

# CRABTREE VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH



## THE VALLEY ECHO

November 21, 2016

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## DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 12/2    Mattheus DaSilva  
          2421 Tony Tank Lane  
          Apt 208   27613
- 12/13   Ashley Walker  
          4700 Theys Rd 27606
- 12/17   Mary Elizabeth Robinson  
          5538 Spindlewood Ct  
          Durham 27703
- 12/19   Whitt Stallings  
          4826 Brookhaven Dr 27612
- 12/26   Barbara Best  
          5009 Picardy Place 27612

### Wednesday, November 23

Office & Pantry closed  
7:00pm Bible study &  
Prayer meeting

### Thursday, November 24

Closed for Thanksgiving



## Operation Christmas Child

Thank you to all who participated, we collected 56 boxes! Please be in prayer for the children and families that will receive these boxes. Pray for the volunteers who deliver them as they share what it means to faithfully follow Christ and share their faith with others.



## Thought for the Week

A bumper sticker on the back of a Jaguar caught my attention. It read, "How does it feel to want?"

As I thought about all the implications of that bumper sticker, I was reminded that God gives us material things not to make us arrogant or to give us a feeling of superiority over others but in order that we might express our gratitude to Him from whom all blessings flow.

God does not bless us so that we can flaunt our blessings in front of those who are less fortunate and have a tough economic road in life. God blesses us so that we can in turn be a blessing to others. After all, we are accountable to him for what we have and what we do with what we have.

Material things are at best temporary. What we have today can be taken away or destroyed in seconds. Just think of those who lost everything they had in recent floods in North Carolina. Or think of those whose homes have gone up in flames in our Western States and even in Western North Carolina. There is no security in things that are made by man.

The Bible teaches that life does not consist of what one possesses but rather in what possesses us. It makes little difference whether we drive a Jaguar or a broken down Chevrolet. The only difference between a Jaguar and a broken down Chevrolet is how much the owner is able or willing to pay for transportation. Both vehicles serve the same purpose.

What really matters in our lives is whether or not we are grateful, whether or not we use what we have for the Glory of God and the benefit of others and whether or not we acknowledge that all of life's gifts are from God.

The same God who gives can take away. The same God who blesses can withhold the blessing. When all is said and done, only that which cannot be taken away matters for eternity.

This Thanksgiving and everyday be thankful for what you have. Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Live each day with an attitude of gratitude and reach out to those in need.

In His Love, Charles

### 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 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

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

Young Hearts (Senior Adults)

### Calendar of Events:

#### **Wednesday, November 23**

- Office and Pantry closed
- 7:00pm Bible study & Prayer meeting

#### **Thursday, November 24**

Office and Pantry closed for Thanksgiving

#### **Sunday, November 27**

First Sunday of Advent

#### **Friday, December 2**

Flower Committee – decorating for Christmas

<u>Attendance</u>	<u>11/20</u>
Sunday School	30
Visitors	
Total	30

**Worship Attendance:** 50

**Deacon for this week:** 11/27 Ben Best  
**Deacon for next week:** 12/4 Bonnie Wright

### Properties for December

David Jenkins

### Ushers for December

Robert Best      Bobby Hayes  
Darrell Jenkins      Whitt Stallings



*SHARE THE SUNSHINE*

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

This week: November 20 – 26 Johnnie Grubbs  
Next week: Nov 27-Dec 3 Pam & Rick Bilbro

## PRAYER CONCERNS:

### HOME:

Greg Small  
Charles Morrison (Ann Barden's brother-in-law)  
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  
Curtis Simmons – (Louise's brother) Rehab Winston-Salem

### OTHER:

Music Committee – search for Music Director



We express our deepest sympathy to Robinson family for the loss of John's mother, Mary Robinson who died on Sat, November 19. And, also for the loss of their Aunt, Lucile Hicks who passed away on Tues, November 15.  
<http://www.brooksandwhite.com/obituaries.php>



We are now accepting \$12.00 donations to the Flower fund to help with the cost of the Poinsettias that decorate our church for the Christmas season. If you would like to make a donation "in honor of" or "in memory of" a loved one, please use the form in the bulletin or mail it to the church (PO Box 30954, 27622) along with your payment and donation information by 12/11. A printed insert will be in the Dec 18<sup>th</sup> bulletin.



**Lottie Moon Christmas Offering**  
Our church goal is \$1,500.00

**Cooperative Baptist Fellowship**  
**Global Missions Offering**  
Our church goal is \$1,500.00