

Welcome to Rosedale

Sunday January 19, 2014

Welcome & Announcements

Invocation

Musical Praise & Worship

Junior Church

Family Prayer

Scripture Reading..... Acts 20:13-38

Message.....Pastor John Bellingham

"INSTRUCTIONS FOR LEADERS"

Final Song

Benediction

Memory Verses for Junior Church:

Younger Elementary

"She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because He will save His people from their sins." Matthew 1:21

Middle Elementary

"He is Lord of lords and King of kings – and with Him will be His called, chosen and faithful followers." Revelation 17:14b

New in the Rosedale Library:



"UNCONDITIONAL"

A movie on DVD inspired by a true story. When her husband is tragically killed, Samantha loses her faith and her will to live. Later she begins to believe that the love of God is always reaching out to her.

Families of the Week

Please remember to encourage and pray for the following families this week.

<u>Monday</u>	Turton, Paul & Val
<u>Tuesday</u>	Turton, Geoff & Kim
<u>Wednesday</u>	Turton, Geoff Jr.
<u>Thursday</u>	VanGalen, Sam
<u>Friday</u>	Warankie, Diane
<u>Saturday</u>	Warankie, Pat & Danielle

Rosedale Baptist Church



Reaching up....

Reaching in....

Reaching out...

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This Week at Rosedale

- Monday:** Youth Group – 6:30pm
- Tuesday:** Men’s Study – 9:30 am
Ladies’ Study – 8:30pm
(Heather Arnold’s house)
- Wednesday:** Prayer and Praise – 7:00 pm
- Friday:** Young Adults – 6:30pm
- Saturday:** Ladies’ Study – 8:00 am
Men’s Study – 8:00 am
(Pastor John’s house)
- Sunday:** Christian Foundations – 9:00am
Corporate Worship – 10:30 am

Annual General Meeting: The Annual General meeting will be held on Saturday January 25th at 9:30am. All members of Rosedale are encouraged to make this meeting a priority. Please pick up your copy of the Annual Report in preparation for the meeting!

Open Arms Collection: In order to better serve the Mission through food collection, Rosedale will be assigned one item each month. This month, we will be collecting Apple Juice. Please note that beginning in February the food collection date will be on the 3rd Sunday of the month instead of the 4th. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

Punctuality for Services: To respect one another and to minimize distraction during corporate worship, let’s make a greater effort to be seated on time for Sunday morning services.

Instructions for Leaders

Acts 20:13-38

- Acts 20 records Paul’s farewell message to the Elders of the Ephesian Church. This is the only recorded sermon in the book of Acts which Paul addressed to a Christian audience
- Paul’s sermon to the Church Leaders in Ephesus breaks down into two parts: 1) Paul’s Example; 2) Paul’s Exhortation

I. Paul’s Example (vv. 17-27; 33-35)

- 1) Serving with Humility (vv. 17-19)
 - a. Paul’s view of himself – a slave of Christ!
 - b. Bearing the burdens of others – with tears!
 - c. Suffering hardship for Christ
- 2) Teaching without Compromise (vv. 20-21; 25-27)
 - a. No shrinking back on the tough stuff!
 - b. Teaching everywhere
 - c. Teaching everyone
 - d. Preaching the need for faith AND repentance
 - e. No blood on Paul’s hands (cf. Ezekiel 33: 7-9)
- 3) Persevering in Faith (vv. 22-24)
 - a. Confidence in God’s Providence
 - b. Suffering with purpose
 - c. Eyes fixed on the finish line

Application: Paul’s example helps us to know what we should expect from our Church leaders. Although these instructions are primarily for Pastors/ Elders, the principles broadly apply to all of us.

II. Paul’s Exhortation (vv. 28-32)

- 1) Pay Attention to Yourselves (v. 28)
 - a. Lifestyle (cf. 1 Tim 3:1-7, 4:16)
 - b. Doctrine
- 2) Pay Attention to the Flock (vv. 29-32)

- a. Pattern for Church Leadership
 - i. Plurality of Elders
 - ii. Three interchangeable terms for a single Church Office: ‘Elder’ (*presbuteros*) = ‘Overseer/Bishop’ (*episkopos*) = ‘Pastor/Shepherd’ (*poimen*)
- b. Job Description for the ‘Pastors’
 - i. Care for the Flock (v. 28)
 - ii. Defend the Flock (vv. 29-31)
 - iii. Feed the Flock (v. 20)

Application: Pray regularly for the Pastors/ Elders of Rosedale Baptist Church we lead, feed and defend the Flock of God

