

# CRABTREE VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH



## THE VALLEY ECHO

May 15, 2023

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



**Monday, May 29**

Memorial Day – office closed



**Sunday, June 4**

Business meeting and Cafe



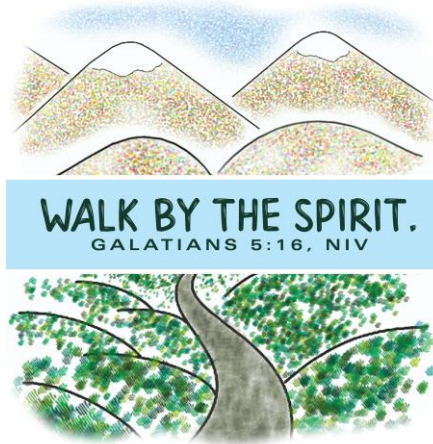
**Vacation Bible School**

**Wednesday evenings**

**from 5:30-8pm**

Meeting each Wed for 5 weeks.

**June 21 thru July 19**



## The Road Ahead

One of my favorite places in the Smoky Mountains is the Tremont area. The road runs so close to the mountain stream that you can almost feel its spray. As you wind your way up the old logging road, the asphalt gives way to gravel, and the trees arch over you as a natural canopy. When you look forward, you are surrounded with beauty but can only see a short stretch in front of you. You have to wait to see what God has in store around the corner.

The last time I made the drive up the mountain side, I could not help but think about how often we find ourselves so anxious about what is around the corner in our lives that we miss the beauty of the moment. We worry so much about our tomorrows that we miss what God has for us in our today.

In The Lord's Prayer, a part of what Jesus teaches his disciples to pray is, "give us this day our daily bread." These can be difficult words to pray with meaning because we are tempted to want to know God's plan for our long-term provision. Too often we long for not only enough for the day, but enough for a lifetime. Instead, Jesus invites us to pray enough for today alone. This requires us to trust God in this bend in the road. It also calls us to believe God will not only be present us in our todays, but will also be waiting for us and providing what is come for us around the corner.

Later in the Sermon on the Mount in Matthew 6, Jesus teaches: "25 Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes? 26 Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? 27 Can any one of you by worrying add a single hour to your life?...34 Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own."

While I appreciate those who have exotic birds and care for them as pets, the picture Jesus uses is the birds that live in the wild. Jesus assures us that if God cares and provides for these wild birds, how much more will God care and provide for us who are the very children of God through faith. We can trust God to provide our daily bread. We do not have to worry about what is around the next corner. So, enjoy the drive. Don't worry about tomorrow. God is already there ahead of us.

Tom Ogburn

### Church office information:

**Music Director** • Risa Poniros

**Secretary** • Peggy Utley

**Youth Director** • Anna Clark

**Website updates/maintenance**

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## Weekly Church Calendar

### EACH SUNDAY

9:45am Sunday School  
11:00am Worship Service  
2:00-5:00pm Point Church (Filipino)

### EACH WEDNESDAY

9:00am-12:00pm Hope Pantry is open  
6:30pm Children and Youth Mission groups  
6:30pm Bible study & Prayer meeting

### EACH THURSDAY

7:30pm Gamblers Anonymous

### SECOND & FOURTH TUESDAY

6:30pm Tarheel Toastmasters

### MONTHLY

Young Hearts Fellowship



*SHARE THE SONSHINE*

### Person of the Week for May 14-20

Catherine Mullins – Rm 316  
Sunrise of Cary  
1206 W. Chatham St  
Cary, NC 27513

**Deacon for this week:** 5/14 Gene Sherwood

**Deacon for next week:** 5/21 Barbara Best

**Properties for May:** Darrell Jenkins



**Thursday, May 18**

**\*\*\*\*ANOTHER CHANGE \*\*\*\***

***Same date, different time and location.***

**ATTENTION:** The Young Hearts will be meeting at Casa Carbone in Oak Park shopping center on Glenwood Ave at 5:00pm for dinner on May 18.

## Prayer Concerns:

### HOME

Frances Viano  
Sandi Robinson  
Walt Switzer  
Jane Williams  
Jetta Lewis

### REHAB & CARE FACILITIES:

Anne Barden – Oak Hill Asst Living in Angier  
Catherine Mullins – Sunrise of Cary  
Betsy Shaw – Group Home/Assisted Living: Val's Place

### OTHER:

Sonshine Person of the Week  
The Price family – Missionaries

## DISASTER RELIEF



### HYGIENE KITS FOR DISASTER RELIEF

**Our goal is 200 kits.**

We are collecting Hygiene kits for Church World Services again this year. There is a detailed list available in the lobby.

You may prepare as many hygiene kits as you desire. Iva Snyder will again prepare bags for those that prefer to make a donation. The cost is \$10 for each kit. You can pay with cash or check payable to CVBC by May 22. ***All kits are due at the church by Sunday, May 28 for delivery June 1-8.***



### Graduate Recognition

**Sunday, June 11**

Our Graduate Recognition for Carolina and Jimmy Harris will be on Sunday, June 11 during our morning worship services

We would like to honor our grads with a small gift, or gift card and/or cards of encouragement for their accomplishments and future goals. A gift baskets are in the lobby to collect these items. Please write their name on the outside of the gift or card.