

CRABTREE VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH



THE VALLEY ECHO

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PASTOR'S SCHEDULE

Pastor Johnny will be in the office this week on Saturday, November 13 from 9am-noon.



Please join us on Wednesday, November 24th, at 7:00pm for our Thanksgiving Eve Service. This service will be a time when we pause to remember the blessings of God and give thanks for His goodness through song, prayer and praise.



**Operation Christmas Child
Shoebox deadline is Wed, Nov 17.**

Church office information:
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WELL DONE,
—GOOD—
AND
faithful
SERVANT.

From the Pastor's Heart...

You probably know by now that I enjoy sports. These past couple weeks have had me tuned in to my television. Between the Braves in the World Series, the Carolina Hurricanes beginning the hockey season and the Wolfpack playing football and starting basketball, I have almost been overwhelmed with sports. One of my co-workers at hospice told me the other day, "You have a lot of passion for sports. I wonder if you could find another area to channel that energy?"

I know she is right about my passion for sports. It has been a part of me since I was a child in elementary school. Whether it was playing or watching, I have always had a passion for sports. She was also right that I might need to channel some of that energy into another direction so I do not take sports so seriously. But how do you take something you love and channel it into a new direction? Is it bad to allow something like sports to take over your day? Probably. There is something to be said for moderation. Whether it is watching sports, or eating a wonderful meal, or watching a good show on television, a lot of things are better if done in moderation. However, when it comes to serving God, the Bible teaches that we need to do it with a lot of energy.

Paul writes to the church at Rome, in Romans 12:11, "**Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord.**" That word "zeal" is a word that means "great energy or enthusiasm in pursuit of a case or an objective." (New Oxford American Dictionary) So if we look at what Paul is writing, he is encouraging the church to find something we feel is worth our effort and then do it with everything we have, zeal. If we look at verse 10, we will see that Paul says the church should be devoted to each other in love and they should honor one another. So, what should be our main objective as the church, according to verses 10 and 11? I believe Paul is saying we should see one another as our main objective and we should serve God, and care for each other, with everything we have. We should be zealous about caring for one another. It is in caring for, and loving one another, that we are serving the Lord.

What are you passionate about today? What allows you to have energy you did not think you could have? For me, other than sports, it is preaching. For others, it can be taking care of the children or grandchildren. For some, it may be working outdoors. There are a lot of things that give people energy and a sense of purpose in life. What if we took the energy those things give us, and move them towards serving God by loving and caring for one another? Is there a way to be zealous about honoring others? God says we should be. For it is in loving others, that we are serving God. 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 or making phone calls.

Person of the Week for Nov 14-20

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

Deacon for this week: 11/7 Sue Edwards

Deacon for next week: 11/14 Barbara Goodson

Properties for November: Darrell Jenkins

Monthly Sunday Morning Greeters:

1st Frances Viano 2nd Iva Snyder

3rd & 5th Cecil Brown 4th Dee Bullock



We are doing things a little differently with our Angel Tree this year. Cheryl Walker will be going to Guatemala with Grace Ministries the first week in December. The leader of Grace Ministries is asking for help to purchase toys for the over 600 children that will attend the

Christmas parties sponsored by this ministry. Each Angel on the tree represents a donation of \$5.00 (or more) to provide toys for these children. Make checks payable to CVBC and we will write one check for the total. **Deadline for donations is Sunday, Nov 14.**



The Young Hearts are going to Cape Fear Seafood Company on Thursday, November 18. The restaurant is located at 832 Spring Forest Rd, plan to meet there at 11:00am. There is a signup sheet in narthex. **Please sign up by Wed, Nov 17** so we will know how many to make the reservation for.

Prayer Concerns:

HOME

Jean Glosson

Walt Switzer

Catherine Mullins

Jane Williams

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

Bonnie Wright – The Reserve at Mills Farm in Apex – Villa A

Charlotte Phelps (Jean's friend) The Templeton of Cary

OTHER:

Sonshine Person of the Week

The Price family – Missionaries in Wales



Wednesday Night Meditations

November 10

Staying the Course - Daniel 2:1-23

November 17

Staying the Course - Daniel 2:24-49

November 24: Thanksgiving...

A Time for Show and Tell - 1 Chronicles 16:7-12



We extend our sympathy to the family of Greg Small.

Greg passed away on Friday, November 5, 2021. He is survived by his daughter, Emily Small of Asheville. Greg was a long-time member of CVBC. There will be a graveside service at Raleigh Memorial Park on Saturday, November 13 at 1:00pm.

<https://www.dignitymemorial.com/obituaries/raleigh-nc/gregory-small-10433046>



Dear Crabtree Valley Baptist Church,

My family and I would like to thank you for praying for us during Frank's illness. We thank you for the cards, calls and emails. We also appreciate those who could come to the funeral. We are grateful that CVBC has been a part of our lives for many years.

Love, The Frank Mills Family