

CRABTREE VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH



THE VALLEY ECHO

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

PASTOR'S SCHEDULE

This week Pastor Johnny will be in the office on Saturday, July 10 from 9-12pm. If at any time, you need to talk with him, you can contact him by sending a text or calling 919-691-1701, or e-mail to jk rich6@hotmail.com.



Discovering God's Amazing Creation
Bible Stories, Crafts, Science, Live Animals

Wednesday Mornings 9am-12pm
July 7, July 14, July 21
and July 28

— STAYING — CONNECTED

**Our Virtual Worship Service
is available at 11am on Sunday**

Past newsletters and services are available online on our website, www.crabtreevalleybaptist.org You can also find our services on Youtube, just search Crabtree Valley.

Church office information:

Interim Pastor • Rev. Johnny Richards
Music Director • Risa Poniros
Secretary • Peggy Utley
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From the Pastor's Heart...

Have you ever wondered what people see when they see you each day? I know when I get up in the morning, and get ready to go to work, there are some things I can do to make sure I look decent. I can make sure the hair I have is neat, my beard is groomed and the clothes I have on look nice. We can all do these things. However, what about as we live throughout the day, making different decisions and dealing with those who come in contact with us? What is it people can see other than how we are dressed or maintained?

In 1 Corinthians 13:13, Paul shares with us other things people can see in us, or in our actions, that we need to make sure we are focused on as we live for God each day. Whether we think about it or not, these are things people can actually see, or not see. This verse basically says there are three areas we need to be focused on and make sure they are ready for others to see. **The first area is our faith.** We need to make sure our faith is strong and secure in Christ. Without faith, it is impossible to have a growing relationship with God. Our hope of eternal life and salvation is based totally on faith. We have to rely on our faith in God, even in the toughest of times. **The next thing we need to focus on is our hope.** Hope is what gives us the strength to go on. The hope we have as Christians is for a life with Christ. That is what keeps us going and that is what our focus has been placed upon. Hope is what moves people from impossibilities to possibilities. Hope is what helps people move beyond the trials in life. We must have hope and others must see us living out of that hope. **The final thing Paul says we need to focus on is love.** We must have love for both God and man. We must allow the love God showed to us on the cross, to move us to showing love to those around us.

All three of these are important and all three of these are vital in our relationship with Christ. It is important to discuss these characteristics being a part of who we are, but it is also necessary to show these things so others will know we are a part of God's family. While all three are important, Paul says one is more important than the others and that is love. Paul says this because hope and faith come out of love. If we love God, we will have faith that can move us to hope. Without loving God, we can neither trust Him or trust in the hope of eternal life. Love is the most important part of the relationship. As the hymn we sing says, "love is the theme, love is supreme." Until next week...

Peace and Blessings,
Johnny



SHARE THE SONSHINE

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.

Week of July 4-10

Johnnie Grubbs
Cambridge Hills of Pittsboro – Room 208
140 Brookstone Lane
Pittsboro, NC 27312

Deacon for week: 7/11 Iva Snyder

Deacon for week: 7/18 Ben Best

Properties for July

Ben Best

Sunday Morning Greeters:

1st Frances Viano 2nd Iva Snyder
3rd & 5th Cecil Brown 4th Cheryl Jones



We welcome Tom and Marian Brindley to the CVBC church family! It was a joy to have you join this past Sunday. We look forward to ministering to and with you as we grow together in Christ. Welcome back and may God bless you and your family!



Nominations for Deacons

During the month of July, we are asking our congregation to prayerfully nominate 3 Deacons to fill the positions of those who will be rotating off the active Deaconate.

We will have Nomination information and election ballots available to pick up at the church this Sunday. Any envelopes not picked up will be mailed the following day. Nominations are due by Sunday, July 25, 2021.

Prayer Concerns:

HOME

Jane Williams
Bobby Hayes
Frank Mills (pancreatic cancer)
Norwood Walker – Randy's father, under Hospice care
Anne Barden
Jetta Lewis
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 – Sunrise of Raleigh, Apt 204
Bonnie Wright – The Reserve at Mills Farm in Apex – Villa A
Charlotte Phelps (friend of Jean's) Rex Rehab (broken hip)

OTHER:

Sonshine Person of the Week
The Price family – Missionaries in Wales



Sermon Series

July 11: Preparing for Battle
Ephesians 6:10-15

July 18: Preparing for Satan's Weapons
Ephesians 6:16-20

July 25: Lessons from the Last Supper
Luke 22:7-13



Greetings Friends,

Thank you for your congregation's generous contribution of hygiene bags to Church World Service. Please know that your gifts will provide much needed aid to God's children in crisis. Thank you for your witness and your partnership as we seek to serve all our neighbors.

Blessings, David Mallory, CWS Kit Coordinator