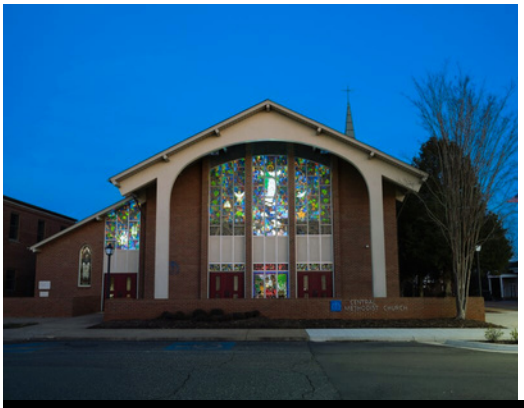


Central Methodist

Kings Mountain, NC

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BACK-TO-SCHOOL Prayer Rally

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9 AT 6:00 PM

CENTRAL METHODIST CHURCH | SPONSORED BY THE KINGS MOUNTAIN MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION

Please Join Us!

5TH SUNDAY BREAKFAST

AUGUST 30, 2026

8:45 AM

Bring a dish to share with your church family before the service.

MISSIONS DAY

SCHOOL SUPPLY GIVEAWAY!

We are hosting a Missions Day School Supply Giveaway at our church! Open to students and teachers in the community.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 1

10:00 AM
UNTIL SUPPLIES LAST

IN THE CAC

SUPPLIES FOR STUDENTS & TEACHERS! IN OUR COMMUNITY!

CRAYONS

GLUE

THANK YOU NOTES

Dear Church Family,
We want to express our heartfelt gratitude for the phone calls, cards, meals, and prayers we received during this challenging time following Betty's passing.
With love,
The Potter Family

Central Methodist Church recently received a letter of appreciation from Compassion International acknowledging the church's $500 donation to the Highly Vulnerable Children's Fund in honor of Father's Day. In their letter, Compassion shared that the gift will help provide life-changing care for vulnerable children and families living in poverty, protect children from exploitation, and bring hope through the love of Christ. They also expressed their sincere gratitude and reaffirmed their commitment to carefully steward every gift to maximize its impact. We are grateful for the opportunity to partner with Compassion International in sharing God's love and helping meet the needs of vulnerable children around the world.

UPCOMING EVENTS

8/3/26 Trustees Meeting, 6:00 pm
8/10/26 Finance Meeting, 6:00 pm
8/10/26 Administrative Council, 7:00 pm
No Family Fellowship Night in August
8/24/26 Methodist Men Meeting, 7:00 pm
8/26/26 Mary's Breakfast Bunch, 9:00 am
8/30/26 5th Sunday Breakfast, 8:45 am
No Handbell Practice until further notice

in loving memory

Betty Potter, wife of Jim Potter, passed away on June 18, 2026. A memorial service will take place on Saturday, August 8, 2026, at 3:00 pm at Central Methodist Church, followed by a reception of friends and family in the CAC. The family requests that you please come as you are.

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Director of Infant and Children's Ministries, Stephanie Wilson, stephanie@cmkm.org
Handbell/Drama Director, Teresa Williams
Music Minister, Justin Harper, justin@cmkm.org
Organist, Doug Parker

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

The Global Methodist Church exists to make disciples of Jesus Christ and spread scriptural holiness across the globe. Our vision is to make disciples of Jesus Christ who worship passionately, love extravagantly, and witness boldly.



HELP US WELCOME OTHERS TO CENTRAL ON SUNDAYS

We are seeking volunteers for our hospitality teams as ushers and greeters. Even occasional service can greatly enhance the welcoming atmosphere. Contact the church office at 704-739-2471 or central@cmkm.org to sign up or inquire further.

YOUTH NEWS

youth CALENDAR

Aug 2: Youth Meeting
Aug 9: Youth Meeting
Aug 16: Youth Meeting
Aug 23: Youth Meeting
Aug 30: Youth Meeting

We welcome all youth from 6th-12th grade to join us on Sunday nights from 5:30-7:30 pm.



In July 2026, youth members took part in a Missions Day by volunteering at the Community Kitchen. The following week, they had a great time enjoying a day at Top Golf in Charlotte.



YOUNG ADULTS

If you're interested in joining our Young Adult Small Group, please get in touch with Kalin Brooks.

For any questions, please contact Kalin Brooks, Director of Youth & Young Adult Ministries, at kalin@cmkm.org.



KIDS Central honored July 4th by expressing gratitude for their country and its blessings through the creation of patriotic banners.



KIDS CENTRAL NEWS

Come join us on Sunday Mornings 10:00 AM

Children (toddlers through 5th grade) begin their Sundays in our 10 am service, sitting with Kids Central leaders before moving to their classrooms after praise and worship. Parents can choose to have their children sit with them until it's time to leave for class.

Any questions about KIDS Central, If you have any questions about KIDS Central, please contact Stephanie Wilson, Director of Infant and Children's Ministries, at stephanie@cmkm.org.

SCENES FROM THE ANNUAL TALENT SHOW

During our Family Fellowship Night on July 8, we held our Annual Talent Show. We were blessed to enjoy 12 incredible acts that showcased the many talents God has given our church family. It was a wonderful evening filled with laughter, fellowship, great food, and fun. Thank you to everyone who helped make this special night such a success!













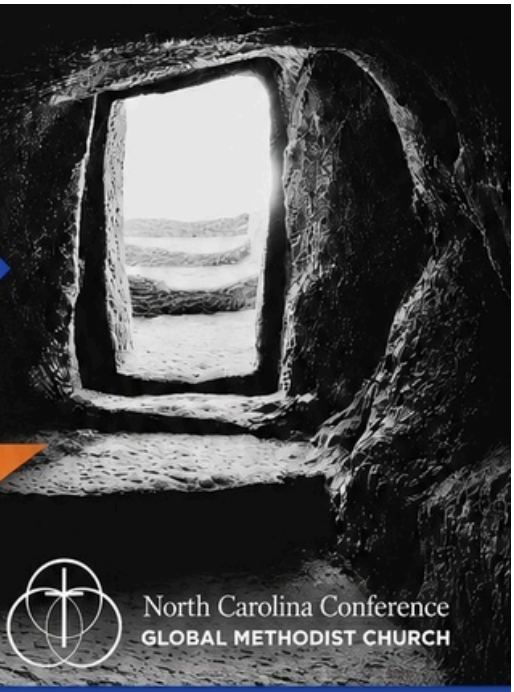


2026 North Carolina Annual Conference REPORT

SENT

CALLED, EQUIPPED, COMMISSIONED

JOHN 20:21



North Carolina Conference
GLOBAL METHODIST CHURCH

"As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." John 20:21

Representatives from Central Methodist Church joined clergy and lay leaders from across North Carolina for the 2026 **North Carolina Global Methodist Church Annual Conference**, which was held **June 17-20** in Winston Salem, NC. Together, we worshiped, conducted the business of the church, and celebrated what God is doing in and through His people. We leave encouraged and sent-called, equipped, and commissioned to make disciples of Jesus Christ. **To learn more**, visit ncglobalmethodist.org.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE CONFERENCE

INSPIRED TO SHARE

Powerful messages challenged us to step out in faith and share the Gospel with our neighbors, families, and communities.

GROWING TOGETHER

Reports celebrated the growth of churches, ministries, and outreach across North Carolina and around the world.

GLOBAL PARTNERSHIPS

Strengthened relationships with Uganda and the Democratic Republic of Congo through Bible distribution (12,000+ Bibles), church planting, and the School of Global Methodism for pastor training.

STRONGER FOR THE FUTURE

Delegates approved a new leadership structure, adopted a mission-focused budget, and updated district alignments to better equip and support our churches.

ORDAINED & SET APART

We rejoiced in the Service of Ordination, celebrating those called to serve as deacons and elders in God's church.

SENT TO MAKE DISCIPLES

Renewed in purpose, we return home with hope and vision to live out our calling—making disciples of Jesus Christ and spreading scriptural holiness across North Carolina and beyond.

2026 General Conference of the Global Methodist Church
August 30 - September 5, 2026, Sandton Convention Centre, Johannesburg, South Africa

Scan the QR code to watch the 2026 NC Annual Conference videos.

SUNDAY MORNING GROUPS

Sunday Morning Group
Leader: Mark Dixon
Time and location: 8:30 am
Asbury Room, Sunday mornings
Age: All ages

WEEKLY GROUPS

Men's Bible Study
Leader: Tim Miller
tmnkm@bellsouth.net or 704-473-9148
Time and location: Weekly on Tuesdays, 7:30 pm Asbury Room

We are an ongoing small group for men of all ages, dedicated to studying God's Word as it is shared with 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.

Dwell Walkers
Meetings will be on Tuesdays at 11:30 am. You are invited to learn about prayer, pray for each other, and take prayer requests. We meet in the small conference room across from the church office.

Women's Bible Study
Tuesdays, from 6:30–8:30 pm. We will be studying the book of Colossians. Colossians is a rich and meaningful epistle that guides us in daily living, reminds us of who we are as believers, and points us clearly to who Jesus is. No materials are required—just bring a Bible and a notebook if you'd like to take notes. Everyone is invited! If you have any questions, please call Liz Pflieger at 704-466-1202.

QUARTERLY OUTDOOR RECREATION MINISTRY

Central Outdoors is a recreation ministry for those who love fresh air, adventure, and exploring God's creation together. We organize quarterly outings throughout the year. Central Outdoors brings outdoor enthusiasts of all backgrounds and ages together for activities that may include hiking, visiting historical sites, and other seasonal outdoor adventures. These outings are designed to build community in Christ, encourage healthy activity, and create meaningful connections while enjoying the beauty of the outdoors. *Contact the church office for upcoming dates and details at 704-739-2471 or central@cmkm.org.*

KIDS CENTRAL RECREATION

Monthly Open Gym Night for Kids (Ages 6–12)
Looking for a fun, safe place for kids to connect and play?
Join us each month for an exciting night
full of energy, laughter, and friendship!
🏀 Games & Activities Include:
Kickball • Basketball • Pickleball
Chair Volleyball • Floor Hockey • Board Games
💛 More Than Just Fun: Each night includes a short devotion and prayer time woven into the evening.
🎉 Kids are encouraged to invite their friends!

COMMUNITY KITCHEN NEWS

In **July 2026**, we served **556** families. Over **16,150 pounds** of food and hygiene items were distributed through the Community Kitchen, thanks to your generosity.

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

We are still collecting breakfast items: grits, oatmeal, cereal, and breakfast bars. Please bring your donations to the CAC hallway to put in the collection bin.

Volunteers are always welcome, and we appreciate your support.

ENDOWMENT COMMITTEE NEWS

The Endowment Committee is pleased to announce that several new names have been added to the Book of Appreciation this year. This special recognition honors individuals and families whose cumulative gifts to the Endowment Fund have reached or exceeded $1,000 over the years.

These generous contributions help ensure that the ministries and mission of Central Methodist Church continue to thrive for generations to come. Through faithful stewardship and long-term support, these donors have made a lasting investment in the future of our church.

We extend our sincere gratitude to all who have contributed to the Endowment Fund and helped strengthen the foundation of our ministry. Their generosity is a blessing to our church family today and for years to come. If you would like more information on how to donate in honor or memory of a loved one, please contact Candy Love in the church office at 704-739-2471 or central@cmkm.org.

Endowment Committee Members:
Allan Propst, Chair, Pastor Perry Hines, David “Big Mac” McDaniel, Paula McDaniel, Vince Rees, Greg Dixon, and Brian Brooks.

Several new names have been included in the Book of Appreciation:

In Honor Of

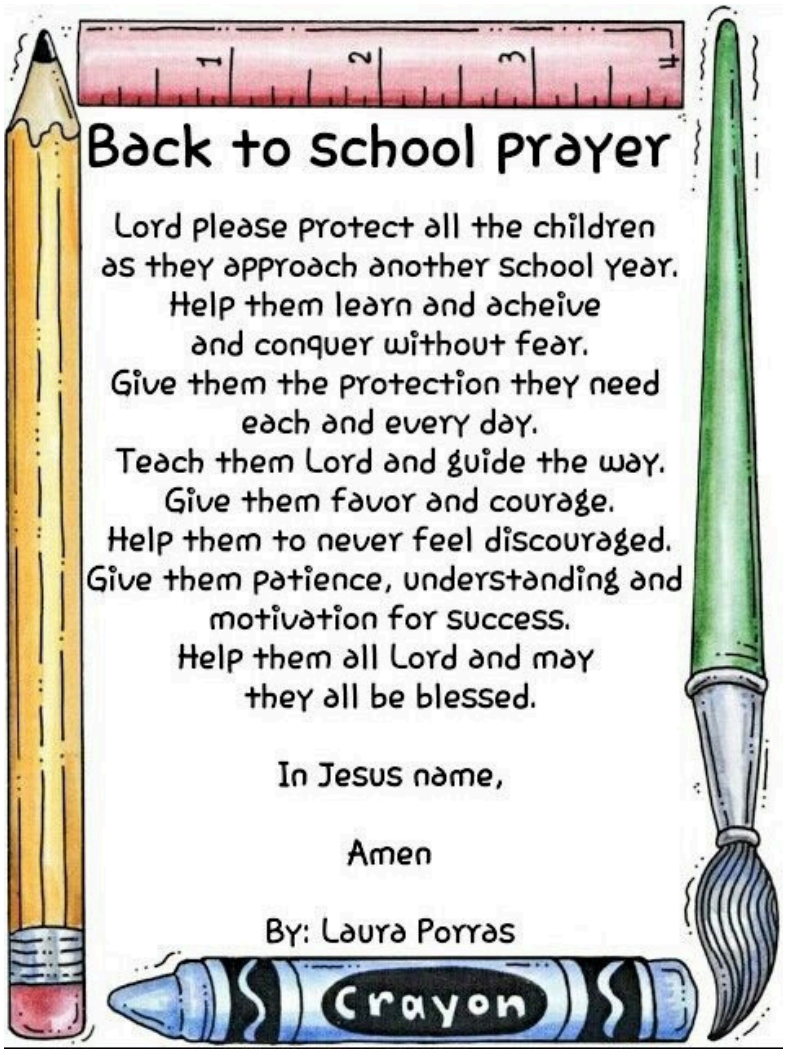
Our Children and Grandchildren
By Jim & Betty Potter
Dr. & Mrs. Lester J. Propst Jr.
By Allan & Tricia Propst
Eric & Laura Boyd
By Allan & Tricia Propst
Brad & Sarah Myers
By Allan & Tricia Propst
Our Grandchildren
Grayson, Mackenzie, Garrett
By Allan & Tricia Propst
High School Graduates
By Dr. & Mrs. Lester J. Propst Jr. Scholarship
Russell Fellowship Class
By Members of the Class
Will Parker and Grant Parker
By Grandparents Dorothy & David “Big Mac” McDaniel
The Present Leaders of Our Church
By David & Marie Brinkley
Melissa Brooks, Kalin Brooks, Jim Potter, Joe Patterson
By 2024 Sonny Peeler Crescendo Award
David “Big Mac” McDaniel, Dot Dixon, Linda Dixon, Stephanie Wilson
By 2025 Sonny Peeler Crescendo Award
Dru White, Greg Dixon, Brian Brooks, Jake Dixon
By 2026 Sonny Peeler Crescendo Award

In Memory Of

Ellerbe Wilson Griffin Jr.
By Friends of the Church
B. S. “Sonny” Peeler
Endowment
Sonny Peeler
By Mr. & Mrs. John Flowe
Jay and Willie Patterson
By Their Son Joe Patterson
Rev. Jim Tate
By Allan & Tricia Propst
All Past Leaders of Our Church
By David & Marie Brinkley

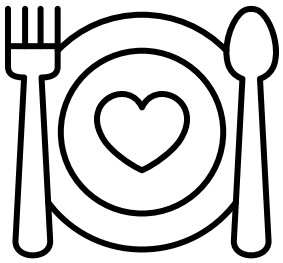


The Book of Appreciation is located in the narthex



Save the Date

Our next Family Fellowship Night is tentatively planned for Wednesday, September 9, 2026. More details to follow!



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