

DAN & ESTHER PENNEY
WorldVenture

God is good...all the time! Sometimes it's hard to see his goodness through the fog of frustration, disappointment, or suffering. But the Bible often recommends looking back at what He has done in the past as a way to bring His goodness into clear focus. That's one reason we write these newsletters. It's a way to look back at the last few months and see that He is good.

Three years ago, we flew off to Africa and Asia for two weeks to participate in two regional WorldVenture conferences (Dan as Staff Accountant and Esther as conference nurse). While the traveling turned out to be grueling, the conferences themselves were a big success, in that we were able to serve missionaries in both planned and unforeseen ways. So many of the missionaries expressed profound appreciation for our presence at the conferences.

We just learned that we will soon have that opportunity again. This time we will be traveling to Taiwan for the triennial All-Asia Gathering. The conference dates are October 21-26, but many questions remain. Exactly when should we arrive? (Last time we arrived a day early so as to interact with and assist other early arrivals, which turned out to be a good decision.) When to book our tickets to get the best price and itinerary? Pray with us for wisdom about all this. There is also an All-Africa conference planned for December 6-12, so we'll tell you more about that at a later date.

One piece of great news related to these conferences is that this time WorldVenture has said we will be allowed to use our support account — the funds you all send in for our ministry — to cover the expenses of the trips. Praise the Lord!

Financial Report for the Week Ending 5/15/2026			
Weekly Budget	\$11,730.49	Year-to-Date Budget	\$70,382.94
Income for the Week	\$9,273.36	Year-to-Date Income	\$63,827.27
Giving by Cash/Check	\$5,606.85	Year-to-Date Expenses	\$71,762.64
Electronic Giving	\$3,666.51		
<i>Give electronically at www.CalvaryCR.org, on the Breeze app, by texting 319-255-2527, or by scanning this QR code.</i>			
Attendance Report for Sunday 5/10/2026			
Sunday School: 108		Morning Service: 250	



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

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE
MAY 17, 2026

- Preparation for Worship Marlene LeMont
- Welcome Pastor Michael Frey
- Presentation about Ambassadors' Academy Brad Tower
- Songs of Celebration and Consecration "Behold Our God"
 (Hymn 2) "Sing Praise to God"
 "Come, Let Us Worship and Bow Down"
 (Hymn 28) "O Worship the King"
- Prayer Ty Slippy
- Scripture Reading (Psalm 106) Chris Brown
- Song of Preparation "Search My Heart"
(Children Ages 4½ – 2nd Grade Dismissed for Children's Church)
- Message from God's Word Pastor Michael Frey
 "Glorifying God with Wholehearted Worship"
- Song of Consecration "O Great God"
- Benediction Pastor Michael Frey

NO CHURCH ACTIVITIES THIS EVENING

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

We offer our condolences to Pat Hollan and family on the passing of Pat's husband, Chuck Hollan, on Saturday, May 9.

We offer our condolences to Jean Judas and family on the passing of her father, Burton Rodman, on Tuesday, May 12.

NURSERY HELP STILL NEEDED

There are still open slots on the nursery schedule. If you are able to help, please visit the Welcome Center to sign up, or contact Roxann Von Lienen.

INFORMATION FOR SUNDAY, MAY 24

There will be no Sunday School, Adult Bible Classes, or Inner Mission on Sunday, May 24 (Memorial Day Weekend). Please join us for Senior Recognition at 10:30am, as we honor our high school graduates: Mari Crittenden, Levi Hanna, Abigail Hauptly, Tessa Slippy, and Sandra Tokpa.

GRADUATION PARTIES

Mari Crittenden: Monday, May 25, 1–4 pm, Calvary Fellowship Hall

Tessa Slippy: Saturday, May 30, 2–4pm, Calvary Youth Building

Levi Hanna: Sunday, May 31, 5–7:30pm, The Grand Lodge at Camp Tanager

Abigail Hauptly: Sunday, June 7, 2–5pm, Noelridge Park Creekside Pavilion

Sandra Tokpa: Saturday, June 13, 2–4pm, Calvary Fellowship Hall

BRIDAL SHOWER FOR ELLA CRITTENDEN

Ladies, you're invited to a bridal shower celebrating Ella Crittenden! Join us Sunday, May 24, 2–4pm in the church gym as we shower Ella with love as her next chapter begins! Kindly RSVP to Jen Crittenden at 319-721-2460. Ella is registered at Amazon. You can use this QR code to get to the registry.



HIDDEN GEMS DONATION DRIVE

We will host a donation drive May 31–June 7, to provide quality items for Hidden Gems, the resale shop that supports our local ministry partner CareNetworkCR. Begin to set aside items like gently used or new clothing, shoes, jewelry and other accessories, and home décor. See more information at www.hiddengemscr.shop. Possessions that are no longer meeting a need for you could become blessings for people in need in our community.

LADIES NIGHT OUT

Ladies, you and your friends are invited to enjoy food and fellowship together 6:30pm on Monday, June 1 at Mandarin Spice Asian Grill (1412 Twixt Town Rd, Marion). If you plan to attend, contact Deb Gaeta so she knows how many will attend. Please let Deb know if transportation would be helpful.

CHURCH SUMMER HOURS

The church office will be closed on Fridays for the months of June–August. It will be open Monday–Thursday from 9am–3pm.

DISCOVERY CLASS

If you want to become a member of Calvary or just want more information about the church, we invite you to attend the Discovery Class on Saturday, June 6, from 9:00am to noon. Please notify the church office if you plan to attend. If childcare would be helpful, let us know.

BABY SHOWER FOR JENNA SEAMANS

Ladies, please join us Saturday, June 13 from 10am–noon in rooms 13/14, as we shower Jenna Seamans with love and celebrate the upcoming birth of baby boy Seamans. Jenna has registered at <https://my.babylist.com/baby-jenna-seamans> as well as Amazon and Target. Please be so kind to RSVP at <https://tinyurl.com/27wtvwbt> so we can make preparations for the event.

BRIDAL SHOWER FOR TIA SLIPPY

We are excited for Tia Slippy's engagement to Trey Steffenson! Ladies, please join us for Tia's bridal shower on Sunday, June 14 at 2pm at Creekside Bible Church (1410 44th St, Marion). You can find Tia's registry at Amazon and Target.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

If you can help with Vacation Bible School June 15–19, 9:00am–11:30am, even for just one day, please call or text Roxann at 319-361-0215 or email rvonlienen@imonmail.com.

XJ: EXPERIENCE JESUS YOUTH CONFERENCE

We have six youth and adults going to the Experience Jesus conference at Moody Bible Institute in Chicago June 22–27. At XJ, we want students to KNOW Jesus more deeply, LOVE Jesus more passionately, and SHARE Jesus more generously! They will be equipped to share the gospel, and then they will go out on the streets to share the good news with others before they are sent home to share the good news with their friends and family. Please pray for Pastor Matt Slippy, Ina Mae Wienola, Landen Eastburn, Tessa Slippy, Sandra Tokpa, and Sonja Truitt. **If you would like to help cover the expenses of this trip, please label your offering "XJ."**

CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK

Sunday, May 17

9:00am Sunday School and Adult Bible Classes

10:00am Inner Mission

10:30am Worship Service

Tuesday, May 19

6:30am Board of Elders Meeting

Wednesday, May 20

6:30pm Youth Group / Adult Bible Study & Prayer

Thursday, May 21

2:00pm GriefShare

Saturday, May 23

5:00pm Koinonia Cookout