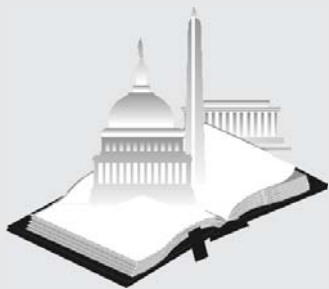


# HIGHLIGHTS



March 2010

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Monday, March 1**  
Academy Grandparents' Day  
Play, 7:00 PM

**Sunday, March 7**  
College & Career Bake Sale,  
following evening service

**Sunday, March 14**  
Young at Heart Luncheon  
  
College & Career Bake Sale,  
following evening service

Teen Afterglow, following  
evening service, Strouds'  
house

**Sunday, March 21,**  
College & Career Bake Sale,  
following evening service

**Thursday, March 25**  
Young at Heart, Sight and  
Sound Trip

**Saturday, March 27**  
Clinton Nursing Home, Easter  
Service with Children's  
Choir

College & Career, Game  
Night at Church

**Sunday, March 28**  
Missions' Sunday

College & Career Bake Sale,  
following evening service



**Michael Creed**  
Pastor

## FROM OUR PASTOR

Hebrews 10:25, . . . *so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.*

We have certainly had a winter to remember! I don't believe I have ever seen so much snow as we had the last couple of months. February brought one cancellation after another, and many of us are still recovering from the shoveling. Nevertheless, God has still been good to Independent Baptist Church.

Lord willing, the weather will soon shift to a more spring-like atmosphere. As it does, I would like the church to begin focusing on order during the month of March. The mild chaos and down days of February need to be exchanged for new order in our lives and ministries. We need to put extra effort into the ministries that suffered the most because of the snow – the bus and visitation ministries. I want to see a renewed effort by the bus workers to contact their routes and to start bringing visitors to church. I would also like to see a good number of people going out every Tuesday night, and other days during the week, to knock on doors and to invite people to church. I want everyone to keep working to accomplish the Great Commission wherever you may be.

In addition to bringing order into our lives and ministries, I also encourage you to keep this month's special activities in mind. On Thursday, March 25, Young at Heart is planning a trip to Sight and Sound Theater in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, to see the play, *Joseph*, and on Sunday, March 28, IBC will be hosting a guest missionary for the day.

Let's be faithful and work to fill our cars with visitors. Pray that God will allow you to see spiritual growth in yourself, as well as in the people around you. Pray that God will allow you to be instrumental in the salvation of someone this spring. Be faithful and see God do *so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.*



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**BIBLE STUDY HOUR***By Steve Corbett, Sr.*

Each Sunday at 9:30 AM, we begin our week by studying God's Word during the Bible Study hour. We have numerous classes (Children's, Teens, Men's, Women's, Couples, Pastor's, Hispanic, Deaf, RU, Young at Heart) to help you understand and apply the Bible to your life.

This month, we will conclude our study on *Elijah and Elisha* with lessons on *Chariots of Fire* (2 Kings 6:8-23), *Come, That We May Go and Tell* (2 Kings 6:24-7:20), and *The Arrow of the Lord's Deliverance* (2 Kings 13:14-21).

Our next study will be *Making a Difference – a Study of the Early Christians in the Book of Acts*.

**SOUL-WINNING CLASS***By Steve Corbett, Sr.*

Acts 1:8, *But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.*

Let's all get involved in soul-winning! Please see your Bible Study leader for visits you can make at your convenience (evenings, Saturdays, Sunday afternoons, etc.). You may also join us for soul-winning and visitation every Tuesday evening at 6:00 PM. We meet in Sara Greathouse Hall and head out to knock on doors.

**WITNESS TIP:** Do you get multiple applications for credit cards, AARP, etc.? Why not mail the envelope back – with a tract in it. You don't pay for postage; someone could get saved; and you might see a reduction in the amount of junk mail you receive!

**YOUNG AT HEART***By Rick Dove*

On March 14, we are looking forward to our monthly luncheon following the morning church service.

In addition to the luncheon, on Thursday, March 25, we are also planning a trip to Sight and Sound Theater in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, to see the play, *Joseph*. Following the play, we will go to the Shady Maple smorgasbord to eat. The all-inclusive cost for the trip (the play, Shady Maple, and transportation) is \$80.00 per person. Since we are taking our big cruiser bus, we can only take forty people, so please let Brother Dove know as soon as possible if you are interested in going. We will be leaving the church at 8:30 AM.

Finally, on Thursday, May 14, from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM, we are planning an area outreach for senior adults. The day will be filled with fun, food, and singing, so please invite every senior you know to be here.

*If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto you children, how much MORE shall your Father which is in heaven give good things to them that ask him?*

**Matthew  
7:11**



**So Much the More**  
**AS YOU SEE THE DAY APPROACHING**

## TREMENDOUS TEENS

*By Jim Stroud*

Last month, the snows came, and our paths hit some bumps in the road. However, when the teens came back, we discovered that God can teach us some lessons from the snow:

- ➔ It's alright to slow down and enjoy a break from the routine.
- ➔ While taking a break, you have extra time to give yourself to others; look for opportunities to be kind.
- ➔ Quiet times give you special opportunities to listen to the Lord.
- ➔ Quiet times give you more time to spend in God's Word.
- ➔ After a long time at home, you can begin to appreciate the routine.
- ➔ Times of separation make us realize our love for our church family; we miss them.
- ➔ As bad as our situation might be, others have it worse off.
- ➔ God protects us from trouble.
- ➔ We should appreciate healthy bodies that can work to shovel snow, etc.

Pray for Jerrell Carter, Ryan Kerwood, Donnie Sanders and Cedric Wilson as they travel with Pastor to Israel.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

**Sunday, March 14**

Afterglow at the Strouds'

**Saturday, April 10**

Progressive Dinner

**Monday–Friday, June 14–18**

TEEN CAMP!!!

## JAIL MINISTRY

*By Carlton White*

The past month was both challenging and rewarding for the Jail Ministry. With the record snowfall in February, we were unable to make several of our jail visits. Nevertheless, our volunteers still accomplished much for the Lord.

At the Prince George's County Jail, where the inmates completed well over a thousand Bible lessons this month, the Fergusons continue to do a stellar job. Each week, Mrs. Ferguson works on the Bible lessons in the Chaplain's office. She sorts the Bible lessons and brings them to the church to be graded. After the lessons are graded, she personally takes them to each inmate in his/her unit. As for Mr. Ferguson, a church recently gave him a brand new thirty-two inch flat screen TV to show Christian movies to inmates. Each week, Mr. Ferguson faithfully moves the TV from one unit to another as he tries to encourage the inmates in their walk with the Lord.

In addition to the Mrs. Ferguson, Nick and Anteva Quattrociocchi and Mrs. Dickens are also instrumental in our Bible lesson ministry. Every Sunday, the Quattrociocchis put the Bible lessons together and pass them out, and each week, in an effort to encourage the inmates, Mrs. Dickens faithfully puts Bible certificates in the inmates' Bible lessons.

In addition to the Bible lessons that were distributed, we also taught a Bible lesson at Boys Village to five saved young men, and we are looking forward to Mrs. Baumgartner's visiting to Waxters, the Prince George's Jail for girls.

Please continue to pray for us as we seek to make an eternal difference in the lives of men, women, and children in our community's jails.

## INDEPENDENT BAPTIST ACADEMY

*By Rick Dove*

Re-enrollments are coming in every day, and we are getting calls from new parents as well. If you have questions about the academy, please give us a call. If you have friends who are looking for an academy for their children, please let us know, or have them call the academy.

Graduation is scheduled for Thursday, May 6, at 7:00 PM. This is always a special time; you will not want to miss.

## INDEPENDENT BAPTIST BIBLE COLLEGE

*By Rick Dove*

The college is experiencing a great semester! We have students from churches that have never previously had students attend IBBC.

Dr. Don Sisk, a former missionary to Japan and the former long-time president and director of BIML, will teach a module on missions during the days and evenings of August 23–27. Dr. Sisk's module will be open to those who are in the bachelors and masters programs at the college. It will also be open to those who would simply like to gain a better understanding of missions. Make plans to attend.

Please pray as we work to schedule classes for next fall.



# Live Streaming *weekly services*

*Sunday mornings @ 10:40*

*Sunday evenings @ 6:00*

*Wednesday evenings @ 7:15*

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