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October 1, 2020

Eddie Ledbetter

*Statesboro Herald*

 #1 Proctor Street; Herald Square

Statesboro, Ga. 30458

Dear Mr. Ledbetter,

New Rocky Creek Baptist Church is a religious organization that is soon hosting its annual Pastor Appreciation Sunday. The event is taking place Sunday, October 4 during the 8:30 a.m. service. This is a well-known, yearly tradition for New Rocky Creek where the church recognizes its pastor for his hard work and dedication to the church.

The Sunday before the event, a special offering is taken that is used to purchase a gift for the pastor. The gift is chosen by the church staff, mainly consisting of the deacons and the event director. This year, Randal Reese is receiving the gift as he has served as New Rocky Creek’s pastor for over 30 years.

The church is seeking publicity to increase attendance and draw a larger, more diverse crowd. Currently, approximately one hundred people have reserved spots for the service. If you are interested in reserving a spot or have any questions, you may visit [www.newrockycreek.org](http://www.newrockycreek.org) or feel free to contact me at 770-876-9691. I look forward to hearing from you.

Best,

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**Reese to be recognized for his devotion to his congregation Oct. 4**

**MANSFIELD, Ga., Sept. 21, 2020 -** In recognition of his hard work and dedication to New Rocky Creek Baptist Church, Pastor Randal Reese will be recognized Sunday, Oct. 4, during the 8:30 a.m. service. The event will be held in the church’s main building.

Every fall members of New Rocky Creek honor the pastor of the church by hosting a special service and presenting him with a gift. Typically, there is an offering given the Sunday before Pastor Appreciation, and the money is put into a gift for the pastor and his wife. Additionally, the church will recognize other pertinent members of the church staff such as the deacons and office members in a separate service the following Sunday.

Before the service, Pastor Reese said, “This has been an ongoing tradition for many years and I am glad to continue to serve as pastor for such an amazing church family, but more importantly an amazing God." The thank you gift consisted of a framed photo along with other goodies and heartfelt gifts.

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 ***Pastor Appreciation Sunday 2 of 2***

 Regular services are held every Sunday at 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. All are welcome to join the weekly service for worship and a sermon which is held in person. For those unable to join in person, the church has a live stream available on both Facebook and YouTube. For any questions about Pastor Appreciation Sunday or any other services in general, contact the director of operations, Katie Caron through the church’s website, [www.newrockycreek.org](http://www.newrockycreek.org).

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**New Rocky Creek Baptist Church Fact Sheet**

**Mission Statement:** Evangelize the lost by reaching out with hope to a hurting and broken world with the good news of God’s forgiveness, and bringing about a new loving relationship with Him! Equip every believer for the purpose of serving the Lord and making a difference in people’s lives and our community for the glory of God! Exalt Jesus through praise and worship to His name!

**Event location:** New Rocky Creek Baptist Church Worship Hall

190 Rocky Creek Rd. Mansfield, GA 30458

**Contact**

**Information:** Office number: (706) 468-6116

 Facebook: @newrockycreek

 Website: [www.newrockycreek.org](http://www.newrockycreek.org)

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**Leadership:** Pastor: Dr. Randal Reese

 Associate Pastor: Joshua Hubbard

 Secretary: Becky Henderson

**Upcoming Events:** Pastor Appreciation Sunday: Sunday, Oct. 4th

 Weekly services on Sunday mornings at 8:45 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

**About:** New Rocky Creek Baptist Church was established in Jasper County, Georgia in 1874. The all-purpose building was dedicated August 4, 2002, and serves as the present sanctuary due to the overflow of the previous building. The Family Life Center, a building used primarily for church-related events, was finished debt-free in 2009 and serves as the meeting place for the AWANA Children’s Ministry and AXIS Youth Ministry.

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**Pastor Appreciation Sunday**

**MEDIA ALERT**

**MANSFIELD, Ga., Sept. 24, 2020**

**WHAT:** New Rocky Creek Baptist Church is hosting a special service to recognize its pastor. There will be a special service to show appreciation for his time at the church and he will be receiving a “thank you” gift and award.

**WHO:** Members of New Rocky Creek Baptist Church

**WHEN:** Sunday, Oct. 4 at 8:30 a.m.

**WHERE:** New Rocky Creek Baptist Church

 190 Rocky Creek Rd.

 Mansfield, Ga. 30055

**WHY:** Randal Reese will be recognized by the church members for his hard work and dedication to the church. He will receive a gift of appreciation from a special offering taken the Sunday before the event.

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Randal Reese, pastor of New Rocky Creek

Photo credit: Rylee Owens

**MANSFIELD, Ga. - Oct. 4, 2020**

**New Rocky Creek Hosts Pastor Appreciation Sunday**

Members of New Rocky Creek Baptist Church attend New Rocky Creek’s special Sunday morning service to celebrate and recognize Pastor Randal Reese’s 29 years of serving as pastor. Pastor Reese preaches the sermon for the service to soon receive a gift from the members of the congregation bought by a special offering taken the prior week.

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