# **OPPORTUNITIES**

# **Work Opportunities**

Facilities team is looking for two part time evening campus monitors averaging 6 hours a week. This is a position that ministers by showing hospitality, facilities support, and a monitoring presence to people using our campus. Additional information and applications can be found on our website or call Dwayne at 218.1017.

Facilities is also looking to add a couple more part-time custodians to their team. For more information please contact *Dwayne at 218.1017 or visit our website centralwesleyan.org/jobs.* 

# FAMILY NEWS

We extend our sympathy to: Randall DePree, Sr., for the loss of his son and to Linda (John) Freeman for the loss of her brother, Randy Depree; and to Corey Young and Marie Todd for the loss of their son, Caleb Young.

# Dealing with a serious or long term

illness: Bill Ballard, John Boersema,
Marianne Brower, Dave Dekker,
Vonne Dekker, Phyllis DeWitt, Sandy
DeWys, Deb Grunst, Dan Heiberg,
Amy Kamphuis, Joy Kirklin, Mel Kirklin,
Jodi Lokker, Norm Lyzenga, Carmen
Modrzynski, Chris Morren, Janice Mullins,
Niko Pilafas, Renae Postma, Rosemary
Reidsma, Mike Rotman, MaryLou
Rutgers, Jill Schreur, Loie VanDis,
Marlene Walsh, John Wells and James
Winn.

**Recovering:** Bill Hill and Alice Puente.

# THE NUMBERS

May 1, 2016

Attendance	
Central Wesleyan	3328
Central Online	552
Central La Roca	113
Central Cambodia	74
Central Indonesia	192
Total Attendance	4,259
Community Groups	522
Small Groups	600
General Budget	
Received Last Week	\$99,700
Received Since 6/15	\$4,703,300
Weekly Need	\$95,400
Need Since 6/15	\$4,793,900
Missions	
Received Last Week	\$10,300
Received Since 6/15	\$647,900
Need Since 6/15	\$654,200
Stronger	
Received Last Week	\$10,500
Received Since 6/15	\$111,200
Beyond Total	\$168,000



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# MOTHER'S DAY

Happy Mother's Day! Today is the day that we celebrate mothers all over the world. We celebrate their triumphs, their sacrifices and the significant roles they play in our lives. We thank our Heavenly Father for giving us someone to look up to and to be tender with us. Their hard work does not go unnoticed and we are grateful everyday for what they do for us! If this holiday feels more like a struggle to you in any way, remember that you are not alone. We are blessed to have a great and glorious Father in Heaven who is all of those things and more for us.

This morning, as we celebrate Mother's Day, we welcome Barry & Sheila Walsh to Central. Sheila Walsh is a powerful Bible teacher, best–selling author from Scotland. Her international ministry has reached more than 5.5 million women by combining honesty, vulnerability, and humor with the transforming power of God's word. You will have the opportunity to purchase Sheila's brand new book, "The Longing in Me", along with other materials and music this morning in the lobby.

There will also be an opportunity to take photos with your family in the lobby before, during, and after the services. The photos will be available online Wednesday by going to *centralwesleyan.org/mothersdaypics*.

"For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well." Psalm 139:13-14

# **GENERAL**

#### 2016-2017 Elder Board

The current Elder Board recommends the following slate of Elders for the next fiscal year, 2016-2017: Londa Alderink, Craig Brink, Sue Overbeek, Lynnelle Pierce, Darrel Turner, Jack Lynn, Dan Kapenga, Mark Ebbers, and Jason Adams. We ask you to prayerfully consider your affirmation of this slate. If you have any biblically based objections to any of these individuals, we ask that you bring that concern to the individual directly and, if need be, to a member of our current Elder Board. Barring any objections, on May 22, 2016, we anticipate having the congregation (membership) cast a ballot of affirmation to this slate of Elders. (The Wesleyan Church does not make provision for absentee ballots; it requires members to be present to be counted in the vote—The Wesleyan Discipline 643.)

# **Shipshewana Day Trip**

Thursday, May 12, at 8:30 a.m. begins our day trip this year. The cost of \$55 includes transportation by bus, a home cooked lunch at Miller's Country Kitchen (Amish), "The Home Game" musical at Blue Gate Theater, a stop at Yoders Bulk Food Store and coffee and a donut at the Rise 'n Roll Bakery. Space is limited so register now with Bette at 395.3133 or bjohnson@centralwesleyan.org.

## **Hand 2 Hand Food Items**

Are you willing to help stock our Hand2Hand food pantry? This month we need peanut butter and cans of vegetables. Items will be collected in the shopping cart located near the Gathering Grounds. Thanks for helping serve our community. Questions? *Contact Tracy at 395.3079.* 

### **WAKE UP!**

Wake Up! is a city-wide revival calling people to Christ and will be hosted at DeVos Fieldhouse May 18–21 from 6:30–8:45 p.m. Join Dan Seaborn and others as we reach out to our community! Central is looking for 50 people who would be willing to pray with people who make a decision to follow Christ. For complete information go to winningathome.com or if you're interested in volunteering, contact Tracy at tdykstra@centralwesleyan.org.

# **Young Married Lunch**

If you are engaged or have been married less than 5 years, we would love to invite you to be part of a lunch on Sunday, May 22 in the Gym at 12:15. Come and enjoy lunch and learn more about what is in store for our young married ministry. If you would like to be a part of this lunch, contact Lesa at 395.3113 or lbatema@centralwesleyan.org.

## **Summer Fun for Foster Care**

Throughout the month of May, we will be collecting summer items for children in foster care. Please bring swimsuits, bike helmets, knee/elbow pads, and/or flotation devices (lifejackets, puddle jumpers, arm bands) for infants through high school-aged children to the Children of the Heart kiosk in the lobby. Email childrenoftheheart@centralwesleyan.org with any questions or for more information.

# **Every Breath We Take**

Every Breath We Take is a book by Terry Wardle that will give you a deeper understanding of God's presence, love, and generosity, and provide you with a pathway to encounter him in deep and transforming moment-by-moment encounters. We will be studying Wednesday mornings, May 18–June 15, from 9:30–11:15 a.m. in C165. This study will be led by Kathryn Christensen,

MA. Register and pay cash or check by contacting *Lesa at Ibatema@* centralwesleyan.org or 395.3113.

#### **Women of the Word**

Women of the Word is a verse study of Peter's wise instruction to us taught by Lynelle Pierce. We will meet May 16, June 20, July 18 and August 15 from 6:30–8 p.m. in C161.

#### **How to Interact with the Bible**

Toran Scott will be offering a workshop on how to engage with God in His Word on May 15 and 22 during the 10:45 a.m. service in the gym. Our goal is that at the end of these two weeks you will not only know how to feed yourself from God's Word but could also teach someone else how to do so as well. We will teach you not only how to fish, but how to teach others to fish. Take a risk, adventure awaits. Questions? *Email Jen at jvera@centralwesleyan.org*.

# **CHILDREN**

## **Fifth Grade Graduation**

Central Kids will honor our fifth graders on May 22, 2016. The celebration is in the gym at 9 a.m. Everyone is invited!

# **Crash Landing**

All Central Kids 5th Graders (soon to be 6th graders) are welcome to join us for pizza, ice cream, games and hang out with Pastor Steve! Wednesday, May 25, 6:30–8 p.m. in the Student Room (D309). Bring a friend or two or three (as long as they're going into the 6th grade). Parents, you're invited to stick around for the first ten minutes to meet with Pastor Steve.

# **STUDENTS**

# **Fuel Sunday Mornings**

High school students, Fuel Sunday Morning is back! You'll experience what it means to follow passionately after Christ, in a safe community focused environment where you can ask questions about faith, and find truth. Fuel offers passionate worship, practical teaching, and breakfast. Join us every Sunday morning at 9 a.m. in the Block.

# **Parade & Junk Wagons**

High school students this Wednesday, May 11, we're heading downtown for the Street Scrubber Parade & to stuff our faces with food from the Junk Wagons! Please meet by the statues next to JP's at 12:45 p.m. and bring money for food.

# **Amazing Race**

High school students, get ready to compete in the Amazing Race on May 15 from 7–9 p.m. Meet at the Block and wear clothes you don't mind getting wet or dirty! You must have a medical release form on file.

#### **Car Wash**

Car wash forms are available at Ignite and Fuel! This is a great opportunity for students to raise money for camp/mission trips/events for the 2016/17 school year!

# **YA Summer Events**

If you are 18–26 and would like to know what's going on for YA this summer please email *James at jappelt@centralwesleyan.org.*