SAVE THE DATES

June 10 - 14 - Vacation Bible School

June 16 - 21 - EDGE Middle School Summer Conference

July 6 - 20 - Short Term Mission - Kenya

July 7 - Reaching out in Mercy, Roll up your Sleeve Blood Drive

July 11 - 21 - Covenant Students’ Short Term Mission - Greece

August 24 - Sun N Fun Back to School party

September 13 & 14 - PCA Women’s Teacher and Leader Training

November 2 - “Flourish” Women’s Retreat

WANT TO SEE/HEAR THE SERMON AGAIN?
Sermon videos are posted on our website as well as Facebook and Vimeo.
Check the website for full access to sermon video and audio.
CD’s are available for purchase at the Welcome Center.

Covenant Monthly is a regular publication of Covenant Church of Naples PCA.
For more information and our Event Calendar, visit our website.

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE FOR ALL THE UP-TO-DATE INFO!
covenantnaples.com
Dear Covenant Family,

It is the practice of Covenant Church to grant a 3-month sabbatical to our pastors after each 7 years of service. The Session is pleased to announce that, after 9 years, our Senior Pastor Trent Casto has begun his well-deserved sabbatical. He and his family left on April 28th and will be returning August 4th.

Pastor Trent applied for and won a financial grant from the Lily Foundation, covering all sabbatical costs - including extensive study in Israel and Cambridge, England. While in Cambridge, Pastor Trent’s focus will be studying the person and work of the Holy Spirit in the hopes of more deeply understanding what it means for him and all of us at Covenant to be “dependent on the Holy Spirit.”

Pastor Trent has also designed this period of renewal to include much family time and recreation. He especially looks forward to a tennis camp for the whole family!

During the sabbatical period the congregation will be well led by Pastors Todd Augustine, Brent Whitefield and Chris Voorhees. As part of this Season of Renewal, the church, both as a congregation and on a personal level, will be engaged in a program of “99 Days of Prayer.”

Save the Date to join us August 11th for a Welcome Back dinner Sunday evening open to entire congregation, with trip report from Pastor Trent. Childcare will be provided.

Thank you for your continued partnership!

God Bless,

John Hunter
Executive Director
As you look through the Covenant Monthly, you’ll notice that pages and sections are color coded and include the symbols above to correspond with The Rhythm of our mission. We hope this helps you better understand how The Rhythm fits within the context of our ministries and events.
Our Vision | We are a loving family, dependent on the Holy Spirit, committed to the Word, growing in grace, reaching out in mercy.

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THE BEST way to know what’s happening at Covenant?
Sign up for our email newsletters on our website at the bottom of the home page (covenantnaples.com) or text “covenantnews” to 22828.

COVENANT CHURCH OF NAPLES IS A MEMBER OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN AMERICA [PCA]

Faithful to the Scriptures
Committed to the truths of the Reformation
Obedient to the Great Commission of Jesus Christ
S U N D A Y

9:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE
~with a contemporary edge

Infants - 2 Years: Nursery provided [1st Floor: WC Nursery]
3 Years: [FH 108]
4 Years - 3rd Grade:

Children’s Church
Children from 4 years to 3rd grade may sit with their families in the worship center until they are dismissed to classrooms following the Offering. Greeters will escort children to the appropriate classrooms.

4 Years - Kindergarten - to FH 104
1st - 2nd Grade - to FH 205 | 3rd Grade FH 209

Children not attending 11:00 am Sunday School may be picked up following the 9:00 am service from the above classrooms. If attending 11:00 am Sunday School, children will be provided a snack and taken to the appropriate Sunday School classrooms.

4th Grade and up: Worship in the Worship Center with their families

BETWEEN SERVICES...ENJOY A CUP OF COFFEE, MEET SOME FOLKS & GRAB A SNACK IN FELLOWSHIP HALL!

11:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE
~with a traditional feel

Infants - 2 Years: Nursery provided [1st Floor: WC Nursery]

Children’s Sunday School

4 Years: [FH111] 1st: [FH205] 4th: [FH210]

11:00 AM - 10:15 AM

11 AM - 12:15 PM
Students | Middle School in the BLINK
High School WC212

10:45 AM
Children’s Choir [FH104 | 3 yrs - Kindergarten]

10:45 - 11:15 AM
Children’s Choir [FH 230 | 1st - 2nd Grade]

11:45 AM - 12:25 PM
Children’s Choir [FH 230 3rd - 5th Grade]

Key: WC = Worship Center Bldg; FH = Fellowship Hall Bldg
GOSPEL COMMUNITY
ROOM: Fellowship Hall East A  TEACHER: Pastor Todd Augustine
This ongoing community, designed for young couples, families and singles, will study through the book of Philippians with an emphasis on how it relates to life-on-life community.

HEBREWS: BLESSED ASSURANCE THROUGH JESUS, OUR SUPREME MEDIATOR
ENDS MAY 19
ROOM: FH 220  TEACHER: Elder Mark Barineau
The main themes will be Christ’s supremacy as creator, prophet, priest and king.

THROUGH THE BIBLE
ROOM: Fellowship Hall East B & C  TEACHER: Elder Jim Noboa
Currently Studying the Road to Emmaus (Luke 24) - On the Road to Emmaus, the risen Christ met two sad, confused, and disillusioned disciples who did not recognize Him. As Jesus explained what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself, the disciples’ hearts changed from despair over Christ’s death to faith in his resurrection. They asked each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?” (Luke 24:31-32). This study will explore the covenant promises, prophecies, and types Jesus might have revealed to the two disciples that made their hearts burn with understanding, excitement, and joy.

NEW CLASS NOW FORMING
to register sign up at the Event Center, scan the QR code or go online to Convenantnaples.com/intro-to-covenant
ONLINE GIVING NOW AVAILABLE
@covenantnaples.com/give

- Online giving allows for a specific dollar amount to be deducted automatically from a checking or credit card account.
- You can set up online giving either as a one-time donation or a recurring gift. Online giving is not only easy, it’s also safe and secure. (*TLS encrypted and stored at Stripe, a Level 1 PCI compliant payment processor.*)
- Use the drop-down box on our GIVE page to designate where you’d like the funds to be applied, including donating to the general fund, to Faith Promise Pledge as well as Mercy Ministry and other special funds.

NEED A QR CODE APP?
We recommend I-nigma
Available for Apple and Android

Covenant General Operating Funds
Year To Date March 2019

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“We thank the Lord for his continued provision of our needs here at Covenant. Praise be to Him!”
Sunday Prayer Ministry
Members of our prayer team are available to pray for you following each worship service.
Contact: Terry Manley, 610-389-9822

Men’s Prayer | Tuesdays | 6 - 7 PM
Open to all men, every Tuesday evening on campus in Fellowship Hall East
Contact: Ed Moll, edward-moll@hotmail.com

Missions Prayer Team
We want to cover our missionaries with prayer! Sign up for our email prayer list.
Contact: Sharon Brock, 239-839-0706

Covenant Email Prayer Chain
To request prayer or to sign up for the Covenant Prayer Chain email, contact Judy Caldwell, judith.caldwell@covenantnaples.com or 239-273-6785.

Women’s Prayer Thursdays | 11:30 AM | FH222
All women are invited to come and pray.

April 28 thru August 4, 2019
• Pray in the closet, the living room and the sanctuary
• Sign up for our Daily 99 Days of Prayer Email and/or pick up the 99 Days of Prayer Calendar at the Welcome Center or download a copy at covenantnaples.com/Prayer
• Sundays after worship, come to the front of the worship center for prayer

“Devote yourself to prayer, being watchful and thankful.”
- Colossians 4:2
UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS

CONNECT4WOMEN - MOVIE NIGHT - HIDDEN FIGURES
Tuesday, May 7 | 7-9 PM | Fellowship Hall (See page 19)

CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP
Monday, May 13 | 11 AM | Family Counseling Room (See page 23)

CONNECT4WOMEN - LADIES DAY OUT
Tuesday, May 14 | 9 AM -1 PM | Naples Botanical Garden (See page 19)

MEN’S NIGHT OF WORSHIP
Tuesday, May 14 | 7 PM | Fellowship Hall (See page 17)

2019 COVENANT GOLF SCRAMBLE INVITATIONAL
Saturday, May 18 | 9 AM - 3 PM | Wyndemere Country Club
This is a combined Men & Women event. Register by May 11th (See page 12)

BEANS & RICE PACKING FOR HELPS OUTREACH
Saturday, May 18 | 9 AM - Noon | Fellowship Hall (See page 24)

CONNECT4WOMEN - VBS CLASS DECORATING
Tuesday, June 4 | 7-8:30 PM | Fellowship Hall (See page 19)

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
June 10-14 | 8:45 AM - Noon | Ages 4 - entering 6th Grade (See page 13)

COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE
Sunday, July 7 | Sign up at the Kiosk 6/16, 6/23, 6/30 (See page 11)

STUDENT SUMMER HANGOUTS
Wednesdays beginning June 5 | 7-9 PM | The Blink (See page 15)

Check out our website for all the up-to-date info!
 covenantnaples.com
Through a variety of music, arts programming, and testimony, we gather each Sunday to publicly declare God’s worth and strive to display the truth of who He is and what He is doing here in Naples and around the world.

Please extend a warm welcome to our new staff member Manuel Pereira as Assistant Worship Director. We are please to have such a talented addition to our team.

We offer choral opportunities. Reading music is helpful but not required.

Our Production Team is a community of technical artists using passion with excellence to create transforming moments, facilitating an encounter with God in an atmosphere of captivating worship.

Worship production includes audio technician, stage hands, video director, assistant director, lighting, projection, camera operation and video switching, just to name a few!

Volunteer opportunities available, see page 21 for details.
The Small Group Ministry at Covenant is designed to provide an opportunity to belong to a small, loving group as part of the larger church. Small Groups develop deep personal relationships with others while encouraging each other to grow in their own personal relationship with Christ. With the Bible as the foundation, all will learn how to apply God’s Word to their daily lives, help each other grow closer to the Lord, and diligently pray for one another.

MEETING SCHEDULE

Covenant small groups normally meet on a weekly or bi-weekly basis in homes. Several meet throughout the year, and we have seasonal groups as well.

Interested in joining or leading a Covenant home small group? Contact Carl Massa at carlenmass@yahoo.com or call the church office at 239-597-3464.

$76 per participant payable the day of play. Includes golf, cart, lunch, beverages & prizes. Dress code required, no t-shirts, cargo shorts or denim. Foursomes by request.

Register by May 11th, email Steve Manley at sjmanley1225@comcast.net or call 610-368-4037
Dear Covenant Families,

As we wrap up the 2018-2019 school year, I’ve been thinking about all the wonderful things we have to praise the Lord about:

1. Our teaching ministries where children are learning about Jesus - Sunday school, children’s church and DELTA - have had record attendance this year.

2. Our connecting events have been fun, successful and well attended - the Pool Party at Sun-n-Fun, Fall Festival, Naples Princess Boat cruise, Parent Night Outs, and Easter!

3. Our addition of Katie Craig to our children’s ministry as children’s choir director allowed us to do the Carol of the Belles Christmas musical and has enhanced our Sunday morning and Wednesday evening musical experiences.

4. Our volunteer teaching staff that is committed to teaching the children the gospel faithfully.

As we look forward to summer, I would like to make sure you are receiving the Children’s Ministry eNewsletter. If you are not please go to the bottom of the home page at covenantnaples.com and click on the Sign up for Email Updates button so you will receive communications about all of our summer activities and events.

Moving Up Day will be June 2 - this is when the children will move to the grade level they will be enter in the fall semester.

Register to volunteer and register your children for VBS if you haven’t.

SAVE THE DATE for Saturday, August 24th - that will be our Sun N Fun Back to School party for the whole family.

Sincerely,

Sherry
Thank you for your generosity at our annual fundraiser!

Dozens of students helped serve breakfast and lunch! Each of them will receive a portion of the funds raised to attend the EDGE Conference or the Greece missions trip. Many of these students couldn’t have afforded these trips without your help, so on behalf of them all we thank you for giving of yourselves to enable the growth of our students!

Middle School

Middle School Ministry
Sundays | 11 AM - 12:15 PM | in the BLINK
Middle School meets on Sunday mornings. There will be a large group teaching, small groups, food, games, and fellowship. Come join us!

MSM will NOT meet on 6/16 due to leaving for the EDGE

High School

The Gathering (High School)
Sundays | 11 AM - 12:15 PM | WC212
The Gathering will be on Sunday morning for discussion-based teaching and food. All high school students not currently serving with MERGE on a Sunday morning are welcome to join our discussions. Newcomers welcome.

High School Ministry
Sundays | 6 - 8 PM | in the BLINK
We invite all high school students to join us for large group teaching, small group discussions, food, games and fellowship.

End Date: May 26th
STUDENTS

Students
SUMMER HANGOUTS
Enjoy snacks, play games, and discuss the truths of the gospel from The Lion, The Witch, and The Wardrobe. Both Middle and High school students welcome!

Covenant
Students
Elisa Hillberry | (423) 834-3950 | elisa.hillberry@covenantnaples.com

Greece 2019
JULY 11 - JULY 21
For more info contact Elisa Hillberry at 239-597-3464 or email elisa.hillberry@covenantnaples.com

Go | Far Short Term Mission
THANK YOU FOR TAKING A STRONG STAND FOR LIFE

Thank you all who came out and supported **40 Days of Life on March 29th**! About 110 people participated, we had people every hour making this Covenant’s best 40 Days ever.

Participants peacefully prayed all day for the women, the babies, and the workers that work in the abortion clinic. As a result of this event, women and men in our church who were involved in abortions in the past came to deal with it and they shared their own personal stories. One lady who came out felt that God might have her start a post-abortion Bible study to show other women how to find peace like she did. This act shows clear values of a Christian worldview for the young people, doctors, and medical workers in our congregation who may one day be tempted to compromise in this area.

“**And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.**” - Hebrews 10:24

COLLEGE/YOUNG ADULTS

Whether you’re 18 or 25, single or married, come join us at Covenant’s 20’s Bible Study! As a college student and/or young adult, it can be difficult to find authentic Christian fellowship that both challenges you and forms close relationships with peers. Join us as we read the Bible, discuss hard questions, and simply do life together to intimately know Christ.

**When:** Tuesdays at 6PM

**Where:** The Gathering, room WC 212

**Contact:** Aaron Dean, aaron.dean@covenantnaples.com or Jose Ramirez, jose.ramirez@covenantnaples.com, (239) 692-2967 or (239) 597-3464 [Church Office]
“When the foundations are being destroyed, what can the righteous do?”

What are we to do when many of the moral foundations of our culture seem to be eroding, the levels of anger and hostility seem to be rising in America, and our Christian values are being marginalized? This isn’t the first time the world has seen such developments. We will look at a biblical response in this eleven week study. Book “The Church in Babylon” will be available the first night of the class. Cost will be approximately $13. Coffee and snacks provided.
WOMEN

Covenant Women’s Leader: Sharon Sabo
sharonsabo96@gmail.com, 239.248.0633

COVENANT WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY
Wednesdays | April 3 - May 15
MORNING Only: 9:30 – 11:30 AM [FH230]
We will be using Nancy Guthrie’s book, Even Better Than Eden, which traces major themes through the Bible from Genesis to Revelation. Ladies are welcome to join in at any time! Childcare available. Questions or to register, contact Sharon Poole at sharontpoole@gmail.com or 973-635-9559. Advance registration not required.
There is no June/July/August study for Covenant Women’s Bible Study.

THURSDAY MORNING WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY
May 9 - 30 | ‘The Names of GOD’ | 10 – 11:30 AM | [FH212]
Elohim, the first name introduced by God to describe one of His many attributes is but one of 100 names for our Holy Triune God. A study of His names begins Thursday, May 9th from 10:00 - 11:30 in room 222. This new series will run through May 30, and then take a break for VBS. The study will resume again in August. Stay tuned for exact date. Study guides will be provided and contact information is Mary Ann Lee - 316-655-1952 or annlee44@comcast.net

CONNECT4WOMEN | PARTNERS IN PRAYER
Do you desire a one-on-one prayer partnership with another Covenant woman? Are you willing to commit to pray with your prayer partner at least once a month? To get started, need ideas about what to do, or just have questions, email your name and contact information to Becky Neve at becky.neve@gmail.com. You may request a prayer partner who is about your age or younger/older than you. For more info about CONNECT4WOMEN log on to www.covenantnaples.com/Women-Ministries

SAVE THE DATE
PCA Women’s Teacher and Leader Training
Friday & Saturday September 13 & 14 | Fellowship Hall
CONNECT4WOMEN - MOVIE NIGHT!
Tuesday, May 7 | Fellowship Hall | 7 - 9 PM
Kick back, relax, and join us for a movie favorite, Hidden Figures! What’s a movie without popcorn!! Try one or all of the tasty types we’ll have for you. Child Care Provided by reservation, email sharonsabo96@gmail.com

CONNECT4WOMEN - LADIES DAY OUT
Tuesday, May 14 | Naples Botanical Garden | 9 Am - 1 PM
Stroll through Gardens with us, admission is $19.95 including a special exhibit, Natural Oasis: The Art of Mally Khorasanchi. Meet at the entrance at 9 AM, tour the gardens, and have lunch at the food trucks at Celebration Park. You may return to the gardens after lunch. No reservations necessary. If you would like to carpool from the church, please contact Sharon Sabo at sharonsabo96@gmail.com

CONNECT4WOMEN
Tuesday, June 4 | Fellowship Hall West | 7 - 8:30 PM
Come serve with us! We will chat, laugh and get better acquainted as we prepare materials and decorate classrooms in preparation for Vacation Bible School. Child Care Provided by Reservation. Please contact Sharon, sharonsabo96@gmail.com Optional: Bring a dessert or snack to share.

Our activities and studies appeal to women of all ages and levels of spiritual maturity. Small group studies encourage understanding and application of the Scriptures and encourage women to think and live biblically. These studies provide a nurturing atmosphere of love, encouragement, and acceptance, and give women an opportunity to share experiences, thoughts, and needs.
Are you a fan of Christian fiction? Enjoy reading about missions around the world? Have questions about the Christian faith? About how to explain and defend your beliefs? Need suggestions on how to pray more effectively? Need help in Bible studies? Need advice on parenting issues?

The Covenant Library is conveniently located in the Grand Hallway and is open after each service every Sunday with someone present to assist you. This free lending library presently has over 4,000 books, DVDs and audio books to choose from. Almost all of these books have been donated by members and friends and additional donations of Christian books are always welcomed as we continue to expand. A separate children’s lending library with books, DVD’s and Children’s Bibles is located on the second floor of Fellowship Hall.

Members or friends already have a barcoded “library card” in our barcode book of library patrons and, if not, we can put you in the book immediately. The whole check-out/check-in system efficiently uses a modern library computer program similar to that used in public libraries and printed indexes are available to assist you in easily locating items you wish to borrow. There are no late fees and a drop box is conveniently located just outside the library door for returns any time you happen to be in the Worship Center.

If you have never visited the library, we invite you to stop by and see this wonderful Covenant resource. Librarian Peggy Carpenter will be happy to answer and questions and to assist you with your selections.

**Recommended Books on Prayer**

- *A Praying Life* by Paul E. Miller
- *Praying Life – Participant’s Manual* by Paul E. Miller
- *Praying The Bible* by Donald S. Whitney
- *Praying the Scriptures* by Evan B. Howard
- *The Psalms for Prayer* by T. M. Moore
- *If God Already Knows Why Pray?* by Douglas F. Kelly
- *When You Pray* by Philip Graham Ryken
- *Seeing and Savoring Jesus Christ* by John Piper
- *A Hunger for God* by John Piper
- *Praying* by J. I. Packer & Carolyn Nystrom
- *The Valley of Vision* edited by Arthur Bennett
- *Praying with Paul* by D. A. Carson
- *Prayer* by Timothy Keller

To volunteer or for more information please contact Peggy Carpenter at Peggy.Carpentar@covenantnaples.com or call the church office 239-597-3464.
PRODUCTION VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
Can you work 1 day per month?

Lighting Techs • Assistant Directors • Camera Techs • Video Switcher Techs • Video Directors
Presentation Techs • Stage Managers • Audio Tech (requires previous experience)

The production ministry is made up of men and women from ages 15 through late 70’s that love collaborating in a creative team environment. The production ministry is a behind-the-scenes ministry that supports nearly all other ministries and events at Covenant. There is no room for egos here, this is an environment for those who never stop learning and are willing to do whatever is necessary for the success of the church.

Looking for a place to plug-in and engage with the family at Covenant?
START here...

CHILDREN | Sherry Kendrick, sherry.kendrick@covenantnaples.com or 239-597-3464
GREETERS | Melodie Turish, melodieturish@gmail.com or 410-980-0901
KIOSK/EVENT CENTER | Jen Stepan, jen@spmNaples.com or 239-963-5500
KITCHEN | Lee and Carolyn Francis, drlee@francis.com or 501-258-2408
LIBRARY | Peggy Carpenter, peggy.carpenter@covenantnaples.com or 239-470-4757
MEN | Michael Wallace, mwallace44@att.net or 239-450-8089
MERCY MEALS/STEPHEN MINISTRY | Judy Caldwell, judith.caldwell@covenantnaples.com or 239-273-6785
MERCY MINISTRY | Ed Stranberg, edstranberg@gmail.com or 616-826-1057
MEALS FOR MOMS | Nancy Manley, realtornancy@hotmail.com or 239-250-2589
PRAYER | Terry Manley, terrymanley@me.com or 610-389-9822 or Judy Caldwell for Prayer Chain, judith.caldwell@covenantnaples.com or 239-273-6785
PRODUCTION | Ryan Young, ryan.young@covenantnaples.com or call the church office ext. 223
SMALL GROUPS | Carl Massa, carlenmass@yahoo.com or call the church office
STUDENTS | (Middle and High School Students) Elisa Hillberry, elisa.hillberry@covenantnaples.com
USHER TEAM | Stew Casterline, stew.casterline@gmail.com or 570-881-9560
VISITATION MINISTRY | Cathy Blackmore, 440-537-3836
WELCOME CENTER | Nancy Lund, nancynanalund@aol.com or 239-591-8004, Bonnie Kauffman, wckbon@aol.com
WOMEN | Sharon Sabo, sharon.sabo96@gmail.com or 239-248-0633
CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Chris Voorhees, Chris.voorhees@covenantnaples.com or Judy Caldwell, judith.caldwell@covenantnaples.com

COVENANT WANTS TO CARE /PRAY FOR YOU

PASTORAL CARE/SHEPHERDING

• THE SHEPHERDING ELDERS and LAY SHEPHERDS meet on the first Thursday of each month primarily to pray for you. We consider this a great privilege and calling. Let us know how we can pray for you.

• THE PASTORS/ELDERS will pray with you at the hospital/ before surgery/during crisis.
  - Please call Covenant 597-3464 or Judy 273-6785 (Prayer Chain) if you or loved one is in hospital or are in need.
  - IF ADMITTED TO A HOSPITAL, please let hospital know you attend Covenant Church of Naples PCA, so we know you are there and can visit and pray for you.

COVENANT PRAYER AND CARE MINISTRY

• SUNDAY MORNING PRAYER TEAM – Take prayer concerns directly to prayer team in the front of the worship center immediately following both services.

• PRAYER CHAIN MINISTRY - Call, text, or email your prayer request, which is emailed to all prayer warriors. 239-273-6785 or judith.caldwell@covenantnaples.com
  
  Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need. Hebrews 4:16

• VISITATION MINISTRY – Visiting those who are hurting, offering understanding and addressing their needs, providing encouragement in the name of Jesus and expressing through words and deeds the constant love and care of God. Cathy Blackmore, 440-537-3836.

• AFTERCARE MEALS – Coming home from surgery or crisis? Please accept freezer meals made by our loving Covenant Cuisinaires. Please call Andrea Bellan 513-260-9841 or Marcia Leahy 215-939-1153 to schedule a delivery.

• STEPHEN MINISTRY – Request a Stephen Minister (self-referral) or ask a friend if they are in need. A Stephen Minister is Christ Caring for People, through People. Stephen Ministers are trained to listen, pray, encourage, walk alongside, and keep one’s strictest confidence. To request a Stephen Minister, contact a pastor or Judy, 239-273-6785 or judith.caldwell@covenantnaples.com
COVENANT COUNSELING CENTER works in tandem with the vision and mission of Covenant Church to provide biblical, professional counseling and preventive services. While never wavering from a foundation of biblical truth, our licensed professional counselors integrate specialized training in mental, emotional and relational dynamics to graciously lead individuals towards healing and restoration.

To learn more about counseling or to schedule your confidential appointment, please contact our counseling center director, Charlene Richardson, Licensed Mental Health Counselor, [License MH14330], at charlene.richardson@covenantnaples.com or 239-591-4354.

As an investment in successful outcomes, clients will be asked to pay a fee that demonstrates commitment to the counseling process. A sliding scale will be used to confidentially and compassionately establish the fee prior to the first counseling session.

CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP
MONDAY, MAY 13 | 11 AM | FAMILY COUNSELING ROOM
This support group will have the first meeting for people who care for those with special needs, physical or mental struggles. If interested, please email Cindy at cindy.esposito@covenantnaples.com

STEPHEN MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT
Ed Boeder and his wife Suzi have been attending Covenant since 2016. They have two daughters Anna and Elizabeth. Ed has a heart for service and loves kayaking, paddleboarding, reading, and in general being outside. You may see him running the blood drives or working with mercy meals. He is an extremely hard worker. He is part of the most recent Stephen Ministry class to get commissioned. The Lord has used Ed mightily for the kingdom and we look forward to when he will receive his first care receiver.

STEPS TO AVOID COLON CANCER

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP
WEDNESDAYS
3:30 – 5:30
Family Counseling Room
You are not alone. We offer help and encouragement after the death of a loved one. We know it hurts, and we want to help.
To register contact Chris Voorhees 239-597-3464 | Chris.Voorhees@covenantnaples.com

Charlene Richardson
Counseling Center Director

Ed Boeder
Stephen Minister
WHAT IS MERCY MINISTRY?
At Covenant the Diaconate coordinates, leads and trains volunteers as we reach out in mercy through:

• **Short Term Relief**
  Financial and spiritual assistance to meet an immediate or short term crisis

• **Long Term Development**
  Assistance that empowers an individual or family toward independence and self-sustainability

• **Widows and Widowers, Senior Singles**
  Compassionate support and spiritual love to our elder members in need

• **Physical Assistance**
  Home repair, transportation and moving

**Mercy Ministry Vision**
Covenant Church of Naples will be well known for reaching out in mercy to those overwhelmed with life situations and spiritual needs.

**Mercy Ministry Mission**
Provide immediate short term relief, long term development toward self-sufficiency, and an introduction to Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.

**NEED ASSISTANCE?**
The Mercy Ministry team would like to help!

Contact Ed Stranberg, edstranberg@gmail.com or 239-494-3421 or Michael Fisher, michaelmfisher@aol.com or 616-826-1057.
1. We praise God for the 10 church members who made a public declaration of their faith on 13th April. We appreciate your prayers for their spiritual growth.

2. Some high school students of our church are waiting for results of their exams to be published. These students are on vacation at present and some of them have taken a part-time job to support their families.

3. Some of our youth need guidance in their search for their next step. Such as studies, work/career, and marriage.

4. One of our church members got a promotion in her job and as part of her promotion package she is going for a training abroad for six weeks. Pray for her training and adjustment abroad.

5. Yet another member had cataract surgery. Pray for his recovery.

6. We just celebrated Easter. Many have been through the six weeks of Lenten prayers. Pray for their growth.

7. Some families are contemplating the marriage of their family members. Pray for their guidance.

8. Pray for our members who will assist/help in their family members’ health checks, surgeries, etc.

9. Continue to remember our Bible studies on Jude and Acts.

10. The youth meet every Saturday for fellowship. Pray for their maturing process.

11. Recently the church has introduced a new section in the regular Sunday service which is an open time of worship. This is welcomed by the congregation. Pray for the maturity of the church members through the inspiration they receive from these open times of worship.

**COVENANT SHORT-TERM MISSIONS | 2019**

**July 2019 | Kenya | Share International**

**Host:** Doug Neve, doug.neve@gmail.com

**When:** July 6-20, 2019 | Cost approximately $4,300 (includes airfare)

**Why:** To minister and share the gospel in remote villages in northern Kenya using the BigLife discipleship model.

**December 2019 | Haiti | Place of Hope**

**Host:** Brian Hunter

**When:** December 26, 2019 - January 2, 2020 | Cost approximately $1,300

**Why:** Sharing donated gifts with POH children and others in the community. Spending time sharing personal testimonies. Telling the true story of Christmas.
El Shaddai of Grace Church | Naples
Proclaiming the gospel and making passionate disciples, committed to kingdom work; meets on the Covenant campus. covenantnaples.com/GoNear. Pastor Sainvil, sdorsainvil@hotmail.com

FCA of Collier County (Fellowship of Christian Athletes)
Challenging coaches and athletes on every level to use the medium of athletics to impact the world for Jesus Christ. swfloridafca.org

Gideons of Collier County
Making the Word of God available to everyone and, together with the local church, reaching souls for Christ. gideons.org

Good News Clubs of Collier County | CEF Child Evangelism Fellowship
Evangelizing children with the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ in four local schools. Judy Herwig, jeherwig@yahoo.com, cefonline.com

HELPS Outreach
Helping the poor and the needy of Lee and Collier counties by clothing the naked, feeding the hungry and ministering to the hurting. helpsoutreach.org

Life Relaunch Ministry
Helping men in the community, in prisons and in rehab restore passion in their lives with Christ as a foundation. Mel Goebel, mel@liferelaunch.org; liferelaunch.org

New City Church PCA | Parramore Avenue, Orlando Pastor Eric Stites
Ministering to one of the most distressed communities in Orlando. newcityorlando.com/newcity-parramore

New Horizons of SWFL Helping at-risk children and teens in Naples, Bonita Springs, Estero and South Fort Myers. newhorizonsofswfl.org

Nursing Home Ministry Pastor John Summers
Ministering weekly to people in four Naples nursing centers. Pastor John, jbps@juno.com

PRC Pregnancy Resource Centers of Southwest Florida
Providing clear and truthful medical based pregnancy confirmation and education for men and women facing unplanned pregnancy or sexual health crises. supportprc.org
Prison Fellowship Ministries | Women (formerly Daughters of Destiny)
Empowering volunteers to reach incarcerated women for Jesus and to disciple them while in prison and after release. Annie Goebel, prisonfellowship.org

RUF at Florida Gulf Coast University  Lucas Tanner
Helping students grow in their faith, search for answers, and find community. ruf.org/ministry/florida-gulf-coast-university

St. Matthew’s House
Changing lives in a spiritual environment that is both compassionate and disciplined as we provide housing for the homeless, food for the needy, and comfort for the addicted and suffering. stmatthewshouse.org

Storytellers Creative Arts  Bill Barnett
Developing communities of connection, celebration and creating art that expresses faith, transforms life and elevates culture. storytellerscreativearts.com

Young Life Collier County
Focusing on what matters to youth and earning the privilege to share what matters most of all - the truth about God and His great love for them. naples.younglife.org

BigLife
Empowering believers worldwide to bring the good news home. big.life

Care for AIDS
Breaking the tragic cycle of this disease and preventing the creation of orphans. careforaids.org

Club 1040 (Sowers Club)
Making Jesus known in every nation where He’s not named. club1040.com

ECHO Farms
Reducing hunger and improving lives worldwide through partnerships that equip people with agricultural resources and skills. echonet.org

El Shaddai of Grace in Haiti
Working with the existing reformed church as they seek to reach and teach the 500 K-6th grade students of Marmont-Paul, Haiti. Pastor Sainvil
Good Shepherd Scooter Team | India
Distributes the “Dayasagar” Jesus film and organizes evangelical scooter teams throughout India.

Grace Center Foundation | Ethiopia
Serving women and children to bring them the message of Christ while helping them to become self-sufficient. thegracecenterfoundation.org

International Cooperating Ministries
Partnering with indigenous ministries to equip local churches with permanent church buildings and practical discipleship tools so that they can grow in their faith, serve their communities and plant churches in new areas. www.icm.org

Missionary Aviation Fellowship | Papua New Guinea
Sharing the love of Jesus Christ through aviation and technology, bringing physical and spiritual aid to people in remote places. maf.org

Mission India
Transforming communities in India by planting churches through three proven strategies. missionindia.org

Missionary Ventures International | Eric Loftgard, Nicaragua
Training lay and pastoral leaders in a biblical worldview and encouraging collaboration for Christ-centered, transformational communities. mvi.org

Pastor Boon Chu | Thailand
Evangelizing, discipling, training, and shepherding in about 500 villages around northwest Thailand and eastern Myanmar.

Place of Hope in Haiti
Providing the basic resources and training to children in Haiti, enabling them to develop to their highest potential. placeofhopeinhaiti.org

ScholarLeaders International
Developing Servant Leaders for the majority world church by identifying and investing in the advanced theological education of gifted Christian leaders from Africa, Asia, Latin America and Eastern Europe. scholarleaders.org

Share International | Africa
Training and sending missionary nationals to establish self-multiplying churches that minister to the whole person. shareint.net

The Timothy Initiative
Advancing Christ’s Kingdom by multiplying disciples and disciple-making churches around the world. ttionline.org
**COVENANT OFFICER TEAM**

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**Our Vision**

We are a loving family dependent on the Holy Spirit, committed to the Word, growing in grace, reaching out in mercy.

**Our Mission**

We will develop and deploy fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ to disciple our family, community and world.

**CORE VALUES**

**Biblical:** We will joyfully advance timeless biblical truth, compassionately applying it to today’s world.

**Spirit-Filled:** We will initiate every endeavor with prayer, expecting the supernatural work of the Holy Spirit to enable us to be and do all that Christ intends.

**Loving:** We will reach across generations and cultures as a welcoming family, growing together in grace.

**Mission-Driven:** We will live as missionaries making disciples in our homes, across the street and around the world.

**Principled:** We will follow biblical principles with transparency and without regard for convenience or cost.
WE BELIEVE...

- In the Holy Trinity. There is one God, who exists eternally in three persons: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
- That the Holy Spirit draws people to Christ, indwells God’s people, giving them the strength and wisdom to trust Christ and follow Him and imparts spiritual gifts to believers.
- The Bible is the written word of God, inspired by the Holy Spirit and without error in the original manuscripts. The Bible is the revelation of God’s truth and is infallible and authoritative in all matters of faith and practice.
- That all are sinners and totally unable to save themselves from God’s displeasure, except by His mercy.
- That salvation is by God alone as He sovereignly chooses those He will save. We believe His choice is based on His grace, not on any human individual merit or foreseen faith.
- That Jesus Christ is the eternal Son of God, who through His perfect life and sacrificial death atoned for the sins of all who will trust in Him, alone, for salvation.
- That God is gracious and faithful to His people not simply as individuals but as families in successive generations according to His Covenant promises.
- That the Holy Spirit indwells God’s people and gives them the strength and wisdom to trust Christ and follow Him.
- That Jesus will return, bodily and visibly, to judge all mankind and to receive His people to Himself.
- That all aspects of our lives are to be lived to the glory of God under the Lordship of Jesus Christ.

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