

CRABTREE VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH



THE VALLEY ECHO

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GUEST PREACHER

Next Sunday, January 17th, we will welcome Rev. Johnny Richards as our returning guest preacher. We appreciate Rev. Richards' willingness to come and share his message with us.



DEACON OF THE WEEK:

01/10 Ben Best
01/17 Peninah Brown

—STAYING—



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

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Thought for the Week

When you are reading, do you sometimes jump ahead to find out “the rest of the story.” I found myself doing that in mid-December when I was searching for a devotional for our December Deacons Meeting. I selected a devotional for December 25 from Henry Blackaby's book, “Experiencing God Day by Day.” The beautiful thoughts which Dr. Blackaby shares were so meaningful that I felt they should not be limited to Christmas Day.

Let's begin our New Year by pausing and thanking God for all the blessings in our lives. SPONTANEOUS PRAISE!—what a wonderful way to say thanks.

Spontaneous Praise

Luke 1:46-47: And Mary said, “My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, and my spirit has rejoiced in God my Savior.”

Praise is the spontaneous response of a grateful child of God in His presence. The person who knows God and experiences Him intimately sings to the Lord with deepest praise! Mary was overwhelmed by the Lord's goodness to her. In response, she sang one of the most beautiful and profound songs of praise found in scripture. Trying to stop the praise of a thankful heart would be like trying to arrest the flow of a mighty waterfall! God created us to praise Him; praise will be our activity when we are gathered around His throne in heaven.

You should never have difficulty thinking of reasons why God deserves your praise. You should enjoy the times you have to praise your Lord, both privately and publicly, in worship. If your life is not filled with praise, it may be that you have lost your appreciation for God's merciful activity in your life. Never forget what God has saved you from. Never take for granted what it means to have the assurance of eternity with God. Do not disregard the spiritual kinship you enjoy with other believers. Take time often to recount the blessings He has poured out on you and your family. As you contemplate the boundless love and mercy God has shown you, you will want to sing His praises as Mary did. Spontaneous praise is authentic praise. It does not have to be manipulated or orchestrated. It is a real and personal expression of a grateful heart and wonder-filled life that has encountered holy God!

*Praise Him, Praise Him.
All ye little Children
God is love, God is love.*

Submitted by Jean Glosson



SHARE THE SONSHINE

Person for week of Jan 10-16 Greg Small

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Dear Friends of Welcome House,

Daily we are surprised with joy at the kindness and generosity of folks like you and churches like yours.

We've been doing the Welcome House Christmas Gift Bag Mission Project for the past 4 years, but this year was by far the most well supported. We had hoped to share 50 gifts with 50 families we served in 2020. Because of you and other's filled with goodwill and generosity 130 Christmas gifts were personally delivered by Welcome House staff and volunteers before Christmas Eve. We wish you could have been with us. Each socially distanced visit went something like this. The large bag filled with your gifts were placed on the doorstep. We knocked on the door. Stepping back, we greeted our refugee and immigrant friends. Parents asked us to come in and have tea.

Of course, we apologetically declined. Then a child or two would appear, seeing the Christmas bag they would grab it and start dragging it inside the door. Those bags were heavy. It was precious. One child said, 'is that for me?' We replied, yes for your whole family. The child squealed with delight.

Next year, with God's help, you can experience this joy too.

Thank you for helping us share our love and the story of Christmas with our refugee and immigrant neighbors. We added the video of Jesus' Life to every gift. Be blessed as you have blessed others.

With gratitude,
Marc and Kim Wyatt, Welcome House Raleigh

With donations through our Angel Tree collection, CVBC was able to donate 5 bags.



The family of Louise Shore would like to express appreciation to the congregation of Crabtree Valley for the cards, comments and prayers during the past year and especially during her recent illness and passing. We sincerely thank you for surrounding us with your compassion and love.

Prayer Concerns:

HOME

- Norwood Walker – Randy's father, under Hospice care
- Peninah Brown – pneumonia
- Jim Weaver
- Armando and Margo Martinez
- Anne Barden
- 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:

- Anne Jenkins – Morningside on Dixie Trail - Room 132
- Johnnie Grubbs – Cambridge Hills of Pittsboro – Room 208
- Greg Small –Atria Oakridge- Apt 214
- Bonnie Wright – The Reserve at Mills Farm in Apex

OTHER:

- Sonshine Person of the Week
- The Price family – Missionaries in Wales
- Our church – Pastor search



The Biblical Recorder recently reported that Dr. Timothy Shaun Price has won the Baptist State Convention Historical Competition for writing "Our Story of Faith: The History of Wake Forest Baptist Church 1835-2015" published by Mercer University. The Wake Forest Baptist Church family is very proud of their impressive history and especially pleased that Shawn received an award for writing their story.

Shaun and Joy and their four children are International Mission Board Missionaries serving in Cardiff, Wales. Shaun is a graduate of Campbell University, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary and North Central University. Copies of his book can be purchased on the church's website www.wakeforestbaptistchurch.org. Here is a link to the article in the Biblical Recorder <https://www.brnow.org/news/book-length-history-of-wake-forest-baptist-wins-award/>

I have written to Shawn on behalf of our church family to congratulate him on this significant achievement and to thank him and Joy for their involvement with CVBC for the brief time that they were living in our Welcome House.

We always look forward to the newsletters from the Price family and appreciate their keeping us up-to-date on their ministry and their family activities. We wish for them continued success and God's blessings in reaching out to the people in Cardiff. Jean Glosson