

# THE HAYNES FAMILY MISSIONARIES TO THE NAVAJO NATION

"...streams in the desert." Isaiah 35:6b

John Peebles, IBFI Mission Director

## IBFI MISSION STORE 2017

Our IBFI missionaries look forward to the mission store each year during the IBFI May Fellowship! We are scheduled to have five IBFI missionary families this year.

They would appreciate any new items and/or gift cards (Wal-Mart, Restaurants, etc.).

In recent years, we have had only two or three churches participate in giving to our mission store. Please make this a matter of prayer!

## 2017 IBFI MISSIONARY SEMINAR/CANDIDATE SCHOOL

We are planning our 2017 Missionary Seminar for May 30th and 31st, the Tuesday and Wednesday following the May Fellowship Meeting. We have seven missionary families already planning to be present and hope to have several missionary candidate and prospective missionary candidate families present as well. Please be in prayer for these veteran and new missionary families during this important time together. This will be a valuable time of learning, sharing, and encouragement for both the new and prospective missionaries, as well as, the veteran missionaries that will be present.

I would like to ask you to prayerfully consider helping us with a special offering towards the expenses of this meeting. We will have needs above what we have received in recent years due to the larger attendance that we are expecting. Please make this an object of prayer. I am certain that if you do God will supply the need.

## MUD...MUD... AND MORE MUD...

### ...DID I SAY MUD?

The year has started out wet! We have had rain and then we're hit by a fairly stout snow storm. Flagstaff had 3 feet of snow (not drifts...snow!). We only had a foot, but it made things an awful mess. All across the Reservation people have been stranded. Our parking lot (unpaved) has been a nightmare, but that's just how it is! It is the worst I have seen in our 20 years here. Naturally, our attendance was down, but I was really proud of how many of our people braved the elements to come out.



### SOMETIMES THEY COME TO YOU

I received a phone call from Curtis, a young man that I had worked with before in election here in Apache County. I had not seen him or heard from him in a long time. He was frantic over the phone. Through the nasty mud he came and met me at the church. We began to talk about where he was at in his life and he surely was not in a good place. For over an hour we visited and I began to tell him of the One Who could change his life. It was incredible to watch Curtis repent and put his faith and trust in our blessed Lord! He has been attending the services, so pray as we work to disciple him and help him overcome his life challenges.

### SOMETIMES THAT TRACT CAUSES THEM TO COME TO YOU

Do you ever wonder if anyone ever reads those tracts you pass out? This story is amazing. In November, my wife and three of the ladies from our church went to a conference in Albuquerque. On the way back, they stopped to eat at the Denny's in Window Rock, Arizona (our Tribal capital). As my wife is always faithful to do, she gave the waitress a tract along with a very good tip. Just two weeks ago, several months after she was given the tract, Amy showed up at Ganado Baptist Church. It turns out that she lives just a few miles from

us. After the preaching on that Sunday morning, she came to the altar and one of our dear ladies, Mrs. Hollifield, led her to Christ! Amy has been faithfully attending services. Pray for her husband who needs to be saved.

### SOMETIMES WE GO TO THEM

God has blessed us with a wonderful nursing home ministry. We pick up two men each Sunday to bring them to church. One was Roy Bitter. Because of the muddy roads, we were unable to get to the nursing home for four weeks. When I got there to pick the men up, the staff told me Roy was in the hospital and not doing well. Bro. Ryan Nez, church planter out of Ganado in Window Rock, joined me for the visit. Roy was laboring to breathe, but glad to see us. I asked him about his salvation and he indicated that he was not sure about Heaven. He speaks English quite well, but Navajo is his first language. Bro. Ryan took over and in just a few minutes, Roy was saved! They moved Roy from the hospital to a hospice unit in Flagstaff. I am so glad that God allowed this ministry and gave us the opportunity to tell him how to receive Christ. Roy's last name is Bitter, but his heart is now anything but bitter! What a Saviour! Thank you for your part in the salvation of these folks. There are many more to be reached and discipled. Pray for us as we endeavor to follow the will of God in reaching the Navajo Nation.



Mark and Tricia Haynes and Family

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DR. ROGER GREEN  
MON. 7 PM | TUE. 11 AM



PASTOR BOB WALLACE  
TUES. 9 AM



PASTOR CLAUDE SUTTON  
TUES. 10 AM



DR. CHARLES WETHERBEE  
TUES. 7 PM



PASTOR PHILLIP BLACKWELL  
WED. 9 AM



PASTOR MARK BROWN  
WED. 10 AM



MISSIONARY JOHN YELLE  
WED. 7 PM



DR. RAYMOND BARBER  
WED. 7 PM



PASTOR HEATH HOGUE  
THURS. 9 AM



DR. RANDY COTTON  
THURS. 10 AM



RET. COL. TRAY ARDEASE  
THURS. 11 AM



**THURSDAY MORNING SPECIAL "PATRIOTIC AND PRAYER" EMPHASIS - II CHRONICLES 7:14**



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## THE PASTOR AND HIS FAMILY



*Dr. Raymond W. Barber,  
IBFI President Emeritus*

The most sacred trust a pastor has is his family. As goes the family, so goes the church. No church is any stronger than the families that make up its membership. The devil is out to decimate the family and destroy the home. If Satan can destroy the family, he can impede the progress of the church; if he can impede the progress of the church, he can weaken the structure of the nation; if he can weaken the structure of the nation, he can destroy the foundation of democracy.

Pastor, God is not only IN your family's future, He IS your family's future. Your family is of utmost importance to God. He loves your family immeasurably, and He proves it every day by preserving, protecting, and providing for each member.

The family is the basic unit of society, and long before there was a church or a school or a government, there was a marriage, a family, and a home. God Himself performed the first wedding in the Garden of Eden when He united Adam and Eve (not Adam and Steve) in holy matrimony. This is God's plan: **one man for one woman**. His plan cannot be improved upon. It must not be changed, challenged, or circumvented. Same sex marriages insult God's integrity and fly into the face of a thrice-Holy God.

At the celebration of Henry Ford and his wife's fiftieth wedding anniversary, someone asked him to what he attributed their fifty years of matrimony. He answered, "I use the same formula as I do in making cars: **stick to one model.**"

What shall it profit a pastor if he wins the world and loses his own children. Dr. J. Frank Norris said:

"It matters not what we preach or what our achievements; if our home life doesn't back it up, it is a most colossal calamity."

Dr. B. H. Carroll wrote:

"Young gentlemen, if you have on your side--first, God; second, your wife; and third, your conscience--you need not fear anyone, not even the devil himself."

God is the designer of the family, and He has a plan for the head of the family to follow. His plan includes the following:

- BE AROUND.** If you are not around to guide and protect your children while they are young, can you expect them to be around when you are old?
- BE AVAILABLE.** Listen to them when you counsel or correct them.
- BE ACQUAINTED.** Don't be a stranger to them.
- BE AFFECTIONATE.** No "cold fish" relationship.
- BE AGREEABLE.** There are two sides to every encounter.
- BE ALIVE.** No "dead pan" relationship.
- BE AUTHORITATIVE.** Lay down the law without executing the defendant.
- BE APPROACHABLE.** Keep a short distance between you and your children.
- BE ATTENTIVE.** Even in the smallest matters. (What is **small** to you may be large to your children.)
- BE AWARE.** Don't sleep through their aims, accomplishments, and ambitions.

**KEEP THE HOME FIRES BURNING;  
IT IS COLD OUTSIDE!**

*"Not unto us, O LORD, not unto us, but unto thy name give glory, for thy mercy, and for thy truth's sake. Psalm 115:1"*

## CATCH THE VISION



*Mark Brown, IBFI President*

When Moses sent the twelve spies into the promise land to bring him a report, only two of the spies, Joshua and Caleb, believed the promise and power of God to give victory. They "caught the vision" of how big God is, and what He can do when we step out by faith! "Catch The Vision" has been the theme of the IBFI and the NBBS this past year. We have all witnessed God do some amazing things for our fellowship in these exciting days. Our Missions Agency, NBBS, and our fellowship as a whole are seeing consistent growth. I believe this growth is in part due to so many who have indeed "caught the vision" as Joshua and Caleb did ... not the vision of what WE can do...but the vision of what GOD can do!

We are looking forward with much anticipation to the Spring Fellowship Meeting of the IBFI in May. We are also looking forward to having Dr. Roger Green as our keynote speaker for Monday evening and Tuesday morning. On Thursday morning we have a very special "patriotic and prayer" emphasis scheduled; if you can attend you will not be disappointed! Information concerning this exciting time of fellowship, music, and preaching can be found in this edition of the Searchlight. I hope you will make plans to attend this meeting. You never know how your presence may be a great encouragement to someone.

Our condolences go out to Pastor Robert Barrow, his family, and Faith Bible Baptist Church in Century, Florida. Brother Barrow's wife Joanna and his son Zach both passed away earlier this year. Mrs. Joanna and Zach both battled cancer for the past few years. Brother Barrow and Faith Bible Baptist Church have been long time supporters of the ministries of the IBFI. Please keep the Barrow family and the Faith Bible Baptist Church in your prayers.

Looking forward to seeing you all in May!!!  
**"CATCH THE VISION!"**

## SPRING IS HERE!



*Terry Riggsby,  
NBBS Field Representative*

Spring semester is well under way at the Norris Bible Baptist Seminary with classes being taught, chapel speakers challenging students, and preparations being made for our graduation services on Tuesday, May 23. Be in prayer for our five graduates! There is such a good spirit among students and faculty!

A special thanks to the Bible Baptist Church of Granbury, Texas, for allowing me to present the ministry of the Norris Bible Baptist Seminary. The church is pastored by a NBBS alumnus, Bryce Vandiver, who is a bi-vocational pastor. They are currently in a discipleship program designed to reach out to the unsaved souls of the city and area. Please be in prayer for them in this endeavor.

## GROWTH IN EVERY WAY



*Jonathan J. Stewart,  
NBBS President*

GROWTH IN EVERY WAY Norris Bible Baptist Seminary has been in a resurgence mode in seemingly every way possible these nearly three years. In its expansion of core curriculum, enhancement of facilities and furnishings, financial support, and in the size of its student body it is increasingly reemerging. The school is debt free and has operated in the black since 2014. The future has never looked better. To God belongs all the credit. Our IBFI churches, pastors, missionaries, faculty, administration, and student body look to Him for everything we have.

### FIVE GRADUATES THIS MAY

We have five candidates for graduation this semester. Of course, every one of them has a story that becomes increasingly meaningful to the faculty, administration, and student body as we see them nearing the end of the semester.

**Floyd Cabler**, in his early fifties, sets off how NBBS has always been characterized by students of all ages. He was not the oldest student on campus during his tenure, but as with most of the more mature students, he was an example of punctuality, regular attendance, and timely in his completion of assignments. He completed his two-year Associates Degree in December, 2016. His major was Bible and his minor was Church Ministry.

Two of the five potential graduates, **Jared Blair** and **Nathan Howard** transferred in from other schools and took more than the required number of courses in order to take advantage of all that NBBS had to offer. They are graduating with Bachelor's Degrees. **Cody Jones**, another projected graduate, also exceeded the number of actual courses needed in order to round out his education. Much of his early schooling had been under a program that differed with NBBS. I greatly commend these three men for embracing the fact that they only have one chance to lay a foundation and they wanted to get the best one they could.



**Jarrod Tunnell** also transferred from another Bible college. Jarrod is 34 years of age and is married to Deirdre and they have three children. They moved to Texas from Kansas where he was serving as an associate pastor to attend NBBS. Jarrod had accumulated enough credits to only need to attend NBBS for four semesters to graduate with a Bachelor's degree. His wife Deirdre also attended Bible college and is taking some of the women's classes offered at NBBS. Jarrod is graduating with a Bachelor of Biblical Studies with a Bible Major and a Mission Minor. He plans to be a missionary to Argentina and intends to officially start his deputation in January of 2018. He and his family are members of Victory Baptist Church in Weatherford, Texas, where Dr. Charles Wetherbee is the Pastor. Jarrod cites Mark 1:7 as a life verse.



**Cody Jones** is 22 years old. He is married to Jamie Lee, whom he met here at NBBS while they were both students, they have a beautiful 1 year old little girl. He will graduate with a Bachelor of Biblical Studies with a Major in Bible and a Pastoral Minor. The family's home church is Bible Baptist Church in Justin, Texas where Nolan Partridge is the Pastor. Cody serves as youth director at his church. He cites

Joshua 1:9 as a life verse.

Both Cody and Jarrod have been managers at Chick-Fil-A restaurants while serving faithfully in their churches and attending NBBS as full time students.



**Nathan Howard** will be 25 years of age by graduation time. He will graduate with a Bachelor of Biblical Studies with a Major in Bible and a Mission Minor. He is member of Worth Baptist Church in Fort Worth, Texas where Tyler Gillit is the Pastor. Nathan cites I Timothy 2:4 as a life verse. He feels called to missions and is seriously considering the field of Thailand. He recently visited the field of Thailand and will be visiting

the field of Ghana in Africa this summer. In the past he visited the mission field of Mexico twice and did mission work to the Jews in New York City. Nathan has been a mission intern at Worth Baptist Church since January, 2017.



**Jared Blair** is 24 years of age and will graduate with a Bachelor of Biblical Studies with a Major in Bible and a Pastoral Minor. His home church is Central Baptist Church in Lewisville, Texas where Roy Blair is the Pastor. Jared cites Joshua 24:15 as a life verse. He plans to pursue a Master's Degree at NBBS, get married in the near future, and continue as youth director and song leader at Central Baptist Church.

**Plan now to be here in May to encourage these graduates!  
They are fruit of your labors!**

### FROM THREE TO FORTY-THREE

**Cody Jones** and **Nathan Howard** were part of the three students we had in mind in late May when the leadership began to plan to return to operating again singularly as the Norris Bible Baptist Seminary for the fall semester of 2014. The other one was **John Lund** who graduated last May.

We looked to these men to be the basis upon which we would seek to build a student body. There was another student we had in mind in May of 2014, one that had attended in the past and was to be returning soon. This student's name was **Tony Roa**. He did make it back and has been in attendance this year with his wife Melissa.



By the time school started in the fall of 2014, we had 14 students. **Floyd Cabler** was one of these 14 students. In the fall of 2015 we ended up with 26 students. This past fall, we had 43 students enrolled.

### PHASE ONE OF THREE ACCOMPLISHED!

**Phase One** of our floor covering strategy, replacement of the carpet in the entry hall and hallways for the Ray Richey building, has been completed! The over thirty year old gray carpet has been replaced by very high quality commercial grade vinyl laminate "woodgrain" flooring. Fundraising for Phase Two, the replacement of the carpet on the school side is under way. The carpet will be replaced with the same quality as the original carpet but in brown tones.

Prospective new students for the fall semester are getting lined up. Several have been visiting the school. One family from Ohio visited the school in late March. Keep praying!

**"Ye also helping together by prayer for us" II Corinthians 1:11a**

*"And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also."*

*II Timothy 2:2*

## ALUMNI NEWS *Glen Anderson, Alumni President*



### MORE UPGRADES TO DORMITORY

I am appealing to our Alumni for help remodeling the kitchen in the dorm house. Pensacola Baptist Temple has committed to custom build and install all new cabinets and countertops in the kitchen at an estimated cost of \$5,000.00. There are some other needs for which we could use some help. We would like to install the following:

- A new sink and faucet at an estimated cost of \$300.00.
- A new microwave at an estimated cost of \$300.00.
- A new dishwasher at an estimated cost of \$400.00.

I would like to purchase the items, so that everything will be coordinated and matching. These items will make the project complete and really finish off the kitchen nicely. If you would be willing to help us complete the project by purchasing one of these items or even part of one please let me know. You can send any funds for the project to Pensacola Baptist Temple marked "Dorm Project." I would like to raise the funds by April 15th.

I hope to see you in May at the IBFI National Spring Meeting in Ft Worth, TX.

## MAY FELLOWSHIP ACTIVITIES

**Monday** evening will be the J. Frank Norris Fellowship Service. Our annual FISH FRY, beginning at 5:30 PM, will be held before the services which will begin at 7:00 PM.

**Tuesday** afternoon at 2:00 PM, the Ladies Tea will be held. Ladies please make plans to attend this elegant and relaxing event. Graduation services on Tuesday evening, afterwards we will have a reception to honor our graduates and their families.

**Wednesday** at noon we will have our Annual Alumni Luncheon. Everyone is invited to attend so make plans to attend. The Wednesday evening services will be held at the Victory Baptist Church in Weatherford, TX.

**Thursday** morning we have a very special "patriotic and prayer" emphasis scheduled; if you can attend you will not be disappointed!

Nursery will be provided for all services.

## MISSION STORE 2017

Please do not forget our annual Mission Store. This year we are expecting at least five missionaries and their families to attend the meeting. Gift cards are always greatly appreciated by the missionaries. If you have any question please feel free to contact our Mission Secretary, Shirley Peeples, at the Mission Office for more information at 817-367-3422.



UPCOMING EVENTS		
IBF METROPLEX MEETINGS	IBF OF TEXAS AND THE GREAT SOUTHWEST	IBFI FALL FELLOWSHIP MEETING <i>MAKE PLANS TO ATTEND!</i>
Thursday, April 20 Central Baptist Church Gainesville, Texas Host Pastor Dr. Eddy Johnson	Monday and Tuesday, March 27-28 Victory Baptist Church Sanger, Texas 76266 Host Pastor Robert Graf Contact Bro. Graf for more information, 940-300-1147 A great lineup of preachers, food and fellowship	Tuesday-Thursday, October 10-12, 2017 Walker Spring Road Baptist Church Jackson, Alabama Pastor David Webb Full details will be at the IBFI website www.ibfi.us

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