

Calvary Academy Celebrates Family at Its Annual Picnic



Calvary Academy students, families, faculty and staff line up on the field to spell their theme for the year : "We Are Family."

On September 16, 2017, Calvary Academy held its annual picnic for students and their families. More than 600 people gathered on a beautiful, sunny day as Calvary faculty and staff served those in attendance.

The highlight of the picnic was the raffle hosted by Mrs. Pender, the school administrator. Many families were blessed with gift cards, a jeans day, free hot lunch for the year or free tuition for the month of December! To top the day off, a drone flew over-head to take a picture of everyone spelling out the

theme for this school year—"We Are Family."

In keeping with this theme, Pastor Brian Kamstra of Spirit of God Fellowship spoke at the first chapel service of the year, where he reminded students that we all belong to the body of Christ. He shared with them that as a family of believers, we all are different, but need each other to complete the whole body. He then had the students stand to commit this year to God and to encouraging and supporting each other.

The teachers, staff and families are

excited to see what God has in store for Calvary this school year. A new banner has been hung in their foyer displaying the theme and bible verse for the year: "Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially those who belong to the family of believers." Calvary's mission is to challenge its students to know Christ as Lord, teaching them to know and apply biblical truth, and training them to pursue academic excellence in order that they may engage and transform their world for Jesus Christ.

Thornton Township Celebrated Illinois Township Day



Thornton Township celebrated its residents with a day of activities and its employees with Employee Appreciation Day.