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BBTS GRADUATION WEEKEND



Dr. Thomas M. Strouse

The highlight of Bible Baptist Church is the Bible Baptist Theological Seminary Graduation Weekend, which the Lord blessed on Saturday, May 17, and Sunday May 18. Six candidates for various seminary degrees finished their final assignments and were awarded their degrees. First, Pastor Stephen Hinebaugh of area church Galilean Baptist Church in Stafford Springs, CT defended his 200 page plus dissertation on the Book of Ruth.

The dissertation committee members included Dr. Thomas M. Strouse, Dr. M. Ryan Strouse, Dr. Keith Main, and Professor Jeff Skorupski, all of whom commented, challenged, and ultimately commended the dissertation with full approval based on several necessary changes. The rigorous exchange was edifying and encouraging with the purpose of making good writing even better. The purpose of doctoral degrees is to train men in the Scriptures, and to encourage them to produce literary works such as Bible commentaries for the edification of pastors and church members in the Lord's Baptist assemblies. The Lord willing, Bible Baptist Church will want to help in putting this excellent biblical, theological, and practical commentary on Ruth into book form in the near future.



Class of 2025

Next, Bible Baptist Church treated the candidates for graduation and their families and friends with a sumptuous dinner at the Marriott, Courtyard, including sirloin steak, stuffed chicken, salads, potatoes, veggies, and luscious desserts. After the dinner, the five candidates gave personal testimonies of their family, conversion, ministry, and future plans so that the members of Bible Baptist Church could know about and pray for the five men. The candidates include the following: Mr. Gavin McGonigal (Certificate of

Theology); Mr. Donald White (Bachelor of Divinity); Pastor Ronilo Barlaio De Leon from Dubai, UAE, (Master of Biblical Studies), in absentia; Mr. Marquis Burwell (Master of Biblical Studies); Pastor David Short (Master of Divinity); and Pastor Stephen Hinebaugh (Doctor of Ministry).

On Sunday, May 18, 2025, the teaching/preaching ministries of BBC began at 10:00 AM at the Marriott, Courtyard. The MBS candidate Marquis Burwell taught the adult Sunday School class on Lev. 19:18 and heart issues. Dr. Thomas M. Strouse, Pastor, followed and dealt with Acts 10:1-6 in the morning service. At about 12:30 PM the members and guests enjoyed another wonderful meal of salmon, chicken, green beans, salads, and rolls along with a variety of desserts before the PM message at 1:30 PM during the commencement service. Dr. Strouse challenged the graduates with the contrast between the courageous Jeremiah and the compromiser Urijah, who both preached the truth, but the latter fled from the battle to Egypt and was sought and killed (Jer. 26:1-24).

SATURDAY DISSERTATION



Chiasmus of the Book of Ruth

Dr. Thomas M. Strouse

A. The Broken Family (1:1-5)

B. The Loss of the Family (1:6-22)

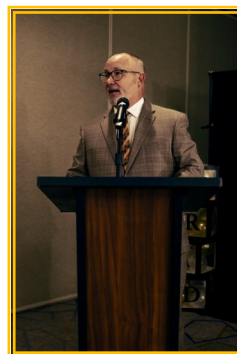
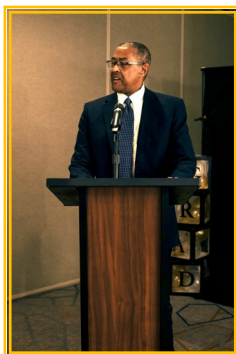
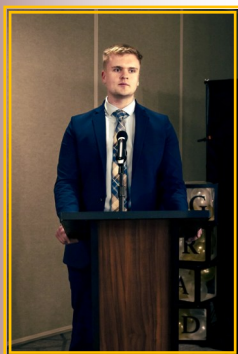
C. Boaz—the Family Man (2:1-23)

B.' The Gain of the Family (3:1-4:17)

A.' The Blessed Family (4:18-22)

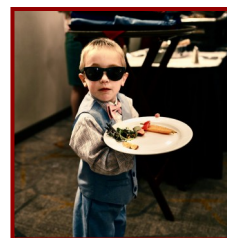
SATURDAY BANQUET

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The graduates gave a brief testimony during the banquet.

There was wonderful food and fellowship of reunions and rejoicing.



COMMENCEMENT SERVICE

CERTIFICATE OF THEOLOGY

Gavin McGonigal



BACHELOR OF DIVINITY

Donald L. White, Jr.



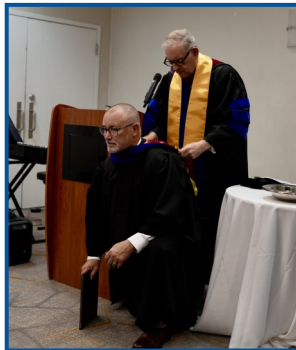
MASTER OF BIBLICAL STUDIES

Marquis Burwell
Ronilo Barlao De Leon,
in absentia



MASTER OF DIVINITY

David Leroy Short



DOCTOR OF MINISTRY

Stephen Matthew
Hinebaugh



MORE PHOTOS FROM GRADUATION WEEKEND



The congregation was full for the graduation ceremony



We are thankful for Kirsten Gagnon who was able to play piano for the services.



The graduates receive instruction from Dr Strouse as they prepare to walk down the aisle.



Graduate, and new father, Marquis Burwell preached a challenging message for the Sunday School Service, and Dr Strouse challenged the graduates during the commencement service.



PHOTOS

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SCHEDULE

BBC/BBTS 2025 SCHEDULE

May 26-30
Ireland Module
Greek IV &
Psalms 42-72

June 2-6
Community Baptist Church
Coopersburg, PA
Minor Prophets I

July 21-25
Calvary Independent Baptist Church
Plymouth, NH
Psalm 1-41

August 11-15
Vietnam Module
Hanoi, Vietnam
TBA

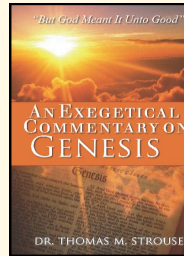
September 22-26
Bible Baptist Church
Nashua, NH
Minor Prophets II

October 19-22
Timeless Truths Bible Conference
Willow Grove Baptist Church
Waynesburg, PA
TBA

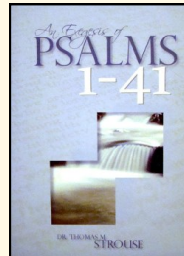
November 7, 2025
BBTS Fall Lecture Series
Galilean Baptist Church
Stafford Springs, CT
TBA

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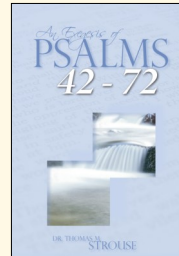
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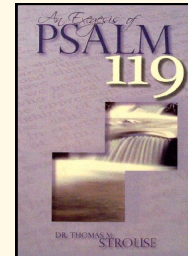
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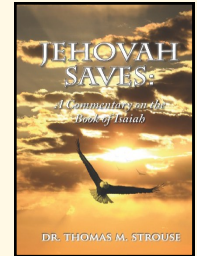
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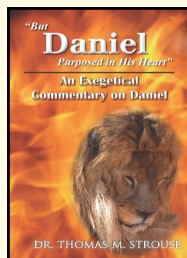
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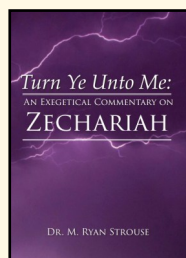
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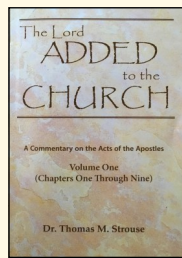
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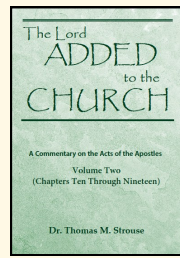
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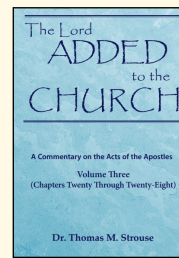
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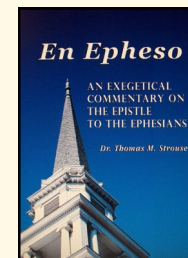
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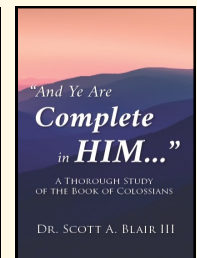
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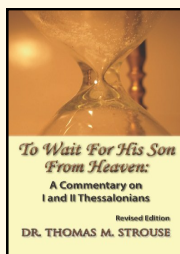
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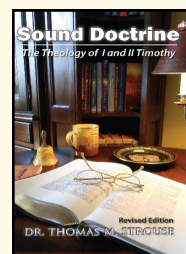
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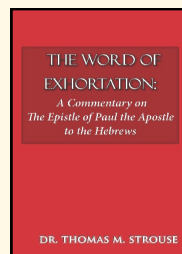
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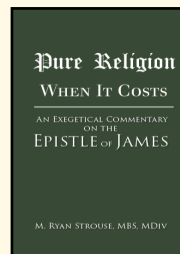
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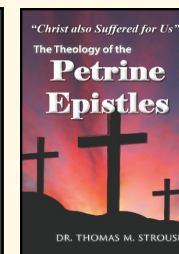
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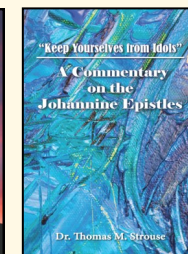
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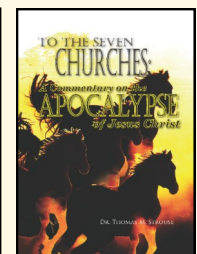
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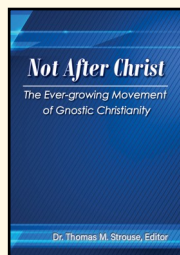
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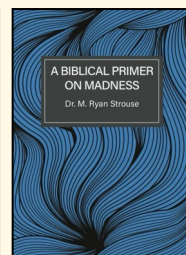
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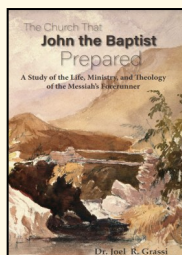
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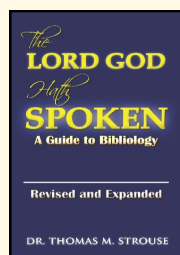
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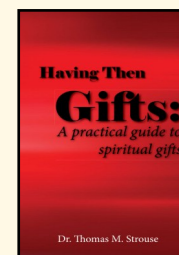
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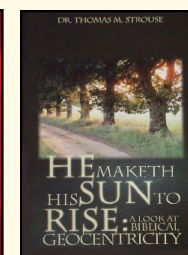
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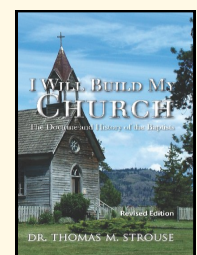
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Spiritual Gifts
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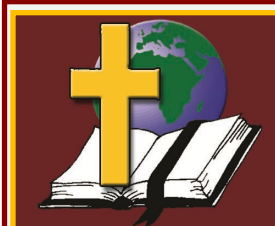


Geocentricity
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Baptist Doctrine & History
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