

**SEPTEMBER 2012**  
**Twelve for Twelve**

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## **Faith Is Still The Victory**

**Introduction:** We sing the song, "Faith is the Victory," time and time again, but I often wonder if we truly believe it.

**Notice:** *1 John 5:4, "For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcome of the world, even our faith."*

**Question:** Have you ever been in a storm? Some are very frightening! There are many types of storms. There is the storm of finances, health, and even the death of family and friends. I do not know how people make it when they do not have faith to hang on to.

I am so glad and thankful that God has given me faith that trusts and believes in the future.

### **FIRST: FAITH IN THE PERSON OF CHRIST. ACTS 4:12**

***"Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved."***

**Illustration:** In Acts 16, we have a prison warden who asks one of the most soul-searching questions of all time. His question: ***"Sirs, what must I do to be saved?"*** Their reply, ***"Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved, and thy house."*** This man not only got saved, but his entire household! Why? Faith in the Person of Jesus Christ.

### **SECOND: FAITH IN THE PROMISES OF GOD. HEBREWS 13:5**

***"I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee."***

Wow! What a promise!

**Matthew 14:28-30, "And Peter answered him and said, Lord if it be thou, bid me come unto thee on the water. And he said, Come. And when Peter was come down out of the ship, he walked on the water, to go to Jesus. But when he saw the wind boisterous, he was afraid; and beginning to sink, he cried, saying, Lord, save me."**

It was a storm that took Peter's eyes off the Saviour. When he began to focus on the storm, then he no longer was walking by faith, nor was he trusting in the power of God. The storm has now robbed him of his victory, but it was his choice to focus on the storm.

*Continued*



Dr. Greg Neal

### Facing Opposition

Nehemiah had a burden for that wall. Nehemiah had a burden for that city. Nehemiah did something about it. It was a noble thing that Nehemiah was seeking to do. It was something that God had created for him to do. I am sure that he was eager to get the work done. He was eager to get done what God had for him to do. Do not be fooled into thinking that once we try to do something for God, once we seek out to build the walls and do the work of God, that we are not going to have to face opposition. The fact is we are going to face opposition doing the work of God.

I am excited to be saved and I am excited to be a part of a local, independent Baptist church. I am excited to see what the future holds. I am excited about the people that we are going to reach for the Lord.

*Dr. Greg Neal is the co-pastor of the great Berean Baptist Church in Fleming Island, Florida.*



### Kim Kline's Fiesta Chicken

- 4 chicken breasts, frozen or thawed
- 15 oz. can corn, drained
- 15 oz. jar of your favorite salsa
- 15 1/2 oz. can black beans, drained and rinsed
- 8 oz. package cream cheese

Take 4 frozen (or thawed) boneless chicken breasts put into crock pot. Add black beans, jar of salsa, and corn. Keep in crock pot on low for about 4-5 hours or until chicken is cooked. Once it is cooked, take it out and shred it. Return shredded chicken to the crock pot. Add 1 package of cream cheese and let sit for about 1/2 hour. Stir in the cream cheese. Serve over rice or in warm flour tortillas

*Q. WHAT IS THE WEST VIRGINIA STATE FLOWER?  
A. THE SATELLITE DISH.*

*Q. WHAT DO THEY CALL 100 JOHN DEERE TRACTORS CIRCLING A MCDONALDS?  
A. PROM NIGHT IN IOWA.*

*THE POST OFFICE CANCELLED IT'S STAMP HONORING LAWYERS BECAUSE PEOPLE DIDN'T KNOW WHICH SIDE TO SPIT ON.*

*A WOMAN PLACED AN AD OFFERING A NEW PORSCHE FOR \$10. A MAN ANSWERED THE AD BUT WAS SKEPTICAL. "WHAT'S THE GIMMICK?" HE ASKED.*

*"THERE'S NO GIMMICK," THE WOMAN REPLIED. "MY HUSBAND JUST DIED, AND HIS WILL STATED THAT HE WANTED HIS CAR SOLD AND THE MONEY GIVEN TO HIS SECRETARY."*



### Heritage Highlanders September 2012 Schedule

<i><u>Saturday September 1</u></i>	<i>Numbers 28:2</i>	<i><u>Saturday September 15</u></i>	<i>Psalms 100:4</i>
Cooking: Apple Pie Carmel Apples		Sewing with Mrs. Kubic	
<i><u>Saturday September 8</u></i>	<i>Philippians 1:3</i>	<i><u>Saturday September 22</u></i>	<i>Proverbs 31:26</i>
Honouring Grandparents—Grandparents		Proper Etiquette	
Day is September 9		<i><u>Thursday September 27</u></i>	<i>John 3:16</i>
		Soulwinning	



### Tidbits Of History

Thomas Jefferson, while U.S. President (1801-1809), chaired the school board for the District of Columbia, where he authored the first plan of education adopted by the city of Washington. This plan used the Bible and Isaac Watts' *Psalms, Hymns and Spiritual Songs*, 1707, as the principal books for teaching reading to students.

On March 23, 1801, Thomas Jefferson wrote from Washington, D.C., to Moses Robinson:

The Christian Religion, when divested of the rags in which they [the clergy] have enveloped it, and brought to the original purity and simplicity of its benevolent institutor, is a religion of all others most friendly to liberty, science, and the freest expansion of the human mind.

**THIRD: FAITH IN THE POWER OF THE WORD.****ACTS 27:25**

**"Wherefore, sirs, be of good cheer: for I believe God, that it shall be even as it was told me."**

Dr. Wendell Evans used to quote this verse over and over again in Chapel services. I have never forgotten this precious verse in God's Holy Word.

Never! Never! Never! Allow anyone, no matter how much you love them, to get you to change and doubt God's Word.

Illustration: In the Garden of Eden it was a slight change that created doubt that plunged the world into war. During WWII there was rape, murder, genocide, and the atomic bomb. Yet we turned to our faith instead of away from it. So strange!

I often wonder if we don't spend too much time worrying about things we have no control over and too little about that which we can do something about.

**Conclusion:** We are still living in perilous times. It is also true that we have created the monsters we face. We have created them by pride of self, apathy toward sin, and a neglect of the Word God that has so freely been given to us.

Here's a thought! Perhaps if we were to humble ourselves and turn to that faith in Christ that made this nation great, then maybe, just maybe, our Saviour would reach down with His loving hand and raise us up.

### Prayer of Salvation

If you were to die today, are you 100% sure you would go to Heaven?

If not, would you be willing to pray this prayer with me?

*"Dear Jesus, I'm asking you to come into my heart and forgive me of my sins. I'm trusting you, Jesus, as my Saviour.*

*Thank you for saving me. Amen." (Romans 10:9 and 10:13)*



### Prayer of Service

*"Lord, what wilt Thou have me to do?" (Acts 9:6)*



Jarrod  
Collingsworth  
Choir Director

#### **Lamentations - The Possible Fate of America—Part 1**

Recently a verse was brought to my mind from the book of Lamentations, which sparked a renewed interest in this book. When I think about the chapters of the Bible, and sermons I have heard preached from different pastors, and evangelists I see a pattern. This pattern consists of an inspired book of the Bible being ignored. One could classify Lamentations as being one of the forgotten books of the Bible, or one of the least taught books of the Bible. When reading the tragic nature of Lamentations one could understand this pattern, but that does not change the fact that there are truths in these Scriptures that Christ has for us. Some of the best Hallelujah, Praise the Lord, Shoutin ground truths can be found in chapter 3, but are missed by most Christians because this book is so neglected.

As I re-read these Scriptures I find a book that needs to be taught on more and more because America is starting to mirror the picture painted of Israel by this book. We read in chapter 1 the manifold miseries oppressed by which the city sits as a solitary widow weeping sorely. We read that she was great amongst the nations, yet now is tribute. The two saddest phrases I find in Lamentations are these, *"she has no comforter"*, and, *"he shutteth out my prayer"*. In chapter 2 these miseries are described in connection with national sins and acts of God. In chapter 2 I see the contrasts between the sin of Israel and America, but in verse 14 I read why Israel cannot seem to get out of her sin, and I see the same problem in America. *"Thy prophets have seen vain and foolish things for thee: and they have not discovered thine iniquity, to turn away thy captivity; but have seen for thee false burdens and causes of banishment"*. Just like then, today's preachers do not get up and tell America the real sin they are committing. They talk about false burdens and causes instead of talking about the real sins that lead to slavery.

# Something to 'CROW' about!

1. In 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, and 2011 we at Heritage Baptist Church had someone saved and baptized every—single—week. That makes 6 years in a row!
2. The honor of taking on a new missionary and his family, The Victor Hernandez Family.



## The Hernandez Family

Victor  
April  
Victoria  
Esther  
Sara



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3. We have upcoming meetings with Joseph B. Collingsworth and Dr. Bill McSpadden.



**Bro. Collingsworth**  
**preaching**  
**September 23<sup>rd</sup>.**



**Bro. McSpadden**  
**preaching**  
**October 27<sup>th</sup>.**



*Dr. Al Lacy with our Pastor*

### Prayer Request

Brother Lacy is our dear friend. He has been very sick which has broken our hearts. Pray for his speedy recovery.

### **THEY'RE USING LAWYERS INSTEAD OF RATS FOR SCIENTIFIC EXPERIMENTS BECAUSE:**

- **THERE ARE MANY MORE LAWYERS THAN THERE ARE RATS.**
- **THERE IS NO DANGER OF FORMING ANY ATTACHMENT TO THE LAWYERS.**
- **THERE ARE CERTAIN THINGS THAT EVEN RATS WON'T DO.**



*"I can't heear you!"*



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### The Search Is On

Every woman wants to feel treasured, wanted, needed, valued, and appreciated. Unfortunately, most women do not realize that those things only come to women who truly fear the Lord and are seeking to please Him with their life. Proverbs 31:10 says, *"Who can find a virtuous woman? For her price is far above rubies."* Is there anything in the world more valued and treasured than a godly woman? Verse ten speaks of finding a virtuous woman. This means that there are people in the world searching for virtuous women, and those people would pay a price far above rubies. When I read this verse, I hear a cry for help, "Where are the virtuous women?! Who can find them?! We need them!" People are searching. The world needs virtuous women.

The ruby is one of the most beautiful gems, and its value is largely determined by how bright it shines and by the depth of its color. As nearly everyone knows rubies are red. Red symbolizes love. It is no accident that Christ compares virtuous women to rubies. The brighter a virtuous woman shines with the deep, abiding love for Christ and others, the more valuable she is to those who know her. Others may try to copy this beauty, but they are just cheap imitations - nearly worthless. The genuine ruby is what possesses the true value. The ruby is a rare and beautiful gem, but the virtuous woman is a million times more valuable and rare! I love to see them and examine them. I am tired of cheap imitations - women who only look the part, but deep down they are as fake as Grandma's teeth! I want the real thing. Who can find them?

Ladies, there are people begging for virtuous women. Can you hear them? Can you hear the Godly young men begging for virtuous women who are not "...subtle of heart..." and will not try to make them fall, but will instead help them grow and please the Lord? Can you hear the Preachers begging for Godly ladies to go soulwinning, work in the nursery, encourage those around them, and bring a sweet spirit into the church? Can you hear the students begging for virtuous teachers who will not teach them more hypocrisy but will teach them Godly principles? Can you hear the plea? I can hear it. I hear it in my own heart as I beg God for more virtuous examples. I crave the motivation they bring me and the amazing insight they give me into God's Word. Their influence on my life is more valuable to me than all the money in the world! They are so precious to me. I praise God every day for the ones I have the privilege of knowing, and I beg God to send more into my life. I know many others beg for them as well. Will you allow the Lord to mold you into a virtuous woman? Will you study His guidelines and determine to follow His pattern? Will you do your best to become the valuable treasure that so many are searching for?

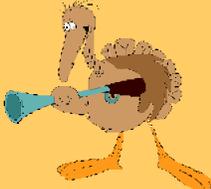


**Fall Program—2012**  
**September 23<sup>rd</sup> to November 18<sup>th</sup>**

Food   HORSES 

Games  Treasure Hunt **Hayrides**

**Hear Ye! Hear Ye! Hear Ye!**  
**Eighteenth Annual Father & Son Turkey Shoot and Chili Supper**  
 Saturday, October 27th 2:00 PM until 5:00 PM  
**Special Speaker: Dr. Bill McSpadden**

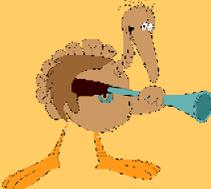
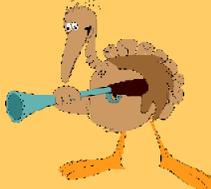





**Chili Cook-off**  **Chili Cook-off**

**Pastor with son and grandsons at one of our Turkey Shoots**

**Top Three Scorers:**  
 Bro. Collingsworth — 3 First Place and 2 Second Place  
 Bro. Berezne — 3 First Place and 1 Second Place  
 Bro. Watson — 2 First Place and 2 Second Place


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## Some food for thought.....or..... **Seed From The Silo!**

### What Can I Be Against?

Introduction: When you are being told that if you own a business that you cannot be against same-sex marriage, we are in trouble.

"Chick-Fil-A doesn't belong in Boston," Mayor Thomas Menino told the Boston Herald on Thursday, July 19. "You can't have a business in the city of Boston that discriminates against the population."

"Chick-Fil-A's values are not Chicago's values. They're not respectful of our residents, our neighbors, and our family members. And if you're gonna be part of the Chicago community you should reflect the Chicago values," said Mayor Rahm Emmanuel on Wednesday, July 25.

Conclusion: What right does the mayor of Boston or the mayor of Chicago have to tell Chick-Fil-A that they must support same-sex marriage?

I had a dear lady send me an email that says, "You can criticize Chick-Fil-A all you want to, but it takes a hen and a rooster to make a chicken." *Gerald B. Collingsworth*

### High-School Kids Played on Computer Three-Plus Hours Per School Day in 2011

A record 31.1 percent of American high-school students in 2011 spent three hours or more on the average school day playing video or computer games or using the computer for something other than school work, says a recent report published by the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

What kind of seed are you sowing?

*A PASTOR, OFFICIATING AT A FUNERAL, STARTED HIS REMARKS BY SAYING, "WE ARE GATHERED HERE TODAY TO PAY HOMAGE TO A GOOD MAN. HE WAS A KIND MAN, A MAN LOVED BY EVERYONE, A MAN WHO TREASURED HIS FAMILY AS THEY DID HIM."*

*THE WIDOW OF THE DECEASED LEANED OVER TO HER GRANDSON AND WHISPERED, "SWEETHEART, GO UP AND MAKE SURE IT'S YOUR GRANDPA IN THAT COFFIN."*



Mrs. Francie  
Taylor

### Unsupervised Young People

I told a story a while ago about some young people from our bus ministry who got into severe trouble due to immorality. The young man was in my husband's Sunday school class, and I had the young lady in my class. These two were able to have some time alone, and they were intimate during that unsupervised time. A child was born, but not without a great deal of harm to the couple and almost to the baby as well.

You may have read the story about a young woman who put her newborn baby in the garbage, as it was widely reported in the national news. The young man ended up being charged as a sex offender due to a four-year difference in their ages. Even though the girlfriend testified that their relationship was "consensual," the law stated otherwise, and after being charged with such a serious crime, the young man lost his mind and took his own life. It was horrible. It was shocking. And it was unnecessary.

Please recognize the risks and hazards of having your young people in unsupervised situations. I don't care if they are in the church building! There may be other people around, but in a great big building that may not be enough. Think this through. Have you ever heard of the back stairway? It's still considered the best place to steal a kiss! Please don't leave your children without a chaperone. It doesn't matter if they are age eight or eighteen. Be available at home during after-school hours or provide an acceptable substitute, and when you aren't with your young people, know where they are and with whom. This is a part of being a wise home builder.

# Our Statement of Faith

We accept the Holy Scriptures contained in the Old and New Testaments as being the verbally inspired Word of God and being perfectly preserved in the King James 1611 Bible. We do not believe it can be corrected or improved upon in any way. It is the final rule of faith and practice. **Psalm 12:6-7, I Peter 1:23**

We believe in the triune God, who is eternally in three persons—Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. **Matt. 28:19-20**

We believe in the deity of Christ— His virgin birth, His sinless life, His death for the sins of the world, His bodily resurrection, His exaltation at God's right hand, His personal, imminent, and premillennial return.

**I Corinthians 15:3-4, I Timothy 3:16, Acts 1:11**

We believe that all men are sinners and are guilty before God; in need of a Saviour. **Romans 3:23**

We believe that men are born again through faith in Jesus Christ; that they become the children of God, eternally saved; that the Holy Spirit dwells within every believer to guide and help him in his testimony and service.

**Acts 16:30-31, Galatians 2:16, Ephesians 1:13, John 10:28**

We believe in the bodily resurrection of the just and the unjust, the everlasting blessedness of the saved in Glory, and the everlasting conscious punishment of the lost in hell. We believe that all believers have a responsibility to get the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ into all the world. **John 5:28-29, Luke 16:22-23, Rev. 20:11-15**

We believe that Baptist churches were the first churches of Christianity and that Jesus founded a Baptist church. **John 1:35-37, Acts 1:22**

## Baptist Beliefs

**B**iblical Authority  
**A**utonomy of the Local Church  
**P**riesthood of ALL Believers  
**T**wo ordinances - Baptism & Communion  
**I**mmersed Church Membership  
**S**oul-liberty  
**T**wo officers - Pastors and Deacons  
**S**eparation of Church and State

## Baptist Heritage

- John the Baptist, Exalter of Christ
- Meno Simons (1496-1561), Dutch Anabaptist leader
- Roger Williams (1603-1683), Founded the first Baptist church in America in 1638 in Providence, Rhode Island
- John Bunyan (1628-1688), Baptist preacher who wrote *Pilgrim's Progress*
- John Newton (1725-1807), Baptist preacher that wrote *Amazing Grace*
- Charles Spurgeon (1834-1892), might be the greatest Baptist pastor
- John Franklyn Norris (1877-1952), founder of World Baptist Fellowship
- Jack Frasure Hyles (1926-2001), 10,000 baptisms per year

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