

CBC Congregational Survey

With Pastor David's plans to return to Europe in January 2015, we must again decide who will fill the role of lead preacher, teacher, evangelist and counselor of Central Bible Church.

In the 14 years that Pastor David has been with us, our society and our world have gone through many changes. Gay marriage is taking hold across most of our states, Christians are being attacked, fined or imprisoned for expressing our beliefs in public, and younger Christians give less to their church (if they attend at all) than the older Christians before them. These different times might be best served by a different kind of senior pastor. What kind of man should we be looking for?

We want to know what you think. If you are receiving this survey in printed form and there isn't enough space for your answers, then write your responses on another paper, numbering your comments to match the questions. Or if you want to reply via email, number your responses to match the numbered questions and email to Info@CentralBible.net.

1. What are the current Strengths of CBC?

2. What are the current Weaknesses of CBC?

3. What are the current Opportunities of CBC?

4. What are the current Threats to CBC?

5. A senior pastor wears many hats. Read through the following short list of duties, too many for one man to excel in all of them, and rate the top 5 by placing a "1" in front of the most important duty, a "2" in front of the 2nd most important duty, etc.

- Weekend preaching
- Oversee the Sunday morning worship service
- Intercessory prayer
- Discipling and Leadership development
- Lead and care for the spiritual growth of the elders
- Lead and care for the spiritual growth of the staff
- Lead and care for the spiritual growth of other ministry leaders
- Lead and care for the spiritual growth of the congregation
- Short term counselor
- Oversee Missional Communities (Small Groups who have an outreach emphasis)
- Oversee Local Service and Evangelism
- Oversee Global Service and Evangelism
- _____ (Fill in the responsibility we missed.)

6. With a large building, we have room for many more people.

a. What do you think about our current size?

b. Do you want more people in our church?

c. Assuming changes might have to be made to attract preChristians or young Christians to CBC, what do you feel should *not* change to make CBC more welcoming?

7. Below is a list of preaching styles. They are numbered so you can indicate them by number.

a. What two are most effective in communicating God's Word *to you*? ____ ____

b. What two are most effective in communicating God's Word *to preChristians*? ____ ____

1. Logical, detailed, point by point
2. Practical with clear application
3. Personal, relational, engaging
4. Textual (the Scripture text provides the meaning)
5. Narrative (use of stories to illustrate points)
6. Topical sermon series (spending multiple weeks on a topic)
7. Bible book sermon series (spending multiple weeks or months on a Bible book)
8. Challenging, appealing for action or change

8. What other comments or ideas do you want to share?

9. Your opinion is important, and is taken more seriously if you tell us who you are. If you want to remain anonymous, you may skip this portion, but we prefer knowing who has shared these opinions.

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