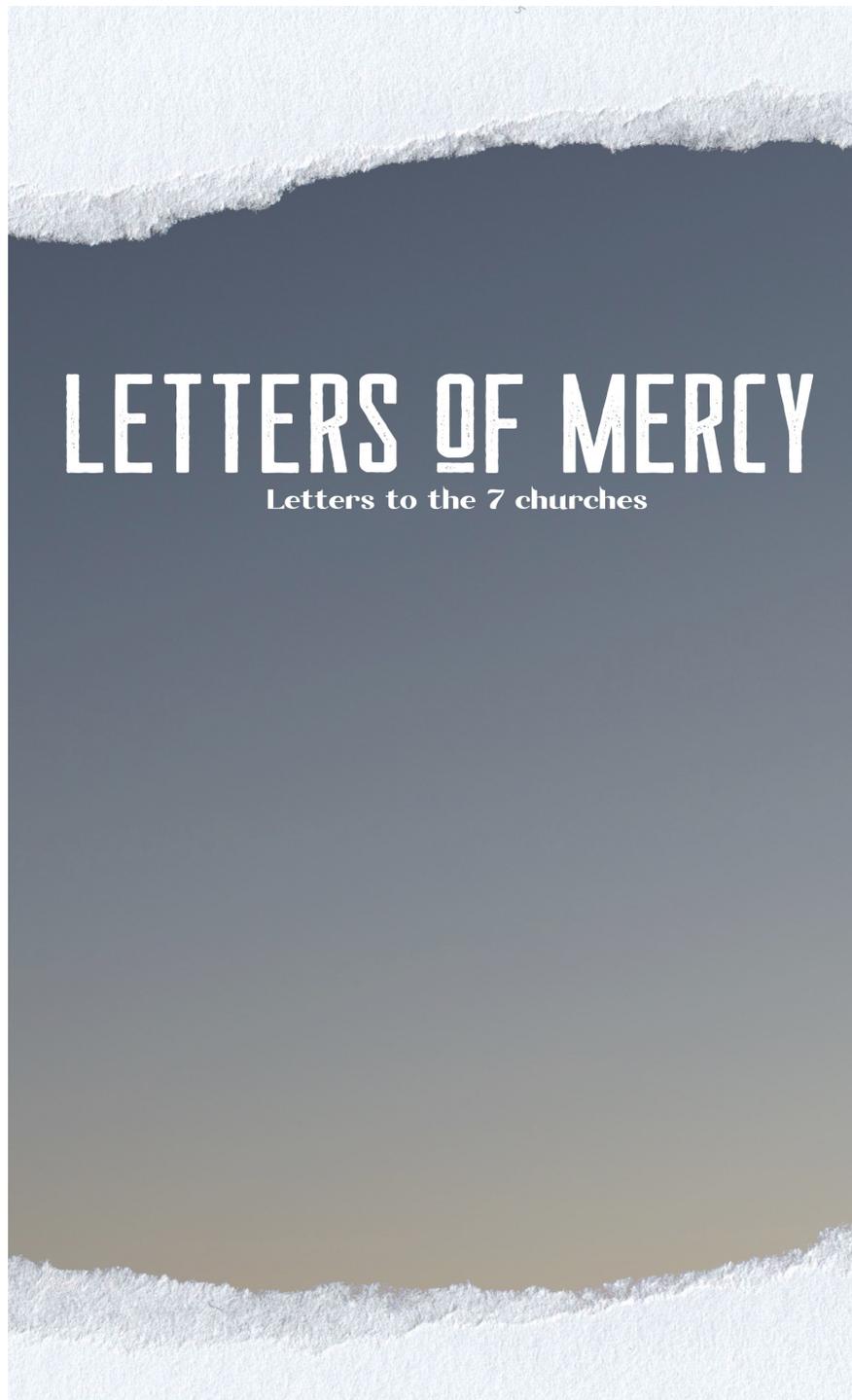




September 26, 2021



"Our promise to you, born out of His promise to us"

MEN'S RETREAT

October 22 - 24

South Mountain Baptist Retreat

This is open to all men from Covenant,
Your friends and other churches
(Signed Covid waiver required)

Leave Covenant Friday 5:30 P.M. & return Sunday 10:00 A.M.

Cost - \$50.00 per person (financial aid available)

For rooms, dinner Friday, 3 meals Saturday, and breakfast Sunday
MUST bring own linens or sleeping bag, towels, and pillows

Need to sign up and have all money in by 10/17

Contact Chris Greeson 704-616-7805 (C) or Brack Rogers 704-996-0442 (C) ASAP

October
1-3rd



Hawkins Farms,
Crouse, NC



October
9th

Event brochures
and Sign ups
available now on the
church App.

LET THE WALLS COME DOWN

Women's Conference

October 22-23

Sign up on the church app or at
covenantchurch.church

The logo for Covenant Women, featuring the word 'Covenant' in a small font above the word 'Women' in a large, elegant script font.



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)

10:45a Children's Church
(except 1st Sunday)

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

WEDNESDAYS



Royal Rangers -
6:30p for boys



Mpact Clubs -
6:30p for girls

FOR COVENANT KIDS INFO
Please text @covenantki
to the number 81010.



"Here am I, Send me!" Isaiah 6:8

SEE WEEKLY CALENDAR IN THIS NEWSLETTER FOR ALL STUDENT ACTIVITIES

Sunday Evening Service, Sept. 26th, 6:00PM—8:00PM

- Called to Lead Series: Through the Book of Joshua. We will challenge students to grow their faith in God, challenge them to act, and call them to a decision for Christ.
- Week Two: Be a Rahab (Joshua 2 & 7). Because of her faith, Rahab was able to act. Because Joshua grew too comfortable and confident in his own abilities, he failed to act. These two stories are a powerful reminder to always turn to God

Wednesday Night Service, Sept. 29th, 6:30PM – 7:30PM

- Middle and high school students, we invite you to join Covenant's Student Ministry small groups on Wednesday nights. During these meetings, we will provide opportunities to connect and learn more about God's teachings.

FINANCIAL UPDATE	<i>September 19, 2021</i>	<i>Year To Date</i>
Undesignated Giving	\$22,783.09	\$874,620.22
Budget Needs	\$20,075.67	\$762,875.46
Over (Under) Budget	\$2,707.42	\$111,744.76
Building Fund Giving	\$10.00	\$10,789.83
Other Designated Giving	\$1,645.00	\$41,230.62
Total Giving	\$24,438.09	\$926,640.67
 Building Fund To Date	 \$23,369.27	



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MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS

SUNDAY SERVICE:

Security Team September 26

Captain—Scott Cole

Dawn Cole, Robby Cline,
John Nielson, Logan Ray,
Bobby Sanders, Robbie Walls,
Craig Vandenberg

Security Team October 3

Captain—Mike Florence

Billy Burgin, Terry Somers,
Chris Tallent, Darin Tate

Nursery on September 26

Babies Brian and Amber Lukowski

Toddlers Iliana Gonzalez

2s & 3s Alex and Nicole Mullen

Nursery on October 3

Babies Grady and Debbie Revis

Toddlers Iliana Gonzalez

2s & 3s Ashley Smith, Ana Carnes



Wednesdays At Covenant

9.29 Wed Night Bible Study

10.6 Wed Night Bible Study

10.13 Wed Night Bible Study

Mark your Calendar

10.1-3 Father—Daught. Campout

10.9 Laps4Life
Mother—Son Adventure

10.10 Childs. Water Bapt. Class

10.12 JOY Group—Drive-Thru

10.17 Water Baptism

10.22-23 Women's Conference

10.22-24 Men's Retreat

10.24 New Members

10.27 Preschool Fall Festival

10.31 Light Up The Night Fall

Sunday, September 26

- 7:15a..... Worship Team
- 8:30a..... Children's Church
- 8:30a..... Early Morning Worship
- 9:45a..... Connections for Prospective New Members
- 9:45a..... Intercessory Prayer
- 9:45a..... Sunday Connect
- 10:45a..... Children's Church
- 10:45a..... Worship Service
- 6:00p..... Covenant Students

Monday, September 27

- 8:30a..... Moms and Muffins
- 7:00p..... Elders' Meeting

Tuesday, September 28

- 10:00a..... Ladies' Prayer Group (Room 109)

Wednesday, September 29

- 6:30p..... Covenant Students—FUEL
- 6:30p..... Royal Rangers & Mpat Girls
- 6:30p..... Wednesday Night Bible Study

Thursday, September 30

- 10:00a..... Ladies' Intercessory Prayer Group (Room 103)

Friday, October 1 & 2

Father / Daughter Campout—Hawkins Farm

WITH SYMPATHY Our Christian love and sympathy are extended to Randy Keener and family in death of his father, Jerry Keener.

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. The class, facilitated by David Creech, meets on Sunday mornings at 9:45a in Room 118. Also, available on Wednesday nights upon request by calling the church office at 704.735.1559.

If you are currently attending another Sunday School class, you may request CDs and a workbook to complete on your own prior to becoming a member.

INFORMATION DIRECTIVES & DEADLINES

- Newsletter:** Deadline: Monday by 5p; News items: Brandy Mercer
- Prayer Sheet:** Deadline: Wednesday by 3p; Requests: Brandy Mercer
- Announcements:** Deadline: Monday by 5p; Ryan Stertzbach

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Twice Born!

Rev. 2:10-11 “Do not fear any of those things which you are about to suffer. Indeed, the devil is about to throw some of you into prison, that you may be tested, and you will have tribulation ten days. Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life.
11 “He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. He who overcomes shall not be hurt by the second death.”

I read a quote once that goes like this: “If we are born just once, we die twice; but if we are born twice, we die only once.” What does that mean in laymen’s terms? Let me try to explain it so we can all understand it.

You see, in scripture, when we hear of a second death; that is a reference to a death that leads to eternal judgment. In other words, the first death is one that is physical and is one we will all face if the Lord tarries. The second death warned of in scripture is a spiritual one. The first death is a separation of the soul and spirit from the body. The second death is a separation of the soul and the spirit from God. There is only one way to avoid facing a “second” death, being born again. Once we come into a relationship with Jesus by faith, we no longer fear a second death. When we die that first death, we are immediately taken into the presence of God for eternity. For us, death is swallowed up in the victory of Jesus over death and the grave. Interestingly enough, the Bible also speaks of two births. The first is physical and the second is spiritual, which we know as being born again. Birth is being “joined to.” Death is being “separated from.” When a person is born physically, that person’s body is joined to a soul and spirit. When that person is born again, that person’s soul and spirit are joined to God. Thus, if we are born just once; we die twice. But if we are born twice, we die only once! Isn’t that some amazing news!

Michael E. Devine

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