

# Looking UP

Calvary Church Weekly News

## The summer's filled with opportunities for teens...

■ JUNE 28, 2009

### From the Senior Pastor Becoming a member of Calvary

At the evening service on Sunday, June 14, we had the joy of receiving 27 people into the membership of the Calvary family. Also it's been my joy to conduct new membership classes on two Saturdays in June. About 50 people attended these classes.



Dr. John H. Munro

It's always interesting to learn people's spiritual backgrounds, and I'm continually reminded of the wide diversity of people who come to Calvary Church. What unites us is not our church traditions or our backgrounds, but our faith in Jesus Christ, who is the head of the Church. Praise God that Christ is the Lord of all the nations.

I would remind parents that their children do not automatically become members. Membership is a step which each individual must make. If you wish to become a member of Calvary Church please contact Paula Simpson at 740.341.5323 or psimpson@calvarychurch.com.

"Now you are the Body of Christ and individually members of it" (1 Corinthians 12:27). ■

## College ALG welcomes recent graduates today

If just a few weeks ago you were a high school senior... the transition has now begun to rising college freshmen! So head to the College Class ALG in **room 234 (new location!)** at 11:15 AM this morning to meet the group and get connected.

Teachers Jon Davies, Grady Peeler, and Shane Bruce and the college crew will be on hand to welcome you. We meet for Bible teaching, discussion, and prayer on Sunday mornings—launched by coffee, of course. This is a fellowship group you can lean on while you're preparing to head to college, away at school, or home for holidays and weekends! Check [www.calvarychurch.com/college](http://www.calvarychurch.com/college) for summer activities and **find us on Facebook**.

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### Take the PLUNGE!

**Wednesdays, July 8 & August 12 ■ 6:30–8:30 PM, Chapel**

Take the PLUNGE and refresh your soul through worship and praise this summer! All our students will gather to honor the Lord with worship, engage with dynamic teaching from God's Word by Pastor Dean and Pastor Jason, and hear reports from other students about what God is doing in their lives. Don't miss this time to connect with friends, rock out with the band, and keep your life on track with God's truth!

### Carrigan Farms

**Friday, August 7 ■ 10:00 AM–10:00 PM, Mooresville, NC**

Celebrate summer with all your friends at Carrigan Farms. We'll enjoy ultimate frisbee, sand volleyball, live music, and fabulous swimming and diving in the best natural rock quarry lake in the area. We've got lunch and dinner covered too! Meet in the Calvary parking lot for transportation to and from the event. You're welcome to invite friends and join us! Cost is \$20; register online at [www.calvarychurch.com](http://www.calvarychurch.com). **Student Ministry Contact:** Audrey Storms, 704.341.5320, [astorms@calvarychurch.com](mailto:astorms@calvarychurch.com)

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#### Volleyball rocks!

**Monday, July 6 ■ 6:00–8:00 PM**

Bump, set, spike! Catch the action at the Calvary sand volleyball courts—for beginners to die-hard volleyball addicts. Bring a friend and cash for dinner afterwards at Qdoba.

#### Ultimate Frisbee Championship

**Saturday, July 11 ■ 4:00–8:00 PM**

Join us on the Calvary front lawns immediately after the Defending Truth conference for an intense competition between eight UFC teams. Submit team roster to Tyler Cooper.

#### 3v3 Basketball

**Friday, July 17 ■ 6:00–8:00 PM, Gym**

Guys and gals, take the hoops challenge and bring your awesome skills to this 3-on-3 basketball tournament. Submit your team roster to Tyler Cooper.

#### Mission Charlotte

**Sunday–Wednesday, July 19–22**

Students hit the streets through Mission Charlotte to share the Gospel with other teens and partner with area ministries on service projects. We'll launch with dinner on Sunday, July 19 at 7:00 PM in the Banquet Room. On July 20–22, students will participate in a Prayer Walk, Evangelism, Repair Work, VBS, Drama, and Worship. Students will raise \$100 toward the project. Register online.

#### CREW Home Bible Studies

**July 26 & August 16 ■ 6:00–8:00 PM**

Get details online for food, games, and study!

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#### Inreach/Outreach & Bible Study

**June 28, July 26, August 23, 4:30–8:30 PM**

We'll gather on the 4th floor to write follow-up notes to newcomers and friends before heading out by van to home Bible studies. Snacks will be provided. Parents will pick up their students directly from the home groups.

#### Fishing 101

**June 29 & July 20 ■ 5:00–9:30 PM**

In room 323, Pastor Dean will teach fishing techniques, preparing a rod, reeling in fish, and more. After dinner we'll head out to a stocked pond to put our new skills into practice! Cost is \$5; you may choose one class. Register online.

#### Route 526

**July 16 & August 14 ■ 12:30–4:30 PM**

Rising sixth graders are invited to meet Pastor Dean and hang out with friends. We'll meet in room 322 for lunch and then head off-site together for fun activities such as roller skating or bowling. You must register online!

#### Whitewater Rafting

**Saturday, July 18 ■ 9:00 AM–7:00 PM**

Join us for one of the most exhilarating events of the summer at the US National Whitewater Center. We'll have a blast outdoors together and enjoy team building. Students must have completed 6th grade or be at least 11 years old. Bring a sack lunch and money for dinner. Cost is \$49, with non-refundable **deposit due by this Wednesday, July 1**. Register online.

## Students, know WHAT you believe... and WHY

Calvary high school students and their parents are invited to take a bold stand for Christ in a culture filled with a myriad of reckless views about truth, morality, and the meaning of life. Our **Defending Truth** conference offers a unique opportunity for students and parents to develop and strengthen their biblical worldview. You'll come away empowered to face the spiritual, intellectual, and cultural challenges in

your world—in the classroom, within your family, and among your friends.

**Parents' Dinner ■ Friday, July 10, Crown Room, 6:30–8:30 PM**

Parents, you're invited to dinner with author and apologist Dr. Norman Geisler. He will share his personal testimony and a challenging message about preparing your teen with a biblical worldview. Plus, Pastor Jason Jimenez will offer key strategies for using "parental apologetics" at home. Cost is \$10 per person/\$15 per couple.

**Student Seminars ■ Saturday, July 11, Crown Room, 9:00 AM–3:00 PM**

High school students, now it's your turn to get the answers that will help you defend your faith, respond to intellectual challenges from teachers, and deal with the intense social pressures you face. Dr. Geisler and Pastor Jimenez will challenge and encourage you to stand strong in high school and beyond. Cost is \$8, including lunch. Register now at [www.calvarychurch.com](http://www.calvarychurch.com). Contact: Audrey Storms, 704.341.5320, [astorms@calvarychurch.com](mailto:astorms@calvarychurch.com)

# Join us on the journey...

In January Calvary began "Journey 2009," a church-wide Bible reading plan. So far, we have read half of the New Testament together. We are pleased that so many are enjoying this journey and trust you are growing in the grace and knowledge of Jesus Christ through His Word. The daily Bible reading passages are posted at [www.calvarychurch.com/journey2009](http://www.calvarychurch.com/journey2009).

We plan to expand the Journey 2010 Bible reading program to include a daily devotional on our website. In order to accomplish this, we need 100 writers to compose daily devotionals. Each writer will write 2 to 3 devotionals.

A writer's training session will be held this fall for all devotional writers. By the end of the training session, you will have written one devotional for Journey 2010. If you are interested in participating in this ministry, please submit your name, email address, and daytime phone number to Pastor David Ingrassia, [dingrassia@calvarychurch.com](mailto:dingrassia@calvarychurch.com).

## Will you minister through support groups?

If you have experienced divorce—personally, within your family, or among close friends—you may have a unique opportunity to minister to others with the same comfort you have received from the Lord. Many families in our church and community are dealing with the intense emotional, spiritual, and physical impact of divorce. Now there is a special way to give back and be a blessing to others.

Calvary's Support Groups Ministry provides an opportunity for volunteer facilitators to serve in DivorceCare for adults and DivorceCare 4 Kids. These groups support Calvary's mission of "caring for the needs of others and evangelizing the world" right here in our community. Calvary members who sense God's call to serve should contact Cindy Tarleton at 704.887.3681, [ctarleton@calvarychurch.com](mailto:ctarleton@calvarychurch.com). Specific training will be provided to prepare facilitators to lead new groups in the future. For more information please stop by Galleria table 5 this morning.

"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our afflictions, so that we may be able to comfort those who are in any affliction, with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God" (2 Corinthians 1:3-4).

## Make a difference with Prison Ministry

**Bibles Donation** ■ Calvary Prison Ministry needs Bibles for inmates. New or good-condition used Bibles are acceptable; large print and study Bibles are always in high demand. Devotional Bibles that are not organized in the traditional sequence and extremely small print Bibles are not usable. Please place donated Bibles in collection rack bins along Highway 51 concourse by July 5. Contact: Guy & Carole Sorrell, 704.283.0284, [carolesorrell@carolina.rr.com](mailto:carolesorrell@carolina.rr.com)

**Jail Bible Study Outreach** ■ Calvary's Jail Ministry needs additional men and women volunteers to assist with Bible studies at the Mecklenburg County Jail. Individuals will receive four hours of training and then be assigned to serve on Thursday nights once or twice a month, 7:30-9:30 PM. Contact: John Barnshaw, 704.554.7827, [johnbarnshaw@sim.org](mailto:johnbarnshaw@sim.org)

## Career in transition? We can help!

**Maybe it's time to be your own boss!** Find out more at Calvary's Career Ministry workshop on Monday, July 6, at 7:00 PM in the Crown Room when featured speaker Ron Elmore of Milestone Partners addresses the topic, "So You're Thinking of Starting Your Own Business." Ron has 30 years of field operations experience in the computer software and consulting services industries, both as a sales and marketing executive. **If you're not yet part of our Career Ministry**, sign up at [www.calvarychurch.com/career](http://www.calvarychurch.com/career) to get started. You'll gain access to online tools that can help you in your job search. Contact: Mitzi Koch, 704.341.5417, [mkoch@calvarychurch.com](mailto:mkoch@calvarychurch.com)

## Last chance to register for CHAMP softball

**Coed Softball League** ■ July 8 – August 21, plus tournament August 22  
Guys and girls ages 16+ are invited to play recreational softball at Calvary's Wrigley Field this summer. All games will be held on Wednesdays or Fridays at 5:30 PM. Cost is \$35, including a team jersey. We'll have professional referees at our games. Register at [www.champsportsinfo.com](http://www.champsportsinfo.com).

**Men's Elite Softball** ■ July 6 – August 17, plus tournament August 29  
Men ages 16+, come on out and play on Monday evenings at 5:30 on Wrigley Field. Cost for this league is \$40. (If you play both coed and elite softball, the total cost is just \$45, including a jersey and hat.) We'll have professional referees at all games. Register now at [www.champsportsinfo.com](http://www.champsportsinfo.com). Contact: CHAMP office, 704.341.5387, [champ@calvarychurch.com](mailto:champ@calvarychurch.com)

*along the way...*

\* *General Fund giving* Calvary's fiscal year ends this week on June 30. Currently we are a little behind budget in the General Fund, so please consider how you might help close the gap. **Thank you for your faithful stewardship**—to God be the glory! \* *VBS*

*Workdays* Come help us **cut, paint, sort, label, and organize** for Vacation Bible School!

We'll meet on **June 30 and July 9** from 9:00 AM—noon in room 322 & 324. Just come and stay as long as your schedule permits. No special artistic talent is required, and we really appreciate the help! Contact: Su Trull, 704.341.5458, [strull@calvarychurch.com](mailto:strull@calvarychurch.com) \* *Security*

*reminder* For your protection, please be sure to **lock your vehicle** while in the church parking lot and **keep any valuables out of sight**, including GPS units, satellite radios, stereo equipment, phones, ipods, wallets, and purses. Thank you!

# updates *this week*

## Today at Calvary ■ June 28

|          |  |
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| 8:30 AM  | Adult Life Groups  |
| 9:45 AM  | <b>Worship Service, Sanctuary</b><br>"Forsaken" Pastor David Ingrassia |
| 9:45 AM  | Nursery & Children's Classes   |
| 11:00 AM | <b>Spanish Service, Chapel</b>   |
| 11:15 AM | Adult Life Groups, Nursery,<br>Children's Classes, Student Ministry    |
| 6:00 PM  | No Evening Service   |

## Serving this week

|                |                  |              |
|----------------|------------------|--------------|
| <b>Elder</b>   | Ralph Ansell     | 704.289.6795 |
| <b>Deacons</b> | Chuck Robinson   | 704.841.9113 |
|                | Giovanni Salgado | 704.246.6001 |

**Pastor of the Week—Jason Jimenez**  
For pastoral emergencies: **704.280.3008**

## Missionaries of the week

**Jim & Marilyn Cail** serving with SIM, based in Waxhaw, NC

## Journey 2009 daily reading

|           |             |
|-----------|-------------|
| Monday    | Galatians 6 |
| Tuesday   | Ephesians 1 |
| Wednesday | Ephesians 2 |
| Thursday  | Ephesians 3 |
| Friday    | Ephesians 4 |

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

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## @Calvary summer edition

Pick up a free copy of the new @Calvary ministry guide in the Galleria today! Check the calendars for upcoming summer activities!

## CCDC staff position open

The Calvary Child Development Center is now accepting applications for a lead teacher for the 2009-2010 school year. Prior early childhood classroom experience and a four-year education degree preferred. Please pick up the required application forms at our 1st floor office. Contact: Pat Collins, CCDC Director, 704.341.5361, [info@calvarycdc.com](mailto:info@calvarycdc.com)

## For the record...

**General Fund offering** on 6/21 **TBD**  
**General Fund weekly goal** \$120,000

|                           |                 |            |
|---------------------------|-----------------|------------|
| <b>Attendance</b> on 6/21 |                 |            |
| 9:45 AM                   | Worship Service | TBD        |
| 11:00 AM                  | Spanish Service | TBD        |
|                           | <b>Total</b>    | <b>TBD</b> |

## Upcoming messages

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

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|----------------|---------|---|
| <b>July 5</b>  | 9:45 AM | "In God We Trust"<br>Psalm 46                         |
| <b>July 12</b> | 9:45 AM | Psalm 32, Pastor Scott Vail                           |
|                | 5:30 PM | VBS Family Night Kick-off                             |
| <b>July 19</b> | 9:45 AM | "Forsaken by God?"<br>Psalm 44                        |
| <b>July 26</b> | 9:45 AM | "Why Good Things Happen<br>to Bad People"<br>Psalm 73 |
| <b>Aug 2</b>   | 9:45 AM | Psalm 95<br>Pastor Timothy Hathaway                   |



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