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SUNDAY	9:30 A.M.
BIBLE STUDY	10:30 A.M.
WORSHIP	5:00 P.M.
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BIBLE HOUR	
WEDNESDAY	6:00 P.M.
BIBLE STUDY	

ALL AVAILABLE ONLINE

IN SEARCH OF THE LORD'S WAY
Sundays at 7:30 AM on KOGB—TV34

May 01 "Why Do We Suffer"
May 08, "Woman of God"
May 15, "God's Inspired Word"
May 22, "Nothing Can Stop Jesus"
May 29, "Worship With the Church"

"Therefore keep the words of this covenant, and do them, that you may prosper in all that you do."
Deuteronomy 29:9

Reading the Bible in a Year Together

May 09, 2022
Isaiah 30-33

May 10, 2022
Isaiah 34-37

May 11, 2022
Isaiah 38-41


May 12, 2022
Isaiah 42-44


May 13, 2022
Isaiah 45-48

May 14, 2022
Isaiah 49-53

May 15, 2022
Isaiah 54-59


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SUNDAY:
Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M.
Bible Study 5:00 P.M.

WEDNESDAY:
Bible Study 6:00 P.M.

 <http://www.shawneecentralcofc.org/media.php/t=sermons>

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Central Church of Christ
P.O. Box 1228
Shawnee, OK 74802

If you would like for someone to bring you communion supplies or pick up your contribution please call the Church office at 405-273-3065, or you can contact one of our Elders or Deacons.



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Fasting and Mourning

Zechariah 7

The last words of chapter 6 were, "And this shall come to pass if you diligently obey the voice of the Lord your God" (Zechariah 6:15). Thus, in the next chapter, God speaks through Zechariah what true obedience looks like.

A question is brought before God: "Should I weep in the fifth month and fast as I have done for so many years?" (7:3). To be specific, the mourning and fasting had been going on in the fifth month ever since the exile began (2 Kings 25:8 – note "And in the fifth month... Babylon, came to Jerusalem."). Apparently, this fasting and mourning tradition had begun when Jerusalem went into captivity and the religious leaders had commanded all the people to keep this "mandatory" tradition for the full seventy years. These fasts had also apparently been expected in many other months throughout the year as well. God points out that the result of this "mandatory" man-made tradition was not what they intended it to be.

The first question that God asks is, "did you really fast for Me- for Me?" (7:5). The repetition here implies that the answer "yes" would be a ridiculous one. They were mourning and fasting because their home was destroyed. Their home was destroyed because they were disobedient. God is basically saying, do not mourn and fast for Him, just obey the law! They ate

and drank for themselves, and by implication, they were fasting and mourning for themselves.

Instead, just love your brethren and care for those who cannot care for themselves (7:9-10). Their ancestors refused to do that; thus, they were scattered to captivity. God will eventually answer the question in 8:19, "The fast... shall be joy and gladness and cheerful feasts". But first, they must understand why they started fasting and mourning to begin with. It was not because God told them to do it.

Are there traditions that we "obligate" that God has not commanded us to keep? Traditions are not inherently wrong. If the fasting and mourning tradition produced the repentance it intended, then perhaps God's response would have been very different. Synagogues were another example of a tradition that the Jews began in captivity, and God never condemned that practice. As a matter of fact, Jesus worshiped in synagogues. At the end of the day, anything we do must not cause us to break a command by God and we must never prioritize a tradition over God's word.

Logan Edmison

TIPTON HOME

Our Tipton Home collection for the months of **April - June** will be: **HE Laundry soap, dryer sheets, and bleach.** Please place these items in the barrel in the foyer. Thank you



George Frank Burton



George "Frank" Burton, age 89, of Shawnee was born on April 16, 1933 and died Monday May 1, 2022 in a local hospital. Graveside Services were on Friday, May 6, 2022 at 2:00 P.M. at Tecumseh Cemetery. Frank was a long time member of Central Church of Christ. Frank not only loved God and his family but he also loved the Oklahoma State Cowboys. After Frank graduated from OSU he worked at Tinker Air Force Base for many years. Frank loved to sing. He enjoyed being able to visit people and having people over at his house. Prayers are sent to his loved ones left to cherish his memory.



Burnt Cabin Christian Camp

Central Session

Theme - Chosen

June 12-18, 2022

Applications available around the building or BCCC website:

[https://](https://www.burntcabinchristiancamp.com/_files/ugd/e6a24c_f6c0eed147d942178f20d8a74b7474a.pdf)

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Any questions or donations for campers, please see Bob or Janet

RECORD FOR May 01, 2022

Bible Study	63
Worship Service	95
Sunday Evening	35
Wednesday Evening	25
Contribution	\$3,765.43

SERVING THE CONGREGATION May 08, 2022

Announcements:	Dalton Path
Scripture Reader:	Ron Taffe
Song Director:	Dale & Austin Beard
Opening Prayer:	Dennis Brodersen
Sermon:	Logan Edmison
Closing Prayer:	Steve Kelly

Lord's Supper:	Paul Harris
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Annex Side:	Scott Perry

Projection:	Tracy Wilcox
Video/Audio:	Keith Lawrence

CONTINUING PRAYER CONCERNS

Chad Beard	Debra Campbell
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LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday PM Bible Study at 5:00 pm
No Children's Bible Hour on 5/8/22
Wednesday Bible Study at 6:00 pm