

Looking UP

Calvary Church Weekly News

■ FEBRUARY 1, 2009

From the Senior Pastor

Baptism



Dr. John H. Munro

Today during our morning worship service, we will have the joy of witnessing quite a number of our brothers and sisters in Christ being baptized. This may be the first time some of you have witnessed baptisms.

Last Sunday I preached on "Baptism: Preference or Command?" and will conclude this short series on baptism this morning. It is important that all of us come to the Word of God with humble, submissive hearts asking God to speak to us through His Word and Spirit. Because baptism is one of the ordinances of the church, it is important that we give it high regard. I praise God for our brothers and sisters in Christ this morning who are professing their faith in Christ by going through the waters of baptism.

Most months we have a baptismal class taught by Pastor Scott Vail. If you desire to be baptized, let us know at the conclusion of the service this morning or call the church office at 704.543.1200.

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.

Newcomers receive special welcome

Are you new to Calvary? Would you like to meet Pastor Munro and his wife, Gudny, and learn more about our church? If you have recently started attending Calvary, you're encouraged to join Dr. and Mrs. Munro in the Rea Road Room **TODAY immediately after the worship service**. Refreshments and coffee will be prepared for you, plus you'll hear about the vision and ministry of Calvary Church. Please take this opportunity to connect and have your questions answered!



YouthQuest is coming to Calvary

Liberty University team leads high impact weekend for students

Students, it's time for Resolution Revolution with YouthQuest—don't miss it February 6–8. College students from Liberty University are headed our way with inspiring praise and worship, captivating drama, and awesome guest speakers. Be sure to invite your friends!

- **Resolution Revolution is our Friday focus at 7:00–9:30 PM. Arrive by 6:30 PM** to sign in and select your Saturday breakout sessions. It's a key night for all our middle and high school students in the Crown Room. And a lot of FUN!
- **On Saturday morning, students return 9:00 AM–1:30 PM** for topical teaching on important issues, followed by lunch. On Saturday evening, small group studies meet in host family homes from 7:00–8:30 PM.
- **We'll wrap up on Sunday with the YouthQuest team at 11:15 AM** joining our middle school "Locker Room" and high school "CREW" meetings, followed by a luncheon for participating students, parents, leaders, and YouthQuest in the Crown Room at 12:30 PM.

Register at www.calvarychurch.com TODAY for \$10; cost goes to \$20 afterwards. Contact: Audrey Storms, 704.341.5320, astorms@calvarychurch.com

Youth University courses meet tonight

Hey students, get to class! New Youth University courses for middle and high school students meet tonight at 6:00 PM. This semester we're offering a wide range of culturally relevant topics as we help students **establish a strong biblical worldview**. Students enroll in the course of their choice (pending class capacity); topics are outlined at www.calvarychurch.com. Middle school students report to assigned classrooms tonight. High school students begin in room 238 before breaking out into classes. Contact: Audrey Storms, 704.341.5320, astorms@calvarychurch.com

Register now for CHAMP spring sports

Get in the game with CHAMP Sports! We have the biggest and best season ever planned for your family with recreational soccer, baseball, girls softball, and flag football leagues, plus karate and Impact Fitness. Register your kids before February 9 at www.champsportsinfo.com. Practice begins February 16, and our first game day is March 7. The season runs through May 16.

As we gear up for a new season, pray with us that every CHAMP athlete will grow both in skill and spiritual development. Please pray for the overall outreach that CHAMP sports will have in our community this year, and consider how God can use you to serve in this ministry as a coach or volunteer. Contact: Chris Munro, champ@calvarychurch.com, 704.341.5387

Coach, CHAMP needs YOU this season!

CHAMP Sports Outreach needs coaches for age groups 4–18 in all our spring sports. Just come with a willingness to learn and a desire to impact children for the Lord! For more information and to sign up, please go to www.champsportsinfo.com. Once you sign up, email the CHAMP office at champ@calvarychurch.com to set up an appointment to meet with our staff for training.

take note

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

Is the Love & Respect conference for us?

Yes! This marriage conference is for EVERY couple that wants to communicate better and strengthen their relationship. Get a glimpse of the conference in advance through video clips online at www.calvarychurch.com/loveandrespect. You'll laugh, you will NOT be bored, and you will learn biblical truths that will enrich your marriage! Cost is \$45 per person. **Register online!**

Will you volunteer at the conference?

We need volunteers to help with registration, conference materials, ushering, and greeting. Your duties will not prevent you from attending the conference, plus you'll receive Dr. Eggerichs' book, *Cracking the Communication Code*. Sign up at Galleria table 3 or at www.calvarychurch.com/servingcenter. Contact: Sandy McKee, 704.887.3692, smckee@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

Will you host a child this summer?

Calvary's HOME Ministry is partnering with the American Belarussian Relief Organization (ABRO) to bring children from Belarus to America this summer. Many are orphans with weakened immune systems due to radiation from the Chernobyl nuclear disaster. While in America the children will receive proper medical, dental, and eye care. Calvary families are needed to be hosts for six weeks. Will you open your home and extend the love of Christ to a child? To host or sponsor a child, contact Marta & Rommy Tarlton, 704.573.7064, rdtarlton@bellsouth.net.

Looking ahead to Missions Conference...

EVERY
TRIBE &
NATION

February 22 –
March 1

Annual Missions Offering ■ This year Calvary's annual Missions Offering goal is \$175,000, and special offering envelopes will be inserted in Looking Up on Sundays, February 22 and March 1.

Bless a Missionary ■ We need about 40 more gifts for our conference missionaries. Please stop by Galleria table 2 today and select an envelope containing a request. Contact: Thayer & Julie Allison, 704.845.5646, thayerallison@carolina.rr.com

Host a Missionary for a Meal ■ We still need hosts for about 50 meals for conference missionaries on Monday, Tuesday, Friday, and Saturday evenings, or Sunday lunch. Sign up in the Galleria today, or contact Tom and Kathy Miller at freebish@carolina.rr.com.

Register children for "new believers" class

Make sure your child has a clear understanding of his or her salvation decision and the foundational truths of the Christian faith! Children's Ministry is offering a six-week "New Believer's Class" for grades 1–5 beginning Sunday, February 8, at 9:45 AM in the Banquet Room. This class will help children understand their decision to follow Christ as they learn about God, their Heavenly Father; Jesus, their Savior; the Holy Spirit; prayer; daily quiet times; baptism; communion; and tools for handling temptation. **You must register your child to attend** at www.calvarychurch.com by February 2. The class is free; but curriculum will only be ordered for those registered. Contact: Su Trull, Children's Ministry Director, 704.341.5458, strull@calvarychurch.com

Volunteers needed for preschool classes

Dedicated volunteers are needed to serve as teachers and assistants on a rotating basis in our Sunday preschool classes at 9:45 and 11:15 AM. Won't you share God's love with our children by joining our preschool ministry team? Sign up in the online serving center at www.calvarychurch.com, or contact Susan Grigg at 704.341.5356, sgrigg@calvarychurch.com.

Worship position open at Calvary

Calvary Church has a part-time (20 hours per week) position open for an Assistant Worship Leader. Role requires strong Christian character, commitment to Calvary's mission statement and philosophy of worship, musical proficiency and leadership ability, and membership at Calvary. Responsibilities will likely include instrumental music direction and a supporting role in other worship ministry areas. Send resumes to Pastor Timothy Hathaway at thathaway@calvarychurch.com.

along the way...

* **Open Communication** Calvary pastors and staff welcome your

input! Please be sure to include your full name and address on all email, notes, letters,

and messages, as anonymous communications are disposed of without being read. Thank

you! * **Membership Class** Calvary's next membership class will be offered in

two Saturday sessions, March 7 & 14, 9:00 AM–12:15 PM. Please register online or contact Paula

Simpson, 704.341.5323, psimpson@calvarychurch.com. * **Career Ministry At**

a crossroads in your career? Calvary now offers resources through Crossroads Career@

Network. You can get started at www.calvarychurch.com/career. Complete the short online

registration form to receive your "membership key," then access the resources at Crossroads

Career@ Network. Calvary will be hosting 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. Contact: Pastor Jim Lytle, 704.341.5417, career@calvarychurch.com * **Journey**

2009 Join **Calvary's Bible reading plan** online at www.calvarychurch.com/journey2009 or

pick up a reading plan card in the Galleria. We're reading through the New Testament together

this year! * **DivorceCare** If you have experienced divorce—personally, within your

family, or among close friends—you may have a unique **opportunity to minister** to others

by facilitating a DivorceCare or DivorceCare 4 Kids support group. Calvary members who sense

God's call to serve should contact Laura Grass, 704.887.3681, lgrass@calvarychurch.com. Training

will be provided to prepare facilitators to lead new groups in the future. * **Message**

Library Miss a Sunday? It's easy to get **free message downloads** or listen online at www.

calvarychurch.com/messages. Sermons by Calvary pastors back through 2006 are available!

updates

Today at Calvary ■ February 1

8:30 AM Adult Life Groups

9:45 AM **Worship Service, Sanctuary**
"Baptism: Babies or Believers?"

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 "Caring for One Another"
Pastor Phil Divine

Serving this week

Elder Larry Reed 704.243.4161
Deacons Gregg Taylor 704.614.7344
Jim Trout 704.542.2761

Pastor of the Week—David Ingrassia

For pastoral emergencies: 704.277.3335

This week on Journey 2009

Monday Matthew 23
Tuesday Matthew 24
Wednesday Matthew 25
Thursday Matthew 26
Friday Matthew 27:1–26

www.calvarychurch.com/journey2009

Missionaries of the week

John & Faith Barnshaw serving with SIM
in Charlotte

Galleria tables directory

CHAMP Sports Outreach Table 6
Library Table 8
Love & Respect Conference Table 3
Men's Ministry Table 4
Missions Conference Table 2
Today's Message CDs Table 1

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 ■ February 4

Roast beef, baked potato, mixed vegetables, rolls & butter, dessert, and beverage
Child's Meal: Mini-burger & tater tots

Deepest sympathy to...

Jack & Barbara Joyce and family in the passing of Barbara's mother, Mrs. Lila Beckham George, on January 23

Jack & Evelyn Isham and family in the passing of Evelyn's father, Mr. Harry Candiloros, on January 24

Chris & Beth Matthews and family in the passing of Chris' mother, Mrs. Virginia Matthews, on January 26

Lou & Pat Galletto and family in the passing of Pat's mother, Mrs. Rosa Suarez, on January 27

For the record...

General Fund offering on 1/25 **\$105,406**
General Fund weekly goal \$117,300

Attendance on 1/25
9:45 AM Worship Service 3013
11:00 AM Spanish Service 361
Morning Total **3374**
6:00 PM Evening Service 730
Total **4104**

Upcoming messages

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

Feb 8 9:45 AM "The Difference Prayer Makes"
Dr. Steve Strauss, SIM USA

6:00 PM "Growing in Grace"
Pastor David Ingrassia

Feb 15 9:45 AM "And the Pursuit of Happiness"
Pastor David Ingrassia,
Communion

6:00 PM "Worshiping in Spirit & Truth"
Pastor Timothy Hathaway

Feb 22 9:45 AM Missions Conference
Mark Zook

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