

CRABTREE VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH



THE VALLEY ECHO

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



Sunday, March 31

Join us as we observe the
Lord's Supper.



Sunday, March 31

5th Sunday – Benevolent offering

Helping others in our community
during their time of need.



Sunday, April 7 at 9:15am

*Come a little early and enjoy
fellowship and refreshments!*

The Children on Mission will be
serving light breakfast items before
Sunday School. All proceeds will go
towards the Annie Armstrong
Offering.

Church office information:

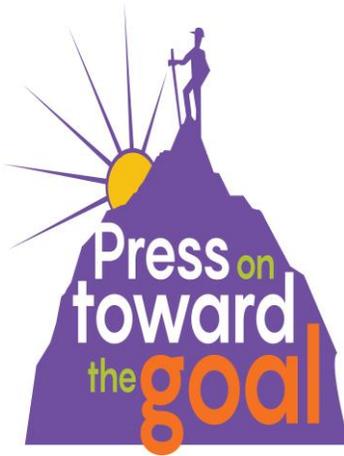
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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

We're in the heart of Basketball mania better known as March Madness. We are observing that games are won not by how a team starts out but how well they finish. Sports in many ways, offers great lessons for life. We do well to pay attention.

In life, many people start well, with good intentions, enthusiasm and energy. But somewhere along the way, they lose heart, run out of steam, energy or drive and fail to finish the race. Some of the most promising individuals I knew in High School and even some voted "the most likely to succeed" have long since dropped out of sight. They did not live up to their potential for one reason or another.

A few things in life are like a sprint, but most things are more like a marathon. A Theatrical Producer by the name of Arthur Hopkins was known to ask aspiring playwrights, "How is your second act?" He realized that many playwrights had a wonderful first act but allowed the drama to fade and the plot to drift in the later parts of the play. In Theater, there is always a second act just as in basketball there is a second half.

John Mark, the young, enthusiastic companion of The Apostle Paul and Barnabas gave up the mission right after they got started. It's fair to say that he really didn't get off to a good start. As a "drop out" he greatly disappointed the Apostle Paul and in reality created a rift between Paul and Barnabas who just happened to be John Mark's cousin. When John Mark wanted to accompany Paul on his second missionary journey Paul refused to take him and got into such an argument with Barnabas that the two broke off their partnership as missionaries. Paul chose Silas as his new partner and Barnabas took John Mark with him on another mission. With the help of Barnabas, the encourager, John Mark grew up, matured and became a fruitful missionary. In his latter days, Paul realized that a dramatic change had taken place in John Mark's life. Writing to Timothy, his son in the Ministry, he said, "Get Mark and bring him with you, because he is helpful to me in the ministry." (2 Timothy 4:11) John Mark was finishing well.

Someone has said, "In life, it's not whether you win or lose, but how you play the game. We know that in sports, only one team wins the championship but even the losing team can finish well. So it is in Faith. Finishing well is what faith is all about. Revelation 2:10 says it all, "Be faithful, even to the point of death, and I will give you the crown of life." It's worth everything to finish well.

In His Love, Charles



Please note that Peggy, our Secretary, will be away Thurs, April 4 through the following week and that the office will be closing at noon on April 3. The office will be open on Mon, April 8 and Wed, April 10 from 9-12 for anyone that needs to come by.

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:

Sunday, March 31

5th Sunday – Benevolent offering
Communion

Thurs, Apr 4 – April 11

Office closed, secretary on vacation – no newsletter this week

Sunday, April 7

9:15am Children on Mission – Breakfast

Sunday, April 14

Palm Sunday

Thursday, April 18

6:30pm Maundy Thursday (*Wed night activities cancelled*)

Sunday, April 21

6:30am Sunrise Service at Raleigh Memorial Park
11:00am Easter Worship service

Attendance 3/24

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| Sunday School | 27 |
| Worship Attendance | 57 |

Deacon for week: 3/31 Whitt Stallings

Deacon for week: 4/7 Gene Sherwood

Properties for April

Whitt Stallings

Ushers for April

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| Ben Best | Randy Walker |
| Cecil Brown | Francis Viano |



SHARE THE SONSHINE

Week of March 24-30 Jean Greene

Week of March 31 – April 6 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:

Gregg Small
Phyllis Goodwin

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
Johnnie Grubbs – Cambridge Hills of Pittsboro



Annie Armstrong Easter Offering

Our church goal: \$600.00

Received to date: \$300.00

Look for envelopes in your boxed sets and on the lobby table. We will receive this offering through the end of March.

DISASTER RELIEF



HYGIENE KITS FOR DISASTER RELIEF

Over the next few weeks, our Deacons are promoting a mission project to provide Hygiene Kits to help victims of natural disasters.

This project will be carried out in cooperation with Church World Services, a faith based organization that works with all denominations of believers to provide a sustainable response to hunger, poverty, displacement and disaster. It is a true humanitarian response from a Christian perspective.

Between now and Sunday, April 28 we are asking our church members to prepare these kits and bring them to the church.

PLEASE FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS TO THE LETTER - NO SUBSTITUES - DO NOT ADD ANY EXTRA ITEMS.

In a one-gallon Ziploc bag place the follow items:

- One hand towel measuring approximately 15" x 28" to 16" x 32" (no finger tip, bath, dish towel, or micro-fiber)
- One wash cloth
- One wide-tooth comb removed from the package (found at discount stores)
- One fingernail or toenail clipper removed from the package (either one is acceptable)
- One bath size bar of soap in the original package
- One toothbrush in the original package
- Ten standard size Band-aids

Do not add toothpaste - Church World Services will add toothpaste to the bag prior to shipping.

Remove excess air from the bag and zip the loc.

You may prepare as many hygiene kits as you desire.
All kits must be brought to the church by worship time on Sunday, April 28.