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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...

Coming In and Going Out with God's Peace

"I thank my God upon every remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine making request for you with all joy, for your fellowship in the Gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this very thing, that he who has begun a good work in you will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ..." (Philippians 1:3-6)

I know something of the joy Paul experienced with the Philippians. It has been my lot to come to you, to leave you, to come to you again, and now to leave once more. But my leaving has always been part of the plan. In one sense it speaks of fulfillment. The matter we have earnestly prayed for has come to fruition. In this we give thanks and praise to God who has been our strength and our guide. We also rejoice in the realization of a new moment in the life of this church family.

But my personal joy runs a wider course than that. For as the Philippians were dear to Paul, so you have become dear to me. Many of you I have known for the better part of a lifetime. Others I have come to know solely by this ministry moment we have shared together. Yet all of you as a church family I have come to love.

I am grateful to God for the journey together in Christ. You have been a blessing in your encouragement, your prayers, and your attentiveness to God's Word. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to share that Word with you.

As you move forward with Pastor Matthew, let me encourage you to lavish upon him that same love and care that you have shown to me. Set your course together for the glory of Christ and the proclamation of the Gospel. Always humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God and he will do as he promised. He will exalt in due time. (1 Peter 5:6)

May the grace and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

Interim Pastor Bob



Farewell Reception for Pastor Bob

Join us on Sunday, April 30th at 6 PM for a Farewell Reception for Pastor Bob Young. This will be in place of the regular Sunday night Worship and Activities. Everyone will meet in the Gym for an Ice Cream Social.

From the Senior Pastor Search Committee . . .

By a positive vote of the church membership, we welcome Rev. Matthew Dupuy as our new Senior Pastor. He has accepted the position and his first day will be Monday, May 1st. We look forward to his ministry with us and the blessings God has in store for all of us in the days to come!

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Saptist Women



NC Baptist Children's Homes (BCH) Food Roundup April 1 - 23, 2023

When children come into Baptist Children's Homes care, it is obvious they have gone without—without food, without love, without hope. One of the first ways the children learn that they are loved is when their cottage parents serve them regular meals they were unable to count on before.

Through the Food Roundup during the month of April, Baptists throughout the state of North Carolina have the opportunity to help rebuild children's hope and trust. When the children ask the BCH cottage parents why churches are collecting food for them, they are able to say, "It is because they love you, but most importantly, it is because they want you to know that God loves you."

The Food Roundup is a Gospel opportunity, as 80% of those we serve at BCH are unchurched and unreached for Christ. When your church collects food, supplies, and gift cards through the Food Roundup, you ensure the BCH can provide 3 meals a day plus snacks to the children they serve. Children's trust is restored! By filling their plates, you will fill their hearts.

Baptist Children's Homes of NC

We will be collecting items beginning April 1st and ending April 23rd in order to get the supplies packed and ready for pick up by BCH Staff. A list of items needed is found as an insert in this newsletter. You can place your items on the tables set up in the Connecting Corridor. Thank you!





This is a reminder that there will be <u>NO</u> Children's Church for Grades K - 5 on Sunday, April 2 (due to The Lord's Supper), Sunday, April 9 (due to Easter), and Sunday, April 30 (due to 5th Sunday). Children in Grades K - 5 will remain in the Sanctuary with their parents on these Sundays. There <u>WILL</u> be a Nursery for babies and Children's Church for 3 & 4 year olds, as usual.



This will be a Walk Offering on Sunday, April 9th at the 11 AM Worship Service.



The Baptist Men's Breakfast this month will be on April 16th at 7:30 AM.
Gentlemen, please join us in the Special Function Room for breakfast, devotion, and fellowship.



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Senior Adults Events

The **Senior Adult Committee** is planning several events. Here are just a few . . .



Dinner & Show at the Onley Place in Belvidere on April 15th - The meal starts at 6 PM and the show is at 7 PM. Sammy Morris will be performing. The cost is \$30 person and we have 30 seats reserved. Please sign up at the Church Office as soon as possible.



Trip to Pennsylvania on June 5th - 7th - We need 30-40 people to sign up in order to make the trip happen. The White Star Tour package includes: 2 nights lodging, 2 breakfasts, 2 dinners including a Smorgasbord dinner, performance of "Moses" at the Sight & Sound Theatre, guided tour of the Amish countryside including stops at an Amish craft farm and bake shop, Kitchen Kettle Village, and a guided tour of Hershey, PA including

Hershey's Chocolate World. The full itinerary and a sign-up sheet are available in the Connecting Corridor. The cost of the trip is \$468 per person, double occupancy. The first payment of \$234 is due by March 30th and the balance is due by April 17th. Insurance is available. For questions, call Betty Bass at 333-5504.

Another trip is being planned for November. This is to the **Biltmore Estate**. More details coming soon!



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

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



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.

CHAPERONES ARE NEEDED FOR BOTH CAMPS!

<u>NOTE</u>: There will be a Camp Meeting on Sunday, April 23rd at 4 PM in the Special Function Room for parents of children and youth who are attending camp this summer. Parents, please be present at this very important meeting!



VBS 2023 - Twists and Turns

July 10 - 14 from 5:30 - 8:30 PM

Spin the spinner, beat the clock, skip ahead, level up, and play to win! You'll need to bring your A-game for this VBS! **Twists & Turns** is a fantastical celebration of games of all kinds. From classic tabletop games to video games and more, kids will play their way through VBS while learning that Jesus guides them through all the twists and turns of their lives. They'll find that even when they mess up, it's never "game over."

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Deacon Team of the Week

<u>3/26/23 - 4/1/23</u>

Lee Bass, Allen Nixon, Ellis Tynch

4/2/23 - 4/8/23

Wayne Bunch, David Spruill, Chris Sykes

<u>4/9/23 - 4/15/23</u>

Keith Rollins, Scott Noble, Mike Evans

4/16/23 - 4/22/23

Russell Byrum, Keith Nixon, Phil Smith

4/23/23 - 4/29/23

Adam Bunch, Ted Peele, Oscar White

4/30/23 - 5/6/23

Steve Evans, Bill Smith, Chris Turner

April Deacon Greeters

Senior Adult SS Center: Donald Bass

Sanctuary Main: Danny Lewis

Connecting Corridor: Mike Evans

Multi-Purpose Main Entrance: Steve Evans

stewardship

Sunday Attendance:	<u>SS</u>	<u>Worship</u>
2/26/23: Evening	170	240 92
3/5/23: Evening	185	248 33
3/12/23: Evening	198	357 60
3/19/23: Evening	177	224 88

Wednesday Evening Attendance:

3/1/23:	77
3/8/23:	87
3/15/23:	85
3/22/23:	98

LOVE GROW SERVE







April Ushers:

Lee Jordan, Jerry Peele, Ellis Tynch, Paul Ward, Aundra Harrell, Jay Parrish

April Offering Team:

Allen Peele (Chair), Adam Bunch, Keith Rollins, Phil Smith, Chris Sykes, Ellis Tynch

April Counting Committee:

Aundra Harrell, Mary Louise Phelps, Phil & Rene` Smith, Ellis Tynch



The request from RHBC this month is:

Spaghetti Sauce (Hunt's 24 oz. can)



The specific brand and size are recommended for the Children's Summer Nutrition Program; however, you may donate any item. THE ANCHOR PAGE 5

Children's Page

For children of all ages!



CHILDREN'S EASTER CELEBRATION

Saturday, April 1st 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM

Theme: "Easter Changed Everything!"

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

Anyone wishing to help with this event may contact Tiffany Hirst or any member of the Children's Ministry Team.

Easter Word Search

B M A L M H B B K I N G R N R
N O I T C E R R U S E R E O O
A P O S T L E S E Y S C D I O
S E C I F I R C A S H J E T S
N S N A M O R O O R R E M A T
R C D S G T T R I I K S P V E
O Y R A M B C S S V Z U T L R
H L O V E L T E M M A S I A Y
T C R O W N N Y L O H S O S Z

APOSTLES
CHRIST
CROSS
CROWN
CRUCIFIXION
HOLY
JESUS
KING
LAMB
LOVE



MARY
REDEMPTION
RESURRECTION
RISEN
ROMANS
ROOSTER
SACRIFICE
SALVATION
SAVIOR
THORNS



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY EVENT

Fishing and Cook-out Saturday, April 29th 12 Noon - 5 PM

@ StillWater Retreat & Marina Cowpen Neck Road, Edenton Rocky Hock Baptist Church 113 Rocky Hock Church Road Edenton, North Carolina 27932

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Weekly Schedule:

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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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Mrs. Donna Peele, Pianist
Mrs. Trey Bass, Security
Mrs. Doris Tynch, Custodian

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