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ROCKRIDGE '73



Pictured above are the Middle School campers and counselors who made Rockridge '73 the greatest Middle School camp ever.

Question: What is Bob Ebersold holding with his left hand??



Pastor's Paragraphs

"IN THE HANDS OF GOD"

In his book, "In The Hands of God," William Barclay points out some very interesting facts. He said



the average person owns 750 movable muscles, 500 of which work in pairs. His skin covers an area of 20 square feet. In any piece of skin the size of a postage stamp, there are 4 yards of nerves, a hundred sweat glands, 15 oil glands, a yard of blood vessels and 3 million

assorted cells. When you think of that, you can only say that in truth we are fearfully and wonderfully made. (Psalms 139:14)

This is what we might call God working in a square inch; this tells us of the detailed marvel of creation; this is seeing God in infinitesimally small things.

Then we go to the other end of the scale, and we look at the universe. The astronomers measure the distance to the stars in light years. A light year is the distance that light travels in a year. Light travels at a speed of 186,000 miles a second.

The nearest star in the heavens is Alpha Centauri, which is four and one-third light years away.

The light we see shining from the Pole Star left that star just about when Shakespeare was writing his play, when the authorized version of the Bible was being written, and has been traveling ever since at 186,000 miles per second to get here. When you think of that, we say with far more amazement than ever the Psalmist could, "When I look at the Heavens, the work of thy fingers, the moon and stars that thou hast established, what is man that thou art mindful of him and the Son of man that thou dost care for him?" (Psalms 8:3, 4)

These facts emphasize two truths about God. First, we see that God is concerned about the little things of life. His eye is on the sparrow. Nothing is too small for Him.

Second, we see a God of infinite power. Nothing is too great to be beyond the control of God.

When we come back from a mental journey through the universe, we can see its detail and be reassured that neither we nor those we love can ever drift beyond God's love and care. And we can believe that the issues of life and death can never be beyond His control. We can be sure that each of us, and all the world, is in the hands of God.

I'm looking forward to seeing you in God's House Sunday.

Faithfully your pastor,

James L. Pleitz

BUS MINISTRY REPORT Sunday, July 1, 1973

Bus No.	Captain	Enrolled	Riders
1.	P. Coupe C. F. Wilson	31	13
2.	M. Dickson E. Dunson	41	27
3.	R. Trigg	33	26
4.	W. Nell	40	23
5.	B. Pope	38	18
6.	J. Prim D. Kilpatrick	37	18
7.	J. Schappaugh A. Chestnut	43	24
8.	S. Corley	23	14
		<hr/> 286	<hr/> 163
Workers			52

Total on Buses 216

The honor bus this week is No. 2 with 27 riders and 12 workers, with a total of 39.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

IN THE HOSPITALS:

Baptist:

Mrs. Thomas (Barbara) McVoy, Mrs. Earl R. (Olive) Gaston, Mrs. Bernard (Elizabeth) Bond, Alan Eubanks

Sacred Heart:

Mrs. J. G. (Minnie) Lambeth, Robert Gardner

Naval Hospital:

Mrs. Al (Mag) Edwards

Brookwood Hospital, Birmingham, Ala.

Karen Howse

HOME FROM THE HOSPITAL:

Mr. James C. Roth, Sr., Mr. Andrew F. Downey, Barney Burks, III, Mrs. Earl (Edith) Royals, Mr. Billy Renfroe, Mrs. Lance (Barbara) Brown, Dottie Dykes, Mr. Norman Thrash, John Feldman

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Anita Brown and Thomas Myers on their marriage June 30.

Mr. and Mrs. Don McDowell on the adoption of a baby girl, Melanie Lynn.

SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"THE GREEN EYED MONSTER—
ENVY"

(I Samuel 17:50-51; 18:6-9; 18:28-19:10)

7:15 P.M.

"HE IS ALIVE ALL RIGHT —
SO WHAT!"

(Matthew 7:21-29)

BAPTIST WOMEN GROUP MEETINGS

Tuesday, July 10, 1973

- 10:00 A.M.—VIRGINIA COBB Group with Mrs. R. D. Comstock, 1601 E. Gonzales.
DALE TERRY Group with Mrs. W. H. McRee, 4061 Bayou Blvd.
- 10:00 A.M.—LAURA FRANCES SNOW Group with Mrs. Herman Johnson, 1701 E. Hernandez St.
- 2:00 P.M.—HARVEY HEADRICK Group with Mrs. Lewis Mack, 731 W. Hernandez.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

- Sunday, July 8: "Chosen to Tell the Story"
Mark 3:13-19
- Monday, July 9: "A New Kind of Kinship"
Mark 3:31-35
- Tuesday, July 10: "Scattering Precious Seed"
Mark 4:3-8
- Wednesday, July 11: "A Sure Harvest"
Mark 4:14-20
- Thursday, July 12: "A Grain of Mustard Seed"
Mark 4:30-34
- Friday, July 13: "Stilling the Storms of Life"
Mark 4:35-41
- Saturday, July 14: "Touching Those in Need"
Mark 5:1-6, 15



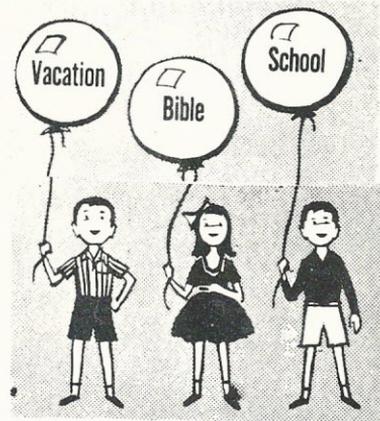
AUGUST 6-9

for

Friends who have just finished third, fourth or fifth grades

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary this Sunday are in memory of Mr. Thomas M. Jernigan and are given by Mrs. Thomas M. Jernigan and Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Overman III and Chad.



JULY 16-20

9:00-3:00

for

Friends born 1969—Middle School friends

MENU

July 11, 1973



Assorted Cold Cuts

Potato Salad

Roll and Butter

Banana Pudding

Tea

Coffee

RECREATION

July 9

Grades 3-5 and Middle Schoolers will go as a group to the Plaza Theatre for the Monday matinee showing of "The Sound of Music." Meet at the Church at 1:15 and the bus will return at 5:30. The cost will be \$.50 for those under 12 and \$1.00 for those 12 and older.

The High School and College group will go to play Putt-Putt. Meet at the Church at 6:45 and we will return at 10:00. The cost will be \$1.00 for all you want to play.

Come, bring a friend, and be prepared to have a GREAT time.

The Key to GROWTH



Wednesday Evenings,
6:30 and 7:30 P.M.

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All material to be included in the Builder should be in the office, preferably in writing, not later than 9:00 a.m. Mondays.

LOOKING AT LAST WEEK

The Church in Study1166
 Main Sunday School1144
 Crippled Children's Home 22
 The Church in Training354
 Christian Training Hour176
 Other Training Activities178
 Coming for Membership8
 Baptized4
 Tithes and Offerings:
 Budget\$11,273.20
 Specials 545.75

TOTAL OFFERING\$11,818.95

EXTENDED SESSION TEACHERS

Sunday, July 8, 1973

A—Mrs. Ray Wise
 B—Mrs. Norman White
 C—Mrs. Robert Stone
 1A—Mrs. T. R. Walker
 1B—Mrs. Larry Foxworth
 2B—Mr. and Mrs. Leon Flowers
 2C—Mr. and Mrs. Eric Simmons
 3A—Mrs. Cameron Hughes
 Miss Sylvia Hinton
 3B—Mr. and Mrs. Jim Yarbrough
 4A—Mrs. Jerry Jones
 Miss Kathy Banakas

OPPORTUNITIES of the WEEK

Sunday, July 8

- * 9:30 A.M.—Sunday School
 New Member's Class,
 Session No. 3
- * 11:00 A.M.—Morning Worship
 4:45 P.M.—Youth Choir Rehearsal
- * 6:00 P.M.—Christian Training Hour
- * 7:15 P.M.—Evening Worship

Monday, July 9

- 7:30 P.M.—Deacons meeting
- Tuesday, July 10
- 6:00 P.M.—Baptist Women (Night) Bible
 Study Group with Mrs.
 Claude Adkison, 1021 E.
 Burgess Rd. (Supper meeting)
 - 7:30 P.M.—Boy Scouts in "The Cellar"

Wednesday, July 11

- * 5:45 P.M.—Fellowship Dinner
- * 6:15 P.M.—Prayer Service
- * 6:30 P.M.—Sunday School Officers and
 Teachers Meeting, Mission
 Friends, GA's, Acteens and
 RA's, Joy Group
 —Bible Study.
 Visitation

- * 7:20 P.M.—Visitation
 Adult Choir Rehearsal

- * 8:30 P.M.—Visitation Reports

Thursday, July 12

- 7:30 P.M.—Adult 1 Bible Study in
 "The Cellar"

COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP JULY 1, 1973

BY LETTER:

- 149. B. B. Burks, Sr., Rt. 1, Box 360,
 Gulf Breeze
 From: Billy Bapt., Holley, Al.
- 150. Mrs. B. B. Burks, Sr.
- 151. Mrs. Stephen Sutherland (Dawne), 709
 Boxwood Dr.
 From: No. Central Bapt., Gainesville,
 Fl.

ON PROFESSION OF FAITH:

- 116. Greg Franke, 3735 Piedmont
 - 117. Wayne Franke
 - 118. Jonathan Price, 1660 Bayou Blvd.
- FOR BAPTISM

FROM ANOTHER DENOMINATION:

- 119. Kevin Steiner, 428 Dolphin, Gulf
 Breeze
 - 120. Stephen Sutherland, 709 Boxwood
- BAPTIZED:
- Francis Johnson, Charlie Johnson, Becky
 Page, Sally Renfroe