

CRABTREE VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH

"CONTINUE IN PRAYER"



THE VALLEY ECHO

January 29, 2018

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

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



Valentine Banquet

Saturday, February 10 at 5:30pm.

Join us for a LOVE-ly evening sponsored by the Children and Youth. A Surprise Guest soloist will be present to sing love songs.

Please sign up in lobby.

Menu: TBA closer to the date



THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"Do you want to be healed?" That is the question Jesus asked the afflicted man at the Pool of Bethesda. He had been sick for 38 years. He came to the pool because it was commonly known that at certain times the waters of the pool were stirred by an angel. It was said that anyone entering the waters after they were stirred by the angel would be healed.

One wonders why the friends of the man did not stick around to put him in the water after the angel's visitation. For one reason or another, that we might imagine, no one put him in the pool and by his own admission he was not fast enough to get into the pool after the stirring. We can also wonder if the man ever requested that someone put him in. We may never know.

Or could it be that he was comfortable in his sickness? Perhaps he enjoyed the attention that he received by being carried to the pool each day. Perhaps he enjoyed the company of others in similar condition. Perhaps he enjoyed his sickness. We can only imagine.

When Jesus came to the pool he went straight to the man. Jesus didn't have to assume anything about the man. He already knew. His question cut right to the heart of the problem - "Do you want to be healed? You would have expected the man to reply with a "yes" or "no". He didn't., rather he made an excuse, "I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred. Did he not get into the water or was he not put into the water because he didn't really want to be healed.

The solution to many of our problems depends upon our will. Do we want to be healed? Do we want to be forgiven? Do we want to forgive? Do we want to give up a grudge? Do you want to be rid of a prejudice, a jealousy, or hatred or racial bias? Do we want peace? The list goes on!

Jesus could not heal the man until he was willing to allow it. Jesus cannot change us or forgive us or even save us until we recognize our need and until we are willing to yield to Him. Whatever our sin or our problem, unless we are willing to be changed or to be made whole, healing can never take place. The question that Jesus asked the afflicted man is both profound and powerful? Do we know our need? Do we recognize our faults? Do we want to be healed? Great changes including transformation of our lives can only come if we really want it.

In His Love, Charles



Mark your calendars and help us spread the word about our next FREE concert.

There are small posters and brochures available in the lobby for you to share with your friends.

"Make a Joyful Noise"

Risa Poniros, Soprano

Sunday, February 25, 2018 at 3pm

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.

EACH TUESDAY:

6:30pm Triangle Toastmasters

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: (4th Thursday of each month)

Young Hearts (Senior Adults)

Calendar of Events:

Week of February 4th

Charles and Gloria out of town

Saturday, February 10

5:30pm Valentine Banquet

Sunday, February 25

3:00pm Concert

Attendance 1/28

Sunday School 24

Visitors

Total 24

Worship Attendance: 42

Deacon for week: 2/4 Larry Nunery

Deacon for week: 2/11 Bonnie Wright

Properties for February

Randy Walker

Ushers for February

Randy Walker Ben Best
Walt Switzer Frances Viano



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.

January 28- February 3 Eleanor Cromartie

Lists for 2018 are available in the lobby.



Member **DIRECTORY**

Updated address and phone directories for 2018 are available in the lobby.

PRAYER CONCERNS:

HOME:

Barbara Goodson
Gene Sherwood
Tom Edwards
Gregg Small
Joe Clary
Eleanor Cromartie
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



IT'S A BOY!

Congratulations to Chris and Elizabeth (Jenkins) Gyori upon the arrival of their baby boy, William Thomas. He was born Wed, Jan 24; he weighed 9lbs 13oz and is 22" long.



MEETING UPDATES

The following items were approved:

- To increase the salary for the Director of Music, retroactive to January 2018.
- To establish a Technology Committee (copies of committee duties are in the lobby)
- Crabtree Café will continue to provide meals with our Quarterly meetings, proceeds will go to the General budget unless needed for Youth Ministries.



Add your voice

Make a joyful noise unto the Lord.

Psalm 100:1

Sing to the Lord a new song.

Psalm 98:1

If you are interested in being a part of our choir, please speak with Risa or come to our weekly Choir practice, which meets each Wednesday evening at 7:30pm, following Prayer and Bible Study.