

Trinity Bible Church

The Carpenter's House

March 30, 2008

FIRST SERVICE MESSAGE:

Genesis Introduction

Please join us for refreshments between services

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday	30 Mar	Begin New Study: First Session: Genesis Second Session: The Keys to Life
Monday	31 Mar	Teen Youth Group Meeting.
Wednesday	2 Apr	Bible Class-2 Corinthians 11
Thursday	3 Apr	Ladies' Prayer Meeting.
Saturday	5 Apr	Men's Fellowship Breakfast @ Olde Orchard.
Sunday	6 Apr	The Lord's Table.
Monday	7 Apr	Teen Youth Group Meeting.
Wednesday	9 Apr	POT LUCK. Gary Horton. 6:30
Saturday	19 Apr	Sharefest Project. Please see Dan Hensley.
Friday	25 Apr	Men's Whateveryawannacallit.

****** Please note the new studies to begin March 30.

****** Note the Sharefest Project April 19. We will be helping out the "Oklahoma League for the Blind." Please make plans to come and help out. We will be helping to dispose of some old furniture.

****** The cost for the Men's "Whateveryawannacallit" is \$55.00 per person. Please give your money to Roger.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & OFFERING

Hymns

The Keys to Life

JAMES AND PHYLLIS MYERS
Kiev Ukraine
March 2008

ANNUAL REPORT

WORD OF GOD BIBLE CHURCH AND COLLEGE BY PHYLLIS MYERS - The Lord continues to demonstrate His grace through the church in Kiev. Attendance at Bible studies continues to increase and we have added additional classes during the week. The exciting factor is that the Ukrainian nationals we have trained are doing the teaching. Jim still teaches three times a week, but we now have additional classes for married couples, university aged young people, women, teens, and children.

In addition, there are numerous outreach ministries. This gives opportunities for training even more people and for evangelism. This past summer, Franklin Graham held a citywide crusade in Kiev, and several of our members went to his Counselor Training Program. Although we didn't see any new members come into the church as a result of the crusade itself, we were pleased to see our people wanting to attend and give a clear declaration of the gospel of grace.

There are several Campus Crusade For Christ staff members who attend our church; some of them are taking others from the church to do evangelism in the college dorms. Others in the church have been teaching training courses in Biblical counseling--both in Ukraine and in Russia. We continue to work with a Persian Church in the city and are seeing quite a few Muslims come to faith in Christ.

We are adding more sessions to increase training of Sunday School teachers and teen leaders, and Jim has added a weekly mentoring session with the church leaders where they discuss leadership principles, how to deal with church problems and theological issues. There is a distinct lack of training in our seminaries and Bible schools on how to "do church" and how to relate theology to everyday life. So these mentoring sessions are proving to be highly beneficial to the men.

One of the greatest joys we have is to see people we have trained go into ministry. It was such a blessing to ordain two of our men into the ministry in December 2007. We laid hands on Vasily Munko, and his uncle Viktor Munko. Dr. Bruce Bumgardner, pastor of Pine Valley Bible Church in Houston, Texas, preached a challenging message for the occasion, charging the men to remain true to the Word of God as they have been taught, to be constantly studying the Word, and to teach with authority. Vasily is pasturing a church he started in the city, of Lviv, in Western Ukraine. Viktor is Assistant Pastor of Word of God Church.

We are genuinely pleased with the production of well-grounded Bible teachers from our college. Our graduates from this past June are out in the front lines doing evangelism and Bible teaching. One couple went to Iran and Afghanistan for several months of evangelistic work among Muslims; others are working in churches, teaching and preaching. It is so exciting to see our men going out and putting their training into practice. Our ten current students, according to pastors who have been here to teach recently, including Tod Kennedy, Bruce Bumgardner and Robby Dean, are the best class we have had to date. Already, we are starting to recruit students for the fall.

Titus Kennedy is teaching Greek and Hebrew for his second year. What a Godsend he has been. But, alas for us, he will leave us in June to pursue his doctorate in archeological studies.

So we are praying for someone who will come to take his place. If you know of any who might be interested in teaching the original languages to our students in Ukraine, please contact us right away.

MINISTRIES REPORT BY JIM DUMAS - This past year has yielded a wide variety of fruit from different ministries. My favorite continues to be the eye hospital where we give the gospel to the children who are patients there. This has always been a joy, but this year we have been "kicked out" three times for several months by doctors who oppose the administration's policy of allowing us into the hospital. This has been the object of much prayer for us. Each time we have been prevented from teaching, we have to go through the process of making application again. Of course this is frustrating; but we know that God is sovereign and He will give us opportunities according to His will.

We have a teaching ministry at a local drug and alcohol rehab center which allows our students to do practical Bible teaching concerning spiritual growth and truth. Another continuing venue is the detention center for runaways and abused children. This year, one of the directors placed her faith in Christ. One of our college graduates who teaches there, and his wife, recently went on a three month mission trip to Iran and Afghanistan. Alucia, one of our students, works with children from the neighborhood who were first reached through our summer Vacation Bible School.

I have been helping an English teacher with her 11th grade class and have developed a wonderful relationship with them. They come over for movies, and we have recently begun a Bible study with them. This has been an answer to prayer as my true desire has been to give them the gospel. Currently we are studying the book of Mark.

Last summer we had five Americans come over to help us with our summer camp. They came with a great attitude and a strong desire to communicate the truth to our kids. Our staff did a super job of planning and organization, which enabled our guests to step in and participate without having to concern themselves with any distractions. The kids really loved their teachers and the camp was a great success. God also provided me with a chance to work with other children who visited the campgrounds. I had three classes with these other kids and their teachers, and they showed great interest in the gospel. This was a specific answer to prayer.

I have been privileged this year to assist two other missionaries who have gone out from our church. One is the family which is currently in Iran; the second is Katia Stetsenko, a member of our church, who is currently on her second missionary trip to Madagascar, where she is taking the good news to some very remote areas. It is a pleasure to see such a heartfelt desire for the lost.

A new opportunity was presented to me to teach in the Middle East. I have made three two-week trips to train local believers to disciple and teach others in the difficult Islamic environment in which they live. I am happy to report that I am already scheduled to return in 2008, to continue this important task.

To be continued at a later date.

Genesis 1

Introduction:

1. Genesis means the "book of Beginnings" and is taken from the LXX title "genesij."
2. In the Hebrew it is "tywixreb;"(BERESHITH)
3. Genesis contains the subject matter of origins:
 - A. The Universe.
 - B. The World.
 - C. Man, Animals and Plants.
 - D. Nations.
 - E. Line of Messiah
4. Date of writing: 1485-1405 B.C.

*40 YRS EGYPT
40 YRS WILDERSON
40 YRS WILDERNESS WITH ISRAEL
MOSES
1525 BC - 1405 BC*
5. Author: Moses. Ex 17:14; 24:4; 34:27; Nu 33:2; Deut 31:9; John 5:46,47; Rom 10:5
 - A. Moses was educated in "all the wisdom of the Egyptians," under the 13th Dynasty of Egypt. Acts 7:22
 - B. He was nurtured by his mother. Exo 2:9
 - C. He had a personal knowledge of the climate and geography of Egypt and Sinai.
 - D. As founder of the Jewish nation he could write accurately about them.
6. Comparison with some other ancient Cosmogenies.
 - A. Babylonian:
 - B. Phoenician:
 - C. Indian:
 - D. Etruscans:
 - E. Egyptian:
 - F. Liberal:

*430 YRS FROM
ABRAHAM TO LAW*
7. Genesis is part of the Old Testament division known as the "Torah" meaning "The Law" and consists of five books.
8. Major issues in Genesis 1-11:
 - A. Creation ex nihilo
 - B. Evolution.
 - C. The Fall of man.
 - D. Cain's wife.
 - E. Genealogies.
 - F. The Flood.
 - G. The Ark.
 - H. Curse on Cain and Canaan.
 - I. Tower of Babel.
 - J. Dispersion of nations.
 - K. "Known" and "accepted" ancient history.
 - L. Jewish beliefs as original or copy of other nations?
 - M. Multiple authors.

9. Hermeneutics:

- A. All Scripture is inspired by God. 2 Tim 3:16-17**
- B. It therefore exhibits external (grammatical) and internal clarity (illumination by the Holy Spirit).**
- C. Revelation is literal but contains some figures of speech in order to be communicated to man, therefore we should begin with the ordinary and apparent sense of the words and grammar. The Principle of Occam's Razor.**
- D. Revelation is progressive.**
- E. Scripture best interprets itself, the clear meaning is to be the guide for the obscure.**
- F. There is only one system of faith found in Scripture, so all verses, when properly understood, must agree. This is the "Analogy of Faith."**
- G. Scripture has one interpretation but may have many applications.**

10. Basic Outline:

- A. Four Events (Gen 1-11).**
 - 1. The Creation Of The World And Man (1-2)**
 - 2. The Corruption Of Man, The Fall (3-5)**
 - 3. The Destruction Of Man, The Flood (6-9)**
 - 4. The Dispersion Of Man, The Nations (10-11)**
- B. Four People: the election of a nation and the preparation for the redeemer (Gen 12-50)**
 - 1. Abraham (the father of faith and the nation Israel) (12-23)**
 - 2. Isaac (the beloved son of promise) (24-26)**
 - 3. Jacob (scheming and chastening) (27-36)**
 - 4. Joseph (suffering and glory) (37-50)**

The Keys to Life

Question #1: How did all things begin?

Answer: There are only Two Possibilities.

Either a conscious being was the First Cause of all things or unconscious matter.

Conclusion: A conscious being is a reasonable answer.

Question #2: Would this conscious being communicate with his creation or not?

Answer: There are only Two Possibilities.

Either he did or he didn't.

Conclusion: This conscious being did communicate with his creation.

Question #3: What evidence is there that this conscious being communicated with his creation?

Answer: There exists Two Inherent Realizations in all of mankind.

Sin and Eternity.

Conclusion: All are sinners facing eternity.

Question #4: What is the evidence?

Answer: There are Two Proofs that are clear.

All world religions recognize and offer solutions to these problems.

Conclusion: All mankind has a problem that affects eternity.

Question #5: Can this problem be solved?

Answer: There are only Two Possible Solutions.

One has to find a way to save oneself or find a savior.

Conclusion: You must look for the best option.

Question #6: Who has established the best option to solve the problem of death in sin?

Answer: Only Christianity has a savior who has conquered death.

Conclusion: Only one credible person made the offer to believe in Him and have eternal life.

Question #7: How many effective decisions are there?

Answer: There are only Two Possible Decisions.

Stay a slave to the Law of Sin and Death or be set free from it.

Conclusion: I need to make a choice.

Question #8: How many outcomes are there to those decisions?

Answer: There are only Two Possible Outcomes.

One is heaven, the other is hell.

Conclusion: The best choice is apparent.

Question #9: Is there a guide for life as a Christian?

Answer: There are only Two Possibilities.

Conclusion: If yes, I had better find it and learn it.