



# BBC UPDATE

## Star Baptist Church Report

Dr. Thomas Strouse



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Bible Baptist Church was privileged to hear Pastor Jerry Akers report on the new church plant in Star, Idaho. He preached on Wednesday 9-24-14, and again on Sunday 9-28-14, with challenging messages. He pastors Star Baptist Church, and reported how the Lord has blessed with membership, finances, and visitors. Brother Akers and his family were some of the initial members of Bible Baptist Church as it started in December, 2009, and eventually headed west to plant this NT assembly.

## Faithful Men Missions Update

Pastor and Mrs. James Lawrence has been commissioned and sent out by Bible Baptist Church to plant churches in Utah. They are currently making the long drive out west. Last weekend they were in Gillette, Wyoming to present their work at Central Independent Baptist Church. This weekend they will be visiting Pastor & Mrs. Davidson in Cody, Wyoming. Please Pray for Lawrences as they take the truth of the Lord Jesus Christ to the Mormon infested land of Utah.



Pastor & Mrs. James Lawrence



Pastor Jerry Akers preached at BBC on Wednesday night and Sunday morning.

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## BBTS Lecture Series *The Bible and Calvinism: The Triune God's Working in Salvation*

November 14  
8:30 - AM - 2:30 PM  
Crowne Plaza Hotel, Cromwell, CT



8:30 - 9:45 AM	The Holy Spirit's Working in Redemption vs. New Calvinism (Dr. T. Strouse)
10:00 - 11:30 AM	The Lord Jesus Christ's Working in Redemption vs. Traditional Calvinism (Dr. T. Strouse)
11:30 AM - 1 PM	Lunch
1:00 - 3:00 PM	The Father's Working in Redemption vs. Calvinism (Dr. C. Reeves)

October 1, 2014

# PHILIPPINE MODULE

## Dr. Cas Reeves



*Pastor Cas Reeves*

On Thursday September 18th, Myself and Brother Fred Winchowski flew out of Binghamton, New York arriving in Manila, Philippines Friday evening, September 19th. We spent Saturday resting from our trip, going out with Pastor Jed Raquintan and his family in the evening. I preached both Sundays while I was there on my part of the 2014 Spring Lecture Series: "The Fall of Commercial Babylon."

On Monday both Dr. Raquintan and I began our modules class. Dr. Jed Raquintan taught a module class on "Missiology," stirring the thinking of those in attendance. to a Biblical model of missions as opposed to a Protestant model of missions. Dr. Raquintan taught his class in the afternoons following lunch. I taught my class on Proverbs in the evening following dinner.

Both our classes were filled with pastors that had come from a number of the different islands in the Philippines. Due to the time of my class, I was also privileged to have a number of students who were church members of the Cornerstone Baptist Church, our host church. The class was received well with many sharing their testimony of appreciation of the class.

On Saturday Brother Fred and I were treated to a tour of the Quezon City Park of which the gardens were absolutely beautiful, and to a tour of Manila's National Heroes Park, which was very enlightening of the



*Dr. Cas Reeve's Class on Proverbs.*

early history of the Philippines. We also took a horse and carriage ride through old Manila, seeing buildings that had been bombed to ruins in World War II. We had lunch on the Manila Bay and then went to the Mall of Asia, the largest mall in Asia.

Sunday the 28th was a busy day, preaching first at the Cornerstone Baptist Church in Quezon City and second, at a church being planted by Cornerstone Baptist Church in the Pompaga province about two hours north of Quezon City. Following the preaching, we were treated to a dinner with Alvin Baptista and his family, and then we returned to our accommodations, packing our belongs and returning to the United States the next day on Monday the 29th.

We praise the Lord our God for a safe journey, exceptional students and a wonderful week of teaching and ministering with our host, the Cornerstone Baptist Church. Both Dr. Jed Raquintan ('14) and myself ('13) are graduates from the Bible Baptist Theological Seminary in Cromwell, Connecticut.

*<< Pastor Raquintan's Class on Missiology*



*Students intently listening during the Missiology course taught by Dr. Jed Raquintan .*



*Saturday Tour Group at Quezon City Park*



# It's Back-to-School Time for the BBC Homeschoolers!!

## BBC HOMESCHOOL

WELCOME  
BACK TO  
home  
SCHOOL!

The homeschooling families of BBC are back in full swing with schooling their children. With curricula selected and home classrooms set-up, the children are excited for the learning ventures ahead!

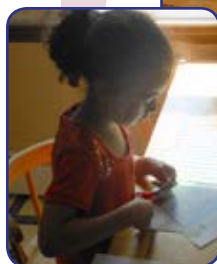


Amanda working on her Advanced Math course.



Eric was very excited about the first day of French Language class and dressed for the occasion!!

And thou shalt love the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might. And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart:  
**And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children,**  
and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up...  
**Deuteronomy 6:5 - 7**



Language Arts and Arithmetic for these two girls!!



The Gagnon girls are ready for another day!



## BBC/BBTS NEWS

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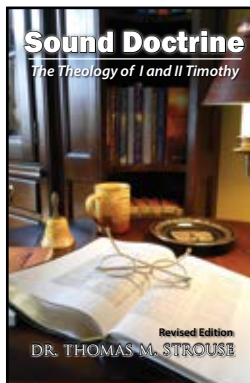
Upcoming Events

### Commentary on I & II Timothy Now Available!

Dr. Thomas Strouse's book *Sound Doctrine: A Commentary on I and II Timothy* is now available!

For the New Testament believer, theology is at the same time the most essential feature of New Testament preaching and teaching, and the most elusive. I have observed that, although an abundance of theological material and tools are available for the pastor and his people, there is a dearth of *sound doctrine* in the land today within New Testament Christianity. It is my contention that the discipline of New Testament Theology best serves pastors and Bible teachers in helping them to understand what the text meant as well as what it means

Dr. Thomas M. Strouse



### Upcoming Events at BBC BBTS Lecture Series

*The Bible and Calvinism:  
The Triune God's Working in Salvation*

November 14

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### Sixth Annual BBC Christmas Banquet

December 5 from 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Bible Baptist Church

*Study to shew thyself  
approved unto God, a  
workman that needeth  
not to be ashamed, rightly  
dividing the word of truth.*

*II Timothy 2:15*

### 2014 BBTS Fall Semester Has Begun!

The first semester of BBTS for the 2014-2015 year has begun with five courses being offered in residence and online.

#### **Mondays**

***Bibliology I  
Greek II***

9:00 AM - Noon

6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

#### **Wednesdays**

***I and II Timothy***

8:00 AM - 11:00 AM

#### **Thursdays**

***Zechariah***

6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

#### **Fridays**

***Ecclesiology***

9:00 AM - Noon

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

The Fall BBTS Classes are  
online and available for  
viewing at

[http://www.  
bbc-cromwell.org/  
seminary.shtml](http://www.bbc-cromwell.org/seminary.shtml)



Pastor Jerry Akers sang  
a moving solo while  
his daughter, Hannah,  
accompanied on the piano.



Pastor & Mrs. Jerry Akers.



## Beyond The Curtain



Pastor Cas Reeves

*"The heavens are just amazing to observe. Their vastness overwhelms our thoughts. They are difficult to describe in words. Men attempt to understand them and to discover their mysteries. Heavens' glories are a wonder to behold." (Psalm 104:1-5)*

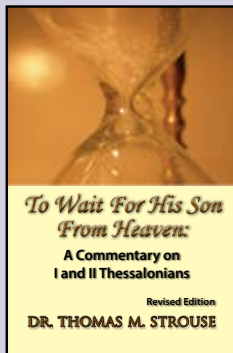
We learn from the Bible that the heavens belong to God and that He founded them, *"The heavens are thine, the earth also is thine: as for the world and the fullness thereof, thou hast founded them"* (Psa. 89:11), and that God created them with His hands, *"Of old thou hast laid the foundation of the earth: and the heavens are the work of thy hand"* (Psa. 102:25). And that He named them, *"And God called the firmament Heaven"* (Gen. 1:8). The heavens stand as a testimony to the glory, majesty and power of almighty God. *"The heavens declare the glory of God and the firmament sheweth his handywork"* (Psa. 19:1).

Now think of this, in Psa. 104:2, it says, that God *"... stretchest out the heavens like a curtain."* A curtain is something that shuts off our view or comprehension of what is beyond the point of its position. We know some curtains to be beautiful and some to be plain, but both do the same job. If then the heavens are like a curtain to God's abode, and the wonders of this curtain are beyond our comprehension in depth and majesty and awe, how much more are the glories and majesties and beauties of the place beyond that we call heaven in which God makes his abode and in which God's children will one day make their abode.

What a hope for Believers! What a declaration for God! What a condemnation for the unbelieving man. Let us be mindful, that as we look into the heavens that these same heavens leave mankind without an excuse for their unbelief (Rom. 1:20). -CAR

## Revised Edition of I & II Thessalonians Now Available!

Dr. Thomas M. Strouse has updated and released his latest commentary: *To Wait For His Son From Heaven: A Commentary on I and II Thessalonians*. The book may be purchased for \$20.00.



## DEVOTIONAL CORNER

Quotes From the Past:

James Monroe

1758-1831

5th President of the USA



James Monroe

*"The liberty, prosperity, and the happiness of our country will always be the object of my most fervent prayers to the Supreme Author of All Good."*

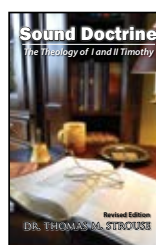


Bill Gagnon and Jeff Skorupski sang "Bow the Knee" accompanied by August Gagnon on the piano.

# THE BOOK CORNER

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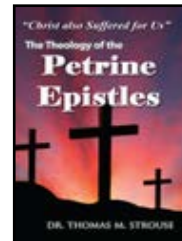
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I & II Timothy  
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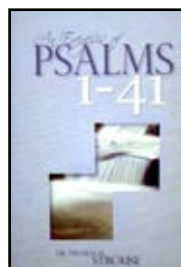
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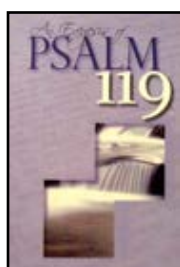
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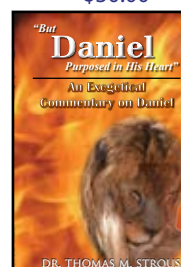
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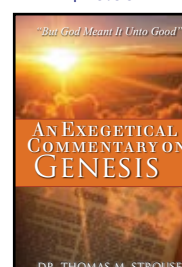
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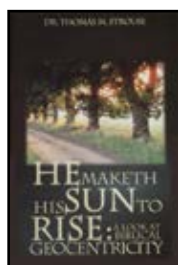
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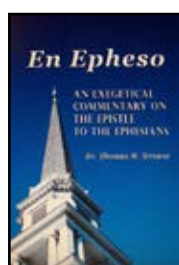
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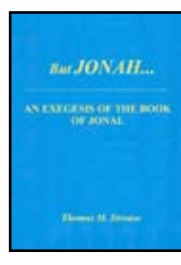
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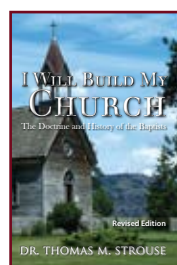
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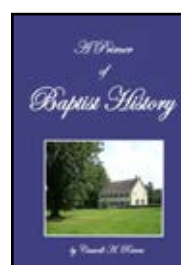
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## BBC Music Ministry



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