

CALVARY COURIER

The Calvary Memorial Fund

March 2023



The Calvary Memorial Fund Committee would like to acknowledge the gifts received in 2022 in memory of Calvary's loved ones. The following gifts have been received: Delmer Van Kooten, Video Ministry; Carol Vander Ploeg, Library; Dewey Veenstra, Memorial Garden; Dale Sterk, Video Ministry; Beverly Nugteren, Video Ministry; John Burghorn, Benevolence; Shirley Serrano, Memorial Garden; Guy Jansen, Building Remodeling; Luella Van Ryswyk, Church music; Paul Vos, World Renew; Alb Van Wyk, Library; and Robert Gosselink, Memorial Garden. \$7715.00 has been donated to the Memorial Fund in 2022. Please continue to pray for the families of these loved ones who have gone to glory.

The Calvary Memorial Fund was formed in 1995, for the purpose of giving members, friends, and family an opportunity to give a memorial gift to special causes for Calvary Church in memory of their loved ones. Since its beginning, the Calvary Memorial Fund has received \$108,132.91 in memory of Calvary's loved ones.

Memorial gifts can be given at any time of the year. They may be given in memory of those loved ones who have died recently or in the past. The currently approved projects for the memorial fund are: Missions, Building and Building Expansion, Building Remodeling and Furnishings, Church Library, Church Music Department, Church Kitchen, Church Vehicle, Video Ministry, and Calvary Memorial Garden. The Memorial Team is thankful for the many gifts that we have received in memory of Calvary's family members and friends. If you have questions regarding the Calvary Memorial Fund, please contact Christy Van Zee, Aaron Sandbulte, Ricki Lanser or John Hogan.

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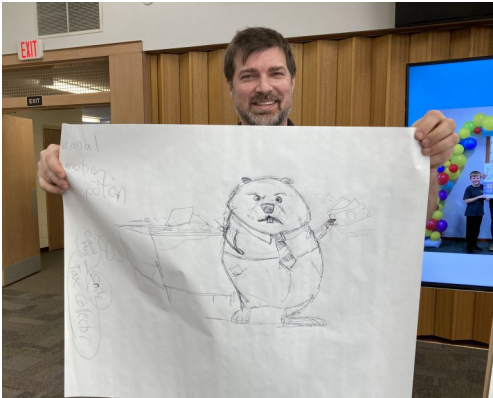
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The Hoksbergens' Story

THANKS!



On February 1, 2023, Joe and Katie Hoksbergen spoke to the Calvary Young At Heart group and shared their story. Joe shared his testimony about growing up on a farm. He loved the rolling hills and open skies but was never cut out to be a farmer. In fact, he was teased about being “worthless” and often felt that way. Joe always liked drawing, and that is what he preferred to spend his time doing. Joe also struggled with Lyme disease for years and still does get extremely tired at times. Joe taught art at both Pella Christian Grade School and Pella Christian High School. Even though his teaching years were an extreme blessing to him, he really didn’t want to teach art, he wanted to do art himself. He stepped back from teaching as his health improved and is now the illustrator of more than twenty books.



Katie told about how she came to write their book, Who Is Jesus?. Katie has always loved biblical theology, especially digging into stories in the Old Testament that point us to Jesus. Through much encouragement from Joe and her now deceased dear mother, the book became a reality. The book comes alive with Katie’s words and Joe’s illustrations.

Joe and Katie explained to us the process of publishing a book and explained how difficult it can be to get publishers to like your pictures and stories. They also shared some of Joe’s fine art and other products he sells at events like Kerstmarkt.

After taking questions from the group, Joe took to the drawing paper. Joe asked us to name an animal-ground hog; a mood-snide; and an occupation-tax collector. From there Joe drew us a picture of a snide, tax collector ground hog. He also drew a few other pictures for us, including an eagle in flight.

In closing, Joe pointed out he didn’t find his worth in farming or even in art, but his worth is in Christ. Even though other people may call you, “worthless” or other things, we are never worthless in God’s sight.

Thank you for remembering me with cards and visits on my 94th birthday. Thank you also for your love and concern for me when I was in the hospital a few months ago. I enjoy visitors at my home at Overijssel Cottage Room #5.

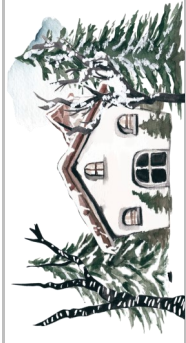
-Elma Beyer

Thank you everyone for your prayers, cards, and words of concern before and after my surgery. Thanks to Pastor Brad and Pastor Sheldon for their prayers and visits. Thank God for continuing journey for healing.



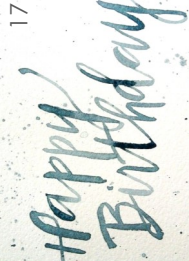


-Betty Van Genderen

Free Online CRC Leadership Training! - Register now to take the Thriving Essentials virtual training in March at no cost (limit 25 persons). The two, 2 hour-long evening Zoom sessions (March 21 + 28) can help get all church leaders on the same page concerning the key concepts of Mission, Discipleship, Discernment, and Leadership. Take the class for yourself, then decide if attendance would benefit your core church leadership. More info at: cra.org/Thrive





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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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5 Connie Roozeboom	6 	7 Kipp Ulferts	8	9 Michelle Kelderman Aaron Sandbulte	10	11 Carol Beyer* Randy Nugteren Cynthia Van Wyk Lee Veldhuizen
12 Alexis De Vries Lee Roose	13 Wilma Ryken *	14 Leasa Jansen Levi Vermeer	15	16 Ivan Mulder*	17 	18 Joyce Nikkel* Mark Vander Schel Steve Ver Meer
19 Drew Van Wyangarden Cornie Ribbens	20 Esther Van Weelden*	21	22 Chloe Huisman	23 	24 Zach De Vries Fran Poortinga	25 Jerry Bandstra
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