

Central Christian Church

Colorado Springs, Colo.

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Sunday

9:00-10:00 a.m.

Bible School for all Children
Adult Bible Fellowship Classes
(Nursery provided)

10:00-10:30 a.m.

Fellowship Time

10:30-11:30 a.m.

Worship Service (Nursery)
Children's Church (3.5 yrs.-3rd gr.)

Wednesday

5:30 p.m. Good News Diner

6:16 p.m. Musical Worship

6:30 p.m. Children's Bible Clubs,
Youth Groups, Adult Message

Weekdays

Bible Studies -

(Call for time & location)

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WEDNESDAY CROSSROADS STUDY

ARE YOU TIRED OF FALLING IN YOUR WALK WITH JESUS? ARE YOU TRYING TO IMPROVE YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS, BUT YOU JUST DON'T KNOW HOW?

Well, then have we got a great study for you on **Wednesday nights during our Crossroads Service.**

Jesus challenges us to be SALT on the earth by flavoring the world with good living and letting people "taste and see that God is good." Many times we fail to be salt in the everyday areas of life. This study will help you be victorious in your Christian life.

The Seven Areas of Life Training (S.A.L.T.) discipleship study is all about teaching followers of Jesus how to live like Jesus in all seven areas of life that most of us go through.

This small group, or self-study (if you so desire) is simple, yet dynamic. Biblical truths are visually illustrated with powerful diagrams. Solid Biblical truth is taught in each lesson with a challenge to apply that truth to your life. It is when you apply that truth and share it with others that your life will be profoundly changed.

The **Seven Areas of Life Training** that Derry will be using on Wednesday nights and in his men's group are as follows:

1. The Spiritual Area of Life – deals with your relationship with God;
2. The Social Area of Life – deals with your relationship with Other People;
3. The Psychological Area of Life – deals with the battle for your mind, will & emotions;
4. The Physical Area of Life – deals with how you use your physical body;
5. The Financial Area of Life – deals with how you handle your money;
6. The Marital Area of Life – deals with your relationship with your spouse;
7. The Parental Area of Life – deals with your relationship with your children and gives you godly parenting skills.

If you can not attend our Crossroads Wednesday study, but would like to use the material for a small group study at another time and place, please talk with Derry. He can train you and he strongly encourages you to use this study to transform your relationship with Jesus IN EVERY AREA OF YOUR LIFE.

Special Notice!

You have not received a *Central Focus* newsletter for a few weeks for a very good reason. On January 8, 2007 the church office was broken into and the office computer and monitor were stolen. It has taken some time to reconstruct our mailing list (and a lot of other files). Please let us know if you are receiving a newsletter after asking to be taken off of our mailing list; if you know of someone who got dropped from the mailing list, and also let us know if you have a change of address. It costs \$.75 for every returned newsletter.

BIRTHDAYS - JANUARY

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|-------------------|----------------------|
| 1 Vi Anderson | 15 John Winkler |
| Annie Brokaw | 17 David Blowe |
| Steve Clarke | 18 Richie Hart Jr. |
| 6 Richie Hart | Mark Huerta |
| 7 Ashley Gieck | 23 Lois Ketchum |
| 9 Kathy New | 26 Richard Robertson |
| 10 Abigail Wilder | David Blair |
| 12 Andrea Wise | 27 Hope Owen |
| 13 Armida Sotelo | 28 Chuck |
| Cunningham | |
| 14 Donna Hughes | Ciara Gibson |
| 15 Karen Bopp | 30 Ryan Simpson |
| Jodi Pinell | |

BIRTHDAYS - FEBRUARY

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| 6 Ben Lueders | 19 Barbara Michaels |
| 7 Caden Pinell | Jennifer Bopp |
| 8 Steve Watkins | 20 Danielle Ruggaber |
| Jennifer Saultz | 21 Teddy Saenz |
| 11 Elaine Fouke | 26 Dave Verwers |
| 15 Betty Welsh | 27 Mark Wall |
| 16 Carrie Hylton | |

New Members

Congratulations! Welcome to the church family here at Central. Jennifer Noland and her children Alexandra and Dane were baptized Saturday, December 9.

Sanctity of Human Life – Baby Bottle Campaign

We are out of baby bottles, but please use a plastic container you have at home and fill it with your donation. Bring your bottles and donations to the church by Sunday, February 25. All donations help fund three vital ministries of **Life Network**, the Colorado Springs Pregnancy Center, Education for a Lifetime and Bridges of Hope. *You can make a difference!*



Red Hat Ladies for Christ

Saturday, February 10

12:00 noon to 2:00 p.m.

The Egg & I

7816 N. Academy Blvd.

Beat the winter blues, shake off your cabin fever, come have lunch and let the laughter and friendship flow. Sign up on Sunday or call Kim, 634-7838 or 260-8876 no later than Thursday evening, February 8 to make a reservation. Feel free to bring a guest.

PRAISE & PRAYER REQUESTS

Doug St. Martin – Laid off work 2 months short of 19 years. Pray He finds a “better” job.

Bud Fry Family – Vi Anderson’s brother passed away January 26

Uncle Floyd – Jay Johnson’s uncle passed away. He lived in Kansas. Pray for his wife Gerna & family.

Edith Wilson Family – Dwight Kinney’s grand-mother went to be with the Lord. She was 93 and lived in Canon City.

Emma Duncan – Valerie Snively’s mom went to be with the Lord. Lived in Paducah, Kentucky.

Jack Watkins Family – Steve’s dad went to be with the Lord on Wednesday, January 10.

Anita Salazar – Battling cancer for the second time. Friend of Karen Klingenberg.

John Meints Family – Comfort and strength. John passed on. Kelly Ruggaber’s uncle.

Nita Dolen – Has been diagnosed with voice box cancer. Friend of John & Melissa Horvath.

Keith Mullen – Pray for my family that they come closer to God; that I find a job.

Darryl Snively – Job.

Nora McCarty – Moved to live with daughter & son-in-law, Lola & Dave McVey, in New Mexico.

PRAISES:

Steve & Angela Watkins – Will have custody of great nephew Jacob. Pray for Jacob as he transitions out of the Foster Care System and with them.

Zachery Taylor Burger – Born January 22. Proud parents are John and Korrine.

Marie Arcille Moore – Born December 29 in Minnesota. (Bill Berry’s great granddaughter.)

HEALTH CONCERNS: Gail Johnson, Vivian Gearhart, Janice Perkins, Katie Villanueva, Richard & LaVonne Vermillion, Jessie Tesnear, Annie Brokaw, Jerry Woodward.

MILITARY/WAR: **Tommy Noack, Terri Winkler, Jim Bowles, James Logan, Elisha Batteiger, Frank Blair, Alex Hoyle, Robert Balcavage, Iraq. Doug Muhley** – With Rangers in Iraq. Husband of Linda Walker’s granddaughter.

Spring Softball. Register by Sunday, February 4. Sign up on the bulletin board in the lobby. Cost is \$30-\$40 depending on number of participants. If you have any questions please contact Ted Saenz, 964-5470.

Super Bowl Party. If you don’t want to watch the Super Bowl alone you are invited to come to the Gibson’s house, 4260 Danceglen Dr. next Sunday by 4:00 p.m. and the game will be on. Bring food and snacks to share. Derry will lead a prayer time and devotional during the halftime of the game.

FACTS AND FIGURES
(Weekly General Fund Need: \$4,269.81)

			<i>YTD Avg.</i>
12/3	Sun. Attendance	140	156
	Designated Offering	\$ 260.00	\$ 716.15
	General Fund	\$ 4097.92	\$ 3808.58
	<i>Hispanic Ofrenda</i>	\$ 264.00	\$ 325.73
12/10	Sun. Attendance	154	156
	Designated Offering	\$ 234.00	\$ 706.51
	General Fund	\$ 2864.59	\$ 3789.70
	<i>Hispanic Ofrenda</i>	\$ 243.00	\$ 324.07
12/17	Sun. Attendance	163	156
	Designated Offering	\$ 1348.17	\$ 719.09
	General Fund	\$ 5811.02	\$ 3829.34
	<i>Hispanic Ofrenda</i>	\$ 263.00	\$ 322.87
12/24	Sun. Attendance	175	156
	Christmas Eve	168	---
	Designated Offering	\$ 375.40	\$ 712.48
	General Fund	\$ 6551.54	\$ 3881.69
	<i>Hispanic Ofrenda</i>	\$ 330.00	\$ 323.01
12/31	Sun. Attendance	142	156
	Designated Offering	\$ 150.00	\$ 701.87
	General Fund	\$ 19000.51	\$ 4166.95
	<i>Hispanic Ofrenda</i>	\$ 183.00	\$ 320.37
1/7	Sun. Attendance	160	160
	Designated Offering	\$ 0	\$ 0
	General Fund	\$ 4291.10	\$ 4291.10
	<i>Hispanic Ofrenda</i>	\$ 305.00	\$ 305.00
1/14	Sun. Attendance	126	143
	Designated Offering	\$ 50.00	\$ 25.00
	General Fund	\$ 3418.00	\$ 3854.55
	<i>Hispanic Ofrenda</i>	\$ --	\$ 152.50
1/21	Sun. Attendance	162	150
	Designated Offering	\$ 5.00	\$ 18.33
	General Fund	\$ 3515.50	\$ 3741.53
	<i>Hispanic Ofrenda</i>	\$ 305.00	\$ 220.33
1/28	Sun. Attendance	121	142
	Designated Offering	\$ 336.45	\$ 97.86
	General Fund	\$ 6030.75	\$ 4313.84
	<i>Hispanic Ofrenda</i>	\$ 279.00	\$ 235.00

Please sign communications to the church staff so we can follow up with you. Sometimes we need more information before we can act on a request.

Ladies Tuesday Morning Bible Study

All ladies are invited to the church on Tuesday mornings at 9:30 a.m. beginning February 13. You and your children are welcome! We will begin a study "If Mama Ain't Happy, Ain't Nobody Happy – Making the Choice to Rejoice." Please call Laura Saenz, 390-6370 if you have any questions.

THANK YOU!

Thank you for helping my family soooo much this year (food & rent). We are eternally grateful for your continued support. Love & God Bless,

Katie & Aaron Villanueva

We all want to thank you so very much for your kindness and thoughtful gift. The gift certificate to King Soopers will come in handy. With a new monthly car payment that we did not plan for, the certificate will be spent very carefully. Again thank you so very much. Love, *The Cuneo Family*

I want to thank the carolers for singing those beautiful old carols. They made this Christmas season just perfect. Thanks too, for the pretty gift. Sincerely, *Onita Winfrey*

My sincerest gratitude to everyone for their thoughts and prayers while I was hospitalized for back surgery. Simply knowing that I was in your prayers was very comforting. In addition, those that visited me brought joy to my days and served to encourage me in my recovery. I hope that one day soon, I will be able to get around well enough to do the same for others. I would also like to thank my church family for remembering my family and I over the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays. You can't imagine our surprise at your generosity and kindness...it was humbling and also, won't soon be forgotten. Please continue to pray for my recovery. Sincerely, *Janice Perkins and family*

Dear Women's Ministry Team, I just wanted to thank you for the Christmas card and money. That was very thoughtful of you and I really appreciated it. I am thankful to be part of such a wonderful church family. *Carrie Hylton*

SERVING SCHEDULE

February 4

Bldg. Attendant Dan Smoot
Communion Carl Hylton
Shut-In Communion Bill Brokaw

February 11

Bldg. Attendant Joe Chappell
Communion Art Graham
Shut-In Communion Dave Woody

February 18

Bldg. Attendant Harry Lucas
Communion M. Mockerman
Shut-In Communion Art Graham

February 25

Bldg. Attendant Art Owen
Communion Bill Brokaw
Shut-In Communion John Burger

YOUTH CALENDAR

February 4 – Jr/Sr High Youth Superbowl Party. Come have some food, football, fun and fellowship. Party will begin at 3:30 p.m. and go to 8:30 p.m. or whenever the game ends. Please bring a snack to share, a bag of chips, a 2 liter of soda or anything that you love to snack on during the big game. A sign up sheet is in the lobby on the youth board.

February 10 – Camp Como Tubing Day. Last year we had about 30 people all together go up and we had a blast. Do not miss out on the fun. All junior and senior high students are welcome to join us. The cost is \$5.00 per person. We will leave the church at 8:30 a.m. and do some sledding and tubing. All the students will be back at the church and ready to be picked up at 4:00 p.m. Make sure you bring a sack lunch a warm coat, boots, gloves, and a cap. Also make sure you turn in your Medical Release Form and your money by February 7.

February 17 – CIY Bowl-A-Thon Fundraiser. This activity will be Saturday, February 17 from 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. at Peak Bowling Center, 2861 N. Prospect Street. All youth are encouraged to pick up a Bowl-A-Thon fundraising sheet and get as many people as you can to sponsor you! Bring it with you on February 17. **Parents, Friends, Church Members Please Note:** *You can help support our youth group in their mission to attend a CIY conference this summer in Durango. Suggested donation is 5-10 cents per pin or \$2-\$10 per game. Please be generous when you are approached by one of our young people. We appreciate your support!*

Christ in Youth Conference

I know all of you senior high students and incoming freshman are anxious to hear what we will be doing for our summer trip. Last year we took about 15 students and adults to Joplin, Missouri to take part in CIY "Know Sweat." This was a great time for students and sponsors to be challenged to let their faith be coupled with action. We worked in the community of Joplin and served people we did not even know because we wanted to help them and show the love that God has for them as well.

Service is an important part of our Christian walk. However, we also need to be fed spiritually. We need to be challenged in the area of discipleship as well. Coming closer to God in our personal walk with him should also be an important part of what we do as followers of Jesus. Last year we stressed how important service is, but this year we are stressing discipleship. The conference will challenge all who come to become closer to Him.

We will be going to the Christ in Youth conference at Fort Lewis College in Durango, Colorado on June 18-22. This trip is for incoming freshman through outgoing seniors. The cost for the conference itself is \$259 per person. We have some money left over from the fundraising we did last year, but we will continue fundraising to make this trip and future trips affordable for the students. There is a sign up sheet on the youth board. The deadline to sign up is February 21. A \$75.00 deposit will hold your spot, and will also be due on February 21. We do not want money to be the reason why someone can not go, so talk to Shaun if there is a problem in that area. If you are interested in going on this trip, or have any questions call Shaun, 633-5750.

Anyone who might be interested in being the coordinator for Vacation Bible School this year, please contact Derry or Shaun at the office, 633-5750.

Men's Discipleship Group Breakfast Meeting Tuesday, February 6 at 6:00 a.m.

Derry will be leading this organizational meeting for all guys who are interested in a very practical men's discipleship training group. The goal is to make this not only a Bible study group but also a group that gets practical ministry experience. PLEASE SIGN-UP if you are interested in such a group. If you are interested but can't make the breakfast meeting let Derry know.

Monday Night Women's Study

This study begins February 4. There will be fellowship and light refreshments at 6:30 p.m. The study starts at 6:45 and should be done by 7:45-8:00 p.m. Women of all ages are invited and kids are welcome. If they need to bring their homework, we can make sure they are set up in an area where that can be done. Otherwise please bring something for the kids to occupy themselves.

Location for February is Kathy McCann's, 3132 W. Pikes Peak Ave. (1st block west of 30th & Pikes Peak on south side of street). Location will rotate periodically. The study will run through May 2007 to allow for holidays, spring break, etc.

The study is built around *The Captivating Heart* by John Eldridge. To obtain a book contact Kim Wellington, or they are available at numerous locations throughout the city. If you have any questions call Kim at 260-8876 p.m., 640-7838 a.m./p.m. or 475-2935 M-F a.m.