



Ken, Bob, and Steve at 9500 feet.

Protestant Fellowship at St. Francis Retirement Village Crowley, TX July 5th

I (Shawn) was invited to preach at Protestant Fellowship by Ken Parlin. It is located in a village-like Catholic retirement community, just outside of Fort Worth. There are enough Protestants who live there to merit their own chapel. In fact, there may be more Protestants than Catholics!

I spoke about how Daphne and Zane have made me a better reader of the Bible.

For example, you can't really understand Peter's saying that, "like newborn babies, long for the pure milk of the word" (1 Pet 2:2) until you've experienced getting up every two hours, all day, and all night, for two months, in order to feed

a screaming, hungry baby (OK, OK, Abby did most of the waking up at night). That puts a whole new perspective on how strongly we should desire God's Word.

I hope to visit again soon.



The Conferees.



Wyoming Regional Conference: Is Calvinism Biblical? Wilderness Baptist Church Dubois, Wyoming July 19-24

Pastor Geoff Stevens has been asking us to come to his beautiful state for over a year. He was right. Wyoming is a great place for a summer regional.

Dubois (pronounced Doo Boys) is the most remote city in the lower 48 states. That means it is further from an interstate than any other city.



The Board: Bob, Bob Bryant, Walt Millet, Shawn (ex officio), JB Bond, Jerry Pattillo, and Ken Yates.



Rosy, Bob, Jerry, Walt, some crazy lady, JB, Ken, Bob, and Sherry.

Fifty people came to this conference. They came from all over the U.S.: California, Washington, Idaho, Colorado, Virginia, Texas, South Carolina, North Carolina, and Minnesota.

There were sixteen plenary messages and fifteen breakout messages. We hope to keep the entire conference on You Tube and on our website. We also hope to have an mp3 available for purchase (\$5, which includes S & H) within a month.

I (Bob) gave messages on how the following passages contradict Calvinism: John 3:16, the Parable of the Four Soils (Luke 8:4-18), the Great White Throne Judgment (Rev 20:11-15), and Israel's rejection of Jesus (Matt 23:37-39).

Ken Yates gave messages on how "Cornelius Disproves Calvinism," "What Is Sandamanianism and Why Don't Calvinists Like It?," "Limited Atonement Is Just Plain Wrong," "Perseverance Is Commanded, But Not Guaranteed," and "Is Election to Eternal Life or to Service?"

In addition to having four sessions together each morning and evening, we also enjoyed Yellowstone, hiking, fly fishing (Ken and Bob caught very tiny fish), viewing Petroglyphs, and watching Greg Beecham, a world-renowned wildlife painter, paint a fantastic mountain lion.

Sharon was with me on this trip and she had a super time as well.

We plan to have this conference again next year, July 17-22, 2016.

Summer Board Meeting July 24-25th

We held our Summer GES Board Meeting in Dallas.

This is the meeting where we decide the next fiscal year's budget and the shape of our ministry over the next year.

Ken Yates and Bob Wilkin both arrived in Dallas from the Wyoming regional at 5 PM Friday night. So they were both sick and tired during the board meeting. Yet the Lord gave them the strength they needed to soldier on. It turns out both were in bed for a few days after the board meeting.

The meeting was thought-provoking, fruitful, not without good debate, but also characterized by warm fellowship.

Walt Millet began the meeting with a devotional based on 2 Tim 2:2. He made the point that just as Paul disciplined Timothy, and in turn, urged Timothy to disciple other faithful men, so too, the Free Grace movement will grow by discipleship.

We talked about everything from inerrancy to websites. There were several weighty issues that will require further prayer and discussion.

Upcoming Publications

We recently released two books by Zane, namely, *Second Peter: Shunning Error in Light of the Savior's Return*, as well as *Faith in His Name: Listening to the Gospel of John*.

Books that should be ready by the end of the year include *Tough Texts* by Zane and Bob, *Notes on Hebrews* by Zane, and *Chosen to Serve* by Shawn.

Bob is working on his book, *Showstoppers for Calvinism*. We may publish the Wyoming Conference papers as a book collection entitled, *Is Calvinism Biblical?* The manuscript for Zane's notes on Acts, entitled, *Acts of the Risen Christ*, is being edited.