

# CRABTREE VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH



## THE VALLEY ECHO

September 12, 2016

Please mail all correspondence to: P.O. Box 30954, Raleigh, NC 27622

Church location: 4408 Lead Mine Rd Raleigh, NC 27612 Phone: (919) 781-5345

Email: [cvbc@crabtreevalleybaptist.org](mailto:cvbc@crabtreevalleybaptist.org)

Website: [www.crabtreevalleybaptist.org](http://www.crabtreevalleybaptist.org)

Facebook: Crabtree Valley Baptist Church

Twitter: CrabtreeBaptist



**“BE EXALTED,  
O LORD,  
— in your —  
STRENGTH!  
WE WILL SING  
& PRAISE  
— your —  
POWER.”**  
**PSALM 21:13, NRSV**



During the month of September we will receive the NC Missions Offering. This offering provides funding for the multiple ministries that are totally funded by the NCMO such as Baptist Men, the planting of new Churches and Evangelism, Mission Camps, Associational Mission Projects and the promotion of Missions Education. *Envelopes for this offering are included in your boxes and are available in the Narthex.*



**PSALM 100:2, ESV**

### Thought For The Week

A recent devotional message based on a passage in Genesis 2:4-7 from a Missionary Nurse to West Africa told of her hardships and adjustments to a new culture, the desert heat and a bleak future. Yet she went on to tell how God breathed life and love into her and how bleakness turned into life and hope. She ended her thought with these words, "The Divine Artist who makes the desert fertile breathes new life into situations that seem hopeless, even now, even on this particular day."

Gloria and I can identify with that missionary's experience. Our first missionary assignment was in the far western corner of the State of Ceara, Brazil. We were the only Americans living in a city of 85,000. The only English we heard was in our home. The climate was arid and hot, vegetables were hard to come by, meat was tough even after being cooked in a pressure cooker. Everything had to be prepared from scratch. There were no convenience stores, no fast food restaurants, no telephone service outside of our valley area, no television to watch.

The work was hard, discouraging, and yes bleak. But in time, God brought life and hope to the area. We were pioneers in a desert but God used our ministry and today the work is thriving. Once despised and persecuted Protestants are now admired, respected and viewed as people of integrity with a message of hope.

Such is the power of the Gospel. Such is the fulfillment of God's promise that His Word will not return unto Him void. Fellow Christians, we are on the winning side with a loving, powerful God who can work miracles. As the Missionary to West Africa so beautifully expressed it, "The Divine Artist who makes the desert fertile breathes new life into situations that seem hopeless, even now, even on this particular day."

May it be so in your life and mine. May it be so at Crabtree Valley Baptist Church. Our Labor in the Lord is not in vain. He has the power to make the desert bloom.

In His Love,  
Charles

### Church office contact information:

**Pastor • Charles Allard** Office: 919-781-5345 Home: 919-606-8360

Office hours: Mon. 9am-12pm Mon. afternoon & Tues. by appointment

**Secretary • Peggy Utley** [cvbc@crabtreevalleybaptist.org](mailto:cvbc@crabtreevalleybaptist.org) Office hours: M-Th, 9-3pm

**Youth Leader • Andrew McCullagh** [youth@crabtreevalleybaptist.org](mailto:youth@crabtreevalleybaptist.org)

**Website updates/maintenance** [webmaster@crabtreevalleybaptist.org](mailto:webmaster@crabtreevalleybaptist.org)

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

Young Hearts (Senior Adults)

### Calendar of Events:

#### Monday, September 19

7:00pm Deacons meeting

#### September 19-25

Charles and Gloria on vacation

#### Thursday, September 22

11:45pm Young Hearts luncheon at Abbotswood

#### Sunday, September 25

Birthday party for Mary Cain at Springmoor

6:00pm Fellowship meal

7:00pm Business meeting

#### Tuesday, September 27

RBA Fall Senior Adult Rally

<u>Attendance</u>	<u>9/11</u>
Sunday School	37
Visitors	4
Total	41

**Worship Attendance:** 57

**Deacon for this week:** 9/18 Robert Best

**Deacon for next week:** 9/25 Larry Nunery

### Properties for September

9/18 David Jenkins

9/25 Randy Walker

### Ushers for September

Robert Best Whitt Stallings

Bobby Hayes Darrell Jenkins

## PRAYER CONCERNS:

### HOME:

- Bonnie Wright – recovering from hand surgery
- Frances Viano
- 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

### OTHER:

- Music Committee – search for Music Director
- Melissa James – job search



The Young Hearts will be meeting for lunch at **Abbotswood Retirement Community** (7900 Creedmoor Rd) on Thursday, September 22 at 11:45am. There is no charge for the luncheon, but we need to know how many will be attending. Please sign up in the narthex or call the church office to make your reservation.



The family of Mary Cain is hosting an 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday Party at Springmoor Retirement Community on Sunday afternoon, September 25 at 2:00pm. There is a handout (on pink paper) with more details in the church lobby. The family hopes that many of her CVBC friends will be able to attend, they have requested no gifts please.



*SHARE THE SONSHINE*

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

This week: September 11-17 Mary Cain

Next week: September 18-24 Al Coley