



Calvary Bible Fellowship



JULY 2022 - CHURCH NEWSLETTER

Sunday Service

First Service - 8:30am
Second Service - 10am

THE GIFT OF MARRIAGE

Proverbs 18:22 - "He who finds a wife finds a good thing." We were blessed to celebrate the marriage of Pastor Bem and Kathreen on June 25.

Marriage is PERFECT. It was given by God before sin ever came into the world [Genesis 2:18]. It is the ONLY thing that made it thought the FALL of man [Genesis 3]. Marriage is something VERY important!



God gave us marriage for THREE reasons. First it was given for friendship - because it was NOT good for man to be alone. Two are better than one and three fold chord [Jesus] is not easily broken [Ecclesiastes 4:12].

Second because God desires children. He told Adam and Eve to be fruitful and multiply [Genesis 1:28]. In a day and age when abortion has become a politically charged topic - the Bible is absolutely clear that God desires kids. Psalm 127:5 - "Happy is the man who has his quiver full..." For the record a quiver can hold around 25 arrows!

Third because marriage reveals the LOVE of God. There are two relationships God uses to describe His love. He calls us His children - and He calls us His Bride. It is through marriage we understand the love of our Father in Heaven! Marriage is a picture of Christ and the church [Ephesians 5:32]. So when we have a GREAT marriage - we get to show the world the LOVE of God!

TWO COMMANDS

Considering the importance - you would think the Bible would say LOTS about marriage. The world has volumes of books available on the subject. There are full time COUNSELORS who make a living dealing with marriage problems. Yet the BIBLE dedicates very little space to the subject - only a HANDFUL of verses. Not because it is unimportant - but because it is NOT very complicated!

The Bible gives just TWO commands - one to the wife SUBMIT [Ephesians 5:22] - and one to the Husband - LOVE [Ephesians 5:25]. Yet it is impossible for a wife to completely SUBMIT to her flawed husband - and it is equally impossible for a husband to perfectly LOVE his imperfect wife! Both commands are impossible on purpose - to drive us to Jesus and His GRACE!

A life long marriage cannot be based on feelings - attraction - or even commitment. These things are NOT consistent - because we are NOT consistent. The only consistent thing we can build a marriage on is Jesus. He never changes [Hebrews 13:8]





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UPCOMING EVENTS

"As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God!" - **1 Peter 4:10**

Use the GIFT - We all have a GIFT God has given to us. We each have our purpose within the church. Each role is vital for the body of Christ to function properly. If any part is MISSING - or not serving - the whole body suffers. We all have different GIFTS - but we come together as ONE family!

If we are not sure what our GIFT is - there is only one way to find out - step out and try. There are a multitude of ministries and opportunities every week to plug in and serve - but we will never be sure of what our purpose is until we step out!

Friday: Youth Bible Study - We will have our monthly Youth study in the Upper Room tomorrow night. Plan on coming out for a time of worship - fellowship - and the Word!



Sunday: Bible study in 1

Peter - We will continue our study in 1 Peter this Sunday. You do not want to miss as we look at the GRACE God has given to us! The first service will be at 8:30am and the second service at 10am. If anyone would like to help with the Kids Church during second service see Jen Hinchey!

Church BBQ - We will be gathering this Sunday afternoon after church at Prayer Mountain for a church BBQ [bring a dish to share]. It will be a FUN afternoon of food - fellowship - and enjoying the beauty of God's creation. We will have some fun games for the kids and there is a tennis court for anyone who would like to play!



Worship and Communion - This coming Wednesday - July 6 at 6pm we will have our monthly Night of Worship and Communion at Elisha Center. Bring a dish to pass and we will share dinner before we worship together and remember the sacrifice of our Lord!

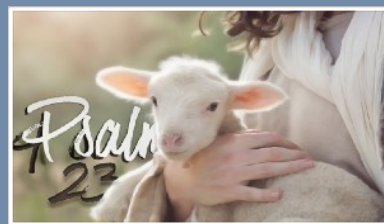
Tuesdays: Women's Bible Study

The ladies will begin a NEW study in the book of John at 4:30pm. You do not want to miss this opportunity to fellowship with other women in the Word!



Tuesdays & Wednesdays: Book of Psalms

We will be continuing our study through the Book of Psalms on July 13 in Psalm 23! Come out as we look at how the Lord is our Shepherd!



Fridays: Mens Bible Study

It is not easy to balance all of the responsibilities we have in life. Men - come out on Friday nights at 8:30pm to find fellowship and encouragement as we desire to be the examples God calls us to be!



Summer youth Camp - We will be joining the Youth Camp as Simbahan sa Bukid in Himamaylan on August 4-6. It will be three days of hilarious games - insightful Bible studies - and the opportunity for the youth to build relationships as they grow together in Jesus. Any youth who are interested in going should contact Gershom. Any volunteers who would like to help with the event please contact Pastor David.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

- Sunday 8:30am - First Service [and online] - Book of 1 Peter
- Sunday 10am - Second service - Book of 1 Peter
- Tuesday 4:30pm - Women's study in John
- Tuesday 5pm - Book of Psalms at Elisha Center
- Wednesday 6:30pm - Book of Psalms at Upper Room
- Friday 8:30pm - Mens Bible Study [online]
- First Friday 6pm - Youth Bible Study
- Second Friday 6pm - Fellowship and Prayer Night

WATCH ON YOUTUBE

The church has a YouTube channel. You can search for it under "Bible Fellowship Bacolod". Both the Old and New Testament weekly teachings are posted there along with an archive of previous content.



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