

Looking UP

Calvary Church Weekly News

■ OCTOBER 4, 2009

Today is Family Day

Church-wide dinner and fun! ■ Calvary athletic fields

SCHEDULE

Family Day Activities

2:00–7:00 PM

Dessert Contest

Bring entries by 2:00 PM

Flu Shots

2:00–5:00 PM

Special Guest RUFUS

from Charlotte Bobcats

3:30–4:30 PM

Dinner

5:00–6:30 PM

It's not too late to join us for our church-wide Family Day this afternoon. If you have not yet purchased a ticket or registered online, **just come to the field** and pay for your wristband at the event. If you have a ticket or registration confirmation, please BRING IT to the field and exchange it for your "all-access" wristband. That's your pass for dinner and all the fun activities! **Cost is \$5 per person, with a \$25 maximum per immediate family.**

Highlights this year include the popular rock climbing wall, inflatable bouncy play areas, organized sport competitions, and more. Popcorn and cotton candy will be 50¢. Dinner from the grill will include hamburgers, hot dogs, baked beans, potato salad, chips, lemonade/tea/water. Plus, seating will be provided under giant tents on the grounds! After the judges announce the winners of the annual Calvary Dessert Contest, we'll all share the fabulous pies, cakes, and sweet treats!

Stay Healthy ■ Flu and pneumonia shots will be available at a special tent at Family Day, 2:00–5:00 PM for those with Medicare-B, Aetna, Partners Medicare Choice, Humana Gold, and Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Carolina insurance. Immunizations are for ages 9+. Flu shot is free; pneumonia is \$45. **Bring your insurance card and photo ID.**

From the Senior Pastor...

The main thing...

There is an old Chinese proverb which says "the main thing is that the main thing be the main thing." One of the challenges of a large church like Calvary is that it is easy to put a lot of time and resources into things which are not really "the main thing." Individuals and groups may be so focused on their "ministry" that it develops into an independent little kingdom removed from the Body of Christ at Calvary Church.



Dr. John H. Munro

The mission of Calvary Church "is to develop authentic Christians through a balanced ministry of worshiping God, preaching and teaching the Word, edifying the saints, caring for the needs of others, and evangelizing the world." This is "the main thing" and flows from the great commission of Matthew 28:18–20, and the pattern of the early church set out in Acts 2:41–47. Calvary Church is not a collection of isolated and independent little ministries, but rather one Body with one mission as we seek to do all to the glory of God as led by the Holy Spirit." Let's keep "the main thing" the main thing! ■



Pastor Munro greets newcomers today

Are you new to Calvary? Would you like to meet Pastor Munro and his wife, Gudny, and learn more about our church? If so, we invite you to join us after the worship service **this morning** for a Newcomers' Reception in the Rea Road Room (to the far left as you exit the Sanctuary, at the end of the concourse).

Refreshments and coffee will be prepared for you, plus you'll hear more about the vision and ministry of Calvary. Please take this opportunity to connect and have your questions answered. **First-time visitors, we have a special gift bag prepared for you!**

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Men, are you with us?

Men's Retreat, October 9 & 10 ■ TODAY IS THE DEADLINE

Last chance to sign up for the annual Calvary Men's Retreat! Just stop by Galleria table 4 this morning or sign up online today. We're looking forward to a great weekend away in the beautiful Blue Ridge Mountains at the Ridgecrest Conference Center near Asheville, NC. You'll be spiritually stretched and strengthened by Pastor David Ingrassia's teaching from the book of Joshua.

Conference Details ■ Check-in is 3:00 PM on Friday; room check-out is 11:00 AM Saturday. Lunch will be served on Saturday followed by another teaching session. The conference will conclude by 2:00 PM. The cost is \$100/person for double occupancy; \$135 for single occupancy. Lodging and meals are included. Golf at Cleghorn Plantation is available on Friday; get details online. **Please register today for both the retreat and the golf outing.** Contact: Mitzi Koch, 704.341.5417, mkoch@calvarychurch.com

Nominations open through October 25

Please prayerfully submit your nominations for Calvary's annual election of elders and deacons by Sunday, October 25. The nomination form with instructions is available at Galleria table 1B, or download it online at www.calvarychurch.com. Qualifications for each office are listed on the back of the form. Forms may be submitted at Galleria table 1B, in the offering baskets, or at the church office. Candidate information sheets will be available on Sunday, December 27, and there will be an opportunity to hear from the candidates during the evening service on January 10. **The election is scheduled for Sunday, January 17, 2010.** Contact: Bev Modzell, 704.341.5331, bmodzell@calvarychurch.com

Ladies, you're invited to a prayer breakfast

Join us for a special time of prayer, worship, and fellowship on Saturday, October 17 at 8:45 AM in the Crown Room. Kellie Hawkins and Debbie Durrell will be our guest speakers. **Breakfast is free if you register online or sign up at Galleria table 3 by October 11; afterwards cost is \$7.** Contact: Mitzi Koch, 704.341.5417, mkoch@calvarychurch.com

CHAMP NIGHT at the BOBCATS

Charlotte Bobcats vs. Cleveland Cavaliers

Friday, November 27 ■ 3:30 PM Pre-game Activities, 7:00 PM Tip-off

Celebrate the Fall 2009 CHAMP Sports

season over Thanksgiving weekend with your family and friends at THE GAME of the Charlotte Bobcat season on Friday, November 27. The Bobcats will take on the Cleveland Cavaliers at 7:00 PM at Time Warner Cable Arena. **CHAMP Night at the Bobcats highlights include a pregame shoot around, coach's contest, guest speaker, and autographed giveaways, beginning courtside at 3:30 PM.** Stay for team warm ups and hear the Calvary Vocal Ensemble sing the

national anthem. Plus, our Calvary Troop 7 Boy Scouts will present the colors. Everyone is invited! This is a great outreach opportunity to bring friends and neighbors—and then invite them to join you at Calvary on Sunday!

Reserved Calvary block tickets are \$30 each (regularly \$40). **All CHAMP Fall 2009 coaches, youth players, and youth karate participants receive ONE FREE TICKET.** All players receive a FREE Bobcats/CHAMP T-shirt!

Order tickets at www.champsportsinfo.com or stop by Galleria table 5B today. Contact: Christopher Munro, 704.341.5387, champ@calvarychurch.com

Rufus, the Charlotte Bobcats mascot, will be at Family Day this afternoon from 3:30-4:30 PM to meet and greet our Calvary family. Tickets will be available at the CHAMP kiosk!

Student Ministry's got really big plans...

re:generation ■ **Wednesdays, 6:30–8:00 PM**

Hey—all students grades 6–12, get to **re:gen** this week! **We need YOU** to be here for **awesome worship** and **powerful Bible teaching** that will really make a difference in your life. Plus, you should come hang out **with your friends**—they miss you. We've got a lot going on, so **be here on Wednesday...** mean it! —*Pastor Jason and Pastor Dean*

High School "Lock IN" ■ **October 9–10, 5:00 PM–7:00 AM REGISTER BY OCT 5**

It's an "all-nighter" of fun! We'll go to NASCAR Speed Park for go carts, laser tag, and arcade games. Then we're back to Calvary for worship and Bible teaching, guy talk/girl talk, a midnight glow-in-the-dark scavenger hunt, snacks, games, and movies. Cost is \$20 plus dinner & arcade \$.

Middle School "aMAIZE-ing Event" ■ **October 24, 12:00–9:15 PM**

We're headed out for a full day of fun! First stop is Hendrick Motor Sports for a behind the scenes tour. Then we're off to "The MAIZE" at Country Time Farms in Indian Trail to explore the 13 acre corn maze, plus a bonfire, cookout, and hayride. Cost is \$20. Register online!

[GROUP HIGHLIGHT]

Adult Life Groups in focus this week...

Empty Nesters ■ This is an active group of folks in their 50s–60s, who love to study God's Word through an interactive, expository process. We build relationships in class and beyond, finding many opportunities to socialize, serve, and become integrated into the life of Calvary Church. Jack Joyce and David Lee lead this group at 8:30 AM in room 222. Stop by and check it out!

Beginning TWOgether ■ This class meets the unique needs of young engaged couples and newlyweds. As you start your life together, you'll meet weekly with other couples to explore key biblical truths necessary for enjoying a committed and fulfilling life-long marriage. Mark and Angela Fisher lead this group at 11:15 AM in Conference Room A on fourth floor.


Worship ministry seeks dancers for Christmas concerts

If you are a dancer and desire to use your talent and skill for the Lord, you're invited to audition on Wednesday, October 14 for Calvary's upcoming Christmas concerts on December 13. Auditions will be held in the Hand Bell Room from 6:30–8:00 PM. We need eight dancers, ages 14 to adult, preferably with technical dance background. Contact: April Henighan, 336.575.4057

HOME Ministry meets for adoption book review night


If you are an adoptive parent or if you've ever considered adoption, we invite you to join Calvary's HOME Ministry for an adoption book discussion night on Thursday, October 15 at 6:30 PM in the Banquet Room. We'll discuss *Top Ten Tips for the First Year Home* by Deborah Gray. Join us for fun door prizes as well as pizza and refreshments! Bring along any helpful books you may want to recommend about adoption! Please RSVP. Contact: Joy Huber, joyjake99@aol.com

along the way...


 **Life Chain** Join us **today at 1:00–3:00 PM** for a peaceful, public witness of **pro-life Americans praying** for an end to abortion. We'll stand along Highway 51 to display Life Chain signs. Afterwards, we'll join the Family Day activities. Contact Debbie Ware, 704.650.6095, deborahware@yahoo.com

 **G-Force** This **group of grandmothers** will meet

Thursday, October 8 at 9:30–10:30 AM in the Prayer Room to pray for the needs of their grandchildren. Contact: Judy Clark, 704.845.1130

 **Ready for baptism?** Our next **baptism preparation class** will be Sunday, October 11, 5:00–5:45 PM in room 401. Baptism services will be October 18 and November 8 at 6:00 PM. Please register online. Contact: Anna Coyle, 704.341.5329, acoyle@calvarychurch.com


 **Vitamin Drive** The HOME Ministry extends **thanks to the Calvary family for the generous donations** of adhesive bandages, children's vitamins, pain reliever, and other first aid items for Christian orphanages during their recent Vitamin Drive. Your love will reach children around the world!

 **Calvary membership** The **Calvary Membership Course**, taught by Senior Pastor Dr. John Munro, is required for all those considering church membership. The next two-session

course will be offered October 31 and November 7, 9:00 AM–12:15 PM. Please register at

www.calvarychurch.com.  **Calvary Grand Organ** Thank you for your

patience as repairs are made on the Calvary Grand Organ. The project should be completed by

October 16.  **Word Room** **Christmas cards and 2010 calendars** have arrived in the bookstore! **Calvary logo products**, including pens, tall ceramic coffee mugs, biodegradable thermal coffee carafes, sports bottles for your workout, and mini totes are available now! **New**

Hours: Weekdays, 9:00 AM–4:30 PM, Wednesday evenings, and Sundays before and after services.

updates *this week*

October 4 at Calvary

- 8:30 AM Adult Life Groups**
- 9:45 AM Worship Service, Sanctuary**
"Handling a Crisis God's Way"
(Daniel 2:1–30)
- 9:45 AM Nursery & Children's Classes
- 11:00 AM Spanish Service, Chapel**
- 11:15 AM Adult Life Groups, Nursery,
Children's Classes, Student Ministry
- 2–7 PM Calvary Family Day**
No evening service

Serving this week

Elder	Demetrio Palestina	704.900.6884
Deacons	Luis Martinez	704.618.0411
	Pablo Ancalle	704.562.9748

Pastor of the Week—David Ingrassia
For pastoral emergencies: **704.277.3335**

Missionaries of the week

Doug & Alleene Kracht serving with World Team in Columbia, SC

Journey 2009 daily reading

Monday	Hebrews 11
Tuesday	Hebrews 12
Wednesday	Hebrews 13
Thursday	James 1
Friday	James 2

www.calvarychurch.com/journey2009

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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 ■ October 7

Southern fried chicken, mashed potatoes with gravy, succotash, rolls, dessert, and beverage
Child's Meal: Pizza & chips, dessert, beverage
Optional Meal: Chef Salad, dessert, beverage

For the record...

General Fund offering on 9/27 **\$109,261**
General Fund weekly goal **\$121,000**

Attendance on 9/27		
9:45 AM	Worship Service	2848
11:00 AM	Spanish Service	372
	Morning Total	3220
6:00 PM	Evening Service	530
	Total	3750

Upcoming messages

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

- Oct 11** 9:45 AM "Kingdoms Rise and Fall"
(Daniel 2:31–49)
- 6:00 PM "Thank You Lord!"
(Colossians 1:12–14)
- Oct 18** 9:45 AM Dr. Norman Geisler
- 6:00 PM Baptism Service
Pastor Jim Cashwell
- Oct 25** 9:45 AM "Our God Is Able"
(Daniel 3)
- 6:00 PM "The Image of God"
(Colossians 1:15)
- Nov 1** 9:45 AM "Trusting God in the Fire"
(Daniel 3)
- 6:00 PM "Truth on Trial"
Drama presentation

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