

Looking UP

Calvary Church Weekly News

Bible Heroes

Job, Jacob, Moses, Peter, & Thomas

Wednesday, April 15–May 13 ■ 6:30–8:00 PM, Crown Room

Join us for a powerful new series

The Crown Room is THE place to be on Wednesday evenings beginning April 15.

For five weeks you'll be inspired by teaching from our Calvary pastors about the lives of "Bible Heroes" — real biblical "giants" who often found themselves struggling with the same issues that confront us today. No preregistration is needed. Join us for dinner between 5:00–6:15 PM, then stay for great teaching! Contact: Pastor David Ingrassia, 704.341.5328, dingrassia@calvarychurch.com

April 15 ■ JOB: When Happiness Is Not Enough

April 22 ■ JACOB: Striving for Blessings God Already Promised

April 29 ■ MOSES: Living a Call You Don't Want to Answer

May 6 ■ PETER: Rebuilding a Life with Purpose

May 13 ■ THOMAS: Certainty in an Uncertain World

"Bible Heroes" is the one Bible study elective offered for the spring semester. In addition, the **Calvary Membership Course**, taught by Pastor John Munro, will be offered April 15–May 20 at 6:30–8:00 PM in room 232. Please preregister online. Also, the Wednesday night prayer group will continue to meet in the Prayer Room on third floor, and the Spanish Bible study will continue to meet in the Banquet Room, both at 6:30 PM. Awana continues through May 20, and Student Ministry continues through May 27. **PLEASE NOTE: No Wednesday dinner, activities, or classes will be held on April 8.**

Ladies, we have a special evening for you!

Women of Calvary, you're invited to a "Ladies' Night Out" filled with friends, fun, food (yummy desserts) and fashion! You'll meet some of the most influential women of the Bible—Eve, Mrs. Noah, Rahab, Esther, Hannah, Mary, and Lydia—and catch a glimpse of the clothing styles from Bible times. Hear how these women made a difference in God's Kingdom in their day, and be inspired by our guest speaker, Cathy Reed, to make an impact on our world today. **This FREE event will be Thursday, April 30 at 7:00 PM** in the Crown Room.

Please help us prepare by registering at www.calvarychurch.com or sign up in at Galleria table 3 today. Due to food preparation requirements, the deadline to register is Sunday, April 26. Contact: Barbara Rheuark, 704.341.5327, brheuark@calvarychurch.com

Men's Priority groups begin on Tuesday

Our new study in the book of James will focus on the practical side of our faith—trusting God in difficult times. We'll look at our attitudes and responses toward hard times and how that reflects our view of God. This study will challenge us to live a genuine life of faith! Join us for a breakfast buffet on **Tuesday, March 31 at 6:00–7:30 AM** in the Crown Room. Cost is \$10 for the series. Register online or at Galleria table 4 today. Contact: Mitzi Koch, 704.341.5417

Pastor Munro to greet newcomers

Are you new to Calvary? If so, you're encouraged to join Dr. and Mrs. Munro in the Rea Road Room **next Sunday, April 5** 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!

take note

Because God owns all things...

Estate Design Seminars ■ Thursday, April 2, 2:00 & 7:00 PM

According to **Psalm 24:1**, "The earth is the Lord's and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it." God has blessed us in many ways, and it is our responsibility as Christians to manage earthly possessions in a way that honors Him. Often we look at only tax and legal issues when we consider estate plans. But as believers, these are secondary to our spiritual concerns.

Calvary's Stewardship Ministry can help you review your current plans or help you get started. Our Estate Design Seminar looks at issues from a biblical perspective, and we can help you plan the transfer of your estate at the lowest cost possible and with the fewest delays.

Two Estate Design Seminars will be offered on Thursday, April 2 at 2:00 and 7:00 PM. The seminars are identical; there is no cost or obligation to attend. Please register online or contact Anna Coyle, 704.341.5329, acoyle@calvarychurch.com.

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Pastor Munro was warmly welcomed by these beautiful children at an orphanage in India.

From the Senior Pastor

Incredible India

Arriving at New Delhi airport, Vince Eaton and I were met with a sign stating: "Incredible India." There is no doubt that the sights, sounds, smells, and people of India are incredible!



Dr. John H. Munro

Seeing a thousand children in an orphanage was an unforgettable experience. The children's smiles and excitement at seeing American visitors showed their joy and love. Almost all of them come from slums—abusive and poor situations. One 5-year-old girl who caught our attention has both parents on death row and was herself rescued from the prison. What a transformation the Gospel of Jesus has made in their lives!

During these days of conference, the worship center is packed with almost 3,000 people. We have met and prayed for several pastors who have been persecuted. It is humbling to open the Word of God to them as they are truly living the Gospel.

Do continue to pray for us daily. Today Vince and I will be in a "slum" church, which we have been told will be like nothing we have ever seen. Lord willing, we will be back in Charlotte on Wednesday morning. ■

Have you applied scriptural principles to plans in these areas?

- **Guardianship for your children or grandchildren?**
- **Your will?**
- **Your trust?**
- **Selecting your executor, trustee, and those with power of attorney?**
- **Those to whom you will be making bequests?**
- **When and how asset distributions will be made?**

Career Ministry offers coaching and networking opportunities

Are you in between jobs and wondering how to network effectively? Calvary's Career Ministry offers practical information, skills development workshops, and Christ-centered encouragement! Join us on **Monday, April 6 at 7:00 PM** in the Crown Room for our next Networking Meeting. Special guest Brian Ray, founder and president of Crossroads Career Network, will present "The Hidden Job Market" and share insider tips for networking and online searches, coupled with the power of prayer. A time of networking will follow his presentation. If you are not yet registered with Calvary's Career Ministry, sign up at www.calvarychurch.com/career to access valuable online resources through our partnership with Crossroads Career Network. Contact: Mitzi Koch, 704.341.5417, mkoch@calvarychurch.com



Lead a Bible study using just your Bible

Want to improve your Bible knowledge and understanding? Join Pastor David Ingrassia for a free workshop, "How to Hold a Bible Study with Just a Bible" on Saturday, April 18 at 9:30 AM–12:30 PM in room 242. Whether you are new to the faith or have been studying the Bible for years, this class will strengthen your biblical understanding and equip you to facilitate Bible discussions at home, the workplace, or in your neighborhood. Class is limited to 40 people; register at www.calvarychurch.com. Contact Debbie Bordwine, 704.341.5328, dbordwine@calvarychurch.com

Will you serve?

Please prayerfully consider being a part of our growing ministry in the Calvary Nursery on Sunday mornings or Wednesday evenings. We let every child and every family know that Jesus loves them! Please sign up in the **online Serving Center** at www.calvarychurch.com/servingcenter. Contact: Michelle Hartman, 704.341.5399, mhartman@calvarychurch.com

New ministry begins in Portuguese

Calvary's Spanish Ministry is launching weekly Bible study and worship for those who speak Portuguese, beginning Friday, April 3 at 7:30 PM in room 240. Join us as we rejoice in discovering God's commandments for Christian living and develop more intimate relationships with our Lord Jesus Christ. Childcare provided up to age 8. Contact: Spanish Ministry office, 704.341.5365, jtapuerca@calvarychurch.com

Calvary offers U.S. citizenship classes

Do you or does someone you know desire to become a U.S. citizen? We can help you understand the process and prepare to become a citizen. Come learn about the many immigration changes that took place in 2008. Classes meet Thursday evenings, April 16–May 28, at 7:00–9:00 PM in Conference Room A on the fourth floor. Level II English proficiency is required. Cost is \$40. Contact: Lynn Haines, 704.341.5354, outreach@calvarychurch.com

Easter Services

Good Friday Communion

April 10, 7:00 PM, Sanctuary

TWO EASTER Sunday Services

April 12, 9:00 & 10:45 AM, Sanctuary

American Sign Language translation provided. Childcare provided to age 4.

Spanish Sunrise Service

April 12, 6:45 AM, Chapel

The service is in Spanish, with English translation provided for the message.

along the way...

* *Summer Camp* Register online TODAY for Student Life Summer Camps

for middle school (July 28–August 2) and high school (June 15–19). This is the **last chance to secure a guaranteed spot** and avoid a \$50 price increase. **Don't miss out!** * *Mighty Sports* Students, come have an awesome time playing **paintball in a 5,000 foot arena** outside Calvary on **Saturday, April 18**. Middle school plays 8:30 AM–12:00 PM; high school plays 1:00–4:30 PM. At noon we'll enjoy sizzling **hotdogs and hamburgers from the grill!** Cost is just \$20; invite a friend and register now online! Contact: Audrey Storms, 704.341.5320, astorms@calvarychurch.com

* *Morning Glories* **Single senior adult ladies** are invited to a covered-dish brunch and an inspiring evangelistic video on Monday, March 30 at 10:30 AM–1:00 PM in the Crown Room. Contact: Jody Ballard, 704.846.3781

* *GO Trips* Is God calling you to join in a short-term **Global Outreach Trip** this summer? Be sure to get your application packet at Galleria table 2A today; deadline is April 15. Contact: Sue Rimer, 704.341.5322, srimer@calvarychurch.com

* *Vacation Bible School* Parents, now's the time to register your child (rising K–5th grades) for **Calvary's Adventure Island VBS, July 12–16**. It's always the best week of the summer! Sign up at www.calvarychurch.com/vbs.

VBS volunteers, we need you to sign up too! For more info, stop by Galleria table 7 today.

updates

Today at Calvary ■ March 29

- 8:30 AM Adult Life Groups
- 9:45 AM **Worship Service, Sanctuary**
"Prayer and Fasting"
Pastor Scott Vail
- 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**
"Unity in Diversity"
Pastor Jorge Prado

Serving this week

Elder	Mark Gott	704.277.1223
Deacons	Phil Drye	704.821.4764
	Ron Elmore	704.846.6500

Pastor of the Week — Jason Jimenez

For pastoral emergencies: **704.280.3008**

Missionaries of the week

Allan & Francine Graham serving with World Bridge Ministries, Inc. in Kennesaw, GA

This week on Journey 2009

Join Calvary Church in reading through the New Testament this year. Daily passages and a weekly devotion are posted online, and reading plan cards are available in the Galleria.

Monday	Romans 4
Tuesday	Romans 5
Wednesday	Romans 6
Thursday	Romans 7
Friday	Romans 8

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 ■ April 1

Roast pork, hashbrown casserole, mixed vegetables, rolls, desserts, & beverages
Child's Meal: Hotdog & Tater Tots

Birth announcements

Congratulations to Melanie & Jeff Howard on the birth of their son, **Drew Henry Howard**, on March 14

For the record...

General Fund offering on 3/22 **\$136,354**
General Fund weekly goal \$126,000

Attendance on 3/22		
9:45 AM	Worship Service	2904
11:00 AM	Spanish Service	372
	Morning Total	3276
6:00 PM	Evening Service	431
	Total	3707

Upcoming messages

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

- April 5** 9:45 AM "The Shadows of Gethsemane"
- 6:00 PM "Missions in Action"
- April 10** 7:00 PM "The Darkness of Golgotha" Communion
- April 12** 9:00 AM **Easter Sunday**
& 10:45 AM "Life After Death"
No evening service
- April 19** 9:45 AM "The Miracle of Forgiveness"
- 6:00 PM "Preaching the Word"



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