



## Calvert City Church of Christ

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### *With Eyes Wide Open*

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The apostle Paul, in Romans the twelfth chapter, makes an appeal based on "the mercies of God." The NIV puts it like this: *"Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God—this is your spiritual act of worship."* The action urged is *"In view of God's mercy."* I like Phillips' translation, which says, *"with eyes wide open to the mercies of God."*

Are my eyes wide open to the mercies God extends, or do they seem like pictures on the wall which I see every day, but don't really see at all? Visit any hospital and you will come away with a new perspective. Do you have eyes to see? Lungs with which to breathe? A heart which functions properly? It's so easy to take all of these things for granted. G. K. Chesterton has commented on our passing over the great mercies to which we are blind. He says we thank God for the presents in our stockings at Christmas, but we ought to thank God we have legs in our stockings!

The old adage is true. We don't appreciate the water until the well runs dry.

"Nothing raises the price of a blessing like its removal; whereas, it was its continuance which should have taught us its value."—H. Moore

Consider what God has done in giving us life, sustaining us through the years, granting the blessing of family and friends, saving us from our sins, granting us the privilege of prayer, preparing for us an eternal home. And the list goes on and on. Do we have eyes wide open to the mercies of God?

Hannah Moore has a word in season for all of us. "There are three requisites to the proper enjoyment of earthly blessings: a thankful reflection on the goodness of the giver; a deep sense of our own unworthiness; and a recollection of the uncertainty of our long possessing them—the first will make us grateful; the second, humble; and the third, moderate."

It's a challenge, but we all need eyes wide open to the mercies of God. Then we will present ourselves as living sacrifices to God.  
—John Gipson, *Wind Song*, Little Rock, Ark.

### Dates to Remember:

**November 26**—Mid-week service—  
Thanksgiving devo (all ages)  
**November 27**—Thanksgiving  
**November 30**—5th Sunday  
**December 7**—Youth Devo @ Hunts'  
**December 7**—Prepare Food Boxes  
**December 11**—Caring Cooks

## *A Pause . . . And Reflection*

We are entering that time of year when we are constantly reminded of our blessings, yet also constantly pressured to neglect to reflect upon them because of lack of time. Let us truly take the time to pause and reflect on what God has given us, and those people who mean so much to us.

I hope you have a great week!—Lance

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## Food-Box Items

As we have done for several years now, we are going to help families with some food and household items for the holidays. You can begin bringing things as soon as you are able to do so. Just bring them to the lobby of the main building and they will be taken and sorted later. And, in advance, I thank you for your kindness and generosity. You always come through when there is a need. Here are the things needed (Please stick to the list):

### Canned Goods:

Green Beans  
Corn  
Yams/Sweet Potatoes  
Macaroni & Cheese  
Cake Mix  
Frosting  
Tea or Lemonade Mix

### Household Supplies:

Shampoo  
Bar Soap  
Deodorant  
Toothpaste  
Toilet Paper  
Paper Towels  
Dish Detergent  
Laundry Detergent

***Ancient Truths for Modern Times***  
**WCKK, FM—95.7**  
**Sundays 9:00 a.m.**  
**Speakers: Lance Cordle & Gary Knuckles**

## Sympathy:

Our sympathy to **Jill Travis & family** who has lost two uncles in the past few days. Funeral services for **Darrell Mathis** were held Monday, November 24 in Murray. Funeral services for **Ronnie Sills** are scheduled for Wednesday, November 26 in Murray.

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## Bread of Life

The deadline for donating first aid items for Bread of Life Humanitarian Effort is December 10. You can pick up a list of needed items in the lobby.

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## Birthdays: Nov. 30-Dec. 6

- November 30—Casey Counce, Lilly Goheen
- December 2—Tayler Riley
- December 4—Bella Broadley, Kyle Farris
- December 5—Dora Davis, Joel Wommack
- December 6—Jeff Copeland, Sandy Driver, Bill Owen, Cindy Simpson

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## New Sunday Morning Bible Class

Beginning in December, we will be offering a new class for our adults/young adults. This class is for anyone in the category of college-age and “twenty-somethings,” to anyone who is still raising children. The focus will be on preparing this group to lead their families and the church here at Calvert City over the next 20 -30 years. The study will teach the things which will prepare a strong foundation for this congregation. It will also aid in building bonds between Christians in these age groups. The class will be taught by Barry Travis. We invite everyone who is interested to join this study beginning the first Sunday in December. (Room will be announced soon.)

—Jeff Hall, Dale Roberts & Barry Travis

### Remember in Prayer:

**Joyce Dossett**—730, Lourdes, scheduled for heart surgery Nov. 26.

**Dora Davis**—Baptist Health, 678

**Edna Adams, Earl & Stephanie Atnip, Patsy Atnip, Sandy Barlow, Nelda Beth, Brent Cope** (Nick Darnell's nephew), **Larry Davis, Carolyn Dunn, Betty Hall, Joe Hall, Imogene Hulsey, Dave Lineberry, Ernestine Noles, Tony Pierce** (Mary Jane Sanderson's son-in-law), **Galon Riley, Jace Riley** (great grandson of Galon & Nancy Riley), **Susan Sanderson, Joe Smith, Todd Walker**

### Nursing Home/Assisted Living:

*Calvert Convalescent Center*—**Nell Dobesh, Eedra Dossett, Sue Owen**

*Emeritus—Rm 208*: **Mary Deane Swann**

*Oakview Manor*—**Nancy Hall**



*"It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord, and to sing praises unto Thy name, O most High."*

*Psalm 92:1*

### Record: Week of November 23, 2014

Mid-Week (November 19)	153
Bible Study	173
Sunday Morning Worship	231
Sunday Evening Worship	125
Contribution	\$8,553

### Lads to Leaders Registration— December 6<sup>th</sup>

If you have not contacted **Bettie Bean** to fill out the registration forms for Lads to Leaders, (whether you are going to convention or not) please do so ASAP. She is registering for our hotel rooms and the events in which kids will be participating December 6<sup>th</sup>. If you are in need of registration forms as a student or adult, go to [lads2leaders.com](http://lads2leaders.com), then "convention," then "registration" and you will find the proper forms. PARENTS and TEENS, please send your Good Samaritan points to **Kevin Hunt** or contact him if you need help figuring out the point system.

### 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Youth Led Worship

As we have done in the past, our young men will be practicing leading in worship THIS Sunday night, November 30<sup>th</sup>. PARENTS, please be practicing with your children. Prepare and practice early. PARENTS, I still need some of you to email me a picture of your son if he is going to participate for the P&P. I am here to help out in any way. I will also be preaching a "Sermon for the Kids" that Sunday evening. Cannot wait!

### Youth Devo @ Hunts'

**Kevin & Diana Hunt** will be hosting our youth group Sunday night, December 7<sup>th</sup>, after our evening worship. The bus will return to the church building around 9:00 p.m.

### Shout-Out!

I would like to say thanks to **Ellie Steele, Jillian Farris** and **Garrett Parker** for attending the Sunshine Youth Rally at the Washington Avenue church of Christ with me and Brianne. Brianne taught a *great* girls' class (*or so I heard...*) and I am very proud of her! The weekend was great as we were encouraged to have a more *Contagious* Faith.

**NO Pew Packers – 11/30**

# Schedule of Services

## Sunday

Bible Study — 9:15 a.m.  
Worship — 10:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship — 6:00 p.m.

## Wednesday

Mid-Week Bible Study—7:00 p.m.

### Bible Classes For All Ages

### Those Who Are To Serve:

Sunday, November 30, 2014  
10:00 A.M.

*Song Leader:* Ben Leonard  
*Opening Prayer:* Jeff Hall  
*Closing Prayer:* Don Whirley  
*Convalescent Ctr. Devo:* Randy O'Bryan  
Cory O'Bryan

### P.M.

*Song Leader:* Youth  
*Opening Prayer:* Youth  
*Closing Prayer:* Youth

### Wednesday, December 3, 2014

*Announcements:* Lance Cordle  
*Song Leader:* Dale Roberts  
*Opening Prayer:* Austin Johnson  
*Closing Prayer:* Ross Dougherty