

# CRABTREE VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH



## THE VALLEY ECHO

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Church Office hours: Monday-Thursday 9am-3pm (closed on Friday)

### PASTOR'S SCHEDULE

Pastor Johnny's office hours will be Saturday, June 18 from 9am - noon. He is also available on Wednesday evening after Bible study if needed. You can also contact him by sending a text or calling 919-691-1701, or e-mail to [jkrich6@hotmail.com](mailto:jkrich6@hotmail.com).

### FATHER'S DAY

Sunday, June 19

### —STAYING— CONNECTED

If you're unable to attend our Worship services, you can watch the weekly Virtual Worship Service on Sundays at 11am.

<https://www.crabtreevalleybaptist.org>

#### Church office information:

Interim Pastor • Rev. Johnny Richards

Music Director • Risa Poniros

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### From the Pastor's Heart...

If you remember in last week's article, I began a series of encouraging words based on the alphabet. The word I used was the word "abide". I talked about how important it is for us to abide in Christ, or stay with Christ, so we can bear the fruit followers of Christ are supposed to bear. We must do things that keep us focused on Him.

This week, as I think about the letter "B", the word I want to talk about is the word "believe". Just as abiding in Christ is important for us to show others the fruit of the spirit, believing in Christ is important for us to stay strong in our relationship with Christ. In John 14:1, Jesus is talking with His disciples about leaving them. He shares with them that He must go away and what is going to happen to Him. After sharing this news, He understands they are sad, and troubled and obviously concerned about life without Christ being with them. It is for this reason Jesus comforts His disciples with these words, "let not your hearts be troubled." A troubled heart is a questioning heart, maybe even a doubting heart, and Christ knew they could not live this way if they were going to carry on His ministry.

We live in a world that causes us to have troubled hearts. I don't think a day goes by without someone talking with me about how scared they are becoming while living in this world. Every day we hear about another shooting taking innocent lives. We hear about sickness and death. We hear about wars and political divisiveness. I must admit, as I sit here writing this article, my heart is troubled. I want to fix the world. I want things to be better. I want my children, and possibly grandchildren, to have a world they enjoy being a part of each day, instead of being afraid to walk out their door. I want to make it better, but I can't. I can't fix the world. Instead, I have to do what Jesus told His disciples to do.

In order for me to continue on, trying to live the life Christ has called me to live, I must believe in Him. It's hard, but it's what He calls us all to do. He told them also to "believe in God and believe in Him." I think Jesus was saying to His disciples to trust Him. Even with a troubled heart, we have to trust God. When we can't fix things around us, we have to believe in God. When we don't have the answers to life's troubling questions, we have to believe in God. It's not just believing He is real, but believing He is in control. This is hard to do with a troubled heart. But as His disciples, and as followers of Christ, we have to believe and trust Him so our hearts will not be troubled. When trouble comes, believe. God is in control. Live in a way that helps others see the fruit of the spirit and believe in way that gets us through each day. 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 June 12-18**

Catherine Mullins  
4505 Woodbury Dr  
Raleigh, NC 27612

**Deacon for this week:** 6/12 Barbara Goodson

**Deacon for next week:** 6/19 Keith Harris

**Properties for June:** David Jenkins

### **Prayer Concerns:**

#### **HOME**

Frances Viano  
Darrell Jenkins  
Jean Glosson  
Sandi Robinson  
Walt Switzer  
Catherine Mullins  
Jane Williams – having eye surgery on Tues.  
Jetta Lewis  
Marci Phelps – Charlotte's daughter (friend of Jean Glosson)  
Charlotte Phelps (Jean's friend)

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

Anne Barden – Oak Hill Asst Living in Angier  
Anne Jenkins – Morningside on Dixie Trail  
Betsy Shaw – Sunrise of Raleigh on Edwards Mill Rd.

#### **OTHER:**

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

### **CALL ON HIS NAME**



Have you ever thought about the names of God and what they mean? During the Sundays in June, our pastor will be bringing messages about six names of God. We hope you will join us for these important messages, either in person or online.

**June 19:** Jehovah Nissi (The Lord is My Banner)  
Exodus 17:14-16

**June 26:** Jehovah-Raah (The Lord is My Friend)  
Psalm 23



## **DON'T FORGET TO VOTE**

**Deacon nomination ballots are  
due Sunday, June 26**



### **PENCIL IT IN**

**Mark your calendars for Friday, July 15**

The Young Hearts will be going to the State Farmer's Market Restaurant for lunch. More details to come!



## **GET excited about VBS!**

**Vacation Bible School and Science Camp**

**Wednesday evenings from 5:30-8pm**

We will meet weekly for 5 weeks.

**June 29, July 6, July 13, July 20 and July 27**

Bible Stories, Crafts, Science and Live Animals

Please see Cheryl Walker if you would  
like to volunteer for any or all nights!



## **Ice Cream Social Next Wednesday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>**

Make plans to join us for Bible study and fellowship! Our youth will be leading our Wednesday evening Bible study, starting at 6:30pm. Following the service, we will have a church-wide ice cream and dessert social. Please bring your favorite dessert and join in the fun and fellowship as we celebrate CVBC.