



# The eNewsletter

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## From the Pen of the Senior Pastor...

### Looking Ahead...

#### August 29

Chicks 'n Chocolate

#### August 31

Morning Worship Service  
Sunday School  
Shepherding Groups Meet

#### September 1

Labor Day—Office Closed

#### September 2

WM Council

#### September 3

Wednesday Night Dinner  
Children's Choir Begins  
Sanctuary Choir Practice  
Wednesday Night Activities

#### September 4

Ladies' Bible Study

#### September 6

Men's Breakfast

#### September 7

Morning Worship Service  
Lord's Supper Celebrated  
Sunday School  
HS SNL

#### September 8

Ladies' Evening Bible Study

#### September 10

Wednesday Night Dinner  
Children's Choir  
Sanctuary Choir Practice  
Wednesday Night Activities

#### September 11

Ladies' Bible Study

#### September 13

Church Work Day  
Reid's 50th Anniversary

#### September 14

Morning Worship Service  
Sunday School  
Mission Committee Meeting  
HS SNL

#### September 16

Mother's Encouragement  
Group

#### September 17

Wednesday Night Supper  
Children's Choir  
Sanctuary Choir Practice  
Wednesday Night Activities

Thursday morning, August 28, I am participating in Covenant College's convocation. My responsibility is to give a three minute "charge" to the students as they begin a new year.

My first convocation as a student at Covenant College was forty-nine years ago. I don't remember who delivered the main speech, or the focus of his address. I certainly don't remember any of the four "charges" I received as an undergraduate.

So I'm not confident about saying something the students will remember. But I'm going to try.

Three minutes. That's about 300 words. I think I'll say this to them:

*I charge you, in the Name of our Lord, to remember these two things:*

- *who you are because of*
- *Whose you are.*

*The One you profess to having embraced as Savior, Lord and King, makes it repeatedly clear in His revealed Word that you are to remember Whose you are.*

*You are His . . .*

- *The Creator of heaven and earth.*
- *The Alpha and Omega, the Beginning and the End.*
- *The Lord of lord and King of kings.*
- *The Great I Am,*
- *The Law Giver Whose commandments you break.*

*You are His . . .*

- *The Good Shepherd Who lays down His life for His sheep.*
- *The Illuminator of your heart and mind.*

- *The Judge Who pronounces you forgiven, Who declares you to be not guilty.*
- *The Deliverer from the Kingdom of darkness.*
- *The Enabler, Equipper and Empowerer of your life.*
- *The King Who has prepared for you many good works to do.*

*That's Whose you are. You are mine.*

*And therefore, this is Who you are . . .*

- *A chosen race, not waiting to be served, but serving.*
- *A royal priesthood. Adopted sons and daughters of Me, your King, standing before Me as priests, speaking words of love, confession, thanksgiving and intercession.*
- *A holy nation set apart by Me, to Me, for My glory and the temporal & eternal welfare of others.*
- *A people proclaiming My excellence, living such honorable lives that others will take note, and some are prompted to glorify Me.*

*This is Whose you are. You are Mine. You are not your own. I purchased you at the price of My shed Blood.*

*And this is who you are: you are those through whom I choose to build My Church, spreading the light of My Truth from community to community, from sea to sea, from the rising of the sun 'til the going down of the same, until that day comes when every knee bows and every tongue confesses that Jesus Christ is Lord.*

*God bless you.*

~Pastor Caines



## What's Happening?

### Nursery Schedule

August 31

#### Worship

##### Infants

Jeanie Ray & Reita Pierce

##### Creepers

Dianne Cosby  
& Lisa Hobbs

##### Toddlers

Gerald & Donna Schreiner

##### Floater

John Mark Beatty

### Sunday School

##### Infants

Russ & Bev Roop

##### Creepers

Kelly, Madeleine,  
& Abigail Jennings

##### Toddlers

Ellen Heider  
& Amy Creamer

### August Coordinator:

Marcy Wilson

### CHICKS 'N CHOCOLATE

On Friday, August 29, at 7:00 p.m. the CPC women are invited to Camille Platt's home for a Pokeno Game Night. This is a fun night of part bingo, part white elephant gift exchange. Bring a \$5 gift and a snack to share. RSVP to Camille Platt at either 706.935.6695 or danielandcamille@hotmail.com.

### NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

A new Sunday School class begins August 31 in the Parlor. The class called *So, What's Next* is for those students who are finishing up their last year of high school. This class will be taught by Tracy Horton and Drew Lazor. Please come and see WHAT'S NEXT.

### CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

The Church Office is closed on Monday, September 1, for Labor Day.

### WEDNESDAY ACTIVITIES

#### WEDNESDAY SUPPER

Wednesday Night Suppers are served from 5:30 p.m. until 6:40 p.m. The suggested donation for adults is \$4 and \$2.50 for children ages 5 to 11. Children 4 and under eat for free, and the maximum family donation is \$15.

For the month of September, the following shepherding groups have clean-up duty: K. Henry, E. Brown, J. Wykoff, J. Hildebrand and A. Sanders. Please contact your shepherding elder to let him know when you are able to help.

#### CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Choir for children ages 3 through 5th grade starts on September 3 from 6:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. It meets on the 2nd floor of our Education Wing. *God's Kids* is for 3 year olds through 5 year olds, while *Covenant's Call* is for kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. For more information, please contact Jeremy Gaines.

#### COVENANT CORPS

Looking for a fun, engaging way for your child to spend Wednesday nights? From 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. the children's ministry offers an exciting program called Covenant Corps, for your 3 year old through 5<sup>th</sup> grade child. This wonderful program explores, in an age appropriate fashion, God's awesome design for His people and our opportunity to participate in God's plan for reaching the world around us. Hope to see you all there!

#### PASTOR'S STUDY

The person/humanity of Jesus may be the most overlooked and understudied part of our faith. Many Christians are so aware of Jesus' divinity that they have forgotten He's a person. *Jesus, A Study of Love* invites attendees into the crowd that followed Jesus, and seeks to reintroduce us to our first love. Paul Miller's "Love Walked Among Us" will serve as the companion book to the study, and is available for \$10. The Pastor's Study is taught by Pastor Mullinax and Jon Harris and meets in the Frederick Room on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m.

### BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY CALENDAR

The September birthday and anniversary calendar is now available at the Welcome Center.

### 26TH ANNUAL FCA 5K/10K RUN

The 26th annual 5K run for FCA is going to be held Labor Day, September 1, at Chattanooga State. Registration begins at 6:30 a.m. with the race starting at 8:30 a.m. All proceeds support FCA's ministry in southeast Tennessee. For more information go to their website: [www.chattanoogaFCA.org](http://www.chattanoogaFCA.org).

### MEN'S BREAKFAST

The Men's Ministry invites men of all ages to their monthly Men's Breakfast Saturday, September 6, at 8:30 a.m. Pastor Caines is speaking on *Change: What's Love Got to Do With it?*

### WOMEN'S MINISTRY BIBLE STUDIES

Wednesday evenings, Marla Neal is leading a Precept In and Out study on Hebrews 1-4. The study meets in the Ladies' Classroom from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Thursday mornings, Bev Mealor is teaching the Book of Acts in the Perseverers classroom at 10:00 a.m. This class starts on September 4. Please contact Bev Mealor for more information.

The Bible study, *A Praying Life*, meets the 2nd and 4th Mondays at 7:00 p.m. in the Perseverers Classroom. Contact Ann Walker for details.

The Bible study, *Treasuring Christ When Your Hands are Full*, meets the 1st and 3rd Mondays at 8:30 p.m. in Emily Calloway's home.

### MOTHERS ENCOURAGEMENT GROUP

The Mothers' Encouragement Group starts on September 16 and meets every first and third Tuesday of each month throughout the school year. Please mark your calendar now to be a part of this wonderful group. For more information, please contact Linda Caines.

### BLOODMOBILE

Make plans to donate to the Bloodmobile! Wednesday, September 24, the Blood Assurance Bloodmobile is stopping at Covenant Presbyterian Church from 3:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Give the gift of life; one donation can save up to 3 lives. Donors must be at least 17 years old and weigh at least 110 pounds. Contact Susan Helton for more information.

### WOMEN'S MINISTRY FALL RETREAT

This year's Fall Retreat is Friday evening, October 10, through Sunday morning, October 12, at Oak Haven Resort in Sevierville, TN. The guest speaker, Mary Lyn Huffman, is focusing on *Fixing Our Eyes on Jesus*. Registration is \$130, with an early bird special of \$110 if registered by September 28. A minimum deposit of \$55 is required to secure a registration, and registration ends on October 5. For more information, please contact Joan Denkinger at 423.899.8385 or stop by the Women's Ministry table in the lobby.

### YOUTH FALL RETREAT

All Middle School and High School youth, and their parents, are invited to a Fall Retreat, October 24 through 25, at Ponderosa Bible Camp in Mentone, Alabama. We'll leave the church Friday at 6:00 p.m. and return Sunday around noon. The cost is \$55.00 (all inclusive!), and registration is due by October 12. See Chris Gregory to register.