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Past, Present & Future Hope

We read in the Bible, "In everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you." It is hard to give thanks when things are going bad. The attempt to do so can often leave a person feeling like they are not being genuine, or they are lying to themselves. One thing that helps, is knowing that God is in control. He is sovereign over all things, even the bad things. This is why the mature Christian understands Romans 8:28, "And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose." Christians are the only people who can have confidence in knowing that no matter how bad it is, it will turn out good for the believer. That's God's doing! Let us give thanks.

Our 100th Anniversary was a glorious celebration of God's faithfulness. We give thanks for all of His riches He has blessed us with. There were many highlights but let me mention just a few. Phyllis and Ginger opened up with the glorious call to worship. The choir lifted our hearts before the throne of God as we entered into glorious praise, as we surveyed the wondrous cross. There were many comments on how the service focused on the glory of God. That came from prayer and excellent planning from our worship leader. Mike Huggins did an outstanding job in directing the service in

the direction that we should always go, and that is towards Christ. It was not, Calvary has Talent. God has blessed the church with many gifted musicians, but all of them were in one accord to lead the congregation to worship the One who is worthy, our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Evan Spiczynski led the strings to tune our hearts and turned the congregation towards Christ. Then the Moody's continued to lead, and once again it was, "Well with our Souls," as we drank from the cup of Christ's blessings of love and grace. As the worship continued, we heard from the pastors that dated back years ago. Each pastor had very encouraging words to share. Former pastor Mike Womack brought the Gospel from 2 Corinthians 5:21, "For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him." Mike also gave the congregation a tract he made for sharing the Gospel. We have been giving these tracts to the many people who come through the ministry of Calvary Cares. God blessed the service with His presence in such a beautiful way.

As the worship in the sanctuary ended, we moved to the Christian Life Center and had wonderful fellowship with a great meal. A great big thankyou to Heather and her team who served the congregation with

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love, care, and great food!!! People looked at all the pictures' Curtis had set up in the gym, talked, laughed, and fellowshiped for hours. As the fellowship was in full swing, the best transition took place with the leadership of Alicia and her staff kicking off VBS. It couldn't have been a better time. We gathered and thanked the Lord for 100 years of His faithfulness, and then started teaching the children why we have hope in Jesus. It was one of the best VBS's in the sense of content in giving the children a biblical world view. They have a future and hope in Jesus, and are equipped to give an answer of why they believe what they believe right from the Bible! As Victor Shepherd says, "Hope, from a biblical perspective, is a future certainty grounded in a present reality." That hope is based on the life, the death, the burial, the resurrection, and the second coming of our Lord Je-

sus. Let's close with an encouraging word from Hebrews 10:35-39, "Therefore do not cast away your confidence, which has great reward. For you have need of endurance, so that after you have done the will of God, you may receive the promise: 'For yet a little while, and He who is coming will come and will not tarry. Now the just shall live by faith; but if anyone draws back, My soul has no pleasure in him.' But we are not of those who draw back to perdition, but of those who believe to the saving of the soul." How we thank God for His faithful hand leading Calvary Baptist through the years. Let us press forward with the hope that is set before us keeping our eyes on the Author and Finisher of our faith.

Pastor David



The score was 2 to 1 for the home team with a runner on 3rd base. It was bottom of the 7th inning. There were 2 outs.

The opposing teams number one hitter came to the plate. The catcher signaled for an inside curve. Crack! Contact was made on the first pitch. It was a good call against this batter, resulting in a pop-up fly ball just beyond 2nd base in shallow centerfield. Unfortunately, the center fielder was playing too deep. Racing forward toward the infield, the player realized he was not going to make the catch. In the twinkling of an eye, the decision was made to let the ball hit the ground. As the ball bounced, the runner tagged-up for a race to Homeplate. The seasoned catcher positioned himself on his knees on the first base side of home plate. In perfect position, the catcher focused as the outfielder made a one-hop barehanded catch. Then, took 2 steps and threw a one-bounce strike to Homeplate. As expected, the catcher cleanly caught the ball to make the tag. The field echoed with these words, "he's out!" Knowledge, coordination, and focus shine again.

Would you agree, "catcher" is the

most active position on a baseball team? In my opinion, catcher would rank highest as the most knowledgeable position on the field. The catcher has to interact with every other player for the team to perform well. Pitcher is very important, but it's the catcher who knows the best pitches every pitcher on a team is capable of throwing. He covers every throw to first base. He's ready to pick-off every stolen base attempt. An excel catcher is a most valuable asset to any team.

Many times at Calvary when I have entered the building, whether early or late, to notice a light at the end of that hall, oh! It's just Gary. Sometimes hours before church on Sunday morning the piano can be heard, no problem it's just Amos! In the future when I notice something in the building has been rearranged, my thoughts will remind me, that's what Gary used to do. If someone ever uses the term, "Sacred Cows," I will remember Gary Amos.

Calvary was in need of a choir director in 1986. Prayers were answered when God sent Calvary a baseball team catcher. For 38 years voices have uttered, that's Gary Amos.

Curtis



Calvary Family,
Thank you so much for your prayers! We give thanks most importantly to God for His provision and protection over the last several weeks! To summarize our activities in June:

We had 71 students and 77 youth and adult volunteers for "The Great Jungle Journey" Vacation Bible School. Everyone involved had the privilege of reviewing the 7 C's of history to include: Creation, Corruption, Catastrophe, Confusion, Christ, Cross, and Consummation. Each day of VBS was packed full of jungle fun as the children were able to grow in the grace and knowledge of our Risen Lord. Each powerful lesson provided an opportunity for the children to study the Bible and discover truth. We know that God is always working and we trust Him to change the heart of each boy and girl. **THANK YOU TO ALL THE VOLUNTEERS WHO MADE VBS SUCCESSFUL!!!** Your hard work is much appreciated!! A special thanks to Wanda Sparks, Valarie Black, Linda Treadway, and Beverly Spiczynski! Also a special

thanks to Heather Ricker, Waverly Dorris, and Page Sifford for a week full of wonderful meals!

We had 10 children go to "Fun in the Sun" Children's Camp where we learned about running the race with endurance and keeping our eyes fixed on Jesus. It was a wonderful time spent growing closer to Jesus without the distractions of our everyday routines. The children were able to spend time in worship, Bible study, devotion, and a variety of indoor and outdoor activities. Once again, we praise God for a great camp, from the smallest of details and everything beyond!

We have several children's activities throughout the summer on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Check out the CBC Erwin app for a schedule or contact the office anytime for a printed schedule of upcoming events. May we all remember, "I press toward the goal for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus." Philippians 3:14.

Peace to you,
Alicia Smith, Children's Director

FROM THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION



Pastor David, and Calvary Baptists,

That was a special celebration of the 100 years!

Thank you for the opportunity to be a part of it -- and thank you very much for your generous and unexpected honorarium.

Blessings as you head out into the next 100!

John & Maureen Kuhne

Our Friends at Calvary,

What a joy it was to worship with you on June 9 during the 100 year celebration of Calvary Baptist Church! Our hearts were filled with thankfulness and gratitude as we were reminded of your continued love and support. Thank your for allowing us to be part of this wonderful time of worship.

As we served beside you from 1976-1980, wonderful, life-long friendships were established. During the worship time on that special Sunday, we were so aware of God's blessings on this church and witnessed these 'forever friendship', as they have grown into stronger, more special relationships, even after all these years. It is our prayer that God will continue to move in your hearts as He uses each of you in the community.

Praying for you always.

Anne and Allen Moody



Happy Birthday



JUNE

6 Mackenzie Whaley, 7 Jill Sullivan, 10 Curtis Engle, 11 Cindy Gillis, 12 Tommy Bennett, 15 Floy Harris, 16 Cecilia Baker, 17 Lisa Davis, Sue Noakes, 18 Valerie Higgins, Terry Higgins, 24 Amy Reed, 25 Laura Bryant, Gina Clark, Bob Pratt, 26 Nina Hyder, Heather Ricker, 27 Ginger Dalton, Dillon Sifford, 29 Shelby Lloyd, Daniel Crutchfield, 30 Kim Bennett, Alexandria Edwards, Ashleigh Edwards

JULY

1 Amber Manfull, Ethan Rice, 2 Brinkley Spiczynski, 4 Mildred Silvers, 8 Christine Davidson, Thomas Whaley, 14 Vicki Harris, Evan Spiczynski, 15 David Bacon, 17 Shirley Wilson, Hannah Rice, 18 Jill McInturff, 20 Bonnie Barnett, 21 Jimmy Bailey, 24 Judith Edwards, 25 Gina Horton, Wanda Sparks, 30 Debbie Blankenship, Doug Treadway, 31 Judy Bacon, Heather Davidson

Memorial & Honorarium Offerings

In Memory of

Jean Thompson
*by Dorcas/Homemakers S.S. Class
 to Calvary Cares
 by David & Jane Burgner
 to Consolidated Missions
 by David Crutchfield
 to Consolidated Missions*

In Honor of


*Madelyn, Bryson, Camden, Gracen Crawford
 to Consolidated Missions*



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Service times at
Calvary

SUNDAY

10:00 a.m.
 11:00 a.m.
 6:00 p.m.

Sunday School
 Morning Worship
 Evening Worship
 Youth Bible Study
 Calvary Kids

WEDNESDAY

5:30 p.m.
 6:00 p.m.
 7:00 p.m.

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