



## Covenant Baptist Church

*Reformed and Refreshing*

*November 17th, 2019*

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>

# Covenant Baptist Church Schedule

Bible Education Hour (Systematic Theology)  
~ 9:30 A.M.

Sunday Worship ~ 10:30 A.M.

Wednesday Prayer Service ~ 7:00 P.M.

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

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**Order of Worship**  
*(November 17th, 2019)*

Wonderful, Merciful Savior—162

Prayer and Scripture Reading: Proverbs 17:1-13

What a Friend We Have in Jesus—164

All the Way My Savior Leads Me—172

Message: The Peace of Christ, Part 2— John 14:27

Prayer and Benediction

Closing Hymn: Oh, How He Loves You and Me—157

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### Upcoming cleaning volunteers:

November 23: Wheat

November 30: Kyzer (D/P & K/R)

December 7: Shaffer

### Deacon on-call list:

November 17: Trey Egan

November 24: Colonel Rogers

December 1: Burt Lanier

### Church Bookstore:

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

## Announcements—November 17th, 2019

Greek class will resume on November 17 at 6 PM.

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There will be no Wednesday evening service on Nov 27 due to Thanksgiving.

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Moms and kids (any age!): there will be a cookie exchange and gingerbread decorating activity on Friday, Dec 13 at 10:30 AM here at the church. If you would like to participate, please RSVP to Kerri Olds. You will need to bring cookies for the exchange, and your own gingerbread house. If you want to have pizza for lunch, plan to contribute \$5 and let Kerri know so she can order accordingly.

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This year we again plan to help with the Kenya orphan ministry by providing the funds needed to purchase clothes and uniforms for Christmas. We will accept donations through December 8. The uniforms are much-needed items for the children. If you would like to give toward this project, just earmark your check or envelope “Kenya Orphans Christmas”.

Boys:	Girls:	Boys and Girls:
- Sweater: \$19.45	- Jacket: Large-\$19.35,	- Underwear: \$4.84
- Uniform (shirt + trousers): \$30.96	Small-\$17.41	- Shoes: Large-\$27.09
- Socks: \$1.74	- Sweater: \$17.41	Small/medium-\$17.41
	- Uniform: \$27.09	
	- Socks: \$2.42	

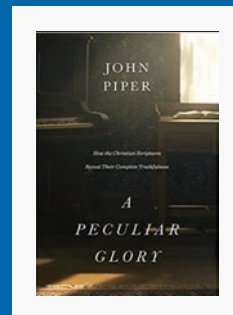
**Also, the Kenya Orphan Fund has just dropped below \$500 and it is our habit to let the congregation know when this has happened.**

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There is a communication board in the Fellowship Hall. It includes a calendar to sign up for using the facilities at the church. You may borrow tables and chairs to take home for a function. Please put your name and the number of items you borrow on the calendar. You are responsible for cleaning the facilities after you use them, including removing your trash. The board will also be available to advertise your need to remarket items, or to offer your services for hire. Marie Lucas is the coordinator for this board. Her number is 803-397-9082.

## Book of the Week:

A Peculiar Glory

John Piper



“God has provided a way for all people, not just scholars, to know that the Bible is the Word of God. John Piper has devoted his life to showing us that the glory of God is the object of the soul’s happiness. Now, his burden in this book is to demonstrate that this same glory is the ground of the mind’s certainty.

“God’s peculiar glory shines through his Word. The Spirit of God enlightens the eyes of our hearts. And in one self-authenticating sight, our minds are sure and our hearts are satisfied. Justified certainty and solid joy meet in the peculiar glory of God.”

Purchase at: [https://www.amazon.com/dp/1433552639/ref=cm\\_sw\\_em\\_r\\_mt\\_dp\\_U\\_-Jf0DbXQJ9X75](https://www.amazon.com/dp/1433552639/ref=cm_sw_em_r_mt_dp_U_-Jf0DbXQJ9X75)

## Reserve Your Seat | G3 2020 2 Months...

### “Worship Matters!

“We are only two months away from the 2020 G3! Take time to register for your seat and save the date for a big weekend focused on spiritual renewal and growth through God’s Word.

“As we make our plans for the upcoming G3 Conference, we are excited! Not only will we have three days of fellowship, ministry connections, and free resources available to us—but of most importance will be our opportunity to focus for three days on the theme of worship and to engage in the worship of God.

“Make your plans now to be in Atlanta for this extremely important conference for the local church.”

Read more at: [g3conference.com](http://g3conference.com)

**Reserve your seat at:**  
<https://g3conference.com/events/>

True worship must worship God as He exists, not as we wish Him to be. The essence of idolatry is the making of images of God. ... If we make an image of God in our mind that is not in accord with God’s revelation of Himself, then we are not worshipping in truth.

@DrOakley1689

## Covenant Baptist Church Events

### Greek Class:

*Our Greek class, “It’s Greek to You and Me”, will continue tonight the fellowship hall at 6 P.M.*



### 2nd Sunday Fellowship Dinner:

*December 8th is our next second Sunday fellowship meal. Please plan to bring a dish and join us after the service! 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.*

## If It Doesn't Speak to Every Specific Issue, Is Scripture Truly Sufficient?—Mike Riccardi



<https://youtu.be/lsvCPjhAQiw>

## Six Christian schoolgirls, others abducted in Nigeria released after torture: ‘God brought us help’—by Leah MarieAnn Klett

Muslim Fulani herdsmen have released six girls and two staff members kidnapped from a Christian-run high school in north-central Nigeria after torture and payment of a ransom.

Nearly a month after abducting the girls and staff members at gunpoint from Engravers’ College in Kakau Daji village, Chikun County near Kaduna city, their Muslim captors released them late last month, one of the girls’ parents told Morning Star News, a nonprofit persecution watchdog outlet.

“Several people prayed in churches and mosques,” Ohemu Fredrick said. “Through their prayers, God brought us help. God used a former governor of Kaduna state to assist us.”

Fredrick did not disclose the former governor’s name or the ransom amount but revealed the former official offered the children and staff members free medical treatment. According to another parent whose identity was withheld, the hostages were reportedly tortured each time the kidnapers called the parents so they could hear their screams.

“They were torturing them each time they called us (parents) so that we could hear them,” the parent told The Punch Newspaper. “They said they were being fed rice mixed with palm oil while in captivity.”

The parent said after the kidnapers set them free, police picked them up and dropped them off near a toll gate near the city center.

The State Commissioner for Internal Security and Home Affairs, Mr. Samuel Aruwan, confirmed the news in a statement: “We are relieved that this criminal violation of the right to liberty is over and that they are all back safely. The victims, most of whom are minors, and their families will now be focusing on recovering from this undeserved trauma. We appeal for considerate reporting of their ordeal and respect for their privacy,” Aruwan said, according to The Punch.

“As we continue to combat banditry, kidnapping and other crimes, the Kaduna State Government urges all our communities not to give comfort to criminals. The state government calls for vigilance in all our communities and continued cooperation with the security agencies in this battle to secure our state

### Six Christian schoolgirls, others abducted in Nigeria released after torture: 'God brought us help'—by Leah MarieAnn Klett (cont.)

and all who live in it.”

Shunom Giwa, vice principal of Engravers' College, previously revealed that the eight individuals were kidnapped early October when armed herdsmen appeared at the door of his house and spoke with each other in the Fulani language. Others with the school's vice principal arrived shortly after they told him to lie down, and Giwa escaped, he said.

The school of about 100 students has a secular curriculum but includes a Christian perspective, and students take Christian Religious Knowledge as a subject, Giwa said.

Thousands have been killed in the last few years as a result of Fulani attacks against predominantly Christian farming communities in the Middle Belt and southern Nigeria.

According to Human Rights Watch, an estimated 11,000 people have been killed in conflicts involving Fulani militia since 2011. The death toll is said to be six times higher than the murders committed by Boko Haram terrorists.

In September, Fulani herdsmen abducted and executed the wife of an evangelical pastor after collecting a ransom of 250,000 naira (\$690) from the woman's family.

Also in September, suspected Muslim Fulani herdsmen shot and killed Baptist pastor Alhamdu Mangadus of Nasara Baptist Church in Asso as he worked on his farm.

In August, it was reported that suspected Fulani radicals killed Catholic priest Paul Offu in Enugu.

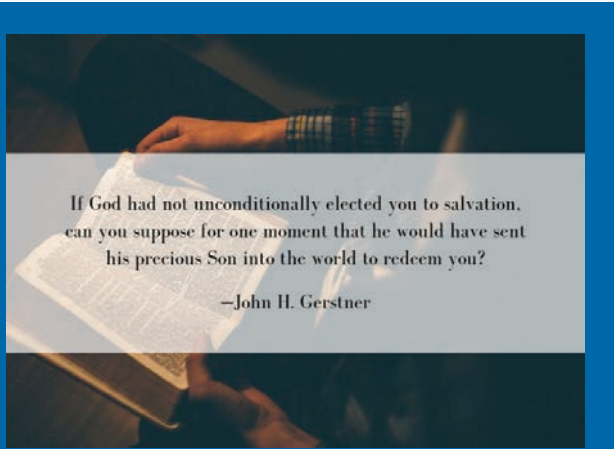
Kaduna Gov. Nasir el-Rufai told media that with the latest spate of kidnappings and murders, Fulani “bandits” are likely working alongside elements of Islamic extremist group Boko Haram.



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"We have been receiving intelligence some three months ago that the bandits have connected with some elements of Boko Haram, and they will be targeting schools to kidnap children because they know that that is what makes the news," El-Rufai said.

Persecution watchdog Open Door USA ranks Nigeria 12th on its 2019 World Watch List of countries where Christians suffer the most persecution.



If God had not unconditionally elected you to salvation,  
can you suppose for one moment that he would have sent  
his precious Son into the world to redeem you?

—John H. Gerstner

From:  
<https://www.christianpost.com/news/six-christian-schoolgirls-others-abducted-in-nigeria-released-after-torture-god-brought-us-help.html>





## **Strategies for Fighting Depression Well—by Jim Newheiser**

<https://biblicalcounseling.com/fighting-depression-well/>



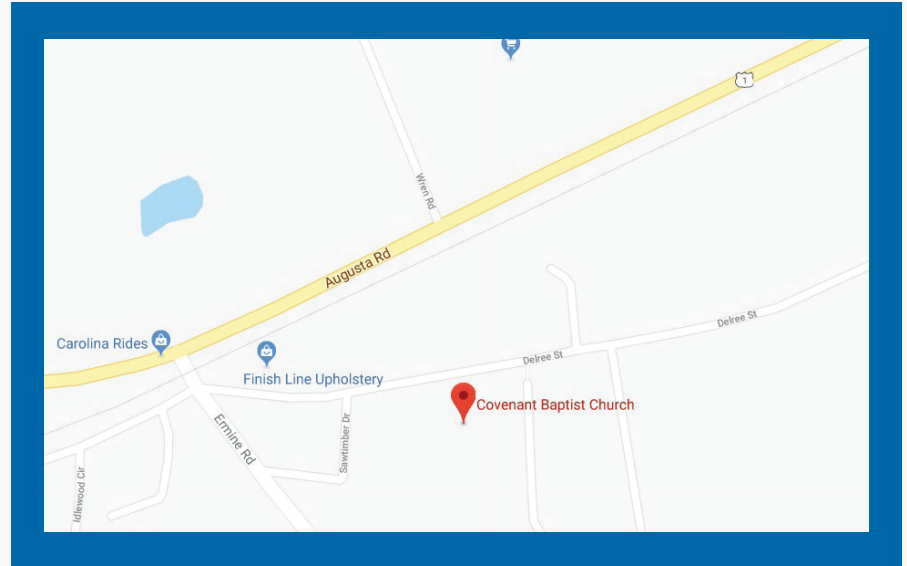
## **Covenant Baptist Church**

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*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.*