



# BBC UPDATE

## BBTS 2023 FALL LECTURE SERIES

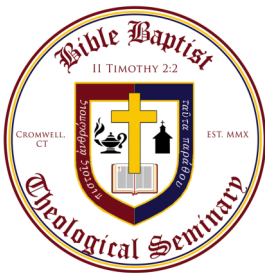


Dr. Thomas M. Strouse

**BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH** will be hosting the BBTS 2023 Fall Lecture Series at Galilean Baptist Church in Stafford Springs, CT. Pastor Stephen Hinebaugh, MDiv candidate at Bible Baptist Theological Seminary, has graciously extended the invitation to host the lecture series again this year. The Lecture Series will begin at 9:00 AM and go until 3:00 PM with breaks and luncheon included. A book

table will be available for biblical books dealing with several different commentaries on Bible books. **Please RSVP by November 1, 2023** with the number in your party. Dr. Thomas Strouse will deliver the lecture entitled “The Present Challenges to the Lord’s Assemblies.” Following is an excerpt from the Introduction:

### Excerpt



“The Apostle Peter wrote to his scattered church members who established congregations throughout five providences in Asia Minor and cautioned them. He proclaimed, saying, *“For the time is come that judgment must begin at the house of God: and if it first begin at us, what shall the end be of them that obey not the gospel of God? And if*

*the righteous scarcely be saved, where shall the ungodly and the sinner appear? Wherefore let them that suffer according to the will of God commit the keeping of their souls to him in well doing, as unto a faithful Creator”* (I Pet. 4:17-19). Because of the influence of anemic doctrine and the abundance of vast affluence within American Christianity, the Lord’s assemblies have received numerous challenges in doctrine and practice. To exacerbate the challenges are the social-political-cultural (“woke”) and financial influences encroached upon independent Baptist churches. America is now a country whereby many have never been told “No!” by any authority nor held accountable to anything. Whereas Baptist churches with fundamentalist baggage<sup>1</sup> have the tendency to weave these influences into biblical doctrine and practice, and the outcome is always disastrous. This essay will be a challenge to return to and to hold fast biblical Christianity. Doctrines and practices that were the essence of the faith *“once delivered”* (Jude 1:4) have now been dampened, diverged, dismissed, or even denied. This lecture will examine the main biblical doctrines and practices including Bibliology, Theology Proper, Soteriology, Ecclesiology, and Eschatology, while refuting the “new” heresies of old...”



<sup>1</sup> When biblicist pastors receive the call to shepherd fundamental Baptist churches, the respective membership will quickly diminish in size because truth will root out Protestant doctrine and practices of fundamentalism!

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# THE ANTICHRIST'S VESTED INTEREST IN ISRAEL

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**ACCORDING** to Daniel's prophecy, the Gentile Antichrist from the Revived Roman Empire will have vested interest in Israel and in the rebuilding of the Third Temple, as Scripture prophesied, saying "*And after threescore and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off, but not for himself: and the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary; and the end thereof shall be with a flood, and unto the end of the war desolations are determined. And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week: and in the midst of the week **he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease**, and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make it desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate*" [Dan. 9:26-27]).

As the globalist military leader, will he play on the sympathy for the Jewish people and promote the rebuilding of the Third Temple so he may enter the sanctuary and demand that the Jews worship him as their Messiah, as the Apostle Paul revealed, saying "...*that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition; Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; **so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God***" (II Thes. 2:3b-4)? Also, the Apostle John unveiled, saying, "*And when they shall have finished their testimony, the beast that ascendeth out of the bottomless pit shall make war against them, and shall overcome them, and kill them*" (Rev. 11:7). Once the two witnesses are killed, the Antichrist will enter the Third Temple and demand that the Jews worship him and his image, as John recorded, saying, "*And deceiveth them that dwell on the earth by the means of those miracles which he had power to do in the sight of the beast; saying to them that dwell on the earth, that **they should make an image to the beast**, which had the wound by a sword, and did live. And he had power to give life unto the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak, and cause that as many as **would not worship the image of the beast should be killed***" (Rev. 13:14-15).

The Apostle Paul challenged the Lord's churches saying, "*And that, **knowing the time**, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep: for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed. The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armour of light. Let us walk honestly, as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying. But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfil the lusts thereof.*" (Rom. 13:11-14). The Rapture of those in Christ is two thousand years closer than when Paul affirmed the imminent Return of Christ (I Thes. 4:14-18). Christians need to have the "*understanding of the times*" (I Chr. 12:32), and commit to total obedience to and service for the precious Lord Jesus Christ!

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# FELICIANO AND KATIE MENDOLAS MINISTRY



ON Sunday October 8, 2023, Missionaries Feliciano and Katie Mendolas presented their new ministry of training nationals in Calvary Baptist College under the aegis of Calvary Baptist Tabernacle Church in Carolina, PR. Brother Feliciano studied under Dr. E. Billy Dudley, dean and professor of CBC. Dr. Dudley received his doctorate from Tabernacle

Baptist Theological Seminary in Virginia Beach, VA under Dr. Strouse. The ministry in CBC has produced about 130 graduates, many of whom are involved in local church ministries in the Caribbean Islands. We are thankful for these faithful men in this important ministry in PR. *“And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also”* (II Tim. 2:2).



*Pastor and Mrs. Strouse with Feliciano and Katie Mendolas*



*Above: Brother Mendolas presents a challenge from 1 Kings 17*



*Left: the men examine the display (and enjoy a piece of candy too).*

## THE CARESO FAMILY



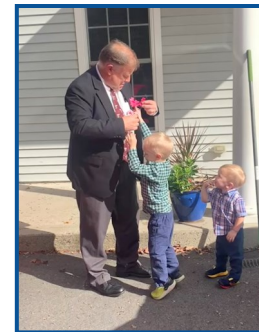
*Pastor Strouse with the Careso Family.*

The Filipino family of Mr. Jerome Careso has been attending Bible Baptist Church for several weeks as they are attempting to get established in New England. By profession, Jerome is a nurse and has been traveling from NYC with his wife Cecilia and daughter Celine and son Collin. They come from a fine independent Baptist church in the Philippines pastored by Pastor Nards Salgado. Pray for them.



*Left: Jeff and Amanda share dog photos!*

*Right: Preston and Bryce help Mr. Bill place some flowers that they picked into his lapel.*



## BBC/BBTS 2023-2024 SCHEDULE

### 2023

**October 22-25**  
**Willow Grove Baptist Church**  
Waynesburg, PA  
*Timeless Truths Bible Conference*

**October 28-29**  
**Calvary Baptist Church**  
Mannington, WV  
*TBA*

**November 10**  
**BBTS Fall Lecture Series**  
Galilean Baptist Church  
Stafford Springs, CT  
*The Present Challenges to the Lord's Assemblies*

**December 10**  
**Commencement Service**  
Seoul, Korea

### 2024

**January 1-5**  
**Ireland Module**  
*Greek Project and Acts 10-19*

**January 15-19**  
**Fairhaven Baptist College**  
Chesterton, IN  
*Johannine Epistles*

**February 26-March 1**  
**Philippines Module**  
Quezon City  
*Johannine Epistles*

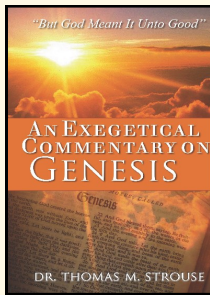
**April 12**  
**BBTS Spring Lecture Series**  
*"TBA"*

**May 18**  
**Bible Baptist Church**  
*Graduation Banquet*

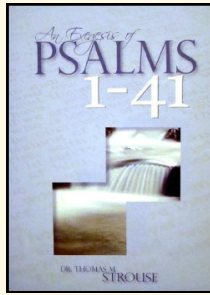
**May 19**  
**Bible Baptist Church**  
*Commencement Service*

**June 3-7**  
**Community Baptist Church**  
Coopersburg, PA  
*Bibliology*

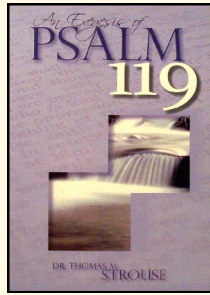
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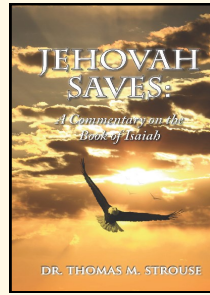
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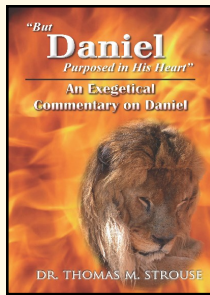
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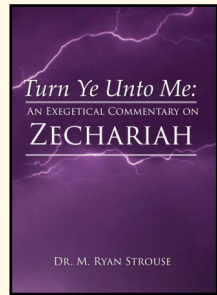
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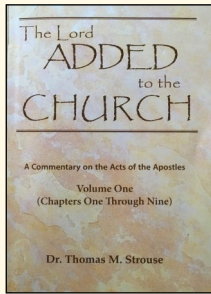
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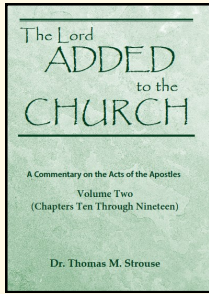
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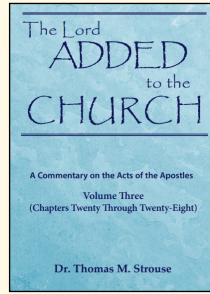
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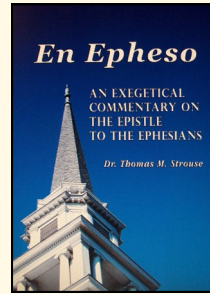
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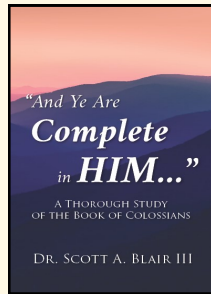
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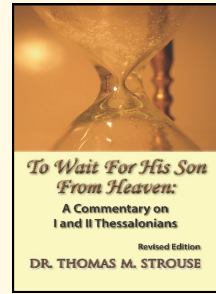
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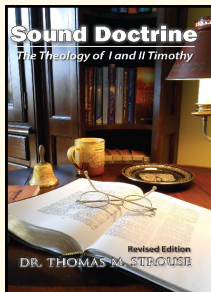
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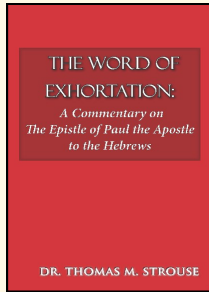
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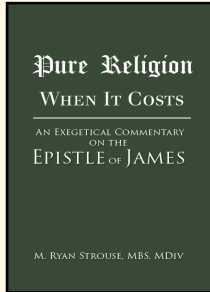
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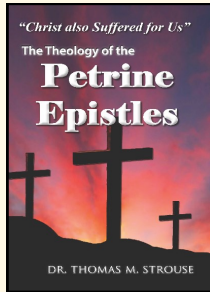
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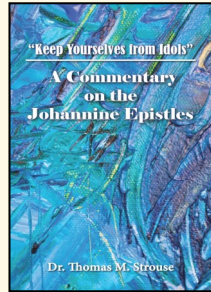
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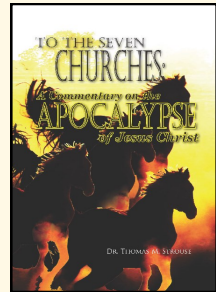
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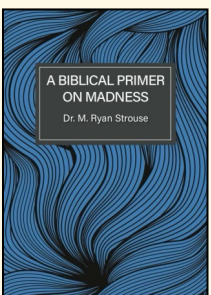
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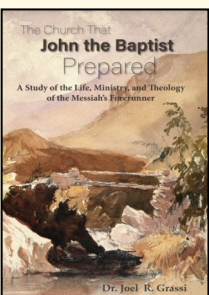
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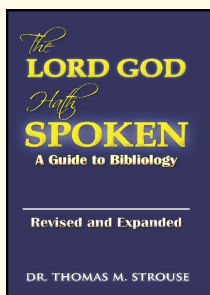
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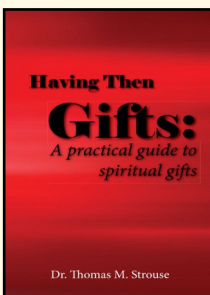
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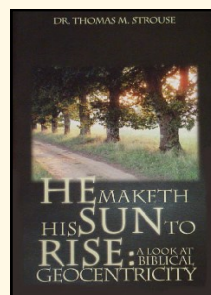
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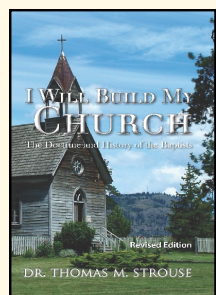
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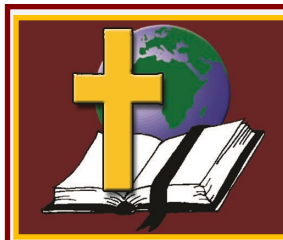
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