Calvary Baptist Church is a Christ-centered community of faith devoted to the worship of the living God. Committed to a deeper understanding of God's word, we aspire to grow personally and communally, to become a sanctuary for all God's people, and to pour out God's love in the local and global community.

You are invited to a lemon-themed fellowship at the Weavers!

268 Elm Grove Cir.
McGregor, TX 76657

Today from 6-8pm
Last week, 19 children and 6 brave chaperones from Calvary attended Passport Kids Camp in Spicewood, Texas. If you’ve ever been to camp, you know that there’s something so special about that time with other friends and that time with God. Below are some of Bea McCormick and Stephen Bender’s responses to this year’s camp:

*The theme of this year's camp was "Follow the Road." Tell us a little more what that was about. What did you learn about following Jesus?*

**Stephen:** I learned that God has a plan for all of our lives. We walk the road to follow Jesus, and we know that he is always with us.

**Bea:** This year’s mission emphasis was on the Banjara people who live in India. Their way of life and ours are very different. Some of these people have no hope for the future. The Adapes are working to fix that, by telling the children about Jesus and the hope that they have in him.

**What was your favorite part of camp?**

**Stephen:** I loved the 6th Sense, which was a special time for us 6th graders since this is our last year at Passport Kids camp. We got to go swimming and to have an ice cream sundae party, and we talked together about what middle school is going to be like.

**Bea:** I have to say my favorite part was getting to meet some of the coolest people I’ve ever met. I only knew them for a few days, but I know I’ll remember them forever.

**Stephen:** We also really loved this game called GaGa ball :) I won seven times, and Bea won eight. Calvary became the camp-wide GaGa ball champions!

**How did you see or experience God at camp? How are you different after spending a week at Passport?**

**Stephen:** Every day at camp is like Sunday, because we had worship every single day. But it reminded me that that’s how it should be. We can worship God in our every day lives- not just on Sundays.

**Bea:** God taught me a very important lesson: “I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life. No one gets to the Father apart from me.”

Special thanks to all of you at Calvary who financially supported our children to be able to have this wonderful experience at camp. Also, thanks so much to Jodi Heston for being Calvary’s group leader at camp and to Jim Coston, Jonathan Grant, Joel Weaver, Abby Tankersley, and Kelsey Wiggins for being such outstanding chaperones.
CHILDREN
Promotion Sunday
On Sunday, August 24, children will promote to their new Sunday School class for the year and we will welcome this year's new Kindergarteners in worship. If your family isn't involved in Sunday School, this would be a great Sunday to join a class!

CHOIR
Calvary's Intergenerational Choir is resuming rehearsal this week! We meet Wednesday evenings, 7 - 8 pm in the Chapel. No matter your age or musical background, anyone who loves to sing is welcome to join us! For more information, contact Michael Womack (M_Womack@baylor.edu).

FELLOWSHIP
Men's BBQ
Our brisket tour continues: we will meet at Coach's BBQ (925 W McGregor Dr, McGregor, TX 76657) at 12noon on Thursday, August 28.

MISSIONS
Inequality for All
Save the date—Sunday, September 7, 3:00pm in the Fellowship Hall—as Calvary will host a community screening of the above film followed by a panel discussion on poverty, job creation, and income gaps in Waco and beyond.

Church Work
With the fall approaching, we have some tasks to perform to get our church space ready. We will paint, repair, build, and renovate on Saturday, August 16, 8:30am. Join us to learn and to serve.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES
Care Calendars & Meal Train
Calvary's deacons are currently coordinating ways we can care for our church family. Please click on the attached links for more information and to sign up:
http://www.mealtrain.com/?id=m47ffhakukt  - DG & Pat Melton
https://www.mealtrain.com/?id=mm2tb01d2ext  - Daniel and Katelyn Hiatt
http://www.carecalendar.org/logon/188085  - The Dulin/Baker Family (Calendar ID:188085; Security code: 8841)

Worship
Calvary will take worship to Hillcrest Rehabilitation this Sunday, August 17, 4:15pm, 3rd floor cafeteria. All are welcome as we minister to their residents.

Marriage Retreat
Save the date on Saturday, September 20, 9:00am - 2:00pm for a marriage retreat led by Dr. Wes Eades. The retreat will take place at Latham Springs Camp & Conference Center. The cost is $30 per couple and lunch is included. Calvary will also provide childcare at the church for retreat couples during those hours. To register, please email TC Baack at tcbaack@cbcwaco.com or at 254-753-6446.

STAFF
Children's Minister
The Minister to Children's Search Committee will nominate Will Ward to the congregation for a vote on August 17 following Worship.

SUNDAY SCHOOL
Faith and Practice Sunday School
Faith and Practice Sunday School is a new intergenerational class that will meet in the former Senior Adult room, C201. If you're looking for a Sunday School class, a safe place to ask questions and engage in scripture, or a place to belong at Calvary on Sunday mornings, this might be a great environment for you. Questions? Contact Jennifer Hobbs (jennifer_hobbs@baylor.edu).
**An Interview with the Norris Family**

by: Sarah Miller

I am thrilled to introduce the Norris family! David and Elaine Norris moved to Waco this spring with David’s mom, Doris Norris. This family is such fun and I have loved getting to know them in our intergenerational Sunday School Class.

Sarah: Tell me a little about what you hope to get from your Calvary family.

Elaine: I hope to learn how to be Christ to the community around me.

Sarah: What have you enjoyed most so far?

Doris: I have loved the fellowship with the people. (Side note: Doris is a blast to have lunch with. We have a monthly lunch date and she has fabulous stories!)

Elaine: I have really enjoyed how Calvary ministers to the church members. I like the meal trains. We were able to meet the Melton family this way.

David: I like that people aren’t left on their own, this really is a church family. I also like getting to do manual things with church folks. I like working in the garden or shoveling dirt. I love the worship too.

Randal Bradley is phenomenal.

Doris: I really enjoy worship through music.

If you have a new baby at Calvary, you will receive a beautiful quilt that David makes. I asked Elaine if she was in charge of the quilts since I know she loves sewing but she says it is all David’s doing. He told me that he started getting interesting in quilting about three years ago and now has found a purpose: making beautiful quilts for new babies born at our church.

Elaine and David are both involved in the Walk to Emmaus Ministry and are hoping to expand their work with teenage girls to the Central Texas area.

David, Elaine, and Doris are all retired but you will find each of them busy with their own hobbies in addition to traveling to see their grandchildren. They have plugged into Calvary and are a blessing to all who know them!

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