

CRABTREE VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH



THE VALLEY ECHO

August 17, 2020

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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK



On August 23, I will formally retire from service as your Pastor. The words of William Shakespeare come to mind: “Parting is such sweet sorrow.” My ordination to the Gospel Ministry on September 6, 1959 and my retirement August 23, 2020 will now be the bookends of 61 years of blessings that God has bestowed upon me. In so many ways it has been a remarkable journey of spiritual growth, of rewarding service to God, of watching people come to the Lord, mature in their faith, take the reins of leadership, and bring honor and glory to God.

While I will be retiring from the Pastorate which I have dearly loved, I am not retiring from serving the Lord. For whatever time I have remaining in this life, I still want to be useful to God. As long as there is breath in me I will not retire from caring about people or loving them. I am not retiring from Bible Study, prayer and worship. I am not retiring from giving counsel, help and encouragement to those who request it. I am not retiring from friends and friendship. I take inspiration from the words of General Douglas MacArthur at the end of his military career: “Old soldiers never die, they just fade away.” Christians never die, they just go to be with the Lord.

I want to express my deepest appreciation to you, the members of Crabtree Valley Baptist Church, for allowing me the privilege and honor of serving as your Pastor these past five years. I will always look back and treasure this special time with you. I will give God thanks for every remembrance of you. You have blessed and enriched my life and Gloria’s life with your love and kindness. You have graciously accepted us as partners in ministry.

Over these years I have learned that ministers of the gospel come and go but the Word of God endures. God said, “My Word shall not return unto me void” (Isaiah 55:11). In other words, God’s Word accomplishes what He desires. It is never the messenger that is important – it is the MESSAGE!

My God bless each one of you. May he guide you to better days and greater joy, blessed service and greater accomplishments as you, in all your ways, acknowledge him. TO GOD BE THE GLORY!

In His Love,
Charles & Gloria

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SHARE THE SONSHINE

Week of August 16-22

Louise Shore

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.



Deacon Ordination

Our virtual worship on August 23, will feature the Ordination of Barbara Goodson to the office of Deacon. We will also welcome Gene Sherwood back on the active Deaconate. Because we cannot have in-person worship, we had requested that you send cards or letters of love, encouragement and prayers to them. These will be presented at the ordination recording the evening of Thurs, Aug 20 and will be aired on the internet on Sunday, August 23. Many of you have responded and we thank you for your attention to this important matter. If you missed the deadline, you can still mail something to their home address.

Elizabeth Best, Sue Edwards and Whitt Stallings will be rotating off the active Deaconate this year. We express our deep appreciation for their devoted service to our church family.

worship WITH US

Be sure to tune in weekly for our Virtual Worship Service which is released by 11am on Sunday

<https://www.crabtreevalleybaptist.org/sermons/>

You can also find current and past sermons on Youtube.

https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=crabtree+valley+baptist+church

Prayer Concerns Week of August 17

HOME

Bonnie Wright

Barbara Goodson

Frances Viano

Armando and Margo Martinez

Anne Barden

Betsy Shaw

Faye Hayes

Jetta Lewis

Charlotte Phelps (friend of Jean's)

Marci Phelps – Charlotte's daughter (friend of Jean Glosson)

Teresa Smith – recurrence of brain tumor (friend of Peggy's)

REHAB & CARE FACILITIES:

Jean Greene – Snow Hill Asst Living

Mary Cain – Springmoor

Gertrude Harris – (Jean's friend) Universal Health Care – Fuquay-Varina

Anne Jenkins – Morningside on Dixie Trail - Room 132

Johnnie Grubbs – Cambridge Hills of Pittsboro – Room 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

OTHER:

Sonshine Person of the Week: Mary Cain

The Price family – Missionaries in Wales



SUPPLY PREACHERS & SPEAKERS

From the Deacons:

For the immediate future, we will rely on supply preachers and speakers to fill the pulpit until an interim pastor is called. A Pastor Search Committee will be named to seek God's Will in finding our next pastor. Your prayers and encouragement are needed as we work through this process.

For Sunday, August 30th, we are pleased to announce that Steve Shore will be our guest speaker. Steve is the son of George and Louise Shore. He retired in 2014 after a 38-year career in nonprofit health service administration. A native of North Carolina, his undergraduate degree is from Duke University and his Master of Social Work degree is from Tulane University. He and his wife Darlene are Charter members of Woodhaven Baptist Church in Apex.