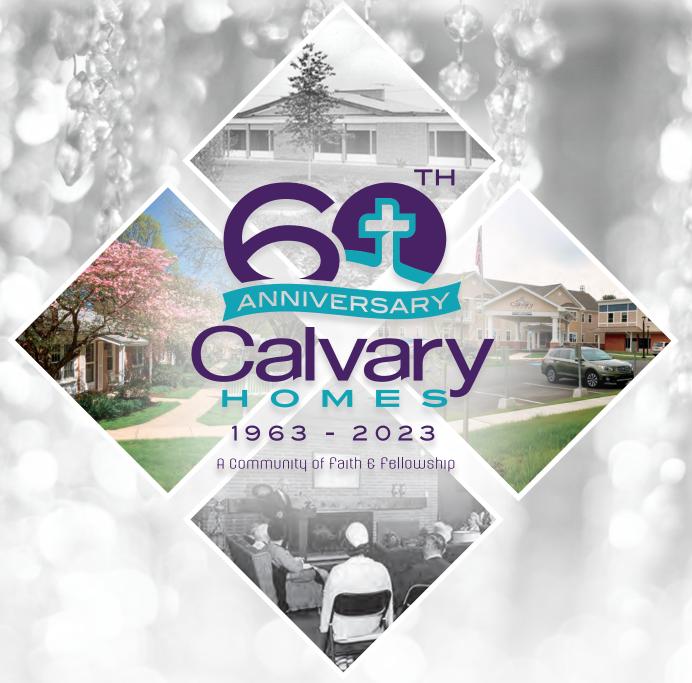
# GLEANINGS

THE NEWSLETTER OF CALVARY FELLOWSHIP HOMES ■ SUMMER 2023

# Celebrating 60!



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#### **Calvary Fellowship Homes' Mission Statement**

Calvary Fellowship Homes' mission is to serve senior adults, enriching their lives in a manner that glorifies our Lord Jesus Christ, and maximizing their quality of life.

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Calvary Homes is pleased to announce the reopening of Baumgartner Personal Care. Our five-star nursing staff is ready to meet your personal care and memory support needs. How may we serve you?

On the Cover: Black & white photos are Calvary Homes circa 1963. Color photos show our beautiful campus today.



Dale Weaver President/CEO

# Message from the President

Throughout the year 2023, Calvary Homes celebrates 60 years, as a beacon for authentic Christian community where people care for each other and the broader community. Our mission continues: *To* 

serve senior adults, enriching their lives in a manner that glorifies our Lord Jesus Christ while maximizing quality of life.

It is good to meet you. My name is Dale Weaver and as of October 31, 2022, it is a privilege to serve and lead Calvary Fellowship Homes as President and CEO. While I have worked and served around the world, Lancaster is and will always be "home". My wife Ashlee and I have four children, nine-seven-five-and-two years old, and Ashlee works part-time as a family Physician Assistant for WellSpan. We live in Manheim Township, are raising our family in the farmhouse where I grew up, and for over 12 years, have faithfully attended and invested in Calvary Church.

The Bible provides guidance on significant transitions like those at Calvary Homes. Transitions including the President & CEO, the CFO, and the Board Officers. Moses and Joshua are an example: In Deuteronomy 31, Moses reminds Israel that the Lord is with them and will go with them through change as they face the people of Canaan. And to Joshua, in Joshua 1:5, "Just as I have been with Moses, I will be with you; I will not fail you or forsake you." Reiterated in Joshua 1:9, "Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous! Do not tremble or be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go."

During transitions, God's word to us is to trust in Him and His faithfulness. It is vital that the Lord goes with Calvary Homes through this time of change.

While I still have much to learn about Calvary Homes' history and operations, Calvary Homes will continue our legacy of high quality of care. The PA Department of Health, along with regulators from Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, completed our Skilled Nursing Facility assessment in December and the results reaffirmed Calvary Homes as a five-star healthcare center.

However, Calvary Homes does face significant challenges: 1) navigating the long-lasting impact of the COVID pandemic with personal care and healthcare services, 2) attracting baby boomers by adjusting to their preferences and increased expectations, and 3) addressing negative cash flow operations so our mission can continue to thrive.

How can you help?

- To you, the prospective Resident: please connect with us! How can we meet your social, housing, and faith needs? We are a welcoming, special community to join.
- To you, the current Resident and your family: we are your advocate and partner. Thank you for trusting us as we enrich the lives of Residents.
- To you, the friend of Calvary Homes seeking a meaningful place to work or volunteer: Come join our team! We have immediate opportunities for nurses, CNAs, medical technicians, housekeepers, cooks, and maintenance technicians.
- To you, a donor or sponsor of Calvary Homes: Our April 25th celebration at Calvary Church was a big success because of you! Our needs continue yet we are grateful for you and your investment into Calvary Homes. Thank you.
- To all: please pray for Calvary Homes. For discernment, for generosity in support of our mission, and for our 360 residents and 120 Team Members who live our values and put our mission into action.

Be encouraged throughout this *Gleanings* edition celebrating 60 years of Calvary Homes.

Go with these encouraging words: Jesus answered, saying "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life."

Blessings,

Dale Weaver

President & CEO, Calvary Fellowship Homes

# **Celebrating 60 Years**

#### **Message from Calvary's Board Chair**

Sixty years is an important anniversary. By some it is known as the "diamond anniversary," and that certainly expresses the significance of this year. Calvary Homes has been in existence for these 60 years fulfilling its mission to serve senior adults enriching their lives in a manner that glorifies the Lord Jesus Christ and maximizes their quality of life. We do that every day and want to continue to do that for another 60 years, should the Lord tarry.

The celebration event on April 25 was a very special evening with music by *Silver, Wood and Ivory* and a message from Dr. Peter Teague. I prayed, asking the Lord for funds to reach \$100,000, but the Lord brought an abundance to a total of \$108,000! This money given for benevolent care will provide for our residents to receive the care and fellowship we are committed to offer. Thank you to each of you who helped to attain that goal and beyond.

Please continue to celebrate God's faithfulness all year long. There are other events of celebration, other opportunities to give for the care of residents, and many other ways to engage with all the residents and team members at Calvary Homes. I hope to see you there!



**Dr. Penny Clawson** *Calvary Homes Board Chair* 

## **New Faces in New Places**

#### **Calvary Homes Welcomes**

Andrew Amway
645 Elizabeth Drive
George & Mary Duff
643 Elizabeth Drive
Clarence & Cleta Lefever
Hamilton Apt. 310

Irvin & Elizabeth Brenner
623 Frost Lane
Deborah Hunt
590F Elizabeth Drive
Heather McCarty
609 Frost Lane

Janice Crawford
Hamilton Apt. 312
Alvin & Jean Lapp
Hamilton Apt. 215
John Weaver
1512 Fellowship, Apt. 4



### "Seniors and the Spiritual Plateau"

Are you experiencing a spiritual plateau in your walk with the Lord?

Galatians 6:9....And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not.

Camp Meeting Wednesday thru Friday July 12 - 14, 2023

# Calvary welcomes new team members



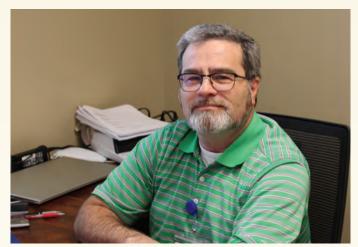
**Lisa Andrews** *VP of Human Resources* 



**Susie Confer** *Director of Marketing* 



**Hannah Koszar** *Director of Life Enrichment* 



Vince Reigle
VP of Finance/CFO



**Kevin Tancrell**Director of Environmental Services

# Residents Enjoyed Water Color Class

Thank you to Calvary resident and artist George Clark for sharing his amazing talents.

Looks like we've also got some very talented new artists.



From left to right: Clair Hostetter, Anna Mae Weaver, Bobbie Brenneman, Judith Woods, Barbara Friedman

# Volunteer **Appreciation Day!**

A celebration was held on April 20<sup>th</sup>, to honor our dedicated volunteers with an Ice Cream Social. Residents were able to make their own sundaes with an assortment of ice cream and toppings.

The event was a success, thanks to the help of Dani Martin, Kelly Byers, Linsey Wood, Emily Donton, and Brandon Schmertz who all came together to help us create a fun and exciting afternoon for our volunteers.

Left to right: Jan Schutsky, Millie & Don Ressler, Dani Martin, Sandra Causevic, Emily Donton, Kelly Byers

We are grateful for all that our volunteers do

to support our organization and we look forward to continuing to grow and learn together. If you are interested in volunteering here at Calvary Homes, please reach out to Sandra Causevic, Volunteer Coordinator at: 717-824-8867 Ext. #2067 or at scausevic@calvaryhomes.org.

## **60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Benefit Golf Tournament** at Four Seasons Golf Club



Proceeds from our 18th Annual Golf Tournament help provide benevolent care to our faithful residents.

Registration & Lunch - 11:30 am to 12:30 pm

Shotgun Start - 12:30 pm Dinner & Awards - 6:00 pm

To sponsor or register for this event, contact Ryan Murray at:

rmurray@calvaryhomes.org 717-824-8816











# 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Banquet Celebrating 60!

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On April 25<sup>th</sup>, Calvary Fellowship Homes celebrated at Calvary Church our 60th year of service to our faithful residents. The evening started with fellowship time for guests to visit international missionary stations where they could sample foods and drinks from different countries from around the world where our residents have served. Guests then enjoyed a delicious meal and dessert prepared by the Calvary Church culinary team. After dinner guests joined in congregational singing followed by the premier of a short video about continuing the mission of Calvary Homes. Musical entertainment was provided by Silver, Wood, & Ivory, who performed songs from their albums on piano and various types of flutes. Following entertainment, guests heard a message from our keynote speaker Dr. Peter Teague, President Emeritus of Lancaster Bible College, about the importance of staying on mission in retirement. Finally, the evening concluded with the congregational singing of *To God be the Glory*.

Our goal for the evening was to celebrate the success of our mission over the last 60 years while raising \$60,000 to support benevolent care of our residents. Thanks to the overwhelming support of our residents, their families, and our business partners in the community, we exceeded our expectations for both attendance and fundraising at the dinner. Here is a summary of the support we received:

In total, we were blessed with over \$108,000 in support of our benevolent care for residents. Praise the Lord!

368 guests attended the dinner. This was the maximum capacity for the venue!

Thank you to all of our volunteers, employees, guests, and sponsors who made our 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary dinner so successful. Your support will enable us to continue our mission for the next 60 years.





International Missionary Station - Carl & Sandy Hodges



Lorraine Kemery, Peggy Miller, & Gail Christian



Employee Fellowship -Diane Millhouse & Dawn Fogle



Fellowship Time – Dan Sauder & Paul Nelson



Resident & Employee Fellowship -Louis Ginder & Stephanie Melick



Resident Fellowship – Jackie Nolt & Stew Brady



# **Transition, Transformation and Change**

And God said, "Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days, and years":

Gen. 8:20-21 – "And Noah builded an altar unto the LORD; and took of every clean beast, and of every clean fowl, and offered burnt offerings on the altar. And the LORD smelled a sweet savour; and the LORD said in his heart, I will not again curse the ground any more for man's sake; for the imagination of man's heart is evil from his youth; neither will I again smite any more every thing living, as I have done."

While the earth remaineth, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease.

Transition, transformation and change are not always welcomed with favor or accepted favorably. We are, often, taken by surprise and have to adjust, learning how to handle them in our journey through life. Living long enough will warrant our experiencing transition, transformation and we will change!

God factored in "seasons" in creating the earth and universe. The word in Hebrew is "mow'ed" and means "appointed times of transition." Noah was made aware by God that there would be appointed times for seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, sum-

mer and winter, and day and night. The process by which transitions would be made for life change and transformation after coming out of the Ark.

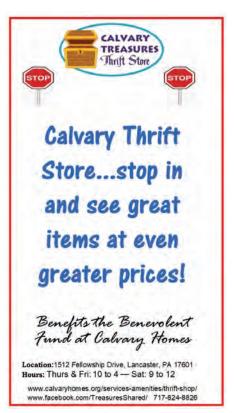
Transition, transformation and change are in the will of God for our lives and, though it will be challenging for us, we will have transitional change in our world and, ultimately, we will be transformed into the image of Christ.



Chaplain Kevin Brown

Noah worshipped God, accepting transitional change; and it moved the heart of God and caused him to establish a new covenant in the earth after the Flood. The Bible truthfully makes us aware of the inevitabilities of change; and the Holy Spirit reveals to us the things that must be experienced as we traverse our way through them. Life is a series of transitions, transformations and changes that we must adjusted to in our journey through life. How we handle these changes will determine the relevance of God's covenantal promises, as we continue to navigate our way through life.





# In Loving Memory

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God." Matthew 5:8

**Leon Overpeck** 

August 10, 2022

Flora Kreider

August 12, 2022

**Beverly Burnaford** 

August 14, 2022

**Tim James** 

October 5, 2022

Jeanette Brady

October 18, 2022

**Keith Heller** 

November 4, 2022

**Lois Early** 

November 23, 2022

**Jack Noel** 

November 26, 2022

William Wiersma

December 3, 2022

**Beatrice Bushong** 

December 8, 2022

Sandra Merritt

December 9, 2022

Charles Hackenberry

December 10, 2022

**Eugene Henkel** 

December 12, 2022

**Louise Arms** 

December 13, 2022

William Kloppenburg

December 15, 2022

**Ronald Gibson** 

December 28, 2022

Gloria Nelson

January 6, 2023

**Mildred Branine** 

January 10, 2023

**Elaine LeFevre** 

January 10, 2023

**Hazel Stewart** 

January 24, 2023

**Gilbert Gregory** 

March 29, 2023

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# **Inspirations** — Henry & Millie Buckwalter

Ordinary people serving God in extraordinary ways

Henry and Millie have been married 54 years and joined Calvary Homes in November of 2021.

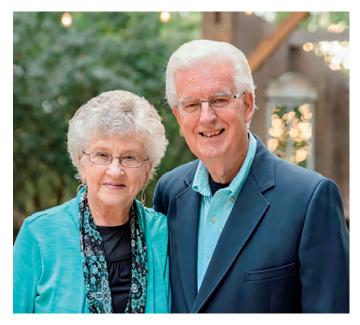
The Buckwalters have served as missionaries in Belize, Central America for a total of 11 years, including a year in language school in San Jose, Costa Rica. Ministry included pastoral work, church planting, developing a Bible Institute by extension, and leadership development. They are involved in planting ACTS Covenant Fellowship, Lancaster, PA and were the first pastoral couple. ACTS Covenant planted another church in Strasburg, PA three years ago. They currently serve on the oversight team of ACTS Covenant Fellowship.

The Buckwalters have also provided leadership to developing Harvest Fellowship of Churches, a non-denominational Evangelical Anabaptist network of multi-cultural and multi-lingual congregations in 11 states, plus Haiti and Canada. (www.harvestfellowshipofchurches.org)

In 2010, Henry helped to develop an international network of groups from the U.S., India, Kenya, and Cambodia, called Kingdom Life Network of Christian Ministries. This network was built through relationships and for accountability. Henry served as vice-president and then president of this network for 11 years until one year ago. Further information is available by visiting www.klnchristianministries.com.

Over the years, Henry and Millie have had the wonderful privilege to have ministered in Western Europe, Central and Southeast Asia, Africa, Central and South America. They give glory to God for all the ways they've been able to serve His Kingdom. Currently, they are involved in mentoring several pastors, leadership development of leaders in Haiti, preaching in churches as invited, and oversight ACTS Covenant Fellowship.

An Ordained minister for 50 years, Henry is a graduate of Eastern Mennonite University with a BA in Christian Ministries and Missions. Millie



is a graduate of Lancaster School of Practical Nursing. Both are graduates of the Spanish Language Institute in San Jose, Costa Rica. Both have received extensive leadership training through various organizations.

Henry has enjoyed building small scale buildings since his childhood, while Millie enjoys reading. They have three married sons and four precious grandchildren.

Henry and Millie shared that their life has been enriched by so many people from diverse cultures. And now, they feel truly blessed and very happy to be a part of the Calvary Homes Community and we are very happy to have them with us. Their mission at Calvary Homes is to be a blessing in our community as the Lord continues to lead them in serving others.

# Welcome to "Cranberry Village"

#### 619 Glover Drive - The Home of Henry and Millie Buckwalter

Cranberry Village is a small model development built by our grandchildren along with our help during the summer of 2022. When we told our grandchildren that we would be moving to Calvary Homes, they were quite concerned that they wouldn't have an area to play in the soil like we had at our previous home. We saw potential in a bush behind our home. After brush was cleared out from under the bush, the work began. This area is about five times greater than the one they previously had. They are happy! Almost all of the miniature houses you see in this village were built that summer.

On September 24, 2022 we dedicated the Cranberry Village open house to our dear, deceased neighbor, Mrs. Beverly Burnaford. She was our biggest



supporter of the project, often checking in on what was happening and showing the village to others. Our grandchildren, Ian, Emma, and Will, loved giving her updates.

Beverly shared more than once, "Henry, you should build a school for Cranberry Village." We are sorry this didn't happen while she was alive. However, at the open house on September 24, 2022, we unveiled the "Beverly Burnaford Elementary School" for the Cranberry Village! We really, really miss you, Bev!





#### Meet Your Rehab Team!

The members of your Symbria Rehab team are excited to join the Calvary Homes community and begin serving your rehabilitation needs. We are experienced and compassionate therapists who are passionate about helping older adults extend their independence and thrive in their homes. Together we specialize in:

- vestibular rehab, balance, and fall prevention
- urinary incontinence
- pain management
- orthopedics

- neurological conditions
- wheelchair positioning
- cognitive therapy
- dysphagia management

And our prehab program prepares people for upcoming orthopedic procedures to help speed their recovery after surgery.

We hope you'll plan to stop by the therapy gym to say hello. We look forward to meeting you and answering any questions you may have!



#### Allison "Ali" Weber, Program Manager, COTA

Ali graduated from Penn State in 2003. She has been a program manager since 2010. Ali enjoys working with older adults and listening to their unique stories. Ali's clinical interests include seating/positioning, falls prevention, and functional rehabilitation. Outside of work, Ali enjoys spending time with her two daughters and husband while camping and traveling.

#### **Symbria Team Members**

David Banz PT — David has been a PT for six years and joined our Calvary Team in March of this year Trevor Kolp PTA — Trevor has been a PTA for two years and joined our Calvary Team in February of this year Kristen Fox OT — Kristen has been an OT for 15 years and joined our Calvary Team in October 2022 Ashley Schwarz SLP — Ashley has been an SLP for six years and joined our Calvary Team in October Adriane Shroyer SLP — Adriane has been an SLP for 10 years and joined our Calvary Team in December

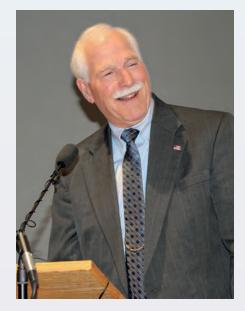
These therapists bring diverse backgrounds and knowledge which will help residents in progressing and maintaining independence. The team is happy to be here and to serve the Calvary residents.

# Message from Cliff Hurter

#### Celebrating 42 years of faithful service

As I write my last *Gleanings* article, I'm wondering how I sum up the last 42 years! They sure have flown by so quickly. There have been so many good years and also tough years especially during the COVID restrictions, but through it all the Lord has blessed Calvary Homes. It has truly been a privilege to serve the residents and staff as well as their families and other ancillary partners. How exciting it has been to see how Calvary Homes has grown with new residents and new buildings through the years. I am blessed to have been a part of what God has done here.

Thank you to each of you who have shared in my journey with Calvary Homes. The friendships and contacts I have made have richly impacted my life. I will miss the daily interactions with my Calvary Homes family, but the memories and the friendships Carol and I have made will be treasured forever. Our thoughts and prayers will surround Dale and the leadership team as they move ahead to the next chapter at Calvary Homes.















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