

ON THE ROAD

BARRY BEEBE

April 22
Nasonworth Baptist Church
Nasonworth, NB
Good Friday Service

April 24
Nasonworth Baptist Church
Nasonworth, NB
Easter Service

ROBERT BOOKER

April 3
Open Bible Campus Church
Victoria Corner, NB
Morning Service

DAVID DOHERTY

April 5, 12, 19, 26
East Hodgdon Bible Church
East Hodgdon, ME
Extension Classes

JOHN HOAG

April 4, 11, 18, 25
Springfield Community
Chapel
Springfield, ME
Extension Classes

April 5, 12, 19, 26
East Hodgdon Bible Church
East Hodgdon, ME
Extension Classes

April 7, 14
Dumfries Community Bible
Study
Dumfries, NB

April 10

Open Bible Campus Church
Victoria Corner, NB
Morning Service



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Do you realize that your conversation usually reveals what is on your heart? If you have a love for hunting, many conversations with your friends will include hunting stories. My daughter, Megan loves children. After she comes home from baby-sitting our neighbour's children, she goes on and on about things they did or said. It is inevitable, what is on our hearts will pass through our lips. David was a man after God's own heart and God was continually on David's lips. In Psalm 119:17-24, we see four requests in David's prayer to the God He loved.

A MAN AFTER GOD'S OWN HEART

The first one, found in verse 17, is **"Deal Bountifully with Your Servant."** The word "deal" means hand out what is due. Of course, the adulterer and sinner, David deserved eternal death the same as each one of us. But, because David loved God and in faith looked forward to the coming Messiah, he could say, deal "bountifully" or generously, plentifully and graciously with me. David wanted to live a triumphant and victorious life, paying careful attention to God's Word.

David's second request is **"Open Thou Mine Eyes"**, verse 18. This is not a request for physical healing, but rather, it is a request that God, the divine Healer, would peel off David's spiritual cataracts; those things that slowly develop and cloud our vision of God. Notice he wanted to behold wondrous things out of God's Word. *Expect more!!* When you go to God's Word, are you really expecting God to speak to you, to give you something that could be life-changing? Friend, that is where most of us

fail. We forget what God has done and can do for us, through us and in us and we don't come expectantly.

The third request is found in verses 19 & 20. **"Do Not Hide Your Commandments From Me."** David said he was a stranger in the earth. We would be silly to suggest that David was not a citizen of the nation, Israel. He was their King. But he looked beyond this and recognized his true, eternal home, Heaven. In living his life on earth, David did not want to lose sight of God's laws while enforcing the laws of the land. His heart's longing desire was to continually remain true to God's Word.



by Larry D. Rushton

Request number four was **"Remove from Me Reproach and Contempt."** The word "reproach" means to tell someone that he acted wrongly, especially when you would not expect him to do so - an honourable request for a man in his position. "Contempt" means to despise as worthless or insignificant, disobedient to lawful order. David had the pressure of princes wrongfully speaking against him, but he could honestly say, *"thy testimonies are my delight and my counsellors."*

In this prayer, David's conversation reveals his love and dependence upon God and His Word. If this mighty, successful and beloved king needed guidance from God's Word, do you think that you could use His guidance? *"Open Thou mine eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of Thy law."*



FAMILY FILE...



WEDDING

Nancy Harvie (attended '71-'73) to Bob Pelletier on December 31, 2010.

BIRTHS



November 14, 2010 - to Brent (ABM '07) and Nicole (Dempsey, ABM '06) Clark, a daughter, Kaelyn Jade.

December 31, 2010 to David (ABM '10) and Jocelyn (Pilkey, '09) Drabiuk, a daughter, Avery Joy.

December 31, 2010 - to Christopher ('03) and Karen (Kramer, '05) Eastman, a son, David William.

February 17, 2011 - to Wes ('01) and Rebecca Burns, a son, Keenan Joel.

February 19, 2011 - to Nick (ABM '06) and Rebecca (Norton, '05) Poisson, a son, Tyler David.

HOMEGOINGS

Laura Anderson, grad of 1952, went home to be with the Lord on February 11, 2011. Please pray for the family.



Warren Carter, husband of Leanne Baker, grad of 1983, went to be with the Lord on February 13, 2011, after a skiing accident. The Carters have been missionaries in Austria where the funeral was held.



ALUMNEWS

by Bob Booker,
Alumni Committee Chair

Yoshito ('06) and Emi (Yokota, '05) Toida write from Japan "After graduation from NBBi in April, 2006, I (Yoshito) went to Tokyo Christian Theological Seminary and I am now pastor of a church in Kyoto, Japan. I married Emi Yokota in 2008 and in 2010 God gave us a baby boy whom we named Soshi, which means "serving God." We love NBBi and talk about our time there and pray for you."

The class reunion plans for Spring Conference are moving ahead. Whether your class is involved or not, plan to join us April 28-May 1.

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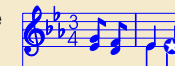
Don't miss our music and drama team tours during the first two weeks of May. Please contact us if you are interested in a meeting.

Matthew Little and "Alive," the men's music team will be touring in Ontario

Jack Caron and the "Grace Alone" music group will tour northern, eastern and coastal Maine

Keith McMahon and SEM will be in Southern Maine and New Hampshire

Barry Beebe and Matthieu Larabie will tour in the Maritimes



WHAT'S UP?...



SPRING CONFERENCE

APRIL 28-MAY 1, 2011

Guest Speaker, Dr. Ray Pritchard

Our keynote speaker is Dr. Ray Pritchard, president of *Keep Believing Ministries*. He has ministered extensively overseas and is a frequent conference speaker and guest on Christian radio and television talk shows. He is the author of 27 books, including *Credo*, *The Healing Power of Forgiveness*, *An Anchor for the Soul* and *Why Did This Happen to Me?*

Dr. Pritchard will be speaking on "Man of Honour: How to Build a Life of Godly Character."

Guest Singers, DW & Jessie Crutchfield

DW and Jessie Crutchfield committed themselves to spreading the Gospel of Jesus Christ through music and testimony in October 2004 when they married.

DW grew up in a singing family and has been singing for more than 20 years throughout Eastern United States. Jessie also came from a singing family who has made its mark throughout Canada and the United States.

Their goal is to utilize their gifts to magnify the Lord, Jesus Christ, to lift the spirits of the saints and to present a clear salvation message to the lost.



FIELD REPORT...

GUATEMALA MISSIONS TRIP 2010

by Jack Caron, Missions Director

Last summer, June 12-19, 2010, a group from NBBI along with members from The People's Church in Somerville, NB, travelled to the Central American country of Guatemala. Together, with national workers from

The Arms of Jesus Children's Mission (AOJ), we were able to minister to hundreds of children and their families during our visit.

Upon arrival, our group divided up into several smaller teams. One team ran a DVBS program (with all 425 children) at the AOJ School, other members helped construct water filters and build prefabricated kits for



houses and a couple of us spent time in the school's computer lab fixing equipment and training staff. I also had opportunity to lead a Bible study each afternoon with the AOJ staff.

On the final day in Guatemala, our whole team came together and traveled into a remote mountain village, where we constructed three homes for some grateful families. It brought great joy to our hearts to be able to pray with each family as we dedicated these new homes to the Lord.

Although our time was short, we were privileged to see many children come to faith in Christ, aided in meeting numerous material needs and above all witnessed God at work among the people of Guatemala.

Thank you to all who prayed and gave sacrificially to see this mission trip accomplished. May the Lord get the glory!



by Dr. R. Barry Beebe

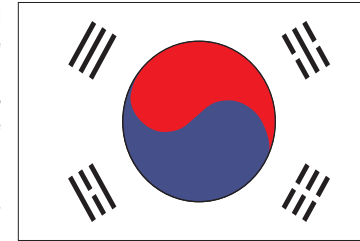
President's Challenge...

COUNTING BLESSINGS



I had a wonderful opportunity to spend two weeks at the new Word of Life Bible Institute on Jeju Island in South Korea. I was able to teach the book of Jonah at their missions conference and teach the

book of Ezra to the student body. Most of the 33 students were Korean or Japanese, as well as some from the USA and Canada. Steve Nichols is the Word of Life director for Asia. He and his team have been ministering in Korea, Japan, Taiwan and other Asian countries for 20 years. They now have arrived at the goal of establishing a one year Bible institute. I am hoping that some of their grads will consider coming to NBBI.



Our eighth annual **Men for God Rally** provided many wonderful reports of blessing. Pastor Bob Snell had challenging messages regarding men and integrity. The men's music group, "One Blood" provided inspiring music. Those who gave testimony were used of God to connect with men in a spiritual way. The **Men for God**

scholarship offering amounted to \$4,589.37. This will assist a number of young men to continue their studies at NBBI.

The **Christmas, "Faithful Gift"** offering totalled \$29,828 and enabled us to end the 2010 year in the black. Praise God for people who are dedicated to this kind of Bible training ministry.

Our two winter teen retreats have been packed out. What a blessing to see many youth leaders and pastors coming with their teens. Many of the youth workers are NBBI grads. Pastor Wayne Heikkinen used God's Word to motivate young men and women to live for Jesus Christ. Teens were saved and strengthened for Christ.

Two student missions teams went to Texas and Halifax on March break. The Texas team worked with hispanic teens at a youth group and the Halifax team worked with "Pax-North" (grads, Brad and Shelby Somers) reaching street people for Christ.

Many of our staff have been struggling with health issues this winter. Thank you for your faithful prayers on our behalf.

I would like to thank those who wrote, called or emailed to assure me of their prayers. I have been dealing with back, neck, shoulder and arm problems since the beginning of January. There has been much improvement and I am hoping for a full recovery. ✪

SUMMER PROJECT 2011

by Barry Beebe

We are seeking to raise **\$20,000**, before May, 2011, so that we can install new showers, sinks and counters, as well as repair flooring, doors and the dorm lounge in Liberty Hall, our ladies' dormitory.

One church in New Brunswick has sent in \$1000 to go toward this project. They asked me to challenge 19 other churches to do the same. What about yours? ✪

LADIES

Remember to set aside **October 21-22** for our Ladies' Conference with Gracia Burnham, missionary and author of *In the Presence of My Enemies* and *To Fly Again*. We will also enjoy testimonies, special music and great fellowship.

Looking forward to seeing you there!

