



February 19, 2023  
9:30 a.m.

# CHURCH NEWS

**FROM PASTOR LAVARIN: NEXT SUNDAY IS HBCU SUNDAY!** Wear your HBCU gear....what college will you represent? Join us in person for worship as we welcome the WPI Mass Gospel Choir from NCCU...and celebrate our heritage with our youth at the HBCU Walking Museum immediately following service!

**WE ARE FIRST CALVARY:** Watch the full video of the “We Are First Calvary” Segment featuring Deaconess Marquita Jones on the First Calvary YouTube Channel: Youtube- @FCBCDurham. Learn about a member of your church family and their FCBC and Young Adult Ministry journey... and remember that together, WE ARE FIRST CALVARY.

**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! AND....PREPARE FOR THE FIRST “VISION HUDDLE” coming on March 1st!

**NEW MEMBER CONNECTION: ALL NEW MEMBERS OF FIRST CALVARY ARE INVITED TO THE NEW MEMBER CONNECTION EVENT ON SATURDAY, MARCH 4TH, 9:00 A.M. TO 12:30 P.M.** Come learn more about your church and meet others in your church family. Look for an email to register. If you are a new member and have not attended an NMC yet, WE ARE LOOKING FOR YOU TO BE THERE.

**THERE WILL BE NO CHILDREN’S CHURCH OR SUNDAY SCHOOL ON NEXT SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26TH.**

**RIDGECREST 2023:** (July 17th-21st) **REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN TO MINISTRY LEADERS.** The Family Conference is designed to encourage, equip, and inspire members and leaders. Qualified interested participants must: (1) be current members of FCBC, (2) be actively serving in a FCBC ministry and (3) have not attended the conference in the last two consecutive years. If you meet these criteria, **EMAIL** Minister John Carter at [carter@firstcalvary.org](mailto:carter@firstcalvary.org). Availability is limited and openings will be granted on first come first served basis. Registration is open until all slots are filled. The last day to be considered is **May 21, 2023.**

**GET IN GEAR:** Wear your HBCU gear on HBCU Sunday, February 26th! Rep your school on NEXT SUNDAY...show some HBCU pride!

**THE MALE SUMMIT** will meet virtually on Tuesday, February 21st, virtually at 7pm. We will study chapter 7 from the book Spiritually Fit to Run the Race by Kenneth C. Ulmer.

Zoom information: Topic: FCBC Male Summit  
Time: February 21st, 07:00 PM Eastern Time

Join Zoom Meeting  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88484194912?pwd=eVhWekpiSytPbHdtZTFJa0JUd2RQdz09>

**Meeting ID: 884 8419 4912 Passcode: 300052**

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**CHILDREN & YOUTH AT RIDGECREST:** Children and Youth (ages 5-18, in high school) and Adult Chaperones: If you are interested in attending Ridgecrest 2023 Black Church Leadership and Family Conference please complete the interest form at <https://bit.ly/2023Ridgecrest> by March 5, 2023 to be considered. Availability is limited and openings will be granted on first come, first served basis. If you have any questions, please contact

Deaconess Janet Squires at (919)606-4801 or email [youthministry@firstcalvary.org](mailto:youthministry@firstcalvary.org)

**YOUTH COUNCIL: WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!!** Please come join the Youth Advisory Council. We need volunteers-parents/guardians, youth, adults and at least (1) representative from various ministries that interacts with children/youth to join our team (i.e. Christian Education, Ushers, Scouting, Recreation, Scholarship, Music, Children’s Church, etc.) Our meetings are held on the 1st Thursday of the month via Zoom. Next meeting is on March 2, 2023 at 7:30pm.

YC Zoom Info: Meeting ID: 865 0318 4321 Passcode: YC2023

Any questions, please contact Sis. Demisha Grimsley at (919)724-1307 or [youthministry@firstcalvary.org](mailto:youthministry@firstcalvary.org).

**FROM THE COMMUNITY:** Golfers...join the 24th Annual WECF Golf Tournament, March 18th, 8:30am. Males and females are invited! Call Pastor Emeritus Fredrick A. Davis at (919)616-4819 for details.

**FROM THE COMMUNITY: FREE OVER THE COUNTER MEDICINE GIVEAWAY!** Come to the Lyon Park Center on Friday, February 24th, from 9am to 2pm and stock your medicine cabinet for FREE with a pre-packaged bag. You can also pick up meds for a friend or family member. Must be 18 years or older, no ID required...rain or shine!

**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., 712-432-1001, 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.**

## 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	<b>Pruitt Health</b> Erwin Road 27707	
Bro. Michael Wilson	<b>Tower Rehabilitation &amp; Nursing Center</b> 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. Wilhemenia Foster-Long	309 Pearson Drive	27713
Sis. Shirley Jackson	2420 Glenbrook Drive	27707
Sis. Louise Jones	1218 Cornell Street	27707
Sis. Mary Liverman	4302 Stonehenge Rd., Greensboro	28406
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
Dea. Calvin Squires	856 Ember Drive	27703
Sis. Conya Thorpe	2801 Ross Road	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 (4th Sun)	Sanct
1:15pm	Health & Wellness Ministry (2nd Sun)	CR I
1:15 pm	Evangelism Ministry (2nd Sun)	CR II
1:15 pm	Daughters of Calvary (3rd Sun)	CR II
1:15 pm	Computer Ministry (2nd Sun)	CR III
4:00 pm	Associate Ministers (each 2nd Sun)	CR II
5:00 pm	Deacons & Trustee Ministry Mtg. (2nd Sun)	CR III/LIB
6:30 pm	Official Leadership Team (2nd Sun)	FH
MONDAY		
6:00 pm	Tots of Praise Rehearsal (after 1st)	CRM
6:30 pm	Psalms 150 (after 3rd & 4th Sun)	CRM
6:30 pm	Young Adult Choir (after 2nd Sun)	CRM
6:30pm	Children’s Church Committee (after 2nd Sun)	LIB
6:30 pm	Sunday School Teachers (1st 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 (3rd Mon)	LIB
7:30pm	Male Chorus (after 2nd & 3rd Sun)	CRM
7:30pm	Young Adult Choir (before 3rd Sun)	CRM
TUESDAY		
6:00pm	Scouting Ministry (every other Tues)	ALL AREAS
6:30pm	Hospitality Ministry (2nd Tues)	CR I
6:30pm	Praise Team	CRM
6:30pm	Circle of Care (COC) (2nd Tues-Quarterly)	LIB
6:30pm	Beauty for Ashes	LIB
7:00pm	Male Summit (Tuesday after 3rd Sun)	LIB
7:30pm	Music Council (2nd Tues)	CR II
7:30pm	The Encouragers (1st 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 (1st Thurs)	Nursery
6:30pm	Calvary’s Anointed/Vessels of Praise	FH/Sanct
6:30pm	Beautification Committee (2nd Thurs)	CR I
6:30pm	Couples’ Ministry (4th Thurs)	CR II
6:30pm	Youth Council (4th Thurs)	CR I
6:30pm	ACT Ministry (3rd Thurs)	CR I
6:30pm	Young Adult Ministry (3rd Thurs)	CR II
6:30pm	Emergency Response Team (ERT)	CR II
7:00pm	Singles in Love with Christ (4th Thurs)	LIB
7:00pm	Sunday Service Choir Rehearsal	CRM
7:30pm	Drama Ministry	CR III
SATURDAY		
9:30am	Pearls of Praise (2nd Sat)	CRM
10:00am	Scholarship Ministry (before the 2nd Sun)	CR II
10:00am	PROJECT F.I.N.E.	CFLR
10:00am	Onesiphorous Prison Ministry (3rd Sat)	CR I
10:30am	Deaconess Ministry (1st Sat)	LIB/Sanct
11:00am	Senior Missionary Ministry (3rd Sat)	LIB
11:00am	Senior Usher & First Aid Ministry (2nd Sat)	CRM/ Sanct
11:30am	Culinary Arts Ministry (4th Sat)	LIB

## PRAISE & ADORATION

Praise & Worship.....Praise Team

Worship Through Movement

Scripture.....Minister

Prayer..... Deacon

Hymn.....#532.....“Lift Every Voice and Sing”

## CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

Church News

Offertory Prayer

Offering/Giving

Offertory Song

## CARE & CONCERNS THROUGH PRAYER

“We Are First Calvary”

Pastoral Concerns/ Recognition of Sick/Prayer Concerns

Altar Call & Prayer

The Word in Song

## WORSHIP THROUGH INSTRUCTION

**\*\*The Sermon.....Pastor Marc A. Lavarin**

\*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**



## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

We celebrate Young Adult Sunday today. It is so exciting to have spent time with our young adults and to have heard from them on yesterday at the YA Brunch. Today, we are blessed in song by our re-emerged young adult choir....and they are singing powerfully, giving God praise!

I want to speak to the recent violence and shootings that have taken place in our city and in our country as of late. Church, we have to keep praying and we have to take a Godly stand. We support those families that are affected, those communities that are impacted. As a Body of Faith, we walk in the surety that God has it all under control and He is still in charge. Sometimes that is hard for man to see, but the Bible is full of God's promises fulfilled, and our safety and the resolution of violence is no exception.

We Are First Calvary! We have our next installment of our member videos, with the promo today during worship and the entire interview on our YouTube channel. Check out the story of Deaconess Marquita Jones, who will give a bit of insight on the Young Adult Ministry and what is was and a glimpse into what we hope it will get back to!

The blessing will continue on next Sunday as we celebrate HBCU Sunday. I am looking forward to seeing our Historically Black Colleges and Universities represented within our congregation. From NCCU....to Tennessee State....to Xavier...the FAMU (and JCSU too, Pastor Emeritus Davis!)....our HBCU list is a rich part of our history and culture. We will welcome the WPI Gospel Choir from NCCU to worship on next Sunday as well.

Our Youth Council will host the HBCU Walking Museum on next Sunday after worship. There will be no Children's Church

or Sunday School, and both will return on the first Sunday in March. Come down to the lower level of the building and take a walk through history and support our youth. I am sure that you will learn something you did not know. See you there!

Because of Calvary,  
Pastor Marc

## THE DEACON'S MESSAGE

What we face from day to day pales in comparison to seeing the mighty acts of God. However, when unforeseen situations arise in our lives we wonder how we will make it through. If we use God's ability to overcome our trials as a point of reference for success, we should feel at ease about the outcome. It would make sense for us to cower in fear if we did not know God or had no contact with his power; but everyone has seen the magnificent display of his love for his children. Whether we choose to believe in his reality is left up to us. Deuteronomy 11:7 (KJV) speaks truthfully: *"But your eyes have seen all the great acts of the LORD, which He did."* You don't have to look back to the Bible to see what God has done. Just look around at your family, where you live, or listen to your beating heart. We all have irrefutable proof that God is in our midst; and having God in our midst makes all the difference.

## STEWARDSHIP STATISTICS

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

February 12, 2023

Discover the Vision **99** Sunday School **70** New Members **N/A**  
In-Person Worship **235** Worship Service (Streaming) **247**

Tithes and Offering	\$11,108.00
Sacrificial Offering	\$310.00
Scholarship	\$1,120.00
Children's Church	\$3.00
Sunday School	30.00
Online Giving	\$15,437.06
<b>Total Giving</b>	<b>\$28,008.06</b>

**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.**

(This is a great community service project for your job or school...or even a great family project!)

The Church Office and Building are still on limited access during the week. Please be prepared to practice "Social Spacing", and **YOU WILL NEED TO STILL WEAR A MASK.**

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

## AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH

February 2023

<b>WED 1</b>	7 PM	<b>"DISCOVER THE VISION"</b> In-person/Zoom/Facebook
<b>4</b>	9 AM	<b>NEW MEMBER CONNECTION</b>
<b>SUN 5</b>	9:30 AM	Worship Service Stream on Facebook & Website
<b>8</b>	11 AM 7 PM	Sunday School on Zoom <b>"DISCOVER THE VISION"</b> In-person/Zoom/Facebook
<b>10-11</b>	6 PM & 10 AM	<b>COUPLES XO SIMULCAST</b>
<b>SUN 12</b>	9:30 AM	<b>SCHOLARSHIP SUNDAY</b> Worship Service Stream on Facebook & Website
<b>15</b>	7 PM	<b>"DISCOVER THE VISION"</b> In-person/Zoom/Facebook
<b>18</b>		<b>YOUNG ADULT BRUNCH</b>
<b>SUN 19</b>		<b>YOUNG ADULT SUNDAY</b>
<b>22</b>	9:30 AM 11:00 AM 7:00 PM	Worship Service Stream on Facebook & Website Sunday School on Zoom <b>"DISCOVER THE VISION"</b> In-person/Zoom/Facebook
<b>SUN 26</b>	9:30 AM 11:00 AM	<b>HBCU SUNDAY</b> Worship Service Stream on Facebook & Website <b>HBCU Museum</b>

### TODAY'S MINISTRY THROUGH SERVICE

<b>Music:</b>	Praise Team
<b>Director of Music Ministries:</b>	Minister Michael Dotson
<b>Guest Musician:</b>	Brother David Cannady
<b>Percussionist:</b>	Brother Andre Sanders
<b>Saxophonist:</b>	Brother Lynwood Jones
<b>Videographers:</b>	Sister Hilary Fearington/ Dr. Toni McIntosh/ Sister Gail Hendricks
<b>Audio Team (1 per Sunday):</b>	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.

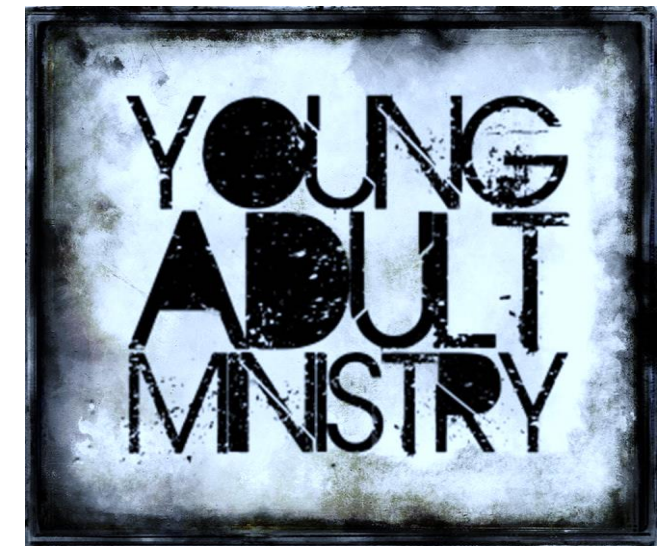
**Our Mission: E<sup>3</sup>**

**Empower spiritual lives, Enhance quality of life, & Evangelize the lost**



*"An Exciting Church Excited About Its Mission"*

## Young Adult Sunday



*African American History Month*  
*"Building Legacy"*

**February 19, 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"**

