

Calvary Baptist Courier

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“WE FURTHER AGREE ... TO REMEMBER EACH OTHER IN PRAYER”

As we were reading aloud the Church Covenant during the Communion Service last Sunday, I particularly noted one of the items in the section at the end where we repeat a list of things that “we agree” to do for each other, namely: “to remember each other in prayer.”

I know I bring this up as frequently as I do anything, but if you need help in carrying out this commitment, here is what I do and what I think is a pretty workable practice: set aside a few minutes each day and open the Church Directory in the back of your Calvary Annual Report book. Take each column of names and use it for one day of the week (seven days a week, five, whatever). After you’ve worked your way through the whole directory, start over.

And what can you pray for, for that person?

- 1) Keep your Sunday morning bulletin for a list of needs as well as needs of others that church folks have requested prayer for.
- 2) You can also look up what some of our Biblical forefathers specified in their praying for others: Luke 22:32 (Jesus for Peter); Paul, etc., for church folks: 1 Cor. 1:4; 2 Cor. 8:1 (that they would learn from other churches); Eph. 1:16-19, 3:16-19; Phps 1:9-11, 1 Th. 1:3 & 2 Th 1:11 (pray for their ministries); Phm 1:6; James 5:16 (health); 3 John 2
- 3) Call or email one of those people and tell them, “I’ll be praying for you tomorrow—anything special you’d like me to pray for?” (How would you like to get a call like that?)

1 Samuel 12:23 says that it is a sin to not pray for someone you should. Why pray for others? What does praying for others do? That is a mystery, but 2 Cor. 5:7 tells us we walk by faith, not by sight, and this kind of prayer is something we are commanded to do; it is something our Biblical examples did; it is something we have agreed to do for each other. This kind of prayer is a mystery ... now! But one day we will know. Don’t be one who due to your laziness or disbelief disobeys (even sins against others!) in this way. Instead, be one who shared in the joy and hears the “well done!” - and, from many, the “thank-you’s” - when the mystery is revealed.

Shalom,

Peter Wilson

COUNCIL NOTES

by Jim Lewis

The Calvary Baptist Church Council met on June 15, 2016. This is a synopsis of the minutes of that meeting. As of May 31, 2016, our expenditures were \$17,140.61 less than we took in. There was a good turnout for Joey Wozniak's graduation party. All who attended had a good time; the food was good and plentiful and the fellowship was excellent. Emily Turney continues to recover following her automobile accident. We thank God for her recovery and the family thanks all who prayed for her. Four ladies of the choir performed "How Great Thou Art" during a recent service and acquitted themselves admirably. The One Great Hour of Sharing fund drive is currently underway; please give generously. We celebrated Father's Day with "Donuts for Dad"; thanks to the ladies for planning and executing this event. The sidewalk of the church's rental unit has been replaced; it presented a safety hazard before the repairs. The broken glass in the front door of the sanctuary has finally been replaced. Larry Green recently had the carpet in the nursery cleaned: it needed it badly. The ladies of the church are planning a work day to clean the rest of the nursery; all assistance will be gratefully appreciated. Peter is continuing Kid's Club throughout the summer as long as the kids continue to come. The summer rummage sale has been postponed (not cancelled) due to insufficient donations; however, donations are still being accepted. No makeup date has yet been set. The ladies' tea was a big success with around 26 individuals in attendance; a good time was had by all. The church has embarked on an advertising blitz with restaurant placemat and menu advertisements and a trial period of seven weeks at a special rate for an electronic billboard advertisement viewable from Third Street heading west near East End Lumber. The efficacy of the advertising will be revisited by the church council next month. The restaurant ads will be in place soon at Joe's Pizza (both locations) and the Mulberry Street Café. Our semiannual church business meeting will be held at the fellowship meal in August; please make a special effort to attend. The greeter for July is Sue Green; the fellowship meal coordinator was Doris Paulhamus, and Sandy and David Snyder Jr. are the counters. Dave Snyder, Jr., Jim Lewis, Janice Brown, and Sue Green served communion. Larry Green offered the prayer for the bread and Helen Yoas prayed over the cup. The next council meeting is scheduled for July 20th.

NEWS

FROM THE CHURCH COUNCIL - The time has come to begin the second phase of our new parsonage/parking lot expansion project. The purpose for purchasing the property at 30 Washington Blvd. was to replace the inadequate existing parsonage and enlarge the parking lot to be more useful and to have visibility and accessibility from Washington Blvd. We are in the process of getting estimates for the work. We also need to begin a special fund to make this a reality. We are asking for your help in acquiring the funds to move forward with this project. If you would be interested in contributing, please designate on your envelope "The Parsonage Project." Having begun getting estimates, we think the project could cost \$22,000 or more to tear down the old parsonage, get the ground ready, and install an asphalt parking lot. If you have any questions regarding this project, speak with Dan Yoas or Duane Yeagle.

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If you have any news, updates, articles of interest, or upcoming events that you would like others to know about, please submit this information to Helen Yoas for the August 2016 issue of the *Calvary Baptist Courier*.

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2016 Church Council: Janice Brown, Larry Green, Sue Green, Jim Lewis (ex officio member and church clerk), Doris Paulhamus, David Snyder Jr., Lynn Turney, Pastor Peter Wilson (ex officio member and interim moderator), Duane Yeagle, Dan Yoas, and Helen Yoas (ex officio member and treasurer)

**CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH
JULY**

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
<u>EACH SUNDAY:</u> 9:30 am – Kids Club, College & Adult Classes 10:40 am – Worship Service	<u>EACH MONDAY:</u> PASTOR'S DAY OFF	<u>EACH TUESDAY:</u> 5:30-7 pm – Kid's Club	<u>EACH WEDNESDAY:</u> 7 pm – Bible Study & Prayer Meeting			
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3 Communion Serv. Fellowship Luncheon (pot luck) following the worship service	4 INDEPENDENCE DAY	5 B – Luke Mahserjian-Smith B – Zach Mahserjian-Smith	6	7	8 B – Lynn Turney	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18 B – Damion Henderson-Vasalinda B – Kathy Foust	19	20 <u>7:00</u> p.m. – Church Council Meeting	21	22 B – Rev. George Herrick	23
24	25 A – Rev. George & Gladys Herrick (7-25-53)	26	27	28 B – Kathy Temple	29 7:00 p.m. – Family Games Night	30
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B – Birthday
A – Anniversaries