

Central Baptist Association

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WELCOME to the Central Baptist Association Newsletter.

In this newsletter you will find information about upcoming events, stay up to date with our associate ministries, new church staff and much more.

“The Untold Story”

Well it's a New Year and after having celebrated the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ, had time with family and friends, participated in Christmas events and made it through the endless list of “Top Ten's” from the media we find ourselves in the year 2020.

Normally when you hear about an “untold story” you think of information that is available about something that has happened in the past. Paul Harvey was a conservative American radio broadcaster for the ABC Radio Networks for five decades. He is known for his daily five-minute radio slots called “The Rest of the Story” that filled in information about things that had already happened.

But I don't want to focus on the “untold story” of the past but of the future. The apostle Paul stressed his commitment to “Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.” Phil. 4:13-14

We all have an “untold story” that is being played out before us. As much as we may think we have it figured out, the reality is we don't. God is the only one who truly knows where your life is headed and what He has in store for you in the future. There are a multitude of possibilities as to what the Lord wants to do in you and through you for His glory. Our lives are a journey along a path we did not chart, God did that for us. So how do we respond to our “untold story” whether as an individual, family or even a church?

The first thing we should do is give thanks for getting us this far on our journey. Good or bad, God has sustained us and, when we allowed Him to, led us to where we are today. 1 Thess. 5:18 tells us to “...give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.”

Second, we need to look forward with joyful

anticipation. We understand that God loves us and desires what is best for us as His children. We do not have to fear the future. 1 John 4:18 that “there is no fear in love.” God has already demonstrated His love for us in the past so why would we not believe He will do so in the future.

Third, we need to anticipate that God is going to “stir things up” in our lives. He loves us too much to let us stagnate where we are today. His expectation is that we will continue to grow in our knowledge and understanding of Him and His will for our lives. His expectation is that we will respond to His direction with openness and surrender. In a dramatically changing society we must realize there needs to be a dramatically changing church (not the message) to be able to engage our communities with the gospel of Jesus Christ. We must anticipate that what and how God wants to work in our lives may not be what or how we want Him to work. Remember, He loves us and wants us to allow Him to lead us to what will honor and glorify Him and impact His Kingdom... not our own.

So, when you think on the “untold story” of your life and the life of your church for 2020 let's ask the question... “Am I, or are we, willing to allow God to work in me, or us, and through me, or us, to accomplish His will for His glory over my, or our, own wants and desires no matter what that may mean?” I pray the answer is yes.

Thank you for your prayers and support for CBA. Keep us in prayer as we begin an organizational evaluation to ensure that we are doing what God wants us to do, the way He wants us to for His glory alone.

John



Surviving the Loss of a Spouse

Sunday, January 12
In the PowerHouse
2:00-4:00pm

When a spouse dies, the survivor begins a journey they did not want. We are sorry for your loss, and we want to come alongside you on this journey of grief. Our hope is to help you process your grief and think about what life after the loss of your spouse might look like.

Life will never be the same, but we believe "Surviving the Loss of a Spouse" will enable you to face the future with a measure of hope.

First Baptist Church of Rio Rancho
To sign-up, call (505) 892-1323.

FBC Bosque Farms

MOP's: Join moms of preschoolers every first and third Thursday of the month.

This HOPE in Concert

Wednesday, 1/22/2020 at 6:30pm

Invite your friends and family for an amazing night of worship.

FBC Rio Rancho

This HOPE in Concert

Friday, January 24, at 7:00 pm

Contact Craig Sundheimer at 892-1323 for additional information.

Sandia Baptist Church

You are invited to the ordination of Aaron Ricks at Sandia Baptist Church on Sunday, January 22, 2020.

Aaron is the new Minister to Families at Sandia Baptist Church. His ordination service will be at 4:30pm. A fellowship meal will follow.

Join us at Del Norte Baptist Church
5800 Montgomery Blvd NE,
Albuquerque
On Friday, April 17 & Saturday, April 18, 2020



Jodi Hendricks

Jodi Hendricks is a Licensed Mental Health Counselor providing biblically focused counseling in Albuquerque, New Mexico. She and her husband Michael have 4 beautiful children. Jodi aspires to challenge and encourage women in their personal growth in Jesus Christ. By digging deeply into God's Word, Jodi shares real and creative ways of claiming its truths as our own.

From the chains of his prison cell, Paul prayed that the people of Ephesus would have the eyes of their hearts enlightened so that they would see the Hope, the Richness, and the Greatness of God. Paul's desire for his fellow believers to experience this vision came from his own experience of having the scales over the eyes of his heart torn away to reveal the absolute, amazing, all-encompassing love of God. Join me as we discover how we, too, can finally allow our hearts to soak in the truth of God's vision of us so that we may begin to comprehend His vision for us.

Worship led by
Jennifer Pinkston

SATURDAY

SCHEDULE

Friday Evening	8:00 Continental Breakfast
6:00 Registration	8:30 Welcome & Worship
6:30 Welcome & Worship	9:00 General Session
General Session	10:00 Workshops
8:30 Closing	11:00 Workshops
	12:00 Lunch
	1:00 Workshops
	2:00 Closing Session

WORKSHOPS

Barb Mulvey

Workshop 1: How do you see God?

Some people see God as a "Gotcha God". Others see God as a "Heavenly Vending Machine". For years I saw God as uncaring. We know the truth in our heads but often, when things get difficult, we forget who God really is. Do you see God rightly?

Workshop 2: How do you see yourself?

As a Biblical counselor I hear many women describe themselves as I once did - losers, fakers, outcasts, or helpless and hopeless. A study of Ephesians 1 will unveil new truths about who you truly are in Christ. Do you see yourself as God sees you?

Toni Warner

(Workshop repeats)

Involving Interpretive Dance In Worship

Would your church like to experience Interpretive Dance? This workshop is an introduction to the art of worship in dance and how you can start a team in your church.

Denise Clymer

Is God's Vision Your Vision? (Workshop repeats)

In this breakout we will explore how focusing on God's vision impacts our person and family life, church, and even our community.

Connie Dixon

Build Each Other Up (Workshop repeats)

We were never meant to walk through life alone; we were made for community. We need other people in our lives to help us grow into the person God made us to be and to look for who we can encourage as well.

Kathy Cooksey

Workshop #1: What was it like to be a missionary in Japan for ten years in five locations with six small children? Come ask anything and hear crazy stories!

Workshop #2: Home schooling is the hardest thing I ever loved. After 23 years of homeschooling I'm still learning but so blessed to be able to hang out with my kids!



Name _____

Address _____

Email _____ Phone _____

Church Name _____

Number of Reservations _____

NO REFUNDS

Mail to Rose Alexa, PO Box 787, Tijeras, NM 87059

RESERVATIONS:

Both days

\$25 Cash or Check \$30.00 at the door

Friday night only \$15.00

Make checks payable to CBA

Registration deadline is April 8, 2020

Lunch Included with early registration

Lunch not guaranteed after April 8

Questions or more info contact:

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or Kim Nickell 505-220-4530

or ksnickell313@yahoo.com

**To register and pay online
go to www.cbanm.org**



Central Baptist Association Pastorless Churches

El Buen Pastor
610 N. Fourth St.
Gallup, NM 87301

Hoffmantown Church
8888 Harper Rd. NE
Albuquerque, NM 87111

Lindrith Baptist Church
PO Box 35
Lindrith, NM 87029

Vista Grande Church
PO Box 903
Sandia Park, NM 87047

Del Norte Baptist Church
5800 Montgomery NE
Albuquerque, NM 87109



Please be praying for these churches as they seek God's will for the person to lead their congregation.

2019 CBA Budget

Monthly needs:	\$15,000.00
Monthly income:	\$18,384.90
Monthly expenses:	\$18,371.31

The Central Baptist Association is a network of Southern Baptist Churches in Central New Mexico. The geographical area of the Association encompasses about 43% of the states' population centered around the Albuquerque metropolitan area including Bernalillo, Rio Rancho, Bosque Farms, Los Lunas, Belen, Cuba, Jemez Pueblo, Mountainair, Edgewood, Sandia Park, Tijeras, Cedar Crest, Moriarty, Estancia and Vaughn. We have recently added churches from Santa Fe and Gallup.

Partner Churches Serving Christ together for HIS Glory



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