



# Covenant Baptist Church

*Reformed and Refreshing*

*July 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 (How God Converts the Human Soul)  
~ 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

*(July 18th, 2021)*

Prelude

Presenting of Bibles to Graduates

Call to Worship: Psalm 150:1-6

Brethren, We Have Met to Worship—334

Scripture Reading: Colossians 1:1-18

His Forever—156

Holy, Holy, Holy—48

Message:

The Actual Accomplishments of the Crucifixion of Christ,  
Pt 5—Redemption:  
1 Peter 1:13-21

Prayer and Benediction

Nothing But the Blood of Jesus—302

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### On-Call Deacon List:

- July 18: Kyzer
- July 25: Waddell
- August 1: Lucas

### Church Cleaning Schedule:

- July 24: Olds/Shealy
- July 31: Kyzer (K&R)/Bean
- August 7: Allen/Steele

### Church Bookstore:

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

## Announcements

If you are a guest here at Covenant for the first time, we would like to welcome you. Please be sure to pick up a blue visitor's packet before you leave.

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Please be in prayer for Bobby as he will be going to Russia very soon and plans to be there for 3 weeks. He needs prayer for safety, health, and wisdom. The Delta variant of COVID is still active. Pray most of all that the Lord be magnified.

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Covenant mission t-shirts are available in the library. There are a variety of sizes and colors, and the prices range from \$10.50-\$15, depending on size. The funds will support the church missions ministries. See Alton for details or to purchase.

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Please contact Chris Waddell (803-447-8257) if you would like to help clean the church every couple of months. You will be teamed with another family to divide the amount of work required. We need at least one more person/couple/family to help at this time.

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Please pray for Kenya and the churches there. We are unable to go over this year due to the 2nd closure of the country because of Covid. Our ministry there has been halted now for 2 years. These pastors need training and materials and we are seeking ways to overcome this obstacle by God's grace.

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We are grateful to announce that Covenant Baptist, along with Dixiana Baptist and other sister churches, will be paying for Noel in Kenya for 3 years of Seminary so he can pastor a church in Kenya. He will be housed in Nairobi Kenya along with his family and will attend seminary there. Noel was a South Sudan pastor who nearly lost his life for standing up and speaking out against the injustice of the slaughter of innocent family members.

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Please continue to pray for supporters for 9 girls in the orphanage in Guntur, India that have not as of yet received the \$41 per month support. Everything has been going well with the boys and the girls orphanages with this exception. Thank you all for the help that you have given to bring these children off the streets of India. Please see Alton for more details, or sign up to support an orphan on the blue pad on the foyer table. — If you would like to give financially to Covenant, the offering box can be found on the small table in the foyer just outside the sanctuary doors.

## Covenant Baptist Church Events

**Greek Class**—*On hold*

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

**Second Sunday Dinner**—*July 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.*

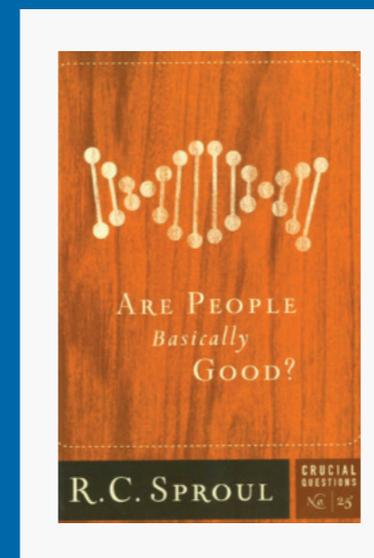
## Book of the Week: Are People Basically Good? by R. C. Sproul

Surveys routinely show that a majority of men and women believe that people are basically good. In fact, the Bible reveals that mankind was indeed created good. And yet, we all know people who have hurt us or others. And we have likewise done what is wrong. So what changed? Why do people lie, cheat, and steal?

In this booklet, Dr. R.C. Sproul explains how we became morally corrupt and just how deep our corruption is. We don't merely make mistakes; we sin against a holy God. But although this is bad news, it's not the end of the story.

Purchase at:

<https://www.heritagebooks.org/products/are-people-basically-good-crucial-questions-no-25-sproul.html>





## Six Reasons Why the Church in America is Becoming Increasingly Impotent

—by Darrell B. Harrison

*“We can never worship God acceptably unless we worship him regularly; and how can we do that if we are ignorant of the rules and elements of religion?” —Thomas Watson, A Body of Divinity*

My purpose in writing this article is to expound on the tweet below, which expresses my own personal opinions and are not intended to set off a theological firestorm.

The impetus for what is expressed in the aforementioned tweet was simply my desire that professing Christians become more aware of what they believe about the Christian faith and why they believe it.

*Six reasons—in my humble opinion—why the church in America is becoming increasingly impotent:*

1. *Hermeneutical immaturism*
2. *Theological progressivism*

3. *Soteriological universalism*
4. *Ecclesiastical ecumenicism*
5. *Pneumatological ventriloquism*
6. *Evangelical pragmatism*

— Darrell B. Harrison (@D\_B\_Harrison) May 26, 2019

The above list is neither exhaustive nor comprehensive. It was never meant to be.

The reasons why evangelicalism in America is so powerless, in my estimation, number exponentially more than six. In fact, it could easily be six-thousand—or six-million (or more). Nevertheless, given the character-count constraints of Twitter®, I was obliged to be as concise as possible in sharing my opinions—and they are only opinions.

### Continue Reading:

<https://deacondarrell.wordpress.com/2019/06/21/six-reasons-why-the-church-in-america-is-becoming-increasingly-impotent/>



## 45 churches engulfed or attacked in ongoing anti-Christian terror campaign

—by Kean Bexte

Terrorists are attacking and burning down churches across Canada with impunity.

It's a reality most Canadians only thought possible for Middle Eastern countries like Syria, where ISIS has bombarded and razed dozens of Christian heritage sites in the name of Islam.

Now, after nearly six years of Liberals calling Canadians racist and fanning the flames of hatred, hate crimes are becoming commonplace against Christians in Canada. Things have gotten so bad that even our American neighbours are beginning to worry.

Rightly so.

The Counter Signal has kept a close eye on these terrorist attacks, reporting on the scene just hours after a fire in a refugee church.

Our information shows that since June, there have been 45 attacks on Christian and mainly Roman Catholic congregations. Of those, 17 of them have been scorched or burnt to a crisp in suspicious circumstances.

The fires and vandalism span six provinces and the Northwest Territories, some of which have been in the heartland of First Nations' territory.

*TERRORISM: "We are refugees. We escaped from Vietnam to come here to get more freedom, to live, and we think it was a good country - and now it happened to our church," Pastor Nguyen said. "Maybe it is not safe to be here in Canada compared to Vietnam"*  
<https://t.co/WNkEQ2Dq6f> [pic.twitter.com/7qoMYGsonH](https://t.co/7qoMYGsonH)

— Kean Bexte (@TheRealKean) July 5, 2021

Churches serving Indigneous congregations like Saint kateri Tekakwitha on Spiekne'katik First Nations territory in Nova Scotia have not been spared the ire of the far-left terror campaign.

In fact, unlike the fake Catholic, Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, who sympathizes with the terrorists, First Nations elders and former residential school survivors have been some of the loudest voices calling for the attacks to end.

"There's not many places on Siksika that you can point to that aren't sacred. If anybody feels like they can come on the Siksika Nation and do any kind of damage or vandalism, they will be under surveillance," said Chief of Siksika Nation Ouray Crowfoot on July 2.

### Another Church Goes Up in Flames

*Morrinville, Alberta. If this was a synagogue, the country would have a day of mourning. If it was a mosque, Trudeau would be there to put it out by hand. Instead, Christians are left terrified that their church is next. This is terrorism.* [pic.twitter.com/CBevSuUnoP](https://t.co/CBevSuUnoP)

— Kean Bexte (@TheRealKean) June 30, 2021

This unprecedented anti-Catholic assault began soon after the unveiling of a residential school burial site in Kamloops, BC which was then followed by more unmarked grave discoveries at a former residential school site in Saskatchewan and

elsewhere.

While the mainstream media refuses to call it what it is – a terror campaign – Christians are being forced to defend themselves or hire private security just to protect their holy places of worship.

The sole purpose of this full-fledged assault is to strike fear in ordinary Canadians who simply want to practice their faiths. Far-left shock troops are using First Nations tragedies to advance their political goals and normalize violence against Canadians.

Despite the deflection by the Liberal media corps, people are waking up to the hateful Marxist ideology shared by these terrorists and egged on by Canada's progressive elites, and fortunately, more evidence is being uncovered to identify these terrorists and bring them to justice.

As I reported a few weeks ago, investigators found that the fire which burnt down the entire town of Lytton, BC was caused by a human. Now, new footage is beginning to surface revealing what everybody already realized – mostly white far-left radicals are behind these incidents.

Video footage by residents from West Kelowna recently captured a masked man tossing burning objects into the dry bush. While police have arrested the 36-year-old man responsible, they are protecting his identity.

Another video from July 2, shows two young women, one blonde and the other brunette splattering St Jude's Parish in Vancouver with orange paint.

The truth is coming out and it's time for Canadians to demand justice and an end to the terror.

### **Please Note:**

While Covenant Baptist believes that Roman Catholicism is not true Christianity, but a dangerous and deceptive cult, the pastor considers this article worthy of notice because it addresses a subject which affects the church.

However, it does not make the same distinction between Catholics and Christians.

## Other News:

**Christian-Themed Attraction “Ark Encounter” Is The Most Popular Place Of Interest In Kentucky**—<https://www.christianitydaily.com/articles/12514/20210708/christian-themed-attraction-ark-encounter-is-the-most-popular-place-of-interest-in-kentucky.htm>

**Sheriff Briefs Trump on 300 Percent Increase in Migrant Deaths in One Texas County**— <https://www.breitbart.com/border/2021/06/30/sheriff-briefs-trump-on-300-percent-increase-in-migrant-deaths-in-one-texas-county/>

**Tim Challies: Family Update**— <https://www.challies.com/personal-reflections/a-family-update-and-a-cause-of-death/>

**SBC presidential hopeful Mike Stone wants denomination to fully reject critical race theory**— <https://www.christianpost.com/news/sbc-pastors-propose-resolution-to-condemn-critical-race-theory.html>

## Quote of the Week:

THE MOST IMPORTANT  
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION  
INSTITUTION IS NOT THE  
PULPIT OR THE SCHOOL,  
IMPORTANT AS THOSE  
INSTITUTIONS ARE; BUT IT  
IS THE CHRISTIAN FAMILY.

JOHN GRESHAM MACHEN

## 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 live-stream the class. Just go to the website at <https://covenantbaptistsc.org> and click the live-stream button on home page at 7pm Thursdays.*

Biblical counseling class on hold while teacher recovers from surgery.



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*West Columbia, SC 29170*

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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.*