

CRABTREE VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH



THE VALLEY ECHO

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



Wednesday, July 3

Please note there will be no activities on Wed. Our Bible Study of the "Letters to the Seven Churches" will resume on July 10.



TAKE AND EAT DRINK

Sunday, July 7

Join us as we observe the Ordinance of the Lord's Supper.

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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

While the Apostle Paul was on his missionary journeys, he encountered many cities that considered themselves “religious centers”. They were recognized as such because the people who lived there worshipped many gods. Perhaps the greatest “religious center” of all was Athens. Paul found so many altars of worship in Athens that it distressed him.

One altar in particular stood out to the Apostle as no other – the altar to “The Unknown God”. In fear of leaving a god out that they may have overlooked, they dedicated one altar to him.

Paul seized upon that opportunity to introduce them to the God in whom “we live and move and have our being.” He spoke of God who “has set a day when he will judge the world with justice by the man he has appointed (Jesus Christ), “He has given proof of this to all men by raising him from the dead” (Acts 17:28,31) To that message some sneered but “a few men became followers of Paul and believed.” (Acts 17:32)

As Paul fully knew, religion, no matter how much of it, does not and cannot answers man’s deepest need. Religion is man’s attempt to connect with a higher power. But for all of man’s searching, human efforts cannot discover God. God comes to us by revelation and fortunately for us, He has taken the initiative to reach out to us through His son Jesus Christ.

Christianity is based on Jesus Christ, the Son of God, who came to earth, died on the cross to save us from our sins, and rose again and who sent the Holy Spirit to dwell with us and to guarantee every believer eternal life. Of all the religions in the world, and there are many, there is no spiritual leader who has died and rose again for his followers. Every known religious or spiritual leader who has lived, died without any record or evidence of resurrection. You can even go to the burial site of some of them.

The popular thought that some would have you believe is that “one religion is as good as another.” That certainly is not true. Most religions of the world have in them some good, moral teaching. But only Christianity can claim a life changing, spiritually transforming experience that Jesus called “being born again.”(John 3:3) Only Christianity speaks of the Holy Spirit who convicts us of sin, righteousness and judgment (John 16:8) and who is our teacher and counselor guiding us in “all truth”. (John 16:13). Only Christianity teaches us about the Holy Spirit who dwells within us (1 Corinthians 3:16) and continues the work that Christ began while he was on earth.

Do not be misled by those who claim that all spiritual roads lead to the same destination. Clearly, the Bible does not make this assumption. Recognize also that bad religion and bad theology is not only dangerous, it is the curse of the world. Bad religion and bad theology such as satanic worship can take you down the wrong road. It is evil, deceptive, even enticing but in the end, it is destructive.

The world doesn’t need religion. The world needs Jesus. He is the answer to those walking in darkness. He is peace and hope. He is the way, the truth and the life. He is the one who gave himself as a sacrifice for our sins. He took our sins upon himself. Jesus is eternal, abundant life. The Bible does not promote religion, it magnifies Jesus. The gate to eternal life with God in heaven is not religion – It is Jesus Christ

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:

Wednesday, July 3

All activities cancelled

Thursday, July 4

The office will be closed in observance of the holiday

Sunday, July 7

Communion

Mon, July 8 – Thurs, July 11

9am-12 noon – Vacation Bible School

Friday, July 12

6:00pm Church in use for wedding rehearsal

Saturday, July 13

4:00pm Church in use for wedding

Attendance 6/30

Sunday School	26
Worship Attendance	43

Deacon for week: 7/7 Elizabeth Best

Deacon for week: 7/14 Frances Viano

Properties for July

Keith Harris

Ushers for July

Robert Best Darrell Jenkins

Bobby Hayes Whitt Stallings



SHARE THE SONSHINE

Week of June 30 - July 6 Mary Cain

Week of July 7 – 13 Greg Small

Quarterly lists are available on lobby table.

Share the Sonshine is an outreach ministry to those who are unable to attend church on a regular basis due to health reasons. We can all be a part of this ministry by praying for these individuals, sending cards, making phone calls or a visit.

PRAYER CONCERNS:

HOME:

- Iva Snyder
- Jim Paul – congestive heart failure (former member)
- Joanne Isenhour – recovering from a fall
- George Shore
- Sandi Robinson
- Gregg Small

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 – Rm 208
- Shane McKewen – Boston, MA -friend of Jean and Gene



Dear Members of CVBC,

Thank you for the continuous prayers, uplifting cards and support that you gave to my mother during her last years and before her passing. She loved people, the gift of life, giving and worshipping the Lord. Your support and genuine concern was special to both of us. You gave me comfort as well. The Crabtree Valley Church members are welcoming and comforting as you reach out to others and follow in His steps. Thank you again.

In His Love, Dee Bullock



July 8- July 11 from 9am-12 noon
Discovering God's Amazing Creation
Ages 4yrs to 5th grade

Help us get the word out!
Invite your neighbors and friends!
Flyers and registration forms are in the lobby.

We are collecting the following items for VBS:

Notebook paper, pens, pencils, erasers, sharpeners and crayons.
Also- small bottles of water.

Contact Cheryl Walker to register or to help!
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