

AG Calvary News

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April showers indeed brought May flower this year. We are thankful for the pleasant weather and all the seasonal growth we have seen coming into May. We are also thankful for the new people who have been attending our services at Calvary! May God help us to minister into their lives and see them grow in the things of God also.

On the heels of our March series (*The PRESENCE of the LORD*) and our April series (*SEEK the LORD*), we are excited about this month's preaching series, *The LOVE of GOD*. Too many in our world today are trying to make new definitions about too many things. Those who believe that the Bible is the Word of God understand that within its pages are all the definitions we need to live our lives in a way that is holy, right, and good.

In this new series for May, we are going to look at what the Bible says about loving God, loving our brothers in the Lord, and loving those in this world. Is there a difference? What responsibility do we have to the church? How do we love those who are lost? We will see just what the Bible says about love regarding these areas and more.

Our *Foundations of Apologetics* video series will end the last Wednesday night of May. Afterward we will go into a 13-week verse by verse study of Psalm 119. This Psalm will focus us on the importance of the Bible in our everyday lives.

To insure that we are not swept away in error or sin, we must have a firm knowledge of what the Bible teaches us about how we should live as believers. Let us continue to hold to the truth that the Bible is not only our rule of faith and doctrine, but the guide to our behavior as well. ❖

Mother's Day at Calvary Sunday, May 10th at 10:15 AM

Special Service Honoring Our Mother's

This year's Mother's Day Service will endeavor to bless these very special ladies and honor all of our mothers for their labor of love. As always, we remember those mothers who have departed children and we will pray all our children will receive the Lord Jesus as their Savior. ❖



Community Good Friday Service Report

It was another wonderful time together with our local community churches and ministers at this year's Community Good Friday service sponsored by the Union City Minister's Association. Several new pastors were involved in ministering at this year's service held once again at Trinity Lutheran Church.

Pictured above, left to right: Pastor Shawn Hamilton of the South Salem Church of Christ, Pastor Geoff Grow of Wesley United Methodist Church, Pastor Brian Jenkins of Calvary Assemblies of God, Pastor Gill Krouse of Trinity Lutheran Church, Pastor Scott Thomas of New Hope Christian Fellowship, and Pastor Nick Philiposian of Daystar Grace Brethren Church. ❖



Easter Sunday Service Hat Contest Report

Once again Sadie walked off with the best overall Easter hat during this year's Easter Service at Calvary.

This year we gave away trophies filled with jelly beans in several different categories: Best Overall Easter Hat, Sadie Wimbley; Most Flamboyant Hat, Diana Cornell; Most Creative, Susan Jenkins; Silliest Hat, Nancy Brown; Most Beautiful Hat, Sadie Wimbley (again); Most Fabulous Hat, Diana Cornell (again); Most Unusual Hat, Ceceil Jess; Most Outlandish Hat, Kathy Davis; and Cutest Hat, Becca Hutchison.



Latch-Hook Rug Commemorates Easter Sunday

One of our new friends at Calvary presented his work of love to us on Easter Sunday. James Mundell created this

original latch-hook rug depicting the three crosses of Calvary.

James started coming to Calvary through the ministry of Steve and Donna Burk, who run the lunch program for LifeStream at the Hoosier Place on Walnut Street. ❖



Pastor Brian and Susan Jenkins

I've been enjoying the new 12-week mini-series *A. D. The Bible Continues* on NBC each Sunday night at 9:00 PM. To go along with it we have been doing weekly video clips and teachings around the topics covered in each episode. The series is well done and has gained much support among the Christian community. Viewership has been very high so far.

At Calvary we purchased the media kit from the Assemblies of God that goes along with the series and I am reading the accompanying guidebook. It is filled with additional historical facts and is a lot like reading a scaled down commentary on the book of Acts. All in all it has been a great conversation starter for the people of our church and my prayer is that it will draw more attention to the Bible once again.

There are many people today who get hooked on a book because they initially saw a movie or TV show based on a book. There was something in the program that interested them and they wanted to know more or they wanted the complete author's view on the subject. I pray this is true about *A. D.*

Anything that gets people to pick up their Bible and read is a good thing. God speaks through his Word. At Calvary we have been discussing the episodes of *A. D.* in Sunday School, in church, and even in the foyer before and after services. It is good to be pre-

pared to answer anyone who may have a question about what they viewed on TV. Our answers may lead someone to faith in Jesus Christ.

As summer approaches we are once again going to emphasize the importance of the Word at Calvary. When I first came here as pastor I began supplying annual reading guides for the Bible. Last Sunday night one of our congregation said he had read through the Bible three times now. My heart jumped for joy and we all applauded.

We have been deeply into doctrine (and even apologetics) for several months here at Calvary. However, we need to attach what we believe more directly to what we read in the Scriptures. This provides us with two things. One, an ability to share with others out of the Bible why we believe what we believe. Two, a faith based on biblical knowledge, rather than just the teachings of men.

To promote these, I am going to start a new thing over the summer and place all of this kind of ministry in it. I call it *The D.O.G. Days of Summer*. D.O.G. stands for Doctrines Of God. In the same way we teach our children about the Bible in Vacation Bible School, we are going to take everyone through eight weeks of Bible School through the summer starting Sunday night July 12th.

For eight weeks each summer (during dog days) we will focus on important doctrines which are under attack these days—the deity of the Lord Jesus, his virgin birth, the Trinity of God, and

others. We need to be able to show people in their Bibles where these doctrines come from. We need to skillfully handle the Word of Truth.

So from Sunday night, July 12th, through Sunday night, August 30th, we will be opening our Bibles and looking at what the Word teaches us about these important things.

We live in times where each of us needs to be an able minister of the Gospel. It seems that everyone you meet has an opinion about the Bible and what it says, but the truth is, they have never read it for themselves. We need to be able to show them what the Bible says about the things they have heard on TV, on the internet, and from books about the Bible. May God, through us, allow his Word to speak for itself, like never before.

"The unfolding of your words gives light; it gives understanding to the simple."

Psalms 119:130, NIV.

Along with *The D.O.G. Days of Summer*, I will be teaching another verse by verse series through Psalm 119. This Psalm is like a daily devotional to emphasize the importance of the Word in our lives. We will look at this Psalm in detail and learn some Hebrew in the process. Each stanza of this Psalm begins with a letter of the Hebrew alphabet, helping us to remember and find what we need.

I will share this verse by verse study of Psalm 119 on Wednesday nights beginning June 3rd. We will end it the same week *D.O.G. Days* ends—Wednesday night, August 26th.

Our annual Church-wide Cookout will be Sunday, July 5th at 2:00 PM in Harter Park in the main shelter house. We will dedicate this as our kick-off each year to *The D.O.G. Days of Summer*. We will have a great time over the summer with a more personal focus on the Word of God. Each session will have question and answer times. I will put out a list of the doctrines we will cover as *D.O.G. Days* approaches. ❖



May 2015 Calvary Activities Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26 Calvary Radio No. 267 - 8:30 AM Sunday School - 9:00 AM Pastor's Prayer Team - 10:00 AM Worship Service - 10:15 AM SEEK the LORD: 3 of 3 A. D. Preview 4 of 12 - 6:00 PM (includes communion service)	27 Pastor's Weekly Blog No. 17 May Newsletter Production Day	28 Hoosier Place Seniors' Café - 11:30 AM Ladies' Bible Study - 6:30 PM Men's Fellowship - 6:30 PM May Newsletter Mails	29 Hoosier Place Seniors' Café - 11:30 AM Senior's Bible Study - 12:30 PM Foundations of Apologetics - 6:00 PM Calvary TV No. 18 - 9:00 PM	30 Hoosier Place Seniors' Café - 11:30 AM The River Bible Study - 7:00 PM Sadie Wimbley (B)	1 First Fridays - 5:15 PM	2 Worship Practice - 5:00 PM Weekly Prayer Circle No. 16 - 6:30 PM Calvary TV No. 18 - 9:00 PM Joyce Harter (B)
3 Missions Sunday Calvary Radio No. 268 - 8:30 AM Sunday School - 9:00 AM Pastor's Prayer Team - 10:00 AM Worship Service - 10:15 AM Our HEART for MISSIONS Missionary Jason Morrison - 6:00 PM (Includes A. D. Preview 5 of 12)	4 Pastor's Weekly Blog No. 18	5 Hoosier Place Seniors' Café - 11:30 AM Ladies' Bible Study - 6:30 PM Men's Fellowship - 6:30 PM	6 Hoosier Place Seniors' Café - 11:30 AM Senior's Bible Study - 12:30 PM Foundations of Apologetics - 6:00 PM Calvary TV No. 19 - 9:00 PM	7 National Day of Prayer Hoosier Place Seniors' Café - 11:30 AM Community Prayer Service - 12:00 PM (Community Gardens Downtown) The River Bible Study - 7:00 PM	8 Worship Practice - 5:00 PM Weekly Prayer Circle No. 17 - 6:30 PM Calvary TV No. 19 - 9:00 PM	9 Worship Practice - 5:00 PM Weekly Prayer Circle No. 17 - 6:30 PM Calvary TV No. 19 - 9:00 PM
10 Mother's Day Calvary Radio No. 269 - 8:30 AM Sunday School - 9:00 AM Pastor's Prayer Team - 10:00 AM Worship Service - 10:15 AM Mother's Day Service A. D. Preview 6 of 12 - 6:00 PM Terry Welch (B)	11 Pastor's Weekly Blog No. 19	12 Pastor's Ministry Group - 11:00 AM (Banner Christian in Portland) Hoosier Place Seniors' Café - 11:30 AM Ladies' Bible Study - 6:30 PM Men's Fellowship - 6:30 PM Rosie Hill (B)	13 Hoosier Place Seniors' Café - 11:30 AM Senior's Bible Study - 12:30 PM Foundations of Apologetics - 6:00 PM Calvary TV No. 20 - 9:00 PM	14 Hoosier Place Seniors' Café - 11:30 AM The River Bible Study - 7:00 PM	15 Worship Practice - 5:00 PM Weekly Prayer Circle No. 18 - 6:30 PM Calvary TV No. 20 - 9:00 PM	16 Worship Practice - 5:00 PM Weekly Prayer Circle No. 18 - 6:30 PM Calvary TV No. 20 - 9:00 PM
17 Calvary Radio No. 270 - 8:30 AM Sunday School - 9:00 AM Pastor's Prayer Team - 10:00 AM Worship Service - 10:15 AM The LOVE of GOD 1 of 3 A. D. Preview 7 of 12 - 6:00 PM	18 Pastor's Weekly Blog No. 20	19 Hoosier Place Seniors' Café - 11:30 AM Ladies' Bible Study - 6:30 PM Men's Fellowship - 6:30 PM	20 Hoosier Place Seniors' Café - 11:30 AM Senior's Bible Study - 12:30 PM Local Pastor's Lunch - 12:30 PM Foundations of Apologetics - 6:00 PM Calvary TV No. 21 - 9:00 PM	21 Hoosier Place Seniors' Café - 11:30 AM The River Bible Study - 7:00 PM	22 Worship Practice - 5:00 PM Bill Parks (B)	23 Worship Practice - 5:00 PM Weekly Prayer Circle No. 19 - 6:30 PM Calvary TV No. 21 - 9:00 PM
24 Pentecost Sunday Calvary Radio No. 271 - 8:30 AM Sunday School - 9:00 AM Pastor's Prayer Team - 10:00 AM Worship Service - 10:15 AM The LOVE of GOD 2 of 3 A. D. Preview 8 of 12 - 6:00 PM	25 Pastor's Weekly Blog No. 21 May Newsletter Production Day	26 Hoosier Place Seniors' Café - 11:30 AM Ladies' Bible Study - 6:30 PM Men's Fellowship - 6:30 PM May Newsletter Mails	27 Hoosier Place Seniors' Café - 11:30 AM Senior's Bible Study - 12:30 PM Foundations of Apologetics - 6:00 PM Calvary TV No. 22 - 9:00 PM	28 Hoosier Place Seniors' Café - 11:30 AM The River Bible Study - 7:00 PM	29 ISOM Senior's Fellowship - 6:30 PM Mike Sanders (B)	30 ISOM Worship Practice - 5:00 PM Weekly Prayer Circle No. 20 - 6:30 PM Calvary TV No. 22 - 9:00 PM
31 Calvary Radio No. 272 - 8:30 AM Sunday School - 9:00 AM Worship Service - 10:15 AM The LOVE of GOD 3 of 3 A. D. Preview 9 of 12 - 6:00 PM (Includes Communion Service) Jennifer Moore (B)	1 Summer Quarter Begins Pastor's Weekly Blog No. 22 Leon and Rita Mangas (A)	2 Hoosier Place Seniors' Café - 11:30 AM Ladies' Bible Study - 6:30 PM Men's Fellowship - 6:30 PM	3 Hoosier Place Seniors' Café - 11:30 AM Senior's Bible Study - 12:30 PM Psalms 119 Verse by Verse - 6:00 PM Calvary TV No. 23 - 9:00 PM	4 Hoosier Place Seniors' Café - 11:30 AM The River Bible Study - 7:00 PM	5 First Fridays - 5:15 PM	6 Worship Practice - 5:00 PM Weekly Prayer Circle No. 21 - 6:30 PM Calvary TV No. 23 - 9:00 PM

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The LOVE of GOD
 May Preaching Series, 17th, 24th, and 31st

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Weekly Service Schedule

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

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- May Ministry Line Up**
- Missions Sunday, May 3rd**
Our HEART for MISSIONS
Missionary Jason Morrison in Evening Service
Sunday, May 10th
Mother's Day Service
Sunday, May 14th
The LOVE of GOD Series | 1 of 3
Love the Lord
Sunday, May 24th
The LOVE of GOD Series | 2 of 3
Love One Another
Sunday, May 31st
The LOVE of GOD Series | 3 of 3
Love Your Neighbor

National Day of Prayer
Thursday, May 7th at 12:00 PM

Community Gardens Downtown

This year's Community Prayer Service, hosted by the Union City Ministers Association, will be held once again at the Community Gardens on Columbia Street in downtown Union City. We will have several of our community leaders and pastors praying over our nation, our community, our schools and businesses, and our churches and families.

Join us for prayer at noon on Thursday, May 7th. If you cannot attend, then set aside a special time of prayer on this day. If you can join with someone else, then pray together with them for the needs of our nation.

Remember, each Saturday night at 6:30 PM we meet in the Prayer Tower at Calvary for the *Weekly Prayer Circle*. We will lift you up before the Lord in prayer.