

# *Trinity Bible Church*

*The Carpenter's House*

**December 14, 2008**

## **FIRST SERVICE MESSAGE:**

*Hold the Line*

*Genesis 5*

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*Please join us for refreshments between services*

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Monday 15 Dec Deacons' Meeting.  
Wednesday 17 Dec Questions and Answers on Foundations.  
Sunday 21 Dec Christmas Program.  
Wednesday 24 Dec No Class  
Sunday 28 Dec Church.  
Wednesday 31 Dec No Class

- \*\* Our building insurance comes due this month. Our expenses will be around \$3500 more than normal. Please be in prayer for this need.
- \*\* You can catch up on any missed classes on our website: [www.tbckc.org](http://www.tbckc.org)
- \*\* Please increase your prayers for TBC and specifically pray for wisdom and guidance for our participation in the spread of His Kingdom.

	November	Year-to-Date	General Fund	Building Fund
Income	\$6,695.00	\$80,982.15		
Expenses	8,059.15	82,677.02		
Balance	(\$1,074.15)	(\$ 1,694.87)	\$8,506.38	\$9,375.82

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS & OFFERING**

### *Hymns*

*The Fullness of the Times*

**RALPH AND CINDY LA ROSA**  
**Operation Grace World**  
**December 2008**

**CLTC-CALABARZON:** (Christian Leadership Training Center CALABARZON): I reported in our last newsletter of a staggering statistic about thousands of untrained and under trained needy pastors throughout the Philippines. I wrote about a proposed plan to set up training centres in strategic areas, and that we would test this proposal by gathering a group of these pastors in September for a Bible conference.

In September, we actually had three conferences in three different venues with a total of 169 pastors/delegates, including three members of our staff and three guest speakers from Austin, Texas: Pastor Bob Bolender, his son, Bob III, and Cliff Beveridge. All three taught as representatives of Austin Bible Church and Seminary. Village Ministries International graciously provided a book called "Foundations" for each delegate. We use this as a handbook for Christian leaders and is part of a series of resources we will be using for our newly established Christian Leadership Training Center, CLTC-CALABARZON (An acrostic for five strategic provinces starting near Metro Manila and going to Southern Luzon – Cavite, Laguna, Batangas, Rizal, and Quezon).

We used these meetings to launch the idea of training centres in strategic areas where we already have facilities connected with local churches or schools. We will test this idea with several pastor-teachers. We will begin by partnering with three centers in three different provinces in our targeted CALABARZON. We now have centers at both ends of this zone. We had a special training for teachers and potential teachers in our church in Lucena City on October 31 – November 1, 2008. We have another training scheduled in Metro Manila for December 6, 2008.

**THE ELECTION, ECONOMY, AND GOVERNMENT LEADERS:** The advent of the internet and satellite television has made it possible for missionaries living in far away countries to keep up with the news at home. As expats, Cindy and I are able to vote via absentee ballots. The news during an election year can be distracting at times, especially with the accompanying bad economy and so many dramatic changes in government leadership. During the last 33 years while living in the Philippines we have witnessed nine U.S. presidential elections, surviving 12 years under Democratic Presidents and 21 years under Republicans. On this side of the pond, we have continued through several "people power" revolts along with the deposing of a 20 year president followed by numerous coup attempts, five Filipino presidents, and one economic crisis after another. It's during times like these, we are reminded to remember the big picture.

*Thus says the LORD, "Cursed is the man who trusts in mankind...And whose heart turns away from the Lord." Jeremiah 17:5*

*"Blessed is the man who trusts in the LORD And whose trust is the LORD. For he will be like a tree planted by the water... And will not fear when the heat comes; But its leaves will be green, And it will not be anxious in a year of drought Nor cease to yield fruit." Jeremiah 17:7-8*

*"The king's heart is in the hand of the Lord; He directs it...wherever He pleases." Proverbs 21:1*

**GOD'S ECONOMY:** God will supply our needs based on His economy (Phil. 4:19). He will cause all things to work together for good for those who love Him (Rom. 8:28-29), and will never forsake us and will always help us (Heb. 13:5-6). Our mission is the same under all historical conditions: Pray for our leaders (1 Tim. 2:1-2), evangelize the world (1 Tim. 2:3-4), grow in Grace and knowledge (2 Pet. 3:18), assemble with other believers (Heb. 10:24-25), and be generous in ministering to others in need as we trust God's grace to guide and provide (2 Cor. 8:1-5).

Ralph & Cindy LaRosa/Philippines

**DAVID AND DENISE LOVE**  
**Fellowship International Missions**

**To Family at Trinity Bible Church:** It may seem like we stepped off the planet or disappeared into nowhere as we haven't written in awhile. Quietness on our end is never due to lack of

activity! God has been continually surprising us with one open door after another. We can hardly keep up with it all as we see the hand of God moving in the most remarkable ways.

Two weeks ago the mission pastor of a local church in the area contacted us after reading our last Colombia update about our recent trip back in June. Pastor David grew up in Mexico but is American. He has been praying and looking for a ministry that would fit the vision and desire that God has put on his heart for his church. Dave will be meeting with the pastor in the coming week and talking and working through how we can possibly minister together in Colombia next summer.

This is a huge answer to prayer and could be the beginning of a much larger and effective ministry to the national pastors and missionaries in Colombia and beyond. Pastor David would like to first take a mission's survey trip with David in January or March (spring break). Denise will travel with them Lord willing as well. We will know soon which month this trip will happen. Then we will return to Colombia in June or July with a complete team and begin a much more effective ministry in training and partnership with Pastor Ramon and the National leadership that we have been building relationships with over the past 13 years.

Also, God is opening the door for Dave to teach via the internet on LIVE FEED to any Spanish speaking person who wants to study the Bible but can't afford to go to Bible school. Dave has a good friend in Dallas, who is already doing this every Sunday afternoon in English. Steve has researched carefully the best way to teach on line and is willing to set this up for us in south Texas by using a link to a website where we can also archive all David's teaching.

This will open a very large door to any place in Latin America. Most Colombians have computers and are studying on line already so the Lord is keeping ahead of the trends for us. Lord willing David will begin teaching in the Book of Romans; his favorite, as soon as Steve can fly down to south Texas and get this program launched. Please pray for this project.

Besides teaching four courses in the Bible Institute, Dave has been teaching a Spanish course Wednesday evenings and preaching in some local Spanish churches on Sundays. Denise has been asked to teach a bible study called, "Sea Libre" (Breaking Free)) to the wives of the Bible Institute men who are training to be pastors. She also has been teaching some session on *culture shock* and missionary life to missionary wives and their daughters who are leaning Spanish now to begin their ministries soon overseas. Although we are busy, we rejoice in how smoothly God parts the way ahead of us and makes our burden light.

The news from Colombia is that Pastor Ramon has been invited to teach a conference in Leticia to encourage National pastors and missionaries. Over 660 are registered to attend. Ramon will teach six times the weekend of October 31st. Pray for god's blessing on this rare conference of national pastors ministering to national missionaries. Pray for provision for the shipping costs of all the clothing Ramon's church has collected for the tribal communities and the missionary families in the jungle. His church members have really gotten behind his project and are so excited about reaching the unreached of their own country even though they struggle economically as well.

David has been getting many requests in for his gospel tract that he has written and designed. Today he put the finishing corrections in English, Spanish and Portuguese and order 3,000 plus tracts printed for each language. We do not have the funds for this project but feel the need is great and requests keep pouring that we had to move ahead by faith. Dave can get the tracts printed at a great price of only 10 cents apiece. A missionary going to Brazil at the end of the month has already asked for a good supply.

Thank you so much for your prayers and kindness to us, and your heart for the Lord's work in Columbia and around the world. David and Denise Love

**Genesis 4:25-26 = Cain's Replacement.**

**Gen 4:25 = The Birth of Seth.**

**4:25 C.T. = Adam knew his wife again; and she gave birth to a son, and she named him Sheth, for, she said, "God has appointed me another offspring in place of Abel, for Cain killed him."**

**Gen 4:26 = Seth's Son.**

**4:26 C.T. = To Seth, to him also a son was born; and he called his name Enosh. Then men began to call upon the name of Yahweh.**

### **Genesis 5**

**Gen 5:1 = The Generations of Adam (Man).**

**5:1 C.T. = This is the chapter of the generations of Adam. In a day when Elohim created Adam, He made him in the likeness of Elohim.**

1. In view is the growth process that God had desired from the start.
2. Adam is not only created at a point of time in the "image" of God, but has undergone a manufacturing process and learned to use it in a godly way.

**Gen 5:2 = Reminder of Human Creation.**

**5:2 C.T. = He created them male and female, and He blessed them and named them Man in a day when they were created.**

**Gen 5:3 = First Son in Adam's Likeness-Enter Seth (Appointed).**

**5:3 C.T. = When Adam had lived one hundred and thirty years, he became the father of a son in his own likeness, according to his image, and named him Seth.**

**Gen 5:4 = Adam's Life.**

**Gen 5:5 = His Life Span.**

**Gen 5:6 = Enter Enosh (Mortal, frail, miserable).**

**Gen 5:7 = Seth's Life.**

**Gen 5:8 = Seth's Life Span.**

**Gen 5:9 = Enter Kenan (Prepare).**

**Gen 5:10 = Enosh's Life.**

**Gen 5:11 = Enosh's Life Span.**

**Gen 5:12 = Enter Mahalalel (Praise God).**

**Gen 5:13 = Kenan's Life.**

**Gen 5:14 = Kenan's Life Span.**

**Gen 5:15 = Enter Jared (Come Down).**

**Gen 5:16 = Mahalalel's Life.**

**Gen 5:17 = Mahalalel's Life Span.**

**Gen 5:18 = Enter Enoch ("consecration" or "commencement.")**

**Gen 5:19 = Jared's Life.**

**Gen 5:20 = Jared's Life Span.**

**Gen 5:21 = Enter Methuselah (his death shall bring).**

**Gen 5:22 = Enoch's Life.**

**Gen 5:23 = Enoch's Life Span.**

**Gen 5:24 = Explanation of Shortened Life Span.**

1. Enoch was a prophet. Jude 14
2. He was an example of one who pleased God and was removed as a forerunner of the Rapture. Heb 11:5
3. His prophecies were of the judgments of the "last days." Jude 14-15
4. His son, Methuselah, was probably also named to prophesy that as long as he was alive the judgment would not come.

**Gen 5:25 = Enter Lamech (Despair or Lamentation).**

**Gen 5:26 = Methuselah's Life.**

**Gen 5:27 = Methuselah's Life Span.**

1. In the year that Methuselah died, the flood came.
2. It is interesting that Methuselah's life was a symbol of God's mercy in forestalling the coming judgment of the flood.
3. As the oldest man in the Bible he symbolizes God's extensive mercy.

**Gen 5:28 = Enter Noah.**

**Gen 5:29 = Expectations for Noah.**

**Gen 5:30 = Lamech's Life.**

**Gen 5:31 = Lamech's Life Span.**

**Gen 5:32 = Enter Shem, Ham and Japheth.**

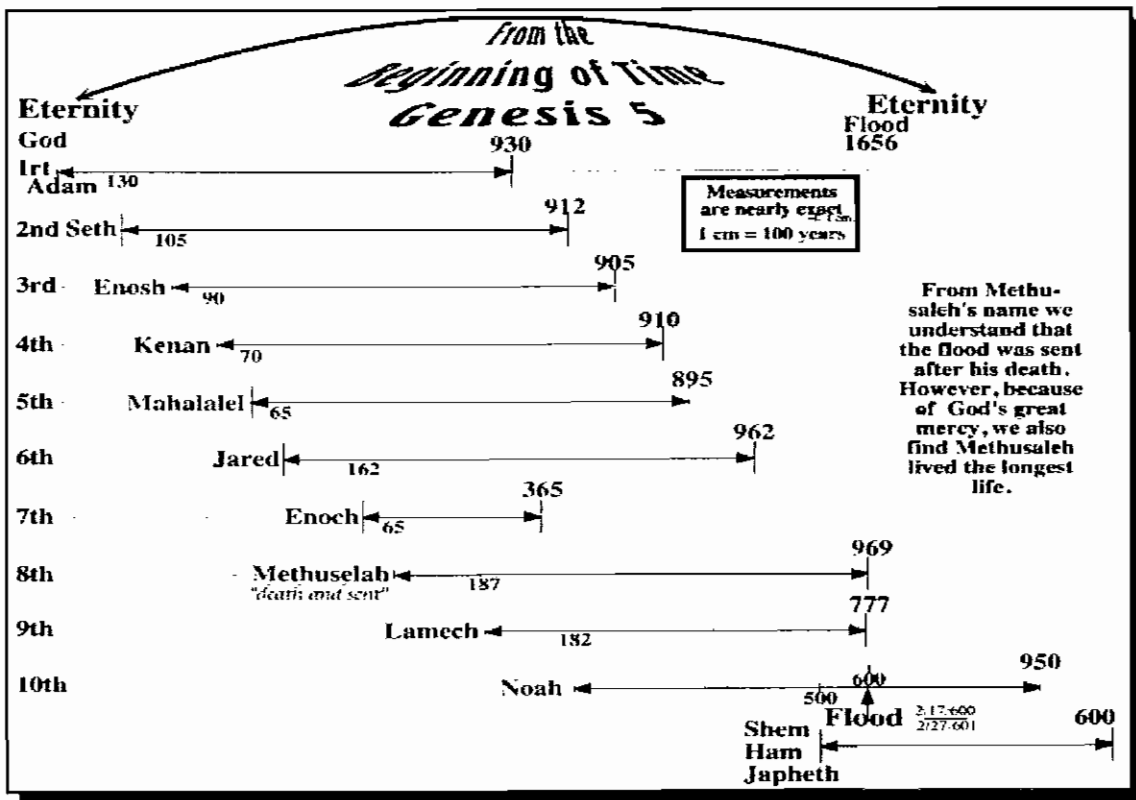
**Summary:**

1. Noah would receive a covenant that would lay a foundation for the New Covenant to Israel. Isa 54
2. Noah, Daniel and Job were considered three of the most righteous men who ever lived, but association with their righteousness would not deliver anyone. Eze 14:14,20
3. The "last days" will be marked by a period of history that rivals the evil and wickedness of the generation that perished with the flood. Matt 24:37-38 & Luke 17:26-27

4. Noah walked by faith which means that he obeyed God. Heb 11:7
5. God waited patiently for Noah to complete his task. 1 Peter 3:18-20
6. Noah's righteousness was the basis for his deliverance. 2 Pet 2:4-11

The Composite List:

Adam: 3960-3030 B.C. = 930 years.	<i>Hebrew</i>	<i>English</i>
Seth: 3830-2918 B.C. = 912 years.	Adam	Man
Enosh: 3725-2820 B.C. = 905 years.	Seth	Appointed
Kenan: 3635-2725 B.C. = 910 years.	Enosh	Mortal
Mahalalel: 3565-2670 B.C. = 895 years.	Kenan	Miserable
Jared: 3500-2538 B.C. = 962 years.	Mahalalel	The Blessed God
Enoch: 3338- 2973 B.C. = 365 years.	Jared	Shall come down
Methuselah: 3273-2304 B.C. = 969 years.	Enoch	Consecration
Lamech: 3086-2309 B.C. = 777 years.	Methuselah	His death shall bring
Noah: 2904-1954 B.C. = 950 years.	Lamech	The despairing
	Noah	Rest, or comfort



## *The Fullness of the Times*

### 1. Jesus' Birth: Introduction

#### A. Preparation for His birth

1). His Divine Title Mark 1:1

#### B. A New Born King is Worshipped

1). An Answered Prayer Luke 1:5-25

Principle: God is aware of man's \_\_\_\_\_.

Principle: Some of our problems He chooses to \_\_\_\_\_.

Principle: Sometimes we question His \_\_\_\_\_ even when He fills our desires.

Principle: God \_\_\_\_\_ His word.

2). An Angel's Message to a Virgin Luke 1:26-38

Principle: God uses \_\_\_\_\_ people to accomplish marvelous things.

3). Two Women Rejoice Luke 1:39-56

Principle: God often grants us \_\_\_\_\_ to share our joy.

4). Clearing a Path Luke 1:57-80

Principle: God blesses repentance from past \_\_\_\_\_ to a faithful life with amazing \_\_\_\_\_.

5). Call Him Jesus Matt 1:18-25

Principle: Honorable people \_\_\_\_\_ their thinking when they find out they are wrong.