CRABTREE VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH THE VALLEY ECHO February 20, 2017

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Thought for the Week

"The Book of Virtues by William J. Bennett contains the insightful story of two frogs that lived together in a marsh. One hot summer the marsh dried up and they left it to look for another place to live. Frogs like damp places. So by and by they came to a deep well and one of them looked down into the well and said to his companion, "This looks like a nice cool place. lets jump in and

settle here." But the other much wiser frog said, "Not so fast, my friend. Suppose this well is dried up like the marsh we just came from? How will we got out again?" The moral of the story is that prudent, thoughtful frogs and human beings not only look before they leap but they think twice before they act.

Hasty decisions are usually made with little regard to the consequences. A hasty decision in regards to college, moving to a new location, taking a job, entering into marriage, relocating, purchasing a car, house, major appliance or anything else you might contemplate usually leads to regrets and sometimes tears. Proverbs 22:3-4 says, "The wise man sees the danger ahead and avoids it, but the naïve go ahead and fall into the pit."

The temptation and pressure for people today to try drugs, alcohol, to move in with someone and enter into a relationship outside of marriage is extremely strong. Often such decisions are made with the rationalization that "everybody is doing it". Perhaps that is precisely the reason that the Bible says, "Enter through the narrow gate. For wide is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction, and many enter through it. But small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life, and only a few find it. (Matthew 7:13-14)

When I was a child every railroad crossing had a cross sign that read, "Stop, Look, Listen". Those signs are long gone, replaced by modern electronic crossing gates, but for those who want to live for Christ and avoid deep regrets for hasty decisions, STOP, LOOK, LISTEN before you act is solid advice.

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 WEDNESDAY: 9:00am-12:00pm Hope Pantry is open 6:30pm Children and Youth Mission groups 6:30pm Bible study & Prayer 7:30pm Choir Practice EACH THURSDAY: 8:00pm Gamblers Anonymous MONTHLY: (4th Thursday of each month) Young Hearts (Senior Adults)

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| | Saturday, February 25 |
| 1 | 2:00pm Memorial service for Shirley Keener |
| 1 | Sunday, February 26 |
| į | 6:00pm Fellowship meal |
| i | 7:00pm Business meeting |
| | Sunday, March 12 |
| ł | Daylight saving time begins |
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| Attendance | 2/19 |
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| Sunday School | 32 |
| Visitors | 1 |
| Total | 33 |

Worship Attendance: 52

Deacon for this week:2/26Tom EdwardsDeacon for next week:3/5Robert Best

Properties for March Gene Sherwood

Ushers for MarchRobert BestBobby HayesWhitt StallingsDarrell Jenkins



Make a call, a visit or send a card! This week: February 19-25 Ed & Cassie Glover Next week: February 26-March 4 Lee & Iva Snyder

PRAYER CONCERNS:

HOME: Jetta Lewis Bonnie Wright Greg Small Eleanor Cromartie 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 Ed Glover –Hillcrest rehab



We are in need of Pantry volunteers. Specifically, we are looking for someone to be here on Wednesday, from 9am-noon. Ideally we would like to have 2 volunteers so they can alternate weeks and not have to be tied down every week. Volunteering isn't hard; basically you greet the folks that come in for assistance, have them fill-out a form, gather the food needed (we have a print out of foods and amounts per family that you can follow) give them the food, complete the paper work, and that's it! This is a much needed ministry, we'd love for you to be a part of it!



SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26 Fellowship meal at 6pm Business meeting at 7pm

The Deacons will bring a recommendation that we change our monthly business meeting to meet quarterly and that the meeting be held in conjunction with a Crabtree Café lunch and fund raiser for our youth ministry following morning worship. To comply with our church constitution, this recommendation will be voted at the Feb. and March business meetings. If approved, it will take effect with the April Business meeting on April 23.



On Sunday we welcomed Cheryl Jones into our church family. She comes by transfer of letter from Crossroads Fellowship. Please be sure to introduce yourself to Cheryl and make her feel at home.