

# BBC UPDATE

# **Ireland Seminary Module**

**Dr. Thomas Strouse** 



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The Lord blessed the two Bible Theological Baptist Seminary modules on I and II Timothy and on Zechariah with eleven and seventeen seminarians, respectively, held in Ireland (Jan. 5-9, 2015). Several have indicated that they will have to re-examine their position or practice

because of the clear teaching of the Scriptures. We thank the Lord Jesus Christ for the host church, River Valley Baptist Church, and hosts Dr. and Mrs. Robert Zemeski. Dr. Zemeski does the work of registrar in collecting tuition payments and Mrs. Kathy Zemeski feeds the Dean and seminarians staying in their home. We appreciate this godly couple who have the vision of seeing European men trained in the Word of God. New seminarians came from Greece, England, and Poland. BBTS is anticipating at least three men from Ireland receiving seminary degrees at the May 17, 2015 commencement. Pray for this spiritual endeavor.





BBTS Module Classes were held at River Valley Baptist Church in Ireland last week.

### **2014 BBTS Spring Semester**

The first semester of BBTS for the 2014-2015 year begins January 26 with four courses being offered in residence and online. The schedule is as follows:

#### **Mondays**

Bibliology II 9:00 AM - Noon

#### Wednesdays

8:00 AM - 11:00 AM The Gospel of Matthew

#### **Thursdays**

Biblical Hebrew I 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

#### **Fridays**

**Baptist History I** 9:00 AM - Noon

#### **BBTS On-line**

The Spring BBTS Classes will be online and available for viewing at

http://www.bbc-cromwell.org/seminary.shtml

# **BBC Pulpit Ministry**



at BBC!

### **BBC MINISTRIES**



Miss Serena Nelson taught her first children's Sunday School Class at BBC Last week.



Mr. Jeff Skorupski taught a two week series on "Errors of Martial and Oriental Medicine" during adult Sunday School. Audio files of all sermons preached at BBC can be found on our website at:

http://www.bbc-cromwell.org/sermons.shtml

## **BBC Spring Calendar**

BBTS Spring Semester Begins January 26, 2015

**BBTS Module Classes** 

February 16 - 20, 2015 Philippines I and II Timothy and Zechariah

> BBC Ladies Meeting March 7, 2015 Mrs. Stephanie Bates

Seminary Module Classes
March 9 - 13, 2015 Endicott, NY

Hebrew and Zechariah

BBTS Lecture Series
April 10, 2015

BBTS Graduation May 17, 2015



The BBC College and Career group led by Mr. Darrell Nelson

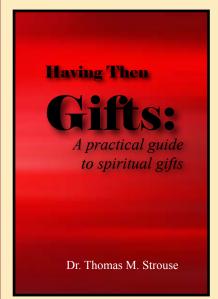


Some of the 17 men that took the BBTS Module Class on I & II Timothy or Zechariah taught by Dr. Strouse in Ireland last week.

### **BBC NEWS**

#### Reprint of Dr. Strouse's booklet

## Having Then Gifts: A Practical Guide To Spiritual Gifts Available Soon!



After salvation, baptism, and church membership, the greatest blessing for the child of God is to know how he/she fits into the assembly (I Cor. 12:18). This knowledge is based on knowing one's own spiritual gift (Rom. 12:6-8). Employing the spiritual gift is the reasonable service the believer must implement in the assembly—the body of Christ (Rom. 12:5).

The booklet *Having Then Gifts: A Practical Guide to Spiritual Gifts* by Dr. Thomas M. Strouse is an effort to instruct church saints in the doctrine and practice spiritual gifts. It is being readied for reprinting.





James & Kathryn Lawrence

#### Faithful Men Baptist Church Organized!

On Sunday, Jan. 4, 2015, Missionary Jim Lawrence organized Faithful Men Baptist Church in his home in Washington, Utah. He and his wife Kathy followed the biblical pattern expressed as "the church that is in their house" (Rom. 16:5). They are holding services on Sunday and Wednesday and inviting their Mormon neighbors. Brother Lawrence received his MDiv degree from BBTS and was ordained, commissioned, and sent out from BBC. Pray for this new church plant.

Learn more about their work at:

http://www.faithfulmenmissions.com/

#### **DEVOTIONAL CORNER**

#### The Elder Men In The Church

Text: Titus 2:1-2

- 1: But speak thou the things which become sound doctrine:
- 2: That the aged men be sober, grave, temperate, sound in faith, in charity, in patience.

The Apostle Paul in verse one commands Titus to speak things to the churches on the island of Crete. In other words, as Titus teaches, he is to teach things that become sound doctrine or things that are fitting to being healthy to doctrine.

In verse two, Paul gives the things Titus is to speak. These things are directed toward the older or elder men in the church and deal with their behavior. He is to teach the aged men  $(\pi\rho\varepsilon\sigma\beta\acute{\nu}\tau\alpha\varsigma$  – elder men) that they are to be sober, grave, temperate, sound in faith, sound in charity and sound in patience. Another way of say it, the elder men in the church need to be vigilant, serious, self-controlled as well as being healthy or strong in the faith, in love, and in perseverance.

In conclusion: When aged men's behavior is fitting to the doctrine of God's Word, it has a stabilizing effect upon the local assembly. Therefore the older men in the church have a grave responsibility to act in a careful and appropriate manner that is becoming to godly and elderly men. -CAR



Pastor Cas Reeves

For the merchandise of it is better than the merchandise of silver, and the gain thereof than fine gold.

She is more precious than rubies: and all the things thou canst desire are not to be compared unto her.

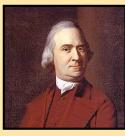
Length of days is in her right hand; and in her left hand riches and honour.

-CAR

## Quotes From the Past:

## Samuel Adams 1722-1803

**An American Founding Father** 



Samuel Adams

"He who is void of virtuous attachments in private life is, or very soon will be, void of all regard for his country."



families sang a joyous version of "Wonderful Grace of Jesus" while Caleb accompanied on the piano.

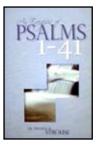
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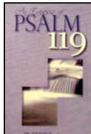
These Books may be purchased through Bible Baptist Church: 40 Country Squire Rd. Cromwell, CT 06416 860-229-5387



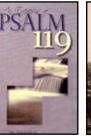
I & II Thessalonians \$20.00



Psalms 1 - 41 \$20.00



Psalm 119



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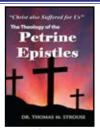


I & II Timothy

**Spiritual Gifts** \$8.00



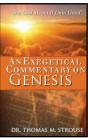
CHURCHES:



Peter \$20.00



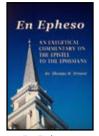
Daniel \$20.00



Genesis \$20



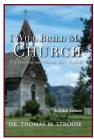
Geocentricity \$10.00



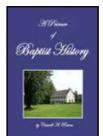
En Epheso \$20.00



Jonah \$10.00



I Will Build My Church \$15.00



A Primer of Baptist History \$20.00



The Lord God Hath Spoken \$15.00

# BBC Fun!

Possible future in the kitchen ministry?







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