



September 17, 2017
7:45 a.m. & 10:45 a.m. Worship

CHURCH NEWS

FROM PASTOR DAVIS: BEFORE I SAY I DO: We are registering for Before I Say I Do, October 2017-June 2018...First Sundays, 3:00 p.m.–4:00 p.m. This class is highly recommended for those Biblical couples that are engaged, considering marriage, or seriously dating, whether or not Pastor Davis will perform your marriage ceremony. Email info@firstcalvary.org by September 24th to register.

DEACON FAMILY BIBLE STUDY UNITS THIS WEEK: Deacons Hatcher, Squires, & Lipscomb.

PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND OUR ANNUAL BIBLICAL INSTITUTE on Monday-Wednesday, September 25th-27th! Our Guest Minister is Dr. Victor Davis and each session will begin at 7:00 p.m. There will be classes for our youth and children as well.

CARES & CONCERNS: Until further notice, when you have family cares and concerns, prayer requests, and upcoming medical procedures, please call the church office directly or email info@firstcalvary.org.

On Saturday, October 7, 2017, the National Alumni Association of Hillside High School, would like to invite you to join them in recognizing Pastor Davis as a recipient of this year's NAAHHS Friend of Hillside Service Award. The Cabaret will be at the Durham Hilton on Hillsborough Road. Tickets are \$50.00 each. For more information on tickets or advertising, please call (919)824-9630 (Dr. Vincent Allison) or email naahhs@gmail.com or fstoney16@yahoo.com.

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 4, "How to Grow as a Christian".

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION HELPERS: The Christian Education Workshop is THIS SATURDAY, September 23rd at 8:45 am. If you have not done your RSVP to attend the exciting event, you may do so by emailing Minister John Carter at carter@firstcalvary.org. Simply include in body of message: "RSVP CHRISTIAN EDUCATION WORKSHOP 2017". Your presence will be an addition to the success of this event. The nursery will open at 9:45 a.m. for children AGES 3–7. Hope to see you there!

ANNUAL BIBLICAL INSTITUTE: In a post-modern culture, to ask someone if they believe in God is like asking are you on a diet. Of course we all eat—that's our diet. Comparatively, many people believe in God, the question then becomes, which god they believe in? You are invited to be a part of a dynamic discussion on how to defend your faith in a polytheistic culture at our Annual Biblical Institute, September 25th–27th, 7:00 p.m. There will be activities for youth ages 5 and up.

FOR MEN'S HEALTH...GET IN THE GAME: MEN, come out to the 2017 Men's Health Initiative and get your FREE onsite prostate screening, along with free blood pressure checks, diabetes risk-assessments, and other disease screenings. Saturday, September 30th, 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., Lincoln Community Health Center (1301 Fayetteville Street) and Sunday, October 1st, 12:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m., Duke Primary Care Croasdaile (1821 Hillandale Road, Suite 24B). No appointment necessary. For more details, call (919)684-0409. Men, get in the game...KNOW YOUR SCORES!

ATTENTION COLLEGE STUDENTS & PARENTS: FALL LOVE OFFERING forms are now available. In order to better track receipt of the forms, we are asking that you submit your form online only. Please refer to Scholarship@FirstCalvary.org for the form. The Scholarship Ministry will not be accepting paper copies this year. Please feel free to contact the Scholarship Ministry with any questions.

IS YOUR MONEY FUNNY: Need some help with your finances? Need help creating a budget in preparation for the holidays? The FCBC Financial Ministry will resume workshops & seminars to help you, starting in October 2017. We would love your input and are always looking for volunteers to participate in this Ministry. If you are interested in any way, meet at church on September 25th at 6:30 p.m. to plan upcoming and future Financial Events. For details, contact Sisters Kim Doggett (kdoggett@nc.rr.com) or Lori Gibbs (lsjgibbs@gmail.com).

COMING SOON: FCBC 2017 WHOLE FAMILY CONFERENCE- "It's All in the Family" (Romans 12: 9-13). Please join us at 7:00pm to learn tools for managing each of our relationships within the entities we call "Family" (home, church, and community). October 4th: "Defining Family", October 11th: "Home", October 18th: "Church", October 25th: "Community". Topics include: Effective Communication & Respect, Conflict Resolution & Crisis Management, Healthy Priorities & Boundaries, Love in Action, and Community Transition. A light dinner will be served each night starting at 6:00 p.m. All are welcome to attend.

LET US PRAY: Join us Wednesday mornings at 7:00 a.m. for midweek prayer and devotion. Call 712-432-1001, enter access code 494132935.

IT'S TUTOR TIME! Project FINE is available for tutoring 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. each Saturday at the CFL&RC at Lyon Park. The program follows the traditional school year calendar. Parents, help your children get off to a good start by enrolling them in this free program. Help is available in all areas, in enrichment and remediation. We are also in need of qualified tutors. For more information or to volunteer, contact Sister Elnora Shields at (919)688-7833.

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.

HOSPITAL & CARE FACILITY

Sis. Mary Lee Elliott	Eno Assisted Living 5600 N. Roxboro Road 27712
Bro. Charles Joyner	Pruitt Health 3100 Erwin Road
Sis. Gussie Langley	Carver Living Center 303 E. Carver Street 27704
Sis. Delphine Lemon	Hillcrest Rehab Center 1417 W. Pettigrew Street 27705
Bro. Frank Lloyd	Duke Regional Rehab
Sis. LaConya Thorpe	Duke University Hospital
Sis. Rebecca Williams	Spring Valley Homes Living Center 3811 Wake Forest Road 27703

AT HOME CARE

Sis. Mary Bolling	2330 Taylor Street	27703
Sis. Ruthie Crisp	609 Shannon Road, Chapel Hill	27516
Sis. Shirley Elliott	2903 South Roxboro Street	27707
Sis. Wilhemenia Foster-Long	309 Pearson Drive	27713
Sis. Eliza McCrimmon	901 Chalk Level Rd., Apt. B-4	27707
Sis. Gwen Smith	1326 Elmset Lane	27713
Dea. John Smith	1405 Timber Wolf Drive	27713
Bro. Charles Stanfield	2117 Baycourt Trail, Hillsborough	27278
Sis. Mary Strayhorn	1205 Moreland Avenue	27707
Sis. Joyce Wall	2330 Taylor Street	27703

MUSIC MINISTRY REHEARSAL SCHEDULE

MON. & THURS.-September 18th & 21st Male Chorus- 7:00pm
TUES.- September 19th Praise Team- 6:30pm

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

SUNDAY

7:00 am	Intercessory Prayer Service (4 th Sun)	Sanct
9:30 pm	Discipleship Orientation Class	LIB
1:15pm	Health & Wellness Ministry (2 nd Sun)	CR I
1:15 pm	Evangelism Ministry (2 nd Sun)	CR II
1:15 pm	Daughters of Calvary (3 rd Sun)	CR II
1:15 pm	Computer Ministry (2 nd Sun)	CR III
4:00 pm	Associate Ministers (each 2 nd Sun)	CR II
5:00 pm	Deacons & Trustee Ministry Mtg. (2 nd Sun)	CR III/LIB
6:30 pm	Official Leadership Team (2 nd Sun)	FH

MONDAY

6:00 pm	Tots of Praise Rehearsal (after 1 st)	CRM
6:30 pm	Psalm 150 (after 3 rd & 4 th Sun)	CRM
6:30 pm	Young Adult Choir (after 2 nd Sun)	CRM
6:30pm	Children's Church Committee (after 2 nd Sun)	LIB
6:30 pm	Sunday School Teachers (1 st Mon)	CR I
6:30 pm	Calvary's Anointed/Vessels of Praise	FH/Sanct
7:00pm	Entrepreneur Ministry (1 st Mon)	CR III
7:00pm	Visionary Ministry (3 rd Mon)	LIB
7:30pm	Male Chorus (after 2 nd & 3 rd Sun)	CRM
7:30pm	Young Adult Choir (before 3 rd Sun)	CRM

TUESDAY

6:00pm	Scouting Ministry (every other Tues)	ALL AREAS
6:30pm	Hospitality Ministry (2 nd Tues)	CR I
6:30pm	Praise Team	CRM
6:30pm	Circle of Care (COC) (2 nd Tues-Quarterly)	LIB
6:30pm	Video Ministry (4 th Tues)	Balcony
7:00pm	Male Summit (Tuesday after 3 rd Sun)	LIB
7:30pm	Music Council (2 nd Tues)	CR II
7:30pm	The Encouragers (1 st Tues)	CR III

WEDNESDAY

12:00pm	Noon Day Prayer	LIB
6:30pm	Prayer and Praise Service	FH
7:00pm	Bible Study	FH & CR

THURSDAY

6:00pm	Nursery Ministry (1 st Thurs)	Nursery
6:30pm	Calvary's Anointed/Vessels of Praise	FH/Sanct
6:30pm	Beautification Committee (2 nd Thurs)	CR I
6:30pm	Couples' Ministry (4 th Thurs)	CR II
6:30pm	Youth Council (4 th Thurs)	CR I
6:30pm	ACT Ministry (3 rd Thurs)	CR I
6:30pm	Young Adult Ministry (3 rd Thurs)	CR II
7:00pm	Singles in Love with Christ (4 th Thurs)	LIB
7:00pm	Sunday Service Choir Rehearsal	CRM
7:30pm	Drama Ministry	CR III

SATURDAY

9:30am	Pearls of Praise (2 nd Sat)	CRM
10:00am	Scholarship Ministry (before the 2 nd Sun)	CR II
10:00am	PROJECT F.I.N.E.	CFLR
10:00am	Onesiphorous Prison Ministry (3 rd Sat)	CR I
10:30am	Deaconess Ministry (1 st Sat)	LIB/Sanct
11:00am	Senior Missionary Ministry (3 rd Sat)	LIB
11:00am	Senior Usher & First Aid Ministry (2 nd Sat)	CRM/ Sanct
11:30am	Culinary Arts Ministry (4 th Sat)	LIB

PRAISE & ADORATION

Call to Worship/Scripture.....Minister
John 9: 1-13; 18-25

Prayer.....Deacon

Praise & Worship.....FCBC Praise Team

The Word in Song

The Time of Fellowship

Worship through Movement

Hymn..... #142
"How Great Thou Art"

CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

The Church News (10:45 a.m.).....Sister Rita Murrell

The Greeting (10:45 a.m.).....Sister Jarayon Jackson

The Word in Song

Pastoral Concerns

Offertory Appeal/Prayer

*Offertory Response.....#638
"Doxology"

Offertory Music

CARE & CONCERNS THROUGH PRAYER

The Recognition of Returning Sick/Prayer Concerns

*Hymn of Dedication.....#570
"More Love to Thee"

Altar Call & Prayer.....Minister

The Word in Song

WORSHIP THROUGH INSTRUCTION

** The Sermon.....Pastor Fredrick A. Davis
"THINGS THAT MATTER MOST"
John 9: 1-25

*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**

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

I am honored as Pastor to have such meaningful activities going on in the life of this church. This includes those things that take place within our Christian Education Ministry. September is Christian Education Month at our Church and 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. Bishop Donald Hillard shares this thought in his book entitled, **Church Growth From an African American Perspective**, "Next to preaching the gospel for the purpose of bringing lost people to Christ, nothing the church does is more important than educating believers to become mature, confident, and committed disciples of Christ who are equipped and motivated to change their world and claim their families, friends, workplaces, and communities for God." We emphasize this idea during our Christian Education Month.

This weekend, we will celebrate with our Christian Education events. On September 23rd, the Christian Education Ministry will host the Annual Christian Education Workshop. Christian Education Promotion Sunday will be held on the 24th. Then, we will cap things off with our Annual Biblical Institute, September 25th-27th. 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.

Okay, the seasons are changing! September is over half gone. Soon the holidays will be upon us. As we move forward into the fall, I wanted to share something that was shared with me. We must remember to take time to Drink, Steal, Promise, & Lie: (1) "Drink" from the "Everlasting cup" every day, (2) "Steal" a moment to help someone that needs it, (3) "Promise" that you will be a better person today than yesterday, and last, but not least, (4) when you "lie" down at night thank God you're alive and praise God for His Amazing Grace! First Calvary, never forget that we are AN EXCITING CHURCH EXCITED ABOUT ITS MISSION!

UNITED WAY CAMPAIGN: If you participate in a United Way Campaign, please consider giving to the West End Community Foundation, Inc. Our code is 4060. Thank you.

THE DEACON'S MESSAGE

For the word of the LORD holds true, and we can trust everything he does. He loves whatever is just and good; the unfailing love of the LORD fills the earth. He assigned the sea its boundaries and locked the oceans in vast reservoirs. – Psalm 33:4-5, 7, NLT When something bad happens, or something difficult in our lives occurs, we always want to fast forward to the end. This happened, so I won't be able to do this or that. Mistakes and failures will have you attempting to put different pieces of the puzzle together, to try and make sense of what God is doing. Sorry dear believer that is not how walking in faith works. You may never know the reasons some things happen in your life. God does not owe us an explanation for anything that He does. What we can be certain of is that He loves us. He wants the best for us, and He will stop at nothing to make sure that we know that He can do all things. That may just mean taking you through a valley or two, so that when the time comes, you can appreciate the view from the mountain top. Sure, from the mountain top you can see for miles, and it is quite breathtaking. What we fail to remember at times is that mountain tops are not connected to one another by bridges, but valleys. Even in the valley, there is beauty to be found in your journey, and something to be learned from that perspective.

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:	Gabrielle Gregory/Johnae Carter/ Diamond Gregory
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 10, 2017

Bible Study	104	Sunday School	147	New Members	2
Early Worship	195	Worship Service	230		
Tithes and Offering				\$20,846.98	
Sacrificial Offering				\$755.00	
Children's Church				\$14.51	
Food Pantry				\$235.00	
Scholarship				\$205.00	
Sunday School				\$194.36	
Special Project				\$30.00	
Online Giving				\$ 4,644.00	
Total Giving				\$27,044.85	

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MONTH

September 2017

SUN 3	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
4		LABOR DAY Church Office Closed
6	12:00 noon	Noon Day Prayer
	6:45 PM	Prayer & Praise
	7:00 PM	Bible Study
SUN 10		GRANDPARENT'S DAY
	7:45 AM	Early Morning Worship
	9:30 AM	Sunday School
	10:45 AM	Morning Worship Service
13	12:00 noon	Noon Day Prayer
	6:45 PM	Prayer & Praise
	7:00 PM	Bible Study
15	6:30 PM	COUPLES' LOL EVENT Triangle Dance Studio 2603 S. Miami Blvd. 27703
SUN 17	7:45 AM	Early Morning Worship
	9:30 AM	Sunday School
	10:45 AM	Morning Worship Service
20	12:00 noon	Noon Day Prayer
	6:45 PM	Prayer & Praise
	7:00 PM	Bible Study
23	8:45 AM	CHRISTIAN EDUCATION WORKSHOP
SUN 24		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
25-27	7:00 PM	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.

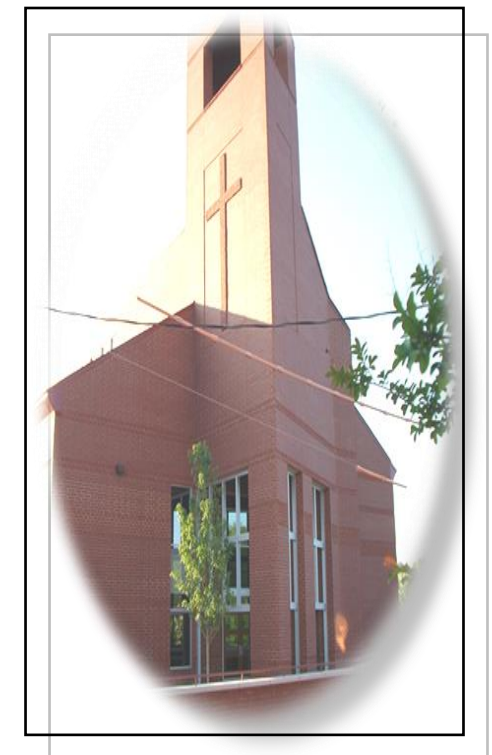
You are invited to join us for Sunday School at 9:30 a.m.!
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The Abbreviated FC Mission Statement:
E³: Empower spiritual lives, Enhance quality of life,
& Evangelize the lost



"An Exciting Church Excited About Its Mission"

Christian Education Month



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September 17, 2017

SUNDAY

Worship- 7:45am & 10:45am

Children's Church-10:45am

Sunday School-9:30am

WEDNESDAY

Noon Day Prayer- 12:00pm

Prayer & Praise- 6:30pm

Bible Study-7:00pm

"DEVELOPING AND LEADING DISCIPLES
INTO SPIRITUAL EXCELLENCE"