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Bits & Pieces E-Newsletter

Give Me a Break! Pastors and Wives Retreat September 10-13 Cannon Beach, OR



Back in 1971 and reintroduced in 1981, McDonald's promoted their advertising slogan, "**You Deserve a Break Today!**" Can I apply that to you and me? The ministry takes its toll on the strongest and the best of pastors, missionaries, youth pastors and teachers. Serving the Lord and ministering to people can be draining, discouraging, and even depressing. One of the best things you can do is to take a break, get away, and be restored. The Pastors and Wives Retreat can facilitate that "break." In 1995, McDonald's came out with another slogan: "**Have You Had Your Break Today?**" Has it been a while since you got away with your wife and spent some time resting, reading, walking together, fellowshiping with other servants of the Lord, and hearing the Word? In 1975, McDonald's said, "**We Do It All For You.**" That is Cannon Beach! There are great accommodations, great food, great scenery, great worship, great preaching and lots of fun give-aways again. You just need to "show up!" Finally, in the year 2000, McDonald's said, "**We Love To See You Smile.**" Maybe the ministry has taken its toll on your smile and maybe you have lost the joy of the Lord. Becky and I love to go to the Pastors and Wives Retreat, and one reason is the fun, the joy, the laughter, and the smiles. Bring your whole staff! Invite a local pastor and wife that need a "shot in the arm." This is our 14th year at Cannon Beach! There is a room that will fit your finances just waiting for you to reserve. You can "**Have It Your Way!**" (Oops, that's Burger King!)

In Christ,
Tom Ruhlman, Retreat Coordinator
Dan Frank, Assistant Coordinator



What a treat to have Bill and Lynne Brown with us this year at our retreat! Bill became the president of Cedarville University four years ago, following a ten-year presidency at Bryan College in Dayton, Tennessee. He holds a Th.M. and Ph.D. from Dallas Theological Seminary. He is an expert on worldview, authoring *"Making Sense of your Faith," "Where Have All the Dreamers Gone?"* and *"Making Sense of Your World."* He is the executive producer of re: Films, a film series which helps students discern culture. Bill and Lynne have been married for 31 years and are the parents of April and Alex. Bill is loved by the students at Cedarville. They have wonderful chapel speakers, but most of the students would rather hear him speak! You will also enjoy his sweet spirit and his love for people. Prepare your heart to be blessed by his exposition of the Word of God

It's now time to register

You must pre-register!

Mail in registration form with a \$100 non-refundable deposit, payable to:
"BNN" c/o Tabernacle Baptist Church, PO Box 55071, Shoreline, WA 98155
OR Register Online at www.baptistnetworknw.org

A registration form is included at the bottom of this letter.

New Creation Science Evangelism Training Center opens in the Philippines From Jerry and Donna Layton, ABWE

Rejoice with us in this historical event: the Grand Opening of our Iloilo CSE Office and Multi-media Room, celebrating a dynamic new missionary training partnership established during the 80th anniversary year of both ABWE and Doane Baptist Church in Iloilo City. Much credit is due visionary Pastor Danny Balm Escobar, who since 2003 has challenged ABWE Philippines to partner with them to help make the church a "launching pad" for training and sending forth Filipino Creation Science Evangelists (and other creative evangelism ministries) into Asia and the world! Ken Ham even mentioned it in one of his recent blogs on the Answers In Genesis website:



<http://blogs.answersingenesis.org/aroundtheworld/2007/05/14/creation-science-training-center-in-philippines/>

More than 75 invited guests, mostly from Doane Baptist Church and Seminary, attended the inauguration, which in this culture, would not be complete without catered food and a program. There were ribbon cutting ceremonies for both our office and the Multimedia Training room across the hall. Pastor Danny Balm Escobar gave inspiring words of welcome, and Jerry followed with a brief history and vision statement. The main speaker was Craig Kennedy, our ABWE field team leader, who challenged all involved to keep our focus on reaching the lost



through world missions, and another ABWE co-worker, Dr. Kent Pool, gave the inaugural prayer. The Inauguration was at 2 pm, and that evening our first-ever training in the new Multimedia Training room began. That evening and the next two days, we were privileged to interact with an elite group of 17 trainees from among the church staff, seminary, and Christian school, as well as other interested teachers and workers from nearby churches.

Update from Ben Horton, ABWE Philippines

We are excited to report that we now have FINAL CLEARANCE to leave for the Philippines! We are praising God for His bountiful and timely provision of all of our needs! We have purchased our airline tickets and our itinerary is as follows:

- June 12 - Leave 8:55am from Portland, OR
- June 13 - Arrive Incheon, South Korea @ 5:25pm
- June 19 - Leave Incheon, South Korea @ 9:00am
- June 19 - Arrive Manila, Philippines @ 11:50 am

While we are in Korea we will be staying with Sarah's parents and sharing our ministry at the Haven Servicemen's Center in Kunsan on Saturday night (June 16) and then speaking at Faith Baptist Church in Iksan Sunday morning (June 17). Please be in prayer as we continue to minister even as we travel.

Vic Hubbard with the Lord

Based on the announcement from the Corban College website

Vic Hubbard, beloved by many friends and alumni for the past several decades, passed away at his home with his family, Saturday, May 26th.

For the past several weeks he had been in declining health -- afflicted with a respiratory ailment and was anticipating his home going. With Vic's help, the family chose to host a Celebration of Life service held at the Psalm Performing Arts Center on the Corban campus, Friday June 1st, at 1:00 p.m. Alumnus David Morrison ('66), Pollock Pines, CA, officiated at the service, Dorothy James ('58), Salem, OR, was the accompanist, and special music was presented by Ruth Edwards-Robinson-LaFreniere ('67) Salem, OR, and Paul Eisentrager ('67) Bellingham, WA. Dr. Richard Caulkins directed an alumni choir singing "When He Shall Come." Dr. Virginia Cross represented the music department with remarks about Vic's ministry at the College. A reception was held after the service for friends and family.



Please join the Corban family in upholding the Hubbard family in prayer.

John Stroupe Celebrates Ten Years in Lewiston

On Sunday June 17, Emmanuel Baptist of Lewiston, Idaho is having a special day honoring Pastor John Stroupe and his family for their ten years of service completed this month. A barbecue will be held in the church fellowship hall at 1:00 P.M. and a Celebration Service at 2:00 P.M. in the sanctuary.

Why not send a card of congratulation to the church by then?

Emmanuel Baptist Church
2200-11th Avenue
Lewiston, ID 83501

Camp Gilead Staff Needs Reminder

Please consider those high school grads and older in your church that would be good candidates for summer camp ministry!

- LIFEGUARD
- One Male Counselor
- Dirt board Skateboard Activity Leader
- Pops Inn Manager

All positions listed are paid positions. Applications are available at www.campgilead.org

Continue to pray with us for our goal of 1000 campers!!!

PASTORS: Want to come to Family Camp for FREE???

Invite THREE new families to come with you – and your family comes FREE! We'd love to have you join us for one of our family camps!

- July 2 – 7 Speaker: Pastor Curt DeGraaff
- August 13 – 18 Speaker: Pastor Pete Slusher

Kimberly Mallory, Camp Gilead Program Director

“Soul Viewer”

Devotional thoughts from the Sleater-Kinney Road Baptist newsletter

Technology can be very fascinating can't it? As we consider where we were twenty years ago or even five years ago, it is a challenge to keep up with how rapidly technology changes and affects our lives, from cell phones, to computers, to high def television, to GPS to vein viewers. Yes, you read that right, “vein viewers.” This morning I heard a report on this new technology that will help all “needle phobes,” as technology has now led to the manufacturing of a device that will allow the doctor or nurse to view your veins (size and location) through your skin so that there's no more guesswork and probing when it comes time to drawing blood, placing IVs, etc.

Such breakthroughs will undoubtedly lead to further advances and other ways to “see” what is unseeable on the surface. In terms of our spiritual life, what kind of advances or breakthroughs could be made if we were able to develop a “soul viewer” and thus determine how to mentor,

confront, comfort or lead people in their Christian lives? But we *do* have a “soul viewer”. It is God Himself. He is the great and mighty God Who searches and knows us, the One from Whom our “frame” is not hidden (Psalm 139: 1, 15). He is the one who knows the ache of our hearts, the desperation of our inner man, the struggles of our doubts, and yes, the inner thoughts and intents that are sinful and grieve Him. He knows our situation when others don’t have a clue. When we are defenseless and abandoned, He alone is our defender (2 Timothy 4:16). When we find ourselves at the “end of our rope,” our “soul viewer” is sufficient in grace and love beyond measure. When we are tempted to doubt and fear our circumstances, it is He who reminds us of His sovereignty and that He is the source of peace (John 14:1).

Our “soul-viewer” also sees the masks we put on to appear spiritual, or those activities we engage in or words used to cover what is unseeable—our inner lives of habitual, but hidden sins, doubts, lack of submission, pride and more. Yet we must not forget that God not only sees what others cannot see, He is also the God of grace who longs to forgive and restore. God as “soul-viewer” is the God who knows us, loves us, guides us, forgives us, restores us, and will one day bring us to be with Him. Technology is fascinating, but doesn’t even hold a candle to the God of all creation! **Paul Pierce**

Are you a disciple?

Jesus promised His disciples three things: they would be completely fearless, absurdly happy, and in constant trouble.

G. K. Chesterton

Pray for Our Churches without Pastors

Roswell BC, Roswell, ID
Columbia Ridge BC, Vancouver, WA
FBC of University Place, WA
Bible Baptist, Seattle, WA (Burien)

NBHM Revolving Fund Needs Investors Current Interest Rates are a very good investment!

Demand notes now yield 3.5% per annum, 3-year notes yield 5%, and 5-year notes yield 6.5%. All are compounded semi-annually or paid semi-annually. Our need is a sign of growth in many of our churches. Let’s get behind them with our financial resources. Pass the word along.

If you want to invest for eternity through our churches, **contact David Thompson at: PO Box 477, Burbank, WA 99323; (509) 544-6607. All financial matters for BNN/NBHM are handled through him.**

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Sharing in "Bits and Pieces"

"Bits and Pieces" exists to share items of interest of, by and for the Baptist Network.
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Check out our website: www.baptistnetworknw.org

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Retreat Registration Form

Baptist Network Northwest Pastors and Wives Retreat September 1013

2007 Cannon Beach Christian Conference Center

Name(s)

Address

State/Zip _____

Phone (____) _____

email _____

Please choose from the following rooms: Give your **first, second** and **third choice (refer to brochure for cost) (also online)**

All rooms require a \$100 nonrefundable deposit

Pacific View (regular room) _____

North Haven Front _____

Beach Front _____ Anchorage _____

Tides _____ Pacific View (bunk room) _____

East Haven _____ North Haven (back) _____

Special Needs: _____

Shirt Order – **Men**

Small ___ Med. ___ Large ___ X Large ___ 2XL ___

Shirt Order – **Ladies**

XS ___ Small ___ Med. ___ Large ___ X Large ___ 2XL ___

(3XL – 6XL also available – indicate size and add \$3 extra) _____

Men _____ Ladies _____

**Enclose a nonrefundable deposit of \$100.00 per room payable to
"BNN" and mail to:**

Tom Ruhlman, P.O. Box 55071, Shoreline, WA 98155