

# CRABTREE VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH



## THE VALLEY ECHO

May 22, 2017

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



## BIRTHDAYS

- 6/5 Sue Edwards  
13201 Norwood Road 27614
- 6/18 Cheryl Walker  
4700 Theys Road 27606
- 6/19 Tom Edwards  
13201 Norwood Road 27614
- 6/20 Jane Williams  
1444 Barton Place Dr 27608



### Thought for the Week

Oswald Chambers reminds us in one of his devotions that "we are not here to work for God because we have chosen to do so, but because God has 'laid hold of' us".

On Wednesday nights we are studying Paul's letter to the Philippians. In Chapter 3:12 Paul writes, "I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me."

Our normal way of thinking is that we choose Christ. We choose to receive him into our lives as Lord and Savior. We choose to serve him and honor him. But normal thinking does not get it. Biblical thinking corrects us. We easily forget that God chose us before we chose Him. God chose to take the initiative to reach out to us long before we thought about reaching out to Him. While we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. It is always God who takes the initiative. He goes before us. His plan for us is already determined.

We do well to seriously ponder Paul's provocative words to "Press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me." Do you recognize, do you acknowledge that God has laid hold of you? You and I are not volunteers in God's service. We have been drafted. We have been commissioned. We have been called. We have been called to God's purpose for our lives.

If we fail to take hold of what God has laid his hands upon us to do we will forever be restless. As St. Augustine discovered after years of rebellion and years of wasting his life, his soul was restless until he found rest in surrendering to God's Will. When we take hold of that for which Christ has taken hold of us then and only then will we have peace.

In His Love,  
Charles



Monday, May 29  
Church office closed

### 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 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: (4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month)

Young Hearts (Senior Adults)

### Calendar of Events:

#### Monday, May 29

Memorial Day – office will be closed

#### Week of June 5

Secretary on vacation - no newsletter this week.

#### Sunday, June 18

Father's Day

#### Monday, June 19

7:00pm Deacons meeting

### Attendance **5/21**

Sunday School 24

### Visitors

Total 24

**Worship Attendance:** 39

**Deacon for this week:** 5/28 Bonnie Wright

**Deacon for next week:** 6/4 Peninah Brown

### Properties for June

David Jenkins

### Ushers for June

Randy Walker Ben Best

Walt Switzer



## **SHARE THE SONSHINE**

*Keeping in touch with those who are not able to attend church on a regular basis.*

*Make a call, a visit or send a card.*

This week: May 21 – 27 Johnnie Grubbs

Next week: May 28 – June 2 Eleanor Cromartie

**May-August lists are available in the lobby.**

## PRAYER CONCERNS:

### HOME:

Ed Sinnema  
Greg Small  
Eleanor Cromartie  
Lee Snyder  
Cassie Glover and family  
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  
Joe Clary – Hospice Care



**Mon, July 10- Thurs, July 13**

**9am-12 noon**

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

Invite your neighbors and friends,  
flyers are in the lobby.

Contact Cheryl Walker to register or  
if you'd like to volunteer to help!  
919-851-6976 or [chwalker@med.unc.edu](mailto:chwalker@med.unc.edu)



**We are running low on the following items:**

Canned soups	Corn
Tuna	Canned fruit
Fruit juice	Snacks
Spaghetti noodles	Mac & cheese
Spaghetti sauce	Potatoes (instant/canned)
Grits & Oatmeal	Canned Ravioli, Spag O's, etc
Toilet tissue, soap	