THE ROCK HILL HERALD

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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:

- Iim Boles
- Charles Haley
- Doug Jones
- Scott WallacePreacher:
- Park Linscomb

Deacons:

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

"We're Here and We Care"

GOD'S PLAN, PART 10

The article from last week brought us to <u>Acts 2</u>, which is the historical account of the establishment of the Lord's church. There are two (2) significant references of this event mentioned in the Old Testament regarding this. In <u>Isaiah 2:1-3</u>, the Prophet of God writes in verse 3, "Come ye, and let us go up to the Mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob (the 3rd generation of Abraham to whom the promise was repeated <u>Genesis 28:14</u>) ...for out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem."

We also consider a reference made by the Apostle Peter in <u>Acts 2:16-17</u> "this is that which was spoken of by the Prophet Joel (<u>Joel 2:28</u>) I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh..." These references are critical pieces of information to the events recorded by the inspired writer in <u>Acts chapter 2</u>. This is also the event that Jesus spoke of when He commanded His Apostles to remain in Jerusalem in <u>Act 1:4-5</u> "ye shall be baptized (so to speak) with the Holy Ghost not many days hence."

It is also important to look at <u>Luke 24:44-49</u>. These verses seal the actual Plan so clearly, having identified what is revealed in <u>Acts 1 & 2</u>. Luke writes from Jesus to the Apostles, "these are the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you...thus it behooved Christ to suffer and to rise from the dead the 3rd day...and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name among all Nations, beginning at Jerusalem...and ye are witnesses of these things...and behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you; but tarry in Jerusalem until ye be endued with power from on High."

To repeat the statement made by Jesus to Peter in *Matthew 16:18-19* is appropriate in order to make the proper connection in Scripture. Jesus said, "upon this rock, I will build my church...AND I will give to thee the keys to the kingdom of heaven..." There is no separation between the two entities; the church and the kingdom. Both were mentioned together in this passage. Furthermore, in *Mark 9:1* Jesus said, "there be some standing here which shall not taste death until they see the kingdom of God come with power" fulfilled in *Acts chapter 2*.



"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! Please fill out a visitor's card and put it in the collection tray as it is passed. 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.

EASTER IS NEXT WEEK — Lots of people think about going to church during Easter. Invite friends to come with you to church Easter Sunday (Mar. 31).

BABY SHOWER — thanks to everyone who made the baby shower as success for Zander Carter.

LEADERSHIP MEETING —

- Our finances continue to be in good shape.
- Quite a bit of money was raised for Camp Deer Run for our youth. This is great news
- Our advertising campaign with Vibe seems to be directing a lot more traffic to our website than previously.
- Mission points we're interested in

 Pittsfield MA and Wisconsin —
 were contacted about possible mission trips. Neither was interested at this time.
- Our folding partitions for the fellowship hall have been ordered and are due in soon.
- It was noted that our oldest Mac Mini has some problems with the USB port. We decided to replace it
- Fernando asked if it were possible to make podcasts out of the Bible classes. Park said yes; so, we may do this in the future.
- It was proposed that we think about putting a PA system in the fellowship hall.

- There's a need for increased storage so we'll be contracting a storage area in the unused part of the back porch of the Bible class building.
- Our online giving continues to be useful to our contribution.

OUR LADIES ANNUAL SPRING FLING will be Saturday April 20th at 11:00 in the fellowship hall. More info will be coming your way soon.

BIRTHDAY CAKE will be April 28th for March and April's birthday celebration. We are combining them because the normal March date is Easter this year.

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.

OUR PRAYER LIST...

- Melinda Stafford's mother in S.
 Africa has had a stroke and is non responsive. Cleve has gone back to Massachusetts to arrange a flight for Melinda to go to South Africa. Cleve asks us to pray for Melinda, who is very distraught.
- Joan Votaw is having bad back pain. She had surgery last week; pray for successful.
- Bonnie Davidson has had a minor stroke. Please pray for Suzanne and Alice as they take care of their mother and for Bonnie to improve.
- Lynn Turner recovering from a broken leg, now in PT. Lynn also has cancer
- Burley Stinnett Jr. various health issues
- Rachel W's friend, Madeline, with Guillain-Barré syndrome
- Whitney Perez, cancer chemo
- Bev W., recovery, knee surgery.
- Zeke R. PTSD, depression, a VA issues. Also, Zeke's sister-in-law Carmen R., eye sight
- Dianna C. for cancer treatment
- Sue Carter: digestive problems

- Freida R. recovering
- Bonnie D. broken shoulder and, struggling; Suzanne as she cares for her mother
- The Stafford's grand-daughter
- Ora Holt, kidney
- the churches in New England
- brethren in India
- our elders, deacons, preacher, teachers, parents, families, marriages, widows, and singles of our congregational

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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.

THIS LITTLE LIGHT OF MINE

t's a simple song, but it has a profound message—straight from Scripture—"This Light of Mine".

It comes from a the Sermon on the Mount, where Jesus tells us that His disciples are the light of the world (Matt. 5:14). Let's allow this children's song based on the Master's teaching to remind us of some important Christian basics.

First of all, the world needs your light.

This little light of mine

I'm gonna let it shine,

Lights make a difference in a dark room, and the world is a dark place. You become the "light of the world" with your Christ-like deeds, attitudes, words, mercy, and message. And as the song says, it really does take a deliberate choice and effort on our part to "let it shine". Are you letting your light shine?

Many times, of course, our lights will be unwelcome in the world of darkness. "This is the judgment, that the Light has come into the world, and men loved the darkness rather than the Light, for their deeds were evil" (John 3:19). And with the opposition of the world, there will be a temptation to hide our light, become a secret disciple. But the song encourages us:

...Hide it under a bushel? No!

I'm gonna let it shine

Jesus told the disciples at the Sermon on the Mount that no one lights a lamp and puts it under a bushel or bowl. You lit the candle or lamp to shed light and make difference in the room; putting it under a bushel or bowl would be the opposite of what you need.

The world needs the light of Jesus shining in our lives.

Naturally, Satan would like nothing better than to darken your light, lessening your influence in his world of darkness, or blow it out altogether, a return to darkness. But...

...Don't let Satan blow (wwwhhh) it out.

I'm gonna let it shine

Satan tries to blow our our light through sin in our lives. He's always got his lips puckered up for a light-dimming wwwhhh by entangling us in sin. Better still, he thinks, if he can blow out the light altogether and return the disciple to the darkness. Sin is the air in Satan's wwwhhh; that can cause our light's flame to flutter or go out completely; don't let him near.

Lastly, we sing...

...All around the neighborhood

I'm gonna let it shine

...Let it shine all the time;

Let it shine!

Whether at school or work or in the neighborhood or in the coffee shop or the store or the whatever, let your light shine. In the morning or lunchtime or afternoon or commute time or game time or evening or night time, let it shine all the time, let it shine.

Jesus said, "You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden;" Matthew 5:14. Be the light, out on a lampstand, shielded from the wind, up on a hill for all to see! This is how the dark world gets changed!

FAMILY CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK IN MARCH ■10:00AM Ladies class Mike/Pam 💜 C.J. A 👑 Karis F. 👑 Casey B. 👑 Jim & Bonnie B. =7:00PM Wed. Bible 9:00AM Bible classes ■10:00AM Worship class ■6:00PM Worship SERVICE IN WORSHIP Shortcuts to good info... March 24 AnnouncementsBurley S SongleadingDoug J Opening PrayerYaw FJim B CommunionDavid I......Yaw F To our website...

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A quick teaching on salvation...



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