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Journal

Dear Supporters and Friends,

"I had always thought 1 and 2 Kings was just a whole lot of facts of history with a few interesting stories thrown in," remarked one of my students. Unfortunately, this is how many view these great books (and 1 and 2 Chronicles as well) - just a bunch of facts about people disobeying God. Hopefully, we are changing that way of thinking by helping students to see that every book of the Bible was meant to draw us closer to God. Truly, I stand amazed at the rich theology about our God found in the Kings and Chronicles. These are two of the books I am privileged to teach this quarter at Bear Valley Bible Institute. These two books, along with a course in Bible Geography, have kept me busy throughout each week during our stay in Denver, and it has been such a joy to help students to see both the love and justice of God as revealed in the content of these courses. Way beyond simply the facts of who ruled when and where, each of these courses has been designed to help students learn about the problem of sin, and most importantly, the salvation that comes from God. God demonstrated so much patience and love before sending sinful Israel and Judah into captivity. He gave them clear instructions, and sent prophet after prophet to reveal His power and mercy, but tribes to the north and most of the kings in the south continued to rebel. Yet even in captivity, God continued to give them hope.

A similar hope is what I experience each and every day at the Bear Valley Bible Institute. Even though many places around the globe remain uncertain about the future, and even though unrest and hatred continue to thrive, I am blessed to see 34 full-time students preparing to reach the world for Jesus. Thankfully, many of them aren't even waiting until they graduate. Several of

our students are involved in personal Bible studies with their neighbors and friends, and many of them are preaching somewhere in central Colorado every Sunday. We have been blessed seeing their spiritual growth, and just being around them has enriched us personally. Not only are we able to interact with them in our classes, we also have been privileged to host most of them in our home for Sunday



John held a socially distanced study session in our yard to help students prepare for his geography exam!

Planned Schedule

August-October
(J&C) BVBI

October 2-3:
(J) Men's retreat in
Franklin, TN

October 8-12:
(J&C) Northern
New England
Lectures

November 6-8:
(J) Biblical Guidance
Seminar in Katy, TX

November 14:
(C) Ladies Day in
Bowling Green, KY

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It is humbling to ask, but could you, someone you know, or your congregation possibly help to support the work of Bible Passages? If you'd like to know more about what we do, go to our website, and click the "[Work and Ministries](#)" tab.

alongside Wes Autrey, a member of the Bear Valley congregation and fellow BVBI staff, in a private effort to encourage and minister to some in the congregation. Finally, during the month of August we were excited to release Bible Land Passage #13, *Caesarea by the Sea: Rome's Capital in Israel*. After the long process of edits, proofing, and final steps of production, BLP #13 is up and running on several media platforms. Two new reflections are up as well, so please take a moment to see these wonderfully edifying films which have employed some really exciting 3-D virtual models of the buildings and harbor from first-century Caesarea. Please share these faith building videos with your family and friends.

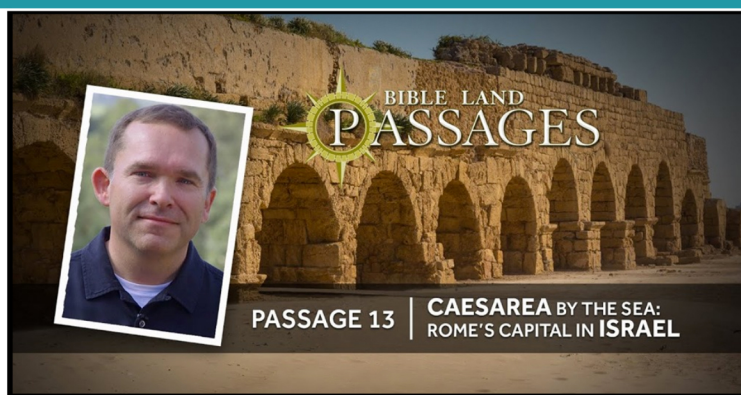
As I close, I want to say once more that we are greatly indebted to you for your love and support. We are so, so humbled by the fact that you have continued to help provide for our financial and spiritual needs. Your contributions have allowed us the freedom to give ourselves completely to the ministry. Because of you, we are able to have a part in training men and women for ministry. Because of you we are able to share the good news with others. Because of you, we are able to defend the faith and encourage others by directing the Bible Land Passage ministry. Thank you, our brethren. We love and thank God for each of you. Please keep us in your prayers.

John W. Moore

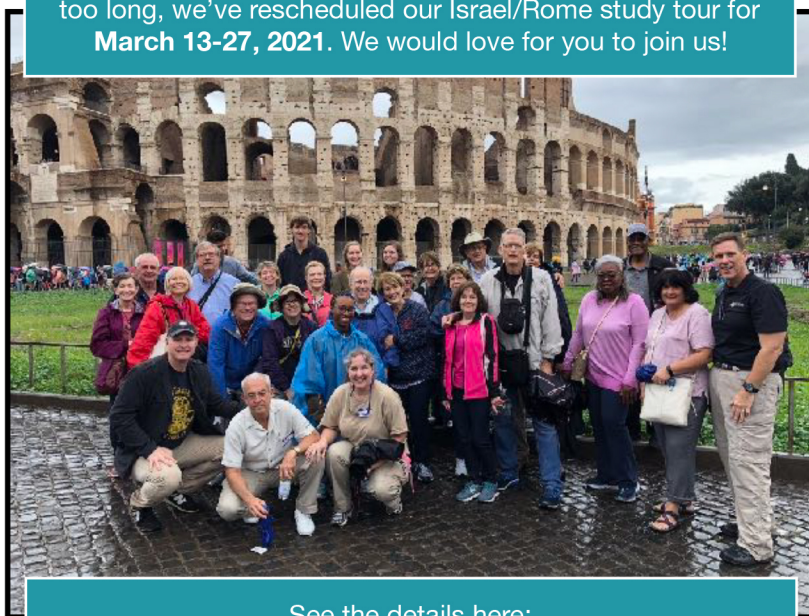
night gatherings, Friday morning coffees, and to be with them for singings in the parking lot on Tuesday evenings. Likewise, in her new role, Carla has spent many hours counseling, assisting, and helping to manage the day to day affairs of the single and married women in the program. She is having a tremendous impact for good.

In addition to my weekly classes, I have also been privileged to speak in chapel, preach at the Woodland Park congregation, meet with several students for mentoring and counseling, and work

Check out BLP #13: [Caesarea by the Sea, with Gary Massey!](#)



Trusting that the world will return somewhat to normal before too long, we've rescheduled our Israel/Rome study tour for **March 13-27, 2021**. We would love for you to join us!



See the details here:
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L-R: Jackson turned four years old on August 16!...The BVBI students have been gathering in the parking lot on Tuesday evenings to sing together... John's "office" has moved to the house, and this is where he teaches class...we loved meeting up with John's cousin Carolyn and her husband Lee...we were treated to dinner with these guys: Brian Gossett, Trevor Smoot and Johnny Miranda (it was delicious!)...I'm with Alexis Ihle, Lauren Humphrey and Teri Autrey - all of the BV women are invited to walk with us weekly...John preaching at the Woodland Park, CO congregation...working on a presentation for youth PTP...We enjoyed dinner with Donnie and Noma Bates (Donnie is one of the BV elders and is also Academic Dean and an Instructor at BVBI.)



Carla's Comments

It's September 8 as I sit here and write (and we are late on our report!) and...it's snowing. Snowing, on September 8! SEPTEMBER. SNOW. But it's 2020, so we should be used to all things out-of-the-ordinary by now!

August was a month full of meetings, Zoom classes, socially-distanced small gatherings, getting to know new people and being reunited with old friends. It's been a good, challenging month. I am sitting in on both of the women's evening classes: Monday night is a class on the Godhead taught by Dave Chamberlin, and Wednesday night is a class called "Evangelistic Women" taught by Martha Lair. Monday's class is on Zoom, but Wednesday's is in person (something I'll never again take for granted,) while we spread far apart in the chapel and wear masks. Tuesday and Thursday mornings, I sit in on Denny Petrillo's Matthew class (on Zoom.) I am loving the extra time to learn! Bear Valley is hoping to be back in the classroom before too long, but we are doing our best to follow the state's guidelines. Isolation is hard. God meant for us to be together, relying on one another for edification and encouragement. Please continue praying for resolution for Covid-19 - not just the illness but all of the disruption and disunity surrounding it. I know we all have different opinions! During our first chapel session on Zoom, I sat there feeling pretty grumpy and sad because we weren't all together. Right about then, I got a text from one of the students, Katy Ballance, who said "This is the coolest! I could cry!" I needed more of her perspective.

This month in scripture writing, I came across a psalm with the words "...this I know..." and it piqued my interest into exploring those words in all of the Bible. I posted on Facebook that I was going to ignore all of the "what ifs" and focus on the "I know"s. My favorite is: "This I know, that God is for me," (Psalm 56:9). I asked for others to chime in with their favorites, and these are a few that might encourage you: "I know that You can do all things, and that no purpose of Yours can be thwarted," (Job 42:2). "I know whom I have believed and I am convinced that He is able to guard what I have entrusted to Him..." (2 Tim. 1:12). "I know...that You delight in uprightness..." (1 Chron. 29:17). "I know that my Redeemer lives..." (Job 19:25). "I know, O Lord, that Your judgments are righteous..." (Ps. 119:75). And Jesus said, "I know Him, because I am from Him, and He sent me," (John 7:29). I'm reassured by these truths.

Please continue to pray for our moms; we know they get lonely and the days are long. We hope to visit soon (in fact, we are going to surprise them in a couple of days with a 2-day trip home! Hopefully they won't see this before our arrival!) Thank you all for the many ways you continue to bless us. We love you and thank God for you! Love, *Carla*



We made a quick trip to Houston for Jackson's 4th birthday!



I'm enjoying having an office!