# **SERMON NOTES**

Proclaimer: Dr. Ed Rose

Message Title: The War of Christmas

Message Text: Revelation 12

Scripture Memory: 1 John 3:8b (NIV) The reason the Son of God

appeared was to destroy the devil's work.

Main Idea: Christmas is God's declaration of the w\_\_\_\_\_ He promised against Satan and his demonic forces.

- 1) The war of Christmas began in heaven when Satan r\_\_\_\_\_ against God and was cast down to earth. (v7-9)
- 2) The war of Christmas was introduced in h\_\_\_\_\_ history when Adam and Eve were s\_\_\_\_ into committing s\_\_\_ against God. (Gen 3: 14-15)
- 3) The war of Christmas was  $w_{\underline{}}$  through the b\_\_\_\_ of Christ and the Gospel. (v1-12)
- 4) The war of Christmas will c\_\_\_\_\_ when King Jesus r\_\_\_\_\_ to execute final justice on Satan and all who oppose and reject Him. (Rev 20:10-15)



# JOURNEY TO THE CRADLE

Pick up your **SOAP** journal at the front desk of the chapel or worship center.

# GIFTS OF HOPE TREE

If you selected an ornament from the tree in the worship center lobby, remember to shop, wrap, and return your gifts to the tree on or before Dec 19.

# **ELDER AFFIRMATION**

Ballots are available today before and after each worship service to affirm the following men as elders for 2022.

Corey Bissette Jody Cole Larry Johnson Chuck Franks Mike Godwin Larry Johnson Dale Woodard

# WE PACKED 210 SHOEBOXES!

Our boxes will be sent to children around the world to help spread Good News & Great Joy! You can pack a box online through 12/31. Use this QR code.

# BE OUR GUEST:

We're glad you chose to worship with us today. Please scan here to leave your info so we can share more about Central with you.

# Central's Christmas Schedule

### Sunday, Dec 5

9am & 10:30 Life Group & Worship (Sermon: The War of Christmas)

# Wednesday, Dec 8

Midweek Recharge

# Sunday, Dec 12

9am & 10:30 Worship & Life Groups (Sermon: The Meaning of Christmas)

# Sunday, Dec 19

9am & 10:30 Worship & Life Groups (Sermon: The Power of Christmas) 5:30pm Christmas Community Celebration

#### Sunday, Dec 26

10:30am Family Worship ONLY (WRC) with Preschool ministry provided

NO Midweek Recharge Dec 15, 22, or 29



# WAYS TO GIVE:

- In Person: through one of the collection boxes
- Give online at www.centralwendell.org/give
- Text "centralgiving" & amount to 73256 and you will receive a link

**AVE THE DATE** 



THE TRUTH ABOUT CHRISTMAS

Community Christmas Celebration
Sunday, Dec 19 @ 5:30pm



Omar Peñaloza, president of the Baptist Convention of Panama, prays with IMB missionaries Sean Blacksten and Kenny Morris. Peñaloza shared what church life was like before and during the pandemic. His church used to host camps but has not been able to recently.

IMB missionary
Tim Louderback and
his national partner
Daniel Tejada stand
with students from the
University of Panama.

camps but has not been able to recently. As restrictions lift, Peñaloza and church members can meet in a covered, open-air building.

# Pray For:

Tim and Tina Louderback and Sean and Shelley Blacksten are passionate about equipping and connecting churches with opportunities to serve in Central America and the Caribbean. The Louderbacks and the Blackstens serve with the International Mission Board in Panama, and the Louderbacks lead the Americas Connect program. Americas Connect was established to provide entry-level ministry opportunities for Southern Baptist churches interested in strategically coming alongside the IMB. Panama was the pioneer country for Americas Connect, and trips were later extended to Guatemala, Costa Rica and Brazil. Church members participate in five to six weeks of training online before their trip. Tina says the training for teams coming to Panama is modular and covers basic missiology and country-specific training. Once teams arrive, they receive training related to the missionary task and their specific ministry assignment. Sean says they have been personally encouraged by the teams, "especially by individuals that are a part of their church's first foreign trip." "It takes courage and obedience to be the leading edge for a church that hasn't been involved in person on the mission field to this point," Sean continues.

# HOW MUCH DOES IT COST TO SUPPORT A MISSIONARY?

- \$60,000 a year
- \$5,000 a month
- \$1,154 a week
- \$164 a day

This is a global average of the annual cost for supporting an individual missionary (salary, medical

expenses, language study, children's education,

housing, visas, travel, retirement benefits, & more).

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2021 National Goal 185 million Central's Church Goal: \$30,000