



# Calvary Baptist Church Newsletter December 2019

We have just celebrated a time of Thanksgiving and we have so much for which we should be thankful. A wonderful Redeemer, who came, lived among us, died, and rose from the grave to be an everlasting Redeemer.

We have a wonder America where we live in freedom. We can worship the way we choose. Become whatever we dream to be. There are a lot of issues facing America today, but God is still in control of His creation. We need to be faithful and obedient to His mission for each of His children.

We need to share our story of how we came to have a right relationship with God through His Son Jesus Christ. The world needs to hear from us. It is the only way to bring our nation to a place of peace, tolerance and salvation. It's up to each of us to keep our America a place we love to live and serve.

December is a great time to remind us of the humanity of Jesus in His coming as a babe in an humble manger. Born of humbly roots and yet Divine. As you prepare your family for this Incarnation period of worship, read the story of Jesus' birth often to your children and grandchildren. Talk about how He came to be an example of how we can live in right relationship with God, our Creator.

This has been a wonderful year for Carolyn and I. Our family has been healthy and doing well. That leaves us with no excuse for sharing our faith with our world. Our new church family is doing well and has a bright future. We have a number of areas to strengthen like: Bible Study ministry for Children and some sort of regular visitation ministry to touch un-churched lives. I'm delighted Carolyn chose to unite with Calvary Baptist and naturally I join her in having a place we can call home for a while.

We would like to invite all the Calvary Baptist family to our home on Sunday, December 8, 2019 from 3 P.M. to 5 P.M. for a time of fellowship and thankfulness for such a wonderful family. Directions will be in the Worship folder on the 8th. We look forward to having you in our home.

In His Service,  
Pastor Dan

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## Worship Services and Activities

### SUNDAY

9:30 a.m. Pastries and coffee in the fellowship hall

9:45 a.m. Sunday school opening in the Sanctuary

11:00 a.m.: Morning Worship Service

Children's Church during Worship Service

### WEDNESDAY

7:00 p.m. Bible Study

Prayer study group seeks to have the Church pray for "Unity and doing the will of God."



Hershel Asbury  
Tammy Bowen  
Billy Brown  
Arthur Conner  
Emmie Conner  
Francis Conner  
Kristine Dalton  
Kallie Dunford  
J.K. Edwards  
Kendall Epperly  
Tracy Flint  
Kim Fox  
Jeff Funkhouser  
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Josh Lawson  
Arnold Linkous  
Angie Miller  
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Jake Poff  
Jake Reynolds  
Carol Sowder  
Don & Billy Short  
Shirley Thomas  
Jason Underwood  
Megan Vest  
April Wade  
Dale Wade  
Leander Wilkes  
Pat Whitlock  
Sharon Young



December 09—Annie Jones  
December 11—Shari Lang  
December 12—Kadesh Wade  
December 13—Shelia Bower  
December 14—Mendy Spence  
December 20—Rick Spence  
December 29—Baylor Wade  
December 31—Robert Hatcher  
December 31—Linda Huff



~Women's Bible Study~

**No Bible Study  
for this month!**

**Carol Vaughn,**



Calvary's Mountain Toppers will be going to The Virginia Christmas Spectacular at Thomas Road Baptist Church in Lynchburg, VA on Saturday, December 14th for the 3:00 p.m. show. We will be leaving the church at 11:45 a.m. We will not be stopping for lunch so you may want to eat lunch or a snack before we leave. We will be having dinner after the show.



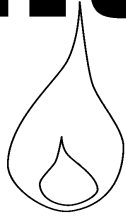
### Together

"I saw a great multitude from every nation and all tribes and peoples and languages standing before the throne." (Revelation 7:9) What a beautiful image of what's to come! Everyone will be worshipping God together with no barriers to language, race or whatever differences that set us apart here on earth. Together as one. Right now, in the present, together we can make a difference in the gospel being spread across the nations. Consider making an impact—together—through giving to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering on December 15.

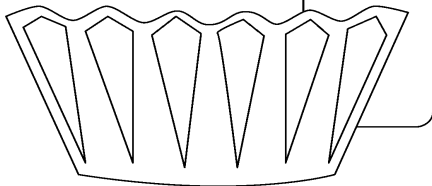
# Kid's Corner



# Light the way



Make some Christmas candles to remember Jesus, the Light of the world.

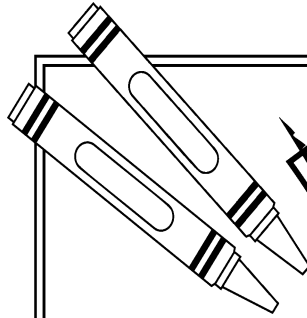


### What you need:

- Unlined white notecards
- Hot glue (and adult help)
- Yellow tissue paper
- Mini muffin liners
- Clothespins

### What you do:

1. Roll a notecard from side to side into a "candle" tube. Secure with glue.
2. Insert a piece of tissue paper "flame" in one end.
3. Glue the other end to a muffin liner. Then glue the liner to a clothespin.
4. Repeat to make many paper candles. Pin them to the branches of a Christmas tree.



# PUZZLE

## Symbols of the *season*

Many traditional decorations convey the meaning of Christmas.

*Directions: Use the picture clues to the right to complete the words. Then write the boxed letters in order to complete 2 Corinthians 9:15, NIV.*



shepherd's staff

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tree that keeps its leaves

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shines to lead the way

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green for eternal life,  
red for Jesus' blood

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sounds to announce  
good news

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has no beginning or end

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2 CORINTHIANS 9:15, NIV

Answer: candy cane, evergreen, star, holly & berries, bell, wreath, Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift! 2 Corinthians 9:15, NIV

# Calvary Baptist Church Calendar December 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Alexis Epperly  Lords Supper Deacons' Meeting  6:00 p.m. Choir practice	2	3	4  7:00 p.m. Choir Practice	5	6 7:00 p.m. Christmas	7  Cantata 
8  Teresa Epperly  3:00—5:00 p.m. Open House at the Agee's Home 	9	10  All Newsletter Articles are due	11  7:00 p.m. Business Meeting	12	13	14  Mountain Toppers outing to Thomas Roads Christmas Spectacular
15  Deb Funkhouser	16	17	18  No Bible Study	19  6:00 p.m. Friends and Food	20	21
22  Sounds Of Harmony	23	24  9:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Service	25  Merry Christmas	26	27	28
29  Alexis Epperly	30	31				

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