

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 . . .

May 7

I urge you to put this date on your calendar and in your prayers. Franklin Graham will conclude the God Loves You Tidewater tour in Edenton on May 7 at 4:00 in the afternoon at the American Legion Fairgrounds. The tour begins on April 29 in La Plata, Maryland, from which it circles the Chesapeake Bay to Portsmouth on Saturday May 6. The gathering in Edenton will feature Franklin Graham as the speaker and the music will be led by the Newsboys and Marcos Witt.

This is a 'bring your own chairs and blanket' event that offers us an extraordinary opportunity to encourage lost neighbors and family members to attend with us. It may be that some who resist entering a church building will attend an event in this venue and so hear a clear presentation of the Gospel. In that light, please consider these important matters.

- Pray. Make a short list of lost people you know. Ask the Holy Spirit to begin a work in their hearts and to open a door for your witness. Pray for Franklin Graham and all who are investing themselves in this regional effort. Pray about your own involvement.
- Encourage your church family. There could hardly be a better investment of the church's energy this Spring. Your encouraging word can make a difference.
- Get involved yourself and lead your church group to become involved. Some will want to attend one of the training events and become a prayer partner who is available to share the faith with those who respond on the night of the event. Others will want to help with preparations and logistics at the event. There is a sign up for both individuals and groups at godlovesyoutour.com.

On March 27 there will be a night of prayer and worship as part of the preparation for this event. The location has not been fixed, but they are looking at the Elizabeth City area. Training events will be held around the region, but two of them will be in Edenton. As those settings are nailed down, they will become available on the website.

The need has never been greater and the opportunity will not get any closer. Pray. Encourage. Get involved. Somebody you know needs to know Jesus.

Interim Pastor Bob



The Senior Pastor Search Committee is pleased to bring a candidate and his family to Rocky Hock Baptist Church for a weekend of events to introduce him. The schedule is as follows . . .

- * **Saturday, March 11th @ 6:30 PM** – Pizza in the Gym with the Children's & Youth Ministry Teams, children and their parents, and youth and their parents
- * **Sunday, March 12th @ 11 AM** – Trial sermon, **@ 12:30 PM** – Church-wide catered lunch in the Gym (followed by a Question & Answer Session), **@ 6:PM** – Church Bible Drill in the Sanctuary, **@ 7 PM** – Closing meeting with the Senior Pastor Search Committee in the Conference Room

Baptist Women



UNITED: CALLED TO BE ONE
Week of Prayer for North American Missions
March 5 - 12, 2023

Who was Annie Armstrong?

Annie Armstrong (1850-1938)

Annie was born in Baltimore at a time when there was little opportunity for women. Yet, her devotion to Christ led her to a life of service and leadership. She organized women to pray, to give, and to meet the needs around them. She challenged pastors and churches to action and rallied vital support for missionaries. Ultimately, Annie was recognized as a national Southern Baptist trailblazer for her visionary leadership that still inspires millions today.

What is the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering?

The Annie Armstrong Easter Offering (AAEO) is the primary way Southern Baptists fund missions in North America. **One hundred percent** of gifts given to AAEO go to the field to support more than 2,400 missionary families serving across the United States and Canada.

The offering was started in 1895 by Woman's Missionary Union® (WMU) to benefit the work of the Home Mission Board (now North American Mission Board). In 1934, it was named in honor of Annie Armstrong, a bold missions advocate and WMU's first national executive leader. Today, more than \$2 billion has been donated by Southern Baptist churches and individuals to support thousands of missionaries in church planting and compassion ministries. Because of this sacrificial giving, millions of lives have been and continue to be transformed by the power of the Gospel.

How do your gifts make a difference?

Gifts to the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering are used in the following ways:

Church Planting - 87 % of the AAEO goes to financial funding and benefits for planting missionaries, training, recruitment, ministry assistance for equipment and outreach, missionary housing, missionary care.

Evangelism and Compassion Ministries - 9% goes to evangelism resource materials and events, financial funding and benefits for missionaries involved in compassion ministry.

Sending and Leadership - 3% goes to mobilization events, leadership resources and events, funding for short-term student missionaries.

Missions Education - 1% goes to resources and training focused on mission field education for recruitment and mobilization of church planting missionaries.

New churches are being planted, hurts are being healed, and lives are being transformed by the Gospel because you give.

The Annie Armstrong Easter Offering will be taken on Easter Sunday, April 9th at the Morning Worship Service.



The Baptist Men's Breakfast this month will be on March 19th at 7:30 AM.

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



Senior Adults Appreciation Supper (for those age 60 and up)

March 6th at 6 PM in the Gym

Catered meal for those who signed up by the February 26th deadline! For more information, contact Betty Bass.



"Instruct them to do what is good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and willing to share."

~ 1 Timothy 6:18

Thank you to everyone who so generously participated in our **Richly Give Campaign** in February!

Sunday, March 5th will be our Pantry Packing Party at 6 PM in the Gym. This will be in lieu of regular Sunday night Bible Study and Children & Youth Activities. Last year, we collected over 1,800 lbs. of canned goods, dry goods, and personal products, as well as gift cards. We are praying for this amount, or better, this year!

TOP 10 REASONS TO GIVE BLOOD

1. You will get juice and cookies.
2. It's easy and convenient. It only takes about an hour to give whole blood.
3. You will weigh less. One pint less than when you came in!
4. It's something you can spare. Most people have blood to spare, yet there is still not enough to go around.
5. No one can ask you to do heavy lifting. As long as you wear your bandage, you're on reprieve. Wear it as long as you like. It's a badge of honor!
6. You will walk a little taller afterward. Most people feel good about themselves knowing they've just helped save someone's life. You will too!
7. You will be helping to ensure that blood is there when it's needed. Most people don't think they'll ever need blood, but many do. One whole blood donation can yield up to three blood products: red cells, platelets, and plasma.
8. You will give a gift that costs nothing, but lasts a lifetime. Blood is something that one person can give another.
9. You will be someone's HERO. You may give a newborn, a child, a mother or a father, a brother or a sister, another chance at life. In fact, you can help save up to three lives with just one donation.
10. IT'S THE RIGHT THING TO DO!

You will find a Blood Drive Trivia crossword puzzle as an insert in this newsletter. Fill it out and enter it into a drawing for a \$50 Nixon's Hardware gift certificate when you come to give blood or volunteer at our drive. You will find the answers every week in the bulletins. (Cheating is welcomed, but just this once!) Visit redcrossblood.org and enter RHBC to make your blood drive appointment.

Rhonda Bass



**American
Red Cross
BLOOD DRIVE**

**March 21st from 1:00 - 6:00 PM
in the Multi-Purpose Building**



**Children's Camp @ Eagle Eyrie Conference Center
in Lynchburg, VA
Monday - Friday, June 26th - 30th
for Children in Grades 2 - 5**

**Youth Summer Camp @ Ridgecrest
Monday - Friday, June 12th - 16th
for Students in Grades 6 - 12**



Second payment of \$75 is due by March 30th. Final payment of \$100 is due by May 1st. Total cost of Camp is \$250. For more information or any questions, contact your Ministry Team Leaders.



Deacon Ministry

Deacon Team of the Week

2/26/23 - 3/4/23

Adam Bunch, Ted Peele, Oscar White

3/5/23 - 3/11/23

Steve Evans, Bill Smith, Chris Turner

3/12/23 - 3/18/23

Donald Bass, Allen Peele, Sam Tynch

3/19/23 - 3/25/23

Carroll Evans, Ruston Howell, Danny Lewis

3/26/23 - 4/1/23

Lee Bass, Allen Nixon, Ellis Tynch

March Deacon Greeters

Senior Adult SS Center: Chris Sykes

Sanctuary Main: Allen Peele

Connecting Corridor: Wayne Bunch

Multi-Purpose Main Entrance: Ellis Tynch

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

If you've not had the opportunity to welcome our newest members, here's a list of those who joined in 2022:

William Howell (2-6-22)	Justin Blanchard (2-13-22)
Aubryn Bunch (2-20-22)	Ivy Evans (2-20-22)
Abigail Tynch (2-20-22)	Aiden Nixon (2-27-22)
Larry, Michelle, Brycen, & Broden Newsome (3-6-22)	
Amanda O'Kelley (4-10-22)	Melissa Bunch (4-24-22)
Emerson Brabandt (5-8-22)	Vonnie Smith (10-2-22)



<u>Attendance:</u>	<u>SS</u>	<u>Worship</u>
1/29/23:	193	241
2/5/23:	152	214
2/12/23:	168	234
2/19/23:	181	262

LOVE GROW SERVE



March Ushers:

Billy Elliott, Jasper Evans,
Danny Lewis, Phil Smith,
Gail Boyd, Josh White

March Offering Team:

Allen Nixon (Chair), Donald Bass,
Wayne Bunch, Ruston Howell,
Danny Lewis, Chris Turner

March Counting Committee:

Ed & Judy Hughes, Leon Hemmings,
Keith Rollins



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

Jelly



Children's Page

For children
of all ages!

SPRINGTIME

Word Scramble

This spring Peony is going on a field trip with her class to the state park. Her teacher gave the class a list of things to look for in the woods and meadows, but the words got all mixed up. Can you help Peony unscramble her list?



1. OFGR _ _ _ _
2. FEUYRBTLT _ _ _ _ _
3. SRSGA _ _ _ _
4. ORMHTARWE _ _ _ _ _
5. SNTGLHUI _ _ _ _ _
6. UDB _ _ _
7. DDNLIAENO _ _ _ _ _
8. ORELWF _ _ _ _ _
9. EBE _ _ _
10. GLBDYAU _ _ _ _ _
11. OMLOB _ _ _ _
12. ERGEN _ _ _ _



CHURCH Bible Drill

Sunday, March 12th @ 6 PM

ASSOCIATIONAL Bible Drill

Sunday, March 26th @ 6 PM



ATTENTION PARENTS!

If you have children who participate in RHBC's Children's Ministry, please sign up for the new REMIND account. There are two ways to sign up . . .

Online:

<https://www.remind.com/join/rockyhock>

or Text:

@rockyhock to 81010



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY EVENT FOR MARCH

Children's Family Fun Afternoon

Sunday, March 19th
from 1:00 - 4:00 PM in the Gym



Food, Fun, & Games for the whole family!

For more information, see Tiffany Hirst or anyone on the Children's Ministry Team.

CHILDREN'S EASTER CELEBRATION

April 1st from 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM

Theme: "Easter Changed Everything!"

Lunch, devotion, and Easter Egg Hunt on the church lawn. Everyone is welcome!

Candy donations are needed through the end of March! Please drop off your bags of candy in the vestibule at designated tables. No chocolate, please - it melts!

Anyone wishing to volunteer to help with this event may contact Tiffany Hirst.

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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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