

# CRABTREE VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH



## THE VALLEY ECHO

April 12, 2021

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



**Rev. Johnny Richards,**  
**Interim Pastor**  
**Sunday Morning Worship**  
**April 18, 2021**

This week's Virtual Service will be available at 9:00am to accommodate those who plan to attend the Café and Meet & Greet at the church!

—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.

[https://www.youtube.com/results?search\\_query=crabtree+valley+baptist+church](https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=crabtree+valley+baptist+church)

**Church office information:**  
**Interim Pastor** • Rev. Johnny Richards  
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## Qualified in God's Eyes

While thumbing through a copy of "Our Daily Bread," I came across this devotional, "Qualified in God's Eyes," written by Jennifer Benson Schuldt. Intrigued by the title, I began to read the article. We always view our abilities (and limitations) on what we think we are "qualified" to do and not what God will enable us to do.

Jennifer shared with readers her experience when she was a young college graduate. She was hired by a technology-consulting firm even though she felt her abilities to do the job left a lot to be desired. She must have been grateful to realize that the company recognized her personal qualities for problem solving, exercising good judgment, and being a team player. They assumed new workers could be taught the necessary skills.

Then Jennifer focuses on Noah and quotes this scripture from Genesis 6:9: "[Noah] walked faithfully with God." Noah didn't have the right resume for the job God was asking him to do—Constructing the ark! What was God thinking? Noah wasn't a boat builder or even a carpenter! Noah was a farmer, a man who was comfortable with a plow in his hands and dirt on his clothes. But God had other plans for Noah. As God decided how to deal with the evil of the world at that time, Noah stood out because "he walked faithfully with God." God valued the teachableness of Noah's heart—the strength to resist the corruption around him and to do what was right.

Oftentimes when opportunities to serve God come our way, we may not feel qualified for the work. Thankfully, God is not necessarily concerned with our skill set. God prizes our character, love for Him, and willingness to trust Him. When the Spirit is developing these qualities within us, He can use us in big or small ways to accomplish His will on earth. To doubt that this is true would imply that we doubt the power of our God.

Jennifer poses this question: What character qualities do you need God to develop in you? Ask Him.

This devotional closes with this prayer: Dear God, give me a heart that's willing to serve you in any way. Equip me in the areas where I lack experience, and fill me with your Spirit so that I can honor you.

Norma Rossouw in her book, "The Pocket Bible Devotional for Women," says it this way: God created you with unique abilities to make a difference. You cannot do everything and be everything to everyone, but you can serve others with your God-given abilities. You won't be successful in your own strength, but God gives those He has called the ability to improve the lives of others.

YOU, like Noah, may be surprised by what God asks (and equips) you to do!  
Walk faithfully with God. Jean Glosson



## SHARE THE SONSHINE

Person of the week April 11-17

Johnnie Grubbs

Cambridge Hills of Pittsboro – Room 208

140 Brookstone Lane

Pittsboro, NC 27312

# Easter OFFERING

Annie Armstrong Easter Offering

**Our church goal: \$600.00**

**Received to date: \$340.00**

If you have these envelopes in your boxed set, you may use them. If not, just note on your check Easter offering. We will receive this offering through the end of April.

# Church DEACONS

## DEACON OF THE WEEK:

4/11 Barbara Goodson

4/18 Keith Harris

Next Meeting: Tues, April 20 at 7pm



## Celebrating 50 Years

Sunday, April 18, 2021

Guest Musician, Lennie Collins

Former Music Director, 1990-1994

## Prayer Concerns:

### HOME

Jim and Lynda Weaver

Dianne Ferguson – receiving treatment at Duke

Faye Hayes – recovering from eye surgery

Virginia Dixon – recovering from knee replacement

Norwood Walker – Randy's father, under Hospice care

Anne Barden

Jetta Lewis

Charlotte Phelps (friend of Jean's)

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

### 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

### HOSPITAL:

Bonnie Wright – Rex

### OTHER:

Sonshine Person of the Week

The Price family – Missionaries in Wales



## EAT, MEET AND GREET

**Sunday, April 18**

Drive-Thru 11:30-1:30pm

Crabtree Café Youth Fundraiser

\$10 per plate with dessert,

(Beverage not included)

*Menu: Baked Ham with pineapple/apple relish*

*Stuffed Potato Casserole*

*Green Beans, Rolls, Dessert*

**Make plans to attend for an opportunity to meet Pastor Richards and family!**



Please note that the church office will be closed on Thursday for the next two weeks: April 22 and April 29.