



Jerry Pattillo, Paul Tanner, and Bob at ETS

## **Regional ETS (Bob) SWBTS Fort Worth, Texas March 7**

I spoke on Matt 16:18 and the Lord's promise that the gates of Hades shall not prevail against the Church. I discussed some of the disturbing trends we see in churches today and suggested that the church is still victorious, in spite of the problems we see. We walk by faith not by sight (2 Cor 5:7).

I suggested the evangelistic message which Jesus gave us is the only way to get into His Church. We dare not change the message of everlasting life in order to try and improve the quality of people in the church. Dr. Howard Hendricks called that *frontloading the gospel*.

Fifteen people came to my session and several indicated that they really appreciated what I had to share.

I also heard a talk on an American preacher from the 1700s named Croswell who preached the grace message 300 years ago.

## **Wesleyan Theological Society Conference and Lake Hazel Bible Church (Shawn) March 7-9 Nampa and Boise, Idaho**

At the WTS conference, I delivered a paper on "Zane Hodges's Theory of the Atonement," pointing out that Hodges believed Christ not only died for all mankind, but that some of the benefits of the atonement were also universal. I explained that this is different from receiving eternal life by faith in Jesus. Not sure how the Arminian attendees took it. Please pray for them.

That Sunday I preached at Lake Hazel Bible Church.



The Congregation at Lake Hazel Bible Church

in beautiful Boise, ID. In a state dominated by Mormons and Nazarenes, Lake Hazel Bible is one of the only Free Grace churches in the area. I spoke on the parable of the Four Soils, which was well-received by the congregation. Afterwards, I spent some encouraging fellowship time with Tim and Trish Greene. Good folk.



The congregation at Grace Community Bible Church

## Grace Community Bible Church (Bob) Sandy, Utah March 14-16

On Saturday night I spoke at a home group to about 20 people at the home of Bill and Mary Visnovsky, who were my hosts on this trip and who come to our annual conference. I spoke on six of the most misunderstood words in the Bible: saved, everlasting, faith, heaven, hell, and repentance.

On Sunday I spoke on James 2:14-17 to a combined Sunday school class, on John 11:25-27 and assurance of everlasting life in the worship service, and then after lunch I covered the doctrine of eternal rewards.



Doug Hornok, Dan Hornok, Phil Foard, Ken Hornok, and David Janssen

From 3:00 till 4:00 I was able to visit with Pastor Dan Hornok, Associate Pastor David Janssen, and several pastors from the area: Doug and Ken Hornok (Dan's brothers; Ken is now retired and Doug is the interim pastors at Ken's old church), and Phil Foard. All of us are Dallas Seminary graduates. We had a great time interacting.

I was also able to visit again with Troy and Leslie Jensen and their sons Ross and Warren. Troy was the chairman of the GES Board for a number of years.

## Three Books Sent to the Printer: Should Be Available at the Conference

Two out-of-print books by Zane Hodges and one by Bob Wilkin are now at the printer: *Absolutely Free*, *The Atonement and Other Writings*, and *The Road to Reward*. The one by Zane on the atonement actually combines three of his booklets (*The Atonement*; *Jesus, God's Prophet*; and *Did Paul Preach Eternal Life?*) and adds in a few articles by Zane not included in the original booklets. *The Atonement and Other Writings* and *The Road to Reward* should be at the conference April 21-24 in Fort Worth. *Absolutely Free* might make it on time.

## 19<sup>th</sup> Annual GES Conference SWBTS, Fort Worth, TX April 21-24

The conference theme this year is Paul's Epistle to the Romans. That is a vital epistle on the subjects of justification, sanctification, and the future of Israel. Yet there is much confusion in how many of its passages are handled.

We have a great line up of speakers including J.B. Bond, Bob Bryant, Ken Yates, Shawn Lazar, John Niemelä, David Allen, Jeremy Edmonson, René López, and Bob Wilkin.

Check out the schedule online and in the March-April magazine. If you are not registered, there is still time. We'd love to see you there.

## Spotlight on Your Support

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