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APPALACHIAN CONFERENCE 2010 Quadrennial Conference & Camp Meeting & 100th Year Celebration!

June 15-19, 2010

*Appalachian Conference Campgrounds
(Camp Maranatha)*



Rev. Talmadge Gardner
Executive Director
Discipleship Ministries
Presiding Officer



The Hoppers
Special Guests
June 15 – Evening Celebration Service



Dr. Ron Phillips
Evening & Morning Speaker

June 15	<i>Special Celebration Service</i>	<i>The Hoppers</i>
June 16-17	<i>Morning Speaker</i>	<i>Dr. Ron Phillips</i>
June 16-18	<i>Evening Speaker</i>	<i>Dr. Ron Phillips</i>
June 18-19	<i>Quadrennial Conference—Presiding Officer</i>	<i>Rev. Talmadge Gardner</i>
June 18	<i>Ordination Service—Friday – 2 PM</i>	<i>Rev. Talmadge Gardner</i>
June 18	<i>Global Outreach Service—Friday PM</i>	<i>Rev. Preston Mathena</i>
June 19	<i>Discipleship Ministries Convention—Saturday – 2 PM</i>	<i>Rev. Talmadge Gardner</i>



Bishop's Page

KEN KINGREA

APPALACHIAN CONFERENCE'S CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION



E.D. Reeves
1910-11, 1913-16
1918-1920

a new branch into the denomination. Following a formal ceremony and election, Reverend Edward D. Reeves was chosen the first Superintendent of the Virginia Conference Fire Baptized Holiness Church.

Within the next six months, four other holiness/pentecostal churches would join with the Roanoke church to complete the conference. These churches were Piedmont, Radford, and Pulaski, Virginia, and Montcalm, West Virginia. Within the next several years, other churches

would join the Virginia Conference as Pentecostal fires burned in Virginia and West Virginia.



H. M. Clower
1916-18

The Pentecostal movement in the early 1900s faced much opposition from established denominational churches and from the public in general. The local news media of that day did not treat the exuberant, tongues-talking people with kindness, calling them "holy rollers," "pew jumpers," and "crazy people." However, even under extreme persecution, Pentecost spread like a fire throughout Southwestern Virginia and Southern West Virginia. Churches sprang up in mountain hollows, back roads and in out-of-the-way places.

Pioneer preachers traveled from one end of the conference to the other, establishing churches and preaching Pentecost. Many left their families and jobs to carry the gospel to the far reaches of Virginia and West Virginia. Their sacrifices have never been chronicled, but it was not unusual for them to sleep at night on the pews of the churches where they were holding services. Many of them went without food, good clothes and transportation, but the drive of their heart was greater than the difficulties they encountered. Today we are blessed by the sacrifices of these men and women who paid a tremendous price for our existence.



E. R. Clower
1912-13, 1920-22



A. D. "Doc" Wiley
1922-25, 1925-27 (WV)
1928-1929 (WV)

The men pictured with this article served as the first four superintendents of the Appalachian (Virginia) Conference.

RETIRED MINISTERS' APRIL BIRTHDAYS



APRIL 11
 REV. EARL BUCKNER
 RT. 4, BOX 358A
 BLUEFIELD, WV 24701

APRIL 15
 REV. DAVID BAIN
 P.O. BOX 27
 NATURAL BRIDGE, VA 24578

APRIL 24
 REV. CHARLES PFAFF
 2101 10TH STREET
 RADFORD, VA 24141

APRIL DATES TO REMEMBER

- 2 First Friday Fast
- 2 Good Friday (Conference Office closed)
- 3 Men's Ministries Resurrection Breakfasts
(District Event)
- 4 Easter
- 10 Conference Junior & Teen Talent Finals
Ranger of the Year Competition
Ft. Chiswell HS
- 17 Conference Bible Quiz Finals
St. Paul PH Church
- 21 Administrative Assistants Day
- 24 Ranger Basics Training
- 30 Tower Training



WORLD MISSIONS MINISTRIES 2010 Great Commission Meals

DATE	DISTRICT	TIME
Friday, March 12	East Tennessee.....	6:30 PM
<i>Ryan Family Steakhouse, 2645 E Andrew Jackson Hwy, Greeneville, TN</i>		
*Saturday, March 13	Central Virginia	12:00 Noon
<i>Tree of Life Ministries, 371 Oakdale Circle, Lynchburg, VA</i>		
Monday, March 15	Shenandoah.....	6:30 PM
<i>Mrs. Rowe's Restaurant, 74 Rowe Rd, Staunton, VA</i>		
Tuesday, March 16.....	Greenbrier.....	12:00 Noon
<i>Shoney's, Hwy 219, Lewisburg, WV</i>		
Tuesday, March 16.....	Central West Virginia.....	6:30 PM
<i>Ryan's Grill Buffet & Bakery, 1320 N Eisenhower Dr, Beckley, WV</i>		
*Thursday, March 18.....	New River Valley & Roanoke.....	6:30 PM
<i>Harbor of Hope Church, 2720 Roanoke St, Christiansburg, VA</i>		
**Friday, March 19	Southwest Virginia.....	6:30 PM
<i>Draper Valley PH Church, Draper Valley, VA</i>		
*Saturday, March 20	Bluefield/McDowell	12:00 Noon
<i>South View Church, Kroger Shopping Center, Bluewell, WV</i>		

*RSVP to 540-674-4131 ext. 207 or latrissia@aol.com

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REPORT FROM HAITI

by Missionaries Darrel and Bonnie Clowers,
Regional Ministry Coordinators for the Caribbean



We express our heartfelt gratitude to God and to you, our churches that have sent funds for the Disaster Relief in Haiti. We are humbled by your response.

Thank you for your commitment to the rebuilding of a “new” Haiti. God is accomplishing wonderful things in the lives of Haitians. You would be pleased to see how your IPHC brothers and sisters are persevering and standing in light of great personal tragedy and loss, as is F. Saintilies (Simon) Vixomar. His beloved wife, Rosemary, went into their house to retrieve some items when an aftershock hit. She was killed, and their home was demolished. In one day, he became a widower, and their two

daughters lost their mother. As he frantically searched for his wife, his motorcycle taxi was stolen. It was tragedy on all sides for him; it seemed as though he lost everything. His two young daughters are staying with his sister because he has lost his means to support them. As if that weren’t enough, he still owes the bank \$1,350 for the stolen motorcycle. Simon is an IPHC minister and works in the conference office. This is one family’s story, but thousands of Haitians share this same experience.

We can help rebuild. For \$3,500, a modest 2-3 room home can be built.

The compound wall is up and is secure! The six showers and four toilets in the dormitory are functioning. We have running water on the compound and a dependable water source. More bunk beds are being purchased to house teams more efficiently. Ceiling fans will be installed to ensure a more comfortable sleep as well. The conference office restrooms are also working, and the computer lab is on line.

Medical teams are making a huge difference in the lives of many and saving limbs from certain amputations. Two nurses, Dana and Jackie, at the compound in Bon Repos sent the following note: “It has been a very successful day here in Haiti. We saw 183 people. Every bad wound that we have seen over the last three days has improved drastically!”

**Make all donations to: Appalachian Conference –
Earmarked: Disaster Relief – Haiti Project #15.**

As this goes to press, the amount collected by the Appalachian Conference is \$28,067.

The Bike

by Ben and Marianne Janssen, Missionaries in Eastern Europe

A few years ago a brand new bicycle was purchased for our church planter, Namik. He had been walking, often for four days, from Baku, Azerbaijan, to the mountains in the north of the country, where he evangelized his beloved Azeri people.

His only child, a beautiful 12-year-old son, died from leukemia. Namik became very ill; he stayed in bed for months. His wife could not handle the misery and left him. His younger sister stepped in to care for him. At last, he recovered and could not stop praising the Lord for his healing.

Again he stepped on his bike and continued evangelizing from village to village in the dry, rocky mountain area of Azerbaijan. One day, as he pedaled down a steep path, four big shepherd dogs came out of nowhere and attacked Namik. He fell from his bike, yet was able to grab a stick. He fought off the vicious dogs, all the while praying for the Lord to help him. Finally, a shepherd came running, yelling at his dogs, which calmed down right away. Namik brushed himself off, thanked the man and promptly began witnessing to him about the Lord. The shepherd pleaded with Namik to come to his home. Namik sensed there was something wrong and followed the shepherd, all the while keeping a watchful eye on the dogs.

When he stepped into the humble little home, he found four children in bed with a severe skin disease. He carefully bent over each child, and as he kissed each one on their faces,



Namik (left)

he declared that they were healed by the Lord.

One week later, Namik biked back to the shepherd’s hut. He was greeted by four healthy children, who lavished hugs

and kisses upon him. There was not a trace of the skin disease that had ravaged their little bodies. Namik again prayed with the family and thanked God for his bountiful grace.

We met Namik a few weeks ago in the Republic of Georgia. He came with the main pastor of the Baku church. His beaming face brought joy to our hearts. Although he is now alone, he knows that the Lord is his Shepherd and he will be well taken care of.



Discipleship Ministries

LARRY MEADORS

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The Awakening



Max & Jessica Barroso

The Awakening is the brand new youth and college department of World Missions Ministries. For years, both World Missions Ministries and Discipleship Ministries had the desire to develop a program that would serve our young people by helping them connect and respond to God's calling on their lives in regard to missions.

This same burden was on Max and Jessica Barroso's heart: to see this upcoming generation

rise up and play a significant role in the fulfillment of the Great Commission. In late summer of 2009, Dr. Doug Beacham, Discipleship Ministries, and the Barrosos began to mesh out a plan to bring this vision to fruition.

One of The Awakening's primary goals is to help connect those young individuals who are called to serve as career missionaries. If there are youth or college students out there who believe they are called to missions, we want to grab them by the hand and walk together through the entire process. We commit to be a resource all the way from helping students choose the appropriate college to their first day on the field.

Another major element of our program is the sending of short-term missions teams. The Awakening is hosting two denomination-wide trips in 2010—to South Africa during the summer and Myanmar in the fall. We are also available to partner with local churches and conferences to help build and design their own teams!

During January and February, The Awakening has been involved in multiple events, such as the IPHC youth conferences (Altitude and Accelerant) and the SEND Conference (See Every Nation Discipled) at Emmanuel College. We want to be available in every way possible to connect with students and begin serving them in their pursuit of their callings. In just that short time, we have already connected with over a dozen youth and young adults passionate about missions ministry!

Here are three ways that you and your church can be a part of The Awakening:

1. **Go.** Encourage your young people and youth and college pastors to participate in the various opportunities The

Awakening makes available for IPHC young people to serve, be empowered, and get connected with their destinies.

2. **Pray.** Without your prayers, The Awakening simply would not be possible. We believe that intercessors are vital to our effectiveness, safety and victory in the spiritual battles we encounter around the world. We depend greatly on our faithful prayer partners and ask that each of you lift us up as well!
3. **Give.** Max and Jessica, like every missionary, are raising their financial support in order to serve in this position. Would you consider supporting their ministry as they serve the Great Commission by helping raise, train, and develop our next generation of IPHC missionaries? For more information, e-mail Max and Jessica at info@goawakening.org or visit The Awakening's website: www.goawakening.org.

Discipleship Reflection Celebrating 100 Years of Ministry



The Royal Rangers ministry was adopted by the IPHC from the Assemblies of God as our official ministry to young men in 1986.

It replaced the Ambassadors for Christ. The first Leadership Training Course (LTC) was held in Roanoke, Virginia, at New Life Christian Ministries. Skip Salmon and

Bob Selkirk were the Assemblies of God instructors. The training was very thorough and involved four Saturday sessions, in addition to an overnight campout weekend. This first LTC resulted in 50 trained men in 21 churches, thus establishing the ministry in the Appalachian Conference. Our first conference commander was Conald Fogus. The first national commander was Edward Wood. The first conference Pow-Wow was held on the conference grounds in June of 1986. Today, the Rangers continue to offer a great ministry to reach, keep and teach boys for Jesus Christ. The focus is on "fun and accomplishment" and assisting the young men as they earn the Gold Medal of Achievement before age 18. If God is leading you to influence a young man's life, why not become a Royal Rangers commander?

See back page for Plan Ahead for Discipleship



Women's Ministries

WANDA MYERS



MEMO TO: ATTENTION ALL LADIES
FROM: WANDA MYERS, WM DIRECTOR
UPCOMING WOMEN'S MINISTRIES EVENTS
IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

QUADRENNIAL WOMEN'S MINISTRIES CONVENTION

Pray for God's guidance as the ladies elect a new board.

DATE: MAY 22, 2010

TIME: 9:30 A.M.

PLACE: Valley Harvest Ministries – Dublin, Virginia

ANNUAL BUS TRIP TO THE AMISH COUNTRY

April 16-17, 2010

See "JOSEPH" in its FIRST SEASON!

Bring a friend and come along!

Shopping and dinner at Miller's Smorgasbord too!

ANNUAL FALL RETREAT

- **MUSIC ROAD INN AND HOTEL**
- **PIGEON FORGE, TN**
- **FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2010 AT 7:00 P.M.**
- **WITH GUEST SPEAKER AMY LAMBERT**
From Bramwell, West Virginia
- *As an Evangelist, she has been a special guest on Enjoying Everyday Life with Joyce Meyer and preached for Reinhard Bonnke in Kenya.*
- *She has a wonderful ministry of deliverance and is seeing God free people from the power of sin.*



Amy Lambert

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World Intercession Network

DONNA HANKLA



MORE FAITH, PLEASE!

Most of us carefully watch our bank accounts. Often, we review our checkbooks and cash flow. But what about your *faith account*? Do you have enough faith for your current concerns? Do you have enough faith to pray for your family? Do you have enough faith to pray for your nation? Is there anything draining your *faith account*? Are you being overwhelmed with *doubt, discouragement or disappointment*?

We should be like the disciples. They did not hesitate to ask Jesus to increase their faith. (Luke 17:5) There are several times in our lives when we need to pray in faith. The Gift of Faith is mentioned in 1 Corinthians 12:9.

FAITH TO FORGIVE! – Jesus was teaching about “not being offended” in Luke 17:1-6. He was also teaching about forgiveness. Following this teaching, the disciples asked Jesus to increase their faith. It takes *faith* to avoid offense. It takes *faith* to forgive. It takes *faith* to believe that God can take care of us when we are treated poorly.

FAITH IN STORMS! – One day the disciples were on a peaceful boat ride. Then suddenly a storm came, and they feared for their lives (Mark 4:35-41). They ran to wake the Master. Jesus stood up and said unto the sea, “Peace, be still.” There followed a great calm. Then He asked the disciples, “Why are you afraid? Do you have no faith?”

Without faith, it is impossible to please and be satisfactory to Him. “For whoever would come near to God must believe that God exists and that He is the rewarder of those who earnestly and diligently seek Him out.” (Hebrews 11:6, *Amplified*)

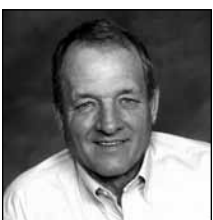
Your prayers of faith can bring miracles. Your prayers of faith can bring Light during times of Darkness! Your family, your church and your nation need prayers of faith. Today, be like the disciples. Ask, “Lord, increase our faith!”

WHAT DOES AMERICA NEED?

This nation has faced so many trials in the past few years: trials such as 10 percent unemployment, economic instability, dangerous storms and terrorists. We need to take a look at our history. During times of great distress, including the Civil War, the Depression, World War I and World War II, prayer saturated the nation. One responsibility of the church is to pray actively for our nation.

Often I herald the call for intercessors to join the Appalachian Conference 24-Hour Prayer in conjunction with the Capitol Hill Prayer Partners. Each week we pray from 6:00 p.m. Friday to 6:00 p.m. Saturday. Intercessors take one-hour shifts and pray in their homes.

After each appeal, after each *Messenger*, I long to hear my phone ring for eager intercessors. I hope this will be the month that people will give America just what is needed—Corporate Prayer! I’m waiting for your call! Donna Hankla (iWIN Prayer Director) 276-688-3709!



Men's Ministries

RICK BLACK



The Battle Is Not Ours

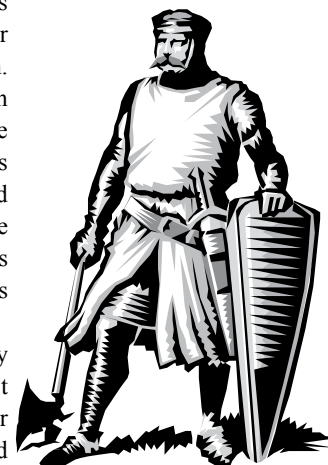
by M. S. Lowndes

“And he said, ‘Listen, all you of Judah and you inhabitants of Jerusalem, and you, King Jehoshaphat! Thus says the LORD to you: “Do not be afraid nor dismayed because of this great multitude, for the battle is not yours, but God’s.... You will not need to fight in this battle. Position yourselves, stand still and see the salvation of the LORD, who is with you, O Judah and Jerusalem!” Do not fear or be dismayed; tomorrow go out against them, for the LORD is with you.’” (2 Chronicles 20:15 & 17 [NKJV])

This scripture is a promise we can hold on to when going through difficult circumstances that seem out of our control and overwhelming. There are some battles that we simply can’t fight – and shouldn’t fight in our own strength. Sometimes God tells us to take our positions, stand still and see His deliverance. Sometimes we need to take our hands off, stand back and let God fight for us.

We needn’t fear what comes against us, but to stand firm in our faith. God knows the whole situation. Though we feel overwhelmed when we look at our circumstances, the Lord sees the whole picture and sees the way out for us. We need to let God have control and fight the battle we’re facing. He has promised that He is with us – and that He will bring us through.

If you are facing a battle today that seems overwhelming, give it over to God and let Him fight for you. He will work it all out, and make a way where it seems there is no way.



Address Service Requested

Pearisburg – Faith Temple



Nathan Burton

Nathan Burton, 14, is the son of Rev. Roy and Valerie Burton, pastor of Faith Temple Pentecostal Holiness Church in Pearisburg, Virginia. He has always enjoyed being involved in ministry, but has grown and matured in the talents with which God has blessed him over the past 18 months.

When he first moved to Pearisburg in June of 2008, he realized the church was without a drummer and asked if he could try playing drums. Knowing little about music in general and never having had lessons, he mounted the platform to play. He put his whole heart into playing the drums for God.

Two weeks later, while attending the Appalachian Conference Youth Camp, Nathan received the Baptism of the Holy Ghost, which brought about many changes in his life. Once he came home and took to the platform to play the drums, it was as if a different person was playing. God had gifted him with a special talent, and he played as though he had been playing for years. It was truly a miracle to see.

God continues to bless him. He has learned to play the alto saxophone in the Marching Band at Giles High School. For Christmas in December 2009, Nathan received an electric guitar. By New Year's 2010, he had learned to play several songs. Nathan knows that God has blessed him with each of these talents, and he is always ready to give God praise for what He is doing in his life. Nathan understands that this is a path that God has laid out before him, and God's anointing is upon him. He is eager to move forward in doing a work for the Lord.

God has been moving in the lives of the youth at Faith Temple Pentecostal Holiness Church. Many of the youth are active in ministry—singing, sound/media technicians, playing instruments, sign language, assisting in Children's Church and teaching. We give God all the glory!

by Pastor Roy Burton

Plan Ahead for Discipleship

- *See the Need Discipleship Ministries Offering Emphasis* – Easter Sunday, <http://cem.iphc.org/resoffer>
- *Youth Camp* – June 21-July 16 – The best summer experience for your youth!
- All the information is at www.appconfcem.org
- *Royal Ranger Basics Training* – March 27 at the campgrounds.
- *Talent Quest Finals* – April 10 at Ft. Chiswell High School
- *Bible Quest Finals* – April 17 at St. Paul PH Church
- *Tower Training* – April 30-May 1 at the campgrounds