

# BBCUPDATE

Dr. Thomas M. Strouse

### DR. E. BILLY AND ANNETTE DUDLEY

Dible Baptist Church was privileged to have Dr. E. Billy Dudley and his wife Annette, visiting missionaries to Puerto Rico, minister with the word of God and testimonies on Sunday, July 17, 2022. Dr. Dudley, doctoral graduate from years ago under the teaching ministry of Dr. Strouse (1998), reported on his Bible college and seminary ministry in San Juan,

PR to many churches in the Caribbean Islands. He and Annette also testified to the grace of God concerning of murder of their son Luke about whom they wrote a Gospel tract, entitled "Choices & Consequences." The Lord used this tragedy to impact many people concerning salvation and consecration.



Dr. Dudley preaching from the Word of God.



Dudley's Gospel Tract



Dr. & Mrs. Dudley with Dr. & Mrs. Strouse



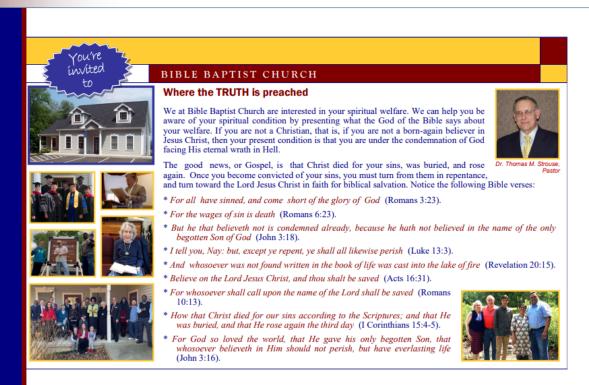




The congregation listened as Dr. Dudley presented his ministry in Puerto Rico during the afternoon service.

### **BBC MAILER**

Bible Baptist Church will be sending out this mailer to 12,500 homes in the Cromwell and Middletown, CT neighborhoods shortly. Pray that the Lord will use this to challenge families to seek out the truth through our New Testament assembly.





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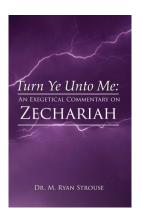
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### **NEW BOOKS**

r. M. Ryan Strouse has put his ThD. Dissertation into book form entitled *Turn Ye Unto Me: An Exegetical Commentary on Zechariah which* should be available by mid-August, 2022.

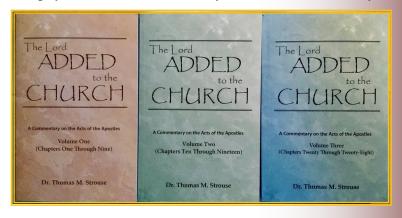


**Preface:** The LORD's plea throughout scripture is encapsulated in Zechariah 1:3. "...turn ye unto me, saith the LORD of hosts, and I will turn unto you." The oracle of Zechariah details the fragile remnant of Jews who returned to a decimated Jerusalem after seventy years of exile in Babylon; in their post-traumatic state of self-preservation, they struggled to obey the LORD and rebuild the Temple. Nevertheless, if they would turn to the LORD in despair, He would invoke His great jealousy to protect and empower them to accomplish a formidable task – rebuild the Temple. Ultimately, Zechariah reveals the LORD's jealousy to meet with His Jewish people in His designated place of worship. He uncovers that He plucks out broken failures from their sin to restore them to service in the

divinely appointed place of worship so that He gets all the Glory (Zech.1-6)! He implores them to abandon futile traditions that inhibit sincere worship in the divinely appointed place (Zech.7-8). Finally, He points to His Son – the Servant, Stone, BRANCH, Corner, Nail, Bow, and KING – who will reign in the Millennial Temple with those He redeemed (Zech.9-14)!

r. Thomas Strouse is pleased to announce that the Third Volume of his three volume commentary on *The Lord Added to the Church. A Commentary on the Acts of the Apostles* (Chapters Twenty through Twenty-Eight) is now available. This last volume contains 609 pages with three appendices. The three volume set has a total of 1948 pages and 6717 footnotes chocked full of Hebrew and Greek words and grammar with biblical notes and cross references for relevant study. The three volume set contains about one half millions words, and is the product of about three and one half years of daily study of and writing about the second work addressed to Theophilus from the physician Luke, the *Book of Acts*. The commentary is

an effort to help pastors and church members to have a better understanding of the *Book of Acts*, including difficult passages and interpretative issues. This work attempts to refute with Scripture Protestant eisegesis and parachurch assumptions. The First Volume covered Chapters One through Nine, and the Second Volume dealt with chapters Ten



through Nineteen. The Bibliography contains over two hundred and fifty entries of relevant works, old and new, on the *Book of Acts*. All three volumes sell for \$30.00 each or \$70.00 for the set plus postage.

### LABOR DAY COOKOUT

n Monday, September 5, 2022, Bible Baptist Church will host the annual Labor Day Cookout at the Strouse House for Bible Baptist Church members, sister churches, and Bible Baptist Theological Seminary students and graduates. The times will be 2-7 PM with details forthcoming.

**Pastor Cas Reeves** 

## JESUS THE WAY

Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also. And whither I go ye know, and the way ye know. Thomas saith unto him, Lord, we know not whither thou goest; and how can we know the way? Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me. John 14:1-6

When I think about the time I received the Lord Jesus Christ as my Savior, I always think about this passage. It was these words of truth that the Holy Spirit used to pierce my heart and convince me that I had to put my trust solely and only in Jesus Christ the Son of God.

For years I went to church. I did learn about Jesus Christ and I did believe in Him in an intellectual way, as one would believe that George Washington was the United States first President. However, my belief was not with my heart as God's word teaches.

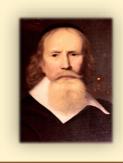
"That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation." Romans 10:9,10

And while it is not a bad thing to believe in God and in His Son Jesus Christ, it is not enough to have a mental acknowledgement. As we learn from the Scripture, even the devils (demons) believe in God (James 2:19), but they are not going to heaven (Matthew 25:41).

Nevertheless, when I was shown John 14:6, there was no question as to how one could get to the Father, who is in heaven. Jesus said, "I am the way..." This simply means that Jesus Christ is the ONLY WAY to go to heaven. If one adds anything else, such as: baptism, good works, church membership or even a sacrificial life of works; and he thinks these things will get him into heaven, he is denying "the truth" that gives "the life" which is in Jesus Christ "the way."

Can you remember receiving Jesus Christ as your Savior? Remember it is a personal moment when you repent of all that you have believed and practiced, recognizing for yourself that Jesus Christ was the ONLY WAY to heaven, and then you bowed your head in prayer and received Him as your personal Savior.

# QUOTES FROM THE PAST



"...all and every person and persons may, from time to time, and at all times hereafter, freely and fully have and enjoy his and their own judgments and consciences, in matters of religious concernments, throughout the tract of land (Rhode Island) hereafter mentioned, they behaving themselves peaceable and quietly..."

John Clarke (1609-1676)

Baptist Preacher, Advocate of Religious Freedom,

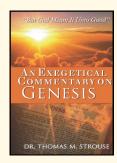
Considered by many as the founder of the first Baptist Church in America

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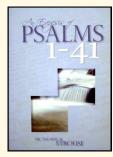
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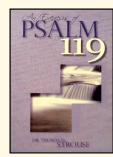
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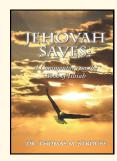
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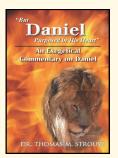
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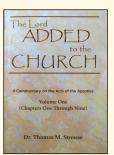
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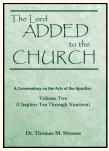
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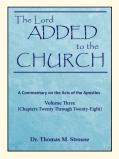
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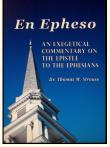
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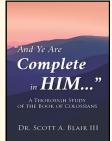
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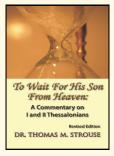
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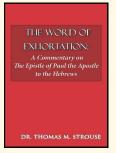
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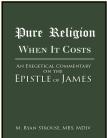
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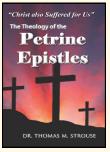
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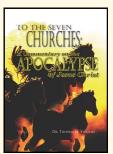
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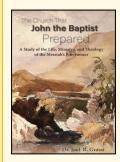
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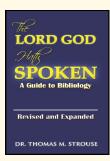
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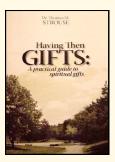
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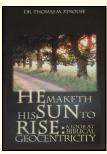
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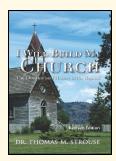
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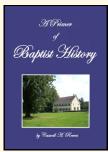
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### **MORE PHOTOS**











Several church members took home boxes of mailers to count and bundle in preparation for the postal service.





after the Wednesday evening service.

# BBC/BBTS 2022 SCHEDULE

### **July 25-29**

Calvary Independent Baptist Church Plymouth, NH "Biblical Geography"

**August 22-26** Fairhaven Baptist College Chesterton, IN Acts, Vol. 1 (Chapters 1-9)

### September 5

Labor Day Cookout (2-7pm) Strouse House

### October 2-5

Willow Grove Baptist Church Waynesburg, PA Bible Conference