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Hello Pastors and Worship Leaders!

Thanks for taking time out of your busy life to read this letter...hopefully it's not just another piece of junk mail in your huge pile. Over the past several months I have been working with another Calvary Pastor, Ted Ethridge, trying to put together a local worship conference where we can give further training and encouragement to those who serve in the worship ministry. As most of you have no doubt experienced, it's quite an expense to send people out of state for any such training. As a result, in small fellowships like most of ours, these things usually get put on the back burner. I am sure most of you would agree, that the worship ministry is vital to our congregants being able to connect with Jesus each week, and it fosters an atmosphere of greater sensitivity to His Spirit. For those reasons and many more, we really can't afford to leave it on the back burner. The conference will focus on how to develop and enhance the worship ministry in your fellowship, and I am confident that it would be a blessing to anyone involved in the worship ministry. During the conference we will touch on several topics, including: how to create an atmosphere of worship; eliminating distractions during worship; developing team unity; working with the Senior Pastor; raising up others; conflict resolution among musicians; sensitivity to the Holy Spirit during a set; and interaction with the sound technician. If you have additional ideas that might be helpful, please feel free to email those.

We are really excited to have Bill Welsh coming to lead the conference. Bill currently serves as Senior Pastor of Refuge Calvary Chapel in Huntington Beach, California. He has done ministry now for about 30 years, and in that time has done a wide range of things, from serving as a missionary to Senior Pastor, but has always been involved in worship. Bill is able to bring the unique perspective of having been not only a Worship Leader, but also a Senior Pastor. Those of you who were able to attend the 2010 Senior Pastor's conference were blessed to hear Bill lead worship on Thursday morning, and are probably still singing the song he taught us, "...he whose hair, has fallen from his head, he is bald, but he is clean." Bill will be bringing along his daughter, Shannon, and his son, Jeremy. Both of them are involved in various aspects of the worship community in the Huntington Beach area. Shannon has also recently released a worship CD, which you can listen to at: [shannonquintana.com](http://shannonquintana.com).

We have nailed down the 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> of October for the conference (don't worry...hunting season opens the 23<sup>rd</sup>) and will be holding it at Calvary Chapel Bozeman. The conference will start at 4 pm on Friday the 15<sup>th</sup>. Dinner will be provided on Friday and lunch on Saturday. We plan to finish the conference around 4 pm on Saturday for those who need to get back for Sunday services. For those able to get in to town earlier, we will have a time of worship/communion on Thursday evening with the local Calvary's here in the Gallatin Valley. The cost for the conference will be \$45/person, with discounts for early registration and for married couples. For those who travel from out of town, we will provide a list of local hotels on the website; we also have families in our fellowships willing to have people stay with them, to help keep the cost down. We have enclosed a registration form, and have them available on our website (<http://www.savinggracechurch.com/WorshipConference.php>) as well. If you have any questions or need more info, please email us at: [savinggracechurch@gmail.com](mailto:savinggracechurch@gmail.com) or call Pastor Travis at (406) 580-3246 or Pastor Ted at (406) 580-8390. Hope to see you in October!

Grace and Peace,

Pastor Travis Syvrud  
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