

# Looking UP

Calvary Church Weekly News

## Welcome to our annual Missions Conference

Today Calvary launches its annual Missions Conference, and we're excited to offer a week of activities and opportunities for you to learn more about world missions and open your heart to God's call to participate. If you did not receive the conference brochure last Sunday, stop by a Welcome Desk in the Galleria today to pick up a copy. You'll find photos and introductions to our conference missionaries and guest speaker Mark Zook, the annual missions budget update, our 2009 GO Trips, and the schedule of conference events. **Check out these highlights:**

### EVERY TRIBE & NATION

February 22 – March 1

**Youth University Missionary Night** ■ Students, be here tonight at 6:00 in the Crown Room for Youth University—then invite your family to join us at 7:30 PM for conversation and refreshments with missionaries Joe & Kay Harding (SIM Sports Friends), John & Faith Barnshaw (SIM HIV/AIDS HOPE Cube), Brian & Yoko Broaddus (church planters), Phil & Peggy Janofski (Cross World), and Julio & Olga Chiang (10-time Peruvian Motocross Champion).

**Missionary Reports** ■ On Wednesday evening, adult elective courses will be suspended so that everyone may attend the missionary reports. Our fellowship dinner will be served at 5:00 PM in the Crown Room. Then missionaries will join our Awana and Student

Ministry activities at 6:30 PM. Adults choose to attend a missionary report at 6:30 PM as follows:

**Kracht & Balmer / Room 231**

**Janofski & Harding / Room 233**

**Broaddus & Barnshaw / Room 238**

**Hibbard & Hunter / Room 240**

**Ogden & Petty / Room 232**

**Farmer & Ott / Room 237**

**Spanish: Hamilton & Graham / Banquet Rm**

**Senior Adult Coffee** ■ On Friday, February 27 at 10:00 AM, senior adults are invited for coffee with Calvary missionaries Allan and Francine Graham (World Bridge) and Phil and Peg Janofski (Cross World). We'll meet at the Radeskys' home at 8902 Cotton Press Road, Charlotte. Contact: Pam Radesky, 704.544.6524

**Missions Offering** ■ This year Calvary's annual Missions Offering goal is \$175,000; special offering envelopes are provided today for your gift. These funds provide Calvary support for some of our **local mission agencies** (Lois' Lodge, With Love from Jesus, and Center City Chapel); **world missions projects** (Suba Bible Translation, Mission India, SIM HIV/Aids Cube, South America Mission, school and church construction projects); and **local outreaches** (ESL, Thanksgiving dinners, inner city backpacks, and prison and homeless ministries).

## Are you engaged or newly married?

If so, Calvary is beginning a **NEW Adult Life Group** called **TWOgether Soon** especially for you! The group begins Sunday, March 8 at 11:15 AM in room 241. For one very important year, you'll meet weekly with other couples and discover the key biblical elements necessary for enjoying a committed and fulfilling life-long marriage.

### TWOgether Soon Launch Event

Come get to know the group! We'll gather for casual fun, food, and games on Saturday, March 7, at 6:30–9:30 PM in room 324. Please register at [www.calvarychurch.com/twogethersoon](http://www.calvarychurch.com/twogethersoon). Contact: Debbie Bordwine, 704.341.5328, [dbordwine@calvarychurch.com](mailto:dbordwine@calvarychurch.com)

## Date Night keeps principles fresh

As a follow-up to the **Love & Respect** conference, Calvary is offering a "Date Night" on Friday, March 20 at 7:00–9:00 PM in the Crown Room. Join us for special music, fabulous desserts, inspirational testimonies, and roundtable discussions about those "love and respect" principles. Cost is \$10 per couple. Please register online at [www.calvarychurch.com/datenight](http://www.calvarychurch.com/datenight). Childcare is not provided. Contact: Mitzi Koch, 704.341.5417, [mkoch@calvarychurch.com](mailto:mkoch@calvarychurch.com)

**Want to share your Love & Respect story?** ■ Send us an email about how God is working in your life and marriage after the conference at [info@calvarychurch.com](mailto:info@calvarychurch.com).

*take note*

## Men of Calvary, let's get together for breakfast!

Guys, you're invited to join us for a delicious breakfast buffet as we get equipped, prepared, and connected for ministry this spring!

Join us on Saturday, March 21 at 8:00–9:30 AM in the Crown Room for an encouraging message, special worship music, and great fellowship. We'll be spiritually challenged by guest speaker Jim Cress, who is a licensed professional counselor. You'll also get the latest info about our annual Men's Spring Retreat at Ridgecrest, in the Blue Ridge Mountains (planned for May 1–2).

Cost is \$7 (sons under 12 eat free). **IMPORTANT: Register online by Wednesday, March 18** so that we may be good stewards and prepare appropriately. Contact: Mitzi Koch, 704.341.5417, [mkoch@calvarychurch.com](mailto:mkoch@calvarychurch.com)

■ FEBRUARY 22, 2009

From the Senior Pastor

## Every tribe and nation...



Dr. John H. Munro

Today we welcome many of our missionaries to Calvary Church for the commencement of our Missions Conference. I know they have been eagerly anticipating this week. We have been praying that they will be physically, emotionally, and spiritually renewed and encouraged. They are loved by the Body of Christ at Calvary, and we are privileged to partner with them in the spread of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Today we also welcome our guest speaker, Mark Zook, of Worldview Resource Group and New Tribes Mission. These ministries continue to be used greatly in bringing the Gospel to unreached tribes throughout the world.

Make sure you connect on a personal level with some of our missionaries today. Visit their Galleria tables, attend an ALG, and join us this evening and Wednesday evening to learn first hand what God is doing around the world. ■

## Ready to join Calvary Church?

**Becoming a member of Calvary Church** is a significant spiritual decision—as membership is more than a name on a roll book! It is a commitment to participate and fellowship in the common life and ministry of our congregation. 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 into our membership.

The Calvary Membership Course, taught by Senior Pastor Dr. John Munro, is required for all those considering membership at Calvary Church. This course gives an overview of Calvary's history, doctrine, practices and vision. Bring your Bible!

**The next course will be offered** in two sessions on Saturdays, March 7 and 14 at 9:00 AM–12:15 PM in room 232. Also, a six-week class will be offered on Wednesdays, April 15–May 20. Please register in advance online. Contact: Paula Simpson, 704.341.5323, [psimpson@calvarychurch.com](mailto:psimpson@calvarychurch.com)

## Baptism preparation class offered March 1

In recent weeks, Pastor Munro has taught that baptism is an important step of obedience in the Christian life, whereby the believer publicly expresses personal faith in Christ. Many have responded to this call! At Calvary, we require everyone who wishes to be baptized to attend a preparation class. Our next class will be offered on Sunday, March 1 in the Banquet Room from 5:00–5:45 PM. Baptisms will be held on March 8 and 15 in the evening services. Please register online. Contact: Anna Coyle, 704.341.5329



## Register this week!

**They say we're judgmental.  
They say we're too sheltered.  
They say we're a bunch of hypocrites. They say we just don't get it...  
Are they right?**

**W**hen they think a lot of things about Christians, but Jesus told us they should know we are His followers by only one thing: **our love**. And He showed us by His example what this kind of love looks like in real life. "By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another" (John 13:35).

**Calvary's middle and high school students** will rediscover what it means to LIVE LOVE at the **Student Life Tour, March 13 & 14**, at Hickory Grove Baptist Church. You'll enjoy awesome praise and worship music and powerful biblical teaching. It's a "don't miss" opportunity! On Friday, we'll leave Calvary at 4:30 PM and travel together to the event. Pack your own "brown bag" dinner. On Saturday, we'll leave at 7:30 AM from Calvary; bring extra cash for meals and any T-shirts, books, or music you'd like to purchase. Register online by February 28 for \$44; afterwards cost is \$49. Contact: Student Ministry Office, 704.341.5320, astorms@calvarychurch.com

## Support groups offer encouragement

### Fight cancer with faith, hope and fellowship

Receiving a cancer diagnosis can be shocking and devastating, but encouragement and community are available through it all at Calvary. Although the cancer support group can't change the diagnosis, we can listen, acknowledge it, and be supportive. Let your spirit find renewal in fellowship with other men and women who are experiencing a similar journey, as we share our hearts through prayer, God's Word, and a healthy dose of laughter. We meet on Mondays at 7:00 PM; please join us! Contact: Laura Grass, 704.887.3681, lgrass@calvarychurch.com

### Don't let divorce leave you bitter

Are you hurting and angry because of a recent separation or divorce? There IS hope and recovery in the midst of the chaos and turmoil. Why not give yourself the gift of healing? Learn how to let go of the anger and bitterness as you embrace forgiveness and restoration. The DivorceCare support group at Calvary offers a safe place to grieve the loss of broken relationships as you discover God's hope for your future. This group meets Monday nights at 7:00 PM. The cost is \$15. You may register online. Contact: Laura Grass, 704.887.3681, lgrass@calvarychurch.com

## Reach internationals by teaching ESL

**Will you consider joining our team of ESL teachers** and assistants who help internationals in the Charlotte community to learn English? This ministry not only requires knowledge of the English language, but cultural sensitivity as well. Our volunteers find that there are many opportunities to share the love of Christ with newcomers!

**On March 6 & 7, Calvary will offer ESL teacher training.** The Friday class will meet 6:30–9:00 PM, and the Saturday class will meet 8:30 AM–4:30 PM in room 242. You must attend both sessions. Snacks are provided; please bring your lunch for Saturday's session. The registration fee is \$50 per person or \$75 per couple. Contact: Lynn Haines, 704.341.5354, outreach@calvarychurch.com

## Parents, plan ahead for kids' summer camps

**High School ■ June 15–19, Wake Forest University, Winston-Salem, NC**

**Middle School ■ July 28–August 2, Covenant College, Lookout Mountain, GA**

**3rd–5th Graders ■ June 22–26, The Woodlands Camp, Cleveland, GA**

**Get full camp details and register now online at [www.calvarychurch.com](http://www.calvarychurch.com)!**

*along the way...*

\* **Leadership Directory** Calvary's new **2009 Leadership Directory**

is available at Galleria table 1B. It contains **photos and contact information** for our

pastors, ministry leaders, elders, and deacons. Pick up one today! \* **Love &**

**Respect** **Volunteers who served** at the Love & Respect Conference may pick up an

autographed copy of Dr. Eggerichs' book, *Cracking the Communication Code*, today in the

Rea Road Room. Thank you for helping to make this ministry event a blessing to our **2929**

**conference participants from 24 states!** \* **ABRO Hosts** **Host or sponsor a**

**child from Belarus** for six weeks this summer. Application and deposit are due February 25.

Contact: Rommy Tarlton, 704.573.7064 \* **Worship position** Calvary has a

20-hour per week position open for a **Worship and Music Associate**. Send resumes to Pastor

Timothy Hathaway at [thathaway@calvarychurch.com](mailto:thathaway@calvarychurch.com). \* **Food Pantry** Help us

restock empty shelves by donating **non-perishable food items for those in need!** Bring jelly/

preserves, canned fruit, spaghetti sauce, canned soup, cereal, snack bars, canned tuna or chicken,

pasta, and pudding to the cupboard near the elevators. Contact: Mitzi Koch, 704.341.5417

## Today at Calvary ■ February 22

**8:45 AM Missions Open House**, Galleria

**9:45 AM Worship Service, Sanctuary**

"The Mouk Salvation Story"

Mark Zook

**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 Evening Service, Sanctuary**

"Change the Worldview, Change

the Society" Mark Zook

## Serving this week

**Elder** Ralph Ansell 704.289.6795

**Deacons** Chuck Robinson 704.841.9113

Giovanni Salgado 704.246.6001

## Pastor of the Week — Jim Lytle

For pastoral emergencies: **704.249.4075**

## This week on Journey 2009

Monday Acts 9

Tuesday Acts 10

Wednesday Acts 11

Thursday Acts 12

Friday Acts 13

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

## Missionaries of the week

**George & Kathy Cail** serving with SIM in Waxhaw, NC

## Galleria tables directory

**Missions Conference** Entire Galleria

**Today's Message CDs** Table 1A

**2009 Leadership Directory** Table 1B

## 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 25

Chicken breast, rice pilaf, mixed vegetables,

rolls with butter, assorted desserts & beverages

Child's Meal: Hotdog & tater tots

## Deepest sympathy to...

**Elsie Wambaugh** and family in the passing of her husband, Mr. David Wambaugh, on February 14

**Sandie Ward** and family in the passing of her uncle, Mr. John Tunney

**Joe & Nancy Craig** and family in the loss of Nancy's brother, Mr. Frank Hefner

## For the record...

**General Fund offering** on 2/15 **\$91,016**

General Fund weekly goal \$117,300

Capital Projects on 2/15 \$50,523

**Missions Offering** given to date **\$36,755**

Missions Offering 2009 goal \$175,000

## Attendance on 2/15

**9:45 AM** Worship Service 2814

**11:00 AM** Spanish Service 293

**Morning Total** **3107**

**6:00 PM** Evening Service 509

**Total** **3616**

## Upcoming messages

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

**Mar 1** **9:45 AM** Missions Conference

"God Is Calling"

**Combined service with Spanish translation**

**6:00 PM** "Mission Impossible"

**Mar 8** **9:45 AM** "Marriage: The Divine

Design, Part 1"

**6:00 PM** Baptism & Communion

Ryan Amidon

**Mar 15** **9:45 AM** "Marriage: The Divine

Design, Part 2"

**6:00 PM** Baptism & "Set an Example"

Pastor Dean Hawkins &

Pastor Jason Jimenez