

We are not just born with a body and a mind, but with a soul. This is God's gift to us, and as we go through life our soul incorporates all of our experience, memory and identity. Thus if anything happens to our body or mind, we still live. The Church is full of experiences of persons living beyond physical limits and death. Nothing can ever destroy our soul.

It is important to know that you are spiritual and that God relates to you and you relate to God with faith, love and hope. This is what Moravians call the "essential." Everything else is either "ministerial" (serves the "essential") or "incidental" (representing the different ways we have to do things.)

Life gives us the exciting opportunity to become someone unique, with skills and insights into life.

Because God loves us and welcomes us to all that is in God's heart and world, we can live life without being afraid.

God will go with us through life as a Companion and Friend. We never walk alone.

Though life has difficulties and suffering as part of its nature, it can be shaped by vision and understanding and transformed by God's friendship. Never let your view of life be decided by the hard parts.

Mistakes are a natural part of life. Always remember that God has brought you into this world and will love you through your mistakes. Don't let mistakes keep you from living or from sharing life with God.

There are views of God which indicate that God always condemns us and our mistakes and is always angry with us. NOT SO! NOT SO!

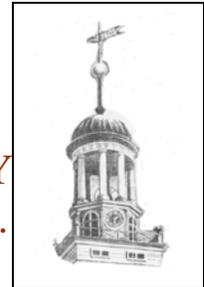
A CENTRAL PERSPECTIVE ON LIFE

← [Commentary]

**GOD HAS CREATED YOU
AND GIVEN YOU A SOUL BY
WHICH ALL THAT YOU ARE
CAN BE PRESERVED IN LIFE
AND BEYOND DEATH.**

**LIFE IS YOUR PROCESS OF
BECOMING WHO YOU ARE.**

**GOD WELCOMES YOU
TO GOD'S HEART
TO GOD'S WORLD
TO GOD'S LIFE,
AND TAKES AWAY
THE FEAR OF LIFE.**



**GOD WILL WALK YOU
THROUGH LIFE.
GOD PROMISES YOU LOVE
AND FRIENDSHIP.**

**LIFE IS NOT EASY,
BUT IT CAN BE GREAT.
AND THE GOD WHO MADE
YOU
WILL ALWAYS BE YOUR
FRIEND.**

**MISTAKES ARE TO BE
EXPECTED,
BUT DON'T LET THEM GET
IN THE WAY OF GOD AND
LIFE.**

HAVING CREATED YOU,
GOD WISHES TO HELP AND
SUPPORT YOU
IN THE PROCESS OF LIFE.

GOD HAS PROVIDED YOU
WITH MANY RESOURCES.

CHRISTIANITY HAS 2000
YEARS
OF LIVED EXPERIENCE
AND INSIGHTS INTO LIFE
THAT WE WOULD SHARE
WITH YOU.

AND WE WOULD SHARE
JESUS OUR FRIEND AND
GOD'S SERVANT WITH YOU.

COME, SHARE, AND LIVE
GOD'S LIFE AND LOVE.

AT CENTRAL
GOD, LIFE AND LIVING ARE
CENTRAL.

*Never forget -- God has created you
and you belong to God. God will guide you
through life. A major job of the Church is to
remind persons of what God can do for them.*

*The Christian Church is 2000 years old and the
Moravian Church is more than 500, with many
insights into God and life.
God has given us life, helps us develop, gives us
love and support, gives us a friendly fellowship
of persons in the Church to help us deal with
and understand life, has given us the person and
story of Jesus so that we may know him, has
given us the Gospel, baptism and the Lord's
Supper to remind us of how Jesus can make a
difference in life, has given us the Spirit so that
we always have more help than we could create
just by ourselves. The Spirit often acts like a
Mother.*

*One of the best gifts we could give you would be
to share the Person of Jesus with you so that he
could work with you on your needs in a personal
way. Each person has her/his own needs and
yours are special.*

*We invite you to join with us, to share and live
God's life and love, to open your heart to the
heart of God. To do that makes a world of
difference.*

*At Central Church God is central as the
resource for life; living life is central for that is
how we find out how to live. Religion is never
just ideas about God -- but living life with God.*

*Central Moravian Church
founded 1741*

*The **Moravian Church** began in 1457, related to the developing Reformation, fought to live midst persecution until in 1722 it was reborn in Saxony. With mission to the world as its goal, it came to North America to share faith with settlers and Native Americans. For over 500 years it has explored how to be loyal to Christ and to help persons live from Christian resources and God's love in 19 provinces throughout the world. You may wish to read **The Ground of the Unity** (available from Central) which is the international faith statement of the Moravian Church. If you want more information about **Jesus** and our knowledge of him, this is available from the Church. Whatever is important for your faith Central will seek to provide. Remember, we respect your faith story when we share our faith.*