

CRABTREE VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH



THE VALLEY ECHO

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WELL DONE,
—GOOD—
AND
faithful
SERVANT.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Is our thinking of church members as "volunteers" faulty? A careful look at Scripture shows no one stepping up to the plate and volunteering to serve God or follow Jesus. Not Abraham, not Moses, not David or any of the of the Old Testament personalities. Not one person in the New Testament seems to have volunteered to follow Jesus. Not one of the Disciples or Apostles, not Paul, or anyone else. They didn't just have an encounter with God or a meeting with Jesus and say, "How about me helping you in the work that you are doing?" Not at all. They didn't volunteer - not one of them. They were "called". Every last one of them were "called" by God or Jesus to join Him in the work that he was doing.

Perhaps the ineffectiveness, the weakness, the frailty, the failure, the lack of consistency, zeal and enthusiasm in the modern day church is the fact that members see themselves as volunteers rather than "called". The attitude of "take it or leave it," certainly prevails today. As one young person told me years ago when I asked if I would see them at church on Sunday, "If I don't have anything else to do, I'll be there." Another said, "If I don't have anywhere else to go, I'll be there." A church member was asked if they would go and visit a person in the hospital. Their response was, "We pay our church staff to do that!" Such responses are certainly that of a volunteer. There is no sense of commitment or responsibility, of loving Christian concern, call or purpose in those responses. Not to mention a desire to worship God, study his word, and seek his Will. To volunteers everything is optional. To the "called," the motivation is a love response to "give of your best to the Master, give Him first place in your heart; give Him first place in your service, consecrate every part" (Howard B. Grose).

Is our thinking of church members as "volunteers" faulty? The answer can be found by looking at the word "Church". The Greek word for "Church" is "Ekklesia". Correctly translated, Ekklesia means "The called out ones." Gordon MacDonald says in his book, "Ordering Your Private World," "Jesus Christ...seems to prefer to work with people whom He calls. And that is why the Bible knows nothing of volunteers, only the called."

As a professing Christian and church member, do you see yourself as a volunteer or one of the "called out ones?"

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:

Monday, February 25

7:00pm Stewardship Committee meeting

Sunday, March 3

3:00pm Concert

Attendance 2/17

Sunday School	25
Worship Attendance	40

Deacon for week: 2/24 Frances Viano

Deacon for week: 3/3 Peninah Brown

Properties for February

Randy Walker

Ushers for February

Randy Walker	Ben Best
Cecil Brown	Frances Viano



SHARE THE SONSHINE

Week of February 17-23 Jean Greene

Week of February 24-March 2 Mary Cain

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 call or a visit.

PRAYER CONCERNS:

HOME:

Charlie Capps
Gregg Small
Anita Culler – daughter of Charles and Gloria Allard
Sandi Robinson
Phyllis Goodwin
George and Louise 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



Sunday, March 3 at 3:00pm

**Musical Concert featuring
Pianist, Jean Hatch and
Organist, Jackson Glover**

Make plans to join us and invite your friends!

There are small posters and postcards on the narthex table that you can use to help us promote the concert.

Jean Hatch and Jackson Glover have been working together as teacher and student, respectively, since 2007. Jean received a Bachelor of Music degree from UNC-G. She served on the staff of First Baptist Church, Clinton, NC for 43 years. Jackson Glover is an undergraduate student at The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill majoring in Biology and minoring in Music and Chemistry. As a college student, Jackson was asked to serve as the Interim, and later Full-time, Organist for Hayes Barton Baptist Church in Raleigh, NC.



“Caring for People”

One of the characteristics of a strong church is how much the members care for one another and for those outside the church. John C. Maxwell writes in his popular book, "Relationships 101," Nobody cares how much you know until he knows how much you care. The moment that people know that you care about them, the way they feel about you changes. Showing others that you care isn't always easy. Your greatest and fondest memories will come because of people, but so will your most difficult, hurting, and tragic times. People are your greatest assets and your greatest liabilities. The challenge is to keep caring about them no matter what."