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The fine folk at Charlotte Bible Church

### Victor Street Bible Chapel May 1

(Bob) spoke on 1 Pet 4:7-11, "Serving for the Glory of God in the Last Days." Peter says, "the end of all things is at hand." Most today do not believe that. But it is imperative that we do, for it informs our thinking in all we say and do. We should live in light of the Lord's return at any moment.

During the Lord's Supper I led a discussion on 2 Cor 5:17, "If anyone is in Christ...new creation." In context the point is that those who are in Christ are part of a new creation. We had a great discussion.

## First Baptist of Honey Grove, TX May 1

On May 1, Ken Yates spoke at First Baptist Church of Honey Grove, TX. They had a dinner for Ken. He

had pastored the church while a doctoral student at Dallas Theological Seminary.

They wanted to know more about the ministries of GES. They are very supportive of GES and said they so



Dinner in Honey Grove

much appreciated the magazine.

In addition, a number of them said they did not know they had eternal life until they were exposed to the teaching of GES and its material.

A special thanks to Pastor James Rogers for inviting Ken to speak.

#### Charlotte Bible Church Charlotte, NC May 15

On May 15, Ken Yates spoke at Charlotte (NC) Bible Church. He came up the day before and got to meet with Pastor Donnie Preslar and the elders over a meal. He was hosted by Bernie and Julie Hunsucker and had a great time meeting everybody.

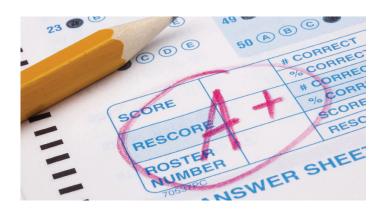
Ken taught the Sunday School class from 2 Peter 1, on the topic of sanctification. Peter makes it clear that successful Christian living is not automatic, but something the Christian must desire and use the power God has given for that purpose.

During the main service Ken was asked to speak on a message he had given at the GES conference in the past concerning trials in the life of a believer from Romans 5.

A dinner was held after the service to honor the graduating seniors in the church. Ken is very grateful for the opportunity, the hospitality, and food.

#### Gateway United Baptist Church Denton, TX May 22

I (Shawn) preached the ordination service for a new deacon, taking Acts 1:1-7 for my text. I showed how the diaconate grew out of the believing community's love for each other, especially out of concern to care for the neediest members of the community, the widows.



### **Grading Papers for Veritas Evangelical Seminary Course**

The course which I (Bob) taught in April involved one week of classroom instruction and discussion and then months of the students writing papers. So I graded a



Hungry minds, open Bibles, at Veritas Seminary

number of papers in May on topics related to inerrancy and hermeneutics (Bible interpretation). It is a good opportunity to interact with about 10 students.

Papers will continue to come in during June and July.

#### First Draft of Bob's Book on Calvinism Completed

I (Bob) have been working on a book tentatively entitled, *Twelve Show Stoppers for Calvinism*. In it I discuss twelve passages which contradict the five points of Calvinism.



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In May I completed the first draft. My guess is that it will be months before we are ready to send it to the printer. But it might well be ready by Christmas.

What is unique about this book is that it takes on Calvinism not philosophically, but exegetically. Twelve passages is enough to show that Calvinism is inconsistent with Scripture.

#### Initial Preparation for 2017 Annual Conference

We've been working on lining up speakers, beginning the schedule, etc. Shawn and I (Bob) came up with titles for my two plenary messages ("Heaven, Hell, or Hawaii: Where Will You Spend Eternity?" and "Your Best Life Then (Gal 6:6-10)").

I contacted the head of the Pre-Trib Study Group, Dr. Tommy Ice and he agreed to speak next year.

We will keep working on speakers and messages over the summer.

