



## Day School Items of the Month:

Elmer's Glue Sticks

### Children & Family Ministries

Monthly calendars and important flyers will be available regarding Children's Ministry in the Day School hallway, right outside of the choir room.

This Wednesday evening, October 18th, we will be visiting Central's very own John Lewis! We pray that our visit will bring him joy and that the children will enjoy this time. Imogene Bulla will be visiting with us! Thank you for your continued prayers over our Wednesday night program Eat, Pray, Serve!

On October 31st, from 6:00-8:30, Central will host our 2nd annual Trunk or Treat! If you remember, last year we were so excited to host lots of lots of children as we shared with them hot dogs, candy, hayrides and outdoor movies. This place was packed!!! We ended up running out towards the end of the evening for more hotdogs and more candy... it was fantastic! This year we plan to be more prepared, which means we need lots of CANDY AND TRUNKS!!! If you are willing to provide a trunk, please let me know. Your trunk can be decorated with anything from a simple fall theme to an elaborate Halloween theme (nothing scary). We will need lots of candy which can be placed in the box in the narthex or in my office, and we will need 6-8 folks to serve the hotdogs. The children will be watching the outdoor movie and enjoying their treats sitting on the ground, so if you have a blanket you can share for the evening, please let me know. Let's show this community that we are vested in making their time at Central a blessing!

The children will be preparing for their Christmas presentation during the month of November, during our Wednesday night time together. If you would like for your child to participate, please plan to have them here at 6:30 on Wednesday November 1st, 8th, and 15th. We may also need to meet Wednesday, November 29th depending on our progress before Thanksgiving. Our Christmas presentation will be December 10th, during the 11am service

### YOUTH NEWS

**YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL:** Join us for Sunday School & Worship! Our Middle School Class meets in their new room, and the High School Class meets in the Gathering Area.

**CONFIRMATION CLASS:** If you missed a session that you need to make up – see Heather as soon as possible!

**MYF:** We meet tonight from 6:00 till 7:45! Come enjoy dinner, games, worship and more!

**BREAK THRU:** Join us Wednesday for this study, food and more... It goes from 5:30 till 7:30 pm. Hope to see you there!

**CENTRAL BREAKFAST CLUB:** It's "Bo" time! Hope you can join us THURSDAY morning at Bojangles' at 6:45! BRING \$5.00 for your breakfast.

**YOUTH WINTER RETREAT:** Pre-register today for our Youth Winter Retreat the weekend of Jan. 19-21 in Blowing Rock, NC! Simply turn in a \$45 pre-registration deposit made out to: Central UMYF before Oct. 22nd! \*Note: Our Winter Retreat Orientation will take place Sunday, Jan. 7th!



Make plans now to attend the "Welcome Table" fellowship dinner this Wednesday. It is a time for good food, good friendship, and a great opportunity for us to connect with our neighbors in sharing God's love!  
Wednesday, October 18<sup>th</sup> 5:30pm  
Our menu is Baked Potato Bar, Salad, Dessert & Beverage.  
Hosted by The Wesley Class

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

# Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

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The Martha group will meet at 9:00 am on Tuesday, 10/17 in the FLC conference room to continue work for the DR medical mission team.

### Stephen Ministries.....HELP, HOPE, HEALING

Stephen Ministers come into a person's life immediately



AFTER a crisis has hit and then provides care for as long AFTER as needed. Stephen Ministers have served more than 600,000 men and women. Please pray about your gifts of helping others in this ministry service.

Contact Cindy at [cindy.e.m.lowe@gmail.com](mailto:cindy.e.m.lowe@gmail.com) or Trenten Lowe at 336-420-3800.

**COLLEGE ADDRESSES NEEDED!** Parents! Students! Please contact the church office @ (336) 629-1425 with your current college or university mailing address, your year/class, and any other helpful contact info. We'd love to keep in touch!

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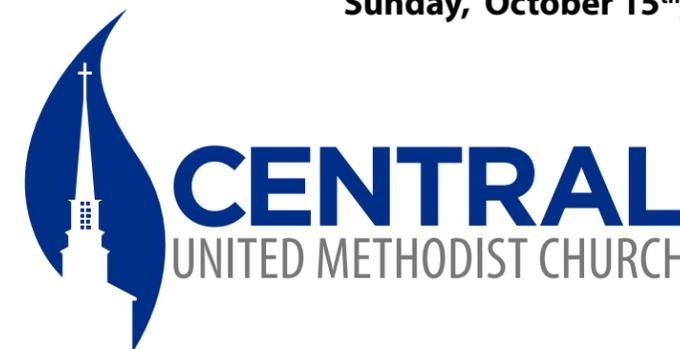
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Our Mission is to follow Jesus, make disciples and transform the world.

We are about making connections — connecting people to God and to each other.

### Living A Legacy

As the years pass even more quickly, I find myself thinking often of legacy. I keep asking myself a couple of key questions: "What do I want to do now, that will make a difference for eternity?" and "What can I do in the present, that will matter in the future, after I am gone?"

Whenever I think about legacy, I am reminded of a couple who lived in colonial America in the 1700's; Jonathan and Sarah Edwards. Jonathan Edwards is known as one of the leading preachers of the Great Awakening in this country in the 1700's. His sermon entitled, "Sinners In The Hands Of An Angry God" is still considered to this day one of the important writings of American literature.

But Jonathan Edwards left a much more impressive legacy than his ministry in sermons. Jonathan and his wife Sarah left a family legacy that impacted our nation for generations after their passing. Those who have researched the Edwards family tree discovered they had 1,400 descendants from their union. Of those 1,400 Edwards relatives history has noted that they included:

- 100 lawyers and a dean of a law school
- 80 holders of public office
- 66 physicians and a dean of a medical school
- 65 professors of colleges and universities
- 30 judges
- 13 college presidents
- 3 mayors of large cities
- 3 governors of states
- 3 United States senators
- 1 head of the United States Treasury
- 1 Vice President of the United States

That is a pretty impressive legacy! I think God calls each of us to leave a legacy that will continue on after we are gone. God graciously offers us eternal life when our work on earth is complete; but we know that the work of God will continue on, even after ours is through. A friend of mine wrote a book with the title, "What on earth are you doing for heaven's sake?" I have always thought that is such a great question!

I am excited to offer a brief word about a brand new opportunity for all of us in the Central Church family to do something in the present that will make a difference in the future. As a result of an idea growing out of the church Trustee Committee, our congregation is establishing a permanent endowment fund, with the goal of providing a secure foundation for the future needs of the Central Church facility, mission, and ministry. At this time, the plan will be to have a permanent endowment with three emphases, 1) facilities, equipment, and grounds (not part of the annual budget), 2) a general fund (for unbudgeted special needs and ministries of the church), and 3) missions and outreach.

In the days to come we will all have an opportunity to participate in the permanent endowment fund. Leaders in this effort are preparing information that will be shared with you over the next few weeks. I am confident that the establishment of the Central UMC Permanent Endowment Fund will give us all the means to make a difference in the life of our church, and ultimately in the kingdom of God, but now, and for many generations still to come.

Will you start to pray with me now, about what we can do to make the words of the psalm writer become reality in our day?

**<sup>5</sup> For He established a testimony in Jacob, and appointed a law in Israel, which He commanded our fathers, that they should make them known to their children;<sup>6</sup> That the generation to come might know them, the children who would be born, that they may arise and declare them to their children,<sup>7</sup> that they may set their hope in God.** Psalm 78:5-7a

Pastor J.F.

