

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"*

While Here We Serve

Growing older comes with certain advantages, but also has some drawbacks. By virtue of the fact that we have mostly tried many things that we had a desire to do, whether successful or not, we will not be burdened with the anguish of not having tried. On the good side, we have gained enough experience to have a deep understanding of what a "chance worth taking" looks like, and the subsequent wisdom that can come from failing. For most of us, this can be said of our life experiences as it relates to careers, family, even the church and our individual Christian walk.

Looking back is good for us all. If we do not look back, we could miss the satisfaction of our personal growth. For the younger set, experiencing important moments in life can be missed if we do not put them in a memory folder and review them from time to time. There are things that we can miss, when we fail to enjoy the lessons we learn from the experiences we gain. There is a spiritual message from these preliminary thoughts...be sure not to miss it.

Ecclesiastes 12:7 reminds us of the literal fact that precludes all else; when our time ends, *"then the dust returns to the earth as it was, and the spirit shall return unto God who gave it."* Solomon goes on to say in ***verse 13***, *"let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter; Fear God and keep His commandments; for this is the whole duty of man."*

The establishment of the Lord's Church was God's plan to resolve the separation of man from God because of sin. The Lord's Church was singular in nature in ***Ephesians 4:4-6***. It was first revealed in ***Acts 2:1-47***, prophesied by Jesus in ***Matthew 16:18-19***. In ***Isaiah 2:2-4*** it was announced as *"the mountain of the Lord's house...to be established in the top of the mountain...For out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the Word of the Lord from Jerusalem."* Neither alterations nor innovations were to be allowed. ***Galatians 1:6-9*** proclaims the authenticity of what God has prepared in the Lord's Church, forbidding all others. It was the Plan of God to prepare the Church, and use it as the method to separate the 'true worshipper' from all others. Know the difference while here we serve!

Doug Jonnes

Family News

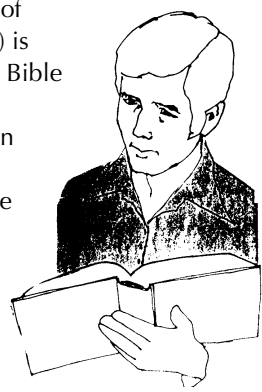
“For through Him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God.” Ephesians 2:18,19

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 IS OUR SPRING MEETING.

The book of Romans (see below) is considered by most Bible readers to be a true pinnacle of Christian teachings and practice. This will be a fabulous growth experience for everyone who comes — the Christian and non-Christian. Make firm plans to come and try to bring others with you. It will be really good.



REGULAR LEADERSHIP MEETING is today at 4PM. If you have something that you'd like the leaders of the congregation to discuss, please let one of the elders or deacons or the preacher know.

OUR NEXT POTLUCK will be next Sunday at our Spring Meeting, March 15 after morning worship — see details for this later in these announcements....

TRUDI RUEBUSH is the collection point for a benevolent fund for the Berkshire County Church of Christ (Pittsfield MA). Anything you can do is helpful.

OUR PRAYER LIST...

- Richard Anderson, has prostate cancer. He underwent surgery and is home recovering
- Doug Jones, the treatment plan for him and a positive outcome. Peace and comfort for his family
- Dianne's oldest brother-in-law, Earl Lemons, is very ill. Please add him to your prayers as well as Dianne and her family.
- Burley Jr. for cancer tests, March 12
- Meghan and Leighton (Linebaugh's granddaughter and great-granddaughter)
- Park, for continued healing after knee surgery.
- Freida R. and her continuing health issues
- Charles H.; pray for complete recovery from shoulder surgery.
- Please pray for continued fruit from Burley's mission work in India.
- Lynn Turner is now at home.
- Linda C for her pacemaker
- Esther M, low blood count

Believe the truth. Even when everyone else says otherwise. Even when all indications seem otherwise.

- The Staffords, our missionaries in Pittsfield, Massachusetts, granddaughter Peyton living with them.
- 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
- Isela H's sister Griselda's illness
- Dale C.
- Julia's nurse friend, Michaela

READ-THE-BIBLE-IN-A-YEAR

- 3/8.....Eph 4-6
- 3/9.....Philippians all
- 3/10.....Colossians all
- 3/11.....1 Thess all
- 3/12.....2 Thess all
- 3/13.....1 Timothy 1-3
- 3/14.....1 Timothy 4-6
- 3/15.....2 Timothy all

SPRING MEETING — March 15-18

“Great Passages from Romans”

- ◆ **Sunday** 10AM, Jack Evans, Jr., Romans 7 (War of the Flesh and the Spirit)
- ◆ **Sunday** 6PM, Wes McAdams, Romans 14 (Principles of Conscience)
- ◆ **Monday** 7PM, Seth McDowell, Romans 8 (There Is No Condemnation)
- ◆ **Tuesday** 7PM, John Wheeler, Romans 12 (Living Sacrifices)
- ◆ **Wednesday**, 7PM, Park Linscomb, Romans 10 (How Shall They Call on Him?)

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.

RAISING GODLY TEENS, #3 — LET THEM SUFFER (AND LEARN) A LITTLE

I hope this title doesn't make me sound like a monster, but interestingly enough it is actually biblical: "Do not hold back discipline from the child, although you strike him with the rod, he will not die." Proverbs 23:13, NAS95. Now, neither the Bible nor I are suggesting a torture chamber for your kids. What I mean is the "torture" of work, struggle, failure, loss, getting punished, "doing without", waiting, saving rather than spending, starting at the bottom and working your way up, living with consequences of your deeds, and sweat — just to name a few.

And for anyone who has teens or an remember being a teen, you know how these things can create groans, weeping, wailing, and gnashing of teeth that sound like they might be coming out of a torture chamber — all in hopes that you'll rescue them from these unfair tortures. Sometimes these dramatics work quite effectively on parents — the results are usually more or less like the out-of-control children you might see on "Super Nanny" (remember that one?).

But some parents don't have to be "persuaded". Some will "protect" their children from suffering, because they want their children to have it better than they did. They'd like to put them in a protective bubble to shield them from the bumps and bruises of life. Sadly, the results are often very fragile and dysfunctional adults with grave "entitlement" issues. While one of the functions of good parenting is to protect one's children from harm; our children, especially our teens, don't really need to be protected from everything.

In both cases — the *permissive* parenting style and the *protective* parenting style — the

truth remains that they "...will not die", when they are allowed to endure such discipline. In fact, they will thrive. To do otherwise is to create "enabled" adults bereft of: strength for handling the vicissitudes of life, good judgment, responsibility, the ability to improve themselves, self-control, the virtue of thrift, and many other important life skills.

When I was in junior high, I mowed lawns in the hot Corpus Christi summers for spending money. I had managed to save a whole \$12 dollars, a fortune to me; and as I entered the 9th grade I wanted to carry the money in my wallet. My parents warned me, but I couldn't be persuaded, because I was sure that I knew what I was doing. A couple of days later my wallet was stolen out of my gym locker. My parents didn't replace the money; how insensitive! It was a \$12, hard-learned lesson about the lack of honesty in the world that I never forgot.

This is the very way, God deals with us. We often groan toward Heaven about our plight in life, but God is just being a good Father. Sometimes He lets us work rather than just providing what we want, He lets us suffer the consequences of our foolishness rather than protecting us the way we'd like, or He lets us struggle for answers rather than just giving us the quick one. Sometimes He lets us grow in wisdom, in strength, in insight, in skills, in patience — letting us suffer a little, while we learn a lot.

While there are exceptions to the rule, don't rob your children of what they need; let them suffer a little and learn a lot.

Park Linscomb

FAMILY CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK IN MARCH

	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 9:00AM Bible classes ■ 10:00AM Worship ■ 4:00PM Leadership meeting ■ 6:00PM Worship 			<div style="background-color: #d9ead3; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 2px;"> Tammy C. </div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 10:00AM Ladies' Bible class 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 7:00PM Wed. Bible class 	<div style="background-color: #d9ead3; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 2px;"> Julia A. </div>	<div style="background-color: #d9ead3; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 2px;"> Heather B. </div>	<p>Tomorrow begins our Spring Meeting, Great Passages in Romans</p> <div style="text-align: right; font-size: 2em; color: red;">➔</div>

SERVICE IN WORSHIP

Week of March 8AMPMWed.

AnnouncementsJim BJim B
 Song LeadingScott WDoug JJim B
 Opening PrayerReiven HHugh R
 CommunionChris SReiven H
 ScripturePsalm 96
 Closing PrayerCharles HJohn S
 GreeterHugh R

Week of March 15AMPMWed.

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 Opening PrayerMarty KJim B
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 Scripture
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 GreeterBurley S



Sermon Notes...
