



VISTAS

For Independent Baptist Churches in the Mountain West United States

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MARK 8:36**

BE A GODLY INFLUENCER

Daniel 1:1-21 | By Dr. Paul Hoover

We live in a world today that is impacted by social media. There are many in this realm of social media that are known as “Influencers”. They have millions individually and billions collectively who follow them on many media platforms. These modern day influencers are affecting their followers to focus on the flesh of this life. The scriptures tell us in Mark 8:36, “For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?”

May we seek instead to be an “influencer” for eternity. The Godly man Daniel was an eternal influencer on the world around him. Notice Daniel 1:1-21, where we find that from his youth he had an effect as a Jewish captive on heathen Babylon. He had influence on his friends as well as kings. Daniel 1:8, show us that his dedication to the Lord, overcame the fear of royal retribution as he rejected the king’s unhealthy diet. Because of his obedience to God’s truth the Lord watched over Daniel and gave him eternal impact with even king Nebuchadnezzar and later other Babylonian kings.

In Matthew 5:13-16, we find that we are to be ...”Salt of the earth”; vs. 13. And then in vs.14, “Ye are the light of the world”. Later in vs.16, “Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven”. May we ask the Lord to make us a “Godly Influencer” for eternity. Let us take as our song for today, “With eternity’s values in view, Lord, With eternity’s values in view; May I do each day’s work for Jesus, With eternity’s values in view”. May we stand before the Lord and be able to say, “I sought to influence the world around me, for eternity”. In the United States alone, there are 333 million souls waiting for a real “Sermon in Shoes”.

FIELD REPRESENTATIVES REPORT

Dr. Paul Hoover (pauldhoover@icloud.com)

Please rejoice with and pray for the Bible Baptist Church of Sidney, Montana as they celebrate “50” years as a local lighthouse for the Lord. On Sunday June 16, 2024, Pastor and Mrs. Mike Backhaus and the wonderful congregation in Sidney will be giving praise to the Lord for His faithfulness all these years. The service will begin at 10:30 AM followed by a dinner at the church. We thank the Lord for these faithful servants for the Lord! To God Be the Glory!

Please look on the back page of this issue of the “VISTAS” for more information regarding Castle Rock Baptist Camp and the May 19th “UPLOOK’ Sunday. We pray that each of our fellowship churches will get involved.

Happy Trails, Dr. Paul and Cindy Hoover

Pastors of fellowship member churches can send news articles from their churches to Dr. Paul Hoover to be included in future issues of this newsletter.

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IT IS OUR PRAYER THAT WE MIGHT RELAY TO OUR READERS THE VISTAS OF THE GLORIES OF CHRIST AND HIS WORK, ENJOY THE SWEET FELLOWSHIP OF GOD’S PEOPLE, AND SHARE OUR BURDEN FOR THE GREAT AND NEEDY HARVEST FIELDS OF THE IMBF.

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace; that bringeth good tidings of good, that publisheth salvation; that saith unto Zion, Thy God reigneth! Isaiah 52:7



UPLOOK CAMPAIGN 2024

CASTLE ROCK BAPTIST CAMP
PRESERVATION PROJECT



Over
\$350,000
given to the
UPLOOK CAMPAIGN
since it began
7 years ago!!

SUNDAY, MAY 19TH CASTLE ROCK BAPTIST CAMP EMPHASIS DAY!

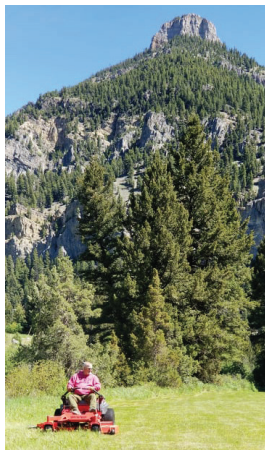
On this day we focus on the improvement of our facilities at the Camp by taking an offering called the "UPLOOK OFFERING" which is part of our "2024 Uplook Campaign". We pray that every church will be part of this special day!

2024 PROJECT GOALS:

1. New siding on the "Joe Mark Hotel" formerly the cook's nook.
2. Finish Porch on the "Frank Memorial Bathhouse."
3. Improve and expand the "RV" parking and infrastructure.
4. Numerous Maintenance projects.
5. Churches Adopt-a-Cabin. Please contact Camp Manager, JD Benson for Uniformity Specs for cabin improvements (Cartermtn@gmail.com / 402-616-6965).

UPLOOK 2024 GOAL \$15,000!

PROJECTED SUMMER IMPROVEMENT EXPENSES



Please send your tax-deductible financial contribution made payable to Castle Rock Baptist Camp to:

Camp Uplook Campaign
c/o Pastor Ken Evans
20 N Stacy Avenue
Miles City, MT 59301



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