



The Echo... September, 2017

The church newsletter of Rossville United Methodist Church - Rossville, IN

“Bob Notes...”

This month, we continue our look at basic information about the books of the Bible. As I mentioned a few months back, I have begun this process in an effort to help us to increase our knowledge of the Holy Scriptures. Last month, we covered the first five books of the Bible—the Law, or the Pentateuch. This month covers the books in the Old Testament that are classified as History.

The History included in these books of Joshua, Judges, Ruth, 1 & 2 Samuel, 1 & 2 Kings, 1 & 2 Chronicles, Ezra, Nehemiah, and Esther covers the period from the time that the people of Israel entered into the Promised Land following the death of Moses up until the early years after they had returned from the exile to Babylon and Persia. Scholars believe this history covers the almost 1,000 year period between 1406 and 432 BC.

In this September Echo article, I will include a brief overview of the first six (Joshua through 2 Kings) of these twelve books. Next month’s issue will include 1 Chronicles through Esther.

Joshua—records in part the military campaigns waged by Joshua in conquering the Promised Land and concludes with detailed instructions for the division of the land among the tribes of Israel. It is the first book in the Bible to contain the name of its principle character in the title. With the people of Israel’s entry into the Promised Land, they should have been totally successful, but disobedience led to instances of defeat. Joshua is set in the thirty year period of 1406-1375 BC.

Judges—the theme of Judges is one of defeat and deliverance. Set during a three hundred year period from 1375-1075 BC, the book records the activities of twelve men and one woman designated as judges and raised up by God to deliver Israel in times of dissension and disunion after Joshua’s death. Judges is a very violent book at times, and the cycle common in Israel’s history of rebellion, retribution, repentance, and restoration occurs repeatedly throughout the book.

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1 Samuel & 2 Samuel-First and Second Samuel are counted as one book in the Hebrew Bible. 1 Samuel records Samuel's life, the introduction of kings instead of judges as the rulers of the people, the life of Saul and David's anointing and early years. 2 Samuel picks up after the tragic death of Israel's first king Saul. The book records David's military victories, his great sin, and his flight at the time of his son Absalom's revolt, as well as his return to Jerusalem. These two books cover a period of 130 years.

1 Kings & 2 Kings-First and Second Kings was also originally one book. They are called Books of the Kings because they record the principal events and characteristics of the kings of Judah and Israel from the death of David to the end of the kingdom of Judah and the fall of Jerusalem. They cover the 384 year period up until 586 BC. These books display in often stark terms the rebellion, retribution, repentance and restoration cycle. Famous individuals such as Solomon, Ahab, and Elijah are covered in these books.

This is the first part of the lengthy history included in the Old Testament. The history is important as it continues to lay the foundation of faith that would eventually lead to the coming of the Messiah.

Thoughtfully,

Pastor Bob

Pastor Bob Raschka

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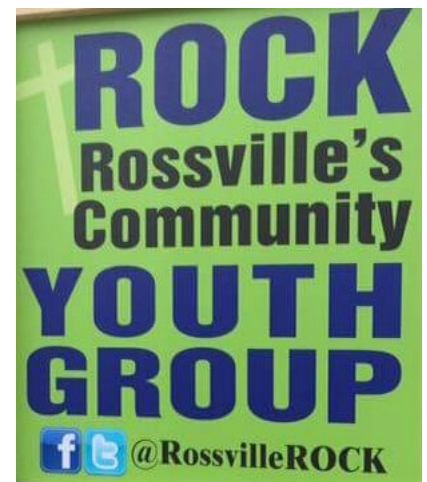
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Rossville Rock Youth Ministry Kicks Off September 10th

The Rossville Rock Community Youth ministry kicks off another year on Sunday, September 10th from 6-7:30 pm. All youth in grades 6-12 are invited for a time of food provided by Dan the Man's Taco Stand, fellowship, games, music, and teaching. This ministry is organized by the Rossville United Methodist, Rossville Church of the Brethren, Rossville Presbyterian, and the Living Stone Church in an effort to reach youth from all over the area for the cause of Christ. The Rock meets at the Rock building on Ramey St.

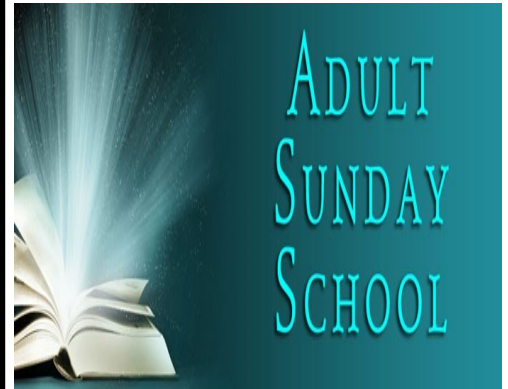


Wednesday Fellowship at Mary's 6:30pm

An eight week series of fellowship and study continues at the home of Mary Gray each Wednesday through September, 27th. Each week will include a light supper, a time of fellowship, and a study entitled, "Hearing from God." Mary Gray and Carolyn Bushfield will be leading this informal time of fellowship and sharing. Inspiring time together. Mary Gray's home is located at 304 E. Main St.

Living on the Edge Series

Our Adult Sunday School Class is doing a series led by Chip Ingram entitled *Living on the Edge: Becoming a Romans 12 Christian*. This series focuses in on an understanding of Romans 12 as a synopsis of everything needed to live a Christian life. The class meets in the Esther Beard Room each Sunday at 9:00 am.



Thanks so much to each of you who helped me celebrate my 90th birthday. Your presence, cards AND hugs was so much appreciated. You are all very special to me.

*Lovingly,
Sue Milner*



Rossville UMC Youth Group meets during Adventure Club

Our own Rossville UMC Youth group will begin meeting on Tuesday September 12th from 6:00-7:30 pm during the same time as Adventure Club. 6th-12th grade students will gather at the church at the beginning of Adventure Club and then go over to the parsonage with Glenn Marlow and Pastor Bob for a lesson, snacks, and discussion. All youth are invited.



ADVENTURE CLUB

Sept 12TH

@ 6PM -

7:30pm

DOORS WILL OPEN AT 5:45 pm

Adventure Club will follow any school closings due to weather.

Register at the door

Pre-K thru 12th grade are invited

Lessons on God's Love

Snacks, Music & Games

Fall Session meets each Tuesday starting Sept 12th and goes thru Nov 14th (will not meet for Fall break Oct. 17th)

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September

Worship Schedule



September 3 "The Road" Matthew 7:12-14

September 10 "Who Ya' Gonna Follow?" Matthew 7:15-19

September 17 "Lord, Lord!" Matthew 7:21-23

September 24 "What Are You Built On?" Matthew 7:24-29



September

Sunday, September 10 - Rossville ROCK Community Youth 2017-2018 KICK OFF 6:00pm

Tuesday, September 12 - Adventure Club and Youth group resumes 6:00 pm

Friday, September 29 thru Sunday, October 1 - Revival Weekend:

MIRACLES--God's Still in the Miracle Business



October

Thursdays, October 12-November 16

FALL BIBLE STUDY: "Restored--Finding Redemption in Our Mess"

Sunday, October 22 Annual Church Conference in Delphi





MOUNTAIN MISSION TRUCK COMING TO ROSSVILLE SEPTEMBER 25

BRING YOUR ITEMS IN

The United Methodist Mountain Mission in Jackson, Kentucky will be sending their truck up to collect items the last week of September. The items we bring are sent to eight stores in eastern Kentucky. Thousands of people count on these stores each day to be able to come in and buy usable clothes, furniture, and other household items for their families at a price they can afford.

They are in urgent need of furniture of all kinds, large appliances, pots, pans, dishes, linens, toys, lawn mowers, and tools. About this time of the year, they start saving toys for Christmas. There are a lot of families who cannot afford to buy their children toys for Christmas. Toys donated are used for this purpose.

Please bring items to the church beginning Sunday, September 10th and continuing through September 24th. A table is set up in the Esther Beard room to put the items on. Larger items such as furniture are to be brought next door to the church and will be placed in the parsonage garage. Please contact Pastor Bob if you have items that need to go in the garage.

<u>September BIRTHDAYS</u>			<u>September ANNIVERSARIES</u>		
1	Buzz Disinger	10	Mary Beth Seest	5	Cory & Mandeé Nicolas
2	Corey Disinger	17	Joe Bowyer	7	Jim & Sharon Unger
5	Robin Ford	20	Joann Rothenberger	9	Mark & Gail Seest
8	Madilyn Seest	26	Sydney Marlow	20	Carl & Neilie Wright
9	Phil Burkle			24	Rob & Tammy Cooper

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

July 23: \$6,029

July 30: \$1,377.00



August 6: \$1,025.00

August 13: \$1,214.00

August 20: \$1,409.00

September, 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 <i>Religious Ed</i> <i>1pm</i>	2
3 <i>Sunday School</i> <i>9 am</i> <i>Worship and Jr.</i> <i>Church 10:15 am</i> <i>Milner's Service</i> <i>3 pm</i>	4	5	6 <i>M&M Ladies'</i> <i>Bible Study</i> <i>9 am</i> <i>Fellowship @</i> <i>Mary's 6 pm</i> <i>L.R.E. Visitation</i> <i>Team 6:30</i>	7	8 <i>Religious Ed</i> <i>1 pm</i>	9
10 <i>Sunday School</i> <i>9 am</i> <i>Worship and Jr.</i> <i>Church 10:15 am</i>	11 <i>Ad Council</i> <i>7 pm</i> <i>Worship Team</i> <i>8 pm</i>	12 <i>Adventure</i> <i>Club & Youth</i> <i>Groups 6-7:30pm</i>	13 <i>M&M Ladies'</i> <i>Bible Study</i> <i>9 am</i> <i>Fellowship @</i> <i>Mary's 6 pm</i> <i>6:30 pm</i>	14	15 <i>Religious Ed</i> <i>1 pm</i>	16
17 <i>Sunday School</i> <i>9 am</i> <i>Worship and Jr.</i> <i>Church 10:15 am</i>	18 <i>SPRC</i> <i>6 pm</i>	19 <i>Adventure</i> <i>Club & Youth</i> <i>Groups 6-7:30pm</i>	20 <i>M&M Ladies'</i> <i>Bible Study</i> <i>9 am</i> <i>Fellowship @</i> <i>Mary's 6 pm</i> <i>L.R.E. Visitation</i> <i>Team 6:30</i>	21	22 <i>Religious Ed</i> <i>1 pm</i>	23
24 <i>Sunday School</i> <i>9 am</i> <i>Worship and Jr.</i> <i>Church 10:15 am</i> <i>ROCK 6pm-7:30</i>	25	26 <i>Adventure</i> <i>Club & Youth</i> <i>Groups 6-7:30pm</i>	27 <i>M&M Ladies'</i> <i>Bible Study</i> <i>9 am</i> <i>Fellowship @</i> <i>Mary's 6 pm</i>	28	29 <i>Religious Ed</i> <i>1 pm</i> <i>Revival 6:30pm</i>	30 <i>Revival 6:30pm</i>

MIRACLES

God's Still in the Miracle Business

REVIVAL WEEKEND with Bill Parr

Rossville United Methodist Church

Sept. 29-30 6:30pm

Oct. 1 10:15 am



Revival '17 is scheduled the weekend of September 29-October 1 here at Rossville. We are privileged to have Bill Parr as our speaker. Bill is currently helping in ministry at Woodland Heights Church east of Crawfordsville. Some of you had the privilege of meeting Bill when he was with us in worship on August 13th. The best way to introduce Bill is to give you the brief bio I asked him to write about God's work in his life. Indeed, God is still in the miracle business!

Pastor Bob



Lil' Bill's bio....

About me, by... well, me.

I am known to doctors and, when in trouble by my parents as William Parr. My friends and the kids I have worked with over the last twenty plus years, all call me Lil' Bill. I have been blessed to be able to reach these young people through gifts God has given through the Holy Spirit.

I believe God called me to ministry from a young age. At fifteen years old, I was called to a missionary journey halfway around the world in Australia. From then on God led every day of my life as I worked in numerous churches as a volunteer and eventually full and part time ministry in Indiana and Illinois. In the process, God's message was delivered.

Recently, my health has me sidelined more than I like. However, God is always at work. I am currently helping some friends who have helped me in the past. I am thankful that I get to return some favors given me over the years.

I was excited to meet several of you a few weeks back and am looking forward to an awesome weekend together at the end of the month.

Bill Parr Youth Minister, Speaker and, Comedian [\(765\) 894-6065](tel:7658946065)

MUSIC LED BY MALACHI JAGGERS

The music on Friday and Saturday evenings services will be led by Malachi Jagers. Malachi writes and performs worship music and has recorded a few CDs. He and his wife Leah reside in Delphi, Indiana. Malachi has served as the worship pastor at Dayton United Methodist Church since 2013. We look forward to his presence with us on the first two nights of our revival.

