

### September 12, 2021 9:30 a.m.

#### **PRAISE & ADORATION**

Praise & Worship......Praise Team

Scripture......Minister

Mark 6:45-56

Prayer.....Deacon

Hymn....#401....."I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"

**CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP** 

**Church Concerns** 

Offering/Giving

Introduction of Guest Minister

The Word in Song

#### **CARE & CONCERNS THROUGH PRAYER**

Pastoral Concerns/ Recognition of Sick/Prayer Concerns

Altar Call & Prayer......Minister

The Word in Song

#### **WORSHIP THROUGH INSTRUCTION**

\*\*The Sermon......Minister Marc Lavarin
Washington, DC

"A REMINDER FOR A RAINY DAY"
Mark 6: 45-56

\*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



### **CHURCH NEWS**

FROM PASTOR DAVIS: Come to Bible Study! Join us on Facebook and Zoom (Meeting ID: 932 281 4455, Password: 573710) on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.!

<u>HURRICANE IDA RELIEF:</u> If you have immediate family members that were affected by Hurricane Ida, please email Pastor Davis.

It's that time again! From October 'til June, on the first Sundays at 3:00 p.m., we will have our <u>Before I Say I Do</u> Class. The class is open for couples (married and engaged) who are considering marriage according to biblical mandate. Interested? Sign up by emailing info@firstcalvary.org. The deadline to register is September 30<sup>th</sup>.

The Church Office and Building are still on limited access during the week. Please be prepared to practice "Social Spacing", and YOU WILL NEED TO STILL WEAR A MASK.

YOU ARE WELCOME TO COME BACK TO CHURCH FOR WORSHIP ON SUNDAY! Remember if you are coming back: WEAR YOUR MASKS....be ready and cooperative with social spacing...use the provided hand sanitizer....take your temperature with your wrist...our number of Worshippers is limited.....and we highly recommend that you are fully vaccinated. Also, for now we will limit our gathering and congregating in the building and vestibule before and after service. THANK YOU FOR COOPERATING! BE SAFE!

WE WILL ALSO CONTINUE TO HAVE LIVE STREAMING OF WORSHIP SERVICE VIA THE CHURCH WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK AT 9:30 A.M. EACH SUNDAY UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

Join the Prayer Conference Call on Wednesdays at 7:00 a.m. (712-432-1001, code "494132935#") and Intercessory Prayer (4 $^{\rm th}$  Sundays, 8:00 a.m.)

LET US PRAY: MATURE ADULTS, AGE 60 & UP, join in for "Noon Day" midweek prayer and devotion, EVERY WEDNESDAY at 12:00 p.m. Call 712-432-1000, enter access code 616729948#. Others are invited to attend as well.

CHRISTIAN ED WORKSHOP: Mark your calendars for the Second Annual Virtual Christian Education Workshop, which will be held on September 25 at 9:00 a.m. THIS INVITATION IS EXTENDED TO ALL MEMBERS, especially Christian Education Leaders. The following topics will be presented:

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**EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM** (ERT): Our Trustee Operation & Maintenance Committee is looking for dedicated volunteers for our

Emergency Response Team. The purpose of the Emergency Response Team is to develop plans to protect and provide safety to First Calvary Baptist Church congregation and neighbors within the community in the event of a natural disaster such as a flood, hurricane, etc., human disaster such as an active shooter, hostage situation; or medical emergency. Interested members may contact the Chair of Operations & Maintenance, Trustee Charles Street, at (919)452-5337 or email cstreet1948@gmail.com.

### TRUSTEE OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE VOLUNTEERS:

Can you hold a paint brush, use a screw driver, hammer and willing to assist in doing some minor repairs around the church? Then we need you, male, female, young or seasoned. Interested? Then please contact the Chair of Operations & Maintenance, Trustee Charles Street, at (919)452-5337 or email <a href="mailto:cstreet1948@gmail.com">cstreet1948@gmail.com</a>.

LAWN CARE SERVICE CONTRACTOR: We are currently seeking Lawn Care Contractors, must have Workmen Compensation and Liability Insurance. Interested persons should please contact the Chair of Operations & Maintenance, Trustee Charles Street, at (919)452-5337 or email <a href="mailto:cstreet1948@gmail.com">cstreet1948@gmail.com</a>.

2022 YOUTH LOCK IN: The 2022 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Youth Lock-In will be held January 16-17, 2022 at the Community Family Life & Recreation Center at Lyon (1309 Halley St. Durham, NC 27707). Youth ages 12 years to high school senior are invited to register online at <a href="https://www.firstcalvary.org/">https://www.firstcalvary.org/</a> forms/view/39413. The deadline to register is December 30, 2021. Registration is limited. The event is scheduled to be in person, adhering to all CDC guidelines, but will pivot to virtual as warranted by COVID-19. Face masks will be required.

#### **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** 

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Sis. Dorothy Blakeney	Parkview Health & Rehab Center	
	1716 Legion Road Chapel Hill, NC 2751	.7
Sis. Mary Bolling	Carver Living Center	
	303 E. Carver Street 27704	
Sis. Shirley Elliott	Duke University Hospital	
Baby Kannon Lassiter	Duke University Hospital	
Sis. Brenda Lyde	Pruitt Health	
	3100 Erwin Road 27705	
Sis. Hattie Tyson	Pettigrew Rehab Center	
	1515 W. Pettigrew Street 27704	
Bro. Michael Wilson	Tower Rehab	
	3609 Bond Street Raleigh, NC 27604	
	AT HOME CARE	
Sis. Mary Bailey	1505 Palmers Grove Church Rd, Hillsbrough	27278
Sis. Betty Borden	718 Wortley Drive	27713
Sis. Dolli Bradford	2239 Alpine Road	27707
Min. Rosa Centry	2417 Faucette Avenue	27704
Sis. Wilhemenia Foster-Long	309 Pearson Drive	27713
Sis. Shirley Jackson	2420 Glenbrook Drive	27707
Sis. Mary Liverman	4302 Stonehenge Rd., Greensboro	28406
Bro. Frank Lloyd	7 Gwendolyn Circle	27703
Sis. Willie McCullers	856 Ember Avenue	27703
Sis. Rachelle Nelums	723 Melanie Street	27704
Sis. Judy Randall	704 Berwyn Avenue	27704
Dea. John Smith	1405 Timber Wolf Drive	27713
Sis. Conya Thorpe	2801 Ross Road	27703
Bro. Kevin Young	1027 Moreland Avenue	27707

### 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

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CR I

CR II

CR II

7:00 am Intercessory Prayer Service (4<sup>th</sup> Sun)

Discipleship Orientation Class

Evangelism Ministry (2<sup>nd</sup> Sun)

Daughters of Calvary (3<sup>rd</sup> Sun)

Health & Wellness Ministry (2<sup>nd</sup> Sun)

9:30 pm

1:15pm

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	Daughters of Calvary (3.4 Sun)	CK II
1:15 pm	Computer Ministry (2 <sup>nd</sup> Sun)	CR III
4:00 pm	Associate Ministers (each 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sun)	CR II
5:00 pm	Deacons & Trustee Ministry Mtg. (2 <sup>nd</sup> Sun)	CR III/LIB
6:30 pm	Official Leadership Team (2 <sup>nd</sup> Sun)	FH
	MONDAY	
6:00 pm	Tots of Praise Rehearsal (after 1st)	CRM
6:30 pm	Psalm 150 (after 3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Sun)	CRM
6:30 pm	Young Adult Choir (after 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sun)	CRM
6:30pm	Children's Church Committee (after 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sun)	LIB
6:30 pm	Sunday School Teachers (1st Mon)	CR I
6:30 pm	Calvary's Anointed/Vessels of Praise	FH/Sanct
7:00pm	Entrepreneur Ministry (TBA)	CR III
7:00pm	Visionary Ministry (3 <sup>rd</sup> Mon)	LIB
7:30pm	Male Chorus (after 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sun)	CRM
7:30pm	Young Adult Choir (before 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sun)	CRM
•	TUESDAY	
6:00pm	Scouting Ministry (every other Tues)	ALL AREAS
6:30pm	Hospitality Ministry (2 <sup>nd</sup> Tues)	CR I
6:30pm	Praise Team	CRM
6:30pm	Circle of Care (COC) (2 <sup>nd</sup> Tues-Quarterly)	LIB
6:30pm	Beauty for Ashes	LIB
7:00pm	Male Summit (Tuesday after 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sun)	LIB
7:30pm	Music Council (2 <sup>nd</sup> Tues)	CR II
7:30pm	The Encouragers (1 <sup>st</sup> Tues)	CR III
	WEDNESDAY	Civ iii
12:00pm	Noon Day Prayer	LIB
6:45pm	Prayer and Praise Service	FH
7:00pm	Bible Study	FH & CR
	THURSDAY	
6:00pm	Nursery Ministry (1st Thurs)	Nursery
6:30pm	Calvary's Anointed/Vessels of Praise	FH/Sanct
6:30pm	Beautification Committee (2 <sup>nd</sup> Thurs)	CR I
6:30pm	Couples' Ministry (4 <sup>th</sup> Thurs)	CR II
6:30pm	Youth Council (4 <sup>th</sup> Thurs)	CR I
6:30pm	ACT Ministry (3 <sup>rd</sup> Thurs)	CR I
6:30pm	Young Adult Ministry (3 <sup>rd</sup> Thurs)	CR II
7:00pm	Singles in Love with Christ (4 <sup>th</sup> Thurs)	LIB
7:00pm	Sunday Service Choir Rehearsal	CRM
7:30pm	Drama Ministry	CR III
7.50pm	SATURDAY	CIVIII
9:30am	Pearls of Praise (2 <sup>nd</sup> Sat)	CRM
10:00am	Scholarship Ministry (before the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sun)	CR II
10:00am	PROJECT F.I.N.E.	CFLR
10:00am	Onesiphorous Prison Ministry (3 <sup>rd</sup> Sat)	CP I
10:30am	Deaconess Ministry (1st Sat)	LIB/Sanct
11:00am	Senior Missionary Ministry (3 <sup>rd</sup> Sat)	LIB/Salict
11:00am	Senior Usher & First Aid Ministry (2 <sup>nd</sup> Sat)	CRM/ Sand
11:30am	Culinary Arts Ministry (4 <sup>th</sup> Sat)	LIB
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### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



Happy Grandparents' Day to all of the grandmothers & grandfathers (including Pastor and Mrs. Davis)!

Do you know what today is? Well, 44 years ago I preached my initial sermon on the second Sunday in September in 1977...September 11<sup>th</sup> to be exact. That sermon was entitled "NOT DISOBEYING THE HEAVENLY VISION". One of my childhood friends sent me a picture of a time when I preached back at my home church, New Mount Olive Baptist Church, Fort Lauderdale, Florida... I remember Mrs. Key writing a poem about my Call! I also remember Mrs. McKelton making a plaque with a picture of me during that time. Wow! How time flies and, if I keep a living, how time will pass us by!

I have been reminded that God's vision for me...and for this Body of Faith....is real and viable. Our obedience gives God the capacity to bless us....so let's put our hand to the spiritual plow and watch Him grow the harvest! Join me in prayer that God will continue to use me as a vessel to disseminate the truth of God's Word to God's People. I accepted the call to Preach, and I keep Paul's words from Romans 10 in my mind, "How can they Preach except they've been sent and How can they Hear without a Preacher...." And speaking of a Preacher....we welcome Minister Marc Lavarin to our Worship today.

This is also a special day because it's Grandparent's Day! Grandparents are the ones who are responsible for passing on wisdom, values, legacy, and principles, from generation to generation, to help the youngsters lead a better and more fulfilling life. Oh, and playing...lots and lots of playing ©! So, Happy Grandparents' Day to all the biological and adopted Grandparents, from Pastor Davis, GDaddy, and Mrs. Davis, GrandD!

Later this month, prepare to join our Christian Education Ministry at the Annual Christian Education Workshop, being held VIRTUALLY on September 25<sup>th</sup>. We encourage, invite, and are looking for all of our leaders, ministers, officers, Christian Education workers and volunteers, and our Church membership to be at this event. I read once that "Listening to a sermon in the corporate worship service is not enough to facilitate true growth. Discipleship also needs to happen on the personal level, one-on-one with fellow believers, in small groups, and in midsize groups. Each of these levels offers a different dynamic to the growth process." This supports our idea that it's not enough to be in church on Sunday, now virtually or physically. We need....you need....to be at Bible Study and Sunday School....to enhance your discipleship....and said, recently "Discipleship someone Matters"....hmmmm, now WHO was that? There is nothing to harvest, without sowing...so let's do our part....and let's continue to be AN **EXCITING CHURCH EXCITED ABOUT ITS MISSION!** 

### THE DEACON'S MESSAGE

Things would go more smoothly in our lives if we made a conscious decision to let some things go. We hang on to mistakes, failures and broken promises as if holding on to them would make the outcome different. When we allow this to happen regularly it begins to cloud our view of the world and the people God places in our path. The beauty of having a relationship with Christ is that it brings us into a world of grace. Christ forgives us when we make mistakes and that same forgiveness and grace should be extended to the people we encounter. Proverbs 17:9, NLT puts it this way: "Love prospers when a fault is forgiven, but dwelling on it separates close friends." Sometimes it is just easier to let it go and forgive. Isn't that what grace is all about?

### STEWARDSHIP STATISTICS

Our Tithes & Offerings must be \$33,367.00 per Sunday to meet our budget. Thank you for giving!

September 5, 2021

Bible Study 112 Sunday School 42 New Members N/A In-Person Worship 105 Worship Service (Streaming) 280

Tithes and Offering	\$20,381.73
Sacrificial Offering	\$510.00
Food Pantry	\$198.00
Scholarship	\$235.00
Children's Church	\$6.00
Sunday School	\$33.00
Online Giving	\$20,594.77
<b>Total Giving</b>	\$41,958.50

### **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MONTH**

### September 2021

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1	7:00 PM	Bible Study Stream on Facebook & Via Zoom
SUN 5	9:30 AM	Worship Service Stream on Facebook & Website
8	7:00 PM	Bible Study Stream on Facebook & Via Zoom
SUN 12		GRANDPARENTS' DAY
	9:30 AM	Worship Service Stream on Facebook & Website
15	7:00 PM	<b>,</b>
		Stream on Facebook & Zoom
<b>SUN 19</b>	9:30 AM	Worship Service
		Stream on Facebook & Website
22	7:00 PM	Bible Study
		Stream on Facebook & Zoom
25	9:00 AM	CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
		WORKSHOP
		Via Zoom
<b>SUN 26</b>		CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
		PROMOTION SUNDAY
	9:30 AM	Worship Service
		Stream on Facebook & Website
30	7:00 PM	Bible Study
		Stream on Facebook & Zoom

TODAY'S MINISTRY THROUGH SERVICE				
Music:	Praise Team			
<b>Director of Music Ministries:</b>	Minister Michael Dotson			
Percussionist:	<b>Brother Andre Sanders</b>			
Saxophonist:	Brother Lynwood Jones			
Videographers:	Sister Hilary Fearrington/			
	Dr. Toni McIntosh			
Audio Team (1 per Sunday):	Brother Ivan Holloway/ Deacon			
	Darryll Gadson/ Deacon Xavier			

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.

**Derrick Garrett** 

Cason/ Brother Michael Hill/

**Deacon Calvin Squires/ Brother** 

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First Calvary Baptist Church, Durham, NC

### The Abbreviated FC Mission Statement: $\mathbf{E}^3$ :

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



"An Exciting Church Excited About Its Mission"

## Celebrating the Blessing of **Grandparents**



### Christian Education Month

1311 Morehead Avenue Durham, NC 27707 **(919)** 489-4184 FAX (919) 489-3565

www.firstcalvary.org

Fredrick A. Davis, M.DIV., D.D., Pastor **September 12, 2021** 

#### **SUNDAY**

Worship-9:30am Sunday School-11:00am

### **WEDNESDAY**

Bible Study-7:00pm

"EMPOWERING DISCIPLES WITH GOD'S VISION"

First Calvary Baptist Church Fredrick A. Davis, Pastor Minister John Carter, Sr., Minister of CE



FCBC Sunday School: Women's Class

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87051820331

Join by Telephone +1 929 205 6099

Meeting ID: 835 7734 7893 \*No password needed

FCBC Sunday School: Men's Class

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82971940163?pwd=MUVU OGdPRHY5VXBFSGhaVmsrN3lvZz09

Meeting ID: 829 7194 0163 \*No password needed

FCBC Sunday School: Singles Class

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82186642323?pwd=TlNKV EZ2UWgyclhOZVdacXpKUm1Zdz09

Meeting ID: 821 8664 2323

Password: **353779** 

Dial by your location **929-205-6099** 

Meeting ID: **821 8664 2323** 

Passcode: 353779

FCBC Sunday School: Couples' Class

Join Zoom Meeting

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FCBC Sunday School: Beginner Class

**Ages 3-5** 

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85433735526?pwd=S055Z HU3VWNCTXBBZ1ZocVk3R09OUT09

Meeting ID: **854 3373 5526** 

Passcode: **635090** 

FCBC Sunday School: Primary Class

Ages 6-8

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86871662954?pwd=RFVzK0Z6O1ZsMjVTOS9MSWZ4R0ZPZz09

Meeting ID: **868 7166 2954** 

Passcode: **037674** 

FCBC Sunday School: Junior/Intermediate Class

Ages 9-12

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Meeting ID: **2543615342** Passcode: **175175** 

FCBC Sunday School: Teen Class

**Ages 13-17** 

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81023410603?pwd=RGU1a

TVKTS9Ta29OL3VhOzd2ZE1Udz09

Meeting ID: 810 2341 0603

Passcode: **515700** 

FCBC Sunday School: Young Adult Class

Ages 18-25

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9862394139

Meeting ID: 986 239 4139 \*No password is required

ALL PARENTS: The Sunday School Ministry invites you and your child to join Zoom Sunday School Classes for children ages 5 to 17. We understand the taxing effect of ZOOM, but this is an opportunity to share with your child knowledge of Jesus. Allow us to assist you with your child's the spiritual formation. (See church website for listing of all ZOOM Sunday School Classes each Sunday at 11:00 am).

### **SERMON NOTES**




JOIN US FOR BIBLE STUDY....

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You can also see previous bulletins.
Stay Connected with the Church!!

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### CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

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### **OUR GUEST MINISTER Minister Marc Lavarin**



Rev. Marc Antoine Lavarin serves as an Assistant Minister at the historic Alfred Street Baptist Church in Alexandria, VA, under the leadership of the Rev. Dr. Howard-John Wesley. As a proud Bostonian, Rev. Lavarin completed his undergraduate studies at Northeastern University, graduating cum laude with a Bachelor of Science degree in Political Science, concentrating in Public Policy and Administration.

Upon graduating, he was selected to be a part of Teach for America's Massachusetts cohort, where he taught 5th and 6th grade History. While teaching, Rev. Lavarin earned his Master of Education degree from Boston University. After two years of teaching, Rev. Lavarin submitted to the call of ministry by completing his Master of Divinity degree at Duke University. At Duke, Rev. Lavarin received the Martin Luther King Jr. scholarship, granted to incoming students committed to the work of social justice.

Upon the completion of his degree, Rev. Lavarin was ordained at the Evangelical First Haitian Baptist Church of Worcester, Massachusetts, under the direction of his father, Rev. Antoine Lavarin. Currently, Rev. Lavarin is pursuing a Doctorate of Ministry degree in Educational Leadership from Virginia Theological Seminary concentrating on the influence of the Black Church on K-12 education. Rev. Lavarin is a published author, with his newest book chapter contribution "Let the Schoolhouse Say Amen: The Pedagogical Congruency Between the Black Church and Critical Literacy", set to be published by Information Age Publishing Company. Rev. Lavarin's passion lies at the intersection of faith, education, and policy, where he hopes to inspire communities to be moral and ethical agents of change.

Rev. Lavarin is married to his best friend, Barbara Lavarin, who hails from Brooklyn, NY and is an ordained minister and gifted poet. Together they hope to inspire communities and people to discover their potential and purpose! First Calvary Baptist Church ◆Fredrick A. Davis, Pastor

### The Power of Teachable Moments

A rainbow, a tube of toothpaste, a holiday dinner — how can these ordinary things be used to teach kids about the Bible? They can all be used to illustrate a "teachable moment." The teachablemoment method of faith building enlightens your children about God in a way that captures their attention and changes their lives. No lectures. No manuals. No rolling of the eyes. No kidding!

### Your children will learn biblical principles that they'll never forget.

A "teachable moment" is like creating an on-thespot commercial for biblical principles using simple, everyday language and familiar objects. If you see a beautiful tree growing near a lake, for example, you can point it out and say to your child, "Isn't that tree magnificent? God says that people of faith are like that tree. Trees stay strong because they grow near the water. People stay strong when they grow closer to God." A teachable moment gives you the resources to make the Bible relevant to your children today, right now, this very moment. They can be incorporated into any family routine, no matter how busy. Teachable moments require no preparation. In fact, they often work best when you're driving in the car or just having plain old fun with your children.

### Three Ingredients to Teaching Without Preaching

A teachable moment requires three simple ingredients. The first is an open relationship between the parent and child. Second, you need a catalyst — an event or object that illustrates the spiritual point. A catalyst is the conversation starter, the reason the teachable moment is occurring at that specific time and place. Often the catalyst is an everyday object like a bridge or a mousetrap. Or it

can be some big milestone in your child's life, like baptism.

Third, a teachable moment requires a biblical truth. The truth can be a Bible fact, a truth about God's character, or insights into living a life of faith. You can gather a lot of truths through personal Bible study.

-Marianne K. Hering

First Calvary Baptist Church Fredrick A. Davis, Pastor

# Donations for HAITI

We are a collection site for the Haiti Relief Effort for the month of September. The NC Haitian Women Coalition, the Haitians of the Triangle and the Buffalo Soldiers Motorcycle club are sponsoring a collection drive.

### Items needed:

Flash lights
Batteries (all sizes)
Toothbrushes & Toothpaste
Combs
Baby Bottles (plastic)
Pacifiers
Diapers
Baby Wipes
Soap
Tylenol
Hand Sanitizer
Bandages
Deodorant
Shampoo
Lotion

Bring items to the Church by September 30th.

