



## Covenant Baptist Church

*Reformed and Refreshing*

*November 28th, 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 (Systematic Theology)  
~ 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

*(November 28th, 2021)*

Prelude

Call to Worship: Psalm 36:5-9

To God Be the Glory—19

Scripture Reading: Revelation 2:18-29

How Deep the Father's Love for Us—80

Great is Thy Faithfulness—86

Message:

How to Be Certain You Will Die In Your Sins  
—John 8:21-25

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing—104

Baptisms

Closing Prayer

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### On-Call Deacon List:

- November 28: Shumpert
- December 5: Smoak
- December 12: Kyzer

### Church Cleaning Schedule:

- December 4: Crapps/McSween
- December 11: Thomas/Waddell
- December 18: Bristol

### Church Bookstore:

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

## Announcements

Immediately following the message, we will have baptisms. Please plan to stay for this beautiful ordinance the Lord has given us to confess Him before men.

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Great news: the church mortgage is paid off.

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If you would like to purchase a scripture song/homegrown hymns CD for yourself, or as an evangelistic gift, please sign up in advance at the sound booth. The cost is \$1 per CD and will include many more songs than what has been released so far on the church

YouTube channel. Please sign up by December 12, If you're not currently helping clean the church and would like to help in 2022, please contact Chris Waddell (803-447-8257). The 2022 cleaning schedule will be finalized in mid-December.

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We will be restarting our ACBC Biblical Counseling class very soon. Joe Whiting has recovered from his recent health problems and has offered to return. We will be starting the class over from the beginning. If you are interested, please look for a sign up sheet in the foyer.

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The elders would like to announce that during November we will raise the annual funds for purchasing Bible Sticks for our troops abroad. This is a ministry that we have participated in for 9 years. Each Bible Stick packet is only \$25.00. Please let us know if you have any questions. Earmark checks for Bible Sticks or write the same on donation envelopes.

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The Mission Team would like to try to raise the funds to give a Christmas gift to each of the Covenant orphans in Guntur, India. We had Pastor Prabhu and his wife, Leena, get prices to put clothes on each of the boys and girls that we have living in the 2 houses. The girls would receive a new dress, sweater, undergarments, socks, and shoes. The boys would receive a new shirt, pants, undergarments, socks, and shoes. With the uniforms that they received when they came in off the streets this would give them each 2 sets of clothing. The cost for each child would be \$67.00, counting taxes. The total for all 21 boys and also the 20 girls is \$2750.00. If you would like to contribute to this please mark envelopes or earmark checks 'Orphans' Christmas.'

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NOTICE: Praise the Lord! The funds have been coming through for the laptop and motorcycle needed by Paul and Cathareen in India. The motorcycle is paid for, which leaves only \$800 remaining to raise for the laptop. Please pray for God's provisions.

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Intentional Faith, Family Life, and Courtship Mr. Kelly Hammond will be teaching a new Bible Education class presenting a very practical look at three very important and intertwining topics of the Christian walk. This class is open to all ages. Starting date: January 9th, and

## Covenant Baptist Church Events

**Greek Class**—*On hold*

**Biblical Counseling Class**—*On hold*

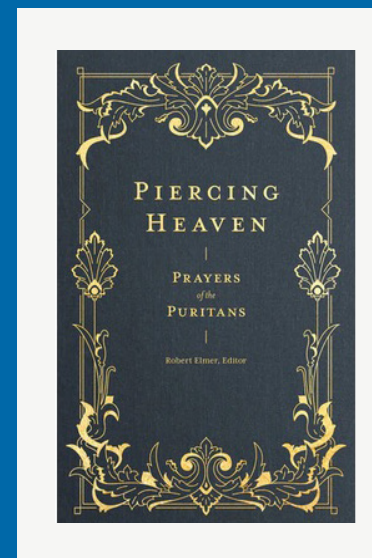
**Second Sunday Dinner**—*December 12. Please plan to bring a dish to share and stay for the fellowship. Also remember that we usually have visitors who stay for the meal, and you are encouraged to bring more than a small side dish so that there is plenty to go around.*

## Book of the Week: Piercing Heaven, edited by Robert Elmer

For the Puritans, prayer was neither casual nor dull. Their prayers were passionate affairs, from earnestly pleading for mercy to joyful praise. These rich expressions of deep Christian faith are a shining example of holy living...The Puritan combination of warm piety and careful intellect have fueled a renaissance of interest in their movement. This combination is on display in Piercing Heaven, a collection of carefully selected prayers from leading Puritans. The language in these prayers has been slightly updated for a modern audience while retaining the elevated tone of the Puritans. With prayers from Richard Baxter, Thomas Brooks, John Owen, and many more, each entry reminds us that heartfelt prayer is central to the Christian life.

Purchase at:

<https://www.heritagebooks.org/products/piercing-heaven-prayers-of-the-puritans-elmer-ed.html>





## Continue Reading:

<https://g3min.org/calvinism-is-not-hyper-calvinism/>

## Calvinism Is Not Hyper-Calvinism

—by Josh Buice

Last week, I was interviewed by Chris Arnzen on his radio show, Iron Sharpens Iron, on the subject of hyper-Calvinism. It caused me to think about this subject and the importance of using vocabulary properly. As the father of a type 1 diabetic, I spend much of my time explaining to people in random conversations that type 1 diabetes (T1D) is not the same thing as type 2 diabetes (T2D). Therefore, let me begin by clearly stating this point—Calvinism is not hyper-Calvinism. When I engage in conversation with people who want to discuss Calvinism, I'm happy to do so, but I want to be sure that we're using the same dictionary.

### What is Calvinism?

Calvinism is a system of theology that seeks to systemize the teachings of Scripture on the subject of salvation. What is the relationship between the absolute sovereignty of God and the responsibility of man? This is the central issue of Calvinism. It takes the name of the Reformer John Calvin, who was a passionate preacher of Scripture in the Sixteenth Century in Geneva, Switzerland. During the Protestant Reformation, the Reformers were seeking to unleash the true gospel from the intense strangle hold of the Roman Catholic Church. It was through this period of time that the Bible was being printed in the common language of the people and was simultaneously being proclaimed expositionally.



### Also Read:

### Scientists BAFFLED Covid-19 Barely Exists in Africa

<https://thedcpatriot.com/scientists-baffled-covid-19-barely-exists-in-africa/>

## The God of Endurance and Encouragement

—by Nathanael Armisen

*“For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that through endurance and through the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope. May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.”*

– Romans 15:4-7

Dear faithful ones, calling upon the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ from every place,

In the last month, we experienced loss and gain, discouragements and delights within the church and the gospel ministry here in Wetzlar. And we are most grateful for your intercession on our behalf and the gospel work in Germany.

### Continue Reading:

<https://heartcrymissionary.com/mission-updates/the-god-of-endurance-and-encouragement/>



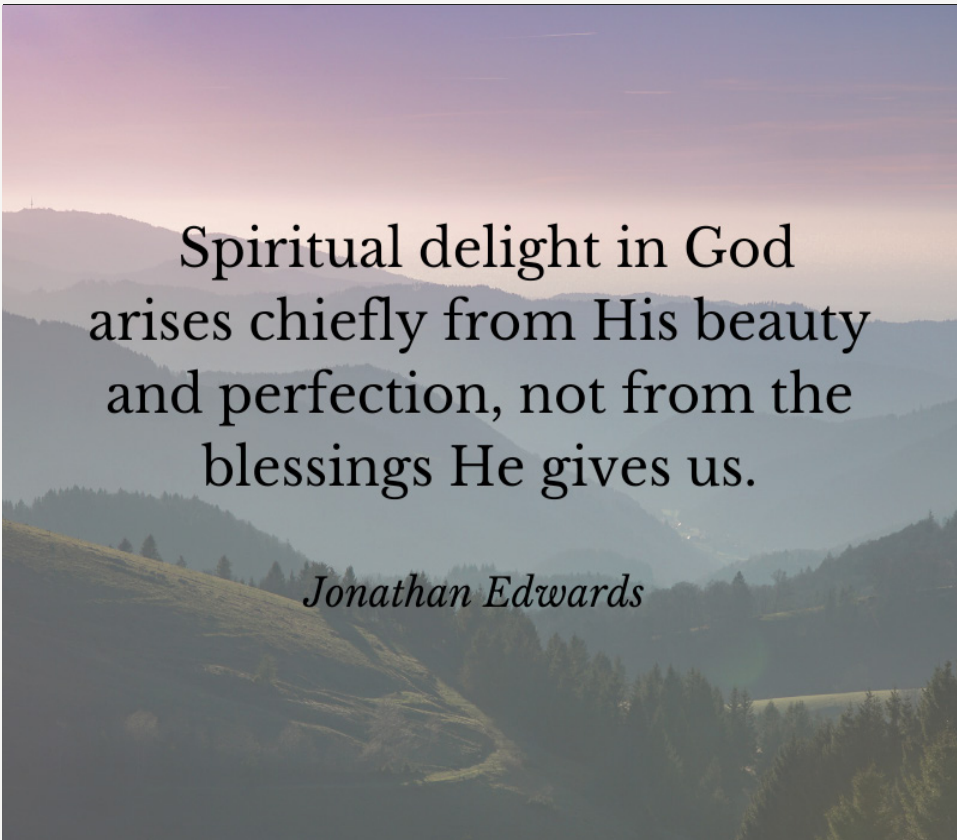
## Other News:

**Doctors gather at summit to warn against vaccinating children—**  
<https://www.wnd.com/2021/11/4959223/>

**Gov. McMaster requests investigation into obscene materials in public school libraries—** <https://www.wistv.com/2021/11/10/gov-mcmaster-requests-investigation-into-obscene-materials-public-school-libraries/>

**Once practically empty, ERs struggle with a surge of pent-up sickness—** <https://www.npr.org/sections/health-shots/2021/10/26/1046432435/ers-are-now-swamped-with-seriously-ill-patients-but-most-dont-even-have-covid>

## Quote of the Week:



Spiritual delight in God  
arises chiefly from His beauty  
and perfection, not from the  
blessings He gives us.

*Jonathan Edwards*

## 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 previously at 7 PM here at the church. If you would be interested in participating, please let the pastor know. We are going to livestream the class. Just go to the website at <https://covenantbaptistsc.org> and click the livestream button on home page at 7pm Thursdays.*

Biblical counseling class on hold while teacher recovers from surgery.



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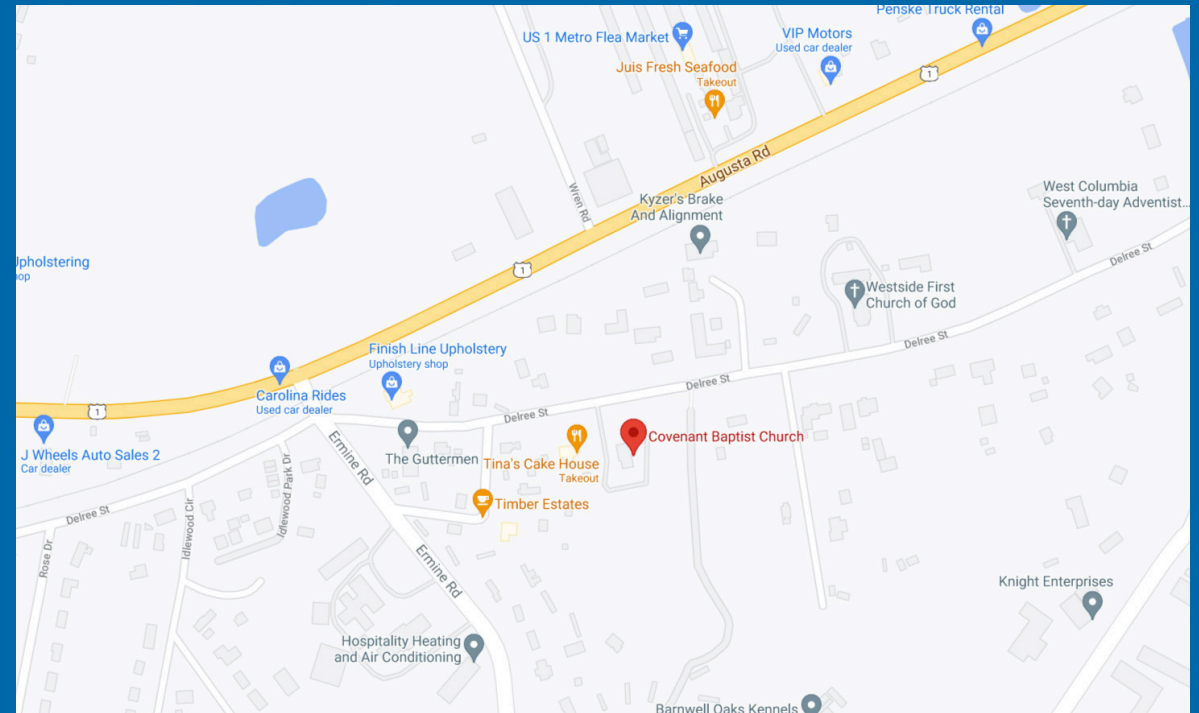
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## Location:



*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.*