

# NEWSLETTER



## **Pastor Mike Silvey**

Edwin Harvey said, "A day without prayer is a day without blessing, and a life without prayer is a life without power." Prayer changes us, and it can change everything around us.

On May 4<sup>th</sup> America observes the National Day of Prayer. Our nation was founded upon prayer and the pursuit of Christian principles. George Washington regularly prayed and devoted himself and the nation to God. Washington's mothers charged him, "My son, neglect not the duty of secret prayer." From youth to old age, George Washington was a person of prayer.

Prayer is not optional for the believer. Martin Luther reasoned, "To be a

Christian without prayer is no more possible than to be alive without breathing." God has designed

us to depend on Him, and prayer is how we maintain our dependence. We look not inward, nor outward, but above for what we need.

God hears and responds to prayer. In this spirit, Paul says, "Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God" (Phil. 4:6). "God does nothing but by prayer, John Wesley concluded, "and everything with it."

Let us renew our spirit of prayer this month. Devote time each day to prayer. As you have opportunity, go deeper into prayer, taking time from lesser pursuits to intercede for others and our nation, so that blessing and power may be known once again.

My prayer for you is that you know all the blessings that are ours through a life of prayer.

Bro. Mike



## **Worship Leader - Cory Fothergill**

Once again, thanks to all of those in the choir for your participation on Easter Sunday! It was a great time of worship and celebration of our Risen Lord. Choir rehearsals will be on

pause until August, when we will begin preparing to present some Christmas music during that season. I look forward to seeing everyone return!

As I mentioned on the last Wednesday night of our study, I continue to be so grateful to the Lord, and to each of you who came to our Bible Study on Colossians for the last 8 months. It was a joy to get to teach through that book and I hope and pray that each of you received some insight from the Lord throughout our times together.

As we approach this summer, I encourage you all to be as faithful as possible to attend Bible Study and Worship each and every Lord's Day. I know summers are busy for some and an opportunity for rest (myself included!), but please make every effort to be here when you are in town, and even if you are out of town, find a good, solid church to attend on vacation!

Have a wonderful month of May!

In Christ's Love,

Bro. Cory



# UPCOMING EVENTS

## *Christian Ladies' Fellowship*

Monday, May 8 @ 6:30pm

Home of Jane Hoy, 14 Downing, Texarkana, AR

*It's a packing party!!*

*Jane sold her home & had knee surgery. So, she needs help packing up her belongings. Please bring boxes & packing supplies to help out.*

Debbie Powers will provide the meal.



## GRADUATION *Sunday*

May 21, during 10am service

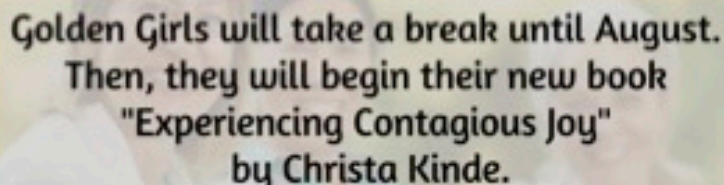


## **MEN'S NIGHT OUT**

Monday, May 8 @ 6:30pm

Luna Llena

4018 N Stateline, Texarkana, AR  
(old Cattleman's bldg.)



Golden Girls will take a break until August. Then, they will begin their new book "Experiencing Contagious Joy" by Christa Kinde.

## **Sunday, May 14**

During our upcoming service on Mother's Day, **May 14th**, we will include a Baby Dedication time for all families with a child 2 yrs or younger, who desire to make a public commitment to raise their little one in the ways of the Lord. A blessing will be prayed over each child and a gift Bible presented. We invite all parents desiring to participate to fill out the Baby Dedication form on the foyer table and return it by **Sunday, May 7th**.



*Baby.*  
**Dedication**



You're invited  
to a  
*Bridal Shower*  
for  
*Blair McMahan*  
(bride-elect of Jason Lloyd)

2-4 pm  
Sunday, May 21st  
Central Baptist Church  
2117 E. 35th  
Texarkana, AR

**Selections:**  
Dillards, Target  
Mod Maverick Studio in  
Magnolia

**Hosted by Savannah Shurtleff,  
Pam Dougan, Gale Woolsey,  
Lindsay Hicks, Julie Ferrell,  
Sarah Sealy, Debbie Powers**

# May



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
			6:30pm Awana 6:30pm Youth Bible Study 6:30pm Adult Bible Study		6:00am Men's Friday Study Group	
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
8:15am Deacon's Meeting 3:00pm Staff Meeting	6:30pm CLF 6:30pm Men's Night Out		6:30pm Awana Closing Program - Worship Center  No Bible Studies - come support the Children's Ministry		6:00am Men's Friday Study Group	
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
8:15am Finance Comm. Meeting Mother's Day Baby Dedication			Children's Ministry TBA 6:30pm Youth Bible Study 6:30pm Adult Bible Study		6:00am Men's Friday Study Group	
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Grad Sunday 2-4pm Blair's Wedding Shower in Fellowship Hall			Children's Ministry TBA 6:30pm Youth Bible Study 6:30pm Adult Bible Study		No Men's Friday Study Group	
28	29	30	31			
	 Memorial Day Church offices closed		Children's Ministry TBA 6:30pm Youth Bible Study 6:30pm Adult Bible Study			



**Staff**

Bro. Mike Silvey, Senior Pastor  
Bro. Cory Fothergill, Worship Leader  
, Youth Minister  
Stephanie Columbus, Administrative Assistant  
Jennie Jones, Pre-School Ministry  
Mandy Gibson, Nursery Coordinator

**WORSHIP TIMES**

**Sunday**

SMBS 9:00am  
Morning Worship 10:00am

**Wednesday**

Awana (K- 5th grades) 6:30pm  
Youth (6th - 12th grades ) 6:30pm  
Bible Study (Adult) 6:30pm

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**MEN'S FRIDAY STUDY GROUP**

Books are \$10 in the Fellowship Hall

Fridays @ 6:00am  
Fellowship Hall  
Central Baptist Church

"Be Transformed"  
John 13-21  
by Warren W. Wiersbe