



A great group showed up in San Antonio

San Antonio Regional GES Conference January 29-30

Wow. We've only had one regional that ever had 100 people in it. This one had over 150 people in attendance.

For the first time, we tried advertising. We sent our postcards to everyone on our mailing list within a two-hour drive of San Antonio. We put on 30-second radio ads in both San Antonio and Austin.



Bible Study in San Antonio

books on sale, there were four books to choose from that sold for \$4 or \$5. We ended up adding a lot of

people to our mailing list for the magazine.

Dr. Norm Geisler, an expert on inerrancy (no errors in the Bible) gave two excellent messages on inerrancy ("Why Is It Important that the Bible Is Free from Errors?" and "Why Jonah Can't Be a Parable"). His messages were great and were well received.



Dr. Norm Geisler

Other speakers included Shawn (who did a great job on James as wisdom literature), Dr. Gary Hedrick ("The Israel of God and Identity Theft in Gal 6:16"), Pastor Bryan Threlkeld ("Inerrancy Is Fundamental, Not Peripheral"), and three messages by me ("The Gospel Writers Didn't Put Words in Jesus' Mouth," "Inerrancy Is Not a Big Tent," and "Practical Problems with a Broad View of Inerrancy").

This conference ministered to a lot of people. Thank you for making it possible to put on things like this.



The Board: JB, Walt, Bob, Jerry, and Brad



Bob with Graham Wilson and friends

Winter GES Board Meeting Grapevine, TX January 22-23

Brad Daskocil returned to the Board and took the reigns as chairman.

The Board likes our publications, conferences, and ministry effectiveness.

We discussed the finances as well. December revenue was excellent and we received lots of checks postmarked in December, but which we received in January. Those count as December gifts too. Due to some large gifts in December, we are in a great shape to finish the last five months of our fiscal year in the black.

The Board approved us hiring a Social Media Coordinator. This would be someone who promotes GES' online presence through the website, Facebook, Twitter, and all social media. Our aim is that this person would also write and edit for us and probably would do some typesetting of our magazine and other publications.

Regional Conferences should increase a lot in 2016. We plan to have at least four regionals this year, all well-advertised, like we did for San Antonio.

If you gave \$100 or more in 2015 you should be receiving a summary statement this month that shows your entire giving for the year. If you find a discrepancy between our report and your own records, please let us know.

Colorado January 9-13

Many of you know Arch and Carolyn Rutherford, missionaries with Biblical Education by Extension (BEE), long-time GES supporters, and frequent conference attendees.

Carolyn died unexpectedly, and went to be with the

Lord on December 23, 2015.

Bob and Sharon went to visit Arch in Colorado and to attend Carolyn's memorial service at BEE.

She will be greatly missed.

GES's 21st Annual Conference April 25-28 SWBTS, Fort Worth

The theme is a great one, *The Gospel of Belief*. John's Gospel is one of the most beloved books in the Bible, and for good reason.

Please go to our website for a list of plenary speakers (Bob Bryant, Ken Yates, Gary Derickson, Shawn Lazar, Rene Lopez, Steve Lewis, David Janssen, John Niemela, Geoff Stevens, and Bob Wilkin), workshop speakers, and times.

If you haven't registered yet, don't wait until the last minute. SWBTS is handling the registration. You can go there via our website or by calling the Riley Center at 817-923-1921 x2440. Please help us get the word out by telling your church and other friends.

Please pray that many new people come as a result of advertising and word of mouth.

Review Our Books at Amazon.Com?

If you have read some of our books and haven't reviewed them yet, please take a few minutes and review them on Amazon.



Visiting with Arch Rutherford