

# CONNECTING WITH CALVARY CHURCH

**January 2026 | Cozy Up For Winter**

**Updates on life at Calvary Church in Williams Lake, B.C.**

## Weekly Events:

### **Sunday Morning Worship - 10am** - All are welcome!

Join us Sunday mornings for our weekly worship service, in person or online. Pre-service prayer starts at 9:20am.

### **Awaken Kid's Ministry** - During our Sunday service

All children ages 2 - Grade 5 are invited downstairs to worship, learn & have fun together!

### **Monday Night Bible Study - 7pm - church basement**

Currently studying the book of Luke. All are welcome.

Starts again on January 12<sup>th</sup>.

### **"Shield" Youth Ministry - Tues 6:30-8:45pm - church basement**

For more information & to get a copy of the youth calendar contact Pastor Brad.

### **Young Adults - 6pm every 2nd Wed - offsite**

Our next gathering will be a fun night Jan 9<sup>th</sup>. Contact the church office for more details.

### **Weekly Prayer Night - Wed 6:30pm - church basement**

Our prayer group meets in the lower auditorium. Starts again on January 14<sup>th</sup>. (See back for week of prayer info.)

### **Discipleship Class - Wed 3-4pm or 7-8pm - prayer room**

Join Pastor Monte as he leads these 4 week classes discussing foundations of faith. Afternoon or evening classes are offered, starting January 21<sup>st</sup>. Contact the office for details.

### **Club 56 (Pre-teens) - 6-7pm 2nd & 4th Thurs of the month**

Meet at Chilcotin Road Elementary School. Pre-teens in grades 5 & 6 are welcome to come out for fun, fellowship & learning about Jesus! Starts January 22<sup>nd</sup>.

## Thoughts from Pastor Monte

The new year is often looked at as a season for new beginning and change. It makes sense; a fresh calendar, spring is approaching, the winter season keeps us close to home and indoors, it is the perfect time to start or finish that project you have been thinking about for the past season of life. It is a great time for making a much desired or needed life change. As we start this new year let us also remember the final words of the author of Ecclesiastes. *"My son, be warned: there is no end to the making of many books, and much study wearis the body. When all has been heard, the conclusion of the matter is this: fear God and keep his commands, because this is for all humanity. For God will bring every act to judgment, including every hidden thing, whether good or evil."* (Ecclesiastes 12:12-14)

Sometimes we need to make a change and we should do so, but that can also be a never-ending path of disappointment as we chase a perfect image of ourselves that doesn't exist. There is a perfect image that we can pursue though, and that is Jesus. So, whatever it is that you decide to pursue this upcoming year for goals, make sure that Jesus is at the top of that list. As Jesus himself would say, *"All things have been entrusted to me by my Father. No one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son desires to reveal him. Come to me, all of you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, because I am lowly and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light."* (Matthew 11:27-29)

Let God's goals for your life be the only burden you carry, keep everything else in its appropriate place.

## Something to Think About

"It is often in the darkest skies that we see the brightest stars."

- Richard Evans

"Darkness cannot drive out darkness: only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate: only love can do that."

- Martin Luther King Jr.

"You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden".

- Matthew 5:14

"In him was life, and the life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it".

- John 1:4-5

"My New Year's resolution is to stop procrastinating. I'll start tomorrow."

- Anonymous

"May all your troubles last as long as your New Year's resolutions."

- Joey Adams

"For everything there is a season, a time for every activity under heaven."

- Ecclesiastes 3:1

"He directs the snow to fall on the earth and tells the rain to pour down....The stormy wind comes from its chamber, and the driving winds bring the cold. God's breath sends the ice, freezing wide expanses of water."

- Job 37:6, 9-10

"As long as the earth remains, there will be planting and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night."

- Genesis 8:22



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## News & Notes

### Week of Prayer



January 5<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> will be our annual week of prayer. Each night from 7-8pm in the sanctuary we will be praying for our families, our community, our country and the world around us.

Join us as we start the new year by seeking God through prayer, individually and corporately. Please note, regular programs during the week will not be running - we are encouraged to join together in prayer for this week. If you have any questions, please contact the church.

### Community Dinner

Join us on Wed, Jan 7<sup>th</sup> at 5:15pm for our first Community Dinner of 2026. Invite your friends; everyone is welcome!

### THANK YOU!

Thank you to everyone who made Christmas at Calvary Church such a success and a wonderful season....from decorators to bakers to musicians and actors and more....to all those seen and behind the scenes, we appreciate you!

### Thank You from the Pastors & Staff

We as a staff would like to thank you for the generous ways you have demonstrated love and support to all of us this past year and especially at Christmas. It's been an amazing year at Calvary Church and the love and care you all give makes serving our church family a joy and a privilege.

### Seniors Village Service

Every second Sunday of the month at 2:30pm, our church hosts a service at the Seniors Village. If you are interested in helping out, please contact the church for more information.

### Date Night Fundraiser

Mark your calendars for February 7<sup>th</sup> for our annual Date Night Fundraiser. Watch for more details to come!

## LATEST UPDATES

### CALVARY CHURCH FINANCIAL UPDATE

#### Up to October 31, 2025

General Fund	Actual	Budget
Income:	\$353,308	\$282,195
Expense:	\$287,878	\$298,034
Missions Fund	Actual	Budget
Income:	\$12,712	\$12,000
Expense:	\$12,000	\$12,000

### Ways to Give

e-transfer: [giving@calvarychurchwl.com](mailto:giving@calvarychurchwl.com)

in person: debit, cash, cheque

