



CALVARY CHURCH
CRYSTAL LAKE

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CALVARY WEEKLY

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FROM THE PASTOR

WISDOM - If you lack wisdom, ask God who will give it to you generously. - James 1:5

We encounter situations in our lives on a regular basis in which we know that we need wisdom. A decision for home or work may leave us wishing we had insight into ALL the possible outcomes. What will happen if? How might this affect me or someone I love? We need wisdom. We need to know how to best process the information we have and make an informed decision. We need WISDOM.

Ralph Drollinger, president of Capitol Ministries, explains wisdom as “the skill at living life for God’s glory.” I believe that if we use this definition of wisdom, then we can begin to realize that wisdom is not as far off as we might think. Instead of having to know all the possible outcomes, we can simplify our choices by narrowing them down to what brings glory to God. If I choose this, is God glorified? If I choose that, is God glorified? Many choices begin to fall off the table as we realize that self-glorifying activities become non-options. Some options, while neutral, fade in their allure when our desire is to bring God as much glory as possible.

Do you need wisdom today? Do you know someone else who does? Let your prayer become more specific than just asking for wisdom. Ask God, “Give me skill at living for your glory. Give my friend skill at living for your glory. Open the eyes of our leaders to see that it is wise to live for your glory, Lord.”

My prayer for you is that you would be wise - living skilled at bringing God glory. Let us ask God for wisdom and let us pray for our leaders to have wisdom. The answer to these prayers will be both us and them becoming more skilled at making decisions and behaving in a way that brings God glory.

Pastor Gabe

Calvary’s website: CalvaryCL.com will have links to almost everything contained in this newsletter. Use the church website as a hub for connecting and gathering information.

SUNDAY, MAY 3, 2020

Online Foyer at 9:00am

ZOOM in and greet fellow members of the Calvary Family!

The sermon, worship, and announcements video posts to Facebook and Youtube at 10:00am.

You can also view the video on CalvaryCL.com in the sermons tab.



MIDWEEK ZOOM CALLS

Monday - Prayer at 7:00pm

Wednesday - Bible Study at 7:00pm

These zoom calls are open invitation but require a password for security reasons.

Request the password here: <https://forms.gle/3gAPRYT79aMtkL6e7>

or by email to: gabe@calvarycl.com

KINGDOM KIDS!

Parents and Kids, check out the new PLAYLIST on Calvary's YouTube channel made just for Calvary's Kingdom Kids! Miss Tina has posted the FIRST video!

Link: <https://calvarycl.com/kids/>



FACEBOOK- "CALVARY CRYSTAL LAKE"

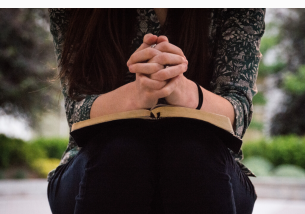
Connect to the main page as well as the ministry pages for Men, Women, MOPS, Children's, Refuge (Youth) and 12 Baskets!



12 BASKETS!

Our Sharing ministry continues to operate. Days of re-stocking and sharing vary. Please connect to "12 Baskets!" on Facebook for the most up to date information.

If you have specific needs for assistance, contact the church and see what help is available.



PRAYER

If you have need of prayer, link here:

<https://forms.gle/opwvpZSae9wbuvqx8>

Your prayer request will be kept as confidential as you choose.

GIVING

The opportunity and responsibility to be generous remains. "How" you give may change, but "that" you give continues to be expected of the Lord. The ministry budgets have shifted as well, but we continue to seek the Lord for how we can be used during and beyond this time. Your contribution to the work of ministry at Calvary can be online through the website, through the mail, or dropped off at the church. Please also remember that Missionaries still depend on our monthly support, and our benevolence ministries are in full swing right now.



RE-ENTRY

As the restrictions are lifted in the weeks ahead, we are planning to begin gathering in groups. Using the facility God has blessed us with, keeping it sanitized, we'll begin in-person studies and services as soon as possible. Stay connected so you know when and how this is happening.

*Peace I leave with you;
my peace I give to you.
Not as the world gives do
I give to you. Let not your
hearts be troubled, neither
let them be afraid.
John 14:27*

*In peace I will both lie
down and sleep; for you
alone, O Lord, make me
dwell in safety.
Psalm 4:8*

*Humble yourselves,
therefore, under the mighty
hand of God so that at the
proper time he may exalt you,
casting all your anxieties
on him, because he
cares for you.
1 Peter 5:6-7*