

From the Desk of
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Dear brethren:

Greetings to you from the beautiful Shady Valley. The weather here in the valley is COLD!! We have already had snow this year! There is a tradition here (locals say it always works) for each foggy morning in August there will be a snow in the winter. In fact, some of them even have jars on their counters and a bowl of marbles sitting beside the jar. Each foggy morning a marble will be placed into the jar. Each snow in the winter will see a marble taken from the jar and put back into the bowl. They claim the marbles move back and forth almost always 100%. I hope not because we had MANY foggy mornings in August.

We are grateful for you and for brethren like you. We are ONLY able to be here serving the Lord because through God's grace, you have allowed Him to use you and generosity. We are so blessed in our lives, and we have you to thank for that.

Please remember that we stream all our Bible classes and sermons at Shady Valley live on our Shady Valley Facebook page. If you have not made yourselves available to these, please check investigate them. You can become a member of our page and we invite you to do so.

In our last letter we mentioned. That we had been under a great amount of stress and tension. We also told you that had been relieved. These last two months have been characterized by brethren relaxing, stepping up and stepping out in faith to become more involved. The attitude and atmosphere here at Shady Valley is so peaceful and conducive for growth. Thank you for your prayers and we ask you to continue to pray for our efforts.

The work at TCSOP&CD also continues to go well. The new quarter started October 24th and is going well. As I mentioned in our last report, I am teaching three classes this quarter: Old Testament Survey - Tuesday morning, Ezra, Nehemiah, and Esther - Tuesday afternoons, and Restoration History - Thursday mornings. We continue to participate in the live radio program on Thursdays at 2:00. I am enjoying these classes very much. This being my second year as a full-time instructor, I have notes that I used last year which makes preparation both smoother and deeper because I have more time to deepen my knowledge of the various subjects. Restoration History is a subject I had never taught before. Lord willing, next year this too will be more prepared.

We have a new student and his family starting in the Spring quarter. Please pray for us as we seek to prepare men to preach the gospel. We also endeavor to prepare men and women through our Christian Development aspect of the school. We invite and encourage men and women to take all classes they can which will help develop

their Christian character. This will help to uplift them and further equip the local churches to better do their work.

As I mentioned in the last report, Lord willing, the Spring quarter will also have me teaching three classes. One of those will be distant learning on Thursday nights at 7:00 eastern time. The subject of that class will be Bible Geography. I taught that subject last quarter to first-year students. This will be the distant learning class which can be attended personally or via Zoom. I am going to include a flyer promoting these classes. If you would be so kind, please print this and post where the brethren may have time to make their plans to engage in them.

My role as Dean of Public Relations continues to go well. We have had opportunities to attend various programs and promote TCSOP&CD. We also have had opportunity to write material promoting the efforts we are making.

We continue to participate in The Arise To Truth radio program which airs live each Tuesday and Thursday at 2:00 eastern standard time. You can listen and watch by searching for the program on Facebook. This has been a valuable tool in the past for reaching AND converting many people to the Lord. We encourage you to investigate this work on your computers, iPads, and phones.

Kathy is working part-time in the office with Vicky. Kathy has more than fifteen years' experience as a secretary in a preaching school. This means we spend most of our waking hours together in the Lord's work. We are so blessed and thankful that at this time of our lives, we can be so engaged in the Lord's work as a team. You make that possible so thank you very much. Our health seems to be good. We can go every day, serving the Lord. We are thankful to be able to serve the Lord together. Kathy's class that she taught last quarter ended October 13th. The class went very well. There were 30 signed up – 21 online and 9 in person. She did an excellent job in her preparation and presentation.

We realize the economy of our country is not helpful for most families. We are sure it is becoming more difficult for you to continue supporting all your works and we are thankful you are helping us. We pray if it possible that this support may be available for the upcoming year as well. We could not be here and be involved in these and other works in the name of the Lord without your assistance. We are SO thankful to you for the generosity which you have poured out upon us. We thank God for each of you. There is much work to do, and we are grateful God opened this door for us. We are also grateful you have seen fit to give of yourselves to help us in our labors for the Lord.

If you have any questions about the work, we are doing in either place, please feel free to contact us. We would love for you to come and see the works for yourselves. We would be honored to host you and show you around this beautiful place we call home. Please come and see all this for yourself.

May God bless you in our continued prayer.

Your grateful fellow-servants,

David B. & Kathy Jones

SPRING QUARTER 2023 | Jan. 30th - April 6th



TCSOP
CHRISTIAN
DEVELOPMENT

BIBLE EDUCATION

DISTANCE LEARNING

FROM HOME OR IN PERSON

Can't Get Enough of God's Word?

We feel the same! TCSOPCD loves to give Christians of all ages an opportunity to grow in their love for God, His Word, & His people. We offer free classes to shape better servants, soldiers, and fellowship in the kingdom. Take advantage by auditing or enroll in our Christian Development program. For more info, email:

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Ladies Class

The Book of Luke

Time: Tuesday: 7-9PM EST
Instructor: Hannah Leonard
Place: TCSOPCD

1162 Hwy 91, Elizabethton, TN 37643

This class will cover the life of Christ as told by Luke, along with the theological significances and modern day applications that are embedded within the book. At the end of the class, the student should be well acquainted with the events, characters, and meaning of this book.

Open to All

Bible Geography

Time: Thursday: 7-9PM EST
Instructor: David B. Jones
Place: TCSOPCD

1162 Hwy 91, Elizabethton, TN 37643

A good working knowledge of Bible geography will significantly aid & reward the diligent Bible student. This class aims to study the topography of Palestine and surrounding regions influential in the Bible narrative.

Apologetics E-Learning

Credit Requirements: Graduate of a School of Preaching or Graduate from a Bible College with Bible major

World Views

Time: Monday: 1-4PM EST
Instructor: Bill Haywood
Place: TCSOPCD

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The class is not a philosophy class, a music appreciation class, nor is it an art appreciation class; However, we will look at the influence of various disciplines on culture. The goal is to enable the student to communicate the unchanging gospel more effectively to people that come from various backgrounds (atheism to polytheism).

TO AUDIT OR ENROLL EMAIL: tcsopchristiandevelopment@gmail.com

Oh, how I love Your law! It is my meditation all the day...How sweet are Your words to my taste; sweeter than honey to my mouth! - Psalm 119:97, 103