



BBC UPDATE

BBC News

Dr. Thomas M. Strouse,
Pastor

Manchester Bible Study

The Manchester Bible Study has officially started as one of the evangelistic outreaches of BBC. One of the women of BBC has opened up her home for the meeting place of the study of the Gospel of John on Friday nights at 7:00 PM. The elders, men, and seminarians will conduct the Bible study on a regular basis. For information on directions please contact the pastor at BBC

Breaking the Bamboo Bank

On this Sunday (10-10-10) the BBC youth broke the bamboo bank for the Iloilo, Philippines' ministry and counted the coins and bills. The total came to over \$200 which will be a gift to Garden Baptist Bible Church for her involvement in facilitating the training of national pastors through BBTS-Asia.



Above: The children fill the bank with their change!



Left: Brother Bill Gagnon breaks the bank as the excited children look on!

BBTS News

The first BBTS-Asia commencement service is planned for Oct. 29, 2010 in Iloilo, Philippines at Garden Baptist Bible Church with Pastor Emmanuel Tanierla. Through several trips to the Philippines, BBTS has offered seminary courses to about 20 different pastors, missionaries, and church members, with ten having finished the requirements (10 courses) for the Master of Biblical Studies (MBS). Pastors Tanierla and Villafuerte already graduated from BBTS in the Spring 2010 commencement ceremonies. Now, the commencement service for those remaining eight Filipino pastors who were not able to receive their respective degrees in Cromwell, CT, will receive them before their own church members and families. Please pray for the following candidates for the MBS:

1. Aniceto Balinas
2. Ireneo Bugtong
3. Alejandro Cadusale
4. Bonifacio Dieta
5. Roberto Gargoles
6. Carlito Halipa
7. Reymando Manolo
8. Charlie Villafuerte

If you would like to contribute to the Filipino Scholarship Fund, please send checks to BBC with note attached about the fund.



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Bambo Bank



Mr. & Mrs. Gagnon sang a beautiful special during the morning service.



Above: The children loved sorting out all the loose change! Over \$200 will be given as a gift to Garden Baptist Bible Church for her involvement in facilitating the training of national pastors through BBTS-Asia

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The boys were in charge of rolling the coins.



Sorting and counting the donations to the local church in Ililo, Philippines.

Soul Winning Insights

by Pastor Cas Reeves

Say not ye, There are yet four months, and then cometh harvest? behold, I say unto you, Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest.

John 4:35

The Bible says, "he that winneth souls is wise" (Proverbs 11:30). If we are wise Christians, we will endeavor to win the lost to Christ. We find some interesting insights in this passage of Scripture for the soul winner.



Pastor Cas Reeves

The soul winner needs to be thoughtful. We need to think like Christ. Now is the time of harvest, the fields are ready now. Look and see, now! Don't procrastinate sharing Christ. Keep trying to win those souls for Him. "Say not ye, There are yet four months, and then cometh harvest?" (John 4:35).

The soul winner needs to be alert - sensitive to opportunity, spiritually alert to a person's needs, able to recognize the ripeness of the crop. We can recognize when people are seriously interested or not. We are able to help their spiritual needs. "For they are white already to harvest" (John 4:35).

The soul winner needs to be laboring. We need to recognize that some of us are going to sow and some of us are going to reap, but both are a labor for the Lord, and both are accomplishing a work necessary in the harvesting of souls. "Both he that soweth and

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he that reapeth may rejoice together. And herein is that saying true, One soweth, and another reapeth. I sent you to reap that whereon ye bestowed no labour: other men laboured, and ye are entered into their labours" (John 4:36-38).

The soul winner needs to be assured. That there are present blessings for soul winning: (a clear conscience, a good name, a command of scripture, church growth, joy, etc.) "he that reapeth receiveth wages" (John 4:36). The idea is: he that is reaping now, he is right now receiving wages. But not only is the soul winner receiving a blessing now, but he will also receive a blessing in eternity. "He ... gathereth fruit unto life eternal" (John 4:36). -CAR



2010 BBTS FALL CALENDAR

October 25-29	Iloilo City, Philippines Module and Graduation
November 18	Fall Lecture Series
November 24-26	Thanksgiving Break
December 13-15	Final Exams
December 17	Semester End

BBC OUTING

BBC Field Trip

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Rose's Berry Farm

The home-schooling families of BBC enjoyed their first field trip together. A group of over 25 gathered at Rose's Berry Farms in Glastonbury, CT for a hayride, pumpkin picking, apple cider and cookies. The children especially loved the time at the play area! The weather was beautiful and the fellowship sweet!



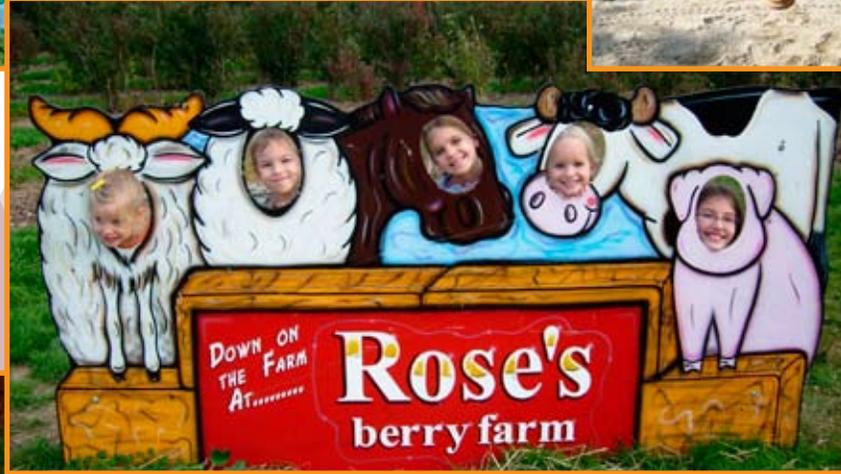
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Rose's Berry Farm



BBC CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

BBTS Christmas and First Anniversary Celebration

*On Saturday December 4, 2010, BBC will have her first BBTS Christmas Party for church members and former seminarians under Dr. Strouse's tutelage. This will also be a time of celebrating the first year anniversary of BBC, which officially started on Dec. 3, 2009. A nursery will be provided, and the evening will entail a gift exchange (\$10 range). Friends and former seminarians with their families are invited. You must **RSVP** by Nov. 15, 2010, since there will be limited seating.*

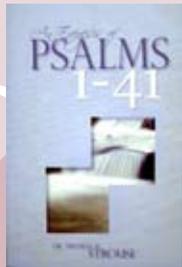
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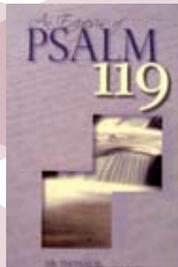
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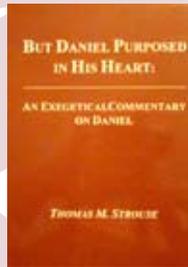
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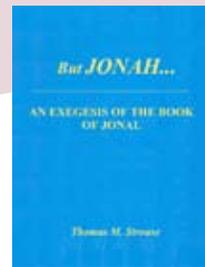
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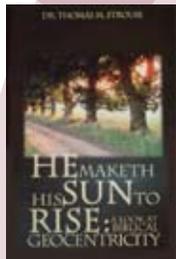
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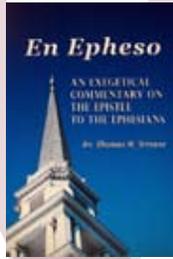
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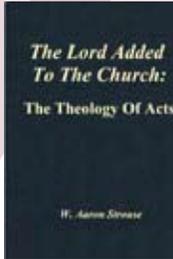
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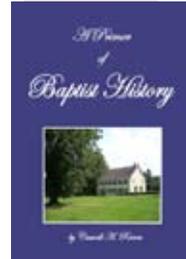
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Prayer Promises

“LORD, it is nothing with thee to help, whether with many, or with them that have no power: Help us, O LORD, our God, for we rest on thee” (II Chron. 14:11).



Prayer
Promises

“The LORD is nigh unto all them that call upon him, to all that call upon him in truth” (Ps. 145:18).

“The righteous cry, and the LORD heareth, and delivereth them out of all their troubles” (Ps. 34:17).

“But the prayer of the upright is His delight” (Prov. 15:8).

“The LORD is far from the wicked, but he heareth the prayer of the righteous (Prov. 15:29).

“Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and shew thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not” (Jer. 33:3).

“Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you” (Mt. 7:7).

“What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them” (Mk. 11:24).

“If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you” (Jn. 15:7).

“Be careful for nothing: but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known unto God” (Phil. 4:6).

“Pray without ceasing” (I Thess. 5:17).

“Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need” (Heb. 4:16).

“If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him” (Jam. 1:5).

“The effectual, fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much” (Jam. 5:16).

SERMON OUTLINE

The Messenger of the Lord of Hosts Malachi 2:7-8

Dr. Thomas M. Strouse, Pastor

For the priest's lips should keep knowledge, and they should seek the law at his mouth: for he is the messenger of the LORD of hosts. But ye are departed out of the way; ye have caused many to stumble at the law; ye have corrupted the covenant of Levi, saith the LORD of hosts.

Malachi 2:7-8

Introduction

The last OT writing prophet Malachi ("my messenger") repudiated the weakness of the ministry of the men of God. The Priests, to whom special spiritual privileges were given, fostered empty worship among the people which resulted in national blindness. The Lord God gave a scathing rebuke to the guardians of truth who were derelict in their ministry. Malachi revealed two important truths which could have resolved the national blindness:

- I. The Realization of God's Appropriate Ministry (Mal. 2:7)
 - A. They had a preaching/teaching ministry ("lips, mouth")
 - B. They had a knowledgeable ministry ("knowledge")
 - C. They had an authoritative ministry ("at his mouth, he is...")
 - D. They had the privilege of being "the messenger of the Lord of Hosts"

II. The Recognition of Israel's Apostate Messengers (Mal. 2:8)

- A. They departed out of the way (cf. Dt. 33:10)
- B. They caused many to stumble at the law (Jer. 18:15)
- C. They corrupted the covenant of Levi (Ezk. 44:10)

Application

America is in spiritual darkness, opened to financial disaster, political anarchy, and theological ecumenicalism. The Lord's candlesticks are losing their respective light (Christ) as Baptist pastors continue increasingly to seek man's wisdom and methodology instead of God's Word in message and ministry (cf. Rev. 2-3). All too many would rather please man than God (Gal. 1:10), by softening the messages of repentance, godly living, and ecclesiastical separation for easy believism, comfortableness with the world, and man-centered movements such as associationalism, conventionalism, and fundamentalism. What America and the world need is "the messenger of the Lord of Hosts" who will preach/teach the Word of God to his congregation and community, and forsake the ungodly nonsense such as "non-essentials," cronyism, compromising church "growth" for biblical truth, and Protestant pabulum (from parachurch institutions) in Baptist pulpits.



BBTS LECTURE Series

Mark your calendars now for the Fall BBTS Lecture Series! The Lecture Series will be held **Thursday, November 18, 2010 from 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM**. The speaker will be Dr. Charles L. Parker and he will be teaching on "**The Messenger of the Lord**". The Lecture will be held at Bible Baptist Church in Cromwell, CT. Registration, coffee and donuts begin at 8:30 AM.

If you have any news for the next issue of the BBC Update, please send to the Editor, Cas Reeves, at either

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