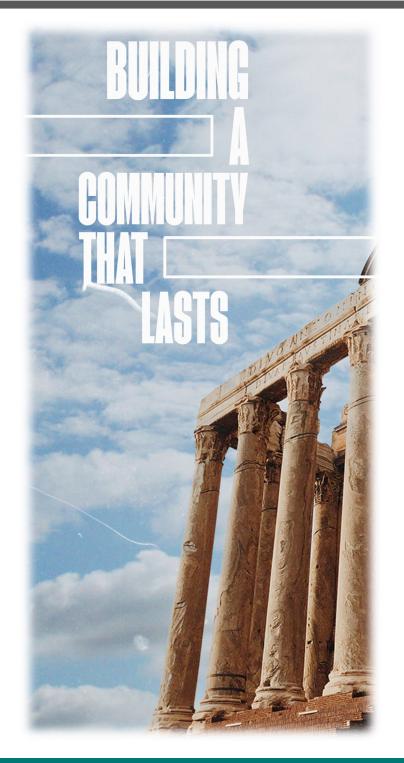
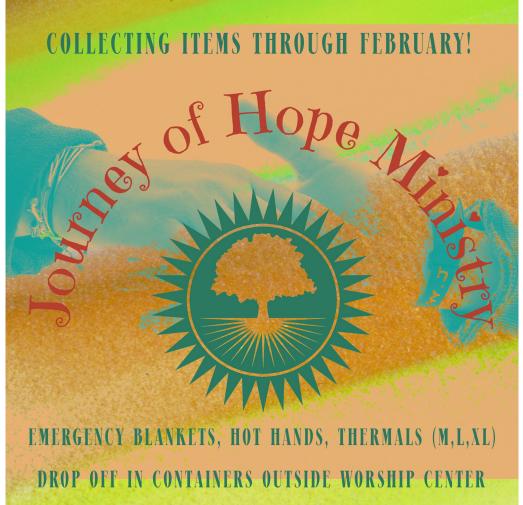


January 28, 2024









The Children's Ministry is staffed by loving volunteers that have been carefully screened with a background check for our children's safety. We welcome your children to our ministry.

Direct your children onto the right path, and when they are older, they will not leave it. Proverbs 22:6

PRESCHOOL—GRADE 5

# **SUNDAYS**

# 8:30a Children's Church (except 1st Sunday and Holidays)

11:00a Children's Church (except 1st Sunday and Holidays)

Nursery available on Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings (birth - 3 years).

# **WEDNESDAYS**



Kids Praise Team - 5:00 - 6:00p



**Royal Rangers** - 6:30p for boys



**Mpact Clubs** - 6:30p for girls

# **STUDENTS**



"To the ends of the earth" Acts 1:8

SEE WEEKLY CALENDAR IN THIS NEWSLETTER FOR ALL STUDENT ACTIVITIES

# Sunday Evening, January 28th

Covenant Students 6-8PM

Join us for our new teaching series "Dry Places" which will highlight that we sometimes feel distant from God, like there's no connection between us and Him. We will look together at passages throughout Scripture that show us how God can use the wilderness, the "dry places" in our life, for *our good and His glory*. This is a perfect series for students to invite friends to, **so do it!** 

# Wednesday, January 31st

Community Night 6:30 - 7:30PM

Students will meet in the gym to start the night off! Right after, we will head over to the main auditorium for worship and then head into our HS and MS groups right after. This is a great night to build community and have fun that is centered around Jesus!

Want to keep up with everything Covenant Students is doing? Make sure to sign-up for our text thread by texting "covenantstudents" to (844) 619-1539!

FINANCIAL UPDATE	January 21, 2024	Year To Date
Undesignated Giving	\$24,867.77	\$77,764.47
Budget Needs	\$23,769.23	\$71,307.69
Over (Under) Budget	\$1,098.54	\$6,456.78
Building Fund Giving School Fund Giving	\$10.00 \$3,510.00	\$305.00 \$3,805.00
Other Designated Giving	\$7,634.25	\$9,459.25
Total Giving	\$36,022.02	\$91,333.72
Building Fund To Date	\$145,644.27	
School Fund To Date	\$371,541.84	



# **TO GIVE**

# Scan Here!

— OR —

Go to covenantchurch.church and click the GIVING tab!

— OR —

Give on the **Covenant Church App!** 

# STAY UPDATED WITH EVERYTHING AT COVENANT!

# **FOR COVENANT KIDS INFO:**

Text @covenantki to the number "81010"

### **FOR COVENANT PRAYER MEETINGS**

Text @prayercc to the number "81010"

# **FOR COVENANT MISSIONS**

Text @missioncc to the number "81010"

# FOR ALL COVENANT INFO

Text "covenant" to the number "704-735-1559"

# MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS

#### SUNDAY SERVICE:

Security Team January 28

Captain—Phil Eastin

Bonner Pittman, Carl Beam, Chris Osborn, Joe Johnson,

Ronnie Mercer, Tony Little, Tony Milholland

# Security Team February 4 Captain—Brandon Hurt

Barry Stephens, Dale Anderson, Jason Jenks, Joe Fletcher, Joey Marcum, Jon Kuster, Oscar Calderon

#### **Nursery on January 28**

Babies Becky Cutshall, Jackie Casey Toddlers Iliana Gonzalez, Rebecca Cespedes 2s & 3s Jessica Kniceley, Sierra Lawrence

### **Nursery on February 4**

Babies Gene and Deise Beach Toddlers Iliana Gonzalez, Rebecca Cespedes 2s & 3s Brooke Marcum, Amanda Jenks

# Wednesdays At Covenant

1.31	Wednesday Night Bible Study	1
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2.7 Wednesday Night Bible Study

2.14 Wednesday Night Bible Study

2.21 Wednesday Night Bible Study

2.28 Wednesday Night Bible Study

# Mark your Calendar

2.3 Men's Breakfast

2.4 Love's Journey Breakfast

2.5 Servant Leadership

2.6 Women's Bible Study

2.11 Baby Dedication

2.13 JOY Group

2.25 New Members
Covenant Kids/Students—
Parent Night

### **WEEKLY CALENDAR**

Sunday, January 28	
_	Worship Team
	Children's Church
	Early Morning Worship
	Connections for Prospective New Members
10:00a	Covenant Kids' Volunteer Event
10:00a	Intercessory Prayer
10:00a	Sunday Connect
11:00a	Children's Church
11:00a	Worship Service
6:00p	Covenant Students
Monday, January 29	
•	Elders" Group
Tuesday, January 30	
5	Homeschool Group
	Ladies' Prayer Group (Room 109)
Wednesday, January 31	Ladies Trayer Group (Noom 100)
-	Moms & Muffins
	Kids' Praise Team
	Covenant Students—HS & MS Groups
	Royal Rangers & Mpact Girls
6:30p	Wednesday Night Bible Study
Thursday, February 1	
10:00a	Ladies' Intercessory Prayer Group
6:30p	Worship Team Band & Singers
Saturday, February 3	
	Men's Breakfast



# **CONNECTIONS FOR PROSPECTIVE NEW MEMBERS**

Connections for Prospective New Members is an ongoing seminar for prospective members and others who just want to know how our church body believes and operates. The class may be joined at any time. Facilitated by David Creech, the class meets on Sunday mornings at 10a in Room 118. Also, available on Wednesday nights upon request by calling the church office at 704.735.1559.

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# From Our Pastor

# **Created For GREATNESS!**

Ephesians 2:1-10 As for you, you were dead in your transgressions and sins...But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, 5 made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved. 6 And God raised us up with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus, 7 in order that in the coming ages he might show the incomparable riches of his grace, expressed in his kindness to us in Christ Jesus. 8 For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—9 not by works, so that no one can boast. 10 For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

Last week, when David, our guest speaker, was speaking, he reminded us of something vitally important. He said that if we don't know "who" we are and "whose" we are, we will never fulfill all God has for us on this side of Heaven. Knowing "who" we are is our identity. If I know I am His and that He chose me from the foundations of the world, it will change everything I think and feel about me. Beyond that, if I can remember "whose" I am, I will never be destroyed by a lack of hope or value. The very fact that I belong to Him gives me a reason to hope because I know that no matter what I face, I will never face it alone. Ephesians 2 is one of my favorite chapters in all of scripture. The reason for that is simple, it reminds me of "who" and "whose" I am.

Simply stated, there was a time when I was lost and without hope. But because of His great love for me, He made me alive in Christ. In doing so, He promoted me to a seat in the heavenly realms. In other words, He made me a joint heir with Christ. Everything that was given to Him is now mine in Christ Jesus. He didn't save me because He needed me or because I deserved it. He saved me by grace because He loved me supremely. I can now say that I am His handiwork and I was created in Christ Jesus to do amazing works for His kingdom. I was born for greatness. That explains all of "who" I am and all of "whose" I am. If that doesn't excite you this morning, I don't know what would.

# Michael E. Devine

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