

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

# Tabernacle Times



## Vacation Bible School / July 27-August 1, 6:30-8:30 PM Teen's Mission Trip-July 7-16 & Back-2-School BASH-August 22-23

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### A Word From The Pastor - Dr. James W. Baker

Summer is here! The heat and activities tell us so--June started off with Summer Adventure opening up on June 2 as well as our Academy Seniors and sponsors, Dean & Robin McGary and Gordon and Dixie Cook, going on a Missions Trip to Peru, South America, June 2-16, to work with Kris & Rose Marie Blumer. Reports are of a blessed time with the Peruvian believers. Work was accomplished and sightseeing was enjoyed by all! Praise the Lord for what was accomplished! Missionary Bill Hill, Equipping Nationals Worldwide, was with us on June 8th, and Joey and Jenny Tacon, missionaries to Italy, and their two kids were with us June 16-25. Joey is doing some painting in the church building for us during their visit. June 23-28 the juniors in the church will go to Deer Lake Camp for a wild and wonderful week with Pastor Mike and Miss Joyce.



Sunday, July 6, we will hear a report of the work in India by Missionary Eric Franks. The young people will leave on their Missions Trip to New York City and New Jersey and be gone July 7-16. Pastor Mike & Miss Joyce will be taking them to help Missionary Kevin & Tina DeAngelo in New Jersey and Pastor Jim Barker in New York City. They will get to see a *Sights & Sounds* presentation as well as Ground Zero. Dr. Rod Bell will be visiting with us on Sunday, July 13, and giving a report on his mission work in the evening service. Bob Vallier will be in the office July 14-18 to audit the books as well as help anyone with financial planning questions. Vacation Bible School training is Sunday evening, July 20; Evangelist Doug Lowery, from Greenville, SC, will be with us Wednesday evening, July 23; and VBS is Sunday evening, July 27 through Friday evening August 1, 6:30-8:30 pm.

The summer is busy but holds many opportunities to reach out with the gospel. Look around you. Be vigilant to see others in need. The harvest is plenteous!



### YOUTH IN ACTION! Pastor Mike Dudley, Youth/Assistant Pastor

Psalms 37:4 - Delight thyself also in the LORD; And he shall give thee the desires of thine heart.

The Lord is so good and has given us way more than we could have ever even imagined. These last few months have been super busy here for us in our ministry, as in most ministries around May and December; but have been super good at the same time.

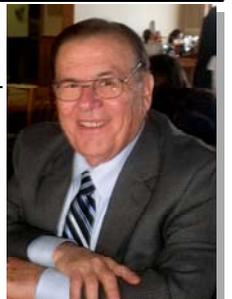
We started May off on the 3rd with a workday for the teens to earn money for their missions trip. The girls cleaned a home, and the boys did some yard work, and it was a very profitable day.

On May 24 we hosted a soccer game with the teens vs. the singles class and parents. It was a lot of fun, and when the dust settle, the singles had beat us by 1 in overtime. We cooked out hotdogs afterwards, and Bro Dean gave a challenge to us all and especially to the high school seniors because it was their last activity before graduation.

The 28th of May we went to Autumn Care Nursing Home for our monthly visit and had a wonderful time singing, preaching, and fellowshiping with the elderly and shut-ins.

This summer has a lot in store for us with getting ready for the missions trip, VBS, the Men's Day, visitation, and our normal routine, and we wouldn't want it any other way. We stay busy in the work of the Lord, but as always he helps us keep on keeping on for HIM!

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



Missions is our Mission. What a joy to be on a mission! There is joy and excitement when the missionaries come by the church. They visit, they share, and they lay out their vision to do the work God has called them to do. Some are on the way to the "Foreign Field" while others are going "across the USA" to God's chosen location for them. I believe a specific call from God to go anywhere and serve Him is a real blessing and a great opportunity.

TBC just finished our 47th Missionary Conference. Our keynote speaker was Dr. Bud Steadman. He is the Executive Director of Baptist World Mission. He preached fervently each evening on the conference theme "Called to Send the Good News." We were all taken to the Scriptures and shown how it is the responsibility of every Christian. We all have a field to sow and harvest.

Let me show you the diversity of God's call through those who were with us in the conference. Ben and Andrea Hamilton and four young children are going to the Bronx, NY to plant a church. They want to evangelize people in an area that has 800 different languages and many cultures. They want to develop a ministry with college students. Their task is monumental.

Kirk and Kathy Hickok have been missionaries to Brazil since 1975 (39years). They are at home in Brazil. They know the culture and the people. There are several independent Baptist churches in Brazil as a result of their work. Kirk and Kathy are going back to start one more church. The joy and the burden of their calling are still very real to this couple.

We had Nate and Christy Minion and their one child going to Labrador, Canada. Their work will be mostly in the small fishing towns. There are twenty small towns without any church and two larger cities with one Independent Baptist Church. Nate and Christy will have to learn the Innu and Inuit cultures. Need I tell you they are excited and ready to go preach the Gospel and plant a church?

Our fourth couple was Glenn and Marci Mongold and four of their children. This couple has a calling to minister to the International Seamen that come in the cargo ships to Norfolk. He is their support away from home. All ministries are unique and in this case the uniqueness is that they come to him. There are some cultural adjustments for Glenn as he ministers the Word to the Seamen. He has done so for over 25 years.

I trust you can see my point. How wonderful it is to be on a "Mission for God." Each of us that is saved should be on a mission. While living and serving, let's make Missions our Mission.

### THE CAREER CLASS

Miss Cheryl Kay Chaokas, Class Member

*"My hope fainteth for thy salvation: but I hope in thy word."*  
Psalm 119:81

While the bonfire was going and s'mores were being prepared, "When The Roll is Called Up Yonder," "Amazing Grace," "Redeemed," "It is Well," and many other hymns were being sung at the Peterson home during the Career Class' fellowship in observance of Memorial Day. The Class also formally welcomed Mr. Art and Mrs. Connie Roberson, who will be teaching the Class since Mr. Dave Peterson will be having his work ups and will soon be deployed.



CPO David/Mrs. Siony Peterson

The Biblical Distinctive of Baptists, the Class' Sunday School Lesson for the past several weeks, has been completed and another study book is to commence early July. Discussions on the past lessons were not just on the distinguishing marks of being called Baptists, and on the importance of maintaining the Baptist position of our local church, but most importantly on the position that our church is faithful to Biblical truth.

Biking, shooting, and out of town trips are just a few of the activities that the Career Class is looking forward to doing.



Mr. Art/Mrs. Connie Roberson

**Mark Your Calendars: August 10, 2014  
Dr. James W. Baker, Pastor  
10th Anniversary Weekend at Tabernacle!**

This is the JUNE 2014 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 THIRD ISSUE OF SIX FOR THE YEAR 2014!** Please consider giving a donation to defray production cost of the *Tabernacle Times*. Thank you!

### The Auditorium Adult Sunday School Class

We are walking through the Four Gospels beside our Lord Jesus Christ. We have just finished studying the most famous sermon ever preached, the Sermon on the Mount in Matthew 5-7, and are now getting more into the moving and marvelous miracles of our Lord. Please join us this coming Sunday!



### THE LADIES' SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS Mrs. Mary Martin, Sunday School Teacher

The Ladies' Sunday school class has finished its study of James and embarked on a study of Ruth and Esther, also authored by Warren Wiersbe. We have been enjoying our fellowship in the Word.

### TABERNAACLE'S CHOIR NEWS Mr. Art Roberson, Music Director



The choir has been busy preparing several special numbers for God and Country Day. We are anxious to honor those who have served and are serving our country to give us freedom. We also want to honor our Lord and Savior for the freedom He has given us through His sacrificial death. Several patriotic readings are planned as well as a video presentation highlighting one of our choir songs. We would like all military to dress in uniform that day. The choir will then take a break during July. We will be having a practice and fellowship on Saturday, August 2nd at 4:00 pm to begin the fall season. If you would like to join choir, please join us that evening. Thanks to those who have been so faithful in serving the Lord through the music ministry.

# Up-Coming Events!

**JULY 12<sup>th</sup>—Churchwide Visitation at 9:30 AM**  
**AUGUST 4<sup>th</sup>—Churchwide Blitzing at 7:00 PM**

If you have misplaced your monthly calendar, you can find the calendar for the church and school activities on our web page: [www.tabernacle-vb.org](http://www.tabernacle-vb.org) under Events

**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.

## Tabernacle Baptist Bible College & Seminary

Kenneth F. Sheets, Dean  
 Call: 424-4673, ext. 317 or 308  
 Email: [college@tabernacle-vb.org](mailto:college@tabernacle-vb.org)



**Dr. Walter A. Yoho**  
 Professor/Author

### PASTORAL WISDOM

Some eleven years ago one of the most respected pastors in Hampton Roads spoke to me at a pastors' fellowship and said something like this: "I had no trouble getting our church to send monthly support to TBBCS (now TBBCS) when they saw what the school did for our members as they studied there and then came back to the church and ministered even more effectively than they had before."

This same pastor, on several occasions, said something like this: "TBBCS provides a quality education right here in Hampton Roads. Our members don't have to go out of state to get solid training in God's Word. They can get it right here. And they can stay right here in our church and bless us with what they are getting at Tabernacle."

In light of this pastoral wisdom, I want to announce that registration for our fall trimester will start in early August. The classes will begin on Monday, September 8. We are now well into our summer trimester and are very thankful for the dedicated students the Lord has sent us.

**JUNE REPORT:** 1, Tract Sunday; 1, 7:15 pm-Teen SNAC -K/M Wells home; 2, TBA-Adventure Summer Begins; 2-16, TBA Senior Class Missions Trip to Peru; 7, 9:30 AM-Youth Activity-Nursing Home Visitations (Reade); 8, S.S. & 6 PM-Missionary Bill Hill; 14, FLAG DAY; 15, FATHER'S DAY; 16-23, Joey & Jenny Tacon-Missionaries to Italy; 21, SUMMER BEGINS; 21, 9:00 AM-4:00 PM—Men's Day Out; 22, 3:30 PM-Deacons' Meeting; 23-28, Junior Camp at Deer Lake; 28, 9:30-Churchwide Visitation; 29, God & Country Day; 29, Benevolence Offering; 29, 7:15 PM-Churchwide Fellowship; 7/4, Office Closed, TBBCS in Session.  
**MID-WEEK SERVICE:** 4, 11, 19, 25-7 PM-Adults, Youth Chapel, Summer Children's Bible Time; **GNBC:** Providence & Woodstock will begin again in the Fall.

You can get our full schedule of activities from the calendars under Events on the **WEB SITE:** [www.tabernacle-vb.org](http://www.tabernacle-vb.org)

## TABERNACLE BAPTIST ACADEMY

Mr. Dean McGary, Principal  
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Thank you for the prayers! God has allowed us to finish another school year-- number 44! May is always like a whirlwind. We went from the school play, to Spring Concert, to merit outing, to K-5 graduation (which by the way, Mrs. Dudley did a great job directing), to the academic awards program and finally the Seniors' graduation. We then gathered ourselves together and the **Cooks, McGarys** and nine of the Seniors left for Lima, Peru. Our Missions team worked alongside **The Blumers** doing an array of different projects. We ministered (sang, gave testimonies and preached) in 4 chapel services and 3 church services, did two planting projects, resheeted a roof, did skits and sang in four different public schools and finished with a soccer challenge for the Peruvian teens. Don't let me fool you. We played also, Board games, as well as soccer, and basketball. Then came the sightseeing! God's creation is truly magnificent! We visited several Inca ruins the most famous of which is Machu Picchu. Tabernacle- your prayer and financial support is vital to our outreach, here and around the world. Thank you and keep on! **Seniors Mission Trip to Peru 6/2014—Front Row, lt.-rt.: Mrs. Robin McGary (sponsor), Carissa Yuan Yuan Seuc, Marissa Saturnina Marrero, Kaylyn Rose Fredericks, Mary Elizabeth Armbruster, Christen Noelle Karnes, Mrs. Dixie Cook (sponsor); Second Row: Mr. Dean McGary (sponsor), Comiker Rivers, Jr., Philip Earl Floyd, Jr., Abraham Wilner Phillips, Matthew Dean McGary, and Coach Cook (sponsor). Seniors who did not go to Peru: Benjamin Leandro Harrison, Thurgood Joseph Tole, Shelby Nicole Robinson.**

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## HAMPTON ROADS BIBLICAL COUNSELING

Facing Life's Challenges Ministries—Drs. Ray and Sherrill Fulayter

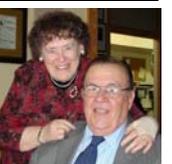


Certificates of Achievement in Biblical Counseling presented at our graduation exercises this past spring. They are: **Ruth D. Middleton, Tracy N. Chavez, Dr. Kim Bok Jung, David DeWitt Hill, Sr.**; not pictured: **Dr. Roger E. Sebrell, and Francine D. Sebrell.**

Our ministries are reaching out to minister to individuals and churches. We have several churches partnering with Hampton Roads Biblical Counseling ministry. In addition to our own, Tabernacle Baptist Church in Virginia Beach, Good News Baptist Church in Chesapeake, Hampton Roads Independent Baptist Church in Hampton, and Cedar Grove Baptist Church in Asheboro, NC, and Hico Baptist Church in Graham, NC, have been promoters and partners in our endeavors. We are enjoying teaching classes in the college and seminary which include several counseling classes. Several of the classes for the certification process will be offered again this fall trimester and also by our Distance Learning through our College and Seminary. We are actively counseling several families on a regular basis. The Lord keeps directing these families to ask for help. It is exciting to observe their responding to the Word of God as we evaluate their challenges and prayerfully minister the Scriptures under the direction of the Spirit of God. He enables the individuals to make changes in their lives to glorify God in their lives. Pray for the families to grow and have the victories necessary for His glory. If you are interested in becoming a counselor, hosting a Facing Life's Challenges seminar, or would like to learn about biblical counseling, we want to help you. We believe that every believer should learn how to live by Biblical Principles and to give Counsel, the Word of God, to other believers. You may know someone who needs or is seeking to receive biblical counseling. Have that person contact us as well. We continue to get inquiries concerning HRBC being a certified training center for NANC (National Association of Nouthetic Counselors) now the ACBC (Association of Certified Biblical Counselors). Check out our website and different ministries and opportunities at [www.hrbbiblicalcounseling.com](http://www.hrbbiblicalcounseling.com). Pray for the ministry to develop as the Lord leads and gives the opportunities.



**MAY 3<sup>RD</sup>, at 10 AM-1 PM—Phelps** Game Day for the OWLS held at the Field for games and Gym for a great meal! Thanks to **Melvin & Eva Phelps**, along with their helpers: **John & Alice Wells** for supplied games and hamburgers & hot dogs! Great time by all! **May 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:15 PM—"Meet & Treat the Missionaries!"** We met in the Commons-Good food and great fellowship! On **June 7<sup>th</sup>**, many of the OWLS attended the 50th Wedding Anniversary of **Ray & Sherrill Fulayter**. Congratulations to the happy couple! A great time was had by all! **COMING EVENTS:** Coming up on **July 12<sup>th</sup> at 4 PM**, is our annual Picnic, it will take place at **Melvin & Eva Phelps' home!** We are the "Older Wiser Loving Saints," and we are 55 years old and above!



**CARL & DOTTY BIEBER**  
 THE OWLS  
 ACTIVITY DIRECTOR

## HOME IN HEAVEN TO BE WITH THE LORD



**Eula W. Watkins, 69**, went to be with the Lord, Wednesday May 7, 2014 in her residence. She was a native of the Berkley Section of Norfolk and was the daughter of the late Ivey Sloane Whedbee and Eunice Whedbee. She was preceded in death by her husband, Andrew O. Watkins and her brother Ivey Whedbee, Jr. and his wife Martha. She retired from the Calibration Lab of NORSHIPCO in 1998. Survivors include her sons: **John D. Cobb, Jr. (Dawn)** and **William L. Cobb**, her stepson, **Andrew L. Watkins** and two stepdaughters, **Six Grandchildren**, her sister **Evelyn Spruill** and her brother **Robert Whedbee**. She was a member of Tabernacle Baptist Church, Virginia Beach, VA since 2001. A graveside funeral service was held in Riverside Cemetery, Thursday, May 15, 2014. H.D. Oliver Funeral Apts., Chesapeake Chapel handled arrangements.



A former employee and member of Tabernacle Baptist Church in the 1970's and early 80's; **James (Jim) Howard Asbury, 79**, was called Home to be with the Lord, June 5 at his home in Sunbury, NC with his family by his side. James was born in Tazewell, Virginia, November 15th, 1934, to the late Howard and Josie Asbury. He served his country in the United States Army during the Korean War; and was a member of Calvary Baptist Church, Sunbury, NC. Left to cherish his memory is his loving wife **Judy H. Asbury**; daughters, **Jamie Darlene Saxon (David)**, **Janith Wonise Clark (James)**; son, **James Dewey Asbury (Cassie)**; a brother, **Jack W. Asbury**; eleven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. A service to celebrate his life was at 3 p.m., June 10, with Rev. Cecil Tiller officiating followed by military honors. Jim was laid to rest at **Albert G. Horton, Jr. Memorial State Veterans Cemetery, Suffolk**. **Graham Funeral Home, Chesapeake** handled arrangements.



First Row, lt.-rt.: Mr. Kenneth F. Sheets, Dean; the three graduates: **Jeremy Bulthouse** (Master of Divinity in Biblical Languages); **Max Chappell** (Associate of Biblical Studies); and **Jonathan Wilkins** (Master of Religious Education in Biblical Languages); Dr. James W. Baker, President; Second Row: Dr. Carl D. Bieber, Professor; Dr. Walter A. Yoho, Professor; Dr. Ray D. Fulayter, Dean of Students & Professor; Dr. Sherrill L. Fulayter, Professor

**MAY REPORT—47<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Tabernacle Baptist Church:** 1-2, 7 PM-TBA School Play; 3, 10 AM- 1 PM-The OWLS Game Day at the Gym/Field; 3, 9:30 AM-Youth Activity; 4, TRACT SUNDAY; 4, 2:00-4:00 PM-TBA Open House; 4, 6 PM-Patch Practice/Sings; 7:15 PM-Teen SNAC; 10-14, 2014 Missions Conference; 10, 5:30 PM-Missions Dinner, Missions Conference Begins; 11, MOTHER'S DAY; 12, TBBCS Summer Trimester Begins; 16, 7 PM-TBA Spring Concert; 17, 9:30-Churchwide Visitation; 17, 1 PM-Chris Page-Jessica Adcock's Wedding; 18, 10 AM-Staff Recognition; 18, 3:30 PM-Deacons' Meeting; 19, TBA Merit Outing; 21, 6:30 PM-Youth to Nursing Home; 22, 5-7 PM-Eat Out at Tropical Smoothie (9th Grade Sponsored); 23, TBA Final Exams - 1/2 day for Jr/Sr High; 24, 4 PM-Youth Activity - Cook-out; 26, TBA/TBCCS/Offices Closed; 26, MEMORIAL DAY; 27, TBA Final Exams-1/2 day for Jr/Sr High; 27, 7 PM-Piano Recital; 28, TBA-1/2 day for all, TBA Closed at Noon, TBA Teacher Work Days-1/2 day; 29, TBA Closed, TBA Teacher Work Days all day; 29, 6:30 PM-TBA Athletic Banquet; 30, 8:30-11 AM-TBA Awards Day; 30, 7 PM -TBA Graduation; 31, 9:30-Churchwide Visitation  
**MID-WEEK SERVICE:** 7, 14 (Missions Conference), 21, & 28—, 7 PM-Adults, Youth Chapel, Patch/Peewee; **GNBC:** Tuesday, 2:45-4:00 PM-Providence 6; Wednesday, 7, 4:30 PM-Woodstock.



Keep the Shut-ins in your prayers: **Jim Bell, Tom & Judith Dunlap, Rosalie Fisher, Lita Henderson, Glenn & Ruth Johnson, Doris Lee, Jean Linkous, Belle MacMillan, Lillian Mason, Carman & Glenys Reade, Jim Schleeper, & Brantley Walker.**

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The next articles are due by **August 10, 2014.** 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!