## CALVARY ROAD BAPTIST CHURCH & NEW WATER BAPTIST CHURCH PRESENT

## **MEN'S CONFERENCE '23**

Fellow Pastors, Friends, and Brethren in Christ,

We are very excited to invite you all again to our annual Men's Conference! Those of you who have attended with us in the past know just how special the Lord has made this meeting for us, and we cannot wait to see what He is going to do in the hearts of our men again this year.

Our vision for the Men's Conference is to strengthen, encourage, and admonish ourselves through biblical preaching and good Godly fellowship. In a time when so much of our world is plagued with division, we want to encourage and exhort the brethren by obeying the biblical command to "love the brotherhood" (*1 Peter 2:17*). We pray that this meeting will do just that, strengthening the "unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace" (*Ephesians 4:3*).

For our theme verse this year, we look to **Ephesians 3:7** "Whereof I was <u>MADE A MINISTER</u>, according to the gift of the grace of God given unto me by the effectual working of his power." The Apostle Paul points out how that he was "made a minister," a **Servant**, through the effectual working of God's power. As with Paul, so it is with us: if we desire to be the Servants that God intends for us to be, then we need Him to **make us His ministers** by equipping us with that gift of grace through which we may accomplish the purpose that God has for us. God made Paul a Minister through the effectual working of his power, through the Holy Spirit, and the depths of His Word. Our prayer is that, through this year's conference, the Lord might work toward that same end with each and every one of you.

We would like to strongly encourage you to join us for this year's conference. We want to be a blessing to the men from your local church, and we know that the Lord has great things in store for us at this year's meeting. If anyone from your church plans to attend, **please take a moment and fill out the survey on our webpage** (you can scan the QR code on our flyer to reach it, or visit <a href="www.calvaryroadbaptistchurch.com">www.calvaryroadbaptistchurch.com</a>). If you have any questions at all, please do not hesitate to reach out to us. We look forward to seeing you in October!

In Christ,

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