**Calvary Bible Church of Rogers City** is a local church family that seeks to faithfully proclaim and practice the truths of the Bible, which is the inspired, inerrant, authoritative Word of God. We uphold the free and sovereign grace of God in our salvation, upon the merits of our Lord Jesus Christ, received through faith in Him alone. We desire to be God-centered and grace-focused in our worship, teaching, & fellowship. We are a member of the Fellowship of Independent Reformed Evangelicals ([www.firefellowship.org](http://www.firefellowship.org)).

CBC has a long history of evangelical presence here, beginning with a group of believers meeting in the 1930s to form the Rogers City Gospel Assembly. God has been faithful over the years to sustain and use us for His glory.

We are a diverse group—in age, backgrounds, personalities, and gifts— that is growing in love for one another and unity in the faith. Under our Chief Shepherd, Jesus Christ, we are currently led by the servant-leadership of three elders and two deacons:

 **Elder Ron Dugan**  (989)734-2726

 **Deacon John Gauthier** (989)766-8013

 **Elder John Nordin** (989)734-7078

 **Pastor/Elder Jeff Ryan** (419)356-1600

 **Deacon Neil Tolly**  (989)370-9928

We are trusting the Lord to bring the increase, as He wills, and are striving to be faithful in obeying Him in the means He has ordained to build His church. We desire to be used of God to make true disciples of Jesus Christ, not mere professors of faith in Him.

As a church body, we are part of the support of three missionary families. We urge you to faithfully pray for their ministries for Christ and give toward their needs. Currently our financial support comes through designated gifts above & beyond our regular giving which is divided equally among them. Our missionaries are:

 **Mark & Nancy Fleming** (Sanford, Florida; tribal missions support with New Tribes Mission)

 **Rex Freel** (Uijongbu, South Korea; Christian school ministry with NICS)

 **Bud & Tammy Smith** (Hawks, MI; director of Bethel Youth Camp)

Please contact us anytime with needs or questions:

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We welcome all who have gathered here on this Lord’s Day, August 17, 2014, especially all of those who are visiting with us. May the Lord be pleased to bless our worship & work in our lives to the praise of the glory of His grace.



**INFORMATION TABLE**

Take time to check out our information table in the back of the auditorium. There you will find more information about our church, articles and tracts to encourage you and to distribute to others, prayer letters from our missionaries, and a greeting card exchange box.

**NURSERY FACILITIES**

This is available downstairs. There is a caregiver available to care for your child during the service or to assist you as needed.

**CHILDREN’S LESSON & BULLETIN**

A lesson for children, age 4 through 3rd grade, is made available during the sermon for parents who would like their children to attend. Children are also welcome to remain with their parents. A children’s bulletin that goes along with today’s sermon, designed for ages 7-12, is available on the table by the front door.

**OFFERINGS TO THE LORD**

Financial support of the gospel ministry of this church is received in the offering box in the foyer (next to the basement steps).

TODAY’S SCHEDULE

9:00 a.m. – **Bible Classes** – This is an important and beneficial hour

 of Bible study and discussion for adults (meeting in auditorium)

 and children (meeting downstairs).

10:00 a.m. – **Fellowship**

 Dan & Alice Spurgeon are greeting today, Terry Habermehl is our

 nursery caregiver, Toni Beach is teaching the children’s lesson,

 and Terry Habermehl is providing refreshments today.

10:30 a.m. – **Worship Service**

 We gather to worship together through participating in the

 reading of Scripture, prayers, confession of sin, songs of praise to

 God, the observance of Communion today, and the preaching of

 His Word.

*UPCOMING SCHDULE*

This Wednesday, August 20, 7:00 p.m. – **Summer Bible Study & Prayer** meeting at the church – “Streams in the Desert” further discussion & application of our series in Exodus, along with time in prayer together.

This Thursday, August 21, 6:30 p.m. – **Church Board Meeting**

🡪 Tuesday, August 26, 6:30 p.m. – **End-of-the-Summer Fellowship & Activity at Lakeside Park** – Bring some snacks & beverages to share, chairs, lawn games, invite some friends—and be ready for beach volleyball, if you want to join in. We’d love to have you join us!

**Men’s Group Bible Study book** – We will be using the book *Respectable Sins: Confronting the Sins We Tolerate* by Jerry Bridges for our Wednesday evening men’s group starting this fall. Sign up on the sheet in the foyer to purchase a book ($10) & put the money in the offering box (designated). See Pastor Jeff with any questions.

If you would be willing to serve on the planning committee for our **Angel Tree ministry** this fall, please let Alice Spurgeon know.

**MINISTRY OF PRAYER**

We encourage everyone to be faithful in praying for one another, our marriages and families, those in need of salvation in Jesus Christ, our church ministries, other area churches, our supported missionaries, other FIRE churches, persecuted Christians around the world, government leaders, and those serving in the military.

**To place a prayer need during the week on our e-mail prayer chain, contact Jo Tolly at 734-4928 or** **tollyjn@charter.net****.**

Specific prayer needs – Katie Gray and family; Marion Owens; Carole Richards; Brad Haske & Emily Bark getting married this Saturday; Marilou Ikens, her sister (healing from injuries in car accident); Rodney Castaldi (healing from surgery); Dan McLaughlin at Tendercare; Mark Fleming; Jack & Lynn Sanderson as they travel back; Carol Gauthier (John Gauthier’s sister-in-law

Prayer letter from a sister FIRE church

**Providence Bible Church in Sunnyvale, CA**

The Lord continues to send younger believers our way, as well as the elderly. Pray for us to be a house of worship where there is neither Jew nor Greek, young or old...but all are one in Christ.

We continue to desire a plurality of pastor/elders and deacons. We now have one of each. Pray for us that we recognize where God has supplied our need, and also that we not be hasty in laying hands on a man.

Our pastor continues to work toward NANC certification.

Pray for our witness is a spiritually dark and cold area. Pray that we don't let the gospel slip, that we always look back to God's Word to be sure that what we proclaim is His truth. We are especially burdened to see God work conversion here, especially among the many who come regularly yet show no sign of gospel repentance.

In Christ – Pastor Josh Sheldon