

# THE ROCK HILL HERALD

The 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

### Deacons:

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

### Preacher:

- Park Linscomb

*"We're Here  
and We Care"*

## LET US HOLD FAST

The faith of an individual is a very personal issue. It is a cross-section of what we learned in our youth, what we discover by personal study, and influencers we encounter as we mature into Biblical knowledge. Although there are many, there are 3 classic verses that establish the high standard of God: **Hebrews 11:6** "*without faith, it is impossible to please Him*"; **Matthew 12:30** "*he that is not with me is against me*"; **John 14:6**, Jesus said "*no man cometh unto the Father but by me.*"

These verses indicate a very broad description of Biblical Truth and apparently limit access through the "*narrow gate*" **Matthew 7:14**. In fact, the Bible was prepared, preserved and presented with the intent of establishing the qualification standards of God Himself. If there were no promises made for mankind, there would be little need to establish a standard. Because of **II Corinthians 5:10**, we can anticipate being measured by the Word (standard) that was prepared for this purpose.

Many would call this standard "too harsh". Perhaps it would be considered harsh, had not the rescue been purchased by the blood of Jesus. There is no greater sacrifice than what both God and Christ did to establish salvation, fulfill promises, give us the standard of right living, and provide for us the Grace of God. It is the same Grace that the inspired writer described in **Genesis 6:8-9** concerning the destruction of all mankind, except Noah, who was graciously proclaimed by God as "*perfect in his generation and he... Walked with God.*"

In this same manner, God has extended the opportunity for each person to align their hearts with the Word of the Lord. It is this Word that provides the "Instruction in righteousness" (**2 Timothy 3:16**) we so desperately need that we may look forward to judgement "*by the same Word.*" **2 Peter 3:7**. If it feels like the end is nearing due to the state and status of the world today, we must incline our hearts to serve the living God in away that is pleasing to Him. The Faith we hold dear invites us to join our Lord in eternal life. However, there are specific standards required for us to do so. It starts with baptism, but also includes a continual refreshing of our hearts that qualifies us to be there. "*Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering.*" **Hebrews 10:23**.

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!** 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 .

## OUR GOSPEL MEETING STARTS TODAY

- *Gospel meeting with Ken Dawdy: "How to Study the Bible" on October 11-14.*
  - Sunday 9AM — "Why Study How to Study the Bible?"
  - Sunday 10AM — "Be Diligent to Present Yourself to God"
    - Fellowship Luncheon — following this morning's worship services we will have a fellowship luncheon, while we will also celebrate birthdays that happen in September through November. Everyone's invited.
  - Sunday 6PM — "Authority"
  - Monday 7PM — "General Context"
  - Tuesday 7PM — "Literary Context"
  - Wednesday 7PM — Mechanics of Bible Study"

## IN OTHER NEWS...

**MEN'S BREAKFAST** — Our next men's breakfast will be November 7 at 9AM. The theme will be Veterans' Day.

**THE LEADERSHIP MEETING**, which usually meets every 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month, has been postponed to next Sunday due to the busyness of the Gospel meeting weekend.

**OUR 2026 CHILDREN'S HOMES COLLECTION** will go through October

31<sup>st</sup>. This money comes in real handy for the homes to help the children this time of the year. Give your money to Linda S.

**FOSTER'S CHILDREN'S HOME** has left from change cans for anyone who'd like to support the home and good work that they do. Jim Boles says that the cans will even take folding money. Canned chicken and tuna are also welcome.

**THE WHITE ROCK FUND** fundraiser was a wonderful encouraging time. If you couldn't go, check out the White Rock Fund website. You'll be so inspired — <https://whiterockfund.org/>. If you'd like to contribute you could scan this QR code...



The White Rock Fund supports over 40 missionaries around the world...

**WE HAVE NEW** recreational balls outside. Have fun kids (of all ages). Just be sure to put them back up, when you're done.

**LADIES CLASS** meets on Tuesdays in the fellowship hall at 10AM. If you haven't attended before, come and enjoy a time of sharing, study, prayer, and great Christian fellowship.

### OUR PRAYER LIST...

- Avery Cates' friend, Vanalice, was just diagnosed with breast cancer and Kent and Avery are asking for prayers for her.
- Kerry, a friend of the Silva's, and faithful member of the Collinsville church died unexpectedly last week. Pray for his family
- Freida was admitted to the Heart Hospital in Plano this week. She is doing well and should go home in a few days.
- Ralph Rhodes bladder biopsy went well Wed., pray for good results.
- Johnny Vaz's Aunt Avis died and her son Brian is dying.
- Terry Hill, former member of Rock Hill fell twice and could not get up so his kids brought him to the hospital. Now in a nursing home.
- Meredith Naquin, Rachel's friend, has undergone brain surgery; pray for a full recovery

## When you open your Bible, God opens His mouth.

- A friend of Rachel W., Dan, has a 3 month old granddaughter who will be undergoing a second open heart surgery later this month
- Scott W's friends, Mark and Greg, who both have ALS
- Esther M, low blood count
- The Staffords and the church in Pittsfield MA
- Doug Jones, fighting cancer
- Recoveries...
  - Shelly Dawdy, knee surgery
  - Judy K. for shoulder surgery and recovery

### LONG TERM PRAYER REQUESTS

- Eloise Isbell
- Travis York, son of the the Yorks who were members of this congregation years ago, has had some health complications,
- Elizabeth's cousins Tracy with Lupus
- Dale C in the Ivy in McKinney
- Julia's nurse friend, Michaela
- Continued fruit from Burley's mission work in India.
- Churches in New England
- Our leaders, parents, families, marriages, widows, and singles of our congregation.

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

- ☐ 10/11 .....Pro 18-21
- ☐ 10/12 .....Pro 22-24
- ☐ 10/13 .....Pro 25-28
- ☐ 10/14 .....Pro 29-31
- ☐ 10/15 .....Eccl 1-6
- ☐ 10/16 .....Eccl 7-12
- ☐ 10/17 .....S. of Sol 1-8
- ☐ 10/18 .....Isa 1-4



# 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.

## WHAT WILL YOU LEARN?

We've all had favorite school subjects, whether it was art, music, science, history, math, or literature. When I was in high school, I took a psychology class and I looked forward to it. I came in wondering what interesting thing I was going to learn about human behavior today. And the class never let me down.

This Sunday we're beginning a special series of presentations on "How to Study the Bible", the most fascinating and important book in the world. No other book in all the world throughout all time can compare, because it is the only book inspired by our Creator. In it is found the most important and interesting matters in the whole world — creation of the world, what has gone wrong with us and the world, why we die, what our purpose in life is, whether or not there is life after this physical world, what is the next world like, what is truly right and wrong, and how can I be rescued from the deep hole of sin that I've dug for myself — and of course so much more. How could anyone not be interested? These are the really big questions of life, and the answers the Bible gives us are not only some "short and sweet" answers, but offers deeper ones, too. What a book!!

But the problem is that we sometimes take a look at the size of the book and wonder how we could ever plow through it all. Some would think that it is surely just command upon command (eyes rolling back in boredom). But interestingly enough God has chosen to teach us

and communicate with us more often with stories, which we all enjoy.

Today we begin a short series of presentations on how to study the Bible and I hope you'll take the time to come to all of them, Sunday through Wednesday. **Just imagine what you might learn!!**

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 **OCTOBER 11-14**  
**Speaker: Ken Dawdy** **SUNDAY: 9AM, 10AM, AND 6PM**  
**MONDAY THROUGH WEDNESDAY: 7PM** **Free**  
**ADMISSION** **Free**  
**BIBLES**

# FAMILY CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK IN OCTOBER

| 11                                                                  | 12 | 13                                      | 14                        | 15            | 16 | 17                 |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|----|-----------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------|----|--------------------|
| Gospel meeting with Ken D., "How to Study the Bible"                |    |                                         |                           | Collins C. 🕯️ |    | Dan & Renita C. ❤️ |
| Linda M. 🕯️                                                         |    | Mercie F. 🕯️                            | Doug J. 🕯️                |               |    | Johnny V. 🕯️       |
| ■ 9:00AM Bible classes<br>■ 10:00AM Worship<br><br>■ 6:00PM Worship |    | Renita C. 🕯️<br>■ 10:00AM Ladies' Class | ■ 7:00PM Wed. Bible class |               |    |                    |
| <b>Gospel Meeting</b><br><b>Sun. 9,10,6; M-W 7PM</b>                |    |                                         |                           |               |    |                    |

## SERVICE IN WORSHIP

**Week of October 11** .....AM .....PM .....Wed.

Announcements .....Jim B .....Jim B  
 Song Leading .....Scott W .....Doug J .....Steve S  
 Opening Prayer .....David J .....Reiven H  
 Communion .....John S .....Marty K  
 Scripture  
 Closing Prayer .....Charles H .....Ralph K  
 Greeter .....Ralph K

**Week of October 18** .....AM .....PM .....Wed.

Announcements .....Charles H .....Charles H  
 Song Leading .....Doug J .....Scott W .....Reiven H  
 Opening Prayer .....Chris S .....Tom R  
 Communion .....Burley S .....John S  
 Scripture  
 Closing Prayer .....Scott W .....Steve S  
 Greeter .....Burley S



Sermon Notes...

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