



INTER-MOUNTAIN BAPTIST BULLETIN

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For Independent Baptist Churches in the
Mountain West United States

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SPRING PREACHING CONFERENCE

April 11 - 12, 2022 | First Baptist Church - Laurel, Montana

GREAT PREACHING—GREAT FELLOWSHIP
CHURCH PLANTING EMPHASIS—30 BY 30 VISION
OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE IN MOUNTAIN STATES
BAPTIST COLLEGE BLOCK CLASS

The Class is called "Ministry Mechanics" – Call 406.628.4366
or visit fbclaurelmt.org/msbcblock for more information.

ATTENDANCE EMPHASIS FOR RESURRECTION SUNDAY - APRIL 17



Again this year we are seeking to have an attendance emphasis for this special day. Our goal is 2,000 in total attendance among our churches who fellowship together. Pastors please share with me your attendance on Sunday afternoon April 17th so we can tally the total and rejoice together. You can email your attendance to: PaulDHoover@icloud.com We are praying the Lord will bless each church as they share the glorious story of the Lord's Death, Burial and Resurrection. This is a great opportunity to reach many who have never heard!!

FIELD REPRESENTATIVES REPORT

Pastor Paul D. Hoover (pauldhoover@icloud.com)

Thank you for inviting us to your church for a Camp Emphasis Sunday. We have enjoyed traveling to share with each church that has scheduled us. Our new "60th Camp Anniversary" video has been very impactful. We still have some Sunday's open. Please email us your desired date and we will seek to schedule you in the near future. Thank you for your involvement in our ministry. You are an encouragement to us as we seek to encourage Pastor's and Churches and help plant new churches for God' Glory!

Serving Him, Dr. Paul and Cindy Hoover

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 Pastor Hoover:
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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'S PEOPLE, AND SHARE OUR BURDEN FOR THE GREAT AND NEEDY HARVEST FIELDS OF THE IMBF.**

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

IMBF PASTORAL HIGHLIGHTS

Honoring those who serve among us and with us

Pastor Michael Backhaus, Bible Baptist Church, Sidney, Montana | Psalm 121

I graduated from Maranatha Baptist Bible College in May of 1979 with a MA in Pastoral Theology. June and I moved to Billings, Montana that summer and worked with Earl Wise at Billings Baptist Temple for one year and James Powell for one year. Billings Baptist Temple is now Grace Baptist Church. On August 1, 1981, we moved to Sidney to serve as assistant pastor and work in the Liberty Christian School. I became the head pastor in June of 1985 when the pastor I served under went into missions. Malcom Redman worked with me for five years and then Mike Roiger has served with us for the last 30 plus years.



The first year as head pastor the church was able to purchase the house next to the church property to serve as housing for our head supervisor and family. About 11 years ago we were able to add on to the northside of the church building to accommodate a wheelchair lift and extra rooms. We have been able to take on over 15 missionary families or individuals and steadily increase their monthly support over the years. The school has had 56 graduates and many are still faithfully serving in church. We helped in the starting of Westside Baptist Church in Glendive and the Bakken Baptist Church in Williston, ND.

In 2015 my wife and I were awarded the alumni of the year by Maranatha Baptist University for our continued faithful service. I became a police chaplain in January of 2021 and graduated from the National Police and Fire Chaplain Academy in August of 2021.

The Lord has been blessing with spiritual growth in our people. We have seen many come back over the last year as the cases of covid have decreased. We are still live streaming our morning services for those that are shut in or not feeling well on a given Sunday. We are currently looking to improve our sound system. Our theme for this year is "Be Strong in the Lord". We started with a series of messages on the family relationships (Ephesians 5) and the armor of God (Ephesians 6).

We desire to be found faithful and being a light in the community of Sidney. We are truly thankful for what the Lord has done.



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