

Calvary Academy Ministries' The Calvary Connection

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Talking to Him and Trusting Him.

When I first arrived at Calvary Academy, I was mad. I strongly disliked my parents for sending me here. I thought Calvary couldn't do crap for me, and it was all a joke. All I wanted to do was to see my parents so they could take me out. I was very stubborn and didn't want to change for "these people." I tried to cheat the program. Any chance I got I would try to break as many rules as I could.

When I first got here I didn't think I was very off track. I thought everything was okay and I was just having "fun." I thought I was cool, and I was doing fine. I didn't like showing my faith because I didn't think it was cool and it wasn't worth me saying.

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Now I have changed. I now know why my parents sent me here. I am honest with my parents and give them the respect they deserve. I don't look for chances to break rules. I try as hard as I can to be an example for the other girls. Now I don't only think of myself and my situations. I know the things I did were wrong and not cool. I know those things, with the devil, were trying to pull me away from Christ.

Most of all, I now want to keep changing. I do share my faith now at the appropriate times. I am not trying to hide secrets from my family or staff. I go to Christ in times of worry, anxiety, sadness, fun times and thanks. Now God is my best friend and He is helping me and blessing me.

I now want to keep changing.

These changes have happened because I have totally opened up to God. I don't keep anything secret and recognize things He put here to help me. Changes have happened because I am talking to my parents, telling them the truth and not holding back. Also, because I want to be the best sister in Christ I can be to people around me.

Most of all, things have changed because I am feeding myself with God's Word, talking to Him and trusting Him.

Kaite

NOTE: Now in college, Kaite will soon be coming back to Calvary Academy for a short time--as an intern. We are all looking forward to having her here as staff!

Ways to Help in 2011:

June 13, 2011 - Golf Fundraiser at South Hills Country Club, Franksville, WI (For more information, contact Pastor Schultz at roger.schultz@gmail.com or 262-617-3383.)

June 16, 17, & 18, 2011 - Annual Rummage Sale at Zion Lutheran School, South Milwaukee, WI (If you live too far away to join us, consider having one in your area.)

Nov. 25 & 26, 2011 - Cookie Sale (Or have your own!)

For a **Calvary Sunday** call Pastor Schultz at 262-617-3383!

Speakers are available for groups & schools. (Bulletin Board materials, too.)

Create a **Brick** for our Courtyard of Hope (863-428-2071 for information.)

Thrivent Choice

Kwik Trip

Box Tops for Education- Thank you for sending your Box Tops--They add up!

THE EMPTY EGG

Michael was born with Down's Syndrome. As a result, he never was part of the group. He was pleasant enough but he looked different and sometimes acted differently than his eight-year-old classmates. Easter Sunday that year, Michael's Sunday School teacher gave each of her students a plastic egg and instructed them to bring them back with a symbol of the Resurrection. The following week the eggs were opened and each child explained the meaning of the symbol they had brought. One egg held a pretty flower; another held a butterfly. The children squirmed to see that one. In another, there was a rock. The last egg was empty. Nothing. If you had listened carefully, you would have heard things like, "That's stupid" or "He didn't do his homework." Michael confessed, "That egg belongs to me. It's empty, because Jesus' grave was empty." Michael got it. That summer Michael got something else – an infection. Most children would have shaken off such a little thing. Michael's body couldn't. At his funeral, nine eight-year-old children, accompanied by their teacher, brought a gift and placed it in his casket. You know what it was? Elementary, isn't it? Almost as elementary as knowing God has given his Son to save us. The linens, the empty tomb prove it. This Easter join with the rest of the Christian world and say, "Christ is risen! He is risen, indeed!"



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It is this Easter message of the resurrection of Jesus that gives our ministry at Calvary Academy meaning and purpose. This is how we can offer "hope for hurting families." Hope through Jesus that students will develop a relationship with their Lord and Savior, change their poor behaviors, and ultimately return home to live in Christian love and harmony with their family.

In order for us to continue this vital and important ministry, we need your help. We invite you to assist us by praying for our students and staff, by talking to others about our ministry, by inviting us to speak at your congregation or other gatherings, and finally, if possible, by giving a gift.

Thank you for all you do to support family ministry. Your partnership helps strengthen families and changes lives through the life-transforming power of Jesus Christ. Have a blessed Easter and remember, **Christ is risen!**

Roger Schultz

CALLS FOR HELP

The phone rings. A hesitant voice says, "We have a child who's having problems." Often then there is silence during which we ask, "What kind of problems are they having? How can we help?" And an apologetic response is "Well, first, how much does Calvary cost? We've already exhausted our savings." OR "My husband has been laid off for 6 months now." OR "I'm a single parent so don't have much money." Etc... because few families can afford the cost of correcting a child in rebellion. That's why we created the **Lending Your Help** program so we can stretch out the payments over time and why we have our **Good Samaritan Assistance Fund** where we can place every dollar of every gift directly on a child's account.

Our policy is **never** to turn away a child because of dollars. That's why we give thanks for all of you who continue to respond to calls for help.

Bob Wasser

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With Our Donor Loan Program

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THE GOSPEL MESSAGE**

For more information, contact Bob Wasser,
President, Calvary Academy Foundation
at 262-745-8876

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Who knows where I would have been...

At the beginning of my stay here, I thought everything was going to be dull and boring. As time went on, though, I began to realize that the only reason I was sent here was to help me; not as a punishment. For that, I love my family.

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Calvary has helped me in many ways. One of the ways was to open me up. Through one-on-ones with all the staff, Mr. Wasser, and Pastor, I have become more open about my feelings. When I go home, I will be able to use that openness with my guardians and express the feelings on their decisions and other things. Through this, I also hope to strengthen my relationship with them because in every relationship, you have to be honest in your feelings.

Being at Calvary Academy has also strengthened my faith in God. I have been praying to Him a lot more than I used to at home. My faith has been strengthened through daily devotions and Bible readings. Spiritual one-on-ones with Mr. Wasser and Pastor have also had a tremendous impact on my faith and how I view it.

I thank everyone at Calvary Academy for everything that they have done for me and the tremendous impact that each of them has had on my life. Who knows where I would have been without all of the staff at Calvary in my life.

Lance

Thank you...Thank you...Thank you...

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WE WILL NOT SAY "NO" TO...

- ...the daughter of a single parent with limited income
- ...a rebellious son refusing his Savior's and his 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's Foundation give hope to hurting families

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