

Publishing Peace

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"Behold on the mountains the feet of him who brings good tidings, who proclaims peace!..." (Nahum 1:15)

Online Classes

After a hiatus from having our online classes, they are back and expanded.

We are pleased to announce that each quarter of the 2023-2024 school year will feature an online class. These are not a part of our regular curriculum.

In the first quarter. (August 14, 2023-October 20, 2023) **Phil Grear** will be teaching the first half of our class on Paul's epistles to the **Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians, & Philemon**. He will teach the second half of it in the third quarter (January 22, 2024-March 29, 2024). Those classes will take place on Thursday evenings from 6:30-9:00 p.m. Eastern time.

In the second quarter (October 30, 2023-January 19, 2024), **Ken Burton** will teach the first half of the **Gospel of John**. He will teach the second half in the fourth quarter (April 8, 2024-June 14, 2024). These classes will take place on Tuesday evenings from 6:30-9:00 p.m. Eastern time.

Questions you may have:

Why are the classes taught in two halves? Each class in our regular curriculum amounts to an almost six-hour per week class. The evening classes are only 2 1/2 hours. Therefore, there is no way to adequately cover the necessary material in one quarter of evening classes. The two halves arrangement gives students the opportunity to study just as much in depth as the regular curriculum student.

Who may take these classes?

The classes are designed for tent-making preachers, i.e., those fellows with full-time jobs who preach on the side and desire more education.

Others may take for credit or audit. Be aware, though, that priority is given to preachers regarding discussion time, etc. No one will be permitted to dominate discussion time.

We reserve the right not to admit students.

Will these classes transfer into the regular curriculum?

Once both halves of the class are completed, it would count as the one regular curriculum class should the student eventually enroll in the regular full-time program. Up to four classes may be thus applied.

To sign up, go to this link and fill out the fields on the form: https://wvsop.com/evening-online-classes-2/

Graduation 2023



June 16, 2023 was a special night, as held our 28th Commencement Service.

Jordan Smith was our graduate! He is to be commended for all his hard work, and his wife Grace is to be applauded for all her help to him through his time at the school.

We also honored **Christie Robison** for all her service to the Hillview Terrace church of Christ and the West Virginia School of Preaching.









29th Annual WVSOP Victory Lectures October 22-26, 2023

The Victory Lectures started in the second year of WVSOP, 1995. Lectures in audio form, and later in video and audio, are available on the website, wvsop.com. Lectureship books that are out of print are available in pdf form at that same site.

We invite you to be a part of this year's very special lectureship.

With the guidance of experienced faculty members, members of the Lectureship Committee, in 2015 a great purpose was undertaken—to cover all of the book of Psalms (150 Psalms!) in five years of lectures (2015, 2017, 2019, 2021, and 2023). Those first four lecture series were completed; the books are available. This year, Lord willing, will be the fifth and final section in that series. Most of the focus will be on the Messianic Psalms.

Two of the Lectureship Committee members who have been especially responsible for the development of the topics for this series are Charles Pugh and Terry Jones. Charles most often takes the book we plan to study and outlines it so that we can assign different sections to invited speakers. For the Psalms series, Charles asked Terry Jones—our instructor in the book of Psalms at the school—to help develop the titles of the lessons and decide the breakdown of what would be studied at each year. Both have done a masterful job.

Charles then suggested that the traditional Lectureship dedication this year be to Terry Jones and his wonderful wife, Mindy. When brought to the committee, the committee and the eldership quickly and unanimously agreed.

Terry has been a valued member of the faculty since 1995. He has worked tirelessly for the school even beyond his teaching role, in so many ways. Mindy is his beloved and supportive wife, a great servant in the Lord's church in her own right. It is our honor and privilege to dedicate this year's lectureship book and lectures to Terry and Mindy Jones.

The dinner to honor them will be Tuesday of the Lectureship, October 24, at 4:30 p.m. **Please RSVP by October 16** if you plan to come to the catered meal and celebration.

The studies of the week promise to be very rich. Our two keynote speakers highlight a list of quality preachers who will be presenting the fruits of their in-depth study. Those keynote speakers are Tom Wacaster and Billy Smith. Brother Wacaster is the author of several commentaries, including a series on the Psalms themselves. Brother Smith is a recently retired professor from Freed-Hardeman University, well-loved for his personality, well-known for his scholarship, and appreciated for his pleasant delivery of the glorious Gospel of Christ.

We hope you will make plans to attend this event. If you have questions or need some help with logistics (hotel options, etc.), please let us know by contacting us using the contact information on the front of this newsletter.

We ask you to pray for this event, that it will be for the edification of souls and to the glory of God.

Books and Lectures

Lectureship books are available. We request a \$20 donation to cover costs, plus just a little extra. We request a little more to handle shipping costs, if such is applicable. You can order by calling 304-845-8001.

The lectures are available on our website at https://wvsop.com/victory-lectures/.

Friday,

August 18,

7:00 p.m.

Singing from 7-8 p.m.

Pie and Fellowship

to follow

Please RSVP by August 11

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Theme:

"When I Study The Psalms . . ."

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