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Ken with some very dangerous looking prisoners.

### Lee Correctional Facility Bishopville, SC March 16, 2015

for the inmates at Lee Correctional Facility. There were recently some disturbances at the facilities, but normal activities quickly returned. There are a number of Bible studies going on with the inmates. Ken spoke on Jas 1:17-21 and how God gives us birth through the seed of the Word of God. That seed is that God gives eternal life to all who believe in Jesus for it. Afterwards, God wants us to grow in the life He has given us. Even in prison that seed of life needs to be proclaimed. The message was well received. Afterwards, a dinner was served. Pictured are Ken with some of the volunteers who prepared the meal.

### Protestant Fellowship Church Crowley, TX March 22, 2015

I (Bob) have been to this church near Fort Worth three or four times before. It sits in a retirement community that is sponsored by the Catholic Church.

Since there are many Protestants in the community (two-thirds are now Protestants), there is a church for them. Ken Parlin, a regular at our conference and a strong grace proponent, is Pastor there.

I spoke on Phil 1:19-26, "To Live Is Christ; To Die Is Gain." I shared that for



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the person who is assured of his eternal destiny, dying is indeed gain and living is indeed centered on Christ. However, we must believe the promise of everlasting life before we have assurance and before this passage comes alive to us. I discussed assurance from John's Gospel (3:16; 5:24; 6:35, 27; 11:25-27).

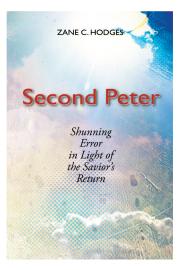
The group was appreciative of what I had to say. It was good to be a young person on Sunday. I'll be 63 in May. They told me I didn't look a day over 61. At 63, I was barely old enough to live there as the minimum age is 62.

#### Regional ETS Atlanta, GA March 27



Ken attended the Southeastern Regional Meeting of

the Evangelical Theological Society. It was held at Luther Rice Seminary outside of Atlanta, GA. The plenary speaker was Dr. Darrell Bock from Dallas Theological Seminary. There were about 120 in attendance. The topic was "The Kingdom of God as a Metanarrative in Scripture." Dr. Bock was a professor of Ken's in the 1980s. The topic included points related to changes within dispensationalism that have occurred in the last few decades. Ken submitted a paper and was approved to lead one of the breakout sessions.



# Books by Zane and Bob Soon to Be Sent to the Printer: Should Be Available at the Conference

Several booklets are at the printer now.

We are also close to finishing Confident in Christ, Second Peter, Faith in His Name: Listening to the Gospel of John, and A Gospel

of Doubt: The Legacy of John MacArthur's The Gospel According to Jesus.

The deadlines will be tight. Very tight. Coffee will be drunk. Blood will be spilled (from the papercuts). We'll probably go blind from all the proofreading. But it will get done. And it will be worth it.

Projects being prepared for late 2015 and 2016 include, *Chosen to Serve* by Shawn; *Tough Texts* by Zane and Bob; *Free Grace for Baptists by Shawn*; *Showstoppers for Calvinism* by Bob, *Old Testament Grace* by various writers, and *Can We Still Trust New Testament Professors? The Modern Attack on Biblical Inerrancy* by Bob.

### 20th Annual GES Conference SWBTS, Fort Worth, TX May 11-14

The conference is coming! The conference is coming! Who needs a good solid dose of encouragement and sound Biblical teaching? I know I do. I'm sure you do too. Invite your pastor and friends. First timers are FREE.

Please pray for GES staff as we prepare the details of the conference, and for speakers as they prepare their messages. We are excited to see everyone there.

### Regional GES Conference Dubois, Wyoming July 19-24

Is Calvinism Biblical? Find out at the rapidly growing GES regional conference near beautiful Yellowstone Park. Hosted by Geoff Stevens at Wilderness Baptist Church in Dubois, WY. Speakers include Bob Wilkin, Ken Yates, Geoff Stevens, Steve Lewis, John Niemelä. Shawn will be left behind at the office, probably crying.

## **Spotlight on Your Support**

January through March went well. There were several special gifts which really helped. Thank you for your partnership in this ministry.

Because of the strong support, we are planning several ways to expand our ministry. We are considering hiring a full-time person to help us with social media and marketing. We have plans to expand the magazine again, this time adding another 16 pages, going from 32 to 48 pages. We plan to make that shift with the July/ August 2015 issue. We are also looking into getting on the radio. While it is costly, the impact can be enormous. New ministries like these are due to your generous support.

# **Financial Report**

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