

# NEWSLETTER



**Pastor Mike Silvey**

One of our nation's great leaders, Ronald Reagan said, "There is no institution more vital to our Nation's survival than the American family. Here the seeds of personal character are planted, the roots of public virtue first nourished. Through love and instruction, discipline, guidance and example, we learn from our mothers and fathers the values that will shape our private lives and our public citizenship." Family has always been the foundation of our society and the stimulus for our future.

The average American family in the 1800's had 7 kids, lived on a farm, didn't have much money and walked or rode a horse and buggy everywhere they went. Today, the average family has 1.7 kids, lives in cities and drives multiple cars all costing more than an average house cost in 1850.

We've come a long way, but are we going in the right direction? Are we maintaining the family foundations that will continue to plant the seeds of character and instill the values which make a nation good and godly?

It begins with keeping God first in your home. We exist to honor and serve the Lord. Our home is the place where we are trained to live a disciplined life. Balance time at home with time away from home. Slow down and spend quality time together. Give yourself to daily Bible reading and prayer. Surrender your time, work, finances, talents, and futures to God's will as revealed in His Word.

The Lord uses homes to continue to build lives that will honor and serve Him in this world. Let's dedicate ourselves and homes to His purpose.

May the Lord continue to speak to us in our Sunday sermon series on the family. God bless you as you live for the Lord through and in your homes!

Bro. Mike



**Worship Leader - Cory Fothergill**

I hope as we have gone through this sermon series on the family that we have been able to glean what God has to say to us about our family relationships. Since it is summer, I thought it might be neat to give some musical suggestions for times you and your family might be on the road or even for around the house. Most of these should be available on whatever music platform you might use (Spotify, Apple Music, etc.).

A great resource to use with kids regardless of their age is Kingdom Kids, which is part of the ministry of artists Shane and Shane. They have albums called *Worship in the Word*, *Kingdom Kids*, etc. We have listened to many of these songs and albums over the years, and our family enjoys listening. Visit [kingdomkidsworship.org](http://kingdomkidsworship.org) for more information about them.

Another great resource, especially in helping people of all ages to learn scripture is a group called *The Corner Room*. Every song is a word-for-word rendition of

passages of Scripture. This would be great to listen to in a family devotion time or in the car.

City Alight is working on a children's album as well, and just released a song from it last week called *My God Is All I Need/My God Is So Big*. In addition, Keith & Kristyn Getty have a ton of great music and other resources for families. You can find more at [gettymusic.com](http://gettymusic.com).

All that being said, any of these would be great to listen to in the car, while cleaning or doing chores around the house, or really any time. My hope and prayer is for all of us to expose our families to Christ honoring music that they will listen to and use in worship for a lifetime.

May God bless each of you in the month of July. I pray you are able to spend quality time with your families this month, including your **church family!**

In His Service,

Bro. Cory



# UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday, July 4  
Church offices closed

Wednesday, July 5  
No Children or Youth Bible Studies  
6:30pm - Adult Bible Study

## MEN'S FRIDAY STUDY GROUP

Fridays @ 6:00am  
Fellowship Hall  
Central Baptist Church

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



## Beginning Sunday, July 9

This is a 9 week course  
with 10-12 slots available.

The cost is \$35 per couple.

If you are interested, contact:  
Megan McMahan 479-561-7804  
Bro. Mike 870-949-2757



VBS will not be taking place  
in July due to unforeseen  
circumstances.



Stay tuned for details of a  
children's event in August.

## Christian Ladies' Fellowship

**Monday, July 10 @ 6:30pm**

Fellowship Hall @ Central  
Sarah Sealy will provide the food.

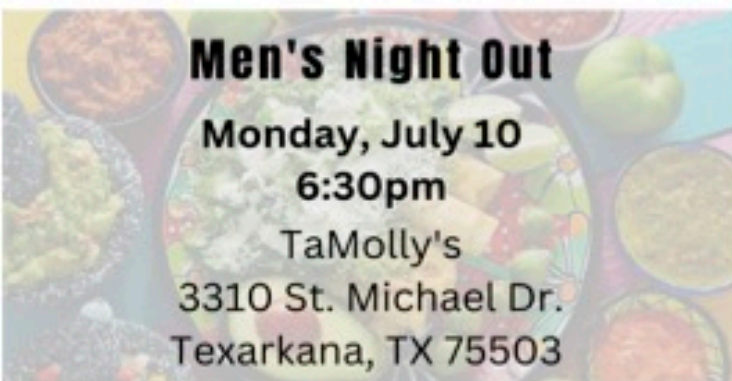
It's the annual packing party!  
Time to pack the Christmas shoeboxes.

All  
ladies  
are  
invited!

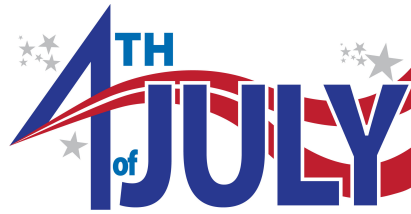
## Men's Night Out

**Monday, July 10  
6:30pm**

TaMolly's  
3310 St. Michael Dr.  
Texarkana, TX 75503



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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8:15am Deacon's Meeting		 Church offices closed	No Children's Bible Study No Youth Bible Study 6:30pm Adult Bible Study		6:00am Men's Friday Study Group	
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
8:15am Finance Comm. Meeting  Financial Peace University begins	6:30pm CLF 6:30pm Men's Night Out		6:30pm Friends & Heroes 6:30pm Youth Bible Study 6:30pm Adult Bible Study		6:00am Men's Friday Study Group	
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#### Staff

Bro. Mike Silvey, Senior Pastor  
Bro. Cory Fothergill, Worship Leader  
Bro. Rustin Green, Interim 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

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

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