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Calvary Church Weekly News

Nominations open for annual leadership election

Calvary Church, in accordance with our constitution, holds an annual leadership election. Nominations are now open to the congregation for elder and deacon candidates, through Sunday, October 25. The nomination form is available at Galleria table 1B and online at www.calvarychurch.com. Qualifications for each office are listed on the back of the form. To make a nomination, please fill out the form and have the appropriate fields completed and signed by the nominee. Forms may be submitted in the box on table 1B, by placing them in the offering baskets, or by returning them to the church office.

The Session will interview the candidates prior to presenting the slate to the congregation. Candidate information sheets will be available on Sunday, December 27, and there will be an opportunity to hear from the candidates personally during the evening service on January 10. The election is scheduled for Sunday, January 17, 2010. Contact: Bev Modzell, 704.341.5331, bmodzell@calvarychurch.com

Get your tickets for Family Day

Sunday, October 4 ■ 2:00–7:00 PM, Calvary Athletic Fields

We're planning a special church-wide day to enjoy food and fun with friends! Highlights this year include the popular rock climbing wall, inflatable bouncy play areas, organized sport competitions, and more. Popcorn and cotton candy will be available for 50¢.

We'll enjoy dinner from the grill from 5:00–6:30 PM. Calvary's awesome food service team will be serving up hamburgers, hot dogs, baked beans, potato salad, chips, lemonade/tea/water, and dessert. NEW — seating will be provided under giant tents on the grounds!

And don't forget dessert! Enter the annual Calvary Dessert Contest with your best pie, cake, or sweet treat. Our panel of judges will award a prize in each category, and then we'll share the fabulous desserts! Please sign up in advance at Galleria table 5 for the contest.

Tickets at Galleria table 5 ■ Please help us plan by purchasing your tickets today! Cost is \$5 per person, with a \$25 maximum per family. Your ticket becomes an "all access" pass to the games and dinner on Family Day. Note: There will be no evening service on October 4. Contact: Sandy McKee, smckee@calvarychurch.com

Take a pro-life stand at Life Chain

Each year Calvary participates in Life Chain, a peaceful, public witness of pro-life Americans praying in repentance for our nation and for an end to abortion. On Sunday, October 4 at 1:00–3:00 PM, we'll join churches throughout the US in support of the sanctity of human life by standing along Highway 51 to display Life Chain signs. Join us for prayer at the Chapel entrance at 1:00 PM. You may bring a lawn chair and water bottle (umbrellas and strollers, too.) After we are finished, we will join the Family Day activities. Contact Debbie Ware, deborahhware@yahoo.com

40 Days for Life ■ Want to do more? Help support the sanctity of human life through the national "40 Days for Life" campaign, September 23–November 1. People of faith in over 200 cities in 45 states will participate in the largest simultaneous pro-life mobilization in US history. The campaign features three main components: 1) Prayer and fasting for 40 days to end abortion, 2) Peaceful vigils (in our area: A Preferred Women's Health Center, 3220 Latrobe Drive, Charlotte) and 3) Community outreach to promote the pro-life message. For more information about "40 Days for Life" check online at www.40daysforlife.com/charlotte.

Local Missions Fair

September 27

- Next Sunday you'll want to browse the Galleria tables for information about Calvary's Local Missions projects, supported ministries, and outreach opportunities. Leaders will be on hand to explain volunteer needs and how you can help! Special Outreach: Please bring towels, washcloths, razors, and deodorant to donate to Charlotte's Uptown Homeless Shelter next Sunday. Thank you!

Just for parents...

Parenting Teens Effectively ■ Friday, September 25, 6:30 PM

Moms and dads of students ages 10–18, invest an evening in strengthening your family, your relationship with your teen, and your marriage! You'll gain lots of new insights and new resources. Pastor Dean Hawkins will share how to become a more positive influence in your teen's life, while Pastor Jason Jimenez addresses the risks teens face in their social/peer/media-saturated culture.

This workshop builds on the "part 1" presented in March, offering biblical concepts that have a proven track record in strengthening parental influence in the lives of teens. All parents (whether you attended part 1 or not) are encouraged to attend! Conference is free. Please register online. Contact: Audrey Storms, 704.341.5320, astorms@calvarychurch.com

■ SEPTEMBER 20, 2009

From the Senior Pastor...

Standing for the truth

Daniel is an outstanding example of an individual who stood for truth in a pagan culture.

He provides an inspiring motivation to all those who are committed to Jesus Christ. Today I call for all followers of Jesus Christ to take a stand for truth.



Dr. John H. Munro

Our culture is increasingly selling out to what is expedient rather than what is right, to personality rather than character, to charisma rather than substance, to fun rather than morality. We are trying to dethrone God and enthrone ourselves!

The eternal God has revealed His truth in His Word. Therefore it is essential that we hear, understand, and obey God's truth. I fully realize this is not a popular concept in our society, but how people need to hear the words of Jesus spoken almost 2,000 years ago: "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free" (John 8:31–32). God's truth sets us free. Therefore know the truth, and stand for the truth. ■

Are you ready to be baptized?

If you desire to be baptized as a public expression of your personal faith in Christ, or if you are interested in learning more about the importance of baptism, we encourage you to attend Calvary's baptism preparation class on Sunday, October 11, 5:00–5:45 PM in room 401. This class is a prerequisite for baptism for children and adults, and it includes a brief individual interview with a Calvary pastor. Baptism services will be held on Sunday, October 18 and Sunday, November 8 at 6:00 PM. Please register online. Contact: Anna Coyle, 704.341.5329, acoyle@calvarychurch.com

Calvary Membership

The Calvary Membership Course, taught by Senior Pastor Dr. John Munro, is required for all those considering church membership. The next two-session course will be offered October 31 and November 7, 9:00 AM–12:15 PM. Please register at www.calvarychurch.com.

Just for students

Youth University

Sundays, 6:00 PM, Rooms 232 & 238
Middle and high school students engage in Bible study related to issues teens face now.

High School Lock IN

October 9–10, 5:00 PM–7:00 AM

It's an "all-nighter" of fun! We'll go to NASCAR Speed Park, plus enjoy awesome worship & Bible teaching, guy talk/girl talk, midnight glow-in-the-dark scavenger hunt, snacks, games, and movies. \$20 Register online!

7th Grade IOU (inreach/outreach)
Today, 5:00–5:50 PM, 4th Floor

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MEN'S RETREAT OCTOBER 9 & 10

Are you with us? Commit to the challenge now and join us at the Calvary Men's Fall Retreat at the Ridgecrest Conference Center in the Blue Ridge Mountains near Asheville, NC. Get spiritually stretched and strengthened by Pastor David Ingrassia's teaching from the book of Joshua — it's all about advancing God's Kingdom. And it's a battle... a mission... the commitment of a lifetime.

CONFERENCE DETAILS Check-in is 3:00 PM on Friday; room check-out is 11:00 AM Saturday. Lunch will be served on Saturday followed by another teaching session. The conference will conclude by 2:00 PM. The cost is \$100/person for double occupancy; \$135 for single occupancy. Lodging and meals are included.

GOLF DETAILS Come enjoy a round of golf at Cleghorn Plantation, en route to Ridgecrest, before the retreat on Friday, October 9. First tee time is at 9:30 AM. Please register online; you may put together your own foursome, and you will be notified of your tee time. Cost is \$35 to be paid at the course, including greens fee and cart. Contact: Mitzi Koch, 704.341.5417, mkoch@calvarychurch.com

Calvary offers free estate design seminars

Come review your current will or let us help you get started with an estate plan. Calvary's popular Estate Design Seminars will be offered Thursday, October 1 at 2:00 and 7:00 PM in the Banquet Room. We'll address key tax and legal issues from a sound scriptural perspective. We'll also consider building and preserving family relationships and avoiding problem situations for younger heirs. You will benefit whether you are starting from the beginning or already have plans in place. Personal information will remain confidential. The seminars are offered free of charge. Please help us prepare for you by registering online. Contact: John Mandeville, 704.341.5330, jmandeville@calvarychurch.com

Resolve to manage the stress in your life

Do you struggle with finding balance in your life? Are you experiencing anxiety, fatigue, and "outbursts" as a result of the demands and pressures at work or home? Join Calvary's Stress Management support group and learn to address the specific stressors in your life and the ways you can overcome them. This group meets on Mondays at 7:00 PM in room 231.

Other support groups accepting registrants for the fall session are: Boundaries, DivorceCare, DC4Kids, GriefShare, and Overcoming Addictions. You may register online. Contact: Galina Olivera-Celdran, 704.887.3681, galinao@calvarychurch.com

[GROUP HIGHLIGHT]

Adult Life Group in focus this week...

TWOgether 2 ■ Young married couples beginning families, checkout this ALG class for lively discussion on Bible exposition Sunday mornings at 11:15 AM in room 240. Buddy Collins is teaching our study, "Working with the Holy Spirit." Our monthly mom's group and potluck luncheons encourage fellowship outside the classroom. Join us today!

Life to the Max ■ Do you enjoy in-depth, interactive Bible teaching and discussions? Join other married couple AND single adults (most in their 50s-60s) on Sundays at 11:15 AM in room 401. Bob Adams and Ron Elmore will lead us in a practical and insightful study in the book of Acts this fall. Join our growing group!

Learn to teach English to internationals

Join Calvary's team of volunteers who help internationals learn English! We're offering a 10-hour training course to equip ESL teachers and assistants. Class will be September 25-26: Friday, 6:00-9:30 PM and Saturday, 8:30 AM-4:30 PM. Cost is \$50 per person or \$75 per couple (sharing materials). Please bring a bag lunch for Saturday's short break. To register stop by Galleria table 6B today. Contact: Lynn Haines, 704.341.5354, lhaines@sim.org

Morning Glories share lunch with friends

Senior single women, we invite you to have lunch with us and our special guests, Dr. Munro and his wife, Gudny, at the next Morning Glories meeting on Monday, September 28. We also welcome Ruth Durie, who will sing and share about her recent trip to Kenya. We'll meet at 10:30 AM in the Guest Café. So prepare a covered dish and come enjoy fellowship with good friends! Contact: Jody Ballard, 704.846.3781

along the way...

Men's Breakfast Today is the deadline to register for the Men's Fellowship

Breakfast on Saturday, September 26, 8:00-9:30 AM in the Crown Room. Cost is \$7; sons

under 12 eat free. **Sign up at Galleria table 4 or online TODAY!**

Drive HOME Ministry is sponsoring a **Vitamin & Medical Supply Drive** for Christian

orphanages in Belarus, Kenya, and China. Please drop donated items in the bins on the 51

Concourse today! **Psalms series** The summer message series boxed CD set

"Studies from the Psalms" is now available at Galleria table 1 and in the Word Room, \$25.



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updates *this week*

September 20 at Calvary

- 8:30 AM Adult Life Groups**
- 9:45 AM Worship Service, Sanctuary**
"Taking a Stand for God"
(Daniel 1:8-21)
- 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 Evening Service**
"Faith, Love, and Hope"
(Colossians 1:3-8)
Joyful Praise Choir, Youth University

Serving this week

Elder	Tom Miller	704.525.5502
Deacons	Paul Perry	704.492.5210
	Sy Pugh	704.588.1716

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

Missionaries of the week

Eleanor Henderson serving with SIM in Charlotte

Journey 2009 daily reading

Monday	Hebrews 1
Tuesday	Hebrews 2
Wednesday	Hebrews 3
Thursday	Hebrews 4
Friday	Hebrews 5

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 ■ September 23

Salisbury steak with gravy, garlic mashed potatoes, peas with pearl onions, rolls & butter, dessert, and beverage

Child's Meal: Mini burgers & fries

Welcome new members

Jenny Applegate	Steve Coward
Tom Applegate	Judy McElhaney
Don Bartlett	Diana Miles
Lesa Bartlett	Mike Miles
Cynthia Beuger	Cynthia Taylor
Paul Beuger	Dawn Wallenhaupt
Jill Coward	Stephen Wallenhaupt

Birth announcement

Congratulations to Reggie & Angel Franklin on the birth of their son, Reggie Franklin III, on September 10

For the record...

General Fund offering on 9/13	\$114,162
General Fund weekly goal	\$121,000
Attendance on 9/13	
9:45 AM Worship Service	2888
11:00 AM Spanish Service	382
Morning Total	3270
6:00 PM Evening Service	736
Total	4006

Upcoming messages

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

- Sept 27** 9:45 AM "Living Wisely in a Hostile World" (Daniel 1)
- 6:00 PM "The Will of God" (Colossians 1:9-11)
- Oct 4** 9:45 AM "Handling a Crisis God's Way" (Daniel 2:1-30)
- Calvary Family Day, No PM service