

From the Pastor...

Here on the heels of Easter, we, the Church, proclaim the Gospel, the "Good News." And as we proclaim the gospel and share the gospel, our understanding of the gospel needs to be based on the fullness of the scriptures. So, based on the fullness of the scriptures, might I share what the Gospel is, so that we can share it with the world?

The Gospel Is...

- ... the Good News that Jesus is the Christ, the Messiah of Israel, and also the Savior and true King of the entire world.
- ... the Good News that Jesus Christ has ushered in the Kingdom-reign of God through his teaching, his living, his death and his resurrection, specifically through his defeat of the powers of evil and darkness on the cross and his defeat of death through his resurrection.
- ... the Good News that all who follow him can live in the Kingdom-reign of God in their own lives.
- ... the Good News that Jesus, the Son of God, is God-in-the-flesh, God with skin on, and that Jesus reveals God to us most fully and most completely, who is a God of love, mercy, self-sacrifice, and forgiveness.
- ... the Good News that Jesus is God's solution to our sin problem and to the problem of evil in the world. Through Jesus, God forgives us of our sin (ways we miss God's mark for us individually), frees us from our sin (so that we can live rightly with God), delivers us from the powers of evil in the world (Satan and forces of darkness), and gives us his Spirit (His constant presence in our lives) as our guide for life.
- ... the Good News that Jesus Christ, as God-in-the-flesh, as the sinless Son of God, obediently humbled himself to the point of death on a cross, unjustly dying because of the sins of humanity, willingly taking our sins upon himself, yours and mine included, and that three days later, he rose from the grave as the Living, Risen Savior and Lord.
- ... the Good News that if we put our faith/trust/belief in Jesus as our Lord, our boss for life, we are adopted as a child of God into the family of God, who is our loving Father, and that we will experience the joy and blessedness of life with God in this life and into all of eternity (eternal life).
- ... the Good News that, as a follower of Jesus, we no longer live in fear of punishment for our sins or shame over our failures. Instead, we live knowing the measure of God's love, mercy, and grace, knowing that Christ, who bore our sins in his body on the cross and removed our sins "as far as the east is from the west," transferred us from the kingdom of this world of darkness into the Kingdom-reign of God who is Light.

So, let's be sure we are always sharing the Good News, the Gospel. It's not just news for Easter... it's news for every moment of every day for every person. — Rendell



A/04/24 — Men's Prayer Breakfast 4/09/24 — Deacon's Meeting 4/10/24 — Ladies' Prayer Breakfast 4/13/24 — Clothing Giveaway 4/17/24 — Leadership Team Meeting 4/21/24 — Luncheon for Jim Burnett 5/01/24 — Imani Milele Children's Choir

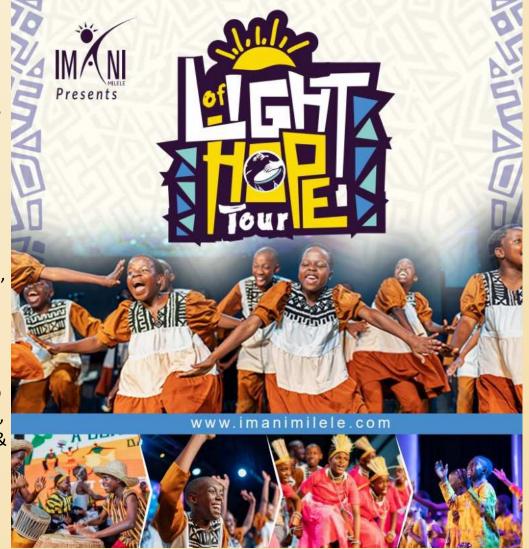
Share Calvary

Be sure to "share" our Church's weekly worship services with your friends on Facebook. This is a great way to reach out to friends and family near and far.

Imani Milele Children's Choir

Wednesday, May 1st @ 6pm (doors open at 5:15pm). Since 2013, Imani Milele Choirs have toured the U.S. (with a different set of children for each choir group) performing at over 600 concerts collectively ever since. For about eight months out of the year, the choir tours all over

the U.S. performing at churches, schools, organizations, private concerts, and many more venues, bringing their unique sound and infectious joy wherever they travel! The high-energy concerts are so electrifying, that being at one of them will exhilarate you as you watch these amazing children perform well-crafted dances, songs, African drum routines, and much more. We are excited to host this choir again! There will be ways you can plug-in to help us host this choir two nights, around 30 people, May 1st & 2nd, and help us get the word out to our community. Mark your calendar!



March Hands-On Missions Opportunity

Our monthly Hands-On Missions event last month supporting the great work at Transformation Village. The folks at Calvary were indeed the hands and feet of Christ. Thanks to all those who cooked and served! A great time was had by all!









Jim's Retirement

On Sunday, February 18, Jim Burnett announced his retirement from Calvary. His last official Sunday on staff will be Sunday, April 21. We will be planning a luncheon to honor Jim and Barbara on **Sunday, April 21** following worship in the Learning Center. The meal will be Moe's BBQ - requested donation of \$10/person. Between now and then, you will have opportunity to express your love and appreciation to Jim for his 10+ years at Calvary. Our hope is that after some time



away, that we will continue to enjoy the fellowship of having Jim and Barbara as part of our church family. We love you, Jim and Barbara!

April Hands - On Missions Opportunity

On **Saturday, April 13,** from 9am-12pm, Calvary will be having a clothing giveaway. We are collecting men's, women's or children's clothing, shoes, accessories, etc. Clothes can be placed in Sunday School room H-4, located off The Hub. Cindy can also pick up donations. Contact Cindy Thornton @ 828 -280 -6682. We need volunteers to greet the community as they come in and to help clean up and rearrange tables. Volunteers need to be there by 8:45.

Tuesday, April 2 from 10am-12pm, we need 3 to 4 volunteers to assist in sorting clothes for the giveaway.

Thursday April 11 (time to be determined), we need 3 to 4 volunteers to carry clothes from the educational building to the Learning Center and move table and chairs.

Friday April 12 (time to be determined), we need 4 to 6 volunteers to place clothing on the tables.

There is a sign-up sheet on the Connection Table. Please let Cindy know if you have any questions.

Thank you!





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Calvary Church Parking

For those who are able, please consider parking in the "Calvary Church" designated parking spots behind the church building. There are several spots that are marked with a "Calvary Church" sign near the rear Bell Tower entrance as well as to the side of the Candler Center along Baker Street. You may also find unmarked Calvary Church parking in the front Bell Tower lot, alongside the Education Building, and in the Baker Street lot.



Remember Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes. This month, look for items such as small stuffed animals, toothbrushes, soap, or anything else that might be appropriate for the shoeboxes.

Happy Hunting!

Tom Mattox



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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2024 April

| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
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| | 1 | 2 | 3 | Men's Prayer Breakfast 7:30am Chick-Fil-A Smokey Park Hwy | 5 | 6 |
| And the second | | | 6:15-8:30 Worship Team Rehearsal | | | |
| 9:20 Prayer 7 9:30 Bible Study 10:30 Worship | 8 | Deacon Meeting 4pm LC | Ladies Prayer Breakfast 7:30am Chick-Fil-A Smokey Park Hwy 6:15-8:30 Worship Team Rehearsal | 11 | 12 | Clothing Giveaway 9-Noon |
| 9:20 Prayer 14 9:30 Bible Study 10:30 Worship | 15 | 16 | 17 Leadership Team 1 pm LC | 18 | 19 | 20 |
| | | | 6:15-8:30 Worship Team Rehearsal | | | |
| 9:20 Prayer 21 9:30 Bible Study 10:30 Worship | CrossPoints 22 Deadline | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 |
| Celebration Luncheon for Jim Burnett | | | 6:15-8:30 Worship Team Rehearsal | | | |
| 9:20 Prayer 28 9:30 Bible Study 10:30 Worship | 29 | 30 | 6:00-7:30pm Imani Milele Children's Choir | 2 | Deacon for April: Katha Tasios 828-279-3933 Ushers for April: Katha Tasios/Kim Pot | eat |

Calvary Prayer List Alverta Bolick Home

Deacons & Leadership Team Jean Rice

Dan & Margaret Bradshaw

Betty Carter Mary Ruth Duyck

Cami Green

Rick & Janie Green Floyd & Donna Hilemon

Hipps Family Neva Hancock Sam Hocking McGinnis Family **Edith Middleton**

Mustafa Family

Nichols Family Debbie Nix Pam Rice

Barbara Roberts Geana Rollins Smith Family **Smallan Family** Pat Stillwell

Don & Kayla Welborn **Wyatt Family**

Other Concerns

Canterbury Classical School

Robert Atwater Pat & Barbara Bailev Kim Brantley Margie Browning **Evelyn Carter** Joan Cook Libba Feichter Maria Fire Elijah Frisby Shirley Gay **Nick Givens** Kimberly Hanna

Keith & Betty Sue Haywood

Gayle Jenkins Pat Millard Sue Morgan Chris Pafford

Lynn Queen Brenda Reese William Richardson

Joella Rigsby Bill Rice

Sean Robinson

Donald & Kevin Robinson

Anna Shelley Robert Shelton Jerry Sprinkle Pam Sprinkle Phillip Taylor Tennant Daughter

Deb Welborn Suzanne Yount

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

Apr 07 Gary Smallan

Butch Stillwell Apr 14 **Katha Tasios** Apr 21

Apr 28 **Bruce Farlow**

eclare His glory among the nations, His marvelous deeds among all peoples. Psalm 96:3

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.

April Birthdays

04 Madison Elkin

05 Jennie Dalton

11 Desiree Gamble

13 Barbara Burnett

16 Brenda Reese

16 Gail Hallman

18 Lennie Thornton

19 Katie Nix

21 Harry Ponder

29 Gary Smallan



April Anniversaries

15 Lin & Ginny Berrier 16 Rick & Janie Green

