

New Hope Newsletter

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Pastor's Letter

Elder Glenn Blanchard

We are thinking of putting out several more “focused” newsletters in the future. If you have any pictures or remembrances of special baptisms or communion services we would love to have them. We won't be able to print them all but would like to have a good number to choose from.

The idea is that a special issue on one of those topics might be useful in sharing with others that might be interested in our doctrine

and practice.

I was able to enjoy two annual meetings this past month. I was with Little Zion PBC in Davenport, Florida on a Friday evening. Elder Mark Nunley is their pastor and I was blessed to hear Elder Buddy Abernathy.

On the following Saturday I was at Palm Bethel PBC in West Palm Beach, Florida. Elder Charles Dennis is their pastor. I was again blessed to hear Elder Sam Bryant. Both of these meetings were very encouraging and doctrinally sound. ■

Rest: A Paradox in Works

Article written by Elder Dolph Painter, Pastor, Mariah Primitive Baptist Church

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4 : 9 - 1 1

The 10th and 11th verses of this passage appear to contradict one another. The 10th verse says we

gain rest by ceasing from works, while the 11th verse says we gain rest by continuing in works.

We very much enjoyed visiting minister, Elder Ed Long and his family, wife, Jennifer and children, Josie and Grace, from TN.

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Providence PBC
in Beaver Dam,
WI. ordained
Elder Orville Lont
on April 2, 2011.
Elders taking part
in the service are
pictured (L to R)-
James Allen, David
Montgomery,
JC Stanaland,
Orville Lont
himself, Lamar
Burkett and Ron
Cockrell.

Rest: A Paradox in Works (cont'd)

Which is it? It's both. Consider the following.

A Practical Illustration: In the 1960's there was a sitcom entitled "The Odd Couple" which starred Jack Klugman and Tony Randall. Klugman played the role of an unorganized slob. His character was always scrambling to meet a work deadline or find a clean shirt. Randall played the role of a compulsive, neat freak. His character was constantly throwing fits over anything and everything out of order. The lives of both men were full of stress, but the source of their stress differed. Klugman's character could have found rest through more organization, and Randall's through less organization. Make sense?

A Spiritual Application: A saint trying to work his way into heaven will never experience

true rest. Never will a saint know enough, obey enough, or repent enough to work his way into heaven. Only when a saint ceases from his works and understands Jesus' finished work, will he experience true rest. On the other hand, total rest eludes a fatalist, the saint who does nothing because he believes everything has been predetermined. He will not experience the rest which comes through: a deeper understanding of God (reading & studying his Bible); a richer communion with God (prayer & fellowship); or obedience (baptism, church membership, & the Lord's supper). The lives of both characters lack rest, but the source of unrest differs. One will find rest ceasing from works, whereas the other with continued labor. The test for each saint is to determine where they lie on this spectrum. ■

Meeting Announcements

Northern Indiana Fellowship Meeting

Tippecanoe PB Church, Bourbon, IN
July 7-10, 2011

Invited ministers: J. C. Stanaland, David Montgomery and Jeremy Sarber.
Bruce Sarber 574-522-9330

Winter Garden Annual Meeting, FL.

Winter Garden, Florida-943 W. Story Rd.
May 27-29, 2011, Memorial Day

Weekend.

Invited ministers: Elder Gus Harter and son Jonathan Harter

Please contact Elder Glenn Blanchard,
321-917-1723 for meeting times. Please make plans to join us.

Nebraska Fellowship Meeting

The Lord willing, Mt. Zion PBC in Cozad, Nebraska, will host another Fellowship Meeting the 2nd weekend in June 2011.

June 9-12, starting Thursday evening at 6:30, with three meetings on Friday and Saturday and closing on Sunday.

For more information: call Elder Thomas Bond, 308-784-5518 or 308-325-3957.

Radnor Primitive Baptist Church, TN.

503 Brewer Drive, Nashville TN. 37211 Phone 615-333-3073 invites you to our SPRING MEETING April 15 - 17, 2011 Guest Minister: Elder Carl Staten from Little Flock PBC Rogers, AR. Friday 7:00pm Saturday 10:30am (Lunch Following) Saturday 7:00pm (Supper at 5:45) Sunday 10:30am (Lunch Following) Please come, pray, sing and worship with us!



For more information or directions: <http://radnorpb.org/contact.html> or contact: Elder Shannon Whipp: 615-837-1043 (pastor@radnorpb.org), Church Clerk: Bro. Ron Box: 615-719-9934 (rbox@comcast.net). (this notice was received too late for the April edition, but we wished to share it)

Smoky Mountain Spring Meeting

The 2011 Smoky Mountain Spring Meeting will be held, beginning on Monday night, April 4th and continuing through Thursday morning, April 7th. It will be held in the Grand Ball Room of the Smoky Mountain Convention Center in Pigeon Forge, TN. The Convention Center is on the parkway at the South end of town. It is almost directly behind the Cracker Barrel. Rooms are available at the Ramada Inn next to the Convention Center. The motel and the Convention Center share the same parking lot; so the meeting place is easy to get to. The price of the rooms is \$45.00 per night. The reservations number is 1-800-523-3919. Be sure to tell them you are with the Primitive Baptist Meeting. For further information you may call Elder Harold Hunt at 1-865-982-3012.

Answers to This Month's Quiz

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| 1. ephod, Ex. 28 | 5. Jeroboam, I Kng. 13:33 |
| 2. Melchizedek, Gn. 14:18 | 6. Eli, I Sam. 4:11 |
| 3. almond, Num. 17:8 | 7. Caiaphas, Jn. 11:50 |
| 4. Bells, Ex. 28:33 | 8. 13, Josh. 21:19 |
| | 9. Ananias, Act. 23:2 |

Contributions

Rita Renfroe
Walter & Carolyn Whipp
William & Carolyn Liles
Allen & Karen Sapp
Elder Ed & Sister Jennifer Long

Letters

Bro. Glenn and Sis. Pat,

Hope this note finds you both well. We are doing great. I love being retired. It suits me well. I still have Allen working. He loves Florida Virtual School.

Thanks so much for sending us the newsletter. Hope this helps.

Take care and God bless.

Sister Karen & Brother Allen Sapp
Deland, Florida



Elder Sam Bryant preached at Palm Bethel's Annual Meeting in West Palm Beach. Photo above-L to R- Elders Taylor, Blanchard, Bryant, Terrell, Dennis and Gervasoni.

Dear Brother,

Thank so much for the cds. I listen as I do my daily walks. They motivate me to walk, and the subject matter is priceless. Thanks for all you do in the name of Jesus Christ.

William Lies,
Musella, Georgia.

Brother Glenn,

Please use this anyway you see fit.

Our annual meeting is the second weekend in April (8-10). All are invited. That's Glen Hill PBC in Glen St. Mary, Florida. Elders Shannon Whipp and Michael Green are the invited speakers.

God bless and we love you,
Walter & Carolyn Whipp
Callahan, Florida

Sister Karen Kwon wore her beautiful traditional S. Korean marriage gown to services.



In The Beginning Part 8

Elder Sonny Phelan
Harmony PBC, Arkansas

In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth” Genesis 1:1

Another area in which many scientists disagree, not only with the Bible, but also with one another, is the age of the earth. Have you noticed their discrepancies? One dinosaur book will say that the earth is several millions of years old, another will say billions. Why can they not agree? Because they really do not know! But God does. He was the only living being present when He spoke the

Brother Gary Avera (seated), long time member of Winter Garden, resides at Colonial Lakes Nursing Home. Brother Jay Blanchard and Sister Faith Rees are faithful to brighten his days with routine visits.



world into existence. I’m sure that if man had been present, he would try to take partial credit for God’s creation.

By His infinite wisdom, God has preserved a ticking clock to mark time for us so that we may “avoid oppositions of science”. What is this clock? The Bible of course. Just as we can glance at our watches and measure hours, the Bible allows us to measure centuries...millenniums.

God created the universe in six literal days. He could have done it in six milliseconds, but He chose to do it in six days. God rested on the seventh day, not because He was tired, but because He was finished. He made man on the sixth day of His creation. In Genesis chapter 5, God gives us years to mark time by. He gives us some genealogies. Have you wondered why they are there? One reason is to measure time. By simple arithmetic we know that the great flood occurred approximately 1656 years after creation.

All through the Old Testament, God has preserved some hints along the way for us to measure time. King David began to reign at 1041 B. C., which was about 3569 years after creation. Christ made His advent into the world about 4610 years after creation. This tells us the world is about 6608 years old. Why does that bother us? Because it diametrically opposes all that we have been taught by false science,



Photo on left is recent visitor, Francine Davis from Ocala, FL.

lived 930 years. Those men that lived before the flood lived to be centuries old because the aging process was much different. The vapor canopy, then around the earth, allowed life to exist longer. Bones developed differently. The great pressures exerted upon the face of the earth during the great flood affected the decay process of fossils and other deposits. These, and many other reasons disqualify any method of dating pre-deluge fossils.

You may be saying, "Preacher, why is this important to me?" to which I answer, "To keep us on track with God. To allow us to identify false science. And most importantly, because God wants us to know that He is not as far away from us as some would like for us to think that He is." Who will you believe, the scientists instruments or God's word?

which, in reality, can not agree with itself. But here are just a couple of scientific facts they are not telling us.

Since 1835, the earth's magnetic field has been measured. It is shrinking. The half-life of the earth's magnetic field is 14,000 years. This means that every 14,000 years, the earth's magnetic field is reduced by $\frac{1}{2}$. In 1970, the earth's magnetic field was measured at 0.6 gauss. When Jesus was on earth it was about 1.8 gauss. At creation, it was approximately 12 gauss. If the earth was in existence 8,000 years ago, the magnetic field of the earth would have been strong enough to qualify as a magnetic star. Life can not exist in a magnetic star because our molecules would be pulled apart.

Scientists also know that the moon is moving away from the earth at 4 cm/year. This has been measured for many years now. If the earth is as old as some scientists say it is, 1.2 billion years ago, the moon would be touching the earth. Isn't that amazing?

Carbon dating and other methods of dating fossils have proven to be quite inaccurate. And there is a simple explanation for this. Prior to the great flood, men and animals lived to be much older than they do now. Adam



The Lopez family blessed us with a recent visit from Camp Creek PBC, Lorelei and Mike with baby, Marcus, Launa, and Lilianna. Picture above is Launa Lopez who was baptized at Camp Creek PBC in March.

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Kid's Corner

Priests

1. What was the short outer garment priests wore over their robes?
2. What priest was also a king?
3. What kind of tree supplied the wood for Aaron's rod that budded?
4. What noisemakers hung off the hem of the priest's garment?
5. What king made priests from every class of people, an act that destroyed his house?
6. What priest had sons named Hophni and Phinehas?
7. What high priest said it was expedient that one man should die for the people?
8. How many cities were allotted to the priest in the Promise Land?
9. What high priest did Paul call a whited wall?