

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Today is Singles' Sunday! Thank you to our Singles in Love With Christ Ministry for their hard work and planning for the Annual Singles' Conference. I hope those that attended the "Singles' Round Up" were blessed. This coming weekend, we will celebrate with our Christian Education events. On September 24th, the Christian Education Ministry will host the Annual Christian Education Workshop. Christian Education Promotion Sunday will be held on the 25th. Then, we will cap things off with our Annual Biblical Institute, September 26th-28th. All ministers, Sunday school teachers, bible study teachers, assistant teachers, youth volunteers, and those interested in developing their teaching ministry skills need to be at both events. Let me say it out loud... "We are a teaching church, a learning church and growing church but we also need to be a giving church." It is my prayer that First Calvary will continue to have effective study ministries and that our desire to learn more about Christ will never cease. Of all of the factors that can determine a congregation's growth, having an effective Christian Education Ministry is critical. A well-organized, well-run and well-conceived program of Christian Education will promote church growth. As we develop disciples, each person must make a commitment to one or both aspects of our Study Ministry.

Many of you may or may not know that our precious Administrative Assistant to the Pastor, or as I call her our Creative Liaison-Office Manager, Sister Dennise Lindsay, is the wife of Pastor Melvin Lindsay. About a month ago THE WELL FELLOWSHIP (their church), embarked upon a new journey in Ministry with a new, permanent location at **5410 Suite W, Hwy 55, Durham, NC 27713. (Check them out at www.seekthewell.org).** During September they are celebrating a month of Corporate Prayer. Their special Church-wide event caught my attention, and I am asking us to join them in their "PRAY WELL" Project for the remainder of the month. I am asking this congregation to join them in prayer and **join me in making a donation to their Ministry work.** If you would like to send a donation to this cause, you may send it to **The Well Fellowship, c/o 9 Artis Lane, Durham, North Carolina 27703** or bring your donation to the church during this month so that we may express our love and community support to this wonderful congregation (checks can be made payable to The Well Fellowship). Many times throughout the year this congregation sends food donations to our Food Pantry...as a matter of fact, they just sent 3 tubs full this week! Again, I believe God's blessings will be upon us as we share in and support their ministry work.

September is half gone and a new season is coming. As we move into fall and move on in Christian Education Month, I wanted to share something to remind us that as His Disciples, we are called to pray. "Prayer is simply communicating with God, talking to and listening to Him....Praying is supposed to be like breathing, easier to do than to not do. Prayer is a form of serving God (Luke 2:36-8) and obeying Him. We pray because God commands us to pray (Philippians 4:6-7). Prayer is exemplified for us by Christ and the early church (Mark 1:35; Acts 1:14; 2:42;3:1; 4:23-31; 6:4; 13:1-3). Corporate prayer edifies and unifies us." (Thoughts from the TWF "Pray Well" Project.) First Calvary, remember to pray and remember that we are AN EXCITING CHURCH EXCITED ABOUT ITS MISSION!

THE DEACON'S MESSAGE

For you are great and do marvelous deeds; you alone are God. -Psalm 86:10, (NIV) It is time to take stock of where you are. Where have you been? What are you doing? Where do you think you are going? It's time for that spiritual gut check. The one that we so ashamedly ignore its calling, as we are going through the proverbial wilderness...seeking something... anything...maybe even hope...perhaps. Let's be honest. You or I may have become cynical in days past. Life's struggle has lowered our brows and expectations. It has placed a yoke of heaviness upon our shoulders, which causes us to emit sighs, instead of shouts of praise. Yes, even believers run into roadblocks. Leaps of faith have turned into jumps small enough to successfully play hopscotch, but nothing more. As Jesus asked his disciples when their boat was taking on water, "Where is your faith?" Does this moment of upheaval require you to cast away your trust in the living God? Do you remember that He is mighty, and has done marvelous deeds in your life? We aren't talking about what you have seen God do for other people. What epic thing(s) has He done in your life?

TODAY'S MINISTRY THROUGH SERVICE

Music:	Young Adult Choir
Director of Music Ministries:	Minister Michael Dotson
Church Musician:	Brother David Cannady
Percussionist:	Brother Andre Sanders
Saxophonist:	Brother Lynwood Jones
First Aide Ministry:	Sister Vega Johnson-Swepson
Encouragers:	Brother Lonnie Forte/ Sister Sharron Crisp
Audio Technicians:	Brother Philip Brady/ Brother Michael Hill
Videographer:	Brother Kumani Simmons
Nursery Volunteers:	Joscelyne Brazile/Dwanna Wiggins/ D'Mya Oakley/ Johnae Carter
Next Sunday Van Drivers:	Brother Greg Boone/ Deacon Jason Redmond

STEWARDSHIP STATISTICS

Our Tithes & Offerings must be \$32,288.46 per Sunday to meet our budget. Thank you for giving!

September 11, 2016

Bible Study 72 Sunday School 147 New Members N/A
Early Worship 200 Worship Service 318

Tithes and Offering	\$11,615.22
Children's Church	\$12.73
Sacrificial Offering	\$486.00
Mortgage Bearer	\$370.00
Scholarship	\$65.00
Sunday School	\$153.86
Online Giving	\$2,616.22
Total Giving	\$15,389.03

UNITED WAY GIVING: Please give to the West End Community Foundation, Inc. (formerly Calvary Ministries) through the United Way Campaign, **Code 4060**. Duke Employees can give to DGIN (Doing Good in the Neighborhood), these funds are used to support the West End Community Foundation, Inc. yearly programming.

"Anointed & Sent" (Isaiah 61:1)

The 25th Pastoral Anniversary-"Prayer Topic" September~ FRUIT-ful Prayers (Part I)

Pray for faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control in ministry and over the lives of Pastor & Mrs. Davis and the entire Davis family. Additionally, pray for these 3 Fruit of the Spirit pieces for all of FCBC.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MONTH

SEPTEMBER 2016

SUN 4	7:45 AM	Early Morning Worship Service Holy Communion
	9:30 AM	Sunday School
	10:30 AM	Service of Baptism
	10:45 AM	Morning Worship Service Holy Communion
7	12:00 noon	Noon Day Prayer
	6:30 PM	Prayer & Praise
	7:00 PM	Bible Study
SUN 11		GRANDPARENT'S DAY
	7:45 AM	Early Morning Worship
	9:30 AM	Sunday School
	10:45 AM	Morning Worship Service
	4:00 PM	"JOYFUL SOUL" from Sweden in Concert
12	7:00 PM	MUSIC WORKSHOP w/ Sweden Choir
14	12:00 noon	Noon Day Prayer
	6:30 PM	Prayer & Praise
	7:00 PM	Bible Study
15	7:00 PM	PASTOR DAVIS, MALE CHORUS, & FCBC AT CEDAR ROCK SINGLES' CONFERENCE CFL&RC at Lyon Park
16-17		A SPIRIT FILLED EVENING UNDER THE STARS
16	6:00 PM	SINGLES WORDSHOP
17	8:00 AM	SINGLES' SUNDAY
SUN 18	7:45 AM	Early Morning Worship
	9:30 AM	Sunday School
	10:45 AM	Morning Worship Service
21	12:00 noon	Noon Day Prayer
	6:30 PM	Prayer & Praise
	7:00 PM	Bible Study
24	8:30 AM	CHRISTIAN EDUCATION WORKSHOP
SUN 25		CHRISTIAN EDUCATION PROMOTION SUNDAY
	7:00 AM	Intercessory Prayer
	7:45 AM	Early Morning Worship
	9:30 AM	Sunday School
	10:45 AM	Morning Worship Service
26-28	7:00PM	ANNUAL BIBLICAL INSTITUTE

**NO FOOD, DRINK OR GUM IN THE SANCTUARY.
HELP KEEP THE BUILDING CLEAN BY DISPOSING OF TRASH.**

***Please remain standing**

****Please refrain from walking during The Sermon**

Use the rear exit unless there is an emergency

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION

If you are having a medical procedure, or are sick at home for over a week, please contact the church office so that Pastoral contact can occur as soon as possible or at your request.

The Abbreviated FC Mission Statement:

**E³: Empower spiritual lives, Enhance quality of life,
& Evangelize the lost**



"An Exciting Church Excited About Its Mission"

SINGLES' SUNDAY



**Righteous Rodeo-
Singles' Round Up**
"A More Excellent Way of Being
Who We Are As Christian Singles"

Christian Education Month

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Fredrick A. Davis, M.DIV., D.D. Pastor

September 18, 2016

SUNDAY

Worship- 7:45am & 10:45am

Sunday School-9:30am

Children's Church-10:45am

WEDNESDAY

Noon Day Prayer- 12:00pm

Prayer & Praise- 6:30pm

Bible Study-7:00pm

**"DEVELOPING AND LEADING DISCIPLES
INTO SPIRITUAL EXCELLENCE"**



September 18, 2016

7:45 a.m. & 10:45 a.m. Worship

CHURCH NEWS

PRAISE & ADORATION

- Call to Worship/Scripture.....Minister Acts 12: 1-24
Prayer.....Deacon
Praise & Worship.....FCBC Praise Team
The Word in Song
The Time of Fellowship
Worship through Movement
Hymn.....More Like Jesus, #549

CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

- Church News.....Sister Carolyn Brown (7:45 a.m.) Sister Thelma Reed (10:45 a.m.)
Greeting.....Sister LaTonya Jones (7:45 a.m.) Sister Courtney Jones (10:45 a.m.)

- Pastoral Concerns
Offertory Appeal.....Dr. Alisha Malloy (7:45 a.m.) Dea. Calvin & Deacns. Janet Squires (10:45 a.m.)
Offertory Prayer.....Minister
*Offertory Response....."All Things Come of Thee"

CARE & CONCERNS THROUGH PRAYER

- Recognition of Returning Sick/Prayer Concerns
*Hymn of Dedication.....Sweet Hour of Prayer, #463
Altar Call & Prayer.....Minister

WORSHIP THROUGH INSTRUCTION

- **The Sermon.....Pastor Fredrick A. Davis
"PRAYER STILL WORKS!"
Acts 12: 5-19

*Invitation to Christian Discipleship/ Invitational Selection
If you would like to unite with our Church Family, you can do so during the Hymn of Invitation following the sermon. You may join by Baptism, Christian Experience, Letter, or as an Associate Member.

- * Benediction
*PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE and remain standing
**Please refrain from walking during The Sermon

"Anointed & Sent" (Isaiah 61: 1)
Celebrating 25 Years of Pastoral Ministry for Pastor Fredrick A. Davis

FROM PASTOR DAVIS: JOIN US IN BIBLE STUDY...DEACON FAMILY UNITS THIS WEEK: Poole, Privette, & Bell.

BEFORE I SAY I DO: Register for the next Before I Say I Do Class, October 2016 through June 2017...1st Sunday of every month, 3:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. This class is highly recommended for those that are engaged, contemplating marriage, or seriously dating, whether or not Pastor Davis will perform your marriage ceremony. Email info@firstcalvary.org by September 20th to register.

ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25TH, PASTOR DAVIS WILL BE THE EMCEE AT THE 150TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION FOR WHITE ROCK BAPTIST CHURCH. THIS EVENT WILL HONOR PASTOR SHIRLEY CEASAR. THE DOORS OPEN AT 4:30 P.M. AND TICKETS ARE \$20.95 AND CAN BE PURCHASED AT WHITE ROCK. JOIN US AT HILLSIDE THEATER FOR THIS SPECIAL CELEBRATION

Join the Prayer Conference Call on Wednesdays at 7:00 a.m. (712-432-1001, code "494132935#"), Noon Day Prayer (Wednesdays), and Intercessory Prayer (4th Sundays, 7:00 a.m.)

New disciples (12 & up) are urged and invited to attend the NEW DISCIPLES CLASS at 9:30 a.m. The lesson on September 24th is Lesson 6, "What Baptists Believe (Part I)".

BUDGET FORMS: 2017 Ministry Budget Forms are now available. All current ministry chairs have been emailed a form. Copies can also be obtained from the FCBC website and the Treasurer's mailbox. If you have any questions or need help completing your budget form please contact Treasurer David Deberry at treasurer@firstcalvary.org or (919) 697-3821.

THE MALE SUMMIT will meet on Tuesday, September 20th, at 7:00 p.m. We will begin Chapter 8 of the book "Manhood Restored" by Eric Mason. Come join us as we encourage one another in the areas of faith, knowledge of our salvation and God's Word as our sword!

CHURCH ANNIVERSARY: Mark your calendars and join the Church Celebrations Committee as we begin planning First Calvary's 132nd Church Anniversary and Celebration. Planning will take place on the following dates: 9/22, 10/6, 10/20, 6:30 p.m. All are invited to attend.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: All teachers, ministers, and those interested in Christian Education are invited to attend the Christian Education Workshop on Saturday, September 24th, 8:30 a.m. Mark your calendars and plan to be there.

JUNIOR USHERS TRAINING WORKSHOP-Saturday, October 1st, 11:00 a.m. in the sanctuary. New ushers are encouraged to join. Lunch and team outing to are planned following the workshop session. Transportation provided. Contact Sister Traci Boone at (919) 201-8741, traci_boone2000@yahoo.com, or Deacon Allen Davis at (919) 270-2936 if you have questions.

ANOINTED & SENT: Celebrate 25 years of Pastoral Ministry for Pastor Davis and his family! Plan to attend the 25th Anniversary Banquet on Friday, November 11th, 6:30 p.m.-Meet and Greet, 7:00 p.m.-Celebration Banquet. Tickets are \$45 per person and \$80 per couple and are available after services in the Vestibule and Atrium.

"CAN WE TALK...?" Please plan to join the FCBC Family each Wednesday evening in October as the Visionary Ministry hosts the Whole Family Life Conference. We will explore how the family must respond to the spiritual warfare that is attacking us on every level. Sister Judith and Pastor Fredrick Davis will start the month off on October 5th. Hope to see you there!!

FROM THE COMMUNITY: MEN'S HEALTH: Prostate Screening, TODAY, September 18th, 12:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m., Duke South Clinic 2B/2C, 200 Trent Drive.

FROM THE COMMUNITY: WOMEN'S HEALTH: Come to the Uterine Fibroids Community Event on Saturday, October 8th, 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m., 307 W. Main Street. Learn more about Fibroids, treatment, and more. Free admission, lunch provided. Register at www.Eventbrite.com.

FALL LOVE OFFERING FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS: Parents and undergraduate college students are requested to submit updated college information to the scholarship ministry by October 9th, at 1:00 p.m. College information sheets are available in the ministry mailbox, or the information may be submitted to scholarship@firstcalvary.org. Information received after the deadline will not be accepted. Please contact ministry chair, Sister Traci Boone, (919)382-0194 or co-chair, Sister Brenda Carter, (919)806-0287 with any questions.

RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE THANKS: Thank you to all teens, parents and volunteers who assisted with the Service Event at The Ronald McDonald House on Saturday, September 10th. A meal was prepared and served to approximately 75 residents of the House. The parents, siblings, and patients were very appreciative of the meal and for the presence of our teen volunteers. Special thanks to our members for your continued financial and physical support of the FCBC ministries.

FROM THE COMMUNITY: SAVE THE DATE: Alzheimer's Awareness events: Luncheon with Dan Gasby & B. Smith, October 25th, 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Alumni Foundation Center, 200N Benbow Road, Greensboro AND 8th Annual Caregivers Education Conference, November 12th. For details, visit www.coaachhealth.org or call 888-248-2808.

HEALING AND RECOVERY

Remember our sick & shut-in members with prayers, cards, visits, & calls and share this information with the Pastor and Deacons. Contact the church office with sick & shut in information.

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Table with 2 columns: Day and Time. Lists Music Ministry Rehearsal Schedule for MON.- Sept. 19th, TUES.- Sept. 20th, and THURS.- Sept. 22nd.

MINISTRY MEETING SCHEDULE

CFLR -Community Family Life Center at Lyon Park
CFR -Conference Room CRM -Choir Room
CR I -Classroom 1 CR II -Classroom 2 CR III -Classroom 3
FH - Fellowship Hall LIB - Library Sanct-Sanctuary

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Table with 3 columns: Time, Activity, and Location. Lists Saturday activities from 9:30 am to 11:30 am.

You are invited to join us for Sunday School at 9:30 a.m.!