

CRABTREE VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH



THE VALLEY ECHO

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FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

- 2/1 Ellian Jenkins Buck
132 Rand Road 27603
- 2/5 Iva Snyder
11404 Dunleith Dr 27614
- 2/9 Bonnie Wright
1555 Laureldale Dr 27609
- 2/13 Mariangely Miranda
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- 2/14 Catherine Mullins
4505 Woodbury Dr 27612
- 2/20 Elizabeth Gyori
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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

When the Egyptian Army was thundering down on the Children of Israel as they stood before the Red Sea, the Bible says, "They were terrified and cried out to the Lord" (Exodus 14:10). It doesn't take a wild imagination to feel their fear. But God had a solution for their dilemma. He told Moses, "stretch out your hand over the sea to divide the water...and all that night the Lord drove the sea back with a strong east wind and turned it into dry land...and the Israelites went through the sea on dry ground, with a wall of water on their right and on their left." (Exodus 14:15,21-22)

From Genesis to Revelation there are recorded stories of man's dilemma becoming God's opportunity. The bottom line is "nothing is impossible with God". The question is do we understand that truth? Do we believe it? Do we really believe it?

Crabtree Valley Baptist Church has had its own dilemma's over the years. There are those who have written this church off as doomed to failure. Yet, here we are! We're still worshipping God. We're still having Bible Studies with half the church in attendance on Wednesday nights. We're still ministering to each other and even to those who are not members of the church. At Christmas time, 2018, we were wondering how we would pay our bills. God sent a special gift to get us out of the red. We're still paying our bills, still helping people through our benevolence fund, still feeding people through Hope Pantry, still exceeding our mission goals, still ministering to children and youth as well as adults, still seeing visitors join us for worship and Bible study, and still seeing God's blessings upon the Welcome House Refugee Ministry. And financially, in 2019, we had our best year of the past 5 years. Our Youth Ministry is stronger and there is a proposal before us to purchase a Van to enhance our ministries and outreach.

Scripture has many references to people not having eyes to see or ears to hear. It is a way of saying that we often do not pay attention to what God is saying or doing. Clara Scott, author and composer put prayer to music out of her concern that Christians make an intentional effort to hear God speak and to see God in action. The first lines of each stanza ask God to....

Open my eyes that I may see glimpses of truth Thou hast for me.
Open my ears, that I may hear voices of truth Thou sendest clear.
Open my mouth, and let me bear gladly the warm truth everywhere.

We are already past the third week in January, 2020. Let us intentionally, purposefully, and faithfully look at what God is doing in our lives and in our church. Let us listen intently, prayerfully and expectantly to what God is saying to us. And let us joyfully, boldly and consistently move forward in faith speaking of how God turns our dilemmas into opportunities.

Jesus said, "blessed are your eyes because they see, and your ears because they hear." (Matthew 13:16)

In His Love, Charles

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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)

PRAYER CONCERNS:

HOME:

Bonnie Wright
Jetta Lewis

REHAB & CARE FACILITIES:

Jean Greene – Snow Hill Asst. Living - Snow Hill, NC
Mary Cain – 806 Springmoor Circle 27615
Johnnie Grubbs – Cambridge Hills of Pittsboro – Rm 208
Louise Shore – Spring Arbor of Cary Rm 115
1705 Kildaire Farm Rd Cary, NC 27511
Greg Small – Atria Oakridge Room 226
10820 Sandy Oak Lane Raleigh 27614
Anne Jenkins - Morningside of Raleigh Room 132

Calendar of Events:

Thursday, January 23

11:30am Young Hearts lunch at Captain Stanley's

Sunday, January 26

Following Worship:

Quarterly Business meeting and Café

Menu: BBQ sandwiches and all the fixins' (BBQ is from a perfected recipe that is more than 100 yrs old from Beth Jenkins' family).

Attendance 1/19

Sunday School	18
Worship Attendance	42

Deacon for week: 1/26 Ellen Collins

Deacon for week: 2/2 Ben Best

Properties for February Ushers for February

Randy Walker	Randy Walker	Ben Best
	Cecil Brown	Frances Viano



Week of January 19-25 Louise Shore

Week of January 26 – February 1 Greg Small

Share the Sonshine is an outreach ministry. We can all be a part of this ministry by praying for these individuals, sending cards, making phone calls or a visit.



Youth Group Updates

Hey CVBC Church Family,

I wanted to share some highlights for the youth group from the fall of 2019! We had several awesome Bible Studies where we learned about loving others unconditionally just like how God loves us, staying aware of the God moments in your life, and taking comfort in knowing that God is always protecting us. The youth participated in the Sunday morning services in various ways like singing in the choir, ushering, and reading scripture. On the first Wednesday of every month, the youth group did "Speed-Friending" after bible study to get to know the adults in our church family a little better. In September we went to visit Dr. and Mrs. Shore, visited the Welcome House with Marc Wyatt, and played Bingo with the residents at Magnolia Glen. In October, we spent a Saturday afternoon repainting the youth room. It looks amazing, the youth are very skilled painters- definitely check it out if you haven't yet! Also in October, the youth took a trip to the fair and rode rides together and ate lots of yummy deep-fried fair food! In December, we went to Beth Jenkins' house for the annual Youth Christmas Party! At the end of the year, we had a Christmas craft sale to raise money for the camp we are attending this summer called Passport. We raised almost \$800 through this craft sale! WOW! The youth group appreciates your donations and support with helping us attend Passport. We had a great 2019 and we look forward to what 2020 will bring! Thanks for your support! Ashley