



CREEDMOOR ROAD BAPTIST CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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This Sunday at CRBC ...

What will satisfy your compulsions, addictions, and will actually fix what you feel is broken in you? CRBC Pastor Danny Estave shares how eternal life addresses these desires.

Join us this Sunday at 11AM at CRBC or on YouTube as Paul tells us where we can find the fullness and joy that we all are longing for (*from Colossians 2:8-3:5*).



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Mending Shattered Lives

Most of us receive countless mailings from organizations asking for charitable donations. However, there was one recent mailing that was very different. The envelope contained a testimonial insert from Ernie Mills, the founder of the *Durham Rescue Mission*.

His story began with childhood memories of his father who was often intoxicated, having bottles of booze stored in many places throughout the house. His father often warned him about the bad effects of alcohol and gave himself as an example of the horrible consequences. He told Ernie never to touch it and Ernie promised his dad he would never touch that "evil liquid."

When Ernie was only 17, his father passed away from cirrhosis of the liver. He left behind his wife, four children, and a farm. As the oldest son, Ernie knew he had to assume the responsibility of running the family farm. Following his high school graduation, Ernie attended a revival meeting and heard about a Heavenly Father who loved him so very much. This same Father sent His one and only Son to die in Ernie's place and forgave him from all the sins he had committed. After accepting Christ as his Savior, Ernie's pastor encouraged him to further his education at Bob Jones University, and three months later he was enrolled and attending classes.

On graduation day, Ernie did not know what the Lord wanted him to do; he thought about foreign missions and going overseas, but more importantly, he did know was that he was willing to go and do whatever God wanted. During his devotions one afternoon, the Lord strongly impressed upon his heart the need to reach alcoholics. His mind went back to his father. To his knowledge, no one had ever come to witness to his dad about the Lord. If someone, anyone, had told his dad about Jesus; how there was victory over the bottle, their lives could have been very different; but for his dad, it was too late. That very day, God began to lay on his heart a ministry for reaching alcoholics with the gospel. He first went to work at the *Winston Salem Rescue Mission* where Brother Neal Wilcox trained him in ministry of rescue mission work. In 1973, Ernie felt a burden for Durham, and without a sponsor, Ernie moved his family there and started a rescue mission. The first year was hard, but the Lord was gracious and poured out His blessings on Ernie's efforts. In 1974, the *Durham Rescue Mission* opened its doors for the first time to alcoholic men. During their 48 years of existence, this mission has expanded to include men, women, and children. Their goal is to offer a "helping hand up" to homeless, hungry, hurting, and hopeless people as they share the good news of the gospel. *Charity Navigator*, the nation's largest and most utilized evaluator of charities, ranks the DRM the #1 homeless service provider in the Carolinas. We thank God for people like Ernie, who have a heart and a desire to serve in this way.

"Therefore, if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature; old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new." - II Corinthians 5:17

The Numbers from Sunday

Last Sunday morning, there were 33 in worship. Tithes and Offerings totaled \$3,672. Thank you for your giving.

Birthdays

No birthdays this week

COVID-19 Prayer Support

Pray, Asking God, in His Mercy

- To stop this pandemic, and save lives, not only in our community but around the world, particularly in places without health care.
- For wisdom and direction for our governmental leaders.
- For wisdom for us, and for others, to see their great need for God.
- To protect our missionaries and their families around the globe, using this global crisis to advance His Good News to the world.

Prayer Requests



Unreached People Everywhere	Donald & Tamara (Wingfield) McElvy
Our Community	Rachel Hite
CRBC	Audrey Harp
Missionaries	Howard Benton
M/K	Joe Canady
Pastor Shane & Legacy Community Church	Morgan
Jeffreys Grove Elementary School	Neal & Edna Caliendo, Sr.
Ernie Mills & the Durham Rescue Mission	Elijah Blalock
Nina Pittari & Family	Mark Choate
Chris Peeden	Peter Harrison
Dennis Choate	Donna Messer
Myra DeBruhl	Benjamin Bennett
Chris Collins & Family	Nina Killian
Pete & Olivia Byrd	Jackson Killian
Clara Wimmer	Marguerite Nelson
Elizabeth Oates	Jeffrey Knight
Linda Waddell	Bettie Knight
Daisy Watkins	Vivian Sagan & Family
Annette Dawson	

DURHAM
RESCUE
MISSION

This Week

Sunday, January 16

- 10:00am The Gospel Project
To Dwell in the House of the Lord:
Faithfulness at the Mountain
Exodus 32-34
At CRBC with Masks/Social Distancing
- 11:00am Sunday Worship Service
Colossians: Christ Over All
Death to Self
Colossians 2:8-3:5
Pastor Danny Estave
At CRBC with Masks/Social Distancing
Livestreaming on YouTube

Upcoming Weeks

Sunday, January 23

- 10:00am The Gospel Project
11:00am Morning Worship Service
at CRBC and on YouTube

Sunday, January 30

- 10:00am The Gospel Project
11:00am Morning Worship Service
at CRBC and on YouTube

Sunday, February 6

- 10:00am The Gospel Project
11:00am Morning Worship Service
at CRBC and on YouTube