

Calvary Baptist Church  
Who We Are, Where We Are Going  
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**WHO WE ARE:**

**MISSION STATEMENT:** To Know God and make Him known at home and abroad.

Calvary Baptist Church (CBC) is a local congregation of believers baptized by immersion and called by God into fellowship with his Son in accord with the fundamental truths of the whole Word of God. CBC does not claim to be Traditional, Contemporary, or Blended in our worship approach. Simply put, our worship is Christ-centered through God-honoring song, expository preaching, personal and corporate prayer, witnessing in word and deed, and biblical fellowship.

The government of CBC adheres to the principle of equality for all, vested in and executed through the body of believers composing its membership. We believe the local church, as is CBC, has the right to self-government, free from the interference of any hierarchy of individuals or organizations, and that the ultimate authority is Christ. Therefore, CBC is subject to the control of no other ecclesiastical body of any kind, either inside or outside of the church. However, we believe it is scriptural for true churches to cooperate with each other in contending for the faith and for the furtherance of the Gospel, but that every church is the sole and only judge of the measure and method of its cooperation. CBC Leadership within said government is subject to the qualifications, claims, and duties clearly defined in the Scriptures (I Timothy and Titus) and adhered to in the CBC Bylaws.

In all matters of CBC membership, of policy, of government, of discipline, and of benevolence, the will of the local church is final. CBC members are associated by a covenant of faith and fellowship of the Gospel. We observe the ordinances of Christ, are governed by His laws, and exercise the gifts, rights and privileges vested in them by His Word.

**WHERE WE ARE GOING:**

**VISION STATEMENT:** To make and equip biblical disciples (2 Tim 2:2), who faithfully worship the Father in spirit and truth (John 4:22-24).

CBC exists to glorify and worship God and to provide a fellowship for followers of the Lord Jesus Christ who are of like “precious faith,” who subscribe to the Covenant, Articles of Faith, and Bylaws of the church. As followers/disciples of Jesus Christ, we dedicate ourselves to obey the teachings of the Word of God, to grow in the knowledge of the Lord, to live godly lives, and equip others to do likewise.

The mission of CBC is committed to the Great Commission, recorded in Scripture (Matthew 28:18-20), to promote the spread of the gospel through evangelistic, missionary, and educational ministries. CBC worship, which is foundational to this commitment, is void of self, focusing on an “Audience of One”: transformative praise and glorification to God alone. Thus, in fulfilling our mission, the expression of worship at CBC is clear: (1) worshipful, God-honoring song; (2) expository preaching and teaching of Holy Scripture to all who have ears to hear; (3) witnessing to the lost at home and abroad; (4) faithful prayers of the righteous, and (5) fellowship one with another, that embodies the “fruit of the Spirit” (Galatians 5:22-23).