

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"*

RENEWING THE MIND

The world will tell you that the purpose of religion is to make you happy; to make you prosperous; to make you feel good about yourself. The world and its followers will tell you that the only responsibility you have is to believe and depend upon *God's grace* to get you to heaven. The world will tell you that the Bible is not current information and cannot be taken literally; that it is inaccurate, outdated and unreliable. The world will tell you that God is not real, is not alive today, and cannot be trusted. The world *WANTS* you to disregard the truth of God's word. The world does not want a moral standard that will identify the wrong they do nor the responsibility to do what is right. The Bible warns us about this very thing. Can mankind not see that in the name of progress, we have digressed to the same level of public immorality of Sodom and Gomorrah and the days of Noah at which time God condemned the entire population to death?

The word of God was given to us that we may have a moral standard by which we can live in "*reasonable service before God*" according to ***Romans 12:1-2*** and be transformed by the renewing of our mind, rather than conforming to the ways of the world. The Bible was composed by men who were inspired by God, ***2 Timothy 3:16***, to provide the instruction in righteousness that we must have! It was never intended to be a take-it-or-leave-it collection of suggestions as many people view it. It is a roadmap to righteousness! In ***Hebrews 9:11-26*** the purpose of the shed blood of the only begotten Son of God is clearly described. As surely as the blood of Christ flowed down from the cross as the final sacrifice for sin, it set in motion the purpose and plan made by the God of creation, and the God of judgment.

Though the shed blood of our Savior marked the end of His physical life, His resurrection marked the beginning of a new dispensation. It is the dispensation of the way and will of Almighty God to redeem us by the word that was delivered by the apostles as Jesus told Peter in ***Matthew 16:18-19*** "*I will give unto the keys to the Kingdom,*" for the binding and the loosing of the will of God. It is the written word that was delivered as Peter wrote in ***2 Peter 1:3*** in which God has provided to us "*all things that pertain unto Life and godliness.*" The Bible was written and preserved to give us what God wants us to have.

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 .

HOUSE TO HOUSE, HEART TO HEART is an evangelistic publication produced by brethren, which we are having mailed to several neighborhoods around us, starting in June and going through August. We will also be receiving about 200 directly to the church for distributing in the neighborhoods that we live in. Among other great things in the publication, we'll be publicizing our meeting with Jack Evans. This is an exciting evangelistic outreach; please pray for success.



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.



THE REGULAR LADIES' CLASS has gone into summer season mode and will be meeting on June 13, July 18, and August 22. Touch base with Linda

Stinnett for details and topics to be discussed.

OUR NEXT MEN'S BREAKFAST will be June 17 at the church building (fellowship hall) at 9AM. We will talk about (among other things) the possibility of a men's retreat in the fall. Tom Roberts will be making a presentation on How to deal with Muslim teachings.

A CARD FROM MELINDA STAFFORD'S FAMILY is to be found on the bulletin board thanking the Rock Hill church for making it possible for Melinda to visit her mother.

PRAYER UPDATE

• Beverly W. has returned from her trip to Alabama safe and sound, and she thanks everyone for their prayers.

NEW PRAYER REQUESTS

• Rosa Z. had successful back surgery this week and is recovering so well that she's now at home. Please pray for a speedy recovery.

OUR PRAYER LIST...

- Sandy L's sister, Lisa, will be getting hospice care in a nursing home, which the family is currently choosing in Mississippi .
- Cleve Stafford's grand-daughter Peyton, struggling
- Isela Hughes asks for prayers for her sister Griselda Walters.
- Sarai Lyons asks for prayers for Tiffany Myers.
- Dianna C's recuperation from chemo
- Bonnie D. broken shoulder

- 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

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

God is good all the time!

READ- THE-BIBLE-IN-A-YEAR

- Jun 4, Neh 9-10
- Jun 5, Neh 11-13
- Jun 6, Esther 1-3
- Jun 7, Esther 4-7
- Jun 8, Esther 8-10
- Jun 9, Job 1-5
- Jun 10, Job 6-10
- Jun 11, Job 11-15

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.

How do you see it?

EVANGELISM: SOMETHING TO FEAR DOING OR A JOY TO TELL?

While every Christian is probably aware of the personal need to share the good news of Jesus with others, evangelism is usually one of those things that we'd rather someone else do. We work at excusing ourselves from evangelism with a number of rationalizations, but probably the most basic of all reasons is simply fear. In many cases, we were zealous in sharing the Gospel with others at the beginning of our Christian life, but lost enthusiasm, when we met with perceived disapproval from people we love or people in general. Perhaps we talked it over with other Christians, who unfortunately may have shared their own fears with us, rather than the encouragement we might have needed. So, we learned to fear the sharing of the greatest news the world has ever known.

How do we change that? The key is to shift the paradigm, shift how we view things. Can I make a few suggestions that may change how you look at evangelism?

See the souls heading to Hell rather than seeing the threats to our popularity.

Seeing things through "eyes of flesh" we all can fear the opinions of others — as threats to our social position, our popularity, our relationships. We need to see past these things to the souls that these people really are, souls that are heading for either Heaven or Hell—mostly to Hell (Matthew 7:13) "Enter through the narrow gate; for the gate is

wide and the way is broad that leads to destruction, and there are many who enter through it."). And we need to feel love, compassion, mercy, and even pity because of their spiritual state; many are completely unaware of their situation. This is the powerful and urgent meaning behind Paul's statement in 2 Corinthians 5:11 "Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we persuade men ...". Men's souls are real. Sin's effects are dire. God's judgment is sure. Will we not be moved by sheer humanity to share the only—the one and only—message that can save them (Romans 1:16) from Hell?

Be moved by the joy and blessing the Gospel has been in your life.

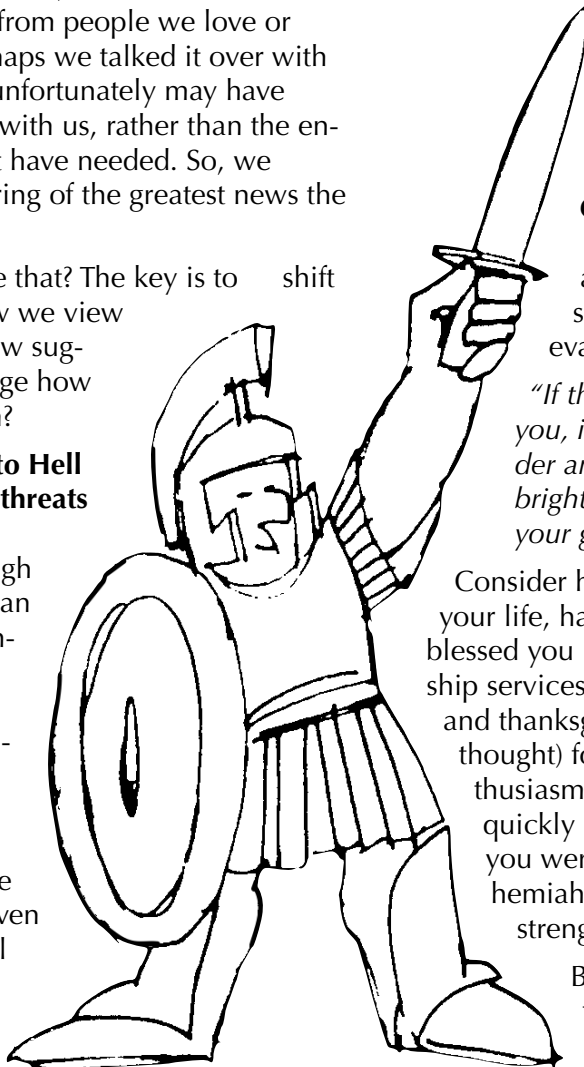
Don't switch off the joy and praise as you leave the church building. We sometimes sing a hymn with profound evangelistic meaning,

"If the name of the Savior is precious to you, if His care has been constant and tender and true, if the light of His presence has brightened your way, oh will you not tell of your gladness today?"

Consider how wonderfully God has effected your life, has changed your life for the better, has blessed you here and in the hereafter. In our worship services we almost want to shout in our praise and thanksgiving (and if you don't, give it some thought) for all He's done! Bring that same enthusiasm outside the church building! Joy will quickly replace fear—just like it did, when you were first baptized into Christ. As Nehemiah said, "The joy of the Lord is your strength."

But there's even more to think about, too — next week, Lord willing.

Park Linscomb



FAMILY CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK IN JUNE

4	5	6	7	8	9	10
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 9:00 AM Bible classes ■ 10:00 AM Worship ■ 5:00 PM Prayer time ■ 6:00 PM Worship 			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 7:00 PM Wed. Bible class 			

SERVICE IN WORSHIP

June 4

GreeterYaw F
 AnnouncementsJim B
 SongleadingDoug J.....Scott W
 Opening PrayerCharles H.....Reiven H
 CommunionDavid J.....Burley S
 Servers: 1) _____ 2) _____ 3) _____ 4) _____
 Closing PrayerCharles H.....Yaw F
 A/V ControlJohn SCharles H

Wed PM June 7

SongsCharles H
 A/V.....Fernando Z

June 11

GreeterYaw F
 AnnouncementsBurley S
 SongleadingScott WDoug J
 Opening PrayerChris SFernando Z
 CommunionCharles H.....Jim B
 Servers: 1) _____ 2) _____ 3) _____ 4) _____
 Closing PrayerDoug J.....John S
 A/V ControlJohn SCharles H

Wed PM June 14

SongsCharles H
 A/V.....Fernando Z

Shortcuts to good info...

To our website...



A quick teaching on salvation...



Sermon Notes...
