

HOPE OF GLORY MINISTRIES

Summer 2002

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! I have a question for you. How is your spiritual house? The Bible says in 1 Peter 2:5, "...you also, as living stones, are being built up a spiritual house". I know that corporately God is building a spiritual house of children who have genuinely placed their faith in Jesus Christ. We experience this initially when we are born again of the Holy Spirit and are adopted by grace into the family of God. But the Lord has been giving me revelation on our individual spiritual house. In 1 Cor. 6:19 we read, "Or do you not know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and you are not your own?" We see here that our individual bodies are referred to as temples or a sanctuary for God. But think about when Jesus went into the temple and began turning over the tables that the money changers and sellers of the oxen, sheep and dove sacrifices were using to do business. In John 2:16 Jesus said, "Take these things away! Do not make My Father's house a house of merchandise!" Jesus referred to the temple as a house. Also in Luke 19:46 Jesus says, "It is written, My house is a house

of prayer, but you have made it a den of thieves". Again He is referring to the temple as a house. It is obvious that Jesus is concerned with the condition of our spiritual house. I believe the revelation of this deep truth which speaks to us as individuals is expressed in Matt. 7:24 when Jesus says, "Therefore whoever hears these sayings of Mine, and does them, I will liken him to a wise man who built his house on the rock..." What are you building your spiritual house on? You see there are a lot of spiritual houses being built today. For example, there are "new age" houses, "buddhist" houses, "islamic" houses, "hindu" houses and the list goes on and on. But Jesus talks about a wise man who built his house on the rock. What did He mean? The Bible in 1 Cor. 10:4 reads, "For they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them, and that Rock was Christ". He is telling us that a wise man builds his spiritual house on Jesus Christ who is our Rock! In 1 Cor. 3:11 we read, "For no other foundation can anyone lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ". As we continue to read in Matt. 7:25 Jesus says, "...and the rain descended, the floods came, and the winds blew

and beat on that house; and it did not fall for it was founded on the rock". The world in which we live and the enemy with whom we battle will bring both floods and winds that beat on our spiritual houses. In Isa. 59:17 we read, "When the enemy comes in like a flood, the spirit of the Lord will lift up a standard against him". Also in Eph. 2:2 we see where Satan is referred to as "the prince of the power of the air". Yes the floods and the winds will come but we have a promise from our Lord Jesus that says if your house is built on Jesus Christ (the Rock) that it will not fall! Compare this house to the one built on sand. In Matt. 7:26-27 we read, "But everyone who hears these sayings of Mine, and does not do them, will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand; and the rain descended, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house; and it fell. And great was its fall". The sand represents anything other than Jesus Christ that people choose in foolishness to build their spiritual house on, whether it be riches, power, control, drugs, alcohol, false religions, etc.. Spiritual houses built on these things will fall and great will that fall be; not only in their life on

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To them God has chosen to make known among the Gentiles the glorious riches of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. We proclaim Him, admonishing and teaching everyone with all wisdom, so that we may present everyone perfect in Christ. To this end I labor, struggling with all His energy, which so powerfully works in me.

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earth but also in the eternal destination of their soul. In John 14:6 Jesus says, "I am the way, the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me". These words are not mine but those of Jesus Christ the Son

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John 4:16

of God. On that Day of Judgment will you be found to be a wise man or a foolish man? What is the condition of your spiritual house? In Prov. 24:3 we read, "Through wisdom a house is built, and by understanding it is established; by knowledge the rooms are filled with all precious and pleasant riches". How wonderful it is that the life of Christ can fill every room of our spiritual house.

It is our mission to proclaim the glorious gospel of Jesus Christ and to see many saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. Pray for us that we would

"Fresh Fire" Crusade

Norman Robertson is an Evangelist/Teacher with a vibrant New Testament style ministry that the Holy Spirit is using to make a tremendous impact in peoples' lives across the U.S. and internationally. In May, his ministry held a "Fresh Fire" Crusade here at Hope of Glory Ministries.

never compromise the Word of God. It is the truth that sets people free.

Thank you very much for your prayers and gifts that support our ministry. We could not do it without you!

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. Amen. (2 Cor. 13:14)

With Love In Christ,

Clark Stallings



Mark your calendars for September 21!

We invite you to join us for a time of food and fellowship as we celebrate our first year at Hope of Glory Ministries. This will be an opportunity for us to share what the Lord has done thus far and to also share with you new visions that He has given us. Please continue to be in prayer as to how God can use you in this mission. To God be the Glory!

A NEW OUTREACH AT HOPE OF GLORY MINISTRIES...

Matthew 25:35-40 says, "For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave Me drink; I was a stranger and you took Me in; I was naked and you clothed Me; I was sick and you visited Me; I was in prison and you came to Me. ...Assuredly I say to you, inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me".

This new outreach will be a clothing, furniture, and food bank. We and sev-

eral other local organizations are working together and are very excited. The Lord has confirmed through them that this is a much needed outreach and they have been very encouraging and helpful to us as we seek God's direction in this. Our purpose is to assist in meeting many of the needs of our community.

We ask that you keep this program and the grant proposals lifted to God in

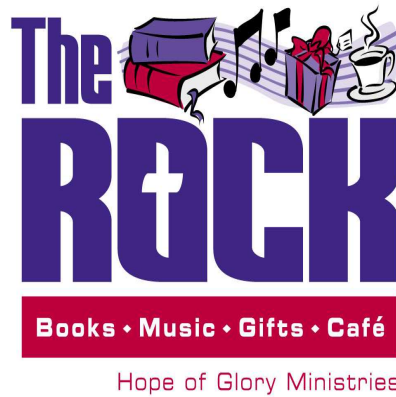
prayer.

Acts 4, starting in verse 32 talks about sharing in all things. The multitude came together and distributed to each as anyone had need and there was no one among them who lacked. God's children need to be of one heart and one soul. Let's come together and be a part of what God has commissioned us to do! For more info, please contact Trudy Halstead at (252) 756-5546.

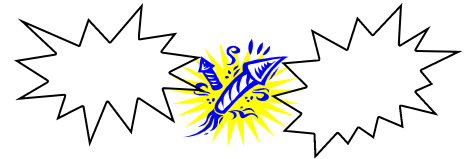
SEE WHAT'S HAPPENING AT "THE ROCK"

On April 20th, we celebrated the opening of our newly remodeled store. The attendance was incredible and the many words of encouragement were joyfully received. We want to give a special thanks to Pepsi, Outback, Trademart, and Rainbow the Clown for their generous donations! We also want to thank all the volunteers for their hard work and dedication....we really do appreciate you!

The Lord has taught us so much in the overseeing of this Bookstore and He constantly reminds us that it is not just a store, but a place of ministry!



SUMMER CAMP
It's that time of year! We have items for your young camper, as well as parents.



July 4th is fast approaching...we have shirts, frames, flower holders, and much more.

BRAND NEW.....Kid's Story Time, beginning Saturday, June 29 @ 10:30 a.m.

MUSICALLY SPEAKING

No matter what your taste may be, The Rock has a little bit of everything...praise & worship, gospel, rock, alternative, southern gospel, urban & hip-hop, contemporary and instrumental. We also have music videos and dvd's, movies and comedy videos. Come in, browse and preview music at any of our 12 listening stations. Check out our MVP (Music Video Pre-



view) station, the latest in screen interactive technology!

Upcoming events include a Christian rock concert featuring NC recording artist building 429 on July 14 at 7 p.m. Also performing - remember Jonah.

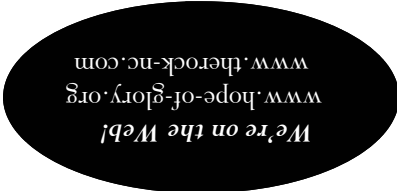
Join us on Saturday, August 24, 10 AM-12PM, for Kids' Fest, a day with lots of surprises and fun! We will be showing Larryboy's new release, "Lego of My Ego". We will be serving lunch too... Burgers, hotdogs & chips. Please stop by the store and pre-register.

We are co-sponsor for the Rebecca St. James and Passion concert which will be held at Minges Coliseum on 9/11. These artists will be at The Rock on this day for a "signing party". Be sure to mark your calendars!



COMING SOON.....

Please continue to pray for the Burning Bush Café & Coffeehouse. The owners of whom God has given this vision have completed the plans and details and the venture is set on go; they are simply waiting on the Lord to provide the financial aspect of carrying it out. For more details on this vision, go to www.burningbushcafe.com.



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- Upcoming Ministry Events:**
- Worship Service every Thursday @ 7 p.m.
 - Monthly Pastor's Appreciation Luncheon (second or third Tuesday of each month)
 - July 13: Ernest Silver in Concert
 - July 14: building 429 & remember Jonah in concert
 - July 21: Johnson Brothers 6th Annual Gospel Anniversary Service
 - Aug. 3: Southern Gospel Night
 - Aug. 10: Nicki Leonti in concert
 - Aug. 24: Kids' Fest at The Rock
 - Sept. 11: Rebecca St. James & Passion in-store "signing party" at The Rock
 - Sept. 22: Super Chic in concert
 - Sept. 29: Gospel Singing Celebration

- Prayer Requests:**
- Powerful move of God's Spirit in all ministry services
 - Mighty wall of protection surrounding ministry, staff, and volunteers
 - New partners to prayerfully and financially support our mission

- Needs:**
- Projector screen
 - Microphones/stands
 - Laptop
 - Power Point Software
 - Volunteer to run Sound Board during Thursday Night Services
 - Copier for Ministry Center

MISSION STATEMENT

To stand in the gap between our community of believers and the church, and between the church and the lost. We will come alongside these three groups to proclaim the glorious gospel of Jesus Christ and minister through Christian resources, evangelism, discipleship and community outreach.

