levels.

Equipment available.



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS



October Birthdays

Another year older is also another year of learning to pray, to love, and to feel God's grace. Here's to many more!



Chantay Buie	Oct 2
Autumn Reid	Oct 3
Elizabeth Cole	Oct 4
Sonya Tonge	Oct 4
Jihoon Kim	Oct 5
Darryl Davis	Oct 6
Ava Uhrlass	Oct 14
Edwidge Marcelin	Oct 15
Alex White	Oct 17
Patricia Marcelin	Oct 17
Sanii Martin	Oct 17
Joseph Marcelin	Oct 22
Dallas Bruckman	Oct 23
Naomi Foster	Oct 25
Brooke Major Reid	Oct 26
Jean Thelusme	Oct 26

