

ENHANCING AND EQUIPPING DISCIPLES TOWARDS MISSIONAL CHANGE

- EPHESIANS 4:11-13

"AN EXCITING CHURCH EXCITED ABOUT ITS MISSION"

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A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR



To My First Calvary Baptist Church Family:

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"AND HE HIMSELF GAVE SOME TO BE APOSTLES, SOME PROPHETS, SOME EVANGELISTS, AND SOME PASTORS, AND TEACHERS, FOR THE EQUIPPING OF THE SAINTS FOR THE WORK OF MINISTRY, FOR THE EDIFYING OF THE BODY OF CHRIST, TO A PERFECT MAN, TO THE MEASURE OF THE STATURE OF THE FULLNESS OF CHRIST;...."

- EPHESIANS 4:11-13

THE YEAR OF 2022 WILL BE AN EXCITING YEAR IN THE LIFE OF FIRST CALVARY BAPTIST. As our Church Motto states, "WE ARE AN EXCITING CHURCH EXCITED ABOUT ITS MISSION!", and during this year our Church Theme will center itself around the subject "EQUIPPING DISCIPLES TOWARDS MISSIONAL CHANGE". Our scriptural verse is taken out of Ephesians 4: 11-13. For several years our thematic focus has been around Discipleship. Last year our focus was EMPOWERING DISCIPLES WITH GOD'S VISION, and with the upcoming year of my departure as Pastor of First Calvary Baptist Church, and the anticipation of the Pastor Elect, we believe that God is pleased with where we are as a Church. We believe that

God is moving is forward, and we are ready to accept a new theme of Enhancing and Equipping Disciples Towards Missional Change.

As I speak of Missional Change, it is the work of Christ more so than the work of the church, that is the most important work in times like these. The Late Dr. Manuel Scott, Sr., who I remember clearly as young preacher, once said, "A Church on maintenance rather than on mission is trafficking in lukewarmness. A church applauding mediocrity, pleased at performing below its possibilities, is in the throes of lukewarmness. A church obsessed with its history and oblivious to high hopes is tied to lukewarmness." (The Quotable Manuel Scott, Sr.: Words from a Gospel Genius.)

In his book, <u>A Divine Assignment: The Missiology of Wendell Clay Somerville</u>, Dr. David Goatley, writes that, "...The Black Church must think Black but act colorless...and there must be a robust missional vision for the Black Church where it must carry out its obligations and opportunities to live into its "Divine Assignment". As we gather each week we must not confine our work, which is Christ Work, to the narrow four walls. As Goatley states "Too many churches are trying to confine Jesus to their little narrow four walls. Our walls are not high enough to contain Him. They are too thin to confine Him. If we would join Him as the Seeker and Savior of mankind, we must move outside the four walls of our comfortable churches, out in the open out on the frontiers, and make our abodes in tents." (Goatley: A Divine Assignment)

After 30 years of ministry work here at First Calvary the time has come for us to pass the baton to the next servant of Jesus Christ. As we say farewell to First Calvary Baptist Church, we shall never forget the work nor the people of God which came into fruition by the aid of the Holy Spirit! In this year's calendar we are going to highlight the essential workers in the Ministry Life of this congregation. Included in each month is our Scriptural reference that you may feast on and become familiar with each day.

Finally, I have so much to say and so short space to write in but let me say and write **THANK YOU! OKAY,** That's a mouthful...and it's a blessing I leave with each of you. In all seriousness, know that I Love You...and I have loved you since the date of August 26, 1991, when I first started officially as Pastor. Now the time has come for me to depart in this year of 2022, but never forget that we are always, "AN EXCITING CHURCH EXCITED ABOUT ITS MISSION!"

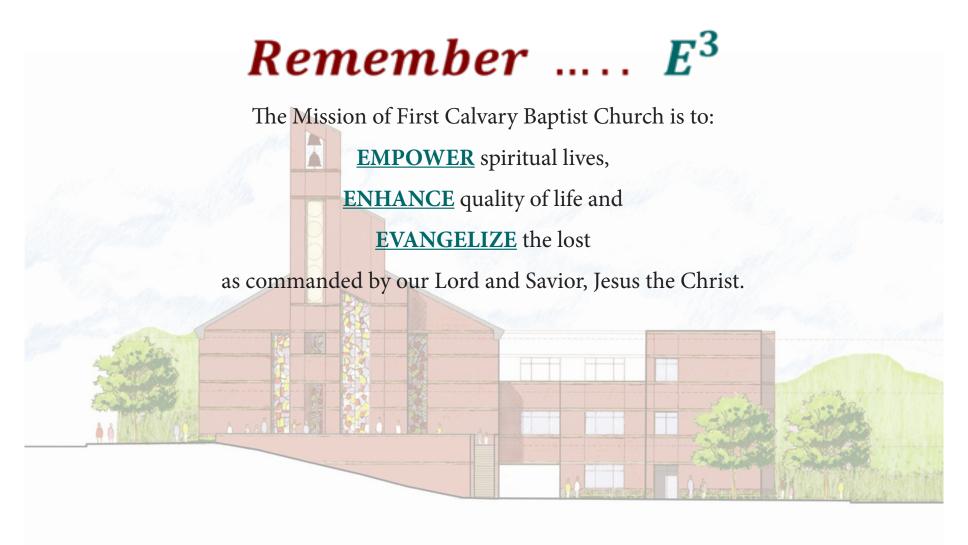
If you're happy and you know it...say Amen!"

Yours in That Blessed Hope!

Fredrick A. Davis, Pastor pastor@firstcalvary.org www.firstcalvary.org

CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT

FCBC is a local body of Christ which seeks to <u>empower the spiritual lives</u> of the people of Durham and its vicinity. It serves as a community-based congregation serving people of all socioeconomic standards, <u>enhancing their quality of life</u> by ministering to the whole person. We are committed to an <u>evangelistic thrust</u> which is centered around the biblical application of the principles and teachings of Jesus Christ."



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FIRST CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH Ministry Meeting Schedule

* Please contact the Ministry Chair for confirming of meeting time and location

| SUNDAY | | MEDNECDAY | |
|--|---------------------------|---|------------------------------------|
| 7:00 a.m. Intercessory Prayer (4th Sunday) | Sanctuary | 12:00 p.m. Noon Day Prayer | Library |
| 9:30 a.m. Discipleship Orientation Class | Library | 6:45 p.m. Payer and Praise Service | Fellowship Hall |
| 1:15 p.m. Evangelism Ministry (2nd Sunday) | Classroom II | 7:00 p.m. Bible Study | Fellowship Hall/Classrooms |
| | | 7:00 p.m. Bible Study | renowship Han/Classrooms |
| 1:15 p.m. Health & Wellness (2nd Sunday) Classroom I | | | |
| 1:15 p.m. Daughters of Calvary (3rd Sunday) | Classroom II | | |
| 1:15 p.m. Computer Ministry (2nd Sunday) | Classroom III | 2000 | |
| 4:00 p.m. Associate Ministers (2nd Sunday) | Classroom II | | |
| 5:00 p.m. Deacons & Trustee Ministry (2nd Sunday) | Classroom III/Library | | |
| 6:30 p.m. Official Leadership Team (2nd Sunday) | Fellowship Hall | | |
| MONDAY | | THURSDAY | |
| 6:00 p.m. Tots of Praise (after 1st) | Choir Room | 6:00 p.m. Nursery Ministry (1st Thursdays) | Nursery |
| 6:30 p.m. Psalm 150 (after 3rd & 4th Sunday) | Choir Room | 6:30 p.m. Calvary's Anointed/Vessels of Praise | Fellowship Hall/Sanctuary |
| 6:30 p.m. Young Adult Choir (after 2nd Sunday) | Choir Room | 6:30 p.m. Beautification Committee (2nd Thursday) | Classroom I |
| 6:30 p.m. Children's Church Committee (after 2nd Su | nday) Choir Room | 6:30 p.m. Couples' Ministry (4th Thursday) | Classroom II |
| 6:30 p.m. Sunday School Teachers (1st Monday) | Classroom I | 6:30 p.m. Youth Council (4th Thursday) | Classroom I |
| 6:30 p.m. Calvary's Anointed/Vessels of Praise | Fellowship Hall/Sanctuary | 6:30 p.m. ACT Ministry (3rd Thursday) | Classroom I |
| 7:00 p.m. Entrepreneur Ministry (1st Monday) | Classroom III | 6:30 p.m. Young Adult Ministry (3rd Thursday) | Classroom II |
| 7:00 p.m. Visionary Ministry (3rd Monday) | Library | 7:00 p.m. Singles in Love with Christ (4th Thursday) | Library |
| 7:30 p.m. Male Chorus (after 2nd & 3rd Sunday) | Choir Room | 7:00 p.m. Sunday Service Choir Rehearsal | Choir Room |
| 7:30 p.m. Young Adult Choir (before 3rd Sunday) | Choir Room | 7:30 p.m. Drama Ministry | Classroom III |
| | | Marie Anna Carlo | Territo, le constitución |
| <u>TUESDAY</u> | | SATURDAY | A LONG HALL BE STORY AND A CHARLES |
| 6:00 p.m. Scouting Ministry (every other Tuesday) | All Areas | 9:30 a.m. Pearls of Praise (2nd Saturday) | Choir Room |
| 6:30 p.m. Hospitality Ministry (2nd Tuesday) | Classroom I | 10:00 a.m. Scholarship Ministry (before 2nd Sunday) | Classroom II |
| 6:30 p.m. Praise Team | Choir Room | 10:00 a.m. PROJECT F.I.N.E. | CFL&RC at Lyon Park |
| 6:30 p.m. Circle of Care (COC) (2nd Tuesday- Quarte | erly) Library | 10:00 a.m. Onesiphorus Prison Ministry (3rd Saturday) | Classroom I |
| 6:30 p.m. Beauty for Ashes (4th Tuesday) | Library | 10:30 a.m. Deaconess Ministry (1st Saturday) | Library/Sanctuary |
| 7:00 p.m. Male Summit (after 3rd Sunday) | Library | 11:00 a.m. Senior Ushers & First Aide (2nd Saturday) | Choir Room/Sanctuary |
| 7:30 p.m. Music Council (2nd Tuesday) | Classroom II | 11:00 a.m. Senior Missionary Ministry (3rd Saturday) | Library |
| 7:30 p.m. The Encouragers (1st Tuesday) | Classroom III | 11:30 a.m. Culinary Arts Ministry (4th Saturday) | Library |































JANUARY 2022

LEADERSHIP MONTH

WORSHIP 9:30 AM

"Join with me in suffering, like a good soldier of Christ Jesus. 4 No one serving as a soldier gets entangled in civilian affairs, but rather tries to please his commanding officer.

— 2 Timothy 2:3-4

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|--|---|-----|--|-----|-----|----------------------------|
| | | | | | | New Year's Day |
| 2 BAPTISM | (Church Office Closed) | 4 | 5 Church Conference 7:00 pm | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| | | CI | TYWIDE REVIV | | | |
| 9 Memorial Sunday | 10 | Ш | Noon Day Prayer 12:00 pm Prayer & Praise 6:45 pm Bible Study 7:00 pm | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| 16 | MLK Holiday Observance (Church Office Closed) | 18 | Noon Day Prayer 12:00 pm Prayer & Praise 6:45 pm Bible Study 7:00 pm | 20 | 21 | 22 Leadership Summit |
| MLK YOUTH 23 Leadership Sunday INTERCESSORY PRAYER 7:00 AM | 24 | 25 | 26 Noon Day Prayer 12:00 pm Prayer & Praise 6:45 pm Bible Study 7:00 pm | 27 | 28 | 29 |
| 30 | 31 | | | | | |
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FEBRUARY 2022

AFRICAN-AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH WORSHIP 9:30 AM

"Dark am I, yet lovely, daughters of Jerusalem, dark like the tents of Kedar, like the tent curtains of Solomon." — Song of Solomon 1:5

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------|-----|--|-----|--------------|---|
| | | I | Groundhog Day Noon Day Prayer 12:00 pm Prayer & Praise 6:45 pm Bible Study 7:00 pm | 3 | 4 | 5 Honoring Our Elders Luncheon |
| 6 BAPTISM | 7 | 8 | Noon Day Prayer 12:00 pm Prayer & Praise 6:45 pm Bible Study 7:00 pm | 10 | COUPLES' EVE | I 2 ENT/SIMULCAST |
| 13 Scholarship Sunday | I 4 Valentines Day | 15 | Noon Day Prayer 12:00 pm Prayer & Praise 6:45 pm Bible Study 7:00 pm | 17 | 18 | I 9 |
| 20 Young Adult Sunday | 2 I Presidents Day | 22 | 23 Noon Day Prayer 12:00 pm Prayer & Praise 6:45 pm Bible Study 7:00 pm | 24 | 25 | 26 |
| 27 INTERCESSORY PRAYER 7:00 AM | 28 | | | | | |



























MARCH 2022

STEWARDSHIP MONTH

WORSHIP 9:30 AM

"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.

— 1 Peter 4:10

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|---|-----|-----|--|-----------------------------|-----|--|
| | | I | Noon Day Prayer 12:00 pm Prayer & Praise 6:45 pm Bible Study 7:00 pm | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 6 Prove Me/All Tithers' Sunday BAPTISM | 7 | 8 | Noon Day Prayer 12:00 pm Prayer & Praise 6:45 pm Bible Study 7:00 pm | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| I3 Scouting Sunday Time Changes | 14 | 15 | Noon Day Prayer 12:00 pm Prayer & Praise 6:45 pm Bible Study 7:00 pm | I 7 St. Patrick's Day | 18 | George Smith/ WECF,Inc. Annual Golf Tournament 8:30 am |
| 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 Noon Day Prayer 12:00 pm Prayer & Praise 6:45 pm Bible Study 7:00 pm | 24 | 25 | 26 |
| 27 Sacrificial Sunday 9:30 am INTERCESSORY PRAYER 7:00 AM | 28 | 29 | 30 Noon Day Prayer 12:00 pm Prayer & Praise 6:45 pm Bible Study 7:00 pm | 31 | | |



































APRIL 2022

WOMANHOOD MONTH WORSHIP 9:30 AM

"The Lord announces the word, and the women who proclaim it are a mighty throng."

— Psalm 68:11

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | | | April Fool's Day | 2 |
| 3 BAPTISM | 4 | 5 | Noon Day Prayer 12:00 pm Prayer & Praise 6:45 pm Bible Study 7:00 pm | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| I O Palm Sunday | II | 12 | Noon Day Prayer 12:00 pm Prayer & Praise 6:45 pm Bible Study 7:00 pm | I 4 Maundy Thursday Service 7:00 pm | Tax Day Good Friday (Church Office Closed) | 16 Passover Spring Festival |
| 17 Resurrection Sunday | 18 | 19 | 20 Noon Day Prayer 12:00 pm Prayer & Praise 6:45 pm Bible Study 7:00 pm | 21 | 22 Hour of Power 12:00 noon | 23 Womanhood Wordshop |
| 24 Celebration of Womanhood Sunday INTERCESSORY PRAYER 7:00 AM | 25 | 26 | 27 Noon Day Prayer 12:00 pm Prayer & Praise 6:45 pm Bible Study 7:00 pm | 28 | 29 | 30 |































MAY 2022

REVIVAL & EVANGELISM MONTH WORSHIP 9:30 AM

"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

— Acts 1:8

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|-------------------------------------|--|-----------|--|--------------------------------|-----|-----|
| BAPTISM | 2 | 3 | Noon Day Prayer 12:00 pm Prayer & Praise 6:45 pm Bible Study 7:00 pm | 5 National Day of Prayer | 6 | 7 |
| 8 Mother's Day | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 |
| | SPRIN | G REVIVAI | - 7:00 PM | | | |
| 15 | 16 | 17 | Noon Day Prayer 12:00 pm Prayer & Praise 6:45 pm Bible Study 7:00 pm | 19 | 20 | 21 |
| 22 NTERCESSORY PRAYER 7:00 AM | 23 | 24 | 25 Noon Day Prayer 12:00 pm Prayer & Praise 6:45 pm Bible Study 7:00 pm | 26 | 27 | 28 |
| 29 | 30 Memorial Day (Church Office Closed) | 31 | | | | |

































JUNE 2022 YOUTH MONTH WORSHIP 9:30 AM

"Remember your Creator in the days of your youth, before the days of trouble come and the years approach when you will say, I find no pleasure in them."

— Ecclesiastes 12:1

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | Noon Day Prayer 12:00 pm Prayer & Praise 6:45 pm Bible Study 7:00 pm | 2 | 3 | 4 Brainstorming Event |
| 5 BAPTISM | 6 | 7 | Noon Day Prayer 12:00 pm Prayer & Praise 6:45 pm Bible Study 7:00 pm | 9 | 10 | II |
| I 2 Graduation & Recognition Sunday | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | I 8 Family Fun Day |
| Sunday | | VAC | ATION BIBLE SC | HOOL | | |
| I 9 Father's Day Juneteenth | 20 | 21 | 22 Noon Day Prayer 12:00 pm Prayer & Praise 6:45 pm Bible Study 7:00 pm | 23 | 24 | 25 |
| | | | | | YOUTE | I WEEKEND |
| 26 Youth Sunday Youth Songfest 4:00 pm INTERCESSORY PRAYER 7:00 AM | 27 | 28 | 29 Noon Day Prayer 12:00 pm Prayer & Praise 6:45 pm Bible Study 7:00 pm | 30 | | |

































JULY 2022

MANHOOD MONTH WORSHIP 9:30 AM

"Be on your guard; stand firm in the faith; be courageous; be strong. Do everything in love."

— 1 Corinthians 16:13-14

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|---|--------------------------|-----|--|--|-----|-----------------------------|
| | | | | | I | 2 |
| 3 BAPTISM | 4 Independence Day | 5 | Noon Day Prayer 12:00 pm Prayer & Praise 6:45 pm Bible Study 7:00 pm | 7 Quarterly Church Conference 7:00 pm | 8 | 9 |
| 10 | 11 | 12 | Noon Day Prayer 12:00 pm Prayer & Praise 6:45 pm Bible Study 7:00 pm | 14 | 15 | 16 |
| 17 Men's Songfest | 18 | 19 | 20 Noon Day Prayer 12:00 pm Prayer & Praise 6:45 pm Bible Study 7:00 pm | 21 | 22 | 23 Lifebuilders' Conference |
| 24 Sacrificial/ Celebration of Manhood Sunday INTERCESSORY PRAYER 7:00 AM | 25 | 26 | 27 Noon Day Prayer 12:00 pm Prayer & Praise 6:45 pm Bible Study 7:00 pm | 28 | 29 | 30 |
| 31 | | | | | | |

































AUGUST 2022

MISSION MONTH

WORSHIP 9:30 AM

"Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up."

— Galatians 6:9

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | I | 2 | Noon Day Prayer 12:00 pm Prayer & Praise 6:45 pm Bible Study 7:00 pm | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| 7 BAPTISM | 8 | 9 | Noon Day Prayer 12:00 pm Prayer & Praise 6:45 pm Bible Study 7:00 pm | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| I 4 Missions Sunday | 15 | 16 | Noon Day Prayer 12:00 pm Prayer & Praise 6:45 pm Bible Study 7:00 pm | 18 | 19 | 20 |
| 2 I JCSU Alumni Concert 4:00 pm | 22 | 23 | 24 Noon Day Prayer 12:00 pm Prayer & Praise 6:45 pm Bible Study 7:00 pm | 25 | 24 | 27 |
| 28 INTERCESSORY PRAYER 7:00 AM | 29 | 30 | Noon Day Prayer 12:00 pm Prayer & Praise 6:45 pm Bible Study 7:00 pm | | | |

































SEPTEMBER 2022

EDUCATION MONTH

WORSHIP 9:30 AM

"The heart of the discerning acquires knowledge, for the ears of the wise seek it out." — Proverbs 18:15

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | | I | 2 | 3 |
| 4 BAPTISM | 5 Labor Day (Church Office Closed) | 6 | Noon Day Prayer 12:00 pm Prayer & Praise 6:45 pm Bible Study 7:00 pm | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| II Grandparents Day | 12 | 13 | Noon Day Prayer 12:00 pm Prayer & Praise 6:45 pm Bible Study 7:00 pm | 15 | 16 | 17 |
| 18 | 19 | 20 | Noon Day Prayer 12:00 pm Prayer & Praise 6:45 pm Bible Study 7:00 pm | 22 | 23 | 24 Christian Education Workshop |
| 25 Christian Education Promotion Sunday INTERCESSORY PRAYER 7:00 AM | 26 | 27 | 28 Noon Day Prayer 12:00 pm Prayer & Praise 6:45 pm Bible Study 7:00 pm | 29 | 30 | |





































OCTOBER 2022

CHURCH ANNIVERSARY MONTH

WORSHIP 9:30 AM

"But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light."

— 1 Peter 2:9

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|--|----------------------------|-----|---|---|-----|-----|
| 2 BAPTISM | 3 | 4 | Noon Day Prayer 12:00 pm Prayer & Praise 6:45 pm Whole Family Conference 6:30 pm | Quarterly Church Conference 7:00 pm | 7 | 8 |
| 9 | I O Columbus Day | П | Noon Day Prayer 12:00 pm Prayer & Praise 6:45 pm Whole Family Conference 6:30 pm | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| 16 | 17 | 18 | Noon Day Prayer 12:00 pm Prayer & Praise 6:45 pm Whole Family Conference 6:30 pm | 20 | 21 | 22 |
| 23 138 th Church Anniversary/ Sacrificial Sunday INTERCESSORY PRAYER 7:00 AM | 24 | 25 | 26 Noon Day Prayer 12:00 pm Prayer & Praise 6:45 pm Whole Family Conference 6:30 pm | 27 | 28 | 29 |
| 30 | 3 I Harvest Festival | | | | | |































NOVEMBER 2022

PASTOR'S APPRECIATION MONTH WORSHIP 9:30 AM

"Now we ask you, brothers and sisters, to acknowledge those who work hard among you, who care for you in the Lord and who admonish you.

Hold them in the highest regard in love because of their work.

Live in peace with each other."

— 1 Thessalonians 5:12-13

Tue Wed Thu Sun Mon Fri Sat 3 5 Noon Day Prayer 12:00 pm Prayer & Praise 6:45 pm Bible Study 7:00 pm 12 8 9 10 **BAPTISM** Noon Day Prayer 12:00 pm Veterans **Election Day Time Changes** Prayer & Praise 6:45 pm Day Bible Study 7:00 pm 13 15 17 18 19 14 16 **Pastoral** Noon Day Prayer 12:00 pm Prayer & Praise 6:45 pm **Anniversary** Bible Study 7:00 pm 20 22 25 26 21 23 24 **Thanksgiving** No Bible Study or (Church Office Closed) **Noon Day Prayer** (Church Office Closed) 27 28 29 30 INTERCESSORY Noon Day Prayer 12:00 pm **PRAYER** Prayer & Praise 6:45 pm 7:00 AM Bible Study 7:00 pm



























DECEMBER 2022

FAMILY MONTH

WORSHIP 9:30 AM

"Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins."

— 1 Peter 4:8

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | | I | 2 | 3 |
| 4 BAPTISM | 5 | 6 | Noon Day Prayer 12:00 pm Annual "Bring a Pot" Fellowship 7:00 pm | 8 | 9 | I O Youth Caroling Event |
| II | 12 | 13 | Noon Day Prayer 12:00 pm Volunteer Recognition Event | 15 | 16 | 17 |
| 18 Christmas Presentation | 19 | 20 | 2 I No Bible Study or Noon Day Prayer | 22 | 23 | 24 Christmas Eve (Church Office Closed) |
| 25 Christmas Day INTERCESSORY PRAYER 7:00 AM | 26 ChristKwanzaa (Church Office Closed) | 27 | 28 No Bible Study or Noon Day Prayer | 29 | 30 | 3 New Year's Eve Watchnight Service 10:00 pm |

Ministry HELPS, Ministry WORKS

ACT MINISTRY

Our ministry was instrumental in continuing to provide support to our care partners and collecting cleaning supplies for ACRA during the pandemic.

BEAUTIFICATION MINISTRY

The Beautification ministry provided a welcoming environment to uplift the spirits of the community and worshippers during a dark time within our world through the planning and management of interior decor and landscape assets.

CALVARY CHRONICLE

The Calvary Chronicle has maintained connectivity with its readers throughout the pandemic by informing them of upcoming FCBC happenings and providing a recap of ministry events. This ministry sought to provide a window into events held during the pandemic to those unable to attend in person or virtually through photos and event summaries.

CHURCH CELEBRATIONS

Our ministry work provides a security blanket to the congregation letting them know that we are still standing strong as a united church even during a pandemic such as this. Our ministry work reminds the congregation that they are not forgotten and how they are appreciated by giving them a gift of appreciation.

CHURCH STAFF

The First Calvary Church Staff has NEVER stopped working during the Pandemic. The only change in Church daily work was for 6 weeks, when the staff worked from home and had a "staggered schedule" in the building. From there on, the Church Staff worked, and has worked, every day, every week, every month in this Pandemic at the Church. We have been diligent to remain safe, but the work of Vocational Ministry has still gone on. We have served in over 25 funerals during the Pandemic, from set up, to music, to pulpit duty, to parking, to working with the families and funeral homes, to food service. We have welcomed and served limited guests during the entire Pandemic. The Church bulletin has continued, the music done each week, the building cleaned and sanitized, prayer calls continued, the Church financials done each week, Church notifications sent, Sunday School and Bible Study continued, and MUCH MORE, all due to the dedication and hard work of the FCBC Church Staff. We are committed to God and honor Him in Vocational Ministry at First Calvary...and have continued to do so safely in the past 2 years (and beyond) of the Covid-19 Pandemic.

COMPUTER MINISTRY

The ministry was instrumental in helping the church by installing new wi-fi system for better connection during in-house service, Zoom and Facebook virtual meeting as well as during office hours for staff. We ordered, setup new computers and updated software for the staff. Helped in setting up the security around the church building and installed new financial software for the church so that tithes and offering could be counted each Sunday.

CULINARY ARTS MINISTRY

God has blessed this ministry to remain faithful even during the pandemic. This ministry under the leadership of Deaconess Maggie Jacobs has been able to continue providing words of spiritual encouragement as well as natural food to our bereaved FCBC families during funerals. We also support the food pantry with weekly donations as we continue to adhere to all Covid-19 guidelines.

DAUGHTERS OF CALVARY

The ministry has supported the food pantry with donations of food and monetary donations during the pandemic. We have also continued outreach to our sick and shut-in with greeting cards to let them know they are in our thoughts and prayers. Daughters of Calvary pursue mentoring and supporting a special youth within the church and in our ministry. We celebrated her monumental moment, graduating from high school!

DIACONATE MINISTRY

The ministry held different types of fellowships as a way to keep in touch with family members. Socially distanced gatherings included virtual meetings, brunches, and luncheons.

Deacons and Deaconess Gadson, Poole, Cason, and Gibbs held a fellowship walk and talk at Solite Park. During the fellowship, they discussed benefits of walking, even during a pandemic. Members were then encouraged to walk together, at their own pace, as they chatted with Diaconate family members. Healthy snack bags were given out after the walk.

FINANCIAL EDUCATION MINISTRY

Kenneth and Lori Gibbs were instrumental in leading a session on financial education for tomorrow to participants in Whole Family Conference. Implementing biblical principles and money concepts about savings, tithing, debt elimination, budgeting, and maximizing your money to reach financial goals.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS

The ministry started out with Senior's prayer call hour. During this time, seniors were able to chat with some of their friends they had not seen or heard from during the pandemic and also cover prayer

requests and devotional time. We also held two Lunch and Learn events drive-through editions. Because of COVID, we could not meet, so to keep the seniors engaged, by being able to stop at a few stations to get health information about staying active during Covid and they would get a meal. The seniors were so thrilled with this idea because they were able to see their church members and Pastor again.

One last thing we did with the seniors was bingo nights. Almost once a month, we would host bingo on zoom with the seniors. This was so much fun and beyond hilarious. This also made for a fun event because the seniors got a chance to see each other and talk a lot of junk. There were prizes and all. Although at the beginning of the pandemic, it was difficult to lead any ministry, the seniors made all of the great ideas worthwhile.

— Minister Treyvon Sinclair

I embarked upon this journey at FCBC as Minister to Mature Adults, Health & Wellness in August, 2021.

Our ministry has been very instrumental in helping others during this pandemic season by continuing the Mature Adults 60 and above every Wednesday Noon Day Prayer interceding on behalf of others. Let me just say this that the Power of Prayer Still Works! "The effectual fervent prayers of a righteous man availeth much" — James 5:16

The petitions are numerous from bereaved families to those battling Covid, addictions, depression, strongholds, singles, marriages, parent/child relationships and the list goes on....But Our God has been faithful and we have witnessed souls come to Christ, miracles, healings and comebacks.

We have made numerous phone calls, sent numerous cards to encourage and yes we are planning to do more(Lunch & Learns, conferences, let's move-low impact and advanced exercise classes in 2022 etc.

— Minister Emma Harper

HOSPITALITY MINISTRY

The ministry hopes to provide an atmosphere of love and fellowship for everyone who enters the church doors during this time. Trusting you can still feel the warmth and see our smiles behind our face mask. We tried to ensure to our church family that you are thought about and cared for by the Valentine's Day and Thanksgiving Day church-wide promotions, teaming up with the Young Adult Ministry to send care packages to college students and sending our seniors Christmas cards.

Ministry HELPS, Ministry WORKS

INTERCESSORY PRAYER MINISTRY

The Intercessory prayer ministry saw a marked increase in attendees as we prayed our way through 2020 and 2021. Many prayed through the Zoom platform as a way to connect, feel the connection with others and God.

MLK YOUTH LOCK-IN

The Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. virtual event allowed youth to engage with one another after a year of being apart. The pandemic inspired creativity, and expanded the mission of the lock-in to reach beyond the state lines of North Carolina.

MUSIC MINISTRY

The music ministry is continuing to share encouragement through the message of song. We have been choosing songs that have a message of hope. It has not been easy singing every Sunday, but God has blessed us to rise every Sunday and take our place to stand in the power of God's might. Pray that we continue.

PEARLS OF PRAISE (POP)

The POP ministry is the teaching component of the womanhood ministry, we meet every 2nd Saturday at 9:30 am; teaching and discussing biblically, also current topics and events, providing information designed to improve and encourage our daily walk with God and all others. Just as the beautiful pearl is formed in an oyster's mouth through personal irritations and pain: we learn how to use those irritations, (sometimes painful) issues in our lives to become Pearls of Praise in our daily lives to Glorify Almighty God.

SCHOLARSHIP MINISTRY

Our ministry work during the Pandemic was instrumental in that the love offering we gave to the college students twice a year gave them a little boost when they may have needed it the most. It also allowed them to know that their church family was thinking and praying for their continued success. A little can go along way!

SCOUTING MINISTRY

Troop/Pack 108 of the First Calvary Baptist Church, Scouting Ministry participated in the "Scout National Trash Day" Community Service Event. The scouts picked up trash in the West End Community. Our goal was to get the scouts engaged while helping to keep our community clean during these uncertain time.

TRUSTEE MINISTRY

The COVID-19 pandemic presented many challenges for our church. Our priority was to protect the safety of our members, guests and vendors. We constantly review CDC, state and local government guidelines to ensure compliance. To reduce the spread of COVID,

we purchased fogging disinfectant machines, to keep the air as clean as possible, wall thermometers and other personal protection equipment (PPE). We worked closely with the office staff to develop instruction and protocols for tracking to prevent spread of the virus, thus providing safety and comfort. Our ministry continues to focus on being good stewards over our financial blessing. We successfully obtained a Paycheck protection program (PPP) loan, did not have to pay back, allowing us to build our savings and continue to meet our financial obligations.

USHER AND FIRST AIDE MINISTRY

In March 2020 there was much concern about the spreading of the virus. However in March 2021 when it was learned that church service would resume with "limited seating" I called all the ushers to seek those available and willing to serve at the 9:30 am service. With 23 ushers we returned to duty and have been serving every Sunday being available for funerals and special events, some ushers serving two or even three times a month. We are making every attempt to keep in step with our motto to provide a comfortable and safe worship place for First Calvary members and their guests.

VIDEO MINISTRY

The Video ministry work has played an integral part in leading people into a new or growing relationship with Jesus Christ. We are also helping to keep the spiritual connection of our church members and others across the world, healthy by making sure the weekly worship services are available for live streaming on various social media platforms and also recorded for post-production viewing on the local cable station for Raleigh, Durham and Chapel Hill viewers. Our goal is to bridge the social distance gap created by the pandemic through the use of our technology tools.

VISIONARY MINISTRY

Our ministry emphasis for 2021 was to continue sharing the good news, God's love and the pastor's vision during this pandemic and unprecedented times using whatever creative outreach platforms / strategies needed to meet the needs of the congregation – including keeping the people connected and encouraged.

WORSHIP THROUGH MOVEMENT

The ministry continued to reach out to our young people through devotion and virtual practices. This kept them along with the parents engaged and encouraged to stay in the Word individually and collectively. We utilized social media platforms to worship virtually through mime and dance. Our graduating seniors also had an opportunity to showcase their gifts during Worship Service before going off to college.

YOUTH COUNCIL MINISTRY

The Youth Council continued planning activities and mission opportunities during the pandemic that allowed our children and youth to stay actively engaged; Not only did we make sure they were consistent with fun activities, but we also made sure that youth had opportunities to be engaged in Bible study, health, and college readiness.

Both virtual and in-person activities included: MLK Jr. Youth Lockin and Black History Museum, Durham Bulls Games, Movie Night at Durham Bulls Stadium, Coin-Drive, Mobile Market, Friday Night Live Youth Showcase, Youth Month Conference, Black Leadership and Family Conference at Ridgecrest, Seniors Night at Frankies and Bad Daddy's and Harvest Festival.

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

The Young Adult Ministry has been instrumental in seeking to engage and uplift members of the First Calvary young adult population, and the Durham community, during the COVID-19 pandemic. Our mission remains to facilitate the spiritual development of our current and prospective members through Biblical study, prayer and fellowship. We invite all individuals, ages 18-38, to join our many activities held through-out the year!

























