

October, 2016



Dr. Stephen J. Russell, Jr., Seníor Pastor 10th Pastoral Anníversary Sunday, October 16, 2016 8:00AM & 11:00AM

Rev. Dr. Stephen J. Russell, Jr., Senior Pastor, Calvary Baptist Church

Reverend Dr. Stephen J. Russell, Jr., was born and raised in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, where he received his early education. He received a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1994 from Edinboro University of Pennsylvania, with a major in Criminal Justice and minor in African-American History. Upon entering the workforce Dr. Russell's passion for people led him to pursue a career as a crisis intervention specialist for at risk families.

After responding to the call to ministry, Dr. Russell was licensed to preach the Gospel in 1997 at the Mount Ararat Baptist Church of Pittsburgh, PA, where he served as the Minister of Outreach. After receiving a Master of Divinity Degree from Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, Dr. Russell was called to pastor the Nazareth Baptist Church in Washington, PA, in April of 2001. He served faithfully as the pastor of Nazareth Baptist Church, building a ministry that focused on evangelism, Christian education, and community development.

Dr. Russell's passion for the Lord and continuous desire to learn, led him to United Theological Seminary in Dayton Ohio where he received a Doctor of Ministry Degree in 2004. On April 30, 2006, the membership of the Calvary Baptist Church of Baltimore, Maryland, confirmed God's call of Dr. Stephen J. Russell to serve as Calvary's pastor. Dr. Russell began his pastoral responsibilities at this branch of Zion on June 1, 2006. He was installed as the fifth pastor on Sunday, September 24, 2006.

In addition to his dynamic preaching and inspirational teaching, Pastor Russell's gifts are a compliment to Calvary's rich history of being a loving, spirit filled, Bible believing congregation. With a focus on the future, Pastor Russell has improved the quality of the churches infrastructure by organizing numerous campaign projects to redevelop and improve all the facilities that are owned and operated by the Church.

As a proponent of doing evangelism through providing community care, Pastor Russell has led the charge for the churches community involvement. Each year the Calvary family partners with outside agencies to conduct community wide giveaways that provide families with back-to-school supplies, medical/social services, clothes, food and the like for hundreds of families.

Pastor Russell also makes time to give back to the youth as a coaches for the Owings Mills Wolf Pack youth football Association. He is a member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Incorporated and the William T. Wallace Lodge No. 134 Prince Hall Masonry.

Supporting him in every endeavor, are his beautiful and devoted wife, Rita Renee Russell, and their three amazing children: Ryan Taylor, Ciera Christina, and Stephen Michael.

Church Leadership

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Sister Natalie White, Executive Administrative Assistant nwhite@calvarybaltimore.com

Sister Rochelle Archelus, Minister of Worship, shellyaka8@gmail.com

Musicians: Brother Hiram Smith, Brother Mike Pryor, Brother 'Stan" Freeman and Brother Rayford McEachern,

Order of Service

8:00AM & 11:00 AM

"Please remember to "Mute" all electronic devices"

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PRAISE & WORSHIP

INVOCATION

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Children's Church & Young Adults Dismissed

SELECTION

PREACHED WORD

INVITATION TO CHRIST

COMMUNION

(1st Sunday Only)

BENEDICTION

"May His Peace Be With You!"

Rev. Dr. Harry L. White, Jr. 10th Pastoral Anniversary, Watts Chapel Missionary Baptist Church, October 9th

Baptist Deacons Conference of Baltimore, 78th Anniversary, October 28th

Pastor Drew Kendall Ross, Resurrection Church, 5th Church Anniversary, October 23rd

Dr. Carl Solomon, 25th Pastoral Anniversary, United Baptist Church, November 6th

Rev. Dr. Therm M. James, Sr., 25th Pastoral Anniversary, Bethany Baptist Church, November 20th



Greetings Family,

Autumn has arrived, and we are officially out of summer! The Lord makes us new with every season's change. This month, I would like to revisit what membership means. Earlier this year, we studied the book, "I Am A Church Member", by Thom S. Rainer. In this book, we were reminded that membership means we are all necessary parts of the whole, and that even though we are different, we still need to work together.

On May 14, 2016, we held our first New Members Brunch in the Fellowship Hall, welcoming our newest members who have joined Calvary. We had a wonderful time fellowshipping and getting to know one another. Since then, we have extended the Right Hand of Fellowship and/or Baptized 12 new members. Please join us on November 12, 2016 as we celebrate our new members and God for the great things He has done and continues to do in the life of His church. Registration/Coffee hour will begin at 11:00AM. The program will begin immediately following registration. There are no fees involved! No gifts to bring! And, yes! Brunch will be served! Please sign up in the Narthex if you plan to attend. All are welcome and "ministry leaders" are strongly encouraged to participate. I am looking for a few volunteers. If you are interested, please contact me as soon as possible.

During the brunch, children will participate in our Youth Culinary and Art for Love Classes. Youth Culinary meets in the Kitchen at 10:00AM and Art for Love will meet in Room #5 at 11:00AM. Please be sure to indicate if you are bringing children.





Sister Tamika Thomas Received Right Hand of Fellowship on September 11, 2016 Certified Nurse Assistant

Do you have a message to share with readers? Are you a ministry leader? Does your ministry have an upcoming event? Is your profession so interesting and unique that you'd like to highlight it in the Connection? Are you a new member who will receive the Right Hand of Fellowship/Baptism this month? I am anxious to hear from you! The Connection is a publication of Calvary Baptist Church. It is distributed every 1st Sunday. Copies are available in the Narthex or you may download from our website www.calvarybaltimore.org. The deadline to submit an entry is the 20th of each month prior to publication. Comments and/or suggestions, please email nwhite@calvarybaltimore.com or you may call the church office on 410-664-2111.

Brother Othniel Robinson Baptized on September 11, 2016 Carpenter

God's Grace & Peace Natalie W. White, Executive Administrative Assistant



Sermon Notes: 1st Sunday, October 2nd

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- ♦ Bro. William Brooks, 2122 Tucker Lane, Apt. B6, 21207
- ♦ Sis. Vernell Chandler, 2210 Maple Hill Court, 21207
- ♦ Sis. Mary Gant Dixon, Future Care Lochearn, 4800 Seton Dr., 21215
- ♦ Sis Naomi Harris, 6819 Yataruba Drive, 21207
- ◊ Bro. Dennis McCray, 1020 N. Woodington Road, Baltimore, Maryland 21229
- Sis. Gladys Myles, 7831 Creekshere Way, Curtis Bay, Maryland 21226
- ◊ Sis. Johnsie Odell Powell, MD Baptist Aged Home, 2801 Rayner Avenue
- ♦ Sis. Sara Robinson, c/o 6206 Northwood Dr., 21239
- ◊ Bro. Gregory Smith, 1230 Stamford Road, 21207
- Sis. Inez Watson, 7107 Portsmouth Road, Baltimore, Maryland 21244

10th Pastoral Jazz Celebration—Tickets are available for this afternoon of food, fun, laughter and fellowship as we continue to celebrate Pastor and People! The event will be held at Martins West on Saturday, October 15th from 2:00PM-6:00PM. Tickets are \$60 per adult. Please contact a committee member TODAY so that we can give an accurate count.

- Saturday, November 19th—Thanksgiving Harvest
- Saturday, December 10th—Church Conference
- Sunday, December 11th—Leadership Consecration
- Monday, December 12th—College Fair at Coppin
- Saturday, December 17th—Angel Tree Exchange
- Friday, December 17th—Saturday, December 18th—Calvary's Christmas Musical Program
- Sunday, December 18th @ 11:00AM—Baby Dedications

MEMBERS AWAY FROM HOME

- **Bro. Earl Gray,** United States Marine Corps
- Sis. Janet Sellman, 7014 Maczali Drive, Missouri City, TX 77489
- 21853
- Maryland 20686-3001

SICK & SHUT IN

• Sis. Agnes Campbell, Powerback Rehabilitation Center, 515 Brightfield Road, Lutherville, MD 21093 Sis. Gloria Collins, Brinton Woods @ Arlington West, 3939 Penhurst Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21215

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

(Dates & Events are Subject to Change)

Sis. Cinnamon Dorsey, UMES, 30665 30665 Student Service Center, PO Box 3875, Prince Anne, MD

Sis. Lakeshia Renae Ferebee, St. Mary's College of Maryland, 18952 E. Fisher Road, St. Mary's City,

Sermon Notes: 2nd Sunday, October 9th

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A native of Baltimore, Maryland, Dr. William H. Curtis accepted the call to ministry at the age of 17. For seven years, he served as the Senior Pastor at Shiloh Baptist Church in York, PA; however, since1997, he has served as the Senior Pastor at Mount Ararat Baptist Church in Pittsburgh, PA.

Mount Ararat Baptist Church is a large urban ministry and ministers to more than 10,000 members in the community, providing four well-attended weekend services. Mount Ararat believes in ministry to the whole community, and under the leadership of Dr. Curtis, the church implemented a Community Tithe Program, which returns over ten percent of the congregation's weekly offerings to small churches, para-church ministries and non-profit organizations.

Dr. Curtis has been an instructor at the United Theological Seminary and has graduated several groups of doctoral students at the institution. Aside from pastoral instruction, he is Co-Owner of The Church Online, a successful technology and full-service marketing firm that provides top of the line services to ministries all over the world.

He is a Board member of Amachi Pittsburgh; and his Board relationships include: the Pittsburgh Sports and Exhibition Authority, the Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, The Ellis School, the Interdenominational Theological Center, and the Baptist School of Theology. In addition, he served as President the Hampton University Minister's Conference from 2007 – 2011. His fraternity memberships include: Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Sigma Pi Phi, and Jericho lodge #20. In February 2016, Pennsylvania Governor Tom Wolf assigned him to the Governor's Advisory Commission on African American Affairs.

Dr. Curtis has been the recipient of numerous honors and awards. In 2009, he was inducted into the Martin Luther King Jr. Board of Preachers of Morehouse College. In the spring of 2010, Dr. Curtis moved from the speaking arena into the publishing arena with his first book, "FAITH -- Learning to Live Without Fear," which is currently in its fourth printing. His second book, "Dressed for Victory: Putting on the Full Armor of God" was released in April 2015.

Dr. Curtis holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Religious Studies and Philosophy from Morgan State University, a Master of Divinity Degree from Howard University School of Divinity, and a Doctor of Ministry Degree from United Theological Seminary in Dayton, Ohio.

Dr. Curtis is married to the former Christine Y. Richardson, and they are the proud parents of one lovely daughter, Houston.

We Welcome The Reverend Dr. William H. Curtis Mt. Ararat Baptist Church, Pittsburgh, PA **10th Pastoral Revival Services**

Wednesday, October 12th—Friday, October 14th, 7:00PM.



We Welcome The Dr. Corey L. Brown Providence Baptist Church, Newport News, Virginia **10th Pastoral Anniversary**

Dr. Corey L. Brown is a native of Jacksonville, Florida, and a product of the Duval County Public School System. He received his Bachelor of Science Degree in Accounting from Alabama A & M University in May 1994; received a Master of Divinity Degree from the Samuel Dewitt Proctor School of Theology at Virginia Union

University in May 2002; Doctor of Ministry Degree from United Theological Seminary in Dayton, Ohio, in December 2006.

Currently, Dr. Brown serves as the Pastor of Providence Baptist Church in Newport News, Virginia. He has implemented many ministries since becoming pastor in 2006. "Happy Hour," a noon-day bible study, provides the opportunity to take a break from your busy day to study and learn the Word of God. "Higher Learning" is the tutoring ministry staffed by qualified teachers to assist students with their academic needs and prepare them for the collegiate level. "Joshua's Generation" is a ministry designed to train and develop potential leaders. "Sistas With Vision (SWV)" is a ministry for the women and "The Brother's Network (TBN)" is for the men of Providence. This is an opportunity to discuss issues pertaining to women and men in a biblical context. Dr. Brown has also implemented "Singled Out," a ministry developed to help single Christians live with the joy of the Lord, in addition to "The Pride," a Seniors' ministry for elderly saints.

Dr. Brown's ministry and vision is not contained within in the walls of Providence. This is evident with the implementation of "Christmas in June". "Christmas in June" is a ministry that meets the needs of the community by providing clothes, toiletries, small appliances, toys, books, and more. He has also implemented the Walk 4 Education, a scholarship ministry, developed to assist young people who desire a college education, and to convey the Church's commitment to the pursuit of academic excellence and higher education to the community. Since inception, nearly \$100,000 has been raised for student scholarships.

He has served as the Minister of Christian Education at First African Baptist Church in Richmond, VA during the Pastorate of Rev. Dennis E. Thomas.

Dr. Brown served as the Pastor of College and Young Adults at Bethel Baptist Institutional Church in Jacksonville, Florida, where Bishop Rudolph W. McKissick, Sr. and Bishop Rudolph W. McKissick, Jr. served as Senior Pastors.

Dr. Brown was honored to be chosen as the guest speaker at Virginia Legislative Black Caucus Interfaith Prayer Breakfast (2010), and to be one of the New Voices at Hampton University's Ministers' Conference (2015). He is the author of two devotionals, 'Emerge: little by little" and "Get Your Aim Right."

He is married to the former Veronica Keene and they are the proud parents of two children, Sean and Michelle.

Sermon Notes: 3rd Sunday, October 16th 8:00AM Bible Text: Speaker: _____ Subject:_____ Notes:

Sermon Notes: 3rd Sunday, October 16th 11:00AM

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To our Calvary Family and Friends who have faced the loss of a loved one, Wishing you Peace to bring comfort, courage to face the days ahead, and loving memories to forever hold in your heart.

The Ellís' Family, 2321 Monroe Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21214 Línda Bruce & Famíly, 2831 Rona Road, Baltímore, Maryland 21244 Tyrone Dyson & Family, 618 Kahn Drive, Pikesville, Maryland 21208

Birthday & Anniversary Blessings!

May your month be a month of celebrating your uniqueness.....

Enjoying God's goodness.....

And looking forward to the blessings He holds for you in the years ahead.



Please be mindful of these words:

"Cleanliness is next to Godliness"

Let's work as a team to keep the sanctuary, restrooms, classrooms, and all other areas of the church clean!

Using the proper receptacles to dispose of all trash such as recycled paper, disposable diapers, paper towels, etc. will help us to maintain a clean and healthy environment.

Thanking you in advance for your obedience!

Lavel Divers & Michael Johnson, Sextons

Heartfelt Sympathy



Cards can be sent to:





Sermon Notes: 4th Sunday, October 23rd

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"PRIME AGE MINISTRY"

Greetings, members!



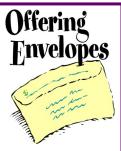
I would like to thank all our *Prime Age* members for their participation in our ministry and invite more seniors (male and female) of Calvary Baptist Church to join us. As a ministry, we enjoy many things, such as having guest speakers at our meetings, taking bus trips, holding sessions in which we discuss issues pertinent to seniors, having members teach Bible study lessons, and fellowshipping with seniors from other churches, just to name a few! We have so much fun!! We meet on Wednesdays in Room 5, 11:00AM-12:00PM; sometimes, if we have a guest speaker or a special presentation, we start at **10:30AM**. We are an active, caring, and blessed ministry and would love to see some new faces! Please note that on Wednesday, October 12th we will not have our Prime Age meeting. Please join us as we celebrate our Pastor's 10th Anniversary Revival Services! With God's Blessings Dorothy Lilly, Vice President

Greetings, Calvary Members!

We sincerely hope this message finds you well, and that you've had a relaxing summer season. Because you're an important part of our family, we thought you would like to know that we are planning for the year 2017. As you may know, our church family is growing! Just like any growing family, the more members you have, the more room you need.

We are in the process of re-ordering envelops for the 2017 calendar year and need to hear from you. If you are giving by utilizing our Kiosk, Fellowship One, Pay Pal or Givelify, and are no longer using your envelopes, please contact the church office at 410-664-2111 or by emailing Natalie White, our Church Administrator at nwhite@calvarybaltimore.com

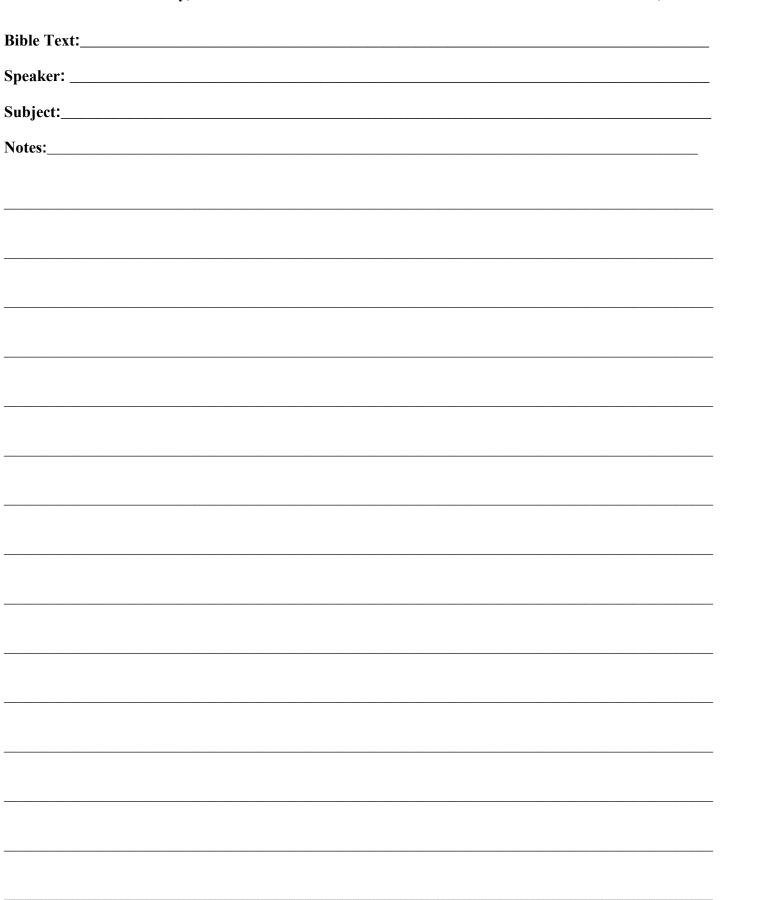




The Trustee Ministry

Sermon Notes: 5th Sunday, October 30th

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Club J (co-ed) is offered the 1st & 3rd Sunday of each month in the White House for grades 6—12. The issues and influences our young people are facing today are many. At Club J, we strive to help young people in this phase of their journey with God, emphasizing Him as the greatest influence. #ittakesavillage

Scripture for the month Psalms 119:1-11—"I have hidden your word in my heart"

Young Ladies Ministry is offered every 2nd Sunday of the month for grades 6—12 in the White House. In addition to reading "a Girl after God's own heart", 12 lovely ladies of CBC have volunteered to share their gifts with our Girls each month! Come grow with us! #wildflowers

If you have any questions, please feel free to see Brother Zoe & Sister Jeanette Wehye Parents: Helpful Link #intentional http://www.focusonthefamily.com/parenting/teens

Children's Church is offered at both 8:00AM and 11:00AM services for ages 2—11.

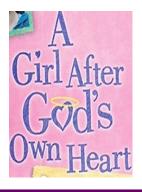


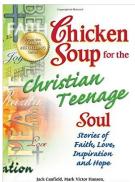
In today's world, our young men are being bombarded by messages that would test the strongest man's faith and walk with God. Through the wisdom and dedication of a few men in Calvary Baptist Church's congregation, under the guidance of Dr. Russell, we began the Young Men's Ministry (YMM).

The YMM addresses topics that our young men are facing in this world, and how to face them with dignity and grace, using God's word and strengthening their faith. The YMM meets every second, fourth, and fifth Sunday of the month at the 8AM and 11:00AM services. Our young men are smart, insightful, and have stances on every topic we approach.

This year we are excited to study the book "Chicken Soup for the Christian Teenage Soul". This book is filled with topics that today's youth face. If you would like to make an impact on the faith of our young men, please join us. Contact Luther "LJ" Sewell at LJSEWELL@AOL.COM and let him know that you would like to assist our young men in navigating their journey through life.

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Roberta's House Family Grief Support

Center

Rays of Hope Support Group (Support Group for Adults w/ children between the ages of 2 - 17 years of age that loss a loved one to homicide)

Orientation – Wednesday September 7th, 2016 6:00pm – 8:00pm Start Date – Wednesday September 14th, 2016 6:00pm - 8:00pm End Date – Wednesday November 16th, 2016

Hope Project Support Group (Support Group for women that loss an infant 0 to 1 year) Start Date – Monday September 12th, 2016 6:00pm - 8:00pm End Date – Monday November 28th, 2016

Family Session Support Group (Support Group for adults with children between the ages of 5 -17 years of age that loss of loved one to any type of death.)

Orientation – Tuesday September 13th, 2016 5:30pm - 7:30pm Start Date – Tuesday September 20th, 2016 6:00pm - 8:00pm End Date - Tuesday November 22nd, 2016

School Based Groups (Support Group held in Balto. City Schools for children from pre-k to high school that loss a loved one to death.) Good Grief Support Group – 1 hour support group held after school. Lunch Bunch – 1 Hour support group held during lunch time. Start date – Monday September 19th, 2016

Time Of Sharing Support Group (Support Group for adults 18 and older that loss a loved one to any type of death.) Orientation – Thursday September 8th 6:30pm - 8:30pm

Start Date – Thursday September 15th. 2016 6:30pm - 8:30pm End Date – Thursday November 3rd, 2016

Homicide Transformation Support Group (Support Group for adults 18 and older that loss a loved to homicide) Start Date – Wednesday September 7th, 2016

6:00pm - 8:00pm End Date - Wednesday November 9th, 2016

Kelli R. Tucker, Volunteer Coordinator Roberta's House Family Grief Support Center 2510 St. Paul Street, 1st Floor Baltimore, MD 21218 Phone: (410) 235-6633 Fax: (410) 235-6635 ktucker@robertashouse.org; www.robertashouse.org

COME MAKE A DIFFERENCE!



Volunteer at the Reginald F. Lewis Museum. Volunteers provide significant support to the museum by assisting with events, programs and other activities that serve the public. Benefits include:

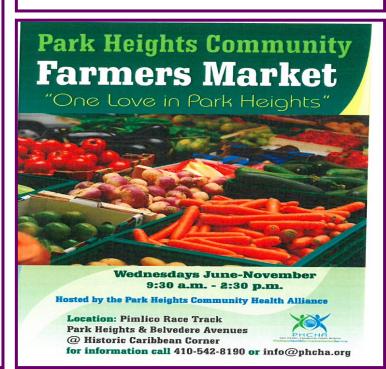
- Sharing your love of history with others!
- Free admission to the Museum!
- Reduced admission to Special events!
- Discounts in Museum gift shop and café'!
- Free admission to other area Museums!
- Outstanding training and educational opportunities!
- Social and professional contacts!
- \$3 Discounted parking!

Join us today and make a difference as a museum

volunteer! To become a volunteer, please contact Joy

Hall, Volunteer Coordinator at 443-263-1852 or

joy.hall@lewismuseum.org.





Attorneys will be available to prepare free wills, advance medical directives, and

power of attorney documents. WILL: A document that tells family and friends what to do with your property upon your death, avoids family disputes, and names your executor or personal representative to handle your estate:

ADVANCE MEDICAL DIRECTIVE: A document that tells doctors and healthcare providers what end of life medical treatment you want to receive, and names the person you want to make healthcare decisions for you if you are unable to make decisions for yourself; and/or

FINANCIAL POWER OF ATTORNEY: A document that names a financial agent to make financial decisions for you if you are not able or not competent to make the decisions.

Co-sponsored by Pro Bono Resource Center of Maryland, The Bar Association of Baltimore City's Senior Legal Services Program, and Calvary Baptist Church.





WHEN: Wednesday November 16th 2016 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM

WHERE: **Calvary Baptist** Church **3911 Garrison Blvd.** Baltimore, MD 21215

WHO: Clinic is open to Baltimore residents ages 60 and over

Space is limited and reservations are required. Please call the Pro Bono **Resource Center at** 443-703-3052 to reserve a time slot.

Reservations must be made by **November 9th** 2016.

FALL BACK SEASON

AS WE ENTER THE "FALL SEASON" AND FALL BACK IN TIME LET US "FALL BACK INTO":

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CARING COMFORTING COMPASSION FAITH FAITHFULNESS FELLOWSHIP FORGIVING GIVING GRACE HOPE JOY LOVE OBEDIENCE PRAYING SERVING SHARING STEADFASTNESS STEWARDSHIP TITHING WORSHIP



It's official! The Men's Choir of Calvary has a new name and a new leader! Brother Hiram Smith, one of our musician, will be leading "Men of Vision" every 5th Sunday. We are asking that all men/youth 14 years and older are encouraged to join us! The last 5th Sunday of the year is Sunday, October 30th. MOV will lead us in praise and worship during both 8:00AM and 11:00AM services. Pre-rehearsal dates: Monday, October 10th and 17th at 7:00PM sharp! If you have any questions, please contact Brother Hiram at 443-983-4116.

Proverbs 29:18(a) "Where there is no vision, the people perish"

Under the leadership of Deaconess Elaine Christian, Calvary's youth also sing praises on every 5th Sunday! Elaine works with the youth during Children's Church. By now, your children should be familiar with the songs. As time permits at home, ask your child what songs they will be singing! The children will only need one rehearsal outside of Sunday services. It will be held the Tuesday (**October 25th**) prior to the 5th Sunday at **6:30PM**. Children should wear Black and White. If you have any questions, please see Sis. Elaine Christian.

The Men of Calvary meet every *1st Friday* of the month for food and fellowship. Bible Study is held every **Thursday** after **1st Fridays in Room #3** at **7:00PM**. If you have any questions, please see Minister Cal Hollifield. We are always looking for new men to join this vibrant ministry. If you already are a part of this ministry, please encourage others by inviting a friend or family member!

On Saturday, **October 8th at 9:00AM**, Calvary will host a free workshop presented by The Renaissance Center Christian Counseling. The Renaissance Center is a community-based Counseling Ministry designed for individuals, couples, families and groups experiencing difficulty in a number of life areas. Counseling services are provided to assist with adjustments to various life issues such as parent/child conflicts, marital conflicts, and family conflicts. The center also provides counseling for those who have experienced domestic violence, sexual abuse/assault/rape, and other traumatic life experiences. In addition, the center provides services to support those dealing with separation/divorce, grief and loss, anxiety, depression, anger management and addiction issues. Premarital counseling is also offered. First Lady Carla Debnam of Morning Star Baptist Church is the Founding Director.

Dyslexia Tutoring Program Needs Volunteers!

The mission of the Dyslexia Tutoring Program is to teach low-income children adults with dyslexia or a language-based learning difference to read at no cost to the student. Our clients are assessed and then tutored weekly by volunteers who have trained in The Orton-Gillingham method of reading, writing and spelling. If this is the perfect volunteer opportunity for you, visit: http://www.dyslexiatutoringprogram.org or call 410-889-5487



HEALTH NEWS

Interested in Ways to Prevent Heart Disease?

The Changing Hearts Program, offered by Life-Bridge Health- Northwest and Sinai Hospitals, can help you lower your chance of getting heart disease. The program is <u>free</u>, accepts participants 18-69 years of age, and lasts approximately 6 months. The program includes an assessment ((Short Medical History, BP, Weight, BMI, Blood Work,- Lipid Profile and Comprehensive Metabolic Profile), monthly workshops, 3 home visits, a nurse to talk to you, and more! Interested??? Call Sister Marie Seton at 410-521-5905. Also, keep the following dates in mind:



Healthy You

Thursday, October 6, 2016- "Changing Hearts Assessment" at the Calvary Baptist Church (pre-registration required for the assessment) at **9:00AM**.



What is NAMI Peer-to-Peer? NAMI Peer-to-Peer is a ten-session class designed to help anyone experiencing mental health challenges achieve and maintain recovery. Key things to know about the education program include the following: Available **free** of charge to participants. Taught by trained teachers who are in recovery. Mental illnesses such as Depressive Disorders, Schizophrenia, Bipolar Disorder and a range of other mental health challenges are addressed. The course is open to anyone 18 years of age or older living with a mental health challenge.

Classes will begin **Thursday, October 6th—Thursday, December 8th, 6:30PM in the Fellowship Hall of the Calvary Baptist Church.** Attendees leave NAMI Peer-to-Peer with a customized relapse prevention plan and a form they can use to create their own Advance Directive for Mental Healthcare Decision Making. Discussion and interactive exercises focus on mindfulness and meditation. Relapse prevention and practical coping skills to deal with life's challenges are taught. Does not recommend or endorse any medications or other medical therapies. NAMI Peer-to-Peer is copyrighted. **What are the goals of NAMI Peer-to-Peer?** Create a community to aid in the recover process. Provide up to date research on brain biology and mental illnesses. Provide the most current information on the possibilities for living in recovery, including treatment strategies currently available. Teach skills in the areas of problem solving, listening, communication techniques and handling crises and relapse. Provide guidance on locating appropriate supports and services within the community and offer tips of advocating for those supports and services. Any questions, please feel free to contact :

> NAMI Metropolitan Baltimore 6600 York Road, Suite 204 Baltimore, MD 21212 CELL PHONE: 443-401-9795 (preferred) OFFICE PHONE: 410-435-2600



Blessed To Be A Blessing

The holidays are quickly approaching us, and through our Food Pantry Ministry, we are preparing to bless those who are in need during this Thanksgiving season Baskets are located in the Narthex for donations of the following suggested items:

Instant Potatoes, Rice, Assorted Canned Vegetables, Sauerkraut, Corn, Yams, Cranberry Sauce, Gravy, Stuffing, Corn Bread Mix and Mixed Fruit.

Monetary contributions can be made payable to Calvary Baptist Church, indicating "Food Pantry" on the notation line. We thank you in advance for your support!



Casting Call for background Cast Members! Be a part of the background cast for the new Christmas musical comedy play, "Christmas At Gate B5". You will be one of the passengers stranded at the airport on Christmas Eve due to a snow storm.

Although the passengers are feeling low, they decide to have a Christmas celebration while they wait out the storm. Join the fun, laughs, singing, and celebration this Christmas! No lines to memorize! <u>Ages 15 years and older.</u>

Christmas Musical Comedy Play **"Christmas At Gate B5"** will be held on **Saturday, December 17th and Sunday, December 18th.** Times will appear in next month's *Connection*. If you are interested, please contact Deacon Terry Stanley at <u>tls9000@hotmail.com</u> or text 443-326-5018.

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Angel Tree Sunday The Prison Ministry assists those children who have parents that are incarcerated. On Sunday, November 27th, there will be a Christmas Tree full of "Angels" located in the Narthex. Members are encouraged to pick an angel and return all gifts by Sunday, December 11th. The Annual Angel Tree Program will be held on Saturday, December 17th from 1:00PM-3:00PM in the Fellowship Hall. Our children will lead us in song. A message will be spoken. Families will enjoy a hot meal, and Santa will deliver gifts to the children. Please join us for this wonderful celebration!

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The Drama Ministry

Grace and Deliverance Prayer Ministry



At Calvary, midweek prayer happens at **6:00PM** on Wednesday evenings under the leadership of Deaconess Theresa Jones. During the month of September some of the prayer team went to an elementary school, middle school, high school, and a college. These schools for us represented every school in the city and state as we prayed to our most high God specific prayer points that we want to see manifested because of Jesus, relationship, and all that Jesus accomplished for us at Calvary. Our prayers included but were not limited to our children, parents, caregivers, teachers, staff, volunteers & administration.

A few specific prayer points:

Father, we repent for: following earthly models & denying Christ by failing to become like Him.

- Father, we pray against bullying-that children not be embarrassed, exploited, humiliated, shamed or devalued by peers or staff, or in their homes.
- Father God, dislodge all hindering, foul, lying & anti-Christ spirits by blowing a fresh wind of Your Spirit over schools and homes.
- Father, we declare that: You love all children, that You have a wonderful plan and purpose for each one, and You desire that each one come to Jesus and know His love for them.

This is a small sample. For three weeks the team experienced God's presence with us in some awesome ways. We serve a mighty God. These prayer points are being prayed all around the state. I've heard reports of a different atmosphere in the schools. There is a peace and calm that's different in some of the schools already.

Are you registered voter? Do you need assistance in completing your form? Are you an ex-offender? Sister Monica Watkins will be in the Narthex between church services, during the month of October. All are welcome! If you have any questions or concerns please contact Monica at 410-303-0223.



Deadline for voter's registration is **Tuesday**, **October 18**, **2016**. Early Registration is Thursday October 27th—Thursday, November 3rd. Election Day is Tuesday,

November 8th. Polls are open 7 AM-8 PM. You're allowed to vote if you're in line by 8:00 PM.

Want to become an election judge? Election judges are responsible for administering voting procedures in their precinct and ensuring a fair and accessible election for all eligible voters. Duties include setting up and breaking down a polling place before and after voting hours. Other duties may include checking in voters, assisting voters, and overseeing all election procedures throughout the polling place. To be an election judge, you must be: 17 years old or older *; A registered voter in the State of Maryland; Able to speak, read, and write English; Physically and mentally able to work at least a 15-hour day; Willing to work outside your home precinct; and able to sit and/or stand for an extended period.

Sundays: Services are held at 8:00AM & 11:00AM. New Members Class, 10:00AM in the White House. Baptism and/or Right Hand of Fellowship (RHOF) is extended the 2nd Sunday of the month. Children's/Men's Choir sing the 5th Sunday of the month.

Mondays:

10:00AM: Praisercise, Fellowship Hall 6:00PM: Deaconesses Fasting & Praying (Every 3rd Monday) 7:00PM: Drama Rehearsal (Please email Deacon Terry Stanley, tls9000@hotmail.com if interested) 7:00PM: Adult Bible Study 7:00PM: Trustee Board Meetings (Every 2nd Monday) 7:00PM: Joint Board Meeting (Every 4th Monday) 7:00PM: Scholarship Committee Meeting (Every 3rd Monday)

Tuesdays:

10:00AM: Staff Meetings 6:00PM: Band Rehearsal 7:00PM: Voices of Victory Choir Rehearsal.

Wednesdays

11:00AM: Prime Age Ministry

Thursdays

7:00PM: Men's Bible Study

Fridays

10:00AM—1:00PM: Food Pantry, White House 6:00PM: Narcotics Anonymous, White House 6:30PM: Intermediate Ushers (2nd and 4th Friday only) 7:00PM: Men's Fellowship (1st Friday only) 7:00PM: Prison Prayer Ministry Meeting (Every 3rd Friday)

Saturdays

9:00AM: Missions Ministry Meeting (Every 2nd Saturday) 9:30AM: Deacons/Deaconesses Ministry Meeting (Every 1st Saturday) 10:00AM: New Members Class (Every 3rd Saturday) 10:00AM: Kids Culinary Cooking Class (Every 2nd Saturday) 10:00AM: Focus 2020 (Every 4th Saturday) 10:30AM: Greeters Ministry (Every 2nd Saturday) 11:00AM: Kids Art for Love Class (Every 2nd Saturday) 12:30PM: Julia Reed/Senior Ushers Meeting (Every 3rd Saturday)

Monthly Events

6:00PM: Midweek Prayer (Prayer line available at 6:00AM by dialing 1-218-339-0838 code #133379)

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