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RSVP

Family Fellowship Night

SAVE THE DATE!

SEPTEMBER 13, 2023

Save the date for our next
Family Fellowship Night on
Wednesday, September 13
at 6:15pm. The program will
be the Talent Show.

Please **RSVP** by
September 11, 2023
to the church office
central@cmkm.org
or 704-739-2471.

If you would like to sign up as
an act for the Talent Show
please contact Penny Larson
pal_1255@yahoo.com
or 407-928-8579.



KIDS CENTRAL NEWS

We are so excited to share the news that beginning on Sunday, September 10, our KIDS Central and Nursery programs will expand their hours to start check-in at 9:00 am!

We hope that this gives parents and grandparents an opportunity to join our various small group classes offered on Sunday mornings. After you drop off the children please be sure to stop by the Asbury Room for some refreshments and to learn more about our small groups.

Help us spread the word!

Please Help Us Spread the Word

Please spread the word about our Nursery and KIDS Central extended hours to your friends and family. If you're interested in learning more about this ministry's expansion or are looking to lend a helping hand, please feel free to reach out to Kayla Potter Fuller at kayla@cmkm.org. She would love to chat with you!

Sunday Morning Volunteers Needed The Methodist Men will be providing morning refreshments in the Asbury room from 8:45 - 9:45 for anyone wanting to drop by beginning on September 10, 2023. We need greeters for each Sunday - 1 or 2 individuals that would be in the Asbury room to meet those stopping by and find out if they want to attend a class or small group, etc. We have many people that are not plugged in and they might want to be part of a group. We have several new families and this would be a great way to welcome them. [To sign up](mailto:central@cmkm.org), please contact the church office at central@cmkm.org or 704-739-2471.

Join us for Worship on Sundays at 10:00am in person or online!

Central Youth Group

We welcome all youth from 6th-12th grade to come join us! We provide a time of gathering for youth to support one another, to have fun, to develop service projects, and to grow deeper in Christ. Any questions, please contact Kayla Potter Fuller at kayla@cmkm.org or 704-739-2471.

NO YOUTH NIGHT September 3

YOUTH NIGHT September 10

5:30pm - 7:30pm

LOCATION: At the Church

The youth will be meeting per normal.

YOUTH NIGHT September 17

5:30pm - 7:30pm

LOCATION: At the Church

The youth will be meeting per normal

YOUTH NIGHT September 24

5:30pm - 7:30pm

LOCATION: At the Church

The youth will be meeting per normal



Sunday Morning
Kids Central & Nursery Programs
9:00am - 11:00am

In September here are some things we will be learning:

In our Kids Central classroom, something that we will be learning in the next few weeks is how to use our imagination to honor God! A Bible story that we will be reading is Exodus 25!

In our nursery classroom, some things that we will be learning over the next few weeks are to love others and trust God. A Bible story that we will be reading is John 20: 1-20!

Drop off for our Kids Central and Nursery Programs begins at 9:00 am Sunday mornings. We want to thank each of you for your continued prayers and support of this ministry! We are so excited about the word getting out that KIDS Central (grades K-5) is the place to be on Sunday mornings from 9:00 am—11:00 am.

Our **Nursery** will be available during our 10 am worship service for ages 0-4 years old. We are in need of volunteers in the nursery to help support this ministry.

Any questions, please see or contact Kayla Potter Fuller at kayla@cmkm.org or 704-739-2471.

Small Group News

Small Groups Upcoming Meetings (See Small Group Flyer for dates and times)

Leaders Meeting Sunday, September 10—CAC following service—Please attend if you are planning on or interested in leading a small group

Recruitment Sunday, September 17—CAC following service—Learn what small groups are offered this semester.

Small Groups Semester begins September 24—Short term study small groups start meeting.



Together We CAN End Hunger

August 2023 Community Kitchen Report

This month we distributed food and goods to **155 households** with a grand total of **387 people** served. Around **9,650** pounds of food/other were donated to the Community Kitchen

Statistics of age groups who visited:

0-18= ;96 19-64=**226** 65+ = **65**

The Community Kitchen is open on Thursdays from 3:00-4:30pm and is partnered with Second Harvest Food Bank.

Volunteers are always welcomed!

For more information, please contact the church office.

SMALL GROUPS

Kids Central Extended Sunday Morning Hours:

We are excited to announce that drop-off for our Nursery and Kids Central programs will begin at 9:00 am starting September 10th!

Sunday Morning Groups

1. Sunday Morning Group: The Chosen Bible Study
 - Leader: Mark Dixon
 - Time and locaon: 8:30 am in the CAC every Sunday morning
 - Age: All ages
2. Daughters of Wesley Sunday morning Group
 - Leader: Tim Miller
 - Time and locaon: 9 am in the Parlor/Bride's room
 - Leader contact info: tmnkm@bellsouth.net 704-473-9148
3. Pilgrim's Progress Study Sunday Morning Group
 - Leaders: Clyde and Faye Kerns, Jimmy Warren, Jim Larson
 - Time and Locaon: 8:45 am Upstairs in the Central Fellowship room
 - Leader contact info: clydekerns@a.net

Don't forget to stop by the Asbury room on Sunday mornings to get some refreshments before heading to your preferred Sunday Morning Small Group! Refreshments will be offered every Sunday from 8:45 -9:45 am.

Be on the lookout for additional Sunday Morning Groups to be announced!

Weekly Groups

1. Men's Bible Study
 - Leader: Tim Miller
 - Time and locaon: Weekly on Tuesdays at 7:30 pm in the Asbury room
 - Leader contact info: tmnkm@bellsouth.net 704-473-9148
 - Descripon: We are an ongoing small group for men of all ages. Dedicated to studying God's word as it is shared to us in the Bible. We meet for fellowship and worship in a safe and non-judgmental environment. We recognize and appreciate that not everyone is at the same level in their Biblical study, and we work together to make God's word understood and relevant for each of us in our lives
2. Mary's Breakfast Brunch
 - Leader: Bey Masters
 - Time and locaon: Meets on the 4th Wednesday of every month at 9:00 am. Locaon is Linwood Restaurant: 805 Cleveland Ave, Kings Mountain, NC 28086.
 - Leader contact info: 704-739-2653
3. Women's Seekers
 - Leader: Debbie Greene
 - Time and locaon: Start date is September 13th, We will meet weekly, Wednesdays 2:00 – 3:00 pm at the church in the Asbury room
 - Group Type: Women's, open to all ages
 - Group Descripon: Our study will be on The Book of Ephesians by J.D. Greear. Ephesians is our survival manual. JD Greear digs into the text verse by verse and challenges believers to live out the gospel. It will be from our mouths that others will hear about Jesus. Come join us as we study together the book of Ephesians.
 - Leader Contact informaon: (330)-603-4355 dgreene902@aol.com

A Thank You Note

Dear Church Family,
Thank you sincerely for all of your texts, calls, and cards during the illness and passing of my sister, Martha. Words are not sufficient to properly thank you but hopefully you feel my sincerity.

Patti Jolly

Have you considered the convenience of donating online? Visit www.cmkm.org/donate and you will be given the option of making a one-time contribution or establishing a monthly donation. Additionally, you have the option of donating in memory or honor of someone. This is a simple and secure way to support Central Methodist Church.

Central Mission Day: Back to School Supplies Collection and Pick Up Event



Above: Pastor Perry Hines, a school teacher, Kayla Potter Fuller and Dana Potter display the generous donation of backpacks.

Below: Youth members pose with the signs they made for the event.



thank you



Way to go Central Methodist Church!

Thanks to your generous donations and support, you helped to provide school supplies and hygiene items to many Kings Mountain Community students and teachers during our Central Mission Back to School Supply Pick-Up event on August 11, 2023. A dozen volunteers help set up the CAC for the giveaway and before the doors even opened, people had already begun to form a line outside waiting to enter. We then had over 180 people come through to pick up what they needed and in no time very little of the supplies remained! We also set up a prayer basket and received 24 prayer requests. We are extremely happy with the positive response and support shown toward this Mission Day Event! Plans are in the works for our next Mission Day and details will be coming soon.

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Pastor, Perry Hines
Administrative Assistant, Candy Love
Youth & Children's Director, Kayla Potter Fuller
Handbell/Drama Director,
Teresa Williams
Music Minister, Justin Harper
Organist, Doug Parker

Please take note of the following updates:

- **Our website is now www.cmkm.org**
- Church office—central@cmkm.org
- Pastor Perry Hines—perry@cmkm.org
- Kayla Potter Fuller—kayla@cmkm.org
- Justin Harper —justin@cmkm.org

Central Out and About



Our awesome Community Kitchen Volunteers



Youth volunteers came out to support Ruby at her volleyball game at KMHS.



The Youth hosted a Back to School Family Movie Night on 8/27/23.



Save the Date!

**Sunday October 29
5:30-7pm**

Volunteers needed for planning, set up, and decorating for Trunk or Treat cars. If you are interested in volunteering please contact Kayla Potter Fuller at kayla@cmkm.org.

More details are to come on planning dates in October!

**Fall Festival
Candy Collection**
Beginning September 15 we will start collecting individually wrapped candy for our upcoming Annual Fall Festival!

The collection bin will be in the CAC Hallway. Thanks for your support of this upcoming event!

Pen Paper and Prayer by audrey



Photo courtesy of [@jenniferfrisbie](#) to follow her on Instagram

What does your heart break for? Is your heart aligned with God so that the Spirit moves in us to break our hearts open so that we can be the hands and feet of Christ? I recently read a post on Instagram and have been granted permission to use it here. Let's Posterior our hearts and welcome Jennifer Frisbie to our newsletter:

Sometimes we have to witness life through a different lens. God has to break our heart for what breaks His and show us the world He sees through His eyes. Yet not all of us will experience these same circumstances at the same time, which can make it glaringly painful to the one who sees.

But at some point, God will lay it upon your heart to know the world in ways you never knew existed. He will disrupt your blissful ignorance by revealing the needs of others in such a way that your life will never be the same.

Is it convenient? No. But it's necessary.

This morning, when I gazed upon this photo taken eight years ago, I said "thank you." Thank you for showing me that every human life matters. That every human life is purposeful. That every human life is loved by God. And that every human life is worth being loved by our own human lives.

When you ask God to break your heart for what breaks His, be prepared to be shown the world in ways you were previously blinded. But also be prepared to be shown a mirror.

And never forget what you saw in that mirror. What a humbling experience, friends. What a humbling experience indeed. [#tripofalifetime](#) [#kenya2015](#) [#mercyhouseglobal](#)

CENTRAL SENIOR TRIP

Central Senior Trip We're excited to invite you to our Central Senior Trip to Lake Lure on Wednesday, October 4, 2023! It's going to be an amazing day exploring the beautiful area and indulging in some delicious Italian cuisine at a local restaurant. Don't forget to bring some cash for the meal and any sightseeing you want to do. We'll all meet up at the church at 10 am and head out together, with the option to carpool or take a bus depending on the response. We'll wrap up our adventure at 4 pm. If you have any questions at all, please feel free to reach out to Debbie Greene at 330-603-4355 or dgreene90254@gmail.com. Please [RSVP](#) by Monday, October 2 so we can make sure everything is all set for the trip.

A History Minute will return next month.