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- Honoring Rev. Dr. William B. Stroman, Sr.
- Remembering Eternally Rewarded Tabernacle Saints
- Learning About The Old Testament
- Having Some Fun
- A Word From Francis Schaeffer

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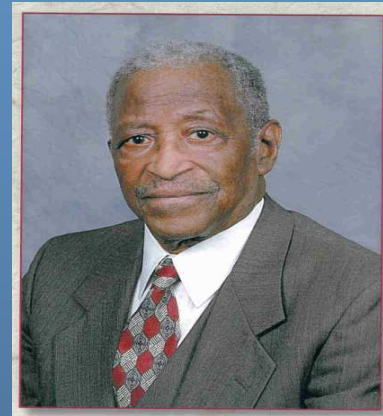
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A LEGACY TO BE HONORED

Reverend Doctor William Boyd Stroman, Sr. had a long and successful tenure of thirty-four years and ten months at Tabernacle as Senior Pastor, but he also served as a Layman, Deacon, Associate Minister, Youth Fellowship Minister, Assistant to the Pastor and Acting Senior Pastor

On March 29, 1980 Reverend Doctor William Boyd Stroman, Sr. was installed as the fifth Senior Pastor of Tabernacle Baptist Church and served with distinction. While he was Senior Pastor, Dr. Stroman achieved many outstanding accomplishments. His accomplishments included the following: Many new organizations, committees and functions have been formed. The Agape Love Fellowship; Tuesday Evening and Thursday Morning Bible Classes; The Thursday Noon Day Prayer and Praise Hour; the reestablishment of Youth Bible Class, a comprehensive Lay Ministry and the Christian Education Committee.

Further, in addition Dr. Stroman organized the James A. Levi Washing-



ton Memorial Bible Class, the James A. Hayes Memorial Library, the Katie R. Dines Missionary Choir; a Tutorial program, he also reestablished the Expansion program, a church website, a social networking and computer training program "Otis C. Redenburg Technology Center", introduced a five-year Plan, organized a Bible and Orientation Program for new members, an Athletic and Recreation Program and a Scholarship Program for undergraduate College students (vote by committee and named the William B. Stroman, Sr. Scholarships.) and Feeding The Hungry Ministry. Also, two Special Projects led by First Lady Magnolia Smith

Stroman were completed. The first was a project to install beautiful Stained Glass Windows in the Sanctuary of the Church and the second upgraded the lighting in the Sanctuary. A third Special Project to purchase new musical instruments (a Yamaha Baby Grand Piano and a Rogers Organ) was completed.

Rev. Dr. Stroman retired as of January 01, 2015 and was bestowed the title Pastor Emeritus. Pastor Emeritus Stroman went to receive his eternal reward on March 17, 2015.



The Lamplighter

A Brief Survey Of The Old Testament



As we light the lamp we begin with an introduction and survey of the Old Testament.

To begin we must understand that the Bible is a unique book. Although it is a library of 66 books it is one book with one theme. Although it has 39 or 40 different authors writing over a span of some 1500 years there is a unity and harmony that blends each different Book and author together into one single focus.

The purpose of this study is to help you survey all 66 books in the Bible and to see in that survey the harmony of the Bible as you see the parts of each book adds to that theme. The notes that follow are not intended to explain everything to you. In fact, they are not intended to explain very much at all. They are basically designed to guide your personal study and point out some of the themes and key ideas in each book and each section. Often the notes do not do much more than list some of the important sections for you to notice. So you will find these notes most helpful if you study them right as you read and study your Bible. Three important matters must be mentioned by way of introduction before we get to Genesis.

1. The Purpose of the Bible

Why was the Bible written? Why do we have these 66 books in our hands? Is the Bible meant to be a history book of people in the past? a science book of all God's handiwork, a record of how God dealt with people? You will find that the Bible concentrates on one theme SIN AND ITS SOLUTION man's fall and God's remedy. Genesis begins in chapter 3 with the sin of Adam and Eve and their subsequent loss of fellowship with God. Revelation concludes with man again in fellowship with God in the New Jerusalem. So the purpose of the Bible is to show us God's plan of redemption; how God deals with sin, to warn about it, judge it, and redeem people from it.

In the final sense, God's remedy for sin is all wrapped up in Jesus Christ. He is the solution to man's sin problem by virtue of His death on the cross. This is why all scripture, in talking about God's plan of redemption, is talking about and pointing to the REDEEMER, Jesus Christ (see how Jesus points this out in John 5:39). This is why some important historical events are passed over in Scripture so briefly, while other events are given much more space. The emphasis in Scripture is not history, or people, or science, but God's activity in solving man's sin problem.

2. The Division of the books in the Old Testament.

The Division of the books in the Old Testament. The 39 books of the Old Testament can be conveniently divided into 5 sections.

The Law (Pentateuch) - Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers and Deuteronomy

Historical Books – Joshua, Judges, Ruth, I Samuel, II Samuel, I Kings, II Kings, I Chronicles, II Chronicles, Ezra, Nehemiah and Esther.

Wisdom and Poetical Books – Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes and Song of Solomon.

Major Prophets – Isaiah, Jeremiah, Lamentations, Ezekiel and Daniel.

Minor Prophets – Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah and Malachi.

3. The Chronology of the Old Testament.

If we take Archbishop Ussher's chronology as being correct, here is how the Old Testament breaks down chronologically:

The First Two Thousand Years — Genesis 1-11, Adam to Abraham.

The Second Two Thousand Years — Genesis 12 - Malachi 4.●



In Loving Memory Of



Mother

Birden Bolling Baker Skinner

Sunrise: November 07, 1914

Sunset: August 28, 2014

Celebration Of Life: September 06, 2014

Matriarch; Mother of Church; Missionary; Nurse; Prayer Warrior; Community Leader

Brother

Joseph Reese, Sr.

Sunrise: April 03, 1918

Sunset: December 19, 2014

Celebration Of Life: December 27, 2014

Patriarch; Mr. GQ; Godly Quiet Spirit; Community Leader

Brother

Cornell Thomas

Sunrise: May 12, 1921

Sunset: January 26, 2015

Celebration Of Life: February 14, 2015

Patriarch; Mr. Men's Chorus; Godly Quiet Spirit; Community Leader

Sister

Dorothy Mae Kidd

Sunrise: February 22, 1926

Sunset: February 16, 2015

Celebration Of Life: February 28, 2015

Matriarch; Mother of the Sunday School; Godly Quiet Spirit; Loved and Counselor of Young People

Deacon

Henry Grady Pearson

Sunrise: August 30, 1918

Sunset: March 04, 2015

Celebration Of Life: March 13, 2015

Patriarch; Father of Church; Deacon; Teacher; Prayer Warrior Counselor; Godly Quiet Spirit

Sister

Agnes Virginia Smith Rogers

Sunrise: March 02, 1925

Sunset: March 11, 2015

Celebration Of Life: March 20, 2015

Matriarch; Prayer Warrior; Godly Quiet Spirit; Community Supporter

Rev. Dr.

William Boyd Stroman, Sr.

Sunrise: March 02, 1928

Sunset: March 17, 2015

Celebration Of Life: March 23, 2015

Patriarch; Senior Pastor; Pastor Emeritus; Teacher; Prayer Warrior; Counselor; Community Leader

Sister

Mary F. Reese

Sunrise: October 09, 1925

Sunset: May 27, 2015

Celebration Of Life: June 06, 2015

Matriarch; Speaker of Truth; Godly Quiet Spirit; Community Supporter

Sister

Amanda Belle Walker

Sunrise: September 10, 1918

Sunset: June 29, 2015

Celebration Of Life: July 06, 2015

Matriarch; Choir Member; Speaker of Truth; Godly Quiet Spirit; Community Supporter

Brother

Robert Lee Madison

Sunrise: January 22, 1935

Sunset: July 21, 2015

Celebration Of Life: July 30, 2015

Patriarch; Choir Member; Teacher; Trustee; Layman; Prayer Warrior; Counselor; Community Leader

Our Role

We must remember throughout our lives that in God's sight there are no little people and no little places. Only one thing is important: to be consecrated persons in God's place for us, at each moment.

—Francis Schaeffer, *No Little People*





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October 2015

- 04 – Men's Day
Rev. Wendell Lancaster
- 25 – 104th Church Anniversary
Rev. Dr. William B. Stroman, Jr.

November 2015

- 08 – Annual Laymen's Day
Speaker TBA
- 22 – Annual Officers Day
Elder Cecil D Ealy

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"It's Fun Time"



STAY NOURISHED

Eating nutritious foods such as apples helps keep our bodies healthy. But Proverbs tells us about other important sources of "nourishment."

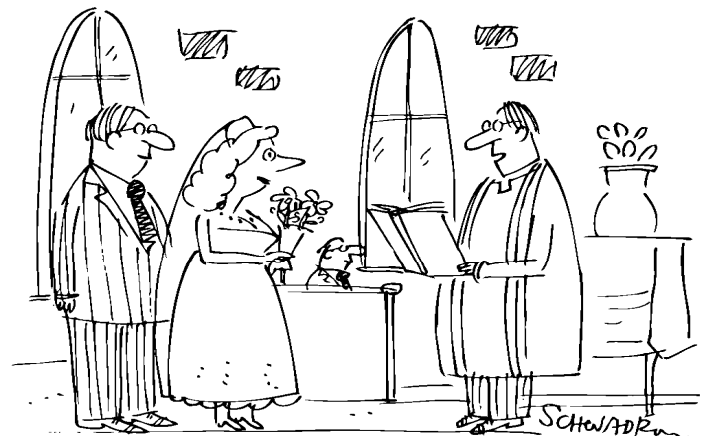
Directions: Use the words in the apples to complete Proverbs 3:7-9, NIV.



Do not be in your own ;
 the and shun .
 This will bring to your
 and nourishment to bones.
 the LORD your wealth,
 with the firstfruits of your .

PROVERBS 3:7-9, NIV

Answer: Do not be wise in your own eyes; fear the LORD and shun evil. This will bring health to your body and nourishment to your bones. Honor the LORD with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops.



"The correct response is 'I do' — not 'it's worth a try.'"