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CELEBRATING 132 YEARS OF EXCELLENCE

“For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ...Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then miracles, then gifts of healing, helping, administrating, and various kinds of tongues...earnestly desire the higher gifts. And I will show you a still more excellent way. – 1 Corinthians 12:1, 12, 28-29, 31 ESV

First Calvary, as believers, we are called to not only be doers of the Word, but also to spread the good news of Christ. We are to be unified and work together as a body in Christ just as the limbs of our human bodies work together to give us mobility. We should all remember that every part of this body (the church) has an important role, and without all parts working together in harmony, the body will not survive. Let us examine ourselves and reevaluate our commitment to God, His Word, His commandments, and our commitment to one another as we celebrate God’s grace and mercy on this 132nd anniversary.

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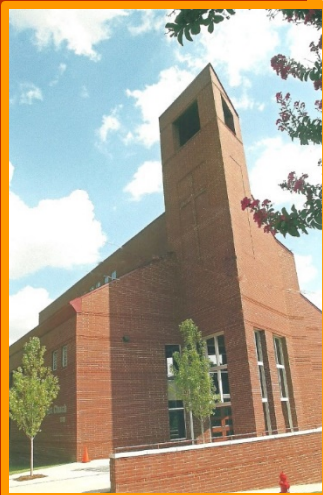
Dear First Calvary Family:



"But let these also first be tested; then let them serve as deacons, being found blameless."
- 1 Timothy 3:10
NKJV

Greetings Brothers and Sisters! Here we are in another wonderful edition of our Calvary Chronicle, on the heels of our 132nd Church Anniversary Celebration. Thank you to our Chronicle Staff for their tireless work in pulling this publication together. Were you in attendance at our Church Anniversary Worship? Oh, My Lord, What a Time! We were "Celebrating 132 Years of Excellence" ...and we had a good time praising our Lord and Savior and remembering that "We've Come This Far by Faith". Thank you to our Church Celebrations Ministry, under the leadership of Minister Sessoms, for their hard work for this Annual Worship Event. We hope each family received the special gift that was prepared to commemorate this occasion...and that you enjoy it. We also welcomed 3 new families to our Diaconate Ministry...they's official now 😊 ...so welcome to Deacon and Deaconess Cason, Deacon and Deaconess Carver, and Deacon and Deaconess Forde. These additions to our already supportive Diaconate Ministry is a blessing.

Well, we are in November, First Calvary, and it's Pastoral Appreciation Month. I have been Pastor at First Calvary Baptist Church for 25 years...and this month is set aside to reflect on that blessing. Thank you for all your support over the years and for the special moments, gifts, and praying that have taken place thus far this year. On the 11th and 13th we will come together and celebrate the great things that God has done... hope you will be there. Please note, as on Church Anniversary Sunday, we will only have one Worship on the 2nd Sunday, November 13th, 9:30 a.m. Our Guest Minister will be Dr. Julius Scruggs, Pastor of First Missionary Baptist Church in Huntsville, AL, and former President of the National Baptist Convention USA, Inc. family. Let's Praise God for His continued blessings.



You will hear this a lot this month, so let's gon' and get the train of gratitude rolling down the track: **THANK YOU** for your love and support of this Pastor, Mrs. Davis, and our entire family. Let's Praise God for His continued blessings.

Also coming are the holidays...it's almost 2017! As we move forward into the last 2 months of this year, please remember to not forget to give of your **TIME, TALENTS, AND TREASURES** within the life of this church. We need your support to continue our forward movement for the Cause of Christ! You Matter...and your gifts matter. Thank you for your continued support of this Ministry Work. Together, we make a difference for the Kingdom! Never forget that your Pastor is **EXCITED** and we are **AN EXCITING CHURCH EXCITED ABOUT ITS MISSION!**

Yours in That Blessed Hope,

Pastor Fredrick A. Davis



Celebrating 132 Years of Excellence

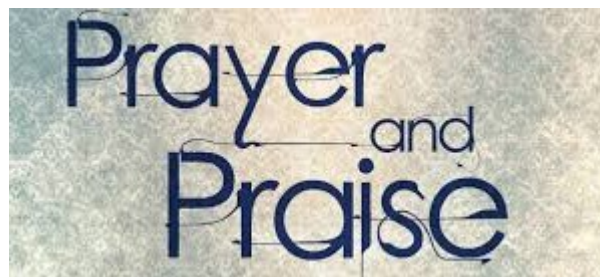
First Calvary Baptist Church has been an influential presence in the West End Community since 1884. On Sunday, October 23, 2016, the church celebrated *132 years of excellence*. For the past 132 years, First Calvary Baptist Church has served the community as a living organism, a vibrant, thriving and growing family of faith. To celebrate this milestone as a collective body, the early morning and morning worship services were combined and held at 9:30am.

Pastor Davis' sermon, ***The Excellent Work of the Church***, was taken from Acts 16:11-34." In his message, he reminded us that all that God has asked us to do is found in the Word. The disciples of Jesus acted in the power of God and recognized the power of community over individuality. Pastor Davis stated that a church is more than bricks and mortar. The church has strength because of the faithfulness of God. He said that Satan comes to kill, steal and destroy, but God works in mysterious ways; His wonders to perform. In the scripture text, Paul and Silas acted courageously. On their way to a place of prayer, they met a slave girl who had a spirit of prediction. Her owners were making lots of money through her fortune telling. She followed Paul and Silas for several days until Paul became annoyed and commanded the spirit of prediction to come out of the slave girl. When her owners saw that the girl could no longer make money for them, they beat Paul and Silas, took them to the town square, and had them arrested. Pastor Davis said that we should not get annoyed by what is happening in our communities unless we, like Paul and Silas, are

willing to go against the status quo. Paul and Silas rebuked the slave girl because she needed to be changed. America needs to be changed but we must have the courage to go up against unjust systems. Like Paul and Silas, if we are beaten and battered so badly that we fall on our backs, we need to remember to look up to the hills from whence cometh our help because our help comes from God. Even after Paul and Silas were thrown into prison, they continued to celebrate by praying and singing. Around midnight, an earthquake opened the jail doors and loosened their bonds, but Paul and Silas continued to worship God. Because of their actions, the jailer believed and he and his family were saved.

Most of us are familiar with movie and television characters dubbed “dynamic duos”. Pastor Davis offered a more *spiritual* dynamic duo: ***Prayer and Praise***. Prayer still works. When praises go up, blessings come down, doors are opened and shackles are loosed. Like Paul and Silas, we must be courageous. We must change the way that we do things. The church needs to praise God. We must celebrate and praise God for the great things that He has already done. We need to be that bold and courageous congregation that strives to empower, enlighten and evangelize to change our community for the better.

Submitted by: Mary U. Vickers



The 2016 Whole Family Life Conference

The Month of October brings fall temperatures, Sunday afternoon football games, and warm comforting foods to the table. It also brings two other significant events for the friends and members of First Calvary Baptist Church! We celebrate our 132nd anniversary in existence on October 23rd and the Whole Family Conference every Wednesday in October during our normal bible study time slot. **The 2016 Whole Family Life Conference** was devoted to spiritual strongholds and the Black family and was an attempt to bring multigenerational family units together to discuss and destroy strongholds that are hurting the family system.

Week 1 – Pastor and Mrs. Davis used examples from the book we have been using for weekly bible study, *Victory in Spiritual Warfare* by Tony Evans, to illustrate how the enemy works to destroy the family unit. We talked about using scripture to counterattack the enemy's efforts and praying over family members every day. It was suggested that we take turns identifying a family member as the prayer leader and have that family member pray over the family for a week. This will encourage greater communication among all family members and make them more resistant to the divisive effects of the enemy.

Week 2 – Dr. Jennifer Rounds-Bryant and Ms. Cheryl Thomas explored with the audience how social media and mental health issues are affecting individual family members and the family unit. They shared with the audience ways to safeguard the spiritual portals of the family so that all family members would be comfortable sharing information about what they are seeing on the internet and how it was making them feel. Members were urged to pay attention to each other so that they could detect changes in behavior, diet, and social activities. This early detection would allow both a physical and spiritual intervention on behalf of the entire family unit. We were cautioned to not make the mistake of thinking that our youth are too savvy, young, or smart to not be seduced by some of the items they may be exposed to on the internet.

Week 3 – A diverse panel consisting of an educator, politician, and youth shared their personal perspectives on how current events are affecting black families. Panelists

discussed different ways that they and their family stayed abreast of current events and how the various forums had some inherent risks. For example, one panelist shared that because most of her news came via social networks she had to be careful about accepting every item shared as factual until other forums were checked. This allowed her to protect her emotions as well as act as a safeguard for other family and friends that did not check verify their sources. This proactive stance allowed the panelist to “watch and pray” so that she and her family would not fall into temptation.

Week 4 – Fun, Fellowship, and Discussion. This intergenerational group of members, friends, and youth openly discussed the “proper” response of the church concerning current events that affect family values and why it matters to God. Participants played word games, had small group discussion, and created a suggestion board for families to use to define their family values, create special prayer time, and review the role of each piece of armor which works to protect us from the enemy attacks.

The Whole Family Conference, inspired by God and designed by the Visionary Ministry, assisted families in understanding, recognizing, and appreciating that Christians must play a role in the spiritual warfare through their Godly choices and actions that serve to further God’s kingdom. The conference also helped some attendees to see how their ungodly actions further the efforts of the forces of evil to suppress faith and goodness.

Submitted by: Faith Thompson



Member Spotlight

"I lift up my eyes to the mountains – where does my help come from? My help comes from the Lord...the Lord will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore."

- Psalm 121:1-2; 8

"...which made heaven and earth. He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: he that keepeth thee will not slumber"

- Psalm 121:2b-3



What service do you normally attend and where do you sit? 10:45am. I sit on the right side of the church, in the middle about 7-8 pews from the front.

How long have you been a member of FCBC? I actually started attending FCBC in 2010. I attended the last service in the old building before services were moved to Lakewood. My former Pastor, Dr./Reverend Reginald A. Wales knew Pastor Davis and suggested that I visit. I joined FCBC in October 2015. I did not take my decision to join another church lightly. I enjoyed the family feel that FCBC had and still has and FCBC made me feel like I was home.

Do you belong to any ministries at FCBC? I currently work with the Video and Prison Ministries. I also just joined the Pastoral Esteem Team. I really enjoy volunteering my time and talents. In the past I have volunteered in the kitchen to support events and I have assisted Minister Carroll with various youth events as needed. I enjoy supporting others and filling in when I can.

Do you have a favorite verse in the bible and why? Yes, Psalm 121 (NIV) (1-2; 8): *I lift up my eyes to the mountains – where does my help come from? My help comes from the Lord...the Lord will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore.* This Psalm speaks about God's protection and lets us know that God watches over us day and night. This Psalm lets us know that we can lean on him and trust him.

Pastor Davis wants us to be a congregation that empowers, enhances and evangelizes. What does enhance mean to you and how do you demonstrate it? Enhance means filling a need and helping others. I like helping others and I like getting phone calls to support others. While I enjoy helping others, I don't like being in the spotlight. I just prefer being behind the scenes getting the work done.

Are you from this area? I am originally from Washington DC and I have family that lives in Dublin County.

What do you enjoy doing in your spare time? I have a 20 year-old son, Solomon. I like spending time with my son and family, cooking, line dancing, and posting on the Book...Facebook that is :-)



JOYFUL SOUL Makes a Joyful Noise



First Calvary Baptist Church was honored to have a guest choir, Joyful Soul, from Sundsvall, Sweden to sing at the 7:45am worship service on September 11, 2016. This group sang with energy, enthusiasm and joy. Although English was not their native language, most of their songs were sung in English. After the 7:45am service, they visited another local church to render music. They returned to First Calvary to sing at a 4:00pm concert later that day. At the afternoon concert, they sang 13 songs. They seemed to enjoy singing lively gospel songs, religious songs and other hymns. They did two songs in their native Swedish language, one of which was "How Great Thou Art." The group was well received by the audience at the concert. Many in the audience stood, raised their hands in praise clapped and shouted "Hallelujah." They even requested that they repeat one song. After the concert, the members of Joyful Soul came out of the choir stand so that they could be greeted and hugged by members from the audience. On Monday, they participated in a Music Workshop at First Calvary Baptist Church. This workshop was open to other congregations and to members of the community. Minister Michael Dotson, our Minister of Music told us that he met this group several years ago, and they were warm and welcoming to him. Typically, he goes to Sweden during the summer and spends two weeks working with them. Minister Dotson stated that the choir wanted to come to the United States this year so the members of the group paid their own way to come here for this occasion. Upon leaving Durham, they traveled to New York where they planned to spend a few days before heading home.



Submitted by: Mary U. Vickers

Real Talk Forum: Minority Dads in Education

On August 23rd, 42 men gathered around pizza and passionately discussed being “boxed out”, “getting off the bench”, and “taking the challenge”. No, this was not a man-cave. It was an Open Forum in the First Calvary Baptist Church Fellowship Hall co-sponsored by our Couples’ Ministry and Male Summit. The topic wasn’t a struggling professional sports team. It was “Minority Dads in Education”.

As it relates to being “boxed out”, the first topic to get off the ground centered around the difficulty that many minority males face when simply walking into the school environment. For example, a father standing with his wife in a classroom felt invisible as the teacher spoke directly to the wife the entire time. Others agreed that their story was not told in the school curriculum, and recalled the impact it had on them as growing young men.

Rodney Williams, CEO of Walk for Life, encouraged men to get involved (or get off the bench), and be counted when our youth are being supported in the community. In the marches and other events that his organization sponsors, he noted that “the women show up” as role models for the girls but the men are not present to do the same for the young men. Thomas Mentor

Leadership Academy's CEO Larry Thomas had the same testimony.

Many of those who are actively involved in education to make a commitment to support the efforts of these existing organizations, as well as others represented, such as The New Man Institute for Skill-building, the Rites of Passage, Minority Men in Medicine, the Charles Hamilton Houston Foundation, Inc., and First Calvary's Recreation Ministry. Information on these and other helpful resources can be found at www.strongsafet DURHAM.COM.

Submitted by: Deacon Xavier Cason

FCBC:

Thank you for meeting the Food Pantry Family Challenge in August!

- Week 1: 142 Dry Beans & Soup
- Week 2: 164 Pasta & Pasta Sauce
- Week 3: 175 Hot Dogs & Tuna
- Week 4: 215 Canned Veggies
- Week 5: 202 Cereal & Rice

Keep the donations coming, as there is always a need!!!



The Many Faces of Bullying

Bullying, which can be broadly defined as intentionally causing physical, emotional, and/or spiritual harm to someone else as a show of power and authority, is very common among both children and adults. Bullies operate in schools, sports, communities, workplaces, churches and anywhere else people gather. Some consider it sport to intentionally hurt others, especially when they can get an audience, or even better, a group of additional participants. Ironically, people generally bully out of a sense of insecurity and lack of control over themselves or their circumstances. The consequences for the victims can range from low self-esteem, depression, and anxiety to suicide and homicide.

Parents are usually concerned about our children being subjected to bullying, but we rarely consider whether our children are bullying others, or whether we ourselves are bullying others. Given the grave consequences of bullying, we would do well to do a 360-degree check for bullying in our environment. The best way to find out if our children are being bullied by anyone is to ask them about their daily interactions with peers and then listen for signs of significant negative interaction in their stories. The best way to find out if our children are bullying other children (either overtly or covertly) is to ask the adults and peers who typically interact with our children (e.g., school administration and their school mates) and be willing to listen openly and to speak with our children about what we find out.

When we find evidence of bullying in any arena, we should be very intentional about reporting it to the leaders in the environment, as well as to parents when there are children involved, and helping to create a positive resolution to the situation – which can take a lot of trial and error. Let's keep working to stamp out bullying!



Submitted by: Dr. Jennifer Rounds-Bryant

Deacon Family Fellowship: Gibbs Deacon Family

Deacon Kenneth Gibbs and Deaconess Stephanie Gibbs hosted their Deacon Family Fellowship at their home on Saturday, October 1st. The purpose of the fellowship was to allow members an opportunity to get to know their deacon and deaconess better and to fellowship with each other. The afternoon began with introductions and each person sharing something of interest about themselves. Included in the group were gardeners, seamstresses, a really smart person 😊, and those who were afraid of cats, just to name a few. After getting to know each other a little better, we enjoyed an excellent meal that kept the conversation flowing and members openly sharing and getting to know each other. After the meal, we had a very robust discussion on the importance of giving to support God's work. Everyone was transparent in their view on giving financially and shared candid thoughts on what others have shared about giving financially. We also discussed various ways to give by using their talents and time to support God's work. Overall, we enjoyed attending the fellowship and Deacon Gibbs concluded the fellowship by saying "While I wish more members could participate, I am extremely pleased with how we spent the afternoon getting to know each other, sharing information openly, and addressing concerns that were raised." He also stated that he is looking forward to our next fellowship.

Submitted by: Maticia Sims



(From Left to Right Front Row: Minister Tyrone Whitaker, Jacqueline Whitaker, Brenda Harris-White, Daisy Vinson Back Row: James Sims, Maticia Sims, Anita Hill, Deacon Kenneth Gibbs and Deaconess Stephanie Gibbs)



FCBC Christian Education Workshop



On Saturday, 24 September 2016, the annual Christian Education Workshop was held, with Dr. David C. Forbes, Sr. as guest speaker. After a hearty breakfast, the workshop began with welcome, scripture, and prayer by Minister Montez Thomas, followed by a historical overview of how to interpret scriptures by Minister John Carter. He reviewed the four types of context within Biblical scriptures:

- Historical context, social context, political context, and literary context

Part one of Dr. Forbes' presentation was on the Urgency of Christian Discipleship, where he began the segment by defining what a disciple is: a committed Christian who is taught and trained in the teachings of Jesus Christ. He defined discipleship as a *continuing, lifelong process of learning and obediently living out the teachings of Jesus Christ, in order to be an effective witness, impacting the world for Christ through Christian character and loving service to others*. When asked what proof we as the workshop participants have that we are Christian disciples, the responses included that we are confessional, we let our light so shine that others will see our good works without telling them, loving God and loving our neighbors as ourselves, serving others willingly, studying the Word, loving without condition, baptized born-again believers in Christ, and committed to service as if it were a paid task. We also concluded that our faith is demonstrated in our walk as we are obedient to God's calling and urging to go out into the world to reconnect those who have lost their way or disconnected from Christ.

Part two of the workshop morphed into a discussion on witnessing, where Dr. Forbes reminded us that witnessing is not an option; it is an obligation of discipleship. As disciples, witnessing should become second nature to us to share with others. We are to pray daily that the Lord uses us as instruments of witness, and show us when and where we may effectively witness to others. In his closing remarks, Pastor Davis concluded that we must see ourselves as sinners saved by grace, and as long as we continue to do the mission work - the kingdom work of God. that is all God requires of us.

Annual Biblical Institute

The Christian Education emphasis series continued with the Annual Biblical Institute, led by guest facilitator, Dr. Victor Davis of Bethlehem Baptist Church, in Richmond, VA. During this three-day series, from Monday – Wednesday, September 26-28th, Dr. Davis focused on the *Dimensions of Spiritual Warfare*, which he defined as the “cosmic conflict waged in the invisible, spiritual realm that is simultaneously fleshed out in the context of the visible, physical realm.” On Monday, he spoke from Ephesians 6:12: *Our battle is not against flesh, but against the authorities, against the world powers of this darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavens.* Dr. Davis concluded that when David prepared to enter battle with Goliath, he was armed with four weapons. He had: (1) a vision of victory, (2) he didn’t allow everyone to speak to his spirit, (3) he claimed his anointing, and (4) he put his situation in God’s hands.

On Tuesday, Dr. Davis spoke from Proverbs 27:17: *As iron sharpens iron, so one person sharpens another,* where he reminded us that iron in this passage speaks of someone in your life who makes you better. He stated that the easiest way to be denied access to where God wants you to go is to surround yourself with people who were not sent/assigned by God. Dr. Davis also talked about the six types of people who are qualified to speak into our lives: (1) comforter, (2) confronter, (3) challenger, (4) counselor, (5) co-benefactor, and (6) celebrator.

On the concluding night, Dr. Davis gave an analogy of being behind someone at a traffic light, and when the light turns green, the driver does not move...they are *stuck at a green light*. There are several reasons why someone may be stuck at the green light in life, including pride, desire clouding discernment, and giving your all and getting nothing in return. What advice should we give to someone who is *stuck at a green light*? Move forward, and pray.

Submitted by Toni McIntosh

C-E-L-E-B-R-A-T-I-O-N...COME ON!

As we celebrate the 132nd anniversary of our beloved First Calvary Baptist Church, let's take a look back at the year 1884...132 years ago:

- Chester A. Arthur was president of the United States
- March 8th: Susan B. Anthony addresses the US House Judiciary Committee arguing for an amendment to the US Constitution granting women the right to vote.
- April 24th: National Medical Association of Black Physicians organizes in Atlanta
- May 1st: Moses Walker becomes the first African American player in major league baseball in US
- June 3rd: John Lynch (R-MS) chosen first black major party national convention chairman
- June 5th: William Sherman refuses Republican Presidential nomination saying "I will not accept if nominated and will not serve if elected" ...hmmm...Trump????

EXTRA-EXTRA.... READ ALL ABOUT IT!

A hand full of baptized believers in Durham, NC desired a place of worship. Being led by the Spirit of God, these worshippers sought a sanctuary, a place where peace and harmony would abide; a place where the joy of the Lord would be expressed openly and freely. Some twenty years after the Emancipation proclamation, no doubt many of these worshippers had themselves been former slaves. They had survived many trials and horrendous brutalities, and now they sought a building where they were free to meet, and to join in prayer and fellowship.

132 years later we, as disciples and members of First Calvary Baptist Church, will forever be grateful for the strength and devotion Almighty God has provided us through that handful of faithful and dedicated Christian servants who paved the way, clearing the path so that we may be free to worship the same God in the same Spirit of Righteousness and Holiness. Let us carry the torch, pass the baton, and uphold the blood-stained banner of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, so that 132 years from now our legacy will be as memorable and cherished as it is today.

Submitted by: Minister Bevelena S. Davis

NOVEMBER: ALZHEIMER'S AWARENESS MONTH

Alzheimer's Disease Facts

Alzheimer's (AHLZ-high-merz) disease is a progressive brain disorder that gradually destroys a person's memory and ability to learn, reason, make judgments, communicate and carry out daily activities. As Alzheimer's progresses, individuals may also experience changes in behavior, such as anxiety, suspiciousness or agitation, as well as delusion or hallucinations.

In late stages, the individuals need help with dressing, personal hygiene, eating and other basic functions. People with Alzheimer's die an average of eight years after first experiencing symptoms, but the duration of the disease can vary from three to 20 years.

Although there is currently no real cure for Alzheimer's, new treatments are on the horizon as a result of accelerating insight into the biology of the disease. Research has also shown that effective care and support can improve quality of life for individuals and their caretakers over the course of disease.

Causes of Alzheimer's Disease

Alzheimer's disease has no known single cause, but the last 15 years research has revealed a great deal about factors that may play a role. Late-onset Alzheimer's, which chiefly affects individuals over the age 65, is the more common form of the illness. The greatest known risk factors for late-onset Alzheimer's are increasing age and a family history of the disease. The likelihood of developing late-onset Alzheimer's approximately doubles every five years after age 65. By age 85, the rate risk reaches nearly 50 percent. Scientists have so far discovered one gene that increases the risk for the late-onset disease.

Diagnosing Alzheimer's Disease

Although Alzheimer's symptoms can vary widely, the first problem that many people notice is forgetfulness severe enough to affect performance at home, at work or in favorite activities. Sometimes the decline in memory may be more obvious to a family or close friend. The Alzheimer's Association encourages everyone who notices these symptoms in themselves or someone close to consult a physician. A skilled physician can diagnose Alzheimer's disease with 90 percent accuracy and provide further intervention.

Treating Alzheimer's Disease

Alzheimer's medication approved by U.S. Food and Federal Drug Administration (FDA) may temporarily delay memory decline for some individuals, but none of the currently approved drugs is known to stop the underlying degeneration of brain cell. One important part of treatment is supportive care that helps individuals and families come to term with the diagnosis.

Impact on Caregivers

Alzheimer's has a major impact on those who help to care for affected individual. More than 70% of people with Alzheimer's live at home, where family and friends provide most of their care. As the disease progresses, it places physical, emotional and financial stress on caregivers as they assume growing responsibilities that may include meeting physical needs, managing daily routines and making important medical and legal decisions. Caregivers are encouraged to seek Alzheimer's Support Group

Impact on Society

An estimated 4.5 million Americans have Alzheimer's. By 2030, when our entire baby boom generation is over 65, the number of Americans with Alzheimer's will soar to levels that may exceed society's ability to absorb the added cost to care for them.

Hope for the Future

Research has gained detailed understanding of basic disease processes at work in the Alzheimer's brain. Experts believe that several processes may offer promising targets for a new generation of treatments to prevent, slow or even reverse damaged to the nerve cells. A strategy to delay the onset of Alzheimer's by five years could halve the number of affected individual over the next fifty years.

Source: Alzheimer's Association, www.alz.org

First Calvary Baptist Church Health and Wellness Ministry
Fredrick A. Davis, Pastor

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God created EVERYTHING!

The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands. Psalm 19:1

David, the Psalmist



Use the words around the thought bubble to write a praise psalm like David did.

Praise the Lord for...

creation stars / space

created beautiful

sunset awesome

sunrise wow

valleys nature

colour praise

rainbow glory

mountains power

universe thank you

sea / waves wonderful

great / greatness heavens (sky)

blue / green earth / world



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS: NOVEMBER 2016 - JANUARY 2017

Each Wednesday:

- Noon Day Prayer, 12:00 p.m.
- Prayer & Praise, 6:45 p.m.
- Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.

Each Sunday:

- Early Worship, 7:45 a.m. Worship, 10:45 a.m./ Children's Church, 10:45 a.m.
- Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.
- Baptism, 10:30 a.m. (1st Sundays)

4th Sundays:

- Intercessory Prayer, 7:00 a.m.

NOVEMBER - PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH

- November 3rd: Senior Lunch & Learn, 10:00 a.m.
- November 8th: Election Day - GET OUT & VOTE!
- November 11th: 25th Pastoral Anniversary Banquet - Meet & Greet-6:30 p.m., Banquet-7:00 p.m. FCBC Fellowship Hall
- November 13th: 25th PASTORAL ANNIVERSARY - One Worship Service, 9:30 a.m. Guest Minister: Dr. Julius Scruggs, Pastor, First Missionary Baptist Church, Huntsville, AL (Former President, National Baptist Conv. USA, Inc.)
- November 24-25th: Thanksgiving Day and Post Holiday - Church Office closed

DECEMBER - FAMILY MONTH

- December 10th: Youth Caroling, 10:00 a.m.
- December 14th: Angel Tree Fellowship, 7:00 p.m.
- December 18th: Christian Education/Music Ministries Annual Christmas Presentation, 9:30 a.m.
- December 21st: Volunteer Appreciation, 7:00 p.m.
- December 24th: Christmas Eve
- December 25th: Christmas Day
- December 26th: Christmas Post Holiday - Church Office closed
- December 31st: NEW YEAR'S EVE - Watchnight Service-10:30 p.m.

JANUARY - LEADERSHIP MONTH

- January 1st: NEW YEAR'S DAY - Church Office Closed
- January 8th: Memorial Sunday
- January 15-16th: Youth MLK Lock-In - CFL&RC at Lyon Park (Begins 6:00 p.m. on Sunday)
- January 16th: MLK Holiday - Church Office Closed
- January 21st: Leadership Retreat
- January 22nd: Leadership Sunday
- January 29th: Couples' Sunday



The FCBC Food Pantry is ALWAYS TAKING NON-PERISHABLE FOOD DONATIONS. Things like peanut butter, jelly, pasta, pasta sauce, rice, canned veggies (ALWAYS NEEDED), and ramen noodles.

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- *Are you a writer? Do you aspire to the likes of Langston Hughes, Zora Neale Hurston, James Baldwin, or Nikki Giovanni?
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Are you an up-and-coming Gordon Parks, Lorna Simpson, Carrie Mae Weems, or John H. White?
*Do you have a talent for editing?
- *Do you have an eye for proofreading?



- *Are you a wiz at graphic design, or possess a talent for visual presentations?

If you answered “yes” to any of these questions, the Calvary Chronicle is in need of your talents!



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The following individuals completed New Disciples' Class and received the Right Hand of Fellowship (since 07 August 2016):

Sophia Cook
Shauna Duffie
Sherman Duffie
Christian Gunn
D'Andra Martin
Demitric Martin
LaNita Martin
Timothy Stevons

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