



Covenant Baptist Church

Reformed and Refreshing

August 1st, 2021

Welcome to Covenant Baptist Church. We are a Reformed church committed to three things:

- **The Exaltation of God**

We desire that the people at Covenant truly understand who God is and His rightful place in their lives as their Lord and sovereign Savior.

- **The Edification of the Saints**

We consider it extremely important to correctly teach the Bible, verse by verse, so we can properly have the Holy Spirit apply it to our lives.

- **The Evangelization of the Sinner**

We understand that God has given us the responsibility to be stewards of the Gospel and that means sharing it exactly like God gave it to us with those who need Jesus.

<https://covenantbaptistsc.org>

Service Times:

Bible Education Hour (How God Converts the Human Soul)
~ 9:30 A.M.

Sunday Worship ~ 10:30 A.M.

Wednesday Prayer Service ~ 6:00 P.M., 7:00 P.M.

*(We are not interested in traditional worship
or contemporary worship. We are only
interested in true worship.)*

Order of Worship

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Prelude

Call to Worship: Psalm 1:1-6

I Sing the Mighty Power of God—26

Scripture Reading: Colossians 1:1-18

Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross—273

The Power of the Cross—272

Message:

God Takes Care of the Body of His Son, Part 2
—John 19:38-42

Prayer and Benediction

We Will Glorify—97

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On-Call Deacon List:

- August 1: Lucas
- August 8: Egan
- August 15: Rogers

Church Cleaning Schedule:

- August 7: Allen/Steele
- August 14: Crapps/McSween
- August 21: Thomas/Waddell

Church Bookstore:

Purchases (cash only) can be made by seeing Annsley or Cristan Smoak,
or following the instructions left near the bookstore entrance.

Announcements

If you are a guest here at Covenant for the first time, we would like to welcome you. Please be sure to pick up a blue visitor's packet on the table in the foyer before you leave.

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A new resource will soon be available on the church website. Make sure you are on the church texting service to be notified as we add scripture songs that you and your family can use to help with memorization and hiding God's Word in your hearts.

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Please be in prayer for Bobby McDonald who is on his final flight to Columbia from his mission work in Russia.

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Covenant mission t-shirts are available in the library. There are a variety of sizes and colors, and the prices range from \$10.50-\$15, depending on size. The funds will support the church missions ministries. See Alton for details or to purchase.

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Please contact Chris Waddell (803-447-8257) if you would like to help clean the church every couple of months. You will be teamed with another family to divide the amount of work required. We need at least one more person/couple/family to help at this time.

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As it was announced last week, we will begin having the Lord's Supper on the last Sunday of each month.

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Also, once a month on Wednesday evening, we will be hearing from one of our other elders or elders in training as they teach the scripture. Please be in prayer for our men who are studying for written and oral examination to become an ordained elder in CBC.

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Please continue to pray for supporters for 9 girls in the orphanage in Guntur, India that have not as of yet received the \$41 per month support. Everything has been going well with the boys and the girls orphanages with this exception. Thank you all for the help that you have given to bring these children off the streets of India. Please see Alton for more details, or sign up to support an orphan on the blue pad on the foyer table.

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If you would like to give financially to Covenant, the offering box can be found on the small table in the foyer just outside the sanctuary doors.

Covenant Baptist Church Events

Greek Class—*On hold*

Biblical Counseling Class—*On hold*

Second Sunday Dinner—*August 8th. Please plan to bring a dish to share and stay for the fellowship. Also remember that we usually have visitors who stay for the meal, and you are encouraged to bring more than a small side dish so that there is plenty to go around.*

Book of the Week: Are People Basically Good? by R. C. Sproul

Richard Baxter was vicar of Kidderminster from 1647 to 1661. In an introduction to this reprint, Dr. J.I. Packer describes him as 'the most outstanding pastor, evangelist and writer on practical and devotional themes that Puritanism produced'. His ministry transformed the people of Kidderminster from 'an ignorant, rude and revelling people' to a godly, worshipping community. These pages, first prepared for a Worcestershire association of ministers in 1656, deal with the means by which such changes are ever to be accomplished. In his fervent plea for the discharge of the spiritual obligations of the ministry, Baxter, in the words of his contemporary, Thomas Manton, 'came nearer the apostolic writings than any man in the age'. A century later Philip Doddridge wrote, 'The Reformed Pastor is a most extraordinary book...many good men are but shadows of what (by the blessing of God) they might be, if the maxims and measures laid down in that incomparable Treatise were strenuously pursued'.

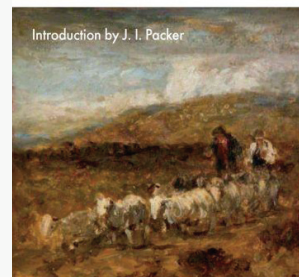
Purchase at:

<https://banneroftruth.org/us/store/church-ministry/the-reformed-pastor/>

The Reformed Pastor

Richard Baxter

Introduction by J. I. Packer





Hope and Joy in a Season of Grief

—by Diane Jacoby

Though He brings grief, He will show compassion, so great is His unfailing love.” Lamentations 3:32

God is Always Faithful

Grief comes in a variety of ways: death, loss of a marriage, loss of a job, loss of a friendship, change in political climate, and the list goes on. Regardless of the cause, the results can be the same—a loss of hope that manifests itself in a tangled mess of emotions.

In my life, grief has been both a compassionate and a cruel teacher. Let me explain this statement by sharing with you my story. In 2003 a tragedy hit my family that spiritually put me in despair for years. My 24-year-old daughter, mother of my second grandchild, let go of the last drop of hope she had and took her own life, leaving the care of her daughter to my husband and myself. One question haunted me: Why would God use something so tragic as suicide and leaving a toddler an orphan as part of His perfect plan for me? My days were filled with doing what needed to be done and the joy of a toddler running around escaped me. The joy of watching her grow in her trust of others had been masked by my lack of hope. Like

my daughter, I had lost hope. I could feel nothing but bitterness, anger, discontentment, fear of the future and resentment, not towards the world or my circumstances but towards God. I was not practicing Philippians 4:8. There was nothing in my thoughts that was praiseworthy, only blame. Finally, God used my circumstances to humble me. I asked God to forgive my sins of lack of trust in God’s plan and the accompanying anger and resentment I had towards God because my plans had been changed. The good shepherd welcomed me back into the fold and through prayer and reading the Word, my lost hope was once again securely anchored in Christ (Hebrews 6:19). Along with that, my inexpressible joy for the Lord returned.

Continue Reading:

<https://biblicalcounseling.com/resource-library/articles/hope-and-joy-in-a-season-of-grief/>



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Woman Losing Hands and Legs to Amputation After Suspected Bad COVID Vaccine Reaction, Jab Was Required by Her Employer: Report

—by Jack Davis

Two years ago, Jummai and Philip Nache were looking for money to spread their faith to African immigrants in the Minneapolis area.

Now, according to a GoFundMe page set up to raise money for Jummai, the Nigerian couple are desperate as the North American Mission Board and Minnesota-Wisconsin Baptist Convention try to help them endure the impacts of a possible reaction to the coronavirus vaccine.

Just over \$100,000 had been raised toward the fundraiser's \$500,000 goal by early Monday.

In the message on the GoFundMe page, Leo Endel, executive director of the Minnesota-Wisconsin Baptist Convention, said that "Jummai has undergone the amputation of her two legs below the knee and will later lose most of her two hands."

"What lies ahead is an expensive and painful journey of healing that will include costly prosthetics, additional surgery, and necessary modifications to their lifestyle including modifications to their home and a different vehicle," Endel said.

The post includes a description from Philip Nache of what took place after his wife received her second dose of the Pfizer vaccine on Feb. 1.

Nache said his wife was required to take the vaccine by a Minneapolis clinic where she worked.

She suffered chest pains after her second dose, her husband said. Several days later, he wrote, she went to an urgent care facility, where an EKG showed she had no heart trouble.

However, a coronavirus test — five days after she was vaccinated — came back positive, Nache wrote.

He said that on Feb. 14, after she had been transferred to the University of Minnesota Medical Center, "the doctor called and told me that her heart was deteriorating, her oxygen levels and blood pressure were low and she needed to be put on a ventilator. I gave approval for them to proceed with the ventilator as needed."

Jummai's condition worsened, Nache said, noting that although he suspects the vaccine triggered everything that went wrong, he cannot prove it.

Continue Reading:

<https://www.westernjournal.com/woman-losing-hands-legs-amputation-suspected-bad-covid-vaccine-reaction-jab-required-employer-report/>

Other News:

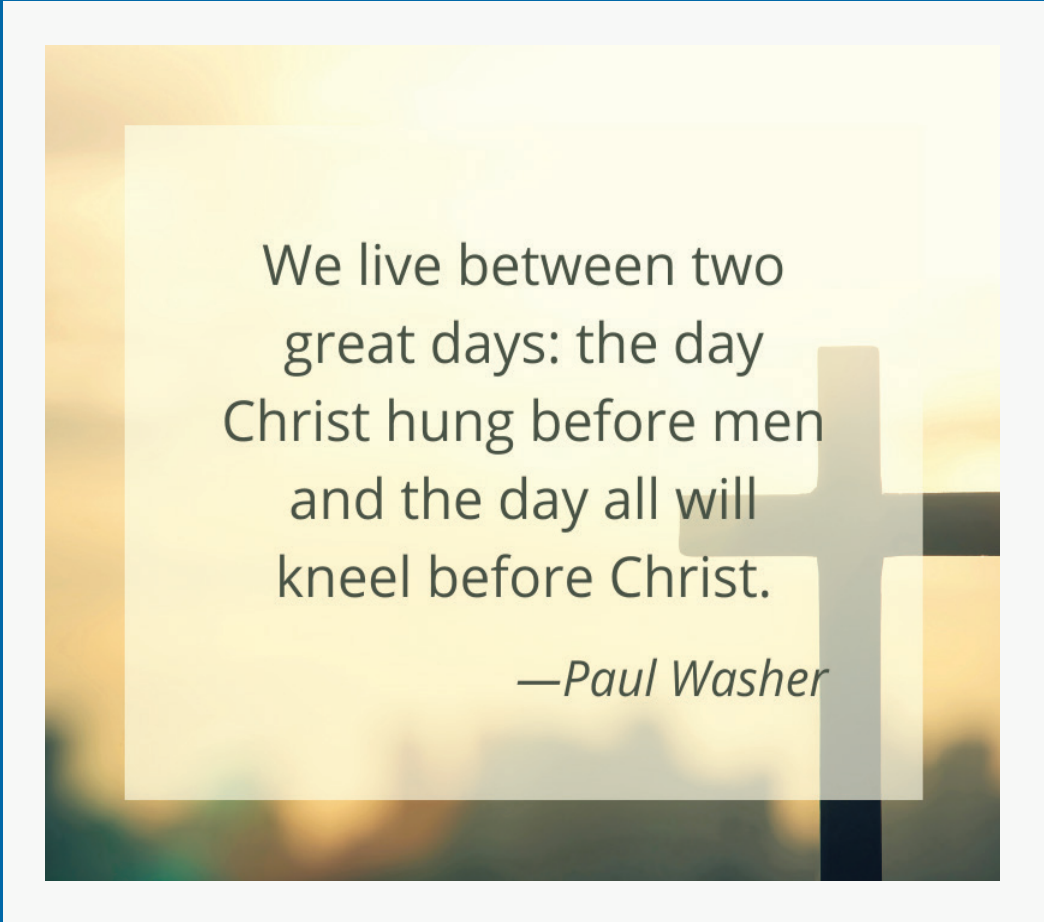
45 churches engulfed or attacked in ongoing anti-Christian terror campaign— <https://www.thecountersignal.com/news/45-churches-attacked>

Christian-Themed Attraction “Ark Encounter” Is The Most Popular Place Of Interest In Kentucky—<https://www.christianitydaily.com/articles/12514/20210708/christian-themed-attraction-ark-encounter-is-the-most-popular-place-of-interest-in-kentucky.htm>

Sheriff Briefs Trump on 300 Percent Increase in Migrant Deaths in One Texas County— <https://www.breitbart.com/border/2021/06/30/sheriff-briefs-trump-on-300-percent-increase-in-migrant-deaths-in-one-texas-county/>

Tim Challies: Family Update— <https://www.challies.com/personal-reflections/a-family-update-and-a-cause-of-death/>

Quote of the Week:



We live between two
great days: the day
Christ hung before men
and the day all will
kneel before Christ.

—Paul Washer

Biblical Counseling Resources

Strategies for Fighting Depression Well—by Jim Newheiser
<https://biblicalcounseling.com/fighting-depression-well/>

Identity Language in Counseling—by Martha Peace
<https://biblicalcounseling.com/identity-language-in-counseling/>

The Pursuit of Peace—by Sam Stephens
<https://biblicalcounseling.com/the-pursuit-of-peace/>

Defeating Despair—by Tim Pasma
<https://biblicalcounseling.com/defeating-despair/>

Gracious Words Amid Sword Thrusts—by Jim Koerber
<https://biblicalcounseling.com/gracious-words-amid-sword-thrusts/>

You Can Please God—by Kyle Gangel
<https://biblicalcounseling.com/you-can-please-god/>

Crafting Temptation and Repentance Plans to Help Addicts—by Keith Palmer
<https://biblicalcounseling.com/crafting-temptation-and-repentance-plans-to-help-addicts/>

Counseling Self-Injuring Teens
<https://biblicalcounseling.com/resource-library/conference-messages/counseling-self-injuring-teens/>

Enduring Dark Providences
<https://biblicalcounseling.com/resource-library/articles/enduring-dark-providences/>

Covenant Baptist Biblical Counseling Class:

A Biblical Counseling class started February 13th at 7 PM here at the church. If you would be interested in participating, please let the pastor know. We are going to live-stream the class. Just go to the website at <https://covenantbaptistsc.org> and click the live-stream button on home page at 7pm Thursdays.

Biblical counseling class on hold while teacher recovers from surgery.



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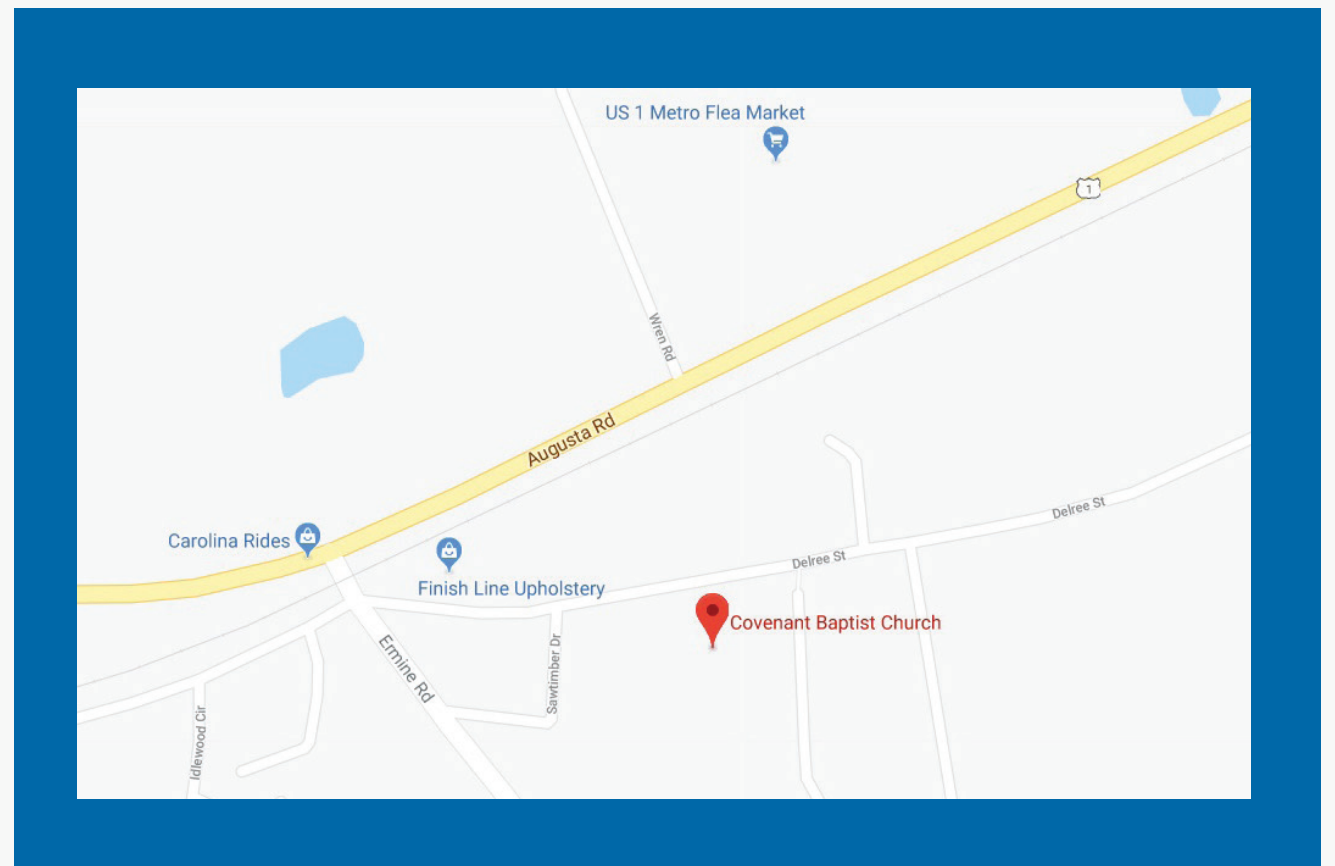
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Location:



*If you are interested in joining our church, please speak to one of our elders or deacons.
They will be happy to give you the information you need.*