



May 14, 2023
9:30 a.m.

CHURCH NEWS

PRAISE & ADORATION

Praise & Worship.....Praise Team
 Scripture.....Minister
 Prayer..... Deacon
 Hymn.....#553.....“Learning to Lean”

CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

Church News
 Offertory Prayer
 Offering/Giving
 Offertory Song

CARE & CONCERNS THROUGH PRAYER

Pastoral Concerns/ Recognition of Sick/Prayer Concerns
 Altar Call & Prayer

The Word in Song

WORSHIP THROUGH INSTRUCTION

****The Sermon.....Minister Torie Forte
 Associate Minister, FCBC**

*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.



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

FROM PASTOR LAVARIN: DISCOVER THE VISION HAPPENS EVERY WEDNESDAY, at 7PM. This is at Bible Study time, but it's so much more than Bible Study! In-Person (please wear a mask) and on Zoom and Facebook. Join in the discussion and let's "Discover the Vision" together!

LADIES ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE WOMEN'S BAPTIST HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY CONVENTION ON THE FINAL DAY, WEDNESDAY, JULY 26TH. PASTOR LAVARIN WILL BE THE GUEST PREACHER FOR THE CLOSING SESSION AT 10AM. THE EVENT WILL BE HELD ON THE CAMPUS OF FAYETTEVILLE STATE UNIVERSITY IN FAYETTEVILLE, NC. Email lindsay@firstcalvary.org to register and ride the Church Bus to the event. Please wear white and register today as seats are VERY limited. Car driving is welcome, however, please still send an email of your attendance as there will be reserved seating for First Calvary at the service.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY: The Hospitality Ministry would like to wish the mother's, bonus moms and special mother figures in our lives a Happy Mother's Day. We hope you enjoy the special token of appreciation you have received today, along with a special rose from the church.

RIDGECREST 2023—(July 17-21) REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN TO MINISTRY LEADERS. The Family Conference encourages, equips, and inspires. Please contact the Church Office for details. Availability is limited and openings are on a first come, first served basis. Registration is open until all slots are filled. The last day to be considered is **May 21, 2023.**

WE ARE LOOKING FOR YOU...AND WE NEED YOU! Come join the Emergency Response Team Security Unit. If you are interested in or have a background in Security, we need you on our team. Flexible schedule rotations to work with your availability. Please contact Brother Charles Currin at (910)448-8763 or the Church Office at (919)489-4184. Come join the team!!

THE HONORING OUR ELDERS DRIVE THROUGH EVENT will be held in the FCBC Parking Lot on Saturday, May 20th, 11:30am-1pm. Mature Adults, 65 years and over, come join us and drive through. **RSVP HAS BEEN EXTENDED TO TODAY....SO YOU CAN STILL GET ON THE LIST!** Contact Deaconess Angela Privette (919-414-2119), Deaconess Denise Guerrier (919-724-8168), or Deaconess Monica Perry (919-801-8698). **PLEASE REGISTER TODAY!**

ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS: All Graduating High School Seniors will need to make an appointment to have a zoom meeting with Pastor Marc Lavarin to receive their graduation stipend. **This meeting will need to take place the first week of June 2023. Please contact Mrs. Lindsay at lindsay@firstcalvary.org to schedule your appointment.**

ATTENTION ALL KINDERGARTEN, HIGH SCHOOL, COLLEGE GRADUATES, AND POST GRADUATES: The graduate information form for the upcoming 2023 graduates can be found on the Scholarship Ministry web page. Please fill out the form and submit it to scholarship@firstcalvary.org no later than May 28, 2023 at 5:00pm. Go to www.firstcalvary.org click on Ministries click on Discipleship then select Scholarship and you will see the 2023 Graduate Information Form.

ALL FCBC PARENTS/STUDENTS: Please complete a student

achievement Form and return to the Scholarship Ministry email, scholarship@firstcalvary.org by Sunday, June 4, 2023. Accomplishments will be highlighted on Youth Sunday, June 25, 2023. Academic accomplishments of ALL children, teens, and adults are encouraged to be submitted. Thank you so much for your attention and participation. Go to www.firstcalvary.org click on Ministries click on Discipleship then select Scholarship and you will see the 2023 Student Achievement Form.

IT'S VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL TIME AGAIN AT FIRST CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH. Children age Birth to 18 years are admitted free from June 14 - 16 starting at 5:00 for dinner. Our theme this year is Twists & Turns - Following Jesus Changes The Game" Psalm 25:4. Don't worry adults, we have a class for you too. This week of food and exciting learning opportunities is free of charge and open to everyone. Also, if you would like to serve during these three days as a teacher, teacher's assistant, work with Culinary Arts, please contact Sister Mary Gilmer at wibbie.gilmer@gmail.com or (919)358-9279.

FROM THE COMMUNITY: Want to see families in our community thrive? Come alongside The Village Durham, a local nonprofit organization dedicated to supporting families in crisis in an effort to keep kids out of foster care. Sign up for our next volunteer training at www.thevillagedurham.org. For more information about The Village Durham and how you can help, contact Sister Meaghan Langston at connect@thevillagedurham.org or (919)308-1244.

Hey Parents, the Guest Room/Family Room on the balcony level is now available for baby changing and baby nursing during worship service. Also, remember, other restrooms throughout the facility have baby-changing tables available.

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. Rochelle Nelums	Pruitt Health Erwin Road 27707
Bro. Michael Wilson	Tower Rehabilitation & Nursing Center 3609 Bond Street Raleigh, NC 27604

AT HOME CARE

Sis. Mary Bailey	1505 Palmers Grove Church Rd, Hillsborough	27278
Bro. Danny Blackwell	1 Lucas Drive	27703
Sis. Iris Blackwell	1 Lucas Drive	27703
Sis. Betty Borden	718 Wortley Drive	27713
Sis. Blanche Burgess	3901 Hulon Drive	27705
Sis. Brenda Carter	5 Rush Court	27713
Dea. Larry Carver	602 Crestview Drive	27712
Sis. Wilhemenia Foster-Long	117 Briarhaven Drive	27703
Deacns. Cynthia Gadson	708 Ainsley Court	27713
Sis. Anita Hill	19 Juliette Drive	27713
Sis. Shirley Jackson	2420 Glenbrook Drive	27707
Sis. Deborah Jolly	904 Arnette Avenue	27701
Sis. Mary Liverman	6 Warfield Court, Greensboro	27406
Bro. Frank Lloyd	7 Gwendolyn Circle	27703
Sis. Princess Matthews	1127 Briar Rose Lane, Apt. 103	27704
Sis. Bettie Sanders	323 Crooked Creek Parkway	27713
Dea. John Smith	1405 Timber Wolf Drive	27713
Sis. Lillie Trice	1 Duck Pond Court	27703
Sister Zandra Turner	816 Tumeric Lane	27713
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

7:00 am	Intercessory Prayer Service (4 th Sun)	Sanct
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 (TBA)	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	Beauty for Ashes	LIB
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	Conf. Call
6:30pm	Youth Bible Study	Zoom
7:00pm	Bible Study	Zoom/FB

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
6:30pm	Emergency Response Team (ERT)	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

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Good Morning First Calvary. Happy Mother's Day to all of the mothers of First Calvary. I am grateful to all of the mother's biologically, spiritually, communally, familiarly, who contribute to the raising of children! Thank you! Both Barbara and I thank you to the number of heart-felt messages we've received! Please continue to keep our new growing family in prayer!

Let me encourage each of you to attend Discover the Vision in-person! On Wednesday, I told the Discover the Vision attendees, that if you have been attending Discover the Vision, you are beginning to catch and understand where the LORD is taking us! I want you to be a part of that too! There is something special happening on Wednesday nights, and I would hate for you to miss it! Spread the word, Discover the Vision is taking place on Wednesday nights! I hope to see you there!

Because of Calvary,
Pastor Marc



THE DEACON'S MESSAGE

Has Jesus come to live in your heart? Have you accepted Him as your Lord and Savior? Accepting Jesus into our lives has a profound impact. In the face of tough times, our burdens seem lighter. When torrential rains pour down threatening to wash away all of your hard work, hope in Christ reminds us the rain will one day cease and the sun will shine again. We know Jesus Christ has the power to make a difference because He is the Son of God. If you are wondering if Jesus can make a difference in your life look at the passage found in Mark 6:56, NASB. "Wherever He entered villages, or cities, or countryside, they were laying the sick in the market places, and imploring Him that they might just touch the fringe of His cloak; and as many as touched it were being cured." A touch from Jesus Christ will change your life forever. When you invite Him into your heart, you too will experience what happens when Jesus is in the city.

STEWARDSHIP STATISTICS

Our **Tithes & Offerings** must be \$36,810.84 per Sunday to meet our budget. Thank you for giving!

May 7, 2023

Discover the Vision **37** Sunday School **68** New Members **N/A**
In-Person Worship **328** Worship Service (Streaming) **128**

Tithes and Offering	\$13,977.22
Sacrificial Offering	\$453.00
Food Pantry	\$65.00
Scholarship	\$100.00
Children's Church	\$4.60
Sunday School	\$73.00
Mortgage	\$5,000.00
Online Giving	\$20,633.14
Total Giving	\$40,305.96

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

TIME FOR THE "MID-WEEK TUNE UP"! Join the Prayer Conference Call on Wednesdays at 7:00 a.m., call 712-432-1001, enter code "494132935#". **This call is led by Pastor Lavarin.** Please ONLY use the above listed number for this Wednesday call. Additionally... **AND THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT....PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT YOUR PHONE IS MUTED ON THE CALL AND YOU CANNOT BE HEARD.**

Come to Intercessory Prayer on the 4th Sundays, 7:00 a.m.-
Zoom Access: Meeting ID: 874 6010 4604, Passcode: 386584.



REMINDER: The FCBC Food Pantry always welcomes donations of non-perishable food items! Types of Items Needed: rice, beans, jelly, peanut butter, cereal, pasta, pasta sauce, canned veggies & fruit, tuna, pickles, soup, ramen noodles, hot dogs, small packs of hamburger, etc.

PLEASE REMEMBER: YOU WILL NEED TO STILL WEAR A MASK WHENEVER YOU COME TO THE CHURCH.

COME BACK TO CHURCH FOR WORSHIP ON SUNDAYS! WE WILL ALSO CONTINUE TO LIVE STREAM WORSHIP VIA THE CHURCH WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK AT 9:30 A.M. EACH SUNDAY UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

REVIVAL & EVANGELISM MONTH

May 2023

3	12:00 PM	PRAYER CALL-MATURE ADULTS
	7:00 PM	DISCOVER THE VISION
6	9:00 AM	NEW MEMBER CONNECT
SUN 7	9:30 AM	Worship Service Stream on Facebook & Website
	11:00 AM	Sunday School on Zoom
10	12:00 PM	PRAYER CALL-MATURE ADULTS
	7:00 PM	DISCOVER THE VISION
SUN 14	9:30 AM	MOTHER'S DAY Worship Service Stream on Facebook & Website
	11:00 AM	Sunday School on Zoom
17	12:00 PM	PRAYER CALL-MATURE ADULTS
20	7:00 PM	DISCOVER THE VISION
	11:30 AM	Honoring Our Elders Drive Through Event
SUN 21	9:30 AM	Worship Service Stream on Facebook & Website
24	12:00 PM	PRAYER CALL-MATURE ADULTS
	7:00 PM	DISCOVER THE VISION
SUN 29	9:30 AM	Worship Service Stream on Facebook & Website
	11:00 AM	Sunday School on Zoom
30		MEMORIAL DAY Church Closed
31	12:00 PM	PRAYER CALL-MATURE ADULTS
	7:00 PM	DISCOVER THE VISION

TODAY'S MINISTRY THROUGH SERVICE

Music:	Praise Team
Director of Music Ministries:	Minister Michael Dotson
Senior Church Musician:	Brother Tony Rhodes
Bass Player:	Brother David Cannady
Percussionist:	Brother Andre Sanders
Saxophonist:	Brother Lynwood Jones
Videographers:	Sister Hilary Fearington/ Dr. Toni McIntosh/ Sister Gail Hendricks
Audio Team (1 per Sunday):	Brother Ivan Holloway/ Deacon Darryll Gadson/ Deacon Xavier Cason/ Brother Michael Hill/ Deacon Calvin Squires/ Brother Derrick Garrett

FACEBOOK: First Calvary Baptist Church, Durham, NC

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.



"An Exciting Church Excited About Its Mission"



Revival & Evangelism Month
"Building Commitment"

May 14, 2023

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SUNDAY-Worship- 9:30am ♦ Sunday School-11am

WEDNESDAY-Mid-Week Tune-Up Prayer Call-7am

Discover the Vision-7pm

"BUILDING ON GOD'S FOUNDATION"

Do You Know?
A Few Biblical
Mothers



Eve: Eve was the first wife and mom. She shared a special relationship with God until she sinned. We have been born with a “sin nature” because of Eve. Read Genesis 3:1-6 and Genesis 3: 20.

Hannah: Hannah was the mom of Samuel, a judge of Israel. She was unable to have children for many years, but called out to God and God heard her prayer. She promised to give Samuel to God for his whole life and she did. Read 1 Samuel 1:10-11 and 1 Samuel 1:27-28.

Mary: Mary was the mother of Jesus. She was chosen by God to have Jesus because God saw something special in her. She was an ordinary girl, but she obeyed God in extraordinary circumstances. She knew the Word of God well. Read Luke 1:35-38.

Jochebed: Jochebed was the mother of Moses. When she gave birth to Moses, there was an order to kill all of the Hebrew baby boys. In faith, she didn't allow her son to be killed, but hid him for three months. Pharaoh's daughter found Moses in the river. Years later, he became the hero who led the Israelites out of Egypt into freedom. Read Exodus 2:1-4.

Sarah: Sarah became Isaac's mom when she was over 100. She was Abraham's wife, who laughed at the promise that she would have a child. Before Isaac was born, she got impatient to have a baby and tried to take matters into her own hands. She caused many problems by doing that. Read Genesis 21:1-3 and Genesis 21:6-7.

Elizabeth: Elizabeth was the mother of John the Baptist, who prepared the way for

Jesus. The angel Gabriel told her husband Zechariah that she would have a baby at a very old age. He didn't believe this at first, but it was true. Elizabeth was a woman who followed God. Read Luke 1:39-45.

Naomi: Naomi was the mother in law of Ruth. Naomi had two sons, but they both passed away and left her very sad and bitter. Because Ruth wanted Naomi's God to be her God, she travelled to Naomi's homeland to live. It was there that Naomi helped Ruth find her husband, Boaz. Read Ruth 1:3 and Ruth 1:15-18.

Eight Ways to Make Family a Refuge
From the Storms of Life's Events By Victor
M. Parachin

1. Make family your top **priority**.
2. **Spend** time with your children.
3. **Never neglect** these important words: “Please forgive me!” or “I forgive you.”
4. **Establish** and **maintain** family rituals.
5. Be **available**.
6. **Teach** children to love and feel loved.
7. Use words **wisely**.
8. **Praise** your children privately and publicly.

Celebrate the Mothers....
and Women of influence...
in your life!