

THE Challenger

The Monthly Voice of Central Baptist Church | February 2019

Worship in the Home

FAMILY EQUIPPING WEEKENDER

February 8 & 9 | FLC

Gathering together for worship is an indispensable part of your family's spiritual life. It is a means for God to reveal himself to you and your loved ones in a powerful way. This weekender with Dr. Donald Whitney will prove invaluable to families — with or without children in the home — as they practice God-glorifying, Christ-exalting

worship through Bible reading, prayer, and singing.



Featured Speaker:

Dr. Don Whitney

Assoc. Dean at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and Author of "Family Worship: In the Bible, In History, and In Your Home"



First 50 People to Register will be Entered to Win 1 of 5 Family Worship Survival Kits!

Weekender Schedule:

Friday, February 8

5:30p | Doors Open

6:30-8:30p | Large Group Session 1

(with break in the middle)

Saturday, February 9

8:00a | Doors Open *(Coffee & Breakfast Bar Available)*

9:00-10:00a | Large Group Session 2

10:15-11:00a | Workshops

11:15a-12:00p | Large Group Panel Discussion

WORKSHOPS

- ① **Discipling Your Teen in the 21st Century: Challenges & Opportunities**
with Drew & Jasmine Eligersma and Bruce & Deneen Trask
- ② **Firewood in the Heart: Reintroducing Catechisms in Family Discipleship**
with Chad & Joy Sylvester

PANEL DISCUSSION:

"Raising Disciples in a Post-Christian Culture"

\$20/Individual or \$30/Couple PLUS Free Childcare!
REGISTER NOW THROUGH EVENTBRITE!



Family Worship is a Gift

by Rev. Stephen Byrd,
Lead Pastor

Family worship. I know your reaction when you read those two words. I used to have the same response! Whenever that term or one like it was mentioned, I would inwardly cringe. Similar to the reaction many of us have when the word evangelism is uttered. Guilt begins to creep in, our shoulders begin to ache, and our spirits sink. We know that we don't practice family worship as often as we should. On some days, we are not sure why. On other days, we have a bag of ready excuses.

But let me suggest that this shouldn't be our reaction. Family worship is not meant to be some kind of guilt-inducing torture established by divine decree. Rather, it is a means of grace. It is a gift from God to His children. It's not a weight. It's not a burden. It's not a box that we have to check, nor is it a merit badge we have to earn. It's a gift. A gift that is accompanied by many blessings.

What is family worship? It isn't complex. It doesn't require a doctorate, ordination, or even an extended period of time. It is simply a gathering of those living under the same roof for a time of worship. This may be a single mother and her two children, two sisters living together, or mom, dad, and their eight children. Regardless of what the makeup of the home is, it is all the individuals of that home gathering together to read the Scriptures, pray, and sing to the living

God. It doesn't have to be long, rigorous, or particularly profound. It can be as simple as ten minutes of reading the Scripture, praying a short prayer, and singing a good hymn. And yet these ten minutes of sowing seeds and offering worship have eternal benefits.

How do you begin? Begin simply. Grab a Bible, read a short Psalm, pray a brief prayer, sing the doxology. And then gather again tomorrow night and the night after that. When you miss a day or even a week, don't beat yourself up, just pick it right back up again. Over the course of weeks and months, you will find it to be one of the great joys of your life together as a family. A joy that carries in its practice blessing upon blessing to the praise and glory of God.

Please know that you are not alone in this commitment. We want to partner with you. **To that end, I want to invite you to come to our "Worship in the Home" Family Equipping Weekender.** It is designed to help give you the tools and resources to better lead your family in worship. Don Whitney, professor and dean of theology at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary will be leading us. He literally "wrote the book" on the subject. Sign up now at centralwr.com and I promise you will be blessed and equipped! Look forward to learning together.

— Blessings, Pastor Stephen ■

Some Scriptures to Lean on in Times of Weariness, Sickness, and Needing Direction

by Dr. Bob Dilks,
Associate Pastor, Member Care

Psalm 105:4 — "Look to the Lord and his strength, seek his face always."

Psalm 39:7 — "But now, what do I look for? My hope is in you."

Psalm 119:58 — "I have sought your face with all my heart; be gracious to me according to your promise."

Psalm 143:8 — "Let the morning bring me word of your unfailing love, for I have put my trust in you. Show me the way I should go, to you I lift up my soul."

Psalm 62:5 — "Find rest, O my soul, in God alone. My hope comes from him."

Joshua 1:6a and 1:9 — "Be strong and courageous. Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go."

Hebrews 7:25 — "Therefore he is able to save completely those who come to God through him, because he always lives to intercede for them."

II Thessalonians 2:16-17 — "May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and by his grace gave us eternal encouragement, and good hope, encourage your hearts and strengthen you in every good deed and word."

Isaiah 12:2 — "Behold, God is my salvation, I will trust and not be afraid. The Lord God is my strength and my song; He has become my salvation."

Psalm 33:22 — "May your unfailing love rest upon us, O Lord, even as we put our hope in you."

Isaiah 40:29 — "He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak."

Philippians 4:7 — "And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."

Ephesians 6:10 — "Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power." ■

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<p>Grab Your Central Gear! ON SALE Sunday, February 10 in the main Foyer.</p> 					1	2
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SCHOOL WINTER BREAK						
24	25	26	27	28	 <p>Got something to drop off at the office? We now have a drop box! It's on the secondary office door — just down from the main office entrance.</p>	
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Regular Activities	SUNDAY ACTIVITIES
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	WEDNESDAY ACTIVITIES
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4:45-6:00 pm ..Fellowship Meal 5:30 pmPrayer Time 6:00 pmM&Ms 6:15 pmTethered (Students) Mid-Week Worship Bible Study Classes 7:15 pmChoir & Orchestra Rehearsal

Welcome to the Family!

By Letter:

- 6.) Don Sosobee
- 7.) Tammy Sosobee
- 8.) Chris Halbert

Statement:

- 4.) Gary Strickhouser

Baptized:

- 3.) Hannah Hardin



Widows Luncheon
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14
11:00 am - Fellowship Hall
PROGRAM & LUNCH
Please call church office at 953-9319 for reservations no later than Feb. 11.

Family Worship

by Rev. Joshua McClain,
Associate Pastor, Worship & Music

As we welcome the month of February, you will probably hear a lot of talk on family worship. We are so excited to be hosting a conference on the topic of "Worship in the Home" with Dr. Don Whitney being the conference speaker. You will be encouraged and challenged as we take a more in depth look at how we can have worship in our homes become a common theme. Too often we can be intimidated by thinking that family worship and devotion should be a long, drawn out process, but in reality it's much simpler. Dr. Whitney will give you resources and tools that will aid you as you seek to implement this important time in your family life.

So whether you are a young couple without children, a family with multiple children, or even empty nesters (thats right!), this conference is for you!

I hope to see you all there. Sign up today and let's learn together! — Grace and peace,
Pastor Joshua ■

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All ages and experience levels welcome!

February 5, 7, 14, 21, 26, 28 | 6-7:30p | FLC Gym
\$5/night OR \$20/season

Questions? Contact Marty Hollingshead:
953-9319 OR marty@centralwr.com




NEW! from CENTRAL REC...

Central Co-ed Volleyball League

- For Youth & Adults
- Sign-Up as a Team, Life Group, or Individual

Interested? Email Marty:
marty@centralwr.com




Central Baptist Sunshine Preschool

2019-20 School Year
REGISTRATION IS OPEN!
Ages 1 Yr.-Kindergarten

FOR MORE INFORMATION, GO TO WWW.CENTRALWR.COM

VBS 2019

June 24-28
9a-12:30p

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AMAZING ENGINEERS WITH TEES

To volunteer, email Katie:
katie@centralwr.com

