

CRABTREE VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH



THE VALLEY ECHO

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LIVING OUR MISSION

On Sunday we passed out leaves so our members could share their thoughts about how Crabtree is and will be “a fellowship of believers growing in faith.” Your thoughts and opinions are important, please remember to fill out your leaves and bring them back this Sunday. You can place them in the basket on the table in the Narthex. Extra leaves are available next to the basket if you have misplaced yours.



During the month of September we will be receiving the North Carolina Missions Offering. This offering provides funding for multiple ministries such as Baptist Men, the planting of new Churches and Evangelism, Mission Projects and the promotion of Missions Education.



...let your
faithful
rejoice
in your
goodness.

"It is good to praise the Lord ... For you make glad by your deeds, O Lord; I sing for joy at works of your hands." Psalm 92:1a-4 (NIV)

There are so many times when this is easy to do! Autumn is my favorite time of year. Watching the leaves change and drop somehow gives me a feeling of contentment. It's something we can count on every year, an obvious signal that the season is changing. Here in North Carolina, the Seasons sort of merge seamlessly into the next without any real mark of change. Even in Spring, a warm Winter can coax flowers out of

the ground prematurely only to be bitten back by frost. Leaves in Fall may not be as bright from one year to the next but they do change and fall to the ground every year; without fail. Then there are our families to cause us to give thanks and praise God. It seems that people are encouraged to consider others as the days drift closer to Christmas and that is certainly something that makes us glad in this harsh world.

But what about those days which bring us sorrow? What about recent days that saw senseless killings in Washington, DC or loss of life in the floods in Colorado? How can we praise God on those days? Obviously, we can focus on those heroic people who rush to help those in need. There are medical personnel, law enforcement, fire departments and any number of nameless brave souls who put others' needs before their own. God placed those individuals specifically there for a reason, presumably to assist. Praise God for those people!

I think that we often forget to praise God for just being our God. We think about that aspect at Christmas and Easter but I suspect that we spend the rest of the year thanking Him for gifts and blessings. That's important, of course, but there is more. We are accepted by God as His children and as His children, we can go to Him for anything. Without Him, there is no hope. NO HOPE. I can't think of words that express the magnitude of the blessing that God has given us by just being our God. In like fashion, I can't think of a word that would describe the feeling of utter hopelessness that would exist were He not available to us. It is humbling to be unable to express in words something that is felt so strongly. But we can still praise God for His connection to us. We can express our feelings to Him because when we fail to find the words, He understands. He knows what's in our hearts. We can still praise God when something happens that may cause us to say "If there is a God, then why..." It would go something like, "Praise God that He is in my heart to help me cope with ... I am blessed beyond measure." *Submitted by Linda Wheeler*

Church office contact information:

Pastor • Nola Boezeman pastor@crabtreevalleybaptist.org

Office hours: Mon-Tues: 8am-3pm & Wed: 8am-2pm

Secretary • Peggy Utley cvbc@crabtreevalleybaptist.org Mon-Thurs, 9am-3pm

Music Minister • Mr. Ernie Rushing music@crabtreevalleybaptist.org

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

Saturday, September 21

2:30pm Wang & Best wedding

Sunday, September 22

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

Monday, September 23

7-9:00pm Church in use by Inman Park HOA

Sunday, September 29

5th Sunday: Benevolence offering

Attendance 9/15

Sunday School 47

Visitors

Total 47

Worship Attendance: 67

Deacon for this week: 9/22 George Shore

Deacon for next week: 9/29 Whitt Stallings

Greeter Schedule (front entrance)

9/22 L & K Nunery 9/29 Christine Eller

Properties for September

9/22 George Shore

9/29 Steve Wheeler

Ushers for September

Randy Walker Jim Greene

Darrell Jenkins Rudy Barden



Sunday, September 22
6:00pm Fellowship meal
7:00pm Business meeting

PRAYER CONCERNS:

HOME:

Larry Nunery
Sandi Robinson
Jack Porter
Susan Carden – Francis Viano’s daughter
Van Phillips
Lee Snyder
Marlyn Ervin
Jean Greene
Pam Bilbro

REHAB & CARE FACILITIES:

Elouise Leffler – Crabtree Valley Rehab center
Lois Capps – Rex Rehab - Apex
Al Coley – Sunrise at North Hills
Wilton Harris – Heritage Woods Ret. Comm. - Winston-Salem



When you do your weekly grocery shopping, please remember to pick up a few things for our Pantry! If you prefer to make a monetary donation, please mark your envelope and check, Pantry.

These are some of the most needed items:

Cereal, oatmeal, grits Juice
Ravioli & Spag-O’s snacks/crackers
Spaghetti sauce spag noodles
Rice Mac and cheese
Instant potatoes vegetables
Soups Peanut butter
Jelly
Spam, other canned meats, vienna sausages



The Young Hearts September meeting will be Thursday, Sept 26 at 6:00pm. at the IHOP at Celebration Shopping Center, located at 7471 Six Forks Rd. Please sign up at the church or contact Jean Glosson at 851-0820 for questions or information.