

CRABTREE VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH



THE VALLEY ECHO

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Sunday, May 25

NO BUSINESS MEETING

Monday, May 26

Office and Pantry closed



Sunday, June 1st our young people will be leading the worship service. They are working hard to prepare a meaningful service for all ages, so please make plans to be here to support their efforts! *Afterwards, be sure to stay for the Crabtree Cafe. Menu: Lasagna, tossed salad, bread, assorted desserts and drinks.*

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Last week John and I went to Jamaica. When we arrived, the driver advised us that the commute from the airport to our resort would take about 90 minutes, including a short stop to stretch our legs. As we traveled the rugged, narrow, winding roads, I soon realized why we needed to break up the drive. I, for one, was ready to relax my hand muscles which had held a constant grip on the bar in front of my seat.

We finally arrived at the resort safely and had a wonderful week. On the morning of our departure, we had just left the premises when we saw some commotion on the road in front of us. A big tree branch was blocking the road – the only main road that led back to the airport. This branch had nothing to do with a thunder storm. It had been cut down on purpose as a public protest. The local people wanted their government to fix the poor road conditions. I can see why. I can't blame them for desiring safe roads for traveling to work and school. But John and I had to catch a flight!

After pondering the situation, our bus driver announced he would to take us the "back way" – "through the mountain road" – "it will only add about an hour to our travel time"! Needless to say, we were feeling quite anxious about all of this.

It was a daunting ride back to the airport. We were, however, able to calm down enough to enjoy some breath-taking views. I thought about how we would have missed out on these views if our plans had not been interrupted. We would have missed seeing the school children all dressed up in their uniforms walking to school, the numerous churches along the way (including some Baptist ones!), and on getting a glimpse at the way of life for the local Jamaicans. This detour in our plan ended up being a huge blessing. We were reminded that for these beautiful natives, traveling on awful roads was something they dealt with every day. We only experienced a one-time inconvenience. While our kids have always been able to ride a bus to school, most of the children there had to walk long distances on narrow, dangerous roads. I cannot even image the worry I would have every day about sending my kids to school that way.

We were blessed by this interruption to our plans. Do you ever find that the interruptions in your life end up being a blessing? Do they ever cause you to see a bigger picture and to think less about yourself and more about someone else? *"The Lord... makes the plans of the people of no effect. The counsel of the Lord stands forever."* (Psalm 33:10-11) I hope God will bless your next "interruption."

In Christ, Pastor Nola

P.S. Please be in prayer for the upcoming Deacons Retreat this Friday night!

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:

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

Each Wednesday

1:00pm & 7:00pm Bible study

Thursday, May 22

12:30pm Young Hearts going to Vivo's restaurant

Friday, May 23

5:00-9:00pm Deacons Retreat – part 2

Sunday, May 25

Business meeting cancelled

Monday, May 26 – Memorial Day

Church office & Pantry closed

Attendance 5/18

Sunday School 41

Visitors

Total 41

Worship Attendance: 52

Deacon for this week: 5/25 Whitt Stallings

Deacon for next week: 6/1 Peninah Brown

Greeter Schedule (front entrance)

5/25 Christine Eller 6/1 Grace Small

Properties for May

Darrell Jenkins

Ushers for May

Randy Walker Bobby Hayes

Walt Switzer David Jenkins

Alternate: Robert Best



SHARE THE SONSHINE

This week, May 18-24: Jim and Jean Greene

Next week, May 25-31: Sue DeWalt

Pick up your copy of the March - May "Share the Sonshine" calendar on the table in the church narthex. Post the calendar (which includes addresses and phone numbers) on your refrigerator or in your datebook. *Let's Share the Sonshine!*

PRAYER CONCERNS:

HOME:

Van Phillips

Ed Glover

Sue DeWalt

Pat Jenkins

Mildred Jenkins

Cassie Glover

Susan Carden – Frances Viano's daughter

Lee Snyder

Jean Greene

Pam Bilbro

REHAB & CARE FACILITIES:

Lois Capps – Rex Rehab - Apex

Al Coley – Sunrise at North Hills – Room 286

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

Gerry Campbell – Rex Rehab



We need your input!

One of the topics discussed at the Deacon retreat was Music Enrichment. We're asking everyone to complete a survey asking for your 5 favorite songs for worship. Look for this survey in your Sunday bulletin.



Fun for Seniors

The Young Hearts are going to Vivo's Italian restaurant on Thursday, May 22 at 12:30pm.

Vivo's is located at 7400 Six Forks Rd at Peachtree Market. Please sign up at the church or call Jean Glosson at 919-851-0820.



We are in the final stages of getting our directory ready! In the Narthex there is a copy of the address and phone number pages. We would like for everyone to verify that their information is correct before it is sent for printing.



SERVING MEALS TO THE HOMELESS

At the Shepherd's Table soup kitchen in downtown Raleigh on Friday, June 13. Meet at CVBC at 9:45am sharp to carpool, we'll be at the soup kitchen from 10:15-12:15, returning around 12:45pm. **Call or see Shirley Keener to participate 919-844-1987.**