



# VISTAS

For Independent Baptist Churches in the  
Mountain West United States

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## 10<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF DR. PAUL HOOVER AS FIELD REPRESENTATIVE

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Dr. Paul Hoover is giving God the Glory for being blessed to serve as the Field Representative for the Inter-Mountain Baptist Fellowship from 2014 - 2024. This accomplishment also marks the milestone of being the longest serving Field Representative in the 75 year history of the fellowship. Dr. Hoover would like to thank all of the Pastor's and Church members of the member churches for their encouragement to he and Mrs. Hoover during these years. It has been a great honor to serve the fellowship!

## FIELD REPRESENTATIVES REPORT

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### STRONG AS AN EAGLE

Lesson # 2 - Strength Renewed - Isaiah 40:31

When we totally wait upon God our strength will become a "Renewable Resource". That is what the Lord means when He says in Isaiah 40:31 ... "shall renew their strength". The obstacle to seeing this come to pass in our lives is our tendency to take matters into our own hands. Contrary to Proverbs 3:5-6 we want to "Lean unto our own understanding". This is disobedience to the Lord and His Word. The ultimate result of this disobedience is a weak and anemic Christian Life. We will not ... "be strong in the Lord, and in the power of His might" - Ephesians 6:10. We will not have our "strength renewed". Also, God's plans for our lives will not be realized. The secret to the renewed strength of the eagle is what the eagle does when a storm is approaching. The eagle will fly to a very high elevation and wait for the storm to arrive. As the winds of the storm increase the eagle will set its wings so that the storm will pick it up and lift it above the storm. While the storm rages the eagle will soar above and watch from a safe place. The eagle does not escape the storm but uses the storm to lift it higher than the storm. It rises on the winds that bring the storm.

Pastors of fellowship member churches can send news articles from their churches to Dr. Paul Hoover to be included in future issues of this newsletter.

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Just like the eagle may we learn the value of waiting and trusting totally on the Lord. May we rise above the storms of life by being in complete contact with God and relying only in Him. May He be the one that "renews our strength".

Happy Trails, Dr. Paul and Cindy Hoover



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

# OPPORTUNITIES FOR FELLOWSHIP IN 2024

Please mark your calendars for these great events in the New Year. Let's ask the Lord for a wonderful year of growth and service.

## INTER-MOUNTAIN BAPTIST FELLOWSHIP SPRING PREACHING CONFERENCE

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH - LAUREL, MONTANA  
MARCH 18 - 19

## NEHEMIAH WORK RETREAT

CASTLE ROCK BAPTIST CAMP | JUNE 6 - 8

## ELISHA'S ACADEMY

CASTLE ROCK BAPTIST CAMP | JUNE 12 - 15

## MEN'S RETREAT

CASTLE ROCK BAPTIST CAMP | JUNE 20 - 22

## CALEB'S KIN CAMP

CASTLE ROCK BAPTIST CAMP | JUNE 24 - 28

## SENIOR HIGH CAMP

CASTLE ROCK BAPTIST CAMP | JULY 8 - 12

## INTERMEDIATE CAMP

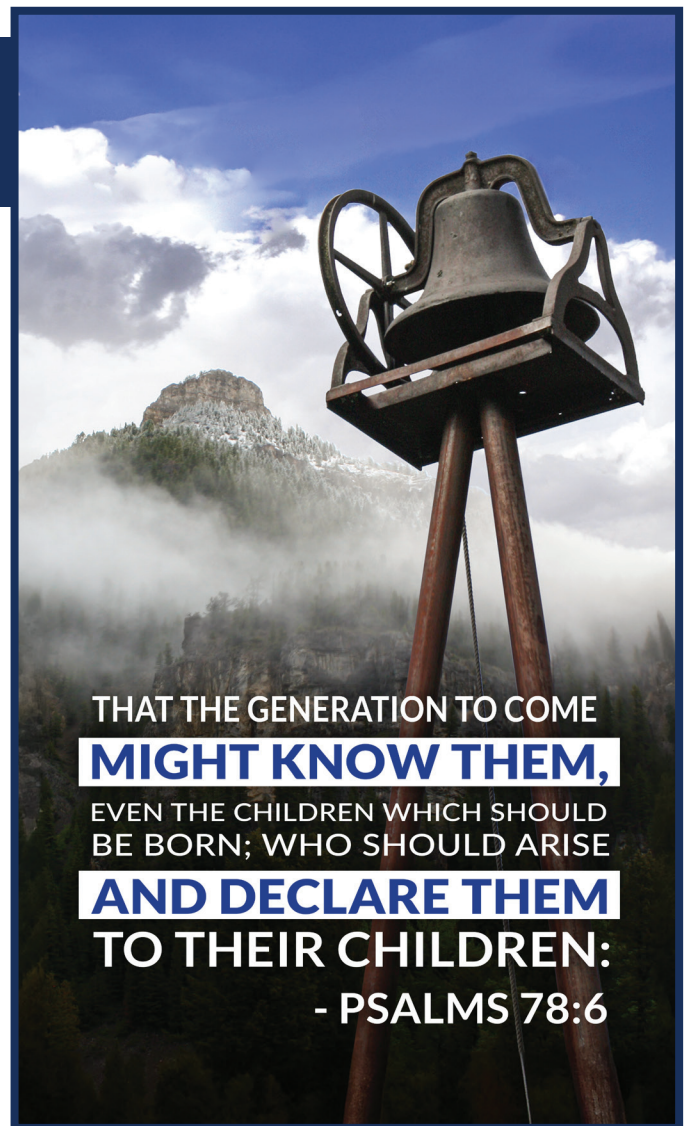
CASTLE ROCK BAPTIST CAMP | JULY 15 - 19

## JUNIOR CAMP

CASTLE ROCK BAPTIST CAMP | JULY 22 - 26

## INTER-MOUNTAIN BAPTIST FELLOWSHIP ANNUAL MEETING

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH - CODY, WYOMING | OCTOBER 7 - 8



THAT THE GENERATION TO COME  
**MIGHT KNOW THEM,**  
EVEN THE CHILDREN WHICH SHOULD  
BE BORN; WHO SHOULD ARISE  
**AND DECLARE THEM**  
**TO THEIR CHILDREN:**  
- PSALMS 78:6

**MARK YOUR**

**CALENDAR!**



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