

## SPECIAL GIFTS

To Project Agape Shoes by Ted and Brenda Alexander and Norma Kennerly.  
To World Hunger in honor of Joyce Beyer by Shirley Weeks.  
To R and R in memory of Maxine Black John Black, Jack Worley and Conrad Furr by Joe Black.  
To R and R by Ted and Brenda Alexander, Carl and Betty Pinion, Harding Shinn, Ray and Marsha Smith, Ron and Donna Ware.  
To World Hunger in memory of Fred Severs by June Severs.  
To World Hunger by Harding Shinn.  
To Loaves and Fishes in memory of Phyllis Hale, Jim Johnson and all deceased Calvary members by Kathleen Shaw.  
To Agape Shoes by Harding Shinn and Hazel Crump.  
To CUMC in memory and honor of Mary Hoover's birthday and the anniversary of Bill and Barbara Pressley by Barbara Pressley.  
To CUMC in memory of Mary Hoover's 97<sup>th</sup> birthday on Aug. 4<sup>th</sup> by Pat and Herb Tesh.  
To Calvary Music/Choir Fund in memory of Jim Johnson by Joe Black.  
To UMCOR Advance #901670 Louisiana floods by Ray and Marsha Smith.  
To Project Agape Shoes by Stella Schlagowsky.  
To UMCOR Louisiana Floods by Ted and Brenda Alexander.  
To Calvary's children's fund by Ted and Brenda Alexander.

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**10:00 AM Sunday School**  
**11:00 AM Worship Service**



**To attend our Church**  
**Calvary United Methodist**  
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## CALVARY CURRENT

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## TOWARD RECONCILIATION

Nowadays Americans live in the era of super diversity and often experience conflict and division among different racial, religious, and cultural people. Recently I applied for a grant in 2017-18 for my pastoral study project, "Toward Reconciliation: Building Solidarity on the Periphery." My study project begins with a theological reflection and moves toward my leadership question for our church today: Why does reconciliation matter in the church, and how can we build reconciled relationships among diverse people?

Working toward God's reconciliation is a theological and missional task. Reconciliation is manifested in the incarnation of Jesus Christ, who has made salvation possible by mediating God and humanity. The scandalous love of Christ Jesus on the cross is the culmination of God's promise for reconciliation.

On October 1, Saturday, Wilmore Community will host a community picnic and has invited our church members to be part of it. Two years ago, a few our members began to attend the Wilmore Community's quarterly meetings and provided refreshments with them. We also hosted December dinners for Wilmore Community last two years. Our intentional efforts to build relationship with the surrounding local community will continue. This time Wilmore Community offered an invitation for us to be their guests at the community picnic.

The way toward reconciliation takes a long time, and it requires our intentional, patient, and repetitive encounters with the community people. I extend the invitation from Wilmore Community to you. Please come and join in the community picnic on Oct. 1<sup>st</sup> and meet the local residents. Through our continuous relationship building, we may move toward God's reconciliation among diverse people. As your pastor, I am grateful for your willingness to engage with others beyond the church boundary.

*Blessings and love, Jae*

## LOAVES AND FISHES REPORT FOR JULY 2016

Calvary's Loaves and Fishes Pantry fed 181 people with 3,801 meals. Our volunteers worked 312 hours.

## LOUISIANA FLOODS

We all have watched the devastation left by the floods in Louisiana. We know that UMCOR along with work teams from Methodist churches will be working in this area for years. If you would like to make a donation to UMCOR, you can write your check to Calvary and on the memo line, write Louisiana Floods.

One couple was interviewed by the media. They could not afford flood insurance and had lost everything in this flood. They felt so hopeless, but we can give them hope through the work of UMCOR. As you know, 100% of your donation will help the people in this area. You can't get a better return on your money than this plus you can claim this donation on your taxes, and you are helping your neighbor.

Outreach Committee



Dina Faquin, Brenda Alexander, Henry McCannon, Paul Brackbill, Michael Gill, Betty Matthews, Vernell Dye, Robert Black, Jim Gilman, Preston Savage, The Edwards family, Dillon Webb, J.C. Witte, Dale and Dawn Hauser, Stella Schlagowsky, Beatrice Brown, Daisy Dunlap, Mary Anne Koon, Mason and Shirley Butler, Joyce Beyer, Faye Smith, Barbara Pressley, Noah Collins, Linda Baucom, Annette James, Mary Brotherton, Mary Grace Covington, Alice Jarrell, Carl and Betty Pinion, Margaret Bumgardner, Millie King, Shannon Taylor, Joyce and Johnny Puckett, Tom and Lib Phillips, and all of our sick and shut-ins and those serving our country.

## THANK YOU

A special thank you is extended to Kevin Alexander for his kind donation to Calvary UMC. Kevin's company installed guttering over the side entrance to the Fellowship Hall. It was very much needed, and we do appreciate his gift to Calvary.

## PASTOR JAE'S SEPTEMBER SCHEDULE

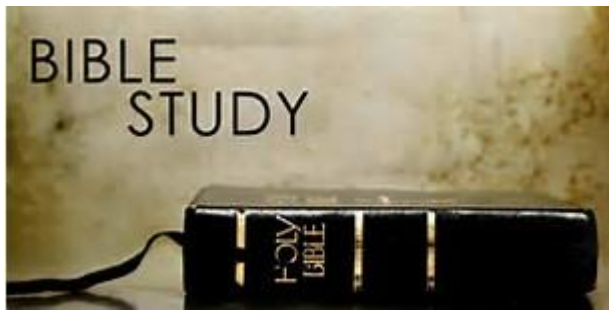
Our Pastor Jae will begin a new series of Wednesday Bible study focused on *the Letter of James* in the New Testament from Sept. 14<sup>th</sup>. He will also begin to teach *Simply Christian* for the young adult group (10/10 SC) on Sundays from Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>. This class will deal with the basics of Christian faith for young people. He will have a study leave at Duke Divinity School from Sept. 19 through 23. Pastor Jae will continue to visit our homebound members. If you need pastoral support, please feel free to let know at [jlee@wnccumc.net](mailto:jlee@wnccumc.net) or 704-408-0909.

## VITALITY MEETING

There will be a vitality meeting on Sept. 11<sup>th</sup> right after our Sunday worship service. If you are vitality team members, please come to the meeting and share your inputs for our vital ministries!

## WALK IN WILMORE COMMUNITY

We will walk in our surrounding community on Sept. 10<sup>th</sup>, Saturday morning. If you want to walk together, please come and meet our pastor and friends at the church parking lot at 9am!



## WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY / CHOIR REHEARSAL

Calvary will resume our Bible study & Choir rehearsal on Wednesdays from Sept. 14. We will begin to study *the Epistle of James*. Please read *James* during the break.

## WILMORE COMMUNITY PICNIC

We have built a cooperative relationship with Wilmore Community. On Oct. 1, Saturday, Wilmore Neighbors Association hosts a community picnic and invites Calvary members to be their guests. Please mark this event on your calendar and take part in this community event. Detailed info will be available later.



### HELPING HANDS

The Outreach Committee has decided to offer a service as part of Helping Hands to anyone in our congregation who may have a need for transportation to a doctor, etc. Marsha Smith will be the transportation contact, and her telephone number is 704-399-8569. Please try to give her a two-week notice before the medical appointment to make the transportation arrangement. If you can volunteer as a driver, please speak with Marsha.

*Brenda Alexander, Outreach Chair*



### SEPTEMBER

Cody Smith	2	Peggy Cromer	11
Judith Houghton	22	Shirley Butler	27
Luther Morris	27		



Men say that women should  
come with instructions...

What's the point of that?  
have you ever seen a man

Actually read the  
instructions?

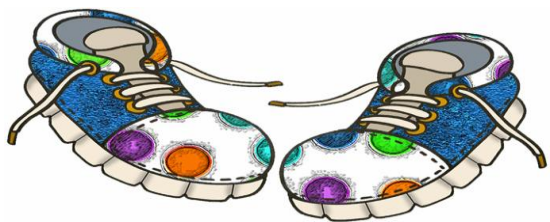


### NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

We began a new class on Sunday at 10:10 am in July. This new class (ten ten spiritual club) invites young people who are in their 20s, 30s, and 40s and those who seek new relationships with God and others. Please come and experience spiritual growth!

### NEW CLASS ROOM

There is a storage room across from the choir room that is being converted into a Sunday School room for our new 10/10 S.S. Class. If you have anything in that room that belongs to you it will need to be removed by Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>.



## PROJECT AGAPE FALL DONATIONS

The Outreach Committee will be collecting items for Project AGAPE for the fall pickup. The following are needed:

**Children's, Women's, Men's clothes. Winter coats for women, men, and children are really needed. If you bring the coats, I will wash them or have them dry cleaned. We need winter coats!**

Project Agape continues to be the only humanitarian organization helping the families to survive in Armenia.

The families who come to the Agape Center depend on the shipments from our Conference for clothes for themselves and their children. Please ask your family members for donations of used clothes as they shop for new school clothes for their children.

The following school supplies are needed:

pencils	pens	crayons
markers	rulers	children's scissors
glue	erasers	construction paper
colored pencils	Scotch tape	notebook paper
spiral notebooks		

**THE DEADLINE FOR DONATIONS IS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18.**

Donations may be left in the Pop Smith's Classroom.

*Brenda Alexander, Outreach Committee Chair*

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

### KIDS COOK OFF

We had a great time for the Kid's Cook-off! I am so proud of my chefs!! Our first place team for the entree was James and Autumn. Our first place team for the dessert was Maddie and Erin. Grand prize went to James and Autumn. We had a 4 way tie between the rest of the teams for 2nd place. A huge thank you to my judges!!! We will be doing this again!

### KIDS BAKE SALE AND CAR WASH

The kids will be having a car wash and bake sale in September 18<sup>th</sup> to raise money for the CROP Walk. We will be washing them by donation instead of a set rate. We will wash them during the church service so your car will be shiny and ready to go by the time church is out. We will be doing this fundraiser for CROP Walk instead of each individual child raising money. Please stay tuned!!

### CROP WALK

The Charlotte CROP Walk will be on October 16th! We will be having a luncheon right after church is on September 25 to help raise money for CROP. The crop walkers will be putting this on. The date as of right now is September 25. We will have a great meal!!

*Patty Pressley*