

ON THE ROAD

ROBERT BOOKER

July 3-8
Central Wickham Baptist Church
Central Wickham, NB
Sunday Services and Extension Classes

DAVID DOHERTY

July 10,13,17,20
Coldstream Baptist Church
Coldstream, NB
Sunday and Wednesday services

JOHN HOAG

July 3-8
Central Wickham Baptist Church
Central Wickham, NB
Extension Classes

July 10 (tentative)
Faith Baptist Chapel
Blaine, ME
Sunday Services

July 15-17
Faith Bible Fellowship
Millbridge, ME
Revival Services

August 7
Woodland Beach Community Church
Woodland Beach, ON

MATTHEW LITTLE

July 10-15
Tay Valley Bible Camp
Tay Valley, NB
Camp

August 8-12
River of Life Bible Camp
Maxfield, ME
Camp

KEITH MCMAHON

July 17-22
Sheffield Baptist Church
Halifax, NS
Vacation Bible School

July 25-29
East Waterboro Free Baptist Church
East Waterboro, ME
Vacation Bible School

August 1-5
Wilderness Day Camp
Fort Fairfield, ME



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There are times when life becomes downright intimidating. We experience seasons of great disillusionment, discouragement and even despair because of many of the situations that are normal to life. Any given day can present us with new challenges in the realm of our health, finances, relationships and unmet expectations. None of God's people are exempt from knowing difficulty as we journey through this broken world in these sinful, mortal bodies. Together, we experience trials that are untimely, uncomfortable, unwanted, unpredictable, undiscernable, uncontrollable, unprovoked, and seemingly unbearable. What are we to do? How are we to cope?

will I make my refuge, until these calamities be overpast. I will cry unto God most High; unto God that performeth all things for me."

CAVE PEOPLE

Even as David was hiding in the shadow of the cave, he was, more importantly, hiding in the shadow of God's wings. What a beautiful, poetic picture of God's care for

His children in their times of great distress. Imagine, the very presence of God was to be found in a darkened cave in the Judean wilderness. David's experience teaches us how we can trust God in the midst of personal tragedy. David is able to **experience comfort in the presence of God** because he had **expressed confidence in the person of God**. Notice how verse seven depicts David's confidence in God, in spite of the uncertainty of life's events.



by Keith McMahon

"My heart is fixed, O God, my heart is fixed: I will sing and give praise."

It has been said that when life becomes bizarre, only one's relationship with God calms the soul. My friend, unfortunately, we won't escape some of the common trials of this life, but when they come, we can certainly flee to the caves of God's merciful presence and there hide ourselves in His comforting embrace.



May I suggest that when life bears down with all of its unforgiving pressure that you **find a cave and get in it**. Now, before you think me to be harsh, let's be reminded that that is specifically what David did on a number of occasions. There were times when David was being pursued by King Saul (1 Samuel 22-24) and feared for his very life. It was in the caves of Adullam and En Gedi that David found refuge. David knew he served a **great God** but was experiencing some **great difficulties** as King Saul was bearing down on him, with the purpose of destroying his life.

The first two verses of Psalm 57 offer us incredible insight into the very heart and mind of David as he crouched in the shadow of a cave, crying out to God.

"Be merciful unto me, O God, be merciful unto me: for my soul trusteth in thee: yea, in the shadow of thy wings



FAMILY FILE...



WEDDING

Kerri Costello (Assoc. '08) to Nate Bartlett ('11) on May 28, 2011.

BIRTHS

June 17, 2010 - a daughter for Terrell (ABM '09) and Rebecca (Milton, '07) Sine, Olivia Audrey.



ALUMNEWS

by Bob Booker, Alumni Committee

Margaret (Holmes) Gualtieri ('57) writes, *"I thank the Lord for the years I spent at NBBI. Eleven members of our family graduated and at least three more went for a year with Natalie Holmes, my granddaughter, presently a student. The Lord has been so good. He led Ronald and me to Argentina where Ron served 37 years and I served 40 years. My son Colby and family still serve there."*

Spring Conference - Thank you to all who made the class reunions successful and to all alumni who attended. It was good to have you back!



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WHAT'S UP?...



KIDS' QUEST 2011 SEPTEMBER 30-OCTOBER 1

Have you begun planning for the fall? Make Kids' Quest a part of your program.

Kids Quest is a weekend retreat for children ages 7-12. Mr Brad Walker will be our speaker this year. He is a grad of NBBI and a missionary with Child Evangelism Fellowship of Maine.

Mark these dates on your calendar and watch for more details to come. Get your application at nbbi.ca or call 375-9000.

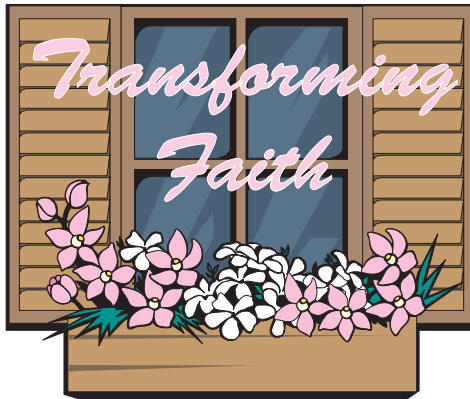


Remember to set aside **October 21-22, 2011** for our Ladies' Conference with Gracia Burnham. We will also enjoy testimonies, special music and great fellowship.

Gracia Burnham is the widow of Martin Burnham and the mother of Jeff, Mindy and Zach. For 17 years she and Martin served with New Tribes Mission in the Philippines where Martin was a jungle pilot delivering mail, supplies and encouragement to other missionaries, and transporting sick and injured patients to medical facilities. Gracia served in various roles supporting the aviation program and also home-schooled their children--all of whom were born in the Philippines.



While celebrating their 18th wedding anniversary at Dos Palmas Resort off Palawan Island, the Burnhams were kidnapped on May 27, 2001, by the Abu Sayyaf Group, a militant group of Muslims. They seized several more guests



Ladies' Retreat

and took them to Basilan Island, an ASG stronghold. In the ensuing months some of the hostages were killed, but most were set free. From November 2001, only the Burnhams and one other hostage remained in captivity. During their 376 days of captivity, they faced nearstarvation, constant exhaustion, frequent gun battles, coldhearted murder and intense soul-searching about a God who sometimes seemed to have forgotten them. On June 7, 2002, in a firefight between the Philippine military and the Abu Sayyaf Group, Martin was killed. Gracia was wounded, but was freed.

Since that time Gracia has authored two books, *In the Presence of My Enemies*, and *To Fly Again*. Her oldest son, Jeff, and his wife, Sarah, have accepted an assignment with Flying Mission Services in Botswana, Africa. Mindy is now married to Andy Hedvall, a "missionary kid" from South America. Mindy has completed her course of study at New Tribes Bible Institute in Waukesha, WI and Andy continues in his training there. Zachary is attending Butler County Community College on a voice scholarship. Gracia resides in Rose Hill, Kansas. Because of her unique story, Gracia is a popular speaker for churches, conferences and schools.

Looking forward to seeing you here!

A TRIBUTE TO...

DR. & MRS. BARRY & LINDA BEEBE

by Dr. Robert Booker, Vice-President

It is with regret that I write to inform you that Barry and Linda Beebe are leaving NBBI and are seeking God's direction for ministry. Barry writes, "For the past two months Linda and I have been praying and contemplating God's will for our lives, whether here at NBBI or elsewhere. The NBBI Board of Directors has met with me and provided direction for the steps that we should take."

Barry & Linda Beebe are truly faithful servants of the Lord who have ministered at NBBI for 11 years. We will pray earnestly for them as they seek further ministry.

Linda has exercised her gift of hospitality on campus making many of our students welcome in her home. I am reminded of her service to the board of directors at board retreats when she served our meals with elegance, table cloth, finery and all!

We will all miss Barry's fiery preaching and unique illustrations that included eagles all over the place and a Roman suit of armour complete with 3 swords (2 battle



swords and a Bible). Barry has initiated many good changes at NBBI and has represented the Lord and NBBI faithfully.

Barry and Linda, we will pray for you as you seek God's direction and continue to serve our Lord.

You may contact Barry and Linda by email at <Barry.Beebe@gmail.com>.

STUDENT TESTIMONY...

LEANNA SPARKES, 2011 GRADUATE

It's hard to believe that my three years at NBBI are finished. Attending Bible school was never in my plans but they were in His, and the past few years have been amazing!

I was born into a Christian family and was saved at the age of four. I first heard of NBBI when I was invited to a Teen Retreat and it was during my last teen retreat that I knew God was leading me to Bible school.



To sum up the last three years in a few short paragraphs is impossible! Learning from classes, chapels and personal study has been great. While learning how to apply what I had learned to my life may not have always been easy, it was always good. The ministry opportunities at school stretched me and made me grow in ways I never thought they would; and participating in music groups and on mission teams were incredible experiences that I'm so thankful for. You really learn the importance of prayer and what it really means to rely on God and to trust Him with everything.

In the fall I will be attending a school in Nova Scotia and I know that what I have learned over the past years here will help me with whatever God has planned for me.