

# ON THE ROAD

## BARRY BEEBE

October 1-3  
East Wilton Union Church  
East Wilton, ME  
Missions Conference

October 22-24  
Lake Echo Fellowship Baptist Church  
Lake Echo, NS  
Missions Conference

October 29-31  
Rumney Bible Conference  
Rumney, NH  
Father & Son Retreat

## JOHN HOAG

October 5  
Hudson Baptist Church  
Hudson, ME  
Extension Classes

October 7,14,21,28  
Dumfries Community Bible Study  
Dumfries, NB

October 17  
Chomedey Baptist Church  
Chomedey-Laval, QC  
50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Service

October 25  
Milltown Baptist Church  
Milltown, NB  
Extension Classes

October 30-31  
Bradford Baptist Church  
Bradford, ME

## ROBERT BOOKER

October 31  
Central Wickham Baptist Church  
Central Wickham, NB  
Sunday Morning Service

## MATTHEW LITTLE

October 19-22  
Word of Life Bible Institute  
Owen Sound, ON  
Teaching

October 24  
Temple Baptist Church  
Cambridge, ON  
Sunday Morning Service

## JACK CARON

October 15-17  
Perham Baptist Church  
Perham, ME  
Missions Conference

October 24  
Open Bible Campus Church  
Victoria Corner, NB  
Sunday Morning Service

October 25  
Milltown Baptist Church  
Milltown, NB  
Extension Classes



# Open Bible Bulletin

The Word of Hope in the New Millennium

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The psalmist was in trouble! He was going through a "dry spell" according to verse 6 and he longed for strength, safety and refreshment. I am sure we have all been in this situation and perhaps even today you are discouraged, facing trial and temptation, insecurity or defeat. If you have a Bible with titles

## MY SANCTUARY PSALM 84

under the chapter headings, you will see the term "Gittith" under chapter 84. "Gittith" literally means "winepress" and refers to being tested and tried with a view to judgement. This gives us a clue to his situation. So the Holy Spirit has given to the psalmist an encouraging word to strengthen him and a timely word to pass on to us who often can relate to his circumstances.

First, the psalmist referred to the **sanctuary** (tabernacle, courts, vs 1,2). From verses 4 and 10 we understand he is talking about the temple or tabernacle where God dwelt. God had given Moses explicit instructions in Exodus 25 concerning building that first house for Him. In fact, in Exodus 25:8, God refers to the tabernacle as a "sanctuary; that I may dwell among them." What God is saying in Exodus and in Psalms is that His desire is to dwell with His people and His presence would insure their safety. Notice in Psalm 84:3 that even the most fragile and insignificant of birds can find rest in Him. So, in times of trial we find this sanctuary - His presence.

Second, the writer speaks of God's **strength**. In this time of pressure and judgement, he was weakened and

cried out for help. In verse 6, the "valley of Baca" means "place of tears" but notice that the "place of tears" turns into a well of water, refreshing and rejuvenating the weary and discouraged soul. In his journey (toward Jerusalem, v 7) he found his strength in his faithful God.

Third, he stated that God is his **shield**. When difficulty comes my way, I need protection. The writer likely had in mind the scaly hide of a crocodile or other animal from which the soldier's shield was made. Sometimes the shield was small but often it was big enough to stand behind and receive full protection. When the evil one (Ephesians 6:10-18) sends his darts of wickedness, discouragement and trial, I can run to the safety of the full protection which God provides.

Fourth, the psalmist realizes that his God is a **sun**. Finally, it seems the trial, the judgement is over - the sun is shining through. He senses God's grace and glory and blessing. I am reminded of Malachi's statement in Malachi 4:2, where, referring to the millennium, he calls Christ the "Sun of Righteousness" (arising with healing in His wings.)

May I encourage you today, as those struggles come, some light and some severe, that, as with the psalmist, our God is a sanctuary, our strength, a shield and sun.



by Dr. Robert Booker

## FAMILY FILE...

### WEDDINGS

Emily Wheaton (Assoc. '08) to Ricky Mitton ('09) on June 7, 2010.

### BIRTHS

July 20, 2010 - to Ken (Assoc. '04) and Meranda Scott, a son, Eli Philip.

August 12, 2010 - to Heidi (Woodman, ABM '95) and Dayton Grandmason, a son, Daniel Sebastian.

September 3, 2010 - to Philippe (present junior student) and Isabelle Bélanger, a son, Ezekiel Daniel.



## ALUMNEWS

Special thanks to Pat (Sjoberg '69) Foster for suggesting "Alumni Speaking" which will be featured as you, alumni, send in brief testimonies to keep us all up-to-date.

Pat writes: "I continue to learn and value the Biblical lessons that were taught and modeled to me while attending NBBI. Such foundational truths have been a great stabilizer in my life. Ken ('69) and I desire to be active alumni because we believe that Bible school training would help any young person learn how to live life's journey God's way. We send greetings to all of you who were fellow students with us!"

Send your brief testimony of 75 words or less to <bob.booker@nbbi.ca>. Be sure and add the year you and/or your spouse graduated.

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come  
experience...

November 12-13, 2010



NBI COLLEGE  
FOR A DAY!

## WHAT'S UP?...

### ABUNDANT JOY

NBBI Ladies' Retreat

OCTOBER 22-23, 2010

Our second annual Ladies' Retreat will be held here on the beautiful campus of New Brunswick Bible Institute on October 22-23, 2010! We are pleased to let you know that **Mrs. Linda Reed** from Ottawa, Ontario

will be our speaker this year. Linda is the wife of Pastor Rick Reed of the Metropolitan Bible Church. We look forward to hearing what the Lord lays on her heart concerning our theme, "**Abundant Joy.**" **Sarah Jane Bishop** will be ministering to our hearts through music along with her team pictured below. We are excited to have these women come and share with us for this very special weekend. Please plan to join us and bring along your friends!



Ladies' Retreat



Mrs. Linda Reed

Above: Mrs. Linda Reed

Left: Heidi (Mowry '96) Robertson, Erin Longworth (Assoc. '07), Shari Doucette and Sarah Jane (Finnamore, attended in '85-'86) Bishop

## CAMPUS NEWS...

Cindy, Dawson, Kurtis Jacob and Micah



We are pleased to announce that Mr. Kurtis Kent has been hired on our staff. He will serve as our full-time chef and Director of Food Services. He will also assist in our maintenance de-

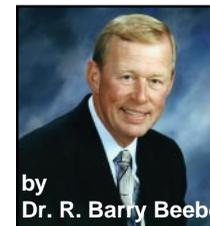
### NEW STAFF

#### KENTS & MCKINNONS

by Barry Beebe

partment during the summer months. Kurtis graduated from NBBI in 2008 and has since served part-time in our maintenance department and then full-time in pastoral ministry. Joining Kurtis is his wife, Cindy and sons, Dawson, Jacob and Micah.

We are also happy to welcome Mr. Derek McKinnon as a part-time faculty member in our English department. Derek works with social services, has trained as a lawyer and is finishing his Master of Divinity degree from Luther Rice University. Derek and his wife Laurie (Fraser '94) have four sons, Josiah, Timothy, Isaiah and Gideon. ❖



by Dr. R. Barry Beebe

## President's Challenge...

### OUR PURPOSE & PHILOSOPHY (PART 2)



The word "*philosophy*" is derived from two Greek words, *phil* which refers to love and *sophos* which refers to wisdom. Philosophy speaks of a passionate search for truth, wisdom and reality. This results in the eventual realization and understanding of that truth, which allows the development of a framework of beliefs and principles upon which an individual or group of people would function.

New Brunswick Bible Institute carefully derives its philosophy from: (1) The Biblical patterns of discipleship, mentoring and training believers as found in the Word of God. (2) The purposes and intents of the founding fathers and directors of this institution. (3) The Board of Directors, who are responsible to lead this ministry, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, so that we can be ever effective in training Christian workers.

New Brunswick Bible Institute's philosophy of ministry includes: (1) the theological and doctrinal position of this institution (2) the goals and purposes of this institution (3) the objectives and directives of function for this institution and (4) the affiliations and associations of this institution.

The purpose of the New Brunswick Bible Institute is to assist the church of Jesus Christ in the training of men and women to be effective followers of Jesus Christ in the fulfillment of the Great Commission, to serve worldwide in missions, evangelism and discipleship.

NBBI's objectives, for which we strive continually, are: (1) Biblical Training - The Word of God is to be the main ingredient in teaching men and women to live godly Christian lives and to serve in a holy and acceptable manner. Our courses and our ministries are to be derived from and saturated with the Scripture for evangelism and discipleship. (2) Character Training - We seek to teach men and women to live a godly, spiritual and disciplined Christian life. We seek to challenge our students to rise above self-discipline, or required-discipline, and live a Holy Spirit-disciplined life. (3) Ministry Training - We are preparing servants of Christ, in conjunction with local churches and Christian families, to be devoted to the great mission Jesus has given us. We seek to help students recognize and use their talents, gifts, abilities, possessions and time by serving one another on campus, in churches, in the community, in Christian camps, on mission trips, etc.

Over the past 66 years we have seen many changes in our policies, programs, properties and people, yet our philosophy remains the same. More changes will come as we seek to remain healthy, effective and energized in our mission.

Our commitment to the Lord and His people is that we will ever be true to the foundational principles that have brought this school into the 21<sup>st</sup> century. ❖

## CHAPEL SPEAKERS

- October 6 ..... Stephen Somers  
Pioneers
- October 7 ..... Brian Seeley  
HCJB World Radio-Canada
- October 13 ..... Gary Stairs  
Word Of Life Canada
- October 14-15 ..... Ron Grossman  
Israel's Hope
- October 21 ..... Barry Speck  
Word Of Life Canada
- October 26 ..... Don Pickel  
Avant Ministries
- October 27-28 ..... Bradley Collins  
Across Borders for World Evangelism ❖

## SUMMER PROJECTS

by Paul Long, Maintenance Director

Here is what our maintenance crew, along with our Vacation with a Vision volunteers were able to accomplish this summer: Renovations were done to the board room, the Kents' home and the Robins' front deck. The games' room was gyprocked, crackfilled and painted. (funded by the student body). Five new floors were laid in Liberty Hall and many others refurbished. Liberty Hall and Beacon Hall were partially cleaned and the steps to the ladies' dorms were painted. The removable wall between the chapel and gym was restored and painted.

Thanks to all those who prayed for or gave financially to Vacation with a Vision and a special thanks to those who gave their time to help accomplish these projects. ❖