

CRABTREE VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH



THE VALLEY ECHO

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What Makes A Dad

God took the strength of a mountain,
The majesty of a tree,
The warmth of a summer sun,
The calm of a quiet sea,
The generous soul of nature,
The comforting arm of night,
The wisdom of the ages,
The power of the eagle's flight,
The joy of a morning in spring,
The faith of a mustard seed,
The patience of eternity,
The depth of a family need,
Then God combined these qualities,
And then there was nothing
more to add,
He knew His masterpiece
was complete,
And so, He called it - Dad.



While this heat wave has driven most of us indoors for the better part of the day, the plants in my garden are loving it. A few tomato plants are already beginning to bear fruit here and there, and each morning, it seems all of the plants are a little taller, greener, and have a few more blossoms on them than they did just the day before.

Experience over the last two years has taught me that planting a garden is a textbook example of faith in action. It's a covenant with the LORD that you can see, feel, touch, and taste.

The plants are in the ground, but He didn't actually shovel the dirt and put them in the ground for me. The tomatoes are growing higher, but He didn't go out and stake or tie them. The weeds are pretty-well held at bay, but He didn't go out and mulch the ground.

The church is called to be a lighthouse of faith. In Hebrews 11:1, the writer tells us "Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see." He goes on to describe how many from the Old Testament's lineage of faith giants carried out their calling from God until the day they died, yet never saw the fruits of their labors this side of heaven. Now, we're not building temples in Jerusalem or leading God's people to the promised land, but we are called to living out the same type of faith.

And sometimes, He DOES allow us to see the fruits of our labors.
(That's part of why I enjoy gardening as much as I do!)

My friend Bob, who has been a great mentor to me the past several years, often reminds me that when it comes to faith:

1. our job is to take action and get the work done,
2. God's job is to handle the outcome, and
3. it's much better for us when we don't get those two mixed up.

What action(s) is God calling us to take as a congregation?

What outcomes ought we be leaving in His hands?

In my experience, when I've followed 'Bob's Hypothesis', the rewards have been great. God was simply waiting on me to let go and trust Him fully.

God's blessings upon your week! I'll see you Sunday.

In His grip,

Church office contact information:

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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
6:30pm Children and Youth Mission groups
1:00 and 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)

6:00pm Young Hearts (Senior Adults)

Calendar of Events:

Each Wednesday:

1:00pm and 7:00pm Bible study

Fri & Sat, June 19-20

Church in use by Oaks Church Raleigh

Sunday, June 21

Father's Day

Guest Speaker: Dr. Charles Dorman

Monday, June 22

7:00pm Deacons meeting

Sunday, June 28

Guest Speaker: Dr. Steve Bolton

6:00pm Fellowship Meal

7:00pm Business meeting

Attendance **6/14**

Sunday School 31

Visitors 1

Total 32

Worship Attendance: 53

Deacon for this week: 6/21 Barbara Best

Deacon for next week: 6/28 Walt Switzer

Greeter Schedule (front entrance)

6/21 Christine Eller 6/28 Grace Small

Properties for June

David Jenkins

Ushers for June

Rudy Barden Ben Best
Ed Glover Frances Viano
Alternate: Whitt Stallings



SHARE THE SONSHINE

Make a call, a visit or send a card!

This week: June 14-20 Ed & Cassie Glover

Next week: June 21-27 Lee & Iva Snyder

PRAYER CONCERNS:

HOME:

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

OTHER:

Pastor Search Committee

Embracing our COMMUNITY

Harvest Field Training

A practical guide to engaging the unreached around us.

Friday, June 19, 2015 6:00-9:00 PM

Justin White, the discipleship/missions pastor at Oaks Church Raleigh (a church plant currently meeting at the Shelley Lake art center) has asked to use our building to host an outreach training class for their church. He has invited our church to join them as well. Below is some information about the training.

We expend much thought, effort, and resources (and rightly so) sending laborers into harvest fields overseas, but struggle to do so in our own "villages." The reality is, that there are thousands of people within walking distance of most of us who have not heard, and do not believe, the Gospel. We also must acknowledge that most of these people will not come to us. Some of them we know, but most of them we do not. We believe it is our job to go to them with the Gospel!

We will be joined by experienced practitioners' from Memphis (Ron Surgeon) and Charlotte (Clint Harrill) who are seeing God move in wondrous ways in those cities. At the end of this training we desire that each of us are better equipped to enter into our harvest fields and to intentionally engage individuals who we may never encounter in the normal flow of life. Jesus lived with this type of intentionality and commanded his disciples to as well. There is much work to be done in Raleigh, but Jesus has also promised to be with us as we go.



July 13-16 9am-12 noon

*Exploring God's Creation with Bible stories,
crafts and science demonstrations!*

Contact Cheryl Walker to register or
if you'd like to volunteer to help!
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