

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

# Tabernacle Times



## Tabernacle Baptist Church 45 Year Anniversary - May 6 TBBCS Summer Trimester Begins - May 7/Academy Graduation - May 25 at 7 PM

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

It's spring here in spite of the cool temperatures! We are thankful for the new life that spring represents. We have had some building projects going on . . . a new parking lot, some new plumbing at TBA, and new parking lot lighting. God has been good to us, and we are thankful.

Our annual Ladies' Day on March 24 with the theme "A Time For All Seasons" saw 219 Ladies in attendance representing thirty-one churches. Thank you to all who helped make it a success!

On Friday, April 20, the TBBCS Graduation was held at 7:00 pm in the church auditorium. Rev. Frank Bailey, pastor of Northside Baptist Church in Moncks Corner, SC, was the speaker. Tabernacle Baptist Academy's Graduation is Friday, May 25, 2012, at 7:00 pm. Rev. Gene Krackenfels from North Carolina will be the speaker. Curt and Jennifer Tomlin will be moving soon after that to their new ministry in Florida. We are thankful for the eight years they have been with us and wish them the best in their new ministry.

The spring and summer will be full of activities. Missions Conference is May 2-6 with Dr. John O'Malley as the keynote speaker. May 29-June 13 the TBA seniors, Mr. & Mrs. Dean McGary, Miss Kristin Roberson, and Miss Ruth Anna Manka will take a trip to Vancouver, British Columbia, to work with missionaries Derrick and Karin Goettke. The teens are going to the WILDS June 18-23, and Volleyball Camp will be the last week in June.

Come be with us! We would love to have you visit our services and personally experience what God is doing here! To God Be the Glory!



### YOUTH IN ACTION!

Andrew P. Hoyle, Youth/Assistant Pastor

Spring is in full swing, and the teens of Tabernacle are enjoying the warmer weather. The high school seniors are especially excited about the end of the school year being close at hand.

One "surprising" highlight of March was the surprise party that the teens and parents hosted as the Hoyles celebrated five years of service at Tabernacle. While the Hoyles were unaware of what was going on, the teens and parents worked hard to prepare for this event. A special thanks goes to Daniel O'Hara for his hard work and the video he put together for the occasion.

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.



### The Ladies' Sunday School Class

The Ladies' Sunday school class is finishing up its study of "Changed into His Image" by Dr. Jim Berg. It has taken us over a year. Hopefully it has produced some permanent growth and change in us. Most of us were part of the cooking and decorating, as well as other functions, for Ladies' Day in late March. We love to challenge our creativity for this annual event, using it as a tool to show other ladies from this area how much we appreciate them and welcome them to our church for a day!

We are also praying for each other and bearing each other's burdens, particularly the news that Mary's young niece is diagnosed with a terminal cancer at age 19, and is not saved. Please join us in prayer for Rachael.



**TABERNACLE'S CHOIR NEWS:** After spending 2011 learning selections from Handel's Messiah, the choir has been moving forward in some other innovative ways this new year. Specifically, this involves having some new ensembles sing. Some people who have not previously been involved in small ensemble work are getting involved. We are trying some larger ensembles, too, and some with instrumentation. On Easter Sunday, the choir members who were not traveling gathered in front of the altar to be the biggest ensemble thus far! We would love for anyone who enjoys worshipping God in song to join us in choir. Instrument players are welcome to join us in the orchestra. See Mr. Josh Savage to embark on either of these two musical adventures (or both!).

A wonderful Ladies' Day (March 24) at Tabernacle! Approx 219 ladies were present! And what beautiful luncheon tables our ladies decorated--using "four seasons" themes. Tabernacle Ladies' Meeting (annual event involving ladies from 31 different churches this year). What an uplifting time we had! We had speakers on the various seasons of our lives. And all four of them were church members (Alison Boorujy, Amy Savage, Linda Turner, & Harriet Bennett) who don't usually speak in front of that many ladies, but they did great! Then we had a soup, salad, and breadstick luncheon, with decorated sugar cookies for dessert. Excerpts from fb (Barbara Sheets and Mary Martin).



**THE OWLS-TBC SENIOR ADULTS:** On March 18th, after the morning church service, we enjoyed a Soup-Salad-Sandwiches Meal and fellowship in the Academy Gymnasium. Thanks to Peter Nilson and Ryan Thompson for the testimony that they each gave after the meal. On Sunday evening, May 6, we will entertain and feed the Missionaries in the Commons. We are the "Older Wiser Loving Saints," and we are 55 years old and above!

Check out our WEB SITE: [www.tabernacle-vb.org](http://www.tabernacle-vb.org)

You can get our full schedule of activities from the calendars under Events on the WEB SITE!

### MISSIONS AND MISSIONARIES

Dr. Carl D. Bieber, Missions Coordinator

Missions is our Mission. Isn't it wonderful to have a mission in life? Each mission is made up of many other missions. Such is the work of the local Baptist church of the sick and needy, outreach to the lost and missions around the world. It is a big world, and there are many to reach with the Gospel. The burden for a World Mission Vision came upon the American Christian community in the early 1800s. The need has only increased.

I was reading recently of several WW2 veterans who took the Gospel back to those who had beaten and abused them as POWs. God has a wonderful way of doing His work. He is sovereign and calls individuals in a wonderful way. Sometimes the called came on the Island of Okinawa during the fiercest of fighting. Young men made that promise to do whatever God wanted if He would just deliver them from death on the battle field. You know the rest of the story already. God delivered and some obeyed immediately upon release from active duty. Others delayed or forgot the promise until hard times came to their life again. We have a wonderful God, and He is worthy of our service.

The Tabernacle Family has had a constant visitation of our missionaries. They come by and give the report of what God is doing. Dr. Ramish Kumar and his son Elisha were with us on March 25th. Dr. Kumar gave a report on the Shalom Biblical Baptist Church in India. He told of church growth and the continual planting of new churches as they train more pastors. He also reported on the increased persecution by the Hindu government and in particular the militant groups. This faithful missionary along with others trust God as they continue to serve. Dr. Joseph Athyalil, from India, also stopped by and greeted the TBC family. He will report more on the work of the Tabernacle Baptist Church Ministries of India during our Missions Conference in May.

Our annual Missions Conference will be held May 2-6 this year. We are praying for the Missionaries who will attend and bless our hearts with their messages and challenge for the field. Our evening speakers will be Dr. John O'Malley, President of World Wide New Testament Baptist Missions and Dr. Joseph Athyalil, President of the Tabernacle Baptist Bible College and Pastor of the Tabernacle Baptist Church of Bangalore, India. Other Missionaries including Tim Drylie, Italy; Ron Naugle, South Africa; Nathan Patefield, Brazil; and Derrick Goettke, Canada will present their work to the church and speak in various settings during the meeting.

This five day meeting will be designed for us to focus on one part of the ministry. The reality of the outreach of Tabernacle to a lost and dying world will be the theme. We will be challenged to give over and above the tithe to missions. This is so others on the field can stay and even more missionaries will be able to go to the field.

Tabernacle, let's keep Missions before us and get prepared for another great year. None of this works without prayer. We must be praying for missions and missionaries. We can't all go but we can all give and pray. We must do our part.



**MARCH REPORT:** 1, 4-7 PM-TBA Sr. Eat Out at Skinny Dip; 3, 9:30 AM Churchwide Visitation; 4, Tract Sunday, 5:30 Patch Rehearsal, 6 PM Patch Sings; 6, ODACS Music Regional Competition; 9, 6 PM-Youth Activity Pizza Scavenger Hunt; 10, 2 PM-Career Class Birthday Party at Cheryl Chaokas' Home; 11, Set your Clocks ahead 1 hr.; 12, ODACS Regional Competition; 17, 9:30 AM Churchwide Visitation; 18, 11:30 AM-The OWLS S-S-S Luncheon, 3:30 PM Deacons' Mtg.; 18, 7:15 PM-Teen SNAC; 18, 7:30 PM-Singles' Singpiration at Boorujy's; 19, TBA 3rd Quarter Ends; 20, TBA 4th Quarter Begins, 22, TBA-Junior Class-Filipino Dinner; State ODACS Competition, 22, 7 PM-Youth Activity-Guys "Scrub & Grub"; 24, 9 AM -1 PM Ladies' Day; 31, 8 AM-4 PM Churchwide Work Day. **Every Tuesday**—3 PM-Good News Club at Woodstock; **Every Wednesday**—2:30 PM-Good News Club at Providence; 7 PM-Adults, Teen Chapel, Patch.

This is the APRIL 2012 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 SECOND ISSUE OF SIX FOR THE YEAR 2012!** Please consider giving a donation to defray the production cost of the *Tabernacle Times*. Thank you!

# Up-Coming Events!

**Mark Your Calendars—Churchwide Visitation—9:30 AM**  
**May 12<sup>th</sup> & Blitzing the 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:15 PM**  
**June 2<sup>nd</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> & Blitzing the 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:15 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

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**Dr. Walter Yoho**  
 Professor/Author

### "FIFTY YEARS"

Benjamin Disraeli, having just delivered a brilliant impromptu speech, was asked: "Mr. Disraeli, how long did it take you to prepare for that speech?" "Fifty years," he replied.

If a concert pianist makes a difficult composition of Franz Liszt look easy, that composer, no doubt, "sweated the details" and practiced ten hours a day, six days a week.

Ezra the scribe handled the Law of Moses, even the difficult portions, with impressive fluency. He was recognized, even by King Artaxerxes, as "a ready scribe in the law of the Lord" (Ezra 7:6). His skill in handling the Word, however, did not come to him automatically. He worked hard at it. Ezra 7:10 tells us that

"Ezra had prepared his heart to seek the law of the Lord, and to do it, and to teach in Israel statutes and judgments." A threefold outline thus emerges for Ezra's ministry—and for ours, namely: (1) Study! (2) Practice! (3) Teach! And Jesus would have all of His disciples to be Ezras (Matt. 13:52).

How does this apply to our Tabernacle family? Registration for TBBCS's Summer Tri-semester is scheduled for Wednesday-Thursday, May 2-3. Classes start Monday, May 7.

TBBCS's graduation was held on Friday evening, April 20. **Pastor/Evangelist Frank Bailey** delivered a stirring commencement address.

Five graduates were honored: **Maxie Darwin Chappell**—Diploma in Practical Christian Training, **Inocencio Reyes Alvar, III** and **Peter Simiyu Nilson**—Bachelor of Biblical Studies, **Andrew Plais Hoyle**—Master of Divinity, and **Ryan Ronald Omar Thompson**—Doctor of Religious Education. Special recognition was also given to the following individuals: **Pastor Charles Pearson**—Leland Award,

**Pastor Frank Bailey**—Apologian Award, **Inocencio Alvar**—Preaching Award, and **Rebecca Miller**—Greek Award. Seven HRBC Counseling Certificates were awarded: **Marcia Kay Baker**, **Dr. Douglas John Carragher**, **Jennifer Ann Cope**, **Adonna Marie Moreno**, **Pastor David Walter Mros**, **Douglas Frederick Thorpe**, and **Linda Potter Thorpe**.

The **CAREER CLASS** has begun a study in the book of Daniel. We have seen several encouragements from this great man of God. "But Daniel purposed in his heart..." (Daniel 1:8).

The Career Class has enjoyed many activities in the past few months. We had a party at Cheryl's house, celebrating her spiritual birthday. A few weeks ago, several of us had fun at an Admirals' hockey game.

The Career Class is rejoicing with **Ryan Thompson**, who has recently finished his doctorate with Tabernacle Baptist Bible College. We will miss him as God leads him to the next stage of his life. **Aaron Gaetzke** has recently finished his Law Degree at Regent University. We will also miss him as the Lord leads him in the direction He would have him to go.

The Career Class is looking forward to participating in a 5K run in May in support of kidney disease research.

Aaron Gaetzke, Friend Alex, Jeff Slaughen- haupt, Ryan Thompson, Kristin Roberson, & Ruth Anna Manka at the Hockey Game.



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**The next articles are due by June 10, 2012. 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!**

**APRIL REPORT:** 1, Tract Sunday, Quarterly Missions Sunday; 2-6, TBA Standardized Testing; 6, 7 PM—College & Career Hockey Game; 9, Tabernacle Times Articles due; 9-13, TBA Spring Break; 9-13, TBBCS Spring Semester Final Examinations; 13, TBBCS Spring Tri-semester Last Day; 15, 6 PM-TBBCS Preaching Night, 7:30 PM-Singles' Singspiration; 17, 5:30 PM-TBBCS Graduation Banquet/Board Mtg.; 18, 8:15 PM Deacons' Mtg.; 20, 7 PM-TBBCS Graduation; 21, CLAMP Group to Hiawassee, GA; 21, 9:30 AM Churchwide Visitation; 21-28, CLAMP Group to Hiawassee, GA; 22, 5:30 Patch Rehearsal, 6 PM Patch Sings, 7:15 PM-Teen SNAC; 27, 7 PM-TBA School Play; 28, 6 PM-Youth Activity (Scrub & "What do you want on your tombstone?"); 29, 6 PM-Lord's Supper, Benevolent Offering, 7:15 PM Churchwide Blitzing. **Every Tuesday**—3 PM-Good News Club at Woodstock; **Every Wednesday**—2:30 PM-Good News Club at Providence; 7 PM-Adults, Teen Chapel, Patch.

### A Bible Memorization Program began in January 2012 Principles From Proverbs-Get a copy from our Web Site under Events!



### Tabernacle Baptist Academy

Mr. Curtis R. Tomlin, Administrator  
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What a busy month March was!!! Our students competed in the annual ODACS competition and did exceptionally well. We are pleased with the efforts put forth by the students here.

It's Re-enrollment time! As of this writing there are 110 students on the docket for the school year. The phone calls and interviews have been taking place, and the prospect of a great year is anticipated.

Softball season has been in "full swing" for several weeks now, and the Lady Patriots are doing a great job! It looks like they've "caught" the ball and are running with it!

The students have done their annual achievement testing, and, as always, we expect to see great things from them in their scores. The great thing about our students is that they score in the 85<sup>th</sup>-90<sup>th</sup> percentile of all testers. The national average is 50 percent. That says—our GOD is good!

Before you know it, the 2012 ACADEMIC YEAR will come to a close. It has been a joy to write for this newsletter. As many of you know, this is my last year at Tabernacle. I have been certainly blessed to work with great people. My family and I will be moving to Bradenton, FL and working at COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH and SCHOOL with **Pastor Jesse Nicholson** and **Pastor Nathan Armstrong**.

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



### HAMPTON ROADS BIBLICAL COUNSELING Drs. Ray and Sherrill Fulayer

The National Association of Nouthetic Counselors (NANC) Board has officially designated our biblical counseling center, Hampton Roads Biblical Counseling Center, as a NANC Certified Training Center. NANC commended the quality of our biblical counseling ministry and biblical counselor training. All past and future students who complete our classes containing the NANC Template topics will have completed the education requirements toward NANC counselor certification.

We have seven students who have completed the education requirements toward NANC counselor certification and are receiving their Certificate of Accomplishment in Biblical Counseling. They are **Marcia Kay Baker**, **Dr. Douglas John Carragher**, **Jennifer Ann Cope**, **Adonna Marie Moreno**, **Pastor David Walter Mros**, **Douglas Fredrick Thorpe**, and **Linda Potter Thorpe**. They have gained tools that they can use to minister to fellow believers in our churches. Some are actively pursuing certification with NANC.

We are listed as a training center on the NANC website, [www.nanc.org](http://www.nanc.org). God has blessed our ministries and we appreciate your prayers and being a part of this great ministry of fulfilling the Great Commission through teaching other believers to follow the biblical teachings and the sufficiency of Christ to meet our every need.

We had a good Facing Life's Challenges Seminar with the Cedar Grove Baptist Church, in Asheboro, NC. We are looking forward to being in several other churches this year and are presently working on scheduling these.

If you are interested in ministering to other believers, or would like to learn more about biblical counseling, we want to help you. You may even have someone who needs further help. Have them contact us as well. Pray for the ministry to develop as the Lord is willing. Check out our website, [www.hrbiblicalcounseling.com](http://www.hrbiblicalcounseling.com)

**Keep the Shut-ins in your prayers:** Jim & Linda Bell, Earlene Clark, Tom Dunlap, Lita Henderson, Glenn & Ruth Johnson, Lillian Jones, Doris Lee, Jean Linkous, Belle MacMillan, Lillian Mason, Nora Pace, Carman & Glenys Reade, Catherine Sauls, Brantley Walker, Eula Watkins, & Alma Williamson.



### CALLED HOME TO HEAVEN TO BE WITH THE LORD

April 4, 1935-April 6, 2012 **Alice Beasley Biser**, 77, went to be with the Lord on April 6, 2012. A native of Princess Anne County, she was wife of the late Austin Jacob Biser. She was a member of Tabernacle Baptist Church, Virginia Beach since March, 1973. A graveside service will be held in Forest Lawn Cemetery, Norfolk with Pastor James Baker officiating. [www.grahamfuneralhome.com](http://www.grahamfuneralhome.com).

**Testimonial:** "She was so helpful to our family when she was still able to go to church. She used to 'man' the nursery all day long during conferences when we first came to Tabernacle. Even if Joey was the only child in there, she would lovingly keep him so I could hear the teaching! Sweet lady!" —Mrs. Mary Martin