

CRABTREE VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH

"CONTINUE IN PRAYER"



THE VALLEY ECHO

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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

When God called Abram to leave his country, his people and his household and "go to a place I will show you," Abram did not have a clue as to where God was going to lead him, what he would face, or what the outcome would be. Facing the New Year is a similar experience. We don't know where we are going in 2019. We don't know what we will face. We don't know what the New Year will bring or what the outcome will be.

The Great Baptist preacher/statesman George W. Truett coined the phrase, "I don't know what the future holds, but I know who holds the future." We live in the present. The future is uncharted territory. We can plan, hope and dream but we cannot see past the moment in which we live. God in his wisdom created us in a marvelous way - "In His image," but He wisely choose not to give us vision into the next moment or tomorrow. Why? Because he wanted us to walk by faith, not by sight. God created us to be dependent upon Him and to trust him with all our being.

When our youngest son was old enough for me to take him on short or long trips, I would often ask him to go with me. Inevitably, he would ask, "Where are you going?" If I was going somewhere that he wanted to go, there was no resistance. If I was going somewhere that he didn't want to go, he would decline my invitation. To tell the truth, It hurt my feelings when I invited him to go with me and he refused. My rationale was that "He ought to want to be with me, to go with me without question. He ought to love me and trust me enough to go anywhere I was going just to be with me.

Through my son's rejection of my invitation, God taught me a powerful lesson. When God invites us to go with him it should not matter where. What truly matters is that I should want to go with God wherever he goes, wherever he leads. It's a matter of relationship, love and trust.

We walk blindly into a New Year. We don't know what we face. We may walk blindly but we never walk alone. God invites us into new country, new territory, a new page in life, a new adventure. Those who trust God and follow his leadership have nothing to fear. As the song says, "God will take care of you, through every day, O'er all the way; He will take care of you."

Our challenge for the New Year is to accept God's invitation, walk with him, trust Him, walk by faith leaving all unanswered questions and unbelieving resistance behind. Why? Because He is God, because he wants a personal relationship with us. Because He knows where he wants to take us, He knows how he wants to mold and shape us and He will never lead us down the wrong road. He is with us all the way, even to the end of the age and beyond. Walk by faith with God and have a blessed New Year!

In His Love, Charles

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:

Tuesday, January 1

New Year's Day – Office closed

Sunday, January 6

Communion

Sunday, January 20

3:00pm Bill Leslie Concert

Monday, January 21

7:00pm Deacons meeting

Sunday, January 27

Quarterly Business meeting

Attendance 12/30

Sunday School	22
Worship Attendance	34

Deacon for week: 1/6 Iva Snyder

Deacon for week: 1/13 Beth Jenkins

Properties for January

Keith Harris

Ushers for January

Robert Best Bobby Hayes
Darrell Jenkins Whitt Stallings



SHARE THE SONSHINE

Share the Sonshine is an outreach ministry to our members who are in Rehab or Nursing Home facilities or who are unable to attend church on a regular basis due to health reasons. A list is printed quarterly with each person's name and contact information. We can all be a part of this ministry by sending cards, making a phone or a home visit. *New 2019 lists are available in the lobby.*

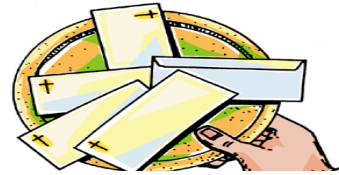
PRAYER CONCERNS:

HOME:

Charlie Capps
Phyllis Goodwin
George Shore
Bonnie Wright

REHAB & CARE FACILITIES:

Jean Greene – Snow Hill Asst. Living - Snow Hill, NC
Mary Cain – 806 Springmoor Circle 27615
Anne Jenkins - Morningside of Raleigh Room 132
Louise Shore (fractured pelvis) – Rex Rehab



Thank you for your contributions for our Christmas offerings, the final totals are listed below. If you need a new box of contribution envelopes for 2019, please contact the office.

Lottie Moon: \$836.00 Global Missions: \$1025.00
Staff Love offering: \$875.00



On behalf of the Hospitality Committee, we thank each of you for the delicious goodies contributed for the reception following the Christmas Cantata. We were pleased to host this reception for the Ridge Road Baptist Church Choir for their participation in the cantata as well as for our guests and friends. We also appreciate all the assistance we received in setting up and cleaning up. Your attendance, generous contributions and willingness helped to make this a very special event for our church.

Jean Glosson, Hospitality Committee Chair

Special Music

An Afternoon with Bill Leslie

Sunday, January 20, 2019 at 3:00pm

Please help us spread the word about this upcoming concert!

Bill Leslie is an award winning journalist and internationally-acclaimed musician and composer. Bill produced more than a dozen award-winning documentaries as a veteran anchorman and environmental reporter for WRAL, All eight music CD's produced by Bill have hit at or near the top of the world music charts. Bill currently plays with the Raleigh based Celtic/Folk ensemble "Lorica." For more information, visit his website: <https://www.billleslie.com/>