

# ROSE HILL

## Friends Church



June 2014

### From the Pastor's Pen

*By Pastor David*

Have you ever wished that you could pray better? Do you get intimidated when the pastor or teachers asks you to pray? Do you feel like your prayers are just not up to par and the last thing you want to do, is pray in a group? I know from experience that one of the things the devil most wants to keep you away from is prayer. If, by suggesting to your mind that, "Your prayers are not good enough," or "You simply just don't pray right," satan can convince you not to pray, then he will pour it on! If only you could pray like those "men of renown" those "saints of old!" If only you could pray like Moses, Daniel or Elijah! ... right?

Well guess what? You can. In fact you have a better connection than they did, because Jesus has given us access to the Father 24/7/365! Jesus Himself is right there with us making intercession for us, and the Holy Spirit who lives in us prays for us and through us! The Bible says Elijah was a man just like us and he prayed that it would not rain – and it did not rain for three years. Why did God hear and answer his prayer? It's not that God liked him better than you, nor was it that Elijah was a perfect prayer-maker. In fact he was "just like us." He had doubts and fears and insecurities. What was his secret?



Two things, I think. First, he prayed what God told him to pray. It wasn't Elijah's idea to stop the rain, it was God's. When God wants to accomplish something, He gets a redeemed believer with "delegated authority" to pray it into existence! (Hmm... sounds like a sermon I heard somewhere?) Which means we have to get our will lined up with God's will and then pray it. We discover God's will in His Word and through listening to His Spirit. Secondly, Elijah prayed. What do I mean, "Elijah prayed?" I mean he actually prayed. He didn't just say he was going to pray, or think about praying, or ask the pastor to pray, or put his need on the prayer list, or tell six people that he really needed prayer on this, instead, he prayed! He talked to God. He made his request known. That's what prayer is. And, by the way, that's how you will grow in your prayer life. Sure, reading books on prayer is helpful and listening to others pray is good, but what we really need to do is just pray. You don't need fancy words. Just cry out to Jesus. Thank Him. Praise Him. Ask Him. Listen to Him. Then, get ready for an answer!

## YOUTH NEWS



Below are the students of RHFC who have registered for camp. Please pray for these campers, along with the counselors, speakers, worship bands, and program staff as we prepare for another great season of God moving at Camp Quaker Haven.

Parents, please bring your \$20 (plus \$10 optional t-shirt) to Gabe as soon as you can. It is due before your camper goes to camp. Checks can be made out to "RHFC."

### Junior Camp // June 10-13

- Hallie Mayes
- Sage Nottingham
- Carly Wilson
- Counselor - Gabe Hancock
- Counselor - Sierra Tireman



### Senior High Camp // June 13-17

- Ben Priebe
- Cyruss Wilson
- Heather Payton
- Counselor - Gabe Hancock

### Junior High Camp // June 17-21

- Madi McDonald
- Kaytlyn Payton

### Summer Youth Group

Youth group will be combined for the summer, beginning Wednesday, June 4 at 7:00pm. All grades will remain the same until September.

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**Mission Statement**

Rose Hill Friends Church,  
in obedience to Jesus Christ our  
Lord, endeavors to encourage and  
nurture spiritual growth and  
reach out  
to the community and beyond  
presenting the Gospel.

**Weekly Schedule**

**Sunday**

Sunday School 9:30am

Worship 10:45am

**Wednesday - 7:00-8:00pm**

Junior High Youth - 7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grades

High School Youth - 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades

**AND** PAC Club all meet together

Adult Bible Study

Child care provided

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