



Calvary Bible Fellowship

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THE TWO BECOME ONE

all the animals before Adam to name them. Mr. and Mrs. Hippopotamus. Mr. and Mrs. Giraffe. Mr. and Mrs.... and you can almost see the light bulb go on over Adam's head. Adam had just been created; he did not even know something was missing. But as each pair passed before him, it became obvious—he was alone, and the options were very limited! So the Lord put Adam to sleep, made Eve from his side, and gave him a companion, a friend, someone with whom he could share his life—and the two became one. And remember, all of this happened before sin ever entered the world. Marriage was part of God's original and perfect design. Even after Adam and Eve rebelled and lost the Garden, their innocence, and eventually their lives, one thing they did not lose was their marriage. Marriage is not simply God's idea; it is something very special!

Why? For three reasons. First, God knows that we need help. Our spouse is meant to be our lifelong companion and closest friend, someone to walk beside us through all the joys and struggles of life (Ecclesiastes 4:12). Second, God desires that we be fruitful and multiply—not simply to have children, but to raise children who know and love Him (Malachi 2:15). Third, God uses marriage to show us something of His own love. He calls us His children, and He calls His people His bride—both relationships are beautifully pictured within the family. That means one of the greatest gifts a husband can give his children is to love their mother. As he loves her, his children grow up watching a picture of covenant love. In their own home, they get to see a small reflection of the faithful, patient, sacrificial love that God has for us.



MASS WEDDING

I have been blessed to officiate many weddings over the years. There is something truly special about seeing a bride, dressed in white, walking down the aisle toward a husband beaming with joy as the love of his life comes toward him. But this past month was especially memorable—we had seven weddings in one week! To be fair, six of those weddings took place at the same time in a group wedding. Four couples from the church, along with two couples who work for one of the families in the church, were all married together. Then, less than a week later, we celebrated the seventh wedding with another couple from the church. It was a beautiful reminder of how special marriage is and what a joy it is to see couples begin this new chapter together.

A dear friend once asked me, "Why did God give us marriage?" His answer was, "To kill us." Then he asked, "Why did God give us kids?" and concluded, "To finish the job." It may not sound very romantic, but there is a lot of truth in it! Marriage requires us to die to ourselves, and that is exactly how Jesus calls us to live (Luke 9:23). Please keep all of these couples in your prayers as they step into this new venture of faith together.



Men's Breakfast - This Saturday - Men, start your morning with good food, coffee, and fellowship! We'll meet at 8:00 AM at Margie's in Bacolod, near STI West Negros. It's a simple morning to connect, encourage one another, and spend time together in Christ!



Midweek Study - Wednesday @6pm. Has God Forgotten You? When life leaves us feeling forgotten, God reminds us that His love has not changed. This Wednesday, we'll study **Isaiah 49** and discover the hope found in His faithful promises.

Steps of Love - This November, Bulig sa Bukid will distribute slippers and hygiene kits to children in our partner communities in Himamaylan and Don Salvador Benedicto.

These simple gifts bring comfort and bless each child



showing them they are loved, and that Jesus walks with them.

For more information please speak with **Teng Joven**.

CC Regional Conference - October 27-29 Calvary Chapel churches throughout Visayas and Mindanao will gather in Bacolod. It will be a time of Bible teaching, worship, fellowship, and encouragement as we grow together in Christ and strengthen one another in the work God has called us to. If you would like to attend please sign up by following the QR code!



Afterglow - Friday October 30 @6pm - We will have a special night of worship. Before Jesus ascended up into heaven He told the disciples to wait for the Promise of the Holy Spirit. They were not to do anything until He came upon them [Pentecost]. If you are feeling like you do not have any power, struggling to live your life for Jesus, come on out as we worship, and wait on the Lord, for the work of the Holy Spirit!

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

- Sunday 9:00am & 11:00am - Book of Romans
- Second Tuesday 6pm - Book of Matthew
- Wednesday 6pm - Book of Isaiah
- First Wednesday 6pm - Worship & Devotion
- Second Thursday 6pm - Revelation
- Friday Study 6pm - Men - Women - Youth