

Calvary Baptist Courier

June 2011

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“ . . . In their homes . . . ” - Acts 2:46

As part of our OUTFLOW discussions on recent Wednesday evenings, the ones who were there agreed to take advantage of the summer schedule changes (no Awana on Wednesdays, no choir rehearsals on Thursdays) and begin meeting in homes.

Home groups open up some new possibilities. Groups can meet at different times: morning or evening, any day of the week, weekly or biweekly. Folks who haven't been able to participate at 7 p.m. on Wednesdays will have — or can provide — another option. Acquaintances who can't or won't come with you to a service at Calvary might be open to a meeting in someone's living room or backyard. Families with young children can host a meeting without needing to get a babysitter. Spending time in someone's home gets you acquainted with them very quickly, just by observing the surroundings.

Our exciting discussion the other Wednesday went into all this and more. I literally got goose-bumps hearing folks' thoughts. Put simply, we were unlocking one of the most important New Testament church characteristics: devotion to “hospitality”. Hospitality then was not fine cuisine and tasteful décor. It was simply having people in your home, “be it ever so humble”. Home groups sprang up and became one of the elements of the model, Holy-Spirit-led, fruitful mother church in Jerusalem (Acts 2:40-47) — and the more you think about the idea, the more you can see why.

If you would like to come to a home group this summer — or to host one for a week or two (or more!) — let me know.

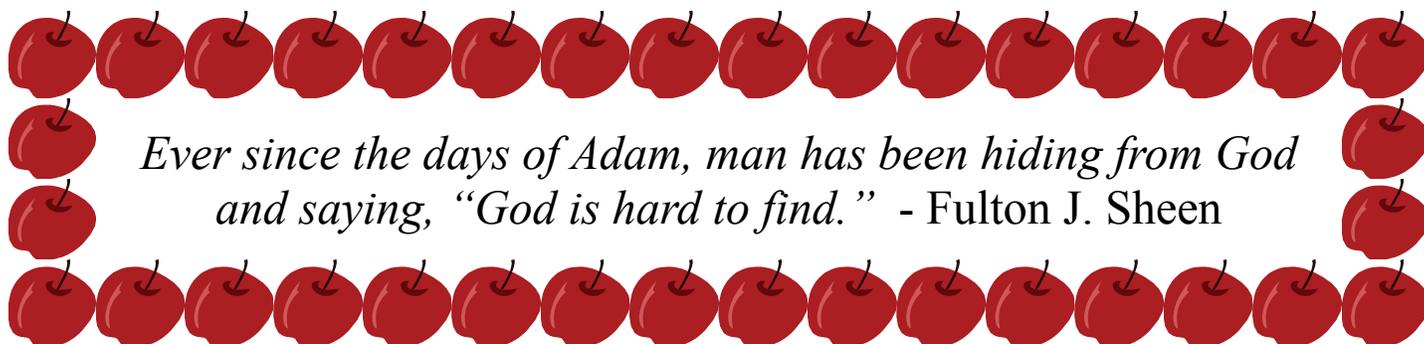
Shalom,

Peter P. Lee

Council Notes

by James D. Lewis

The Calvary Baptist Church council met on May 17, 2011. This is a synopsis of that meeting. Our budget is currently in the red for \$8,035.53. Pastor Pete concluded the “outflow” study at Wednesday night Bible study (May 18th). He plans to present this final lesson to the congregation at a Sunday service in the near future, since it is important members understand what this concept is all about. We had a seder meal here on Maundy Thursday. The event was well-attended and effectively related the significance of the elements to Christianity. Pastor Pete thanked Sue Green and her crew for their (above and beyond) service to the church at the CLI graduation ceremony, and three funeral services in the recent past. Pastor Pete presided over three funeral services in the space of five days with the passing of our old friends Ken Meckley on May 5th, June Springman on May 4th, and Doris Updegrove who passed away in Georgia on April 30th, but was returned here for interment in Jersey Shore. These folks were well-loved and will be greatly missed. By this time, the choir will have begun their summer hiatus. Pastor Pete plans to present studies on the seven (7) churches from Revelation beginning in June at Sunday morning Sunday school. Following the conclusion of this series, we will be studying a program titled “Spiritual Warfare” from a book of that title. These should both be very interesting and all are encouraged to attend. Our recent indoor Easter egg hunt went very well for all participants (volunteers and children). The council offered its thanks to all who supported this effort. As an Outflow outreach effort, Pastor Pete plans to provide parking, bottled water, and bathroom access for attendees at the city’s Easter egg hunt in Brandon Park next year (assuming they hold one). The council is currently looking for a volunteer to replace Shirley Beyer as church treasurer. She has promised to work with this volunteer until they feel comfortable running this program on their own (and will be available thereafter for consultation, if needed). If you feel led to support the church in this (paying) position, please see Penny Ohnmeiss, head of the personnel/nominating committee of the church council. The church council voted to pay to have the dandelions in the church lawn treated in the near future. Vacation Bible School(VBS) is coming up in August. The second meeting of volunteers will be held on June 28th. We could use more volunteers for this effort. If you feel led to participate, contact Duane Yeagle. The Baptist women’s mother/daughter breakfast went off well with more than twenty-five (25) attendees. Sue Green noted that the next American Baptist Women’s Conference is coming up soon. She will publicize the details of this conference. Pastor Pete noted that scholarship funds are available to fund expenses for attendees of this conference. Our outflow effort during the recent election (free baked goods, etc.) at our polling station was well-received. Due to the great influx of rummage sale materials in the recent past, the date for a (first) rummage sale this summer has been set for June 18th. If you would like to help with this effort, see Sue Green. We are also looking for a volunteer to head up the “Pies for Pops” effort on Father’s Day; see Sue Green (also). The counters for June will be Jim Lewis and Shirley Beyer. The greeter for June will be Penny Ohnmeiss. The fellowship meal coordinators will be Shirley Beyer and Darlene Nixon. The next council meeting will be June 21, 2011.



Calvary News

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! We are having a **CHURCH RUMMAGE SALE** on Saturday, July 16th from 8 a.m. until 2 p.m. This will be a large household and furniture sale (we have recently received some large items). **VOLUNTEERS** are needed to help with the sale. Also, donations of hot dogs, rolls, baked goods, etc. will be greatly appreciated.

NOTE: In September, a **second** rummage sale is planned where donations of good and gently used items will be accepted. We will begin to receive your items following our Vacation Bible School in August. If you have questions regarding either of these sales, please speak to Sue Green or Penny Ohnmeiss.

ATTENTION LADIES! The ABW Ministries of PA and DE invite you to attend “Rejoice in the Journey” at Shippensburg University June 10-12, 2011. Scholarships are available. For more information, see the flyer posted on the bulletin board in the hallway across from the church office.

Sunday, June 19 – Father’s Day - In honor of fathers, following the Worship Service, we invite EVERYONE to the Fellowship Hall for a delicious slice of pie.



Drawing by Noah Hallabuk

Summer Adult Sunday School 2011

As is the usual custom here at Calvary, the adult Sunday school will enjoy a bit of a change in format in the months June through August. Beginning Sunday June 5th. until July 17th. Pastor Wilson will host a seven-week DVD presentation discussing the churches of **Revelation**. Following that, from July 24th- Sept. 18th, the Adult Sunday school group will read and discuss an InterVarsity Press life guide Bible study, *Spiritual Warfare*.

Here are the weekly chapter headings:

1. Detecting the Deceiver - *2 Corinthians 11:1-15*
2. Facing Temptation - *Matthew 4:1-11*
3. The Serpent's Strategy - *Genesis 3:1-6*
4. The Armor of God - *Ephesians 6:10-20*
5. The War Within - *James 4:1-10*
6. Defeating the Destroyer - *Mark 5:1-20*
7. Overcoming Our Accuser - *Revelation 12:7-12*
8. Surviving Satan's Attacks - *Job 1--2*
9. Standing Firm - *2 Thessalonians 2:1-17*

The study books will be available the first Sunday in July.

It looks as if it will be a different and exciting summer Sunday school. Please join us.

Ben Mazzullo, Director of Christian Education

Recipe Corner...

For the weight-watchers among us: did you know that not everything in the church cookbook is fattening? Or, for that matter, edible? Here are two recipes that will provide summer fun and summer fragrance. (If you'd like to buy a cookbook, see the church website (www.calvarywilliamsport.com) for details.)

POTPOURRI

When rose begins to fade, snip blossom and pull off petals, placing on a sheet of newspaper to dry in warm, well-ventilated spot. Include several leaves for color. Stir mixture daily until petals and leaves are completely dry and brittle. Combine in mixing bowl: 1 tsp. nutmeg, 1 T. allspice, 2 T. powdered orrisroot, 1 T. cloves, and 3 T. cinnamon. Fill an apothecary jar with alternate layers of petals and spices. Cover.

SAND CLAY *Miss Jolee Cumberland*

2 c. sand

1 c. cornstarch

2 tsp. cream of tartar

1 1/2 c. hot water

Combine all ingredients in an old saucepan stirring constantly over medium heat — 5 to 10 minutes until mixture is too thick to stir. Remove from heat and cool for 10 minutes. Food coloring optional. Keep in a Ziploc bag so as not to dry out.

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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 July 2011 issue of the *Calvary Baptist Courier*.

PLEASE NOTE: In an effort to cut expenses, the Church Council has decided to change the way we send our newsletters. Previously, the church paid an annual "Bulk Mail" fee of \$150 plus approximately \$35 for each mailing. We are now handing out the newsletter to those attending the worship service and mailing only to those unable to attend. **If you'd prefer to receive the newsletter by email, please email CalvaryCourier@gmail.com with "subscribe" in the subject line.**

2011 Church Council: Shirley Beyer, Ken Bower, Donna Camp, Larry Green, Sue Green, Jim Lewis (church clerk, ex officio member), Ben Mazzullo, Penny Ohnmeiss, Kathy Temple (moderator), Deb Titus, Lynn Turney, Pastor Peter Wilson (ex officio member), Dan Yoas

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B – Birthday A - Anniversary

June

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<u>EACH WEDNESDAY:</u> No AWANA Sparks and T & T Clubs until Fall 7 pm – Bible Study and <i>Wed</i> Prayer	<u>EACH THURSDAY:</u> 7 pm – Choir Rehearsal <i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<u>EACH SATURDAY:</u> 9 AM – Evangelism Team Prayer Meeting <i>Sat</i>
<u>EACH SUNDAY:</u> 9:30 am – Kids Club, College Class and Adult Class 10:40 am – Worship Service	<u>EACH MONDAY:</u> Pastor’s Day Off		1	2	3 7:00 p.m. – Family Games Night B – Steve Gee B – Casey Raudenbush A – David & Sandy Snyder (6-3-67)	4 B – Jessica Clark
5 Fellowship Luncheon (pot luck) following worship service B – David Green A – George & Betty Brown (6-5-48)	6 B – Nathaniel Betts	7 12:30-3:00 p.m. International Women’s Program	8	9 12:30-3:00 p.m. International Women’s Program B – Darlene Nixon	10	11 A – Allen & Debbie (Koons) Grimes (6-11-94)
12 Pentecost B – Shirley Beyer A – Rob & Kathy Foust (6-12-82)	13 B – Robin Turney	14 Flag Day	15	16 B – Marva Hoover	17 B – Mark Green B – Helen Yoas	18 B – David Snyder, Sr.
19 Father’s Day	20 B – Landen Sterner	21 Summer Solstice 12:30-3 p.m. Int’l. Women’s Program 7:00 p.m. – Church Council Meeting B – Cole Koons	22	23 12:30-3:00 p. Int’l. Women’s Program B – Emily Turney	24 B – Mary Updegraff	25 B – Hunter Gee
26 3-5:30 p.m. – Assoc. Family Fair at Milton	27	28 7:00 p.m. – VBS Meeting	29 B – Tristan Turney	30		

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