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We are just weeks away from one of the highlights of our calendar year – the annual Memphis School of Preaching Lectureship! Consider some of the highlights of this year’s lectureship.

The theme for this year’s lectureship is “A New Testament Christian.” Brother Keith Mosher, Sr. again has done a marvelous job of scheduling the topics and speakers for this vital subject. From Sunday morning, March 31st through Thursday evening, April 4th, a total of 51 messages will be delivered, all of them designed to spotlight God’s definition of a New Testament Christian.

Each weekday morning at 8:30, one of our current students at MSOP will speak in chapel. Your presence, and kind words spoken, will be such an encouragement to these students. There are also 8 special lectures for women only, one each morning and one each afternoon, Monday-Thursday.

Sometimes brethren have the mistaken idea that a lectureship is just for preachers. While this lectureship certainly will provide much “seed for the sower” (Luke 8:4-15), the messages are not designed for preachers only. On the contrary, this lectureship will benefit all New Testament Christians, so please spread the word and encourage Christians, one and all, to come. Perhaps someone from your local congregation would like to come with you.

As you make your travel plans, please be aware that **we will be having an appreciation dinner for Bobby and Joan Liddell on Monday afternoon, April 1st, at 4:15.** Brother Liddell did not ask for this, and did not want this, but this is all the more reason to give honor to whom honor is due, in appreciation for the marvelous job he did in directing MSOP. You will enjoy a wonderful meal, and brother and sister Liddell are very deserving of the presence of grateful brothers and sisters, and friends, of the Memphis School of Preaching.

On Tuesday afternoon, April 2nd, at 2:30, we will conduct a Seminar For Prospective Students and Supporters. This brief session explains what is involved in attending MSOP. Everything from the application process, to how to raise support, to what a typical day as a student at MSOP involves, will be explained during this seminar. Do you have a man in your local congregation who is interested in preaching? Why not bring him to the lectureship and bring him to the seminar?

You are also invited to be present for the Alumni and Friends Dinner on Tuesday afternoon at 4:15. We are proud of our alumni and this is always an encouraging time to catch up with classmates and to learn of the great work being done by MSOP alumni. We know you will not want to miss the delicious food and the fellowship.

We cannot wait to see you in just a few weeks! In the meantime, we thank

One Hand Helping Another: MSOP And GBN

B. J. Clarke

Although it sounds cliché, it is true still that lighthouses are not in competition. We are happy to welcome The Gospel Broadcasting Network (GBN) to the Memphis area, and we look forward to working together in spreading the saving gospel of Christ. The work at GBN is now under the oversight of the elders of the Southaven church of Christ. Having worked as the local preacher from 1991-2007, I know these men, and I have the utmost confidence in their faithfulness and soundness. The article below is from Don Blackwell, the very capable Director of GBN. We commend it to you, and we look forward to many years of being “laborers together with God” (1 Cor. 3:9).

CAN YOU HELP GBN WITH THE LIGHTING GRID FOR OUR NEW STUDIO?

Don Blackwell

GBN has just completed the move from Ringgold, Georgia to our new location in Olive Branch, Mississippi, just 7 miles from the MSOP campus. Some items have been easier to move than others, but none have proven to be more difficult than the lighting system.

The lighting system used in the Ringgold facility was an age-old technology that utilized oversized incandescent bulbs with power needs in the 750 to 1,000 watt range per bulb, and numerous bulbs were needed for every set. The amount of electricity a system of this type utilizes to record a single program is comparable to several homes! In addition, most of the electricity consumed becomes heat, which then must be removed via air conditioning. The power needs of such a system were actually higher than the utility company in Olive Branch could provide without having to significantly upgrade their distribution system at our expense.

Thankfully, new technology is available to help overcome these obstacles. High-efficiency LED lighting is now the standard, as it uses a small fraction of the electricity to power the lights, and they put off very little heat. The power for the entire LED system could actually be run through a single 20-amp circuit. While these LED fixtures aren't cheap, they are much less expensive than the cost of upgrading the electrical system and installing additional air conditioning that would be required for the old lighting system.

GBN is currently in the process of raising the \$75,000 needed to make this cost-saving and necessary expenditure. If you know of individuals or congregations who would be willing to assist with this need, it would help to complete this new facility.

The GBN Grand Opening and Building Dedication is scheduled for March 30th at 3:00pm. This is the Saturday before the start of the MSOP Lectures. All MSOP graduates and their families are invited to attend the event.

THE WORLD MISSIONS PROGRAM MEMPHIS SCHOOL OF PREACHING

Billy Bland

There is a tremendous need for people all over the world to hear the Gospel of Christ. Concerning the commission from Christ, the inspired Mark wrote; “And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned” (Mark 16:15-16). Before one can believe and be baptized, he must first hear the Word of God (cf. Rom. 10:13-17). With over seven billion people in the world today, the Lord's church has a great task. We are to get God's saving message to every individual in the world. Tremendous task? Indeed! Yet, it can be done! The Lord has never required of us something that is impossible to accomplish. He has even promised to be with us (Mat. 28:20).

However, there needs to be men and their families who are qualified and properly trained. Paul instructed Timothy; “And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also” (2 Tim. 2:2). With that in mind, the Memphis School of Preaching began a “World Missions Program” in 2012. Faithful men who wish to help take the Gospel around the world are encouraged to enroll in this program. The Mission program is one-year in length and is open to those who have some prior training either in a School of Preaching, a Christian college, or perhaps have some life experiences that help qualify them for this work. The studies in this program include such things as culture and customs of the area where one will be working, communication skills (using the internet and broadcasting), doctrinal challenges, challenges the family will face on the field, the language one needs to know in the country where he plans to evangelize, etc.

Memphis School of Preaching has thirty-two, three bedroom apartments, on the school campus located in Germantown, where students and their families live. While living here, they will be among others who are of like precious faith and have dedicated themselves to the preaching of the Gospel. One of the current students that is going through the program, wrote, “The ‘World Mission Program’ at the Memphis School of Preaching has been a blessing to the Evans' family. This program has given us the opportunity to study Swahili, the local language of Tanzania, as well as the Tanzanian culture. We are thankful that we have been blessed with the opportunity to raise support for the work in Iringa, Tanzania (www.missiontanzania.net) while making preparations in the World Mission Program. We are now better prepared to face the challenges that may arise on the mission field” (Adam Evans).

If you are interested in this work, either as a potential student or a supporter, why not write for a free brochure and DVD describing this work in more detail? One may also view the DVD online at www.msop.org. May we, like Jesus, work while it is day for the night cometh when no man can work (cf. John. 9:4).



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FORTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL LECTURESHIP

MARCH 31 - APRIL 4, 2013

GENERAL THEME:

"A NEW TESTAMENT CHRISTIAN"

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SUNDAY, MARCH 31, 2013

9:30-10:20 A.M. "Jesus Christ: The Object Of The Christian's Faith"David Sain
 10:30-11:30 A.M. "Why I Am A Christian"Barry Grider
 5:30-6:00 P.M. CONGREGATIONAL SINGING
 6:00-7:00 P.M. "Contends For The Faith"Paul Sain

MONDAY, APRIL 1, 2013

8:30-8:50 A.M. CHAPEL: "The Church Of Christ Is Well And Alive Because Of Its Daily Discipleship"Steven Ford
 9:00-9:50 A.M. "Understands Restoration"Matthew Martin
 10:00-10:50 A.M. "Forgives Without Grudging"Scott Cain
 LADIES**
 "Christian Woman: In The Home" (Women Only).....Celicia Grider
 11:00-11:50 A.M. "Can I Know I Am Saved?"Larry Acuff
 CLASS*
 "Supports World Missions"Ray W. Peters
 LUNCH
 11:50-1:30 P.M. "Honors God In His Home"Kelvin Pugh
 LADIES**
 1:30-2:20 P.M. "Is A Serious Bible Student" (Women Only).....Jane McWhorter
 CLASS*
 2:30-3:20 P.M. "Becomes God's Friend"Jonathan Jenkins
 CLASS*
 3:30-4:15 P.M. "Is A Joyful Person"Kyle Wadley
 4:15-6:30 P.M. "Lives A Pure Life"Michael Bates
 APPRECIATION DINNER - BOBBY & JOAN LIDDELL
 6:30-7:00 P.M. CONGREGATIONAL SINGING
 7:00- 8:00 P.M. "Believes The Simple Plan Of Salvation"Dan Winkler

TUESDAY, APRIL 2, 2013

8:30-8:50 A.M. CHAPEL: "The Church Of Christ Is Well And Alive Because Of Its Missionary Spirit"Josue Castorena
 "Trusts The Grace Of God"Glenn Colley
 9:00-9:50 A.M. "Worships In Spirit And In Truth"Cliff Goodwin
 10:00-10:50 A.M. "Learns From Phoebe: How To Serve"Cindy Colley
 LADIES**
 (Women Only)Sam Willcutt
 11:00-11:50 A.M. "Guards His Tongue"Brad McNutt
 CLASS*
 "Loves Young People"Joe W. Nichols
 LUNCH
 1:30-2:20 P.M. "Respects The Authority Of Elders"Jeanny Gilpin
 LADIES**
 (Women Only)Billy Bland
 2:30-3:20 P.M. "Understands Prophecy"Tim Alsup
 CLASS*
 "Has Been Baptized For The Remission Of Sins"Eddy Gilpin
 SEMINAR FOR PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS AND SUPPORTERS (MSOP CHAPEL)
 3:30-4:15 P.M. "Loves The Brotherhood"ALUMNI AND FRIENDS DINNER (FELLOWSHIP HALL)
 4:15-6:30 P.M. Eddy Gilpin
 CONGREGATIONAL SINGING
 6:30-7:00 P.M. "The Church To Which A Christian Is Added"Tom Holland
 7:00-8:00 P.M. Tom Holland

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3, 2013

8:30-8:50 A.M. CHAPEL: "The Church Of Christ Is Well And Alive Because Of Its Plea"Kaleb Hall
 "Trusts In The Blood Of Jesus"Tom House
 9:00-9:50 A.M. "Believes In The Place Called Hell"Jim Dearman
 10:00-10:50 A.M. "Learns From Dorcas: How To Be A Caregiver"Racine Wilder
 LADIES**
 (Women Only)T. J. Clarke
 11:00-11:50 A.M. "Is A Good Citizen"Lee Davis
 CLASS*
 "Cares For The Aged"Patrick Gray
 11:50-1:30 P.M. LUNCH
 1:30-2:20 P.M. "Makes Other Christians"Patrick Gray
 LADIES**
 "Lessons From Lydia: Hospitality"Rhonda Jones
 (Women Only)Tim Burroughs
 2:30-3:20 P.M. "Helps His Neighbor"Patrick Harper
 CLASS*
 "Never Stops Growing"Sam Jones
 3:30-4:15 P.M. "Works At His Marriage"Sam Jones
 4:15-6:30 P.M. INTERMISSION
 6:30-7:00 P.M. CONGREGATIONAL SINGING
 7:00-8:00 P.M. "Trusts The Word Of God"John DeBerry

THURSDAY, APRIL 4, 2013

8:30-8:50 A.M. CHAPEL: "The Church Of Christ Is Well And Alive Because Of Its Mission"William Abram
 "Trusts In Prayer"John Barcus
 9:00-9:50 A.M. "Knows How To Study The Bible"B. J. Clarke
 10:00-10:50 A.M. "Learns From Mary And Martha: How To Be Spiritual"Tanya Silcox
 LADIES**
 (Women Only)Preston Silcox
 11:00-11:50 A.M. "Believes In Reverence For God"Dan Cates
 CLASS*
 "Accepts The Genesis Record"David Lemmons
 11:50-1:30 P.M. LUNCH
 1:30-2:20 P.M. "Seeks To Be Balanced"Irene Taylor
 LADIES**
 "Women In The Book Of Revelation"Neil Richey
 (Women Only)Tim Hayes
 2:30-3:20 P.M. "Knows The Difference Between The Testaments"Hugh Fulford
 CLASS*
 "Is Humble"Hugh Fulford
 3:30-4:15 P.M. "Longs For Heaven"Robert R. Taylor, Jr.
 4:15-6:30 P.M. INTERMISSION
 6:30-7:00 P.M. CONGREGATIONAL SINGING
 7:00-8:00 P.M. "Is Just Like Paul"Robert R. Taylor, Jr.

* For all Classes meet in the School Building, Room 405
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March 30, 2013

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Tyler Kirkpatrick, Visalia, California
Jared Rhodes, Olive Branch, Mississippi

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Stephen Sutton, Maury City, Tennessee

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