

A Brief History of Mt. Calvary Pentecostal Assembly

MCPA was ordained by God and has been sustained by His grace for 27 years. In the summer of 1987 with a \$2,000 loan Dr. Will Potter move his family to Florida. He had heard the voice of God say that there were many souls to be saved in Florida. After settling in a rental home in Port Orange, FL, he called the family together to hold the first church service. His pulpit was a bar stool.

After a few months passed, Dr. Potter began looking for a building. His desire was to invite the community to worship with us. God led him to 639 ISP Boulevard and gave him favor with Major Sterling Wilson, the property owner. Major Wilson leased the building to him for the cost of taxes only. This was the same building Dr. Diana Potter has seen in a night vision prior to the move to Florida. Over 200 souls came to know the Lord at this location. The majority were college students from Bethune -Cookman College.

In 1998, with God's help after a series of negative events including the property on ISP changing ownership, MCPA relocated to Mason Ave. There the membership grew and Mt. Calvary Academy doubled in size.

In 2000 MCPA dedicated its permanent church facility. This is a 13,000 square foot building with a sanctuary, classrooms, a multi-purpose room, kitchen, laundry room, and a ¼ acre playground with a full basketball court seated on five acres of land.

God has blessed MCPA with faithful members who carry out the various ministries. Currently Dr. Potter hosts two radio broadcasts aired over station WPUL on Saturday at 12:00 noon and on Sunday at 10:00 am. The Mt. Calvary Academy serves students in grades pre-k 3 to 6th grades, the Never Hungry program provides free food to those in need, our Outstanding Music Ministry features a praise team, choir and instrument players. There is also a drama ministry, an announcers ministry, an ushers and greeters ministry, a Youth Ministry, a sound room team, a Christian Education and teaching ministry, a praise dance team, a culinary team, a call back team, clean-up team, finance team and other ministries.

Our Pastor along with the ministerial staff provides excellent spiritual training for the members and guest. In addition we host several conferences and revivals during the year, church fellowships and outings, concerts, dramas and hosts "Youth Works" during the summer months.

We are excited to move forward by the leading, power and authority of the Holy Spirit to fulfill the God assigned mission for MCPA.

The Mission and Vision

Vision: Be Transformed by the Word of God Rom. 12:2

Mission: Through outreach, revelatory knowledge, teaching, preaching, prayer, leadership, discipline and mentoring, we will recruit the unsaved and train individuals to be agents of transformation and ambassadors for Christ, in their families and communities

Statement of Faith

Our Kingdom Leader

One God Manifested as Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Method of Entry into the Kingdom

Be born again by water and spirit (John 3:5). Repent from our sins, be baptized in the name of Jesus and be filled with the Holy Spirit evidenced by speaking in tongues (Acts 2:38). We are to grow in the grace and knowledge of Jesus Christ (2 Peter 3:18).

The Curriculum for Living

Word of God as taught and revealed by the Holy Spirit.

The Requirements

We must live for Jesus in this present world.

The Accountability

We must live for and obey Jesus who

is the head of the church and creator of all things (Colossians 2:9). Obey those who have the rule over us such as pastors, teachers, etc.

Financial Support

The work of the Lord is to be carried on by tithing, sacrificial giving, and freewill offerings (Luke 6:38).

The Blessings

If we abide in Christ, we can ask whatever we want and He will give it. God desires us to prosper and be in health. By His stripes we are healed (*Matthew 8:14-17*).

The Results

If we Live for Jesus in this present world He will return for us when He raptures His church (1 Corinthians 15:52). We can live eternally with Christ.

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and ordain ministers. Districts conduct their business by convening a council. Councils are held several times a year. Many of the ministries operating at the local assembly are also operating on the state level.

Our Church Schedule

Corporate Prayer Times: Sunday
9:00am-10:00am, Wednesday 7:00-
7:30pm, 1st Friday 7:00-8:00

Worship Times: Sunday 11:00am and
2nd Sunday Nights for men, women
and youth, communion

Christian Education: Sunday 10:00am
to 11:00am and Wednesday 7:30am

**Leadership Training and Board
Meetings** Sundays

Communion: As announced by the
pastor

Praise Team and Choir Rehearsals:
Thursday 7:00pm

*****Pastor Potter is available for
personal pastoral care and will be
happy to meet with you on any Friday.

Affiliations

Mt. Calvary Pentecostal Assembly is affiliated with the Pentecostal Assemblies of the World Inc. (PAW). The PAW consists of churches across the USA, Egypt, Africa, Mexico, Venezuela, Europe, Canada, Philippines, Bahamas, Jamaica, Eastern Caribbean, South Africa, Haiti, Dominican Republic, India, Brazil and the Far East. The PAW host an International Convention once a year. It's headquarter is located in Indianapolis, Indiana. It is managed by a board of bishops. The current presiding is Bishop Charles Ellis.

Each state or district is led by a bishop. Bishops may appoint suffragan bishops and district elders to assist in the management of states. State governing bodies have the authority to license



Dr. Will & Diana Potter

Organization of Mt. Calvary Assembly

Dr. Will Potter is the Organizer and Sr. Pastor of Mt. Calvary Assembly. He has the oversight of the total ministry. He has selected a staff of qualifies people to help guide and implement the ministry. Many of them are working in their unique God appointed areas.

MCPA Organizational Chart

CEO/Pastor
Dr. Will Potter

Executive Administrator
Dr Diana Potter

Executive Board Members
Dr. Will Potter, Dr. Diana Potter, Dr.
Monica McGrier, Eld. Will Potter II,
Dea. Vanessa Kelly, Min. Patricia
Scott, Lynn Brown

Ministerial Staff
Dr. Diana Potter, Eld. Will Potter II,
Min. Patricia Scot, Min. Monica Davis
,Bish. Ross Drysdale

Finance Committee
Dr. Diana Potter, Dea. Vanessa Kelly

Altar Worker
Dr. Diana Potter

Audio-Visual Ministry
Brianna Scott, Brittney Scott

Women's Ministry
Jessica James_

Youth Ministry

Executive Committee
Christian Education
Dea. Vanessa Kelly

Music Ministry
Eld. Will Potter II

Usher Ministry
Vincent Murphy

Announcement Ministry
Lynnette Brown

Children's Church
Lynnette Brown



**Mt. Calvary
Academy Pre-3-6th
Grade**

Women's Ministry

Mission Statement

By Studying the word, fellowship, outreach, and worship, we will touch and influence lives and encourage others as we grow together to be more like Christ.

Covenant

I promise to keep confidential anything said in our meetings, to be an example of Christian character, to love my fellow sister, to do all things honest, to focus on the mission, to be respectful of others, to be committed to maintaining a prayerful life, to strive toward unity, to be dependable and flexible, and to practice excellent attendance.

The Women's Ministry

- *Provides godly fellowship
- *is actively involved in evangelism and prayer ministry
- *Creates an environment that assists women in reaching their full

potential in Christ

*Provides an environment that fosters Worship, Outreach, Fellowship fundraising,

*Worship service night throughout the year

Music Ministry

Mission

To provide, present, and maintain in accordance with the Apostolic doctrine and standards quality, anointed spiritual musical support for the Mt. Calvary Pentecostal Assembly which:

- *Edifies the body of Christ and prepares them to be transformed by the Word of God.
- *Enhances the spirit of worship and praise
- *Projects a compelling atmosphere of soul winning to the unchurched and those in spiritual need.

Youth Ministry

The Children's Ministry meets every 2nd and 4th Wednesday night at 7:30PM

We are working together with parents, teachers, and students to provide the foundation and tools each child needs to develop their potential in Christ.

Our Goals

+Focus on the development of the whole child, his body, mind, and soul.

+Incorporate Biblical teaching in order to understand how it is relevant to youth.

+Incorporate dynamic music and artistic expression to nurture positive spiritual growth.

+Incorporate active fellowship, community involvement and social development that glorify God.

+Evangelistic outreach

- *Jr. Ushers
- *Annual night of Joy
- *Praise Dance
- *Field Trips

- *Fundraising
- *Bible Class
- *C. Ed. Classes

Christian Education

This is a vital part of the educational ministry of Mt. Calvary Assembly!

This ministry assists the congregation to grow and mature spiritually through organized Bible teaching and fellowship.

The adult curriculum is tailored towards empowering the Christian to become spiritually educated and to reflect Christ in daily living. Classes are provided for children, teens, and adults. Christian education meets every Sunday morning at 10:00 AM. Bring your Bibles.



Youth Night of Joy

An Overview of the Bible

The following guide will give you a brief overview of the Bible. The Bible is composed of sixty-six books, divided into two major sections, the Old Testament and the New Testament. Within each major section, the books are topically arranged to help the reader to more easily understand the overall message. Every word in the Bible is inspired by God .

Overview of the Bible--The Old Testament

1. The Pentateuch or Torah:

Genesis to Deuteronomy. Pentateuch means "5 books." Torah means "law" or "teaching." These first five

books in the Old Testament were written by Moses. Genesis deals with the fall of man and God's selection of His people, the Jews, to be the channel for His great plan of redemption. The rest of the Pentateuch deals with Israel's deliverance from Egypt (first half of Exodus) and detailed explanation of God's Law: 1)The ceremonial law (no longer applicable for today) and the moral law (still relevant for today for loving God and your neighbor). **Key books for study: Genesis and Deuteronomy (loaded with important principles for living).

2. The Historical Books:

Joshua to Ezra.

These books deal with Israel's conquest of the Promised Land and their general failure to fulfill their covenant obligations to God. Their disobedience ultimately brings God's judgment as He disperses Israel (721 BC.) and allows Judah to be taken into the Babylonian captivity for 70 years (586 BC.).

3. The Poetic Books: Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, Song of Solomon, Lamentations. These books deal with a variety of life's issues. Psalms is a book of prayer and praise. Proverbs deals with how to live life skillfully. Job deals with the problem of pain and Ecclesiastes deals with the problem of pleasure. Song of Solomon is a portrayal of married love. Lamentations features Jeremiah's laments over the fall of Jerusalem. **Key books for study: Psalms and Proverbs.

4. The Major Prophets:

Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, and Daniel. These books focus on the sins of God's people, God's judgment, and the future promises of the New Covenant through the redemptive work of Jesus Christ. * *Key book for study: Daniel (how to stand alone for God in a sinful society).

5. The Minor Prophets: Hosea through Malachi. Denounces sins of God's people, means of God's judgment, and gives ultimate hope through prophecies of Christ's coming and redemptive work.

Overview of the Bible--The New Testament

1. The Gospels: Matthew to John. The Gospels are designed to tell us about Christ's ministry (His doings and teachings) with a special focus on His birth and death. (Note how much space is devoted to the last week of His life.) They are divided into two sections: the Synoptic gospels (Matthew, Mark, and Luke-- which share much of the same material) and the fourth gospel, the Gospel of John. Why so many gospels? The O.T. law required two or three witnesses to establish a fact, and because each writer has a different audience with different perspectives that require a unique emphasis.

a. Matthew--Writes as a Jew to Jews. He represent Jesus as the Messiah who fulfilled the O.T. prophecies (note the numerous O.T. quotations). Key section for study is the Sermon on the Mount in chapters 5-7, which contains kingdom principles not only for the future--but for living life here and now.

b. Mark--Writes to the action-minded Romans. He represents Christ as the busy Servant of God who demonstrates supernatural power over nature, disease, demons, etc. This book is the shortest--yet most active of the Gospels. Key section for study is Jesus' warning against legalism in Mark 7 (very pertinent for believers today).

c. Luke--Writes to the Gentiles, picturing Christ as full of compassion for the poor and sinful. The most complete gospel, written entirely in chronological order.

d. John--Gives a theological portrait of Christ. He does this by demonstrating through several key signs and speeches that Jesus is Deity come in humanity in order to save His people from sin. John states his

purpose very clearly in John 20:3 to bring readers to saving faith in Jesus Christ. (No wonder so many have been saved through passages like John 1:12 and 3:16!)

2. The Acts: Luke wrote this book as a sequel to his gospel (Acts 1:1-2). It is a book of missionary history as it follows the spread of the Gospel from Jerusalem to Rome. Its major emphasis is the continued acts of Jesus from heaven by the Holy Spirit through His Church. It provides important background for the principal writers of the epistles or letters to the churches. The key elements of the Gospel are repeated throughout the book in the preaching. It is important to remember that Acts is a transitional book--not a doctrinal treatise.

3. The Epistles (Letters): Includes the letters of Paul, Peter, John, James, Jude, and the writer of Hebrews. Most of these letters were written to churches, but some were written to individuals. **The epistles are where the great doctrines of the faith are explained in their greatest detail--both theologically and practically.

Paul's Letters (Romans through Philemon)

a. Romans--Written to the believers at Rome, setting forth the need for and the plan of salvation (Romans 1-11) and the practical implications of this salvation for godly living. Chapter 12 contains a discussion of gifts and ends with a powerful section on how to relate to people (especially unbelievers) who mistreat you. Chapter 13 is a key passage for the Christian's relationship to the state. Chapters 14 and 15 contain some vital principles on how to handle non-essential differences with other believers (i.e. the issues of Christian liberty). Romans 14:23 contains one of the most important principles relating to decision-

making--specifically the "holding principle."

b. I Corinthians--Deals with church problems such as church cliques and factions (1-3), incest and the need for church discipline (5), believers taking believers to court (6), sexual sin (6), marriage and divorce (7), Christian liberty (8, 10), abuses of the Lord's Supper (11), spiritual gifts (12-14), and a right approach to giving (16). It is a great book to turn to for answers to common church problems.

c. II Corinthians--A defense of Paul's apostleship and his motivation for ministry. Chapter one has some helpful information on comfort and affliction. Chapter two deals with how to reassimilate a disciplined church member. Chapter four deals with how to overcome difficult circumstances that could otherwise lead to depression. Chapter five underscores the goal and motivation for the Christian life. Chapter six warns against being unequally yoked with unbelievers. Chapters eight and nine deal with Christian giving. And chapter twelve states that the reason for the sign gifts (tongues and healing) was to authenticate the Apostles and their message.

d. Galatians--Combats the problem of legalism and asserts Christian freedom through justification by faith alone. Chapter five speaks of the struggle in the Christian life, the works of the flesh, and the fruit of the Spirit. Chapter six opens with the mandate for all Christians to counsel.

Letters Written during Paul's Imprisonment (Ephesians-Colossians)

e. Ephesians--Reveals the eternal plan and purpose of God in salvation (chapters 1-3) and how it forms the basis for the believer's walk with God and his fellow Christians (chapters 4-6). Chapter 4:22ff. Explains the process God uses to change believers and then illustrates how it works in solving the problems of communication that

tend to divide believers. Chapter five gives the basic pattern for dealing with life dominating sins (v. 18) and then goes on to deal with God's pattern for marriage. Chapter six covers parent-child responsibilities and the Christian work ethic as well as the armor of God.

f. Philippians--Written to assure the believers of God's unfailing purpose through Paul's imprisonment. It contains important instructions throughout on how to handle rivalry and jealousy between believers (esp. chapter 2). Chapter four covers perhaps the key passage for overcoming worry (vs.6-9).

g. Colossians--Overlaps with much of the content of Ephesians. Both deal with the Church as Christ's body, but Colossians stresses Christ's role as the Head. Contains some great passages on the sufficiency of Christ! Further develops how Christians grow (only as we put off the habits of the flesh and put on God's new ways of thinking and handling life).

h. I Thessalonians--Contains a key passage on sexual purity in chapter four as well as the great passage on the second coming of Christ and the rapture of believers.

i. II Thessalonians--Corrects errors regarding Christ's second coming.

Paul's Letters Written to Church Leaders (Timothy and Titus)

j. I Timothy--Important instructions on how to have a healthy church. It covers issues like the role of women in the church (2), guidelines for spiritual leadership (3), the importance of the pastor's own walk with God (4), and vital instructions about attitudes toward money (6).

k. II Timothy--Paul's "swan song." It contains a great chapter on the sufficiency of Scripture--even in the most challenging of times (3).

l. Titus--Instructions to Titus on how to organize a new church in a pagan society. Has a

great section on Christian ethics in chapter two.

m. Philemon--Paul's letter in behalf of a runaway, converted slave. It gives a good model of how to raise a "sticky" issue with another believer.

Letters from Other Writers

n. Hebrews--Author unknown. It teaches the superiority of Christ to all that these Jewish believers left behind in Judaism. The danger of defecting is sounded throughout. Chapter five explains why believers fail to grow (5:11-14). Chapter ten gives a challenge for believers to minister to each other. Chapter eleven is the great chapter on faith. Chapter twelve explains God's purpose in discipline.

o. James--Covers God's purpose in trials (1)--to make His people mature and

complete. Shows that man's own desires are his greatest enemy (1), deals with partiality (2), the importance of controlling the tongue (3), and how that desires gone awry are at the root of interpersonal conflicts (4).

p. I Peter--Teaches believers how they can endure suffering for Christ in a way that pleases God. It focuses on suffering especially in the context of failing relationships--with legal authorities and workplace authorities (2), and with spouses (3).

q. 2nd Peter--Warns against the infiltration of false teachers--and how to identify them.

r. I John--Key book on how to have a Biblically based assurance of salvation.

s. II John--Letter of encouragement to a Christian woman; warns against aiding false teachers.

t. III John--Short work on

Christian hospitality.

u. Jude--Warns against false teachers--and how to rescue those who have been influenced by them.

4. The Revelation: Deals primarily with the second coming of Jesus Christ and the final act in God's unfolding drama of redemption! The first three chapters contain direct words from Jesus to His church. His observations, commendations, and warnings are relevant to churches in every age!

Practical Christian Living

Receiving the Holy Spirit

Christian Living begins when we are empowered by the Holy Spirit. Jesus said the time will come when those who worship me will do so in spirit and in truth (Jh.4:24). The Holy Spirit leads us and guides us (Jh. 16:13). It empowers us with the ability to obey Jesus. If we do wrong the Spirit in us is grieved, warning us to correct ourselves. The Holy Spirit will give us peace in crisis. It helps us share our faith with others (Acts 2:8). When we do not know what to pray for the Holy Spirit helps us. But, Perhaps the most important results of the Holy Spirit living in us is that it is the down payment on our heavenly home (Ep. 1:14).

Studying the Bible

God says that His people perish because of lack of knowledge (Ho.4:6) and we are to grow in understanding God's word according to 2: Pe.3:18. Every serious Christian should set aside time for daily devotion of prayer and studying the word. God's word is spiritual food for our souls just as natural food is food for our bodies. Our daily lives can only reflect what we learn from the word of God.

Prayer and Fasting

Prayer is the highest form of communication. It is communication between the creator and His people. During prayer we not only make our requests to God but, have an opportunity to praise God and thank Him for His many benefits. Praying in the Holy Spirit Keeps the spirit in us stirred up allowing us to feel spiritually alive. The Bible tells us to pray without ceasing (1Th. 5:17). The Christian should always keep a prayerful attitude. Fasting means to abstain. The usual fast is to abstain from food but there are other pleasurable things one can abstain from as well. Fasting denies the physical body of something it desires allowing the spirit in us to dominate. When the spirit dominates, spiritual things are seen more clearly.

Church attendance

We are commanded by the scripture to attend church (Heb. 10:25). By assembling together with like believers we are strengthened and encouraged. We are inspired to continue our walk with the Lord. As we fellowship with one another we pray for one another's weaknesses and thank God for each other's strengths. In the assembly we experience worship, praise, prayer, Holy Communion and training in living for God.

Everyday Living

Christians are to abstain from all evil and live a life that is pleasing to God. (1 Th. 5:22). We are to allow the fruit of the Spirit to dominate our lives and reject our sinful nature (Gal. 5). The way Christians are to "Be" is described in Mt. 5:3-11. God desires us to serve Him with humility.

Walking in Humility

The Bible instructs us to have a forgiving heart, to consider our fellow Christian before ourselves (Ro. 12:10). If we have something against another Christian, we are instructed to work it out in love.

A Giving Heart

Every Christian Should have a giving heart to be a financial blessing to the ministry he or she partakes.

Ten Ways to be an Excellent Church Member

- 1. Schedule periodic meetings with your pastor. He would love to assist you in your spiritual walk**
- 2. If you are ill, hospitalized or otherwise incapacitated find a way to let your pastor know (James 5:14). Don't assume he knows or someone has informed him**
- 3. Regularly attend church worship, prayer and Christian Education**
- 4. Try to be a participant in one of the church's ministries**
- 5. Be informed about your church and make it your priority**
- 6. Regularly invite others to worship with you**
- 7. Share with other members in financially blessing the assembly where you worship**
- 8. Instead of speaking negative words, get clarification about any issues**
- 9. Pray for your pastor and leaders**
- 10. Obey and respect those who lead you**

Four suggestions to discover your Area of Ministry

- 1. Explore your life experiences to identify how they can be used to advance the kingdom of God.**
- 2. Look within to determine your strength and weakness. Seek ways to utilize your strengths in your church**
- 3. Become clear about your personality type. Are you friendly and outgoing or are you a behind the scene person. Try to find areas to work in that fit your personality**
- 4. Pray and seek God for directions. The longer you walk with God the More He reveals His unique plan for your life.**

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New Members Orientation Manual

Welcome to MCPA. I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to your new life at Mt. Calvary Assembly. Here you will find new life in Christ Jesus, new joy, new love, new friends and new opportunities to serve God.

This new member's manual is designed to familiarize you with our exciting church, its organization and the many opportunities available to help you grow spiritually. Please take the time to get to know your new church. We hope that you will find your place here and fall in love with your new life in Christ.

Dr. Will Potter, Sr. Pastor

Dr. Diana Potter, New Member's Teacher