

ON THE ROAD

ROBERT BOOKER

October 16
 Jacksontown Baptist Church
 Jacksontown, NB
 Sunday Services

JACK CARON

September 30-October 2
 Argyle-Pubnico Baptist Church
 Argyle, NS
 Mission's Conference

October 9
 Faith Baptist Chapel
 Blaine, ME
 Morning Service

October 23
 Faith Bible Church
 Olamon, ME
 Mission's Conference

JOHN HOAG

October 3
 Hudson Baptist Church
 Hudson, ME
 Extension Classes

October 6,13,20,27
 Dumfries Community Bible Study
 Dumfries, NB

October 24, 31
 Milltown Baptist Church
 Milltown, NB
 Extension Classes

MATTHEW LITTLE

October 9
 Jacksontown Baptist church
 Jacksontown, NB
 Sunday Services

October 18-21
 Word of Life Bible Institute
 Owen Sound, ON

October 23
 Coldstream United Baptist Church
 Coldstream, NB
 Sunday Morning Service

October 29-30
 South Portage Baptist Bible Church
 South Portage, NB
 Men's Breakfast/Sunday Services

KEITH MCMAHON

October 16
 Faith Baptist Chapel
 Blaine, ME
 Morning Service



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The Word of Hope in the New Millennium

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What are the dreams that you have for your life? What are the plans that you have already set in motion to lead you to where you want to be? Where are the decisions that you have planned for your life going to take you? Who are you listening to for advice? Where does God fit into all of this, if at all?

A DIVINE ENCOUNTER IN A DESERT EXPERIENCE
 by Matthew Little

In Exodus 2, we are introduced to a man that had the miraculous written all over him. In his childhood, he most certainly would have died had God not intervened and spared his life. He was destined to be poor had God not, through the sparing of his life, seen fit to put him into the king's palace. His life from conception to manhood had the fingerprints of God all over it.

This man's name was Moses. Moses was born a poor Israelite, a slave in Egypt. But soon he found himself in the palace of Pharaoh. He had it all. He had, in the palm of his hand, what most people spend a lifetime only dreaming of; fame, power, fortune and respect. Scholars believe that, by the time of the events of Exodus 2, Moses was an experienced military man having probably led victorious campaigns against other enemy nations. He lived in the most important home of the most powerful nation on the planet at that time. He was the prince of Egypt, the wealthiest, most cultured and most advanced society in the known world of that time. He was highly educated; he was trained at what was known as the Temple of the Sun, the most outstanding university of the day. He was exposed to all the wisdom

of Egypt. In fact, in Acts 7:32, we find out that Moses was a man mighty in "words and in deeds." We might say he was as prepared as man could possibly make him. Yet, in Exodus 2:15, we find him on the backside of the desert having just killed an Egyptian.

As Moses sits down by this well, he can't understand where it all went wrong. You see, all of the training that Moses received in Egypt did not prepare him for the divinely anointed task of delivering God's people.

Before he killed the Egyptian, Exodus 2:12 says, "...he looked this way and that way..." That is, he looked around but he never looked up. Had he looked up, he would have found the answers that he so desperately needed.

He spent forty years having men train him to be the most intellectual, successful, powerful, influential and effective person, but none of it helped him become what God wanted him to be. Now he is on the backside of the desert and God has enrolled him in the Divine Institute of Learning. It was a bachelor's program. But not lasting 4 years; it took 40. Someone once said, "Moses spent 40 years thinking he was a somebody; he spent another 40 years learning he was a nobody; he spent his final 40 years learning what God can do with a nobody."

I am thankful for the students that God has brought our way this year. Students, who like Moses, need God to do a preparatory work in their lives that the world (Egypt) can never accomplish.

CHAPEL SPEAKERS

- October 4 Curtis Steward
Gospel Mission of South America
- October 6 Tony Vanderlaan
Avant Ministries
- October 12-13 Al Cabral
Restoration Ministries
- October 14 Gary Stairs
Word of Life Canada
- October 19-20 Barry Speck
Word of Life Canada
- October 21 Gracia Burnham
New Tribes Mission
- October 25 Don Pickel
Avant Ministries
- October 27 Harry Straub
Crossworld

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FAMILY FILE...

BIRTHS

June 16, 2011 to Steve ('08) and Abby (Rice '08) Gordon, a son, Judah Jeffrey.

July 14, 2011 to Matthew and Marsha Collicott (Dickinson, ABM '03), a daughter, Sofia Faith.

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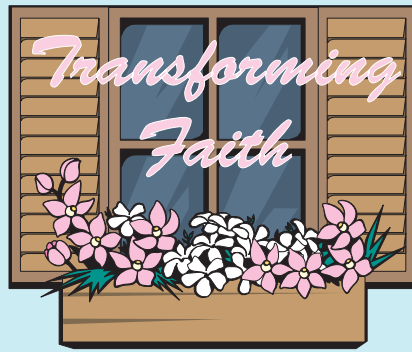
NBBI COLLEGE FOR A DAY!

ATTENTION! Grade 11 students and older! Come join us for *College for a Day, November 10-12, 2011*. Thursday night is registration and a rally. Friday you will sit in on regular classes, meet our faculty and spend time with our students. Departure will be Saturday morning after breakfast. Some transportation will be provided. Watch for more details in the Open Bible Bulletin next month.



WHAT'S UP?...

"Transforming Faith" will be here before you know it!!! We have had a huge response and space is limited to 450 guests, so if you've planned to be with us, and haven't registered, please call (506) 375-9000! Our ladies on staff are excited as we look forward to seeing this campus full of women ready for fun, fellowship and worship as we hear from our guest speaker Gracia Burnham and our guest singer Shauna Stevens (Grad of '05)! The dates are **October 21st and 22nd** here on the campus of New Brunswick Bible Institute.



Ladies' Retreat

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 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 near starvation, 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.

Can't wait to see you here!!!! ❖

FIELD REPORT... IN EQUADOR WITH DAN MCKEEN

I read this in Dan (ABM '00) and Diana McKeen's newsletter recently and thought it was worth sharing. Praise the Lord for this grad's ministry in Equador with CrossWorld and pray for continued fruitfulness. - Larry Rushton

"I have lived in Borja for 55 years," stated Elsa. She continued, "This is the first time someone has come into my house to explain the Bible." Elsa's husband, Luis, needs three valves replaced in his heart but due to complications doctors have sent him home for the remainder of his days. Those attending the weekly Adult Bible study in Borja requested Dan visit Luis and Elsa

knowing Luis' situation was grave. It was a fruitful visit as both Luis and Elsa received Christ after a clear presentation of the Gospel. They wept, realizing their sinfulness and eagerly accepted God's forgiveness and then expressed it was too bad their parents did not have anyone to teach them. Borja is a town full of people who need to be taught the truth of God's Word. Please be praying God will continue to draw people to Himself through opportunities we have to share God's Word.



VICE-PRESIDENT'S CHALLENGE...



by Dr. Robert C. Booker

Sixty-seven years and counting! We have begun our 68th year of existence here at NBBI and it has been a good beginning. Pastor Garnett Chute from Hermon, ME challenged us at Staff Retreat regarding our relationship with one another, with our students, and with our God. We came back to campus after Staff Retreat and spent two days (some, more) working together preparing the buildings for our students.

At Weekend of Welcome, Pastor Dave Storey from Miramichi, NB encouraged us all, staff and students, regarding our personal quiet time and then our "going with the Gospel."

I have thoroughly enjoyed the first days of classes and many students have spoken about their appreciation for teachers and classes.

My challenge for this month is to ask you to pray for NBBI. Please pray for our board, staff and students that we might be sensitive to God's moving and leading, that

we might seek to glorify Him in our lives and that we might reach out to our needy world.

Our theme this year is prayer, our motto is, **Going Forward On Our Knees**, and our key verse is James 5:16b, "The effectual, fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much."

The theme, prayer, is important for us to consider because of a two-fold aspect - private, quiet, intimate prayer individually before God, and, time spent in the corporate prayer of praise, worship and petition.

The motto, Going Forward On Our Knees, is the promise and desire of all of us for the year. We want to continually and steadily move forward and grow in grace, while making necessary changes that keep us in God's will. Of course, the only way to do both is through prayer.

The key verse adequately expresses our pledge. We want to be righteously energetic as we petition our God to accomplish **much** in our lives and on our campus.

Please covenant with us to "pray without ceasing."



VACATION WITH A VISION...

LIBERTY HALL RENOVATIONS

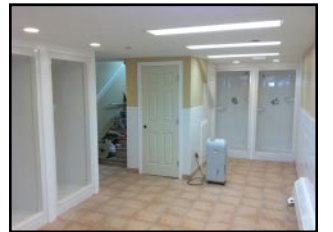
by Paul Long, Maintenance Director



Summer maintenance involved mainly working on one of the girls' dorms "Liberty" which involved demolishing the old shower room then starting from scratch, building all new, with six showers, tiled floors, finished ceiling and walls, new modern lights and tile on the walls. Also, a washroom was added to the bottom floor. This involved taking part of the storage/boiler room and putting in a 13x12 washroom. In it are two toilets and three sinks. On the first floor new counter top, sinks and taps were installed. A new handicap shower was installed. Also, new kitchen cabinets were installed in the lounge area. On the second floor a new three piece tub was installed along with new counter top, sinks and taps. Also new flooring was installed in two rooms.

I would like to thank all those who came on campus during June to help to get these projects started. Your

help is greatly appreciated. I hope this is an encouragement to the young ladies.



Renovations to Liberty Hall showers and washrooms ❖