# **CENTRAL CONNECTION**

## **Upcoming Events**

<u>August 14-15</u> Pastor Study Days

August 17-18 Pastor in Paris

<u>August 20</u> 10am - Sunday school 11am - Worship

#### UPCOMING

August 21 11am - Senior Saints @ Mi Familia 7pm - RCOM committee

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



This past week in Tulsa was great! I learned a lot, made new friends and feel much more confident about my RCOM preparation. For the next several weeks, I will use this space to share snippets of what I learned and the core principles I will have to articulate about what we believe as Disciples. So - history first.

While we are a distinctly American denomination, our roots begin in Great Britain with Thomas and Alexander Campbell. They both received theological training and then moved to America and began a movement working to restore New Testament Christianity based on the exact principles and examples found in the early church - including baptism by immersion, weekly communion, and worship without instruments.

Barton Stone was born in America and about the same time as the Campbells' movement got going, he was starting a group focused on restoring Christian unity among believers based on the spirit of the early New Testament church.

In 1832 the two groups (the Disciples and the Christians) finally merged into one movement - known in history as the Stone-Campbell Movement. There are now four (some say five) streams from the SCM - including Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), Churches of Christ, and Christian Churches/Churches of Christ (independents) - which are the three most well-known.

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, 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, Family of Jimmie Sue Foster, Family of Gloria Cox, Cole Pittman, Isabell Family, Carol Fuller, Cecilia Prine, Cecil Webb, Johnny Martin

Dutch treat lunch and fellowship with the good folks of Central! Come join us!

# Senior Saints August 21st at 11am Mi Familia



### Clear Choice Pregnancy Resource Center Baby Bottle Fundraiser

Pick up a baby bottle in the sanctuary and fill it with coins, cash or a check and bring it back by the end of August to help support the work of CCPRS.

#### Worship This Week:

Elders: Lierly Deacons: Saunders Communion: Saunders Sermon Text: Matthew 15:10-28 Sun School: Romans 11:29-32

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My DOC History and Polity class after dinner on our final night of class in Tulsa last week.