

BBC UPDATE

BBTS Modules in Portugal

Dr. Thomas Strouse



During the week of January 7-11, 2013, the Lord blessed as Dr. Thomas M. Strouse and Associate Professor Jeff Skorupski traveled to Portugal to present two BBTS modules for pastors and missionaries in Portugal and Spain. The Dr. Thomas Strouse modules were well attended with sever-

al new pastors and missionaries to BBTS. The courses Dr.

Strouse taught were Ecclesiology and the Book of Job, focusing on the biblical exegesis of pertinent passages dealing with ἐκκλησίά and on the exposition of all forty-two chapters of Job. Living Hope Baptist Church and Pastor Mark Periera were great hosts for this extension of Bible Baptist Theological Seminary. The city Albufiera, Portugal, where the host church is located, is a beautiful resort city with wonderful climate and gorgeous views.



Class picture of 17 of total 19 seminarians that attended BBTS Modules in Albufiera, Portugal.

Above: Brother Jeff Skorupski preached the evening message at Living Hope Baptist Church through an interpreter.

Right: Pastor Thomas Strouse also preached Sunday morning service through an interpreter.



The Third Annual BBC



Kowship Saturday, March 9, 2013

MRS. RHONDA MAIN. GUEST SPEAKER

On March 9, 2013, BBC will host the Third Annual Ladies Fellowship from 10 AM to 1 PM. Mrs. Rhonda Main, wife of Pastor Keith Main (Heritage Baptist Church, Endicott, NY), will share her testimony. The fellowship will include congregational singing, special music, testimonies, and a brunch.

Please RSVP with number of ladies attending by March 1 to

drtms bbts@juno.com.

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Welcome Baby Rossignol!



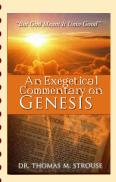
We are thankful for the new addition to Mr. and Mrs. Gino Rossignol's family, Joshua Titus Rossignol on Dec. 30, 2012. Joshua weighed 8 lb. 12 oz. Both baby and mom are doing fine.

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Save the Date!

BBTS Spring Lecture Series
Thursday, April 18



"Evangelism and Church Planting"

See Page 6 for details

BBTS Module on Ecclesiology to be Held at BBC in Cromwell

The seminary course *Ecclesiology* will be held at Bible Baptist Church on **Jan. 21-25, 2013**. Anyone

interested may register on Monday, January 21 at 5 PM for the class, which will run 5-10 PM each night. The cost is \$300.00 for seminarians pursuing BBTS degrees.





Pastor Strouse took a photo of this blooming almond tree during his trip to Portugal.

Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, Jeremiah, what seest thou? And I said, I see a rod of an almond tree.

Jeremiah 1:11

BBTS Spring Classes

Mondays

 Greek Proficiency Review
 10:00 AM -12:00 PM

 Aramaic I
 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

 Hebrew IV
 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Wednesdays

1 Corinthians 8:00 AM - 11:00 AM Greek IV 5:00 pm - 7:00 AM

Thursdays

Angelology 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Fridays

Greek II 8:00 AM - 10:00 AM

PRAYER

The Lord's Prayers

The Lord Jesus Christ prayed often during His earthly ministry ("Who in the days of his flesh, when he had offered up prayers and supplications with strong crying and tears unto him that was able to save him from death, and was heard in that he feared" [Heb. 5:7]); here are the occasions:

- I. Prayer at His Baptism: "Now when all the people were baptized, it came to pass, that Jesus also being baptized, and praying, the heaven was opened" (Lk. 3:21).
- II. Prayer after a Crowded Day: "And in the morning, rising up a great while before day, he went out, and departed into a solitary place, and there prayed" (Mk. 1:35).
- III. Prayer after Fame: "And he withdrew himself into the wilderness, and prayed" (Lk. 5:15).
- IV. Prayer with His Disciples: "And it came to pass, as he was alone praying, his disciples were with him: and he asked them, saying, Whom say the people that I am?" (Lk. 9:18).
- V. Prayer on the Mount: "And as he prayed, the fashion of his countenance was altered, and his raiment was white and glistering" (Lk. 9:29).
- VI. Prayer after Spiritual Victory: "In that hour Jesus rejoiced in spirit, and said, I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes: even so, Father; for so it seemed good in thy sight" (Lk. 10:21).
- VII. Prayer as His Habit: "And it came to pass, that, as he was praying in a certain place, when he ceased, one of his disciples said unto him, Lord, teach us to pray, as John also taught his disciples" (Lk. 11:1).
- VIII. Prayer at a Gravesite: "Then they took away the stone from the place where the dead was laid. And Jesus lifted up his eyes, and said, Father, I thank thee that thou hast heard me. And I knew that thou hearest me always: but because of the people which stand by I said it, that they may believe that thou hast sent me" (Jn. 11:41-42).
- IX. Prayer in the Mountain: "And when he had sent them away, he departed into a mountain to pray" (Mk. 6:46).
- X. Prayer in a Time of Trouble: "Now is my soul troubled; and what shall I say? Father, save me from this hour: but for this cause came I unto this hour" (Jn. 12:27).
- XI. Prayer for Peter: "And the Lord said, Simon, Simon, behold, Satan hath desired to have you, that he may sift you as wheat: But I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not: and when thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren" (Lk. 22:31-32).
- XII. The Lord's Prayer: "These words spake Jesus, and lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, Father, the hour is come; glorify thy Son, that thy Son also may glorify thee" (Jn. 17:1).
- XIII. Prayer in Gethsemane: "And being in an agony he prayed more earnestly: and his sweat was as it were great drops of blood falling down to the ground" (Lk. 22:44).
- XIV. Prayer on the Cross: "Then said Jesus, Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do. And they parted his raiment, and cast lots" (Lk. 23:34), "And about the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, Eli, Eli, Iama sabachthani? that is to say, My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?" (Mt. 27:46), and "And when Jesus had cried with a loud voice, he said, Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit: and having said thus, he gave up the ghost" (Lk. 23:46).

PORTUGAL MODULE



Above: (left to right): Jeff, Pastor Silberstein of France, host pastor Mark Periera, missionary Sergiu Serdu of Romania, Dr. Bob Zemeski from Ireland and myself Dr. Strouse.

cussing theology during break.

Left: Hotel Accommodations for Dr. Strouse and Jeff Skorupski





Pastor and Deacon of Living Hope Baptist Church

BBTS Module Classes

January 7-11, 2013 **BBTS Europe Module** "Ecclesiology" "Job"

Albufeira, Portugal

February 18-22, 2013 **BBTS Philippines Module** "Book of Job" "I and II Thessalonians"

Quezon City Philippines

January 21-25, 2013

BBTS Module -"Ecclesiology"

Cromwell, CT

March 11-15, 2013

HBTS Module "1 Corinthians" Endicott, NY

Children

Pastor Cas Reeves



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Lo, children are an heritage of the LORD: and the fruit of the womb is his reward. As arrows are in the hand of a mighty man; so are children of the youth. Happy is the man that hath his quiver full of them: they shall not be ashamed, but they shall speak with the enemies in the gate.

Psalm 127:3-5

Children are: Prize-able, "an heritage of the LORD" (vs.3). Profitable, "As arrows are in the hand of a mighty man; so are children of the youth" (vs. 4). Pleasurable, "Happy is the man that hath his quiver full of them" (vs. 5). And promise-able, "they shall not be ashamed, but they shall speak with the enemies in the gate" (a witness).

DEVOTIONAL CORNER

God hints at the most important priority for parents. He does this when he says, "Lo, children are an heritage of the Lord" (Psalm 127:3). The word "Lo" is a word expressing, "behold" or "see." It is an expression to get our attention. God wants us to know that He is sharing the children of His estate with us. If then, children belong to the God of heaven, our single most important priority as parents is to get these children back to the God who lent them to us. We are stewards over God's heritage. In order to do this, God has command us with promise, "Train up a child (set habits) in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it" (Proverbs 22:6). This is accomplished by the continual teaching of the Word of God, by parents (Deut. 6:6-9). -CAR

Quotes From the Past:



John Bunyan

John Bunyan 1628 - 1688 Renowned English Author & Christian

"My sword I give to him that shall succeed me in my pilgrimage. My marks and scars I carry with me, to be a witness for me, that I have fought His battles who now will be my rewarder."

Operation Cromwell

The church membership of BBC is involved in reaching Cromwell, CT with the gospel by claiming various streets in the town and then visiting the houses on these streets.

Each street is voluntarily selected by the church member family, prayed over, and visited with invitations to Christ and to BBC. Cromwell has many streets with houses with sinners. Pray that we will reach our Jerusalem.





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THE BOOK CORNER

BBTS Spring Lecture Series

Save the Date!! April 18, 2013

"Evangelism and Church Planting"
"Church Planting in Acts"

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Dr. Thomas Strouse

"Biblical Evangelism"

Dr. Noel Meadowcroft

"The Principles and Challenge of Church Planting"
Pastor Greg Breeden



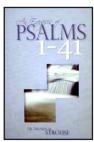
Dr. Strouse found "Purgatory" in Portugal. He didn't stay long!

The Book Corner

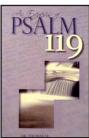
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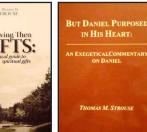
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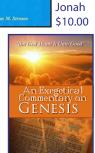
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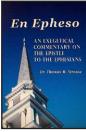
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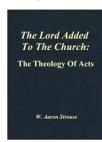
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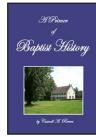
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