

The Rocky Hock Anchor



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



from our Interim Pastor . . .

Finally

“Finally, brethren, pray for us that the word of the Lord will spread rapidly and be glorified, just as it did also with you;” (2 Thessalonians 3:1 NAU)

When I say 'finally,' it probably doesn't mean a whole lot. When Paul writes 'finally,' it means something important. It doesn't mean, “I don't have much left to say.” The man wrote Romans. We know he's good for at least sixteen chapters. It means something like, “I am out of time and what I am about to tell you is too important to be left off.”

So finally, church family, pray, not as a last resort, but as a first priority. We know it is to be a priority because of what he asked. For he asked nothing less than that the Word of God would speed ahead and be glorified. In the light of a planned meeting to hear the Word of God beginning September 18, we should spend a moment with Paul.

What does he mean by the Word of God speeding ahead? The Greek word is *trecho* and it is easily understood. Some of you drive an F-150 *trecho* and some of you drive a Silverado *trecho*. It is very likely that both of you think that your *trecho* can out-*trecho* the other's *trecho*. The English word 'trek' comes closer to it, but you get the picture. Paul wanted the church to pray that the Word of God would 'keep on trucking.'

If you read on from 3:1, you will see that there were obstacles to this trek of the Word of God. Paul was looking for deliverance from those obstacles so that the mission could move on. As it turned out, the obstacles were people. And back of those people were powers that even those people likely didn't understand. Nevertheless, Paul wanted the church to faithfully present these matters to the only one who could do anything about it. Finally, brethren, pray.

What does it mean for the Word of God to be glorified? Paul wanted the Word to be honored, to be held high, and to have prominence before the church and a lost world. Paul was the one who wrote “the gospel ... is the power of God unto salvation” (Romans 1:16). Satan must indeed fear the proclamation of the Gospel. His household has been plundered (Mark 3:26-27) again and again by the strong man, Jesus. I am proof and so are you if you believe in him unto salvation. Who can he not save if he wills to do so? The saving belongs to God. The telling belongs to us. Let the Word be glorified.

I urge you to put Paul's command into motion. For, finally, it comes not from Paul but from God. The men who are coming to share God's Word with us all love the Lord, love his Word, and desire to be faithful to it. Pray for them. But the more urgent call is to pray for one another. For why would God send a word at all if we are not predisposed to embrace it in faith?

Several of these men have asked me if there is a theme for the meeting. I told them no. If God chooses for us to hear the same message five times in a row, perhaps it will get our attention.

Finally, brethren, pray . . .

Grace and Peace,

Interim Pastor Bob

FALL REVIVAL

**Sunday - Wednesday,
September 18 - 21, 2022**

Sunday Revival @ 11 AM & 7 PM

Covered Dish Meal at 6 PM each night

Revival at 7 PM, Monday - Wednesday

Guest Speakers:

Sunday AM - Dr. Steve Hankins

Steve has served at Ekklesia Savannah, South Gardens Baptist Church, and Seacoast Community Church. He currently resides on the Outer Banks of North Carolina and is semi-retired, committing his time to helping smaller churches experience renewal of the heart.

Sunday PM - Pastor James Harrington

James is pastor of Fellowship Baptist Church in Moyock, NC and Associational Missions Strategist for Chowan Baptist Association. He is a life-long resident of Eastern NC and a faithful preacher of God's Word.

Monday PM - Pastor A. J. Layton

A. J. is pastor of Access Point Church in Edenton. He is a native of Chowan County and lives in the Rocky Hock Community. A. J. has a heart for reaching the unreached with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Tuesday PM - Pastor Chris Gravning

Chris is pastor of Macedonia Baptist Church and lives in the Rocky Hock Community. Chris loves the faithful exposition of God's Word and making disciples of Jesus Christ.

Wednesday PM - Pastor Greg Owenby

Greg is pastor of Bethel Baptist Church in neighboring Perquimans County. He has a great heart for God's Word and for evangelizing his community.

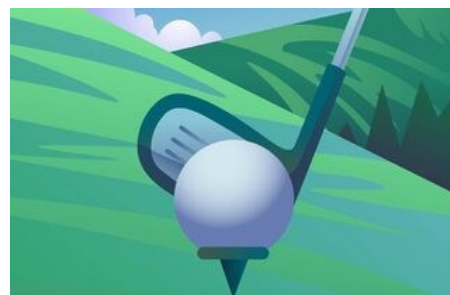
Faithfully pray for these men as they prepare themselves to come and share God's Word with us at Rocky Hock Baptist Church. More importantly, pray for one another that the Word God sends will be heard and that the Holy Spirit will grant the repentance and faith that He alone can give.

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

Canned Vegetables



**RHBC's 14th Annual Golf
Tournament** held on Saturday,
August 13th yielded \$10,515.00
in proceeds to the NC Baptist
Children's Homes. Thanks to
all who supported this benefit
and helped in any way toward
it's great success!



Baptist Women



Ladies of Rocky Hock Baptist Church,

Our new church year is upon us! Please consider joining a Baptist Women's Circle group if you are not currently a part of one! The circle groups enjoy fellowship and serving the Lord together through various mission projects. Feel free to contact me at 252-312-5035 if you have any questions or need help connecting to a Circle group.

Circle Leaders, please send me any updates to your circle list including new members and/or new leaders (if applicable). Also, please send Linda at the Church Office a list of your meeting times for the upcoming year so she can get those in the bulletin and newsletters.

I have enjoyed serving as your Baptist Women's Director these past few years. We are so blessed at Rocky Hock Baptist Church and I know that our Baptist Women will continue to use their special gifts to serve our Lord through service to our church and our community.

Thanks so much!

Laura Turner

"Therefore encourage one another and build each other up as you are already doing."

~ 1 Thessalonians 5:11 (HCSB)



The Baptist Men's Breakfast this month will be on September 18th at 7:30 AM.

Gentlemen, please join us in the Special Function Room for breakfast, devotion, and fellowship.



8/28/22 - 9/3/22

Russell Byrum, Mike Evans, Chris Sykes

9/4/22 - 9/10/22

Ted Peele, Bill Smith, Sam Tynch

9/11/22 - 9/17/22

Adam Bunch, Steve Evans, Allen Peele

9/18/22 - 9/24/22

Fenton Eure, Ruston Howell, Fred Smith

9/25/22 - 10/1/22

Lee Bass, David Spruill, Oscar White

<u>Attendance:</u>	<u>SS</u>	<u>Worship</u>
7/31/22:	158	199
8/7/22:	164	215
8/14/22:	168	186
8/21/22:	161	214

Children's Page

For children
of all ages!



BIBLE DRILL

Bible Drill 2023 training will begin Sunday, September 11 at 5:00 p.m. in the 2nd & 3rd Grade Sunday School room (formerly 1st & 2nd grade). Children in grades 4-6 are eligible to participate; in addition, 3rd graders may participate at the Church Drill level. We will kick off our first training session with pizza for the children and provide them with Bible Memory Verse cards. A special welcome is extended to Mrs. Cindy Ricks who will be helping lead and train our drillers. If your child plans to participate, please contact Donna Peele before next Sunday in order for appropriate arrangements for food to be made.

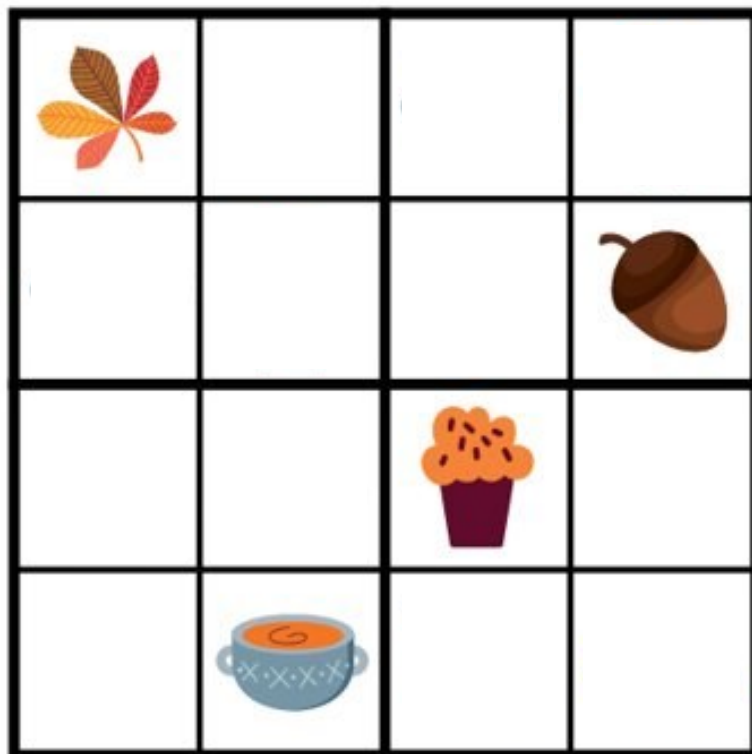


Children's Choirs will resume practice each week starting September 25th at 6 PM.

Mark your calendar for December 4th when the Christmas Program will be presented at 6 PM.



Fall Sudoku



To solve this puzzle, cut out the picture squares along the dotted lines. Place the pictures into the appropriate boxes so that each image must appear once in each row, column and small grids.

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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)
Worship Online at www.rhbce.org, our Facebook page, vimeo, and YouTube
6:00 PM - Evening Worship ("Sundays @ SIX") - Adults in Sanctuary, Youth in Youth Suite, Children in Gym

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

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