
Church Visitor



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The Bible for Beginners or A Refresher Course in the Bible

Taught by Rev. John McLemore

Central Christian Church
Enid, Oklahoma

9:00 a.m. Sunday Mornings

Multi-Purpose Room

(East Side of Second Floor in Education Building)



January 10, 2010

What is the Bible?
Old Testament & New Testament
Translations
Books of the Bible
How do I locate passages?

Types of Literature
Major Characters/Authors
Locating passages

January 17, 2010

Old Testament
Breakdown
Types of Literature
Major Characters/Authors
Locating passages

January 31, 2010

Timeline of writings and events
Locating passages

February 7, 2010

How did we get the Bible in its current
form?
Locating passages

January 24, 2010

New Testament
Breakdown

February 14, 2010

Locating passages
Review
Q & A

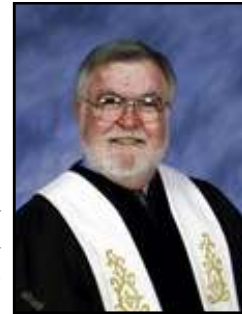
NRSV Bibles will be available

Handouts each Sunday

NO ONE WILL BE PUT ON THE SPOT OR ASKED SPECIFIC QUESTIONS.

If you can't make all the sessions, make as many as you can.

...According to John



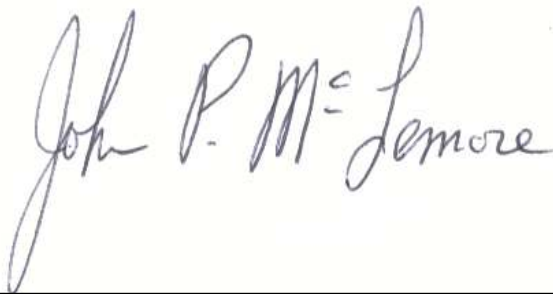
Every year I comment on the generosity of this congregation and every year I continue to be amazed. Thank you, thank you, thank you for your exceedingly gracious Christmas gift. With the economic conditions of 2009 and other concerns, this gift exceeded all expectations. Thank you, again!

This Sunday, January 10, we will vote on our 2010 proposed budget. The board has already given its approval, now it is time for the entire congregation to vote. Detailed copies are available at the Welcome Center. The basic budget is printed elsewhere in this newsletter.

As a reminder, I am teaching two upcoming classes. One will begin this Sunday during the Sunday School hour at 9:00 a.m. It is entitled **“The Bible for Beginners”** or **“A Refresher Course in the Bible”** and will be held in the multi-purpose room. This class is for people new to the faith/church experience or people who are long time participants but are still nervous about looking up Bible verses and talking about books in the Bible. This class will meet for six weeks. Certainly this class is for those who are not currently involved in Sunday School AND for those who are....it will only be a 6 week hiatus from your regular class.

The second class will meet in the Central Cinema room beginning on Monday, January 18th at 6:30 p.m. We will discuss John Dominic Crossan’s DVD **“Victory and Peace or Justice and Peace? A Living the Questions** study. At the first meeting we will discuss dates and times of future meetings. There will be a minimum of four 2 hour sessions. John Dominic Crossan is a preeminent historical Jesus scholar and is the author of 20 books on the historical Jesus. The discussions should be lively, challenging, enlightening and fun. Please put both these dates on your calendar.

Grace and peace,



In case of an emergency please call Rev. McLemore any time in the office at 233-1214. If you are unable to reach him at the office, his cell phone number is (580)402-2522, or you can reach him by calling his home 233-4214.

Community Garden?

On Wednesday, January 13 at 7:30 p.m. in the Conference Room at the Church, there will be a gathering of folks interested in gardening to explore the possibility of having a Central community garden.

Anyone interested in this project is invited to attend. There are no firm plans made as of now; this is just for the purpose of determining if there is enough interest in doing this and if there is, discuss among the group how we might implement the idea.

Disciple Men

Where else can you find a steak dinner for 7 Bucks?

**First Christian Church, Kingfisher
102 South 7th**

Thursday, January 14th at 6:30 pm

An entertaining and enlightening program will be presented and you will be inspired!

Call your reservations in by NOON Monday the 14th to the church office 234-1214.

Reservations are necessary due to costs of beef nowadays. Bring your "significant other".

**No Centour Luncheon
this month.**

Sunday, January 10

8:00—Chapel Worship
9:00—Sunday School
10:15—Sanctuary Worship
10:15—R&R Worship
2:30—Burgundy Place
3:30—Chi Rho, 4:45—Youth Choir, 5:15—CYF
5:30—Elder's Meeting

Monday, January 11

10:00—Commons Service
12:00—Noon Prayer Service
6:30—Christian Ed Committee
6:30—Property Committee
6:30—Cancer Support Group
7:00—Membership Committee

Tuesday, January 12

12:00—Noon Bible Study
3:15—Greenbrier Service
5:15—CACs Meeting
6:30—CWF Agape
7:00—Quilt Central

Wednesday, January 13

10:00—CWF Naomi, Ruth, Sarah
1:30—CWF Esther, Lydia
6:00—Adult Bell Choir
6:30—Advent Bible Study, Rm 109
6:30—Choir
6:30—Youth Group
7:30—Community Garden Mtg

Thursday, January 14

1:00—Human Trafficking Movie, Central Cinema
6:30—Evangelism Committee

Saturday, January 16

5:30—Saturday Service of Communion

Sunday, January 17

Horn of Plenty Sunday

8:00—Chapel Worship
9:00—Sunday School
10:15—Sanctuary Worship
10:15—R&R Worship
11:30—New Member Luncheon
3:30—Chi Rho, 4:45—Youth Choir, 5:15—CYF

SUNDAY'S STATISTICS

January 3, 2009

Saturday Service of Communion	6
Chapel Service	24
Sanctuary Worship	190
R&R	31

VAN DRIVER SCHEDULE

January 10, Mack Allison
 January 17, David Dell
 January 24, Heath Wallace

Current Lectionary

Sunday, January 10, 2010
 First Sunday after Epiphany
Readings:
 Isaiah 43:1-7
 Psalm 29
 Acts 8:14-17
 Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Color: Green

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Diaconate Schedule

December 6—Team 3

December 13—Team 1

December 20—Team 1

Homebound Communion **February 7**

EARLY SERVICE DEACONS:

Jan 10—Glenn & Linda Crabbs

Jan 17—Glenn & Linda Crabbs

Jan 24—Jay & Janet Lohmeyer



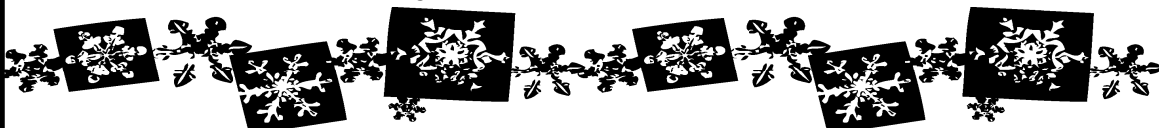
Our congregation is continuing to pray for other churches in our area. This week we have been asked to pray for **University Place Christian Church, Enid.** Please keep them in your prayers this week.

WWNF begins
January 20, 2010

~ Sunday ~ January 10, 2010 ~

Chapel Worship	8:00am
Sermon "I Have Called You By Name" Rev. John McLemore	
Scripture	Isaiah 43:1-7
Sunday School	9:00am
Sanctuary Worship	10:15am
R&R in the Chapel	10:15am

Elders: 8:00am —Gary Hula; 10:15am—Dan Harris, Worth Bracher



Proposed 2010 Budget

SURPLUS FROM PRIOR YEAR

INCOME:

OPERATING INCOME:

PLEDGES	\$	475,000.00
IDENTIFIED GIVING		58,200.00
WORSHIP OFFERING		6,200.00
SUNDAY SCHOOL OFFERING		600.00
RESTRICTED TRANSFERS		12,000.00
OTHER		13,000.00
TOTAL OPERATING INCOME	\$	565,000.00

EXPENSES:

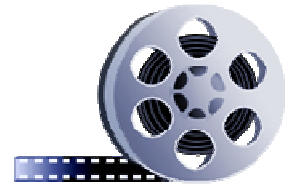
OPERATING EXPENSES:

OUTREACH	\$	21,000.00
KIDS CENTRAL	\$	10,800.00
ADMINISTRATION	\$	23,800.00
CACS	\$	5,000.00
EDUCATION	\$	24,000.00
EVANGELISM	\$	600.00
MEMBERSHIP	\$	1,000.00
SALARIES/ALLOW/BENEFITS	\$	370,000.00
BUILDING MAINT/PROPERTY	\$	103,800.00
WORSHIP	\$	4,500.00
STEWARDSHIP	\$	500.00
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	\$	565,000.00

**THERE WILL BE CONGREGATIONAL
MEETINGS AT WORSHIP SERVICES
THIS SUNDAY, JANUARY 10, TO VOTE
ON 2010 BUDGET**

Movie on Human Trafficking

On Thursday, January 14 at 1:00 p.m., we will be showing the movie "Human Trafficking" starring Donald Sutherland in the movie room on the lower floor of the education wing. It is an adult movie with some violence and rather intense. If you wish to be informed as to this tremendous problem, we will show it with an intermission after the first half. It is not recommended for children.



Thank You

Dear Centralites,

On behalf of the Horn of Plenty, its volunteers, the eighteen agencies served and most importantly the hungry beneficiaries of the "Horn's" mission, please accept our appreciation for your tremendous response to the "Christmas Tree" Food Drive at the church.

One hundred fifteen green food bags and \$617.10 were collected during this Christmas effort alone. This continues the history of support Central Christian Church has provided this community project from its inception 27 years ago. In addition to food and financial contributions throughout the year, the provision of volunteers and leadership by this church has been of great importance to HOP's mission.

On Sunday, December 20th, John, Sally and Luke Wheeler, Brian Meyer and eight youth (Connor Angleton, Brenna & Katie Bushman, Katherine & Zach Jones, Devon Gorre, Rachel Meyer and Destiny Turner) transported the food from the Loggia to the Horn of Plenty warehouse. The mission and function of the HOP were explained during the visit and we were privileged to answer some excellent questions. (Personally we must admit we experienced a slight mist in our eyes that afternoon)

How blessed we are that we live in a community where those that have share generously with those who don't!

Again, let us express our gratitude for your support of this important mission.

Sincerely yours,

Merle and Phyllis Phillips

Horn of Plenty President and

Corresponding Secretary

Sponsor a Kids Time Puppet

We are in need of new puppets for Kids Time. The ones we are currently using are not the characters that come with our curriculum and they are beginning to fall apart.

Each puppet is \$49.95. We are looking for 20 sponsors to give \$10! That's all! There are sponsorship cards on the bulletin board in the Loggia or you can get one from Sally.

These puppets are an important part of our Kids Time curriculum. The younger children love to watch the puppet show and the older children love being puppeteers. Teekaboo, Gozer, Lacey and Nic will find a wonderful home here at Central. Can you help get them here?

January 13 Centour Trip

On Wednesday, January 13, the Centours will tour the latest addition to Enid's Economic Development Program, the James W. Strate Center for Business Development at Autry Technology Center.

We will eat lunch at the Autry cafeteria. The cost of the lunch will be \$3 - \$4 depending on what you order. Dr. James Strate, Autry Technology Superintendent, and Brian Gaddy, Center Coordinator, will discuss the objectives of this business incubator as it helps develop jobs for Enid. After lunch, they will lead us on a tour of this facility.

We will leave from the church at 11:00 am, or you can meet us at the front entrance of Autry Technology Center at 11:15. Call the church office for reservations. Call Tina Swanson or Don Johnson if you have any questions.

KIDS CORNER

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- * New Kids Time Helper Schedules are made up. You should have gotten one in the mail.
- * New Acolyte Schedules have been made, you should have gotten one of those too! If you are in the 1st thru 5th grade you can acolyte. We'll have a training in February. Let me know if you're interested.
- * We're going to Burgundy Place this Sunday, the 10th. We'll sing 2 songs, help with the call to worship and then we'll go eat ice cream at Braums! Come join the fun! Be at the church ready to leave at 2:15pm.
- * We will begin a **new rotation Sunday!**
- * You should have gotten a January Newsletter in the mail this week. Bring the Get to Know Me page to church on Sunday and get a present from me.
- * WWNF will begin January 20. Ready? We'll have lots of fun!

ACOLYTES – January 10
Matthew Easter, Hunter Hinote
(Substitute – Harley Yniguez)

TEACHERS—January 10

1st & 2nd, Art, Tammy

3rd & 4th, Video, Beth

5th, Science, Valerie

KIDS TIME – January 10

Laurie, Carolyn, Nicole, Sarah,
Kaylee, Destiny

Sally Wheeler

Coffee Stains

Happy New Year!!! Hope you all had a great time ringing in the New Year. Now that 2010 is here we are looking forward to new things, new memories, new experiences, new everything (except for the same old youth minister). One of our goals for this year is to send MORE than 30 kids to camp. Last year you may remember we sent 30 kids to camp, this year we will try to do more. Another goal is to update the youth room. The story is that it has been painted for four years and hasn't been completed. We will complete the project, perhaps with some "new" changes.

Coming soon we will be having the Chi Rho attend a mid winter event at Tulsa's campsite. It will also be a new experience. In March our CYF will attend a 30 hour famine, where we will starve ourselves for 30 hours and draw an understanding of those that die of hunger everyday. Like I said, new experiences. Peace, JW.

