# CALVARY FAMILY NEWS

#### March 2024

# **Counting Blessings**

As we spend a few months studying the Sermon on the Mount during our Sunday services, I was thinking about all the things Jesus has asked His disciples to be and do as they (and we) live lives in a way that pleases Him. Then it hit me how Jesus began the sermon; by telling us all of the ways that we are blessed if we have put out faith, hope, and trust in Him. The quantities and actions that are described in the beatitudes are a picture of the life and ministry of Jesus when he walked on the earth and they still identify who He is in Heaven today. So what it comes down to is that we become more and more blessed the more we think and act like Jesus.

While pondering all that I had a flashback to the chorus of an old hymn I remember singing way back when titled

#### **Count Your Blessings**

Count your blessings, name them one by one; Count your blessings, see what God hath done; Count your blessings, name them one by one; Count your many blessings, see what God hath done.

It is good to occasionally look back on our lives and see where we were and where the Lord has us now. I'm guessing for most of us, we are thankful that God has been growing us up in our walk with Him. Recounting the ways that God has moved us and strengthened us as He brings us closer to the image of Christ.

We can also do that as a church. As we prepare to celebrate 150 years of God's faithfulness to Calvary Baptist Church it is good to look back and see the many, many blessings God has lavished on this congregation over the years. I'm excited to look back and see how He has faithfully guided Calvary over the years and also to think of the future and anticipate what He has in store for us in the days ahead.

In His Love, Pastor Karl Fill My Cup Community Wide Women's Event Saturday, March 9th 8:30am-12:30pm At the Nazarene Church

See Flyer below for more details... And ladies come out and enjoy getting together with out fellow sisters in Christ for a time of encouragement!





## **March Birthdays**

- 9 Terrie Evarts
- 18 Shari McGuire
- 29 Carlin Smith



### Men's Breakfast & Shooting

will begin at 8am on Saturday, March 23rd, in Browning Hall. Expect Good Food, Fellowship, and Fun! See Dennis for more details.

SAVE THE DATE! Fri, April 26 - Sun, April 28 Camp Elkanah Work Weekend

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"God just doesn't throw a life preserver to a drowning person. He goes to the bottom of the sea, and pulls a corpse from the bottom of the sea, takes him up on the bank, breathes into him the breath of life and makes him alive."

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Calvary Baptist Church: Celebrating 150 Years of God's Faithfulness in Baker City and Beyond

A big thank you to everyone who was part of our 150th anniversary celebration planning meeting on Feb. 25th. We came up with our theme for our six month celebration that begins June 6th; It's the title of this article. We will be hosting monthly events to invite the community as we thank God for His faithfulness to CBC.

Here is a list of the upcoming events, tentative dates, and the point people for each event:

- June 6th—Community Dinner 10th Anniversary & BBQ Kick Off! Dennis and Kelli.
- July 19-21st—Miner's Jubilee with Float & Visiting Missionary. Mike and Anne.
- August 12-17th-VBS GO Ministries Drama Camp Program. Karl and Laurie.
- September—Christmas in September—Raising Money to send for Christmas to missionaries as in the past and eat together on the 29th (hoping for missionaries in person and through technology of memories). Danielle.
- October—Halloween Outreach. Wrights and Wittichs.
- November 28th—Thanksgiving Dinner. Kitchen Crew.
- December 7-8th—Celebrating the actual Anniversary Date! TBD

These dates are to help you plan to come and participate, and hopefully help with the preparation and ideas and celebration as we keep the focus on God and what He has done in Baker City and beyond! If you would like to be a part of a specific event please contact the point people for that activity.

We are also planning to put a pictorial timeline up in Browning Hall with pictures and descriptions of important events in the life of Calvary.

More ideas are still welcome. Thanks in advance for doing your part as we recognize what the Lord has done, is doing and will continue to do with and through His Church.



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
25 9a Sunday School 10a Worship & Children's Church & Nursery	26	27 10a Ladies Bible Study in Browning Hall	28 11-Noon Ladies' Bible Study at Yvonne's 5:30pm Dinner & Prayer	29 5 - 6 pm Community Dinner <i>Entree</i> <i>Encores!</i> 6 pm Celebrate Recovery	1 9am Ladies' First Friday Breakfast at Truck Corral	2
3 9a Sunday School 10a Camp Elkanah Worship & Children's Church & Nursery	4	5 10a CBC Serves at Community Connection Luncheon NO Ladies' Bible Study	6 11-Noon Ladies' Bible Study at Yvonne's 5:30pm Dinner & Prayer	7 5 - 6 pm Community Dinner <i>Tasty Meal!</i> 6 pm Celebrate Recovery	8	9 8:30a-12:30p Community Wide Women's Event at Naz
10 9a Sunday School 10a Worship & Children's Church & Nursery	11	12 10a Ladies Bible Study in Browning Hall	13 11-Noon Ladies' Bible Study at Yvonne's 5:30pm Dinner & Prayer	14 5 - 6 pm Community Dinner <i>KFC Bowls!</i> 6 pm Celebrate Recovery	15	16
17 9a Sunday School 10a Worship & Children's Church & Nursery	18	19 10a Ladies Bible Study in Browning Hall	20 11-Noon Ladies' Bible Study at Yvonne's 5:30pm Dinner & Prayer	21 5 - 6 pm Community Dinner <i>Pizza Bagels!</i> 6 pm Celebrate Recovery	22	23 8am Men's Breakfast & Shooting
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