

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

THE SINGULAR NATURE OF THE LORD'S CHURCH

We have made several references to this historical account of the establishment of the Church in **Acts 2**. However, there are other significant events in this Book. It is the "Acts or actions of the Apostles" (A) after the ascension of Christ, (B) the establishment of the Church, and (C) the coming of the Holy Spirit. It is imperative that we realize the entirety of God's Word is written for our learning, **Romans 15:4** "that we through patience and comfort of the scriptures might have hope." This hope is "the hope of salvation" **1 Thessalonians 5:8**: which "is in Christ" according to **1 Timothy 1:1**: the hope that is "laid up for you in Heaven...in the word of the truth of the gospel." **Colossians 1:5**. Yes, the Word was given to us by the will of God, guided by the Holy Spirit of God, that we can come to see what the will of the Lord is.

It is with great enthusiasm that we bring the word of the Lord to you. It is *our* hope that this teaching is helpful to bring you to a commitment. To dedicate your life to service in the kingdom of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. The Bible tells us clearly that "there is none other name given among men whereby we must be saved" **Acts 4:12**. Jesus is the light of the world, and illuminates a righteous pathway upon which we can walk. **Ephesians 4:4-6** tells us, "There is one body, and one Spirit...one hope of your calling; One Lord, One faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all."

Sadly enough, the world will tell you that we all worship the same God and all going to the same place. Do we really think that God is casual with the Word that he left? That what we believe doesn't matter? The strait gate that Jesus mentioned in **Matthew 7:13** indicates no such thing. The way onto the pathway of righteousness is very specific! Yes, it is through Jesus; yes, it is by His grace, but why would we live in total disregard for the remaining instruction contained in His Word? If this were true, there would be no need for the inspired writers to continue to write! This is the "broad way" that the world wishes to live by. If you look back to **Ephesians 5:17**, you can see the warning that the Apostle Paul writes, "Be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord is." If we don't understand the will of the Lord, how can we ever hope to be pleasing in His sight? How can we expect to learn of God's ways if we do not study His word....

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 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.

N . E . W . S .



OUR ELDERS, DEACONS, AND PREACHER are meeting this

afternoon at 4PM.

DIANE HALEY IS IN AFRICA beginning her mission work.

Please be praying for a successful, fruitful time of work for her in the Master's kingdom.



BUILDING REPAIR UPDATE — April 4th's storm brought a lot of damage to our auditorium, but the work on the building is finally scheduled to begin tomorrow, Monday morning. None of the repairs were covered by insurance, so we will have to foot the substantial bill on our own. If you'd like to contribute toward the building repair over and above your usual contribution,



please find envelopes next to the bulletins in the back of the auditorium OR give online (there's a building fund option you can give to).

TOM ROBERT'S MOTHER, Ruby Roberts, passed away at age 98. Her funeral will be on Tuesday DeSoto MO. Tom cannot travel at this time, so Nancy and her son Chad will be driving up for the service.

AFTER EVENING WORSHIP ON MAY 29, there will be a graduation party/reception for Baylee.



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...

NEW REQUESTS...

Prayers needed

- Nancy Jones is now home, but still feeling weak. Please pray for both Nancy and Doug
- Trudy R. will have surgery on her jaw May 17th. Please pray for a successful outcome.

- Dianne Haley in Africa
- Tom Roberts and family at the passing of his mother

Remember these often:

- A swift recovery for Tom Roberts from quadruple bypass Thursday.
- Margret T. as she spends a few weeks with her son David in Stephenville TX.
- For Lori Cloud's father, with cognitive issues and is now in hospice. Also for Lori and her brother to make the best

decision for him and their mother.

- Please pray for Johnny Vaz's mother, Victoria Vaz.
- Ora Holt, kidney
- Our continued search for a part-time youth minister
- Doug Jones' brother, Don Jones with cancer
- brethren in India
- the churches in New England
- our elders, deacons, and preacher

Long Term Requests

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

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

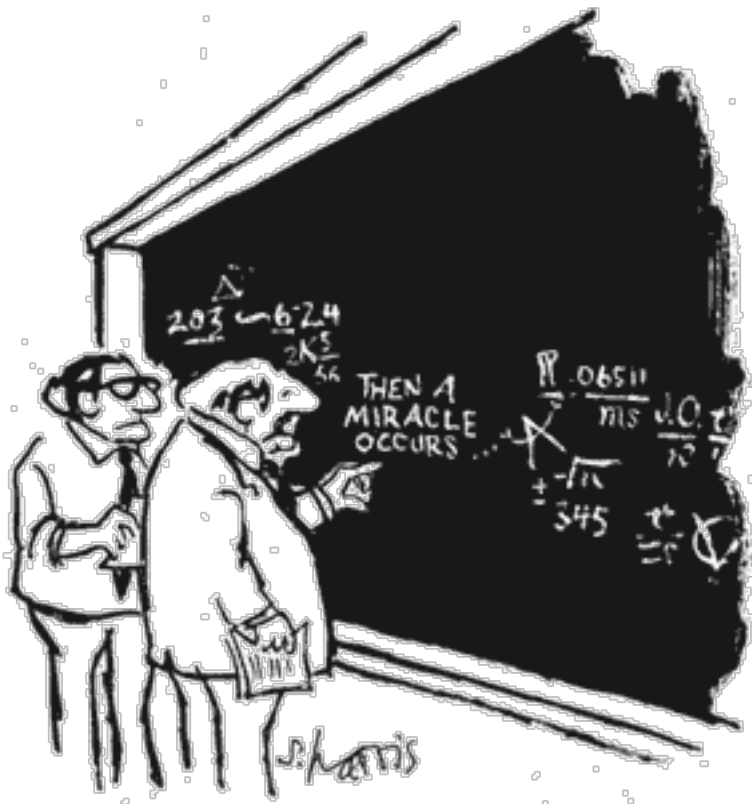
- May 15, 1 Chron 24-26
- May 16, 1 Chron 27-29
- May 17, 2 Chron 1-4
- May 18, 2 Chron 5-7
- May 19, 2 Chron 8-10
- May 20, 2 Chron 11-14
- May 21, 2 Chron 15-18
- May 22, 2 Chron 19-22



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.

And Then a Miracle Occurs!



"I THINK YOU SHOULD BE MORE EXPLICIT HERE IN STEP TWO."

No Scientific Solution?

Scientism (as opposed to real science) has earned its fair share of criticism over the past few decades—from out-and-out hoaxes, to deliberately skewed research, to the deliberate shutting down of legitimate debate. Nevertheless, legitimate science has forced some intellectually honest admissions of late to the effect that the numbers associated with the “Big Bang” in physics just don’t add up. And it has caused some to look for “unnatural” causes for the way our universe is.

It’s the same for the problems of the “missing link”, “spontaneous generation”, and “irreducible complexity” in the world of biology—causing some honest biologists to confess some akin to “Then a miracle occurs”.

I like that.

Life is a puzzle—
Jesus is the
missing piece

“Of course it’s **counterintuitive** that you can get something from nothing. Of course **common sense** doesn’t allow you to get something from nothing. That’s why it’s interesting. It’s got to be interesting in order to give rise to the universe at all. Something pretty mysterious had to give rise to the origin of the universe” (*Richard Dawkins, famous atheist, “Q&A: Religion and Atheism” (2012), ABC Australia, April 9, <http://www.abc.net.au/tv/qanda/txt/s3469101.htm>.)*

