

Looking UP

Calvary Church Weekly News

■ AUGUST 30, 2009

Just for men...

Men's Priority Groups

Tuesday MORNINGS, beginning September 15 ■ 6:00–7:30 AM, Crown Room

Authenticity. Support. Fellowship. In-depth Bible knowledge. Men's Priority Groups are where you'll find it all, before the workday begins. This fall we'll dive into the book of Ephesians using Max Lucado's study guide. Enjoy a hot breakfast buffet on September 15 to kick off the season. Cost is \$25 per semester. Register online or at Galleria table 4 today. Contact: Mitzi Koch, 704.341.5417 mkoch@calvarychurch.com

Men's Bible Study

Tuesday EVENINGS, beginning September 15 ■ 7:00–8:30 PM, Room 242

Line-by-line and verse-by-verse... We'll do a conversational study of the book of Acts on Tuesday evenings this fall. Bring your Bible and enjoy lively discussion. Newcomers welcome! Register online. Contact: Wayne Hackbarth, 704.531.1987, whackbarth@carolina.rr.com

24-Hour Mission | Men's Fall Retreat

October 9 & 10 ■ Ridgecrest Conference Center, near Asheville, NC

It's all about advancing God's Kingdom... You'll be spiritually stretched and strengthened by Pastor David Ingrassia's Bible teaching from the book of Joshua. Come relax, hike, golf, and just get away! Cost is \$135/single; \$100/double. Get details and register online!



Pastor Jim Cashwell

New ALG launches September 13

We're on a QUEST! Join this new Adult Life group beginning Sunday, September 13. Designed for both single adults and married couples ages 35–45, this group will focus on expository study of the Bible. Jim Cashwell, Pastor of Missions and Evangelism, will lead us through a study of Romans, concentrating on God's grace. The "QUEST" ALG will meet at 11:15 AM in room 227. If you're not yet connected with an ALG, now's the time! Contact: Jim Cashwell, 704.887.3696, jcashwell@calvarychurch.com

Electives begin Wednesday night

How will YOU grow this fall in your knowledge, understanding, and application of God's Word? Calvary's elective series begins this week, September 2, 6:30–8:00 PM. You'll find courses to help strengthen your marriage, your family, your relationships, your financial stewardship... as well as your spiritual discipline, knowledge, and real-life application of Scripture. This semester we have many 12-week courses, as well as several six-week courses, as listed below. Full course descriptions are posted online and in the new issue of our @Calvary publication. **Please help us by registering online in advance, or sign up for a course today in the Galleria.**

[COURSE HIGHLIGHT] 21 Principles for a Healthy Single Mom

Room 241 ■ Cathy Reed

Biblical solutions to everyday challenges will encourage you to flourish spiritually, even amidst overwhelming circumstances. Discover a life of purpose and meaning, focus and order, balance and harmony. Discussions will center on the DVD teaching series with Lori Little, Kay Arthur, and Dr. Charles Stanley.

12-WEEK COURSES [SEPT 2–NOV 18]

Revive Us Again

Crown Room ■ Pastor David Ingrassia & Dr. Bob Mayer

College Bible Study

Conference Room A ■ Grady Peeler, Jon Davies, Shane Bruce

Discovery: Growing Toward Spiritual Maturity (ETA)

Room 234 ■ Wayne Hackbarth & Chuck Robinson

Colossians and 1 & 2 Thessalonians

Room 224 ■ Dr. Ed Maynard

Foundations of Biblical Marriage and Parenting

Room 233 ■ Pastor Scott Vail & Mark Gott

Crown Financial Bible Study

Conference Room B ■ John Mandeville

Spanish Bible Study

Room 401 ■ Pastor Jorge Prado

6-WEEK COURSES [SEPT 2–OCT 7]

End of Times: What's Coming Next?

Banquet Room ■ Dr. Norman Geisler

Christian Life & Witness

Room 227 ■ Pastor Jim Cashwell

For Women: Satan's Five Marketing Tactics

Room 238 ■ Jeanne McNichols

6-WEEK COURSES [OCT 14–NOV 18]

Just Walk Across the Room

Room 227 ■ Pastor Jim Cashwell

For Women: When Your Passion Meets Your Purpose

Room 238 ■ Jeanne McNichols

From the Senior Pastor

Growing in Christ

There can be no true spiritual growth without the Word of God (2 Timothy 3:16–17). On Wednesday we resume our elective courses at 6:30–8:00 PM. This fall we have one of the strongest offerings of electives we have ever had at Calvary Church. The teachers in all of the classes are mature believers who will encourage you to dig deep into the Word of God. There is an elective just for you!



Dr. John H. Munro

A delicious dinner is served in the Crown Room from 5:00–6:15 PM. Children and teens have their own programs running at the same time as the electives. It is also a great opportunity to meet people and have genuine Christian fellowship as we together focus on the Word. So don't stay at home on Wednesday nights.

Please note that the Calvary membership class which I will teach begins on September 9 and not this Wednesday. ■

Ready to become a member of Calvary?

Calvary membership is a significant spiritual decision. 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 church membership. This course provides an overview of Calvary's history, doctrine, practices and vision. Be sure to bring your Bible!

The next course will be offered in six Wednesday evening sessions, **September 9–October 14**, at 6:30–8:00 PM in room 232. Please register at www.calvarychurch.com/membership, or contact Paula Simpson at 704.341.5323 or by email at psimpson@calvarychurch.com.

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See you Wednesday!

Student Ministry relaunches re:generation

If you're in 6th–12th grade, head to the Chapel Wednesday, September 2 at 6:30 PM for a whole new year of great Bible teaching with Pastor Jason & Pastor Dean! We'll rock out in worship with the Praise Band, build awesome relationships, and grow in Christ together. Keep your life on track at re:gen!

Student Ministry Updates

SMLT 101 ■ Volunteers and leaders—our required training is TODAY, August 30, 12:30–4:00 PM in room 322. Lunch provided!

Whitewater Rafting ■ Seventh and eighth graders, we're headed for extreme adventure on Saturday, September 12 at the US National Whitewater Center. Cost is \$49; register online.

Youth University ■ Students meet 6:00–7:15 PM on Sunday evenings beginning September 13 for biblical teaching on culturally relevant topics. *Get to class!*



Taste of Latin America Festival

More than 600 people enjoyed Calvary's Taste of Latin America festival last Saturday afternoon in the Crown Room. It was a beautiful portrait of the diversity of God's Kingdom as 11 Latin cultures from Central and South America were represented through food, music, folklore, and fellowship. Pastor Munro shared a message expressing the unity of all people at Calvary Church through the transforming power of the Gospel. "Many came and tasted the excellent food, but we are glad they also could "taste and see" the goodness of God (Psalm 34:8) through our Calvary family," shared Pastor Jorge Prado. Photos of the event are posted at www.calvarychurch.com.

HOME sending vitamins to orphanages

Calvary's HOME Ministry reaches out to care for orphans here and around the world through prayer, adoption and foster care support, education, and more. This fall HOME is sponsoring a Vitamin & Medical Supply Drive for Christian orphanages in Belarus, Kenya, and China, August 30–September 20. You can help by donating children's vitamins, adhesive bandages such as Band-aids®, antibiotic ointment such as Neosporin®, children's pain reliever such as Tylenol®, and other items. Stop by Galleria table 6B today for a complete list of requested items. Please drop off donations on the racks along the Highway 51 concourse by September 20. Check online for more information about the orphanages that will receive these gifts. Contact: Rommy & Marta Tarlton, 704.573.7064, rdarlton@bellsouth.net

Kids, you can make a joyful noise!

Children age 4 through 5th grade are invited to join the Joyful Praise Children's Choir. Each Sunday evening children will sing songs that express praise to our awesome God, while enjoying creative movement and games and learning basic music theory. Children are dismissed from the 6:00 PM service to attend choir; parents pick up their children immediately following the service. Please register online or sign up in the Galleria today at table 2B. **Choir begins Sunday, September 13.** Contact: Wendy Coleman, 704.545.9134

Vocalists, instrumentalists, & techies...

If you're ready to serve with Calvary's Worship Ministry, stop by Galleria table 2B today. We are accepting new choir, orchestra, and tech team members. Rehearsals are held on Wednesdays, 6:30–8:15 PM. Contact: Worship Ministry office, 704.887.3687

Women's Bible studies begin September 8

Ladies, come get into God's Word with us this fall! We're offering a wide variety of courses from your favorite Bible study authors, including Beth Moore, Kay Arthur, and David Jeremiah. We'll study the books of Daniel, Esther, Matthew, Philippians/Romans, and Galatians. If you're a young mother, "MOMS: Making Our Mothering Significant" is designed just for you. If you've just moved to Charlotte, come meet other newcomers through "After the Boxes are Unpacked." Get full course descriptions online or stop by Galleria table 2B today. **Please register online!**

Morning classes will meet on Tuesdays, 9:30 AM–noon, and the two evening classes meet 7:00–9:00 PM. Preschool childcare is provided for morning classes only at a cost of \$3 per child per week, \$6 max per week. Contact: Pam Radesky, 704.544.6524

First-time at Calvary? We have a gift for you!



If you're visiting Calvary for the first time, please complete a "Welcome Guests" card located in the pew rack and then stop by the **Guest Café in the Galleria** following the service. Come enjoy coffee and light refreshments. We'd love to meet you and answer any questions you have about our church! **We have a special welcome gift bag just for you,** containing information that will help you connect and feel right at home at Calvary Church (one per family please). Contact: Main Office, 704.543.1200, info@calvarychurch.com

Calvary staff position open ■ Calvary has an immediate part-time opening on our security staff. Candidate must have a high school diploma or equivalent; relevant training and experience are highly desirable. Please send resume to HR@calvarychurch.com.

along the way...

* **Women's Conference** Best-selling author and former Mrs. United States, **Sheri Rose Shepherd**, brings a challenging and inspirational message at Calvary's "Treasures of Truth" conference on Saturday, September 19, 8:00 AM–3:00 PM. Sheri's style is humorous and real! Hundreds of women are already registered to attend—be sure to **sign up this week online** or at Galleria table 3 today. * **Support Groups** Get the **confidential help** you need through a Calvary support group. New sessions begin Monday, September 14 for Boundaries, DivorceCare, DivorceCare4Kids, First Place 4 Health, GriefShare, Overcoming Addictions, and Stress Management. Stop by Galleria table 5 today. Contact: Galina Olivera-Celdran, 704.887.3681, galinao@calvarychurch.com * **Adult Flag Football** Registration is now open for **CHAMP Sports coed adult flag football.** League play runs September 19–November 21. Cost is \$30 per player. Get in the game at www.champsportsinfo.com.

Today at Calvary ■ August 30

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| 8:30 AM | Adult Life Groups |
| 9:45 AM | Worship Service, Sanctuary "Helping the Next Generation" Psalm 78:1–8, Pastor Dean Hawkins & Pastor Jason Jimenez |
| 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 | No evening service |

Serving this week

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| Elder | Sam Jacks | 704.841.3518 |
| Deacons | Charley Kale | 704.341.3900 |
| | Bill Lineberger | 704.540.7868 |

Pastor of the Week — Phil Divine
For pastoral emergencies: **704.957.7200**

Missionaries of the week

Mark & Alketa Stephens serving with Frontiers in Raleigh, NC

Journey 2009 daily reading

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| Monday | 2 Thessalonians 1 |
| Tuesday | 2 Thessalonians 2 |
| Wednesday | 2 Thessalonians 3 |
| Thursday | 1 Timothy 1 |
| Friday | 1 Timothy 2 |

www.calvarychurch.com/journey2009



New Fall @Calvary

FREE! The new issue of our @Calvary ministry guide is now available in the Galleria. Get the latest on ALGs, Bible studies, upcoming events and more.

Galleria tables directory

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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 ■ September 2

Herb baked chicken, rice pilaf, mixed vegetables, rolls & butter, dessert, and beverage
Child's Meal: Chicken nuggets & fries
Chef Salad Meal: Salad, dessert, beverage

For the record...

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| General Fund offering on 8/23 | \$100,433 | |
| General Fund weekly goal | \$121,000 | |
| Attendance on 8/23 | | |
| 9:45 AM | Worship Service | 3100 |
| 11:00 AM | Spanish Service | 382 |
| | Total | 3482 |

Upcoming messages

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

Sept 6 9:45 AM "The Grateful Heart"
Psalm 103
Pastor Jorge Prado

Sept 13 9:45 AM "God Is in Charge"
Daniel 1:1–8
6:00 PM "Grace and Peace"
Colossians 1:1–2

Sept 20 9:45 AM "Taking a Stand for God"
Daniel 1:8–12
6:00 PM "Faith, Hope, and Love"
Colossians 1:3–8