WATCHMAN ON THE WALL

May, 2017

Pastor's Prayer Requests

Tuesday, May 16, 2017

- I. Pray with me that God will meet our needs and facilitate the accomplishment of His vision for us through DEMO633.
- II. Pray that God's people will "love him back" through starting to tithe, continuing to tithe, and giving a freewill offering to HIS name and cause.
- III. Pray for the Siglers as they make their way home.
- IV. Pray that God will provide new missionaries to South Sudan to help in the work God has used Shannon to start there.
- V. Pray for the mission team "spinning up" to go to Tanzania to serve with John and Madeline.
- VI. Pray for VBS and for many children to come to know Christ and for those who already know Him to grow in their walk with Him. Pray for all those who will be serving the Lord by serving in Vacation Bible School.
- VII. Pray for Preteen Camp.
- VIII. Pray for Middle School Camp.
- IX. Pray for High School Camp.
- X. Thank God with me for the dynamic group of college and young adults He has raised up at Calvary. Pray for them to have an anointing as they continue to encourage and inspire me/ us with their service and heart for the Lord.
- XI. Pray for our deacons.
- XII. Thank God for the many talents, gifts, and abilities He has given you. Pray that He will enable you to play them like a fine violin for his glory.
- XIII. Pray that Satanic strongholds be destroyed in your life, my life, and the life of our church.
- XIV. Pray for the Holy Spirit to fall on us
 - A. With conviction.
 - B. With conversions by the scores.
 - C. With new callings to service.
 - D. With new victories, "stories," and testimonies of his love.
- XV. Pray for our nation and for calm, cool demeanor on everyone's part in this international powder keg of situations developing.

Debby Martin

Minister to Preteens and Children

Preteen Ministry

God replied to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM. This is what you are to say to the Israelites. I AM has sent Me to you. " -Exodus 3:14

- Pray that preteens will come to know the great I AM.
- Pray for changed lives as our preteen VBX teams go off-campus to the Salvation Army, Boys Haven, Girls Haven, and also host a VBX on-campus in V2.
- Pray for those who were recently baptized, that our families would take up their cross and follow Jesus and teach their preteens to follow Him.
- Pray for our VBS/VBX leadership team and our VBS Volunteer Coordinator, Vicki Cothen, as they enlist over 250 volunteers. Pray that they would not grow weary and that God would hear our prayer for faithful volunteers.
- Pray for Preteen Camp 2017, "CONSUMED," June 25-28. Pray that preteens would invite unchurched friends, and God would open their eyes to His truths.
- Pray that our preteens will be able to memorize James 1: 1-27 (the first chapter) this summer and fully learn, "Do not merely listen to the word and deceive yourselves, do what it says!" James 1:21.
- Praise God for the way He encouraged our children to be bold for Jesus on Invasion Sunday. Thank the Lord for the welcoming reception from all the adult classes!
- Praise the Lord for most of our AWANA leaders returning next year! Thank you for praying for this last month! We still have some open opportunities to serve so keep praying.
- Pray for wisdom in decision making regarding Sunday mornings, Family Night of VBS, our Preteen Brown Bag Book Club, Mom's Café and other outreaches for this summer.
- Pray for the Peru Team as they prayer walk villages in the Andes Mountains (July 20-29) to see where God would like the next Family Peru Mission Team to go and begin a new work.

Children's Ministry

"He is the image of the invisible God, the first born over all creation." - Colossians 1:15

- Pray that our children would come to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ.
- Praise the Lord for all the leadership He is bringing for VBS/VBX! Continue to ask Him for more men to step up and teach our boys. (I Thessalonians 5:17)
- Pray for our summer leadership on Wednesday nights as they prepare to take our children through the entire book of James in a study called "Boy! Have I Got Problems!"
- Pray for Kids Praise as they prepare for their musical "Agapeland," that all who see it would understand the grace of God.
- Pray that parents would be intentional to plant the unseen truths of scripture daily on their child's heart. God's word does not return void.
- Pray for our AWANA kids, that as the summer approaches, they would continue to hunger for and memorize scripture.
- Pray that Calvary Kids would invite their unchurched friends to preteen camp and lives would be changed for eternity!
- Pray for me that every decision made will glorify God. Ask for wisdom as I prepare messages for VBS/VBX, make decisions for this summer's VBS/VBX, camp, Wednesday nights, outreach events, etc.
- Pray for kids who are being hurt from divorce, that they would have the courage to tell their parents that they forgive them for hurting them so much so healing can begin.
- Please join Bill and I in praise of our glorious Lord for 39 years of marriage, four children and their spouses, eleven grandchildren, and blessings beyond measure.

Summer Tallina

Preteen Director, Calvary North

- Preteen Camp 2017: that God would prepare hearts and lives to be changed.
- VBS/VBX: that God would use us to reach the lost in our communities and those would be the ones to fill ALL of our venues.
- Much needed ministry space at Calvary North.
- Preteens to desire to be the example (1 Timothy 4:12).
- That parents of preteens would desire to lead their families closer to God.
- My son, Aaron, as he graduates high school and begins his career with the US Navy.
- My husband, Chris, and our boys: Aaron, Caden, Gavin, and Jaxan.

Steven Hays

Campus Pastor, Calvary North

- Thank the Lord for His faithful provision thus far for the new multi-purpose building at CN. Please pray for the safety of the construction workers and team that will be working on the project. Please pray for God's continued provision!
- Please pray for family night of VBS/VBX 2017 at Calvary North as we are trying something a bit different this year. Please pray that strong relationships will be forged with new prospects. Please pray that those new prospects will attend church with us on the Sunday following VBS which is Father's day.
- Please pray that God would allow us to make many new contacts and give us many new prospects for ministries at Calvary North over the course of the summer.
- Please pray for my brother, Ben Hays, in his church planting and networking ministry with "Reach Houston."
- Please pray for Joyce Tallina who is recovering from some recent health problems.
- Please pray for Mike Tarver and his family in their recent loss of his mother.
- Please pray for my son-in-law, Cody Perkins, as he finalizes the procedure for becoming a police officer in Euless, TX. Please pray for he and Lauren in their church ministries as well with First Baptist, Euless.
- Please pray for God to bless what has already been given to Calvary Baptist in the way of finances like he once blessed the five loaves of bread and two fish. Praise the miracle-working Christ who can feed 5,000 people with meager beginnings, yet have 12 basketfuls left over.
- Please pray for two personal friends of mine, that both would get in church and stay in church, and return to their love for Christ.
- Please pray that God would grant me success in personal outreach efforts.
- Praise the Lord Jesus Christ for His faithful guidance, provision, and love in your life.

Kevin Goodwin

Minister to Students, Calvary Central

- Pray for Calvary Camps this summer and camp registration. Please pray that students will sign up and invite their friends to hear the gospel!
- Pray for broken families and the hurt that goes on below the surface. Pray that we would effectively minister to those who are in desperate need of fellowship.
- Pray for our students as they continue the spring semester of school. Pray for their on-campus Christian organizations (Bulldog Believers, Westbrook FCA, Rebels For Christ, etc.), and pray that they become a strong voice in their schools for the name of Christ.
- Praise for the opportunity to become a Key Communicator mentor for BISD and for the continued sessions that I have had at Marshall Middle School. Please pray for the opportunity for the Mentoring Program to continue and for doors to be opened for us!
- Pray for the student worship team and for Chosen (the student choir) as they prepare and lead in worship in the Epicenter and in other worship services. Pray against fatigue and for servant-hearts. Pray that they would build each other up and edify each other in Christ so that His name may be lifted up.
- Please pray for our CSM Outreach efforts on Monday nights as well as special events. Pray that God would use those moments and allow them to be effective in reaching out to those who need Him. Pray that our students would be formed by those interactions into mature followers of Christ that see the eternal results of sacrificing their time and effort on behalf of others.
- Please pray for Tapwewin Christian Assembly in Prince Albert, SK, Canada. Pray for Louis and Margaret Bear as they prepare to lead Bible Studies, and for Gerry Wortman and Binyam Asress as they lead in outreach efforts in the community. Pray that God would raise up students and families from our ministry to attend a mission trip to Canada this summer to work with First Nations people groups.
- Pray for the Suite H Coffee House and for the connections we are making through it. Pray that people would come and get connected to what God is doing at Calvary.
- Pray for the several students at Calvary that have experienced a call to full-time ministry. Pray for me as I continue to go through discipleship material with them, and pray for them to continue to respond to God's call in their lives.
- Praise for the Old and New Testament survey classes on Sunday nights and for the Biblical literacy that they are producing. Pray for
 more and more people to sign up for these classes and to experience all that God is doing in the lives of the people at Calvary. Please
 pray for healing for Christa Bennefield who was recently diagnosed with Stage 2 cancer and is currently undergoing treatment.
- Please continue to pray for the Richey family as they continue to deal with the loss of their baby.
- Pray for healing for Randy Echols as he was recently diagnosed with colon cancer that has spread to his liver.

Clay Jones

Minister of Missions

- Praise God for what He did through our recent trip to Mogos, South Sudan. Pray by name for Franco, Paulino, Aleah, Simon, Paulo, Samuel, Marco, Antonio, Enoch, and 2 men named Peter. Ask the Lord for power and protection for these Toposa men as they use the church planting training they received to spread the Gospel and lead churches among their people.
- Pray for the famine and unrest in South Sudan. Pray for the Story Together audio recording project going on through the end of May which will allow many Toposa to hear stories from the Bible in their heart language.
- Pray for the Lewis family as they travel to Nairobi for a few months around the first of June. Pray that they will receive the rest and encouragement from the Lord to continue the mission to which they have been called.
- Pray for the Sigler family as their time in South Sudan comes to a close. Pray for a smooth transition for them back to life here in America.
- Pray for wisdom as we seek the Lord's will for the Sigler house and compound and how He would have us use it going forward.
- Pray for the Lord's guidance and provision to send a missionary to Saskatchewan to accelerate our ministry there, and to help Jason Johnson.
- Pray for David and Connie Travis as they settle into their new role in Taiwan.
- · Praise God for the improvements in Kay Gragg's health. Continue to pray for complete healing.
- Praise the Lord for the success of the Suite H Coffee House on Monday nights. Pray that He will give us innovative ways to use that facility.
- Pray over the 2017 missions calendar. Pray for an awakening in our church to the lostness around the world. Pray that we will acknowledge that the One with ALL authority has commanded us to go and make disciples of all nations. Ask God where he would have YOU to serve!
- Pray for JJTM. Praise the Lord for access opportunities He is providing to reach Syrian refugees. Pray for wisdom as Calvary begins to engage with them.

Daniel Ward

Minister of Education and Students, Calvary North

Student Ministry

- Pray that God will reveal Himself to students, and that they will call on Him in truth. Nothing is more life-altering than encountering the nearness of God.
- Pray for students to represent Christ well to their peers.
- Pray that students will work in unity.
- Pray for students to grow in wisdom and maturity.
- Pray for our students as their minds and hearts are being attacked by secularism.
- Pray for students to remain pure in heart, mind, and body.
- Pray for our adult leaders. Pray that God would open up doors for them to be able to disciple our students.
- Pray for our camps this summer. We're praying for God to allow us to minister to over 300 students at camp this year. Pray for God to change the hearts of the students that attend.

Adult Ministry

- Pray for God to give us vision and wisdom to reach the masses of Hardin County.
- Satan is attacking marriages in Hardin County. Pray for victory for these couples. Pray for reconciliation.
- Praise God for the B3 campaign. Pray that He would continue to provide the resources needed to build the new gym at Calvary North.
- Pray for new teachers to start new units.
- Pray for real growth among the adults in our ministry.

Personal

- Pray that God would protect my family and keep them healthy.
- Thank God for continuing to shower me with innumerable blessings.
- My wife is a teacher in Lumberton. Pray that God will use her to be a #WOMMissionary.

Gary Rothenberger, Jr.

Executive Pastor

- Praise the Lord who provided the \$300,000 balance needed for completion of Phase I of the multi-purpose building at Calvary North. Construction will begin very soon!
- Continue to pray for...
 - ...The additional \$900,000 needed to complete the Calvary North multi-purpose building. Pray that the funds are received in a timely manner so that construction can move seamlessly from Phase I to completion.
 - ...Wisdom as we use and manage Tuscany Park for His glory. Pray for tenants to come forth and occupy the spaces available there. Thank God for providing the tool for growth that Tuscany is.
 - ...Continued growth in giving to the ministries of the church through regular budget giving. Thank God for the 4.5% year-over-year increase in giving to the budget we've seen thus far this year.
 - ...DEMO 633: That God will use his Word to spur us on to living a life that seeks first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness.
 - ...The busy summer months ahead of us, particularly as it relates to kids' activities such as VBS and the various camps. Pray for the safety of all involved, especially in the travels to and from events.
 - + ...Revival in God's people and a spiritual awakening in America. Pray for those in authority over us, at all levels of government.
 - ...A family to move to Central Saskatchewan for the purpose of serving alongside NAMB missionaries, Jason & Karla Johnson. Pray for his ministry to the people of "One Arrow" and for our work with the local church there in Prince Albert, Saskatchewan, Canada. Likewise, pray for a family to move to South Sudan to expand the ministry there.
 - ...Me as I encourage, facilitate, and support the ministries of the local Church. Pray that all I do and say will enhance His reputation.

Bill Morgan

Pastoral Care and Minister to Median and Mature Adults

Praise God for:

⇒ His mercy and hope that He gives to those who are suffering.

Median and Mature Adult Ministry:

- ⇒ Pray for our Adult Connection Groups to become bold in asking friends and neighbors to bring their kids to VBS/VBX.
- ⇒ Pray for our Adult Sunday School classes to continue to be willing to get out of their comfort zone and do whatever it takes to be in a position to reach our community for Christ.
- ⇒ Pray that every adult in our adult Sunday School would participate in building relationships with three unsaved or unchurched people this summer.

Pastoral Care Ministry:

- ⇒ Pray for a family that you know to show kindness to one another.
- ⇒ Pray that this family will know and practice humility as they remember God's glory and greatness.
- ⇒ Pray that this family will practice gentleness toward one another.
- ⇒ Pray that this family will learn and practice patience toward each family member.
- ⇒ Pray for this family to have a hunger for God's Word and to study God's Word together.
- ⇒ Pray that this family will clothe themselves with God's love and that they live this love with each other.
- ⇒ The Lord continues to send hurting people to attend and find help in our Divorce Care Ministry.
- ⇒ Pray that our Divorce Care Ministry would:
 - Be a place of acceptance and love.
 - Be a place of healing for many single adults in our community.
 - Be a new beginning for many single adults in our community.
 - Be a place where lost single adults hear the Good News about Jesus and are saved.

Personal:

⇒ Pray that Pat and I would "Trust in the Lord with all of our heart, and that we would not lean on our on understanding, and that in all of our ways we would acknowledge Him, being confident that He will direct our paths." (Refer to Proverbs 3:5-6 when you pray this.)

Beth Blanchard

Preschool Director, Calvary North

- Pray for Calvary's parent/child dedication service.
- Pray for the opportunity for us to meet new families, build a relationship with them, and build them up once they come.
- Continue to pray for VBS/VBX planning, that we may reach new children and new families.
- Praise God for the steel that was delivered for our new building at Calvary North.
- Pray for more volunteers in all areas of ministry at Calvary Baptist Church.
- Continue to pray for the salvation of every soul in the new families who attend Calvary.

John Griffin

Worship Minister, Calvary Central

And He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest. -Luke 10:2

- We are His laborers in the "field of souls"! Share Jesus with someone today!
- Please pray for the salvation of Ronnie, David, Randy, Dennis, and Thomas.
- Praise God for the wonderful outreach event to Boys Haven by the Chosen Choir!
- Praise God for using the Worship Choir & Orchestra to live His mission in Beaumont as they shared His gospel at South Park Baptist Church and the surrounding neighborhood. Please pray for Pastor Adrian Wallace and his small congregation as they reach out to the lost souls in this mission field!
- · Praise God for His continued blessing of Kay Gragg! Pray for complete healing as she goes through rehab. He is Jehovah Rapha!
- Pray for God's people to faithfully give of their tithes and offerings as well as their service to Him for the gospel's sake.
- Pray for our Kids Praise Ministry as they prepare to share the gospel of Jesus on May 21.
- Pray for our Ukraine Mission team as we prepare to go on mission with Him June 9-20.
- Please pray for the health and continued care of my mother-in-law, Betty.
- Pray for God's wisdom concerning my brother, Robert, and his long term care needs.
- Please pray for God's healing, care, and provision for my sister, Ruth Anne.
- Praise God for the safe return of my daughter, Hollyn, and her husband, Conor, from their deployment to Italy.
- Please pray for God's blessings and protection upon Justin, Peniel, Piper, and Graham!
- Pray for my brother, James, and his wife, Kendra, as they wait upon the Lord for His next ministry assignment. Pray for God's financial provision.

Cliff Ozmun

Minister of Education

Learn to do good; Seek justice, Reprove the ruthless, Defend the orphan, Plead for the widow. (Isaiah 1:17, NASB)

- Ask the Lord to help us all to do that which He calls good: to be just to all men, to confront and stop cruelty, to provide care for orphans among us, and to look out for the interests of the widows and others who are oppressed.
- VBS is right around the corner, and summer camps will be here soon! Please pray for the kids and families who will be eternally impacted by these events, and as you're praying for these events, please ask God where He wants you to serve.
- Please pray for the plans and directions for our summer quarter and pray that they bear fruit, that people in Southeast Texas and beyond will be reached and ministered to in Christ's name. Pray for everything we do to bring glory to God and grow His kingdom.
- · Please pray for all those who lead our Connection Groups in every way and in every department.
- Pray for our Connection Groups to:
 - Reach out weekly to their ministry lists to ensure everyone is ministered to and no one falls through the cracks, and bring back those who have stopped attending.
 - Reach out to three new people and invite them to class with us.
 - Intentionally strive for the goal of 100% attendance in worship and Bible study at Calvary this year.
- Thank YOU for praying for my family. Please continue to pray for Jacob and Marishka, for Beighlie, for Tristan as he graduates high school and prepares for college, for Chelsie as she prepares to go on mission to Peru in June, and for Jonathan as he grows into a godly young man (and for Michelle as she home-schools them).

Michael Roxas

Minister to Internationals

"Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord rises upon you. See, darkness covers the earth and thick darkness is over the peoples, but the Lord rises upon you and his glory appears over you. Nations will come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn." -Isaiah 60:1-3

Praises:

- 1. I thank God for five people from the international community who joined Calvary.
- 2. I thank God for Paul Roxas finishing college. Pray that God will guide him in finding a job.
- 3. I thank God for giving Michael YuTiamco the opportunity to lead a Bible study group at his workplace.
- 4. I thank God for May Ru, Fiona, and Sunny Wu for taking the initiative in doing the translation of Bro. Nathan's sermons to the Mandarin language.

Prayer requests:

- 1. Please pray for all the international members to put Jesus first and to be faithful in giving their tithes and love gifts.
- 2. Please pray that the Lord will help me and our teachers in sharing the Gospel and being faithful in making disciples.
- 3. Pray for our teachers who will be attending the SEND Conference from May 19-20, 2017 in Frisco, Texas.
 - Pray for traveling mercy.
 - Pray that God will challenge them to be more involved in local and international mission work.
 - Pray that God will speak in special way to those called to be "Sell Your House Missionaries."
- 4. Pray for families who are taking care of their aging parents, that God will remind them to always trust in His sustaining grace.
- 5. Pray that all of our members will volunteer to serve during Vacation Bible School.
- 6. Pray for Naveel that she will come to know Jesus as her Lord and Savior.
- 7. Pray for the Miranda family and for William and Ira Gragg as they travel to the Philippines:
 - For God's traveling mercy.
 - That God will use them in sharing the Gospel with family members and friends.

Alex Alzamora

Minister of Casa Calvario

- I. Praise the Lord for a successful **Women's Gala.** 80 women participated and were reminded that in Christ they are redeemed.
- II. **Praise the Lord** for **Jaziel Moreno.** She's doing well after her bone marrow transplant. Please continue to pray for the family at this time as she has to be isolated for 100 days, and her brother, Jeremiah, will be receiving similar treatments. Pray that God would give them strength and rest in Him during this prolonged season of trial.
- III. Please pray for **Filemón Romero** who has been diagnosed with lung cancer.
- IV. Please pray for **Ramiro Marquez** and his teenage **daughter**, **Alondra**. She needs a kidney transplant soon. Pray for Alondra to come to know the Lord through these difficult circumstances.
- V. Please keep our **Connection Groups** in your prayers, and for our leaders to have wisdom and be filled with the Holy Spirit as they mentor disciples.
- VI. Continue praying for our **spiritual mentoring ministry**, that as mature believers go through the "Beginning Steps" studies with newer believers, we would have a harvest of mature leaders ready to make disciples.
- VII. Please pray for our children and youth. Please pray for participation in VBS and upcoming camps.
- VIII. Please pray for our **worship ministry** to grow in number and training.
- IX. Please pray for our **Usher and Prayer Counselor** ministries.
- X. Please pray for those who will be **baptized and have been baptized**, that they would be strengthened in their faith and continue to grow in the Lord.
- XI. Please pray for spiritual protection for my family and me.

William Gragg

Worship Ministry Associate

Ephesians 3:20-21: Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

Please pray for the following:

- More people in the seats at V2.
 - * More people hearing the gospel, growing in discipleship, and attending Connection Groups.
- More leaders in V2 and more connection with Connection Groups.
 - * Connection Group participants to have success in bringing in people on the fringes who are only attending worship and not connected to the church.
- More baptisms in V2.
 - * More people are being saved.
- Meaningful worship times at VBS/VBX (June 12-16).
 - The students to grow in their knowledge and love of God during the worship times. The rally teams to be

- encouraged as they lead others to worship Christ. Also pray for all the leaders and volunteers.
- Meaningful worship times at Middle School (June 19-23) and High School Camp (July 3-7).
 - * The students to grow in their knowledge and love of God and to develop God-glorifying, Christ-centered, Spirit-empowered lifestyles and habits. Pray for Kevin and Daniel as they organize, plan, and share vision. Pray for the camp speaker. Pray for the worship team. Pray for the workers and volunteers.
- "More Than Conquerers" A grassroots workout class led by some college students from our church.
 - People are being invited to church because of this friendly space outside the walls. Pray for the leaders to be sustained, and pray for more people to be reached through their efforts.
- More disciple-makers.
 - * I'm currently leading 4 guys in a discipleship huddle. Pray that they each would take on the work of personally investing in others for the kingdom.

Justin Edgerly

Minister to College and Young Adults

Pray for our College department (Calvary College Ministry - *Renewal*)

- Pray for a culture of hospitality, evangelism, and discipleship.
- Praise God that some of our "huddles" are beginning to multiply. Ask God for more "huddles" to multiply.
- Begin praying now that we would surpass 50 students at our Fall Connect Retreat. Pray that this would launch us into the Fall semester with great momentum.

Pray for our Young Adults department

- Pray for two new young adult classes. Pray that God would call leaders out of existing Connection Group participation into Connection Group leadership.
- Think of one person you can invite to your Connection Group. Pray for them and then invite them. If you are not

- yet in a Connection Group, please invite yourself to one of the many Calvary Connection Groups.
- Pray for an increased commitment to church and small group Bible study attendance within our church.

Pray for our Church

- Praise God for those who participated in New Testament Introduction I or Old Testament Introduction I. These folks have been putting in a lot of effort, in the spirit of 2 Tim 2:15, to learn the Scriptures. NT II and OT II will start this Fall. Pray for these classes to be full.
- Pray that we would love what we ought to love.
- Pray for recurring repentance and living faith.
- Pray for wisdom for the pastoral staff.

Pray for my Family

- Pray for wisdom for Melissa and I, as we parent our three children (Jonathan, Joshua, and Maren).
- Pray for me to manage the responsibilities of family, ministry, and seminary education well.

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