



## Covenant Baptist Church

*Reformed and Refreshing*

*July 19th, 2020*

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 (Puritans)  
~ 9:30 A.M.—ON HOLD

Sunday Worship ~ 10:30 A.M.

Wednesday Prayer Service ~ 7:00 P.M.—ON HOLD

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

## Order of Worship

*(July 19th, 2020)*

Joyful, Joyful—23

Great Is Thy Faithfulness—86

Scripture Reading: Acts 6:1-7; 1 Timothy 3:1-15

Holy, Holy, Holy—48

All I Have Is Christ—389

Message:

The Biblical Pattern for Church Leadership and Government  
— 1 Timothy 3:8-15

Ordination of Wesley Smoak and Andy Shumpert

Closing Hymn: Rise Up, O Men Of God—339

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### On-Call Deacon List:

- July 19: Kyzer
- July 26: Waddell
- August 2: Lucas

### Church Cleaning Schedule:

- July 25: Olds/Shealy
- August 1: Wheat
- August 8: Kyzer (K&R), Bean

### Church Bookstore:

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

## Announcements

We are aware of the situation with the coronavirus and are asking that everyone take the necessary precautions (i.e. wash hands, use hand sanitizer, etc.) and monitor the church website and the texting service for announcements regarding our services. Things can change overnight as we have seen, so there may be a time when we cancel all services. If you have any questions, you can ask any of the elders or deacons. If anyone needs help knowing how to livestream the service, please see one of the elders or deacons. Also, if you need to stay home for health reasons and need anything brought to you, please let us know. We would be glad to serve you in this way.

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A special time of prayer in the overflow room/fellowship area will begin soon, taking place on Wednesdays at 6:15 PM. In an effort to have more prayer and to improve our Wednesday evening service, we are adding a time and place for men and women to pray for general needs. This is modeled after the men and women gathered together for prayer in the upper room in Acts 1. During the Wednesday evening service at 7 PM, we will have 2 or 3 men lead in a more directed prayer for specific topics or needs. Start date to be announced soon.

## Covenant Baptist Church Events

**Greek Class**—*On hold*

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

**Second Sunday Dinner**—*August 9th. 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.*

## Other Events:

**Truth: Answers for Women, March 27-28 2020**—(Williamstown, KY)

*DELAYED UNTIL 2021*

*More at: <https://answersingenesis.org/outreach/event/answers-for-women-2020/>*

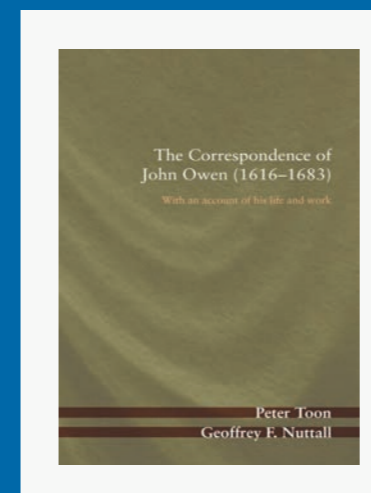
**NCFIC Singles Conference**—*NCFIC is offering a Singles Conference: Holiness to the Lord October 28-29. More details can be found at: <https://ncfic.org/events/216400/overview>*

## Book of the Week: The Correspondence of John Owen (1616-1683)

Until recent months it has been taken for granted that few, if any, of the letters of the great nonconformist leader existed. Mr. Toon has discovered more than one hundred original letters, hitherto unknown—including original correspondence with Oliver Cromwell—which are here reprinted for the first time, with a scholarly introduction.

This is an important piece of historical research; it should be essential reading for all students of the Commonwealth, period.

<https://www.heritagebooks.org/products/the-correspondence-of-john-owen-1616-1683-owen.html>





## White Fragility Is Pro-Racism

—by Samuel Sey

When I was a boy in Ghana, I once had a massive nail pierce through my foot, and I suffered through a makeshift surgery by my mom without anaesthesia.

And that was significantly more enjoyable than reading this book. It's astonishingly bad.

*White Fragility: Why It's So Hard for White People to Talk About Racism* is one of the best-selling books right now, and it's one of the worst books I've ever read.

*White Fragility* was released in 2018 by sociologist and anti-racist Robin DiAngelo. The book became a best-seller immediately after it was released. However, since George Floyd's murder a couple of months ago, it's become the most recommended anti-racist book in the world.

In *White Fragility*, Robin DiAngelo attempts to explain why white people, especially "progressive" white people, do not believe they're racists. In the book, she defines white fragility as any rejections—including sincere rejections—by white people against accusations of racism.

She says: "None of the people whose actions I describe in this book would identify as racist. In fact, they would most likely identify as racially progressive and vehemently deny any complicity with racism. Yet all their responses illustrate white fragility and how it holds racism in place."

For that reason, she says: "*white progressives cause the most daily damage to people of color.*"

That's probably the only thing from the book I agree with. She's right—except she doesn't know she's referring to herself. White "progressives" cause the most daily damage to black people, and this book is a good example of that.

I read *White Fragility* over four days, and it damaged me in each of the four days. The book is more damaging than any massive nail to my foot.

Robin DiAngelo has managed to accomplish the difficult task of writing a book that is simultaneously anti-white and white supremacist. And yet, it's the bestselling book on racism today.

What does it say about our culture when one of the most racist books I've ever read is considered by many to be the best book on racism?

We're apparently so distracted and so deceived by false definitions of racism, we're seemingly no longer able to discern what real racism looks like. And that's one of the major problems with *White Fragility* and anti-racism ideology, it redefines racism and sin to predictably destructive and disastrous conclusions.

Anti-racism is synonymous with critical race theory, or more broadly, social justice ideology. Anti-racism is a commitment to eliminating practices and policies, sins and systems that anti-racists declare as racist.

In anti-racism ideology, racism isn't an enticing sin, it's an entity—or as DiAngelo references in the book—"*an omnipresent phenomenon.*"

And by that definition of racism, it's not difficult to notice the religious overtones of anti-racism. Anti-racism is just pro-racism appearing as an angel of light. Anti-racism is an anti-Christ ideology that uses racism as a means to fight supposed racism. It's an ideology that labels good as evil and evil as good. And it's in direct opposition to Christianity.

In *White Fragility*, Robin DiAngelo says: "*a positive white identity is an impossible goal. White identity is inherently racist; white people do not exist outside the system of white supremacy.*"

Professing to be wise, Robin DiAngelo became a fool. Professing to be anti-racist, she became a racist. *White Fragility* is a racist and an anti-white book. And if we really lived in an anti-black culture like DiAngelo claims, her anti-white book wouldn't be a bestseller.

But anti-racists like Robin DiAngelo do not hate racism, they only hate, supposedly, anti-black racism. And yet, like many “progressives”, her anti-white racism manifests in a condescending form of white supremacy. Anti-racist rhetoric is remarkably similar to white supremacist rhetoric.

Anti-racists and white supremacists agree that a person’s skin colour is the most significant thing about them. They agree that a person’s skin colour shapes who they are. And anti-racists agree with white supremacists that white people are more privileged than black people—except they say so with pity, not pride.

Robin DiAngelo writes like a white supremacist, and according to her concept of white fragility, it would be racist for her to reject my accusation—according to her own silly standards, she would have to agree with me that she’s indeed a white supremacist.

The similarities between anti-racists and the alt-right are striking. In fact, so many times throughout the book, her words read like she was plagiarizing Richard Spencer.

For instance, she said: *“I am free to move in virtually any space as normal, neutral, or valuable. While I might worry about my class status in some settings, for example, when attending a ‘high society’ event such as a museum opening or an art auction, I will not have to worry about my race. In fact, my race will work in my favour in these settings, granting me the initial benefit of the doubt that I belong there. I also will certainly not be the only white person there.”*

She doesn’t realize she’s projecting her own white supremacist views on society. It takes a profoundly ignorant and arrogant person to write those words. Unhelpful generalizations against white people inevitably leads to unhelpful generalizations against black people.

Racism from anti-racists can be more destructive than racism from traditional racists today, since they’re convinced their racist ideology and actions are actually in protest against racism. They’re like rioters who destroy property owned by black people in Minnesota because of their supposed love for George Floyd and black people.

But the most disturbing thing about *White Fragility* isn’t what it says about white people or black people. The most disturbing thing about *White Fragility* is what it says about sin and repentance, human nature and God’s character.

Naturally, *White Fragility* doesn’t mention God. However, the gods of anti-racism are mentioned throughout the book. In anti-racism, black people and white anti-racists like Robin DiAngelo are precious deities whom we must devote ourselves to, if we don’t want to be racists—or in my case, if I don’t want to internalize racism.

According to them, black people and anti-racists are the inerrant and authoritative voices

on racism, not the Bible. Therefore, they redefine racism in a manner that suits their agenda.

Like all anti-racists, Robin DiAngelo rejects the biblical definition of racism. That’s because the biblical definition of racism is inconvenient for her racist ideology and her ridiculous concept of white fragility.

Marxists used to burn Bibles. Marxist anti-racists like Robin DiAngelo, however, burn biblical definitions. And in doing so, she commits a theological heresy and a logical malpractice.

In the book, DiAngelo says: *“[white fragility] is rooted in the false but widespread belief that racial discrimination can only be intentional...the simplistic idea that racism is limited to individual intentional acts committed by unkind people is at the root of virtually all white defensiveness on this topic.”*

That is a complete rejection of the biblical and logical definition for racism. Racism is biblically defined as a form of partiality or hatred against another person because of their skin colour. The Bible says: *“show no partiality as you hold the faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord of glory...have you not then made **distinctions** among yourselves and become judges with **evil thoughts**?”* (James 2:1, 4 )

Racism is always an intentional and unkind thought or deed. That isn’t a simplistic definition of racism by white people. That isn’t even a simplistic definition of racism by me. That’s a simple, scriptural definition of racism by God.

Nevertheless, citing another anti-racist, DiAngelo says: *“Racism is a systemic, societal, institutional, omnipresent, and epistemologically embedded phenomenon that pervades every vestige of our reality. For most whites, however, racism is like murder: the concept exists, but someone has to commit it in order for it to happen. This limited view of such a multilayered syndrome cultivates the sinister nature of racism and, in fact, perpetuates racist phenomena rather than eradicates them.”*

In other words, according to anti-racists, the biblical and logical definition of racism as an intentional act is actually racist. And yet, they don’t seem to notice their inconsistent thinking. If racism isn’t an intentional act, then why is my intentional definition of racism racist? If racism is morally ambiguous as Robin DiAngelo claims throughout the book, then how can it be sinister? If racism is sinister, then aren’t the perpetrators of racism sinners?

And if racism can be unintentional, then how can a person intentionally fight against racism? What’s the purpose of anti-racism then?

Anti-racism isn't interested in changing sinners, it's interested in changing systems. This is why they label Biblical Christians as racist. This is why anti-racists hate it when we Christians say: "just preach the gospel."

In anti-racism, the gospel is irrelevant and racist. Essentially, anything that isn't in conformity to anti-racism is racist—including the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Therefore, anti-racists like Robin DiAngelo aren't interested in repentance from sinners, they're only interested in revolutions against systems. Anti-racists believe racism resides in a white person's skin colour, not in all our hearts.

*White Fragility* offers sinister rebukes without any sincere offers for repentance. The book doesn't offer any real hope for both victims and perpetrators of racism. And yet, the book and anti-racist ideology is infiltrating Christian circles.

But Christian, don't burden yourself with what *White Fragility* and anti-racist ideology demand from you. Instead, rest in what your saviour has done for you.

Social justice is an unending burden and pain no one can bear. Jesus' yoke is easy, and his burden is light. The gospel is enough. Jesus is enough.

However, if you embrace *White Fragility* and anti-racism, you're in danger of losing your mind and your soul.

Also read: [My thoughts about Congregational Worship, Social Distancing, Submission to Caesar, and Obedience to God](http://teampyro.blogspot.com/2020/07/my-thoughts-about-congregational.html), by Phil Johnson

<http://teampyro.blogspot.com/2020/07/my-thoughts-about-congregational.html>

From: <https://slowtowrite.com/white-fragility-is-pro-racism/>



Image: Anna Schvetz from Pexels

## All COVID-19 vaccines to be made with aborted human fetal cells

—by *Ethan Huff*

If you or someone you know is anxiously waiting for a Wuhan coronavirus (COVID-19) vaccine to hit the market, just know that all of the top contenders are being formulated with ingredients made from aborted human fetal cells.

While the vaccines themselves will likely not contain any actual aborted fetal tissue, the additives they contain come from cell lines harvested from human babies that were murdered while still in the womb.

Christians and other religious people who value human life will probably want to think twice before getting these jabs, in other words, especially if they are to remain consistent in supporting the dignity of the unborn.

The nonprofit group Liberty Counsel is currently in the process of raising awareness about the use of aborted human fetal tissue in vaccine production, specifically as it relates to the Wuhan coronavirus (COVID-19).

“As an American citizen who loves my country, my Constitution, and my right to refuse forced vaccinations, I urge you to end all consideration of mandatory vaccinations,” the Liberty Counsel campaign against forced vaccinations states.

Listen below to The Health Ranger Report as Mike Adams, the Health Ranger, discusses the claim of a contact tracing whistleblower who says that door-to-door forced vaccinations and FEMA kidnapping campaigns are soon on the way:

(Listen here: <https://www.naturalnews.com/2020-06-25-all-covid-19-vaccines-aborted-human-fetal-cells.html>)

Operation Warp Speed (OWS), the program unveiled by President Trump to rush a Wuhan coronavirus (COVID-19) vaccine to market as quickly as possible, is reportedly moving along much faster than expected with a jab set to be ready before year's end.

“What I thought was an aspirational goal 30 days ago when I was announced by the president, I have recently come to the conclusion that it is more and more likely to occur,” stated U.S. Army General Gus Perna, a top OWS official who is overseeing the rushed vaccine program.

If all goes according to plan – and it appears to be going better than planned, the Department of Defense and the Department of Health and Human Services will have 300 million Wuhan coronavirus (COVID-19) vaccines ready for distribution by January 1, 2021.

The companies leading the way in making this happen include Johnson & Johnson, which has been sued more times than we can count for various drug conspiracies, along with Moderna and AstraZeneca.

Trials are already in motion on these vaccines with more to begin soon. Meanwhile, Liberty Counsel Chairman Mat Staver is sounding the alarm about the horrors they contain, not the least of which are the toxic additives manufactured from aborted baby fetal tissue.

Of particular concern are continued efforts in states across America to eliminate exemptions to vaccination, which will make it that much more difficult for people who oppose being forcibly injected to sidestep any future mandates.

“Big Pharma reportedly constitutes approximately one-sixth of the U.S. economy,” Staver warns, noting that mandatory vaccinations are a massive cash cow for the pharmaceutical industry.

“Additionally, the pharmaceutical industry spends more money on lobbying at both the state and federal levels than any other sector of the U.S. economy. In 2019, for example, Big Pharma spent a massive \$295 million on federal lobbying – more than double the nearest runner-up, electronics manufacturing.”

By using aborted baby fetal tissue, drug companies can produce vaccines even cheaper than normal, allowing them to rake in windfall profits.

“And what better opportunity to make those profits skyrocket than to demand mass vaccination of the entire population ... even though COVID-19 is now known to have just a 0.26 percent death rate, roughly the same as the average annual flu,” he adds.

For more related news about the dangers associated with vaccination, be sure to check out [Vaccines.news](https://www.naturalnews.com).

## Other News:

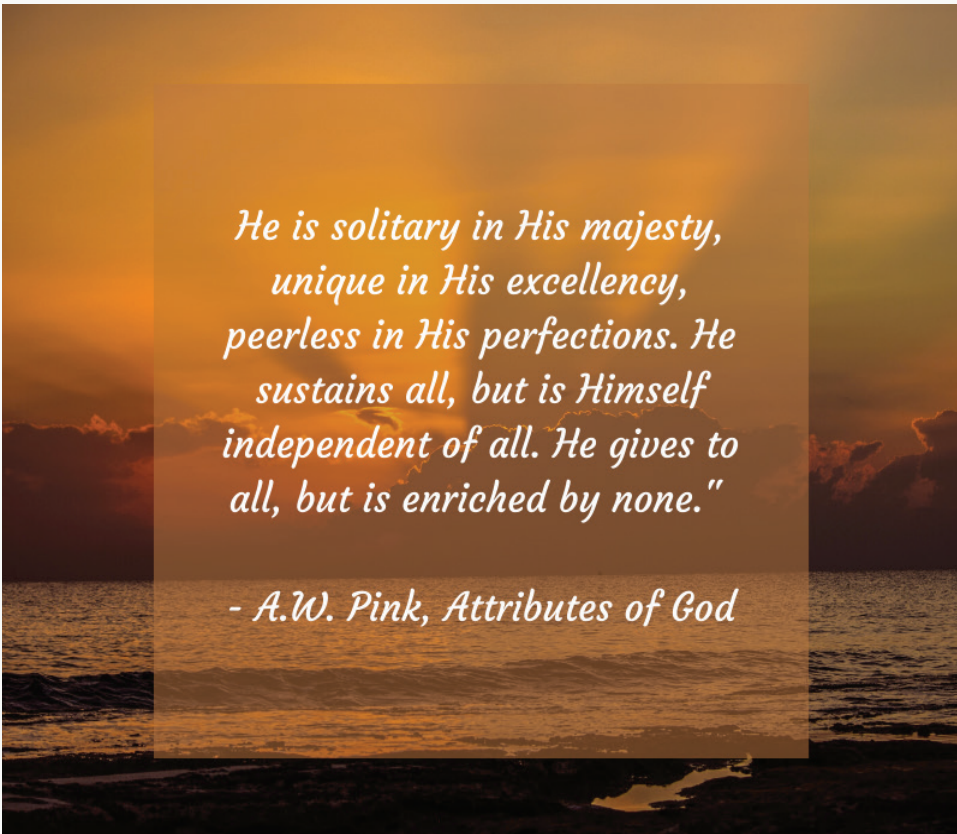
**House Dem claims religious liberty is a 'bogus term,' 'pretext for discrimination'**— <https://www.foxnews.com/media/maloney-religious-liberty-bogus>

**'Horror Show': Watchdog Reveals FDA Paid for 'Fresh Human Fetal Parts' for 'Humanized Mice' Experiments**— <https://www1.cbn.com/cbnnews/2020/june/horror-show-watchdog-reveals-fda-paid-for-fresh-human-fetal-parts-for-humanized-mice-experiments>

**List of 269 companies supporting Antifa, Black Lives Matter, the lines have been drawn**— <https://www.naturalnews.com/2020-06-25-269-companies-supporting-antifa-black-lives-matter.html>

**Denver school board votes unanimously to pull police out of schools, citing "systemic racism"**— <https://disrn.com/news/denver-school-board-unanimously-votes-to-withdraw-police-from-public-schools>

## Quote of the Week:



*He is solitary in His majesty,  
unique in His excellency,  
peerless in His perfections. He  
sustains all, but is Himself  
independent of all. He gives to  
all, but is enriched by none."*

*- A.W. Pink, Attributes of God*

## 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/>

### 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 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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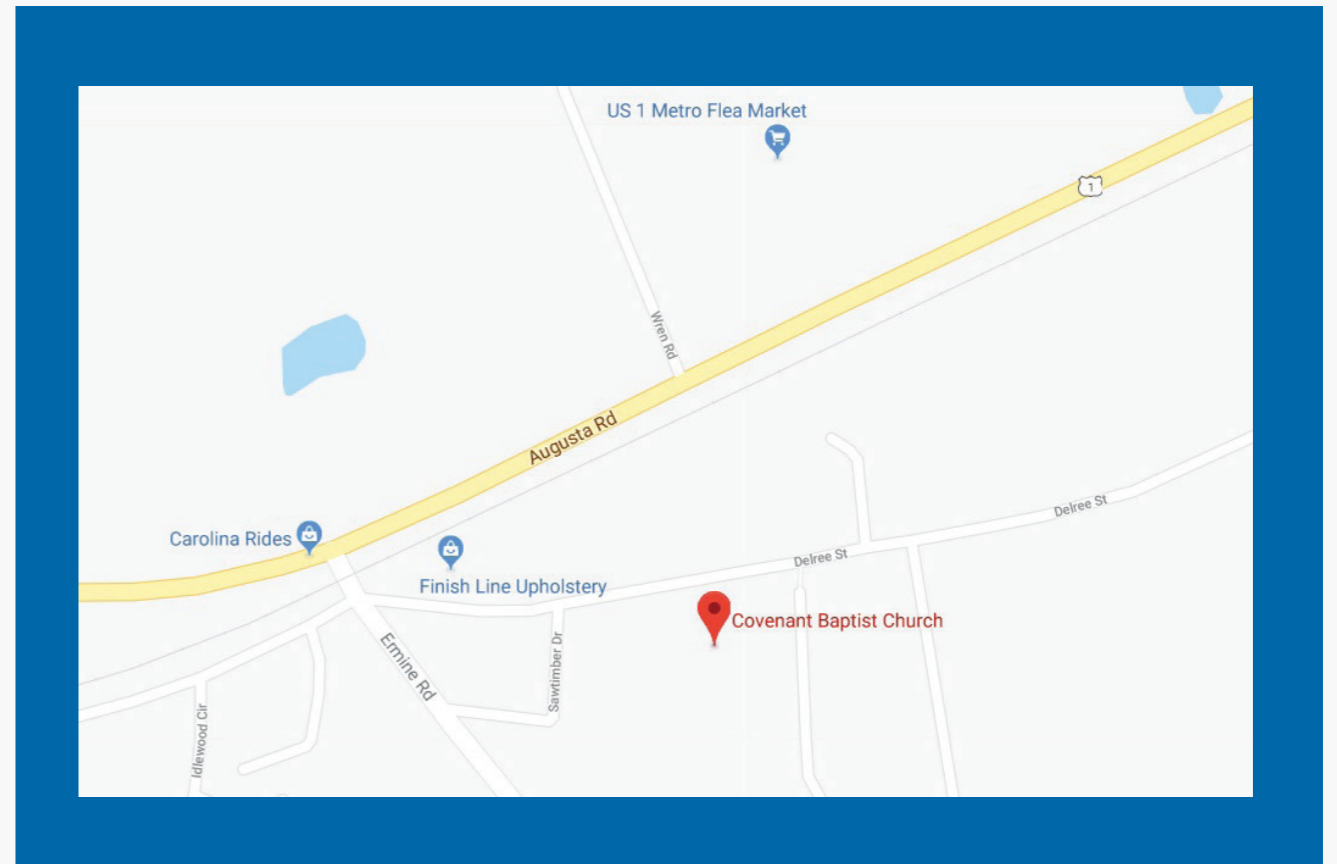
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## Location:



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They will be happy to give you the information you need.*