

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
- Fernando Zapata

Preacher:

- Park Linscomb

Interns:

- Kent Cates & Avery Nicks

*"We're Here
and We Care"*

GOD'S PLAN — PART 23

One of the more interesting facts that have come from this extended study of God's Plan has changed my perspective of chronology. Obviously, the writing of the Old Testament took place *before* the writing of the New Testament...however, the announcement of the New Testament Plan came as early as **Genesis 3:15**, prior to any of the Old Testament documents, or the records that were recorded "*for our learning*".

God, in His wisdom, indicated far in advance that the ultimate solution was "*to seek and save that which was lost*" **Luke 19:10**. What God did was identify the Plan to redeem the creation of man by the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus Christ. This was the message given to mankind through the Prophets in **Hebrews 1:1** over a period of many years. Historically, we can trace the promise to Abram in the year 2,091 BC that "*through thy (his) seed, all families of the earth would be blessed*" **Genesis 12:1-5**. The objective of the promise is clarified in **Galatians 3:16** "*He sayeth not, to seeds as of many, but as of one, and to thy seed which is Christ.*"

For over 2,000 years, Prophets and righteous men "*have desired to see those thing that ye see...and hear those things that ye hear, but have not...*" **Matthew 13:17**. Only God can understand why He prolonged the coming of Christ for this length of time. We are given **Galatians 4:4** "*when the fullness of time had come...*" but no further explanation has been provided.

The faith of a believer leads us to accept the things written as designed and preserved by God Himself. It is further confirmed by the "inspired writings" which were prophesied, monitored and controlled as we can attest to in hind-sight which is known to be 'perfect vision'. This is the perspective of the Christian today; the accounts of the inspired writers were not recorded on the day they occurred, but from 17 – 67 years later! The plan of God was this miraculous. Jesus told His Apostles, "*tarry in Jerusalem until ye be endued with power from on high*"...this would be the giving of the Holy Ghost who would "*bring all things to your remembrance whatsoever I have spoken to you*" **John 14:26**. The New Testament was not a 'model' from the Old Testament...the Old Testament was the precursor for the New Testament to reveal God's Plan for salvation in Christ.

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 .

CHURCH-WIDE MOVIE NIGHT! What a great time we all had watching *War Room* on Friday evening! It was so good we all stayed around and discussed it for quite some time after the movie was done!

THANKS TO EVERYONE who came to the work day at the church building yesterday. There are lots of things that go into keeping our buildings and grounds looking sound and attractive.

MIDDLE SUNDAY AT DEER RUN — Many of our number are traveling to Camp Deer Run for worship this morning, because this is what is called “Middle Sunday” at this youth camp, in which parents are invited to join in worship in the middle of the two week session. Pray for everyone's safe travel and spiritual uplift — especially our youth who've gone for the two weeks.

SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP — Sunday evening's sermons are a series on the book of Philippians. Last week was Philippians 3:1-11 this week we'll be looking at Philippians 3:12ff. Come join us!!

BIRTHDAY CAKE FELLOWSHIP —

Speaking of Sunday evening worship, this Sunday is our monthly Birthday Cake fellowship. It is being provided for by small group 1. Come enjoy the spiritual food of the evening worship and then the physical food and celebration of everyone born in June.



THE PITTSFIELD MA CHURCH —

- We have an ongoing monthly benevolence program to help the Berkshire County church of Christ in Pittsfield Mass. See Trudy R. to contribute.

OUR PRAYER LIST...

- Mary Hall broke her hip. She had a partial hip replacement.
- Emma asks us pray for her grandmother, Karla Rothbauer, who was recently diagnosed with early onset Dementia.
- Jessica had asked us to pray for one of her classmates' son, Cole Atkins, who was in a terrible vehicle accident.
- Melinda Stafford's mother and brother in S. Africa
- Bonnie Davidson recovering from a minor stroke.
- Lynn Turner: cancer
- Burley Stinnett Jr.
- Dianna C. for cancer treatment
- Sue Carter: digestive problems
- Ora Holt, kidney
- the churches in New England

- brethren in India
- our elders, deacons, preacher, teachers, interns, parents, families, marriages, widows, and singles of our congregation.

LONG TERM PRAYER REQUESTS

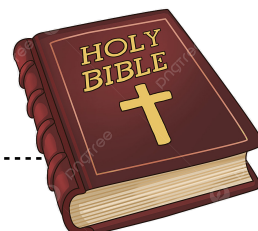
- Isela Hughes' sister Griselda's illness & friend Jeff with cancer (very ill)
- Bonnie B.
- Carol P.
- Dale and Lavonia C.
- Julia's nurse friend, Michaela
- The Zapata's friend Isabella with a heart lesion
- Travis Y. feeding tube
- Ken C.



Do not look for the church nearest to your house. Look for the church closest to the Bible. — Paul Washer

READ-THE-BIBLE-IN-A-YEAR

- Jun 30, Psa 90-97
- Jul 1, Psa 98-104
- Jul 2, Psa 105-107
- Jul 3, Psa 108-116
- Jul 4, Psa 117-119:72
- Jul 5, Psa 119:73-176
- Jul 6, Psa 120-135
- Jul 7, Psa 136-142



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.

HOW CAN I GET MORE OUT OF PREACHING IN WORSHIP?

Of the several things that happen in worship each Sunday, the one that takes up most of the time is the preaching of God's word, the sermon. So, how does a worshipful Christian get the most out of the preaching portion of the worship service?

First, come to the worship service rested and ready to hear and think about God's word. This has already been mentioned in previous articles, but it deserves repetition, because Sunday is preceded by what is commonly considered a play day, and we sometimes like to "play hard". So make an effort to get to bed on time, lest we "worship our play and play at our worship".

Beyond that, bring an eager mind. An eager mind wants to hear what God's word says, wants to hear about God's salvation, our hope, and the words of Jesus. It seeks and anticipates discovering the deep, sometimes challenging, and always practical meanings behind the histories, the parables, the prophecies, the psalms, the wisdom, and the letters in Scripture.

Avoid distractions, when possible. Distractions will happen in any assembly, but don't let it pull you away from the sermon. Kids will sometimes play or make noise — that's OK. There will almost always be those who need to make a bathroom run, that's OK, too. Sometimes a brother or sister on medication nods off, that's to be expected. Occasionally the preacher will mispronounce a word (sounds pretty familiar to me), he's human, too. Just don't let the distractions distract you too much. By the way, although the most popular seats are often in the back, the best place to **not** be distracted is in the front.

The people getting the most out of a sermon are usually the ones taking notes. Taking notes helps in the processing of information in any setting, because you have to put the many words heard into a few words on a page — any serious student will attest to this. Additionally, after the sermon and during the rest of the week you have something to look back on and think about later.

Be sure to turn to the passages of Scripture that are cited in the sermon. Despite the fact that the Scriptures are sometimes shown on the presentation

screen, it's always best to put your own eyes on the Scriptures. Perhaps mark the passage or put a note beside it, if you think it especially meaningful.

Also realize that every sermon will have something useful to you, even if it isn't your favorite Bible subject. The assembly of the church will have brethren of every maturity and knowledge level and the preacher is tasked by the Lord to attempt to feed them all. So some lessons will be milk and some will be meat. Sermons that remind you of things you already know are just as good as sermons that present new material to you. The New Testament is full of such reminders (Romans 15:15, 1 Corinthians 4:17, 2 Timothy 1:6, 2 Timothy 2:14 2 Peter 1:12, and others). Mankind has the terrible tendency to forget lessons of the past and need constant reminders. So don't discount a sermon that starts off with familiar themes, it will turn out to be handier than you may think. And sermons that are over your head can stretch and grow you, too; drink the milk and long for the meat. No matter your maturity level or knowledge level, there will always be something good to glean from every lesson. Welcome both kinds and grow! We live in a world in which we can just change the channel, if we don't like the program; but that choosiness may not be what our souls really need.

After services, do yourself and others a favor by discussing the lesson with family or friends over lunch. Indeed, if you had trouble gleaning something from the sermon, you will find this suggestion especially useful. You might be surprised at what others got out of the sermon that you might have missed or not thought about personally. Discussion surfaces things you didn't think of and helps imbed the lesson deeper into the memory.

Lastly, think about how to apply the lesson to yourself — **yourself** being the main, operative word here. It's easy to apply it to others, but it's always more important to tend to our own life, our own salvation, and get the log out of our own eyes before we start looking for sawdust in someone else's eyes.

So much of the spiritual encouragement of the assembly is found in the sermon, so make the effort to get as much as you can out of it

Park Linscomb

FAMILY CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK IN JUNE & JULY

30	1	2	3	4	5	6
Middle Sun. @ Camp Deer Run ■ 9:00AM Bible classes ■ 10:00AM Worship ■ 6:00PM Worship ■ 7:00PM Birthday Cake Sunday	Kenny E. 🎂 Virginia Sue C. 🎂	■ 7:00PM Wed. Bible class ■ 8:00PM Games for the youth	 Fourth of July, Independence Day			

SERVICE IN WORSHIP

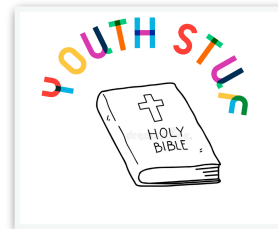
June 30AM.....PM
 AnnouncementsJim B
 SongleadingDoug J.....Scott W
 Opening PrayerYaw F.....Reiven H
 CommunionReiven H.....John S
 Servers: 1) _____ 2) _____ 3) _____ 4) _____
 Closing PrayerDoug J.....David J
 A/V ControlJohn SCharles H
 GreeterFernando Z

Wed PM, July 3
 SongsJim B
 A/VFernando Z

July 7AM.....PM
 AnnouncementsJohn S
 SongleadingScott WDoug J
 Opening PrayerJim BBurley S
 CommunionYaw FDavid J
 Servers: 1) _____ 2) _____ 3) _____ 4) _____
 Closing PrayerScott WHugh R
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Wed PM, July 10
 SongsReiven H
 A/VJohn S

Sermon Notes...



What's Happening!?

- ▶ 7/3: **The Women's Sewing Ministry** will be this Wednesday at 10:00 at Beverly Weldon's house
- ▶ 7/3: **Youth Group Snow Cones and Worship Service!** Bring your kids to the church building at 5:45, and we will take them to the Frisco Snow Cone Lady and then back to church for 7:00 service!
- ▶ 7/11: **On Thursday, July 11th, we will have our final Reel Faith movie night** for the youth at the church building. We will be watching The Emperor's New Groove!
- ▶ 7/16: **Youth Group Six Flags Trip!** The youth will be taking a trip to Six Flags on Tuesday July 16th, and more details will be sent out soon. Please let Kent and Avery know if your kid can make it!

