

# 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 TEMPLE TRANSITION, PART 6

There is a reference made last week to Hebrews 9:7-8, "the Holy Ghost this signifying, that the way into the 'Holiest of All' was not yet made known while the first Tabernacle was yet standing." We know that the Temple was still standing until the year AD70, at which time it was destroyed, even to the plowing under of the corner stones, Matthew 24:2, "there shall not be one stone left upon another, that shall not be thrown down."

Although we can understand clearly that the tearing of the Temple veil leading into the Most Holy Place was representative of the end of 'Temple significance', we can also envision that the Most Holy Place was "signifying the Holy Ghost". While the Most Holy Place gave the Children of Israel 'access to the Father' (upon the Mercy Seat, above the Ark of the Covenant, between the Cherubim), the New Covenant, purchased with the blood of Jesus, would provide access to the Father in a new and much different way. This is truly the 'Temple transition' we have been discussing!

To gain the intent, we look at John 14:16-17, "I will pray the Father, and He shall give you another Comforter...even the Spirit of Truth...". Luke 24:49, "I send the promise of my Father...but tarry ye in the City of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high". Acts 1:4-8 "being assembled together with them, commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father...ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence...ye shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you."

Matthew 16:18-19 is to be fulfilled in precisely in this manner. The "keys to the Kingdom", the unlocking of the Mysteries of God would be provided from God - through the Son - by the Holy Ghost. (John 12:48-49, "the word that I have spoken will judge you in the last days...the Father which sent me gave me a commandment, what I should say and what I should speak.")

John 14:25-26, "These things I have spoken to you, being yet with you. But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, He shall teach you all things, and bring to remembrance, all things whatsoever I have spoken to you." The Word of God provided to man by Inspired writers.

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 .

**NEXT SUNDAY MORNING'S BIBLE CLASS** will begin a study of Paul's letters to Timothy. There's a lot of very practical Christian teaching about personal growth and organizing the church in these books. Don't miss out on this important study.

**BURLEY STINNETT** will take the pulpit in the morning next Sunday, January 26, to tell us about his mission work in India, which is due to begin in a couple of weeks.

**THANKS TO EVERYONE** who helped with the memorial service yesterday for Bonnie B.

### LEADERSHIP MEETING

- Our cash on hand is improved slightly, but after one of our two mortgages is paid off in a couple of months our cash on hand should start increasing more noticeably.
- Burley will be making a presentation of his renewed work in India in the near future.
- Our small groups have been revamped a bit, we've made a new small group of our shut-ins and re-groups others.
- The leadership will be meeting to make some plans for the church for 2025 in the near future for evangelism, special meetings, etc.

**FIRST SUNDAY SINGING PRACTICE** — last fall we began to meet at 5PM (just before evening services) to learn new songs. We skipped a

## Revive and Thrive in 2025

couple of month because of holidays, but we begin again in February (Feb.2) Join us!

**SEWING MINISTRY** The ladies that are interested in this ministry will be meeting every Thursday in January from 10am-2pm. Come join them and develop and use your talents for the Lord.

**WOULD YOU LIKE TO HELP** the Pittsfield MA church? We have an ongoing monthly benevolence program to help the church of Christ in Pittsfield Mass. See Trudy R. to contribute.

### CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL "LOVE PACKS."

We're starting to collect items for the Children's Hospital "Love Packs." We will have baskets available next week to put stuff in. Last year we delivered 16 large laundry baskets full of goodies. Let's try to beat that this year! See Jessica Stelzer for more details. This project is an ongoing tribute to Linda Linscomb and her passion to help children and hospitals."

### OUR PRAYER LIST...

- Comfort for Jim B at the passing of Bonnie, Doug J. at the passing of his sister.
- Jim W., our newest brother in Christ.
- Lynn T. is now home, Alene, his wife has the flu.
- Ora H home from the hospital, but still not feeling well
- Anna S, a Christian sister who comes with Lynn and Alene T, has COVID.
- Elizabeth H's cousin, Tracy, is still in need of prayers for better health.
- Mary H is recovering at home.

- Emma's grandmother, Karla R, dementia and cancer.
- Esther M health.
- Bonnie D recovering from a minor stroke.
- Lynn T: cancer
- Sue C: digestive problems
- Ora H, kidney
- the churches in New England
- brethren in India
- our elders, deacons, preacher, teachers, parents, families, marriages, widows, and singles of our congregation.

### LONG TERM PRAYER REQUESTS

- Isela H's sister Griselda's illness & friend Jeff
- Bonnie B.
- Carol P.
- Dale and Lavonia C.
- Julia's nurse friend, Michaela
- Rosa's friend Isabella, heart lesion
- Travis Y. feeding tube
- Ken C.

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

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

**Christian character is not created in the moment of adversity. Christian character is revealed in the moment of adversity.**

# 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 NOT QUARREL ON THE JOURNEY."**

**A**fter years of slavery, imprisonment, and finally vindication and incredible promotion, Joseph finally had to chance to confront the very men, his own brothers, who had sold him to traders on their way to Egypt. It was clearly (we're told by the text itself) an emotional event for Joseph. Nevertheless, as was typical of his life up to this point, he did what was right, regardless of the temptations and tearfully and sincerely forgave his brothers, who showed themselves deeply regretful for their treachery toward their younger brother.

As Joseph sent them off to tell Jacob, their father, that Joseph was still alive, was (as it were) prime minister of all of Egypt, and that the whole family should move to Goshen (in the delta of the Nile River in Egypt) he tells them (Gen. 45:24), "Do not quarrel on the journey." It was definitely good advice.

They already seemed to have been quarrelsome lot before all this. Can you imagine what the conversations must have been like on the road back home?

*"Whose idea was it to sell Joseph? Reuben, wasn't that you?"*

*"Well yeah, but you guys wanted to kill him and dump his body into a pit somewhere. I said we should just throw him in a pit, because I wanted to rescue later him from you guys!"*

*"Yeah, but whose idea was it to kill him?"*

*"And by the way, who's going to tell dad? Not me, I'm telling you right now. He's going to hit the roof, I think the one whose idea it was to kill him should be the one to tell him."*

*"No, it should be the one who said to sell him. Reuben that was you!"*

*"No, that was actually Judah! Remember, I just wanted to throw him in the pit and rescue him while you guys weren't looking."*

*"Oh sure, always the goody-two-shoes"*

Joseph realized before his brothers did that this was going to be a tough and troublesome trip home, even if was to bring some pretty great news. He knew that this was a time for forgiveness, introspection, repentance, humility, and lessons learned — not recriminations, strife, ducking of responsibility, rationalization, and fear. Family was too important, the news was too good, and the circumstances and outcome was (as he told them twice) used by God to save the whole family from the famine.

And it remains good advice today as well.

How many marriages and families could benefit from this advice, "Do not quarrel on the journey"? There will always be disagreements, but they need to be addressed and permanently disposed of quickly. Apology, forgiveness, and love are major tent poles of happy, permanent families. Troubles will come and must be overcome by families working together on the problem rather than "shooting" at each other as if loved ones were the enemy.

As Christians added by the Lord Himself to the household of God we too — as recovering human beings — find ourselves occasionally in conflict with one another. Thankfully, it is seldom anything as extreme as selling our brother into slavery, but whether it is a major or minor matter, it must be solved with brotherly love and for the sake of the kingdom, "Do not quarrel on the journey." Disagreements will inevitably happen, despite our best efforts; Paul's letters to first century churches testify to inescapability of conflicts, but they also testify to the fact that there are good, godly, quick, and permanent solutions — if we'd only apply them. Conflict in church calls for forgiveness, introspection, repentance, humility, and lessons learned — not recriminations, strife, ducking of responsibility, rationalization, and fear. Family is too important, the Gospel is too good to get bogged down in strife, and every circumstance and outcome can be worked out for good by God (Romans 8:28).

*Park Linscomb*

# FAMILY CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK IN JANUARY

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>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 10:00AM Ladies' Bible class</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 7:00PM Wed. Bible class</li> </ul>	<div style="background-color: #a65151; color: white; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 5px;">Doug &amp; Nancy J. ❤️</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 7:00PM Wed. Bible class</li> </ul>	<div style="background-color: #a65151; color: white; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 5px;">Lori C. 🙏</div> <div style="background-color: #a65151; color: white; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 5px;">Owen K. 🙏</div> <p style="text-align: center; margin: 0;">Ladies' sewing ministry 10-2</p>	<div style="background-color: #a65151; color: white; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 5px;">Ryan B. 🙏</div>	

## SERVICE IN WORSHIP

### Week of Jan 19.....AM.....PM.....Wed.

Announcements .....John S .....John S  
 Song Leading .....Scott W .....Doug J .....Jeremy C  
 Opening Prayer .....Marty K .....Hunter M  
 Communion .....Reiven H .....John S  
 Closing Prayer .....Scott W .....Jim B  
 A/V Control .....Charles H .....John S .....Hunter M  
 Greeter .....Hugh R

### Week of Jan 25.....AM.....PM.....Wed.

Announcements .....Charles H .....Charles H  
 Song Leading .....Doug J .....Scott W .....Jim B  
 Opening Prayer .....John S .....Jim B  
 Communion .....Yaw F .....Hugh R  
 Closing Prayer .....Charles H .....Jeremy C  
 A/V Control .....John S .....Hunter M .....Charles H  
 Greeter .....Yaw F



Sermon Notes...

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