

**The Kind of Follower Jesus Seeks**

Matthew 8:18-22; Luke 9:61-62

**Some critical presuppositions:**

There are real \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ in following Jesus. Consider them before you \_\_\_\_\_!

If you’re going to follow Jesus, it must be \_\_\_\_\_.

Truly following necessarily means \_\_\_\_\_.

There’s a huge disparity between the relative \_\_\_\_\_ of a \_\_\_\_\_ and the expectations

**Encounter #1**

Scribe: *“Teacher, I will follow you wherever you go.”*

*Jesus: “Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.”*

Jesus is seeking followers who will \_\_\_\_\_.

Following Jesus is more than a \_\_\_\_\_!

**Encounter #2**

‘Another disciple’: *“Lord, let me first go and bury my father.”*

Jesus: *“Follow me, and leave the dead to bury their own dead.”*

Jesus is seeking followers who will \_\_\_\_\_.

This isn’t about a \_\_\_\_\_. It’s about \_\_\_\_\_.

**Encounter #3 (Luke 9:61-62)**

‘Another’: *“I will follow you, Lord, but let me first say farewell to those at my home.”*

Jesus: *“No one who puts his hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.”*

Jesus is seeking followers who will \_\_\_\_\_ in following Him (potential or real).

This seems like a reasonable request. Why this response?

Those who \_\_\_\_\_ back want to \_\_\_\_\_ back. (J.C. Ryle)

**Conclusion:** What am I going to do with what I have heard today?

Commit to \_\_\_\_\_ ...

*and*

Commit to \_\_\_\_\_ ...

**Sunday, September 29**

**10am Worship**

*Total Praise*

Scripture Reading & Prayer .....Zach Daniels

Psalm 119:170-175

*<sup>170</sup> Let my plea come before you; deliver me according to your word. <sup>171</sup> My lips will pour forth praise, for you teach me your statutes. <sup>172</sup> My tongue will sing of your word, for all your commandments are right. <sup>173</sup> Let your hand be ready to help me, for I have chosen your precepts. <sup>174</sup> I long for your salvation, O Lord, and your law is my delight. <sup>175</sup> Let my soul live and praise you, and let your rules help me.*

*Run And Run (Christ Is All My Righteousness)*

*Take My Life*

Scripture Reading & Prayer of Confession..... Tommy Perry

2 Corinthians 5:17-21

*<sup>17</sup> Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. <sup>18</sup> All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; <sup>19</sup> that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. <sup>20</sup> Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. <sup>21</sup> For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.*

Offering

*I Set My Hope*

Message .....Paul Thompson

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Matthew 8:18-22

*I Surrender All*

Benediction .....Randy Hunt

1 Peter 1:14-16

*<sup>14</sup> As obedient children, do not be conformed to the passions of your former ignorance, <sup>15</sup> but as he who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, <sup>16</sup> since it is written, “You shall be holy, for I am holy.”*

**5pm Worship**

Scripture Reading & Prayer .....Reagan Farris

1 John 5:1

*<sup>5</sup> Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the Father loves whoever has been born of him.*

The New Hampshire Confession of Faith, Part 8.....Reagan Farris

*What A Friend We Have In Jesus*

*All Sufficient Merit*

*The Lord Is My Salvation*

Corporate Prayer ..... Charles Uptain

Message .....Paul Thompson

Fellowship With God: Our Savior, Our Husband, Our Friend

*Come Thou Fount Come Thou King*

**Post-Service Fellowship**

**Sunday, September 29**

Join us for hamburgers and hot dogs and a time of fellowship in the Fellowship Center following our evening service.

**Pray for the Guatemala Mission Team**

**October 4-8**

Tyler & Chelsey Bartlett, Dave Lindey, Jamie & Nancy Messer, & Katrina Schuman

**40 Days of Prayer for America**

*I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. (1 Timothy 2:1-2)*

Our nation is in desperate need of God. The challenges and evils that are facing our nation, our communities, our churches, and our families are unprecedented. And the upcoming presidential election will have sweeping implications for generations. We must turn to God in repentance and faith, asking Him for mercy, revival, and the salvation of millions. Beginning on September 27 thru November 5, we are asking you to commit to 40 Days of focused prayer.

Register here: [calvarydothan.com/pray](http://calvarydothan.com/pray) or text "pray" to 334-449-7999 for daily guided prompts and follow us on social media.

And remember: The prayer of a righteous person is very powerful in its effect!

**1st Friday Men's Breakfast**

**Friday, October 4 | 6am | ROC Lobby**

Speaker: Randy Hunt

All men are invited to join together for breakfast and a time of fellowship.

**D-Now Weekend**

**November 22-24 | 6th -12th Grade**

Registration is open online! Deadline to register is November 1. If you would like to serve by providing breakfast to a group or being a host home, contact [brooke@calvarydothan.com](mailto:brooke@calvarydothan.com).

**Do you have a heart for missions?**

Volunteers are needed to help with ESL on Wednesday nights to greet and register the participants as they come in and to help them get their children to the areas they need to go. If you would like to volunteer, contact Louise Garrett at 334-333-2327.

**Elder Nominations**

Nominations for men to become elders are now being accepted. Nomination forms are available on the Next Steps table in the Fellowship Center and in the Sanctuary foyer. Completed forms can be dropped in the collection boxes, or email [charles@calvarydothan.com](mailto:charles@calvarydothan.com) and include the information requested on the form.

**I WOULD LIKE MORE INFORMATION ABOUT:**

**My Decision Today:**

- I trusted Jesus as Savior.
- I'd like to join Calvary Baptist Church.
- I believe God is calling me into ministry/mission.
- Please have a pastor or elder contact me.

If you would like to speak with someone about one of the items noted above, please visit the Next Steps Kiosk before you leave today.

**PRAYER REQUESTS:**

- Pastors & Prayer Team Only
- Churchwide

# Connect Card

September 29, 2024

Please complete this tab, tear it off and drop it in an offering plate, or in the boxes by the exits.

- Please update my information
- Please contact me about membership

### I am a:

- First Time Guest
- Attender
- Member

Name

Address

City

State/Zip

- Male
- Female

- Married
- Single

Birthdate (mm/dd/yy)

Home Phone

Cell Phone

Spouse

Spouse's Birthdate (mm/dd/yy)

### Children:

Name / Date of Birth

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Please complete the additional information on the back of this tab, if applicable.

## September 29, 2024

### September Missions Spotlight

#### Wiregrass Hope Group (Local Mission Partner)

The mission of Wiregrass Hope Group is to share the hope of Christ, promote human life, and care for people through pregnancy resources, biblical counseling, and relationship education. Their vision is to build a healthy community where individuals and families value life and thrive because of the love and grace of Christ. If you would like to know more about the ministry work of Wiregrass Hope Group, visit [facebook.com/wiregrasshopegroup](https://facebook.com/wiregrasshopegroup) or [wiregrasshope.com](https://wiregrasshope.com). Prayer needs for Wiregrass Hope Group can be found on prayer cards at the missions kiosk in the Fellowship Center foyer.

#### CV Vadavana (Global Mission Partner)

Sathyam Ministries exists to proclaim and promote the Gospel of Jesus Christ with the cooperation of believers in India and abroad. They strive to uphold the dignity and self-worth of the down-trodden in society irrespective of their religion, caste, creed, race, or gender. If you would like to know how you can pray for the ministry work of the Vadavanas, pick up a prayer card at the missions kiosk in the Fellowship Center foyer. To learn more about the ministry efforts of Sathyam Ministries, visit [facebook.com/sathyam.india](https://facebook.com/sathyam.india) or [sathyam.org](https://sathyam.org).

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### THE PEOPLE CAME...

#### September 22

Life Group: 533  
10:00 Worship: 688  
5:00 Worship: 176  
Hispanic Church: 142  
Neighborhood Church (NY): 25

### THE PEOPLE GAVE...

#### General Fund

Given September 22: \$48,187.53  
Given Y-T-D Surplus (Deficit):  
(\$150,365.31) as of 08/31/24

### NAVIGATORS BIBLE READING PLAN

#### September 29-October 5

- John 1:1-18, Jas 1:1-11, Ecc. 1, Jer 1-2
- John 1:19-28, Jas 1:12-18, Ecc 2:1-16, Jer 3-4
- John 1:29-34, Jas 1:19-27, Ecc 2:17-26, Jer 5-6
- John 1:35-42, Jas 2:1-13, Ecc 3:1-15, Jer 7-9
- John 1:43-51, Jas 2:14-26, Ecc 3:16-22, Jer 10-11

### Sunday Schedule

- 8:30am Life Groups & Open Classes
- 10:00am Worship, Fellowship Center  
Kid's Worship, Grades 1-5,  
Chapel (except 1st Sunday)
- 11:00am Worship Broadcast on JoyFM  
94.3/96.1 with a 1 wk delay.
- 5:00pm Family Worship, Sanctuary  
Childcare for Babies-K3

### I'm New Here



We're so glad you've joined us for worship today and would love to be able to share more with you about our church.

To fill out a digital Connect Card or learn more about Calvary, please use your smartphone camera to scan the QR Code or you can fill out the Connect Card in this bulletin and place it in the offering plate.

Also, be sure to stop by our Next Steps table in the foyer after the service for a gift from us!

### How to Become a Christian

Want more information about how to become a Christian? Go to [calvarydothan.com/how-to-become-a-christian/](https://calvarydothan.com/how-to-become-a-christian/).

If you would like to view a pdf of today's AM sermon notes, go to [calvarydothan.com/messages](https://calvarydothan.com/messages).

### Ministry Staff

Paul Thompson.....	Senior Pastor	Joyce Alexander.....	Preschool
Charles Uptain.....	Executive Pastor	Zach Daniels.....	Children
Dan Tankersley.....	Discipleship Pastor	Reagan Farris.....	Students
Patrick Lima.....	Worship	Randy Hunt.....	Senior Adults
Tommy Perry.....	Missions		

### STAFF ON CALL

#### Sunday, September 29:

Joyce Alexander | 334-798-4791

#### Saturday, October 5:

Randy Hunt | 334-791-7986

#### Sunday, October 6:

Randy Hunt | 334-791-7986

### SERMON SCHEDULE

#### Sunday, October 6

##### 10am

"What Sort of Man is This?"

Matthew 8:23-27

Message by Paul Thompson

##### 5pm

Fellowship With God: Communion

By Grace

Message by Paul Thompson

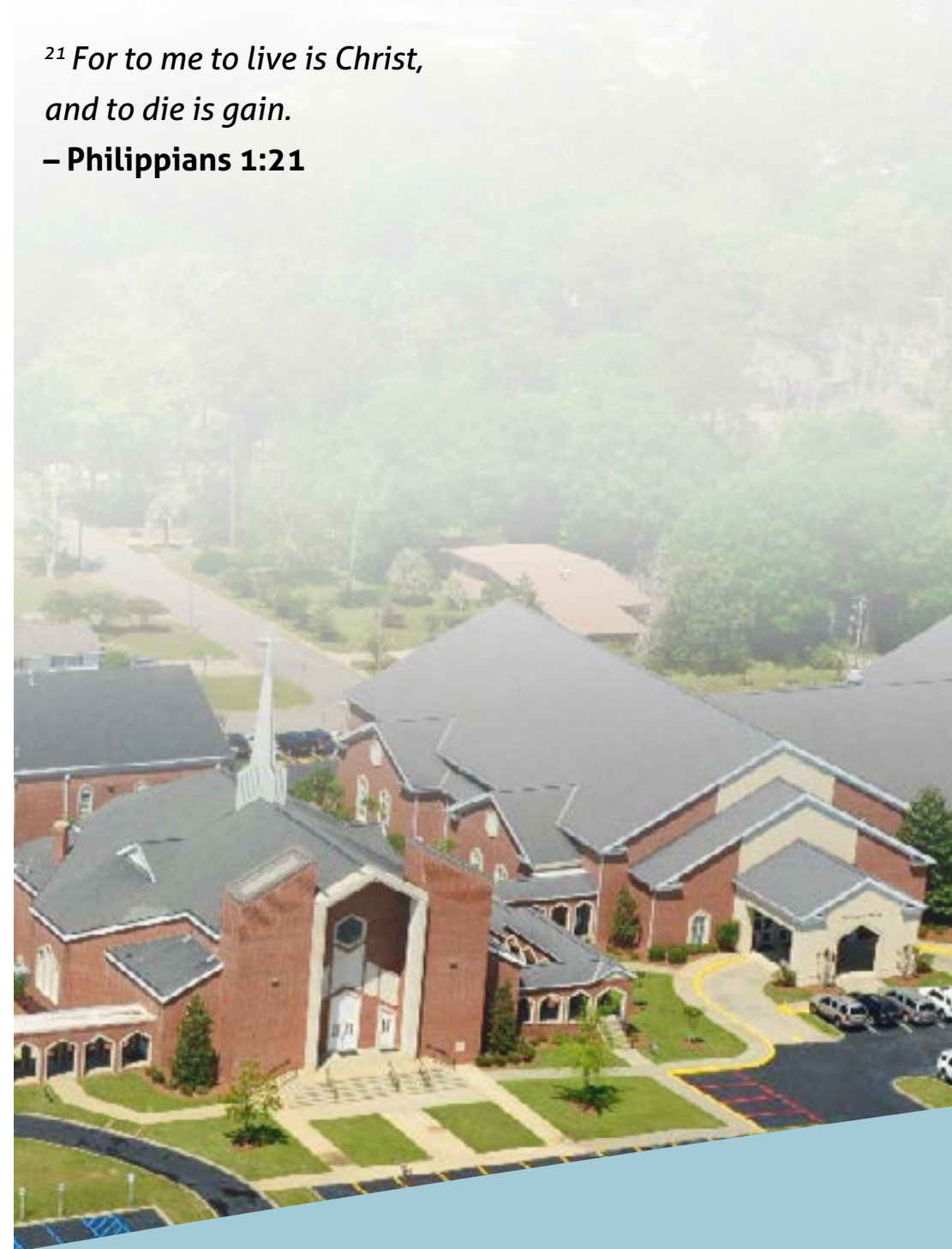
### Wednesday Schedule

- 6:00pm Open Classes, D-Groups, Life Groups
- Birth-K5, Preschool Bldg
- Grades 1-5, Chapel
- Grades 6-12, Student Room

<sup>21</sup> For to me to live is Christ,

and to die is gain.

– **Philippians 1:21**



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**Calvary**  
BAPTIST CHURCH