ComingUp



SAVE THE DATE!

Vacation Bible School Returning to RBBC! Monday - Friday, July 15 - 19 Those having completed K-6th Grades

Weekly Prayer Times:

Men: Tuesdays, 7 AM, Yth. Bldg. Ladies: Wednesdays, 10 AM, Conf. Rm. Churchwide: Wednesdays, 6:30 PM, Aud.

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RBBC Pastor,

By Pastor Vic Borden

In the previous edition of this column, I introduced the new annual thematic churchwide focus. Until next fall, RBBC will focus on being "In the World - Not of the World." This theme is taken from Romans 12:1-2:

"I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God."

Followers of Christ are commanded to obey and honor the Lord in shining the light of Christ in this world, while not being soiled by the sinfulness of the world. This theme has been, and is being, highlighted in various ways.

First, I began a series of Lord's Supper messages focusing on what it means to be "In the World," while at the same time "Not of the World." This series will continue for the next many months.

Second, on December 29th, Pastor Garrett Skrbina addressed this theme by leading a tri-church (i.e., RBBC, Lone Jack Baptist Church, and Antioch Southern Baptist Church) youth all-nighter, titled "Be Prepared." This was a smashing success as 48 teenagers met throughout the night for fun, food, and fellowship! Most importantly, the teens were exhorted to "Be Prepared" in order to live "In the World - Not of the World."

Third, this theme is currently being visited every week in Sunday School as RBBC adult/youth are being trained through "The Truth Project." One Sunday features a video lesson, followed the next Sunday with discussion of that lesson. "The Truth Project" is taking place from January through June, beginning at 9:15 AM each Sunday.

Of course, a church theme is only effective if the principles are realized in the lives of God's people. I want to ask each of us to really look deep into his/her own heart and discern whether this theme is being obeyed. Are you "In the World," in the sense that you see yourself making a difference for the cause of Christ? As has been suggested many times by others: "If you were put on trial for being a Christian, would a jury of family and friends find you guilty?" Also, are you characterized by obeying the command: "Not of the World"? Again, how would those who know you best characterize you? Beloved, God's blessings follow those whose hearts cling to Him. Conversely, God's discipline will visit the lives of His children who are indifferent or resistant to His ways.

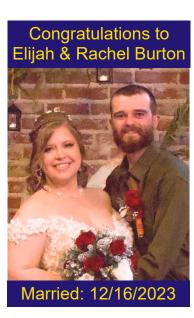


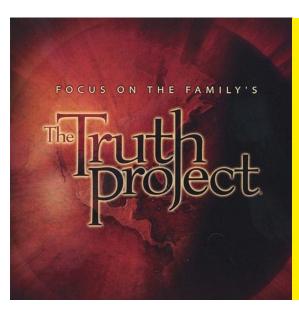
Be sure to be part of all that's being provided at RBBC to help equip you to be "In the World - Not of the World." May God continue to have His hand of blessing upon His church!

AroundRBBC

Future Member:

Abigail Grace, born to Sean & Mirette Ichrist





The Truth Project
Combined
Adult / Youth
Sunday School
9:15 AM each Sunday
from
January thru June

See Sun. Sch. Superintendent
David Wallace
with Any Questions

Just for Fun!

Just for Fun! is a feature in the Vision for the purpose of...well,

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The Insight column is currently focusing on RBBC missionaries.

Bill and Jennifer Campbell have been the Field Directors of *Haiti Home of Hope* since its founding in January 2003. This article was written by Jennifer Campbell.

I can remember so clearly the day our lives changed. We had been members at RBBC for a few years. Bill was working as a truck driver, and I was a stay-at-home mom, with our son, Jesse.

We attended a missions conference service at church, I believe in early 2001. Webb Chenault was speaking that night. He shared about the

needs in Haiti, and in the city of Pignon, in particular. Many years earlier, with the financial help of RBBC, Webb had purchased some land in Pignon, and had built a boys' dormitory and a mission house. Webb looked out at the congregation, pointed his finger, and asked who would answer "the call" to go to Haiti. I looked around the congregation, thinking maybe a



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young Bible college student would respond. Little did I know at that time, that Bill and I would soon hear "the call." Our lives radically changed from that point until now.

Bill, Jesse, and I landed in Haiti on January 21, 2003, to begin the *Haiti Home of Hope* ministry. We have now been there 21 years, and have seen God work again and again. We have seen entire families leave Voodoo worship and come to Christ. We have seen children saved out of the most hopeless slavery/trafficking situations. We have watched as babies and children, who were seemingly more dead than alive, be nourished back to health.

Haiti Home of Hope has been the fulltime home to over 50 children. A good number of those have reached adulthood and transitioned out. They are alive and thriving! Two are in solid, Christian marriages. We have two Haitian "grandbabies" as well. This year there are seven university students, and one university graduate, all of whom grew up at Haiti Home of Hope. Also, we have another wedding coming this spring.

We no longer take in children at *Haiti Home of Hope*. Instead, we are focused on finishing well with the children we have. We have transitioned to overseeing a very busy clinic. In the clinic, we work hard at family preservation. The clinic is the perfect tool to share the Gospel with families, help children, and doing this while keeping families together. It is a beautiful thing to see! We have cared for over 1,000 babies in the milk clinic. These 1,000 babies would almost certainly have died from lack of milk. The majority of the mothers of these babies died in childbirth, which is still the primary cause of death for young women in Haiti. God raised up and used *Haiti Home of Hope* to preserve the lives of these babies.

Many know that Bill and I have legally adopted three girls in Haiti. They came into our home as newborns, and are completely ours. We are currently waiting for passports, but with a government in near collapse, it has been a terribly long process. Bill has transitioned back to the U.S. in order to get things ready for us when we are able to return. I will be staying with the girls until we have proper travel paperwork.

The political situation in Haiti is more dire than it has ever been in the past 20 years. Please pray that help and a solution will be found. There is intense suffering everywhere. Pray for the Haitian people, and for us as we continue to minister to them through *Haiti Home of Hope*.



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