



# COMMUNITY LIFE AT CALVARY FALL 2023



**CALVARY**  
COMMUNITIES

AND THEY DEVOTED THEMSELVES TO THE APOSTLES' TEACHING AND THE FELLOWSHIP,  
TO THE BREAKING OF BREAD AND THE PRAYERS.

—ACTS 2:42

# COMMUNITY LIFE AT CALVARY



Hello Church Family!

Community can mean different things to different people. But the Bible describes biblical community as the family of God together through Jesus (Matthew 12:50). And the family of Jesus is a network of people who love each other and live a shared life together in a way that is committed, devoted, and loyal to God and one another. Community in the Bible comes through being united with Christ, and united with one another as part of God's purposes in the world. This handout gives a summary of some of the ways we are trying to build biblical community at Calvary Boise, so we can express our shared love of Jesus as we follow Him together.

The primary way we are seeking to follow Jesus together is in Calvary Communities. Think of these groups more as a community of people rather than just a Bible study. A typical Calvary Community gathering could include a meal or snacks and getting to know others, discussion of a Bible passage, prayer for one another, or a time to reach out to friends and neighbors. But they are so much more! We want to equip all at Calvary Boise to make disciples who love Jesus, love His people, and love the lost.

We also understand that getting involved in community can be hard, scary or daunting. So, we have a variety of ways to help you develop authentic relationships. This booklet also outlines things like Meet Ups, Men's & Women's Bible Studies, and Care Groups. All of these other options provide entry points or supplemental learning communities to help you grow in Christ in the context of the family of God here at Calvary Boise. My prayer is that, in this season, you will see what a great joy it is to live connected and committed in biblical community. I'm praying for and anticipating God's work in our lives!

All the Best,

Pastor Kirk Crager



INFO AND REGISTRATION ONLINE AT [CALVARYBOISE.COM](http://CALVARYBOISE.COM)

# CALVARY COMMUNITIES

Calvary Communities are for singles, families, young and old, from all backgrounds. These are our version of “home groups,” “house church,” or “life groups,” based out of the vision of church we see in Acts 2:42-49. We'd love for everyone who calls Calvary Boise their church home to be a part of a Calvary Community where they can be cared for and live out the 59 one anothers of the New Testament that make up much of the Christian life.

## Listing of Calvary Communities (By Area of Town)

We organize our communities by area of town to help you see if there is one near you. Please contact the leader of the group to get answers to any questions you may have. While all our communities are growing to have a focus that includes reaching out with the gospel to their areas, some already have a focus on reaching a people group. We have noted those groups in parentheses. Groups are always forming, so If you don't see a Calvary Community in your area, fill out our online interest form at [calvaryboise.com/communities](http://calvaryboise.com/communities) or email our Pastor for Community at [kirk@calvaryboise.com](mailto:kirk@calvaryboise.com)

### **SOUTHWEST BOISE**

#### **Connor & Arsenia Finnegan**

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*Tuesdays 6:30PM*

#### **Tim & Julie Morgan**

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### **CENTRAL BOISE**

Jake & Joy Alger

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*Saturdays 5:30PM*

### **WEST BOISE**

#### **Chad & Bridget Phillips**

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#### **Marcus & Michelle West**

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#### **Kirk & Mindy Crager**

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*Tuesdays 6:00PM*

#### **Steve & Sue Lipscomb**

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*Tuesdays 7:00PM*

#### **Eric & Brittany Shaw**

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*Thursdays 6:00PM*

# CALVARY COMMUNITIES

## **NORTH BOISE/DOWNTOWN**

**Connor & Katie Farnworth**

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*Mondays 6:00PM*

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## **SOUTHEAST BOISE**

**RJ & Whitney Fischer**

rjfischer79@live.com

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## **GARDEN CITY**

**James & Amber Deaton**

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## **EAGLE**

**Greg & Susanna Porterfield**

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## **NORTH MERIDIAN**

**Matt & Jenee Cochern**

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## **Gabe & Lori Gerrish**

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## **Killian & Darla Owens**

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## **SOUTH MERIDIAN**

**Jim & Kelly Hall**

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## **Stan & Rhonda Unruh**

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## **CENTRAL MERIDIAN**

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## **KUNA**

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## **NAMPA**

**Aaron & Whitney Coudray**

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## **STAR/MIDDLETON**

**Po & Tara McKeague**

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## **GROUPS CURRENTLY FORMING:**

Contact Pastor Kirk Crager for details

kirk@calvaryboise.com

## **NORTHWEST BOISE**

## **CALDWELL**

# SEASONS OF LIFE GROUPS

Our main focus is on cultivating diverse communities that include people of all ages, backgrounds and experiences. But we also recognize there can be seasons of life where it helps us grow in Christ to walk alongside those that are experiencing the same things we are. These groups focus on discipleship during those times, as a supplement to Calvary Communities.

## **COLLEGE GROUP**

Tuesdays at 7:30PM  
in Building 500

## **POST-COLLEGE**

Sundays at 6:30PM  
in the Lobby

## **OVER 50s**

Meets the 2nd Thursday of the  
month at 6:00PM  
*Call 208-761-9331 for location.*

# CARE GROUPS

Visit [calvaryboise.com/caregroups](http://calvaryboise.com/caregroups) for details and to register.

In the Christian walk, there are significant experiences in life where we need specific soul care, on top of the love, equipping, and care we receive in Calvary Communities. For that reason, Care Groups are formed around specific or seasonal needs. We offer these groups to help us to grow in our discipleship or journey through difficult or challenging seasons of life. As a church, we want each person in our church family to know how to get extra care when they need it. Below is a listing of Care Groups you can participate in.

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**423 COMMUNITIES** - Helping men find freedom from the addictive cycle of lust and sexual sin. Visit [423communities.org/join](http://423communities.org/join) to find a group.

**CARE GROUP FOR PARENTS OF LGBTQ KIDS** - A parent care ministry to come alongside parents with children who struggle with gender or sexuality. *For more info email [parentcareinfo@calvaryboise.com](mailto:parentcareinfo@calvaryboise.com).*

***Meets the second Monday of each month***

**DIVORCE CARE GROUP** - Divorce Care is an incredible program to help people like you process your pain, pursue healing, and plan out your future.

## **HOMESCHOOL MOMS CARE GROUP -**

Forming a group of independent homeschoolers for the purpose of assisting and encouraging each other through prayer and fellowship. Meets the fourth Monday of the month.

## **INFANT AND PREGNANCY LOSS**

**PRAYER GROUP** - An opportunity for women who have experienced infertility, pregnancy loss, or loss of an infant to come together to pray for, support, minister to, and encourage one another while dealing with this type of loss. Meets Mondays at 6:30PM.

## MEET UPS

MEET UPS are opportunities to meet friends and connect with others around common interests. Connect with others in our church community who enjoy the things that you do. These meet ups aren't meant to replace being involved in a Calvary Community, but to be a supplement of connection in the wider church body.

This is a new way to build community here at Calvary Boise. The options are endless! If you like hiking, game nights, sports, book clubs, you could lead a Meet Up. Visit [calvaryboise.com/meetups](http://calvaryboise.com/meetups) or email [kirk@calvaryboise.com](mailto:kirk@calvaryboise.com) if you'd like to be involved in building community in this way.

**BASKETBALL**

**DIRT BIKING**

**PICKLEBALL**

**GAME NIGHT**

**RAFTING**

## MEN'S GROUPS

Deepen your relationship with the Lord  
and build strong relationships with one another.

**423 COMMUNITIES** – 423 MEN groups are committed to finding a way out of the shame caused by sexual sin.

**For meeting info visit [423communities.org/join](http://423communities.org/join)**

**FATHERING IN A BROKEN WORLD** – Join other men as we dive into what it looks like to be fathered by God and learn to father our children His way, in a broken world. The book *The Way of the Wild Heart* by John Eldredge encourages men to allow God to help them complete their spiritual growth through the six stages of manhood, which will better equip them as fathers.

**Meets Fridays at 6:30AM**

**MATTHEW** – Inductive Bible study is a process of discovery. One comes to the Bible with a commitment to let the verses speak. A careful examination of every aspect of the passage leads to the discovery of insights never noticed before. We meet to pray, read, discuss, take prayer requests and pray again.

**Meets Thursdays at 6:45AM**

**MEN'S M.E.A.T. UP** – Meal. Encouragement. Accountability. Teaching. We'll meet the first and third Monday of each month for a meal, some encouragement, and time in the word.

**Meets the first and third Monday of the month at 6:00PM**

# WOMEN'S GROUPS

## Women learning from women.

Visit [calvaryboise.com/women](http://calvaryboise.com/women) for details about each study, materials needed, and a link to register.

### **1 CORINTHIANS: A PRECEPTS STUDY –**

If we determine we are going to live according to the precepts set forth in this epistle, it will not only resolve and heal much personal heartache, it will make the church a body of believers to be reckoned with! Join us and be impacted as a result of the practical and poignant truths of 1 Corinthians.

***Meets Wednesdays at 9:30AM***

### **DANIEL, LIVES OF INTEGRITY WORDS OF PROPHECY –**

Join us as we study Daniel's life as he faced the kind of pressures and temptations Christians encounter today and we will explore thrilling prophecies from the time of Daniel through the second coming of Christ.

***Meets Wednesdays at 10:00AM***

**GROWING OLD GRACEFULLY –** This group of mature ladies meets for prayer, study of the Word, and fellowship to discover how God will use them mightily during this season of their lives. No materials necessary, just bring your bible and love of Jesus!

***Meets Thursdays at 1:00PM***

**HEALED & SET FREE –** Are you tired of the hollow feelings that hurts bring? Healed and Set Free is not just a book, it's a journey from the prison of past hurts to freedom. It leads readers through the difficult things in life, into the life God wants us to have.

***Meets Tuesdays at 6:30PM***

**JUDE: A BOOK STUDY –** Join us as we go through the book of Jude verse by verse. No study materials needed other than your bible and if you are a note taker or a highlighter, bring a journal, a pen and a highlighter!

***Meets Thursdays at 6:30PM***

**JUDGES: A PRECEPTS STUDY –** Nothing has changed from the days of the Judges - people still do what is right in their own eyes. Judges demonstrates the darkness and bondage that falls on the nation or individual who turns from the Word of God. Please join us in study as we discuss how only God's truth and moral principles bring peace and freedom from bondage.

***Meets Thursdays at 9:30AM***

### **MAINTAINING A SANE BRAIN IN A**

**SCARY WORLD –** Worried, scared, anxious, stressed, overwhelmed?" You are not alone. This study examines the lives of women from long ago who have a lot to teach us about overcoming fear today. Weekly gatherings and brief daily devotionals, help us defeat doubt, develop trust and relax. The end result: a better knowledge of our loving God, and the ability to maintain a sane brain no matter what.

***Meets Tuesdays at 9:30AM***



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