

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,

As we studied Sunday, August 29th in God's Word, God is bringing us out in order to bring us in. There are many transitions in life. Recently, we have been brought out of summer break and into a new school year. We have all been looking forward to being brought out of this pandemic and into a

new season free of limitations, cancellations, and sickness. So many have been sick and so many have lost those they love. Our heart is heavy for each of you and we continue to hold you up in prayer. These have been and continue to be challenging times.

As we remember the account of the Exodus of God's people, God met the needs of His children even in the wilderness. This pandemic feels like a wilderness; a wilderness of sickness, isolation, and loss. We may feel like we're wandering around waiting to recognize something familiar, just like the Israelites. In times like these, when it seems as though everything is being shaken, we have hope that many people do not know. We have hope because we are not alone! God is with us and He is meeting our needs. He has met our needs up until September of 2021 and He will continue to meet our needs because He is faithful. I pray that we will all have a spirit like Joshua and Caleb. They believed God, they followed God, and they knew they would make it because God said they would. God promised to bring them out and bring them in, and that is just what He did. Be encouraged today. We can make it in the wilderness because God said we can.

As we are encouraged by God's presence along with His promises, let's encourage one another this month.

In This Moment With You,

Pastor Rusty

WELCOME
new member
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Made a Profession of Faith on August 29, 2021

Baptist Women



Are You Making the Right Impression on Your Children?

by **Mark Smith**, Family Evangelism & Discipleship, Baptist State Convention of North Carolina

During my time as a youth minister, I noticed that we were more of a babysitting program than a ministry. Parents were leaving their students with us while they went out to grab coffee and catch up. I knew something needed to change. The Lord led me to Deuteronomy 6:7 (NIV). "Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up." The Lord describes and defines His perfect plan for discipleship. He says, "Impress them on your children."

The New International Version translates the first word of Deuteronomy 6:7 as "impress." In Hebrew, the root word means "to teach and to sharpen." God is telling parents to teach their children His Word and intentionally sharpen them with Scripture for life's challenges. As the primary disciple-makers, the Lord has given parents the privilege and responsibility to intentionally engage their children daily with God's Word. After He tells us to "impress" His Word into the lives of our children, God gives definition to what He described. He says "...when you sit...walk...lie down...and get up."

What if we did as Moses instructed and equipped busy families to set aside time, even if only once a day, to intentionally engage with their children? Do you think that would build their confidence as disciple-makers in their home? You may be thinking, "Change is hard. Besides, things worked out okay for the Israelites, right?"

When you look deep into Israel's history, you find that after they entered the Promised Land they forgot the Lord. Judges 2:10 says, "And there arose another generation after them who did not know the Lord or the work that He had done for Israel." The Israelites did not tell their children about God and what He had done. They were too busy. Moses warned them, even in their busyness, not to forget God and what He had done. "...when you eat and are satisfied, be careful that you do not forget the LORD, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery" (Deuteronomy 6:10-12).

Our culture is based on being in constant motion. Are we any different? Change can be very difficult. However, if we are going to disciple our children, it's time to change the scorecard and re-think the win of discipleship. If you need a place to start, check out "Faith Talk Family Devotions," a resource from the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina's Faith at Home ministry, that provides 24 fun, easy-to-use devotions as you "sit at home," "go down the road," "lie down" and "get up."

The only Baptist Women's Circle that has contacted the Church Office about resuming meetings in September is the **Annie Leary Circle**. They will meet on the second Monday of the month, September 13th, at 7:30 PM at the home of Sherlynne Smith.



The Baptist Men's Breakfast on the third Sunday of the month will resume on September 19th.





Young at Heart Adult Bible Study will resume on Tuesday, September 7th 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:

Peanut Butter



On Sunday, September 12th, we will receive the **North Carolina Missions Offering (NCMO)**. Your gifts not only provide relief in the midst of pain and disaster, but also help share the gospel of Jesus Christ, which offers eternal hope. There is a designated envelope in your boxed set for this offering. Or, you may use a pew envelope, but be sure to write on it your name, the amount, and that it's for NCMO. Our goal this year is \$5,000.



Due to the increase in COVID cases in our area, the following upcoming events have been postponed . . .

Mayberry - September 17 - 18, 2021
Fall Revival - September 26 - 29, 2021
Homecoming - October 10, 2021

Deacon Ministry Teams

8/29/21—9/4/21

Lee Bass, David Spruill, Oscar White

9/5/21—9/11/21

Donald Bass, Carroll Evans, Chris Turner

9/12/21—9/18/21

Wayne Bunch, Keith Rollins, Allen Nixon

9/19/21—9/25/21

Keith Nixon, Scott Noble, Phil Smith

9/26/21—10/2/21

Russell Byrum, Mike Evans, Chris Sykes

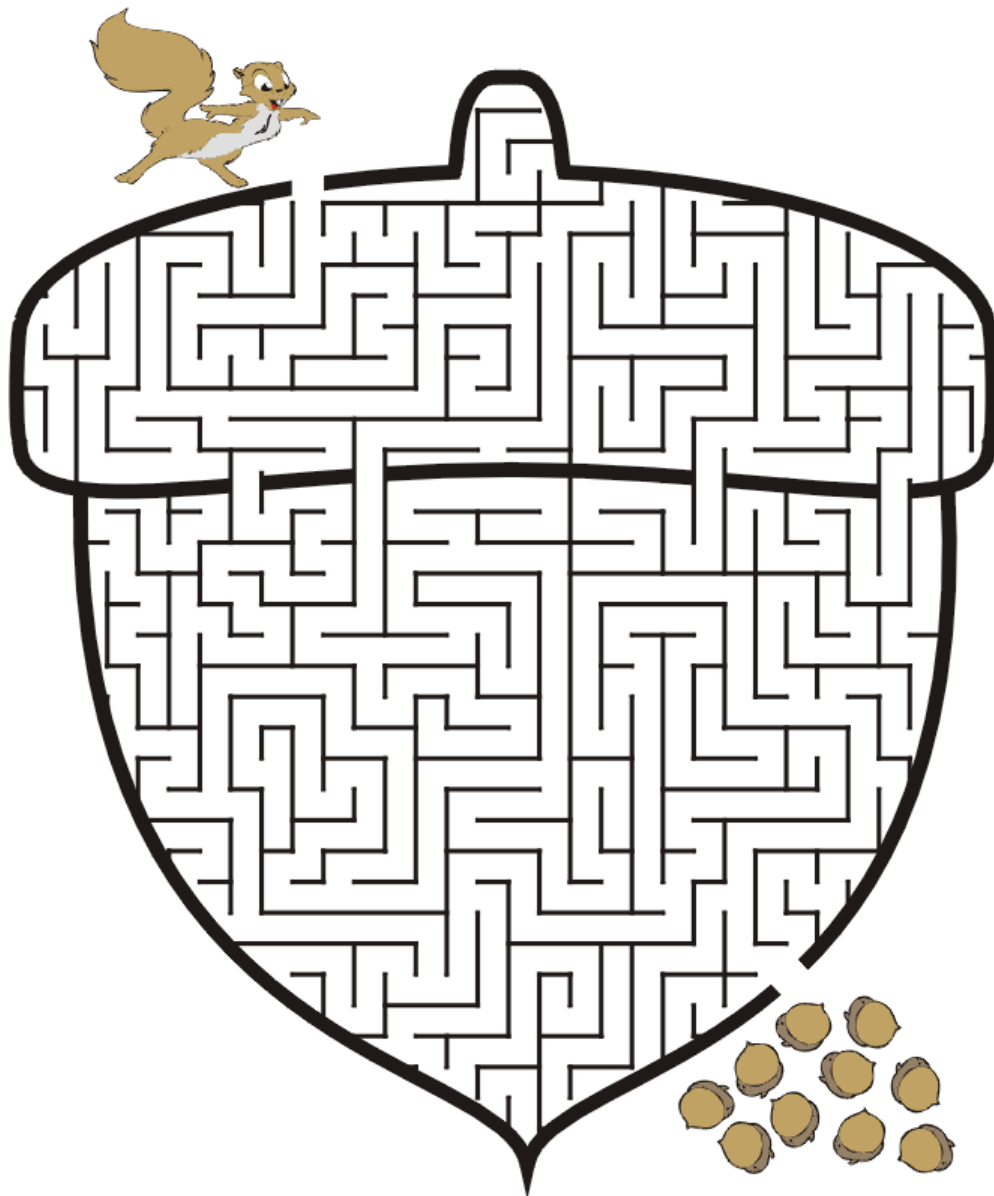
Stewardship for August

<u>Attendance:</u>	<u>SS</u>	<u>Worship</u>
8/1/21:	147	208
8/8/21:	143	197
8/15/21:	150	150
8/22/21:	148	198

Children's Page

For children
of all ages!

Help the squirrel through the maze to find its acorns



Bible Drill Training Classes for children in Grades 3-6 will begin on Sunday, September 12th. We will meet every Sunday in the 1st & 2nd Grade Sunday School Classroom at 4:45 PM. Children will be developing skills in locating the books of the Bible and key Bible passages, as well as memorizing scripture.

The Children's Ministry is in need of volunteers! Positions are vacant for Nursery workers and Wednesday night Mission Friends. Please see Pastor Mike for opportunities to serve.

Children's Ministry workers schedules are posted in the appropriate classrooms.

There will be a **Youth Ministry Team Meeting** on Sunday, September 12th immediately following Morning Worship in the Special Function Room.

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

Temporary Modified Weekly Schedule:

Weekly: (M, W, F) Devotions online at www.rhbce.org and on the Church's Facebook page

Sundays: 9:45 AM - Sunday School for all ages
11:00 AM - 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

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 - 3 & 4 year old Sunday School Room

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