

*"The Lord gave the word;
great was the company of
those that published it."
Psalm 68:11*

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Creation Conference--"Dinosaurs and the Bible" March 2-6—with Sessions for all Ages - Bring your Family and Friends

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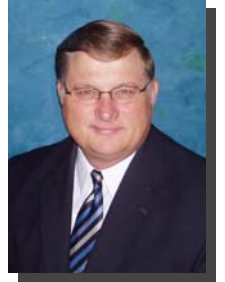
January/February 2011

A Word From The Pastor - Dr. James W. Baker

January was a cold month. I am certainly thankful for the warmth in people's hearts here at Tabernacle Baptist Church. The work continues as we strive to help folks be more like Christ. The most important meeting will be when we stand before the Lord and give an account of ourselves. May it be done with joy! February is often labeled as "Heart Month." What a challenge spiritually as well as physically! Be faithful to the church services and listen intently to the sermons as you check your "heart condition."

What a blessing to see the *Good News Club* at Woodstock Elementary School reach out to children and parents alike! This month another club was started at Providence Elementary School. There is room for you if you want to get involved in this ministry. Spirit Week at TBA was filled with fun, funny costumes, and frivolity as the young people showed their school spirit in different ways. We look forward to a church-wide Creation Conference March 2-6. We will have live animals, demonstrations, and many facts about the truth of Creation. You will not want to miss these meetings!

Looking forward to spring makes us anxious to see new life—in our yards as well as in each other. Some of our folks will be transferred out this spring. We are trusting the Lord to send us "new life" to step in and fill some of the places that will be left empty. Maybe you want to help in some area. Please see me or the person in charge of the ministry you are willing to serve in—what a blessing you could be! Thank you for your continued support of this ministry.



YOUTH IN ACTION! Andrew P. Hoyle, Youth/Assistant Pastor

Greetings in the midst of a chilly winter! The teens have been busy with several activities. On January 8 we had a "scrub and gym games" – crazy games in the gym make a cold day feel much more enjoyable.

January 29th brought the first ever "Mini-Masters" Putt-Putt event at Tabernacle. The teens (and adults) had a great time putting around. By the time of this printing the annual event for our ladies – free babysitting for couples with small children – will be past. Likewise, the guys will have enjoyed some "big time games" on that same evening.

Special thanks goes to the **Rasmussens** and **Marcincuks** for hosting the SNAC activities for January and February.

Details are falling into place for this summer's missions trip. If you would like to help a young person go by donating money or hiring a teen to help raise funds for the trip, please let us know.

Some important dates to remember: Feb. 26 – Scrub and Grub; March 12 – Joint Activity; March 20 – SNAC; March 25 – Guys Activity; March 26 – Church-wide Ladies' Day.

In closing, don't forget to pray for the youth of today – they are the leaders of tomorrow.

Mrs. Amanda Hoyle-A shout-out to my youth group girls and adult helpers for the awesome job they did [babysitting -2/12/11]. Twenty-nine kids (ages 5 mos - 6th grade) for four hours and we all survived! Thankful for the opportunity to be a blessing to our church family! – *taken from Facebook*

JANUARY 2011 REPORT: 1/3-TBA Resumes; 1/7-TBA-HOME - Landmark, Girls 5 PM, Var 6:30 PM; 1/8-Youth Activity-Scrub & Gym Games; 1/8-Cheerleading Clinic in Gym; 1/9-6 PM Patch Sings (5:30 Rehearsal); 1/9- 7:15 PM SS Teachers' Mtg.; 1/9-7:15 PM-Career & Singles Classes Singspiration; 1/10-TBBCS Spring Trimester Begins; 1/11-TBA-AWAY - Victory, JV 4:30 PM, Girls 5:30 PM, Var 7 PM; 1/14-TBA HOME - Gateway, JV 4 PM, Girls 5:30 PM, Var 7 PM; 1/15-8 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast; 1/16- 3:30 PM-Deacons' Mtg.; 1/16-6 PM-Missionary Tim Clark, Qtrly Missions Night; 1/16-7:15 PM-Teen SNAC; 1/17-TBA 2nd Quarter Ends; 1/17-TBA Mid-term Exams; 1/18-TBA 3rd Quarter Begins; 1/18-TBA-AWAY- Sweethaven, Girls 4:30 PM, Var 6 PM; 1/22-4:30-9:30 PM TBA Alumni Game/Sr. Night; 1/23 -11:30 AM The OWLS Annual Birthday Party; 1/23-7:15 PM-Wedding Shower for Merrill (MacAllister) Piercy; 1/24-11 AM-9 PM-Eat-Out Night at Smoked from Above/Landstown Commons (sponsored by TBA Soph. Class); 1/28-TBA-HOME - Bethel, JV 4 PM, Girls 5:30 PM, Var 7 PM; 1/29-9:30 AM Won By One Visitation; 1/29-Youth Activity; 1/30-Benevolent Offering; 1/30-7:15 PM Churchwide Fellowship (Soup); 1/31-TBA-AWAY – Great Hope, Girls 5 PM, Var 6:30 PM; Monday Evenings-7 PM Churchwide Visitation; Every Wednesday-3 PM-Good News Club at Woodstock Elementary, and 7 PM-Adults, Teen Chapel, Patch.



The Ladies' Sunday School Class

The Ladies' Sunday school class wants to invite you (ladies) to join them if you are looking for a class that uses a book/workbook for structure; but also involves discussion of how we can incorporate the principles we study into our lives as women of God today. Please come, especially if you don't already have a class.

This is the FEBRUARY 2011 ISSUE. WRITE US! If you have enjoyed reading this paper, please drop us a line and let us hear from you. Thanks to all who have written! We appreciate hearing from you! If you have any church or Sunday school news, please let us know! **THIS IS THE FIRST ISSUE OF SIX FOR THE YEAR 2011!** Please consider giving a donation to defray the production cost of the *Tabernacle Times*. Thank you!

MISSIONS AND MISSIONARIES Dr. Carl D. Bieber, Missions Coordinator

Missions is our Mission. Acts 13:2; As they ministered to the Lord and fasted, the Holy Ghost said, Separate me Barnabas and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them. The life of the New Testament Christians must have been exciting. Can you imagine how Barnabas and Saul would have managed to tell everyone of God's calling upon their lives? I am sure they used the Early Church equivalent of Fox News and CNN to tell the news! To be chosen of God for a work is special. Before I go on, I want to say I believe each of us is chosen for a special work where ever we are serving. It may be in a foreign country or it may be in your home town through your local church. I believe that God's calling is very personal and precious. The call to the mission field remains as special today as it was in Paul's day. One must prepare to go and do as God directs.

Forty-five years ago my wife and I helped a couple pack their barrels and head for New Guinea. They were both excited and dedicated to the call. Their time on the field was just a few years. He got cancer and had to return to Hawaii where he died. His wife and children carried on the work for some years before returning to Hawaii. A lot of time and money went into their ministry. They had a wonderful calling, and they have fulfilled that calling. God was pleased.

There is no way we, the rope holders, here at home can know what all the missionary does. I understand the need is to plant churches. In Ghana, Africa, we have a missionary building a wall around his 1.69 acres so he can keep the property. In that country if you don't enclose the land with a certain type wall, someone can take the land after two years. So this missionary, **Dr. Isaac Obeng**, must first be a wall builder. He describes it as much like the work of Nehemiah. There would be no land for the church unless the wall is built. **Dr. Obeng** and his people report the wall is well under way. What a joy it will be for them to worship there. Someday God will call some of their folks to the mission field.

Another missionary on the Pacific Island of Yap reports that they have just prepared lumber and sent it two hours away to another island to build a church. We have received pictures of the completed building. It does not have the great columns of an uptown church and there are no padded pews, but happy island Christians will worship there and sing praises to God. He will save souls, and He will call some to go to the mission field.

The work of the Lord goes on through those we call missionaries. Missions is a many-faceted work and requires real commitment. Should our commitment to pray for and support them be any less? Let's be mission-hearted!

THE OWLS-TBC SENIOR ADULTS—1-23-11: Our fourth Annual Birthday Party Luncheon was held immediately after the morning Worship Service. In spite of the flu season, we had a good number in attendance. Our special speaker was **Art Roberson**, one of our own. We had a lovely chicken dinner catered by the Senior class at Tabernacle for their funds to go on their Missions Trip to Alaska at the end of this school year. The cake was made by **Art Roberson** and was enjoyed by all! Thanks to the Lady OWLS who wrapped gifts and to **Kristin Roberson & Ruth Anna Manka** for selecting the gifts and decorations! Thanks to all who have made these activities fun and successful! **2-12-11:** We had a great time of Fellowship at **Eva and Melvin Phelps** with our Older Wives Loving Seniors/Saints (OWLS). We were royally entertained by the **Backbones** of our church under the direction of **Lillian Jones**, **Mr. John Cooper** telling about being back on the farm with his grandparents, guinea hens, black snakes, and much more. We had a wonderful meal. God blessed us with a good message from the Word of God by our Pastor, **Dr. James Baker**.—*Dr. Ray Fulayter, except taken from Facebook*

If you're 55 and above—come join us! We have some sort of activity each month.

Check out our WEB SITE: www.tabernacle-vb.org

You can get our full schedule of activities from the calendars under Events on the WEB SITE!

Up-Coming Events!

MARCH Churchwide Visitation: 7,14,21, & 28—7 PM (Monday)
Won by One Door-to-Door Visitation: 2 & 16—9:30 AM (Saturday)
APRIL Churchwide Visitation: 4,11, & 25—7 PM (Monday)
Won by One Door-to-Door Visitation: 12/4—9:30 AM (Saturday)

PLEASE NOTICE: If you have misplaced your monthly calendar, you can find the calendar for the church and schools activities on our web page: www.tabernacle-vb.org under Events

Volunteers Needed: Would you like to be a volunteer?
 Contact the church office: 424-4673

Are YOU attending Sunday School? If you are not attending a Sunday School Class, there are many opportunities here at Tabernacle to find just the class that suits you — all the way from the nursery through adults.

Tabernacle Baptist Bible College & Seminary

Kenneth F. Sheets, Dean



CELEBRATE THE BIBLE!

At TBBCS the *Bible* is part of our name – Tabernacle Baptist Bible College and Seminary. Every trimester here at Tabernacle we crown the Bible “King of Books” as we seek to lead our students into an intensive, analytical study of the Holy Scriptures.

We are excited about our upcoming Bible Conference on March 2-6: “Dinosaurs and the Bible.”

Note also:

- • April 11-15...Final Exams
- • April 19...Graduation Banquet
- • April 22...Graduation
- • May 4-5...Registration for Summer Trimester
- • May 9...Start of Summer Trimester

Psalms 119 celebrates the Bible by celebrating the work of the Word in our hearts. We are wonderfully reminded in Psalm 119 (the longest chapter in the Bible) that “Thy Word is.....

- • a sparkling stream to cleanse me (Ps. 119:9-11);
- • a tremendous telescope to thrill me (Ps. 119:18);
- • a mighty fortress to protect me (Ps. 119:46, 161);
- • sweet music to charm me (Ps. 119:54, 92);
- • a fabulous treasure to enrich me (Ps.119:72, 162);
- • a trustworthy textbook to teach me (Ps. 119:96-100, 28);
- • a sacred altar to sanctify me (Ps. 119:151);
- • a soft pillow to comfort me (Ps. 119:165)



CREATION CONFERENCE — MARCH 2-6

Since 1994, Jeff & Heather (Sheets) Setzer have served churches conducting summer vacation Bible schools. In 1997, they began to see the foundational importance of creationism to the family and how this subject is critical to an individual's world view and to society as a whole. In 2000, they introduced their first creation theme, Dino Might. Since then, they have produced four more creation themes: Mountain Mysteries, Secrets of the Sea, Wilderness Wonders, and Jungle Tales. In addition, they conduct conferences, provide creation materials, and serve in music ministry.—Creation Family Ministries



Barbara L. Adams Jones of Indianapolis, was called Home to be with the Lord, Tuesday, February 1, 2011. She was the daughter of Gerald and Thelma Maxson Adams. Barbara was born March 29, 1936, in South Bend, IN. She served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War and received a medal for her service. She was a member of Tabernacle for three years until they moved back to Indiana in 2009. During the years at Tabernacle, she was a member of the Adult Auditorium S.S. Class and a member of the OWLS. She and her husband faithfully volunteered weekly in the publication office.

Survivors include her husband of 56 years, Raymond Jones; son, David (Anita) Jones, (members of Tabernacle); four daughters and two other sons. Barbara was preceded in death by a daughter and two brothers. Burial was in Washington Park North Cemetery.

FEBRUARY 2011 REPORT: 1/31-2/4-TBA – Spirit Week; 2/1-HOME - Victory, JV 4: PM, Girls 5:30 PM, Var 7 PM; 2/2-7 PM-Youth Pastor/Parent Mtg.; 2/5-Afternoon pick up-by order-Brunswick Stew - Senior Class 2011 to Alaska; 2/6-TRACT SUNDAY, 9 AM Spanish S.S. Began; 2/6-6 PM Patch Sings (5:30 Rehearsal); 2/8-Good News Club at Providence Elementary School began; 2/8-AWAY-Gateway, JV 4 PM, Girls 5:30 PM, Var. 7 PM; 2/10-Snow Day; 2/10-Biebers attended A School Choice Rally in Richmond; 2/11-AWAY- Faith Baptist, Girls 5 PM, Var 6:30 PM; 2/12-5 PM OWLS Valentine Dinner; 2/12-Youth Activity-5-9 PM Guys/Mr. Yost, Gals/Babysitting; 2/13-Young Couples' Carry-in Lunch after AM service; 2/13-1-4 PM-TBA Open House; 2/13-3:30 PM Deacons' Mtg.; 2/13-6 PM-Missionary Troy Manning; 2/14-V-day, HOME-Sweetheaven, Girls 4:30 PM, Var 6 PM; 2/17-19-ODACS BB ROUND ONE; 2/19-9:30 AM Won By One Visitation; 2/21-President's Day, Offices & Schools Closed; 2/21-22-ODACS BB ROUND TWO; 2/25-26-ODACS BB STATE FINALS; 2/26-8 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast; 2/26- 6-8:30 PM-Youth Activity - Scrub & To Be Announced; 2/27-6 PM-The Lord's Supper; 2/28-Senior Class-Eat-Out at the Boston Market; Monday Evenings-7 PM Churchwide Visitation; Every Wednesday-3 PM-Good News Club at Woodstock Elementary, and 7 PM-Adults, Teen Chapel, Patch.

Tabernacle Baptist Academy

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As I write this article, I am reminded of the verse in Deuteronomy 6:7 where we are instructed to diligently teach our children. One of the things that we are constantly working on here at TBA is “TEACHABLE MOMENTS.” I can certainly look back and reflect on a specific number of teachers who influenced my life. It is still a joy to hear from them and see them. I have the wonderful privilege of working

with Dr. Carl Bieber, Coach Gordon Cook and Mrs. Dianne Crumpton Flitton. They are three wonderful teachers who made a spiritual impact in my life. It is this impact and the impact of other godly men and women that inspires me today.

We are in the midst of the 2nd Semester, re-enrollment has begun, and the phones have been ringing for inquiries regarding the coming academic year. An OPEN HOUSE was scheduled for Sunday, February 13th and another one for Sunday, March 27th. Funds have been put into advertising. Many of us who live on high-traffic streets have installed yard signs that have been professionally printed.

ODACS is around the corner, and our young people will, once again, compete for coveted awards and honors. We are excited about the work that has been done and look forward to giving you more information in the future regarding the winners.

TBA is also excited about the CREATION CONFERENCE that will be held March 2-6. The kids are anxiously awaiting the “Animal Man” and the exhibits in the gymnasium.

Basketball season is coming to a close. I, specifically, want to thank the coaches, the cheerleaders, and the teams for their phenomenal school spirit. A big thanks goes out to Mrs. Pam Coley ('95) for heading up the Academy Anchors in the concessions.

Don't forget to recommend great families to our academy. We count it a privilege to be planning and preparing for our 42nd year in Christian Education.

Enroll Today! Call: 757-424-4697, ext. 339



OUTREACH MINISTRIES Drs. Ray and Sherrill Fulayter

Visitation is an exciting time of service for many of our faithful members. God is blessing our going by bringing people to our services. Those who are visited include members, seniors, and visitors to our services. Our members are also passing out tracts and challenging others to come to Christ.

God is honoring His Word as we go forth fulfilling the Commission.

Won-by-One continues to give another opportunity to extend the ministry of our church. Many of our members enjoy extending the invitation to come to our church. We are also giving out the Gospel as we go. Only eternity will reveal the results of giving out the Gospel as we obey the Word of God and challenge individuals with the Gospel.


Our **Sunday School Class** is faithfully studying the Word of God that we might be strengthened spiritually that we may put the Truths into practice. We are studying in the area of Biblical Interpretation. It is good to help each other grow as we study to be approved unto the Lord. Come join us.

God has given us the privilege of starting another **Good News Club in Providence Elementary School**. We had a good beginning, February 8th, and ask you to pray with us for the children to come to know Christ and to grow spiritually. The Lord has given us many willing workers to staff both Clubs in both schools. Mr. John Cooper gave a great presentation of the Bible story of Jonah for the first session. The children and parents are excited to have this club in this school. Pray for God's provision and His blessing including bringing unchurched families to our church as well as to the Lord.

God is continuing to bless our counseling ministry for His glory. We are able to minister to about twenty families in addition to our other responsibilities in our ministry. Fortunately, we do not minister to each one every week unless there is a crisis. Pray with us for God's blessing. We are launching **Hampton Roads Biblical Counseling** with the purpose of reaching more people through this ministry and training other counselors to fulfill this responsibility in their churches.

We are working our Jerusalem and ask you to pray with us for God's blessing on each outreach ministry.

Keep the Shut-ins in your prayers: Jim & Linda Bell, Alice Biser, Earlene Clark, Lucy Jordan, Doris Lee, Jean Linkous, Belle MacMillan, Catherine Sauls, Brantley Walker, Eula Watkins, & Alma Williamson


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The next articles are due April 10, 2011. If you have church or Sunday School news that would be of interest to our church family and friends, please submit to Mrs. D. Bieber before this date!