

Looking UP

Calvary Church Weekly News

Jump into electives

Two new courses begin Wednesday night at 6:30—Register online!

Joshua: God's People in a Hostile Land ■ Pastor David Ingrassia, Crown Room

Israel failed the test of obedience in the wilderness. So God asked a new generation to trust and obey Him in a new way—in the midst of the hostile territory of the Canaanites. The truths the Israelites learned are just as applicable today. How do God's people trust and obey in a culture that is opposed to Him? See how God teaches each generation to learn to trust Him in unique and challenging ways. This course meets Wednesdays, **February 17–March 24** (no class on March 3).

Calvary Membership Course ■ Dr. John Munro, Room 232

If you have trusted in the Lord Jesus Christ as your personal Savior and desire with God's help to live a consistent Christian life, it will be our privilege to welcome you as a member of Calvary Church. The Calvary Membership Course is required for all those considering membership. It provides an overview of Calvary's history, doctrine, practices, and vision. This course meets Wednesdays, **February 17–March 31** (no class on March 3). Please register at www.calvarychurch.com/membership. Contact: Paula Simpson, 704.341.5323, psimpson@calvarychurch.com

Spring membership course for the hearing impaired — If you are hearing impaired and would like to take the Calvary Membership Course scheduled for **April 14–May 19**, please let us know so we can determine how best to serve you in this area. Send an email to Paula Simpson at psimpson@calvarychurch.com to let us know of your interest.

Brush up on your Bible knowledge



Pastor David Ingrassia

Pastor David Ingrassia will teach a Bible Training Institute course

entitled **"You and Your Bible"** this Saturday, February 20, 9:30 AM–4:00 PM. The course will cover the inspiration and the authorship of the Bible, how the ancient writings were preserved, why we believe the Bible, how we deal with its problems and critics, the role of archaeology, and ways to study the Bible effectively. Completion of this class earns one credit toward certification from the Evangelical Training Association (ETA).

Snacks and a box lunch will be provided; cost is \$7. We'll meet in room 401. Please register online! Contact: Debbie Bordwine, 704.341.5328, dbordwine@calvarychurch.com

Seniors to enjoy lunch and gospel music

Senior adults, you'll enjoy our February luncheon featuring Dove Award winners Bob and Jeanne Johnson. The Johnsons have performed with the Gethsemane Quartet and appeared on numerous Christian television programs, Gaither Homecoming videos and concerts, and the INSP Network Signature. Join us on Thursday, February 25 at noon in the Crown Room for a very special concert with the Johnsons! **Tickets are available in the Word Room through February 18.** Cost is \$6.50. Please note that full payment will be required for all reservations; tickets are NOT available at the door. Contact: Mitzi Koch, 704.341.5417, mkoch@calvarychurch.com

Youth Quest coming to Calvary in March

Host homes needed for guest Liberty University students

Calvary Student Ministry welcomes Youth Quest from Liberty University for an extraordinary weekend of ministry, March 26–28, with our middle and high school students. Registration is now open for students—plus a special parents' seminar. Get details and the weekend schedule at www.calvarychurch.com/youthquest. We need host families to provide housing and meals for the Youth Quest team. Contact: Audrey Storms, 704.341.5320, astorms@calvarychurch.com



Register for CHAMP Sports today

Come get in the game! We're playing soccer, flag football, and t-ball this spring. And our **early registration discount ends TOMORROW**, so don't wait! Registration closes February 21, and practices begin the week of February 22. Sign up today—and invite a friend from your neighborhood! **Register online at www.champsportsinfo.com.** Contact: CHAMP office, 704.341.5387, champ@calvarychurch.com

■ FEBRUARY 14, 2010

From the Senior Pastor

Charlotte is home

On the second Sunday of February, 2006 (exactly four

years ago), I began my ministry as Senior Pastor at Calvary Church. Not a few challenges faced Calvary Church at that time. Yet, we knew that God had called us to this new adventure of faith. We were graciously embraced by the leadership and congregation of Calvary Church and assured of their prayers, encouragement, and support.



Dr. John H. Munro

I take this opportunity to praise God for His sustaining grace and wisdom. Gudny and I feel at home not only at Calvary Church, but in Charlotte. It is here we became American citizens, and therefore we look on ourselves as North Carolinians!

God has raised godly elders, deacons, ALG teachers and leaders, Sunday School teachers, and hundreds of true servants who work quietly behind the scenes for the glory of God as we reach out with Christ's love and truth. I trust that we have grown not only numerically, but spiritually as we seek to "present everyone mature in Christ" (Colossians 1:28).

I also thank my fellow pastors who serve with enthusiasm, passion, and a love for Christ and His church. Each of them is uniquely gifted, and we share a common vision and mission in being and making authentic followers of Jesus Christ. Gudny has been unfailing in her love, support, patience, and understanding. Living and serving with a busy Senior Pastor is not the easiest role in life, but she does so with Christian dignity, grace, and humility.

While I'm very thankful for the past, I am more excited about the future. What an opportunity we have at Calvary Church. The fields are white unto harvest. Let us continue to stand unwavering on the foundation "of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus" (Revelation 1:9). ■



Pastor Munro's message series "The Rapture" is now available as a boxed CD set (\$10) in the Word Room bookstore.

Not Ashamed Missions Conference 2010
February 28–March 7

Ladies, get your tickets for our Missionary Luncheon

Don't miss the annual Ladies' Missionary Luncheon on Tuesday, March 2 at 11:00 AM in the Crown Room. You'll be inspired by our speaker Robin Owens (World Team) and the special music by Grace Harding (SIM). All Calvary women are invited! Get your tickets (\$10) this morning at Galleria table 2 or in the Word Room during the week. Contact: Pam Radesky, 704.544.6524

Will you share a meal with a missionary?

Would you provide a home-cooked meal or meet at a favorite restaurant with a missionary on Monday, Tuesday, Friday, or Saturday, 7:00–8:30 PM, during the conference? **We still need over 60 meal hosts**, and this is a great opportunity to get to know our missionaries! **Please sign up at Galleria table 2 today.** Contact: Kathy Miller, freebish@carolina.rr.com

Pastor Munro greets newcomers this morning

Are you new to Calvary? Would you like to meet Senior Pastor John Munro and his wife, Gudny, and learn more about our church?

If you have recently started attending Calvary, stop by the **Rea Road Room after the 9:45 AM service today.** Refreshments and coffee will be prepared for you, plus you'll hear about the vision and ministry of Calvary. Please take this opportunity to connect and have your questions answered!

Zone 345 plans fun, fun, FUN!

Woodlands Summer Camp ■ June 14–18 *Registration closes February 22*

Last call for summer camp! All students who will be entering the 4th, 5th, or 6th grades in the fall are welcome to join us for this awesome week of adventure, friendship, and spiritual growth. The beautiful Woodlands Camp is tucked into the Georgia mountains on 131 acres, with a crystal clear spring-fed lake. Camp activities include basketball, sand volleyball, swimming, canoeing, kayaking, paddleboats, hiking trails, a climbing wall and zip line, and so much more! It will be a great time of challenges—both spiritual and physical.

We only have a few spaces left, so don't delay! The cost per child is \$270, with a non-refundable deposit of \$140 due at registration. The remaining balance is due May 14. Register at www.calvarychurch.com/zone345. Registration closes February 22. Contact: Leanne Henwood, Zone 345 Coordinator, 704.887.3695, lhenwood@calvarychurch.com

Special Needs Ministry reaches all ages

Did you know that Calvary's Special Needs Ministry serves two unique groups of students every Sunday morning from 9:00 AM–12:15 PM? What a blessing it is to minister to these loving children and young adults, as well as their families and caregivers!

In room 100 we have a structured class for students over age 12. Currently the students in this class are ages 14–30+, and most have mild disabilities. This group enjoys interacting with their peers and the volunteers. These students take pleasure in learning more about God's Word with a structured lesson and supporting one another.

In room 104 we have a class for children ages 2–12 years. Most of these younger students have multiple disabilities or severe autism. This is a very lively group that enjoys individualized attention from volunteers while learning about God's love through interactive lessons and songs.

If you feel God pulling on your heart to serve with these exceptional students, we would love to have you join our team of volunteers. Please contact us for more information! Contact: Kara Edwards, Special Needs Coordinator, 704.840.6105, kedwards@calvarychurch.com

Men meet for breakfast this Saturday

Men, join us for good food, fellowship, and an encouraging message by Pastor David Ingrassia on Saturday, February 20 at 8:00 AM in the Crown Room. Please help us be good stewards by **registering TODAY online or sign up at Galleria table 4.** Cost is \$7; sons under 12 eat free. Contact: Mitzi Koch, 704.341.5417, mkoch@calvarychurch.com

No such thing as a harmless addiction...

Addiction can destroy your family and your friendships, put you in danger of losing your job, your health, and your self-respect. If you find yourself struggling with sexual addiction, check out Calvary's **Overcoming Addictions** support group. This group is a safe and *confidential* place for men to find accountability with others who are breaking free from bondage and finding forgiveness and healing in the cross of Christ. The group meets every Monday from 7:00–8:30 PM. For more information and registration, please contact our group facilitator at **overcoming@calvarychurch.com**.

along the way...



❄️ *Get the new issue!* Pick up the new **Winter/Spring**

2010 @Calvary ministry guide today in the Galleria. **It's FREE!** You'll find all the latest information about Calvary activities coming up through

April. ❄️ *Middle School GO2* The guys are headed to Paintball Central and the girls are going shopping at Concord Mills, then ice skating at Xtreme Ice Center on Saturday, February 20. **It's a great**

day of fun for our middle school students and leaders. Be sure you're registered online and forms are completed TODAY! Contact: Audrey Storms, 704.341.5320, astorms@calvarychurch.com

❄️ *Public Safety Ministry* Calvary members with **professional medical, emergency, safety, security, and law enforcement experience** and/or training are invited

to serve in our Public Safety Ministry. Volunteers provide assistance should an emergency arise during a service or event at Calvary. Contact: Paul Hundrieser, 704.341.5352, phundrieser@calvarychurch.com

❄️ *HOME Ministry* Calvary's HOME Ministry offers **two**

host family opportunities this summer: ABRO, a 6-week experience with children from Belarus, and **Host-To-Adopt**, a 4-week experience with Filipino children for families considering international adoption. Stop by Galleria tables 6B or 8 today for details. Contact: Rommy & Marta

Tarleton, 704.573.7064, rdtarleton@bellsouth.net ❄️ *Adoption support* **Interested**

in adoption? Join us for an Adoption Education meeting on Thursday, February 18 at 6:30 PM in the Guest Café. Dora Parks with Christian Adoption Services will speak on the subject "What is a Home Study?" Contact: Jennifer Smith, 704.256.4450, home4ever@gmail.com

updates *this week*

February 14 @ Calvary

8:30 AM	Adult Life Groups
8:30 AM	Spanish Service, Chapel
9:45 AM	Worship Service, Sanctuary "The Coming Antichrist" (Daniel 7)
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 Prayer & Praise, Communion
6:00 PM	Youth University, Joyful Praise Children's Choir, Nursery

Serving this week

Elder	John Patterson	704.846.5008
Deacons	Gregg Taylor	704.544.9846
	Leon Sim Hughes	704.541.4765

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

Missionaries of the week

Scott & Margaret Smith serving with Wycliffe Bible Translators in Cameroon, Africa

Journey 2010 daily reading

Monday	Genesis 38
Tuesday	Genesis 39
Wednesday	Genesis 40
Thursday	Genesis 41
Friday	Genesis 42

www.calvarychurch.com/journey2010

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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 ■ February 17

Lasagna, Italian mixed vegetables, garden salad, garlic bread, dessert, & beverage

Child's Meal: Hotdog & fries

Deepest sympathy to...

Suzie Pace and family in the loss of her husband Mr. Robert "Bob" Pace, on February 4

Trainor & Pam Critz in the loss of Pam's stepfather, Mr. Robert Ingraham, on February 7

For the record...

General Fund offering on 2/7 **\$210,530**
General Fund weekly goal **\$121,000**

Attendance on 2/7			
	9:45 AM	Worship Service	3184
	8:30 & 11:00 AM	Spanish Services	344
		Morning Total	3528
	6:00 PM	Worship Concert	652
		Total	4180

Upcoming messages

Unless otherwise noted, Senior Pastor Dr. John Munro will bring the messages as listed below:

Feb 21	9:45 AM	"His Number is 666" (Daniel 7)
	6:00 PM	"Our Goal Is Maturity" (Colossians 1:28–29)
Feb 28	9:45 AM	Missions Conference, Dr. Steve Strauss "Worthy of the World's Worship" (Psalm 96)
	6:00 PM	"Energized on the Gospel" (Romans 1:1–17)
Mar 7	9:45 AM	Missions Conference "Answering the Call" (Mark 8:34–37)
	6:00 PM	"I Am Not Ashamed" (Mark 8:38)



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