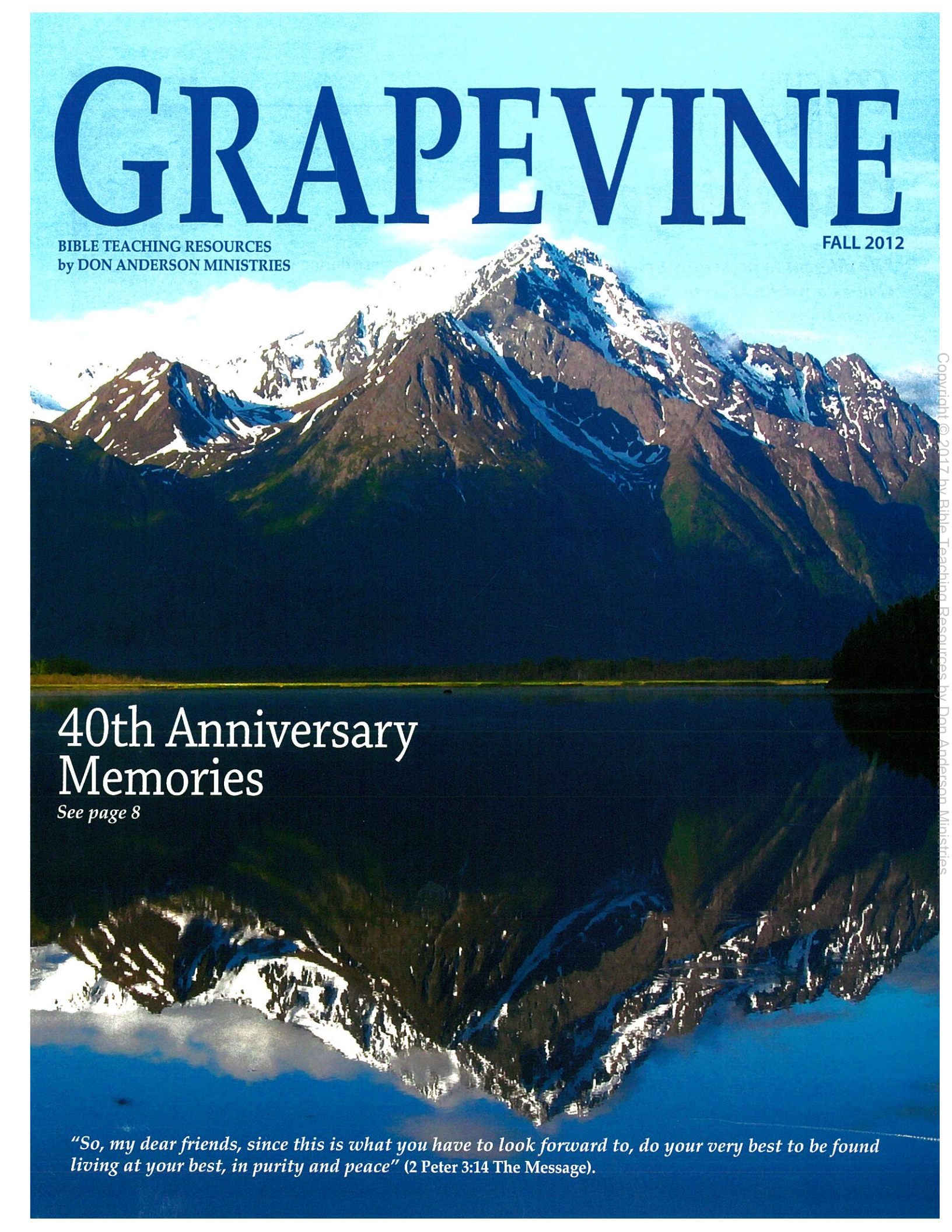


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40th Anniversary Memories

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"So, my dear friends, since this is what you have to look forward to, do your very best to be found living at your best, in purity and peace" (2 Peter 3:14 The Message).

Due Diligence

“Be diligent to present yourself approved to God as a workman who does not need to be ashamed, handling accurately the word of truth” (2 Tim. 2:15 NASB).

Peterson paraphrases Psalm 90:12: “Oh! Teach us to live well! Teach us to live wisely and well!”

The *New Living Translation* of Psalm 90:12 reads: “Teach us to make the most of our time, so that we may grow in wisdom.”

The NIV translates Psalm 90:12: “Teach us to number our days aright, that we may gain a heart of wisdom.”

Scupoli writes in the book *The Spiritual Combat*:

Remember every day,
that He Who gives you the
morning does not promise
the evening, and when He
gives you the evening,
does not promise the next
morning.

Spend, then, every moment of the passing hour in a way which is pleasing to God, as if it were your last, and so much the more carefully, seeing that for every moment you must give the strictest account.¹

The following is from the *Ontario Pioneer Camp News*:

Time Waits for No Man

If your Credit Union credited your account each morning with \$86,000.00 but carried over no balance from day to day, allowed you to deposit no cash in your account; and each evening cancelled out what ever amount you

failed to use during the day,
what would you do?

You’d draw out every penny,
of course!

Well, we all have such a bank, but it deals, not in dollars, but in time. Each morning it credits us with 86,400 seconds, and each night it rules as lost whatever portion we fail to invest to good purpose. It carries no balance and allows no overdrafts and no deposits. If we fail to use the day’s deposit, the loss is ours! There is no going back...no drawing against “tomorrow.” So invest your seconds well, in order that they may give

you the utmost return in health,
happiness and success.

It is your time...make sure
YOU control it!²

When we say a person is
characterized by diligence,
what do we mean by that?

The dictionary definition of diligence is “To love earnestly. Steady application; constant effort to accomplish what is undertaken; industry; care; perseverance.”

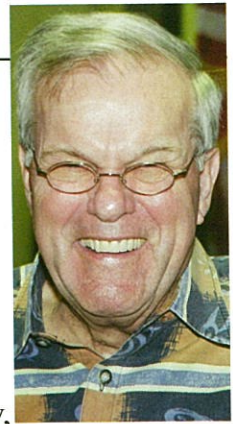
In the words of C.H. Spurgeon:

Perseverance is the badge of true saints. The Christian life is not a beginning only in the ways of God, but also a continuance in the same as long as life lasts. It is with a Christian as it was with the great Napoleon: he said, “Conquest has made me what I am, and conquest must maintain me.”³

Let’s dig into 1 Timothy 4:15-16.

1 Timothy 4:15: “Be practicing these things, be

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From the Editor

What a year it has been as we have celebrated all that God has done for BTR! From a May Waxahachie couples conference to a July Alaska cruise to an August Colorado family camp at Trail West, it has been a wonderful period of rejoicing and giving thanks. We are sharing photos and a few memories of the summer's fun in this issue. But we can't have all play and no work! We invite you and your organization to consider using BTR resources to facilitate your own Bible teaching. Whether you lead a neighborhood Bible study or teach Sunday school or simply want to study God's word with your friends or family, we'd like to help. Inside you will find ideas for using BTR resources. Thanks to you, our faithful friends and supporters, for making the work of BTR possible. To God be the glory, great things He has done!

—Jane Rodgers



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Teaching for Eternity

How BTR Can Help You Prepare To

"There is surely a future hope for you, and your hope will not be cut off"
(Prov. 23:18 NIV).

"Remember how the Lord your God led you all the way in the desert these forty years, to humble you and to test you in order to know what was in your heart, whether or not you would keep his commands" (Deut. 8:2 NIV).

Our Daily Bread, July 20, 2012, was entitled "Blunders to Wonders." Julie Ackerman Link writes the following: "When we love Him, Jesus can turn our most serious blunders into awesome wonders." She then offers this prayer: "Lord, I'm so human and make foolish mistakes. And worse yet, I willfully sin against You. Please forgive me, change me, restore me, and use me for Your name's sake. Amen."

Fifty-three years ago I graduated from seminary. Inscribed on my seminary ring for the class of 1959 is 2 Timothy 4:2 in Greek: **"κήρυξον τὸν λόγον"** (preach the word). I had such a love and a passion to teach God's word. Fifty-three years later I still have that same passion. "Your promises have been thoroughly tested, and your servant loves them" (Ps. 119:14 NIV).

While we were serving on the staff of the Firs conference center, our director arranged for us to spend a week with Wetherell Johnson and Miss Hertzler in Northern California. These saints were just starting Bible Study Fellowship. I asked Miss Johnson if she thought I could do away with outside speakers at the Firs, teach my camp staff the scripture, and have them in turn teach their campers. She did. Our director said, "Go for it!" Our experiment provided a double blessing. The counselors matured in the word as they taught campers every day; the campers had

their Bible teacher with them 24 hours a day.

At Pine Cove, I implemented the same system, and God blessed us—using the staff to bear fruit in campers' lives.

In 1972 when Bible Teaching Resources was founded, I did the same thing. I just taught the word, giving some 200 Bible classes a year for decades. Many of the students in those classes went forth to teach the material to others.

Eventually, we began sponsoring teacher training classes to formally instruct folks in inductive Bible study methods and teaching strategies. Over 100 students have taken our teacher training course.

For 22 years I taught the word, verse-by-verse, to congregations in two retirement communities.

Amos records the word of the Lord: "'The days are coming,' declares the Sovereign Lord, 'when I will send a famine through the land—not a famine of food or a thirst for water, but a famine of hearing the words of the Lord'" (Amos 8:11 NIV).

We are living in those days. Bible Teaching Resources is poised with studies, study guides, questions, lessons, CDs, DVDs, and Mp3 downloads to help you, not only to study the word, but to teach it and preach it.

Here are some testimonies of folks who have used our materials through the years.



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Teach the Word

by Don Anderson

Camp counselor & director

The 1971 study of 1st Peter provided a life-time of insights.

—Dr. Dan Bolin, International Director,
Christian Camping International

Camp counselor / Bible teacher

One of the blessings of growing older is looking back, seeing how God has brought people into our lives as He conforms us to the image of His Son. In my life, Don and Pearl's ministry stands out. After graduating from college, I served on staff at Pine Cove where the word was foremost in everything. It was taught, and I saw it lived. Later, as BTR resources became available, I have drawn from them as I have taught ladies' Bible studies. They have been an asset enriching my life. Don's scholarly, yet humble, clear, concise approach to communicating God's word stirs my heart and spurs me on, anxious to share God's word with others. With clarity, compassion and conviction, Don and BTR have responded to Paul's challenge, "Now teach these truths to other trustworthy people who will be able to pass them on to others" (2 Tim. 2:2 NLT). I am forever thankful.

—JoAnn Macan

Pastor

Don, The teacher training and related materials are an excellent tool for teaching Bible study classes because they are a complete resource for the study. At Twin Cities Baptist Church, the students receive the well-prepared study guides at the beginning of the session for their preparation prior to class. The CDs give me a time to study with you, Don, and prepare for the verse by verse study.

I certainly recommend the training resource materials for those that are teaching or seeking biblical truths.

—Doug Grissom, pastor Twin Cities
Baptist Church

Sunday school teacher

I can remember the day I sat down to "study" my Bible, and I just sat there looking at it and had no idea how to even start. ... Bible Teaching Resources [sent a mailing giving] information on a class Don was going to teach on "How to Study the Bible." I signed up for the course and attended a few weeks later. Since I was a novice at this, at first the information seemed overwhelming. However, there were things that seemed logical, like learning that generally the best interpreter of scripture is scripture. I saw how Don took a verse and surrounded it with reference verses that dealt with the same subject matter and gave insight to the meaning and intent of the verse being studied. Today I use this method a lot and it has its own built in rewards, including the fun of searching the scriptures. Part of the course also included an introduction to the "Inductive Method" of Bible study. I received a copy of Kay Author's book *How to Study the Bible* and similar books by Howard Hendricks. These books have proved to be a great help and I continue to glean information from them today. Over the years I discovered that a great way to "kick start" a study of a particular section of scripture is to listen to Don's recorded lessons. These are available today on the Bible Teaching Resources web site.

—Don Saddoris, Granbury

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Sunday school teacher

The BTR resources for teachers are great! You can listen to Don during the week and get immersed in the lesson. Don's verse by verse teaching makes the scripture come alive. And we have the teachers' notes to study, highlight and prepare. And when we teach the lesson, we have the BTR handouts for the participants that include the scriptures, questions, and lessons from the passage. I have seen countless times how the BTR studies impact people's lives for Christ. I encourage you today to begin using the BTR resources for teachers!

—Ronnie Marroquin

Church pastor

Many of us have favorite Bible teachers to help us hear, learn, and apply God's word. Don's Bible teaching resources became my centerpiece of study during my early "growing" years after trusting Christ. His use of the original languages to get the most out of every verse gave me confidence to pass on what I learned to those I taught in my home church. My walk with Christ is now 40 years. Don Anderson is still the one I call my first spiritual mentor.

Dr. David Nichols, Friendly Bible Class teacher, Marvin UMC, Tyler

Church member

Dear Pastor Don,
Just finished reading BTR Newsletter. There is a great "famine" sweeping over our nation (Amos 8:11), but praise God we are "eating mighty good" here in Hideaway; we receive an abundant helping every Sunday from the word of God through you! You and Pearl are such a blessing and we praise God for you. See you Thursday for "dessert" [Bible study].

—Ed & Marjorie

What an awesome God we serve! Can you hear the Lord saying: "Come along with Me! The best is yet to be!"? Please let us know at BTR if we can help you teach God's word more effectively. We'd love to help.

Forty Years:

It was 1983. My husband, Mike, and I were invited by our dear friends Lee and Nancy Bailey to a Bible study presented by Don Anderson in San Antonio. We attended. I think Don was teaching on the life of David. But it could have been Joseph...or maybe Abraham. Mike doesn't remember, either. Now we are in our mid-50s and selective memory is our forte. Just ask our daughter, now 24, who forgets nothing. Her day will come.

However, I do recall thinking that Don was an amazing Bible teacher and that the scripture had never seemed so clear to me. We asked to host Don for dinner one evening during that San Antonio tour, and prior to our visit with him, Mike had mentioned that I was expecting our first child the following October (another good reason for not remembering that Bible study topic, to my thinking—pregnancy is the perfect excuse for just about anything). Mike had also told Don that I liked to write, and that I was about to be a "retired" English teacher, once the baby was born. Mike has always been my best publicity agent. That little bit of information was all Don needed. It seemed he was looking for someone to help him prepare his material for publication in book form. So it began.

For the next ten or so years, Don and I worked on eight books together, mostly Bible commentaries. Don wrote study notes for Tyndale's *Life Recovery Bible* and I added a few articles as well. We were busy. We attended Christian Booksellers Association conventions and met with publishers and editors. We combed over galley proofs and chapters. Most of our work was done long distance....these were the halcyon

From Floppy Disks to a 21st Century Focus

by Jane Rodgers

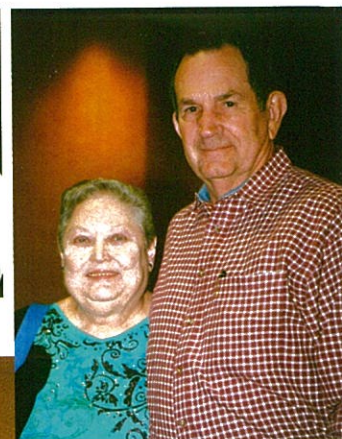
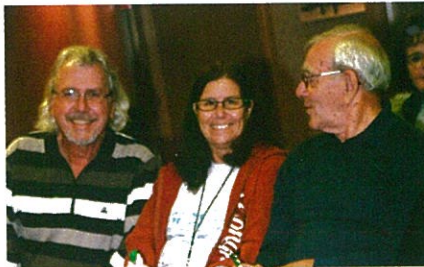
pre-email days of floppy disks and revolutionary new micro-computers. My first Compaq had a 6 inch screen. Laptops were still places for cats, dogs, and kids. Don and I would meet together for several intense days of work just before a manuscript was due. Often he would come to San Antonio, but I recall once having to fly to Tyler in a puddle jumper during a severe thunderstorm. This is still an experience I do not recall fondly. In 1991, Mike and I even moved to Tyler to help with the Don's camps and conferences. Mike also handled the business end of things for Don Anderson Ministries in the 1990s. Then the opportunity came for me to teach full time at a Tyler private school—with it the chance to be at school with my kids—and I had to retire from writing with Don and re-enter the world of grading essays.

It was a great ride...except for that plane flight...and I've been privileged to work on the Grapevine since... with tremendous help from Genevieve Martin in the BTR office and Keith Yates of Dallas Seminary, our graphic designer. Mike has served on the boards of both Don Anderson Ministries and Bible Teaching Resources since the '90s. We are grateful for the impact that Don and Pearl have had in our lives and in the lives of our kids, Jake and Carrie, who still refer to the Andersons as "Uncle Don" and "Aunt Pearl." Wherever I go, I run into people who heard Don while they were at college or who came to Trail West or who attended a Bible

class somewhere sometime. This is the legacy of Don and Pearl Anderson: thousands of lives impacted for Christ quietly, faithfully, and eternally. Amen. Please join Mike and me in congratulating them for on this milestone of ministry: 40 years!

Here we are at Stratford, England...Shakespeare's birthplace to be exact!





Alaska Cruise July 6-13

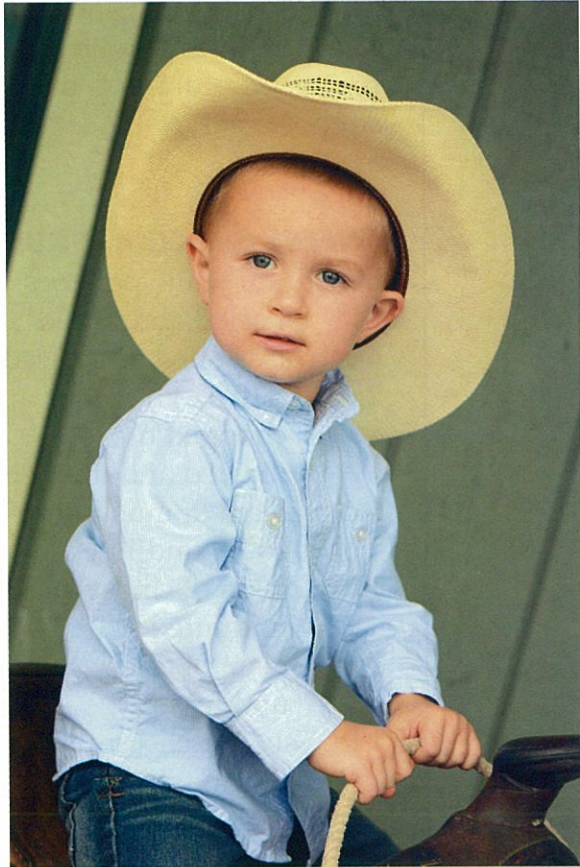
The BTR group of 30 boarded the Celebrity Infinity Millennium cruiser July 6 to celebrate BTR's 40th anniversary in style in Alaska. Folks literally came from around the globe! Gary and Diane Gray had just returned from a year serving in Africa as missionaries. Pearl's brother from Nevada registered for the cruise unbeknownst to us and surprised us with his presence

Don taught eight studies in the book of Titus during the week while we were at sea. We attempted to record the studies, and we will make them available if the technology (or its human operators) didn't fail us. As Don put it, "I got to thinking while on board ship; a continuous cruise would sure beat the assisted living facilities. Just cruise on into glory!"



Trail West August 13-18

One hundred and three people attended our week at Trail West. This included longtime BTR friends the Holleman family who enjoyed a reunion with their group of 23. Guests enjoyed hiking, picnicking in the aspen grove, and playing games. Many toured Frontier, Young Life's other facility in the area. One highlight was our evening of barbecue and square dancing led by Gregg Anderson. Many chose to go whitewater rafting on the Arkansas River with our friends at Noah's Ark, too. And yes, we found time for some Bible study, too! Thanks to all who came. Enjoy the photos.



More photos on page 13.



BTR: 40 Years Young!

Thank you for your prayers, friendship & support over these 40 years! We've been blessed with a year of celebrations and thanksgiving. You have made it all possible. To God be the glory, great things He has done through His people!

RECIPE CORNER

Donna's Delights

Thanks to Donna Anderson Skorheim for the following recipe. Comfort food like soup is great for the fall...or anytime!

CHEESY BROCCOLI SOUP

- 5 medium white potatoes,
peeled and cubed
- 4 carrots, peeled and sliced
- 2 pkgs. (10 oz.) frozen
chopped broccoli,
thawed and drained
- 1 can cream of mushroom
soup, undiluted
- 1 can cream of chicken soup,
undiluted
- 1 can cream of celery soup,
undiluted
- 1 lb. Velveeta cheese, cubed
- 1 (16 oz.) can whole kernel
corn, drained

Boil potatoes and carrots in a small amount of water until tender. Drain off most of the water, leaving only about 1 inch of water in the pot with the vegetables. Add thawed, drained broccoli and cook just a few minutes, then add the soups, corn and cheese. Cook slowly about 15 minutes. Do not boil.

Editor's note: Thin soup with milk or water according to preference.

New DVDs available!

Choosing an Early Exit

This is a new DVD from Don treating the timely subject of suicide and depressing. Order from the office by calling 877.326.7729 (toll-free). Order #DVD1000. The cost is \$10.

Colossians

We have completed the twelve studies in Colossians and the series is ready for distribution. These were video recorded last year. If you would like to host a video recorded class in your neighborhood, workplace, community center, or church, we will furnish study guides for you to use. Just request the number of guides needed. Give it a try and see how it works. Order #DVD750. The cost is \$60.

Learning To Live, Love & Listen to Each Other

In this marriage DVD series, Don addresses relationship with God, unconditional love, compassion, and forgiveness. Taken from four of the parables, these videos can be used in private or group settings. Order #DVD930. Cost is \$60.

My Favorite Smoothies

Try one of these tasty, nutritious treats to help you embrace a healthier lifestyle.

Smoothie #1

Combine in blender: leaf spinach, one banana, two slices of cantaloupe, fresh peaches, fresh blueberries, 2 tablespoons of fat free yogurt, 1/2 bottle of Gingerberry Synergy, and a glass of crushed ice.

#2

Combine the following in a blender: kale, one banana, two slices of Fuji apple, fresh peaches, fresh blueberries, 2 tablespoons of fat free yogurt, 1/2 bottle Mango Synergy, and a glass of crushed ice.



Pearl's Reflections

by Pearl Anderson

Reminiscing: God is Faithful

As you have read, we are celebrating the 40th year of Don Anderson Ministries / Bible Teaching Resources.

These 40 years have "covered the waterfront" in experiences. They have ranged from the highest exaltation of joy to the lowest valley of testing and pain.

God knew we would need a lot of help. He allowed us to have the most loving, caring, faithful, generous, second mile, "cream of the crop" people He could provide.

This journey has been replete with these "tall timber" types. Of course, Satan always sprinkles in a few false ones who take advantage and weaken the gospel of Christ. Why does God allow this? Here is the reason: "No one handles poor souls so gently as those who remember the smart of their own heart-sorrows" (Richard Rushing (ed.), *Voices of the Past* 195).

Please pray for us. We want to closely follow the Lord Jesus these next few years on earth. "Faithful is He who calls you, and He also will bring it to pass" (1 Thess. 5:24 NASB).

"Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord" (1 Cor. 15:58 KJV).

"That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word" (Eph. 5:26 KJV).

The Greatest Gift: A Collection Devoted to Prayer

by Bruce Wilkinson, Ruth Myers, Otis Ledbetter, David Jeremiah, Oliver North, Shirley Dobson, Ron Mehl, and Greg Laurie (Multnomah)

This is a wonderful meditation upon prayer featuring different writers who each devote a chapter to the subject: Bruce Wilkinson, Ruth Myers, Otis Ledbetter, David Jeremiah, Oliver North, Shirley Dobson, Ron Mehl, and Greg Laurie. David Jeremiah, in his chapter on prayer, quotes Oswald Chambers: "We pray when there's nothing else we can do...but Jesus wants us to pray before we do anything at all" (63). This book will enrich your prayer life.

The Spiritual Combat

by Lorenzo Scupoli (Scriptoria Books)

This book is a hard-hitting work on personal disciplines written by a sixteenth century monk. Here is an excerpt: "Therefore we ought to bear this in mind throughout our whole life—every day, every hour, every moment; and never allow the thought that there are any grounds for confidence in ourselves" (11). This book will be a great aid to your devotional reading.

The Sky Is Not Falling: Living Fearlessly in These Turbulent Times

by Charles Colson. Brentwood, TN: Worthy Publishing. Copyright— Charles Colson, 2011.

I was so glad I was reading this book when Colson went home to be with the Lord. He had a phenomenal impact on our generation, not only from his international prison ministry, but also simply from his well-lived life. In Chuck's words: And I can attest from personal experience that we are losing—or more disturbingly, have already lost—our communal sense of moral absolutes (5). If you have never read one of Colson's books, this would be a fine one to begin a journey through his many works.

I Never Thought I'd See the Day!: Culture at the Crossroads

by David Jeremiah. New York, NY: Faith Words. Copyright— David Jeremiah, 2011.

I always love reading Jeremiah's works because he is so faithful to the exposition of scripture. In this book, he deals with almost every problem that we are facing in our culture. You will find chapters on atheism, war, Jesus, marriage, morality, the church, the Muslim state, and the nation Israel. He then makes a powerful presentation of the gospel. This excellent work will bring you up to date on many issues.

Implosion: Can America Recover From Its Economic & Spiritual Challenges in Time?

by Joel C. Rosenberg. Carol Stream, IL: Tyndale House. Copyright— Joel C. Rosenberg, 2012.

What a book! This masterful, well-researched work is one everyone needs to read. Joel accurately measures the pulse of civilization. He fears for the future of America: "America is headed into an assisted-living facility for retired global powers" (40).

Rosenberg writes the following about America's relationship to Israel:

But let us make no mistake: if the United States stops blessing Israel and the Jewish people and either abandons them or begins actively working against them, then we will no longer be eligible for the blessings of God. Rather, we will face God's curse. This is a fate no nation can long endure. Certainly not ours. Indeed, given all the other enormous and existential economic, fiscal, spiritual, and moral challenges we face, I have no doubt that America will most certainly implode if we stop actively and consistently blessing Israel and the Jewish people.

God will not be mocked. One way or another, America will reap what she sows. (101)

More fun from Trail West



living (throwing yourself into) in them in order that your progress may be evident to everyone” (DAV). The verse begins with a command. “Be practicing these things.” “Practicing” means to give careful thought to, according to the *Bible Knowledge Commentary*. The commands “Be practicing these things,” and “be living (throwing yourself into) in them” are also in the present tense. This means we should be doing these daily. Get focused!

The purpose behind these 2 commands in verse 15 is seen in the final phrase: “in order that your progress may be evident to everyone.”

I am reminded at this point of Hebrews 12:1-2: “Therefore, since we have so great a cloud of witnesses surrounding us, let us also lay aside every encumbrance, and the sin which so easily entangles us, and let us run with endurance [perseverance] the race that is set before us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God” (NASB).

1 Timothy 4:16: “Keep on paying careful attention to yourself and to the teaching; keep on continuing in them (sticking to it), for in doing this you will save yourself and those who are hearing you” (DAV). The verse contains two present tense commands: to keep paying careful attention and to keep sticking to it. Why? As we do so, we shall “save” ourselves and those who are “hearing” us.

Stephen Charnock in *The Existence and Attributes of God* puts it this way: “Every minute that passeth speaks the fewer remaining till the time of death; and as we are every hour further from our beginning, we are nearer our end.”⁴

Luke 9:23: “And He was saying to them all, ‘If anyone wishes to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow Me’” (NASB). That “daily” is our assignment and will make us diligent as we are faithful.

What is involved in pursuing diligence? Let’s consider the daily dozen.

THE DAILY DOZEN

1. Wake up with an attitude of gratitude.
2. Get with the Lord as soon as possible.
3. Read the word and have a memory program.
4. Pray to the Lord & praise Him.
5. Sing a hymn.
6. Say something positive & affirming to each member of your family.
7. Treat your work as serving the Lord (Colossians 3:23).
8. Be a witness (Matthew 5:16 & Colossians 3:16).
9. Do some special act of service for your wife & family.
10. Set aside time to communicate with your wife (date night).
11. Be fast to ask & grant forgiveness.
12. Be accountable.

David McCasland wrote an article for *Our Daily Bread* called “Daily Diligence,” excerpted here:

Internationally acclaimed violinist Midori believes that focused, diligent practice is the key to performance. While playing a rigorous schedule of 90 concerts a year, she still practices an average of 5 or 6 hours a day. Jane Ammeson, in *NWA WorldTraveler* magazine, quoted Midori as saying: “I have to practice for my job and I practice every day. ... It’s not really the hours, but the quality of the work that needs to be done. I see with students, that they play and they call it practice, but they are not listening and not watching. If you have your textbook open, it doesn’t mean that you are studying.”

... Diligence implies constant, earnest effort, and is the opposite of a careless, inattentive approach. It embraces every aspect of our relationship with God.

Just as a musician strives for excellence, we should want to serve God with confidence, seek His approval, and skillfully share His Word with others.

Am I diligently studying, praying, and listening to the Lord today?⁵

Lamentations 3:22-23: “Because of the Lord’s great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness” (NIV).

2 Peter 1:5: “So don’t lose a minute in building on what you’ve been given” (MSG).

2 Peter 1:5: “So make every effort to apply the benefits of these promises to your life...” (NLT).

2 Peter 1:5: “Now for this very reason also, applying all diligence, in your faith supply moral excellence, and in your moral excellence, knowledge” (NASB).

2 Peter 3:14: “Therefore, beloved, since you look for these things, be diligent to be found by Him in peace, spotless and blameless” (NASB).

2 Peter 3:14: “And so, dear friends, while you are waiting for these things to happen, make every effort to live a pure and blameless life and be at peace with God” (NLT).

Peterson paraphrases 2 Peter 3:14: “So, my dear friends, since this is what you have to look forward to, do your very best to be found living at your best, in purity and peace” (MSG).

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FALL Tour 2012

(CLASS CURRICULUM LISTED BELOW) September 17 – October 25, 2012

**MONDAY – September 17 & 24, October 1, 8,
15 & 22 (LIVE)**

6 week study in Ephesians

12:20 p.m.—FT. WORTH BUSINESSPEOPLES
NOON CLASS

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 10th & Lamar
Ft. Worth, TX 76102

Class host: Garner Roberts, office: 817.763.5831
(Catered lunch available at 11:50 a.m. Please call with
your reservation by the Friday before each class.)

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(LIVE / CAMCORDING)**

6 week study in Ephesians

7:00 p.m.— Granbury Evening Class

September 17, October 1 & 15

@ Don & Fran Saddoris' home
9409 Monticello Dr (Pecan Plantation)
Don & Fran Saddoris: 682.936.4097

September 24, October 8 & 22

@ Ken & Carolyn Stanford's home
9623 Champions Dr (Pecan Plantation)
Ken & Carolyn Stanford: 817.579.5562

**TUESDAY – September 18 & 25, October 2, 9, 16 & 23
(VIDEOCONFERENCE)**

6 week study in Ephesians

7:30 P.M. —DALLAS AREA EVENING CLASS

3921 Winter Park Rd

Addison, TX 75001

Class hosts: Gary & Sydney Smith, cell: 972.322.9050