

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"*

The Great Commission

Of a truth, we read the Bible on a regular basis. After all, God understands that we need to review, research and remember the instruction in righteousness that He gives (**II Timothy 3:16-17**). There are a couple of other verses that can motivate us to increase the amount of time we spend in study and meditation, such as **II Timothy 2:15** and **II Peter 3:18**. The results of such extra effort can confirm to ourselves that we are making an honest effort to apply that which is commanded.

This is, after all, the minimum requirement of God's command. The additional responsibility we have is slightly more personal. When Paul wrote to the Church at **Ephesus** in chapter **3:8-11**

He indicated additional instruction. It is based upon the method that God chose to deliver the message of the Gospel. If not careful, this can rush past us in such a way that the message is lost having little or no effect on the reader!

I trust we can accept this personal message and understand its impact...and contemplate how it relates to us as individuals. Paul says, *"I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ...to make all men see the fellowship of the mystery...from the beginning hid in God...to the intent that now...might be known by the church, the manifold wisdom of God, according to the eternal purpose which He purposed in Christ Jesus our Lord."*

When we make a decision to follow Jesus into the "watery grave of baptism" we are "raised to walk in newness of life" (**Romans 6:3-6**). We are "added to the church" **Acts 2:47**. This is the eternal purpose spoken of by the Apostle Paul and the Plan for Salvation that we often refer to. Essentially, this also extends **Matthew 28:18-20** (The Great Commission) to every Christian.

To be clear, the responsibility of every member of the Lord's Church is to help deliver the message that began with the Apostles. No place within the New Testament is this responsibility minimized in its importance, nor is it removed from the "INTENT" to help spread the Gospel. The remaining question that lies with each one of us is this; What am I doing in my individual effort to help spread the Gospel? Give some thought to the answer and develop a personal plan to be certain we do our part.

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 .

LEADERSHIP MEETING is today at 4PM. If you have something that you’d like the leaders to discuss, please pass it along to one of the elders, deacon, or Park.



OUR NEXT MEN’S BREAKFAST is July 11. Make a note of it on your calendar and plan on joining us for breakfast, good fellowship, and some spiritual uplift.

ROUGH RIDERS GAME? For several summers in a row now we have gone to a RR game together. This year we’re thinking about going to one a little earlier in the year to avoid the worst of summer’s heat, **June 20**. If that would be a good time for you and your family, please sign up in the back. Tickets will be \$19/person.

CURRENT ADULT BIBLE CLASSES

- Sunday AM — The book of Ephesians. Currently, we’re in chapter 5 about to start chapter 6
- Wednesday PM — The book of 2 Corinthians. Currently, we’re in chapter 6.
- Handouts for these classes are online at rhcoc.org/worship

OPPORTUNITIES TO SHARE... invite a friend to take watch these online resources ...

- Live worship services and Bible studies — rhcoc.org/worship

- Various recorded Bible studies — <https://www.youtube.com/@rockhillchurchofchrist405>

OUR PRAYER LIST...

- Kodie Stelzer, Jessica's daughter, tore the ACL in her knee in soccer tryouts
- Nina Easley — recently baptized into Christ, for her strength and growth in the Lord.
- Recoveries...
 - Linda S had knee replacement recovery at home.
 - Park’s grandson, Jordan, hip surgery recovery
 - Eloise Isbell
 - The Mericks son, Konrad, had back surgery.
 - Lynn Turner is now at home.
 - Doug Jones, from cancer treatment
- The Turners’ friend Judy has a dear friend with a serious foot infection
- The Turners’ great nephew, Baylen born weighing 5 lbs. needing to do necessary surgery of rearranging his internal organs. He has only one lung, but is making progress. They will begin this week weaning him

from the ecmo machine to see if his heart and lung will work on their own. Please pray that he will be able to survive with a reasonable measure of health.

- Travis York, son of the the Yorks who were members of this congregation years ago, has had some health complications, Please pray for Travis & the Yorks.
- Dianne H’s oldest brother-in-law, Earl Lemons
- Freida R., health issues
- Esther M, low blood count
- The Staffords’ (our missionaries in Pittsfield, Massachusetts) granddaughter Peyton has returned to live in the Dallas area.

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.

Worship is not an experience. Worship is an act, and this takes discipline. We are to worship in spirit and in truth. Never mind about the feelings. We are to worship in spite of them. – Elisabeth Elliot

READ-THE-BIBLE-IN-A-YEAR

- 6/14Josh 18-20
- 6/15Josh 21-22
- 6/16Josh 23-24
- 6/17Judges 1-3
- 6/18Judges 4-6
- 6/19Judges 7-8
- 6/20Judges 9-10
- 6/21Judges 11-13



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.

NOAH'S ARK DISCOVERED?

Many of you may have read recently in a renewed claim that Noah's ark has been found in eastern Turkey in a the Ararat mountain range (<https://www.foxnews.com/travel/could-noahs-ark-remains-buried-turkey-new-findings-revive-age-old-debate>). There have been many such claims over the years, which have been disproven to be what was claimed. And yet folks still seek to find proof of Noah's ark. One of the main reasons given for this quest is that such a discovery will prove the Bible. The truth is that such a discovery wouldn't necessarily prove the Bible to be uniquely true, because there are many, many claims around the world of a global flood story. It is a well documented story told around the world in culture after culture on different continents

What the discovery of Noah's ark would do, however, is give tangible evidence to a world-wide flood disaster. Despite the many Noah stories around the world, the scientific world has continued to operate off the premise that the earth is billions of years old and that evolution is how life got here on our planet. Without tangible evidence, those who profess these theories are able to dismiss the "Noah stories" and a global flood as mere myth or legend. But empirical evidence — discovery of Noah's ark — will demand a different conclusion.

It will demand that scientists cannot look at the geologic column the same way. One thing that evidence of Noah's world-wide flood will do is cause geologists to look at the geologic column differently. Currently, most geologists presume that the earth is millions of years old, because of the many different layers of the earth. A world-wide flood changes all that, because such a disaster would leave many such layers as the flood deepened and then receded. Moreover fossils found in the these layers would make better sense of what is called the Cambrian Explosion, which has been

a serious puzzle to geologists and evolutionists for a very long time now. Below the Cambrian layer are simple animal fossils, but in and above the Cambrian layer far more complex lifeforms are fossilized in an "explosion" of evolution. But such a fossil record is what you would expect naturally from a flood scenario.

It will demand that the "young earth theory" become the standard model. Current science is founded largely on what is known as uniformitarianism — that layers of the earth are laid down slowly and uniformly, and that therefore the earth must be very old. A global flood, on the other hand, is a catastrophe that would (and did) lay down many deep layers very quickly — and if it did, the age of the earth must be reconsidered. Interestingly enough, there are already a number of geologists who are adopting "catastrophism" as the reason for many formations like the Grand Canyon and Yellowstone.

It will demand that a creation model will need to be accepted. If the earth is so much younger, there is clearly no time for evolution to have occurred. Creation is the only option left.

It will demand that the idea that dinosaurs lived millions of years before man is false. Noah's ark and a global flood will explain why there have been dinosaur fossils found that still have soft tissue (<https://apologeticspress.org/more-soft-dinosaur-tissue-1422/>) — unbelievable if such fossils really are 50-70 million years old.

It will demand that cosmologists and physicists will need to rewrite their textbooks and rearrange their current models of the universe, which presume billions of years.

If it turns out that Noah's ark has indeed been discovered, it will do more than help prove one story in the Bible; it should have a much wide influence in dismantling one of the greater obstacles to faith in God, evolution.

Park LInscomb

FAMILY CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK IN JUNE

14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Yaw/Margeretta	Isela H.		7:00PM Wed. Bible class	Norma B.		Kim & Ryan B.
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SERVICE IN WORSHIP

Week of June 14.....AMPMWed.
 AnnouncementsJim BJim B
 Song LeadingScott WDoug JCharles H
 Opening PrayerReiven HRon M
 CommunionYaw FJohn V
 Scripture
 Closing PrayerDoug JKyle J
 GreeterRalph K

Week of June 21.....AMPMWed.
 AnnouncementsBurley SBurley S
 Song LeadingDoug JScott WJim B
 Opening PrayerChris STom R
 CommunionDavid JBurley S
 Scripture
 Closing PrayerJim BHugh R
 GreeterYaw F



Sermon Notes...
