

CRABTREE VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH



THE VALLEY ECHO

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What a great week we had at VBS! We had 40 children in attendance and 15 youth and adult workers. I'd like to thank all our teachers and helpers for showing up and helping every day (despite the heat!). And also, many thanks to those who donated water, snacks, school supplies, hygiene items and monetary gifts, I really appreciate your support.

Have a great summer!
Cheryl Walker



THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Gloria and I had a serendipity moment last Thursday. In case you have forgotten "serendipity" is something you discover or experience while looking for something else.

After visiting with Willie and Linda Burns, our long time friends at Morehead City who lost their daughter Allison to cancer, we rode over to Atlantic Beach to see the ocean. We drove down to Fort Macon State Park where there is a

pavilion, a nice boardwalk to the ocean and two very nice sheltered areas where people can sit, enjoy the ocean breeze and keep out of the hot sun. We were delighted to sit under the shelter close to the water. The temperature was 92 degrees at 4pm - much too hot for us to take a walk on the beach.

We sat under the shelter and watched the seagulls take off and land. The ocean was almost as calm as a lake. Hundreds of beach goers lined the shore with their umbrellas, tents, chairs, and towels. Other hundreds were in the water swimming or surfing or bobbing up and down as the waves came in. Small boats paraded back and forth in front of us and in the distance we could see commercial fishing boats making their way back to the Beaufort Inlet after a long day of deep sea fishing.

With the death of Allison on our minds and preparing for the memorial service on Friday, the ocean and all its surroundings provided the perfect place to deal with our emotions, reflect on the loss and grief of our friends and allow the Holy Spirit to speak to our hearts. We sat there in silence for over thirty minutes not wanting to move, not wanting to disturb the tranquility of the moment, not wanting to miss something that God might be saying to us as we sat in His beautiful outdoor sanctuary.

As we drove away, Gloria remarked about how refreshing it was to be in that special place given the reason for our coming to Morehead City. We came for the funeral but our serendipity at Fort Macon State Park was experiencing God, sheltered from the sun, and being cooled by an ocean breeze blowing upon us like the refreshing, uplifting breath of the Holy Spirit.

Back home on Saturday, I opened one of my favorite meditation books entitled "Dare to Succeed, a Treasure of Inspiration and Wisdom for Life & Career". The message that my eyes lifted off the first random page that I opened said it all, "Sometimes the most important and urgent thing we can do is get away to a peaceful and anointed spot." To which I said, "Amen and Amen"

In His Love,
Charles

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Weekly Church Calendar

EACH SUNDAY

*9:45am Sunday School
 *11:00am Worship Service
 *Child care provided downstairs.
 2:00-7:00pm Kenyan Fellowship

EACH MONDAY:

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

EACH TUESDAY:

6:00-8:00pm Kenyan Fellowship

EACH WEDNESDAY:

9:00am-12:00pm Hope Pantry is open
 7:00pm Bible study & Prayer
 8:00pm Choir Practice

EACH THURSDAY:

8:00pm Gamblers Anonymous

EACH FRIDAY: 7:00-10:30pm Kenyan Fellowship

MONTHLY: (4th Thursday of each month)

Young Hearts (Senior Adults)

PRAYER CONCERNS:

HOME:

Frances Viano
 Faye Hayes – eye surgery Aug 1
 Jean Glosson – eye surgery Aug 3
 Greg Small
 Lee Snyder
 Ed & Cassie Glover
 Pam Bilbro

REHAB & CARE FACILITIES:

Al Coley – Sunrise at North Hills – Room 286
 Wilton Harris – Heritage Woods Ret. Comm. - W-S
 Jean Greene – Snow Hill Asst. Living - Snow Hill, NC
 Mary Cain – 806 Springmoor Circle 27615

OTHER:

Christine and Haline Eller – upcoming move
 Music Committee – search for Music Director
 Melissa Garcia – job search

Calendar of Events:

Mon, July 25 – Mon, Aug 1

Charles and Gloria on vacation

Saturday, July 30

Church in use for a wedding

Sunday, July 31

Benevolence offering

Guest Speaker: Roger Nix



Make plans to be here this Sunday, July 31 as we welcome Dr. Roger Nix as our guest preacher.



This Sunday we will be collecting our **5th Sunday Benevolent offering**. Please come prepared to make a donation to this fund so that we can help our own church members in times of need.

Attendance 7/24

Sunday School 33

Visitors 1

Total 34

Worship Attendance: 51

Deacon for this week: 7/24 Jean Glosson

Deacon for next week: 7/31 Shirley Keener

Properties for August

Randy Walker

Ushers for August

Randy Walker Shirley Keener

Walt Switzer Ben Best



Below are items currently needed:

Fruit juice (Apple juice in plastic bottles preferred)

Vegetables (do not need corn)

Canned meats: chicken, spam, Vienna sausages

Canned or dried beans, Pork-n-Beans

Spaghetti sauce

Mac and Cheese, Rice, Ramen noodles

Canned or Instant potatoes

Canned fruit

Jelly



SHARE THE SONSHINE

Make a call, a visit or send a card!

This week: July 24 – 30 Al Coley

Next week: July 31 – August 6 Johnnie Grubbs