# CRABTREE VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH THE VALLEY ECHO October 10, 2016

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## Crop for the Cure Sat, Oct 15 8:30-5:30

CROP FOR THE CURE is an all-day event to come together to scrapbook. make handmade greeting cards and other paper crafts. Each participant is asked to make a minimum donation of \$25. Participants will get to share ideas, have access to decorative paper, stickers, and other supplies needed for projects. Breakfast, lunch and snacks are also provided. Money raised from this event will be sent to the Caring Community Foundation. This organization was established to help those in need; specifically, those battling cancer. Payment will be accepted at the event.



Fall Festival Wednesday, October 26 6:30-8pm Invite your friends and neighbors! Join us for food, carnival games, crafts and candy! Fun costumes are encouraged.

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## THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Hurricane Matthew will not soon be forgotten. In many ways it will prove to be worse than Hurricane Floyd. As of this writing (Monday Morning) from Florida to North Carolina 20 people have died and as many as 1,500 people

were stranded in Lumberton, NC. Over a

thousand have been rescued from swift or rising waters in Fayetteville and other cities. Rescue operations are still in progress and thousands are without power. Flood waters are pouring East filling rivers, and bringing potential flood waters to levels that will exceed those of Hurricane Floyd by the end of this week.

There are several thoughts that have occupied my mind since the on-set of this storm. First, I never cease to be amazed at how some people ignore or disregard the warnings of State and National authorities. Inevitably, in times of storms or danger, there are those who refuse to vacate their property even when told that they will be on their own and no one will come after them. One man refusing to evacuate said that he had to protect his house. Please tell me how you can protect your house in a category 3 or 4 hurricane? Is property more valuable than your life? If so, your values are all messed up.

Second, why would anyone attempt to drive through water not knowing if the road has been washed out? And why would anyone go around cones or warning signs where water is crossing the road? It is a fact that most people who die in a storm lose their life in a flood zone.

Third, why would anyone expect someone else to risk their life to save them from their foolishness? What is it about some individuals who see themselves as the exception to the rule, invincible, indestructible, or untouchable?

I am reminded of the Parable of the Ten Virgins (Matthew 25:1-13). Five of them were wise and five were foolish. Five were prepared to meet the bridegroom and five were not. When the call (warning) came that the Bridegroom was coming, the wise virgins were prepared with oil in their lamps and extra oil in jars. The foolish virgins took their lamps but had no extra oil. When their oil ran out they wanted the wise virgins to share their oil but they refused. So while the foolish virgins were taken into the banquet with the bridegroom and the foolish virgins who arrived late were shut out.

The similarity between a coming storm, the coming bridegroom, our coming death or the coming of our Lord (second coming) is obvious. We are told by good authority that it is going to happen. We are told to be prepared. In each case, we have a choice to make: to ignore the warning and be unprepared or to be prepared when the time comes. To ignore the warnings is absolutely foolish. To heed them and be ready is wise. The difference between being prepared and being unprepared is the difference between being saved or being lost (shut out). The writer of Hebrews has the appropriate question, "How shall we escape if we ignore such a great salvation? (Hebrews 2:3)

In His love, Charles

## Weekly Church Calendar EACH SUNDAY

\*9:45am Sunday School \*11:00am Worship Service \*Child care provided downstairs. 2:00-7:00pm Kenyan Fellowship EACH MONDAY: 9:00am-12:00pm Hope Pantry is open **EACH TUESDAY:** 

6:00-8:00pm Kenyan Fellowship

## EACH WEDNESDAY:

9:00am-12:00pm Hope Pantry is open 6:30pm Children and Youth Mission groups 7:00pm Bible study & Prayer 8:00pm Choir Practice **EACH THURSDAY:** 

8:00pm Gamblers Anonymous EACH FRIDAY: 7:00-10:30pm Kenyan Fellowship **MONTHLY:** (4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month) Young Hearts (Senior Adults)

Calendar of Events:
Saturday, October 15
8:30-5:30pm Crop for the Cure
Monday, October 17
7:00pm Inman Park HOA using Fellowship Hall
7:00pm Deacons meeting
Sunday, October 23
Business meeting
Wednesday, October 26
Children's Fall Festival
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### Attendance 10/0

10/7
25
25

Worship Attendance: 33

Deacon for this week:	10/16	Jean Glosson
<b>Deacon for next week:</b>	10/23	Shirley Keener

## **Properties for October**

## **Ushers for October**

10/16 Gene Sherwood 10/23 Darrell Jenkins 10/30 David Jenkins

Randy Walker Ben Best Shirley Keener Walt Switzer



Make a call, a visit or send a card! This week: October 9-15 Jean Greene Next week: October 16-22 Ed and Cassie Glover

## **PRAYER CONCERNS:** HOME:

Frances Viano Lee Snyder Ed & Cassie Glover Pam Bilbro

## **REHAB & CARE FACILITIES:**

Al Coley - Sunrise at North Hills - Room 286 Wilton Harris - Heritage Woods Ret. Comm. - W-S Jean Greene - Snow Hill Asst. Living - Snow Hill, NC Mary Cain - 806 Springmoor Circle 27615 **OTHER:** 

Music Committee - search for Music Director



Sunday, October 23

We have several important items to be presented and voted on at the upcoming business meeting. One is concerning the following change to the constitution. Also, we hope to have the 2017 proposed budget ready for review. Please make plans to attend this meeting so that we will have enough members to make the quorum.

This is to notify all church members of a change in Article VIII (Item 4) of our Church Constitution that will be voted on at the Oct  $23^{rd}$  business meeting and again at the next scheduled business meeting. This change is to reflect our policy regarding the elimination of the need to re-baptize by immersion new members who were previously baptized in a non-Baptist church by another method of baptism. The change in policy has already been incorporated into the Constitution by two previous votes earlier this year. The two upcoming votes will specifically address this new policy as it pertains to 'watch care' members, a point that was overlooked during the first voting process on this issue.



Hurricane Matthew has brought untold destruction to Haiti, Cuba, and the Eastern Coast Line of the US. NC has experienced a major portion of the storms

disaster. How can we help in the relief effort? There is no better way for us to contribute to the relief than to give to the ministry of the Baptist Men of NC. Richard Brunson, Executive Director of NC Baptist Men recently spoke at CVBC and shared information about this wonderful ministry.

Disaster Relief teams will be assisting in many hard hit areas. Funds are needed to enable teams of men and women in helping to meet the needs of those who have suffered great loss. We can be a part of that ministry by making checks out to CVBC and designating them for Baptist Men. 100% of all contributions will go directly to Disaster Relief.