



You are cordially invited to join the

**CALVARY CRAFTERS FOR BRUNCH
SATURDAY, MARCH 12TH , AT 10:00 AM**

For a very special presentation by

Mrs. "Toots" Smith

Toots, as she likes to be called, is a fellow crafter who attends Charleston Baptist Church. She is very active in Operation Christmas Child at her church. She has just returned from a month-long mission trip to Ecuador. Her assignment in country was to teach sewing to groups of young girls. The girls she ministered to had been rescued from the sex trafficking trade that is very active in their country. During her time in Ecuador she not only taught her skill of sewing but also was able to show these young girls the love of Jesus in so many different ways. I am sure you will find her testimony very interesting as she shares how the Lord is working in the country of Ecuador.



We know this is short notice, but we sincerely hope you will consider joining us. Brunch is being prepared by Calvary Crafters so there is no need for you to bring anything. We just want to treat you to a special time of fellowship. All you need to do is let us know you will be coming. Friends are most welcome to come with you. You can sign the sheet at church outside of Tammy's office, or contact Grace Duddleston at 843-364-5967 or call the church office at 843-766-3113.



Only outdoor plumbing



“Enlarge the place of your tent, stretch your tent curtains wide, do not hold back; lengthen your cords, strengthen your stakes. For you will spread out to the right and to the left.” Isaiah 54:2

Enlarging our tents

A few thoughts from your Calvary Crafters

We have started our 2022 crafting year. As of this writing, we have about 10 ladies who will meet each Thursday for the next 9 months to handcraft items for “shoeboxes”< Since the end of last year the Lord has impressed upon me (Grace), and I have shared with our group, that we are not just a “crafting group,” With each project we take on, with each stitch of our needle, with each cut of our scissors, with each knot of our thread, or tie of our ribbon we are helping spread the gospel to children around the world. Just last month it struck me, that from the large classroom at Calvary we are spreading the Word of God to the far corners of the earth. Each time a child opens his or her box, they will find it full of love from some unknown person, who has taken the time to pour their love of of the Lord into a toy, a piece of clothing etc. Also, the box that child holds has been prayed over many, many times, It is the prayer of Shoebox Crafters all over the world that Jesus will be seen and felt in every item the children receive.

Before we even packed our boxes last November we began to see signs that the Lord was calling us to “enlarge the place of our tents”, We are still praying and seeking the Lord as to the meaning of this scripture for our Calvary group. We have seen doors open for us to partner with 5 ladies in Texas that make women’s reusable menstrual kits free of charge. They have already sent us 125 kits for our boxes this year. We just pay the postage to get them here. We have been given large boxes of t shirts that are unusable because they are misprinted. They will become jump ropes, and some even turned into pretty skirts for the girls. Our goal this year is 125 girls’ boxes and 25 boys boxes in the 10-14 age range,.

We are ready to enlarge; to stretch and lengthen and definitely will NOT HOLD BACK. This being said. We are asking our Calvary family to begin praying and seeking the Lord with us. We want his plan and direction. We want to know how He plans to “enlarge the place of our tent.” I think we are in for a wild ride and a great adventure with Him. I know He means for more than 10 of us to journey with Him. At present we have 10 “in house crafters” and 3 others that craft from home.

We would like to invite the entire congregation to a very special “Enlarge your tent” event, where we can share how anyone can be a part of this journey. There is no time, gender, expertise requirement and many small tasks can be done at home.

I am reminded of a popular book from “back in the day”, called “All I really need to know I learned in Kindergarten”, Remember we learned how to share, play together, put things away after we finished using it. We also learned skills like how to use scissors, glue, crayons, paint, and pencils. Remember all the pictures our moms proudly displayed on the family refrigerator? Well all those skills are needed to make our items for shoeboxes.

So please pray about joining us Saturday, March 12th at 10 am for our ‘ENLARGE YOUR TENT” Brunch. The Calvary Craft team will be preparing brunch for you, so you can just come and enjoy the morning. Please sign up so we know how much food to prepare.

