



# BBC UPDATE

## DR. JERRY WILHITE



Dr. Thomas M. Strouse

On Sunday, September 4, 2022, Dr. Jerry Wilhite and his wife Debbie with their daughter Debriana and son Joshua ministered in the church with song and presentation of their ministry in Australia. The Wilhites have been great friends in the service of the Lord since 1977.

They challenged Bible Baptist Church about serving the Lord wherever He leads.



## BBC LABOR DAY COOKOUT BBTS



The Lord withheld the rain on September 5, 2022 for the annual Labor Day Cookout at the Strouse House. Believers from at least nine different assemblies enjoyed the fellowship, food, and fun along with a challenging message from Dr. Jerry Wilhite about the need for biblical wisdom in this perverse world. Children and young people had the opportunity to reunite while the older adults fellowshiped around memories of Christian service and truth. Although rain was forecasted for all day, the Lord gave about a three-hour hiatus from rain in answer to many prayers. We thank the Lord for the annual time to allow sister churches to fellowship in truth.



Jerry Wilhite

Left: Radar shows how the Lord sent the rain around the Strouse House (blue dot)!

# LABOR DAY COOKOUT PHOTOS

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LABOR DAY COOKOUT



# ANNUAL CROQUET COMPETITION



*The rain finally came, however it did not stop the dedicated and competitive men continue with the annual croquet tournament. This newly added Labor Day activity is just as fun to watch as it is to play.*

*Below: Preston helped Mr. Gagnon set up the course.*



*There was plenty activities for children of all ages: volleyball, corn hole, giant connect 4, sidewalk chalk drawing, etc. There was also time for fellowship and making new friends.*



## TIMELY TRUTHS BIBLE CONFERENCE

Dr. Scott Blair III will host the Timely Truths Bible Conference on October 2-5, 2022 at the Willow Grove Baptist Church in Waynesburg, PA. Dr. Thomas Strouse will preach from and survey the Book of Hosea. All are welcome.



## ISREAL TOUR



Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Strouse along with Dr. and Mrs. Scott Blair will travel with several others to Israel for a twelve-day tour of the Promised Land including Jerusalem. This will be their second trip in which they see the sites and discoveries of many biblical accounts, concluding with several days in Jerusalem, the greatest city in the Lord's estimation and the only city which will remain standing at the end of the coming seven-year Tribulation.

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## JON STOCKTON

We are thankful for the Lord's blessing upon the sister church in Nashua, NH, Bible Baptist Church, which has called Pastor Jonathan Stockton to lead the assembly, beginning on October 2, 2022. Pastor Stockton is an experienced minister, having been mentored by Dr. David Smith of Community Baptist Church as well as having received his Master of Biblical Studies from Bible Baptist Theological Seminary. Pray for Pastor and Mrs. Stockton and their family of three children.



## BBTS FALL LECTURE SERIES

The Bible Baptist Theological Seminary 2022 Fall Lecture Series will be held on November 11, 2022 at Galilean Baptist Church in Stafford Springs, CT. The subject will be "When Euroclydon Comes: Faith or Madness?"

**Session #1:** "Paul's Prosperous Journey by Faith." Dr. Thomas M. Strouse.

**Sessions #2 and #3:** "Madness: Biblical Primer on Mental Illness." Dr. M. Ryan Strouse.

A delicious luncheon will be provided, so please RSVP to [drtms\\_bbts@juno.com](mailto:drtms_bbts@juno.com) with number attending by November 1, 2022

## THE “FREEDOM IN CHRIST” TO CONSUME ALCOHOL

For Christians who claim that they have “freedom in Christ” to drink wine and beer, of course only “in moderation,” and who desire the filling of alcohol rather than the filling of the Spirit (Eph. 5:18), they may want to consider the physical effects of alcohol as reported by non-biased physicians. In the *Journal of Hepatology*, they may want to read “No Safe Level of Alcohol Consumption—Implications for Global Health” by Gautam Mehta and Nick Sheron.



<https://www.google.com/search?client=firefox-b-1-d&q=%E2%80%9CNo+Safe+Level+of+Alcohol+Consumption%E2%80%94Implications+for+Global+Health%E2%80%9D+by+Gautam+Mehta+and+Nick+Sheron.>

Paul gave the severe warning, saying, “*And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess...*” (Eph. 5:18a). The nature of alcohol “*is excess*” or addiction! The Bible warns that alcohol is a “*woe*” (Prov. 23:29-32), and that bartenders are under the curse of God, saying “*Woe unto him that giveth his neighbour drink, that putteth thy bottle to him, and makest him drunken also, that thou mayest look on their nakedness!*” (Hab. 2:15). When Christians develop early stages of dementia and other debilitating effects of alcohol consumption, they may say in retrospect, if able, “*maybe I should have obeyed the Lord!*” “*Be sure your sin will find you out*” (Num. 32:23)!

### BBC/BBTS 2022 SCHEDULE

**August 28**

BBTS Classes Begin

**October 2-5**

Willow Grove Baptist Church  
Waynesburg, PA  
*Bible Conference*

**November 11**

BBTS Fall Lecture Series  
Stafford Springs, CT

*“When Euroclydon Comes: Faith or  
Madness?”*



Pastor Cas Reeves

## LAW OF CHRIST

*“Bear ye one another’s burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ.”*

Galatians 6:2

The law of Christ is the love of the brethren. *“A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you. that ye also love one another. By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another”* (John 13:34-35).

The love of the brethren is an identification mark of those who are saved. *“We know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren. He that loveth not his brother abideth in death”* (1 John 3:14). It is clear, if a person calling himself a Christian does not have compassion for a fellow Christian, that person is lost and still *“abideth in death.”* On the other hand, the person who clearly evidences love for other Christians knows he is saved having *“passed from death unto life.”*

The love of the brethren is also a work of helping. *“Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a fault (sin), ye which are spiritual, restore such an one in the spirit of meekness; considering thyself, least thou also be tempted”* (Galatians 6:1). The word, “restore” means “to mend.” The idea may be exemplified by the setting of a broken finger so that it can mend properly. Christians who are walking with the Lord are to have compassion upon those who are faltering in their walk, and are to help them to recover. This is done by brotherly love and by a gentle spirit, keeping in mind that any believer might find himself faltering in his walk and needing the kind and loving assistance of another for help.

The love of the brethren is sharing with a brother in need. *“But whoso hath this world’s good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him?”* (1 John 3:17). The love of God does not abide in those who do not show compassion for a brother in need. That is why true Christians are exhorted, *“let us not love in word, neither in tongue; but in deed and in truth”* (1 John 3:18). In other words, Christians are to stop loving by words only, but continually love by deeds. The greatest example of this behavior is found in the sacrificial death of Jesus Christ. *“Hereby perceive we the love of God, because he laid down his life for us: and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren”* (1 John 3:16). -CAR

## QUOTES FROM THE PAST



*“No free government, or the blessings of liberty, can be preserved to any people but by a firm adherence to justice, moderation, temperance, frugality, and virtue; and by a frequent recurrence to fundamental principles.”*

**PATRICK HENRY (1736 - 1799)**

*American Patriot*

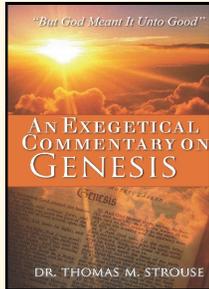
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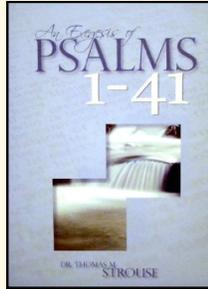
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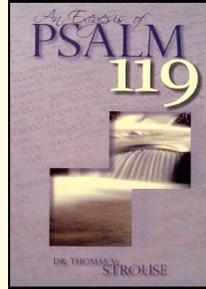
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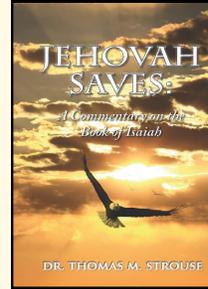
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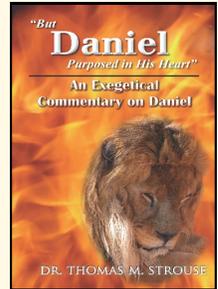
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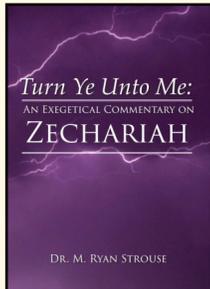
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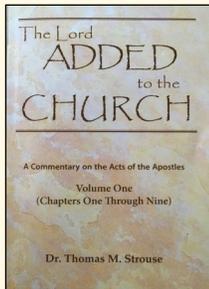
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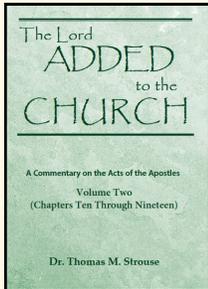
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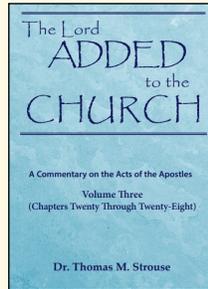
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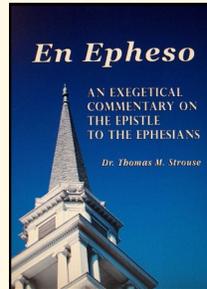
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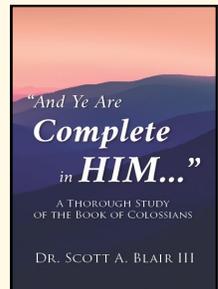
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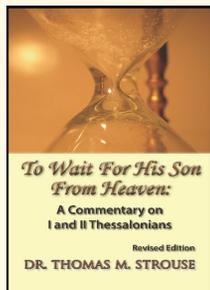
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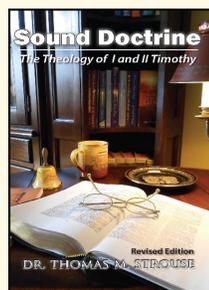
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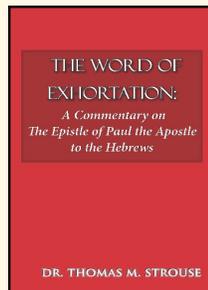
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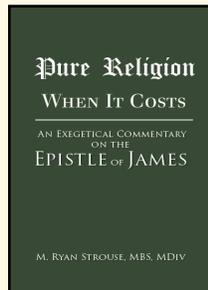
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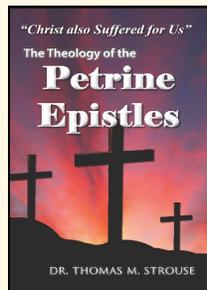
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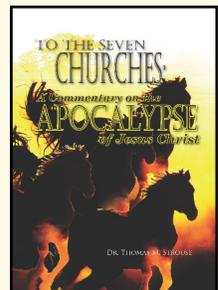
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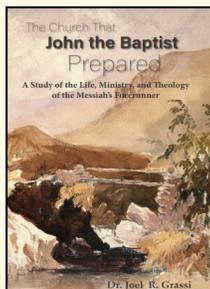
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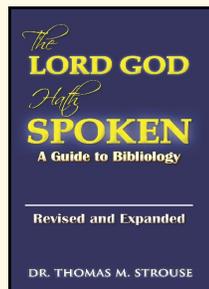
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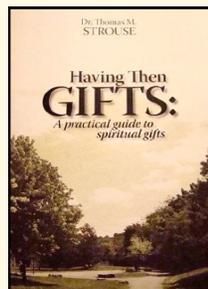
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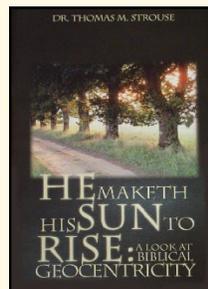
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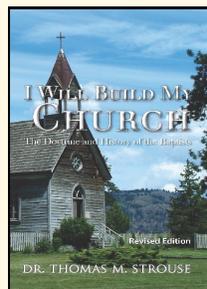
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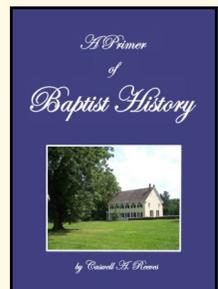
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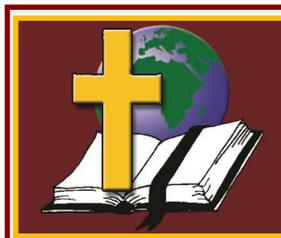


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