

# 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"*

## SPIRITUAL TIDBITS

### INTRODUCTION TO DAVID

What God has promised to Abraham was no mediocre nor insignificant life. It was to be spectacular in every way. In today's vernacular it would mean 'life-liberty-happiness'... large family, sufficient health and wealth, freedom from adversity and a peaceful life. We would have to acknowledge a close spiritual relationship with God, by virtue of the promise with no reason to doubt.

We know that time is of little consequence with God. The scriptures tell us *"that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and thousand years as one day"* **II Peter 3:8**. What the scriptures give us, in hind sight, is a more valuable measure of what has occurred. They help us to envision some reality of the great significance of prophecies, and help to confirm the accuracy of God's Word and timeline.

For example, **Matthew 1:17** gives a small measure of time based upon inspired scripture; *"So all the generations from Abraham to David are fourteen"* David began his reign as King at 30 years of age according to **II Samuel 5:4-5**. (1011 BC)

Therefore, we can understand the encampment at Paran in the year 1445 BC was still some 434 years before David's reign as King of Israel, and 464 years before his birth. A great deal of Biblical History had to still take place before this landmark event, all of which was written *'for our learning'*.

The Prophet Nathan announced David as a landmark of Bible history, and his relationship to both Solomon and Jesus. It occurred during David's reign as King, when David expressed his desire to build a "house for God" who only had a tent in which to dwell. God sent to David a clear message through Nathan the Prophet in **II Samuel 7:12-17**; *"And when thy days are fulfilled...I will set up thy seed after thee, which shall proceed from thy bowels, and I will establish his kingdom...he (Solomon) shall build an house (Temple) for my name and I (God) will stablish the throne of his kingdom (Jesus) forever."*

**Verse 16** *"And thine house and thy kingdom shall be established forever before thee..."* We cannot discount the fact that the house of God directly referred to the Temple built by Solomon (as a prototype) and extends to **I Timothy 3:15**, *"the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth."*

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 .

**LADIES CLASS** resumes August 19 at 10AM. Come enjoy the coffee, the fellowship, and wonderful study of God's word among your sisters!

**SINGING PRACTICE** — This Sunday afternoon at 5PM in the fellowship hall. It's a once a month event that's a lot of fun; come join us.

**WHAT A GREAT TIME** was had at the Rough Riders game. Several of us went and had a great time. Plan on coming next time!

**WHAT A GREAT BREAKFAST** this Saturday. Thanks to those who came and those who served.

**IN ADDITION** to your ordinary weekly support of Rock Hill's work, here are some other worthy projects you could support...

• **The White Rock Fund** — While the White Rock Fund could always use your contribution, there is a special reporting and fundraising event to be held at the Shawnee Trail church in Frisco on October 25. It's a great and encouraging event that comes with a free lunch.

• **CHANGE CANS** — Foster's Home for Children left a number "change cans" (they take folding money, too) for any who want to make a contribution to

this home and good work it does. They'll be collected in about 1 week.

• **India Mission** — Burley Stinnett will be traveling to India for mission work from Sept. 9 through October 15. If you'd like to make a special contribution toward his work there, you can write checks to "India Mission" and put them in the collection plate (otherwise, hand them to Charles or Burley).

• **Hill Country Relief** — If you would like to contribute toward relief efforts for Kerrville and surrounding area, give your donations to Charles H. who will forward it to the Kerrville church of Christ

• **The Pittsfield MA church** — Those who wish to provide the Pittsfield MA church money for their benevolence fund monthly can see Trudy R. to contribute.

### OUR PRAYER LIST...

- Emma Cloud's grandmother and family, since she is near death.
- Charles H continues to recovery from kidney stone surgery.
- The Wallaces' friend Nancy and

- A young women in Laurel, Delaware, having her first baby, but with complications.
- Esther Myrick, a very low blood count
- Reiven and Ora H — Pray for a quick and complete recovery.
- Ken Conklin is now home, but will still need prayers as he gains strength through PT and OT.
- Bonnie Davidson to be able to have physical strength to attend services.
- Our missionaries in Pittsfield MA, the Staffords, Peyton living with them.
- Mary H is recovering at home.
- Ralph L. suffering from double vision.
- Bonnie D recovering from a minor stroke.
- Sue C: digestive problems
- Churches in New England
- Brethren in India
- Our leaders, parents, families, marriages, widows, and singles of our congregation.

### LONG TERM PRAYER REQUESTS

- Elizabeth's cousin Tracy with Lupus, and also her cousin Debbie H.
- Isela H's sister Griselda's illness
- Dale and Lavonia C.
- Julia's nurse friend, Michaela
- Travis Y. feeding tube



Mission reports from all over the world! Luncheon

- uncle Jerry, injury.
- Ardith now in rehabilitation.

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

- Aug 3, Isa 57-59
- Aug 4, Isa 60-63
- Aug 5, Isa 64-66
- Aug 6, Jer 1-3
- Aug 7, Jer 4-6
- Aug 8, Jer 7-9
- Aug 9, Jer 10-12
- Aug 10, Jer 13-15

# 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.

## DO YOU WANT TO BE SAVED?

**M**ost people would answer yes; and if you've taken this little tract, you probably do, too. The problem, of course, is that there are so many different things being preached and the Bible seems so big and complicated that it can seem impossible to know for sure. But listen...



Perhaps, though, you'd like a short summary of what the Bible teaches about how to be saved. Very well; but please look these things up in the Bible itself — remember, we need to do God's will. Nothing else will do.

In a nutshell, here's what the Bible teaches us...

It's not as complicated as you might think.

The first thing to know is that you need to listen to God. Being saved and forgiven of sin is God's gift and He gives it to people who will receive it His way. On the last day, when the Lord judges all men, God will not ask you if you were saved your own way; He will not ask if you were saved by following your favorite preacher; He will ask you if you were saved His way — following His way fully, leaving nothing out.

So, where are His words? His words are found in the Bible, and yes it is a big book, but not really all that hard to understand, even if that's what you've heard. God isn't interested in just saving the geniuses of the world; He made the Bible easy for the human mind to understand. For example, the part of the Bible that Christians need to pay closest attention to is called the New Testament. The New Testament does have "dos and don'ts" but it also has lots of stories that make the laws easily understandable.

The Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John) tell the story of Jesus Himself, His teachings, deeds, and sacrifice on the cross for our sins.

The book of Acts gives us many examples of people who were saved and how they were.

The next several books are letters written by the inspired apostles teaching Christians about the Faith and how to live their lives as saved people.

- We have all sinned (Romans 3:23). You probably know this all too well in your own life.
- But the Bible goes on to tell us that sin, even one sin, is spiritually fatal; "the wages of sin is death" (Romans 6:23). And death, in this case, is spiritual death, which is another name for Hell (Revelation 20:13-15). And death in this sense is not extinction; it is a living punishment forever (Revelation 20:10). And that's why we need to be saved, rescued.
- God didn't want to leave us this way, condemned — but there was only one solution, Jesus. Jesus, the perfect Son of God, had to die in our place, take our punishment (Isaiah 53). That's what Jesus was doing on the cross. But this generous solution was only "in potential", we human individuals must accept God's solution to be saved. How do we do that?
- The Bible tells us that we must believe (John 3:16 and others); we must repent (Acts 2:38 and others); we must confess that we believe that Jesus is the Son of God (Romans 10:9,10); and we must be baptized into Christ, so that our sins are forgiven (Acts 2:38 and others). Doing these things we become Christians just like the first Christians did.

Would you like to study more about this? The preacher (Park) or the elders here would happily study with you.

*Park Linscomb*

# FAMILY CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK IN AUGUST

	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 9:00AM Bible classes</li> <li>■ 10:00AM Worship</li> <li>■ 5:00PM First Sunday singing practice</li> <li>■ 6:00PM Worship</li> </ul>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 7:00PM Wed. Bible class</li> </ul>				

## SERVICE IN WORSHIP

**Week of August 3 .....AM .....PM.....Wed.**  
 Announcements .....John S .....John S  
 Song Leading.....Scott W .....Doug J .....Jim B  
 Opening Prayer .....Marty K.....Burley S  
 Communion .....Burley S .....Charles H  
 Closing Prayer .....Jim B .....Charles H  
 A/V Control.....John S .....??? .....Charles H  
 Greeter.....Ralph K

**Week of August 10 .....AM .....PM.....Wed.**  
 Announcements .....Charles H.....Charles H  
 Song Leading.....Doug J .....Scott W .....Jeremy C  
 Opening Prayer .....Burley S .....Reiven H  
 Communion .....Chris S .....Doug J  
 Closing Prayer .....Charles H.....Scott W  
 A/V Control.....Hunter M.....Hunter M.....John S  
 Greeter.....Burley S



Sermon Notes...

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