

CRABTREE VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH



THE VALLEY ECHO

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Special MUSIC

Mark your calendars for Sunday, June 3rd at 7pm! Christopher Reed, a former member of CVBC, will be performing his *Beethoven and Blue Jeans* concert. Chris is now a professional pianist in Fuquay-Varina, is the Academy Director of the Jordan Academy for the Performing Arts and Director of Music at Jordan Lutheran Church in Apex, NC.



Fun for Seniors

The Young Hearts will meet for dinner at the *Forks Cafeteria* in *Wake Forest* on Thursday, May 24, at 6 p.m. New members, age 55+, are invited to join this jovial group for good food, fellowship and fun (games with prizes!). The church bus will be ready to take you at 5 p.m. Please sign up at the church.

Church office contact information:

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Then he said
to me,
"Prophesy
to these
Bones &
say to them,
Dry bones,
hear the word
of the
Lord!"
.
Ezekiel 37:4

When I was at my mom's house in Virginia this weekend, I took a look at the newsletter published by the church where I grew up. I was intrigued by the title of the Pastor's Corner article – titled "Dem Dry Bones". I had heard this familiar song before – "the ankle bone's connected to the knee bone..." but I had not realized it was based on a passage in Ezekiel. Ezekiel 37: 1-14 tells of Ezekiel's vision of the desert covered with dried up bones. God tells him that they were the bones of the Israelites. The bones weren't of much value without muscle, tendons, blood and breath. Similarly, the Israelites could only do His work if they were completed by the Holy Spirit. Then, Dr. Lolly pointed out that we are God's hands on earth in his sermon on Sunday and that kind of clarified what Pastor Steve Bray in Virginia was saying.

We are Christians because we chose to accept Jesus as our Savior. That commitment should go far beyond that day. We can't grow as Christians without effort on our part and without this growth we won't be able to serve God to the fullest. We need the structure of the church just like a human being needs the structure of bones. But if there is no growth, the structure of the church is dormant. It takes muscles and blood and tendons and nerves to make the skeleton move. It takes people knowing what the bible says and how it relates to today that can start the work of the church. But it is imperative that we create a home for the breath of the Holy Spirit in our hearts before that work can be accomplished, just like it takes breath to start those muscles moving.

How can we do God's work without the Holy Spirit in our hearts? We simply can't. How do we nurture the Holy Spirit in our hearts? We need to be praying, studying and serving. How can we serve? That's where our church can help. There are numerous ways that Crabtree Valley Baptist Church can help us find those ways. We have programs within our walls designed to reach out to the community. There are programs within the NC State Convention that can broaden our reach. All we have to do is look. God has put countless opportunities to do His work right in front of us. All we need to do is step up and do the work. It is the Spirit that drives our church and its people. Without it, we are just like those dry bones, lying in a desert and accomplishing nothing for God's Kingdom.

Submitted by Linda Wheeler

Weekly Church Calendar:

EACH SUNDAY

9:15-9:30am – Prayer – Ben Best classroom

*9:45am Sunday School

*11:00am Worship Service

*Child care provided downstairs.

2:30-7:00pm Kenyan Fellowship

EACH MONDAY AND WEDNESDAY

9:00am-12:00pm Hope Pantry is open

EACH TUESDAY: 6:00-7:30pm Kenyan Fellowship

EACH WEDNESDAY:

6:30pm Children and Youth Mission groups

7:00pm Bible study & Prayer

7:45pm Choir Practice

EACH THURSDAY:

10:00am Handbell choir practice

8:00pm Gamblers Anonymous

EACH FRIDAY: 7:00-9:30pm Kenyan Fellowship

MONTHLY: (4th Thursday of each month)

6:00pm Young Hearts (Senior Adults)

Calendar of Events

Fri, May 18 & Sat, May 19

Church in use for wedding

Sunday, May 20

Youth Sunday

Crabtree Cafe

Monday, May 21

7:00pm Deacons meeting

Thursday, May 24

6:00pm Young Hearts at Forks Cafeteria

Attendance 5/13

Sunday School 49

Nursing Home 5

Visitors

Total 54

Worship Attendance: 78

Deacon for this week: 5/20 Mary Cain

Deacon for next week: 5/27 Ben Best

Greeter Schedule (front entrance)

5/20 Christine Eller 5/27 Ed Quarles

Properties for May

Darrell Jenkins

Ushers for May

David Jenkins Bob Davis
Whit Stallings Rudy Barden

PRAYER CONCERNS:

HOME:

Van and Betsy Phillips

Charles Bilbro – (Rick’s father)

Johnnie Grubbs

Jane Williams

Pat Jenkins

Jim Feagles (Lee Snyder’s brother-in-law) – Leukemia

Sue DeWalt

Lee Snyder

Jean Greene

Greg Small

Cassie Glover

Pam Bilbro

REHAB & CARE FACILITIES:

Lois Capps – Rex Rehab - Apex

Mary Ross Brown – A Jenkins’ sister, Va

Joyce Barden – Sunnybrook

Al Coley – Sunrise at North Hills

Wilton Harris – Heritage Woods Ret. Comm. - Winston-Salem

HOSPITAL:

Ed Quarles – Rex (Intensive Care)



We express our sympathy to the family of Ken DeWalt, who went to be with the Lord on Friday, May 11th. Funeral services were held Tuesday, May 15, 2012 at Crabtree Valley Baptist Church, and Interment, with Military Honors, at Raleigh Memorial Park. Memorials can be made to Crabtree Valley Baptist Church, PO Box 30954, Raleigh, NC 27622.



Sunday, May 20th

Make plans to be here on the 20th as our Youth lead us in worship, and be sure to stay for the Crabtree Cafe.

Menu:

Stir Fry Chicken and Vegetables; Rice, Egg rolls, Salad, Fruit and Desserts.