

OUR VISION



**INVESTING IN RELATIONSHIPS WITH
GOD, ONE ANOTHER, AND THE WORLD.**

In 2008, a Central Baptist Church Visioning Team shared its conclusions prompting the church to adopt the above vision statement. Since then, we have used this vision to help shape the direction and plans that we see God leading us toward.

As we have continued to seek God's leadership in this vision, God has led the staff team and other leaders to some visions and goals for 2010. God often begins moving in individual hearts to shape a collective vision. We found this dynamic happening with our staff team as we began sharing with one another what God had impressed on our hearts for 2010. Sure enough, there were common burdens, common themes - a common vision. These ideas have also been confirmed as we have all shared with other leadership teams that we interact with in the church. On Sunday night, February 14th, the staff shared this vision with the church.

The information in this brochure is a snapshot of some of the details of the vision. We hope that this information will give you some direction and inspire you as we move through the coming year.

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VISION

UPWARD

- Testimonies and “God Moments” shared approximately twice a month in worship services.
- Worship programs and events designed to reach a variety of interests and needs, including *My Utmost for His Highest* Musical, Holy Week activities, Kyle Matthews weekend in October, and The Living Tree & Puppet Tree.
- New hymnals purchased and dedicated with many new tools for worship and education.

INWARD

- Development and continuation of Life Stage ministry to families...
 - expectant parents
 - baby dedication
 - preschool worship orientation
 - kindergarten orientation
 - how to become a Christian class
 - baptism parties
 - preteen orientation
 - youth send-off celebration
- Youth discipleship concept “Disciple U” to help students learn how to grow and live out their life of faith. Individualized course work to help students develop in all areas of discipleship.
- Comprehensive Adult discipleship model to help people grow and live out the “Disciple Life.”
 - the aim is to help people move from spiritual seekers, to ministering members, to disciplined followers, to ministry leaders
 - spiritual assessment to help people know where they are
 - course offerings to help people grow through the process



OUTWARD

- Senior Adult emphasis on Community Outreach
 - host coffees, art & craft events and other activities to invite and invest in the community.
 - visits and mailings to the prospects discovered through community events.
- Church-wide Outreach Strategies
 - ALPHA Course - to let people explore issues of faith
 - Expanded G.R.O.W. schedule
 - “Get to know Central” prospect meetings, each month on Sunday mornings
- Global Focus
 - God has led people of many nationalities and cultures to Central Baptist Church.
 - Encourage our church to...
 - Pray globally
 - Give globally
 - Go globally

PLEASE PRAY...

that God would continue to shape the vision in all of our hearts and that TOGETHER we can accomplish the things that God has called Central Baptist Church to do.