

CRABTREE VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH



THE VALLEY ECHO

March 13, 2017

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General Office hours: Monday-Thursday 9am-3pm (closed on Friday)



Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for North American Missions

Look for prayer guides and envelopes on the lobby table. We will receive this offering through the end of March.

Our church goal: \$700.00



Welcome Luncheon for our new Music Director, Risa Poniros Sunday, April 2 at 12:15pm

Everyone is cordially invited to join us as we officially welcome Risa Poniros as our new Music Director with a luncheon in the fellowship hall following the morning service on April 2. Please sign up in the narthex to help with food.

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1 JOHN 3:18, NRSV

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Paul's challenge to Christians in 2 Timothy 2:15 is to be an unashamed worker. He writes, "Be diligent to present yourself approved to God as a workman who does not need to be ashamed, handling accurately the Word of truth." First, we should never be ashamed of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We should never be embarrassed to be called a Christian or to speak out for Christ. And second, we should guard against any conduct that would make us ashamed of how we have represented Christ.

There is a story of a soldier who was caught in a compromising situation by Alexander the Great. The commander warrior asked the young soldier his name. He replied, "Alexander, Sir". He was quickly told, "Soldier, change your conduct or change your name. That command applies to Christians who misrepresent Christ.

Accurately handling the word of truth applies not only to our understanding of God's word from a theological point of view but it also has to do with putting into practice what the Bible teaches.

Paul lived in a day of much religious debate and so do we. He lived in a day of grave misunderstandings about God and Jesus and so do we. He was concerned about what Christians believed and how they lived. Paul wanted those who represented Christ to do so without shame. In describing an unashamed worker, Paul dives into the subject of the Christian's speech. He warns against what he called "godless chatter". The challenge is to be quick to hear and slow to speak and to avoid gossip or unconfirmed information. We all deal with information that is private and personal to a family. It is imperative that we not enter into gossip, or repeat unverified information or reveal information that is confidential. The challenge of a Christian is to always speak the truth with love.

An unashamed worker is one who takes responsibility seriously, sticks to the task regardless of the difficulty, fulfills the assigned mission and is not ashamed to be identified with Christ and his church and is not ashamed to talk about matters of faith.

An unashamed worker is dependable, faithful, courageous and truthful. Christians are to live by a higher standard than non Christians. As Christians, we are being watched. How we conduct ourselves matters deeply. The word from Paul is "do you best to present yourself to God as one approved.

In His Love,
Charles

Weekly Church Calendar

EACH SUNDAY

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

EACH WEDNESDAY:

9:00am-12:00pm Hope Pantry is open
6:30pm Children and Youth Mission groups
6:30pm Bible study & Prayer
7:30pm Choir Practice

EACH THURSDAY:

8:00pm Gamblers Anonymous

MONTHLY: (4th Thursday of each month)

Young Hearts (Senior Adults)

Calendar of Events:

Sunday, March 26

6:00pm Fellowship meal
7:00pm Business meeting

Tuesday, March 28

RBA Spring Senior Adult Rally

Sunday, April 2

Welcome Luncheon for Risa Poniros

Attendance 3/12

Sunday School	25
Visitors	
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Worship Attendance: 36

Deacon for this week: 3/19 Ben Best

Deacon for next week: 3/26 Bonnie Wright

Properties for March

Gene Sherwood

Ushers for March

Robert Best	Bobby Hayes
Whitt Stallings	Darrell Jenkins

PRAYER CONCERNS:

HOME:

Sandi Robinson – recovering from a fall
Iva Snyder
Bonnie Wright
Greg Small
Eleanor Cromartie
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
Ed Glover – Hillcrest rehab



The family of Steve Poniros would like to thank the entire CVBC community for all of your expressions of love, prayers, visits, cards and unconditional support during the past few months. We will forever be grateful to you all.

Sincerely, Risa Poniros



Effective April 1st 2017, the Hope Pantry will be changing its hours of operation to be open only on Wednesday from 9:00-12:00.



We extend our condolences to the family of Mr. John Durden, a former member of CVBC, who died Thursday, March 9, 2017. A memorial service for John will be held at Trinity Baptist Church on Sat, March 25th at 11:00AM. Visitation will be held before the service at 10am. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to either Pardoned by Christ Ministry (pardonedbychrist.org), Transitions Life Care Hospice of Raleigh, or Trinity Baptist Church missions fund. <http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/newsobserver/obituary.aspx?page=lifestory&pid=184494579#sthash.tTf3aaDX.dpuf>



SHARE THE SONSHINE

Make a call, a visit or send a card!

This week: March 12-18 Mary Cain

Next week: March 19-25 Al Coley