

# 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"*

## A Sense of Security

Of all things that pertain unto life and Godliness, there is one single most important consideration that we must give attention to. It is the most prominent thought that should occur to each of us as we consider our spiritual well-being. Are we certain that our present spiritual condition is sufficient to please God if we were to face judgement today?

Many like to believe that salvation is certain because of Jesus' death upon the cross of Calvary, hence the popular belief known as 'faith only'. As a result of this teaching, many have accepted this theory and live accordingly. The typical result is very little Bible knowledge. Further reading would enlighten the individual to further investigate the remainder of 'The Word'. It would likely generate a different approach altogether. Several verses come to mind; the first of which is **Matthew 7:21**. This verse confirms the obvious position of those who have developed a "false sense of Security". It says, "Not everyone who sayeth unto me Lord, Lord shall enter into the kingdom of heaven, but he that doeth the will of the Father which is in heaven."

Frankly, this verse informs us that we can, in fact, "think we are going to heaven", only to learn that we had accepted a false doctrine. It further should inform us the reality of **II Timothy 2:15** wherein the scriptures themselves command us to "study (the Word) to show ourselves approved unto God" and this by the "instruction in righteousness" contained in scripture **II Timothy 3:16**.

The verse recorded by the Apostle John in **Revelation 22:18-19** reveals a certain logic that we should concentrate on. This is the verse that indicates "anyone who adds-to or takes-from the words written in this Book...God shall add to them the plagues that are mentioned in this Book...and take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city". It further implicates those who would place greater or lesser emphasis than contained in scripture would be guilty of 'adding to or taking from.'

It behooves us to learn what God's expectation is and apply only that which God has provided. **Ephesians 5:17** gives a small command that should be relevant in our daily living; "Be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord is." Let us work together to find the true sense of security in faithful and diligent obedience.

Doug Jones

# Family News

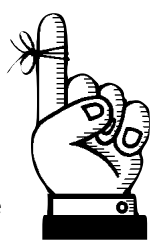
*“For through Him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God.” Ephesians 2:18,19*

**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 .

### BUSY TIMES AHEAD...

**The Ladies' Spring Fling** is scheduled for April 25. For more information, touch base with Dianne H. or Nancy J. It'll be a wonderful time of fellowship



### TEACHERS' APPRECIATION

**LUNCHEON** is scheduled for April 26 right after morning worship.

**MAY 3RD** we'll have a pizza luncheon to celebrate our graduates following the morning worship. Please mark your calendars.

### Our graduates...



Olivia Arnold & Emily Hays

### THE LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE NOTES

- Finances
  - Charles would like all debit card purchases be reported so they can be properly categorized
  - All David Snow work is now complete
  - All expenses and income considered, we ended the month with a small increase in cash on hand.

- Teachers' video orientation — TVs and Apple TVs have been installed in all our classrooms. On April 26 at the teachers' appreciation luncheon our teachers will get a general orientation. Burley will be available to help teachers needing any help operating the equipment.
- Have gotten John's daughter's congregation's curriculum —Aims, goals, and philosophy discussed
- We will solicit camper fees for our youth going to Camp Deer Run again this year.
- Sunny Glenn has asked if they can come get groceries from Rock Hill. Yes, a list a place to collect groceries will be posted.
- This year's Spring meeting was well received and we've decided to make it an annual event. It was suggested that we have the same 4 guys so that they can advertise in their congregations.
- Burley needs connections and support to do India evangelism. Can we solicit the whole congregation for leads. Yes.

**ELOISE ISBELL** new address is at Mustang Creek Estates, Mustang Creek Estates, 1200 W. Main Street, Frisco, TX 75033

### OUR PRAYER LIST...

- From the Mericks: Konrad our son had back surgery on Wednesday the 15th. We will be with him for at least a month.
- Recoveries...
  - Eloise Isbell
  - Richard Anderson, recovering from surgery
  - Park, for knee surgery recovery.
  - Charles H., shoulder recovery.
  - Lynn Turner is now at home.
- Doug Jones, the treatment plan for him and a positive outcome. Peace and comfort for his family
- Haley requests:
  - Dianne's oldest brother-in-law, Earl Lemons
  - Tristan broke an ankle playing soccer

- Justin crashed on an electric scooter and had to have stitches.
- Meghan and Leighton (Linebaugh's granddaughter and great-granddaughter)
- Freida R., health issues
- Esther M, low blood count
- The Staffords, our missionaries in Pittsfield, Massachusetts, granddaughter Peyton living with them.

### LONG TERM PRAYER REQUESTS

- Elizabeth's cousins Tracy with Lupus, and Debbie
- Isela H's sister Griselda's illness
- 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

- 4/19 .....Exo 4-6
- 4/20 .....Exo 7-9
- 4/21 .....Exo 10-12
- 4/22 .....Exo 13-15
- 4/23 .....Exo 16-18
- 4/24 .....Exo 19-21
- 4/25 .....Exo 22-24
- 4/26 .....Exo 25-27
- 4/27 .....Exo 28-29



**Teens have to learn algebra, economics, et cetera, in high school, but at church we're like 'Noah built an arky arky outta gopher barky. – Dan DeWitt**

# A word of Encouragement

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"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.

## RAISING GODLY TEENS: ONE LAST WORD — FOR NOW

Over the past several weeks I've been talking about raising teenagers. There are whole books written on the subject, and all that I've been able to do is scratch the surface in these articles. And I had planned on finishing with last week's article — at least until I found something else that needed to be said. Who knew that I'd find something this week already? But already I'm having breakfast and watching a morning news program and what do I hear but a guy who's trying to sell books by essentially telling parents that anything they would do for their children is pretty much useless and children are simply going to be what they're going to be. What?! I've touched on this topic before, but in view of what this guy is trying to sell — parents, what you do with your kids DOES make a difference.

Now, upon further reflection, I think I know what this author was trying to say: Take a break from trying to turn your child into a super-cultured intellectual or Ivy League success story. Stop and smell the parental roses and enjoy your children. I get that part; I can even partially agree with it.

But I fear that what he'll actually do is start a new trend in lazy parenting — and in my observation, we have enough latch-key kids, enough TV-babysat kids, enough self-reared children already. God gave children parents for a reason: being human in all its physical, spiritual, moral, emotional, intellectual, social, cultural, and behavioral aspects is a complicated undertaking of growth. It's not like being born a turtle out of an egg, abandoned on a beach in some remote Pacific isle, where waddling to-

ward the sea by instinct is the only thing you need to know. You see, human beings are God's creative pinnacle, a human being, made in the image of God Himself, capable of great good and great evil. To mold a good human being takes diligent parenthood. It takes years. It takes unabated effort. It takes stalwart discipline — self-discipline and child-discipline. It takes patient endurance. It takes deliberate instruction and training and correction. It's not a hobby or something for the lazy.

So, speaking to the author's point that parents should back-off, I'd say, let's use the common sense that our wise Creator gave us and invest our time, effort, and money for our children in things that will really make a difference in WHO they become. Invest in their spirituality and character as much as their intellectual and athletic development — "sow a **character**, reap a destiny." Don't let it become about getting involved in the "right" things, so that they can be in the "right" spot to meet the "right" people to get into the "right" school or "right" program. Let them get involved in a class or sport that they enjoy and then get them involved in things that will influence them for good. And I'll be shameless about recommending the Lord's church, the youth group, and church camp.

Parenting can be a relatively thankless job — it's a lot of hard work, diapers, arguments, frustration, unpleasant discipline, worry, and heartache punctuated by hugs, laughter, and kisses — until you see the good results on the other side of 25 years old. Don't let the popular foolishness trick you into taking it lightly or abdicating your responsibility.

*Park Linscomb*

# FAMILY CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK IN APRIL

	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 9:00AM Bible classes</li> <li>■ 10:00AM Worship</li> <li>■ 6:00PM Worship</li> </ul>			Scott & Marie W ❤️ ■ 10:00AM Ladies' Bible class	Rex H 🙏 ■ 7:00PM Wed. Bible class	Jessica S. 🙏	Julia & CJ A. ❤️	Ladies' Spring Fling

## SERVICE IN WORSHIP

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### **Week of April 19.....AM .....PM .....Wed.**

Announcements .....John S .....John S  
 Song Leading .....Scott W .....Doug J.....Jim B  
 Opening Prayer .....Charles H.....Kyle J  
 Communion .....David J.....Burley S  
 Scripture  
 Closing Prayer .....Doug J .....Ron M  
 Greeter.....Burley S

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### **Week of April 26.....AM .....PM .....Wed.**

Announcements .....Burley S .....Burley S  
 Song Leading .....Doug J .....Scott W .....Reiven H  
 Opening Prayer .....Yaw F .....Ron M  
 Communion .....Kyle J.....Charles H  
 Scripture  
 Closing Prayer .....Jim B .....Marty K  
 Greeter.....Yaw F



Sermon Notes...

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