

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, August 14 from 9am-noon.



and Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting and Bible Study

Sunday School at 9:45am

Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting and Bible Study

Wednesdays at 6:30pm in the sanctuary.
This study will focus on the Book of Philippians.

—STAYING— CONNECTED

Our Virtual Worship Service is available at 11am on Sunday

Visit our website or find us on Youtube.
www.crabtreevalleybaptist.org

Church office information:

Interim Pastor • Rev. Johnny Richards
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From the Pastor's Heart...

When I was in high school and college, I worked in a hardware store that sold seed. We sold all types of seed, even mustard seed. Boy, was that seed small. It takes a lot of mustard seeds to make an ounce. However, an ounce of mustard seed makes a lot of mustard greens. Though the mustard seed is the smallest of seed, it is one of the biggest producers. It could be for this reason Jesus used the mustard seed in parables. In one verse, Jesus talks about a man who had a mustard seed, one seed. Here is the verse: The kingdom of heaven is like a

mustard seed, which a man took and planted in his field. Though it is the smallest of all seeds, yet when it grows, it is the largest of garden plants and becomes a tree, so that the birds come and perch in its branches. (Matthew 13:31-32)

The man planted the mustard seed in his field and it grew to be great and useful to the birds. It was small, but it was useful. Jesus also used the image of the mustard seed when He spoke about faith. Read the words of this verse: He replied, "because you have so little faith. Truly I tell you, if you have faith as small as a mustard seed..." Jesus told the disciples they did not need a lot of faith, but they needed some faith. Faith, the size of the mustard seed. Sometimes our faith may seem rather small, almost non-existent. The good news is it only takes some faith, not a lot of faith, to be used by God. Just a little faith allows us to ask Him into our hearts. Just a little faith allows us to serve others. Just a little faith allows us to go talk to people about Christ. Just a little faith allows us to help those who are hurting. These things only take a little faith because a little faith allows God to work in our lives to do great things.

This is the time of the church year when the nominating committee is trying to fill positions within the church to keep the church going and growing. I know it is hard to say yes. Sometimes that is because we feel we can't do what is asked of us. Being able to serve God is all about trusting His leadership and having faith. While it may seem like we need to have faith the size of a building, we only need to have faith the size of a mustard seed. For God to help us grow to be useful for Him, and to trust Him like the disciples, we need faith. While you may not feel as if God can use you, I encourage you to make yourself available to Him so He can show you how much a little faith can do. 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 August 8-14

Anne Jenkins
801 Dixie Trail – Room 132
Raleigh, NC 27607

Deacon for this week: 8/8 Jean Glosson
Deacon for next week: 8/15 Barbara Goodson
Next meeting: Tuesday, August 17 at 6:00pm

Properties for August: Randy Walker

Monthly Sunday Morning Greeters:

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



Sermon Series for August:

August 15

Facing the Giant of Grief - 2 Samuel 1:1-12

August 22

Facing the Giant of Decision Making - 2 Samuel 2:1-7



Dear Church Family,
A special thank you for the cards, calls, get well wishes, and prayers for me during my hospitalization and recovery. All of these expressions of concern have meant so much and have been encouraging and uplifting as I have been recuperating. A caring church is a special blessing.

Love, Jean Glosson

Prayer Concerns:

HOME

Catherine Mullins
Dee Bullock – recovering from foot surgery
Jane Williams
Frank Mills (pancreatic cancer)
Anne Barden
Jetta Lewis
Marci Phelps – Charlotte’s daughter (friend of Jean Glosson)
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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

OTHER:

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

HOSPITAL:

Nancy Scarboro – Duke Hosp/Aortic Aneurysm
(Faye Hayes’ daughter-in-law’s Aunt)



30 Hour Famine

We’re fasting to feed others!

On August 20th, the Youth Group will be going without food for 30 hours so we can raise money for others to eat.

We will start fasting at 12pm as we begin a 30 Hour Famine weekend. During 30 Hour Famine, the youth group will be fasting for 30 hours in remembrance of those around the world who die due to starvation and starvation related illnesses. Although we will not be eating, we will still be having lots of fun! We will meet at church Friday evening and kick the famine off with lots of games and bible study. Saturday morning, we will be serving God by being His hands and feet volunteering at a non-profit in Raleigh. We will break the fast on Saturday evening. We will be sharing our experiences from the famine the following week during the Sunday morning church service on August 29th.

The youth group is asking for donations for World Vision. World Vision is the awesome Christian humanitarian organization that created the 30 Hour Famine program. World Vision’s mission is to serve God by tackling poverty and injustice around the world. Your donation will go towards caring for children around the world who are in need of clean water, food, shelter, and schooling. Donations can be made to CVBC, please note Famine on your check. For more information visit <https://www.30hourfamine.org/> Please pray for us as we fast and thank you for your support! Ashley Walker