

The Messenger

The Newsletter of Calvary Baptist Church
844 Amherst Street, Winchester, Virginia 22601

With eyes fixed on Christ, we equip believers to carry the Gospel through service.

happy
birthday !!



Birthdays

Lisa Price	2
Leroy Pritchett	4
Dorothy Wolfe	15
Matthew Rock	21
Lily Fletcher	25
Steve Tygart	25
Amanda Gadd	30

No Anniversaries This Month



David Johnson

Deacon of the Month

David Johnson has been married to Jeanie for 41 years. Dave and Jeanie have two daughters, Sheri and Cindy, and have 5 grandchildren. They joined Calvary in the summer of 2010 after moving from Covington, Ohio (half an hour north of Dayton). Dave owns DEJON Powerhouse where he makes specialty aftermarket parts for several turbocharged cars which are then sold on the internet. Dave's hobbies include RC model aircraft, fishing, and driving his sports car. He serves the Lord at

Calvary on the Property and Space committee, Benevolence, Nominating committee, substitute Sunday School teacher and deacon. Dave is a lung cancer survivor and plans to serve as long as the Lord allows.

Movie Night



The Outreach Committee is sponsoring a free showing of the 2011 film, "Courageous". *Four men, one calling: To serve and protect. When tragedy strikes home, these men are left wrestling with their hopes, their fears, their faith, and their fathering. Protecting the streets is second nature. Raising their children in a God-honoring way? That's courageous.*

The showing will take place in the chapel on **Friday, January 4, starting at 7 pm**. A brief discussion of the film and its meaning for today will be held afterward. Childcare will not be available, however parents may use their discretion when bringing their children based on the PG-13 rating.

Weekly Schedule

Sunday	9:30am	Sunday School for All Ages
	10:45am	Morning Worship Service
Monday	10:00am	Seekers Bible Study
Tuesday	10:00am	HopeKeepers Group
Wednesday	5:00pm	Dinner in Parker Hall
	6- 7:30pm	AWANA Clubs
	6:30pm	Youth and Adult Programs
	7:45pm	Adult Choir Practice

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We are changing the way we publish announcements, and the weekly bulletin now includes many items that use to be published in the Newsletter. The February Newsletter will be distributed on January 27. Please email your submissions for the next newsletter to Carrie by **January 15. (secretary@calvarywinchester.org)** Thank you.



Snow Tubing

Chris Tucker is organizing a snow tubing day trip to White Tail Ski Resort in PA. He is considering either Saturday, January 19, or Tuesday, January 22 (FCPS Teacher Workday), as possible dates. The rates are \$25 on Saturday and \$20 on Tuesday. This trip is open to everyone, so please email Chris if you are interested in going. (youthpastor@calvarywinchester.org)



2013 Craft and Crop Days

The ladies of Calvary are having a Craft and Crop day once a month. Starting in January, we have designated the last Saturday of each month from 10am-4pm as a time for ladies to drop in and get crafty. If you have questions, please contact: Betsy Frazier (frazier.betsy@comcast.net) , Marcy Nelson (purplebug70@yahoo.com), or Kristi Rock (kristirock73@aol.com)

Eagle Scout Projects Enhance Church Property

The Property and Space Committee would like to say a big Thank You to Joel Gadd for building the portico over the side entrance to the Education Wing. We would like to thank all those who helped Joel with the building, painting, and lighting. We would also like to thank Thomas Schloemer for building the fence between the west parking lot and play ground. Thomas is a student of the Classical Cottage home school group that meets at the church and saw the need for the fence. He will be finishing the painting after the wood has cured. We appreciate all the work both of these young men have done to improve our church property.

On Wednesday, December 19, we had an AWANA Pinewood Derby Race. Congratulations to the first place winner, Matthew Rock!



Calvary Baptist Church

Women's Ministry

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Mark Your Calendar:

Our next Women's Ministry Event will be March 9th and we plan to have a guest speaker from one of the local programs that serves the community.

On December 8th a group of about 20 women gathered for a "White Christmas" gift exchange and devotion. We also discussed ways that our group can help local community agencies or programs in the coming year. So keep an eye out for upcoming events as they unfold. Following our "White Christmas," several ladies joined Charles Rock with wrapping the Angel Tree gifts that were purchased by members of the congregation. Thank you to those that purchased the gifts as well as those that donated wrapping paper. Your efforts have made Christmas Merry for the children in our community.

If you have any questions about Women's Ministry, please contact Cheryl Livermon 540-327-1089 or Adrienne Harris (C)703-505-6018.



From The Pastor's Desk: 2012 Year in Review

I decided to write a "year-in-review" article but I quickly ran into a problem. I wasn't at Calvary for the whole year. There were significant events that took place during the first few months of 2012 but I didn't (couldn't) know what they were. Obviously, Calvary's story didn't start the day I showed up. However, I can only relate the parts I have experienced since I've been in relationship with the church and its members.

Chad Brannan called me, on behalf of the Pastor Search Committee, in mid-February. It was the second time Chad and I talked on the phone. The first time, late in 2011, Chad called to tell me the Search Team was going to pursue someone else. I accepted his words and closed the conversation with simple request: "Remember I'll still be here." I don't know what prompted my request – I had never said those words before. So Chad called me in February asking if I would still consider talking with the Search Team. I reminded him of my words in our last conversation – he said he thought I was being a little facetious. I assured him I was sincere and was glad to hear from him again. Little did he know at the very moment he dialed my number Betsy and I were talking about what my next position might be. Chad's call on behalf of the Search Team was an answer to our prayers.

What followed next was a whirlwind of activity: a sermon for the Search Team at Shenandoah Farms Baptist Church (thanks to Jack Wampler, a former Calvary member), interviews and meetings, and a trial sermon on March 25 followed by an unprecedented unanimous vote to call a pastor. I started working as your pastor the next day to prepare for my formal first day in the pulpit on Palm Sunday, April 1. Betsy and I moved to Stephens City on May 3. So many people from the church helped us pack, paint, and move in. What a strong show of support for the new pastor and family. We loved it.

We've had a fireside chat, a dessert and devotional held at our home, and a Christmas Open House, too. We handed out water and offered free parking to parade goers, had three picnics, and a Vacation Bible School with a 50% increase in attendance. We started the Calvary Cool Kids summer activity program, sent a crew to Pennsylvania for Creation Festival, a week-long concert event, and took a load of middle schoolers to camp. Recently, we started the "Parents' Night Out/Kids' Night In" co-op for the benefit of couples and families.

We have seen new faces in the pews. Some of them have started to pitch in and have joined the church. We had a joint baptism event with the Latino Church of the Good Shepherd that meets in our chapel on Sunday afternoons. We have more baptism candidates waiting for baptism coming early this year.

Calvary has restarted its choir. Thanks to the many volunteers who show up for rehearsal and especially to Diane Heffern, director, and Roseanne Schwalenberg and Trish Ramsey, accompanists. We have also seen the men's "Thunder Choir" show up on one occasion recently.

This fall we decided to give all the proceeds, after expenses, from the annual Harvest offering to the missions causes. The church responded with an outpouring of generosity and almost \$10,000 in the Harvest offering. The same generosity continued in December when we nearly doubled the goal set for the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions.

While we're on the subject of missions and ministry, we have to mention the church's efforts in this area. We served at Camp Crossroads, took the lead and surpassed our goal in the St. Baldrick's fund raiser, provided school supplies and toiletry sets, sent Operation Christmas Child shoe boxes around the globe, and sponsored and provided Christmas gifts for 32 Angel Tree children. Volunteers have prepared and served meals for the Winchester Area Temporary Thermal Shelter programs (WATTS), and other volunteers served meals this summer with the Salvation Army Children's Food Program.

The Women's Ministry has been active all year with trips, a retreat, and several gatherings for fellowship, ministry, and fun. The church has started two new Sunday School classes since I arrived. The staff has moved out of the Frye House and into the chapel wing while we assess the bat situation in the older building. Denise Schrader led several couples and an individual as they completed the Crown Financial Study. Betsy Frazier and Shannon Graham shared efforts and have started two HopeKeepers support groups for persons with chronic illness.

Near to Thanksgiving, the church participated in Turkey Day 2012 with a Turkey Bowl football game. We concluded the event with a Chili Cook-off with 13 entries. Carrie Brannan was voted the best chili cook and we presented her with a custom made Turkey Bowl plaque. A few weeks later, everyone enjoyed a bowl (or two) of Carrie's chili at the church's Wednesday dinner.

The AWANA program for children on Wednesday nights has experienced a surge in attendance. At the last meeting of the year, the children presented cars they had painted for a Pinewood Derby. For heat after heat, the cars raced down the custom track designed and put together by Norman Brigance. Finally a winner was declared. Who had the fastest car in Calvary's 2012 Pinewood Derby? The first place winner was Matthew Rock!

There is no doubt I have left someone or something out of this list of the activities and accomplishments Calvary has completed in 2012. I ask for your forgiveness in advance. But don't let my mistake distract you from noticing what God is doing here at Calvary, Winchester. By all accounts, 2012 goes down in the history books as a great year for CBC. And Calvary folks, you deserved to have a great year. Your hard work in recovery has paid off and now we're in growth mode. 2013, here we come....

....in the bond of Calvary,
Doug Frazier, Senior Pastor

Calvary Baptist Church - Master, Long Range Planning

Jan 2013 (Eastern Time)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30	31	1	2	3	4	5
9:30am - Sunday School 10:45am - Morning Service 2pm - Hispanic Service	10am - Seekers 6:30pm - Cong. Life	10am - HopeKeepers 5:30pm - Outreach 6:45pm - BSF Class	5pm - Wednesday Evening 6pm - AWANA 6:30pm - Youth & Adult 7:45pm - Adult Choir	Classical Cottage 7pm - Movie Night	Classical Cottage 7pm - Movie Night	6:30am - BSF Leader 8:30am - Brotherhood
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
9:30am - Sunday School 10:45am - Morning Service 2pm - Hispanic Service	10am - Seekers 4:45pm - Relay for Life	10am - HopeKeepers 5:45pm - BSF Seminar 6:45pm - BSF Class	5pm - Wednesday Evening 6pm - AWANA 6:30pm - Youth & Adult 7:45pm - Adult Choir	Classical Cottage	Classical Cottage	6:30am - BSF Leader 8:30am - BSF Fellowship
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
9:30am - Sunday School 10:45am - Morning Service 2pm - Hispanic Service	10am - Seekers 7pm - Classical Cottage	10am - HopeKeepers 6:45pm - BSF Class 7pm - Stewardship	5pm - Wednesday Evening 6pm - AWANA 6:30pm - Youth & Adult 7:45pm - Adult Choir	Classical Cottage	Classical Cottage	6:30am - BSF Leader
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
9:30am - Sunday School 10:45am - Morning Service 2pm - Hispanic Service	10am - Seekers 6pm - BSF Leader Meeting 7pm - Deacon Mtg. 7pm - Hopekeepers	10am - HopeKeepers 6:45pm - BSF Class	5pm - Wednesday Evening 6pm - AWANA 6:30pm - Youth & Adult 7:45pm - Adult Choir	Classical Cottage	Classical Cottage	8:30am - Brotherhood 10am - Craft & Crop
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
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