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Church Family,

The cooler temperatures in the early morning hours this week have provided a breath of fresh air. You may have found yourself walking outside and taking a deep breath and enjoying the moment. In the same way, our Calvary 90 Ad-Hoc Committee is taking a deep breath and enjoying the moment. All renderings have been finalized and complete. All last-minute decisions have been made. All renderings have been sent to the print shop and we should get those back next week in time for our Nov. 1 presentation night. Lots, lots, lots, of work has already taken place. I am thankful for so many behind the scenes working to bring this project together and complete the preparation process. Be praying for Nov. 1. You will have the opportunity to see some absolutely beautiful renderings of what our campus could look like should the Lord lead us forward with this project. **Presentation night is Nov. 1 at 6:00p.m.**

I want to spend a few moments talking about our Calvary 90 Day of Giving Worship Service, which will take place on Nov. 8 during our 10:15a.m. service. As I have stated previously, this will be a worship service. Jesus will be high and lifted up. Please make every effort to be part of this special service.

Here are a couple of questions that you may be asking:

What is the purpose/goal for the Calvary 90 Day of Giving?
In previous updates from our Calvary 90 committee, we have learned that this project is a multi-million-dollar project. *How much do we step out in faith? Do we divide this project in phases, or do we move forward with the total project?* Having a Day of Giving will answer those questions for us. No one wants to borrow money unless necessary. No one wants to pay interest unless necessary. This Day of Giving will allow our church to give a one-time gift for the project. As we are praying and fasting this week, may we walk by faith and see what the Lord can do.

On the Day of Giving, will we make a pledge or commitment for the project?
No pledge or commitment will be made on our Calvary 90 Day of Giving. This day will allow us to bring ONE gift to the altar that will go towards the Calvary 90 project. While there will be other opportunities in the future to give towards the Calvary 90 project, the fruit of Nov. 8 will allow us to present a recommendation to the church on how to move forward.

What will the offering time look like on Nov. 8?
When you enter the sanctuary on Nov. 8, you will receive an index card sized prayer commitment card. On this card you will have the opportunity to check “yes” to continue to pray for this project. For some, this may be your offering. For others, you will attach your offering to the prayer card. Paper clips will be provided. At a designated time in the service, you will bring your prayer card/gift to the altar. The service will consist of singing, prayer, and Scripture reading. We will not all go to the altar at the same time. There will be specific times throughout the service that you will be prompted to come and bring your prayer card/gift to the altar.

Please do not stress over this service. Giving is an act of worship. While everyone may not be able to give, *everyone can pray.* So, on this special day, everyone has a gift to give. It may just be in the form of a prayer card. But for others, as the Lord has blessed, you will have your gift attached to the back of the prayer card. No one will know that but you and the Lord. As we continue to pray, let's not limit the Lord. Ask the Lord what He would like for you to give on this Day of Giving.

Are there other ways to give on the Calvary 90 Day of Giving?
For some, you may not be physically able to attend the Day of Giving. You are welcome to bring your gift by the church during the week prior or mail your gift to the church. For those giving during our Day of Giving service, a check or cash is sufficient.

Can I give online?
Many of our church family use our online giving platform for regular tithes and offerings. While this is a great resource, fees are taken out of each gift that is given online. Since we are providing ample notice, we ask that on the Day of Giving, you bring a check/cash to give towards this project. If you do choose to give online, that is certainly an option. You can make your gift online the week *prior or on Nov. 8*.

What about our regular tithes?
This Calvary Day of Giving gift should be above and beyond your regular tithe. Nov. 8 will allow you the opportunity to give your regular tithe just like you give any other week. You may put your tithe in the offering boxes, mail in your tithe, or give your tithe online. Only the Calvary 90 project gifts will be given at the altar on Nov. 8.

How is Calvary doing financially?
The Lord has been good, and you have been faithful to give. Calvary is healthy financially. However, we have ten weeks left in our fiscal year. It is crucial that we maintain a consistent financial path moving forward. Nearly 30% of our overall budget comes in the months of November and December. *No church should ever enter a building campaign at the expense of their general budget giving.* Therefore, we cannot stress enough that you continue to be faithful in your giving. Should the Lord lead you to give on the Day of Giving, make it above and beyond your normal tithe/offering that you already give to the Lord.

We are praying for the Lord to do a mighty work in and through us. We are praying for the Lord to give wisdom and direction concerning our Calvary 90 project. He has led us up to this point as a committee. Now, the time will soon come that we as a church will gather and seek the Lord, give to the Lord, and continue to walk by faith together. The Lord has been good to Calvary.

Keeping Our Eyes on Jesus,



Bro. John