

Looking UP

Calvary Church Weekly News

What in the world is going on?



Calvary men are invited to take a closer look at God's Word and the prophetic path that is currently unfolding before the church and the world. Join us for a special 10-week summer Bible study series based on Dr. David Jeremiah's best selling book, *What in the World Is Going On? 10 Prophetic Clues You Cannot Afford to Ignore*.

We'll meet on Tuesday evenings beginning May 12 at 7:00–8:30 PM in room 242. A Bible study guide, course outline and overview, and application questions will be included as we view and discuss the DVD presentations each week. Materials cost is \$10; please register online. Contacts: Tom Hohman, thoman@INSP.com, & Jack Broadhurst, jbbroadhurst@carolina.rr.com

Men, join us for a hearty breakfast

Bring your son! Invite a friend! Don't miss our next Men's Fellowship Breakfast on Saturday, May 16 at 8:00 AM in the Crown Room. We'll enjoy an encouraging message by Pastor David Ingrassia, a delicious buffet, special music, and a great time of fellowship. Come hear about our Men's Ministry summer events! Cost is just \$7; sons under 12 eat free. **All attendees should register online by May 10.** Please help us be good stewards in our food preparation; walk-ins cannot be accepted. Contact: Mitzi Koch, 704.341.5417, mkoch@calvarychurch.com

Bible Heroes series features Moses

Join us in the Crown Room on Wednesday night at 6:30 to meet our next Bible hero! You'll be inspired by Pastor Scott Vail's teaching about the extraordinary life of Moses. **This Wednesday series is FREE; no preregistration is needed.** Come for dinner at 5:00–6:15 PM, then stay for practical and insightful Bible teaching! The series runs through May 13.

Students to serve our community through Mission Charlotte

This summer Calvary high school students are hitting the streets of Charlotte to share the Gospel with other teens and partner with area ministries on service projects. On July 20–22 students will participate in at least two of our Mission Charlotte ministry teams: Prayer Walk, Evangelism, Repair Work, VBS Drama, and Worship. Each student will raise \$100 to be applied to this outreach project. Register online to be part of the Mission Charlotte!

Students, get all the details TODAY at our Mission Charlotte Student Lunch Meeting. Just stay after CREW in the Crown Room, 12:15–1:30 PM, for lunch, and get more information about Mission Charlotte. No pre-registration required to attend the lunch. Be there! Contact: Pastor Jason Jimenez, 704.341.5435, jjimenez@calvarychurch.com

A few spots open for high school camp

High school students, don't miss the opportunity to experience an amazing week at Student Life Camp, June 15–19, at Wake Forest University! Through Bible study, prayer, worship led by Aaron Keyes, and teaching by Wes Hamilton, we'll experience changed hearts and minds. Plus we'll have a blast with recreational activities! **We have room for less than 10 more students, so sign up today!** Cost is \$299 (includes meals, lodging, transportation) with a \$50 non-refundable deposit. Register at www.calvarychurch.com. Contact: Audrey Storms, 704.341.5320, astorms@calvarychurch.com

Students head out for camping adventure

Middle school students—pack your sleeping bag, flashlight, hiking shoes, and fishing equipment for our camping trip at Sesquicentennial State Park in SC on May 15–16. Cost (\$30) covers transportation, lodging, and three meals. Space is limited to the **first 24 students who register** online. Contact: Audrey Storms, 704.341.5320, astorms@calvarychurch.com

First steps for newcomers

Are you new to Calvary?

If you are new to Charlotte or new to Calvary and visiting with us today, please accept our warmest welcome! There are several ways you can find out more about our church and begin to connect.

Guest Café ■ Every Sunday after the 9:45 AM service our Guest Café (located under the green awning in the Galleria) is open for visitors. Please stop by for coffee and refreshments! Our host team would love to meet you and answer your questions.

Monthly Newcomers' Reception ■ If you have recently started attending Calvary, you're encouraged to join Dr. and Mrs. Munro in the Rea Road Room immediately after the morning worship service **next Sunday, May 3**. 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!

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From the Senior Pastor

If God has spoken, why aren't we listening?



Dr. John H. Munro

On Friday I will be participating in a lecture series organized by the Center for Bible Engagement at Back to the Bible in Lincoln, Nebraska. The Center for Bible Engagement exists to find out why so many Christians own Bibles but never read them. However, the Center doesn't simply prove that people don't read their Bibles. It seeks to find out why that is the case, and do something about getting people engaged daily in God's Word.

Last year I was invited to be a member of the Board of Back to the Bible, and this week I will be attending their Board meetings and celebrating their 70th anniversary.

Dr. Norman Geisler, a member of Calvary Church, will be giving three lectures on the topic, "The Bible Is God's Communication Medium." I have the privilege of giving a lecture on "Bible Engagement in the Church." Do pray for all the lecture series; Dr. Woodrow Kroll and others will also be giving lectures. Also pray for the ongoing ministry of Back to the Bible. Past revivals have always been accompanied by the preaching of the Word of God. May the Spirit of God bring revival to the United States. ■

Joyful Praise Children's Choir sings tonight

Don't you love hearing children sing praises to our great God? Join us tonight at 6:00 PM as the Joyful Praise Children's Choir celebrates God's faithfulness with a mini-musical presentation called "God Is in Control." Bring your family and friends to hear this timely message that will encourage you to have faith, hope, and strength for anything that comes your way. Directed by Wendy Coleman and Macy Richardson, the choir is made up of children in grades 1–5. The concert is free and open to everyone.

Women's Ministry Newcomers' Coffee

■ Ladies, come get acquainted with other women of Calvary over dessert and coffee on **Thursday, May 14 at 7:00 PM**. We'll meet at the home of Linda Jones on 9425 Hampton Oaks Lane in Charlotte. You'll enjoy a relaxing evening of fellowship and meet new friends. We understand the importance of focusing on Christ while you establish new roots in a church home and community!

Contacts: Linda Jones, 704.846.5133, jones1915@aol.com & Jane Fischer, 704.846.4933, fischerofmen@carolina.rr.com

Support groups launch sessions

Get support and encouragement from others who face similar circumstances! Calvary's support groups begin a new session on Monday, April 27 at 6:45 PM for **DivorceCare, Boundaries, Stress Management, and Overcoming Addictions** (men only). The First Place 4 Health group will hold a 6-week Bible study for alumni only. **Caregivers** will meet on Thursday, May 21 before taking a break for the summer. Register online today, or register tomorrow evening on second floor. Stop by Galleria table 5B today for details. Contact: Laura Grass, Support Groups Coordinator, 704.887.3681, lgrass@calvarychurch.com

VBS volunteers, it's time to sign up!

Adventure Island Vacation Bible school, July 12–16, will be the biggest opportunity at Calvary this summer to reach new kids for Christ, since about 50% of the children who attend our VBS do not attend services here regularly. Many of our volunteers return year after year to serve, and often take their vacation time so they won't miss out. We have college students, moms and dads, grandparents, singles, and retirees all serving together—it's a wonderful experience!

Volunteers are still needed to help lead or assist groups of ten children through daily activities, work with crafts, recreation, music, snacks and Bible time. Training is provided. Plus, childcare is provided for all volunteers. Please register online to serve, or contact Su Trull at 704.341.5458.

Calvary's KidZone needs more teachers

Do you have a heart for kids? If you're a Calvary member and wondering how you can become more actively involved, please consider joining our KidZone teaching team. You'll serve two Sundays each month with our 1st–3rd grade children. Currently there are four positions available. This is a tremendous opportunity to share Christ's love... and to receive countless blessings! Contact: Joy Huber, 704.341.5693, jhuber@calvarychurch.com

GO Trip opportunities extended

There's still time to apply! The deadline for this summer's Global Outreach Trips has been extended until May 29. Pick up an application packet at Galleria Table 2A today. The second mandatory training for all GO Trip participants meets this afternoon at 4:00 PM in room 232. Pastor Jason Jimenez will speak about "Evangelism" and attendance will be taken. Makeup classes for this session and the first class on "Team Unity" will be held May 3 and May 17. Contact: Sue Rimer, 704.341.5322

Got a testimony to share?

If you used to follow a different world religion (Mormonism, Jehovah's Witness, Islam, Christian Science, etc.) but are now a follower of Jesus Christ, we want to hear from you! Calvary's Family Focus Adult Life Group current study is "Worldviews and World Religions," and there may be an opportunity to share your Christian testimony at an upcoming class. The group meets on Sundays at 11:15 AM in the Banquet Room. Contact: Pastor Scott Vail, 704.341.5424, or Anna Coyle, 704.341.5329, acoyle@calvarychurch.com

Sort donations for "giveaway day"

Volunteers are needed to help sort donations at "With Love from Jesus," a Calvary-supported non-profit ministry that distributes donated food, clothes, furniture, toys, and baby items to local hospitals, the homeless, and ex-offenders. Stop by the WLFJ location at 5226 Indian Trail–Fairview Road on Saturday, May 16, between 8:00 AM–5:00 PM to sort donations, or on Saturday, May 23, to help distribute items. Contact: Carole Sorrell, 704.243.0284

along the way...

* **Ladies' event is full!** Over 550 Calvary women have registered to attend our

Ladies' Night Out on Thursday, April 30. We're at capacity for this event, so registration is now closed. We're looking forward to an evening of fellowship and encouragement! * **500**

ready for VBS Registration for our "Adventure Island" Vacation Bible School is now

closed. A waiting list is available online. Contact: Su Trull, 704.341.5458 * **Salvation**

Army Brass Next Sunday, May 3, Calvary welcomes an **outstanding group of Salvation**

Army Brass musicians. This international ensemble will play hymn arrangements before and during our worship service and accompany our singing. * **CHAMP Day** Come on

out to the **Charlotte Knights baseball game on Sunday, May 24** at 2:15 PM in Fort Mill, with Calvary and CHAMP families! Stop by Galleria table 6 today for info. Tickets are \$7 at www.

champsportsinfo.com. Contact: Chris Munro, 704.341.5387 * **Career Ministry** Get

job search information, networking leads, skills development workshops, and Christ-centered encouragement! Join us on Mondays at 7:00 PM in the Crown Room. Register at www.

calvarychurch.com/career to access online resources through **Crossroads Career Network.**

Contact: Mitzi Koch, 704.341.5417 * **Learn to teach ESL** Calvary offers a 10-

hour ESL teacher/tutor training course on Friday, May 1 at 6:30–8:30 PM and Saturday, May 2 from 8:30 AM–4:30 PM in room 242. Cost is \$50 per person or \$75 per couple. Stop by Galleria table 5A

today for more info. Contact: Lynn Haines, 704.341.5354 * **Morning Glories** **Single senior adult women** are invited to brunch on Monday, April 27 at 10:30 AM in the Banquet Room. Please bring a covered dish to share. Contact: Jody Ballard, 704.846.3781

updates

this week

Today at Calvary ■ April 26

8:30 AM	Adult Life Groups
9:45 AM	Worship Service, Sanctuary "Experiencing Forgiveness"
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 Joyful Praise Choir Musical

Serving this week

Elder	Sam Jacks	704.841.3518
Deacons	Charley Kale	704.341.3900
	Bill Lineberger	704.540.7868

Pastor of the Week—Timothy Hathaway
For pastoral emergencies: **704.560.2819**

Missionaries of the week

Bryon & Diane Barlowe serving with Probe Ministries in Plano, Texas

Journey 2009 reading

Monday	Mark 7
Tuesday	Mark 8
Wednesday	Mark 9
Thursday	Mark 10
Friday	Mark 11

www.calvarychurch.com/journey2009

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Welcome new members

Suzanne D'arcy	Donna Terrell
Doug Johnson	Justin Washington
Jane Johnson	Melanie Washington
Mark Ott	Debra Yeatts
Herb Pierre-Louis	Kaitlin Yeatts

Celebrating baptism

These believers were baptized on April 19:

Rebecca Brooks	Wendy Grassi
Abbie Cendejas	Beau Abbott

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!

Pasta Night ■ April 29

Pasta with meatballs or meatless sauce, garden salad, garlic bread, desserts, beverages
Child's Meal: Pizza & chips

Birth announcement

Congratulations to Shane & Jenny Bruce on the birth of their son, **Hudson Renwick Bruce**, on April 16

Deepest sympathy to...

Martha Graham and family in the loss of her mother, Mrs. Grace Wallace Patterson, on April 22

For the record...

General Fund offering on 4/19 **\$124,898**
General Fund weekly goal \$120,000

Attendance on 4/19		
9:45 AM	Worship Service	2801
11:00 AM	Spanish Service	371
	Morning Total	3172
6:00 PM	Evening Service	447
	Total	3619

Upcoming messages

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

May 3	9:45 AM	"Forgiving Others"
	6:00 PM	Baptism, Prayer, & Praise
May 10	9:45 AM	"Forgiveness in the Family Circle"
		No evening service

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