

CRABTREE VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH



THE VALLEY ECHO

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The Hospitality Committee thanks the congregation for their response to our request for food for the Ordination Reception on August 4th. We asked and you responded graciously and generously. Thank you for helping us to honor Nola on this special occasion in her life and in the life of our church. Congratulations to Reverend Nola Boezeman!



All committee chairs with budget needs are asked to start thinking about their 2014 budgets as the planning process will be starting soon.



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I'm at Atlantic Beach watching the waves roll in from the comfort of an air conditioned condo. I will be joined shortly by my daughter and the most amazing grandson ever. Steve opted out of this particular trip as we will be coming back in September and he doesn't really "like the beach all that much". I'm thankful that all these years he consented to annual beach trips because the rest of us really enjoy them.

Being at the beach represents so many memories for me. Our first vacation as a married couple was to Emerald Isle with several members of Steve's family. It was our first year of marriage. It was also the last time Steve managed to get me out on the beach before 9 o'clock. I have since learned to check the clock when he says "everyone is already out on the beach" when he really means "everyone is still asleep because it's about 6:30. As the children grew, we continued the tradition of meeting up at the beach for a week with family. We sat out on the beach during the day and my mother-in-law demonstrated her prowess in the kitchen with fresh seafood. We each took a night in the kitchen so no one had all the responsibility. Steve usually had nap duty with the kids because he didn't like to spend the whole day in the sun. Our children still talk about playing games around the table at night. Grandma always had to go "down to the point" of the island to do some shelling at the crack of dawn one morning during the week and she always had an entourage to accompany her. There were always stories – the time the kids decided it would be fun to play in the little sand hills behind the beach house only to discover that the bushes hid cacti with 3" thorns that attacked the ankles of 2 little girls. After several minutes of screaming, the adults found the kids stranded in the circle of cacti and we had to make a fireman's line to lift the kids out of the thicket. Fortunately, Steve had his trusty toolbox and he was able to extract the thorns out of the girls' ankles. It took pliers to do it. Yes, I said pliers. That only happened once. The girls' first trip back into the saltwater that day was brutal but they healed quickly.

Yes, trips to the beach bring back such precious memories to me. I can still hear little feet thumping across the wet sand. I hear kids say, "Aunt Joan! Come make dribble castles with me!" I can smell sunscreen and taste the salt from the air. Now the kids are grown and making their own memories and I still love coming to the beach. Maybe it's because of the other things it represents to me. You see, it kind of centers me. As I look out across the ocean I can better understand the vastness of God's universe. I see a horizon but I know that is not a beginning or end. I feel the wind on my face but I can't see it. I don't know where it comes from but I know it's real. I see the tiny grains of sand and understand that though there are billions of them, each is part of something bigger – the beach. They can be moved around and beaten but they are important to the sea and its inhabitants. I hear the waves crashing and it is soothing to my ears. All the natural things I see have been put here by God to serve a greater purpose. Maybe next time I can come up with a mountain vacation for Steve. I imagine I can find similar things that God has given us to appreciate there too.

Submitted by Linda Wheeler

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)

PRAYER CONCERNS:

HOME:

George Shore

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

Calendar of Events

Aug 19- 23

Secretary on vacation (no newsletter).

Friday, August 16

9:30-4:15 – Fresh Expressions Vision Day
at Forest Hills Baptist

Saturday, Aug 17

8:00am RBA Training – Trinity Baptist

Thursday, August 22

11:45 Young Hearts going to Abbotswood

Friday, August 23

6:30pm Wedding Shower

Sunday, August 25

6:00pm Fellowship meal

7:00pm Business meeting



Young Heart's August Activity

We are going to 'Abbotswood at Stonehenge', located at 7900 Creedmoor Rd on Thursday, Aug 22nd. Parking there is limited so we will be taking the bus. Meet at the church at 11:45 to ride the bus. Abbotswood will be providing a free lunch for our group. Contact Rudy or Anne Barden (919-848-3064), or Jean Glosson (919-851-0820) for questions. Please sign up at the church.

Attendance **8/11**

Sunday School 38

Visitors 1

Total 39

Worship Attendance: 60

Deacon for this week: 8/18 Barbara Best

Deacon for next week: 8/25 Walt Switzer

Greeter Schedule (front entrance)

8/18 Francis Viano 8/25 Pat Jenkins

Properties for August

Randy Walker

Ushers for August

Rudy Barden Whitt Stallings



The choir is preparing for the Christmas Cantata. Anyone who is interested in joining the choir for the cantata, please inform Ernie and make plans to attend the **Cantata Kick-off dinner on Friday, September 6 at 6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall.**



At the Shepherd's Table soup kitchen in downtown Raleigh on Friday, August 23rd. 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.**

Wedding Shower



There will be a Wedding Shower for Elizabeth and Yilong on Friday night, Aug 23 at 6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. *Guys are welcome too!* The couple is registered at Belk's and Bed, Bath & Beyond.