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Calvary Church Weekly News

Calvary Worship Ministry presents a courtroom drama

Truth on Trial

Next Sunday, November 1, the Calvary drama team will present "Truth on Trial" during our 6:00PM service. This compelling courtroom drama will address questions about absolute truth and the fundamental claims of Christianity in a thoughtful and captivating way. The concept of truth is now challenged at every turn—in media, entertainment, publications, public discourse, and cultural social standards. So it is vitally important for us to recognize the truth of God's Word. Invite your friends and family and join us for this special presentation! Contact: Worship Ministry office, 704.887.3687

Preparation class for baptism next Sunday

Baptism is a public expression of a believer's personal faith in Christ. If you wish to follow in this step of obedience and submission, please register for the baptism preparation class on Sunday, November 1 at 5:00PM in room 401. This class is a prerequisite for baptism and includes a brief interview with one of our pastors. The next baptism services will be held on November 8 and November 29 at 6:00PM. Please note that there will not be another preparation class prior to the November 29 service. You may register at www.calvarychurch.com/baptism. Contact: Anna Coyle, 704.341.5329, acoyle@calvarychurch.com

Register for upcoming men's breakfast

Start your Saturday with a hearty breakfast buffet! Our next Men's Fellowship Breakfast will be Saturday, November 7 at 8:00–9:30AM in the Crown Room. We'll enjoy inspiring worship music, and Pastor David Ingrassia will share the message, "After Jericho." Register online or sign up at Galleria table 4. Cost is \$7; sons under 12 eat free. *Please help us be good stewards by registering in advance!* Contact: Mitzi Koch, 704.341.5417, mkoch@calvarychurch.com

Ladies, sign up to decorate a tea table

It's the event Calvary women look forward to all year—the Christmas Tea! This year, the tea will be Saturday, December 5, 2:00–4:00PM in the Crown Room. You will be inspired and encouraged by the Christmas message shared by **Kim Vail**, wife of our Executive Pastor Scott Vail. Tickets are \$15 and will be available on Sunday morning, November 8, at Galleria table 3 after the worship service. There is a limit of four tickets per person; first come, first served; no refunds. This event usually sells out immediately, so please make plans now.

Table Decorators ■ **Want to decorate a table for the tea?** You'll need to provide china service for eight—including cups, saucers, and dinner plates, plus two teapots, two cream and sugar sets, and a centerpiece. *Decorators may purchase up to four tickets in advance* for each table they decorate. Sign up at Galleria table 3 today! Contacts: Sandy Short, 704.821.2049 and Sandra Grundmann, 704.846.4176

Coping with job loss positively...

Job loss = positive? Not possible you say? Check out Calvary's next Career Ministry professional development seminar on Monday, November 2 at 7:00PM in the Crown Room. Our guest speaker will be **Dr. Nancy Waring**, a professional Christian career and personal counselor. She will share positive strategies that will help you cope with job loss as you move through this time of career transition. Dr. Waring has 26 years of counseling experience, including tenures at Indiana University, the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, and in private practice. Come take advantage of the spiritual perspective, resources, networking, support, and information.

Calvary's Career Ministry offers weekly C3G Christ-centered Career Groups on Monday evenings, monthly professional development seminars, and extensive online resources through **Crossroads Career@Network**. Get details at www.calvarychurch.com/career. Contact: Mitzi Koch, 704.341.5417, mkoch@calvarychurch.com



Daylight Savings Time ends on October 31

Please be sure to "fall back" one hour Saturday evening, so you'll be on time for church next Sunday. Set your clocks!

The power of a simple gift!

Operation Christmas Child collection week is November 16–23



The shoe boxes are here! And Calvary is ready to join Samaritan's Purse in reaching needy children around the world with the Gospel

through "a simple gift." Last year Operation Christmas Child delivered gifts to more than 7.9 million children. The Charlotte OCC

distribution center is gearing up for a record-setting year, and Calvary wants to make a significant contribution to this effort. **Get details at www.calvarychurch.com/occ.**

How to Pack a Shoe Box

See the NEW instructional video at www.calvarychurch.com to be sure you pack the best, most usable gift possible. Fill your box with small toys, hygiene articles, clothing, school supplies, and hard candy.

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From the Senior Pastor...

The image of God



Dr. John H. Munro

This evening at 6:00 we continue our study in the book of Colossians, and we will consider a very important biblical truth—the image of God. To have a true understanding of our "self-image" we will learn that, contrary to the views

of our therapeutic world, having a healthy "self-esteem" is not to be our focus. Rather followers of Christ are being supernaturally conformed to His image!

This study of "The Image of God" has been a fascinating one for me, and I encourage you to come this evening as we trace this topic in Scripture. It is a life transforming study! ■

Nominations Due TODAY

All nominations for Calvary's annual **election of elders and deacons** are due today, October 25. Nomination forms with instructions are available at Galleria table 1B or via online download at www.calvarychurch.com/election.

Pastor Munro to greet newcomers

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 **next Sunday, November 1** for a Newcomers' Reception in the Rea Road Room. Come enjoy refreshments and coffee and hear more about the vision and ministry of Calvary. Please take this opportunity to connect and have your questions answered.

Ready for 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, 9:00AM–12:15PM. Register at www.calvarychurch.com/membership.

No liquids, food, medicine, or war-related toys are permitted. Bring your shoe box gifts to the collection racks at Calvary **by November 23**.

New "EZ Give" online

Instead of including a check in your shoe box, you may donate the \$7 cost of shipping at www.samaritanspurse.org. If you **place the bar coded EZ Give receipt label on your shoe box**, OCC will send you an email with the final destination of your package!

Calvary Night at OCC

Monday, December 14, 6:00PM, Ages 13+ You must pre-register at Galleria table 2 or contact Judi Patterson at 704.231.7946.

Charlotte Bobcats vs. Cleveland Cavaliers
 Friday, November 27 ■
 3:30 PM Pre-game, 7:00 PM Tip-off

CHAMP

NIGHT at the BOBCATS

Celebrate the Fall 2009 CHAMP Sports season over Thanksgiving weekend with your family and friends at THE GAME of the Charlotte Bobcat season at Time Warner Cable Arena. Highlights include a pregame shoot around, coach's contest, guest speaker, and autographed giveaways, beginning courtside at 3:30 PM. CHAMP players receive a FREE Bobcats/CHAMP T-shirt. 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.

TICKET INFO ■ Reserved Calvary block tickets are \$30 each (regularly \$40). All CHAMP Fall 2009 coaches, youth players, and youth karate participants receive ONE FREE TICKET. Order your tickets (and reserve any free tickets) at www.champsportsinfo.com or on the fields on Saturdays. Contact: Christopher Munro, 704.341.5387, champ@calvarychurch.com

[GROUP HIGHLIGHT]

Adult Life Groups in focus this week

Early Risers ■ This group of senior adults energetically studies God's Word, stressing biblical hermeneutic or interpretive principles for life application. Our current study is in the book of Ephesians. We enjoy lively participation and discussion! Tom Dilly and David Lee lead this group at **8:30 AM in room 242.**

Young Singles ■ This group welcomes young adults just out of college through early career (up to age 36). We are studying Galatians and Ephesians this fall, focusing on the topics "Justification by Faith Alone" and "God's Blessings and Glory." We're an active group that enjoys fellowship through outdoor adventures, retreats, and much more. Joe Blizzard leads this group at **11:15 AM in room 226.**

Would you facilitate a support group?

Do you have a heart for ministering to those who are hurting? If you enjoy helping others grow deeper in their relationship with God and learning how to make healthy choices, consider becoming a facilitator for Calvary's Support Groups Ministry. We currently offer nine support groups: Boundaries, Cancer Ministry, Caregivers, DivorceCare, DivorceCare 4 Kids, First Place 4 Health, GriefShare, Overcoming Addictions, and Stress Management. If you are a Calvary member who would like more information about helping to facilitate one of our existing groups or starting a new one, please contact Galina Olivera-Celdran at 704.887.3681, galinao@calvarychurch.com.

DVD helps with cross-cultural evangelism

Ever wondered how to share the Gospel with someone from another culture and language group? Stop by Galleria table 5A today to purchase an evangelism DVD entitled, "The Life of Jesus Christ." Based on the Gospel of Luke, the message is presented in 16 middle eastern languages. There is also an International Scholars DVD that offers translations in Spanish, French, Japanese, Portuguese, Arabic, Vietnamese, and more. DVDs are just \$3. Learn how to share Christ with any language group in Charlotte! Contact: Sue Rimer, 704.341.5322, srimer@calvarychurch.com

Parents dedicate children to the Lord

These families will present their children for dedication during the service today:
 Michael and Katie Borgman dedicate their daughter, **Alyssa Grace Borgman**
 Tom and Meredith Gaddy dedicate their son, **Thomas Roland Gaddy, IV**
 Samson and Meron Kassa dedicate their daughter, **Eunice Kassa**
 John and Angie Keene dedicate their daughter, **Jessica Lynn Keene**



Are you a first-time guest?

If you're visiting Calvary for the first time today, welcome! Please stop by the **Guest Café in the Galleria** following the service for coffee and light refreshments. We'd love to meet you and answer any questions. **Plus, we have a special welcome gift bag just for you!**

Ladies, are you new to Calvary? New to Charlotte?

Newcomers' Coffee ■ Thursday, October 29, 10:00 AM

Whether you're new to the area or just new to Calvary, you're invited for coffee at the home of Gudny Munro. This small group atmosphere is perfect for getting acquainted with other Calvary women. Come be encouraged to keep your focus on Christ while establishing new roots and enjoy wonderful fellowship. For address and directions please call Gudny at 704.341.9362.

along the way...

Fashion With a Heart Calvary's HOME Ministry needs 28 more

sponsors to provide gifts for local children awaiting adoption. These children are participating in a fashion show and reception at Calvary on November 14 to help connect them with prospective families. Stop by Galleria table 7 for details! Contact: Jenna Mascia, 704.517.6606, jmascia@live.com

Morning Glories Single senior adult women will meet for a covered dish luncheon tomorrow, October 26 at 10:30 AM in the Guest Café. Mary Nelson will share her poetry. Contact: Jody Ballard, 704.846.3781

updates

this week

October 25 @ Calvary

- 8:30 AM Adult Life Groups
- 8:30 AM Spanish Service, Chapel
- 9:45 AM Worship Service, Sanctuary
"Our God Is Able" (Daniel 3)
- 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
- 6:00 PM Evening Service, Sanctuary
"The Image of God" (Colossians 1:15)
Nursery, Joyful Praise Choir, Youth University

Serving this week

Elder Jack Broadhurst 704.821.7954
Deacons Jim Burrows 704.847.3478
 Hugh Grey 704.540.4251
Pastor of the Week—Dean Hawkins
 For pastoral emergencies: **704.654.1746**

Missionaries of the week

Glenn & Fern Byerly serving with African Bible College in Malawi

Journey 2009 daily reading

Monday John 8
 Tuesday John 9
 Wednesday John 10
 Thursday John 11
 Friday John 12

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 28

Pot roast with gravy, baked potato, mixed vegetables, rolls, dessert, and beverage
Child's Meal: Chicken nuggets & waffle fries
Optional Meal: Chef Salad, dessert, beverage

Baptism ■ October 18

Alexis Brawley	Lauren Robertson
Sean Daugherty	Ryan Robertson
Cassidy Huffstetler	Rebekah Russell
Raquelle Pollock	

For the record...

General Fund offering on 10/18	\$106,958
General Fund weekly goal	\$121,000
Attendance on 10/18	
9:45 AM Worship Service	2801
11:00 AM Spanish Service	399
Morning Total	3200
6:00 PM Evening Service	455
Total	3655

Upcoming messages

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

- Nov 1** 9:45 AM "Trusting God in the Fire" (Daniel 3)
- 6:00 PM "Truth on Trial" Drama presentation
- Nov 8** 9:45 AM "Babylon the Great" (Daniel 4)
- 6:00 PM Baptism Service Justin Roper
- Nov 15** 9:45 AM "Pride Before the Fall" (Daniel 4)
- 6:00 PM "Christ Above All" (Colossians 1:15–18)



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