

**PRESCHOOL EXTENDED SESSION**

**10:30 AM WORSHIP (May 2)**

**PRESCHOOL I:** Marlene Allen, Amy Allen

**PRESCHOOL II:** Cheryl Gibson, Priscilla Little

**PRESCHOOL III:** James Karnes, Susan Baxter

**USHERS (May 2)**

Mike Trent, Chairman

Larry Johnson, Jeff Barton,

Chad Shanks, Tim Bass

**VACATION BIBLE  
SCHOOL  
June 7 - 11  
9:00 AM - 12:30 PM**

**GREETERS (May 2)**

Devie & Crystal Owens, Phyllis Sipe,

David & Yvonne Raden

**MAY 3 VISITATION- Deacon Representatives**

Joel Calloway, Bill Orrick

**And the People Came . . . (April 25, 2010)**

Sunday School	151
Bible Study (B. Seymour)	90
Homebound	1
SONshine Seniors Bible Study (Fri.)	10
Total in Bible Study last week	252

**And the People Gave . . . (April 25, 2010)**

Weekly Requirements	\$ 9,823.26
Received April 25	\$ 11,530.71
Designated April 25	\$ 3,173.07

Our church is supported by tithes and free-will offerings.

It is the privilege of all members to give regularly as God has prospered.

**GUATEMALA MISSION TRIP**

**June 25 – July 2**

Please pray daily for these volunteers as they prepare for the mission trip to Guatemala. Pray for their spiritual growth as they prepare to witness to others. Also, pray that God will guide each step and help them to complete their tasks according to His will and plan for this mission project.

A Baby Shower in Honor of  
*Stacey Raden Travis*

Sunday, May 2, 2010

2:00 pm until 4:00 pm

Calvary Baptist Activities Building

IT'S A BOY!

Registered at: Babies R Us & Target's

Cowboy Church (SBA) is seeking talented musicians to serve God in music ministry – Country Gospel or Bluegrass Gospel group. Thursday nights, weekly, or at least twice monthly. Let God use your talents to reach people for Christ! Contact Dan Peterson, 423-323-3673 or ddrjp@embarqmail.com.

**Galvary Baptist Church**

Pastor:	Dr. Donnie C. Brannen
Music/Education:	Rev. D. Mikel Caywood
Children /Youth:	Rev. Jon Hoover
Secretary:	Jennifer Ramey
Organist:	Frances Mooney
Pianist:	Debbie Johnson
Keyboard:	Lemuel Mixon
Drummer:	Brian Shoemaker
Parish Nurse:	Barbara Bowling, RN

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*Filled with compassion Jesus reached out and touched the man. – Mark 1:41*

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**Schedule of Ministry**

**Sunday, May 2**

**SENIOR ADULT DAY**

**9:15 AM Bible Study**

**10:30 AM Morning Worship**

**4:45 PM Instrumental Praise Ensemble (Rutledge Class)**

**5PM– 6 PM Blood Pressure Screening (P. Nurse Office)**

**5:30 PM The Refinery**

**5:45 PM Pioneer Club (FH)**

**6:30 PM Evening Worship**

**Monday, May 3**

**6:30 pm Visitation**

**Wednesday, May 5**

**6:15 PM Handbells**

**6:30 PM Older RAs, RAs, Acteens, GAs & M. Friends**

**6:30 PM Prayer Meeting**

**7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal**

**Friday, May 7**

**12:00 Noon SONshine Seniors Bible Study (CH)**

*We welcome Kimberly Clanton & Sharon Bailey as new members to our church. We join with them in celebrating the special commitment they have made. May they feel God's love and presence among the Calvary Church family.*

## NO GENERATION GAPS!

As I began thinking about my article this week, I was thinking of the last two weeks and the next two weeks of Sunday morning worship. Two weeks ago, we had the final service of our Youth Discipleship Now weekend, followed by their sharing in the Sunday evening service. This coming Sunday, May 2, we will honor our senior adults, many of whom have served faithfully as members here for decades. Then, on May 9, Mother's Day, we will dedicate the newborns that God has brought into our family here at Calvary. What tremendous contrasts. But how appropriate! Generation gaps are for the world, not the church. The Bible calls younger people to respect the older ones, and it calls those who are older to be mentors to the young, both the physically young and the young in the faith. Psalm 71:17-18 says, *"O God, you have taught me from my youth, and I still declare your wondrous deeds. And even when I am old and gray, O God, do not forsake me, until I declare your strength to this generation, your power to all who are to come."* As a song of a few years ago put it, "May all who come behind us find us faithful. May the fire of our devotion light their way. May the footprints that we leave lead them to believe and the lives we live inspire them to obey."

As I think back over the course of my life, I can't help but be thankful for all those (many of whom are in heaven now) who gave of their time, their treasure and their talents to sow into my life the seed that sprouted when I came to Christ, and then nurtured that sprout to maturity and fruit-bearing. Other people may have more "colorful" testimonies of being rescued from deep pits of degradation, but whenever I hear such testimonies; my heart is filled with praise for how God kept me from so many such troubles by saving me as a 9-year-old boy. As we think of our responsibilities to those who come behind us, ponder the following poem, written in 1895 by Joseph Malins:

### THE AMBULANCE DOWN IN THE VALLEY

'Twas a dangerous cliff, as they freely confessed,  
Though to walk near its crest was so pleasant;  
But over its terrible edge there had slipped  
A duke and full many a peasant.  
So the people said something would have to be done,  
But their projects did not at all tally;

Some said, "Put a fence 'round the edge of the cliff,"  
Some, "An ambulance down in the valley."

But the cry for the ambulance carried the day,  
For it spread through the neighboring city;  
A fence may be useful or not, it is true,  
But each heart became full of pity  
For those who slipped over the dangerous cliff;  
And the dwellers in highway and alley  
Gave pounds and gave pence, not to put up a fence,  
But an ambulance down in the valley.

"For the cliff is all right, if you're careful," they said,  
"And, if folks even slip and are dropping,  
It isn't the slipping that hurts them so much  
As the shock down below when they're stopping."  
So day after day, as these mishaps occurred,  
Quick forth would those rescuers sally  
To pick up the victims who fell off the cliff,  
With their ambulance down in the valley.

Then an old sage remarked: "It's a marvel to me  
That people give far more attention  
To repairing results than to stopping the cause,  
When they'd much better aim at prevention.  
Let us stop at its source all this mischief," cried he,  
"Come, neighbors and friends, let us rally;  
If the cliff we will fence, we might almost dispense  
With the ambulance down in the valley."

"Oh he's a fanatic," the others rejoined,  
"Dispense with the ambulance? Never!  
He'd dispense with all charities, too, if he could;  
No! No! We'll support them forever.  
Aren't we picking up folks just as fast as they fall?  
And shall this man dictate to us? Shall he?  
Why should people of sense stop to put up a fence,  
While the ambulance works in the valley?"

But the sensible few, who are practical too,  
Will not bear with such nonsense much longer;  
They believe that prevention is better than cure,  
And their party will soon be the stronger.  
Encourage them then, with your purse, voice, and pen,  
And while other philanthropists dally,

They will scorn all pretense, and put up a stout fence  
On the cliff that hangs over the valley.

Better guide well the young than reclaim them when old,  
For the voice of true wisdom is calling.  
"To rescue the fallen is good, but 'tis best  
To prevent other people from falling."  
Better close up the source of temptation and crime  
Than deliver from dungeon or galley;  
Better put a strong fence 'round the top of the cliff  
Than an ambulance down in the valley.

May God bless the fence-builders in our homes, our schools and our church!

Numbers 6:24-26,

Bro. Donnie

## HOSTESS HAPPENINGS

Our next Wednesday Meal will be May 12<sup>th</sup> at 5:30. The menu: Baked Chicken, Potatoes, Green Beans, Coleslaw, Dessert and Drink. **Deadline for reservations will be Monday, May 10<sup>th</sup>**. Cost: Adults - \$5.00; Children (ages 4-10) - \$3.00; Children 3 and under – free.



Help us upgrade the Sanctuary Sound System with this nice new mixer. Mark donations "Sound System" in order to contribute to this effort.