

Praises . . .

- ◇ Three churches have scheduled conferences for 2007:
FBC Paris, AR Jan. 14--17
FBC Wewoka, OK Feb. 4--7
FBC Poteau, OK Apr. 15--18
- ◇ For those God is using to meet our financial and prayer-support needs.
- ◇ Dr. Nelson Wilhelm has scheduled me to teach the winter Bible Study Preview to pastors and staff members of Concord Baptist Association in Fort Smith, AR, December 4th of this year. The topic is The Epistles of John.

Prayer Requests . . .

- ◇ For churches in Nebraska recently contacted in regard to scheduling conferences.
- ◇ For spiritual insight as I develop new studies and materials for conferences.
- ◇ For new opportunities to minister.
- ◇ For pastors who are considering scheduling a conference.
- ◇ For someone to schedule a prayer conference.
- ◇ For someone to schedule a discipleship conference.
- ◇ For me to be disciplined enough to write a book.

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UPDATE

Thinking About Blessings

Recently getting to know four pastors has been a beautiful blessing. At FBC Tishomingo, it was a joy to work with Pastor Tony Folger. Bro. Tony has an oversized heart for the children of Tishomingo. The after school ministry for children that he designed and directs is outstanding.

Pastor Ken Overturf of South Side in Fort Smith is a quiet, rock-solid leader. I appreciate the way he is leading his flock into the future with a focus on ministry today.

At FBC Poteau, it was a privilege getting to know Pastor Phil McGehee. Although Bro. Phil was ill during the conference, he never let it show. He missed no sessions. He took care of extensive pastoral duties with humble graciousness. He is a wonderful man of God.

FBC Earlsboro is blessed to have Bryan Pain for pastor. Bryan has an uncommon combination of a loving heart for his church and community as well as a scholar's mind for Bible study. I enjoyed our fellowship.

In this ministry, I desire to be a blessing not only to God's people, but also to His pastors.

Mike



“Our thoughts of God are not great enough; we fail to reckon with the reality of his limitless wisdom and power. Because we ourselves are limited and weak, we imagine that at some points God is too, and find it hard to believe

“It is not ‘Thy will be changed’, but ‘Thy will be done.’”

Upcoming Conferences . . .

- July 9 - 12
First Baptist Church
Coal Hill, Arkansas
- July 30 - Aug. 2
Tenth Street Baptist Church
Blytheville, Arkansas
- Oct. 29 - 31
Fianna Hills Baptist Church
Fort Smith, Arkansas
- Pending
Cheektowaga Baptist Church
Cheektowaga, New York
- Pending
Oak Crest Baptist Church
Midlothian, Texas

“The victories won by prayer, By prayer must still be held; The foe retreats, but only when

Comments from Recent Conferences . . .

- ◆ “This has been a wonderful time of growth and reflection (inward) for many of us in this church. It was so needed.”
- ◆ “We loved the Bible study on Ruth. Thank you. Please come back with more. We learned so much.”
- ◆ “What a blessing this Bible Conference has been. It seemed like each evening went by so quickly. It was concise and every word was important. I hope to be able to hear more from you.”
- ◆ “The Bible Conference you led here was wonderful. It was truly a blessing to everyone.”
- ◆ “Your Bible teaching has thoroughly blessed me. You make the pages of the Bible come alive and reveal a whole new way of getting to God’s truths.”

Other Observations . . .

- ◆ FBC Booneville:
What a blessing to return to FBC Booneville, AR, where I pastored from 1992–94. My good friend, Phil Whitten, serves as interim pastor there. Bro. Phil was exceedingly helpful and encouraging during the conference. Thanks to Doug Sanders, Kevin Henry, Bobby McNutt and all those involved in making DVD’s of both The Armor of God and The Book of Ruth studies. I was greatly blessed by how hungry the people were for the Word of God. How blessed I was by the lavish outpouring of love.
- ◆ FBC Tishomingo was first to host a conference on Hebrews 11.
- ◆ FBC Earlsboro was first to host a conference on God’s Suffering Servant (Isaiah 42, 49, 50 and 53)



“The strongest, most mature Christians I have ever met are the hungriest

To Schedule a Conference . . .

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