

# AG Calvary News

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We are diving into 2015 with a renewed excitement and expectation. Great things are happening in our community and God is telling us to get our hope set fully on him. He wants to do so much more than we have even yet asked him for.

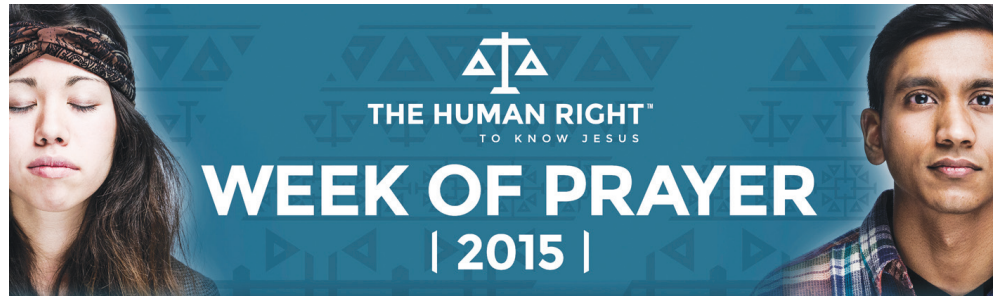
Watch for the new updated web-site to post soon. We are streamlining it for just our monthly events calendar and Pastor Brian's Monday blog. Along with the web-site, Calvary Radio will soon have its own Facebook page for you to connect with Pastor Brian and talk about his weekly radio messages.

Plans for the parking lot are moving forward and we will have preliminary designs posted in the foyer soon. The initial grading revealed we still don't have enough dirt, but so far it has been free. We believe there is more where that came from.

Starting in March, on Wednesday nights we will be presenting the DVD video series entitled **Foundations of Apologetics**. The day is upon us where we must be able to defend what we believe through the Scriptures. Calvary is dedicated to raising strong believers that can both walk AND talk the talk.

Our annual theme for Calvary this year is **"STAND for the TRUTH!"** We need not apologize for being radically committed to the Holy Bible and for its literal, fundamental interpretation. As Pentecostal believers we even need to take it one step further by demonstrating through the power of the Spirit the reality of what is said in God's Word.

Now is the time for standing, because we are standing on the Solid Rock. *"If God be for us who can be against us!"* (Romans 8:31)



**Sunday, January 4th through Saturday, January 10th at 6:00 PM Nightly**

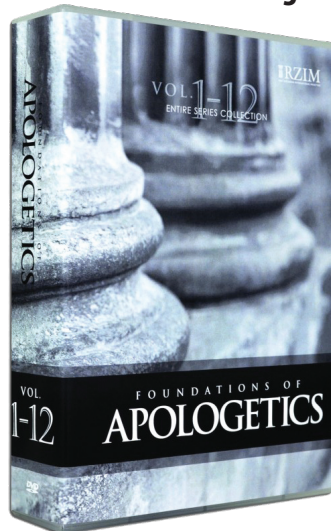
Every January Calvary invests itself in prayer during the Assemblies of God National Week of Prayer. This year's series of nightly meetings will kick-off the new **Weekly Prayer Circle** here at Calvary.

Continuing on the heels of these meetings, every week we will gather on Saturday nights at 6:30 PM in the Prayer Tower for a Weekly Prayer Circle. Each one will bring their concerns and requests before the Lord as we each take turns offering our prayers up to the Lord.

Get involved in the weekly Prayer Circle in 2015 and join us for the National Week of Prayer. This year's theme is **The Human Right: To Know Jesus**. *"But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God."* (John 1:12, ESV) ❖

## Foundations of Apologetics DVD Video Series by RZIM

**This 13 Week Series Begins March 4th at 6:00 PM**



Prepare now to set aside each Wednesday night beginning in March so you can learn to defend your faith with the Word of God. We live in a society today that seems to be challenging many of the long-standing truths in the Word of God. As believers, part of our task of witnessing is teaching people these eternal truths of Scripture. These video sessions will help you focus in on the foundations of our faith and teach you the basics of apologetics.

The etymology of the Greek word *apologia* comes from the root word *apologos*, meaning *a story*. Apologetics means to persuasively explain and defend your faith against accusation. Learn to tell *your story* by joining us for this in-depth course. You can learn more at [www.RZIM.org](http://www.RZIM.org). ❖

Thanks to everyone who helped make our recent events such successes. We greatly enjoy the holiday season and the times of fellowship it affords for the members of our church. All of our activities, the Christmas Fellowship Dinner, the Advent Candlelight Service, the Monthly Worship and Communion Service, and the Watch Night Service were well attended and such times of blessing in the presence of the Lord.



Pastor Brian and Susan Jenkins

**G**od is simply amazing. He continues to confirm to us that Calvary has a great purpose in these last days and in this community. This month I have to tell you a story of his goodness and the joy you will find in simply trusting him.

At the end of every year the Board of Trustees of Calvary sit down in meetings to discuss our membership and budget. This is in preparation for our annual membership meeting in March of every year. First we update our membership roster, removing those who have left or those who have died and adding our new ones who have come. Then we move onto our budget.

This time we noted that those who have gone on to be with the Lord were major contributors to our church and their passing affected our budget. That in and of itself is a testimony to them.

At our November meeting, when I am to present my budget and we finalize a membership roster, I told the board that because of these things I had not finalized my budget yet. We would have to find about \$3,500.00 in cuts to make up for the expected differences in offerings due to members who had passed. I told them I needed more time to find where we could cut our budget. They said that was fine with them and I set about to figure it all out.

I approached Pastor Sonny in December and said I had an idea about simply paying off the church with the cash we had on hand, then next year the absence of

mortgage payments would more than make up for the short fall. We were paying \$565.00 a month on the mortgage. Removing this one expense would save us almost \$6,800.00 in 2015 alone.

He said I could check into what it would entail to refinance or payoff our note. When I sat down with the bank I discovered we could also save an additional \$4,300.00 in interest and appraisal charges if we paid it off by the end of the year. It seemed good to the board, so we sent Sharon Pettie down to the bank with a check for \$28,000.00 to pay off our church's mortgage.

We still had some cash left and we had more than reduced our 2015 budget so we could begin replacing what we had drawn out. Everything seemed to be good and I would present my revised budget to the Board of Trustees in our February meeting, still in time for our membership meeting in March.

**Then God steps in.** I want you to know we pray over every step we take. I had been in the Prayer Tower over this matter several times and felt such a peace as I talked with God about it. Also, it was just wisdom to save money, reduce our expenses, and be debt-free as a church. However, the Lord sent us a confirmation we had done the right thing that blew everyone in our church away.

A friend of Calvary, who has helped finance the Prayer Tower renovation project and donated the money to pay for the stained glass window going in the tower, was hearing from the Lord also. At the same time we were paying off the church, he was sending us a \$20,000.00 check just to bless our church. He was raised at Calvary, as many people were back then, and God has granted him to have a heart for what we are trying to do here in this community through the church.

When I came to Calvary a few years ago, there was a serious need for repairs and updates throughout our facilities. Everything from the roof to the electrical system needed replacing. So we just dug in and got started.

Of course the church already had a \$19,000.00 note on repairs, but to reroof Dean Hall with metal would bring that total to \$48,000.00. The church gave their approval and we stopped further water damage to the building with a new metal roof. Then we began renovating the insides of the church.

My original plan was to move through this process in 5 years and get the church up to snuff again. However, as I envisioned what needed to be done the Lord began to move upon me to go even further and prepare Calvary for a new generation. The first thing was the Prayer Tower and now we are in the process of building a paved parking lot for 32 cars. Other things we have done along the way are to construct two new classrooms and build a stairwell to the second floor of Dean Hall. When this is completed, we will have 1,600 new square feet of floor space consisting of five storage rooms and a complete new graphics design studio.

Of course, many have seen the Media Ministries Studio we began three years ago. It already produces service DVD's, our weekly TV Show, and Calvary Radio, heard of Joy FM 88.9 here in Union City every Sunday morning at 8:30 AM.

The Media Ministries also has a web-site in place (where I will resume blogging again this year). We have videos on YouTube and even this newsletter is produced in the studio each month. Along with these things, the Media Studio produces all of our materials used in our church for education and our weekly publications, like the Sunday church bulletin.

God is amazing and his people are pretty wonderful too. Will miracles never cease? No. Will we continue to expect them? Yes. And even when we are not, God steps in and blesses us beyond all expectations. 2015 is a year for us to renew our hopes and expect even more from the Lord. Let's expect a fresh outpouring of his Spirit upon us to help us stand against every thing that would hinder his work in us and through us. ❖

# January 2015 Calvary Activities Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><b>28</b> Calvary Radio No. 250 - 8:30 AM Sunday School - 9:00 AM Pastor's Prayer Team - 10:00 AM Worship Service - 10:15 AM <b>Set Your Hope</b> Worship and Communion - 6:00 PM</p>	<p><b>29</b> Pastor's Weekly Blog No. 2 <b>Prayer Tower Service</b>- 6:00 PM</p>	<p><b>30</b> Hoosier Place Seniors' Café - 11:30 AM <b>Prayer Tower Service</b>- 6:00 PM</p>	<p><b>31 New Year's Eve</b> <b>Watch Night Fellowship</b> - 8:00 PM (Games, Snacks, and Midnight Prayer) Calvary TV No. 1 - 9:00 PM</p>	<p><b>1 New Year's Day</b> January Newsletter Deadline <b>Gene and Sue Welch (A)</b></p>	<p><b>2</b> January Calvary News Mails First Fridays Social - 5:15 PM</p>	<p><b>3</b> Worship Practice - 5:00 PM Calvary TV No. 1 - 9:00 PM <b>Butch Stumpff (DB)</b></p>
<p><b>4 Missions Sunday</b> Calvary Radio No. 251 - 8:30 AM Sunday School - 9:00 AM Pastor's Prayer Team - 10:00 AM Worship Service - 10:15 AM <b>Prayer: Plan, Purpose, Power</b> <b>Prayer Tower Service</b>- 6:00 PM</p>	<p><b>5</b> <b>New Website Posts</b> Pastor's Weekly Blog Resumes (No. 1) <b>Prayer Tower Service</b>- 6:00 PM</p>	<p><b>6</b> <b>2014 Contribution Statements Mail</b> Hoosier Place Seniors' Café - 11:30 AM <b>Prayer Tower Service</b>- 6:00 PM</p>	<p><b>7</b> Hoosier Place Seniors' Café - 11:30 AM Senior's Bible Study - 12:30 PM <b>Prayer Tower Service</b>- 6:00 PM Calvary TV No. 2 - 9:00 PM</p>	<p><b>8</b> Hoosier Place Seniors' Café - 11:30 AM <b>Prayer Tower Service</b>- 6:00 PM</p>	<p><b>9</b> <b>Prayer Tower Service</b>- 6:00 PM <b>Darlene Larison (B)</b></p>	<p><b>10</b> Worship Practice - 5:00 PM <b>Prayer Tower Service</b>- 6:00 PM Calvary TV No. 2 - 9:00 PM</p>
<b>National Week of Prayer</b>						
<p><b>11</b> Calvary Radio No. 252 - 8:30 AM Sunday School - 9:00 AM Pastor's Prayer Team - 10:00 AM Worship Service - 10:15 AM <b>The Stand 1 of 3: Stand Up</b> <b>Assisted Care Service</b> - 2:00 PM AG Doctrines 1-4 / <b>Baptism</b> - 6:00 PM</p>	<p><b>12</b> Pastor's Weekly Blog No. 2</p>	<p><b>13</b> Hoosier Place Seniors' Café - 11:30 AM Ladies' Bible Study Resumes - 6:30 PM Men's Fellowship Resumes - 6:30 PM</p>	<p><b>14</b> Hoosier Place Seniors' Café - 11:30 AM Senior's Bible Study - 12:30 PM <b>The Apostle of Love Study</b> - 6:00 PM Calvary TV No. 3 - 9:00 PM</p>	<p><b>15</b> Hoosier Place Seniors' Café - 11:30 AM The River Bible Study Begins - 7:00 PM</p>	<p><b>16</b> <b>Dick Kepner (B)</b></p>	<p><b>17</b> Men's Fraternity Resumes - 9:00 AM Worship Practice - 5:00 PM <b>Weekly Prayer Circle No. 1</b> - 6:30 PM Calvary TV No. 3 - 9:00 PM</p>
<p><b>18</b> Calvary Radio No. 253 - 8:30 AM Sunday School - 9:00 AM Pastor's Prayer Team - 10:00 AM Worship Service - 10:15 AM <b>The Stand 2 of 3: Stand Firm</b> AG Doctrines 5-8 - 6:00 PM</p>	<p><b>19</b> Pastor's Weekly Blog No. 3</p>	<p><b>20</b> <b>Pastor's Ministry Group</b> - 11:00 AM (Freedom Life, Winchester) Hoosier Place Seniors' Café - 11:30 AM Ladies' Bible Study - 6:30 PM Men's Fellowship - 6:30 PM</p>	<p><b>21</b> Hoosier Place Seniors' Café - 11:30 AM Senior's Bible Study - 12:30 PM <b>Local Pastors' Lunch</b> - 12:30 PM <b>The Apostle of Love Study</b> - 6:00 PM Calvary TV No. 4 - 9:00 PM</p>	<p><b>22</b> Hoosier Place Seniors' Café - 11:30 AM The River Bible Study - 7:00 PM</p>	<p><b>23</b> <b>Angie Burk (B)</b></p>	<p><b>24</b> Men's Fraternity - 9:00 AM Worship Practice - 5:00 PM <b>Weekly Prayer Circle No. 2</b> - 6:30 PM Calvary TV No. 4 - 9:00 PM</p>
<p><b>25</b> Calvary Radio No. 254 - 8:30 AM Sunday School - 9:00 AM Pastor's Prayer Team - 10:00 AM Worship Service - 10:15 AM <b>The Stand 3 of 3: Stand Out</b> Worship and Communion - 6:00 PM</p>	<p><b>26</b> Pastor's Weekly Blog No. 4</p>	<p><b>27</b> Hoosier Place Seniors' Café - 11:30 AM Ladies' Bible Study - 6:30 PM Men's Fellowship - 6:30 PM <b>Dave Cornell (DB)</b></p>	<p><b>28</b> Hoosier Place Seniors' Café - 11:30 AM Senior's Bible Study - 12:30 PM <b>The Apostle of Love Study</b> - 6:00 PM Calvary TV No. 5 - 9:00 PM <b>Christina Welch (B)</b></p>	<p><b>29</b> Hoosier Place Seniors' Café - 11:30 AM The River Bible Study - 7:00 PM</p>	<p><b>30 ISOM</b> <b>Steve Burk (B)</b></p>	<p><b>31 ISOM</b> Men's Fraternity - 9:00 AM Worship Practice - 5:00 PM <b>Weekly Prayer Circle No. 3</b> - 6:30 PM Calvary TV No. 5 - 9:00 PM</p>
<p><b>1 Missions Sunday</b> Calvary Radio No. 255 - 8:30 AM Sunday School - 9:00 AM Pastor's Prayer Team - 10:00 AM Worship Service - 10:15 AM Evening Service - 6:00 PM</p>	<p><b>2</b> Pastor's Weekly Blog No. 5</p>	<p><b>3</b> Hoosier Place Seniors' Café - 11:30 AM Ladies' Bible Study - 6:30 PM Men's Fellowship - 6:30 PM</p>	<p><b>4</b> Hoosier Place Seniors' Café - 11:30 AM Senior's Bible Study - 12:30 PM Evening Service - 6:00 PM Calvary TV No. 6 - 9:00 PM</p>	<p><b>5</b> Hoosier Place Seniors' Café - 11:30 AM The River Bible Study - 7:00 PM</p>	<p><b>6</b> First Fridays - 5:15 PM</p>	<p><b>7</b> Men's Fraternity - 9:00 AM Worship Practice - 5:00 PM <b>Weekly Prayer Circle No. 4</b> - 6:30 PM Calvary TV No. 6 - 9:00 PM</p>



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 TO KNOW JESUS

**WEEK OF PRAYER**  
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JOHN 1:12, ESV



# January 2015

## January's Wednesday Night Study The Apostle of Love

We will spend three Wednesday nights in January looking at the books of 1st, 2nd, and 3rd John. Our focus will be what we can learn about the love God has for us and how we can demonstrate that love to one another. Join us beginning Wednesday, January 14th at 6:00 PM. ❖

**Pastor Brian's January Messages:**

**Prayer | Sunday, January 4th**  
*The Plan, the Purpose, and the Power*

**The Stand 1 of 3 | Sunday, January 11th**  
*Stand Up - Learning of the Truth*

**The Stand 2 of 3 | Sunday, January 18th**  
*Stand Firm - Living in the Truth*

**The Stand 3 of 3 | Sunday, January 25th**  
*Stand Out - Leading with the Truth*

## Weekly Service Schedule

<b>Sunday</b>	
Christian Education .....	9:00 AM
Pastor's Prayer Team .....	10:00 AM
Worship Service .....	10:15 AM
Evening Service.....	6:00 PM
<b>Tuesday</b>	
Men's Fellowship.....	6:30 PM
Ladies Bible Study.....	6:30 PM
<b>Wednesday</b>	
Evening Service.....	6:00 PM
<b>Saturday</b>	
Weekly Prayer Circle .....	6:30 PM

*DVD's, CD's and MP3's are available of our services free of charge upon request. Forms are available in the foyer.*

*If you would like to receive this monthly newsletter in the mail each month, just let us know. It is also available in PDF format to your email. It's free!*

## Prayer Guide

### For the National Week of Prayer

**Sunday, January 4th**

Pray that all Christ-followers will understand that to know Jesus Christ as Savior is the basic right of every child, youth, and adult on earth.

**Monday, January 5th**

Pray that the silence of apathy and complacency will be broken as Christians across the nation share their faith with people who do not know Christ.

**Tuesday, January 6th**

Pray that the present generation of youth will abide in Jesus, abandon their will to Him, and advocate for the lost, setting an example for all generations to follow.

**Wednesday, January 7th**

Pray that intercessors will arise who pray earnestly for the lost and then share the gospel with them at every opportunity.

**Thursday, January 8th**

Pray that all Christ-followers will become passionate about seeing people in every country and culture come to truly know Jesus.

**Friday, January 9th**

Pray that a powerful move of the Holy Spirit will accelerate this church toward the greatest evangelism the world has ever known.

**Saturday, January 10th**

Pray that this generation will fulfill the Great Commission.

**Calvary Radio**  
 Sundays at 8:30 AM of Joy FM 88.9

**Calvary TV**  
 Wed. and Sat. at 9:00 PM on Kiss TV Cable Channel 5

**Calvary Online**  
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