

The background of the entire page is a close-up photograph of autumn leaves. The leaves are in various shades of yellow, orange, and deep red, with some showing signs of aging and slight damage. They are set against a dark, blurred background, creating a warm and seasonal atmosphere.

Wings

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From The Overseer's Desk:

Robert Davis, State Overseer

"I Can Pray – I Can Love – I Can Forgive" Section 1-"I can PRAY. . . .!"

(This is the first of three sections from the State Overseer's message from the 81st State Convention.)

In James 5:16 "Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much"

The effectual fervent prayer... of a righteous man avails much"

- EFFECTUAL - the capable, effective, powerful, and efficient
- FERVENT - the burning, zealous, passionate, and/or impassioned
- AVAILS – Accomplishes – powerful and effective
- MUCH – great things – a whole lot –

Praying is more about honesty, loyalty and passion than it is about form.

In prayer, the light of God shines on us. It shines both on us and in our hearts. And the closer we come in our approach to God, the more transforming the effect.

In many ways, we are like a piece of Iron. When it's initially placed near the fire, the fire has little effect on it. But the closer it's put to the fire, the more the impact.

But when the fire's turned directly on the iron, a true transformation begins. At first, you only see a dim reddish glow. But the longer the fire burns 'on the iron', the greater the impact. Eventually the dim reddish glow begins to change. It gets brighter and brighter until it actually takes on the color and glow of the fire.

At this point, **the structure that holds the iron together, the structure that keeps it in it's former state** - collapses.

We call this melting. . . .! But whatever you call it, it's changed. And whatever it was before, it no longer is. . . .

Over 2400 years ago, the Spirit of the Lord rested heavily on a prophet named Jeremiah. He was moved to write:

"Is not my word like as a fire? saith the Lord; and like a hammer that breaketh the rock in pieces?"

"Is not HIS WORD like as a fire?"

When I consider this, I'm reminded of what John said, {St John 1:1-4}

In the beginning was **the Word**, and the **Word was with God**, and the **Word was God**. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made. **In him was life; and the life was the light of men.**

John 1:14 And **the Word was made flesh**, and dwelt among us

Remember, Jeremiah said, "Is not my word like as a fire?"

It's here that I realize, when we come into his presence, we are affected by the intensity of Christ, the FIRE. And something very similar to what happens to the iron in the fire happens to us.

A true and powerful transformation occurs...

And if we stay in HIS PRESENCE long enough, the fire will have such an impact on us that it will completely relax the structures that we lean on and **we will melt in HIS presence. . . .!**

We're Completely and thoroughly HUMBLed!

And in this melted state, we become one with him.

It's this humbling in prayer

that heavens crying out for today. . . .!

The very heart of God is aching for his children to humble themselves before him.

We often reference a scripture found in 2 Chronicles 7:14

"if my people, who are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land."

Prayer brings us in the presence of God like nothing else. The closer we get to GOD in prayer, the more we're humbled.

God has chosen the venue of prayer as a means of us maintaining our relationship and rightness with HIM.

I think God knew that **when we thought about HIS majesty and glory**, we might be somewhat reluctant to approach his throne.

That's possibly why HE specifically told us to Heb 4:16

KJV - Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.

NIV - Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

NASU - Therefore let us draw near with confidence to the throne of grace, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

The Lord WELCOMES us into his presence. He even provides the venue whereby the fire can melt us. "The venue for our most necessary humbling."

John prophecies, that when Jesus comes, he would come with a new baptism. The Baptism of the Holy Ghost and FIRE. . . .!

One of the roles of the Holy Ghost is to help us in prayer. It says in Rom 8:26-27

"... but the Spirit Himself makes intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered." NKJV

I can pray.

I "WE" may not be able do some things, but I, "WE" can pray. . .



Ron & Alma Boyd

Belarus Youth Camp



Virginia has sponsored the Belarus Youth Camp for the past 6 years. Their youth camp program has only been in operation for eight years.

Their camps have grown to an average attendance of 110 young people from 11 churches and they now have to turn away people because there is not adequate supplies or money to take care of them, and it grieves the national youth director there to have to say no more youth can attend.

Because of the funds Virginia has sent, they have purchased through the years eighteen tents for overnight camping., They still rent a large tent for the evening services and some sleeping tents. They also have to rent generators and gas grills.

Despite the many difficulties, the camping program continues to grow and they have assembled a camping ministry team for new, creative ways to evangelize the young people. As you can see from the pictures, it's not camping as we know it. It is rustic camping. They eat outdoors, prepare their food over the fire, dig latrines and bathe in the nearby river.

Pastor Dema writes: "to make this camp is not an easy job, and it takes much energy and time, but we are doing it. From year to year as we realize that by this we influence the whole generation of young Christians in Belarus and equip them and help them to enter their destiny". He further states: "It motivates me to do it every year on an even better level and praise God that He helps us!"

Not only have they seen many salvations and other spiritual growth experiences from this camping ministry, but this past year they had another "fruit reaped from the camping program".

On the Saturday before camp started Dema was asked to perform a wedding for two young people that had met each other at camp two years prior.

Belarus would like to say a big "thank you" for all of your prayers and support for the camping ministry. Without the state of Virginia, it would not be possible to have youth camp for the 120 young people in Belarus.

Recently during the State Convention many people gave donations toward the 2010 Belarus Youth Camp. If you would like to send a donation for the 2010 youth camp please send this care of the State Office. Please enjoy reading the recent unedited letter that we received from the National Youth Director reporting on their recent youth camp.



Dear Ron & Alma:

I hope you are doing well.

The Summer time is hot time for us. It is always a good possibility to reach children and youth for Christ, good time to hold concerts on the streets and have evangelization crusades. People are free and open. Here are some of our news, plans and prayer needs. Please, join us in these prayers that we can bring a lot of fruits to glorify our God.

We are planning a youth camp from 27 of July till 1 of August. There will be 120 young people from 6 different places. Some of them non Christian yet. We had invited to this camp some students who attended our seminars, and they are really excited about it. Please, pray that all young people will be inspired by God to serve Him, and those who don't know Him personally will come to Christ.

In our new church in Dribin town on last church services two people came to Christ. We are planning to have an evangelization crusade on the main street of the town at 25 of July. Please, pray that many people will come there and come to Christ.

A few weeks ago we had a evangelization crusade in our new church in Shklov town. There came 16 new people 2 of them came to Christ. It is so great encourage for us to see the fruits! This is the time for Salvation!

Belinichi church will hold a children camp at 22 of July for 3 day. There will be 40 children. At the end of July they will have a water baptize of 6 people.

In Berezino was held a children's camp for 5 days. There were 60 children, some of them were from orphanage house and villages. They liked this camp very much. And the most touching thing is that most of these kids, especially those who were from the villages, had a possibility to eat normal food and in a big quantities. The children were delighted as they haven't possibility at homes.

From The Overseer's Desk:

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We're living in a violent world. We're living in a world that

- Destroying families.
- Destroying children
- Destroying lives
- A world that is dramatically changing
- A world that changing in ways that threaten everything

we know about life except our relationship with God

If there was or ever will be a time when we need to pray, it's now.

The Spirit of God has been and is crying out from heaven for us to humble ourselves in prayer.

It's time for **effectual and fervent praying**.

I can't say it enough, "the longer we pray the closer we get to God". And the CLOSER we get to GOD, the more we're humbled. And the when our heads and hearts are bowed completely low, our prayers become:

- Effectual – powerfully impacting our lives
- And Fervent – passionate and impassioned

Let us pray. . .

Let our God hear us pray. . . !

Let our hearts and minds bow low... O' God let me never stand tall or haughty in your presence.

Let me bow low. . . !!

Let me bow extremely low... "VERY - VERY - LOW...!!"

"Can you feel the fire beginning to kindle in your hearts?" . . . !

"Can you feel the passion for a nearness to GOD?" . . . !!

Reminisce with me for a moment. When we initially were baptized with the Holy Ghost and FIRE. . .

- We felt no hurt from offenses
- We desired nothing but God
- We rested in the peace of his comfort
- We knew nothing but the LOVE of God.

It was from that nearness to him that we felt the fire of GOD burn all the fear and restlessness away.

O' what JOY. . . !

O' what PEACE. . . !

O' what HOPE. . . !

O' what VICTORY. . . !!

Fall Victory Fest

Fields of the Wood, Murphy NC

This event is sponsored by the Fields of the Wood Worship Chapel & Pastor Don Johnston

November 20-21, 2009

**"Celebrating our Heritage, Anticipating our Future"
Conference**

El Monte, CA

This event is sponsored by the California Spanish Region

November 27, 2009

Start of Fields of the Wood Christmas Lights

Christmas Lights will be on display until December 31, 2009

Tuesday, January 26, 2010 @ 10:00 AM

**1st Assembly Commemoration Service with lunch
following at Fields of the Wood
1st Assembly House, Murphy NC**

Saturday, April 3, 2010

**Resurrection Celebration with activities starting at
Noon and concluding with the passion play at dusk
Fields of the Wood, Murphy NC**

Sunday, April 4, 2010 @ 7:00 AM

Easter Sunrise Service

Fields of the Wood, Murphy NC

Sponsored by an area church

Saturday, June 12, 2010

**Heritage Day with activities beginning at 10:00 AM
and a service at 2:00 PM**

Fields of the Wood, Murphy NC

This event is sponsored by the Heritage Ministries
Department and the International Youth Department

September 18-23, 2010

Heritage Ministries Bahamas Cruise

This is a fund raiser for Fields of the Wood

<http://www.yourtravelbiz.com/grouptravel/10K6M4.htm>

For more information on upcoming events, please check out
the Director's blog at www.heritageministries.blogspot.com



Margaret Lee Pentecost

Margaret Lee Pentecost, 76 of Montvale, Virginia went home to be with the Lord on March 5, 2009. Margaret is the wife of Reverend James D. Pentecost. She was a faithful and devoted companion who stood by her husband's side for 56 years as he served in ministry. Brother Pentecost served as pastor in several states. She enjoyed watching Gaither videos and was a loving and devoted wife, mother and grandmother. She enjoyed a very special friendship with her best friend from Ohio.

Sister Pentecost's grandson, John of Roanoke, Virginia sang a very moving rendition of "You Raise Me Up" during her funeral service.

Church Reports

RADFORD

Thursday, June 4th, 2009 is a day to remember in Radford Church history. Our trustees Garland Spencer, Albert Brown, John Fain and Harold Spencer met at the law office of Gail Cook Devilbiss, along with Pastor Sammy Smith to finalize the purchase of the land adjoining the church.

We give God all the praise and honor for working this out for our local church. Our trustees and local church are to be commended for stepping out on faith for the betterment of the work in Radford.

God also blessed Radford with a Breakthrough revival. David Brown, Donald Brown, Bill Brown and Brother Albert Brown were a great blessing to our church.



Church Reports

DELTON

"O taste and see that the Lord is good. Blessed is the man that trusteth in Him." God has blessed our church the past few weeks. On Mother's day, we celebrated our mothers and received our newest member, Caleb Thurman. July 19th we had an outdoor evening service on the Delton River. We had great fellowship with our church family as well as neighbors in the community. Brother Crockett assisted me in baptizing nine during this service.

I would like to thank the Delton church for all the love and support during the past nine years.

Pastor Diane Stanley

FRIES

We held Vacation Bible School in July with an attendance of 40. We have been experiencing powerful services. Our Pastor, Brother and Sister Watson are loved. We recently hosted a district service with an attendance of 156.

Irene Widner

ROCKY MOUNT

The Sunday School honored the mother's on Mother's Day with a plant. Suzanne Trout presented gifts to the oldest and youngest mother. Mildred Graham, Pastor's wife recognized the oldest member who is 90 years old, Ella Heckman



On Father's Day the ladies of the church brought pies and cakes to present to the twenty fathers who were present. Our Church sponsored 5 children to attend summer youth camps. On June 28 Brother Graham baptized four in water. July 26 two were saved during the Sunday evening service.

Cindy Sloan Saunders Pagans passed away on June 29, 2009. She is survived by her parents, Vernard and Carolyn Sloan and grandmother Ella Heckman all of the Rocky Mount Church.

RICHMOND DECATUR

On July 8th-10th we held Vacation Bible School. Teachers were Barbara Gates, Shenian Pair, and Vivian Jones. The Director for Vacation Bible School was Claudette Robertson and Lynn Houseman was in charge of puppets. Ukrop's donated refreshments. Each child received a stuffed animal and staff received gifts.

Claudette Robertson



FAMILY HARVEST CHURCH

At Family Harvest Church in Virginia Beach, Pastor Jeremy Baldwin and congregation were especially blessed on Mother's Day. Lilly Dunn Maye was honored. She was born December 24, 1907 and is 101 years young. She loves the Lord. Mother Lilly taught Sunday School and was a faithful choir member for many years. Today she is an inspiration to all as she continues to give God all the praise and glory for her life and her earthly journey. She by faith seeks heaven to be her eternal home in glory where she will live forever with the Lord.

Betty Cureton Powell

ELAMSVILLE

Praise God for the revival spirit at Elamsville. In June we enjoyed a revival with Rebecca Spicer. God blessed us with His spirit each night as Sister Spicer fed us from the word.

We would like to thank God for our pastor, Dale Bailey and his wife. Our church is growing. We have three saved and five baptized in water. Praise God

Church Reports

FLATWOODS

Elizabeth Deisher, the oldest member of the Flatwoods church continues to work for our Lord and the church. She donated two quilts to be used for fundraisers for our church.



We had twenty one mothers present during our Mother's Day service. Each mother was presented with a flower.

We've enjoyed several special singings recently. Dean Hubbard "Walking by Faith" blessed us with great banjo and mandolin music. We love and appreciate our pastor and family.

Cosetta Phillips



Shirley Dunbar was the winner of the mission quilt in November. She raised an offering of \$575.

Betty Teaford raised the largest offering for the second quilt with

the proceeds going to the building fund.

Doug Brown is pictured with Elizabeth Deisher as they were promoting the fundraisers for the quilts.



OAKHILL

The Oakhill COGOP celebrated Father's Day and Children's Day on Sunday June 21st. Our program was a fun day for all.

We played a question and answer game which both adults and children could answer questions for candy prizes. After service, we fellowshiped with food and laughter. We ended the day with the children breaking a piñata for more surprises and candy.

We praised the Lord for such a fun day at Oakhill!

Pastor Fannie Lee and Church family



PEARISBURG

God's blessings were evident during our Father's Day service where one man testified of being healed of cancer. We praise God for his faith. God can heal these bodies that He made. Each father was presented with a shaving kit.



VSST 2009-2010 SCHEDULE

| Date | Class Description |
|-------------------|--|
| Aug. 14-15, 2009 | Laying The Foundation |
| Sept. 11-12, 2009 | The Beatitudes |
| Oct. 9-10, 2009 | Journey Toward Wholeness |
| Nov. 13-14, 2009 | Prayer: It's Power & Purpose |
| Dec. 11-12, 2009 | The Teacher/Priest In Biblical History |
| Jan. 8-9, 2010 | Spiritual Fathering |
| Feb. 12-13, 2010 | Peter: The Man & His Ministry |
| Mar. 13-14, 2010 | Training For Reigning: The Life Of David I |
| Apr. 9-10, 2010 | Training For Reigning: The Life Of David II |
| May 14-15, 2010 | Preaching |

Church Reports

PATRICK SPRINGS CHURCH CELEBRATES 70TH ANNIVERSARY

Sunday, June 28 marked the 70th anniversary of the Patrick Springs Church. Much preparation went into planning and the results surpassed all of our expectations. The large crowd broke our all time attendance records with 126 present. The theme was "A Patchwork of Memories." Many old quilts were hung in the sanctuary made by members as far back as the 1950's. Old memories flooded our minds as we read the names of those who had passed on to their reward.

The Southern Prophets started the program with their fine harmony. A time was given to remember those who had left for their eternal reward. An old recording of Daniel Plaster, who left us in 1980, touched our hearts. We had four former pastors and their wives in attendance, Ralph & Lorene Wells, Cecil & Sue Frazier, Albert & Margaret Brown and Dale & Eunice Bailey. Also, Mildred Stanley, widow of Charles Stanley was there. A DVD with 137 pictures from the



early days until 2009 events really started the tears to flowing. After stuffing ourselves with some of the finest cooking in Patrick County, we buried a time capsule to be opened in another ten years. We won't soon forget the memories of this wonderful day as stories of yesteryear passed to the younger generation

and old acquaintances were renewed.

PATRICK SPRINGS

On Sunday, July 19, the Godspel Drama Team from Max Meadows blessed our church with their anointed ministry. The choreographed moves to contemporary gospel music were outstanding. The dedication to the Lord and heart these 15 young people put into the ministry is unmistakable. As the Spirit was building toward the end of the service, we had one person give their heart to the

Lord. The Godspel Drama Team, directed by Jay and Andrea Rupe, does a great job and will bless you church.



Church Reports

REGION 6

We are having a great time in Area #6 with Rev. Steve as our wonderful leader he is asking all of our churches if at all possible to participate in our fifth Sunday singings for the love and fellowship of the churches to grow. We are doing lots of other things too and will be contacting all of our area #6 with the functions that are going on. Recently we had a meal and movie at Blair's Chapel. The meal of fried chicken with vegetables and desserts were real good and the movie "Fire Proof" was enjoyed by all. We had a great service during our Fifth Sunday singing at Moneta. There were five pastors in attendance and lots of good singing followed with hot dogs and all the trimmings. Churches represented were Moneta, Cody, Blair's Chapel, Oak Hill, and South East Roanoke. We will be doing fund raisers all through the year to be able to sponsor some of these. Be looking for more exciting events in Region 6.

Louise Rudder Area Reporter



"Honored To Be Called..."

Biography of life and times of Bishop Robert H. Bradley

On the day of July 11, 1929, during the "great depression" in America, Robert H. Bradley made his first appearance to his earthly home. His birthplace was Hartford, Connecticut, the son of Mary and Raymond Bradley. Little did he or his family know...but his life was marked for ministry in places far from where he called his hometown.



Bob or Bobby as his family and friends addressed him, was baptized and brought up in a Northern Baptist church. At the age of seven, he gave his heart to God and soon after, began to feel a Divine calling on his life. His local Baptist church congregation supported and encouraged him to fulfill his ministerial vocation. Although the flesh, at times, fought the idea of becoming a minister, he realized that it ultimately wasn't his choice...and his calling was without repentance.

Jobs and money were still hard to acquire so Bob decided to enlist in the Navy to help his family and begin his ministry of service. Bob's military roots and experience instilled within him the tools of discipline, strength, patience and high regard for service to others that would prove invaluable throughout the coming years. As he learned to courageously serve his country...later he would continue to boldly serve others in an eternal battle of good versus evil & light against darkness... helping to rescue and save many souls from the "enemy" through leading them by the Word to Jesus Christ.

So, in the year 1951, while serving in the Navy, Robert H. Bradley embarked on his lifetime vocation. From military chaplaincy to his membership with the Church of God of Prophecy in Norfolk, Virginia, he had finally found the missing link to his ministerial vocation. A church that preached and believed the whole Bible, rightly divided with the New Testament as its rule of faith, government, doctrine and discipline.

In 1953, he married the love of his life Velma Irene Custer (herself a licensed evangelist) and also received his license as an evangelist in the Church of God of Prophecy. Bob and Irene began to evangelize in the state of Virginia and

God began to open doors throughout the United States for them to minister.

In 1959, Bob was ordained as a Bishop and for the past 50 years he has continued to live his life in accordance to the Biblical obligations and role of the office of Bishop. He has been honored to serve in many positions with the Church. He has served as Evangelist, State Secretary, presided over and on many boards, and multiple State/General Headquarters Committees. His appointed pastorates include: Wilmington, DE; Suffolk, VA; Poplar Camp, VA; Martinsville, VA; Covington, VA; Norwalk, CT; Danville, VA; Buffalo Ridge, VA and Virginia Beach, VA. There are so many happy and cherished memories of years of serving local congregations and leading numerous souls to Christ. God has surely been gracious and merciful throughout the years.

Beginning in 1964, the Bradley's were ready to embark upon another facet of their ministries. Bishop Robert H. Bradley was appointed to Southern New England (Connecticut, Massachusetts and Rhode Island) as State Overseer. The Connecticut "Yankee" was given the opportunity to return to his roots and minister in familiar territory. Over the next eight years God richly blessed and seven new churches were organized, multiple properties purchased and membership for the three states blossomed by over 600%! Previously there was no Church of God of Prophecy in Rhode Island, however after many visits, prayer and searching for properties, three churches were ultimately organized in Rhode Island. That meant there was a church in every state of the United States! *Praise be to God!* During his tenure in Southern New England the Bradley's were blessed with an addition to their family... their precious daughter, Robin.

In 1972, much to his surprise, appointments were made at the General Assembly and Robert H. Bradley was given a new challenge just a little farther North in Northern New England (Vermont, New Hampshire and Maine). Over the following three years through thousands of miles of travel, constant and consistent prayer and fasting a new church was organized in each state and membership increased over 50%.

With mixed emotions and a renewed anointing...A new appointment to Delaware and New Jersey began in 1975. For the next four years life would be far from mundane...it would be filled with diversity, travel and hundreds of hours of ministry! New churches were planted and organized in nine new towns and cities. Multiple properties were purchased, erected and remodeled to accommodate the ever changing needs for "worship" centers and churches. The membership in four years grew over 100% and God wasn't finished yet.

The 70's were quickly coming to a close... however, 1979 began a three year appointment as State Overseer to Louisiana. A state deeply rooted in Southern and Cajun hospitality...God was ready to stretch and utilize a "Connecticut Yankee" in the deep south. Within three years, five new churches were organized with names that proved they could only be in Louisiana... Thibodeaux, Bogalusa, Plaquemine, New Iberia and Ruston. God was doing a "new thing" opening doors to new properties, great financial increases and over 60% increase in membership. But after three years...God had plans that would move the Bradley family from the South to the extreme North...

During a period of transition, Bob, Irene and Robin moved to Wisconsin to serve for one year as State Overseer. It was possibly the "coldest" of their years with the winds whipping off of the frozen lakes in Madison from October until Spring thaw. But, the cold never stopped the "ministry" and the cold surroundings were matched only by the "warmth" of the hearts of the people and churches in the state. God blessed with many outpourings of his Spirit and growth continued in membership, property improvements, financial increase and new church planting.

In 1983, the moving van was packed one more time for Bishop Robert H. Bradley's final General Appointment as State Overseer.

His name was called out at the General Assembly as State Overseer of Pennsylvania. For the next ten years, The Bradley's would serve and minister in the "Keystone State". During those years seven new churches were organized. Many churches were planted, finances prospered for existing churches, new buildings were erected and the winds of Pentecost blew throughout the state.

"I can sincerely say that serving God has been my greatest privilege and it has granted me a life of spiritual and vocational fulfillment. I don't regret a mile and there has never been a moment that God has neglected me, my family or His church that I have served. His grace has been sufficient and he continues to be my daily joy and strength. I feel that my legacy is the ministers that I have willingly and prayerfully trained throughout the years. I have looked at them as my own sons and daughters in the faith. I cherish every soul that I've been able to lead to Christ, baptize and minister to, from the cradle to the grave. And I thank God daily for my wife-Irene. She has been my constant companion, helper, ministry & prayer partner. Without her prayers, support, wisdom and love I could not have successfully completed 58 years of ministry. During our 56 years of marriage she's willingly packed our home on many, many occasions to move to a new "ministry" field without complaint or regret. And I honor her commitment to me and to God and His Church. And I also thank God for our daughter Robin, her husband Milton and my two precious grandchildren Tyler and Ashley. I've been blessed by the best...and most highly favored!" (Bishop Robert H. Bradley)

Throughout Bishop Robert H. Bradley's 80 years of life and 58 years of ministry, he's always been focused on God and country foremost. Let's take a quote from the Bishop himself...

The Bradley's retired in 2006, and they currently reside in their home in Roanoke, Virginia. They attend the church where their son-in-law (Milton Atkins) is serving as Senior Pastor, Harvest Ministries Church of God of Prophecy. They continue to minister. And continue to press toward the mark of the high calling of God...where they still feel "honored to be called".

Couples Retreat 2010

March 5-7

WOODLANDS HOTEL & SUITES WILLIAMSBURG, VIRGINIA



Join us as we travel to Colonial Williamsburg, the birthplace of our nation as we "settle" down for a rebirth of our marriages. As a couple you can rewrite your history and lay your "arms" down as you rediscover one another. There will be plenty of time to take a walk along the nearby beaches, tour Colonial Williamsburg, search out bargains at one of the outlets or just relax. We're coming back to Old Virginia so plan on joining us! Cost of Retreat includes, two nights accommodation, (2) continental breakfasts Saturday & Sunday, welcome gift, snacks and all the sessions as well as the workshops. \$230 regular room & \$260 King Suite. Discount tickets to Colonial Williamsburg will be available.

All rooms will be assigned on a first come basis, so get your application and deposit in early. All deposits are fully refundable until 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 31, 2009, except for a \$75.00 processing fee, cost of two (2) nights lodging after December 31. NOTE: Once rooms are booked, we are responsible for the cost. Reservations are subject to room availability at the hotel. Regular Rooms have two full-size beds. Suites have a King bed with a separate sitting room and kitchenette

\$230 Regular Room

\$260 King Suite

"Rewriting History"

2010 COUPLES' RETREAT APPLICATION

COUPLES' NAME: _____ and _____
(Husband or Fiancé) (Wife or Fiancé) (Last Name(s))

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(Area Code) (Number) (Month) (Day) (Year)

HOME CHURCH: _____ PASTOR: _____

"State Convention Special":

\$230-Regular / \$260-King Suite if deposit of \$70 (reg.) \$85(suite) received by 08/15/2009

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\$280-Regular / \$310-King Suite if deposit of \$80 (reg.) \$95(suite) received between 10/16/09 & 12/15/09

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Full balance must be paid by January 15, 2010. Deposit Enclosed: \$ _____

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Four (4) equal installments may be paid August 15--October 15--December 15--January 15

True heroes

HEROES NEEDED.

Are you ready to break out of the ordinary?

You're invited to the **2009 Virginia Fall Youth Retreat Oct. 2-4**
at historic Camp Lowman in Leesville, VA

Applications available at
vayouth.org

Ages: 11-22

\$50 at the door

\$40 if received before
Sept. 14th

Come spend time with us at the

2009

Institute of Children's Ministries

The ICM staff invites you to get away with us for a time of spiritual renewal and ministry training.

Where: Lifeway Ridgecrest Conference Center nestled in the beautiful Blue Ridge Mountains near Asheville, North Carolina.

When: 6 pm Thursday, September 24 through 1 pm Sunday, September 27.

Yes! We are moving to a new date and a new location in an effort to provide a more intimate, restful environment during a more convenient and beautiful season of the year.

To register for this year's Institute go to children.cogop.org. Alumni will receive a \$25 discount if registered before the first deadline.

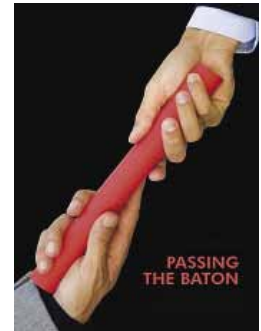
We look forward to spending time with you at this year's Institute of Children's Ministry.

Kathy Creasy and Children's Ministry Staff



Lynchburg Youth Pastors Pass The Mantle

For the past six years Jason and Casey Vernon have served as youth pastors for the Lynchburg COGOP. On Sunday, May 31, they assumed their responsibilities as Senior Pastor of the RTP, (Research Triangle Park), N.C. COGOP.



Robbie and Mindy Boyd assumed the youth pastor position the first day of June. They were formally installed on May 31st during a special Installation Service conducted by Senior Pastor, Gary L. Vernon.

Jason and Casey have done a terrific job recruiting, building and training upcoming youth leaders for the future. The youth group has grown from less than a dozen to over forty. We wish Jason, Casey and little Isaac much success in their new field of labor.

We are excited about Robbie and Mindy joining our leadership team. They are going to do a terrific job! Mindy and Robbie are qualified, excited and prepared! Mindy is a Lynchburg "home-grown" product and Robbie has worked with Jason in many ministries over the years. The mantle has been passed and we are expecting great things for our youth in the years ahead!



1 Corinthians 3:10 (KJV) According to the grace of God which is given unto me, as a wise masterbuilder, I have laid the **foundation**, and another buildeth thereon.

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