

A Light for the Nations

MISSIONS CONFERENCE 2017 | February 25–March 5

Calvary's annual Missions Conference, "A Light for the Nations," is just weeks away! We'll welcome 21 of our missionary families from around the world and get to know them through our worship services, Adult Life Groups, ministry reports, service projects, and a variety of fellowship events. Check out the opportunities at calvarychurch.com/missionsconference and plan to get involved!

WORSHIP & CONNECT TODAY

8:30 AM Adult Life Groups [ALGs]

9:45 AM **Worship Service**

"Playing the Game"

Malachi 1:2–14

Pastor Khalil Ayoub

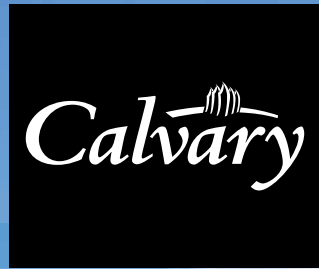
9:45 AM Nursery, Preschool, & KidZone

11:15 AM Nursery, Children's Ministry,
Student Ministry, & ALGs

6:00 PM **Evening Service**

"Engaging the Culture:

Poverty" & Communion



Looking UP

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You can help feed hungry families around the world

Saturday, March 4 | **Servants With a Heart – Food Packing Day**

Choose a shift: 10:30 AM–12:45 PM or 1:00–3:15 PM

Food Packing Day with **Servants With A Heart** is a great, family-friendly missions service opportunity. Most everyone can participate, including young children and senior adults! We'll work alongside our Missions Conference missionaries to pack food that will be delivered to children and families in Central America by SWAH.

You could help feed a child for over a year in just one shift

Individuals, ALGs, CHAMP teams, study groups, families... everyone is invited to serve! Volunteers will scoop, weigh, and package food at organized workstations set up in the Calvary Life Center gym. Then the prepared food packets will be boxed, loaded, and shipped.

About Servants With A Heart

Calvary members Jeff and Suzanne Yoh direct **Servants With A Heart**, a nonprofit corporation that delivers highly nutritious dehydrated meals to starving and malnourished people around the world. Meals are formulated by food scientists to provide rich sources of easily digestible protein, carbohydrates, and vitamins, as well as accommodate a broad diversity of ethnic tastes and cultural preferences. Contact: Suzanne Yoh, 704.756.9803, suzanne@servantswithaheart.org

Stop by Galleria table 3 for details and register at calvarychurch.com/swah.

Get a taste of world missions!

Ladies' Missions Luncheon | Tuesday, February 28, 11:00 AM–1:00 PM, Crown Room

Missionaries will speak at our women's Bible studies and then join us for lunch! The program features a panel discussion on the topic, "**Let Your Light Shine**" moderated by Marilyn Chambers. Hallie Allen will provide special music. Cost is \$10. Get tickets today at Galleria table 4 or register at calvarychurch.com/luncheon. Contact: Jennifer Sharpless, 704.341.5417, jsharpless@calvarychurch.com

Men's Missions Breakfast | Saturday, March 4, 8:00–9:30 AM, Crown Room

Join us for a hearty breakfast, great fellowship, and an encouraging message from missionary Doug Berglund, who serves with New Tribes Mission. Cost is \$7. Register at calvarychurch.com/breakfast. Contact: Vince Eaton, 704.341.5322, veaton@calvarychurch.com

Session leadership roles announced

After the annual election of elders and deacons on January 29, the Session has appointed John Tartt as the new Clerk of Session. Dennis Abbott will serve as the Chairman of the Finance Committee. The updated leadership rosters are posted online at calvarychurch.com/elders and calvarychurch.com/deacons. Remember to pray for the leadership of Calvary Church!

Film tells story of faith through Ebola crisis

"FACING DARKNESS" Movie | In theaters ONLY on Thursday, March 30

As the Ebola pandemic was sweeping across Africa in 2014, Samaritan's Purse was actively working to provide care and support to the people of Africa. But when the deadly virus infected team medical personnel, the epic crisis truly hit home. Facing Darkness tells an incredible true story of faith, determination, and prayer—and how God performed miracles!

Calvary's own Nancy Writebol, an SIM missionary who served alongside Dr. Kent Brantly in Liberia, contributed to the film and also shares her miraculous story of healing from Ebola. This new documentary from Samaritan's Purse will be in Charlotte theaters as a special one-night event on Thursday, March 30 at Stonecrest at Piper Glen 22 and Concord Mills 24. **Get tickets now through FacingDarknessMovie.com.**

Write a review for Calvary online

You may use online reviews when you're looking for a hotel or restaurant, but did you know that web reviews can be powerful when someone is looking for a church? Reviews may also be some of the first information people see when they search online. If you'd like to help, please **consider reviewing Calvary Church on Yelp or Google**. It's easy! Just go to yelp.com and choose "Write a Review." Or go to Google Maps, search for Calvary Church and choose "Write a Review." You may be helping someone choose to worship with us next week!

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From the Senior Pastor

The Word Room

As we were growing up, my parents encouraged my brothers and me to read. We were regulars at the local library and devoured books. On Sundays we were encouraged to



John & Gudny Munro

read biographies of missionaries or other Christian literature. If we ever complained that we had run out of books, we were reminded that there were 66 books in the Bible which we had not yet mastered!

Many years later when I studied theology at Dallas Theological Seminary, I was surprised to hear my fellow students complaining about all of the books they had to read. This was one of the reasons I had gone to seminary! To this day, I am surrounded by all kinds of books.

So I was delighted when I came to Calvary to see that we had the "Word Room" bookstore. First of all, we want to make Bibles available. Also, we have books which will help us to understand the Christian faith and to apply it to our lives. There are greeting cards, CD albums, books on missions, devotions, and more. Take a few moments after one of the services and browse our Word Room. Pat and Velma will give you a warm welcome, and they are always happy to answer any questions which you may have. Happy reading! ■

Are you ready to become a member?

Sign up now for the Calvary Membership Course

■ **Wednesdays, March 8–April 12**

6:30–8:00 PM, Room 232

■ **Saturdays, March 18 & 25**

9:00 AM–12:15 PM, Room 232

At Calvary, we see membership as a significant spiritual decision. It's an ongoing commitment to participate in the life and ministry of our church family. Led by Senior Pastor John Munro, the Calvary Membership Course provides a common foundation for those who wish to join. We want everyone to understand who we are, what we believe, and the mission and vision of our church. Please bring your Bible! Childcare is not available on Saturdays. Register at calvarychurch.com/membership. Contact: Miriam Aneses, 704.887.3679, maneses@calvarychurch.com

Summer adventures ahead!

Middle School Summer Camp at Teen Valley Ranch | June 12–17

Our students are excited to head back to Teen Valley Ranch this summer! TVR is a Christian camp nestled in the beautiful North Carolina Mountains. Students enjoy Christ-centered Bible teaching and Spirit-filled worship every day at camp. Plus, there are so many fun activities—games, rock climbing walls, miniature golf, tubing, hiking, horseback riding, and much more! TVR Camp is open to rising 6th graders (entering middle school in August), too! Cost is \$375 with a non-refundable \$125 deposit. Don't miss out! Register now at calvarychurch.com/TVRcamp. Contact: Jennifer Porras, 704.341.5320, jporras@calvarychurch.com

High School Summer Camp & GO Trip Meeting

Sunday, February 19 | 12:30–1:00 PM, CLC 1400

Parents and high school students, come find out about our biggest events of the summer — Student Life Camp and the GO Alaska missions trip! Contact: Jennifer Porras, 704.341.5320, jporras@calvarychurch.com

Students, let's get coffee...

International Coffee House | Saturday, February 18, 6:00–8:30 PM, CLC 1400

High school students, let's grab a cup of coffee, sit back, and enjoy hearing our friends from around the world share their unique cultural heritage, background, and food traditions. Let's celebrate Calvary's diversity! Cost is \$5. Please register at calvarychurch.com/coffeehouse. Contact: Pastor Dean Hawkins, 704.341.5327, dhawkins@calvarychurch.com

Hey, Coach! We need you!

CHAMP Coaches | Soccer, Baseball, & Flag Football: February 27–May 20

What makes a good coach? It's all about a desire to serve the Lord and make a difference in the lives of CHAMP players and families. The time commitment is two to three hours per week, which involves one weeknight practice and a game on Saturdays. We will train, equip, and support you throughout the season. Sign up today at Galleria table 6 or champsportsinfo.com. Contact: Kelly Lamb, 704.887.3689, klamb@calvarychurch.com

Seniors, don't miss this musical luncheon

Senior Adult Luncheon | Thursday, February 23, Noon–1:30 PM, Crown Room

This month our special guest is Ron Elmore—you've heard him play string bass, tuba, and bass guitar with Calvary Worship Ministry. Register at calvarychurch.com/SAL by February 16 or get your tickets in the Word Room. Cost is \$7. Join us for an organ concert with Vickie McKibben at 11:00 AM. Contact: Jennifer Sharpless, 704.341.5417, jsharpless@calvarychurch.com

NEWS & NOTES

■ **SINGLE PARENTS DISCUSSION** Single parents, join us for an **EQUIP Seminar** on Thursday, February 16 at 6:30 PM in Conference Room A. We'll watch a DVD segment and have a **roundtable discussion** with members of Calvary's DivorceCare team. There is no cost, but please register at calvarychurch.com/equip. Need childcare? Register kids ages 2–7 in advance. Contact: Support Ministry, 704.887.3681, support@calvarychurch.com ■ **AWANA**

BIBLE QUIZ Calvary's Awana Bible Club had **17 children compete in the Awana**

Regional Bible Quiz on Saturday, February 4 in Concord, NC. We fielded six teams in the four competition divisions. Calvary teams won two 1st place trophies and three 2nd place awards.

Congratulations to all our Bible Quiz kids! ■ **CHILD DEDICATION** Parents who wish to publicly **dedicate their children to the Lord** should contact the church office about the upcoming opportunity planned for Sunday morning, March 26. Contact: Erika Morton, 704.341.5331, emorton@calvarychurch.com ■ **SUNDAY NIGHT NURSERY** Rock a baby.

Be a blessing! Join us on a rotating schedule to **help in the Nursery on Sunday evenings**.

Volunteers report to the Nursery at 5:20 PM to welcome children before the worship service begins at 6:00 PM. Background check is required. Contact: Laura Schlesing, 704.341.5399, lschlesing@calvarychurch.com ■ **CHAMP SPORTS ADULT LEAGUES** CHAMP offers

Men's Basketball and Coed Volleyball for ages 16+ this spring. These intramural-style leagues are so much fun! The season runs February 27–May 5. Invite your friends and neighbors or **sign up with your ALG**. Leagues fill quickly! Register at champsportsinfo.com.

LEADERS OF THE WEEK

Elder Marc Martens 704.840.0326
Deacons Jonathan Eaton 704.905.5256
Rhondale Haywood 609.331.0171

PASTOR OF THE WEEK

Dean Hawkins, 704.654.1746

MISSIONARIES OF THE WEEK

Bill & Lennie Ogden serving with South America Mission in Fort Mill, SC
■ calvarychurch.com/missionaries

IN THE GALLERIA TODAY

CHAMP Sports	Table 6
Ladies' Missions Luncheon	Table 4
Servants With a Heart	Table 3
Today's Message on CD	Table 2A
Widows Luncheon	Table 7

FELLOWSHIP DINNER

Join us in the Crown Room, 5:00–6:15 PM

Cost: \$7/adult, \$4/child, \$20 max per family
No reservations: purchase ticket at the door

MENU ■ Wednesday, February 15

Pork roast, rosemary potatoes, glazed carrots, rolls, dessert, & beverage

Child's Meal: Hotdog & fries (or sub apples & carrot sticks), dessert, & beverage

Salad Entrées: Chef Salad or Veggie Salad

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Calvary Security | Seeking a part-time / occasional fill-in Security Officer to join our staff. Contact: Dennie Crowder, 704.341.5341, dcrowder@calvarychurch.com

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Congratulations to **Bob & Maria Gritsay** on the birth of their son, **Oliver Zane Gritsay**, on January 28

DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO...

Chris & Kathy Murphy and family in the loss of Chris' step-father, **Mr. Joseph J. Spinella, Jr.**, on February 1

Sam & Barbara Jacks and family in the loss of Barbara's mother, **Mrs. Nina Hughett**, on February 3

Jean Slater and family in the loss of her son, **Mr. Richard R. Slater**, on February 5

FOR THE RECORD

General Fund Offering on 2/5	\$244,076
General Fund weekly goal	\$150,000

UPCOMING MESSAGES

Senior Pastor John Munro will bring the messages below, unless otherwise noted:

Feb 19	9:45 AM	"Husbands, Love Your Wives" Ephesians 5:25–32 Pastor Rodney Navey
	6:00 PM	"Engaging the Culture: Capital Punishment" Pastor Nathaniel Pearce
Feb 26	9:45 AM	"A Light for the Nations" Missions Conference
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Mar 5	9:45 AM	"A Light for the Nations" Missions Conference

NEW TO CALVARY? WELCOME!

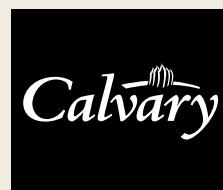
Thank you for choosing to visit Calvary Church today! Please stop by the **Calvary Café** following the service this morning. We'd love to meet you, answer any questions, and give you a small welcome bag. We're glad you're here!

Families with children, teens, or special needs — Stop by the **Family Welcome Desk** on the first floor near the elevators. We'll be glad to help you register your children, get security name tags if needed, and find the appropriate classrooms.

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