

# THE ROCK HILL HERALD

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"*

## THE CHOICES WE MAKE

God is well aware of the choices we make. According to **Matthew 10:30**, "the very hairs of your head are numbered." God also "knows our heart" according to **Acts 1:24**. How much more do we need to be aware of in the choices we make? There is a prominent need to understand what God has purposed "the whole duty of man is to fear God and keep His commandments." **Ecclesiastes 12:13**. If we look back at **1 Corinthians 6:19-20**, the Bible says, "know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost, and ye are not your own? For ye are bought with a price therefore glorify God in your body and your spirit which are God's." The great price is the sacrifice of Jesus Christ.

In **Acts 2**, Peter presents the first sermon of the gospel, the death, burial and resurrection of the only begotten Son of God. In the audience were those who had had Him arrested, those who had forced Him into a mock trial, and those who demanded His death. Even though these were of the Jewish belief (those who believed in God and looked for the coming of the Messiah) they maintained the justification of their actions and watched Him as he died. They then saw that He was delivered from the grave; saw the power of God who tore the veil of the Temple, opened the graves of many and caused darkness to fall. **Mark 15:33-39**.

On the day of Pentecost in **Acts 2**, Peter proclaims the name of the Son of God, even Jesus whom they had crucified. Look beginning at **verse 32**, "This Jesus hath God raised up, whereof ye are all witnesses, therefore being by the right hand of God exalted, and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost, he hath shed forth this, which ye now see and hear."

He continues in **Verse 36**, "Let all the house of Israel know assuredly that God hath made this same Jesus, that ye crucified both Lord and Christ." We know from **Verse 38**, the people were pricked in their hearts, and asked the Apostles how they could make right the great wrong which they had done. Peter gave them the same invitation that we offer today, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins." Mankind has not changed nor has the solution.

Doug Jones

# Family News

*"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

If 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 .

**OUR MONTHLY LEADERSHIP MEETING** that happens every 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday was postponed to this Sunday, due to Mothers' Day. The elders, deacons, and the preacher will meet next Sunday at 4PM.

**BIRTHDAY CAKE CELEBRATION** is happening this Sunday (not next Sunday, as previously announced). Join us tonight after worship services and celebrate the several who were born this month.



**THE REGULAR LADIES' CLASS** has gone into summer season mode and will be meeting on June 20, July 18, and August 22. Touch base with Linda Stinnett for details and topics to be discussed.

**MEETING WITH JACK EVANS** has been scheduled for August 20-23 — "In Christ Alone". It will have a definite evangelistic aim, so be looking for more information, but be thinking about who to invite.



### NEW PRAYER REQUESTS

- Cleve Stafford (our New England missionary) asks for

prayers for his grand-daughter Peyton who is having some struggles

### OUR PRAYER LIST...

- Isela Hughes asks for prayers for her sister Griselda Walters.
- Sarai Lyons asks for prayers for Tiffany Myers.
- The preacher in Madill OK, problems with his voice
- Dianna C's recuperation from chemo
- Bonnie D. broken shoulder
- Nancy J relative Tom Kissinger: Parkinson's
- Julia's friend Wendy with breast cancer
- Dianna Conkling
- Sue Carter
- Isela H.'s friend Jeff, cancer.
- Ora Holt, kidney
- the churches in New England
- brethren in India
- our congregational leaders

### PRAYER REQUEST UPDATES

- **The 9 year old boy** in Gunter that was hit in the head by a baseball in practice. The retina specialist is allowing the eye to heal on its own for the next several weeks. More evaluation will be done at a later date
- **Jackie, the father of Linda M's daughter-in-law** had complicated heart surgery, now making slow progress. Each day brings him more alert than the day before.



### • Ralph

L is at home recuperating from his heart event, much better, but weak

### 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
- Dianna C.
- Ken C.
- Mary H. and daughter Sharon

### READ-THE-BIBLE-IN-A-YEAR

- May 21, 2 Chron 15-18
- May 22, 2 Chron 19-22
- May 23, 2 Chron 23-25
- May 24, 2 Chron 26-28
- May 25, 2 Chron 29-30
- May 26, 2 Chron 31-33
- May 27, 2 Chron 34-35
- May 28, Ezra 1-2

# What's Happening?

# 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.

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## CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP, PART 3

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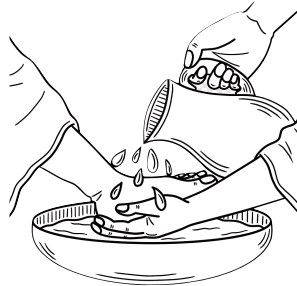
The last two articles we've been considering the Bible's teaching about leadership. These considerations are different from worldly, secular exercises of leadership. It begins with the motivations of service, the knowledge of how to follow, and the Christian attitude of humility. It goes on to lead from the front, lead by example, and finds ways to not just correct but to coax and encourage. But there's more...

### **Christian leadership self-sacrificially considers the needs of others weaker than itself,**

especially when mere human tastes, personal desires, and traditions are at stake. Worldly leadership tends to think only about itself and seldom thinks about how easily tripped-up, mixed-up, or overcome weaker folks might be—children, newer Christians, outsiders, or others without Biblical knowledge. Both 1 Corinthians 8-10 and Romans 14 & 15 teach a kind of leadership that practices self-denial, when it comes to matters of opinion, in favor of the weaker brother. In these passages Paul called on more mature men (leaders) to refrain from what they wanted to do (eat meat or drink wine), if it caused a weaker brother to stumble. Jesus' own life, of course, provides us with the perfect example of it—a life of self-sacrifice on behalf of those who were confused, tempted, fallen, and in need of grace and instruction. Christian leaders, though always faithful in matters of doctrine, consider the good of the weaker brethren in matters of opinion and judgment.

**Christian leadership teaches, corrects, and interacts** (with great patience and instruction). Leadership, being the exercise of influence in the lives of others, naturally is a great deal about instruction—not just about letting the world watch me (as if I were the center of everyone's attention). Worldly leadership merely commands imperially; it has no interest in changing the other person's life for the better, but rather is interested in having the

other person comply to his desires. Such "leadership" in the church doesn't result in real change, only in getting one's way. Christian leadership, however, uses the teachings of Jesus Himself (Matthew 28:20), correcting (both pointing out of what is being lived wrongly and teaching of what is right—2 Tim. 3:16), and interaction (showing the other person how through "hands on" demonstrations of example). And Christian leadership does this with great patience, because, of course, nobody "gets it" the first time...or sometimes even the 100th time. Christian leaders actively instruct with patience.



### **Christian leadership is willing to stand alone with God.**

One of the painful realities of Christian leadership is that there will be times in which the world (and sometimes even brethren) will disagree with the Lord about teachings/doctrine/truth. In such circumstances it is tempting to "go along to get along", "go with the flow", call it an opinion, and "follow the popular trend". But the Lord's kingdom has never been a democracy; it has always been a monarchy with leaders below the throne who are charged with carrying out the will of the King of kings. And sometimes that means standing "alone" (visibly, at least). The prophets of the Old Testament often did, Jesus often did, and the apostles did. Modern Christian leaders must, too.

Christian leadership isn't easy, it isn't intuitive, and it runs counter to what we have seen among most leaders in our lives—but it is critically important to the health and well being of the Lord's church. In Jeremiah 23:1ff we find the LORD taking to task the foolish and selfish leaders of Israel (priests, princes, and prophets), whose actions had led Judah to its destruction—which helps us understand that God does hold leaders (of every variety) to account for his leadership. What kind of leader are you?

Park Linscomb

# FAMILY CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK IN MAY

<p>21</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9:00 AM Bible classes</li> <li>10:00 AM Worship</li> <li>3:30 PM Singing at Bethesda Gardens</li> <li>4:00 PM Leadership meeting</li> <li>6:00 PM Worship</li> </ul> <p>7PM Birthday Cake</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Yaw F.</li> <li>7:00 PM Wed. Bible class</li> </ul>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chris A.</li> <li>Juliana S.</li> </ul>	<p>27</p>
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## SERVICE IN WORSHIP

### May 21

Greeter .....John S.  
 Announcements .....Burley S  
 Songleading .....Scott W .....Doug J  
 Opening Prayer .....Marty K.....Hugh R  
 Communion .....Park L.....Yaw F  
 Servers: 1) \_\_\_\_\_ 2) \_\_\_\_\_ 3) \_\_\_\_\_ 4) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Closing Prayer .....Scott W  
 A/V Control .....Fernando Z

### Wed PM May 24

Songs .....Jim B  
 A/V.....Charles H

### May 28

Greeter .....John S.  
 Announcements .....Charles H  
 Songleading .....Doug J.....Scott W  
 Opening Prayer .....Jim B .....Yaw F  
 Communion .....John S .....Scott W  
 Servers: 1) \_\_\_\_\_ 2) \_\_\_\_\_ 3) \_\_\_\_\_ 4) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Closing Prayer .....Jim B .....Ralph L  
 A/V Control .....Fernando Z.....John S

### Wed PM May 31

Songs .....Reiven H  
 A/V.....Charles H

## Shortcuts to good info...

To our website...



A quick teaching on salvation...



## Sermon Notes...

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