

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 Duke is in the office on Wednesday afternoons and is available to meet with you if you would like to make an appointment. You can set up an appointment by calling or texting him at 336-344-0575 or emailing at whdukejr@gmail.com.



Sunday, October 1

Café and Business Meeting

Menu: Chicken and vegetable stir fry, Rice, Egg Roll, Fruit & Cake.

In addition to your café donation for your meal, we are asking that each person bring at least one 'can good' for our Pantry.

We very much appreciate all the pantry donations brought in on Sunday!

Church office information:

Pastor • Dr. Bill Duke

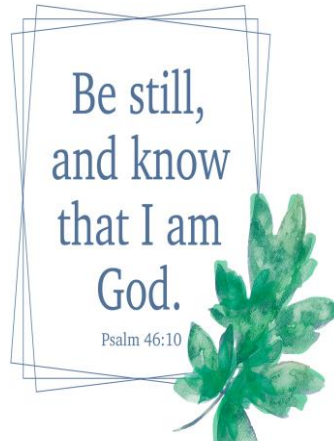
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A WORD FROM YOUR PASTOR

In addition to hearing and reading God's Word, you can also practice Bible intake by studying God's Word. Jerry Bridges wrote, "Reading gives us breadth, but study gives us depth."

Consider these three examples of those who had a heart to study the Word of God. First, In Ezra 7:10 we read these words, "For Ezra had devoted himself to the study and observance of the Law of the Lord, and to teaching its decrees and laws in Israel." Before he taught the Word of God to the people of God, Ezra disciplined himself to study God's Word.

A second example is from Acts 17:11. Missionaries Paul and Silas had barely escaped with their lives from Thessalonica after their successful evangelistic work had provoked the Jews there to jealousy. When they repeated the same course of action in Berea, the Jews there responded differently. Acts 17:11 says, "Now the Bereans were of more noble character than the Thessalonians, for they received the message with great eagerness and examined the Scriptures every day to see if what Paul said was true." According to the next verse, the result was, "Many of the Jews believed." The willingness to examine the Scriptures is commended here as noble character.

A third example of a heart to study the truth of God is in II Timothy 4:13. The Apostle Paul was in prison and writing the last chapter of his last New Testament letter. Anticipating the coming of his younger friend Timothy, he wrote, "When you come, bring the cloak that I left with Carpus at Troas, and my scrolls, especially the parchments." The scrolls and parchments Paul requested almost certainly included copies of the Holy Scriptures. In his cold and miserable confinement, the godly apostle asked for two things: a cloak to wear so his body could be warmed and God's Word to study so his mind and heart could be warmed. Paul had seen Heaven (II Corinthians 12:1-6) and the resurrected Christ (Acts 9:5), he had experienced the Holy Spirit's power for miracles (Acts 14:10) and even for writing Holy Scripture (II Peter 3:16); nevertheless, he continued to study God's Word until he died. If Paul needed it, surely, we need it and should discipline ourselves to do it.

Often this study of God's Word involves 4 steps: (1.) Repetition, (2.) Concentration, (3.) Comprehension, and (4.) Reflection. All are important as we study the Bible. Ingrained habits of thought can be formed by repetition which helps change our behavior. Concentration centers our mind and focuses our attention on the thing being studied. Comprehension leads to insight and discernment by defining what we are studying. Reflection defines the significance of what we are studying.

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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 and Prayer meeting

EACH THURSDAY

7:30pm Gamblers Anonymous

SECOND & FOURTH TUESDAY

6:30pm Tarheel Toastmasters

MONTHLY

Young Hearts Fellowship



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, making phone calls or a visit.

Person of the Week for Sept 24-30

Mr. Charlie Capps
3325 Ashby Place
Raleigh, NC 27604

Properties for October: Whitt Stallings



10/4 Anna Clark
1826 Towercrest Rd
Fuquay-Varina 27526

10/5 Sandi Robinson
1119 Salinas Valley Dr
Wake Forest 27587

10/18 Santiago Harris
4113 Weaver Dr 27612

10/20 Shannon Robinson
5538 Spindlewood Ct
Durham, NC 27703

10/25 Charlie Jones
8201 Primanti Blvd 27612

Prayer Concerns:

HOME:

Margaret Martinez
Faye Hayes (on-going health concerns)
Frances Viano
Sandi Robinson
Walt Switzer

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

HOSPITAL:

Christopher Altman (Carolyn's son) Wake Med
Jim Weaver – Duke (recovering from heart surgery)

OTHER:

Sonshine Person of the Week



A WORD FROM YOUR PASTOR

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Bible intake is one of the Spiritual Disciplines. The practice of Bible intake is essential to our growth in godliness. We need to hear the Word of God, read the Word of God, and study the Word of God. When we practice Bible intake on a regular basis, it becomes a means by which God's grace flows into our lives and does a work of transformation.

If you want to grow in Godliness, then discipline yourself to hear, read, and study the Bible.

Blessings, Bill Duke



October is Staff Appreciation Month
Let's celebrate together at our Crabtree Café
on Sunday, October 1, 2023.

Your church family honors and appreciates all those who work faithfully throughout the year to meet our church needs.