

# Looking UP

Calvary Church Weekly News

## Plan now for upcoming Missions Conference

Mark your calendars for Calvary's annual Missions Conference, February 22–March 1.

This year our theme is "Every Tribe and Nation," as we welcome missionaries from near and far to share how their ministries play a role in reaching the whole world with the Gospel. **To welcome our missionaries, we need your help in these important ways:**

**Bless a Missionary** ■ To show our support and appreciation, we will provide each conference missionary with a particular want or need as a gift. Each of the 29 missionaries has sent in a specific request. Stop by the Missions Conference table near the escalator and select an envelope containing a request. Please return the gift item (wrapped or unwrapped) back to the Missions Conference table on a Sunday morning, no later than February 15. Contact: Thayer & Julie Allison 704.845.5646, thayerallison@carolina.rr.com

**Host a Missionary** ■ We need two families to host a missionary couple in their home during conference week, and we need four automobiles to be used by missionaries during conference week. In addition, hosts are needed to provide meals for missionaries (approximately 80 meals total) on Monday, Tuesday, Friday, and Saturday evenings, or Sunday lunch. You'll enjoy personal interaction with missionaries from many US locations, Japan, Peru, Mexico, or France. Stop by the Galleria table near the escalator or contact Genie Osteen for housing/cars at 704.542.1791 or Tom and Kathy Miller for meals at 704.525.5502.

## Are you considering a GO Trip?

If you are thinking about participating in one of Calvary's short-term missions trips in 2009, it's important that you attend the Global Outreach Trips kick-off meeting on Friday, January 30 at 6:30 PM in the Crown Room. You'll receive key trip details, meet team leaders, get application and training information, and more! This is your opportunity to ask questions and learn what is involved in our GO Trips. Please bring a covered dish to share, and we'll enjoy dinner together. Contact: Sue Rimer, 704.341.5322, srimer@calvarychurch.com

## Men, just give us 8 weeks!

**Early on Tuesday mornings before the work day begins, Calvary men meet** in Priority Groups for encouragement, support, and friendship—a true brotherhood! On January 20, 6:00–7:30 AM in the Crown Room, we'll begin an eight week series, **Becoming a Contagious Christian**. You'll learn skills for sharing your faith and deepen your biblical knowledge. A breakfast buffet will be served on January 20; a light breakfast will be served each week thereafter. Cost is \$25. Sign up online or at Galleria table 4 today. Contact: Pastor Jim Lytle, 704.341.5417

**Men's Evening Bible Study** ■ Can't make 6:00 AM? Join us on Tuesday evenings for a line-by-line study of the book of Exodus beginning January 20, 7:00–8:30 PM in room 242. Contact: Wayne Hackbarth, 704.531.1987, whackbarth@carolina.rr.com

## YouthQuest coming to Calvary

**Liberty University team leads high impact weekend, February 6–8**

**Students, don't miss the Resolution Revolution!** College students from Liberty University are headed our way with a weekend of inspiring praise and worship, captivating drama, and awesome guest speakers. **Resolution Revolution** is our Friday focus at 7:00 PM (arrive by 6:30 to sign in and select your Saturday breakout sessions). It's a key night for all our middle and high school students and their friends! On Saturday morning, students return for topical teaching, followed by lunch. Saturday evening small group studies meet in host family homes. We'll wrap up Sunday with the YouthQuest team at 11:15 AM, followed by a luncheon for all students, parents, leaders, and YouthQuest in the Crown Room. Register online by January 25 for \$10; cost is \$20 afterwards and at the door. Contact: Audrey Storms, 704.341.5320, astorms@calvarychurch.com

**Youth University** ■ **Hey, get to class!** Middle and high school students sign up for new Youth University courses this morning at 11:15. Semester begins TONIGHT at 6:00 PM. Be there!

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From the Senior Pastor

## Leadership at Calvary



Dr. John H. Munro

Leadership in the church of Jesus Christ is vital for the church's spiritual health, vitality, effectiveness, and outreach. Jesus Christ is the head of Calvary Church. Paul describes "the church which is His Body," and writes that "Christ is the Head of the church, His Body" (Ephesians 1:22–23; 5:23).

Because Calvary belongs to Jesus Christ, we must follow His Word. The qualifications for church leaders are set out in 1 Timothy 3:1–13; and Titus 1:5–9. Elders and deacons must be selected on biblical and not worldly criteria.

Today Calvary members have the privilege of selecting elders and deacons. I trust we have been in prayer throughout the whole nomination process. It is the Holy Spirit who appoints leaders (Acts 20:20) and will bring these individuals before the eyes and upon the hearts of the congregation.

We praise God for those who are willing to serve as elders and deacons. It is essential they are humble servants. May God the Holy Spirit guide us today in this selection.

## Career Ministry offers resources

**At a crossroads in your career?** Calvary now offers a Career Ministry featuring online resources through **Crossroads Career® Network**. We will also host weekly Christ-centered Career Groups (C3G) to promote accountability, networking, lead sharing plus monthly networking meetings. Small group interactive courses will focus on resume writing, networking, and interview preparation skills.

**Interested? You can get started at [www.calvarychurch.com/career](http://www.calvarychurch.com/career).** Complete the short online registration form to receive your "membership key," then access the resources at Crossroads Career® Network. Be sure to join us for an **informational meeting on Monday, January 26** at 7:00 PM in the Crown Room. Stop by Galleria table 7 today for more information. Contact: Pastor Jim Lytle, 704.341.5417, career@calvarychurch.com

## LOVE & RESPECT

Friday, February 13  
6:45–10:00 PM &  
Saturday, February 14  
8:45 AM–1:30 PM

Register now at  
[www.calvarychurch.com](http://www.calvarychurch.com)

### This marriage conference is for YOU if...

- You are newly married. You've been married for many years. You are single. All of the above!
- You would like to communicate better with your spouse. (It couldn't hurt, right?!)
- You'd like your spouse to respond more positively to you. You'd like to learn ways to resolve conflict as soon as it starts. You want to learn to address problems and issues biblically.
- You feel your marriage is fine. You feel your marriage is in trouble. Either way, you'll benefit!

Calvary offers this LIVE marriage conference with **Dr. Emerson Eggerichs** and his wife, Sarah, for the entire Charlotte/Metro area. Invite your friends and neighbors! Early bird cost is \$35 per person until January 30, so register now! Afterwards, cost is \$45 per person. See video clips about Love & Respect concepts and **register online at [www.calvarychurch.com](http://www.calvarychurch.com)**.

"Nevertheless let each individual among you also love his own wife even as himself; and let the wife see to it that she respect her husband" — Ephesians 5:33

take note

## These ALGs invite you to join!

At Calvary, **Adult Life Groups** are where we “do life together.” Groups meet on Sunday mornings to teach the Bible, build fellowship, and make authentic disciples of Jesus Christ. If you are not yet connected in an ALG, this is your opportunity! Descriptions of all ALG groups are available online and in the new issue of @Calvary.

### Senior Adult Class ■ 11:15 AM, Denver Watkins, Room 234, “Gospel of John”

Seniors are invited to an “open house” on January 25 to get to know folks in this new group.

### Home Builders ■ 11:15 AM, Mike Gardner, Room 232, “Gospel of John”

Couples (ages 40–50s) discover how a vital relationship with Christ transforms our marriages, families, relationships, and professions.

### Family Builders ■ 11:15 AM, Jerry Wright, Room 200, “Tools for a Great Marriage”

Couples (ages 30–40s) stock their marital “tool boxes” to build and sustain great marriages!

## Ladies prayer breakfast meets Saturday

**Women of Calvary are invited** to meet Barbara Rheuark, Director of Women’s Ministry, at a special prayer breakfast on Saturday, January 24 at 8:45 AM in the Crown Room. Barbara will share her inspiring testimony, and a delicious breakfast buffet will be served. Cost is \$5; or request financial assistance if needed. We need a count for preparing breakfast, so **please register online by Wednesday, January 21 or sign up at Galleria table 2 today.** Bring postage stamps to donate to Lois’ Lodge Ministry. Contact: Mitzi Koch, 704.341.5417, mkoch@calvarychurch.com

## CHAMP Sports opens spring registration

**Spring season registration is now open for CHAMP Sports Outreach!** We are offering **baseball** (ages 5–18), **girls softball** (ages 10–18), **flag football** (ages 6–15), and **soccer** (ages 3–18). This season CHAMP is expanding its partnership with the Charlotte Eagles to include a season ticket to all the Eagles home games for every player. Soccer participants will receive new custom uniforms for “home” and “away” matches that can be used year after year. Football participants will enjoy new special clinics with professional football players from the Carolina Speed. **Cost is \$135 per child.** Preseason practice begins February 16 with the first game on March 7; season concludes May 16. **Register at [www.champsportsinfo.com](http://www.champsportsinfo.com).** Contact: Christopher Munro, champ@calvarychurch.com, 704.341.5387

**IMPACT Fitness** ■ CHAMP Sports now offers a high-impact cardio work out class just for women. Our CHAMP karate instructors lead the classes in the Calvary gym on Mondays, Thursdays, and Fridays at 2:00 PM—choose your day(s) for a fun, hour-long workout. Comfortable workout attire recommended. Classes cost \$25 a month for one class per week, or \$45 for more than one. This is a special discount for Calvary staff and families. Don’t miss this opportunity to get in shape! Register online at [www.champsportsinfo.com](http://www.champsportsinfo.com).

## Dr. Munro’s messages broadcast on radio

Tune your radio to “The Verdict,” a 15-minute program by Pastor Munro that airs weekdays at 8:00 AM on WHVN (1240 AM) Charlotte, WCGC (1270 AM) Belmont/Gastonia, and HD 2 FM. A previously recorded sermon by Pastor Munro airs every Sunday morning at 8:00 AM on WAVO (1150 AM), HD 3 FM, and online at [www.1150wavo.com](http://www.1150wavo.com).

## Families dedicate children in service today

We rejoice with these Calvary families as they dedicate their children this morning: Jason & Elizabeth Hildebrand dedicate their son, **Robert Brown Hildebrand**; Marc & Ashley Lapointe dedicate their son, **Harrison Louis Lapointe**; Kevyn & Tricia Wagner dedicate their daughter, **Emily Charlotte Wagner**; Cornelius & Michele Wright dedicate their son, **Evan Cornelius Wright**.

*along the way...*

**Elder/Deacon Election Today is election day!** Bios of the elder and deacon

candidates are available in the Galleria near the escalators. Ballots are included in Looking Up;

ushers have additional ballots if needed. You must be a Calvary member, age 18+ to vote.

\* **Sanctity of Life** This week Calvary is displaying **white crosses on the church**

**lawn** to commemorate “Sanctity of Life Sunday” and the anniversary of the Roe v Wade decision

on January 22, 1973. \* **Choir & Orchestra** Are you a Christian musician and

part of the Calvary family? We’re **open for new members** in January! Contact: Pastor Timothy Hathaway, 704.887.3687

\* **Organ Mini-Concert** Everyone is invited to

enjoy a **free concert on the Calvary Grand Organ** by organist John Cleaveland on Thursday,

January 22, 11:15–11:45 AM. The concert will feature creative arrangements of great hymns of the

faith. \* **Prison Ministry** An active, vibrant church is growing behind prison walls!

Calvary needs a few more **volunteer Bible study leaders** on Thursday evenings at the Kershaw,

SC facility. There is a great hunger for truth, encouragement, teaching, and fellowship—come

serve with us! Contact: Guy Sorrell, 704.243.0284, ggsorrell@carolina.rr.com

\* **In the**

**Word Room** Pastor Munro’s recent series “**Grace Is Really Amazing**” is available as

a boxed CD set (\$25), and the **Imagine Celebration DVD** (\$5) is now available in the Word

Room. \* **Spanish classes** Learn **Spanish as a second language** on Thursdays,

7:00–8:30 PM in room 328. Cost is \$25. Contact: Lynn Haines, 704.341.5354

## Today at Calvary ■ January 18

8:30 AM Adult Life Groups

9:45 AM **Worship Service, Sanctuary**  
“Life: Who Gets to Choose?”

9:45 AM Nursery & Children’s Classes  
through 2nd Grade

11:00 AM **Spanish Service, Chapel**

11:15 AM Adult Life Groups, Nursery,  
Children’s Classes, Student Ministry

6:00 PM “Serving with Excellence”  
Pastor Scott Vail

## Serving this week

<b>Elder</b>	Tom Miller	704.525.5502
<b>Deacons</b>	Giovanni Salgado	704.246.6001
	Craig Mears	704.821.3165

## Pastor of the Week — Scott Vail

For pastoral emergencies: **980.297.2527**

## Journey 2009 Bible reading plan

Monday	January 19	Matthew 13
Tuesday	January 20	Matthew 14
Wednesday	January 21	Matthew 15
Thursday	January 22	Matthew 16
Friday	January 23	Matthew 17

**[www.calvarychurch.com/journey2009](http://www.calvarychurch.com/journey2009)**

## Missionaries of the week

**Ron & Ruth Durie** serving with Wycliff Bible Translators (JAARS) in Waxhaw

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## Wednesday dinner

Your family is invited to a buffet in the Crown Room, 5:00–6:15 PM. Cost is \$5 per adult, \$3 per child, or \$15 max per family. No reservations!

## Menu ■ January 21

Barbecue chicken breast, rice pilaf, mixed veggies, rolls & butter, dessert, & beverage  
**Child’s Meal:** Chicken nuggets & fries

## Birth announcement

**Congratulations to Alan & Margaret Jackson** on the birth of their son, Oliver Jackson, on January 8

## Deepest sympathy to...

**Jonathan & Betsy Elliott** and family in the loss of Jonathan’s mother, Mrs. Ceola Greeson Elliott, on January 12

**Mary Nelson** and family in the loss of her daughter, Mrs. Lauri Nelson Bishop, on January 10

**John & Barbara Frazier** and family in the loss of Barbara’s mother, Mrs. Virginia Forrester

**The family of Kathleen “Teen” Morrison**, who passed away on January 13

## For the record...

<b>General Fund offering</b> on 1/11	<b>\$100,930</b>
General Fund weekly goal	\$117,300

<b>Attendance</b> on 1/11		
9:45 AM	Worship Service	3103
11:00 AM	Spanish Service	324
	<b>Morning Total</b>	<b>3427</b>
6:00 PM	Evening Service	313
	<b>Total</b>	<b>3740</b>

## Upcoming messages

Senior Pastor John Munro will bring the message, unless otherwise noted.

**Jan 25** 9:45 AM “Baptism: Optional or Obligatory?”

6:00 PM Farewell for the Echols, Communion

**Feb 1** 9:45 AM “Baptism: Babies or Believers?”

6:00 PM “Caring for One Another”  
Pastor Phil Divine