

CRABTREE VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH



THE VALLEY ECHO

November 27, 2023

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



A called meeting will be held immediately after the worship service on **Sunday, December 17** to vote on the SBC recommendation from the deacons.



This year we are collecting gifts for a Columbian family that recently stayed at the Welcome House. Please take an angel, buy and wrap the gift, placing the angel on top. Gifts are due by Dec. 20.



Our **Christmas Card Mailbox** is in the lobby and ready for members to use for exchanging Christmas cards with other church members. Cards are filed alphabetically by last name. Please mail your cards to those members who are unable to attend regularly or are in Rehab/Care facilities. Cards that are not picked up will not be mailed out. In lieu of postage, please make donations to the Lottie Moon and/or to the CBF Global Missions offering.



A WORD FROM YOUR PASTOR

Greetings to my new church family at Crabtree Valley Baptist. I am honored and consider it a privilege to be able to share in worship and the life of the church during this upcoming Advent season. I look forward to getting to know you and want to take this opportunity to introduce myself so you can know me better as well. I am a native of Virginia and felt called into

the ministry during my junior year of high school. I have served as pastor of four churches over the course of 44 years and retired last year after 17 years of serving as Senior Pastor of the Wake Forest Baptist Church. My wife Kathy just retired this fall after teaching special needs students for 32 years on the elementary school level. We have two daughters and two granddaughters, age 9 and 4. We enjoy travels, good books, and long walks.

I hope you will join with me in the many special opportunities that this season provides. All the studies show that people are especially welcome to an invitation to church during the Christmas season. The Christmas Cantata on December 10 at 4 p.m. and the Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Service at 5 p.m. are especially wonderful opportunities.

This coming Sunday we will light the candle of HOPE in the Advent wreath and my message will be "Where is Hope Seen?" Consider your own hopes these days and what it is God is hoping for you and His church at CVBC these days. Last of all, I ask a favor. Will you bring a picture of yourself with your name on it this Sunday and share it with me?. I want to call you by name and this will greatly help. It is the most special time of the year as we celebrate the Christ who has come and who continues to come when we make room for Him in our lives..

Brave Journey,
Bill Slater

Church office information:

Pastor • Dr. Bill Slater Music Director • Risa Poniros

Secretary • Peggy Utley Youth Director • Anna Clark

Website updates/maintenance webmaster@crabtreevalleybaptist.org

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 Nov 26-Dec2

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

Properties for December: David Jenkins



Lottie Moon and CBF Global Missions offerings

Lottie Moon goal is \$500

Global Missions goal is \$500

Make checks payable to CVBC – note LM or Global on your check and/or envelope.

We will collect this offering through Sun, Dec 24.

The Deacons invite you to show your appreciation of our church staff by contributing to the **Staff Love Offering**. Please mark your check or envelope “Love offering.” This offering needs to be received by Wed, Dec 20 as these gifts are given out at the Christmas Eve service.

All 2023 contributions need to be received by Sun, Dec 24.

Prayer Concerns:

HOME:

Freeda Poniros
Jim Weaver
Margaret Martinez
Faye Hayes (on-going health concerns)
Frances Viano
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
Sandi Robinson – Hillside Rehab in Wake Forest

OTHER:

Sonshine Person of the Week



CHRISTMAS CANTATA

Make plans to join us as the CVBC choir, along with some special guests, present

“Gather at the Manger”

Sunday, December 10 at 4:00pm

Refreshments and fellowship to follow.

There is a sign up sheet in the lobby to help with refreshments, please bring all items ‘ready to serve’. We have mini-posters available for you to pick up, use these to invite your family and friends!



Holiday Schedule

Sunday, December 10 at 4:00pm

Cantata and Reception

Sunday, December 24 at 5:00pm

Christmas Eve Service

Monday, Dec 25 and Tuesday, Dec 26

Office closed for Christmas

Wednesday, Dec 27

Hope Pantry open

Please note:

There will not be a newsletter published the week of December 25.