

JAMES & MELODY WARTIAN
Ministry Essentials International (MEI)

As 2025 closes, we want to say “thank you” by giving you a short summary of the difference you have made through your prayers and financial support. Because of you. . .

- MEI staff were able to provide soul care to more than 1,280 global workers, serving with over 202 agencies and churches in at least 83 different countries!
- We began the implementation of our five-year strategic plan to help us as we add more staff and seek to provide soul care to even more global workers.
- We added two new staff families, increasing our impact in Asia and in Central and South America.
- We had our 2025 Staff Gathering in Riga, Latvia. Staff enjoyed a rare opportunity to be face-to-face. They left recharged as they returned to care for global workers.
- I helped MEI implement a new payroll system and a new internal communication system. As donations now exceed \$2 million annually, we also explored ways to improve our financial reports and the systems we use to handle donations.
- On a personal note, our son, Andrew, graduated from high school, and Melody completed 13 years as his home school teacher. After a summer working at East Iowa Bible Camp as a counselor and in the kitchen, Andrew began his freshman year at Emmaus University.

Financial Report for the Week Ending 1/9/2026

Weekly Budget	\$11,571.42	Year-to-Date Budget	\$462,856.80
Income for the Week	\$9,281.88	Year-to-Date Income	\$434,934.45
Giving by Cash/Check	\$6,701.00	Year-to-Date Expenses	\$440,842.28
Electronic Giving	\$2,580.88		

Give electronically at www.CalvaryCR.org, on the Breeze app, by texting 319-255-2527, or by scanning this QR code.



Attendance Report for Sunday 1/4/2026

Sunday School: 97 Morning Service: 218

Ministry Staff

Senior Pastor Jay Jentink
 Associate Pastor (Worship and Administration) Michael Frey
 Associate Pastor (Youth Ministries). Matthew Slippery
 Secretary/Bookkeeper. Marla Hoy

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 with a passion to know, serve, and proclaim Jesus Christ*

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE
JANUARY 11, 2026

Preparation for Worship Jeannette Frey

Welcome Pastor Michael Frey

Songs of Celebration “Magnificent, Marvelous, Matchless Love”
 “You Are Unchanging”
 (Hymn 54) “Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

Prayer Jeremy Crittenden

Scripture Reading (Ruth 1:1–5) Pastor Michael Frey

Song of Consecration “Still, My Soul, Be Still”
(Children Ages 3–Kindergarten Dismissed for Children’s Church)

Message from God’s Word Pastor Jay Jentink
 “Fallen on Hard Times”

Song of Exhortation (Hymn 320) “Trust and Obey”

Benediction Pastor Michael Frey

TONIGHT AT 6:00PM

“TRUTH RISING” DOCUMENTARY VIDEO

Truth Rising isn't just a documentary—it's a call to action at a critical time in our culture. As faith, identity, and morality are being redefined, this documentary exposes the civilizational moment we are living in. Through powerful stories and expert insights, it reveals how ordinary people can make an extraordinary impact—by boldly choosing courage over fear. As the world redefines truth, *Truth Rising* offers clarity, courage, and a Christ-centered path forward. Please join us!

SONSHINE SINGERS

Sonshine Singers will begin again this evening at 6:00pm. If you are in kindergarten–6th grade and have been thinking about joining Sonshine Singers, now is the perfect time to get involved. Join us in Room 26 for a great time! For information, contact Jeannette Frey at 319-654-4260 or jjhux59@gmail.com.

CALVARY CHOIR

January is a good time to join the choir. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Pastor Mike. We will resume our regular rehearsal schedule, 4:30pm–5:45pm on Sundays, beginning today.

SOUP POTLUCK WITH ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND Q.M.U.

Everyone is invited to a soup and chili potluck dinner in the church fellowship hall at noon on Sunday, January 18. Bring a pot of soup or chili or a dessert to share. Drinks and condiments will be provided. Please help us plan and prepare by signing up at the welcome center, on Breeze, or by contacting the church office. Following the dinner, members are urged to stay for our annual election of church officers and the winter Quarterly Ministry Update. A list of nominees is posted on the main bulletin board. For those who are unable to attend, you may request an absentee ballot from the Church Clerk (Marlys Dengler) or the church office no later than Tuesday, January 13. These absentee ballots must be returned in a sealed envelope prior to the meeting.

MEMBERSHIP VOTE

A membership vote is scheduled to take place during the Quarterly Ministry Update on Sunday afternoon, January 18. The Board of Deacons is recommending Nattacha Massion and Jenna Seamans for membership. If a member has reason to dispute a candidate's qualification for membership, the member shall immediately communicate the reason privately to the Deacons, so that the reason can be evaluated prior to the meeting at which the membership vote is to occur.

ARCTIC ADVENTURE

Some of our youth group students will be attending “Arctic Adventure” next weekend at Spring Valley Bible Camp. They will enjoy biblical teaching, worship, games, and more. They will meet at the church at 4:30pm on Friday, January 16 and will return at 1:00pm on Sunday, January 18. Please pray for the students attending this retreat.

SHOWER TIME!

Save the date and plan on attending a bridal shower for Erika Nelson on Saturday, January 31 at 10:00am. Gift registry information still to come.

WINTER BLOOD DRIVE

Our Winter Blood Drive will be held on Monday, February 2 from 2:30pm to 6:00pm. To be eligible to donate at this blood drive, your previous donation must have been prior to December 9. Appointments are required! Contact Nadene Roberts or visit bloodcenter.org to sign up.

SUPERBOWL OUTREACH

The Super Bowl (Sunday evening, February 8) provides a great opportunity for relationship-building events. We encourage you to prayerfully consider how you might take advantage of this opportunity to enhance your relationship with a few friends, neighbors, or co-workers that the Lord might want to reach through you.

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

We offer our condolences to Jeanne Grimm and family on the death of her husband, Marvin, on December 29.

CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK

Sunday, January 11

9:00am	Sunday School and Adult Bible Classes
10:00am	Inner Mission
10:30am	Worship Service
4:30pm	Adult Choir Rehearsal
6:00pm	Sonshine Singers
6:00pm	<i>Truth Rising</i> Documentary Video

Monday, January 12

6:30pm	Fellowship Ministry Team Meeting
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Tuesday, January 13

9:15am	MUMs Leadership Meeting
7:00pm	Trustee Committee & Missions Ministry Team Meetings

Wednesday, January 14

6:30pm	Awana, Youth Group, Adult Bible Study & Prayer
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Friday, January 16

4:30pm	Youth Group Leaves for Arctic Adventure
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