

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- JANUARY 22: FOUNDERS DAY CELEBRATION
- FEBRUARY 26: HONORING PAST AND PRESENT  
DEACONS, ELDERS AND TRUSTEES
- MARCH 26: HONORING PAST AND PRESENT  
SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS  
AND CHOIR DIRECTORS
- APRIL 14: EASTER PLAY (ALL WELCOME)  
APRIL 15: EASTER PLAY (ALL WELCOME)
- APRIL 23: LOCAL POLITICIANS/  
COMMUNITY LEADERS
- MAY 28: HOMECOMING SERVICE FOR  
PAST MEMBERS
- JUNE 25: KIDS AND YOUTH SUNDAY
- JULY 23: VBS AND 100TH ANNIVER-  
SARY CELEBRATION PICNIC
- AUGUST 27: HONORING OUR OLDEST MEM-  
BER, LONGEST MEMBERS, UNSEEN  
SERVANTS AND MILITARY
- SEPTEMBER 8: 100TH ANNIVERSARY DINNER  
EVENT AT THE PALACE CENTER  
623 HANOVER AVENUE  
ALLENTOWN, PA 18109  
AT 6:00 PM  
DONATION \$100 / PERSON
- SEPTEMBER 10: HONORING PAST SENIOR  
PASTORS

PLACE  
STAMP  
HERE

Calvary Temple of Allentown

3436 Winchester Road, Allentown, PA 18104

## CALVARY TEMPLE



# 100 Years ANNIVERSARY

GOD WITH US IN THE  
PAST, LEADING US INTO  
TOMORROW:  
A NEW BEGINNING  
“...BUT GOD”







Founding Twelve (Mrs. Conrad Not Pictured)

## How We Began

### *"Despise Not the Day of Small Things"*

It was a small beginning in January, 1917, as twelve believers, desirous of a deeper experience with the Lord, met together in their homes to pray. The

leader of the group was a young layman, Edwin C. Conrad, from the 12<sup>th</sup> Street Baptist Church of Allentown. Prayers for the salvation of friends and relatives were answered, and attendance increased to the point that a building was needed to house the growing congregation.

With a congregation of 35, 3 building lots and a \$1,000.00 bank account, they contacted a builder, organized officially as the Pentecostal Prayer Band—Assembly of God, and started on their way. Ground-breaking was held on June, 1922, with dedication services on January 21, 1923. Rev. Joseph Tunmore, Superintendent of the Eastern District Council of the Assemblies of God was the dedication speaker.

The Prayer Band, founded upon the Pentecostal experience as described in Acts 2:4, became the first church in the area to preach that the infilling of the Holy Spirit still occurred in accordance with the passage of Scripture.



First Church Building

## Senior Pastors of Calvary Temple

Our First Senior Pastor, Edwin C. Conrad ministered from 1917-1953. With a total of thirty-six years not only was he the first senior pastor he was also the longest in ministry.

Our Second Senior Pastor, Rev. David Berquist ministered from 1953-1960: a total of seven years.

Our Third Senior Pastor, Rev. Albert Skymer ministered from 1960-1963: a total of three years.

Our Fourth Senior Pastor, Rev. Chester Jenkins ministered from 1963-1987. With a total of twenty-four years he was the fourth senior pastor and the second longest in ministry.

Our Fifth Senior Pastor, Rev. Linwood Wells ministered from 1987-1992: a total of five years.

Our Sixth Senior Pastor, Rev. David Ellis ministered from 1992-2005 a total of fourteen years.

Our Seventh Senior Pastor, Rev. Vep R. Ellis ministered from Jan 2006-Jan 29, 2009: a total of three years.

Our Eighth and Current Senior Pastor, Rev. Ray A. Ricketts, began ministering from January 6, 2010 -

## Our Vision

*"Reconciling the Lost, Discipling the Flock, Together, Worshiping and Serving God"*

### Scriptural Basis:

2 Corinthians 5:18

<sup>18</sup> All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation;

Matthew 28:18-20

<sup>18</sup> And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.

<sup>19</sup> Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup> teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Exodus 9:1

<sup>1</sup> Then the Lord said to Moses, "Go in to Pharaoh and say to Him, 'Thus says the Lord, the God of the Hebrews, "Let my people go, that they may serve me."'



Pastor Ray & First Lady Arnett Ricketts