



From the Pastor...

My grandmother Blankenship (my mom's mom) was a dear soul. She was a woman of enormous faith, full of spunk and humor and an endearing silliness. It's possibly odd that of all that I remember about her, one thing I think of so very often is how, as the days of December turned the corner to become days in January, she would comment how she longed for the days to be getting longer. December 21 was a day of celebration for her, I believe, because she knew that with each passing morning and evening, the next day would be a little bit longer, with a little more sunlight, and a little less darkness.

No doubt, many of us long for more sunlight and less darkness in our days. There are those days that are filled with the dark shadows of loneliness, sickness, pain, brokenness. There are days that seem like the night is so long, as we wait for the sun to come up the next morning: a morning that brings the hope of healing, wholeness, restoration, renewal. I know that for some in our church family, there have been extended seasons of wintry darkness. There have been hard times. All of us, in our own ways, have those long, dark periods. They are not dark in the sense of a foreboding evil; but dark in the sense that we long for the promise of the light... and with the light, a sense of joyful renewal, of possibility, of the hope for brighter days. But for some in our church family, the days have been particularly difficult.

My prayer for you is that you rest in the assurance that "weeping may last for the night, but joy comes in the morning." My prayer is that you will see brighter days ahead, with more sunlight than darkness, more joy than sorry, more health than sickness, more faith than fear, more trust than worry, more Jesus than anything else. Know that we are with you and we love you. And more than that, God is with you and God loves you. And His mercies are new every morning, even on a cold January morning. Just remember... the days are getting longer... and there's a little more sunshine every day... and with the sunshine comes the goodness of God.

— Rendell

Deacons Emeritus Service - Jan 5, 2025

Upcoming Dates

- 1/05/25 — Deacons Emeritus Service
- 1/09/25 — Men's Prayer Breakfast
- 1/14/25 — Deacons' Meeting
- 1/15/25 — Ladies' Prayer Breakfast
- 1/22/25 — Leadership Team Meeting

Deacons Emeritus Recognition

On **Sunday, January 5**, our 10:30 worship service will include a special time in which we will recognize two of our faithful Calvary members as Deacons Emeritus.

New Message Series

Beginning in January, our pastor will begin a new message series entitled "Discover Your Destiny in Christ." During this series, we will take an in-depth journey through the book of Ephesians to discover the amazing destiny that God has for all who are in Christ.

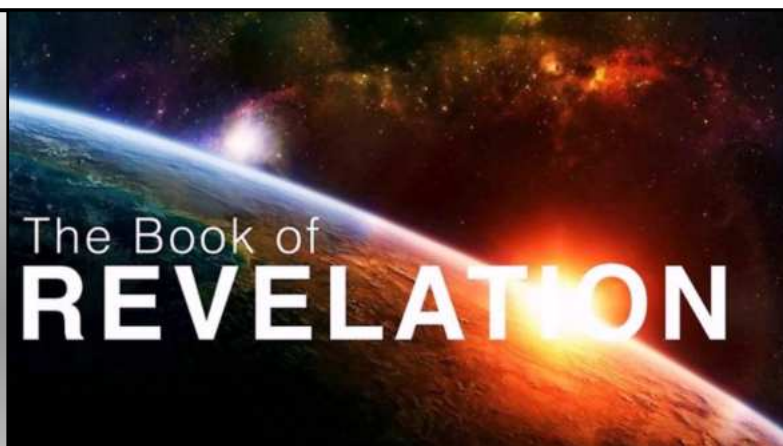


Christmas Caroling



Tuesday Night Bible Study

On Tuesday evenings, beginning March 11, our pastor will be leading a six-week study on the Book of Revelation. In this brief study, we will dig deep to discover the real meaning of this confusing and often misunderstood book which holds some of the most glorious and encouraging messages in all of the Bible. The class will be held 6:00—7:00pm. Room location will be announced later. A light snack or desert item will be provided each week (sign-up to bring a snack or desert to share by contacting Kelly.) You will be provided study materials that will help bring further understanding as we journey through this incredible book together.



Men's Monthly Prayer Breakfast

Change of date and location!
Our January Men's Prayer Breakfast will be **Thursday, January 9**, @ 7:30am at the Salty Goat Grill in Leicester at 2772 New Leicester Hwy.



Thank You!

Thank you for all the beautiful cards and nice goodie bags that you gave to me. I appreciated them so much!

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!

Mary Ruth Duyck

Operation Christmas Child

A group of 12 from the Calvary family spent the afternoon on **December 6th** sorting shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child in Charlotte.

Thanks to those who went, and for Tom & Margaret Mattox for heading up our shoebox ministry!



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Thank You!

Dear Calvary Family,

Thank you for the prayers, cards, phone calls, food, thoughts of wellness....also, the beautiful Christmas caroling that was done during my ongoing recovery from my second knee replacement surgery. A special thanks to Reverend Rendell visiting us and praying with us before I went into surgery.

Love to all,
Pam & Norman Rice

Thank You!

Thank you for the prayers, cards, phone calls, and flowers during this difficult time of Tim's death.

With great appreciation,
Sarah & Tammy

Inclement Weather Announcements:

In the event of church closing or cancellation of worship services due to inclement weather, check our website (calvarync.org) or our Facebook page. We will also make the announcement by phone via our phone tree.

We will NOT be announcing closing on TV or radio.

LIVE Streaming of Calvary Worship

Each Sunday, our worship service is LIVE on Facebook @ 10:30. If you cannot attend in person, join us online!

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Services are posted on our website on Sunday afternoons.
www.calvarync.org/messages

2025 January

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT				
Deacon for January: Katha Tasios 828-279-3933 Ushers for January: Katha Tasios and Kim Poteat		31	1	2	3	4				
9:20 Prayer 9:30 Bible Study 10:30 Worship Deacons Emeritus	5	6	7	8	Men's Prayer Breakfast 7:30am The Salty Goat Leicester Hwy	Friday Crafters 11a-2p	9	10	11	
			6:30-8:30 Worship Team Rehearsal							
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		Deacon Meeting 4pm LC	6:30-8:30 Worship Team Rehearsal							
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Calvary Prayer List

Alverta Bolick Home
Deacons & Leadership Team
Karen Bartlett
Margaret Bradshaw
Betty Carter
Jennie Dalton
Amanda Dunn
Mary Ruth Duyck
Linda Farlow
Green Family
Floyd & Donna Hilemon
Neva Hancock
Sam Hocking
Diane Jervis
Margaret Mattox
Mark McKinney

McGinnis Family
Edith Middleton
Mustafa Family
Nichols Family
Debbie Nix
Annette Perkins
Poteat Family
Gary Rhodes
Jean Rice
Pam Rice
Frank Richardson
Barbara Roberts
Geana Rollins
Lin Dawn Shaw
Smith Family
Smallan Family
Pat Stillwell

Welborn Family
Wyatt Family

Other Concerns

Canterbury Classical School
Robert Atwater
Mike Baker
Kim Brantley
Margaret Brown
Evelyn Carter
Breanna Chambers
Joan Cook
Elijah Frisby
Nick Givens
Cami Green
Colson Gropp
Kimberly Hanna

Keith & Betty Sue Haywood
Gayle Jenkins
Pat Millard
Jamie Miller
Sue Morgan
Chris Pafford
Lynn Queen
Brenda Reese
William Richardson
Bill Rice
Sean Robinson
Donald & Kevin Robinson
Lowell Schultz
Robert Shelton
Bob Snedden
Andrew Sprinkle
Phillip Taylor

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

Jan 05 Bruce Farlow
Jan 12 Butch Stillwell
Jan 19 Gary Smallan
Jan 26 Glenn Jervis



For I know the plans I have for you, declares the LORD, 'plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. - Jeremiah 29:11

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.

Jan Birthdays

01 Amanda Dunn
20 Eddie Wyatt
22 Brent Farlow
26 Jaycob Matthew Shell
28 Evelyn Ponder
28 Margo Snedden
30 Barbara Roberts

Hello
January

Jan Anniversaries

20 Gary & Kathy Rhodes

Happy New Year!