

# Connections

A Publication of Calvary Baptist Church

## GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

At 7:00pm on Friday, April 10, Calvary will again be hosting a Good Friday worship service jointly sponsored by nine Baptist churches in Cedar Rapids. Childcare will be available for children 4 years old and younger.

## EASTER BREAKFAST

Easter Breakfast in the church Fellowship Hall on Sunday, April 12, at 8:30am. The menu will be egg casserole, fruit jello, rolls, coffee, and juice. A free will offering will be received to cover the expenses.

## EASTER OFFERING

If you would like to give a special gift to the Lord in joyful celebration of His victorious resurrection, please use an envelope marked "Easter Offering." These gifts will help take the gospel of our risen Savior to the heart of the city by assisting Imago Christi with the down payment to buy the Central Park Church building (17<sup>th</sup> Street and B Avenue NE). Imago Christi ("Image of Christ") is a new church in the Mound View neighborhood, on the near northeast side of Cedar Rapids. The establishment of this church is a combined effort of Noelridge Park Church, Squaw Creek Baptist Church, and Calvary Baptist Church, together with the North Central Conservative Baptist Association and CBAmerica.

## EASTER CELEBRATION

Sunday morning, April 12, will be a special celebration of the resurrection of our Lord, one of the central truths of the Gospel. Since many people who don't normally attend church are more open to doing so on Easter, make a special effort to invite friends and family members to join you that morning.

## CONCERT OF PRAYER

Our Lord's prayer recorded in John 17 reveals what was on His heart as His earthly ministry was coming to a close. At 6:00PM on Palm Sunday, April 5, as we begin "Passion Week" remembrances of Christ's sacrificial work, we will join together for a concert of prayer focusing on those issues that Jesus raised in His prayer.

## ANNUAL MINISTRY UPDATE

Our Annual Ministry Update will be at 6:00pm on Sunday, April 19. We look forward to having every member participate in this important meeting, as we seek the Lord's wisdom in the accomplishment of His work and the stewardship of His resources at Calvary.

## COMMUNITY GROUPS FOR SPRING

To complement Pastor Jay's new sermon series, "Members of His Body," Calvary's community groups this spring will be using the Rick Warren video series and workbook, "Better Together." These six Sunday evening sessions will take place on April 26, May 3, 17, 31, and June 7 and 14. Please consider taking advantage of this great opportunity to deepen the love, fellowship, growth, service, worship, and outreach of our church family. You can sign up at the Welcome Center or contact the church office by telephone (396-3233) or e-mail (CalvaryCR@aol.com).

## PARENT-CHILD DEDICATION CEREMONY

A parent-child dedication ceremony is planned for the Sunday morning worship service on Mother's Day, May 10. If you would like to participate in this public expression of your commitment to "bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord," please notify the church office by Sunday, May 3.

*For God so loved  
the world, that he gave  
his only begotten Son.*



# Upcoming Activities

## LADIES NIGHT OUT

Ladies we will meet on April 6, 6:30pm at Carlos O'Kelly's, 2635 Edgewood Road SW, Cedar Rapids. If you have questions, please contact Debbie Gaeta (396-7976).

## STEPPIN' OUT FOR THE LORD

An evening for all ladies! Friday, May 8 at 6:30pm in the church gym. We all wear many shoes in our lifetime. Come and enjoy an evening of good food, laughter, singing, and a devotional devoted to SHOES!



## "HIS WOMEN SEMINAR"

"His Women" seminar will be held on Saturday, April 18 from 9:00am to 3:00pm at Crowne Plaza in downtown Cedar Rapids, featuring nationally known speaker Liz Curtis Higgs and recording artist Daniel Kirkley. Contact Judy Fields (393-2420) for more information.

## AWANA AWARDS SUPPER

The Awana year will conclude with a special awards night on Wednesday, May 6, beginning at 6:30pm in the gym. All Awana children and their families are invited to enjoy a supper provided by the Awana leaders, followed by a program to recognize the efforts of our clubbers and leaders.

## WOMEN'S MINISTRY GARDEN PARTY

Ladies you are invited to a garden party luncheon in the youth building on Saturday, May 2 at 12:30pm. This will be our first "Taste of Talents" event! Don't be a "pansy" or a "couch potato"; come enjoy a light lunch and hear from two "seasoned" gardeners. You will learn about planting a flower or vegetable garden and learn what grows well in different areas of your yard. You will go home with information you can use as well as your own potted plant. In addition to cultivating your garden we hope you will cultivate relationships at this multi-generational event. Please use this as an opportunity to invite your neighbors, friends and co-workers. It will be worth your "thyme!" cost for the event is \$5. Please sign up at the Welcome Center. Contact Jennifer Crittenden (845-5032) with any questions.



## CALVARY FAMILY CAMP AT SPRING VALLEY

Ted Colschen, Director of Spring Valley Bible Camp, has tentatively reserved the one weekend (July 31-August 2, 2009) that would be available yet for Calvary Family Camp this summer. In order to confirm that reservation, we need to have a designated leader or leadership team to facilitate organization of this event. If you would like to volunteer or receive more information about this opportunity, please contact the church office.

## WOMEN'S MINISTRY IS A "WHOLE LATTE FUN!"

Ladies you are invited to an informational breakfast on Saturday, May 16 from 9:00am-11:00am. Come and find out what is on the horizon for "Heart Connections," Calvary's Women's Ministry, and how you can get involved. There is no cost for this event. Please sign up at the Welcome Center. Contact Paige Eastburn (247-1812) with any questions.



## SALT & PEPPER CLUB

One of our favorite groups, the Calvary Boys, will join us on Tuesday, April 28 at noon. Before we hear from them, we'll have a nice lunch of sloppy joe sandwiches, etc. Please save the following dates for our next meetings: Tuesday, April 28, May 26, June 23, and Thursday, July 2.

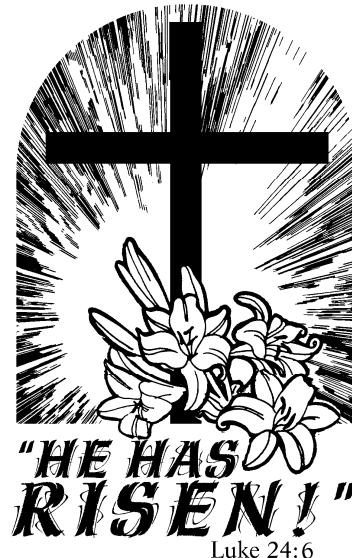
## SPRING WORK DAY

The Trustee Committee invites you to join them at 8:00AM on Saturday, April 4, for a work day at the church. Spring clean-up projects on the church grounds will be the focus. For more information, contact any of the Trustees.

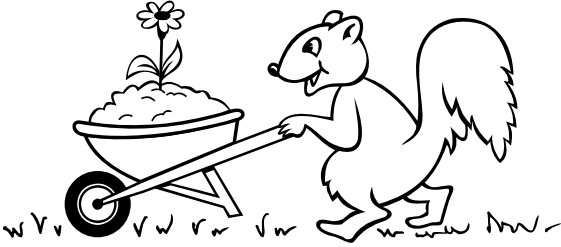


## POSITIVE IMPRESSIONS

Positive Impressions is scheduled for Saturday, April 11, 10:00am-3:00pm in Room #27. Invite your friends to join you in creating with rubber stamps or working on some other favorite craft project. This is an enjoyable and non-threatening way to spend time developing relationships and building bridges in order to make a positive impression for Christ on your unsaved friends and family members. Even the greeting cards or other crafts that you create for other people can be beneficial in making a positive impression on their lives. If you plan to attend, please RSVP to Kim Nelson (364-6647) and bring a snack or drink to share with the group.



# April 2009

| Sunday   | Monday   | Tuesday  | Wednesday  | Thursday                                    | Friday   | Saturday   |
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|   |  |  | <b>1</b><br>9:00am Staff Prayer<br>9:15am BSF<br><br>6:30pm Awana,<br>Youth Groups, and<br>Adult Prayer  | <b>2</b><br><br><br>7:00pm<br>Young Adults  | <b>3</b>   | <b>4</b><br>8:00am Spring<br>Work Day                          |
| <b>5</b><br><br>9:30am Sunday School<br>10:45am Worship Service (Communion)<br><br>4:30pm Adult Choir<br>6:00pm Sonshine Singers<br>6:00pm Concert of Prayer | <b>6</b><br><br><br>6:30pm<br>Ladies Night Out       | <b>7</b><br><br>9:15am MOPS<br><br>7:00pm Board of<br>Deacons Meeting  | <b>8</b><br>9:00am Staff Prayer<br>9:15am BSF<br><br>6:30pm Awana,<br>Youth Groups, and<br>Adult Prayer  | <b>9</b><br><br><br>7:00pm<br>Young Adults  | <b>10</b><br><br><br>7:00pm<br>Good Friday<br>Service    | <b>11</b><br><br><br>10:00am-3:00pm<br>Positive<br>Impressions |
| <b>12 Easter</b><br><br>8:30am Easter Breakfast<br>9:30am Sunday School<br>10:45am Easter Celebration<br><br>No Evening Activities                           | <b>13</b><br><br><br>7:00pm Missions<br>Team Meeting | <b>14</b><br><br><br>7:00pm Committee<br>and Ministry Team<br>Meetings | <b>15</b><br>9:00am Staff Prayer<br>9:15am BSF<br><br>6:30pm Awana,<br>Youth Groups, and<br>Adult Prayer | <b>16</b><br><br><br>7:00pm<br>Young Adults | <b>17</b><br><br><br>8:00pm<br>Awana Boys<br>Overnighter | <b>18</b><br><br><br>9:00am-3:00pm<br>"His Women"              |
| <b>19</b><br><br>9:30am Sunday School<br>10:45am Worship Service<br><br>4:30pm Adult Choir<br>6:00pm Sonshine Singers<br>6:00pm Annual Ministry Update       | <b>20</b>  | <b>21</b><br><br>9:15am MOPS<br><br>7:00pm Board of<br>Deacons Meeting | <b>22</b><br>9:00am Staff Prayer<br>9:15am BSF<br><br>6:30pm Awana,<br>Youth Groups, and<br>Adult Prayer | <b>23</b><br><br><br>7:00pm<br>Young Adults | <b>24</b>  | <b>25</b>  |
| <b>26</b><br><br>9:30am Sunday School<br>10:45am Worship Service<br><br>4:30pm Adult Choir<br>6:00pm Sonshine Singers<br>6:00pm Community Groups             | <b>27</b>  | <b>28</b><br><br>12:00pm (Noon)<br>Salt & Pepper Club                  | <b>29</b><br>9:00am Staff Prayer<br>9:15am BSF<br><br>6:30pm Awana,<br>Youth Groups, and<br>Adult Prayer | <b>30</b><br><br><br>7:00pm<br>Young Adults |  |  |



## April Birthdays



3 Darlene Pruett  
 Mary Young  
 4 Dan Thayer  
 6 Terry Potter  
 8 Catherine Abodeely  
 Emily Winchester  
 Anna Min  
 Tevin Slippy  
 Morgan O'Rear

9 Terese Patton  
 10 George Goodwin, Sr  
 11 Tim Patton  
 12 Bob Kaufman  
 15 Pam Winchester  
 Sarah Boerhave  
 16 Dennis Borrett  
 17 Kristen Kasner  
 Annika Horning

18 Riley Howe  
 19 Leatte Allen  
 Tim Jacobs  
 20 Jeff Bradshaw  
 Cody Green  
 22 Rick Nelson  
 23 Kathy Kaufman  
 Chloe Thayer  
 Evan Green

24 Sandy Lewis  
 Teresa Hanna  
 25 George Goodwin, Jr  
 28 Samantha Nelson  
 29 Joey Barker  
 Dane Eiselstein  
 David Chung  
 30 Jay Jentink

# Family Forum

## CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

We extend our sympathy to Jim & Sherry Hamblin on the death of Jim's mother, Glenna Hamblin, who went home to be with the Lord on March 7.

## BABY NEWS

Congratulations to missionaries Mark & Mollie Kunkee on the birth of their son, Lucas James, born on February 20. He weighed 7lbs, 12.6oz.

Congratulations to Alan & Diana Baumgartel on the birth of their grandson Preston James, born March 7 to Ryan & Holly Baumgartel. He weighed 6lbs, 10oz.

## DESIGNATED DONATIONS

Any designated donation received for which no Special Designated Fund has been created will be returned.

No designated donation will be allowed for any line items listed in the Proposed Budget. However, money received to cover expenses can be applied to a budgeted line item; this money is not allowed for a tax deduction. (Examples: Money collected for a meal or for attending some event.)

If you see a need that you would like to support, please contact the Deacon Board or Trustee committee with your idea or concern. They will decide if a Special Designated fund should be created for that project.

## EXPRESSIONS OF APPRECIATION

Thank you for all of the prayers, the cards, and the expressions of sympathy after Mike's dad passed away. Thanks also to Pam Winchester, Jen Crittenden, Melissa Eiselstein, and Paige Eastburn for bringing us meals. We really appreciated it. In Christ,

Mike & Nicky Green and Family

Thank you once again for making us feel so welcome in your building. Everything went well.

Joy Schmidt, Child Check Grantwood AEA

Thank you so very much for your prayers and gift of money for gas. We begin a busy season of traveling for AwanaGames.

Ron & Claudine Glynn, Awana Missionaries

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