September 2022



Monthly Newsletter



From the Pastor...

You may have heard the exciting news. On Sunday, September 21, it was announced that Missio Dei Church, who for the past five years has been here on the Calvary Campus holding worship services in the Candler Center, is strongly considering entering into a church merger with Bent Creek Baptist Church.

Both churches will be prayerfully considering this important step in the lives of their congregations, and they are scheduled to vote on this recommendation in mid-October. I hope you will join me in prayer for these two churches during this season of prayer and discernment. I can imagine that the congregations are very excited about what God has in store for them, and at the same time, there are likely questions and uncertainties that come to mind and heart. I know you will be praying for these congregations.

Over the last five years, the Calvary family has been good stewards of the church's facilities. You saw a need and opportunity five years ago and opened your arms and your doors, literally, to this young congregation. Missio Dei Church has thrived here on this campus as God has blessed them with growth and vitality. Assuming all goes as planned with the merger vote, the Missio Dei congregation, including their church offices, will be relocating sometime in the months ahead to the Bent Creek campus.

Having Missio Dei Church on our campus has not only met a need for their congregation – a wonderful facility for worship – but has also met a financial need for Calvary. And while their departure from our campus will have a financial impact on the Calvary budget, I am hopeful that the impact will be mitigated as we continue conversations with another smaller, relatively-new area church about the potential use of the Candler Center for their worship services once that space is available. Please be in prayer me and for the Leadership Team as we consider this congregation's needs and as we potentially pursue a Kingdom partnership with them somewhat similar to that which we have had with Missio Dei over the years past. Once more information is available, we will be sure to include you all in the conversation.

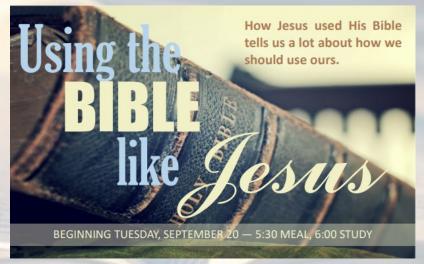
But I also want to share this with you... My heart's desire is that, as God sees fit to bless the Calvary congregation, we are able to sustain our ministries and missions budget without the need to rely on the financial benefit of leasing space on our campus. That is a big dream. But I am optimistic and hopeful that one day, with God's blessing, we will see that dream realized. And in the meantime, I'm not overly concerned about it. We need to focus on the stuff we are supposed to focus on, and let God handle the stuff that only God can handle. We need to keep on preaching the word, worshipping the Lord, making disciples for Christ, sharing the Gospel, baptizing new followers of Jesus, reaching out to our neighbors through ministry and missions, and being the uniquely gifted congregation that we are as we are "Following Jesus and Friending the World." As we do those things, our needs will be met in ways we have yet to imagine. Because that's just who our God is.

Pastor Rendell

Fall Bible Study: Using the Bible Like Jesus

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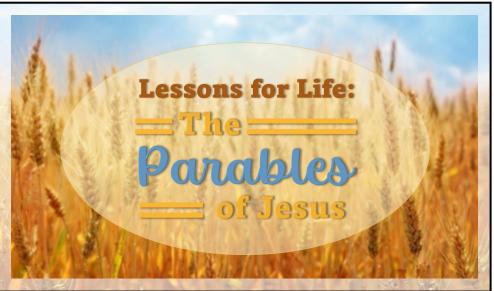
Starting this Fall, our pastor will be leading a mid-week Bible Study on Tuesday evenings beginning **Tuesday**, **September 20**, for five weeks. We will meet in The Learning Center from 6:00 - 7:00pm. The study is titled "Using the Bible Like Jesus". In this study, we will discover that how Jesus used His Bible should tell us a lot about how we should use ours. Each Tuesday at 5:30, there will be a catered meal option for those who sign-up in advance each week. Meal selection will vary each



week. The meal will be a set cost of \$10 per week for those who sign-up in advance. Please sign-up for the meal by Sunday morning for Tuesday. Meal signup sheets will be available on Tuesdays and Sundays, or by e-mailing pastor@calvarync.org by Sunday evening each week. Start making plans now to come, learn, and share together!

New Message Series

Starting Sunday, September 18, our pastor will begin a 9-week message series entitled "Lessons for Life: The Parables of Jesus." In this series, we will dig deep into the stories Jesus told to discover important lessons for our lives.



Women's Retreat

Invite someone.

Katha Tasios and Kim Poteat have put together a Women's Retreat for **September 15-17, 2022** in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee! Accommodations will be in a beautiful and luxurious cabin, with spectacular views. The retreat will feature a great book/Bible study written by the same author of the book/Bible study our ladies just finished, Brennan Manning. The title of this study is The Ragamuffin Gospel: Good News for the Bedraggled,



Beat-Up, and Burnt Out. The weekend promises to be full of fun, renewal, fellowship, tasty food, relaxation, new relationships, knowing more about each other and growing deeper with our Lord.

Communion & Baptism in Worship

We will celebrate Baptism and Communion in our worship service **Sunday, September 11**. Join us as we:

"Taste and see that the Lord is good"



Church Conference and Lunch

We will have a church conference and lunch on Sunday, October 2, 2022 following worship. We plan to meet in the Learning Center for the "pot luck" meal and have the conference as the meal winds down. The church will provide the meat (ham), drinks, and dinnerware. Please bring sides and desserts. The conference agenda will include an update from our Leadership Team, our Deacons, and our church Treasurer.

Church Conference

Tour of Canterbury

Exciting news! Following our church conference on October 2nd, we will take a guided tour of the Canterbury School space here on our campus. You will want to be part of this tour to see how wonderful the space looks and to be encouraged by the ways children will be influenced for the Kingdom's sake through classical Christian education. We will gather for a prayer of blessing over the school during the tour.



www.canterburyclassicalschool.com

Thank you

Pastor Dema from Destiny Church sends his thanks to Calvary for the love offering of \$4,365 we collected to support the Christian work in Ukraine. It was used for buying necessary supplies for people still stuck in the war zone and those misplaced by the war, and also for supporting an orphanage. He sends us his blessings.

"God is not unjust; he will not forget your work and the love you have shown him as you have helped his people and continue to help them."

- Hebrews 6:10

Share An Invite

If you are savvy with social media, look for ways to share our worship services with a friend and invite them on social media to join in on Sundays either on Facebook Live, or better yet, in person with us.

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Men's Monthly Prayer Breakfast Thursday, Sep 1



The first Thursday of each month, 7:30am — 8:30am. Breakfast, fellowship, brief devotional, followed by time of prayer. All men are invited! Meet with us on Thursday, Sep 1 @ 7:30a @ McDonald's on Patton Ave (nearest Calvary).

Sign-up for our Phone Tree



Get in the loop! If you previously have not registered your phone number with us to be placed on our Phone Tree, please call the church office at 828-253-7301 or email the office (office@calvarync.org).

Kids At Calvary

Volunteer News

Thank you to all who serve our kids and their families by volunteering in our nursery and during Children's Church. Nursery volunteers should be sure to be in place by 10:15 am. If you are unable to serve on your scheduled date, please contact someone else on the schedule and arrange to swap dates with them, and please let Kelly know of your change:

(kids@calvarync.org or 828-729-6793).





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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
hello September	Deacon for September Pat Stillwell 828-337-3500 Ushers for September: Pat Stillwell Bruce Morgan		31	l Men's Prayer Breakfast 7:30am McDonald's Patton Ave	2	3
9:20 Prayer 9:30 Bible Study 10:30 Worship	5 Labor Day	6	7	8	9	10
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Our Calvary Family

Alverta Bolick Home Calvary Prayer Team Canterbury Classical School

Betty Carter

Deacons & Leadership Team Terry Smith

Mary Ruth Duyck

Rick Green/Cami Green Bruce & Linda Farlow Floyd & Donna Hilemon

Sam Hocking Patsy Hoglen

Les Little

Sep 25

Sarah McGinnis Edith Middleton

Peggy Nichols Debbie Nix Lewis & Geana Rollins Gary & Debbie Smallan Heather Skuggen

Margo Sneddon's Family Fred & Donna Tennant Don & Kayla Wellborn

Wyatt Family

Other Concerns

Havlee Anderson Rick & Debbie Durham

Elijah Frisby Colson Gropp Keith & Betty Sue Haywood Gayle Jenkins Mark Joyce Jose

Linda Keeling Ken Ledbetter Jared McCanless

Joe Morrison Jean Morton Pauline Powell

Rachel Parker Staczak

Marty Reed William Richardson Joella Rigsby

Bill Rice

Donald & Kevin Robinson Jane Smith Phillip Taylor Dan & Karen Warren **Duane Wyatt**

Our Military

David Brown Jeff Burnette Graham Tasios

Our Front Line

Asheville Fire & Rescue Asheville & Buncombe Co. Law Enfrc. EMT's and Ambulance Drivers Hospital & Health Care Workers

Sunday Morning Prayer Team in the Prayer Room in the Learning **Center (Praying During Worship)**

Sep 04 Katha Tasios Sep 11 **Bruce Farlow**

Sep 18 **Gary Smallan** Pat Stillwell

my soul silently waits for God. From Him comes my salvation.

Psalm 62:1

Prayer Time on Sunday Morning before Worship

Please join us for prayer time each Sunday morning in the Narthex in the rear of the sanctuary at 10:20. Masks optional.

September Birthdays

Joyce Elliott

02 Dan Nix

02 **Debbie Nix**

Kim Poteat 07

12 Jean Rice

13 **Becky Boone**

18 **Arthur Tasios**

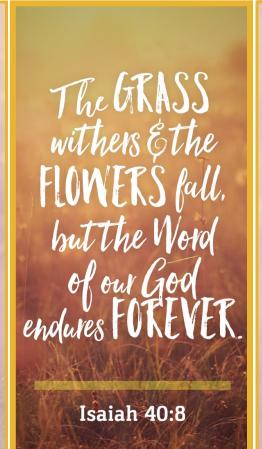
Geana Rollins 19

25 Logan Messer

26 **Evelyn Boon**

Jean Reynolds 30

McKenzie Elkin 30



September Anniversaries

01 Matthew & Callie Strickland

Bruce & Linda Farlow

05 Ian & Kimberly Moorrees

05 Gary & Debbie Smallan

12 Eric & Pam Elkin

Tim & Janet Nichols

Jack & Peggy Brown