



# Calvary Christian Fellowship Mennonite Church

## Welcome to our Worship Service!

January 15, 2017

**Devotional:**----- Ralph Yoder

**Message:**----- Youth will be singing

**Offering:**----- General

**SS Lesson:**----- Revelation 21

**Intermediate Verse:** And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose. Romans 8:28

**Junior Verse:** I am the Lord, and there is none else, there is no God beside me Isaiah 45:5

**Primary Verse:** Thanks be unto God for his unspeakable gift. 2 Corinthians 9:15

**Preschool Verse:** "We give thanks to God" 1 Thessalonians 1:2

**SS Lesson for next week:** Revelation 22

**Adult and Youth Verse for next week:** Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city. Revelation 22:14

### CHILDREN'S CORNER

Nurse Shark, Created on Day 5, August 2, 2012

**Design** Unlike most sharks, the nurse shark does not have to constantly move water across its gills to breathe. The nurse shark can remain motionless on the seafloor because of its ability to pump water across its gills. It does this by opening and closing its mouth. This design was given to the nurse shark by its Creator.

**Features** This sluggish shark has a yellowish-brown to dark brown body that is relatively flat. Some have small dark spots or patches on their bodies. The most distinguishing feature of the nurse shark is the barbels that hang down from the shark's jaw. Barbels are fleshy appendages that house the taste buds. They are used to search for food in murky water.

**Fun Facts** Its teeth are fan-shaped, which helps it crush crustaceans, which it eats. Nurse sharks will pile on top of one another on the seafloor when they are resting. The nurse shark does not migrate; it simply adapts by limiting its activity. Most sharks and rays have a unique ability to regulate incoming light levels. The constricted, light-adapted pupil takes the shape of an oblique slit in this species.

**CLASS:** Chondrichthyes (cartilaginous fish—sharks, skates, and rays) **ORDER:** Orectolobiformes (carpet sharks) **FAMILY:** Ginglymostomatidae (nurse sharks)

**GENUS/SPECIES:** Ginglymostoma cirratum **Size:** Average 10 ft (3 m) **Diet:** Shrimp, squid, fish, octopus, crabs, sea urchins, corals **Habitat:** Shallow tropical and subtropical waters of the Western Atlantic, Eastern Atlantic, and Eastern Pacific Oceans <http://www.answersingenesis.org/articles/aqua/nurse-shark>

## Announcements:

- This Evening: Singing and Share time at 7:00
- PTA Meeting Monday evening at 7:00
- Wednesday Evening: Prison Service (Annex) 4:15 PM.
- School devotions this week by: Norman Yoder
- Church Social Thursday evening at 6:30
- Out of state correspondence this week by James Yoders
- The school craft sale is planned for March 17<sup>th</sup>. The Enoch building has been reserved.

### ~BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES~

Jan. 20, Happy Birthday! Viginia Yoder, 1969

What Are the Most Important Things in Life? (continued)

-by Bob Browning

-A sermon delivered by Robert Browning, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Frankfort, Ky. Philippians 1:9-11

At this point along your journey, what do you think is most important? Allow me to answer this as I give you time to think about it. For me, the most important things in life are my relationships to God, others and my possessions. Let me elaborate.

I believe the most important thing in life is my relationship with God through faith in Christ. Life is bigger than we are and God can make such a difference in how we handle our problems, challenges, struggles, temptations and decisions. Just as a child needs loving and responsible parents, so we need God and need to trust God with the same confidence a child places in her parents.

One of the first jobs I had was at a lumber company when I was sixteen. I worked on Saturdays during the school year and each day in summer.

My heart was filled with fear when I reported for that first day of work. I knew nothing about sorting lumber, driving forklifts, filling and delivering orders for

builders or navigating a concrete truck through narrow streets. It felt like I was wading into deep water with no life vest.

About an hour after I arrived and began work, my dad came walking through the large shed where I was. I don't recall a time I had been happier to see him. He didn't stay long or say much. He asked if I was OK and needed anything, then he left. That short visit meant the world to me and was exactly what I needed. It gave me the confidence I needed as I traveled down an unfamiliar road. I knew I wasn't alone, which calmed my troubled spirit.

I know of nothing more important than my relationship with God. Just when I need God most, He shows up to lead, guide, comfort, enlighten, empower and forgive me. His very presence lifts my spirit and calms my anxious nerves. God does things that only God can do, and I am grateful for His goodness and faithfulness.

I believe the second most important thing in life is my relationship with others. Just as we need God, so we need each other. God created us to live in community where we would care for others as if they were our own children.

(to be continued)