

News from the Wilsons

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Greetings in the name of the Lord!

Where has the spring gone? It seems like only yesterday that I was having the Cardiac Ablation Procedure and contemplating the brevity of life! Praise our Lord, my heart is doing great. I have spent the last several months in the USA, getting in shape and doing stateside ministry. Why getting in shape? As you read this, I will be on Boy Scout trip with Daniel and Caleb, hiking in the Grand Canyon. This is a three-day hike: Day 1—hike to the bottom and recover, Day 2—hike slower, Day 3—hike out and up (over 8 miles of steep trail). Then, home to recover! (Well, that is not what the scout schedule says, but that is my “interpretation”.)

I have had the privilege of helping several young men and women in their pursuit of the Biblical knowledge of Apologetics. Those competing have had a fruitful time and learned a lot of truth for life. It is encouraging for me to see young people hunger for the truth. Not only have they hungered, but they have studied hard the multiple pages of materials I put together for them to assist their preparation. Remember, they walk in a room, draw three questions from a pool of over 100 questions, then select one topic and spend 4 minutes preparing a 6-minute message to answer the doctrinal question. How many adults would try that?

The topic of “*Our Missions Opportunities*” has been on my mind a lot lately. I am chairman of our church’s mission conference and there has been much work done in preparation. Consider Ephesians 4:11-12: “*And He gave some as apostles, and some as prophets, and some as evangelists, and some as pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of service, to the building up of the body of Christ.*” Notice the task of the church: **Equip** the saints, **Serve** (employ the gifts), **Build Up** the body of Christ (result). This year we are highlighting the local opportunities for the body to serve. What are your gifts? What are you doing to develop your gift? Are you allowing God to use you locally, nationally and internationally with the gifts He has given you? Where has God called you to serve? That is the question I hope and pray many people will find the answer to at our missions conference.

Our Missions Opportunities!

- Plans are underway for teaching “Marriage and Family” to pastors and their wives in Kenya.
- This spring, I have several Bible Study Workshops scheduled.
- Apologetics continues . . .

Thank you for your faithful partnership.

You are a blessing to my family.

For the Gospel,

Bobby



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