

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

# Tabernacle Times



**Vacation Bible School / July 28-August 2, 6:30-8:30 PM**  
**Teens to The WILDS-August 5-10, & Back-2-School Bash-August 23-24**

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

The spring brought a conclusion to the Auditorium Remodeling project. We are now enjoying a beautiful, up-to-date auditorium, and so are those who visit with us!

We also are welcoming summer with a fury. The TBA Seniors, Miss Amanda Baker, Miss Suzanne Roberson, Pastor Plais & Amanda Hoyle left for their Puerto Rico Missions Trip on June 3 and returned June 17. Summer Adventure began June 3 and will continue throughout the summer for ages 3 through those who have completed 6th grade. Vacation Bible School will take place July 29-August 2, and the Teens will go to the WILDS August 5-10. Pastor Plais Hoyle's last day at Tabernacle Baptist Church as our assistant pastor will be August 11, and then he will soon leave to enter the Military Chaplaincy. There will be a fellowship after church Sunday night, August 11, to honor him and his family.



We will have a visit from Ben & Becky Vahle of Greenville, SC, the weekend of July 5-8. He is a prospective assistant pastor. We will enjoy a weekend of activity for them to get familiar with us and for our folks to get familiar with them. They have three children: Sam, Marcella, and Joseph. We are looking forward to a special weekend with them.

God has been good to us. Several families are leaving us (Boorujys to Wisconsin where Jim will attend MBBC), Blevins (being transferred to California), Roses (being transferred to Hawaii); but the Figueroas have returned from Louisiana and several other families have joined with us. Come visit anytime and enjoy the blessing of Tabernacle Baptist Church!



### **YOUTH IN ACTION!**

Andrew P. Hoyle, Youth/Assistant Pastor

Summer is finally here. Many of the teens are enjoying slipping into a less academic routine for a few months. Several seniors from the youth group recently had the opportunity to travel to Puerto Rico for their Senior Trip. Despite the tropical climate, they managed to come back with very little sunburn.

The summer season is always a little sad as the youth group prepares to send off the graduated seniors. However, an air of excitement greets the young teens rising from the elementary programs.

One activity that was especially delightful was the breakfast and laser tag time the teens enjoyed in May. The activity was on the Saturday of our Missions Conference, so the Knisely teenagers were able to join us. It was a blessing to spend some time with them as well.

Believe it or not, summer camp is just around the corner. The WILD's is already beginning to fill up. If you would like to help a young person go to camp, please let us know if you would like to donate funds or hire a teen to help raise funds for their trip.

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



### **HAMPTON ROADS BIBLICAL COUNSELING** Facing Life's Challenges Ministries Drs. Ray and Sherrill Fulayter

Our Hampton Roads Biblical Counseling and Facing Life's Challenges 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 have been promoters and partners in our endeavors.

Hampton Roads Biblical Counseling had four individuals who earned a Certificate of Accomplishment in Biblical Counseling at our Tabernacle Baptist Bible College and Seminary Commencement. The individuals are: **Inocencio Reyes Alvar III** from the Filipino Independent Baptist Church of Norfolk; **Kevin Walter Brown** from Good News Baptist Church of Chesapeake; **William Franklin Downing** from Fellowship Baptist Church in Idamay, West Virginia; and **Pastor Andrew Plais Hoyle** from Tabernacle Baptist Church of Virginia Beach. These individuals all finished the basic training of five different courses of instruction which gives them the needed qualifications to pursue certification in the National Association of Biblical Counselors - [www.nanc.org](http://www.nanc.org), of which Hampton Roads Biblical Counseling is a Training Center. **William Downing** was unable to attend and is not pictured because he is recuperating from a medical condition.

If you are interested in becoming a counselor, hosting a seminar, or would like to learn about biblical counseling, we want to help you. We believe that every believer should learn how to give Counsel, the Word of God, to other believers. You may know someone who needs or is seeking to receive biblical counseling. Have them contact us as well.



We continue to get inquiries concerning HRBC being a certified training center for NANC (National Association of Nouthetic Counselors). Check out our website and different ministries and opportunities at [www.hrbiblicalcounseling.com](http://www.hrbiblicalcounseling.com). Pray for the ministry to develop as the Lord leads and gives the opportunities.

This is the JUNE 2013 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 2013!** Please consider giving a donation to defray production cost of the *Tabernacle Times*. Thank you!

### **MISSIONS AND MISSIONARIES**

Dr. Carl D. Bieber, Missions Coordinator

**Missions is our Mission.** The word mission as I use it has many facets. It is first and foremost the participation by our church in sending those who are called. That may be the most sacred as they go as a representative of our church. We pray and give and help in any way we can. The above requirements require a program to do those things and more.

A major part of our program is the annual Missions Conference. This is a time of inspiration and challenge. We meet new missionaries that have answered the call. Our members become personally involved in hearing them present their burden for a specific field. We hear spirit-filled preaching on missions with a call for surrender to go where God calls. During the week, meals are served; and there are special times of social interaction designed to bring the local church and its missionaries together. **Pastor James Baker** encourages us to get missions, not only in our head, but in our heart. Truly success comes through a team effort. Notice there is no "I" in TEAM.

This year our Missionary Keynote Speaker was **Guy Altizer**, wife, **Cookie** - **Windows of Heaven Ministries**; the other missionaries were: **Peter Knickerbocker** - Missionary to France; **Tim & Cathy Knisely** - Missionaries to Australia; **Don & Jill Vanderhoof** - Missionaries to Germany; **Stan & Spring Wood** - **Camp Hosanna**, Founder/President, **Hiawassee, GA**.

Now it is time to put it all into practice. We must develop a Faith Promise Budget. We must pray more and become more involved. World evangelism does not come about by weak effort and beautiful, soft words. It is accomplished through the endless effort of God-called missionaries and faithful church members. Let's make Missions our Mission for another year in an even greater way.

Please Note: One of Missionaries was called home to be with the Lord recently. See notice on the back page, second column.



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

Memorial Day was a highlight for the choir as we sang special songs to thank God for our free country and to honor those who serve our country to keep it free. Thanks to **Brad Blevins** and **Chris Thorpe** for presenting the colors. We have new hymnbooks, and there are some songs that are not as familiar, so the choir has been using

Sunday evenings in June to introduce a new song to the congregation. We will be taking July off. There are plans for a kick-off practice at the end of July in preparation for beginning our new season in August. The choir is always open to new members for those who want to serve the Lord in that capacity.

### **Adult Auditorium Class—Dr. Walter A. Yoho, Teacher**

The gold of the Gospels is good (Gen. 2:12). We are digging this solid gold out of this good land as we continue to study and follow the life of our Lord upon the earth. Join us - please! Every Sunday at 9:00 AM!



On May 12 (Mother's Day), **The OWLS** fed and fellowshiped with the Missionaries at the last night of the Missions Conference after the service. A good time was had by all and we were sad to see them leave. Also, on May 19th, some of the Lady OWLS attended the Bridal Shower for **Kristin Roberson** - one of our faithful helpers when we have at our outings! We will miss her! On May 26, during the evening service, the church observed Staff Recognition Night (five-year increments) and the **Biebers** got recognized for forty-years of service at Tabernacle! Coming Events: We are planning on our annual Picnic at the **Phelps** probably in early August this year! We are looking forward to a time of fun and fellowship!

We are the "Older Wiser Loving Saints," and we are 55 years old and above!

# Up-Coming Events!

July 14<sup>th</sup>—Churchwide Blitzing at 7:00 PM

July 22<sup>nd</sup>-26<sup>th</sup>: VBS Literature Distribution (M-F, 9 AM-Noon; M, T, Th, 6:30-8:30 PM)

August 10<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>—Churchwide Visitation at 9:30 AM

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

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

### SEVEN-POINT-FIVE

Not *wildfire enthusiasm*. Not *scholarship-on-ice*. But TRUTH ABLAZE! This is what Cleopas and his companion experienced on Easter Sunday afternoon. *And they said one to another, Did not our heart burn within us, while he talked with us by the way, and while he opened to us the scriptures?* (Luke 24:32)

No wonder their hearts burned within them! Along the Emmaus Road the Living Word expounded the Written Word regarding the Living Word. *And beginning at Moses and all the prophets, he expounded unto them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself* (Luke 24:27).

What we would not give for a list of the Scriptures He used. How much more, for His commentary upon them. But we are left to search for ourselves. Yea, we are *commanded* to search for ourselves. *Search the scriptures, said Jesus, for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me* (John 5:39). But we are not left to ourselves. The Spirit of Truth longs to take the things of Christ and show them unto us (John 16:13-15).



Faculty & Graduates pictured above. 2013 Graduates are—Master of Religious Education In Pastoral Studies include **Mark Lawrence Loncar, Peter Simiyu Nilson, & Daniel James Tarr, IV**; and Doctor of Religious Education, **Jung Bok Kim** (Not in order of seating above).

TBBCS is eager to help. TBBCS is a journey of 7.5 miles. TBBCS seeks students who seek an intensive, analytical study of the Scriptures. TBBCS is not concerned about *wildfire enthusiasm* or *scholarship-on-ice*. TBBCS is consumed with *knowledge a flame!*

Fall Trimester starts on Monday, September 9. Contact Brother Ken Sheets (Ext. 317) or Mrs. Amanda Hoyle (Ext. 308) and say: "Is not God's Word like a fire? Help me burn bright for God!"

The road from Jerusalem to Emmaus is 7.5 miles long.

JUNE REPORT: 6/2: TRACT SUNDAY; 6/2: 6 PM-Dr. Enoch Kumar (Missionary to India) Special Speaker; 6/3: Adventure Summer Begins; 6/3: TBA Seniors leave on Class Trip to PR June 3-17; 6/5: 7 PM-Children meet in auditorium with the Adults; 6/8: AM-PM-Men's Day Out (rescheduled for 7/20); 6/9: 7-8:30 PM-Blitzing; 6/12: 7 PM-Summer Children's Bible Time BEGINS; 6/14: FLAG DAY; 6/16: FATHERS' DAY; 6/17: TBA Seniors return home from PR; 6/21: SUMMER Begins!; 6/21: Girls' Youth Activity; 6/23: 3:30 PM-Deacons' Mtg.; 6/23: 7:15 PM-Teen SNAC; 6/29: 9:30 PM-Churchwide Visitation; 6/29: 6 PM-Youth Activity; 6/30: Benevolence Offering; 6/30: 6 PM-The Lord's Supper; 6/30: 7:15 PM-Churchwide Fellowship. WEEKLY: 5, 12, 19, 26-7 PM-Adults, Youth Chapel, Summer Children's Bible Time.

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

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May was a busy month for TBA! We had the School Play, Spring Concert, Merit Outing, Final Exams, the Cook Piano Recital, Kindergarten Graduation, Athletic Banquet, School Awards, and Senior Graduation. Thank you for all the prayers! Praise the Lord for all the positive comments! We have now completed 43 years of educating young people for the Lord's glory! We do want to say congratulations to Miss Kristin Roberson as she will be getting married and moving away this summer. May the Lord bless you! You will be missed! Also Pastor Hoyle will be moving on to the military chaplaincy. Thank you for your faithful service to all here at TBA! Adventure Summer is in full swing. We have been averaging about 25 young people per day so far! If you know someone that is looking for a great summer camp or just needs to have someone watch the children for a day, send them our way! The children (1st-6th grade) go to the beach, on field trips and to the park each week. Adventure Summer ends August 16th. School enrollment is now at 124 and we have had several phone calls. Please pray with me that the Lord would send us at least 185 students (that are teachable and desire to honor the Lord) for the 2013-2014 school year. TBA Orientation is scheduled for Thursday, August 22 at 7 p.m. School starts Monday, August 26. Informational fliers for both Adventure Summer and the Academy are in the School office. You may have as many as you need!



2013 Graduates (Names alphabetical): David Wayne Begley, Nathaniel James Dias, Francis Ricardo Escueta, Dan Adriel Policarpio Ferrer, Jared Allen Klein, Bon Kevin deVera Labre, Amber LeAnn McGary, Dayun

Shin, Kayla Denise Thomas, Isaiah Solomon Tole, Wesley Eric Whitfield.

**Enroll Today! Call: 757-424-4673, ext. 339**

## THE LADIES' SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS



The Ladies' Sunday school class continues its study of "Choices," a book on choosing well as a Christian. We have also been enjoying the new sanctuary renovation, and worked really hard on our first cleaning day to scrub spots that have already appeared on the carpet. We would like to echo Pastor's words that no one allow their children to eat or drink on the newly carpeted areas. After you helped pay for the renovations with your tithes, you don't want to stand by and watch the carpets be needlessly soiled within the first couple of months! Thanks for your consideration for your fellow church members who clean.

## THE CAREER CLASS

"This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes." Psalm 118:23



In May, the Career Class had a game night combined with a going away party for the **Boorujy family**, former teachers of the Career Class. With the **Boorujy family** safely arriving in Wisconsin, **David and Siony Peterson** took over the teaching of the Career Class. **Dave** began a wonderful Bible study entitled *Daily Life of the Redeemed: Exodus - Deuteronomy*. Lesson one emphasized the truth of trusting God to keep His promises. In the next lesson, the class learned the importance of finding confidence in the God Who is. The underlying theme of the book is experiencing peace from practicing the presence of God. We look forward to continuing this thirteen week series throughout the summer! July and August will be filled with exciting fellowship each Sunday, including periodic visits to local restaurants.

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

## CALLED HOME TO HEAVEN TO BE WITH THE LORD

**BOLIVIA, S.A.:** We recently got word that one of our Missionaries, **Mrs. Lipsy Carreon**, was called home to be with the Lord, May 11 (7/6/1939-5/11/2013). The field of service and her native-land was Bolivia. She was preceded in death by her husband, **Angel**, November 12, 2009; and is survived by her two married children: **Lineth & Franz**; and five grandchildren. We began their support in 1994.



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The next articles are due by August 4, 2013. 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!