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The Challenge

CENTRAL BAPTIST CHURCH NEWSLETTER

THIS SUNDAY

View our 10:55 am
worship service Sunday
live on our website or
directly from YouTube.

**Twelfth Sunday After
Pentecost
August 16, 2026**

SERMON

Rev. Matt Sapp
"Beyond Belief"

SCRIPTURE

Genesis 45:1-15
Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

8:45 am

Worship Service
Special Music
Rusty Wilson, oboe

9:45 am

Sunday School

10:55 am

Worship Service
Special Music
Lord, in Thy Mercy
The Chancel Choir

Nursery

Available for children
birth-three years

Back to School Schedule

Varsity Food Truck Fellowship

Wednesday, August 12, 5:00 pm

Ministry Fair Night

Wednesday, August 19

5:15 pm-Ministry Fair Supper-Tacos

6:00 pm-Ministry Fair

Regular Wednesday Night Activities Resume

Wednesday, August 26

5:15 pm-Wednesday Night Supper-Fried Chicken

6:00 pm-All Children's Choirs (Pre-K through Grade 5)

6:00 pm-Youth Group

6:00 pm-Adult Bible Study

6:45 pm-Chancel Choir Rehearsal



5th Sunday Breakfast

August 30, 9:45 am

We had a great kickoff to collecting items for the new Elevate room at Arnco-Sargent this past Sunday. If you didn't get a chance to donate and still wish to, please bring items to the church anytime between now and August 30.

Representatives from Elevate Coweta will be here to share more about their program during our 5th Sunday breakfast.

Wish List

Fruit cups, Granola Bars, PopTarts, Chips (Snack bags), Cookies (Snack bags), PB/Cheese Crackers, Smartfood, Cheez-Its/ Goldfish, Fruit snacks, Trail mix packs

Girls & Boys deodorant, Socks—Boys & Girls Toddler size, Boys boxer briefs, Girls underwear

*Please note that all food items that need to be heated should be microwavable.

Pastor’s Pen

Just Go for It

On Sunday we talked about stepping out in faith and having the courage to try new things as we watched Peter step out of the boat to walk on water with Jesus in Matthew 14. We said that sometimes (especially when we’re trying something new), we can start to panic if we’re not immediately successful.

We tend to believe we’re playing for high stakes in everything we do. Usually, though, we’re not. What we’re really feeling is the fear of failure. We’re worried we’ll be embarrassed if we step out on the water and start to sink.

Entrepreneur Dan Martell says this: “The body-builder won’t ridicule your first workout. The content creator won’t laugh at your first video. The entrepreneur won’t mock your first business. The public speaker won’t criticize your first talk. Only those too scared to try will make fun of you for trying.” Don’t let people who’ve never tried decide what you’re allowed to attempt.

Here’s the truth. You can accomplish more with God this year than you have yet imagined, but you must be willing to take the first steps in faith, remembering that Christ will be there to catch you if you fall.

So, as we start a new school year, go for it, whatever “it” is. Take the first step. Try the new thing. Introduce yourself to the new person. Walk into the unfamiliar room. Don’t be afraid to fail. The stakes really aren’t that high.

See you Sunday,

Matt

In Sympathy

Sympathy is extended to Derrick, Annette and Mattie Dalton in the death of Derrick’s mother, Velma Dalton, who passed away on Saturday, August 1, 2026.

Music Ministry

What a wonderful service to begin our new year together on Sunday! Yes, taking those first steps toward something new can sometimes feel intimidating, but with Mary Jane as our example and Jesus as our guide, we can step forward with courage and faith.

Thank you to the Chancel Choir, Alyssa, Yen Yu, and Henry for helping lead us in worship with such joy, beauty, and meaning. What a wonderful way to begin this new year together!

As we begin a new season here at Central, there's a place for you in our Music Ministry:

Chancel Choir: Wednesdays,
6:45 pm–8:00 pm

Newnan Community Youth Choir: Sundays,
4:00 pm–5:15 pm—begins August 16

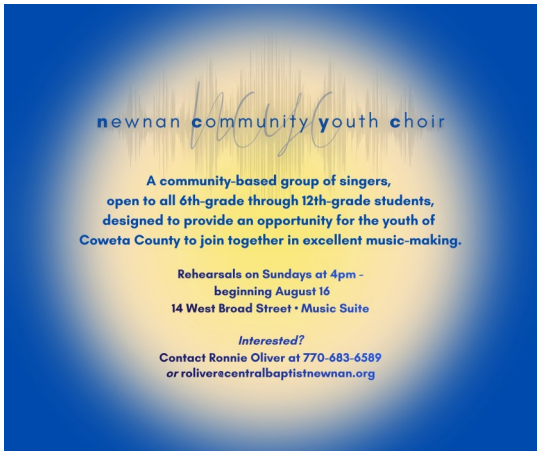
Handbell Choir: Mondays,
6:30 pm–7:30 pm—begins August 17

Children's Choirs: Wednesdays,
6:00 pm–6:40 pm—begins August 26

We'd love to have you join us. Please contact me and let me know where you'd like to participate.

Gratefully,

Ronnie



Women's Ministry

Ladies Coffee Hour

Thursday, August 20, 9:00 am

Join us every first and third Thursday of the month at Leaf and Bean. No need to make a reservation; just show up and enjoy the fellowship of your peers.



Senior Adult Ministry



Senior Adult Breakfast at Town & Country

Wednesday, August 12, 9:00 am

Join us every second and fourth Wednesday of the month at Town and Country. No need to make reservations; just show up and enjoy the fellowship of your peers!

TN & KY Senior Adult Trip

September 2-6

Join our Senior Adults on a "choose your own adventure" trip in Tennessee and Kentucky. We will stop one night to explore Chattanooga, TN then make our way to Bardstown, KY for a few nights. Click [here](#) to sign up and for more detailed information!



Children's Ministry



ATTENTION
CURRENT 3RD-
5TH GRADERS

We are going to
camp!

This is open to any child in 3rd-5th grade for the 2026-2027 school year! Register [here](#)!

New Members

Please welcome Stanley and Debbie Lanier, who joined Central Baptist Church on Sunday, August 9, by transfer of letter.

Youth Ministry



All middle schoolers are invited to our annual Middle School Retreat at Banning Mills! This is an awesome one-night event that helps kick off the school year with adventure and community. You don't want to miss out! Sign up [here](#)!

Youth Prayer Breakfast

Prayer breakfast is every Monday at 7:15 am!

The Prayer Breakfast is a great opportunity to start the school week with fellowship and focus on God together. Every week, we have Chick-fil-A breakfast provided for students and participate in a devotional and prayer time together. See you there!



Missions



Adult/Family Mission Trip

February 16-20, 2027

We are taking a group to learn and experience firsthand Rick and Ellen Burnette's mission, Cultivate Abundance, in Immokalee, FL.

Estimated cost:

Per person-\$900

Per family of four-\$3200

See more details on this breakdown and other information when you click to register. Please register [here](#) if you are interested in joining us.

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LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday, August 16

8:45 am Worship Service

9:45 am Sunday School

10:55 am Worship Service

4:00 pm NCYC Rehearsal Resumes

Monday, August 17

7:15 am Youth Prayer Breakfast

6:30 pm Handbell Rehearsal Resumes

Tuesday, August 18

7:00 am Men’s Bible Study Resumes

10:00 am Feeding Our Friends

Wednesday, August 19

5:15 pm Ministry Fair Supper—Tacos

6:00 pm Ministry Fair

6:45 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, August 20

9:00 am Ladies Coffee Hour at Leaf & Bean

Stewardship Update

Sunday, August 9, 2026

Weekly Budget Needs	\$32,685.35
Budget Offering	\$34,207.34
YTD Budget Needs	\$1,045,931.20
YTD Budget Offering	\$995,419.34