

FROM THE LAPTOP

February 17, 2019

Welcome to church! If you are a guest today, please stop by the *Welcome Centre*, which is located in the fellowship foyer. We have an informational booklet and gift we would like you to have. Please do come again!

What's happening today at Calvary?

T.S. Eliot said that *the true Church can never fail. For it is based upon a rock*. I love that quote. That's assurance and stability in an uncertain quick sandy world. Billy Graham said that *Churchgoers are like coals of fire. When they cling together, they keep the flame aglow; when they separate, they die out*. We need the church because we need each other. I love the Church. I have been a part of it all my life, and since January 1983 I have had the privilege of pastoring the Church. Today I want to speak to you about this glorious church and why I love it so much.

At 12:00 noon, African Church takes place in the Upper Room.

Last Sunday Evening

The Church family was invited to fellowship together at the *Central Community Centre* for skating, fun, laughter, games, hot chocolate and snacks. What a great facility and what a great time everyone had. Some even braved the extreme cold temperatures and went skating (not me though, I ate snacks and yacked). We are presently finalizing another one for March. Stay tuned.

OTB (Opportunity to Bless)

February 9-15 was *Random Acts of Kindness Week*. Even though the week is officially over, let's keep the blessings flowing through the month of February and beyond. Glen Campbell sang *you've got to try a little kindness*. It does not have to cost money; it does not have to be big and gigantic. All it takes is caring and some time to express kindness in the way God directs you. You can do something small that could make a big difference!

Watoto – Sunday, March 10 – 10 am

Watoto is a group of African Children Choirs based out of Kampala, Uganda. We have had them minister in Calvary Temple in the past and we are privileged to have them back again. A love offering will be received. Check out their website at watoto.com. A total of 10 homes are needed to host these children and their chaperones overnight on **Saturday, March 9**. So far we have one home. We still need 9 more. For all the information you can visit the Welcome Centre in the fellowship foyer, call Lesli Onyshko at the church office (204-728-8500), or email info@ctbrandon.com. Thank you for your hospitality.

Van Captains Needed

Isn't it great to be needed? Well, you are needed. One of the ministries of Calvary Temple is the Van Ministry. This ministry provides rides to and from the Sunday morning services at no charge. Currently we are short van captains. Van captains ride along and provide help and assistance as needed. For more information call Pastor Vern at 204-728-8500, or email info@ctbrandon.com. Thank you

Youth Quake

Pastor Nikki is away this weekend at Briercrest College and Seminary in Caronport, Saskatchewan with a group of the CT youth for *Youthquake*. Let us pray they all have a blast and return spiritually refreshed and challenged.

Easter Presentation

Easter Sunday is on April 21 this year. We would like to put together a great Easter Music Presentation to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ. For this to happen we need singers to volunteer their talents and gifts. The first practice is scheduled for next Sunday and at present we do not have enough signed up to make the choir a reality. We are prepared to go another direction if need be. But if you were planning to be involved in the choir but have not yet signed up, we need to hear from you today. Choir Registrations forms with all the details are located at the Welcome Centre and in the church office.

Calvary Temple Board Nominations

In preparation for the Annual Business Meeting, which will take place on Sunday, March 17 at 7:00 pm, board nominations are open and will close on Sunday, March 3 following the Sunday morning service. If you are a member of Calvary Temple (that is, you have applied and taken out membership) you are invited to submit a board nomination form located in the fellowship foyer. Please be sure to carefully read over the nomination form before you make your nomination from the membership list on the reverse side of the nomination form. Forms must be signed and nominations are to be made **without the knowledge of the person(s) nominated**.

Also, following each General Conference there are resolutions passed that affect the Local Church Constitution (LCC). In the fellowship foyer there are copies of the resolutions passed at the General Conference held in May 2018 that update the LCC. Please pick up a copy. At the Annual Meeting one motion will be presented to accept the updated LCC as approved at the 2018 General Conference.

May your week be warmer than last week!

Pastor Gary Jennings (Lead Pastor)