

Calvary Baptist Church Newsletter January 2020

Another year is behind us and each of us must evaluate whether we have used our time wisely for the Kingdom of God. As I have preached, everyone has an equal amount of time. Some use it more productively, some waste time and wonder what they are not more successful in life.

A Church must evaluate its work to support and grow the Kingdom as a cooperate group. Calvary has accomplish much this past year. Youth learning and experiencing mission activity through Impact VA. We have assist hundreds of people in our community who need support with food. We have baptized 4 people this year (this puts us among a few churches reaching people for Christ). We experiences a great Family type Revival that spoke to a good number of community people. We experienced the wonderful support for Disaster Response by seeing the Bunk Trailer actually go into service in Jones County, NC. By the way, this was a really BIG thing for a small church to do.

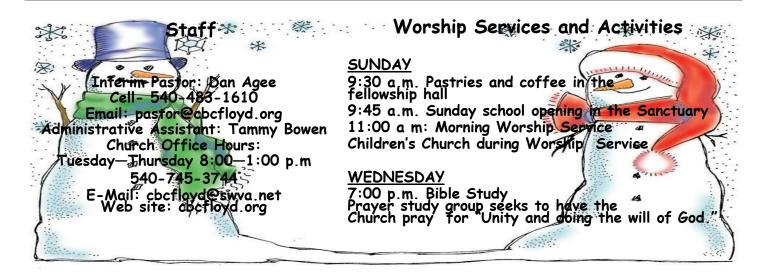
The one area where an healthy evaluation leaves us coming up short is in our Bible Study (Sunday School) for children and youth. We have provided a class for those who show up. The real work of a healthy Bible Study ministry is being designed to reach out to those not involved in Study.

A group of members are working hard on A Rally that will take place in January to focus on Sunday School. Teams are working on enlisting Teachers for 4 ages groups with at least two Teachers in each class. The goal is not to just be there to Teach, but to get up and go after children and youth to be in those classes.

Several Teams have been formed to work on things like literature, class set ups, enlisting teachers. One Team is working of Worship that is appealing and helpful with individuals visiting with us having a worshipful experience. Some are looking at Outreach/Discipleship.

As we begin this New Year, Carolyn and I look forward to investing ourselves in Calvary Baptist Church for some time. My hope is that I will become more than just an Interim, but more like a long-term Pastor. It is important that you let me know what you expect and how you can invest yourself in helping Calvary to be a growing influence in Floyd County.

Pastor Dan



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 Holly Henninger Melody Herman Karen Holtz Steve Janney Shawn Kaiser Barbara Kenmore

David Kerns Dianne Kerns Betty King Josh Lawson Arnold Linkous Angie Miller Charlotte Peters 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



January 01—Teresa Epperly
January 02—Brian Thomas
January 17—Kooter Conner
January 19—Joyce Winters
January 19—Royce Wade
January 21—Bailey Wade
January 24—Brenda Graham
January 29—Buddy Tarrant



Saturday, January 18th at 5:00 p.m. at the church.
Calvary's Mountain Toppers - Dinner and Game Night. Bring your favorite dish and enjoy a night of fellowship and fun. Please see the "sign up" sheet on the bulletin board in the foyer to sign up and let us know what you will be bringing.

Danny and Carol Vaughn, Leaders



~Women's Bible Study~

9th at 10:00 a.m. at the church.

Carol Vaughn, Leader



I'M SO EXCITED ABOUT THE "SAVE THE DATE" EVENT

As a Pastor, I've have great respect for Worship. It is so needed by all of us. I have another area that is so important to church life.

Any group that hopes to exist into the future must depend on growth, Numerical and Spiritual. Small groups have always been the GREAT GROWTH factor in a church. These small groups build fellowship and a desire to invite others to participate.

A Revitalize Sunday Group made up of 4 Teams has been working hard for the past two months on growing our Sunday School ministry. They have been working on things like: classrooms for children's age groups, training teachers for each class, studying teaching materials, studying the way we worship, looking and planning for outreach to those not attending Sunday School and Worship, how to communicate with the whole church and prospective participants in Sunday School and Worship.

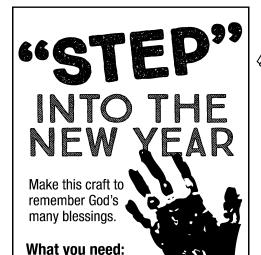
By the time you read this, you will have several weeks to make a list of people to invite to this Rally Day. Look around you and if you know a family not attend Sunday School or Worship, invite them to come with you on the Rally Day.

On a note of thanks to all of you for your expressions of appreciation to Carolyn and I and many of you dropping in for the Open House. We look forward to doing it again.

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Kid's Corner

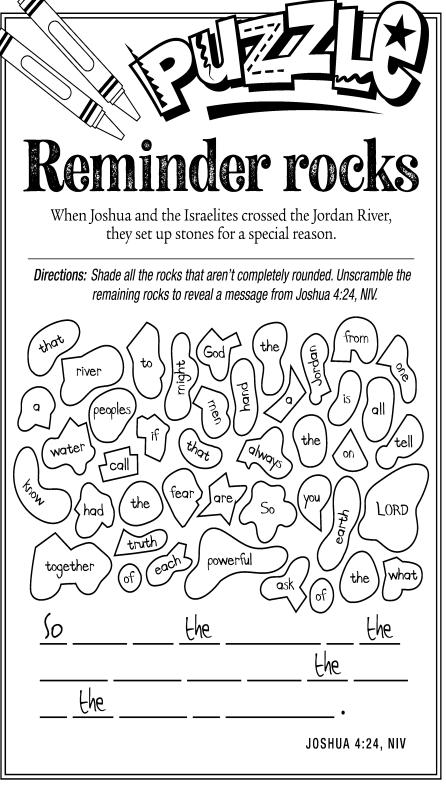




- Small stones
- Permanent markers
- Foil pan and cooking spray
- Drop cloth
- Gloves
- Quick-set concrete (and adult help)
- Bucket and paint stirrer

What you do:

- 1. After reflecting on the past year, use markers to decorate stones with memorable words, dates and drawings.
- 2. Spray pan with cooking spray. Set pan outside on a drop cloth.
- 3. Wearing gloves, mix concrete in a bucket, according to instructions.
- 4. Pour concrete into pan. Smooth top with paint stirrer.
- 5. Press in stones, handprints and other decorations.
- 6. Let dry completely. Remove from pan.
- 7. Place the stepping-stone outside as a reminder of God's continued goodness.



Answer: So that all the peoples of the earth might know that the hand of the LORD is powerful. Joshua 4:24, NIV



Calvary Baptist Church Calendar January 2020



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			Happy New Years	2	3	4
5 MUSIC Teresa Epperly Lord's Supper	6	7	7:00 p.m. Business Meeting	9 10:00 a.m. Ladies Bible Study at the Church	10	11
MUSIC Deb Funkhouser	13	All Newsletter Articles are Due	No Bible Study	6:00 p.m. Friends and Food	17	8:00 a.m. Claytor Lake Disaster training 5:00 p.m. Mtn Toppers Dinner - Movie Night
MUSIC Sounds of Harmony	20	21	7:00 p.m. Bible Study	23	24	25
Rally Day Deacons' Meeting following morning worship	27	28	7:00 p.m. Bible Study	30	31	

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