



# **CALVARY NEXUS**

## **2020 ANNUAL REPORT**

## Lead Pastor Note

"I have entered my 25th year as the founding and Lead Pastor of Calvary Nexus, and I cannot recall a more challenging season of ministry, and life for our church community, the community we dwell in, our nation and our world. Yet, God has remained faithful! We rejoice knowing that we are a movement of Jesus followers growing in our love for God, love for neighbors, and the earnest effort to make disciples locally and globally who will do likewise.

We are grateful to those who are part of this community of faith who support this movement with their resources of time, talents, and treasure. We have sought to leverage our resources as good stewards to faithfully minister to our local community and advance the global kingdom of God. We want to share some of the ways that your gifts are being used to show the love of God. May Jesus bless us as we grow in our love for God and our neighbors."

**-Pastor Bruce for the Calvary Nexus Team**



## Theme Verse

"For God is the one who provides seed for the farmer and then bread to eat. In the same way, He will provide and increase your resources and then produce a great harvest of generosity in you. Yes, you will be enriched in every way so that you can always be generous. And when we take your gifts to those who need them, they will thank God" [2 Cor. 9:10-11].

## Our Mission:

We are a movement of Jesus' followers devoted to loving God and our neighbors.



# Love Our Neighbor Community Impact

Calvary Nexus is a community of faith that dwells in the midst of a community. God has called us to love our neighbors, be merciful, and do the right thing by humbly sharing our resources to care for the needs of others to the extent that we are able [Matt. 22:37-39, Mic. 6:8].

## First Sundays

Every first Sunday of the month we showed God's love to our neighbors by donating at least \$5,000 to a financial need in our community. The first Sunday gifts were in addition to our existing missions, outreach and benevolence budgets. We committed these resources on the first Sunday to reflect the generosity of our God, and our confident trust that He will provide the resources to make it possible to share. **Here is a list of recipients:**



**January:** We donated \$5,000 to Child Hope Services who assist foster youth and families in our community with needed practical, emotional, and spiritual support.

**February:** We donated \$5,000 to Ventura County Pregnancy Center [VCPC] to support pregnancy tests, ultrasounds, education, resources, and the gospel to our community.

**March:** We donated \$5,000 to Gabriel's House a gospel-centered shelter for women and their children that provides services to encourage, equip and empower.

**April:** We created a \$10,000 relief fund for COVID-19 financial needs for the Calvary Nexus family and our community.







**May:** We donated \$7,000 to assist Pacific Camps to provide Christ-glorifying childcare programs during Covid-19 to assist essential workers to continue to serve our community.

**June:** We donated \$10,000 to establish Love Camarillo Creative to foster the creation of art, music, relationships, and redemption in our community in the midst of the pandemic.

We also created an additional \$10,000 relief fund for Covid-19 financial needs for the Calvary Nexus family and our community.

**July:** We donated \$5,000 for scholarships to the Monka Soccer Academy a Christ-glorifying local soccer and sports program providing athletic training and fun for kids while intentionally avoiding conflicts with typical church worship gathering schedules.

We donated \$5,000 to Ventura County Teen Challenge a Christ-centered recovery and discipleship program.

**August:** We donated \$5,000 to Action Camarillo serving the vulnerable in our community including seniors, veterans, and people with disabilities.

We provided restaurant gift cards (\$5,000) to all personnel at the Camarillo Police Department to express gratitude for their service, support local restaurants, and share God's love.



**September:** We donated \$5,000 to Children's Hunger Fund to provide food, and hope found in the gospel of Christ, to suffering children and their families, locally and globally, in partnership with churches.

**October:** We donated \$5,000 to Ventura County Pregnancy Center [VCPC] to support life, pregnancy tests, ultrasounds, education, resources, and the gospel to our community.



**November:** We donated \$10,000 for needed school supplies for students and teachers at Pleasant Valley School of Engineering and Arts (PVSEA), and Las Posas School.

Pacific Camps Scholarship Fund [\$10,000] for Calvary Nexus families, and the general community, in need of financial assistance for preschool and all school related programs.

**December:** We are provided over \$25,000 in Christmas gifts to more than 200 families connected to Calvary Nexus, Pacific Camps, PVSEA, and Las Posas School.



## Neighborhood Groups



Our ability to gather together in the midst of the pandemic has been hampered by the pandemic. **We value being able to come together and go together.** We gather to glorify God and then decentralize to saturate our community through gospel-centered Neighborhood Groups (small groups).

In the midst of the pandemic, our community discovered that we could cultivate genuine community through online small groups. Some groups met in-person in a safe manner, some met in a hybrid of in-person and online, and all of the participants discovered the great importance of small groups where we learn to love God and our neighbors better. There are 60 groups meeting throughout our community, and over 500 people growing as Jesus' disciples in these groups.

**Our Vision** is to saturate our community with gospel-centered Neighborhood Groups. We're excited to see lives transformed as we live The Great Commandments and love God supremely and love our neighbors as we love ourselves.



## Global Missions

We have partnered with Bible-teaching, church-planting churches on six continents. In 2020 we supported twenty-one (21) different ministries and missionaries, nine of whom were part of Calvary Nexus before going to serve in their mission field.

Patrick Ijaka of New Covenant Missions, a Ugandan pastor, began his ministry among the unreached Mening people. Hundreds have now heard the gospel for the first time, a church is established, and more than fifty believers were baptized.

Through your support, we were able to invest over \$100,000 to support global missions.

## Church Planting and Youth Center

This year we supported **five church plants** in Baltimore, Maryland, Del Ray Beach, Florida, and three in Baja, Mexico. Also, Vince and Darcie Nardi went from Nexus to Boise, Idaho to begin preparations to church plant, and Lord willing will be able to continue that work as the pandemic crisis abates.

We have also invested significant resources to initiate a youth center in Manila, Philippines which will be overseen by Pastor Mark and Sherry Chua, missionaries sent from Calvary Nexus.



# 760,000

Payroll: Fourteen full-time equivalents.



# 445,000

Love Our Neighbor Community Impact, missions, benevolence, and church planting.



# 235,000

Operations.



# 147,000

Facilities.





**LOVE GOD. LOVE NEIGHBOR.**  
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