

FROM OUR HILL

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April 25, 2010

8:30 a.m.

CalvaryConnection in the Chapel

9:15 a.m.

Sunday School

10:30 a.m.

Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary

6:30 p.m.

Service of Prayer & Holy Communion

in the Chapel

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Acts 9:36-43

Psalms 23

Revelation 7:9-17

John 10:22-30

## To Follow Christ is a Marathon



I want to thank the Calvary congregation for hosting the Friends of Estonia gathering; it was a meaningful and productive few days. The flexibility of the Chapel space made it an ideal place to meet. The technology capabilities enabled us to Skype with Estonians who were not able to be present. And the hard work of the many, who prepared for, welcomed, transported, cooked, fed, and cleaned up was a pure expression of being the body of Christ. Feedback from participants; local, national, and international, indicates a desire to come here every year!

Let me also express my appreciation for all who were present in worship Sunday to hear Taavi Hollman bring greetings (8:30 service) or preach (10:30 service). He is a strong leader of the United

Methodist Church in Estonia and a clear voice in world circles for the movement of the Holy Spirit in our time. He came with a particular concern for salary support of pastors under appointment, sharing that every pastor under his oversight had his/her salary reduced in 2009 because of economic realities. There was a wonderful response to his concern by those who attended the Friends of Estonia meeting or met Taavi during his time at Calvary.

However, I would share this to be clear about the financial relationship Calvary has with the United Methodist Church in Ruusmae, Estonia. Through the Connecting Congregation Ministry of World Methodist Evangelism, Calvary sends \$5,000 a year, which covers the salary of pastor, Enno Sarik. The question was asked of Taavi, if the salaries have been reduced and we are sending the same amount of money, what happens to the difference. He told us that the church gets the rest for program, ministry, and operating expenses.

Because not all congregations and pastors in Estonia have a connecting congregation, there are some pastors being paid through the offering plate, supplemented by shared resources from apportionments and unrestricted giving of donors around the world. Lowering the salaries was a necessary action to assure that the Central Office of the Estonian Methodist Church could meet salary support commitments. We at Calvary have been blessed to be a blessing, and I celebrate that we have remained faithful with the Ruusmae Church.

Saturday, there are two big events in Nashville, the Music City Marathon and the Calvary Yard Sale. I trust you will run by. The yard sale is Calvary's entry in the Change the World Weekend of the United Methodist Church. There are over 900 events planned worldwide to set in motion radical service for global transformation; you can find them listed on [www.umcom.org](http://www.umcom.org).

I can report that the Christian Life Center is full of stuff; donations to the yard sale have been steady and many members are working hard to make us ready for Saturday. The proceeds will be divided equally between our fall Habitat for Humanity Build and the summer camp we provide for the Lighthouse Children Center in Estonia; changing the world locally with affordable housing and internationally with Christian fellowship and education.

It seems fitting that our yard sale and the Music City Marathon are on the same day given that our Lord Jesus has called us into lives of service with an expectation that we are in it for the long haul. Christian discipleship is not a sprint, it is a marathon. Serving others in Christ's name is not a sprint, it is a marathon. Providing salary support for the pastor in Ruusmae, extending the love of Christ to children in Tallinn, building affordable homes for neighbors in Nashville, supporting Calvary by our prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness...all a marathon. As the writer of Hebrews (12:1-2) encouraged believers, let us run the race with perseverance, ever looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith. Doing so will change the world for Christ.

Peter van Eys, Senior Pastor



## CHURCH FAMILY

We extend our love and sympathy to **David Graham** and his family in the death of his mother, Annie Graham and to **Pat Charron** and her family in the death of her brother, Vernon Morris Williams, Jr.



### Welcome to our Church Family

Myrosław Futala joined Calvary on April 11, 2010, in the CalvaryConnection Service.

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

### Sunday, April 25, 2010

8:30 a.m. CalvaryConnection  
9:15 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Traditional Worship  
11:30 a.m. Music Committee (#223)  
3:45 p.m. K-6 Children's Choir  
4:00 p.m. Youth Bells  
4:30 p.m. The Way of Blessedness (#223)  
5:00 p.m. Youth Concert  
5:00 p.m. Children's Snack Supper  
5:30 p.m. Children's Handbells  
6:00 p.m. UMYF  
6:15 p.m. Adult Handbells  
6:30 p.m. Prayer & Holy Communion

### Monday, April 26

1:30 p.m. Adult Fitness

### Tuesday, April 27

8:00 a.m. Covenant Group  
10:00 a.m. Book Circle  
4:00 p.m. Tutoring at Cottage Cove  
7:00 p.m. Steering Committee

### Wednesday, April 28

10:30 a.m. Women's Support Group  
12:00 p.m. Your Faith at Work (#307)  
1:30 p.m. Adult Fitness  
5:30 p.m. WNL Dinner  
6:15 p.m. Praise Team  
7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir

### Friday, April 30

1:30 p.m. Adult Fitness

Church Retreat Friday night through Sunday

## Wednesday Night Live

Wednesday Nite Live April 28 – Program will be Part 1 of “Blessed Earth: Hope for Creation.” Menu: Beef Stroganoff, Buttered Noodles, Peas, Mixed Greens, Rolls, and Cherry Cobbler. Cost is \$7.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children. Meal at 5:30 p.m. and program from 6:15-7:00. Make your reservation by calling the church at 297-7562 by Monday, April 26.

## Mobile Meals Drivers Needed

Mobile Meals needs two or three drivers. The meals are delivered to Calvary Methodist Church at 10:00 a.m. and the drivers deliver them before noon. It takes about an hour to deliver the meals. Sometimes the driver is the only person the recipients see each day. The drivers are asked to drive only one day each month.

Please call Judy Davis at 297-3049 if you are interested. All new drivers are trained prior to driving. Thank you so much.

## Book Club

The Book Group will meet **Tuesday, April 27 at 10:00 a.m.** in room 309. This will be our last meeting until next September. Margaret Porter will review *Something More*, a story of a town's oldest mystery of hidden gold; of the persons who race to find the treasure, and how each expects to gain from finding it; and what happens if and when the gold is found. Please join us.

## Calvary Community Garden News

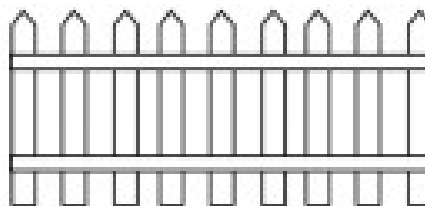
### Do you have a Green Thumb?



The youth are making plans to begin planting and caring for the community garden. If you would like to help with the planning, planting, or weekly maintenance of the garden please contact Kris at kris@calvaryumc.com.

This year, we will be supporting the Mobile Loaves and Fishes ministry based out of Woodmont Christian (next door to Calvary) with our fresh vegetables. The fresh vegetables will be delivered to families in the James A. Cayce Homes in East Nashville on the Mobile Loaves and

Fishes' trucks. We have been invited to participate in the delivery as well.



## Adopt A Picket

Will Kaufman is a member of Boy Scout Troup 285 at Crieviewood UMC. he has chosen as his Eagle Scout project to build a picket fence around the community garden at Calvary. Part of the project is to raise funds for the fence. Sunday, April 25th and May 2nd, he will be accepting donations in the Master's Common. Will would like church members to adopt one or more pickets for the project and will also accept any volunteers who would like to participate. Thanks in advance for your support.

# Your help needed with Calvary's Yard Sale Saturday, April 24

# Yard Sale

It may be called a "yard sale" but Calvary's sale Saturday, April 24, won't be in the yard! The big event will be held in the Christian Life Center (gym) with doors opening at 8 a.m. and closing at 3 p.m.

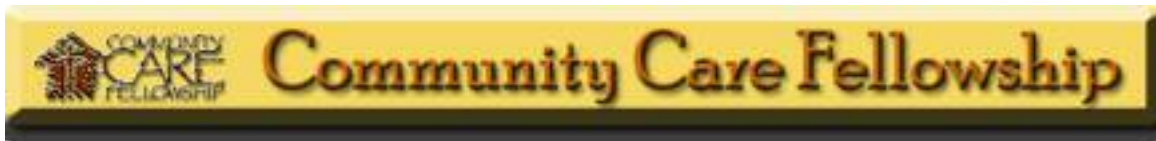
## HERE'S HOW YOU CAN HELP:

**CONTRIBUTE** – Bring items in good condition and working order to the Christian Life Center (only) before Friday, April 23 at 4 p.m. No typewriters, computers, console TVs, or TVs more than 10 years old.

**SHOP** – Doors will open at 8 a.m. (no earlier) and close at 3 p.m. A wide selection is anticipated, including clothes, collectibles, jewelry, furniture, dishes, and antiques. Remember, half of the proceeds go to our September Habitat Build; half to our summer camp for children in Estonia.

**VOLUNTEER** – A large number of volunteers have signed up but more are needed. Contact Kathryn Smith at 383-0666 or [kwsmith2@comcast.net](mailto:kwsmith2@comcast.net).

**PROMOTE** – Tell your friends and neighbors about the sale. Encourage their contributions and participation. Individuals will be present to share with shoppers information about Calvary and our Habitat and Estonia projects.



## Wish List for April-May

- Money
- Acetaminophen and Ibuprofen
- Instant oatmeal and instant grits in individual packets
- Liquid laundry detergent
- XL men's briefs
- Vaseline
- Conditioner
- Antibiotic ointment
- Bleach

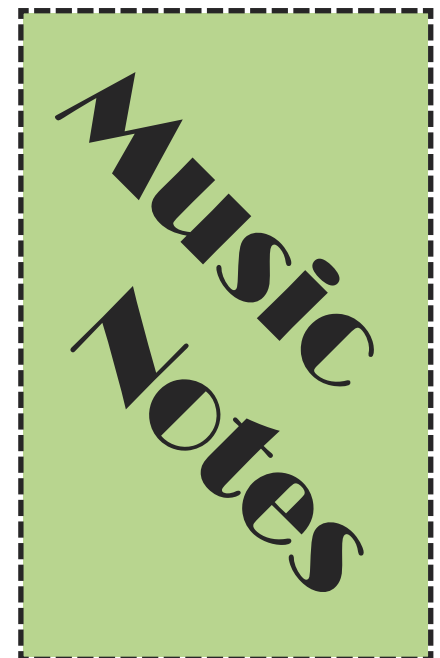
Bring donations to Calvary and place in the green box to the right of the hostess desk in the Office Area.

## RECEPTION FOR TOM METCALFE

Calvary's organist, Tom Metcalfe is celebrating his 40TH YEAR AS CALVARY'S ORGANIST. Tommy came to Calvary as organist in 1970. **The Music Committee is planning to honor Tommy at a reception in the Christian Life Center on May 23, 2010.** The reception will be held immediately after the 10:30 worship service. During the 10:30 worship service the children, youth and adult choirs and brass ensemble will be performing a choral anthem that has been commissioned by Calvary to honor Tommy and his 40 years of service. The anthem was written by David Lantz, III and Susan Boersma. It will be published by Beckenhorst Press in the near future. The work is based on Tommy's favorite hymn "When Morning Gilds the Skies" and is called "Canticle Divine". Hope to see you all on May 23. It will be a wonderful day of celebration!

## Organ Renovation Information Session

There will be an organ renovation presentation on Wednesday, May 5, 2010 at 6:15 p.m. in the Sanctuary. The Schantz Organ Representative, Dwayne Short and our organist, Tom Metcalfe will explain the needs for Calvary's organ and be available to answer questions about the project. Please plan on attending this very important event. If you would like to eat dinner, please make your reservations through the main office by noon Monday, May 3. Dinner begins at 5:30 p.m. in the CLC.



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## SOCK DRIVE

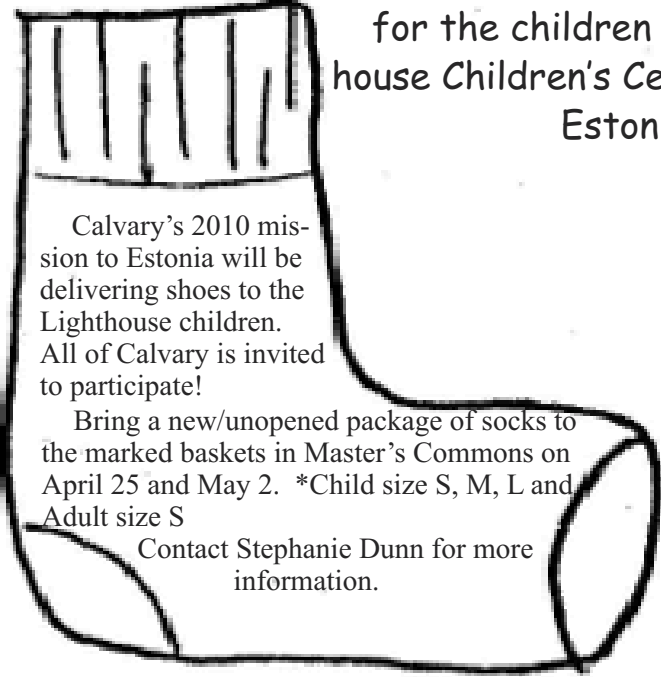
for the children of the Lighthouse Children's Center in Tallinn, Estonia

## Mission Camp is June 7-11

Registration is now open!

This is an opportunity for children to be involved in hands-on mission and learning in Nashville's service ministries to those in need and is open to children who will be 3rd through 6th grade graduates this year. This year we are excited to have the opportunity to serve the Gallatin Shalom Zone, the Siloam Family Health Center, the Ronald McDonald House, Avalon Acres Farm, and the House of Mercy.

**Registration is limited to the first 12 participants. Contact Stephanie Dunn to register.**



Calvary's 2010 mission to Estonia will be delivering shoes to the Lighthouse children. All of Calvary is invited to participate!

Bring a new/unopened package of socks to the marked baskets in Master's Commons on April 25 and May 2. \*Child size S, M, L and Adult size S

Contact Stephanie Dunn for more information.