



CALVARY CHILDREN'S HOME

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FROM OUR DIRECTOR...

Saying Thanks or Being Thankful?

This time of year always has a strange effect on me. Amazingly, we are already moving to the end of yet another year. Sometimes I wonder how those days will look on my record at my final accounting when I stand before the One who gave me life, purpose, and opportunity to do something that would actually matter and last longer than I will.



Snyder Turner

I have frequently said I believe one of the greatest evidences of our emotional and spiritual maturity is the presence of a genuinely grateful attitude. Of course, I always want our children—and staff—to ‘say’ thank you for the kindness we are shown every day by our amazing friends. However, that is only the start, not the end. The words must spring from a deeply held attitude which is truly grateful that a loving God has touched the heart of some wonderful people and they, in turn, have stepped alongside us to help the children entrusted to our care. This is what you do for the children and ministry of Calvary with each gift you share with us. It’s certainly noticed and sincerely appreciated.

As I am writing this, I am sitting in a corner of a coffee shop, (no not that one!) to be alone and write this article. Then across the speaker a familiar piano instrumental started playing. The song? “Jesus Loves Me!” Yes, the one you probably heard before you could even sing a word of it. For the first time in a very long time, I just thought about the simple words that speak a profound truth.

Yes, I say thanks for His love, but I also want to consistently live with a thankful attitude. Why? Because I know how easy it is to “say” thank you and never really be “thankful.” Attitudes run deeper than actions and last longer; actions are taken and soon forgotten.

We are approaching Thanksgiving and Christmas, the two holidays most noted for gratitude and giving. This is why I want to assure you of this: when we do say “thank you,” it comes from a continuing attitude of “thankfulness” and the promise that your support is never taken for granted (1 Thessalonians 5:18). So...

“Thank you!!” and Happy Thanksgiving and Merry Christmas from our family to yours!

– Snyder Turner, Executive Director

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What a wonderful day of golf and friendship we had at this year's tournament. Our friends showed up in full force to support our children and to spend a beautiful day at Pinetree Country Club. Calvary is in its 57th year of operation and owe our longevity to our friends in the community who continue to rally behind our ministry.

A special thank you to all of our sponsors. Your participation helps make a fun day even better.

I would like to acknowledge our Title, Diamond, and Food sponsors.

Title

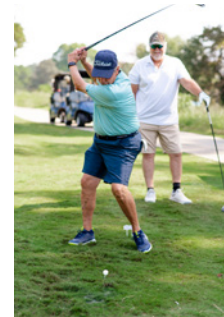
- SouthState Bank
- Industrial Tape and Supply

Diamond

- Cornerstone Contracting
- Rodger Watkins

Food Sponsors

- Dave Poe's BBQ—Dave Poe
- Carrabba's—Benny Wright
- Gaston Street Eats—Laura & Eric Hart
- 1885 Grill—Mike Schroeder & Chef Lauren



OUR FAMILY...

Fall is a most welcome visitor to the Calvary Children's Home family. The cooler temperatures set in motion scenes on our campus that would make any family envious. The leaves falling around and on top of running happy children in a setting built by the love of so many caring people. *God has blessed these sacred acres beyond measure!*

Exciting doors swing on the hinges of autumn at Calvary. Football season is in full swing and our boys love it. They love to play it, watch it, talk about it and while they are so very competitive, they are so proud of their "brothers" when they achieve great things. Recently, three boys ran in the house proclaiming for us and the neighbors that "Oakleen had two interceptions and won the game for us!" A JV high school game is a really big deal in our world. Five of our boys play for a team and all of our boys play football as much as allowed in the yard. College football Saturdays are so fun! We currently have three Florida fans, two LSU fans, a few Auburn fans and our Executive Director loves the Georgia Bulldogs. You would think after two back-to-back national championships, he would convert them, but no chance. *They are zealots!*



On a cool October night, Max represented his sophomore class on the homecoming court. This honor is given by a vote through his peers, and we are so proud of the outstanding reputation he is building for himself. Shiloh sings on the worship team at her high school and sings in front of hundreds of students in those chapels. Both young people were a little shy not that long ago. It is such a joy to watch our children grow and achieve. If space allowed, I could tell something about growth for each one of them. All our older girls sing in our church choir, and they fill that cottage with beautiful music. At times, I have walked out of the girl's cottage when they are practicing and wondered if heaven has a similar sound.

Bonfires, holidays, a hunting trip or two and the Christmas tree lot are on the horizon. The holidays were provided by a loving God, the rest will be fueled by our **dear friends**.



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**Thank you for believing in
our children – they are more
precious than you know!**

– Brian Busby, Campus Director
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What happens next?

TRANSITIONAL RESIDENT PROGRAM



Sophomore at Champion Christian
College, Hot Springs, AR



Sophomore at Chattahoochee Tech
Working Part-Time



Freshman at Georgia Highlands
Working Part-Time

At Calvary, we don't stop investing in the lives of our children just because they turn 18. Part of what sets Calvary apart is our Transitional Resident Program, designed to help our children who are graduating high school prepare for the next exciting, bright chapter of their lives.

Your faithful support helps provide this unique opportunity to our older children. Thank you for helping us lay out a Christ-centered path toward a brighter future for them, their future families, and the communities in which they will live and serve.



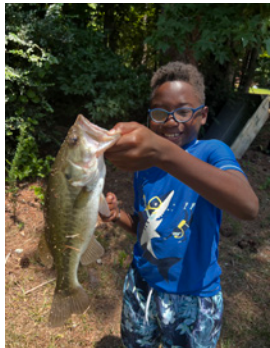
Freshman at Kennesaw State
University



Electrical Apprenticeship at
Atlanta IBEW LU 613



SUMMERTIME AT CALVARY...



COMMEMORATIVE BRICK PROGRAM...

The bricks will serve as a constant source of encouragement to the children of Calvary and a reminder for years to come of the commitment and generosity of the individuals, churches and organizations that have helped provide a home for our children while honoring the life of the one remembered.

Your gift will be acknowledged with a personal letter and receipt. Also, their name, as well as yours, will be included in a subsequent newsletter to acknowledge your thoughtful gift.

The form is also available online. This can be initiated by visiting our website at calvarykids.org/donate

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If paying by check, please email benita@calvarykids.org to request a form that will be sent for you to complete.



DONATE YOUR VEHICLE...



**Help Support Our Children
and Claim Your Tax Deduction!**



**Caring families donating their used vehicles
also supports our children.**

Several of our young people have had the opportunity to have their own transportation for college because of the sharing spirit of the families in our community. Calvary Children's Home gratefully accepts gifts of used cars, trucks and boats.

If you would like to arrange any donation please visit our website: calvarykids.org to complete the online donation form. You can also contact our office at **770.794.1500** or email us at: info@calvarykids.org.

IT'S AS EASY AS 1,2,3...



- 1. CONTACT US:**
Complete the donation form by visiting our website at calvarykids.org or giving us a call at 770.794.1500



- 2. WE PICK UP:**
We will schedule a time for our transport to pick up the vehicle



- 3. YOU RECEIVE:**
Claim your income tax deduction

THANK YOU FOR THINKING OF US!



18th Annual Calvary Children's Home Christmas Tree Sale

Opens November 24, 2023

(Friday after Thanksgiving)

9:00 a.m. – 9:00 pm

Lot Hours (after 11/24/23)

Mondays – Fridays: 3:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Saturdays: 9:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Sundays: 12:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

Location:

**Calvary Children's Home
1430 Lost Mountain Road
Powder Springs, GA 30127**

**For information or if you would like to
volunteer to work the tree lot please contact:**

Brian Busby 404.731.1500

Darlene Hancock 404.569.0033

**Premium North Carolina Fraser
Fir, Nordmann Fir, Douglas Fir
Noble Trees, & Pallet Décor**



TRIBUTE GIFTS | MAY 23, 2023 - OCTOBER 31, 2023

If you would like to remember or honor someone special in a very meaningful way that will also benefit children, please consider a Tribute Gift to Calvary.

- Use the enclosed envelope to send in your tribute.
- You can also complete your tribute on our website at: calvarykids.org/donate/
Please be sure and click on Memorial Gift at the top right of page to complete information.
- An acknowledgment of your gift will be sent to the honoree or family.
- Gift amount is not disclosed to honoree or family.

If you choose to mail in the enclosed envelope **it is essential to fully complete the information on the form** so we can properly recognize the honoree.

ANNIVERSARIES

Mr. & Mrs. Jack Rich (66th)

Ms. Lea Ellen Rich

Lindsey & Ann Tippins (54th)

Mr. & Mrs. Billy Resh

BIRTHDAYS

Tyler Keel (34th)

Mr. & Mrs. David Keel

Titus Jackson

Mr. & Mrs. Carmen Kesho

Mr. Chris Kesho

Mr. Jason Robinson

Barbara Lewis

Mrs. Nannette Van Houten

Robert Lewis

Mrs. Nannette Van Houten

Bill Smith

Mr. & Mrs. Barry Giornelli

Mr. James Jack

Billie Sweat (91st)

Ms. Linda Wilson

Paulette Szabolcsi

Ms. Susan Wing

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Ms. Ann Mason

Our Children

& Grandchildren

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Ms. Elizabeth Grumann
J. Smith Lanier & Company

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Mr. & Mrs. Billy Resh

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Ms. Ann Collins

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We wish you peaceful moments
and warm memories this Christmas.
May the splendor of this beautiful season
always remind you of Him
who is worthy of all our praise.
May you always know the glory
of His presence and the hope of His peace.

***Thank you
for your love and support!***

