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## LIFE AT CENTRAL

May 29, 2011

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING:** The Annual Congregational Meeting will be held **next Sunday, June 5**. The congregation will meet in the sanctuary immediately after worship. The 2011 – 20112 budget will be presented for approval, and nominees for the offices of Elder and Deacon will be voted on. Nominees for Elder are **Janis De Vree, Jodi MacLean, and Faye Myers**. The nominees for Deacon are **Brian Andrew, David Kok, and Brenda Krause**. We will have Coffee Hour in the courtyard immediately following (weather permitting).

**VOLUNTEERS:** You are the heart and hands of Central and we appreciate you! **Next Sunday, June 5**, immediately after the Congregational Meeting, we will adjourn to the courtyard where ice cream will be served. Please join the celebration and take the opportunity to express your gratitude to one another!

### PRAYER CONCERNS:

- Remember those in our congregation who are dealing with health issues and/or undergoing chemotherapy treatments: **Bob Evenhouse, Andrew Lotz, Ellie Roets, Esther Van Allsburg and Ann Wolters**.
- **Jane Buter** fell and broke her arm while visiting relatives in North Carolina. She is now at home recuperating. Her address is 510 Briar Lane NE, GR, MI 49503.

**FLOWERS WERE PLACED** yesterday at the graveside of **Peter and Anne VanWingen** - longtime members of Central. These flowers are given by the Memorials, Endowments, and Planned Giving Committee in their memory. A bequest from their estate established the VanWingen Endowment Fund used for acquiring books and other Christian media for Central.

**HIGH SCHOOL, COLLEGE & POST COLLEGE GRADUATES:** Please call the church office with your school name and your degree. We need this information for **Graduate Recognition Sunday**. If you call after 5:00 PM the information can be left on the answering machine.

**ATTENTION 2010-2011 GRADUATES:** Members of Central may be eligible for financial assistance with their student loans. If you attained an undergraduate or graduate degree after June 2010, please send your student loan information and school transcripts to: **Central Reformed Church, Attention: Endowments, 10 College Ave NE, GR, MI 49503**. Eligibility will be determined and finalized in September 2011.



### Dear friends at Central Reformed Church,

I write this note with a grateful heart. Thank you for your partnership in ministry with us this Easter season. Your Lenten Offering overwhelmed us. Your generosity of heart will enable over 1000 people in India to receive God's Word in their own heart language. The enormity of this can best be described by the words I hear every where we travel in India. *"We worship many gods... but this God, this God speaks MY language!"* In a country where over 1600 languages abound, speaking your heart language is one of the more intimate actions one can do. I look forward to coming back to you soon with stories of what God will do through this chapter of ministry. We are blessed to join hands with you. May you experience God's love and blessing in a special way this summer.

**JP Sundararajan, India-Asia Director  
Audio Scripture Ministries**



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**MOSQUITO NETS: BITE BACK—MALARIA QUIZ: Q.** Installing a bed net treated with insecticide decreases malaria transmission by what percentage? 40%, 50% 70% or 90%? **A.** 90%. Bed nets are treated with insecticides that are not harmful to humans but are highly toxic to insects. Compassion International provides bed nets to children and their families through the Malaria Intervention Fund. We can help! **Our Christian Action Team is collecting money for mosquito nets.** \$10 will buy a net and provide education for families living in infested areas. Many nets have been distributed through Compassion International but many more are needed. *Thank you in advance for being willing to remember those who are too often forgotten.* We will be accepting cash or checks made out to Compassion International.

**2011 YOUTH MISSION PARTNERSHIP:** A team of more than 20 high school students and adult leaders from Central will spend a week serving and learning together in Chicago this summer. We need your help! Check your mailboxes to learn how you might support our team, and pray over those possibilities this week. **THANK YOU FOR BEING SUCH AN AWESOME AND SUPPORTIVE CHURCH!!!**

**SUMMER PICNIC GROUPS:** Sign-ups continue today for the summer picnic groups. We will offer picnic groups for families, and for adults **only.** Picnic groups will be formed by early June.

**LADIES:** 9-hole golf event, this Friday, June 3, 10:00 AM tee time at RAILSIDE GOLF CLUB. Greens fee & cart: \$29.00 payable at the Pro Shop. If you would like to play, please sign up in the Atrium and/or call Terry Schuiling (784-6594) or Bonnie Noorman (878-7164). Lunch available after golf and all Central women are invited to participate.

**DINNER THEATER: Our Town/Our Central—June 25.** Dinner begins at 6:00 PM and the play at 7:00 PM. Tickets are available today for \$20 which includes the dinner & play. A table of 8 may be purchased for \$120. All proceeds go to Central's Theater Fund.

**SENIORS ADVANCE NOTICE:** Seniors please mark your calendars for **June 30 at 10:00 AM.** Once again we will be meeting to plan our Senior Activities for the 2011-2012 year. The board and I appreciate your input. We can't do it without you! Call Mary Bos, 538-6085, if you have any questions.

**ADULT EDUCATION CLASS IN JUNE:** Marilyn Paarlberg, Room for All Coordinator, is leading an Adult Education cCass on **June 19 at 11:00 AM.** Please consider attending this if you can. Marilyn is in GR in connection with General Synod.

**FAIR TRADE COFFEE:** A portion of the purchase price goes back to those who grow and harvest the coffee. If you would like to be a sponsor sign up in the Atrium or with Coleen Hamman. This week's coffee sponsors are the *Wassinks.*

<b>FINANCIAL REPORT</b>	
<u>Weekly Budget Requirements</u>	<u>Last Sunday Contributions</u>
\$13,235	\$7,702
<u>YTD Budget Requirements</u>	<u>Actual Contributions Received</u>
\$622,045	\$604,702

## KidZ Central Schedule

**TODAY: Centers in the Garden of Eden Room with Mrs. Timmer. Pick up time is 12:00 Noon**

**KIDZ ARTWORK:** Thank you to everyone who bid on the KidZ art. There are still pieces on display and available in the lower level of the atrium. Make an offer and take one home. The money raised will be used for Vacation Bible School, August 1-5.

***What's the Matter With KidZ?*** performance date is **Sunday, June 12 at 11:00 AM** at Fellowship Stage. Dress rehearsal for all children K-6th grade is June 11 from 1:00-3:00 PM at the stage.

**KIDZ STUFF SALE:** June 17-18. Please save any used clothing, toys, games, or furniture for the sale. Proceeds will go to VBS programming. Contact CMT member, Sue Ellen Vander Zee at 308-1747 if you have KidZ/teen items to donate. Donation receipts will be available. Items may be brought to the church's Desert Room which is across from the Garden of Eden Room from now until the sale. We have had some special requests for cribs and young children's furniture. Vendors are welcome for \$20 per day.

**CRAN HILL FAMILY CAMP:** If you are planning on attending Family Camp at Cran Hill Ranch, June 26—July 1, please register for a specific campsite either in the office or at the Welcome Center.

§ **VOLUNTEERS:** Turn in your volunteer card to the office or at the KidZ Welcome Center. There are rewarding experiences to be had in the nurseries, worship centers, and during Education Hour. We greatly appreciate your help and the children of Central need YOU! §

## Y<sub>o</sub>U<sup>th</sup> New<sub>z</sub>

Todd's out of town this week. Call my cell in an emergency...otherwise happy Memorial Day!

NO CLUBS tonight...we r done for the year!

Registration for the **2011 Mystery Trip** (for students entering grades 7-8 this fall) is OPEN! Trip dates are August 15-18. Cost is \$200/student, due at sign-up (and scholarships are available as needed!) It's gonna be mysteriously awesome and YOU should come!

NO SH OR JH BREAKFAST CLUBS THIS WEEK! Next SH Breakfast Club is at **Cracker Barrel**  
**NEXT Wednesday (June 8)** from 6:30am till school.

Last JH Breakfast Club of the year will be Friday, June 10 at 6:30am

Next youth Addie's Diner is **TUESDAY, June 7**. The team for the night is: *Nicki B, Kelley W, Ben T, David L, Jordan C, Lucas S and Justin A*. Plan to serve from 5:45-7:15pm.

**CHICAGO MISSION TEAM...make sure to get to those TB tests and keep all the paperwork!**  
Put any of the above into my staff mailbox in the office if you have it!



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**ACTIVITIES**

Visitor Hosts  
Ushers  
Sound  
Infant Nursery  
2s/3s Nursery

**TODAY**

Larry & Mary Gerbens  
Jack Van Houten, Greg Verseput  
Stu Stewart  
Mike & Laurie Edington  
Marybeth Timmer

**JUNE 5**

Roger & Mary Snider  
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Tom Smith  
Deb Byl  
Bonnie Noorman, Anna Wormmeester

**CALENDAR**

<b>SUNDAY 5/29</b>	9:30 AM	Worship Service—Dr. Louis Lotz
	10:45 AM	Coffee Hour
	12:00 N	Heartside Lunch
<b>TUESDAY 5/31</b>	12:00 N	Addie's Pantry
<b>WEDNESDAY 6/1</b>	10:00 AM	Staff Meeting
	7:00 PM	Music Committee Meeting
<b>THURSDAY 6/2</b>	12:00 N	Addie's Pantry
<b>FRIDAY 6/3</b>	5:30 PM	Miedema/Gibson Rehearsal
<b>SATURDAY 6/4</b>	1-3:00 PM	Play Rehearsal
	5:30 PM	Miedema/Gibson Wedding
<b>SUNDAY 6/5</b>	9:30 AM	Worship Service—Dr. Louis Lotz
	10:45 AM	KidZ Play Rehearsal
	10:45 AM	Congregational Meeting
	Immediately following	Volunteer Appreciation Coffee in the courtyard

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**CARE CONCERNS:** Please contact Carol Bergman at [clstaff@iserv.net](mailto:clstaff@iserv.net) or 975-5741 after hours or on the weekend. Office hours are 9:00 AM—5:00 PM. Contact the office at 456-1773 or you may email [mbeebe@crcgr.org](mailto:mbeebe@crcgr.org) on Tuesday & Wednesday, or [krusso@crcgr.org](mailto:krusso@crcgr.org) on Thursday & Friday. The church office is closed on Monday.