



The Booster

Calvary United Methodist Church
February 2013



What on Earth Am I Here For?

That's the name of the 40 Day all Church Campaign that will begin at Calvary on February 10th.

This experience that will help answer the most fundamental question everyone faces in life – *What on Earth Am I Here For?*

The understanding of our unique purpose depends on how we answer this question. The *What on Earth Am I Here For?* Campaign is an all-new 6 session video & workbook teaching from Pastor Rick Warren. Inspired by the original Purpose Driven Life small group study, this curriculum is designed to unite and ignite small groups in our Church. And that is exactly what we hope will happen.

It is a little disappointing that so few have signed up for a small group study. It would have been an excellent experience to be able to grow spiritually together. Shared experiences are always a plus in life.

That said I hope that all of you will plan to be here for the Sunday mornings of this campaign as we explore the question: **What on Earth Am I Here For?**



Ring for Your Church, Ring for Your Church!
The Bells are Coming!

If you are interested in the new formation of The Bell Choir, please see Doug Speakman after church or email him at Dougspeakman@aol.com. Rehearsals are to begin in February.

Would you like your event advertised in 2013? Please get the information (event, date, time, cost and details) to Sandy Tuttle 4-6 weeks in advance of your event so that advertising deadlines can be met. Thank you!

USHERS STILL NEEDED

Thank you to all of you who signed up to usher in 2012. We are always in need of ushers and appreciate it when you sign up. It doesn't matter if you sign up for the month or just a week or two, we always need someone to usher. Thank you again. Anita Pearson

Update from Clara Biswas

This Advent season, we with the Street Children Ministries in Cambodia celebrate with you the good news that our Savior, Jesus Christ, is born! Isaiah writes: "See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way; the voice of one crying out in the wilderness, 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.'" John the Baptist 'prepared the way of the Lord' over two millennia ago, and we in Cambodia are privileged to continue preparing the way of Jesus by responding to his call to feed, clothe, and educate the poor and underprivileged around us. We with the Street Children Ministries are preparing ourselves spiritually to glorify the Lord this Christmas by serving children who live on the streets of Phnom Penh, HIV/AIDS patients, and the sick through Methodist Ministry of Cambodia (MMC) by the grace of God. The children, sick people, and the poor who

we work with on a daily basis are preparing for this Christmas season as well! Children regularly come to church to learn more about and worship the Lord, HIV/AIDS patients join together to support on another in Christ and to worship weekly, and the Street Children Ministry staff are excited to contribute their time, energy, and creative efforts into preparing outings, leading Sunday School, and teaching at orphanages. We are overjoyed with the unique opportunity we have to see the poor and marginalized in Cambodia grow strong in their studies, social skills, vocational skills, and in Christ.

We have seen in Cambodia that God blesses people through people. You have been such a blessing to us and the children, men and women we serve through your support and prayers this past year, and we sincerely thank you. Without your prayers and generous gifts, we are not able to do this wonderful ministry for the kids, sick and poor in Cambodia. I am so grateful to you for your help!

We wish you a very happy Christmas and New Year 2013!

Yours in Christ, Clara Biswas

THANK YOU THANK YOU

The Calvary Women's group wants to thank everyone who participated in our December projects. We made \$445.00 on the card exchange and \$235.00 on the cookie walk. These monies will be used for local missions. Thanks again.

Calvary Women's Group.



December 12, 2012

Dear friends of A Baby's Closet,

On behalf of the Associated Churches and A Baby's Closet of Fort Wayne and Allen County, I would like to thank you for your donation of \$ 855.39. It will help stock A Baby's Closet sites.

A Baby's Closet is an incentive program to stress parental responsibility through a coupon system to "purchase" new or gently used baby clothing and items. Your donation to provide quality clothing and baby items for many of our disadvantaged children in Allen County have helped in our effort to lower

mortality rates and to encourage parents to get their pre-natal and well-baby checkups. We appreciate your generosity in helping us meet our goals.

Sincerely,

Carolyn Gorom

Site Coordinator of A Baby's Closet

To the Congregation of Calvary UMC,

Thank you for your generous donation of \$420.00 to the Food Pantry this week. The Food Pantry served 395 people in December. May God Bless you for your continued support for the Food Pantry. It helps meet the needs of those in our community.

Pastor Mike Harris and the

Waynedale UMC congregation

Calvary Girl Scouts are selling Girl Scout cookies after church in the narthex for \$3.50 a box in Feb and March. Please help support your Girl Scout troop!! We have a brand NEW cookie this year, Mango Crème!



Just a reminder, please don't forget the Kafakumba wells that are still being drilled in Africa! Your response to the much needed wells for clean water has been outstanding! The well in our narthex has gone all but dry here recently so we just wanted to remind you that it is there and if you can donate the change in your pocket, it will go a long way for clean water in Africa!

STARVE IN

Calling all high school and middle school youth! We are having a starve in at the church on January 25-26, 2013. Beginning on Friday January 25 at 6:00 pm, we will have a pizza party! At 7:00 pm we will begin starving for twelve hours during which we will have devotions learning about our earthly hungers and spiritual hungers. This is a great fellowship time with many other activities and discussing upcoming events. Bring a friend, bring a game, bring a movie... we will end the event with a pancake and sausage breakfast at 7:00 am Saturday. Calling all adults! Our youth will need your prayers plus they will be asking for sponsors to sponsor them during the starve in. Please sponsor one or more youth by donating a set dollar amount or an amount by the hour. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to email, call or Facebook me!

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Kate

This is the year end report for your giving to the Waynedale Food Bank. 2,510 food items & \$3,350 in money were given by Calvary. Thank you, thank you, you make this happen. Waynedale served on the average of 485 families per month in the 46809 and 46819 areas only. Keep up your giving!!
Your Food Bank Delivery team,
Lloyd & Joyce Hambrock



To My Calvary Friends,
I would like to thank everyone for their thoughtful cards, and delicious goodies throughout the year. The Christmas Carolers were also a delightful surprise. I appreciate the visits from Phylis and Marvella, and also from Pastor Harrold. Thanks again.
Norma Fisher

To My Calvary Friends,
Thanks for your support, cards and letters, especially at Christmas, they mean so much to me.
Pat Sprunger



Our prayers to the families of those below who passed on in January.

Alberta M. Vorndran
Joseph Daugherty
Clementine Dykes

People to keep in our prayers:

Rosmary Gable, Paula Girdner,
Mark Merriman, Olive Paxson, Tom Pearson, Bev Sheefel,
Erv Umber, Lynn Umber, Bob Walter, Tim White,
Al Zimmerman

Nursing care, Assisted living and Homebound:

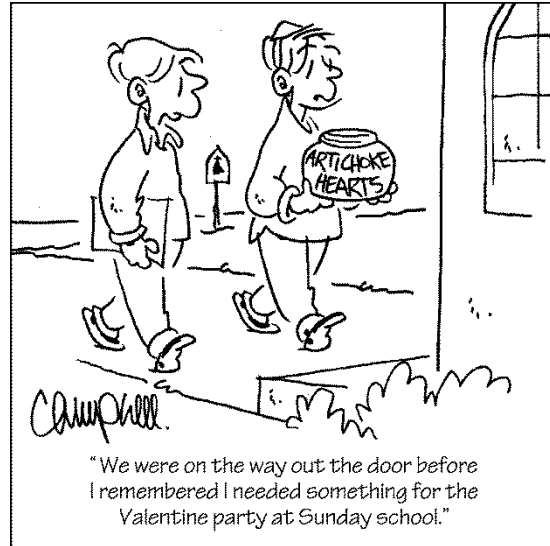
Charles (Bogie) Boghosian, Gil & MaryAnna Brookhart,
Edna Eickhoff, Norma Fisher, Paula Girdner, Delight
Hostetler, Ruby McKee, Mark Merriman, Naomi Osborn,
Evelyn Phillips, Jo Pond, Jim & Joan Roth,
Bob Walter, Al & Marge Zimmerman

Prayers for our service men & women

Benjamin Garrison is in Alaska, (grandson of Marge Hughes, nephew of Jay Hughes); Kent Taylor is in the National Guard Reserves, Nathan Stocking serving in San Diego (nephew to Phylis Richter).

Oh, By the way....

- The February Coffee Host– The Women’s Group
- The deadline for the next Booster is February 17th.
- Jodi is a notary and is available Mon-Fri 8-12, just give her a call.



02/09 – Michael & Sylverta Blaughter - 39 years

02/14 – David & Nancy Dickerson - 37 years



02/03 – James Roth

02/06 – Marie Bailey

02/08 – Amy Beck

02/08 – Ashley Dickerson

02/08 – Jerry Tracey

02/11 – Kent Taylor

02/13 – Sylverta Blaughter

02/13 – Patsy Diehm

02/15 – Molly Brehm

02/17 – Alexander Derickson

02/17 – Barb Mast

02/20 – Sara Hoeffel

02/25 – Norma Fisher

02/25 – Emily McDonald