

# Calvary Academy Ministries' The Calvary Connection

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## EASTER TRIUMPH!

The story is told of how the people of England anxiously awaited the outcome of the battle of Waterloo in June of 1815. In this battle, the British army, under the command of the Duke of Wellington, was combating Napoleon's French army. A series of stations, each one in sight of the next, had been set up to send visible coded messages from the battlefield in Belgium back to England. Finally the message was coming, letter by letter: "W-e-l-l-i-n-g-t-o-n d-e-f-e-a-t-e-d..." But as this was being spelled out, a sudden blanket of fog obscured the signals. The people of England were heartbroken. Their commander and his army had apparently been defeated.

However, the fog had interrupted the sending of the complete message, "Wellington defeated Napoleon at Waterloo." Later, the fog cleared, and the full message was communicated. The outcome was the exact opposite of what the people had originally thought. Wellington and the British had, in fact, not lost the battle at all! They had won!

On Good Friday, the message from the cross appeared to say: "Jesus Christ defeated..." His lifeless body was laid in the tomb, and his followers were filled with grief and hopelessness. It seemed that the archenemy, Satan, had won the most decisive victory in history.

But Easter Sunday revealed the full message: "Jesus Christ defeated Satan at Calvary!" The resurrection of Christ shows who the true victor is. Furthermore, just as the whole British nation shared in Wellington's victory over Napoleon, so also all Christians share in Jesus' victory over the devil and death.

In God's great plan of redemption, Good Friday and Easter cannot be separated. The apostle Paul wrote to the Christians in Rome that Christ "was delivered over to death for our sins and was raised to life for our justification." (Romans 4:25) On Good Friday the Savior was offered up as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of all people of all time; but on Easter morning the heavenly Father raised his Son in order to proclaim to all people everywhere that he had accepted the payment of his Son.

Easter, therefore, is the day of greatest triumph. It is the day on which the Son of God, Jesus, emerged victorious over sin, death, and the devil. So we rejoice and gladly sing:

*He lives triumphant from the grave,  
He lives eternally to save,  
He lives all-glorious in the sky,  
He lives exalted there on high.*

*He lives, all glory to His name!  
He lives, my Jesus, still the same.  
Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives,  
"I know that my Redeemer lives!"*

(CW, Hymn 152, vv. 2,8)



May this Easter message strengthen the hearts of each of us, but especially those parents and families experiencing turmoil and stress. Each year we have the privilege of working with families faced with children whose lives have been shattered by the sins of rebellion. Our purpose is to bring a ministry of hope to these hurting families. We are able to do this because so many of you have joined us in our mission. Your continued support and your prayers assist us in bringing this message of hope and healing to troubled families.

Thank you for joining us in this important work. Your partnership helps strengthen families and change lives through the life-transforming power of Jesus Christ. Have a blessed Easter!

*Roger Schultz*

## Starting Over...

Calvary Academy is a place where I got a chance to start over. Before coming to Calvary my life was heading for disaster. I was stealing things from friends and relatives, hanging out with the wrong kids--the type of people that think the only way to have fun is to do drugs and drink alcohol. The worst thing was I became very distant from my Savior Jesus Christ.

Since I have been at Calvary, my faith has improved tremendously. I find myself turning to God for help more than I used to. I truly believe that Calvary is helping me and many others that are in this program working hard to change their lives around.

God has been working in my heart everyday, strengthening my faith. If you know of a hurting teen that is heading for a road of destruction, I truly believe that Calvary Academy is the place for them. *Jack* (15)

As Christ said, "...if you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there and it will move. Nothing will be impossible for you.'" (Matt. 17:20 NIV)

## Calvary is my last hope...

Hi, my name is Brittany. I've been here for almost 7 months. At first I thought, are you kidding me? Now I am fine with staying here because I am not the only one here with problems and I can relate to the other girls here.

Calvary is my last hope for bringing my family closer together. I've realized that my true friend comes from within my own family. Calvary has helped me slowly with my family problems, with reassurance, and with gentle pushes to improve. I will be home someday, and we will be a closer family.

The campus here is great! It is so beautiful. It may be hot and very humid, but it has many trees and lots of things to do.

I've been praying and really paying attention to devotions and Bible History. Calvary is starting to instill in me, the Word of God. With the help of Calvary, I'll be happier with the family I have.



## ABOUT LOVE

By Kat - 16

Love is the last petal on a rose  
Love is the only tear that flows  
Love is all I can give  
Love is the reason we forgive

## Give Thanks to the Lord...

Calvary's current enrollment is a record high of 24 students: 15 boys and 9 girls from 11 states ranging in age from 13 to 17 years old and grades from 7th to 11th.



## Confirmations at Calvary

Six Calvary young people confirmed their Baptismal vows Sunday, March 14th. Lord's Blessings to Vladik, Morgan, Justin, Kevin, Anthony, and Anthony.

## TRAPPED--- WITH NO WAY OUT...

By Mandi-17

Do you ever feel trapped,  
With no way out?

No one can hear you  
As you scream and shout.  
You bang against the wall  
Then break down and cry  
You don't know what to do  
so you begin to wonder why.  
Why am I supposed to be here  
Why is it so cramped and dark.  
If there is a God then  
Why do I bear an emotional mark.  
Isn't He supposed to be perfect  
And help us with our sin.  
Just then there was a beam of light  
Playing softly against my skin  
I have no way of knowing  
Where that light's supposed to be,  
But it left in my pocket,  
A shining, silver key  
A door appeared suddenly  
As I opened it, there was a path  
Where it'll lead to next,  
Well, you do the math...

## WE WILL NOT SAY NO TO...

- ...the son of a single parent with limited income
- ...a granddaughter who needs to accept her extended family's love
- ...a teen fighting addiction to drugs and alcohol
- ...or any others like them!

**WE ARE PRAYING YOU WILL SAY YES TO...** helping Calvary Academy Foundation give hope to hurting families

## Through our Good Samaritan Tuition Assistance Fund



Please make checks payable to:  
Calvary Academy Ministries Foundation  
Send your tax deductible gift to:  
5400 Bethlehem Rd., Mulberry, FL 33860

## LENDING YOUR HELP...

### With Our Donor Loan Program

ANOTHER WAY TO SPREAD THE JOY OF GOD'S GOSPEL MESSAGE

#### Your Loan Will

- Allow families to set up extended payments
- Make campus repairs & upgrades possible
- Reduce our borrowing costs

#### You Will Receive

- A higher interest rate than most bank CDs
- Monthly interest checks
- Personal satisfaction



For more information,  
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## Thanks, Winter Volunteers

- ◆ for painting & decorating both the boys' dorm and girls' dorm,
- ◆ for enlarging the "living room" for our girls' dorm,
- ◆ for adding new window treatments to "warm" our dorms,
- ◆ for assisting in the kitchen (and making many yummy desserts),
- ◆ for refinishing our well-used furniture to make it beautiful again
- ◆ for fixing a leaky roof and opening a big clogged drain
- ◆ for organizing our filing room
- ◆ for the 1,792 other things you did for which we have no room to list
- ◆ and last but not least, for sharing your love for the Lord on a daily basis.

**You are an inspiration! Thank you!**

*Yes, I Want To Help Calvary Academy Ministries Continue to Offer Hope to Hurting Kids and Their Families!*

\_\_\_\_\_ I will pray for the work of Calvary Academy Ministries. \_\_\_\_\_ I want to give a gift of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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