

# Coming Up

The new and preferred way to access the RBBC calendar of events is via the Church Center app, or the church website ([www.redbridgebaptist.com](http://www.redbridgebaptist.com)).



EVERY Red Bridger is asked to download the app. See Jordan or Jessica List if you have questions regarding the RBBC Church Center app.



**RBBC Small Groups are in the third year of meetings! The Small Group Task Force will not be aware of your interest in participating in this ministry unless you let it be known. Those interested in being part of a Small Group can express this through the Church Center app.**

### Weekly Prayer Times:

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

[www.redbridgebaptist.com](http://www.redbridgebaptist.com)  
[www.haitihomeofhope.org](http://www.haitihomeofhope.org)  
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# 2025-26 RBBC Year of Being People of the Book!

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# SCRIBES & SCRIPTURE

A Conference on the History of the Bible

Discover the story of history's most amazing book with the directors of the Text & Canon Institute.



## Scribes & Scripture RBBC Bible Conference Sat., Feb. 21, 9 AM — 3 PM

Come and learn from Dr. John Meade & Dr. Peter Gurry (two experts in the field), as to how the Bible was actually copied, canonized, and translated.

Registration is required, and the price includes: the conference, lunch, and a copy (one per family) of the book by Meade & Gurry: *Scribes & Scripture: The Amazing Story of How We Got the Bible*. Register thru the RBBC website: [www.redbridgebaptist.com](http://www.redbridgebaptist.com), or by calling the church office: 816-761-1194.

By Pastor Vic Borden

As most know, we're fully engaged in the **2025-26 RBBC Year of Being People of the Book!** The most important practical expression of this is that together we're reading through the Word of God in 2026! Every individual/family has been challenged to follow the same Bible-reading plan (this plan is available through the church office). As of the time of this edition of the *Vision* newsletter, we're about 1/12<sup>th</sup> of the way through this reading plan. There is still time to catch-up if you're lagging behind, or even begin if you haven't already started. I'm hearing personal reports all the time of the great blessing and value that this daily reading of Scripture has already been in the lives of God's people. I've also heard testimonies of believers from other places in the U.S., and even other countries, who have joined Red Bridgers in making the reading of the Word of God a priority in 2026. Praise the Lord!

In addition, in the past three months, I've shared a few messages on bibliology (the doctrine of the Bible, or what we understand the Bible to be). This focus will continue in various messages through next fall.

Another important way we'll focus on **Being People of the Book**, is by hosting a Bible Conference (see the front cover). RBBC is privileged to learn from a pair of eminent scholars in the field of bibliology. Dr. John Meade (Old Testament expert) and Dr. Peter Gurry (New Testament expert), are seminary professors, and the authors of the book—*Scribes & Scripture: The Amazing Story of How We Got the Bible*. They will be bringing this Bible Conference to RBBC on Saturday, February 21, from 9 AM until 3 PM. Again, see the front cover for details on what this includes and information regarding registration.

Finally, as 21<sup>st</sup>-century believers, we know all too well that we live in a deceptive culture. To the world, truth is relative. To the Bible-believing child of God, truth is found in the authoritative, inspired, inerrant Word! In order to receive the blessing of this truth, we must give ourselves to the reading, understanding, believing, and obeying of Scripture. This doesn't happen by accident. In order for it to happen, I must be intentional in my reading of the Word of God. What's more, I must study what I don't easily understand. The blessing and value of the Word doesn't come to full fruition until I actually obey its truths. So, please accept the exhortation to participate in the plan to read through the Word of God in 2026. Again, there's still time to jump in, but don't delay. I have every confidence that God will fill your heart with His power/presence as you search out His truth in the written Word of God. This has already made a difference in my life!

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# AroundRBBC

## Future Members:

Henry Daniel,  
born to Todd & Taylor Saylor  
Josephine Analiese,  
born to Jeff & Julia Kounter  
Gwendolyn Marie,  
born to Daniel & Sarah Rosenak

## Welcome to RBBC:

Steve Fixler  
Sally Fixler  
Ken Wells  
Kathy Wells

## Awana Events

**Sat., Feb.28, 10 AM—2 PM**  
**Grand Prix Workshop**  
**(for Cubbies, Sparks, & T&T Clubs)**

**Fri., Mar.6, 6—8:30 PM**  
**Make It—Race It**  
**(for Trek & Journey Clubs)**

**Sat., Mar.7, 9 AM—3 PM**  
**Grand Prix**  
**(for Cubbies, Sparks, & T&T Clubs)**

**Just for Fun!**  
**Just for Fun!** Is feature in the  
**Vision for the purpose of...well,**  
**Just for Fun!**



**Vic & Cathie had some fun during his Sabbatical as they were able to attend the Chiefs/Raiders game at Allegiant Stadium. Thanks again to the couple who provided the gift of lodging (you know who you are!).**



**The Insight column is currently focusing on RBBC missionaries.**

RBBC – Partners in Bible Translation with Paul and Anna

From a young age, both Paul and Anna experienced the joy of knowing the Lord and learning His Word. Anna is the daughter and granddaughter of Bible translators in Peru. She grew up watching the Lord plant His Word and grow His church. It was Anna's grandparents who visited Paul's rural Illinois church and told him about how millions of people still lacked the Bible in their languages. Paul's calling was a simple one: *"If the Lord Jesus told us to make disciples of all the nations, and teach them to obey what He commands, then the first thing we ought to do is to put His Word into their languages."*



Paul & Anna

This calling took Paul to Kansas City in 1998, to study at Calvary University. He quickly found a home at Red Bridge Baptist Church. Paul shared: *"I found Red Bridge to be a place where they loved the Word of God and loved sharing it with others – and they fed me lasagna my first Sunday!"* The Wednesday prayer meetings and the Junior High Sunday School class were two highlights from those years.

Paul and Anna were married in 2007. That same year, they joined Wycliffe Bible Translators with the goal to serve in West Asia. The RBBC Missions Committee did not hesitate: *"We are behind you all the way!"* This was a huge encouragement in a moment when Paul and Anna were stepping out in faith to do an impossible task in a difficult part of the world.

From 2009-2020, Paul and Anna served in West Asia. It was a time of seeing many prayers answered and watching God do the impossible. It was also a time of great sorrows, frustrations, and coming to the end of themselves. They were involved in developing an alphabet for a previously unwritten language. Next there was the work of helping the community develop literacy materials and producing literature to record their cultural heritage. Eventually, portions of both the Old and New Testaments were translated into the local language.

Their three daughters, Alethea, Sophia and Phoebe, joined their family and they all lived in a normal West Asian neighborhood trying to be a light in their community. At first, the local people were very suspicious of them as foreigners, but RBBC joined in to help Paul and Anna's neighborhood by providing funds for solar panels and a water pump for the community well. This improved community relationships for Paul and Anna as from then on they were known as the people who had helped provide the neighborhood with drinking water.

In 2017, Paul and Anna stayed in the RBBC mission house for a few months. This was during a hard time of sorrow and tragedy in both their work and personal lives. Paul and Anna report: *"The support and prayers that RBBC had given from afar were suddenly the heart and hands of God's dear people close to us."*

In 2020, Paul and Anna moved their family to Kansas City to work remotely. Paul, Anna, and the girls have been a regular part of the life of Red Bridge Baptist Church. Paul continues to serve in several West Asian translation projects as a translator, exegete, and consultant. He also is an administrator to their team of 30 people working on a dozen language projects in West Asia. Anna and Paul continue to connect with and serve the \*Kohi people. Anna edits newsletters for their team, helps with \*Kohi literacy projects, and is enjoying this season of focusing on homeschooling and family. Paul and Anna want to say: ***"Thank you Red Bridge for your fellowship with us in the work of the Lord for 28 years and counting!"***

\*Denotes a pseudonym for the protection of those involved.