



CALVARY

CHILDREN'S HOME

FALL ISSUE



Left to Right –
Max #44, Christian #10 and Alex #54

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FROM OUR DIRECTOR...

Safe in the Storm

I was in South Carolina recently when tropical storm Debby paid us a visit. The first day was simply beautiful although reports of the storm's approach were being broadcast. The second day proved to be quite different.



Snyder Turner

The peace and calmness of one day quickly gave way to the incredible winds and intense rain of the next. Reports of danger and damage filled the airwaves, and the storm was the center of my attention as I listened for indicators of its soon passing.

I walked out onto the balcony and even there the power of the wind and beating of the rain were immense and my full attention was on this storm that had interrupted the calmness I had enjoyed just one day prior. As I stood there, it occurred to me storms whether physical, emotional, or spiritual can have a way of causing us to question whether we matter to anyone, or even if God really knows or cares.

I was even more grateful and aware of the protection of my friend's condo when I was able to step back inside out of the storm. It's interesting how much I have always enjoyed its beauty and the comfort it provided. However, this time I was taken more by the sense of protection it offered. Of course the structure had always been strong, but the intensity of this storm gave a new awareness and appreciation for it. I guess we seldom consider the protection of God or the goodness of people more than when we've faced our greatest storms. Calvary is that haven for our children. I guess the intensity of our storm determines the depth of our gratitude for the safe haven we find available.

Because of friends just like you, we are able to offer that safe haven from the storms so many of our children have faced. Thank you again for your thoughtful prayers and very kind support. I believe that one day, the Lord will acknowledge and reward your helping children find a safe place in Calvary – the Hill and the Home.

– Snyder Turner, Executive Director



We pray God will bless you and your family during the Thanksgiving and Christmas seasons.

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Snyder Turner Executive Director
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2024 GOLF TOURNAMENT...



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 58th 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.



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OUR FAMILY...

Most parents in this world would give much to experience their children's childhood all over again. Kids are so much fun when they are small and growing. Their teen years host dream chasing and athletics and from time to time a first love whirlwind. Calvary always has many of those treasured times in a child's life unfolding in our family and what a privilege it is to stand in the place of family for these children. Elementary children need lots of hugs, Middle school children need affirmation and redirection and Highschool and college kids require those voices that keep us on the tract to fulfilling our full potential. A warm bed, help with homework and love prepared meals go beautifully with the gospel message that God really does love us and really did send his son so that we could be a part of His forever family.

At Calvary this season, we find ourselves often at our children's football games and musical events. We have a starting linebacker who is all heart and no quit, and so fun to watch. One of our other boys had two touchdowns in a JV game and an interception in a Varsity game in this his sophomore season. Hundreds of people screaming for one of yours is a blessing to any parent, house parents included. We have a singer who has won Best Female Vocalist at her very talented school. She and her sister fill our girls' cottage with beautiful music. Some days you go into that house, and you think it may be heaven. It has been wonderful to have them in our care these many years. They are all being taught that to have a fulfilling life you must stay off the road of self-elevation and self-gratification. They love to participate in team events and will almost all volunteer quickly to serve in a widow's yard or a tragedy struck family. They know that pain and have learned that a little help can make all the difference.

We spend some time at the doctor for sprains and the many bumps and bruises an active childhood can bring. We host innumerable hours of tutoring and a fair amount of counseling. ***A little help from many caring hearts really does make a huge difference.*** Our five seniors will be off to trade school, college and the armed services in just a few short months. They will join the host of those who have graduated before them in building strong families and bright futures. Thank you for believing in these children and giving our staff this great privilege. Most of our kids you would steal if you could, only a few would you bring back. Jesus loves them all.

— Brian Busby, Campus Director



CHRISTMAS TREE SALE...



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(Friday after Thanksgiving 11/29, 9:00 am–9:00 pm)

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Saturday: 9:00 am–9:00 pm
Sunday: 1:00 pm–6:30 pm

For information or to volunteer please contact:

Brian Busby	404.731.1500	brian@calvarykids.org
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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!



NEXT STEPS... TRANSITIONAL RESIDENT PROGRAM



*Did you know... Calvary's Transitional Resident Program
is part of our ministry's uniqueness.
It is designed to help our children who are graduating
high school by preparing them for the next phase of their lives.*



Calvary's long-term care plan for our children offers each child the option to stay with us upon turning 18, providing them with security knowing they will not age out. In our opinion, we couldn't consider ourselves a long-term care program if our children, in whom we have invested years, were forced to leave just because they turned 18.

Calvary currently has seven residents active in the program and two recent graduates: one from the City of Marietta Police Academy and one with an associate's degree from Chattahoochee Tech! Five

of the seven in the program are high school seniors, and two are in college. Please keep us in your prayers as we help our five seniors navigate the next few chapters of their lives.

We are often asked what our biggest challenge in the Transitional Program is. The number one issue is helping our program participants obtain safe and reliable transportation. Calvary's vehicle donation program helps with this, along with the support of our friends in the community. If you would like to learn more, please email info@calvarykids.org.



TRIBUTE GIFTS | MAY 1, 2024 - OCTOBER 28, 2024

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.
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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.

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"This is the Lord's doing; it is marvellous in our eyes".

Psalms 118:23 (KJV)

