

5 Habits of an Everyday Missionary

Habit #1: Gathering

²⁴And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, ²⁵not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

Hebrews 10:24-25

The Missional Value that drives this habit: _____.

How is this practiced and protected?

Why we gather – some lessons from **1 Thessalonians 1, 2:13-3:10**

We gather because the church is a God-established _____ community. (Ch. 1)

Whose bond and hope is _____ together

Who live as _____ together

Who exhibit the _____ together

Who _____ together

Who _____ together

Who proclaim the _____ together

Who await _____ together

We gather because _____ flourishes in community. (2:13-14)

Genuine transformation isn't merely about the delivery and receipt of _____, but requires the sharing of _____ watched, heard, and followed.

We are called to do more than _____. We are called to _____.

We gather because we are appointed to face _____ in this world but find _____ and _____ in community. (2:14-16, 3:1-5)

We gather because God made us for _____ relationships in community. (2:17-20)

We gather because we _____ in the _____ best in community. (3:6-10)

"The Bible assumes that all Christians love one another deeply and sacrificially. It assumes that all Christians assemble regularly with one another. It assumes that all Christians encourage one another to fight for faith. It assumes that all Christians guard one another—through difficult conversations and sometimes through church discipline."

- Jamie Dunlop, The Compelling Community (pp. 57-58).

My Missional Challenge this week:

¹¹ Now may our God and Father himself, and our Lord Jesus, direct our way to you, ¹² and may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, as we do for you, ¹³ so that he may establish your hearts blameless in holiness before our God and Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

1 Thessalonians 3:11-13

*Dr. Paul Thompson
Calvary Baptist Church
January 2, 2022*

Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions

Calvary's Goal: \$150,000

2021 Total: \$75,352

100% of your gifts to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering provides missionaries the services they need to live among the unreached peoples they serve. Your generosity sends and sustains missionaries, takes the gospel to the unreached, trains nationals to multiply disciples, meets tangible needs, and transforms lives around the world.

Spotlight on Foster Care

Thursday, January 6 | 6-7:30pm | Harvest Church Youth Room

This is a free event where informaiton and resources will be provided for families interested in becoming foster parents or supporting the foster care community. There will be a panel of speakers who will share who plays vital roles in the foster care world. Refreshments will be served.

High School Winter Retreat

January 14-17, 2022 | Shocco Springs Conference Center

Cost is \$175 per student. The deadline to register is January 2. Register online at calvarydothan.com.

Deacons Workshop

January 7-8, 2022 | First Baptist Church

***How They Serve and Strengthen the Church* led by Matt Sethurst**

Friday - 6-9pm

Saturday - 8-11am

All of Calvary's deacons are encouraged to attend the Deacons Workshop. Call the church office or email caren@calvarydothan.com, if you plan to attend. The deadline to register is Monday, January 3.

Knowing God's Word - Proclaim Truth Experience

Two Day Women's Conference

January 28 & 29 | Fellowship Center

Experience the Proclaim Truth teaching with featured speakers (video) Jen Wilkin, Courtney Reissig, Whitney Capps, and Jackie Hill Perry. As a participant, you will.

- become more familiar with the whole story of scripture,
- be encouraged to know and pursue God more deeply,
- seek to share truth with others and deepen community among other believers.

Cost is \$35 and includes a canvas tote bag, participant workbook, dinner Friday night and lunch Saturday. Go to calvarydothan.com/proclaim-truth-womens-conference/ to register online or for more information.

Community Ministry Opportunity

Calvary has been given another opportunity to invest and serve the students and faculty at Girard Intermediate by reading to individual 3rd and 4th grade classes. As ambassadors of Christ, this simple act of service and investment can make a significant difference in the lives of these students.

The following comprises the grade, days, and time slots for each week:

3rd Grade - Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday - 10:20-10:50am

4th Grade - Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday - 12:15-12:45pm

If you are interested in helping or would like more information, contact tommy@calvarydothan.com or call the church office.

Today as we gather as the people of Calvary, we begin a new study about the heartbeat of our church. We believe that our calling is to be a family of **everyday missionaries** who make disciples.

As such a family, there are several key values that drive all that we do together. Over the next month, we'll delve into those 5 values – and the behaviors and habits those values necessarily create and sustain.

Today, we begin with the value of **community**.

In ***Analog Church: Why We Need Real People, Places, and Things in the Digital Age***, author Jay Kim writes,

" ... Jesus and the New Testament writers make clear that those who profess Christ as Lord and Savior are not simply saved as isolated individuals but, most importantly, are saved *into* the community of God. As Joseph Hellerman writes, "In Scripture, salvation is a community-creating event." And this isn't just any sort of community - it's family.

Because we've so often read and hear the idea that Christians are "brothers and sisters, in Christ," we've lost sense of the radical reorientation that this idea commands. In the first-century world of the New Testament, the most important societal bond of marriage as the relationship that holds our primary allegiance. But this was not so during the time of Jesus. In the patriarchal system of the day, it was the blood relationship between siblings who shared the same father that was the most significant familial bond, over and above the contractual bond between spouses. In light of this, the fact that the New Testament writers address followers of Jesus as "brothers and sisters" more than a hundred times takes on added significance. Salvation draws us into a brand new family, one that replaces our previously held allegiances. In Christ, we become children of our one Father God, siblings bound by the blood of Jesus Himself...

... So it is with the family of God, the church. We are bound to one another. We did not *choose* it, we were *saved* into it. The only choice we have is how we will care for and cultivate this kinship."

For God's glory, for the good of those who need Him, and for our joy, may we be a true community of believers that lives as family and functions as ambassadors of God!

- Pastor Paul

... so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another.

Romans 12:5

I WOULD LIKE MORE INFORMATION ABOUT:

My Decision Today:

- I trusted Jesus as Savior.
- I'd like to join Calvary Baptist Church.
- I believe God is calling me into ministry/mission.
- Please have a pastor or elder contact me.

If you would like to speak with someone about one of the items noted above, please visit the Next Steps Kiosk before you leave today.

PRAYER REQUESTS:

Pastors & Prayer Team Only

Churchwide

Connect Card

January 2, 2022

Please complete this tab, tear it off and drop it in an offering plate.

- Please update my information
- Please contact me about membership

I am a:

- First Time Guest
- Guest
- Member

Name

Address

City

State/Zip

- Male
- Female

- Married
- Single

Birthdate (mm/dd/yy)

Home Phone

Cell Phone

Spouse

Spouse's Birthdate (mm/dd/yy)

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Please complete the additional information on the back of this tab, if applicable.

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I'm New Here

To fill out a digital Connect Card or learn more about Calvary, please use your smartphone camera to scan the QR Code.

How to Become a Christian

Want more information about how to become a Christian? Go to calvarydothan.com/become-a-christian/.

If you would like to view a pdf of today's sermon notes, go to calvarydothan.com/podcast or use Calvary's MobileMission app.

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FIRST TIME GUEST?

We're so glad you've joined us for worship today and would love to be able to share more with you about our church. Please fill out the Connect Card to the left and place it in one of the offering plates when they are passed. Be sure to stop by our Next Steps kiosk after the service for a gift from us!

THE PEOPLE CAME...

December 19

Life Groups: 418
10:00 Worship: 505
Hispanic Church: 120
Grace City Church (NY): 30

THE PEOPLE GAVE...

General Fund

Given December 19: \$91,070
Jan.-Nov. Budget
Surplus (Deficit): (\$47,022.15)
Lottie Moon Christmas Offering
Given to Date: \$75,352

DAILY SCRIPTURE READING

Sunday, December 26:

1 Chr 5-6, Heb 10, Am 4, Ps 148-150

Monday, December 27:

1 Chr 7-8, Heb 11, Am 5, Lk 1:1-38

Tuesday, December 28:

1 Chr 9-10, Heb 12, Am 6, Lk 1:39-80

Wednesday, December 29:

1 Chr 11-12, Heb 13, Am 7, Lk 2

Thursday, December 30:

1 Chr 13-14, Jas 1, Am 8, Lk 3

Friday, December 31:

1 Chr 15, Jas 2, Am 9, Lk 4

Saturday, January 1:

1 Chr 16, Jas 3, Ob 1, Lk 5

Midweek Schedule

5:30pm Midweek Meal, Fellowship Center
6:00pm Midweek Worship, Sanctuary
Preschool, Birth-K5, Preschool Building
Children, Grades 1-5, ROC
Students, Grades 6-12, Student Room
7:00pm Adult Choir

4 Ways to Give

- Give online by using the MobileMission app for Apple or Android or go to calvarydothan.com/GiveOnline.
- On Sundays, drop in the offering plate or in the collection boxes near the Fellowship Center exit doors
- Mail to 901 Montezuma Avenue, Dothan, AL 36303
- Bring to the church office, M-F, 8am-12noon & 1-4:30pm

Ministry Staff

Paul Thompson.....Senior Pastor
Charles Uptain.....Executive Pastor
Dan Tankersley.....Discipleship
Tommy Perry.....Community

STAFF ON CALL

Sunday, December 26:

Dan Tankersley | 334-655-8765

Saturday, January 1:

Randy Hunt | 334-791-7986

Sunday, January 2:

Randy Hunt | 334-791-7986

SERMON SCHEDULE

Wednesday, December 29

No Midweek Activities

Sunday, January 2 | 10:00am

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Habit 1: Gathering

Hebrews 10:24-25; 1 Peter 4:8-11

Message by Paul Thompson

Wednesday, January 5

Genesis: Where Grace Began

Message by Paul Thompson

Sunday, January 9 | 10:00am

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Habit 2: Growing

Ephesians 4:11-16

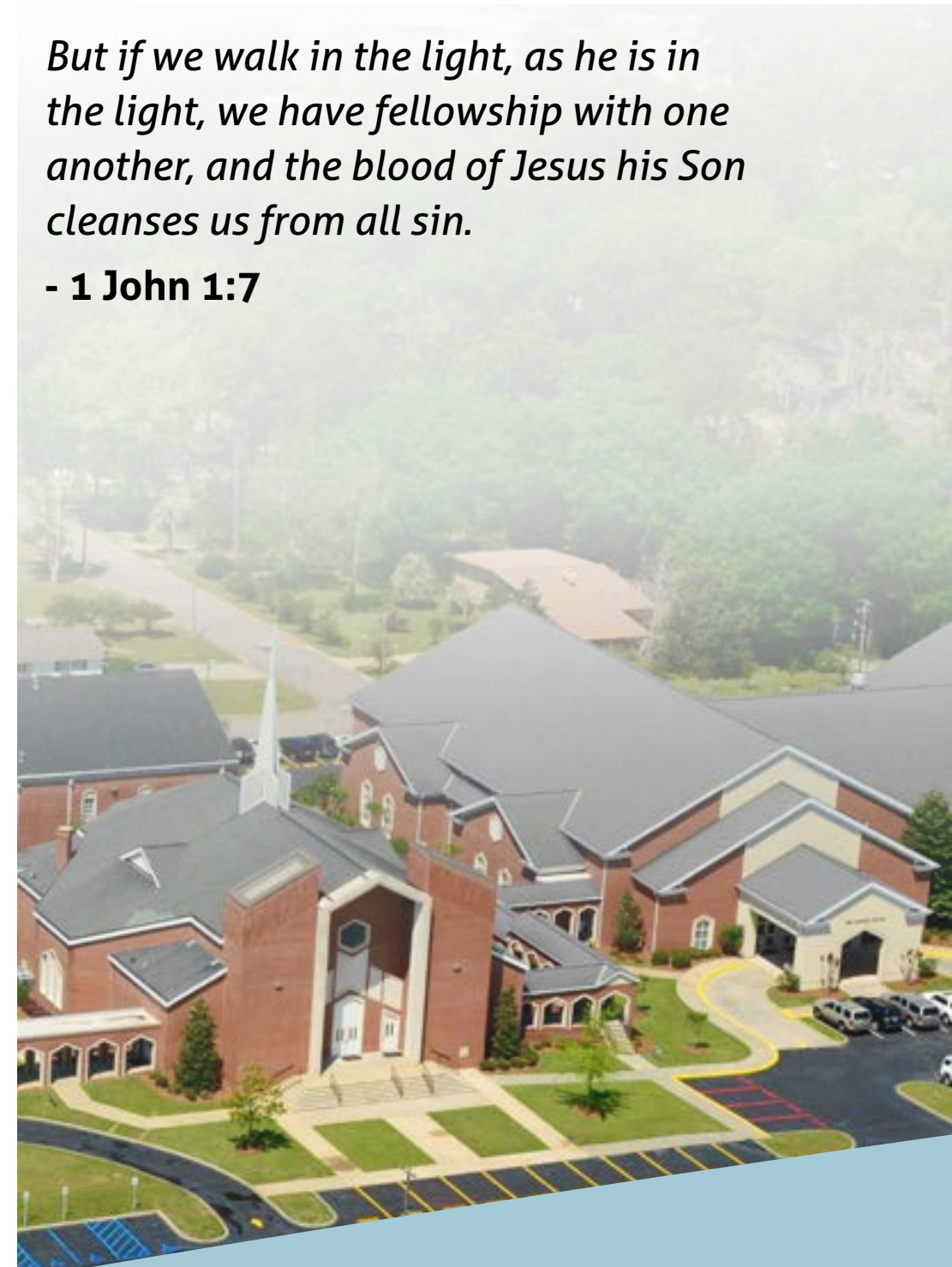
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Sunday Morning Schedule

8:00am Call to Prayer, Sanctuary
8:30am Life Group
10:00am Worship, Fellowship Center
Live Stream on Facebook & YouTube
Kid's Worship, Grades 1-5, Chapel (except 1st Sunday)
11:00am Worship Broadcast on JoyFM 94.3/96.1 with a 1 wk delay.

But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.

- 1 John 1:7



WELCOME TO
Calvary
BAPTIST CHURCH