

## *The Central Union Church of Christ Story.....*

### ***In the Beginning...***

From our humble beginnings, Central Union Church of Christ has strived to remain true to God's calling for us. We've sought to be willing to step out in visionary faith and take risks for God, and He has blessed us for that. In looking back at our journey, we can clearly see God at work. This gives us hope for the future and inspires us to continue to seek to impact Nolanville and the surrounding area with the gospel message of Jesus Christ.

### ***The Residence Inn/Marriot Hotel, Killeen(2009-2010)***

In September 2009 five people came together to form a congregation that believed in being sound in doctrine, but also expressing love and true liberty in Christ . That was the beginning of Central Union. Keir S. Brady, who is our current Senior Minister was also the minister at that time. For four months the members met at the hotel until God and growth set us own a new course. At that time the membership grew from 5 to 30. Other men such as Charles Jones, Corrie Alexander and Charles Johnson came on board during the hotel years and contributed greatly to ministry efforts. A lot of baptisms and great work was done during those years including house to house ministries, 9 week door knocking campaigns and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday Fellowships.

### ***West Cliff Plaza, Killeen (2010-2014)***

The congregation move to the Westcliff Plaza in January 2010, after it out grew the hotel ballroom space. Classrooms and a forrior was built from scratch. Other space modifications were done and the Westcliff space was transformed into a special place of worship. The Lord continued to bless the congregation as more people and families began to place membership. It was here that the church experience next level ministry by having its first ever Gospel Meeting, First Sunday fellowship, VBS, Ladies Day, Youth Day and other great events. We experience a great number of baptisms and lasting relationships with many military families that still stand today. Many members who attend service today came during the Westcliff years. By mid-year 2015 the congregation had a membership of 65 and had raised over \$45,000 in an effort to begin searching for land or buying a building resource.

### ***Nolanville Building Move (2015 - present)***

In July 2015, the Central Union leadership was approached about the possibility of taking over the Church of Christ building in Nolanville. At the time the congregation in Nolanville only had 6 people as the membership had declined over the years. A vision plan was put in place by the Central Union leadership that outlined move goals, remodel plans, growth initiatives, and a ministry vision up to 2019. After a 4-month process the Nolanville Church of Christ became the Central Union Church of Christ at Nolanville. The building went through a series of electrical upgrades to bring the building to modern use. The sanctuary was also remodeled as a part of the vision and new ministry direction. We thank God for his blessings and bringing us to the Nolanville community. God is no doubt using us in a special way and we look towards the next chapter of our calling as a congregation now and the years to come.