

CENTRAL CONNECTION

Upcoming Events

July 26

10am - Cherry Street Chapel

July 27

Blood Drive at FUMC

July 27-29

Pastor in Paris

July 30

10am - Sunday school

11am - Worship

12pm - Potluck Lunch

UPCOMING

August 6-11

Pastor in Tulsa for
Regional Committee
on Ministry work

August 7

First Day of School

**Don't forget to check out
our website or Facebook
page to find worship
services, newsletters and
more!**



Yesterday a group of us stuck around after church and talked about the struggles of some of our neighbors in more urban areas to our south and east concerning water and rapid community growth. It is likely we will see a growth boom of some size in the coming years as well.

And that got me thinking...the church has often been reactive to things that happen in the world. Something will take place and the church will respond, usually 20-30 years later! What would it look like, though, if the church prepared in advance for coming changes?

To be honest, I have no idea what that would look like in terms of potential community growth because there are so many unknowns. But what if we start working toward being a church for a growing area? What if we decide not to wait and play catch up, but begin now setting the groundwork for a church that expects growth change to take place?

Of course, that's scary. None of us likes change a whole lot. And yet, we know that change is the one constant in life. In the coming weeks and months, I'm going to be doing some reading on church and community growth and will share what I find.

Pastor Lory

PRAYER CONCERNS

Our Nation and World, Tammy Brockman, Nancy Atkison, Madison Wardell, Charlotte Reagan, Brylie, Bob Miller, CASA Kids, Laura Hunt, Tony Barker, Rios Family, Vivian Contareas, Sharon Brown, Dieter Stratemann, Shirley Miller, Jerry Don Maness, Ken Backus, Reese Handley, Christy Hoff, Chris Tettleton, Chad Brown, Mary Walker, Patty Johnson, Kal Luke, Joe Kalal, Jimmie Sue Foster, Tina Ortiz Giger, Morgan Heck, Mary Lou Davis, James Carminati, Patty Dunn, Joe Benton, Charlotte Reed, Carolyn Tapley, Scott Bell, Pam Kessler, Paula Whitfield, Steve McCoulaugh, Larry Lyons, Sandy Godwin,

Once again we will collect feminine hygiene items for the NISD campuses. Please bring items to the church and put them in the basket in the entry way by August 6th.





Nocona Boots & Badges Blood Drive

Thursday, July 27 • 11 a.m. - 6 p.m.
First United Methodist Fellowship Hall

Walk-ins Welcome!

To make an appointment or for questions, contact Trena Henley at 940-232-8792, or scan the QR code!



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Worship This Week:

Elders: Pastor
Deacons: volunteers present
Communion: Prine
Sermon Text: Matthew 13:31-52
Sun School: Romans 8:26-39

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Reading Discussion Group
August 13 at 5pm
Fellowship Hall

If you haven't read it yet, you still have plenty of time. Invite someone to read it with you - doesn't have to be a church member!!

