

The Rocky Hock Anchor

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



Wow! This has been an exciting 4 months! We have seen the Lord do so many things in such a short time. I want to encourage us as the school year begins not to let anything change our focus off of Christ, but instead *"standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving side by side for the faith of the Gospel."* Let's be a people so compelled by our conviction in the gospel that we are consumed with it. It is my prayer that we would draw close to Christ every day of our lives. As we draw close to him, we will inevitably become of

one mind and have one pursuit, because our pursuit is Him, and our minds are consumed with Him. As our lives get busy during the coming year, let's not forget what we are pursuing.

Grace and Peace,

Pastor Matt

"Serve the Lord with Gladness"

As the new church year (September - August) approaches, the Nominating Committee, with their determination in asking and your graciousness in volunteering, has made great strides in filling Committee positions. However, there are still several important vacancies that need to be filled. They are listed below. If you feel the Lord leading you to "step up" to serve Him and your church in any of these capacities, please contact the Church Office or any of the Nominating Committee members: Claire Evans, Janet Smith, Deborah Long, Bob Wallace, Angie Forehand, and Chris Turner.

Children's Ministry Team (2 positions for a 2 year term)
Cradle Roll / Nursery Director
Nursery Associate
Kindergarten & 1st Grade Sunday School Teacher (1 position)
Youth Sunday School Teacher (1 position)
Mission Friends, 3rd Wednesday night (2 positions)
Nursery (Sunday Evening) 2nd Sunday (2 positions)
Nursery (Sunday Evening) 3rd Sunday (2 positions)
Nursery (Sunday Evening) 4th Sunday (2 positions)
Nursery 2nd Wednesday (1 position)
Nursery 3rd Wednesday (2 positions)
Children's Church (during Morning Worship):

Son Seekers (2 yr. olds) 2nd Sunday (2 positions)
Son Seekers (2 yr. olds) 4th Sunday (1 position)
Son Seekers (2 yr. olds) 5th Sunday (1 position)



Baptist Women



Leading from the Fruit of the Spirit . . . What Should I Wear?

By Sandy Wisdom-Martin, Executive Director of National WMU

Do you ever start your day with the age-old question, “What should I wear today?” More than three decades ago, popular speaker and author Esther Burroughs wrote these words for the WMU emphasis book *Empowered*:

Some time ago, I was captivated by the thought in Judges 6:34 of the Spirit of God coming upon Gideon. The Spirit of the Lord “came upon Gideon,” which literally means “clothed Gideon.” Remember that the angel of the Lord appeared to Gideon on the threshing floor, and Gideon was absolutely terrified and awe-struck because he had great respect for the holiness of God. Literally, the text says, “The spirit of Yahweh ‘dressed Himself’ with Gideon.” The human agent became the outer appearance through which the Spirit worked. As I read this, the truth grabbed my heart. I prayed, “O God, clothe me with Your Spirit.” I then envisioned God’s Spirit clothing me . . . Think about that! It is awesome! I am clothed with God. I like the idea of God clothing me and wrapping Himself around me, and indeed, He does just that!

In this series, we will explore how to lead from the fruit of the Spirit. We are to be guided and led by the Holy Spirit, our advocate given after Jesus’ Crucifixion. God is with us. Our mortal flesh is transformed into a spiritual temple where God dwells on a daily basis. God’s one unifying purpose—the spread of the gospel to all nations. When the Holy Spirit comes into our lives, He gives us full access to the fruit of the Spirit outlined in Galatians 5:22-23. Daily ask God to clothe you.

Father, clothe me with Your love.
 Father, clothe me with Your joy.
 Father, clothe me with Your peace.
 Father, clothe me with Your forbearance (patience).
 Father, clothe me with Your kindness.
 Father, clothe me with Your goodness.
 Father, clothe me with Your faithfulness.
 Father, clothe me with Your gentleness.
 Father, clothe me with Your self-control.

When you are clothed with the fruit of the Spirit, you are more like Christ. When people see you display the fruit of the Spirit, they will be drawn to Christ. Lead from the fruit of the Spirit.

The Baptist Women will be collecting soap for women prisoners. Soap must be at least 4 oz. and no larger than 5 oz. It must be in the original box. A collection bin is in the Connecting Corridor.



If there are any ladies interested in joining the Baptist Women’s Group, please contact the Church Office at 221-4133 or Belva White at 333-8962.



The Baptist Men’s Breakfast this month will be on September 17th at 7:30 AM. Gentlemen, please join us in the Special Function Room for breakfast, devotion, and fellowship.



Friday, October 6th @ 6 PM in the Gym

Hosted by the Deacons and Youth

Entertainment provided!

Menu: Pork loin, mashed potatoes,
green beans, and desserts

(for all those who consider themselves as such)

The Youth and Deacons of Rocky Hock Baptist Church would like to invite our Senior Adults to a dinner in their honor. We would like to show our appreciation and serve you in this special way over a meal and light entertainment. We believe it is very important for all ages to unite in fellowship and service to God. Please save the date and plan to join us! Sign-up sheets are available in the Senior Adult Sunday School Center, Vestibule, and the Connecting Corridor. Deacons will be available to give rides, so please let us know on the sign-up sheet. Deadline to sign up is Friday, September 29th.

Sunday, October 8th - Wednesday, October 11th

Beginning with a Covered Dish Meal
@ 6 PM - Please bring a dish for
your family and one to share!

Followed by Revival @ 7 PM



Speaker: Dr. Heath Faircloth

Dr. Heath Faircloth has been shepherding Hillcrest Baptist Church in Kernersville, NC since April 2019. He is married to his bride Leann and together they have 3 children: Joshua, Savannah, and Asher. He is a graduate of both Southeastern College in Wake Forest and Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary. He also has a second Master's Degree from Piedmont Divinity School at Carolina University, as well as a Doctorate of Ministry with a Concentration in Church Leadership from the same school. He is a lover of Jesus, his family, others, and all things SC Gamecocks!



Deacon Ministry

Deacon Team of the Week

8/27/23 - 9/2/23

Donald Bass, Allen Peele, Sam Tynch

9/3/23 - 9/9/23

Carroll Evans, Ruston Howell, Danny Lewis

9/10/23 - 9/16/23

Lee Bass, Allen Nixon, Ellis Tynch

9/17/23 - 9/23/23

Wayne Bunch, David Spruill, Chris Sykes

9/24/23 - 9/30/23

Keith Rollins, Scott Noble, Mike Evans



| <u>Sunday Attendance:</u> | <u>SS</u> | <u>AM</u> | <u>PM</u> |
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| 7/30/23: | 145 | 231 | 80 |
| 8/6/23: | 173 | 264 | 85 |
| 8/13/23: | 172 | 294 | 68 |
| 8/20/23: | 164 | 242 | 66 |

Wednesday Evening Attendance:

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| 8/2/23: | 75 |
| 8/9/23: | 88 |
| 8/16/23: | 69 |
| 8/23/23: | 77 |

September Deacon Greeters

Senior Adult SS Center: Adam Bunch

Sanctuary Main: Phil Smith

Connecting Corridor: Allen Nixon

Multi-Purpose Main Entrance: Keith Rollins

LOVE GROW SERVE



September Ushers:

Neal Bass, Tony Bass,
Matthew Evans, Leon Hemmings,
Stanley Tynch, Bob Wallace

September Offering Team:

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

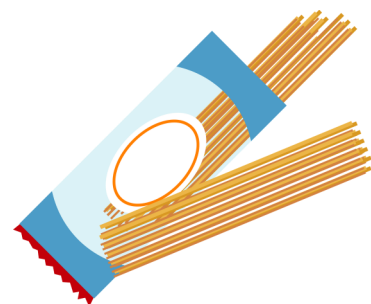
September Counting Committee:

Mike Evans, Frank & Hope Gosser,
Billy & LouAnn Elliott



The request from RHBC this month is:

Spaghetti Noodles



Children's Page

For children
of all ages!



Attention! Present Bibles!

Yes, it's time to begin preparation for Bible Drill 2024. Children's Bible Drill is open to Grades 4-6; in addition, children in the 3rd Grade are eligible to participate at the church level and are encouraged to join us. We plan to begin September 10th by providing participants with handouts of the verses and key passages and will also provide pizza. If your child plans to participate, please contact Donna Peele or Cindy Ricks prior to September 10th to provide us with a head count for ordering the pizza. We look forward to another great year for Bible Drill!

Fall Word Scramble

Unscramble the words and write the letters in the boxes. Use the letters in the shaded boxes to form a new word that answers the riddle.

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Q. What do you get when you drop a pumpkin?

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MORE DETAILS

**COMING
SOON!**

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September

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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Mrs. Mary Jo Bass, Treasurer
Ms. Deborah Long, Custodian

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



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