

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

Deacons:

- Reiven Holt
- Doug Jones
- Burley Stinnett
- Fernando Zapata

Preacher:

- Park Linscomb

Is It "Too Close to Call" for You?

The story is told of a baseball game. The catcher of visiting team was a huge man. The star hitter of the home team was tall and muscular. But the umpire was unusually short and slight. The bottom of the ninth inning came with two outs and the home team behind by a run — and the tall muscular hitter came to bat.

The first pitch was thrown, and the small umpire called out, "Strike one!" The big batter turned and glared at the umpire with a snarl.

The second pitch was thrown, and umpire called, "Ball one!" This time the huge catcher and stared threateningly at the umpire.

The third pitch was thrown, and the umpire called out "Two!" This time both the batter and catcher turned to the umpire and growled, "Two what?!"

"Two...two...too close to call," the ump stammered.

Ever been there? We often find ourselves in such a predicament in life — trying to be polite, non-controversial, and "embrace diversity". But should we? Especially when it comes to the truth of the Gospel? The world will constantly pressure and seek to persuade the Christian to compromise rather than stand his ground — "How do you know? Couldn't you be wrong? Don't you think that there's some truth in other views? How can you be so sure?" But we must stand courageous, be true to our convictions, and tell the truth.

Jesus warned us, (Matthew 6:24) "No one can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth." The truth of the Gospel isn't "too close to call" for you, is it?

Park Linscomb

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 a visitor to our church, 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.

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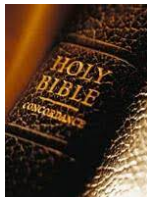
OUR HOMECOMING EVENT

A HOMECOMING EVENT Our Rock Hill Homecoming is just 6 weeks away, on October 16th. We want this to be a great time to show off Rock Hill and what we are doing here. Lots of assignments have been made: flyers are now available and there is a promoted Facebook ad playing online now. Share the information to old members and neighbors in your community. Offer them a ride with you to come.

THIS SUNDAY we're continuing with our sermon series on the Holy Spirit, specifically His role in our lives today. Future lessons after Park returns will include...

- *The Holy Spirit and miracles*
- *Sins against the Holy Spirit*

REVELATION — Park will be in New England for the next several Wednesdays, but for those who are interesting in knowing what we'll be studying when he returns, it's *Revelation*. If you or someone you know is interested in the book, let them know and invite them to come, and encourage each other to make the effort to come on Wednesdays for Bible class.



A BABY SHOWER for Julianna was a big success and a lot of work for those who organized it and made it happen.

THE PITTSFIELD MA MISSION EFFORT: What a great meeting we had with Cleve Stafford after Sunday worship services. The group that will be working in Pittsfield got to know him better and we all have a better idea of what we'll be doing. Please continue to pray for our effort including the Gospel meeting itself, Sept. 25-28 and the group that is planning on going: Charles, Park, Tom and Nancy Roberts, Hugh and Trudi Ruebush, Linda Stinnett and Elizabeth Hopkins. The trip will Sept 21-29. Park will be preaching on the subject of "Next", about the afterlife. Please pray for fruitful efforts.

THE FALL LADIES' BIBLE CLASS continues each Tuesday at 10AM. It's great time of sharing, Bible study, prayer, and fellowship. Make plans to be there.

GIVING... We can now give online (rhcoc.org), by mail (PO Box 2301, Frisco TX 75034), or of course in person at worship assembly.



PRAYER LISTS...

Prayers needed

- Chuck T. is in Bethesda Gardens for his chemo treatments starting next Friday.
- Betty Shaw, Doug's sister. Very ill, now in hospice
- Dianna C.'s cancer markers have gone up
- Recovery from eye surgery for Ora Holt

- Isela H.'s Jeff Barnett with stage 4 brain cancer.

Remember these often:

- Ora Holt, kidney
- Our continued search for a part-time youth minister
- brethren in India
- the churches in New England
- our congregational leaders

Long Term Requests

- Bonnie B.
- Carol P.
- Dale and Lavonia C.
- Julia's nurse friend, Michaela
- The Zapata's teenage friend Isabella with a heart lesion
- Travis Y. feeding tube
- Dianna C.
- Ken C.
- Mary H. and daughter Sharon
- Cheryl F.
- Ann S.

READ-THE-BIBLE-THROUGH-IN-A-YEAR SCHEDULE

- Sep 11, Ezekiel 46-48
- Sep 12, Daniel 1-3
- Sep 13, Daniel 4-6
- Sep 14, Daniel 7-8
- Sep 15, Daniel 9-10
- Sep 16, Daniel 11-12
- Sep 17, Hosea 1-6
- Sep 18, Hosea 7-12

Do not quench
the Spirit.
(1 Thess. 5:19)

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 We Persuade Men

Although the world discourages and even frowns on the sharing of the Christian faith, *sheer humanity* demands that Christians speak up, be bold, and persuade men.

"Did you say, 'Sheer humanity'?" you might ask. "Aren't you being a little dramatic, a little 'over the top'? It's really not that dire, is it?"

May I be blunt? Yes, it is that dire; and no, it's not being over-dramatic to say that it is nothing less than an act of great compassion to speak up. The inspired word of God, the Bible, tells us quite clearly...

- The wages of sin is death (Romans 6:23)
- This "death" is spoken of as Hell/Gehenna (Lk. 12:5), the lake of fire (Rev. 20:14)
- Good works cannot offset the sins that we've committed (Ephesians 2:8,9)
- Other religions, other gods cannot save (Isaiah 45:20)
- Jesus is the only way to Heaven, to the Father (John 14:6)
- There is no other name under Heaven by which we must be saved (Acts 4:12)
- The Gospel is the power of God unto salvation (Romans 1:16)
- No other "gospel" will do (Galatians 1:6-9)
- Men must hear and respond to (obey) the Gospel to be saved (Romans 10:13-15)
- Failure to obey the Gospel results in eternal destruction (2 Thessalonians 1:8,9)

No small wonder then that Paul said, "Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we persuade men..." (2 Corinthians 5:11). Yes, the story of Jesus — His identity, His purpose, His cross, His resurrection, His ascension, and the appropriate response to it all — is indispensably important. And although a lot of people think they know it, the vast majority really don't. You do; you, as a New Testament Christian, hold in your heart



and mind the golden key to the eternal salvation of men's souls, the Gospel, that only waits to be unleashed by your courage and your tongue.

The words of an old hymn have always moved me:

*When in the better land,
And before the bar we stand,
How deeply grieved our souls will be,
If any lost one there
Should cry in deep despair,
"You never mentioned Him to me!"
"You never mentioned Him to me!
You helped me not the light to see.
You knew me day by day,
And knew I was astray,
Yet never mentioned Him to me!"*

In a couple of week several of this congregation will be traveling to Pittsfield MA to share the Gospel. But there's still plenty of the lost here in Frisco and surrounding towns that need the Gospel just as desperately. Share what you know and invite others to join us in worship and the hearing of God's word. They might say no, but then again, they might just say yes — and wouldn't that be good news?

Park Linscomb

FAMILY CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK IN SEPTEMBER

11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Jim B. 🙏 ■ 9:00 AM Bible classes ■ 10:00 AM Worship ■ 4:00 PM Leadership meeting ■ 6:00 PM Worship		Park in New England		Chris & Sarai L. ❤️ Susie C. 🙏 Chris & Jessica S. ❤️	Judy L. 🙏	Roland C. 🙏

SERVICE IN WORSHIP

September 11	AM	PM
<i>Greeter</i>	Yaw F	Yaw F
<i>Announcements</i>	John S	John S
<i>Songleading</i>	Scott W	Yaw F
<i>Opening Prayer</i>	Jim B	Reiven H
<i>Communion</i>	Chris S	Fernando Z
<i>Closing Prayer</i>	Burley S	Charles H

September 18	AM	PM
<i>Greeter</i>	Yaw F	Yaw F
<i>Announcements</i>	Burley S	Burley S
<i>Songleading</i>	Doug J	Ted K
<i>Opening Prayer</i>	Ted K	Chuck T
<i>Communion</i>	Jim B	John S
<i>Closing Prayer</i>	Chris S	Doug J

Shortcuts to good info...

To our website...



A quick teaching on salvation...



Sermon Notes...
