Reflecting Calvin’s Mission

PLASTER CREEK RESTORATION

Children haven’t played safely in Plaster Creek for decades. Pollution is the culprit, coming mainly from the stormwater that runs off our rooftops and parking lots.

Calvin College is collaborating with local schools, churches and organizations to restore the health of our beautiful watershed. The project, funded in part by state grants, includes education, research and cleanup. It’s just the start of a long process that includes our community working together for the good of Plaster Creek.

The Plaster Creek project is a natural reflection of Calvin’s mission: To help students ask how the knowledge, skills and values they learn at Calvin be used to clear a part of the human jungle, restore some part of the lost loneliness of God’s world or introduce some novel beauty into it. And whether our graduates choose the kind of work that restores places like Plaster Creek, or another kind of good work, they live this mission.

It will be years before parents will let their children explore the waters of Plaster Creek again, but that’s okay. With your help, we’re doing what we can, where we’re planted. We’re doing that around the corner and across the globe.

Learn more about the Plaster Creek project at www.calvin.edu/go/plastercreek

With lots of people working together we can make change happen.

—Gail Heffner, Calvin’s director of community engagement

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