



THE COURIER

LIFE AT CHRIST COVENANT

Sunday, February 10, 2019

JOIN US FOR CHRIST COVENANT'S ANNUAL MISSIONS CONFERENCE!

Sunday, February 17 will focus on international missions. Dr. Elias dos Santos Medeiros, Professor of Missions at RTS Jackson, will preach in the morning and evening services.

During our Sunday Bible School time (9-10:30 a.m.), the following missionaries from North America, Europe and Asia will share their testimonies and answer questions in the Community Life Center (CLC) and the worship center (WC). Our Faith Promise gifts support these and other missionaries through Christ Covenant:

- High School & Middle School:** Rohan Crown (*CLC HS Auditorium*)
- 18|22 and Young Pros:** Kruger de Kock (*CLC Room 6*)
- Young Families:** Tom Muir (*CLC Rooms 1 & 2*)
- Student Families and Sojourners:** Frank & Sheree (*CLC Rooms 3 & 4*)
- Young Seniors:** Mike & Stephanie Kuhn (*WC 211*)
- Seniors:** Elias Medeiros (*WC 201*)

Come by the main lobby after the morning service to hear about our short term mission trip partners and see a featured display with artwork from members in the congregation.

Sunday, February 24 will be a local ministry focus, and local ministries will be set up in the worship center hallways for you to learn how you can be involved in what God is doing in our city.

More information and biographies of our speakers are available at christcovenant.org/missions-conference-2019.



Sympathy to:

The family of Joan Botzko, our longtime member.



Seek the City

Registration for the youth mission week Seek the City (StC), June 16-21, is now open. The cost for StC is \$145, with a non-refundable deposit of \$80 due at time of registration. The balance of \$65 can be paid with the deposit. If not, it is due by April 13. To register, go to the youth page on the website and click Seek the City on the right to get to the Seek the City page (christcovenant.org/ministries/youth/seek-the-city). Sign up now! Registration CLOSES on February 21 at noon.

Wheaton Orchestra

The Wheaton Orchestra is coming to CCC on March 9-10! They will play with us during worship on Sunday morning and perform a concert Sunday evening. We have two exciting opportunities: 1) These college students will need housing for two nights while they are in town. If you are able to host these talented musicians, please contact Liz McNulty for more detailed information. 2) Also, join our choir for Sunday's concert to sing Beethoven's "Hallelujah" with the orchestra on Sunday morning, March 10. Contact Liz McNulty for rehearsal times and practice link.

Pray for the Strategic Vision Committee

The SVC is asking the congregation to specifically pray for the upcoming Leadership Retreat taking place on February 16 for our elders, deacons, and pastors. The SVC will be presenting specific recommendations to our leadership for their consideration.



Theological Reading Group

In partnership with RTS, Christ Covenant is hosting a theological reading group this spring. Do you want to read Christian classics but don't know where to start? Would you like to grow with people who share your love for theology, and learn from those who have gone before you? If so, register at paideiacenter.com (space is limited). This spring's group will meet March 6, April 3, and May 1 at 7pm in WC 105 with a discussion led by Blair Smith of Martin Luther's Larger Catechism, which has as a trinitarian structure and includes discussion of the Ten Commandments, the Apostles' Creed, the Lord's Prayer, and the sacraments.



Cooking for a Cause

The Women's Ministry will be hosting our 2nd Annual Cooking for a Cause, February 19-22, and you're invited! This is a time where groups of women meet in people's homes (various dates and times) to prepare freezer meals. The meals will be stored in our church freezer and will be used to support ministries within our church in the coming year. The cost is \$10 (to cover the cost of ingredients). This will be a sweet time of service, prayer and fellowship. For more information and to register, go to christcovenant.org/cooking-for-a-cause. If you have questions, please contact Staci Poston (sposton@christcovenant.org).

Established Conference: PCA Children's Ministry

We encourage the children's ministry leadership and volunteers and all parents of CCC to attend this conference (March 15-16 at Christ Covenant) designed to equip and encourage our ministry to children. Our own Kevin DeYoung will be the keynote speaker on Friday night, and there will be multiple breakout workshops for leadership, volunteers, and parents. Early Bird cost: \$60 per person by February 22. Regular price: \$75 per person. Cost includes Friday dinner and Saturday lunch. For more information and to register, go to pcacdm.org/established-charlotte.

New Covenant Groups

Two new Covenant Groups will be beginning soon. One will meet in the Wesley Chapel area and led by John and Keri Saladino. The second group will be hosted by David and Pamela Mullins and they will meet once a month in their home (near the church) right after the morning service.

Teachers Needed for Mission Trip

Teachers and former teachers who are interested in attending a short-term mission trip to Nairobi, Kenya, June 13-22 (depending on flights) are needed to come alongside the school that is part of our sister church for a teacher training conference. This will be the first year their school will have students old enough to sit for their national exams, so we are looking for both lower school and upper school teachers. If you would like to know more, contact Karen Chambers at kchambers@christcovenant.org.

Missions Morning for Women

Women! Join us in CLC 5&6 on Saturday, February 16, from 9-10:30am for a light breakfast and panel discussion featuring women sharing their experience on the mission field. Panel speakers will include Stephanie Kuhn and Sheree N. Please RSVP at signupgenius.com/go/90405449-missions (Note: This link is also on the website and may be easier to use that way!) by February 12. If you have any questions, please contact Staci Poston at sposton@christcovenant.org.

Trail Life BBQ Sale

Pick up is Friday, March 22 (3-8pm) and Saturday, March 23 (9-3pm) for Troop NC-0413's annual barbecue. Order anytime online at bit.ly/TrailLifeBBQ. For more information, contact Kurt Thompson at 704-877-3826. Their sister organization, American Heritage Girls, will be selling desserts during the barbecue pick-up on March 22-23.

Covenant Day School Summer Camps

Christ Covenant families and friends are invited to join Covenant Day for its 2019 Summer Camps program! Camps are led by a passionate team of faculty, staff, students and alumni. Our aim is to inspire and challenge campers while nurturing them in the love of God and formation of Christian character. This year's expanded summer camp offering includes sports, academics,

arts, enrichment and life skills for TK through 12th grade. Go to covenantday.org/summercamps to view our new, interactive webpage and search for camps by grade level and week! Early-bird pricing is available for many camps now through the end of February.

Caregivers Support Group

Are you a caregiver for someone? Do you need hope for this journey? Come join us as we walk through the book *Ambushed by Grace* by Shelly Beach. We offer a time of study, a time to share, encouragement and prayer. The group will meet on Mondays, March 4-May 20, beginning at 6pm with a complimentary dinner and the support group at 6:45pm. Registration requested but not required. Contact Mary Jo Culver at 704-814-1039 or mculver@christcovenant.org.

EMPLOYMENT

Current opportunities at Christ Covenant include

- Director of Communications
- Ministry Administrator in support of the Sr Associate Pastor
- Campus Security and Safety Manager.

Details: christcovenant.org/aboutus/employment

PRAYER FOCUS

Persecuted Church: Pray for believers in Somalia where less than 1% of the population are Christians. Pray for their physical safety and their courage in sharing Christ. Pray that Al-Shabab would be debilitated by the military.

Our Presbytery: East Charlotte Pres and Rev. Tyler Dirks

Calendar of Events

This list shares special one-time and monthly events and the start of weekly programs. See our website for our full calendar and the E-Courier for a complete list of what is coming up this week, along with complete announcements.

This Week (February 10-16)

Sunday, Feb 10 • Discovery class (new member class) begins (9am)
 Wednesday, Feb 13 • Women's Bible Study: Ruth & Esther (7pm)
 Friday, Feb 15 • Senior Adult men's lunch (11:30am)
 Saturday, Feb 16 • Missions Morning for Women (9am)

Upcoming Events

Feb 17-24 • Missions Conference week
 Feb 19-22 • Cooking for a Cause
 Mar 4 • Support groups begin (6:45pm)
 Mar 6 • Theological Reading Group (7pm)
 Mar 10 • Wheaton Orchestra concert

Watching our budget

Thank you for your tithes and gifts to all of the ministries of Christ Covenant. Please continue to pray for God's provision throughout 2019.

Inflow 1/1/19 – 2/3/19	Actual \$	Budget \$	Difference \$	% (-) or +
Operating Budget	484,311	491,500	(7,189)	(1.5%)
Faith Promise Budget	37,177	21,700	15,477	71.3%