



INTERMOUNTAIN BAPTIST BULLETIN

# VISTAS

"How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace; that bringeth good tidings of good, that publisheth salvation; that saith unto Zion, Thy God reigneth!" Isaiah 52:7

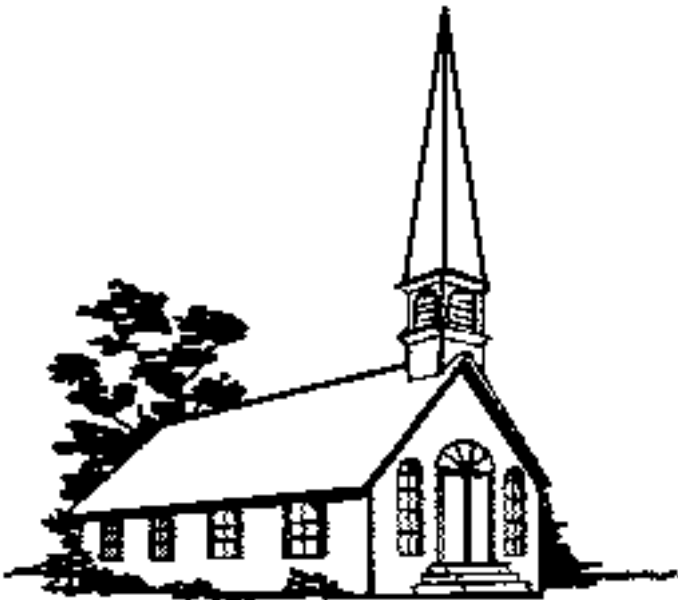
**May - June 2017**

## **THE MACEDONIA CALL ACTS 16:9**

We have received a call from a family in Scobey, Montana asking for our help to plant a new church in their community. They desire a Bible believing Baptist church to be established in their hometown. Please pray that God would raise up a Godly pastor to work with the IMBF in the planting and nurturing of a lighthouse for His Glory!

We have also received a request from an urban church in Great Falls, Montana looking for a summer missions team to help them for a week as they work with the young people of their community.

For direction with both of these requests please contact Dr. Paul Hoover at:  
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### **NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES**

#### **First Baptist Church - Cody, WY**

What a blessing it was to be at IMBF Spring Preaching meetings. Those who went were truly blessed by the fellowship and great preaching. Thanks to all the Pastors for the great messages of faith and commitment, and thank you to First Baptist Church in Laurel for their hospitality and kindness. Our Easter Sunrise service and breakfast went well. We had a good group in the congregation come and 10 visitors as well. It was another great day of fellowship and a wonderful time of celebration of our risen Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. On April 23rd we started our "Seeds Money for Missions" love offering. For this love offering, we have empty envelopes, or "seed packets", with a dollar amount written on them, and there are 5 packets for each of those dollar amounts. Once all the packets are gone, and our goal is reached, we hope to have the offering sent out to our missionaries before the summer is over. On May 13th our ladies will have a "Mother/Daughter Brunch" at the Sunset house for mothers day. On Tuesday, May 16th, Park Christian Schools will hold its annual Graduation and Awards ceremony. There will be one senior and three kindergarten students graduating this year. We are looking forward to finishing the school year and moving into the camp season. Thank you for your prayers, and we continue to pray for all of you and your ministries. Lord bless you all!!!

It is our prayer that we might relay to our readers the vistas of the glories of Christ and His work, enjoy the sweet fellowship of God' people, and share our burden for the great and needy harvest fields of the IMBF.

### **Heritage Baptist Church - Great Falls, MT**

April brought some exciting things to Heritage Baptist Church in Great Falls, Montana. Easter is definitely a time of great celebration, and we were blessed to have a 5,000 Easter egg hunt for our children! Also, we had our annual Mission's Conference on April 21-23rd. The conference brought in missionaries from Cambodia, Thailand, Calgary, Tanzania, Fiji, and from Reaching America Baptist Partners. During the entire conference there were many wonderful sermons and special music. Additionally, all of the missionaries went bus calling and soul winning on that Saturday. Sunday, they spoke to all of our Sunday school classes and we ended with a group fellowship of "Tacos in a Bag" with everyone, adults and kids alike! Our hearts go out to all the missionaries, near and far, and we pray for God's Hand to work in their ministry and for their safety.

### **Fellowship Baptist Church - Miles City, MT**

April was a very busy month for us. We were blessed in attending the IMBF meeting in Laurel. Our hearts were encouraged by the fellowship, the preaching, and the good reports of what the Lord is doing in other areas. We also had wonderful meetings with Evangelist Ken Lynch Easter week. The music was amazing, the preaching was encouraging and the attendance increased each day. We have continued to see God bring new families into our midst. One family came all the way from Hysham this past Sunday. That makes four families that travel an hour or so to come to church. We are praying for more laborers as the opportunities for ministry increase. It is a joy to hear our men talking about the need to add more pews to the auditorium soon. Thank you all for praying for us. We know God's people are praying and God's hand is moving.

### **First Baptist Church - Laurel, MT**

On the 9th We were greatly blessed to have Derek Thomas, President of Slavic Baptist Institute, and his wife Julie with us for all services on Palm Sunday. We have had much contact with Evangelist Neil Cadwell, founder of the Slavic Baptist Mission & Bible Institute over the years due to his wife, Peggy's, family connection to 1st Baptist. Neil has been with us for several Mission conferences and other meetings. When his health problems a few years ago caused him to start planning for leadership for the mission. Upon his Graduation to Glory we heard that Bro. Thomas accepted leadership of the Bible Institute about 3 years ago. He assumed that position then and they have been raising support since to minister in Ukraine. Since we had never met him, Pastor Widdis was pleased that we had this opportunity to get to know them! How good to learn of their background in pastoral and missionary service. and to feel their zeal to continue training nationals and planting churches! We heard late last week that Bro Neil Cadwell is now in Glory!! On the 10th & 11th we were happy to be able to host the IMBF Spring Preaching Conference. We had over twenty pastors in attendance-more than twice as many as in any previous year and evidence of Field Director, Dr. Paul Hoover's ministry over the last couple of years! We also welcomed Grace Baptist Church of Billings into the fellowship as the third church to join in the last twelve months. Though I was only able to attend the two evening sessions I was challenged by each of 4 messages. On the 28th & 29th youth leaders John & Katie Watts and 5 teens made the long trip to Rocky Mountain Baptist Church in Kalispell on Friday to participate in a Youth Rally that evening. There were about 50 youth from 5 churches in attendance to enjoy the meal, to hear a challenging message from Evangelist Bill Marshall, and fellowship till midnight at a bowling alley. They were able to arrive back in Laurel before evening on Saturday!

**Pastors of fellowship member churches can send news articles from their churches to Pastor Paul D. Hoover to be included in future issues of this newsletter. Contact by e-mail at pauldhoover@icloud.com**



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