

The Rocky Hock Anchor



**The Mission of Rocky Hock Baptist Church is
to magnify Christ and make disciples of all people.**



Dear Rocky Hock Church Family,

In our current series on Sunday mornings, “A Message For This Moment,” God is helping us to make sense of life’s changes. Our series memory verse is Deuteronomy 6:23, “He brought us out from there, that He might bring us in, to give us the land of which He swore to our Fathers.”

I don’t like change! There, I said it. I hope you feel better knowing that you are not alone. Why don’t I like change? Staying the same is easy. It is familiar. Not changing is like wearing an old, broke-in pair of shoes. Now the sole might have a hole in it, but we don’t throw them out just yet. Why? They are comfortable. God says that He has brought us from “there.” Could it be that God is using our challenging times to help us let go of the things that we thought were important? We can be sure that while we wait God is going to meet our needs, and He will meet them in a new way that will replace the old. God says, “that He might bring us in, to give us the land of which He swore to our Fathers.” As we are encouraged with the promises of God, let’s encourage one another.

Let’s also be aware of those around us on Sundays. We have many people who are new to RHBC. Being in a new place can be challenging and visiting a new church can be overwhelming. Guests may need our help finding the restroom, a Sunday School class or the children’s area. Guests may need a warm welcome and a few minutes of our time. After all, guests can watch RHBC online. So, if they brave all the obstacles and push through every excuse so they can worship with us in person on a Sunday morning, let’s make sure to welcome them warmly and be available to assist them if needed. Many of our guests are here because of you; your time, your invitation, and your availability. Keep up the good work! God is going to bring us out and bring us in, because He said He would.

Grace and Peace,

Pastor Rusty



Join us for Evening Worship

“Sundays @ SIX”

every Sunday night at 6 PM.

Adult Bible Study in the Sanctuary, Youth in the Youth Suite, and Children in the Gym.

Baptist Women



“Love your neighbor as yourself.” ~ Matthew 22:39

By Sara Lamkin, WMU NC Consultant for Preschool & Children (wmunc.org)

We have been living through a pandemic for a year now (*over a year - this article was published Spring 2021*). Our lives have been turned upside down. Work has not been normal. School has not been normal. Church has not been normal. However, Jesus' commandment to love your neighbor still stands. No matter what the world looks like around us, we are still called to love.

For some, being forced to do life differently has allowed them to reach out to new people or in ways they would not have before. More cards have been sent. More phone calls received. Staying connected became important. Checking in on others to make sure they were okay became significant. How have you been reaching out to friends more? Did you spend some time talking on the phone with a church member? Play more board games as a family around the table? Have you taken all this time of slowing down to show love? Have you worked tirelessly to keep connected to your GA's, RA's, Children, and Youth by learning Zoom or planning socially distanced activities? Our world needs to see, hear, and do more acts of love for others.

And in many ways, it feels like our children are leading the way. I have personally read stories about children who wrote cards to every single student in their school, ensuring no one was forgotten or alone. I have seen youth gather to put together Red Boxes for incarcerated women. There is a story about a girl who helped gather all the carts in a parking lot and pushed them to the entrance. Another story about a boy who saw an older woman struggling to carry grocery bags up the sidewalk and stopped to carry them for her. What are you, your church, your children doing to show love?

Let us all lead the way in showing the world that God loves them.

The **Annie Leary Circle** will meet on the second Monday of the month, October 11th, at 7:30 PM at the home of Annette Wallace.



The Baptist Men's Breakfast is on the third Sunday of the month, October 17th at 7:30 AM in the Special Function Room. Gentlemen, please join us!



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bi-weekly journal. Each page contains stories about what God is doing in NC and beyond! Call the Church Office by October 11th to subscribe, renew, or unsubscribe.

Young at Heart

Young at Heart Adult Bible Study has resumed on Tuesday mornings at 10:00 AM in the Carey Evans

Sunday School Classroom in the Senior Adult Sunday School Center. Anyone and everyone is welcome to attend!

The Edenton-Chowan Food Pantry is requesting from RHBC this month:

Pasta



It's time to pack a shoebox for **OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD!** We will be collecting items now through November 21st. Suggested items to donate are: toys (dolls, stuffed animals, toy cars, jump ropes, yo-yos), hygiene items (toothbrushes, combs, hair-brushes, wash cloths), school supplies (pens, pencils, crayons, markers, notebooks, solar calculators), and accessories (socks, sunglasses, jewelry, flashlights with batteries). **DO NOT** include any food, candy, or gum, toothpaste, war-related items, liquids or lotions, or breakable items. Shoeboxes and labels will be available in the vestibule soon. Our church-wide Packing Party will be on Sunday, November 28th at 6 PM in the Gym.



GIVE BLOOD



American Red Cross

You can make a difference.

UPCOMING EVENT!

American Red Cross Blood Drive, Tuesday, November 23rd from 2:00 - 7:00 PM in the Multi-Purpose Building

Deacon Ministry Teams

9/26/21–10/2/21

Russell Byrum, Mike Evans, Chris Sykes

10/3/21—10/9/21

Wayne Howell, Ted Peele, Bill Smith

10/10/21—10/16/21

Adam Bunch, Steve Evans, Allen Peele

10/17/21—10/23/21

Fenton Eure, Ruston Howell, Fred Smith

10/24/21—10/30/21

Lee Bass, David Spruill, Oscar White

10/31/21 - 11/6/21

Donald Bass, Carroll Evans, Chris Turner

Stewardship for September

<u>Attendance:</u>	<u>SS</u>	<u>Worship</u>
8/29/21	125	147
9/5/21:	142	170
9/12/21:	165	189
9/19/21:	157	182

Children's Page

For children
of all ages!



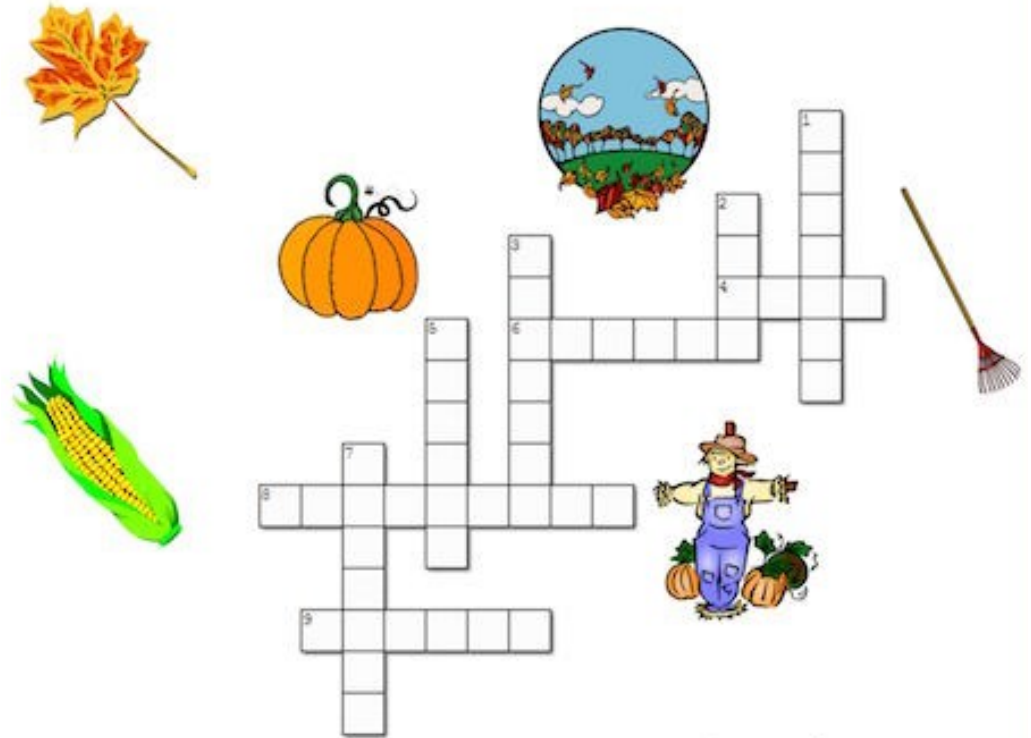
Bible Drill Training Classes for children in Grades 3-6 meets every Sunday in the 1st & 2nd Grade Sunday School Classroom at 4:45 PM.



for RA's & GA's

Sunday, October 10th
from 2 - 5 PM at the
home of Chris & Jackie,
203 Dundee Drive,
Edenton - meal provided!

Fall Crossword Puzzle



Across

- 4. Tool to clean the grass of leaves
- 6. Another name for Fall
- 8. Used to scare birds away
- 9. They change colors and fall off the trees

Down

- 1. For carving and pies
- 2. Grows on stalks
- 3. The _____ gets cooler
- 5. The sun goes down earlier and it gets _____
- 7. Marks the end of the growing season



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ANGEL CHORUS
3 year olds - Kindergarten

LIVE WIRES
1st - 5th Grades

Join us Sunday nights at 6 PM. We will meet in the Gym and then divide into age-appropriate groups for Bible Study, Games, Snacks, and Choir Practice. We will begin working on our Christmas Program.

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Check us out on the web at www.rhbce.org

Weekly Schedule:

Sundays: 9:45 AM - Sunday School for all ages
11:00 AM - Morning Worship for all ages (Nursery & Children's Church available for up to 5th Grade)
12:00 Noon - Worship Online at www.rhbce.org and our Facebook page
6:00 PM - Evening Worship ("Sundays at SIX")

Wednesdays: 7:00 PM - Adult Bible Study - Sanctuary; Middle & High School Youth - Youth Suite;
RA's - RA's Room, upstairs; GA's - GA's Room; Mission Friends - Kindergarten Classroom

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