



THE COURIER

LIFE AT CHRIST COVENANT

SUNDAY, JANUARY 16, 2022

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Zach and Kendyl Perkins
on the birth of their son,
Lincoln Wesley Perkins.

Alberto Paredes and Laura
Amador on the birth of their son,
Lucas Paredes.

WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS

Are you a guest visiting with us today, or did you meet a guest this morning? We encourage all our guests to stop by our Guest Kiosks in any of our lobbies. We have a free gift for you and would like to meet you! We also have an online guest card we invite you to fill out at christcovenant.org/online-guest-card or located in the pews in the sanctuary or by scanning the QR code below.



SAVE THE DATE MISSIONS CONFERENCE 2022

Missions Conference 2022 is going to be exciting with our special guest speaker, Julius Kim, the president of The Gospel Coalition. Save the dates for February 26-March 6, 2022. The theme this year is "Ordinary People, Extraordinary Faith: Global Missions and Me." Make plans now to join us! More details are coming soon.

CHRIST COVENANT WELCOMES THE BRIDGE BUILDERS CONFERENCE ON JANUARY 16

Since 1995, Campus Outreach Charlotte (COC) has been serving as a ministry of Christ Covenant Church. Together, we have partnered to fulfill the mission of "Glorifying God by Building Laborers on the Campus for the Lost World." Today, that ministry extends from Davidson College to East Carolina University. Globally, Campus Outreach is comprised of dozens of franchises that serve under the authority of local churches all around the world. The college campus is becoming an exponentially more diverse setting and it's, therefore, vital to have leaders who reflect the campus' diversity.

The Bridge Builders Conference is a conference hosted by Campus Outreach for all of the minority staff serving along the east coast. Over the past decade, Campus Outreach has seen a tremendous amount of fruit when it comes to the diversity of its ministry. The Bridge Builders Conference is designed to encourage, enrich and educate minority staff members in the work of building diverse laborers on the campus. Christ Covenant members, please welcome our guests this morning on Sunday, January 16 as the Campus Outreach staff join with us in worship during the Bridge Builders Conference.

ELDER AND DEACON NOMINATIONS DEADLINE IS SUNDAY, JANUARY 23

Would you prayerfully consider who you believe could serve our church well as an elder or deacon? All nominees must be male and a member of our church for at least two years by his election (June 2022). The nomination form gives additional attributes of elder and deacon to consider as you are thinking of men in the congregation that will serve our church well. Forms are available at the Information Desk in the Worship Center or online here at <https://christcovenant.org/online-officer-nomination-form/>. Nominations will be received until Sunday, January 23. Thank you!

MONTHLY DAY OF PRAYER MONDAY, JANUARY 24

All are invited to participate in the Monthly Day of Prayer on Monday, January 24. There are two ways you can participate. One is to come in-person for your prayer time to room 105 in the worship center anytime between 7:30 am - 9:00 pm. Prayer guides are provided for you in the prayer room. Another option is to pick a time slot and pray where you are, whether that's at home or at work. The day is divided into 30-minute segments for individuals to sign up and pray for supported workers and for the needs of the congregation. You can select the time that best fits your schedule at ChristCovenant.org/members/prayer. We also hope you will take time to submit your confidential prayer requests either online at ChristCovenant.org/members/prayer or by email at prayer@christcovenant.org. Prayer cards may be found in the pews and may be turned in at one of the offering boxes located inside the sanctuary by the main exits. Your pastors and staff are continually praying for you!

MINISTRY TO MEN FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST

Join us on Saturday, February 5, from 7:00 am -8:30 am at Stack's Kitchen for the Ministry to Men (MtM) monthly fellowship breakfast!

Come for food and fellowship with your brothers in Christ. We will be hearing from Ben Traynor, one of our pastoral interns. Ben will address accusations from *Worldly Wiseman*, such as Christianity stripping men of their manliness, that we might be better equipped to address similar accusations in our lives.

The only cost is your breakfast. Sign up today at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4AABA828A2FDC07-ministry1!> Deadline to sign up: Friday, February 4 at noon.

WOMEN'S WINTER/ SPRING BIBLE STUDIES

Registration is open for those who would like to jump into one of our Bible studies this winter or spring! Our Thursday morning study in particular is designed to be entered at any point throughout the year. Childcare is available for select daytime studies! We hope that you will consider joining us as we study God's Word this year! Visit <https://christcovenant.org/womensbiblestudies/> to learn more about each study and to register.

JOIN A SMALL GROUP IN THE NEW YEAR

The start of a new year is a great time to get connected to the body of Christ and experience the warmth of fellowship. If you would like to connect with others in a small group reach out to Tom Buiuter at tbuiuter@christcovenant.org.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES AT CHRIST COVENANT

Current opportunities at Christ Covenant include:

- Facilities Maintenance (full-time)
- Ministry Administrator to Pastors (full-time)

Details: christcovenant.org/aboutus/employment

Covenant Day School is hiring for various positions. Details can be found at <https://www.covenantday.org/about-us/employment>

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHT: BIBLICAL COUNSELING TRAINING OPPORTUNITY TUESDAY, JANUARY 18

The book, *How People Change*, describes 6 common facts found in many churches:

Fact 1: Each week, there are people in our church with a multitude of problems.

Fact 2: The Bible says we have everything we need to help these people (2 Peter 1:3).

Fact 3: People usually seek help first from a friend, family member, or pastor before going to a professional counselor

Fact 4: These people will get either no help, bad help, or gospel-centered help from that friend, family member, or pastor.

Fact 5: If they don't get meaningful help, they will look elsewhere.

Fact 6: They will seek to help others with whatever they found helpful.

The Biblical Counseling Ministry at Christ Covenant exists to provide gospel-centered help to those in need—"God's care through God's people." It is rooted in the truth that God's Word is sufficient, authoritative, and relevant for life and godliness (2 Tim 3:16-17, 2 Peter 1:3-4). It is focused on the practical application of the gospel in the trials and issues of life as we seek to become more like Christ. If you often find yourself drawn to those who are hurting and struggling, yet feel inadequate to help or fear giving the wrong answer then this training may be for you.

Christ Covenant Church is looking to expand our lay-counseling ministry by equipping those who sense God's call to this important work or are simply looking to be able to provide gospel-centered counsel as you cross paths with those in need. Bob Goudzwaard will be hosting an informational session on Tuesday, January 18, at 7:00 pm in the Community Life Center (CLC) Chapel. Any questions, email Bob Goudzwaard at bgoudzwaard@christcovenant.org.

ENVISION CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

We are hoping to have 100% of the congregation participate in the Envision capital campaign. We are currently at 75%. It's not too late to turn in your pledge card for the Envision capital campaign! Pledge cards and information about the many upgrades and changes we hope to accomplish through Envision can be found in the brochures and booklets in the worship center and online. You can also make a pledge online at christcovenant.org/envision. We currently have 75% of families participating and \$1,034,763 pledges toward our goal of \$1,500,000.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

This list shares notable events for this week. See our website at christcovenant.org for other activities. Weekly and monthly prayer guides can be found at christcovenant.org/prayer.

THIS WEEK (JANUARY 9-15, 2021)

- Jan 16 • Sunday School at 9:00 am
- Jan 16 • Morning worship and livestream at 10:45 am
- Jan 16 • Evening worship and livestream at 6:00 pm
- Jan 17 • Church offices closed
- Jan 18 • Biblical counseling ministry informational meeting at 7:00 pm
- Jan 19 • Epic and Link at 7:00 pm

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Feb 26 - March 6 • Missions Conference with Julius Kim
- Apr 10-16 • Holy Week

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 2022.

<i>Inflow 1/1/22 – 1/2/22</i>	<i>Actual \$</i>	<i>Budget \$</i>	<i>Difference \$</i>	<i>% (-) or +</i>
Operating Budget	103,098	215,000	(111,902)	(52%)
Faith Promise Budget	15,041	9,000	6,041	67%