

Jesus said, **"I am the way and the truth and the life."** John 14:6

At Calvary Assembly of God, we believe there is nothing more important than helping people consider the amazing grace of God embodied and given to us in Jesus Christ (John 3:16). With God's help, we aim to represent Jesus in all we are and do. From the words we speak (or don't speak), to the kindness, forgiveness and generosity we extend to others, our goal is to help others consider who Jesus is and why He came and lived among us 2,000 years ago. We believe Jesus is the way and the truth and the life. Unlike anything or anyone else, only Jesus can deliver hope for abundant and eternal life. This is why *Calvary Assembly exists to help people everywhere consider Jesus* (Matt. 28:18-20).

MISSION: Calvary Assembly exists to help people everywhere consider Jesus.

VISION/STRATEGY: By helping people Connect, Grow and Love God through life & service.

1. **CONNECT** with God's plan for their lives through:

- **God's Word - the Bible**

- Psalm 119:105

Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path.

- **God's Presence - the Holy Spirit**

- John 14:26

Jesus said, "the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you."

- **God's People - the Church**

- Ephesians 4:11-16

...Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up... From him the whole body... grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work."

- Romans 12:4-5

For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others.

2. GROW in faith & godliness

- Hebrews 11:5

And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.

- Acts 16:30-31

He then brought them out and asked, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They replied, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved..."

- Galatians 5:22-25

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control... Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit.

3. LOVE GOD through life & service

- Matthew 11:36-40

"Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?" Jesus replied: " 'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments."

- 1 Peter 4:10

Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.

- 1 Corinthians 10:31

...whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God.

- Ephesians 6:7-8

Serve wholeheartedly, as if you were serving the Lord, not people, because you know that the Lord will reward each one for whatever good they do...

4 DRIVERS: These priorities keep us in synch with our mission and vision along with the Ohio Ministry Network of the Assemblies of God.

1. Church Health

Seek the Spirit ~ Share & Invite ~ Make Disciples

2. Leader Development

Identify & Train ~ Care & Coach ~ Multiply & Mobilize

3. Church Multiplication/Planting

Raise up Planters/Pastors ~ Engage Communities ~ Plant Churches

4. Missions Partnership

Educate & Inspire ~ Recruit & Involve ~ Give & Send

VALUES:

13 Biblical Values help keep the culture and environment of Calvary Assembly conducive to see our mission & vision accomplished for the glory of God.

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| 1. | Christlike | Philippians 2:5; John 15:9-10 |
| 2. | Humble Servanthood | 1 Peter 5:5; Mark 10:43-45; John 13:14-15 |
| 3. | Faith | Hebrews 11:6; Acts 16:31 |
| 4. | Prayer | Romans 12:12; Luke 18:1; Matthew 6:9-13 |
| 5. | Worship | John 4:24; Psalm 100:2, 4 |
| 6. | Spirit-led | Romans 8:14; John 14:26; Galatians 5:22-25 |
| 7. | Unity across Age & Culture | 1 Corinthians 12:12-14; John 17:20-21 |
| 8. | Communication (gracious & honest) | John 1:14; James 1:19 |
| 9. | Compassion | 1 Peter 3:8; Matthew 25:40 |
| 10. | Honor | Romans 12:10; 1 Peter 2:17 |
| 11. | Excellence | Colossians 3:23-24 |
| 12. | Generosity | Acts 20:35; 1 Timothy 6:18; Hebrews 13:16; Luke 6:38 |
| 13. | Faithfulness | Matthew 25:23 |

1 Christlike

Philippians 2:5

In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus...

John 15:9-10

“As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. If you keep my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commands and remain in his love.”

2 Humble Servanthood

1 Peter 5:5

...clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, because God opposes the proud but shows favor to the humble.

Mark 10:43-45

“... whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all. For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve...”

John 13:14-15

“Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another’s feet. I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you.”

3 Faith

Hebrews 11:6

And without faith it is impossible to please God...

Acts 16:31

“Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved...”

4 Prayer

Romans 12:12

Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.

Luke 18:1

Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up.

Matthew 6:9-13

“This, then, is how you should pray: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.”

5 Worship

John 4:24

“God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in the Spirit and in truth.”

Psalms 100:2, 4

Worship the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful songs... Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.

6 Spirit-led

Romans 8:14

For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God.

John 14:26

But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you.

Galatians 5:22-23

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control... Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit.

7 Unity across Age & Culture

1 Corinthians 12:12-14

Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ. For we were all baptized by one Spirit so as to form one body—whether Jews or Gentiles, slave or free—and we were all given the one Spirit to drink. Even so the body is not made up of one part but of many.

John 17:20-21

“I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message, that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me.”

8 Communication (gracious & honest)

John 1:14

The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

James 1:19

Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry...

9 Compassion

1 Peter 3:8

Finally, all of you, be like-minded, be sympathetic, love one another, be compassionate and humble.

Matthew 25:40

The King will reply, "Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me."

10 Honor

Romans 12:10

Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves.

1 Peter 2:17

Show proper respect to everyone, love the family of believers, fear God, honor the emperor.

11 Excellence

Colossians 3:23-24

Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord... It is the Lord Christ you are serving.

12 Generosity

Acts 20:35

Jesus himself said: "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

1 Timothy 6:18

...be generous and willing to share.

Hebrews 13:16

And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased.

Luke 6:38

"Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you."

13 Faithfulness

Matthew 25:23

His master replied, "Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!"