



# Connect at Central

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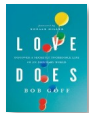
## Connecting with God



### WANT TO VISIT THE HOLY LAND?

Several Central members, along with Rev. Ken Roth, will be going to Israel March 26 - April 4, 2019. This will be a journey following the footsteps of Jesus - an adventure in faith and a once in a lifetime experience. The cost of \$3,448 includes airfare, first class accommodations, breakfasts and dinners. For more information contact Jim or Pat Rabon at 704-289-8603 for a brochure.

## Live a life that reflects the love of Jesus with the help of LOVE DOES



It's not too late to Join pastors Danny and Laura for a 5-week study of *Love Does*

Looking for a breath of fresh air in your spirituality? This is it! Get excited about living a life that reflects the love of Jesus.

Adult studies Mon. at 10:00am and Wed. at 6:00pm.

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### Consignment Sale Follow-Up

A big thank you to all who donated their time and energy to this wonderful ministry. With 118 sellers at the Fall Sale the sales total was \$22,000. The majority of those funds will be returned to the respective sellers, with ~\$4,000 going back to the Consignment Sale. Donations were made to the Spiritus Youth Retreat, Chalk It Up to Love, Crisis Pregnancy, Good Steward Ministries and The Closet. Your prayers and support continue to make this ministry a success. Thank you! ~ **Donna Young**



### The Ripple Effect of Suicide

Free Event with Kevin Hines. Sunday, September 30, 2018, 4-7 pm. Wingate University-Austin Auditorium, 220 N. Camden Rd., Wingate, NC 28174. Tickets and questions, Linda Sullivan 704-219-9794.



### CONNECTING WITH & SERVING OUR SCHOOLS

Where will you serve in our Walter Bickett partnership? Opportunities Include being a Reading Buddy or Prayer Partner, and packing bags for Snacks4kids - Questions? Call Elaine Hall 704-289-1466.

### Taste of Central

**Save The Date**

It's just about time to pick your favorite dish to present to your Church Family. Taste of Central is on for November 4th. We will also be having a silent auction. All proceeds will benefit the Union County Shelter. More to come!!

## UMYF ANNUAL MUM SALE!!

Fall is almost here and that means the most beautiful mums are available for purchase. Support our YOUTH and get your yard ready by ordering Chrysanthemums for yourself or to give as a gift to your favorite people and organizations. Mums will be **pre-sold** only. Proceeds support our growing youth ministry.



1 @ \$17.2 or More  
@ \$15 Each

**Rusty Orange  
Golden Yellow - Purple**

Orders accepted with payment by individual youth UMYF members you may wish to support. Or look for Youth at the Crossroads and in the Narthex on Sunday Oct 16<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> before/after services. Make checks payable to CUMC and note UMYF MUM SALE.

NEED MORE INFORMATION? EMAIL UPWARD@CENTRALUMCMONROE.ORG OR CALL MIKE SHELTON @ 704-219-9621 OR DAVID ENGLISH @ 704-219-8189  
**CENTRALUMCMONROE.ORG/KIDS**  
NOW LOOKING FOR PLAYERS, COACHES AND REFS

### Be a RAINBOW in Someone Else's Cloud!

September's Share Back Opportunity is **Elizabethan Gardens Assisted Living**

- Non-slip slipper socks
- Individually wrapped snacks
- Cookies, crackers, raisins etc
- Small tissue pkgs
- Small body lotions
- Small puzzle books
- Pens



Bring donations to the Share Back table next to the Choir Room.

## Connecting with Each Other

# Coffee

with the pastors

Sunday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> • 10:00am

Come CONNECT with our pastors and church leaders and help us get to know you. Ask questions, learn a little more about our church, and meet others just like you looking to CONNECT - Room 114

Though you are welcome to drop in, it would be helpful if you can let us know you're coming by calling the church office 704-289-3186.



Food Truck prices range from \$3-\$12.95

The 100 Main BBQ Food Truck will be at Central September 26th from 5:30-7:30. Tables will be setup in the parking lot along with A basketball goal & cornhole boards. Everyone is invited to come out and enjoy food and fellowship with your Central family.

### A Great Way to Help a Hurting Friend



Do you have a friend, neighbor, coworker, or relative who has suffered a loss or is going through a difficult time? Here's a great way you can help them - tell them about our Stephen Ministry! Stephen Ministers are member of Central UMC who have received special training to provide high-quality, confidential, one-to-one, Christian care to hurting people. Stephen Ministers meet weekly with their care receivers to listen, care, encourage, and provide emotional and spiritual support. The caring relationship lasts for as long as the person needs care. To learn more speak with a Stephen Minister Leader: Rev. Laura Hamrick (704-289-3186), Donica Davidson (704-292-4086), or Irene Ward (704-289-3337).

## Calendar

### Sunday 9/16

5:00pm UMYF - Youth Hall

### Monday 9/17

10:00am Love Does Bible Study  
Hospitality Room  
6:30pm New Beginnings Circle  
Home of Linda Deese

### Tuesday 9/18

6:30pm Knitting Girls  
Hospitality Room  
6:30pm Mission Team Meeting  
Room #114  
6:30pm Trustees Meeting  
Library  
7:00pm Amazing Grace  
Choir Room

### Wednesday 9/19

6:00pm Celebration Singers  
Choir Room  
6:00pm Love Does Bible Study  
Hospitality Room  
6:00pm Youth Vocals  
Chapel  
6:00pm Chancel Choir  
Choir Room

### Thursday 9/20

7:30am Thursday Men's Group  
Hilltop Restaurant  
9:30am Steven Ministry Supervision  
Room #114  
6:15pm Handbell Choir  
Sanctuary  
6:30pm Big Union Book Club  
Hospitality Room  
7:30pm Trinity  
Choir Room

### Saturday 9/22

8:30am Supervised Visitation  
10:00am InnerChange Vocals  
Choir Room  
11:00 am InnerChange Instruments  
Central Hall

## Staff

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## Our Faithfulness

**SEPTEMBER 9, 2018**

### ATTENDANCE TOTALS

CONTEMPORARY	101
TRADITIONAL (11:00AM)	118
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>219</b>

### TITHES & OFFERINGS

	MTD	YTD
RECEIVED	22,940	470,271
EXPENSES	(22,621)	(528,711)
<b>DIFFERENCE</b>	<b>319</b>	<b>(58,440)</b>



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## September 16, 2018

### THIS WEEK'S PRAYER REQUESTS

Sara Stewart, Ashley Fomen and family, Family and friends of Ernie Carraway, Nicholas Holden, Sherry Holden, Lynda Woodward, Mae McLeod, Katye McLeod, Sam Cason, Shanta Brown, Austin Harris, Earl III, Emery, Cara, Camilla Wilson, Lindy, Larry Cooper, Barbara Cooper, Ashley Melton, Ted Melton, Rose Ann Mull, Dallas and Martha Rollins, Jason Hill, Kathy Gordon, Mamie Prater, Lloyd Ratliff, Jonathan Mackay, Buddy Smith, Sarah Jo Keziah, Nadine Nesbit.

To submit a prayer requests complete the back of the Connect Card available during worship and placing them in the offering. You may also submit via the church office.

*Prayer requests will appear on the prayer list for 2 weeks.*

### TO OUR GUESTS: THANK YOU FOR SHARING IN WORSHIP TODAY.

#### HERE ARE A FEW THINGS THAT YOU MAY FIND HELPFUL:

- WE HAVE REFRESHMENTS JUST OUTSIDE OF CENTRAL HALL FOR THE CONTEMPORARY SERVICE. PLEASE HELP YOURSELF. FEEL FREE TO ENJOY YOUR SNACKS DURING THE 8:45 AM SERVICE.
- CHILDCARE IS AVAILABLE FOR INFANTS AND PRESCHOOL AGED CHILDREN. OUR NURSERY STAFF AWAITS YOU IN ROOM #107 & #108.
- CONNECT CARDS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE SEAT BACK POCKET IN FRONT OF YOU. THIS IS A SIMPLE WAY FOR YOU TO CONNECT WITH THE MINISTRIES AT CENTRAL, REQUEST MORE INFORMATION AND LET US KNOW THAT YOU JOINED US FOR WORSHIP. WE ALSO INVITE YOU TO USE THIS CARD FOR SHARING YOUR PRAYER REQUESTS.
- YOU ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN ANY OF THE ACTIVITIES OR EVENTS THAT YOU MAY READ ABOUT IN THIS NEWSLETTER OR HEAR MENTIONED DURING WORSHIP.

## Serving Today

### GREETERS SERVING TODAY

TJ Levington  
AJ Starnes

### MEETING REMINDERS

**NEW BEGINNINGS** - Circle meeting, Monday, 9/17/18 Home of Linda Deese. Program: "Bridge to Recovery: Brokenness to Wholeness". All women are invited. Contact Nan Thomas 704-292-2290.

**MISSION TEAM** - Meeting Tues, Sept. 18 at 6:30pm, Room 114. Fall projects/events will be discussed along with opportunities to volunteer in the community.

