

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

Preacher:

- Park Linscomb

Deacons:

- Reiven Holt
- Hugh Ruebush
- John Smetzer
- Burley Stinnett
- Fernando Zapata

Interns:

- Kent Cates & Avery Nicks

*"We're Here
and We Care"*

"WITHIN THE VEIL"

I trust that each person who reads these articles is able to relate to the verses and spiritual facts contained therein. The Scriptures never grow old and should continue to enlighten us on our Spiritual journey. Please do not be afraid to ask yourself what the references mean, and how they apply to your life. This is the sole purpose of researching and writing each individual article.

As you may have already gathered, this week we are going back to the Old Testament and the Tabernacle designed by God and constructed by Moses and the Children of Israel. Rather than write about the correlation of the original Tabernacle and how it relates to the modern perception of the Church (building and such) I prefer to lead you back to the original intent and move us toward how it relates today.

Consider this; at the 'Fall of Man' God gave the first indication of what the ultimate Plan consisted of. This is the first mention of our Savior, and the conflict between "good and evil". It can be found in **Genesis 3:15-16**, and alludes to the long-term and ultimate Plan of God to redeem Man. It is very important to understand that the Plan of God included all things that occurred from that time forward. We study much of the Old Testament to gain the wonderful insight of the sacrifices made in order to get us to Christ under a much more specific method to separate the righteous from the unrighteous. This is the significance of **Galatians 3:22**, "*the scripture has concluded (included) all under sin that the promise by faith of Jesus Christ might be given to them that believe.*"

Within the Tabernacle, there was the Holy place and the "Holiest of all". These were the two (2) innermost partitions within the Tabernacle, both of which were separated by long curtains and rather elaborate "veils" at the point of entry. God described the innermost single department as the holiest of all wherein sat the Ark of the Covenant and the Mercy Seat. This was described as the place where, "*God will meet you there*" **Exodus 25:22**. The 'Holiest' was ever intended to be a most special place reserved only for the High Priest of the Tribe of Levi who would meet with God for the annual atonement. It was further identified to represent the Holy Spirit according to **Hebrews 9:8**.

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 this Sunday at 4PM in the fellowship hall. If you have anything you'd like the elders, deacons, and preacher to discuss, let us know. **WELCOME** Alec and Diana Esquivel have placed membership with the Rock Hill congregation this past Sunday. They live at 505 Smokebrush St., Celina TX 75009. Their phone is 972-741-8585. Their email is al.esquivel2012@gmail.com. They have 3 adult children. **WE HAD 12 SINGERS** for our first first Sunday new song learning class this past Sunday. Be looking for new songs to be introduced into our worship soon. **A WEDDING SHOWER** is being thrown for Emma R. today, Sunday, October 13, from 12:00PM (luncheon) in our fellowship hall. Registrations have been left with Amazon and Target. For more information see Dianne H. **THE LADIES' BIBLE CLASS** has resumed meeting. They meet each Tuesday morning at 10:00 in the fellowship hall. **THE NEXT LADIES' SEWING SESSION** will be October 24 from 10:00 to 2:00. No sewing experience necessary; join in the good work!!

WHILE PARK WAS OUT OF TOWN, many of the brothers filled in for him — Thanks!! Well done!! **WOULD YOU LIKE TO HELP** 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...

- Ora Holt's nephew was struck by a hit and run driver and died from his injuries. Please pray for the family
- Elizabeth Hopkins cousin, Tracy, is in ICU with diabetic ketoacidosis.

OUR PRAYER LIST...

- Zeke R. had a stroke.
- The Staffords — Cleves family as his dad is nearing the end, Mel's family as her mother nears the end, their son struggling in his freshman year at college, the Pittsfield church.
- Mary Hall is recovering at home.
- Emma's grandmother, Karla R, dementia and cancer.
- "Max Bledsoe, Charles' brother-in-law, has been diagnosed with a mass in his brain. More tests will be forthcoming to determine a course of action
- Elizabeth's brother-in-law recovering from a car accident, and her step-brother with multiple health problems

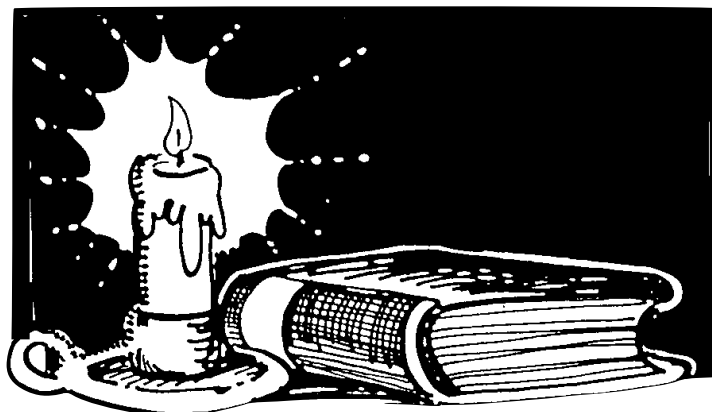
- Esther Myrick's health.
- Bonnie Davidson recovering from a minor stroke.
- Lynn Turner: cancer
- Sue Carter: digestive problems
- Ora Holt, kidney
- the churches in New England
- brethren in India
- our elders, deacons, preacher, teachers, interns, parents, families, marriages, widows, and singles of our congregation.

LONG TERM PRAYER REQUESTS

- Isela Hughes' sister Griselda's illness & friend Jeff
- 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

- Oct 13, Matthew 27-28
- Oct 14, Mark 1-3
- Oct 15, Mark 4-5
- Oct 16, Mark 6-7
- Oct 17, Mark 8-9
- Oct 18, Mark 10-11
- Oct 19, Mark 12-13
- Oct 20, Luke 14-16



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.

MARKS OF COMMITMENT

I was reading a fortune cookie the other day: "Punctuality is a mark of commitment." Now, I don't take fortune cookie philosophy too seriously, but it did cause me wonder, "Is that true, and what are the marks of commitment?" And perhaps, more importantly, "Am I committed to the Lord?"

First, yeah, I think that punctuality is a mark of commitment. It is what one does, when we love something (or someone). It shows a readiness and an eagerness to get on with the job ahead. I can almost guarantee you that your employer thinks so. Do we demonstrate punctuality in the Lord's work and worship?

Volunteerism is another manifestation of commitment. Committed people don't wait around for others to volunteer for things that need to be done to accomplish the mission. Volunteering says, "I believe in this and want to be involved in this!" After Isaiah's vision and cleansing, the LORD asked, "Who shall we send?"; Isaiah's hand shot up, "Here am I, send me!" Do we volunteer readily or do we hang back hoping that others will do what we could?

Committed people also are willing to do whatever it takes to accomplish the mission. It doesn't matter if it is hard, unpleasant, humble, or even strange, as long as it makes a contribution to the larger cause. The committed person is just happy to be part of something larger than himself. Paul tells us,

"Five times I received from the Jews thirty-nine lashes. Three times I was beaten with rods, once I was stoned, three times I was shipwrecked, a night and a day I have spent in the deep. I have been on frequent journeys, in dangers from rivers, dangers from robbers, dangers from my countrymen, dangers from the Gentiles, dangers in the city, dangers in the wilderness, dangers on the sea, dangers among false brethren; I have been in labor and hardship, through many

sleepless nights, in hunger and thirst, often without food, in cold and exposure." 2 Corinthians 11:24-27.

Are we willing to do whatever it takes to accomplish the Lord's mission?

Related to the willingness to do whatever it takes is the willingness to sacrifice lesser things to do what needs to be done. Committed people act sacrificially; whether it's time, effort, talents, money, leisure, or advances in this life — they are considered expendable. Paul said, "But whatever things were gain to me, those things I have counted as loss for the sake of Christ." Philippians 3:7. Are we willing sacrifice for the Kingdom?

Endurance and persistence are also marks of commitment. Committed people don't give up easily. Knowing the importance of the cause, committed folks continue to work without giving up. Twenty-four times the New Testament encourages disciples of Jesus to endurance (*hupomene*, courageous, active service to the very end). Do I persevere in the Lord's business or do I throw in the towel, when the going gets tough?

Commitment also is willing to serve the mission even when others abandon it. Some will abandon the battle, and when they do they give aid to the enemy, because it is discouraging to those who continue on. But the committed do continue on. Do we continue to serve even when others have fallen away?

And finally, commitment doesn't offer half-measures. Commitment is "all in", "no holds barred", and "leaving it all on the field". Jesus in His life and on His cross was clearly committed to you and me. Are we as committed to Him?

So, are you committed. I'll confess I've got some work to do on myself. How about you? Are you really committed to the Lord and His great cause of salvation for all men?

Park Linscomb

FAMILY CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK IN OCTOBER

13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Mercie F. Renita C. ■ 9:00AM Bible classes ■ 10:00AM Worship ■ 4:00PM Leadership meeting ■ 6:00PM Worship	Doug J.	Collins C. ■ 10:00AM Ladies' Bible class	■ 7:00PM Wed. Bible class	Dan & Renita C. Johnny V		■ 9:00AM Men's break-fast

SERVICE IN WORSHIP

October 13AM.....PM

AnnouncementsJohn S
 SongleadingScott WDoug J
 Opening PrayerYaw FReiven H
 CommunionDavid J.....Burley S
 Servers: 1) _____ 2) _____ 3) _____ 4) _____
 Closing PrayerDoug J.....Yaw F
 A/V ControlCharles H.....Hunter M
 GreeterHugh R

Wed PM, October 16

SongsCharles H
 A/V.....John S

October 20AM.....PM

Announcements
 SongleadingDoug J.....Scott W
 Opening Prayer
 Communion
 Servers: 1) _____ 2) _____ 3) _____ 4) _____
 Closing Prayer
 A/V Control
 Greeter

Wed PM, October 23

Songs
 A/V.....



Sermon Notes...
