# 2021-2022 CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH



# HANDBOOK

Our prayer is that all children and youth throughout the world will come to know, love and serve the Lord Jesus Christ



# **Calvary Baptist Church**

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# WELCOME TO CALVARY'S 12TH YEAR OF AWANA!





Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth. 2 Timothy 2:15

**AWANA** is a special place for preschoolers, children and youth to make new friends, play exciting games, have opportunities to learn and memorize God's Word, learn to apply scripture to their life by becoming involved in missions, and receive awards as encouragement for their efforts.

**AWANA** helps churches and parents work together to develop spiritually strong children and youth who faithfully follow Jesus Christ.

#### **HOW CAN A PARENT BE INVOLVED?**

**Help** your child pass a section each week. Initial each section that your child completes before they show it to their teacher.

**Read** every flyer brought home by your child...they are important!

**Attend** special Awana nights and events. You are VIP to your child.

**Encourage** your child in their efforts. Help them to understand that memorizing scripture and being involved in mission activity is important.

#### Be sure to follow us on Facebook at Calvary RR Awana!



## AWANA EXPECTIONS FOR SAFETY

- Awana Registration Forms must be filled out for each child.
- Arrival: All children should be dropped of at the gym entrance NO EARLIER THAN 6:20 UNLESS THEY ARE GOING TO FAST TRACK to check-in EXCEPT for Puggles and Cubbies Classes, which should be walked in to the Preschool area and checked in.
- Dismissal: Puggles & Cubbies should be be picked up at 7:45 from their classrooms.
   All other students will be picked up at 8:00 from the main entrance drive-thru. We ask that parents do NOT come inside at this time.
- Every child should <u>wear tennis/closed toe shoes</u> and shorts or pants to protect them from
  injuries during game time. Any child that does not wear tennis shoes will have to sit out at
  game time.
- All AWANA leaders and staff must be respected and obeyed. Students are expected to take part in all areas of Awana, including Game Time.
- Snacks at regular Awana meetings consist of cookies and water. Other snacks will be served on special occasions. Please list any food allergies on your child's registration form.

#### **Poor Health Policy**

Please keep your child home from church due to having an illness that involves; fever, vomiting, nausea, diarrhea, any contagious disease, open sores or any questionable illness. If a child becomes sick you will be contacted to pick up the child from the church office where they will be taken care of and made to feel as comfortable as possible until you arrive. (Please be sure your child is well before returning to church.) Children that did not go to school due to sickness or were in out of school suspension are not allowed to attend Awana on the day that they missed a school day. If your child or anyone in your household is quarantined due to Co-vid exposure, they are NOT allowed at Awana for two weeks.

#### **Discipline Procedures**

<u>Discipline</u> - In Awana, discipline is positive instead of emphasizing punishment for misbehavior, good behavior is awarded through rewards (bucks or game points). Clubbers quickly learn that conforming to club standards is in their best interest. Each club night should be a good and positive experience for all clubbers so we cannot allow unacceptable behavior to disrupt club activities for others. At times, it may be necessary for the parent to become involved in assisting club leaders in bringing about appropriate behavior. Please be prepared to support AWANA leaders in their positive discipline efforts.

<u>Five Count System</u> - used to quiet the entire group of clubbers. By the time the leader counting gets to 5, all clubbers and leaders are expected to be still, quiet, and looking directly at the leader who is in charge.

<u>Three Count System</u> - used on an individual basis. "One count" is a warning that actions are not appropriate, "two count" is used if a clubber continues to misbehave in class and is taken out to talk with the Awana commander. On the "third count" the commander will talk with the parents and the clubber will be put on a suspension for at least one week. This rule also applies as children are being transported to and from church on church provided transportation.

#### **General Guidelines**

- 1 Children & youth must remain with their leaders at all times until they are released to leave.
- 2 Kitchen use is not allowed by children and youth unless accompanied by an adult.
- 3 Cell phone use is not allowed during meeting times.
- 4 Two or more adults will accompany children on all activities.

#### DRESS CODE - Same as Roanoke Rapids City Schools.

- 1) Blouses, tops and shirts shall have no exposed shoulders, chests or midriffs.
- 2) Slacks, jeans or shorts (finger tip length only) should be worn.
- 3) Pants should fit appropriately at or near the waist. No underwear should be seen.
- 4) Logos and sayings on must be appropriate for church settings.

Tennis/Closed Toe shoes must be worn to Awana meetings.

## VAN RIDERS

- <u>Transportation Permission/Release Form</u> must be filled out by parents or legal guardians of children that will be transported by church transportation at the beginning of each church year (Sept. Aug.). Forms may be filled out at an Awana meeting or by stopping by the office Monday Friday, 8:30 a.m. 4 p.m. <u>Children will not be allowed to ride the vans to protect our van drivers and adult riders without a current permission form.</u>
- Children needing transportation will be added to the van list the following week after forms
  are filled out, and will not be allowed to ride home the same night that forms are completed.

## AWANA EXPECTATIONS EACH WEEK

- <u>Bibles</u> and <u>Handbooks</u> should be brought to Awana. They are used!
- <u>50 cents dues</u> will be collected each week. Collecting dues help teach students to give willingly, with a cheerful heart, to the Lord.
- Age level Start Zones must be completed by all students before beginning Handbook. Start Zones count as one section when completed.
- Calvary provides one free Handbook for each student after they complete their Start Zone.
- Replacement handbooks cost \$10.00 each, and must be purchased if needed.
- Fast Trackers are available at 6:00 pm for those who need to catch up on verses from missed weeks or those who wish to move ahead in their books. ONLY those who have extra verses may come in to Fast Track. Fast Track will be located in the gym.

#### **Awana Rewards**

Students have the opportunity to earn awards at each Awana meeting. Awards are used for end of year recognition and also can be used to spend in the Awana store during the Awana year.

Weekly Awards are as follows:

#### One Point for each of the following:

Attendance, Bringing Dues, Bringing Bible, Participating in the Nightly Theme (see special note),

Five Points: For Each Scripture Verse Recited at Awana Meetings For Each Handbook Section Completed at Awana Awards will be given out the FOLLOWING WEEK after your child earns them.

SPECIAL NOTE: Many theme nights require children to bring items to assist with mission opportunities in our community. If your child <u>can not</u> bring the item needed they may write a note or draw a picture of the item that was needed and the award for the theme night will be given to the child.

#### **Bringing a Friend**

Friends must attend their age/grade level class. For example - if a friend is in grade 2, they can not go in a grade 1 class. Each class uses age-level handbooks.

#### **CLUB ACTIVITIES K – GRADE 12**

#### **OPENING ASSEMBLY**

K—Grade 12 students gather in the gym for the Awana Cheer, flag ceremonies, music, and prayer before they go to handbook or game time.

#### **AWANA CHEER**

**Leader:** What does Awana stand for? **Response:** Approved Workmen Are

Not Ashamed

Leader: What is the first goal of

Awana?

Response: To reach boys and girls

with the gospel of Christ.

**Leader:** What is the second goal of Awana? **Response:** To Train them to serve Him!

#### Pledge to the American Flag

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

#### Pledge to the Awana Flag

I pledge allegiance to the Awana flag, which stands for the Awana clubs, whose goal is to reach boys and girls with the gospel of Christ and train them to serve Him.

#### Pledge to the Christian Flag

I pledge allegiance to the Christian flag and to the Savior for whose kingdom it stands. One Savior, crucified, risen and coming again with life and liberty to all who believe.

#### Pledge to the Bible

I pledge allegiance to the Bible, God's Holy Word. I will make it a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path. I will hide its words in my heart, that I might not sin against God.

#### SMALL GROUP & HANDBOOK TIME

The handbooks are the means by which the clubber memorizes Scripture portions and earns awards. The goal is for each clubber to complete one handbook per year on their grade level. After completing their grade level handbook they may go back to a handbook that they have not completed, but will not be allowed to advance to the next grade handbook. AWANA emphasizes memorization, understanding and application of key Bible verses. Students are rewarded for their achievements as they complete their handbook sections. Parental involvement plays a vital role in helping children to realize the importance of memorizing God's Word.

Parents taking time to work with your children on their memory verse will help them see that it is something that you view as being worthwhile and important.

#### **GAME TIME**

Game time is an exciting and safe time of fun and friendly competition. All children and youth are expected to participate in all games unless a parent communicates otherwise with a leader. For safety reasons, everyone must wear tennis shoes and shorts or long pants to avoid injuries during a fall. Game time takes place inside the Gym or outside on the church lawn.







# **2021 - 2022** AWANA STAFF

Pastor: Rev. Andy Sloan Awana Commander: Mr. Justin Sandeford

**PRESCHOOL** 

Nursery Michele Wrenn

Puggles Age 2 Kathy Sadler; Judy Hale (Floater)

Cubbies 3 - PreKs Doris Powell, Sarah Taylor, Cameron Moseley,

Holly Harrison, Emily Patton

**CHILDREN** 

Sparks K Whitney Powers; Chris Moseley; Kristian Wollett

Sparks Grade 1 Susan Gums, Cindy Stephens

Sparks Grade 2 Ruth Anne Newsome ; Sandy Craft

T & T Grade 3A Terry Mason; Novella Casey, Craig Mason

**T&T Grade 4** Ashley Griffies, Jamie Ferguson, Laura Griffies

**T&T Grade 5** Libby McKinney , Susan Ferguson

T & T Grade 6 Amber Sandeford; Jodie Barrett

YOUTH

Trek - Gr. 7 & 8

Journey - Gr. 9-12 Jeff Petrillo; Vanessa Petrillo, Daryl Clemmons

**ADDITIONAL STAFF** 

Game Directors Jeffrey Petrillo, Kevin Moseley

Store Managers Jenny Sloan, Wendy Arthur

Snack Servers Nan Long, Patsy Cook

Van Drivers CH Powell

Van Riders Novella Casey, Doris Powell

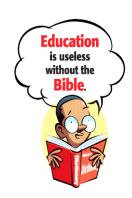
Security Jeff Faison, CH Powell

Co-Secretaries Jenny Sloan; Sandy Craft

AWANA Team: Justin Sandeford, Jenny Sloan, Sandy Craft, Ashley Griffies

Verse Trackers: Carolyn Carter, Ann Harris, Carolyn Ashby, Betty Wallace







#### PRESCHOOL AWANA - IN PRESCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Children 3 years old and younger may attend Awana only if their parents or grandparents work in Awana or if they attend Bible Study.



#### **NURSERY**

Calvary provides a nursery for infants - age 1.

#### **PUGGLES CLASS**

Age 2 & Age 3 of children that have not turned 3 by Sept. 1 when the Awana year begins.



#### **CUBBIES (Age 3 - PreK)**

(Must be 3 by Sept.1 when Awana begins)

3 - 5 year olds have a special place in our Awana program! While they are not quite ready for all the activities older students participate in, their time each Wednesday night will be equally exciting! Cubbies will work through a handbook, memorizing

age appropriate scripture each week. They will also participate in hands-on mission projects, hear mission stories from around the world and participate in an exciting, age-appropriate games, crafts or activities! Cubbie classrooms are located in the Preschool Department.

#### **PASSING A CUBBIE SECTION**

The Cubbie learns and recites each section to a parent at home. The parent's signature indicates that work has been completed so please be sure to sign your child's book. At Awana the child recites each section that was learned at home to a Cubbies leader. The leader's signature certifies that the section has been satisfactorily passed. Cubbies will be working together as a group to complete their handbook. Cubbie leaders and parents will work together to help children catch up if they get behind. Each child will be praised and rewarded for their progress.



**HANDBOOKS** All students will complete the Entrance Brochure before beginning the Cubbie Handbook. The first handbook will be provided by the church. Replacement books, if needed, are \$10.00 and must be replaced by parents.

CUBBIE SCHEDULE Opening, Handbook, Story Time,
Craft/Activity and Snack Time Rotations, Dismissal

<u>Cubbie Vest</u> Vest can be purchased and worn after the Entrance Brochure has been completed. Award emblems are placed on the Cubbie vest. Please see one of the Cubbie teachers about purchasing a Cubbie Vest. Tennis shoes should be worn each week.

<u>SIGN IN / SIGN OUT</u> Cubbies are required to be signed in and out by an <u>ADULT</u> on the sign in sheet by their classroom door. Preschool students will be released to adults only.

Children younger than 4 are not allowed to ride Calvary's church provided transportation unless accompanied by a parent.