

**Times Remembered**  
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church in 70s. The church has seen many people come and go through its many years. Some moved on to other churches when they left the area and many have gone on to be with the Lord.

The building is not really the church, the church belongs to God and the people are the church. The church building is where we meet. But that doesn't keep the church building from holding many fond memories and meaning something special to those who have sat on the pews.

I've been a member since 1979 when I transferred my letter from Providence Baptist. My husband, Bob and I were married at Calvary in 1986, and my daughter, Tara, and Bob are both members; they made a profession of faith and were baptized in 1987.

Our beloved former pastor of 17 years, Bro. Max Hester delivered the morning message. He was a great pastor. He remembers everything. He always sent people cards if they missed church. It was nice to get a card from him knowing he is thinking of you. He also was the mastermind of building the new church and worked very hard with other members on the committee during construction.

I also got to talk with another former pastor, Bro. Ron Doss who pastored our church for three years. He means a lot to me because when I had major surgery in 1983 he visited me in the hospital and brought me Ale-8s. His cheerful smile and laughter would always help me to feel better.

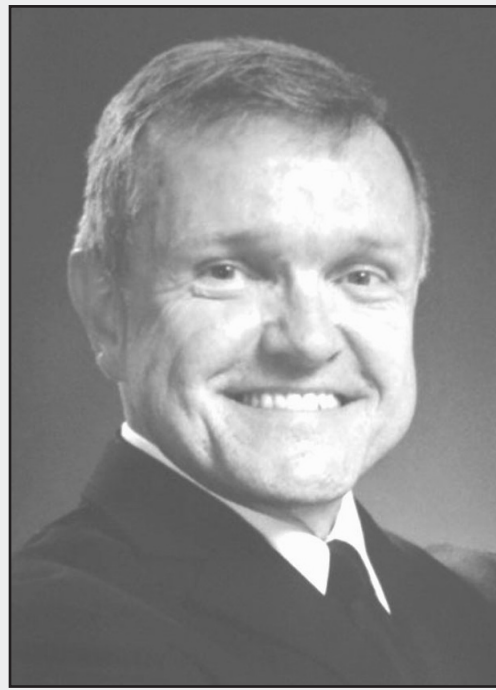
Sunday services were serenaded with special Blue Grass Gospel singers from Calvary, named "Glory Road." The afternoon singers were from Frankfort Kentucky, called "Ole Elkhorn Pickers," with Estill County's own Joel Miller. They are very talented singers.

Following the morning worship, the Fellowship Hall was calling ev-

eryone to eat the Homecoming meal. You could smell the aroma of food floating up the hall to the sanctuary. Mouths were watering in anticipation of the upcoming meal. After the closing prayer everyone went to the hall for a bountiful dinner. Someone once said, "I'd love to lose weight, but I belong to a Baptist church."

There were tables of all kinds of food from fried chicken to country ham and roast beef. There were many colorful salads and fresh vegetables. I should have taken a picture of the dessert table. Just looking at it might make you gain ten pounds. The dessert table was over the top with Barbara Hunt's pound cake with homemade caramel icing, also there was banana pudding, cherry cheesecake made by Deacon Greg Bailey, angel food cake, brownies, Heath Bar chocolate cake and many others goodies. There's nothing to compare with Calvary's cooks. Their food is always the best.

Everyone enjoyed the meal and



**Former Pastor Max Hester**

singing. They left happy and full. Everyone is already planning the next 100 years.

No wonder you feel like family at Calvary . . . we share the same Heavenly Father! I hope your week is as lovely as this day was.



## Calvary Homecoming

Our church had its 100th homecoming yesterday, Sunday the 15th of August, 2021. We gathered to celebrate the 100th year of the time when 43 brothers and sisters who were attending a tent revival founded Calvary Baptist Church, 21 Glory Street, Irvine, Kentucky.

Later a small white clapboard church was built which had two entrance doors, one for ladies and one for men, and a pot belly heating stove sat in the middle of the sanctuary. There were no padded seats. Just wooden benches. Imagine sitting on those for over an hour.

Much has changed since those days. The present sanctuary was constructed and dedicated in 1995. We now have a gorgeous building with beautiful furniture with padded seats and carpet. We also have plenty of lights today versus coal-oil lamps of yesterday. Instead of baptizing in a creek or a river; they can be baptized inside in any type of weather.

A Sunday school and Fellowship Hall addition was added to the old

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