

April 18th, 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 (The Genesis Academy) ~ 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**

(April 18th, 2021)

Prelude

Call to Worship: Psalm 93:1–5

I Sing the Mighty Power of God—26

Scripture Reading: James 1:19-27

Rock of Ages—209

O Church Arise—353

Message: The Real Authority Behind the Crucifixion John 19:7–16

Prayer and Benediction

Jesus Paid it All —281

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### **On-Call Deacon List:**

• April 18: Waddell

• April 25: Lucas

• May 1: Egan

### **Church Cleaning Schedule:**

• April 24: Crapps/McSween

• May 1: Thomas/Waddell

• May 8: 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**

**Important Event:** Please mark you calendar, invite everyone and plan to attend. Thanks to the courageous work of State Representative Jonathon Hill, Covenant Baptist and Grace Covenant Church of Rock Hill are able to have the opportunity to participate in sponsoring the Abolish Abortion Rally

Where: SC State House, Columbia, SC

When: May 4th, 10am-12pm

Speakers: Jeff Durbin of End Abortion Now, State Representative Jonathon Hill, and Mark Corral of Grace Covenant Church of Rock Hill, SC. Additionally, for our Wednesday evening service May 5th at 7pm, Pastor Jeff Durbin will be speaking on the topic of abortion. Please invite all you know to both of these important events.

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Thanks to the generosity of the many of you, our mortgage has gone from \$160,845.66 to \$127,826.47 If haven't had and opportunity to give yet and you would like to help us pay this off so we can look forward to building more room, we would be very thankful. We are currently praying and seeking God's will for the future direction of CBC for worship and teaching, and parking space.

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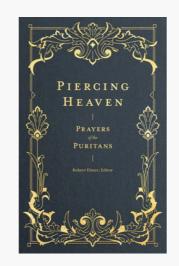
Our Wednesday service includes a prayer time in the "Other Room" at 6pm. Following that, at 7pm, we have our evening worship with prayer and the study of the Book of Romans. We would love to have you come and be with us in this mid-week worship.

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Covenant Classical Christian School in seeking teachers for 2nd and 4th grades, and also for teachers in the subjects of Literature, History, and Bible in the Upper School for the 2021-2022 school year and beyond. Experience in classical Christian education is desired; however, support and instruction for teaching in a classical Christian school will be provided to those new and continuing in CCE. Interested candidates should contact Headmaster, Patsy Hinton at phinton@covenantcs.org or 803-790-5100

### Book of the Week: Piercing Heaven: Prayers of the Puritans by Robert Elmer (ed.)

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.



## **Covenant Baptist Church Events**

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Greek Class—On hold

Biblical Counseling Class—On hold

Second Sunday Dinner—April 11th. 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.



### **Canada Now Has an Underground Church**

-Ken Ham

Canada now has an underground church. Let that sink in for a moment—Canada, the "true North strong and free"—has forced a church to go underground. Due to the church reopening and refusing to close during yet another lockdown order, the pastor of GraceLife church in Alberta, Canada, was arrested and spent over a month in a maximum-security prison. But the government tyranny continues despite not a single case of COVID—19 being traced to that church in the months they've been open.

After Pastor James Coates' release, officers set up a fence barricade around the church and have been "guarding" the building to ensure members cannot gather to worship the Lord. Church members and other concerned Canadians showed up outside the church on Sunday to worship together and protest government overreach and religious persecution. Some people, who reportedly were not members of the church, tried to tear down the fence. In response, two hundred riot police showed up in addition to the dozens of officers who were already there.

On Sunday morning, Pastor John MacArthur of Grace Community Church in California shared this update about the church:

This morning, GraceLife Church up in Alberta, Canada, is meeting somewhere—we don't know where.

James Coates said at this point it's not for the public to know.

It is amazing to think of an underground church in Canada.

This is because the government of Alberta triple-fenced the church in and locked it so people couldn't go there.

I think the latest statistics I've seen are that two thousand people have died through the months of Covid, eighty percent of them in senior homes. The remaining ones had some kind of co-morbidity out of the millions of people who live in Alberta. So there's no legitimate reason to do what they did to this church, especially at this point.

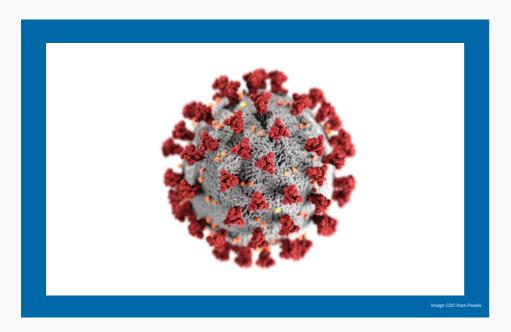
But they did, and this is a first for the Western world, to have the government lock out believers from church—and that after imprisoning James Coates, who's a graduate of the Master's Seminary, in maximum security prison. They led him away in chains and he was there for about thirty-five days.

Many of you have been praying for GraceLife Church, and the scene is changing. There is massive outcry against the government for doing this.

I'm praying along with you that this will draw attention to that church, to him, and to the Gospel. And it's already beginning to do that.

We need to be praying for GraceLife Church in Canada and for the rest of our brothers and sisters in Canada. Religious persecution is on the rise, and sadly, many are using the pandemic as an excuse to unfairly target Christians and to restrict various freedoms.

Thanks for stopping by and thanks for praying, Ken



SCARY: Pentagon Scientist Says They Have Created A Microchip That Needs to Be Implanted Under Your Skin Which Senses COVID-19 in Your Body

—by The DC Patriot Staff

Pentagon scientists have now created a microchip to be implanted under the skin, which will reportedly detect COVID-10 infection and a revolutionary filter that can remove the virus from the blood when attacked to a dialysis machine.

This can't be real life, can it America?

The team at DARPA (Defense Advanced Research Project Agency has been working on preventing disease and pandemics for years.

This always appears more science fiction than real life and working in a laboratory. they determine the issues and come up with the "genius" solutions.

One of their latest inventions was the microchip that detects COVID infection in an individual before it can become an outbreak.

"You put it underneath your skin and what that tells you is that there are chemical reactions going on inside the body, and that signal means you are going to have

symptoms tomorrow," Retired Colonel Matt Hepburn, an army infectious disease physician said.

He added they were inspired by the struggle to stem the virus' spread onboard the USS Theodore Roosevelt, where 1,271 crew members tested positive for the coronavirus.

"It's like a "check engine" light," he explained.

"Sailors would get the signal, then self-administer a blood draw and test themselves on site. We can have that information in three to five minutes."

"As you truncate that time, as you diagnose and treat, what you do is you stop the infection in its tracks," he said.

What are your thoughts America? How badly does this scare you?

Thanks to our friends at WorthyPolitics.com for contributing to this insane article.

### **Other News:**

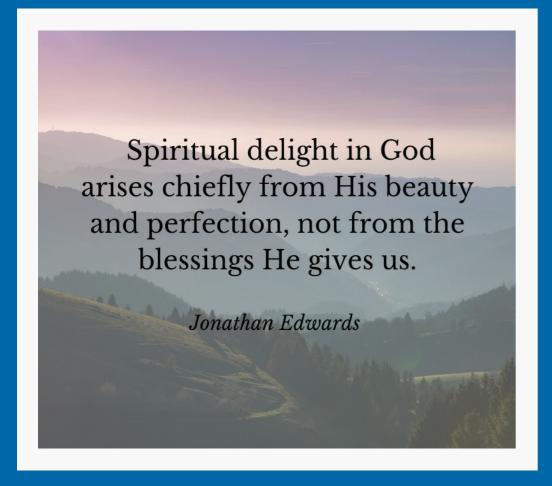
'Victory for Children': Arkansas Becomes 1st State to Ban Transgender Surgery, Hormones on Kids— https://www.christianheadlines.com/contributors/michael-foust/victory-for-children-ark-becomes-1st-state-to-ban-transgender-surgery-and-hormones-on-kids.html

**Voddie Baucham suffers recovery setback with new heart surgery**— https://www.christianpost.com/news/voddie-baucham-suffers-recovery-setback-with-new-heart-surgery.html

White House Signals Openness to Adding a Third Gender to Official Documents — https://disrn.com//news/white-house-signals-openness-to-adding-third-gender-to-official-documents

Judge blocks SC abortion ban from being enacted while court fights continue— https://www.wistv.com/2021/03/19/judge-blocks-sc-abortion-ban-being-enacted-while-court-fights-continue/

### **Quote of the Week:**



### **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/

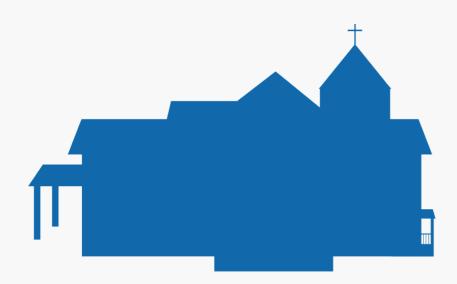
#### **Enduring Dark Providences**

https://biblicalcounseling.com/resource-library/articles/enduring-dark-providences/

### **Covenant Baptist Biblical Counseling Class:**

A Biblical Counseling class started 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.

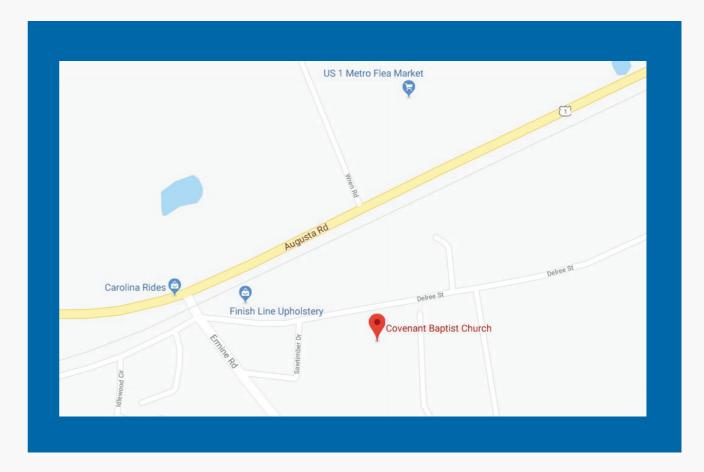


# **Covenant Baptist Church**

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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.