

Scroll of the Prophets

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Dear Alumni:

The month of June has been a month in which we have run across the paths of numerous alumni, and have made many preparations for an eventful month of July.

We have begun the demolition of the old chapel in a big way. If you were to walk into the chapel right now, you would get a good glimpse of NW 23rd Street through the windows that once were located in the two forward offices. Those offices, together with the baptistery area, are all history. All electrical connections and wiring have been removed, as have the pews, the floor tiles, and everything else that was not part of either the foundation or roof of the chapel. It is safe to say, "We have reached the point of no return!"

We have two builders coming in for the month of July. Brother Kitchen and Brother Hatch are two missionary builders that Brother David Winston knows, and they happened to have the month of July available. Even though we will be conducting our twenty-seventh annual Youth Conference right in the middle of the construction, we still thought it best to take advantage of the time that these two builders had available. I am sure that it is going to be exciting for some of our alumni to see what is going on while they are here for the Youth Conference. Please keep this entire effort in your prayers.

June witnessed the departure of two of our finest-ever missionary families: the Dan Post family and the Eddie Trimble family. Both families made it back to the field, together with their luggage, and are now undertaking the challenge of getting re-acclimated to the time zone and temperatures that greeted them upon their exit from the planes that carried them home. We surely do miss them.

The couples that have been taking the Melody Singers to their scheduled meetings have all seen God's hand of blessing along the way. My wife and I were privileged to travel south for a few days with the Melodies near the middle of June. What a blessing it was to see Brother Mark Elliott and his son Nathan in a service in Houston, and also to see Becky McDonald [formerly Suarez] in a service in Alvin, Texas. Moments like those are just some of the special blessings God gives us along the trail of serving Him.

Brother Finn, Brother Jones, and Brother Legere have all done a great job of filling in for the pastor in his absence while he has been on vacation with his family. We have a big service planned out at the campground in Loyal, Oklahoma, on the Fourth of July. With back-to-back services and a big picnic cookout in between, the day promises to be fun for one and all. A service will be conducted on Saturday, July 3, for those who cannot go to the camp on the fourth.

Miss Katie Tuttle received a phone call early on Sunday morning, June 27. Her grandmother went to Heaven unexpectedly. Katie has flown to Ohio for the funeral. Please be in prayer for her and her family.

Please be much in prayer for the upcoming Youth Conference, and for the chapel reconstruction project

that is under way. We need to see the Lord come through and bless in a wonderful way, as only He can.

I am sorry to abbreviate this article, dear alumni. It seems that each month, I leave more unstated than stated as the *Scroll* is composed. I surely do want to encourage you to write when you can, and send us an article that we can include in the Scroll of the Prophets. All of your fellow alumni would love to hear from you.

May the Lord richly bless you all.

Sincerely your friend and servant,

Robert A. Ross, Jr.
Executive Vice-President

Quotable Quotes

“I believe with all my heart that standing up for America means standing up for the God who has so blessed our land. We need God's help to guide our nation through stormy seas. But we can't expect Him to protect America in a crisis if we just leave Him over on the shelf in our day-to-day living.” - Ronald Reagan

“We've gone astray from first principles. We've lost sight of the rule that individual freedom and ingenuity are at the very core of everything that we've accomplished. Government's first duty is to protect the people, not run their lives.” - Ronald Reagan

“Nothing is more generally known than our duties which belong to Christianity; and yet, how amazing is it, nothing is less practiced?” - George Whitefield

Upcoming Events

- July 12 – 16 Youth Conference
- July 26 David Busch & Kristen Burke wedding at Windsor Hills Baptist Church
- July 30 Justus Means & Kelly Valles wedding in Lima, Peru
- July 31 Michael Shaver & Nadia Goncharenko wedding in Rosemount, Minnesota
- August 12 Work Study Program meeting (8 am)
- August 18 Registration for all students (8 am)
- August 19 Orientation
- August 20 College Activity
- August 23 Classes Begin

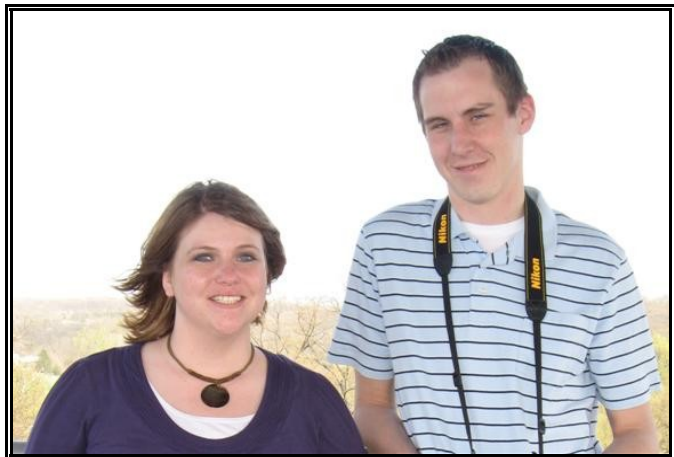
Prayer Requests

- Dr. & Mrs. Jim Vineyard** – health needs
- Preacher and Jonathan Magas** – traveling
- Larry Chappell** [son of Dr. Paul Chappell] – chemo
- Dr. Earl Jessup** [director of Baptist Church Planting Ministry] – has an inoperable tumor. Updates on his health can be found at www.bcpm.org.
- Mitch Beard** [20-year-old son of Steve & Jill Beard (1986/1985 graduates)] – a Marine in Afghanistan training AA (Afghan army soldiers).
- Dave Tompkins** [Lisa Petersen's brother] – sent home from the hospital and is under hospice care (cancer has spread throughout his upper body); has been given two weeks to live

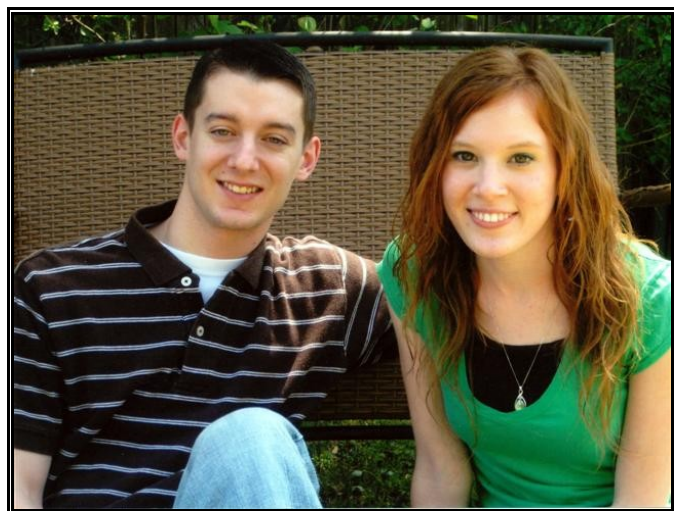
Web Sites

- [Kevin & Charlotte \(Bauman\) Birdsong \(89\) – Oregon](#)
- [Allen & Stephanie \(Gardner\) Copeland \(91\) – Mexico](#)
- [BJ \(05\) and Jessica \(Harrelson\) \(06\) Cormier – Kenya](#)
- [Thad \(98\) & Cheri Endicott](#)
- Blog: www.mvbcyouthministry.blogspot.com
- [Michelle Geiger \(94\) – Ivory Coast](#)
- [Tom & Heidi Gonderman \(01\) – Australia](#)
- [Daniel \(91\) & Judith \(Vaile\) \(86\) Irvin – Ukraine](#)
- [Roger & Kathy Jewell \(97\) – Dominican Republic](#)
- [Bill & Alix Lystlund \(84\) – USA](#)
- [Steve \(97\) & Ruth \(Sloan\) \(01\) Miller – Mexico](#)
- [Alan \(98\) & Tanya \(Burmester\) \(97\) Minks – Japan](#)
- Blog: <http://minksmemos.blogspot.com>
- [Arturo \(98\) & Nicole Munoz – Mexico](#)
- [Marlin \(96\) & Lisa \(Thompkins\) \(93\) Petersen – Uganda](#)
- [Stuart & Donna Schepers \(96\) – Dominican Republic](#)
- [Andy \(95\) & Jill \(Croft\) \(92\) Schultz – Zambia](#)
- [David \(99\) & Jolene \(Forsythe\) \(01\) Sloan – Ukraine](#)
- [Randy \(97\) & Tonya \(Hill\) \(98\) Smith – Burkina Faso](#)
- [Keith \(94\) & Sally \(Ward\) \(93\) Stensaas – Uganda](#)
- [Matt \(96\) & Keila \(Bergner\) \(97\) Stensaas – Uganda](#)
- [Josh \(96\) & Joy \(Herndon\) \(97\) Wesson – Dominican Republic](#)
- [Brian & Beverly \(Jordan\) \(06\) Weiss – Philippines](#)
- [Mike & Rebecca \(Ager\) Weiss \(01\) – Mexico](#)

Engagements



Sarah Teaney (06) and Will Darling of Newark, Ohio, are engaged and planning a wedding for Saturday, October 2, 2010, at Grace Baptist Church in Marion, Iowa.



Caleb Bruner (10) and Nora Looney (09) were engaged May 8, 2010, and have set a wedding date of February 26, 2011.

Congratulations!

Wedding



Shelly De Ome (07) and Jim Spillman were united in marriage Saturday, June 5, 2010, at Windsor Hills Baptist Church in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

They are living in Salt Lake City, Utah, and helping at Heritage Baptist Church.

Congratulations, and may the Lord bless your new life together!

From an Alumnus

My name is Floyd Folsom, and I am a 1983 graduate of Oklahoma Baptist Institute. I am currently pastor of Hillcrest Baptist Church in Mena, Arkansas. I first came to Oklahoma City in the summer of 1981 to check out the college. I had been pastoring a small country church for the past four and one-half years and felt that I needed to get a better foundation for the ministry. I had prayed for direction from the Lord and felt that Oklahoma Baptist College was the direction in which God was leading me. Therefore, I resigned the church, loaded up the wife and kids and the old U-Haul, and headed to Oklahoma.



Ah, the experience of Bible college! Of course, everyone's experience in Bible college is different. I was thirty-five years old, married with two school-age children, and had a reasonable amount of real life experience in the ministry. I had only a tenth grade education and had not been in school for seventeen years. Man, was I in for an experience! I worked in a machine shop from 6:00 pm to 2:30 am and drove thirty minutes one way. I would usually get in bed around 3:30 am; you can imagine how tired I was when I went to my classes. There were days when I couldn't

quote John 3:16 with the threat of my life in the balance. I can't remember missing a class or bus visitation in spite of the fatigue. God blessed my effort, and I was blessed to be able to graduate with honors.

I left Oklahoma City in the summer of 1984 to go to Texarkana, Texas, to pastor a struggling church meeting in a flower shop. Since I found out after a few months that things weren't what they appeared to be, the group disbanded. I worked with Brother Evan New at Twin Cities Baptist Temple in Wake Village, Texas, a suburb of Texarkana, for about two years. In December of 1987, I became pastor of Hillcrest Baptist Church in Mena, Arkansas, where I have been for the last twenty-three and one-half years.

Bible College can be a bittersweet experience. There is the tiredness and hard work and the financial sacrifice; yet at the same time there is the sweetness of making friends of a lifetime. I believe that the one thing that has helped me most as a preacher was the importance placed on the need to use plenty of Scripture in preparing messages.

Brother Ross and Brother Finn may be the only two staff members left that were there from my time. Both of them were such a blessing. They were always so helpful and friendly. I trust your experience at OBC has been a difference maker in your life.

God Bless,

Floyd Folsom

July Birthdays

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| 1 Damion Lowe (99) | Tim Douglas (00) | Larry Odom (77) |
| 2 Franklin Booth (96) | Jack Martin (90) | 19 Alan Minks (98) |
| Tatiana (Goncharenko) Rupe (09) | Micaiah Stanley (05) | Jamie (Rout) Furnish (99) |
| Bryon Molitor (98) | Jennifer Williams (01) | 20 Caleb Garraway (08) |
| 3 Long Fuller (97) | Matthew Williams (84) | 22 Sarah (Hampton) Miller (01) |
| Joseph Holley (97) | 11 Bill Miller (01) | 23 Julie (Green) Aulgur (93) |
| 4 Brenda (Santiago) Booth (91) | Susie Mitchell (05) | W.R. Workman (97) |
| Paul Ingram (82) | 12 Clint Shipman (00) | 24 Sarah Hanson (04) |
| 5 Melissa Meadows (04) | 13 Robert Sutton (83) | Bill Lystlund (84) |
| Jimmie Newman (81) | Tony Van Manen (94) | 25 Shannon Doss (93) |
| Jennifer (Wesson) Post (91) | 14 Harold Autrey (86) | Erich McCandless (91) |
| 6 Regina Blaser (85) | 15 Kevin Birdsong (89) | David Sloan (99) |
| 7 Kerri (Bruner) Parker (99) | Raymond Grignon (06) | Tina Williams (81) |
| 8 Jacob Reitz (04) | David St. Pierre (91) | 26 Clifford Keister (09) |
| 9 Kristy (Cotton) McLaughlin (03) | Larry Schatz (90) | 27 Rick Pfeifer (91) |
| Janell (Cox) Pennell (96) | 16 Jorge Vara (96) | Jackie (Goodman) Rich (00) |
| 10 Debby (Clark) Cartmell (94) | 17 Misty (Harrison) Garraway (97) | |
| | Nathan Neathery (06) | |