THE ROCK HILL HERALD

The bulletin of the Rock Hill church of Christ



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Worship Times:

- Bible Class 9:00AM
- Sunday Worship 10:00AM
- Sunday PM Worship 6:00PM
- Wednesday Bible study 7:00PM

Elders:

- Jim Boles
- Charles Haley
- Doug Jones
- Scott Wallace

Preacher:

• Park Linscomb

Deacons:

- Reiven Holt
- Hugh Ruebush
- John Smetzer
- Burley Stinnett
- Fernando Zapata

"We're Here and We Care"

In Christ Alone

It is a beautiful morning as we gather together to worship God, our Heavenly Father. The privilege would not be ours had it not been for a loving Savior who gave Himself for all of mankind, and set in place a means by which we could find forgiveness of sin. Today, we enjoy the special privilege in the beginning of this series of Gospel meetings dedicated to, and entitled "In Christ Alone."

In the words of the apostle Peter, we are encouraged by **2 Peter 3:14-18**, where the Bible says," Wherefore beloved...be diligent that ye may be found of Him in peace, without spot, and blameless...and account that the long suffering of our Lord is salvation. Seeing that ye know these things before, beware lest ye also being lead away with the error of the wicked, fall from your own steadfastness, But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To Him be glory both now and forever."

The elders and deacons of this congregation of the Lord's church are dedicated to the responsibilities we share to fulfill the commandment of God in *Hebrews 13:17*, which says, "they watch for your souls, as they that must give account." It is for this reason that we feel blessed of God who has brought brother Park to our congregation. He has a wonderful depth of knowledge and wisdom that is needed to enrich the spiritual lives of every individual who diligently seeks the Lord, and help each person grow accordingly.

As we enter into this Gospel meeting, each of us as should be reminded of the urgency of our soul's salvation and the preparation that must be made before we stand before the judgement seat of Christ. In an effort to further encourage each person in attendance over the next few days, the elders and deacons have invited one of this congregation's favorite Christian brothers and sisters, Jack and Vickie Evans to share this time and the responsibility of bringing these words of truth that we all cherish.

"Let us draw near with a true heart...hold fast the profession of our faith...consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works...not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together" and may God Bless the Rock Hill congregation of the Lord's church, and this series of Gospel meetings!



"For through Him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God." Ephesians 2:18,19

f you are visiting our congregation, welcome! If you have questions, we welcome them; please do not hesitate to ask Park Linscomb, our minister (the tall guy) or any other church member.

N.E.W.S.

WELCOME TO THE FIRST DAY of our Gospel meeting with Jack Evans Jr. — "In Christ Alone". You are cordially invited to all these events...

- All our Sunday events
 - Bible class at 9AM
 - Morning Worship at 10AM
 - Fellowship Luncheon about 11:30AM
 - Evening worship at 6PM
- Monday through Wednesday
 - light dinner at 5:30PM
 - meeting at 7PM

THE PITTSFIELD MA CHURCH

We have an ongoing monthly benevolence program to help the Berkshire County church of Christ in Pittsfield Mass. See Trudy R. to contribute

LEADERSHIP MEETING: Our elders, deacons, and our preacher meet this afternoon, August 20, at 4PM.

LADIES' CLASS — Our ladies' next gathering will be August 29 at 10AM. Come join the fellowship, Bible study, and a little lunch. It's a great way to grow closer to the Lord and to one another.

THERE ARE a number of great flyers, brochures, opportunities to serve, and

reports of mission works in the foyer of our auditorium. Check them out, get encouraged, and get involved!!

NEW PRAYER REQUESTS

 Linda Moore had knee replacement surgery this past week and so will be absent until she's able to walk again.
 Pray for her while she's doing physical therapy

OUR PRAYER LIST...

- Norma Bautista in physical rehab
- The Coopers settling into a new facility.
- Jim P. radiation therapy for prostate cancer.
- Fernando Z's father, Ramon radiation therapy for lung cancer.
- Sandy L's sister, Lisa, in hospice care in Mississippi .
- Freida R, recovering at home
- The Stafford's grand-daughter

- Isela Hughes'...
 - sister Griselda Walters
 - friend Jeff, cancer
- Dianne H's sister-in-law with a brain tumor
- Sarai Lyons' friend Tiffany M.
- Dianna C, chemo recovery
- Bonnie D. broken shoulder
- Julia's friend Wendy with breast cancer
- Sue Carter
- Ora Holt, kidney
- the churches in New England
- brethren in India
- our congregational leaders

LONG TERM REQUESTS

- Bonnie B.
- Carol P.
- Dale and Lavonia C.
- Julia's nurse friend, Michaela
- The Zapata's friend Isabella with a heart lesion
- Travis Y. feeding tube
- Ken C.

Welcome, Jack and Vickie Evans Jr.!

Today begins our Gospel meeting

"In Christ Alone"





Today...9AM, 10AM, and 6PM Monday through Wednesday 7PM Mon.-Wed. light dinner at 5:30PM READ-THE-BIBLE-IN-A-YEAR

□Aug 20, Jer 42-44

□Aug 21, Jer 45-48

□Aug 22, Jer 49-50

□Aug 23, Jer 51-52

□Aug 24, Lam 1-2

□Aug 25, Lam 3-5

□Aug 26, Ezekiel 1-4

□Aug 27, Ezekiel 5-8

God's Will Be Done!

A word of Encouragement

"For this reason we must pay much closer attention to what we have heard, so that we do not drift away from it." Hebrews 2:1, NAS95.

WHY DOES THE CHURCH SPONSOR GOSPEL MEETINGS?

n a day and age of computers and internet, what good does a Gospel meeting do anymore? Aren't Gospel meetings sort of old-fashioned and out of date? They may have worked 100 years ago, but today everyone is just to busy to be bothered to disrupt their usual schedules, keep the kids up later than usual, and make the trek all the way to church and back again several nights back to back. Why does the church sponsor Gospel meetings; do they really work anymore?

Actually, they do work; but they're like any other tool, they only work when we work them. Simply owning a hammer won't build a house, you have to work and use it. Gospel meetings also work in saving souls, when we work and use them.

The Gospel is the power of God unto salvation, according to Romans 1:16; but as Romans 10:15 reminds us, "How then will they call on Him in whom they have not believed? How will they believe in Him whom they have not heard? And how will they hear without a preacher?" A Gospel meeting is primarily an effort to gather together family, neighbors, and friends who have not heard or responded to the truth of the Gospel to hear and respond to it. If you know people who are not Christians, and we all do, we need to invite them to come, so that they can hear.

And by the way, this would include those who are part of some denominational group. Many, many of them know part of the Gospel, but their leaders have almost always led them just short of biblical baptism. Don't let the fact that those that you know already have a church they go to, the restoration plea to return to the Lord's pattern makes a lot of sense especially to those who are part of a denomination — unity by just looking to the Bible alone for all teachings and practices.

Likewise, this includes our kids, too. While little-ones, well under the age of accountability, are still innocent, there has been many a young person who has committed their way to the Lord in a Gospel meeting, including yours truly. My parents and Sunday school teachers did a lot of the foundational teaching, but the preacher motivated me. A different speaker from the usual guy in the pulpit often gains more attention, and we shouldn't waste such an opportunity to make sure our children join us in Heaven.

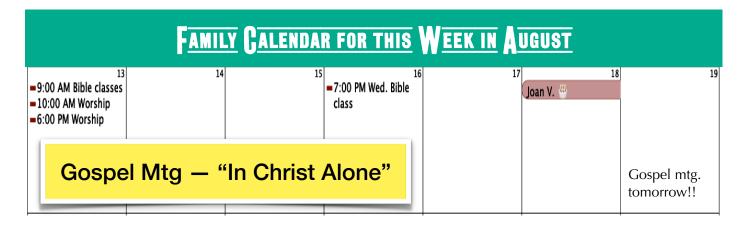
And people who have already heard the Gospel (namely, you and me) need to hear it again — and again. Such meetings remind us afresh of the grace that saved us and what we were saved from. As a bonus, the preacher often provides us with biblical answers (book, chapter, and verse) to questions that the world around us may be asking of us — for which we may have had little in the way of a persuasive response.

Gospel meetings tend to make us more aware of and compassionate toward the lost souls that are around us; they tend to encourage us to be more evangelistic, more convicted, more determined to share the Good News with others.

Moreover, just getting together to sing praises to the Lord (Gospel meeting singing is often really good) lifts up our spirits, points us to lift our eyes to things above and not on the things below (Colossians 3:1), and gives us a spiritual boost.

Why does the church sponsor Gospel meetings? Look at all the good it can do that nothing else will. The key is whether we will fully work and use this tool to sow the seed of the Gospel of salvation to our neighbors, our friends, our kids, and for ourselves. Let's roll up our sleeves, labor in prayer, invite as many as we know, and work our Gospel meeting.

Park Linscomb



SERVICE IN WORSHIP

Shortcuts to good info...

August 20		
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