Commitment Time

It is our custom to sing a hymn of commitment at the close of each worship service. This time of "invitation" provides an opportunity to reflect upon the Bible message and make an appropriate personal commitment to the Lord. During this time, our pastors are available at the front to:

Pray with you regarding your commitment to Jesus Christ or another matter of personal concern.

Counsel with you regarding a challenging situation or decision you are facing, especially committing your life to Jesus Christ.

Encourage you as you seek to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord.

Receive your request for membership at Cleveland First Baptist Church.

You may become a CFBC member in the following ways:

By Public Profession of Faith in Jesus Christ as your Savior and Lord, following Him in obedience by scriptural baptism by immersion.

By Baptism if you already have been saved through faith in Jesus Christ but have never been scripturally baptized by immersion and are willing to be baptized.

By Transfer of Membership if you already have been saved through faith in Jesus Christ, scripturally baptized by immersion, and are a member of another Southern Baptist congregation. We will contact your former church to arrange for the transfer of your membership.

By Statement of Faith that you have been saved through faith in Jesus Christ and have been scripturally baptized by immersion.

*__By Watch care:__ Individuals temporarily living in the area, but who do not wish to transfer their church membership may come under the watch care of CFBC. They will be extended the privileges of fellowship and participation in church activities but may not vote in business meetings or serve in positions that require church membership.

All candidates for membership will complete an "Application for Membership," indicating how they're coming (profession, baptism, transfer, statement). All requests for membership will be shared with the congregation at the end of the worship service, and all candidate names will be presented for church approval at a regularly scheduled business meeting.

Schedule of Regular Activities

Sundays

Orchestra/Praise Team Rehearsal – 8:30 AM
Sunday School/Bible Study – 9:15 AM
Morning Worship – 10:30 AM

Wednesdays

Ladies' Bible Study – 10:00 AM
Orchestra/Praise Team Rehearsal – 5:30 PM
Youth/Children in Action – 6:30 PM
Bible Study/Prayer Service – 6:30 PM
Choir Rehearsal – 6:30 PM

Children's Ministry Update

Pancake Breakfast with Santa

All kids are invited to join us for a pancake breakfast with Santa on **Saturday, December 5,** from **8:00 AM – 10:00 AM**! Reserve your spot online or sign up directly with Donnie Filaski.

November Operation Christmas Child
November 14, Packing Party

Nursery Workers
November 8 – Margie Nash, Pam Walden
November 15 – Doris Beck, Sherry Neff

Intercessory Prayer Workers
November 8 – Linda Smith
November 15 – Loretta Brooks

Church Lock Up Schedule for November
Alex Belcher, John Reynolds

Cleveland First Baptist Church Staff

Dr. Phil Weaver, Senior Pastor
Rev. Dennis Turner, Associate Pastor of Senior Adults and Pastoral Care
Rev. Manning Minton, Associate Pastor of Students
Mr. Michael Pickett, Music Ministry Director
Mr. Donnie Filaski, Administrative Assistant and Children's Ministry Director
Mrs. Bethany Beck, Pianist
Ms. Sue Massey, Organist
Mrs. Bea Rogers, Receptionist
Mr. Terry Goodger, Financial Administrator
Mrs. Terry Trimble, Custodian

Audio and Video Volunteers

Mr. Cory Beck
Mr. Chris Edwards
Mr. Matthew Minton

Church Office Hours

Monday – Thursday, 9:00 AM – 4:30 PM
706-865-2933

The logo pictured on the front of this bulletin artistically incorporates the cross, with the letter "C" for Cleveland, in the silhouette of a tree, denoting life, growth, and the mountain region in which we live.

CLEVELAND FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH



Welcome to Church!

We're glad you are here today.
Cleveland First Baptist Church is a loving family of believers in Jesus Christ.

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Cleveland, Georgia 30528
www.firstcleveland.com

Welcome to Worship

Sunday, November 8, 2026 | 10:30 AM

*Congregational Singing (Hymn: 337)
Welcome – Nate Carpenter
Pastor's Pals (Children's Time) – Cherry Himstedt
[Note: This part of the service is on our live stream.]
Recognition of Veterans
*Congregational Singing (Hymn: 562)
Offertory Prayer – Timothy Lingle
Choir Special
Message – Dr. Maël Disseau
*Song of Invitation and Response (Hymn: 596)
Benediction – Dr. Sam Pelletier
Postlude

***Please stand, if able.**

The altar is available for you to bring your decisions and prayer needs before the Lord. Come and present yourself as "a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service of worship" (Romans 12:1).



Please silence your cellphone before the service begins.

Announcements and Upcoming Events

Grand Friends at Laurel Lodge, Thursday, November 12, 1:30 PM: Our visits include singing, a short devotion, fellowship, and sharing a gift bag with each resident. Gift bags provided this month by Gail Fulmer and Celia Wipf.

Brotherhood: Men of the Brotherhood will meet, **Thursday, November 12**, at **6:30 PM.** Our guest will be Margaret McLean of Babyland General Hospital. Register online or call the church office to RSVP.

Grand Adult Mystery Lunch Destination, November 13, 10:00 AM: Where are we going? That's the mystery! Join us as we head out for a delicious lunch, good conversation, and hopefully plenty of laughs. Cost is $5 plus lunch.

Operation Christmas Child Packing Party: You are invited to a churchwide Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Packing Party on **Saturday, November 14**, beginning at **10:00 AM**.

Quarterly Business Meeting: Our next business meeting will be on **Sunday, November 15**, at **6:00 PM**.

Youth "Cultivate" Outing to Skitts Mountain: A night of worship, fun, and bonding for youth on **Sunday, November 15**. Meet at the church at **3:45 PM**.

TMU Community Choir: On **Tuesday, November 17,** members of the Truett-McConnell University Community Choir will have a concert featuring *Jubilate Deo* with arrangements by Dan Forrest in our sanctuary at **7:00 PM**.

Youth and College/Career Friendsgiving Party, Wednesday, November 18: Everyone is asked to bring finger foods to share. We will meet in Heritage Hall at **6:30 PM**. Make sure to wear a flannel shirt.

Thursday, November 19, 11:30 AM. All the senior adults are invited to this month's covered-dish lunch as we reflect on the many ways the Lord blesses us every day. Bring enough food to share.

Thanksgiving: We will have **no evening activities on Wednesday, November 25,** and the church office will be **closed Thursday, November 26**, in observance of the holiday.

Connect with Us

If you are visiting with us, we welcome you As our special guest. We invite you to fill out a guest's card and give it to an usher during the time of offertory. You can also use the provided QR code with your smartphone to enter online.

Following the service, we invite you to meet our pastors. They would be delighted to share more information about CFBC. Again, welcome to our church!

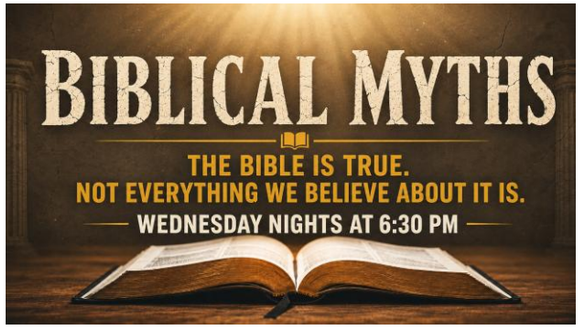
Live Stream: Download the CFBC app or follow our Facebook page for announcements and live stream of the worship service.



CFBC Online Giving

firstcleveland.com

Online Giving: CFBC now offers online giving through our website at firstcleveland.com. You also can download our church app from the Google Play Store or Apple Store to set up your account.



Meeting in the Sanctuary on November 11 and 18.

Cleveland First Baptist Church – November 8, 2026
Message by Dr. Maël Disseau

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Introduction: _____

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What God said to me:

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How I will respond: _____

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Pease feel free to approach the altar for prayer. Our pastors are available to encourage and pray with you as well.

COOPERATIVE PROGRAM *in Action*



November 8, 2026

Doug & Patti Irvin

South Africa

Pray for more people like Sara to encounter Jesus through digital platforms—and for more believers to respond with love and truth.

A message appeared on Mary's screen: "It's hard." As a volunteer digital responder with the IMB, Mary knew it was a cry for help. She prayerfully replied with hope and encouragement.

Sara, the sender, lived in a shack in Johannesburg after fleeing years of abuse. She'd responded to a digital gospel ad launched during the 2024 Paris Olympics—part of an IMB digital engagement initiative.

Mary passed Sara's contact to IMB missionaries Doug and Patti Irvin. Patti called immediately and found Sara starving and desperate for connection. They brought her food, shared the gospel, and connected her with a local church. Her life was transformed.

That digital campaign reached over 8 million people. Nearly 7,000 sent messages, 500 gospel conversations followed, and 31 came to faith—including Sara.

Through the Cooperative Program, Southern Baptists support creative strategies like digital outreach to reach the nations.

For additional resources, scan the code or visit **sbc.net/cpstories**





Cleveland First Baptist Church

Be a part of taking the gospel to children around the world in some of the hardest to reach places. Just scan the code and build a shoebox online.