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BBTS 2024 COMMENCEMENT WEEKEND



Dr. Thomas M. Strouse

The Lord gave a wonderful time to Bible Baptist Church and the 14th annual Bible Baptist Theological Seminary 2024 Graduation Weekend, May 18 and 19, 2024. Both the Graduate Banquet and the Commencement Sunday Services were held at the Marriott Courtyard in Cromwell, CT for the church members and Bible Baptist Theological Seminary graduates and their guests. The Banquet on Saturday night honored the six graduates, namely Mr. Aiko Tinte (the Certificate of Theology), Mr. Dileshu Edwards, Pastor Mike Johnson, and Aleksei Jusev (the Master of Biblical Studies degree), and Mr. Mark Edwards and Pastor Stephen Hinebaugh (the Master of Divinity degree). Pastor David Short gave a biblical challenge to the graduates and Mr. Aiko and Miss Naomi Raquintan sang a special. The banquet consisted of sliced sirloin with roasted garlic au jus or red pepper stuffed chicken breast along with roasted potatoes, salad, rolls, and dessert.

On Sunday, Mr. Aiko Tinte taught Sunday School, expounding Phil. 1:1 ff., Dr. Thomas Strouse taught on “What happened on Pentecost,” and Dr. Jed Raquintan challenged the candidates with Scripture (Eccl. 12:9). Again, Miss Naomi Raquintan sang a special, “My Life is Thine.” The six candidates gave a personal testimony upon receiving their respective degrees. The graduates had finished their respective requirements, including the one hundred page Thesis for the Master of Divinity degree. Sunday dinner consisted of BBQ Pulled Pork or Apricot Chicken, along with rice pilaf, salad, rolls, and dessert.

Pray for these men who have the desire to continue to serve the good Lord.



Front row (l-r): Jeffrey Skorupski, Dr. Jed Raquintan, Dr. T.M. Strouse, Dr. M.R. Strouse, Dr. Keith Main
 Back row (l-r): Dileshu Edwards, Mike Johnson, Stephen Hinebaugh, Aleksei Jusev, Aiko Tinte, Mark Edwards

GRADUATION BANQUET PHOTOS

PHOTOS



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Aiko Tinte teaches for Sunday School and Dr. Jed Raquintan challenges the graduates during the commencement.



Pastor Mike Johnson and family with Dr. and Mrs. Strouse.



Left: Dileshu Edwards and family. Right: The Edwards Brothers.



Pastor Aleksei Jusev and children with wife Tatjana and attending via Facetime/Zoom.

2024 GRADUATION

CONFERRING OF DEGREES

CERTIFICATE OF THEOLOGY



Aiko Tinte

MASTER OF BIBLICAL STUDIES



Dileshu Edwards and wife Heather



Mike Johnson and wife Missy



Aleksei Jusev



MASTER OF DIVINITY



Mark Edwards and mother Esther



Stephen Hinebaugh and wife Jackie

DR. DONALD A. WAITE

12/8/1927—May 4, 2024

Obituary



My friend, dear brother, and companion in the defense for the Hebrew Masoretic and Greek Received Texts behind the *King James Version* has passed on to be with the precious Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ. His love for the Lord was evinced by his love for and defense of the Word of God (Jn. 14:15). Dr. Waite wrote many scholarly books and publications in defense the *King James Version* while founding the *Dean Burgon Society, Inc.*, the *Bible for Today, Inc.*, and pastoring *The Bible For Today Baptist Church*. His influence was worldwide, encouraging many to use, study, and defend the *Received Texts* of the Old Testament and New Testament. He was the *King James Version* apologist *extraordinaire*. Dr. Waite, the gentleman and scholar, excoriated the enemies of the Bible, namely the arrogant textual critics of past and present, while encouraging and informing the saints of God in the battle over the Bible. In 1970, Dr. Waite influenced me as a young Christian in seminary about the importance of knowing which English version of the Bible was God’s Word in English. I was privileged to have many personal conversations with him at seminary, during meals, in committees, and on the phone. I can remember several conversations with him about the defense of the *Johannine Comma*, “*For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one*” (I Jn. 5:7).

I have greatly appreciated Dr. Donald A. Waite and his interest in and influence upon me through the years. Moreover, I was interested in the fact that we shared the same *alma mater*, Purdue University. The spiritual and theological impact of Dr. Waite for the *King James Version* will carry on in the years to come to the Glory of God.

BIBLE CONFERENCE



Dr. M. Ryan Strouse

Dr. M. Ryan Strouse will be ministering in a Bible Conference at Willow Grove Baptist Church in Waynesburg, PA with Dr. Scott Blair and his church (June 26-30, 2024). The topic will be “Christ-like Masculinity in Marriage and Church.” As a professor of Bible Baptist Theological Seminary, Dr. Ryan has written three books, including *Pure Religion When it Costs. An Exegetical Commentary on the Epistle of James, Turn Ye unto Me. An Exegetical Commentary on Zechariah*, and *A Biblical Primer on Madness*. He and his wife Christy have four sons, Jack, Landon, Preston, and Bryce, and are expecting another.

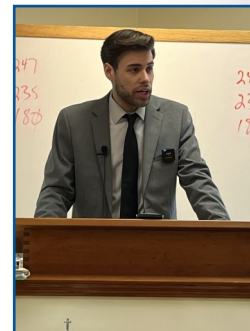
ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED

Dr. and Mrs. Jed Raquintan are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Miss Ruth Naomi Raquintan of Quezon City, Philippines to Mr. Aiko Tinte of Bristol, CT. They will be wed once they receive the approval for the Fiancée Visa.



The couple (center) is pictured with Dr. and Mrs. Strouse (left) and Dr. and Mrs. Raquintan (right)

AUGUST GAGNON GRADUATION



BBC church member, August Ryan Gagnon, son of Bill and Kirsten Gagnon, received his B.S in Robotics and Mechatronics Engineering Technology from Central Connecticut State University. He finished his coursework and received his diploma on August 27, 2023, however he was able to attend the commencement for the Class of 2024 on May 11, 2024. On Sunday, May 12th, he gave his testimony of how the Lord worked in his life to complete his degree as Bible Baptist Church recognized his accomplishment.

ADDITIONAL PHOTOS



Mrs. Jenny Nelson assisted in the livestream.



Mrs. Gagnon and August wait for lunch.



The Hinebaugh Family with Dr. and Mrs. Main.



Drs. Thomas and Ryan Strouse



Pastor Short gives a devotion during the banquet



Pastor Hinebaugh with new son Boaz



The Filipino fellowship: The Careso Family, the Raquintans, Aiko & Naomi.



Ryan, Mike Johnson and Dileshu enjoy a laugh.

BBC/BBTS 2024-2025 SCHEDULE

May 27-31
Ireland Module
Greek and Acts III

June 3-7
Community Baptist Church
 Coopersburg, PA
Bibliology

July 22-26
Plymouth, NH
TBA

June 26-30
Willow Grove Baptist Church
 Waynesburg, PA
 Bible Conference (R. Strouse)
Christ-like Masculinity in Marriage and Church

August 12-17
Indonesia Module and Commencement

September 23-27
Bible Baptist Church
 Nashua, NH
TBA

October 20-23
Willow Grove Baptist Church
 Waynesburg, PA
Timeless Truths Bible Conference

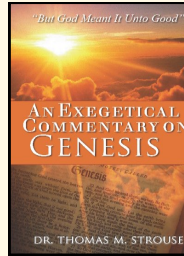
October 27
Calvary Baptist Church
 Mannington, WV
TBA

November 1
BBTS Fall Lecture Series
 Galilean Baptist Church
 Stafford Springs, CT
TBA

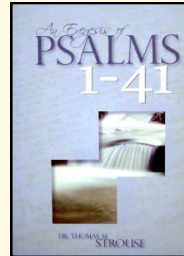
April 11, 2025
BBTS Spring Lecture Series
 Galilean Baptist Church
 Stafford Springs, CT
TBA

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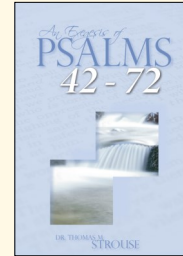
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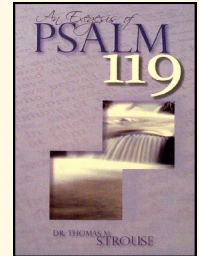
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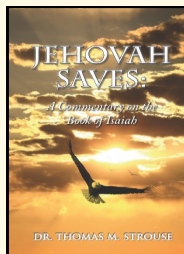
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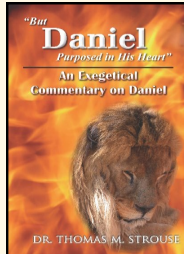
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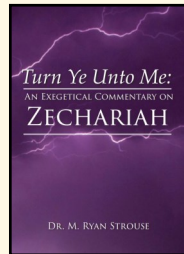
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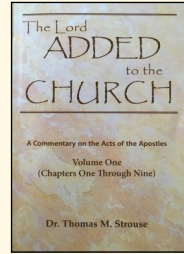
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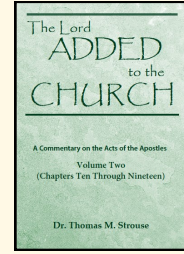
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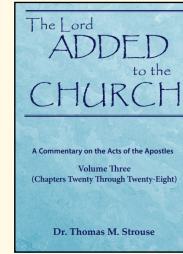
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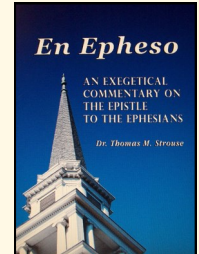
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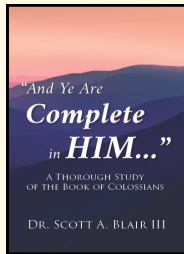
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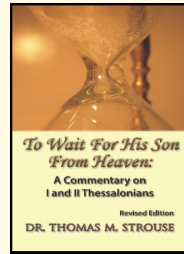
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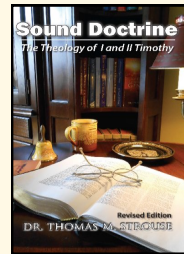
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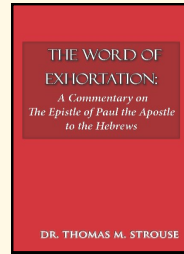
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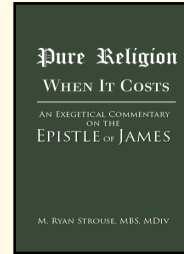
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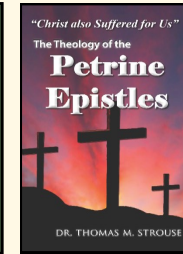
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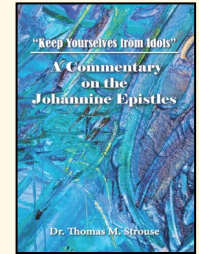
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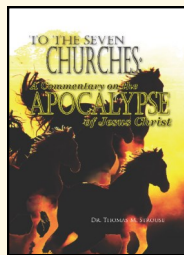
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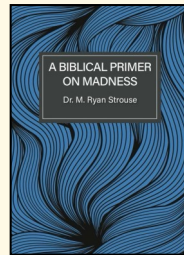
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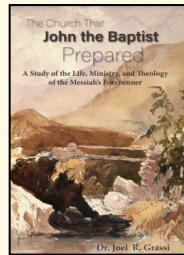
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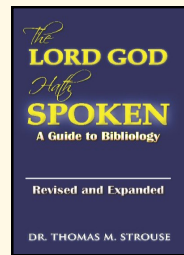
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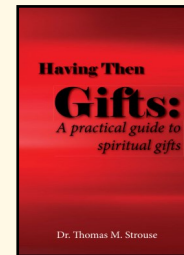
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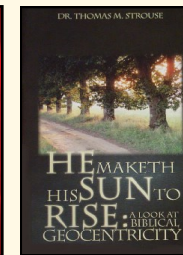
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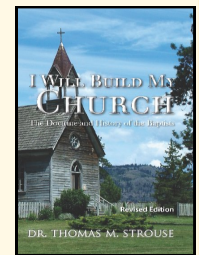
Bibliology
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Spiritual Gifts
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Geocentricity
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Baptist Doctrine & History
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