



Calvary Family News

August 2026

The Great Commandment

While reading the twelfth chapter of Mark's gospel you will find that Jesus is once again having a "discussion" with the Jewish religious leaders. We will join the conversation in verse 28.

28 And one of the scribes came up and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that he answered them well, asked him, "Which commandment is the most important of all?" 29 Jesus answered, "The most important is, 'Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. 30 And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.' 31 The second is this: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these." 32 And the scribe said to him, "You are right, Teacher. You have truly said that he is one, and there is no other besides him. 33 And to love him with all the heart and with all the understanding and with all the strength, and to love one's neighbor as oneself, is much more than all whole burnt offerings and sacrifices."

Mark 12:28-33

When the religious elite asked Jesus questions, it is sometimes hard to tell what their motive might be, but I think this man was actually seeking the truth. This is a guy who studied the Law of Moses regularly and wanted to know how to live to truly please God. Jesus' answer came straight from the scripture: Love God (Deuteronomy 6:4-5), and love people (Leviticus 19:18). And the scribe understood! He realized that what God wants more than anything else from the men and women he created is a relationship. He wants us to know and love Him and His children. Doing that is so much more important than giving our stuff.

The Lord is the source of love and true love that flows out from Him always makes it back to Him.

19 We love because he first loved us. 20 If anyone says, "I love God," and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen cannot love God whom he has not seen. 21 And this commandment we have from him: whoever loves God must also love his brother.

1 John 4:19-21

Want to love God more? Get to know Him better. Spend time in His Word and in prayer. Build relationships with His people and lift each other up. When we do that, we are fulfilling the Great Commandment.

In His Love,

Pastor Karl



Make plans to come to family camp at Camp Elkanah at the end of this month, Friday, August 28 to Sunday, August 30th. Once again, we will be joining our sister church in Cove (also Calvary Baptist). Check-in begins at 3:00 on Friday, and camp goes through lunch on Sunday. David Pendleton, pastor of Summit Church in Enterprise, and a good friend of mine, will be the speaker. There will be time for fun and games, peace and quiet, food and fellowship, praise and worship. You can come up for the whole weekend, just one night, make it a day trip on Saturday, or come for the worship service at 10 am and lunch on Sunday. **We won't be having a service in Baker on Sunday, August 30th.** Cost is \$60 per person with a \$240 cap per family. Questions can be directed to Pastor Karl. Hope to see you there.

Ministry Leaders, We Need Your Help!

Leadership would appreciate any changes for the budget in your ministry in early August, so that they can get an accurate(ish) budget prepared to be submitted at the Annual Meeting in September.

The Office Manager would appreciate a brief ministry summary of what has been happening in your ministry. It doesn't have to be long or extremely detailed, but just to let others, now and in the future, know what was happening behind the scenes or in various ministry areas through out the year. I find reading prior years its very interesting to see where we have been serving in the past, like the weekly radio programs, service projects around the world and in the community. Anyhow, it is an informal record of Calvary Baptist Church projects and ministries. Also, makes the annual report more interesting to read instead of just numbers. And who knows, it may encourage someone to become involved in ministry. If you have any questions, please see Tamera. Thank you very much for your time and work in church ministry! tap



August Birthdays

- 1 Danielle Pierce
- 3 Janet Hoeffner
- 10 Sharon McGuire
- 11 Gary Smith
- 15 Adena Rosin
- 17 Kevin Bernardy
- 31 Chris Wittich

It's not too late to let Pastor Karl know
That you are coming to
Family Camp at Camp Elkanah!
(See page 2 for more information)



September
Newsletter
items are
Due
Thursday,
August
27th.



Ladies' Bible Study starts back up the first Monday after Labor Day, September 14th at 6 pm in Browning Hall. For the book on Esther we will be studying, please contact Kelli. We hope you ladies can come!



Dinner by Candlelight?

If you were not able to make it to Community Dinner on July 23rd, for Hot Dogs, Baked Beans, Chips, and Dessert, you missed out on being served by candlelight when the lights were off in the downtown area. Our gas stoves were used to serve the folks who showed up a hot meal and time to enjoy it around the table. God Provides.

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Sunday	Monday	TuEsday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2 9 am Church Body Prayer 10 am Worship Children Church & Nursery	3 6pm Men's Bible Study	4 10:30a- 1:30p CBC Serves at Sr Center	5	6 5-6pm Community: <i>Sandwiches, Watermelon & Chips!</i> 6pm Celebrate Recovery	7 9am Ladies' First Friday Breakfast at Truck Corral	8
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30 10 AM Worship <u>AT CAMP</u> <u>ELKANAH</u> <u>NO CHURCH</u> <u>in BAKER</u> <u>CITY!</u>	31 6pm Men's Bible Study	1 10:30a- 1:30p CBC Serves at Sr Center	2	3 5-6pm Community: <i>Delicious Dinner!</i> 6pm Celebrate Recovery	4 9am Ladies' First Friday Breakfast at Truck Corral	5