



Up Front

The month of February is beginning with some transition for us. With sad hearts for us but with excitement for her, we accepted the resignation of Tricia Allen, our Administrative Assistant. Her last day with Central Baptist Church will be Friday, February 9. She has accepted a position with Hampton, Lenzini and Renwick, Inc. which is an exciting opportunity and we rejoice with her. But we will certainly miss her smile, her presence and all the things she handled for us through the church office. Tricia began with the church through Children's House and eventually transitioned to the church office. She has been with us for 22 years! We have enjoyed a lot of celebrations, endured through challenges and shared a lot of life with her in those years.

As we navigate this transition and continue the work God has given us we look forward to what the month of February holds for us. On Wednesday nights when we meet for Wednesday Night Dinner in February and March, we will be reading through the book *Generous Justice* and considering what the ministry of justice looks like in our church and in our community. Information about being a part of this is available in the *Serve the World Center*. The season of Lent begins on February 14th, we anticipate this season of preparing our hearts for the beauty of Easter. Also in February, Miracle Sunday gifts are being used to install new TV screens Downtown and in New Berlin to enhance the visual aspect of our worship together and in mid-February a significant project will begin in New Berlin to address water leaks, remove the atrium, install new flooring, and renovate the kitchen. We are excited to see the ways Miracle Sunday projects continue to further our ministry together.

As always, we are grateful to be on this journey with you as we trust God and navigate the twists and turns of life together.

Your Partners in Mission,
Josh and Mary

Church Events

- 2/12-Finance/LCT
- 2/14-Valentine's Day
- 2/14-Ash Wednesday
- 2/19-President's Day-CBC Closed

Off The Shelf

Between Heaven and Hollywood: Chasing

Your God-Given Dream

Between Heaven & Hollywood is

David's

inspirational journey from the wheat

fields of his

Mennonite home outside of Dodge City

Kansas,

to the bright lights of Los Angeles. This

story of

perseverance will assure you that your

dreams

aren't frivolous. They might be the most

important part of your life.

White has starred in more than twenty-

five

movies and produced forty films,

including the

blockbuster God's Not Dead (This film

and God's

Not Dead 2 were featured in the June

2017

CBN).

He serves as a Managing Partner of Pure Flix, the largest faith-based movie studio in the world. With his signature wit and sidesplitting

hilarity, David's story of faithfulness, grounded in

the biblical truth that no dream is too big for God,

will inspire you to relentlessly pursue your dreams, and in the process, bring the reality of

God's kingdom a little closer to the here and now.

God has planted a dream in your heart that is both unique to you and essential to the world.

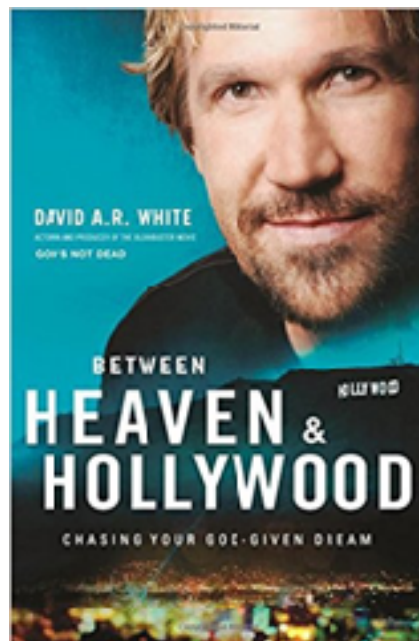
White reminds us that there is no one too common, too uneducated, too poor, too inexperienced, or too broken that he or she cannot be used by God.

This book may be found on the New Book Rack

in the Library. (192 pages, 2016, 4.9 out of 5 Amazon rating).

Jim Filler

On behalf of the Volunteer Library Team



Did you know that the words we say only make up about 7% of the communication process? Our tone of voice (38%) and non-verbal cues (55%) play much bigger roles in the communication process than the words that we speak. The article “Six Keys to Communication That Can Unlock Friendship in Your Marriage” discusses different levels of communication. The levels of communication are: cliché conversation, reporting facts, ideas and judgment, feelings and emotions, and finally, open communication and total honesty. The key to having good communication in your marriage is achieving the higher levels of communication which are feelings and emotions, and open communication and total honesty. The article goes on to give six suggestions that can improve your communication and help you and your spouse achieve a higher level of communication. A few of the suggestions are: be intentional, deal with anger, and listen with your heart, not just your head. To learn more details about these suggestions and to read the rest of the suggestions, [click here](#).

Blessings,
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Birthdays And Anniversaries

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

02/02	Dave Law
02/04	Adeline Wells
02/06	Dane Holmes
02/06	Ruth Lee
02/08	Joleen Welch
02/09	Ann Wells
02/16	Dan Holland
02/19	Mary Sharp
02/22	Sheila Fite
02/22	Carter Hanson
02/22	Sheila Hodel
02/22	Virginia Langford
02/22	Kathleen Yazell-Smith
02/23	Mary Kirschner
02/26	Pat Miles
02/27	Phil Richardson
02/28	Carol Volle

FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

We have no listings for February Anniversaries.

Our Condolences

Our hearts and prayers go out to the following families who lost loved ones during this month of February. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers following this difficult time.

- Jennifer Logan and her family with the death of Mike
- Mills family with the death of Reg's mother, Betty

But we do not want you to be uninformed about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve, as others do who have no hope.

1st Thessalonians 4:13

Around CBC

For monthly couples, individual, and family tips, please sign up for our [e-newsletter](#). For daily relationship tips, follow us on [facebook](#). For more information about any ConnectEdPAIRS service, please visit our website at www.connectedpairs.com, stop by, call, or email me in the counseling office. I look forward to talking with you soon.

As the weather stays cold, please think of the food insecure of Springfield and make a generous donation to the Kumler Food Pantry. For the month of February we are focusing on soup, chili, and stew but as always any non perishable food is welcome and greatly appreciated.

When you are at the store pick up an extra can or two, look for the “specials,” and dig out the coupons and help a neighbor in our city.

Again this year we will be packing and distributing Member Care Gift Bags for Valentine’s Day. These bags are given to members of our church family who need a little extra “we care and are thinking of you” visit. You can help by donating items such as: small tissue packets, lotion, nice hand soap, puzzle books, pens, mugs, candy, etc.

Please put your donations in the Serve the World Center. We will pack these bags Wednesday, February 7 at 6:00 and deliver them between Feb 8 and 14. If you would like to help deliver these bags please contact the church office.

The church will be open on Ash Wednesday, February 14. Feel free to visit Webber Lounge to participate in a time of prayer and devotion.

What's Happening

Monthly

AB Men's Breakfast

1st & 3rd Saturday; 8 am; (Merriam Hall)

Hegarty Circle

2nd Monday; 9:30 am; (Weber Lounge)

Beth Long Circle (New Berlin)

3rd Thursday evening; various locations

Newsletter

All submissions must be made by the 15th of every month

Girl Scouts

1st & 3rd Tuesday; 6 pm; (New Berlin)

Weekly

SUNDAY

- 9:15a Sunday School (Downtown)
- 10:15a Fellowship Time (Downtown)
- 10:45a Worship Service (Downtown)
- 9:30a Worship Service (New Berlin)
- 10:30a Sunday School (New Berlin)
- 5:00p Youth (New Berlin) Meet bi-weekly

TUESDAY

- 3:00p Compass

WEDNESDAY

- 4:45p Wednesday Night Dinner (1st and 3rd)
- 6:30p Choir Practice

THURSDAY

- 7:00p Worship Team Rehearsal

2/12-Finance/LCT

5:3-Weber Lounge

2/14-Ash Wednesday

Weber Lounge Open

2/19-President's Day

CBC Offices Closed

All events at Springfield

location unless otherwise noted.

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