## **CRABTREE VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH**



**December 9, 2019** 

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# **Sunday, December 15** "A Light Still Shines"

7:00pm Christmas Cantata at Tabernacle Baptist Church 8304 Leesville Road



# Young Hearts Christmas Luncheon at CVBC Thurs, Dec 19

\$12.00 per person (pay at the door) Sign up by December 15



The Children on Mission and the Youth group would like to thank everyone for coming to the Breakfast and Craft Sale last Sunday. Because of your support, they raised \$128.00 for the Lottie Moon offering and \$642.00 for Passport!

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#### THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

The One World Trade Center in downtown Manhattan, NY replaces the Twin Towers that were demolished on September 11, 2001, when terrorist hijacked and flew commercial airliners into them as a part of their attack on America.

The foundation of the new structure that is 1776 feet tall in honor of the Declaration of Independence and now stands as the Tallest

Building in the USA and 7<sup>th</sup> tallest in the world is a marvel in and of itself. The foundation covers 500,000 sq. feet, It is built to support 48,000 tons of steel, 3.5 million sq. feet of tower and all the material it takes to enclose the structure. Footings for the foundation go 200 feet below street level and support 70-ton shafts of steel.

Architects and engineers who design buildings like that know the importance of a good foundation. The foundation of a building has three essential functions: bear the load of the building, anchor it against natural forces such as earthquakes and isolate it from ground moisture.

Just as a strong foundation is essential to the stability and safety of One World Trade Center or any building, so is a strong spiritual foundation necessary for our lives. In 2 Corinthians 4:8-9, the Apostle Paul illustrates the value of having a strong spiritual foundation, "We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed but not in despair, persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed."

As we celebrate Advent during December we are reminded of the spiritual foundation that our Heavenly Father has provided for "all who will believe". The Apostle Paul said, "For no one can lay a foundation other than that which is laid which is Jesus Christ." (1 Cor. 3:11). There are illustrations about the difference of a house built on sand verses one built on rock (Luke 6:47-49). There are warnings like Psalm 11:3, "If the foundations are destroyed what can the righteous do?"

As we light the Advent Candles each Sunday and The Christ Candle on Christmas Eve, we are reminded of the blessings we have in Jesus Christ who is the foundation of our faith. The pillars (steel shafts) of our faith in Christ are HOPE, PEACE, JOY & LOVE. All of the spiritual attributes of our lives are built around these spiritual gifts.

Jesus, our spiritual foundation said, "Everyone then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock." Matthew 7:24

In His Love, Charles

## **Weekly Church Calendar EACH SUNDAY:**

\*9:45am Sunday School

\*11:00am Worship Service

\*Child care provided downstairs.

#### **EACH TUESDAY:**

6:30pm Triangle Toastmasters

#### **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:** (4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month)

Young Hearts (Senior Adults)

### **Calendar of Events:**

Sunday, December 15

7:00pm Christmas Cantata at Tabernacle Baptist Church

Thursday, December 19

11:30 Young Hearts Christmas Luncheon

Tuesday, December 24

5:00pm Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Tuesday, December 24 - Friday, December 27

Office closed for Christmas

Sunday, December 29

Deadline for ALL special offerings and 2019 contributions

Wednesday, January 1- Friday, January 3

Office closed

Attendance	12/8
Sunday School Worship Attendance	35 50

**Deacon for week:** 12/15 Keith Harris **Deacon for week:** 12/22 Peninah Brown

#### **Properties for December**

#### **Ushers for December**

David Jenkins Randy Walker Ben Best Cecil Brown Frances Viano



Please join the Deacons in grateful appreciation of our church staff by contributing to the Staff Love Offering to be collected through Sun, Dec 29 and presented on Sun, Jan 5. Please mark your check or envelope "Love offering."



Week of December 8-14 Mary Cain Week of December 15-21 Louise Shore

We can all be a part of this ministry by praying for these individuals, sending cards, making phone calls or a visit.

## PRAYER CONCERNS:

#### **HOME:**

Bonnie Wright Linda Kunkle (visitor) Jetta Lewis

#### **REHAB & CARE FACILITIES:**

Jean Greene – Snow Hill Asst. Living - Snow Hill, NC
Mary Cain – 806 Springmoor Circle 27615
Anne Jenkins - Morningside of Raleigh Room 132
Johnnie Grubbs – Cambridge Hills of Pittsboro – Rm 208
Louise Shore – Spring Arbor of Cary Rm 115
1705 Kildaire Farm Rd Cary, NC 27511
Greg Small – Atria Oakridge Room 226
10820 Sandy Oak Lane Raleigh 27614

#### **HOSPITAL:**

Michelle Pennington – (visitor) Duke- liver transplant



During the month of December we will receive our Lottie Moon and CBF Global Missions offerings. There are envelopes for each of these special offerings on the lobby table. Remember to write Lottie Moon or CBF on your check and envelope. Our goal is \$900 for each of these offerings.

CBF received to date = \$500 Lottie Moon received to date = \$343



A world class Nativity display is open for public viewing at the Mormon Church, located at 590 Bryan Drive in Apex, next to the Post Office on Hwy 55. It is open on Friday, Dec. 13, from 6-9pm and on Saturday, Dec. 14<sup>th</sup> from 12noon-8:30pm. If you love art and love Nativity sets, it is well worth your time to see this amazing collection which literally comes from all over the world.



The Lottie Moon Christmas card box is outside the church office. Use this box to exchange cards with other members or those who regularly attend worship services on Sunday mornings. In lieu of postage, please make a donation to the Lottie Moon Christmas offering and/or to the CBF Global Missions offering. Please mail all cards for those who can't attend on a regular basis, who have moved away, or are in Rehab or Nursing Homes, the church will not mail these for you.