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Life Group Notes

Getting Started: What are you most looking forward to right now in your life?

Read Calvary's Leadership Code. Which ones stand out to you most?

Have you experienced times in your church experience where these affirmations were openly neglected? Did you see any consequences in the church?

Reviewing the Sermon: Read Titus 2:1-8. Read through the list of agreements that summarize Paul's guidance for Titus. Which of these "goals" do you resonate with most? Why?

Read Titus 2:11-14. What is the first thing that comes to your mind when you hear the word GRACE?

How is grace instructing you to live at this present moment in your life?

Digging Deeper: Look up the following passages and summarize what they add to our understanding of grace.

Ephesians 2:8-9

Romans 5:15-17

1 Timothy 1:13-15

2 Timothy 1:9

Bringing It Home: What can you do differently this week because of God's grace?

Calvary's Leadership Code:

How do we lead well together?

As we discuss, question, refine and, at times, disagree about issues remember how much we have in common in our Creed and Code!

I Affirm...

The ultimate authority of God's word: I will submit myself to it as my guide.

That God alone is infallible: I will humbly accept that I can be wrong.

The need for a Christ-like mind-set: I will seek His will in His way for His glory.

The need for personal responsibility: I'll take responsibility for how I think, feel, act & react.

The value of each person: I will respect other's differences and opinions.

The need for safety in our relationships: I will discuss and debate ideas not attack people.

The importance of relational integrity: I will not ask anyone to do anything immoral/unethical.

My involvement and investment: I will actively and sacrificially offer my time, talents and treasures to our church.

The need for a servant's attitude: I'll not exhibit or tolerate divisive attitudes and/or practices.

The need for direct communication: I will go directly to the person I disagree with & not resolve things electronically.

The need for frankness in our meetings: I'll put my disagreements on the table.

The need for confidentiality: I will keep all issues discussed within the sphere of the leadership team.

The need for persistence: I'll make every effort to work through our differences and difficulties.

The need for no surprises: I will strive to give necessary information in advance.

The need for united leadership: I'll cooperate with the majority's decisions after we've diligently sought agreement.

The need for a living relationship with Christ: I will seek to abide in Christ, yielding ever more of my life to His care and control.

CALVARY'S MINISTRY TEAMS

Overseers: Jeff Anderson, Dave Atkinson, Mike Petersen, Rich Perry
Pastor Wade Robinson & Pastor Jose Magana

Children's Ministry

Jill McGinnis

Finance Team

Karol Sousa

Youth Ministry

Nick McGinnis

Turlock Gospel Mission Meals

Harlene McGinnis

Worship - Contemporary Team

Corbin Sturdivan

Basketball League / Open Gym

David Davidson & Jon Kimble

Worship - Spanish Team

Jose Magana

Missions Team

Jennifer Hayes

Greeters & Ushers Team

Brenda Echols

CEF Ministry Team

Kathy Lafaver

A/V Tech Team

Alan McCord

Prayer Team

Kristie Robinson

Life Groups Team

Annie Atkinson

Big Events Team

Annie Atkinson

Properties Team

Bill McGinnis &
Lance Donaldson

Mama Meal Train

Nicole Trujillo

please pray for our ministry teams and leaders! If you would like more information about joining a team, please contact the church office.

NO ONE IS USED, EVERYONE IS USEFUL!

WEEKLY PRAYER LIST - MARCH 31, 2019

Heavenly Father, I give You praise for You are holy. May these words of my mouth and this meditation of my heart be pleasing in Your sight, Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer. (Psalm 19:14)

I am grateful for my church family and ask You to bless the lives of Jeff & Barb Anderson, Vera Anderson, John & Cynthia Applebey, Carlos & Elida Argueta, Dave & Annie Atkinson, and James Auld.

Please bless those celebrating birthdays this week: Camilo Chavez (3/31), Gabe Canales, Ashley Trujillo (4/1), John Lafaver (4/3), and Mary Kohen (4/5).

I lift up the Mexico mission team as they continue fundraising and preparing for the trip April 22-27.

I pray for Nereida Gonzalez and her mother who fell and broke her wrist last week and is dealing with other health problems.

I lift up Harlene McGinnis as she deals with pain from shingles.

I praise You that Annie Atkinson's mom is recovering better than expected. Please give them wisdom in decisions for proper care at home for both parents.

I lift up the Murillo family as their 2 girls continue to recover from their injuries.

I pray for those with cancer: Wendy Montgomery, Raymond Borba (friends of Pikes), Cecilio Mendez (Synphony Reedy's uncle), Scott Stone (Lisa Barkman's brother), Marianne Magaña (Pastor Jose's daughter), Gladys Schroer (Jeff Schroer's mom), Bob Sousa, Robert Mizerak (Josh Mizerak's dad), Theresa Felipe (Barbara Beardsley's cousin), and Esteban Andre (son of Tiffany Pike's friend).

Please bless Theresa Fast with a health pregnancy (due in July.)

I lift up this week's Calvary kids in nursery through kindergarten: Armando (Jr.) Mendez, Ami & Brielle Otu-Tei, Logan Perry, Riley, Ty & Rory Pike, Hunter & Liana Silva, Carson & Kerrigan Sturdivan, Jude Trujillo, Amelia Tsai, and Gaither White.

I pray for Amy Lafaver to do well during this semester of college and that she will be able to balance everything going on in life.

Thank You for Calvary's partnership with ministries and missionaries in our area, the US and around the world. Please bless Kyle & Theresa Fast as they serve in Costa Rica with Students International.

I pray for the health and encouragement of shut-ins Earl Reeser and Lloyd Thompson. I also lift up the caregivers and ask You would immensely bless them.

Please protect John Lafaver as he serves in the Army National Guard.

May Your kingdom come and Your will be done, Lord. Amen.

*Please submit prayer requests on a Communication Card
and place in the offering or call the church office.*

WALK WITH JESUS IN SPRINGTIME

“God has made everything new for its own time.” Ecclesiastes 3:11

To me, spring is for bluebirds. The bluebirds bring good news, “Spring,” as a present to us. The Middle Eastern people celebrate the first day of spring, March 20th, with the festival of New Year.

As spring is upon us now, the snow and storms of winter melt away, new branches of green begin to appear, our soul longs for rebirth, and our heart responds to Jesus’ invitation to walk with Him.

You and I (we) lift our thoughts to God and find a spiritual garden within our hearts. In times of prayer, we clear out the weeds, negative thoughts or habits, and feelings of unforgiveness that have grown up over time, so that we can recognize the blessings which await us.

In the garden of our heart, we thin out, discard, and replant as we open our mind to divine love and wisdom. We walk with Jesus, our way; we shower, weed, and reseed as we go, raking away doubts and old thoughts to allow room for new ideas, inspiration, and creativity to take root.

Then, step by step, the gentle, loving words of Jesus loosen any hurts that we have held on to in our heart and allow thoughts of peace, kindness, and understanding to grow in their place.

We rise to follow in the way of Jesus, we pause to pray, and the presence of Christ within helps us relieve hurts of our past and make room for hope to blossom anew.

Happy Spring!

-Rosalin Sarkissian

SIGN UP FOR A LIFE GROUP!

Our adult Life Groups will be starting a new 12-week semester the first week of February. Please see the list below and check which group you would like to participate in and place in the offering!

Sundays

- 10:00 am: Spanish-Speaking group led by Gabriel Canales and Juan Ban. meets in the Chapel. study topic: discipleship
- 11:00 am: Group for women to discuss sermon and pray together, led by Jill McGinnis in the Ministry Center dining room
- 11:00 am: Sermon Discussion led by Rich Perry in MC Rm 5
- 11:00 am: Sermon Discussion led by Kay Courter in Office conference room
- 11:00 am: Financial Peace University led by Evan Lucas in MC Rm 4
- 11:00 am: Parenting Class led by Wade & Kristie Robinson in the Chapel

Midweek

- Monday Men's Group: Sermon Discussion Group: 6:30 pm at Jeff Anderson's house
- Tuesday Co-Ed Spanish Group: Spanish Sermon Discussion Group. 6:30 pm in the Sanctuary led by Pastor Jose and Emanuel Corro
- Wednesday Night Co-Ed Group: Sermon Discussion Group led by Dave and Annie Atkinson in the Chapel at 6:30 pm
- Thursday Night Women's Bible Study: Meets the 2nd & 4th Thursdays at 7:00 pm. Location TBD and is led by Harlene McGinnis. Studying John
- Thursday Night Co-Ed Group: Sermon Discussion Group , meets the 2nd & 4th Thursday at 7:00 pm, at Loren and Jennifer Hayes' home
- Friday Night Co-Ed Bi-Lingual Bible Study: Meets every other week at 7 pm. Rotates to different homes, led by Pastor Jose, studying marriage

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