

New Hope Newsletter

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(L) Elder John Melvin and his entire family from Camp Creek PBC in Lilburn, GA. Elder Blanchard enjoyed a visit to Camp Creek following the preachers meeting.



Pastor's Letter

Elder Glenn Blanchard

I spent the second week in November at the Georgia Preacher's Meeting. This year it was hosted by Shoal Creek PBC in Canton, Georgia. Elder Randall Cagle and his congregation did an excellent job in that regard.

The presentations by the different ministers were all well done and strictly in accordance with our beliefs. The general consensus was that Elder Gary Harvey's presentation on English grammar and the King James Bible was the most "eye-opening". All Primitive Baptists should try and get that CD. Our Bible is under attack and Elder Harvey answered the attack in a masterful way. Some of the ministers wives were able to get together for some time of reflection and fellowship. They all seemed to enjoy their time together.

Special thanks to Elder Randall Cagle and his congregation at Shoal Creek. Also, a special thanks to Brother Jere and Sister Janie Jones for allowing me a place to stay in their beautiful home.

After the Preacher's Meeting I filled an appointment at Camp Creek PBC in Lilburn, Georgia. This is always a favorite place for me. I especially enjoy the time of fellowship with their pastor, Elder John Melvin. His church, his family and his home are a pure delight.

When I returned home I was able to visit my Mother on Monday in the nursing home. She had had a stroke and my family moved her to Winter Garden while I was gone. We enjoyed several hours together on Monday and she passed away on Tuesday morning before I could see her again. She was 89.

As we begin a New Year lets all remember to read our bibles more, serve our Master more and try to be the blessing we should be.

Don't forget the Florida Fellowship, February 19 - 21. We'd love to see you all here. There's nothing like Florida in February!

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Esoteric and Physical

Elder Dolph Painter

Pastor, Moriah PBC, Athens, GA

John 9:1-7 describes Jesus' healing of a blind beggar. John 9:13-34 describes the interaction between the healed beggar, his neighbors, his parents, and the Pharisees. The Pharisees' desired to discredit the healing and their method is the subject of this article.

First an illustration: Suppose a police officer and a driver came before a judge. The officer said he issued the driver a ticket for reckless driving and endangering the lives of others. The driver, who is protesting the ticket, claims he drove safely and put no one at risk. Defining safe and unsafe driving is esoteric. This definition is not black and white, its dependant upon many factors (ie., where, when, weather...). But along comes the prosecutor who plays a tape from a camera mounted on the dashboard of the police car. The tape shows the driver speeding 100 mph through a residential neighborhood. The physical evidence is such that defining the esoteric becomes a moot point.

Although the driver's evasion tactic is to ignore the physical (the video) and do everything in his power to reintroduce the esoteric (defining safe driving).

The beggar faced similar tactics with the Pharisees. He said, I was blind since birth, I have been healed, and Jesus did it. the miracle is his physical evidence, his video tape. When reading John 9, notice the Pharisees ignore the physical and keep returning to esoteric questions, Is Jesus a sinner? And Whence came Jesus? The Pharisees' sinner diversions were calculated; however, the beggar picked up on their techniques. The beggar said he didn't care about determining whether or not other folks were sinners; he said, I was blind and now I see! I've got "over the top" evidence. He insisted they deal with the facts.

An awareness of these techniques will be very helpful the next time you speak with an evolutionist (ie., a vertical tree penetration several strata) or a believer in gospel regeneration (Romans 2:13-15). May the Lord help us to be as bold and as confident as this poor beggar.

We were blessed with recent visitors, the Dunn family from Gainesville, Fl. Keith and Katine with Wyatt, Jesse, Ian, Simon, Oliver and Baby Liberty.



Announcements

2010 Smoky Mountain Spring Meeting

The 2010 **Smoky Mountain Spring Meeting** will be held beginning Monday night, April 5th, through Thursday morning, April 8th. Notice that the meeting begins on Monday night, not Tuesday night as it did for many years. Services will be on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday nights, and Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings. The meeting place is the Smoky Mountain Convention Center. The Convention Center is located at the South end of the Parkway in Pigeon Forge. It is on the same property as the Ramada Inn, just beyond the Cracker Barrel. The reservation number is 1-800-523-3919. For any further information you may call Elder Harold Hunt at 1-865-982-3012.

Answers to This Month's Quiz

1. Jerusalem, 2 Sam 5:5
2. Sodom and Gomorrah, Gen 13:10
3. Jerusalem, Zeck. 8:3
4. New Jerusalem, Rev. 21:2
5. Babylon, Rev. 16:19
6. Jericho, 2 Chron 28:15
7. Rabbah, 2 Sam. 12:27



Where: Winter Garden PBC

When: February 19-21, 2010

Hotel: Red Roof Inn

-Group rate of \$60.99/night

-Must mention WGPBC

-Less than 5 miles from church

-Call (407) 347-01401

We are excited about hosting the 2010 Fellowship meeting, and as planning is now underway we hope all of you will also begin making plans to come join us. Please check our website, wintergardenpbc.com, where a brochure is now posted with further details. Also, feel free to contact us with any inquiries at floridafellowship2010@gmail.com

Harmony Valley Singing School

A Harmony Valley singing school reunion will be held on Saturday, July 17, 2010. Singing and fellowship will begin at 10:30 at Bethany PBC, near Ecu, Mississippi. This will be followed by a covered dish lunch. All previous students, teachers, helpers in other ways, and any other attendees are invited to come. The following week (July 19-23) Harmony Valley Singing School will be held on the grounds of Bethany PBC. For more information contact Jerry Wise @ (662) 419-8075.

Special Meeting at Little Union

Little Union PBC in Lithia, Florida will be having a special meeting in January. Schedule is as follows:

Jan. 14th, Thursday - 7:30 PM

Jan. 15th, Friday - 10:30 AM/Lunch/Supper at 6:00 PM/Service at 7:30 PM

Jan. 16th, Saturday - 10:30 AM/Lunch/Supper at 6:00 PM/Communion at 7:30

Jan. 17th, Sunday - 10:30 AM/Lunch

Guest ministers are Elders Phillip Dukes and Shannon Whipp.

For more information contact Elder Buddy Abernathy at 863-797-6685 or BuddyAbernathy@verizon.net.



Photos on right are from Nancys Creek PBC, pastored by Elder Royce Beal. Some of the photos are of the clothing closet which provides coats and other necessities to the homeless in the community. The church served a Thanksgiving meal and plans to serve a Christmas meal as well to those in need. May God Bless your efforts!

Bethel PBC-Goodlettsville, TN. --

Dear Brother Glen,

Here are a few updated pictures concerning the progress of our new meeting house. We hope to be in by the end of the year! Bethel Church continues to appreciate the interest that many have shown toward us during this time of our relocating. We appreciate everyone's prayers and overall support.

In Bonds of Love,
Ronald Lawrence



Below: Elder Tim McCool and Elder Martin Onyoni in Oct. 2009. This was the first Sunday that Elder Martin preached in America and his message was tearfully enjoyed.



Sermons Available Online- WGPBC

Sermons are now available online! They are updated weekly so we invite you to log onto our website at www.wintergardenpbc.com to listen and download weekly sermons. The CD mailings will still be sent out but they are available much quicker from the website. If you would prefer to download them from the website then please write to rroberts4@embarqmail.com to cancel your subscription.

Beatitudes For Friends of the Aged

By Ester Mary Walker

Blessed are they who understand
My faltering step and palsied hand.

Blessed are they who know that my ears
today

Must strain to catch the things they say.

Blessed are they who seem to know
That my eyes are dim and my wits are

slow.

Blessed are they who looked away
When coffee spilled at the table today.

Blessed are they with a cheery smile
Who stop to chat for a little while.

Blessed are they who never say,
"You've told that story twice today."

Blessed are they who know the ways
To bring back memories of yesterdays.

Blessed are they who make it known
That I'm loved, respected and not alone.

Blessed are they who know I'm at a loss
To find the strength to carry the Cross.

Blessed are they who ease the days
On my journey Home in loving ways.



The congregation at Camp Creek PBC in Lilburn GA. has been collecting gifts for "Operation Shoebox." The shoeboxes are wrapped and go to children in countries living in real poverty.



Contributions

- Elder Don Farris
- Gary Wiggins
- Kenneth Bremmer
- Rita Renfroe
- Peter McCoy
- Fay Foster
- Larry Davis



Letters From Near and Far

Dear Elder Blanchard,

It was with prayerful heart that we read your Pastor's Letter this week.

We pray that the Lord will encourage you and give you renewed strength and directioj for your ministry.

As parents of one to whom the Lord has given a large burden for the cause of Christ, we are familiar with the discouragement of which you speak. We know that God is able to meet the need and give His ministers the courage to stand even in the face of the contrary winds that blow around us. May you have the wisdom to know when and

In hope of Chirst,
 Connie & Carl Weyel
 San Antonio, TX

Dear Friends,

Thank you for your kind words. Things are much better with me now. Prayer works! gb

J. B. Weyel Ministries

Elder Weyel and his wife Rachel have opened an orphanage in Cambodia and are presently reaching out to other areas of South East Asia. They have a very interesting website at: www.jweyel.org. I promise you will enjoy it. Please keep this young family in your prayers as they are in constant danger. GB

Thoughts on Government, 1776

It is the duty of all men in society, publicly, and at stated seasons, to worship the SUPRIME BEING, the great Creator and Preserver of the universe. And no subject shall be hurt, molested or restrained, in his person, liberty, or estate, for worshipping GOD in the manner most agreeable to the dictates of his own conscience; or for his religious profession or sentiments; provided he doth not disturb the public peace, or obstruct others in their religious worship. (capitals in the original), - John Adams, Founding Father

Kid's Corner

Cities

1. The City of David.
2. The Cities of the Plain (2).
3. The City of Truth.
4. The Holy City.
5. The Great City.
6. The City of Palm Trees.
7. The City of Waters.

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