

CRABTREE VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH



THE VALLEY ECHO

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Mother's Day Offering

Touching Lives with Hope
at NC Baptist Hospital
Week of Prayer ~ May 1-8



www.mothersdayoffering.org

Received to date: \$105.00

Your gifts to the Mother's Day Offering assist patients in financial need at Wake Forest Baptist Health. Envelopes are available in the Narthex. We will receive this offering until the end of May.

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Thought for the Week

If you have ever held a seashell next to your ear the sound you heard was not the ocean but rather the sound of blood surging through the veins in your ear. That interesting bit of information give us cause for reflection.

There is something about the human make up that causes us to hear our selves more than we hear others or even God. We may think that we are good listeners. We may try to convince ourselves that we are always open to the insights and suggestions of others. We may even imagine that we are always open to hear God speak to us. But in reality, we can easily fall into the trap of shutting out the thoughts and advice of others, including God, and relying on our own intelligence and supposed wisdom in making decisions.

Adam and Eve did just that when they ignored the warning that God gave them about eating or touching the forbidden tree and its fruit. In Genesis 2:16 we read, "And the Lord God commanded the man, you are free to eat from any tree in the garden; but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat of it you will surely die." In Genesis 3, we read that the serpent (Satan) placed doubt in Eve's mind about what God had said. "Did God really say, 'You must not eat from any tree in the garden?'" Eve repeated what God had said to her. But then, Satan enhanced her doubt by saying, "You will not surely die." He further enticed her by telling her that she would have greater knowledge by eating of the forbidden tree - she would be like God knowing good and evil. Eve heard and even repeated God's warning. However, with encouragement from Satan, her response was like putting a seashell to her ear - thinking that she was hearing God, she actually listened to herself and her own desire. She ate the forbidden fruit. Not only did she disobey but she enticed her husband to do the same. Her actions and the actions of her husband brought God's judgment upon them both. Sin entered their lives and they were expelled from the Garden of Eden.

Listening to ourselves, relying on our own wisdom, allowing Satan to enhance our doubt of what God has said is a pathway to sin, disobedience, trouble and judgment from God.

Just like holding a seashell to your ear thinking that you are hearing the ocean when in reality you are hearing yourself, it is an illusion to think that we are hearing God when in fact we are hearing ourselves. You may remember the old railroad crossings that displayed the words STOP, LOOK, LISTEN. That is good advice when it comes to making decisions. Stop, look and listen. Make sure that you are hearing and obeying God and not fulfilling your own desires.

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 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
- 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)

Calendar of Events:

Each Wednesday

- 6:30pm Children and Youth Mission groups
- 7:00pm Bible study & Prayer
- 8:00pm Choir Practice

Sunday, May 22

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

Sunday, May 29

5th Sunday Benevolent offering

Monday, May 30

Office and Pantry closed for Memorial Day

<u>Attendance</u>	<u>5/15</u>
Sunday School	35
Visitors	1
Total	36

Worship Attendance: 54

Deacon for this week: 5/22 Bonnie Wright

Deacon for next week: 5/29 Jean Glosson

Properties for May

Darrell Jenkins

Ushers for May

Robert Best Whitt Stallings
Bobby Hayes Darrell Jenkins



SHARE THE SONSHINE

Make a call, a visit or send a card!

This week: May 15-21 Greg Small

Next week: May 22-28 Mary Cain

Copies of the May-August list are available on the lobby table.

PRAYER CONCERNS:

HOME:

Christine & Haline Eller
Sandi Robinson
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 – PO Box 806 Springmoor Circle 27615
Healthcare center - room 220



This Sunday, April 22, 2016

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



Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it. Proverbs 22:6 (KJV)

Congratulations to Ashley Walker who will be graduating from Enloe High School in June. She will be attending East Carolina University to pursue a degree in early childhood education. There will be a basket in the narthex until Sunday, June 5 for cards and gifts for her as she prepares for college life.



Please keep all of our teens and kids in your prayers as they prepare for final tests and exams for the end of the school year.