

CRABTREE VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH



THE VALLEY ECHO

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GUEST PREACHER

On Sunday, January 24th, we will welcome back Amanda Atkin. Amanda is a native of South Carolina and has over 20 years of ministry serving churches in Virginia, North Carolina and South Carolina. She is a graduate of Davidson College and Baptist Theological Seminary at Richmond.

Church DEACONS

DEACON OF THE WEEK:

01/17 Peninah Brown

01/24 Ellen Collins

—STAYING— CONNECTED

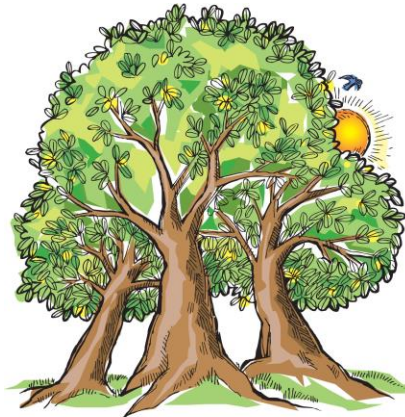
Tune in weekly for our Virtual
Worship Service which is released by
11am on Sunday

<https://www.crabtreevalleybaptist.org/sermons/> You can also find current and past sermons on Youtube.

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LIVE ... FOR THE WILL OF GOD.

We always enjoy looking down a long road lined with beautiful trees. The trees are a delightful sight and seem to be forming a temple of planes, with strong wooden pillars and arches of leaves. In the same way you look down a beautiful road like this, why not look back on the road of the years of your life? Look at the large green limbs of God's mercy overhead and the strong pillars of His loving kindness and faithfulness that have brought you much joy. Do you see any birds singing in the branches? If you look closely, surely you will see many, for they are singing of God's mercy received "thus far."

Those words also point forward. Someone who comes to a certain point and writes the words "thus far" realizes he has not yet come to the end of the road and that he still has some distance to travel. There will be more trials, joys, temptations, battles, defeats, victories, prayers, answers, toils and strength yet to come. These are then followed by sickness, old age, disease, and death.

Then is life over after death? No! These are still yet to come: arising in the likeness of Jesus, thrones, harps and the singing of psalms, being "clothed in white garments" (Rev. 3:5), seeing the face of Jesus, and sharing fellowship with the saints; and experiencing the glory of God, the fullness of eternity, and infinite joy. So dear believer, "be strong and take heart" (Psalm 27:14) and with thanksgiving and confidence, lift up your voice in praise for: The Lord who "thus far" has helped you, will help you all your journey through.

When the words "thus far" are read in heaven's light, what glorious and miraculous prospects they reveal to our grateful eyes. Charles H. Spurgeon

Taken from "Streams in the Desert" Daily Devotional Readings by L.B.Cowman
Submitted by Peninah Brown

Thought for the Week

The words "thus far" are like a hand pointing in the direction of the past. Whether through poverty, wealth, sickness or health, whether at home or abroad, or on land, sea, or air and whether in honor, dishonor, difficulties, joy, trials, prayer or temptation – Thus far has the Lord helped.



SHARE THE SONSHINE

Person for week of Jan 17-23 Johnny Grubbs
Cambridge Hills of Pittsboro – Room 208
140 Brookstone Lane
Pittsboro, NC 27312



Anxious for Nothing – a Meditation By Max Lucado

Today, I will live today.
Yesterday has passed.
Tomorrow is not yet.
I'm left with today.

So, today, I will live today.
Relive yesterday? No.

I will learn from it.
I will seek mercy for it.
I will take joy in it.
But I won't live in it.

The sun has set on yesterday.

The sun has yet to rise on tomorrow.
Worry about the future? To what gain?
It deserves a glance, nothing more.

I can't change tomorrow until tomorrow.
Today, I will live today.

I will face challenges with today's strength.
I will dance today's waltz with today's music.

I will celebrate today's opportunities with today's hope.
Today.

May I laugh, listen, learn and love. And tomorrow, if it comes, may I do so again.

A new day awaits you, my friend. A new season in which you will worry less and trust more. A season with reduced fear and enhanced faith. Can you imagine a life in which you are anxious for nothing? God can. And, with his help, you will experience it.

Prayer Concerns:

HOME

Whitt Stallings
Norwood Walker – Randy's father, under Hospice care
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



*Dear Crabtree Valley Baptist Members,
I wanted to send a little note of thanks for the honorarium presented to me a few weeks ago. As I start my fifth year at CVBC, I'm excited to return to church services sooner rather than later. Perhaps we won't be able to embrace each other, but I know the Lord has us in His fold and we will sing to His glory in person once again!*

*Thank you, again, for all you do for me!
All my love, Risa*

