

# Wednesday August 28, 2024



## CALVARY CONNECT

### Up Coming Events

#### Wednesday, August 28th:

- Happy Birthday Mrs. Jamerson K2
- Girls Volleyball Practice 3pm-4:45
- Soccer Practice-3pm-4:45



#### Thursday, August 29th:

- **Girls** Volleyball HOME vs. Lansing 8th Grade ONLY 4:15 - 5:15pm
- Soccer HOME vs. Lansing · 4:15-5:15pm

#### Friday, August 30th:

- No Chapel

#### Monday, September 2nd:

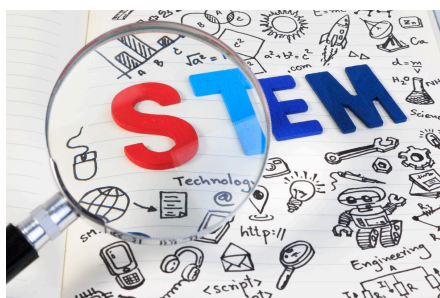
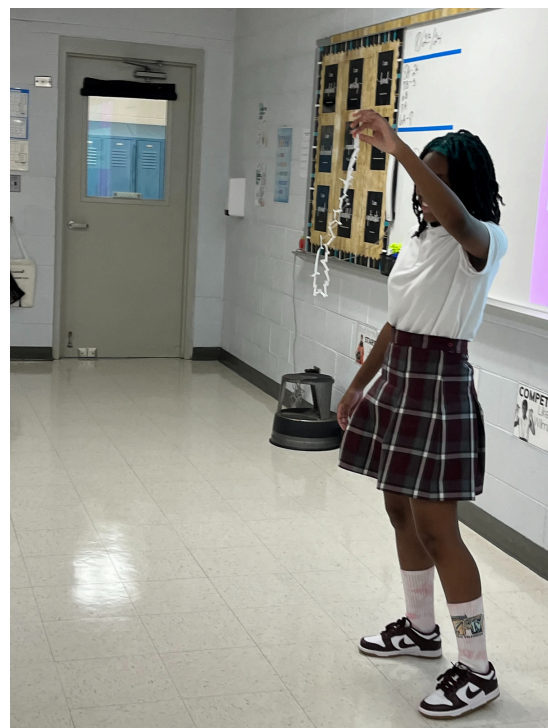
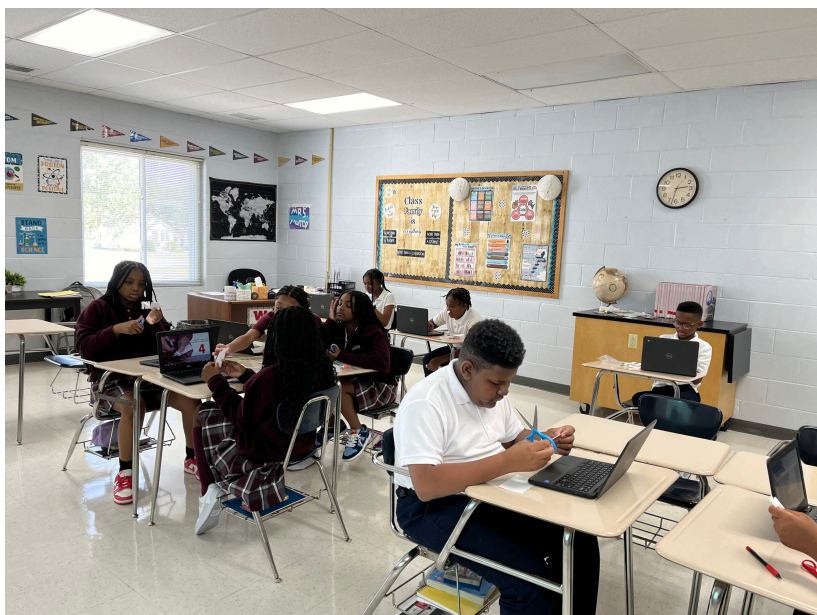
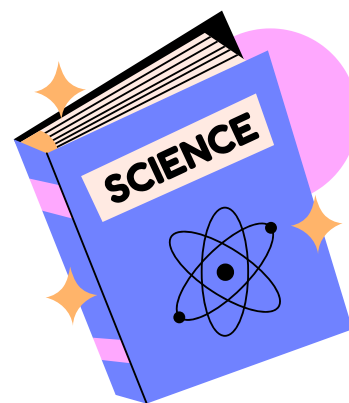
- Labor Day-No School

#### Tuesday, September 3rd:

- **Girls** Volleyball AWAY vs. Crown Point Christian · 4:15-6:15pm
- Soccer AWAY vs. Crown Point Christian · 4:15-5:15pm



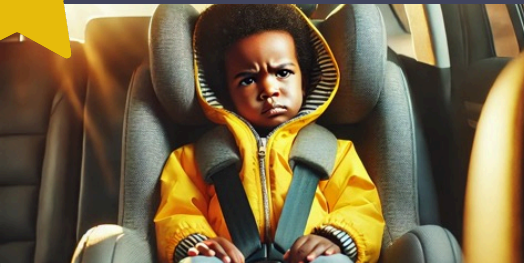
# Pictures of the week





# Prayer Corner

## Prayer Corner: Am I There Yet?



Remember those long car rides during summer vacations when the kids would inevitably ask, "Are we there yet?" Sometimes, you'd barely left your neighborhood before that question echoed from the back seat.

We all love a good vacation, but the journey to get there often feels like a hassle. Whether you're navigating through airport security or enduring a road trip, it's easy to get impatient.

Similarly, in life, we all long for a stress-free existence. There are moments of peace, glimpses of joy, but then come those challenging days where we find ourselves asking, "Am I there yet? How much longer before I reach the other side of this struggle?" The waiting and anticipation for God to move can often leave us wondering just how much longer it will be.

Just like how you might try to distract the kids from focusing solely on the destination by encouraging them to enjoy the journey, God invites us to take comfort in the process. He is preparing us for where we are headed. You might have a clear vision of your destination, but often, we aren't ready to receive what awaits us there.

For instance, if your challenge is financial, have you learned to manage more than what you currently have? If you're dealing with a difficult relationship, would you respond with love and understanding if God resolved it, or would you still harbor judgment? If God gave you exactly what you're asking for right now, would you be grateful, or would entitlement creep in?

I've learned that the journey often takes longer when I'm not ready to receive what I'm longing for. There is preparation in the journey. God is refining my character—replacing bitterness with love, renewing my mind with His confidence, courage, and strength, and removing doubt, fear, and abandonment. He's replacing my pride with humility.

Remember the Israelites. God was ready to lead them into the Promised Land, but fear and doubt made them question if God could truly deliver on His promise. As a result, they spent 40 years wandering in the wilderness.

To enter the Promised Land, the Israelites needed to conquer over 100 nations. How could God trust them to conquer 100 when they were afraid of the first one? They weren't ready. But even in your challenges, remember that you are not the one doing the fighting—God is.

There are valuable lessons in the journey. God promises not only that you will enjoy the destination but also that you can find joy in the journey itself.

So instead of asking, "Am I there yet?" perhaps the better question is, "Am I ready yet?"

Scripture Verse:

"Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything."

— James 1:2-4 (NIV)

Thank you! I pray you enjoy the holiday weekend.

Veronica Boyd