

*"The Lord gave the word;
great as the company of
those that published it."
Psalm 68:11*

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2008 Reading Program— Through the New Testament Together -Four More Months To Go!

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A Word From The Pastor - Rev. James W. Baker

One of the most exciting aspects of the ministry is seeing people catch a "missions vision." God burdened my heart many years ago to reach out to the world in as many ways as possible as a local church. We have seen some of that come to fruition this year. In March the 9th & 10th Girls' Bible Class taught by Miss Amanda Baker went to the Durham Rescue Mission as a project for the class. The girls' eyes were opened as to what degradation is in the world, and what a wonderful opportunity they have to live for the Lord in their quiet, comfortable homes. They plan to take the trip again this year.

The senior class of 2008 took a trip to France to work with Pete and Isabelle Knickerbocker in June. Curt and Jennifer Tomlin and Gordon and Dixie Cook were the chaperons, and their lives were touched as well as the seven young people that went. What an opportunity to see a foreign mission field! They were impressed by the sights and the people, but the one thing heard more than once was the zeal that Missionary Pete Knickerbocker and his family have in reaching out to the French people.

A trip way up north to North Bay, Ontario, Canada, was taken by Pastor & Mrs. Hoyle and Bob Bechtel in July. Ten young people and these adults worked with Missionaries Ernest and Darlene Bauserman. What sweet reports we have received about the blessing these folks were to the Bausermans and the work in North Bay.

Pastor & Mrs. Hoyle and Miss Suzanne Roberson took a missions trip in August to New Jersey to help Pastor Kevin DeAngelo as he starts a new work there. The eight young people and three adults passed out 4500 flyers about the new church in 48 hours. What a blessing to be in on the ground work of a baby church!

The past few months have given our church people many opportunities to reach out to the world. It is my desire that this trend continues as we spread our influence here and abroad!



MISSIONS AND MISSIONARIES Dr. Carl D. Bieber, Missions Coordinator

We remain committed to the truth that Missions is our Mission. The Gospel goes around the world through the call of God and the obedience of the "CALLED ONE." Tabernacle Baptist Church loves and prays for its missionaries.

Our church teens returned recently from a MISSION TRIP to Canada. They went to assist Ernie and Darlene Bauserman in three churches near Ontario. Most of the work was done in DVBS as the teens prepared and taught lessons and helped in several different ways. There were preaching opportunities for the boys. The entire crew was used of God and blessed in their work in ten different towns. These are great opportunities of service for our teens and adults.

The Bausermans [Ernie & Darlene] were greatly blessed, and I quote from their note.. "Words can in no way express our gratitude for your love, generosity, kindness, and sacrifice in sending the TBC youth group to minister in Canada. My wife and I have been greatly challenged, recharged and humbled by this group.."

While I write this article, another group of young people along with Pastor Hoyle and his wife, Amanda are in New Jersey with a group of Jr. High teens. They are helping distribute 15,000 invitations to a new church plant. This is an effort to help the Pastor get the word out about the new ministry. The teens will go door to door with friendly faces and give out the invitations. God will use these teens in His own way and work His will in the new ministry.

Our missionary hearts and minds were recently challenged by Dr. Eric Franks, one of our missionaries in India. Dr. Franks and his family have planted churches, trained preachers, and planted more churches in their area. We thank God for the faithfulness of Dr. Franks. This missionary family like all others is hurting from the present weakness of the dollar. We need to pray and give.

Dr. John O'Malley, Vice-President of World-Wide New Testament Baptist Missions was with us at TBC on August 12, 2008. Dr. O'Malley taught the Auditorium Adult Sunday school class, preached in the AM service, and gave a real challenge to be faithful to the Lord in the evening.

Our FAITH PROMISE GOAL for 2008-2009 is \$130,000.00. God will use TBC to help with world evangelism. We exceeded the goal for last year. May God grant the same victory this year. We look to Him for it is not of self that we are successful. There is an endless need to get MISSIONARIES to the field. Can we do less?

On August 24th we will have Missionary Dalton Heath with us at TBC. He will be a blessing. In October we will have visits with Missionaries Ernie Mills and Malcolm Gregory. These are great times for TBC.

Remember to keep Missions and Missionaries on you heart and in your prayers.



2008 Reading Program— Through the New Testament Together

On March 30th, the Church Family began reading the Bible through—one chapter a day through December! If you are interested in getting a copy of our reading chart, check on our web site: www.tabernacle-vb.org and click on the Link "Bible Study" at the bottom of the Home Page! It's still not too late to start!

Up-Coming Events!



September Churchwide Visitation: 8th, 22nd, 29th-7 PM (Monday);
Blitzing: 14th, 7 PM (Sun.)

October Churchwide Visitation: 13th, 20th & 27th-7 PM (Monday)

Patch the Pirate & PeeWee CLUBS BEGIN SOON—They are scheduled to begin September 3rd. All parents who are interested in having a place for their child or even a neighbor's child, please sign them up on the Bulletin Board near Nursery window on the main hallway. Also, helpers please sign up!
See Dean & Robin McGary for more information.

Volunteers Needed: Would you like to be a volunteer?
Contact the church office: 424-4673

Are YOU attending Sunday School? If you are not attending a Sunday School Class, there are many opportunities here at Tabernacle to find just the class that suits you — all the way from the nursery through adults.

Auditorium S.S. Class & The OWLS-TBC Senior Adults Dr. Edward G. Caughill, Seniors Ministry Director

OWLS NEWS: 1) We enjoyed a Cookout on the 12th at the Phelps' home. Good turn out, lots of food, good fellowship, and wonderful weather. Some enjoyed eating out on the deck and some inside. Dr. Ed Caughill opened meal with blessing. Lots of pictures. After meal everyone went inside where Dr. Walter Yoho concluded fellowship with devotional and prayer. As usual, everyone had a good time. Many thanks to the hosts, Eva and Melvin Phelps. 2) On the 6th, a small birthday party was held for Mrs. Beulah Myers (Our oldest OWL Member-93!). Beulah's birthday was 07-07-08. Party given by Drs. Ray and Sherrill (Beulah is Sherrill's mother) Fulayter at their home, after the Sunday night service. Beulah received many cards, some gifts. Great fellowship and food! 3) On the 24th, we will be celebrating our 2nd Anniversary as the OWLS! Since this publication went to press before this event, our plans are to have a covered-dish meal (consisting of salads and desserts) with the chicken provided. Our speaker will be Missionary Dalton Heath. 4) Future plans include: September 27th at the Outer Banks, NC, October 13th-18th: Tentative Get-Away, November 25th: TBA Thanksgiving Dinner, December 6th: Fruit Baskets for the Shut-ins, Our December Christmas Party at the Phelps, December 21st: Churchwide Caroling.



ABOUT FACES—IN THE NEWS

JULY REPORT: The 4th of July fell on a Friday this year-long weekend; 14th-18th: Bob Vallier audited our books and also spoke on Wednesday, the 16th: Choir took three Sundays off from practice on Sunday afternoons; 20th, The OWLS Picnic at the Phelps; 14th-23rd: Youth Missions Trip to Canada; 12th, Missions Sunday with Dr. Eric Franks (India) as the speaker; 20th, 3:30-5 PM-Military Fellowship; 20th, 6 PM-France Trip Presentation.; 7:15 PM; 28th-31st: Junior Age to Deer Lake Camp, Graham, NC
BABY SHOWER: 27th, 7:15 PM-Baby Shower for Crystal Turner

YOUTH IN ACTION!

Andrew P. Hoyle, Youth/Assistant Pastor



Another busy summer has come and almost gone. For the Tabernacle teens, this summer has been one with an emphasis on missions and service. During our SNAC (Sunday Night After Church) on July 6, we were able to host a group of young people from Elmer, NJ, who were making their way south for a week at the WILDS. At our August SNAC, we formally said goodbye to the seniors of 2008. A special thanks goes to the Phillips and Scotts for opening their homes for these SNACs.

On July 8, the teens enjoyed a "Messarama." Truly the event lived up to its name. Shortly thereafter, ten senior high young people left for Canada on a missions trip along with the Hoyles and Bob Bechtel. The first stop was in Buffalo where we all toured Niagara Falls. The next day brought a safe arrival in North Bay, Ontario where we had the privilege of laboring with our missionaries, Pastor and Mrs. Bauserman. The journey home brought us through Williamsport, leaving us to arrive just before the Wednesday evening service.

Eight of our junior high young people also participated in a missions trip this summer. The junior high young people traveled to Keansburg, NJ, where they distributed some 4,500 flyers that gave the Gospel and announced the first service of Zion Independent Baptist Church. A special thanks goes to Miss Suzanne Roberson for accompanying the teens and the Hoyles on this trip.

In just a few weeks, school will be back in session and our Back-2-School Bash will be history. Don't forget to mark your calendars for upcoming youth activities: September 20, September 26, and the Harvest Rally on October 11.

In closing, don't forget to pray for the youth of today – they are the leaders of tomorrow.

This is the AUGUST 2008 ISSUE. WRITE US! If you have enjoyed reading this paper, please drop us a line and let us hear from you. Thanks to all who have written! We appreciate hearing from you! If you have any church or Sunday school news, please let us know! THIS IS THE FOURTH ISSUE OF SIX FOR THE YEAR 2008! Please consider giving a donation to defray the production cost of the Tabernacle Times. Thank you!

Tabernacle Baptist Bible College & Seminary

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Dr. Walter Yoho
Professor

We are concluding our Third Summer Session. I think all three sessions were a blessing to the students; I know the students were a great blessing to the professors.

Registration for Fall Semester is on Thursday, August 21, at 10:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Classes start Monday, August 25.

Dean Sheets has created a tremendous schedule of courses that should fit nicely into most people's schedules, including four courses that will meet from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.

TBBCS welcomes to its teaching faculty Rev. A. Plais Hoyle (Elementary Hebrew I), Mr. Josh Savage (Old Testament Survey, Voice, Ensemble, and Sign Language), and Mrs. Anita Jones (Introduction to Computers).

Here are a few thoughts that I hope will awaken increased interest:

"As nothing is more easy than to think, so nothing is more difficult than to think well." - Thomas Traherne

"To maintain an opinion because it is thine, and not because it is true, is to prefer thyself above the truth." - Venning

"Conceit is what makes a little squirt think he is a fountain of knowledge." - E.C. McKenzie

"Books are ever burning lamps of truth." - Curlis

"The great purpose of life - the shaping of character by truth." - Phillips Brooks

ABOUT FACES—IN THE NEWS CONT'



The Ladies' Sunday school class: Our class has been learning how to apply our many excellent book studies lately in the laboratory of real life. We saw our dear **Becky Phillips** get literally turned back from a trip to Haiti at the airport as she tried to out-wait five hours of electrical storms! God knew we would need her here for the passing of **Audrey Massey** ["Home-going"-July 25th. She was one of our faithful OWLS] particularly as the funeral was on the same day as **Mary Martin's** chemotherapy.

We have been through other personal struggles with ladies in our class, some of whom are quiet and reserved and keep their struggles confined to the perimeters of our class.

We have awaited, holding our breath, the birth of **Crystal Turner's** second child, whose gender is still unknown at the moment of this writing. [A Boy!]

And, on a completely personal note, we have reached out and embraced **Mary Martin** and her family as she (!) goes through chemotherapy. My visitors from out of town have noted the love of the church for me, for each other, and for God. There have been some scary moments--God has been so faithful and good to get us through them. Churches are usually too large for everyone to know every detail about things, but Sunday school classes are the ideal place from which to minister. I thank the ladies of my class for many, many graces I will never forget. And I once again thank the Tabernacle family at large for sending cards, loving us, and praying for us fervently before the Throne of Grace. *Love, Mary Martin*



MILITARY NEWS: Recently God has been moving in a mighty way in our military community. We have lost numerous military families and singles to transfers; but, at the same time, God has brought us new military families and singles to serve Him here with us. Praise God! Isn't He good? We will always be seeing transfers in and out because of the large military community here in our area. If anyone would like to have a fellowship or get together please contact me, and it will take place. [In the afternoon, on July 20th, we held a Military Fellowship. A good time

was had by all.]

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS: The Discipleship class is now in lesson 13 out of 20 lessons. The feed back and participation in the class is great. We are not only learning how to disciple others, but we are being disciplined while learning. Many things have been discussed that are normally taken for granted in our Christian life such as God's Will, God's plan, Christian fellowship, tithing, giving above the tithe, sin, whom should we fellowship with, separation, and many more topics. What a day of rejoicing it will be when many more people will feel comfortable disciplining others. May God Bless, **Bill & Jean Downing** I John 1:3

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The next articles are due October 5, 2008. If you have church or Sunday School news that would be of interest to our church family and friends, please submit to Mrs. D. Bieber before this date!

Tabernacle Baptist Academy

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This summer has truly been a whirlwind! We are anticipating the beginning of school at the writing of this article. Things are taking form for the start of our 36th graduating year. I certainly am thankful for what Tabernacle did for me. It has been 17 years since I graduated. The teachers that I had gave of themselves and did not think of themselves more highly than another. They were a group of dedicated professionals who always went that second mile. It is my prayer that this year will be filled with teachers and employees who are desiring to "Minister with Excellence." Our theme verse for the year is Philippians 1:10—"That ye may approve things that are excellent; that ye may be sincere and without offence till the day of Christ." Excellence—however, must first begin in the home and heart of each person involved.

The graduating class of 2008 had a wonderful time in France ministering with **Missionaries, Pete and Isabelle Knickerbocker & family.** I can only speak for myself and say that it is so important for us, as Christians, to redeem the time.

Mr. Dean McGary, our maintenance supervisor, has been busy with getting all the buildings ready for the school year. The academy has added two warmer/proofer to the kitchen. The thin walls, between the four high school classrooms, have been torn out and new permanent walls have been built thanks to **John Turner and crew.** Whiteboards have been installed in all classrooms. **Miss Hoff** (3rd grade) has a new magnetic black chalkboard.

Coach Cook will begin his 35th year with us here at Tabernacle Baptist Academy. I am truly blessed to have him here on the faculty. Speaking of faculty—we are pleased to have the following new teachers join us this school year: **Mrs. Amy Savage** (K5), **Mrs. Lori Pettitt** (1st), **Mrs. Tomma Marcincuk** (Science), **Mr. Brian Chernosky** (History), and **Mr. Josh Savage** (Choirs and voice lessons). I am also pleased to have **Mrs. Rita Maclin** and **Mrs. Donna Jacques** as staff running the school kitchen.

Will you pray with us that God will enable us to reach souls for Christ this year. Whether it be in the classroom or in our daily dealings with others, may Christ be exalted and lifted up this academic year.

Enroll Today! Call: 757-424-4697, ext.339



Visitation and Outreach
Drs. Ray and Sherrill Fulayter

Our members are actively visiting on a regular basis. We are keeping up with the visits to those who are guests in our services. Our Seniors get regular home visits from our members as well as from our pastors and staff members. God is burdening more members to go calling, and it is exciting to see young people and young couples out on visitation. Many of our members regularly pass out tracts and make phone calls in their ministries of outreach. Military are moving into the area and several are finding our fellowship as their church home and a place where they can serve our Lord. It is great to see how God honors His Word as we go forth fulfilling the Commission our Lord has given to our church.

Vacation Bible School gave us a great opportunity to have an outreach into our community. Much literature was distributed, and God brought in a good number for our services.

We regularly minister to many families by giving them the Counsel of the Scriptures. It is thrilling to see God working in the hearts as we minister His Word to those He brings to us. The Word of God has answers for every heart need of every Christian. Christ is sufficient to meet the need of each soul as they submit to His Word. It is a great challenge to study the Word for particular applications to life's challenges. Pray for God's continued ministry in the hearts of those He sends our way. Also, pray that we will be able to effectively minister to each one.

Our Adult Sunday School Class [that I normally teach] is enjoying the good instruction of **Bill Downing** on teaching new converts the Truths. It is a good time for our class to grow ourselves as well as become equipped for helping others to mature in the Lord and the service He will have for them.

If you're in our neighborhood—Plan to attend our services

THE SERVICES AT TABERNACLE

Sunday School.....	9:00 AM
Sunday Morning Worship Service	10:00 AM
Sunday Evening Service.....	6:00 PM
Wednesday Service—Adults in the Auditorium	7:00 PM
Wednesday Service for Teens—Jones Room.....	7:00 PM
Wednesday—Patch Clubs—Meet in the School (starting September 3rd)	7:00 PM

Check out our WEB SITE: www.tabernacle-vb.org

You can get our full schedule calendars under Events on the Web Site!

AUGUST REPORT: 9th, 8 AM-3:30 PM-Churchwide Work Day (Fish Fry) Good turn-out and the lunch was delicious (Hot Dogs and Hamburgers for the non-fish lovers); 10th, 6 PM-Dr. **John O'Malley** spoke & Teen gave their Canada Trip Presentation; 11th-14th, Jr. High Missions Trip to New Jersey to help start a new work there (Tract Distribution); 15th, New Teacher Orientation Day & Adventure Summer ended for the year; 16th, 5:30-7:30 PM-Choir Fellowship Covered Dish; 18th-22nd, TBA Teacher In-Service; 21st, TBBCS Registration (10 AM & 5:30 PM) & 7 PM-TBA K3-12 Orientation; 22nd-23rd, TEENS: Back-2-School BASH 7 PM-6 AM **Doug Carragher**; 23rd, 5:30 PM-All Staff Covered Dish Dinner; 24th, 11:30 AM-The OWLS Anniversary Luncheon; 24th, 6 PM-Missionary Dalton Heath & NJ Jr. High Teens Trip Presentation; 25th, TBBCS & TBA Begins (early this year). Welcome aboard to all new members/staff/faculty!

NEW BABY: Lance & Crystal Turner on August 4th, a baby boy **Luke Michael.**