



# Ministry Update

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Greetings in the name of our wonderful Lord! It has been a while since we have put out a newsletter. After finishing our meetings and visiting family in December, we planned to spend the month of January at our base in Maryland working on music, and doing maintenance on our equipment. However, in January, Cheryl's mother, Lorraine Proper was diagnosed with cancer. *(more later)* We changed our plans and drove to Rock Hill, SC to be with the Propers as Mrs. Proper went through her first tests and appointments with the Oncologist. After a week and a half of meetings beginning on January 29 we flew to AZ to greet our newest grandson who was born on February 8. *(more later)* We returned from AZ for a week of meetings in SC, and then left for a mission trip to Brazil *(more later)* for most of March. We returned from Brazil on Friday, March 24, and went back into meetings a day later.

## In Memory



Dr. Theron Babcock, of Cresaptown, MD, entered the presence of his Lord on Wednesday, December 28, 2016. He was 90 years old. Dr. Babcock was born December 30, 1925, in Seattle, WA. He graduated from Practical Bible Training School in Binghamton, NY, in 1950, and received an honorary doctorate in Music from Maranatha Baptist Bible College, in Elkton, MD. Theron traveled with the Hal Webb Evangelistic Association for 46 years as the music minister. He was a self-taught musician who could play the organ and piano at the same time. He also played the chimes and the accordion, and had a clear tenor voice. During his life, Theron wrote over 7000 songs. Each night in their meetings, while Dr. Webb would do a gospel magic trick, Dr. Babcock would write a new song (*words and music*) in about four minutes from an audience suggested theme. After the trick, he would sing and play that song for

everyone. Some of these songs were choruses, and others were full length songs. Several books of his songs were printed, and he was involved in several recordings with Dr. Webb. When not in meetings, he was a faithful member, teacher, and organist of the Solid Rock Baptist Church in Corriganville, MD. You can hear music of the Hal Webb Team on the Hal Webb Team archive page at: [www.setlinc.com/webb/music.shtml](http://www.setlinc.com/webb/music.shtml). Dr. Babcock was loved by all, and will be sorely missed!

## ITINERARY

- Apr. 16-21** – Valley Baptist Church, Stuarts Draft, VA
- Apr. 23-27**– Shenandoah Hgts. Bap.Ch., Waynesboro, VA
- Apr. 30-May 5** – Bear Lithia Baptist Church, Elkton, VA
- May 7-12** – Fellowship Baptist Church, Mount Joy, PA
- May 14-19** – Emmanuel Baptist Church, Williamsport, PA
- May 23-June 17** – Malawi Mission Trip

## OPEN DATES AHEAD

### 2017

- July 23-28** – IL, WI
- Sep. 10-15** – PA, MD



### 2018

We are booked through August of 2018. In September, we will head east again. If you are in the non-coastal west or mid-western states and are interested in having us at your church, contact us now.

### 2019

We are scheduling meetings from the southeast through New England and the Canadian Maritimes and back. If you are in any of these areas and are interested in having us come for a meeting, please contact us now for dates.

***Be sure to check our web site for itinerary updates, cancellations, and other open dates.***

## **WORLD MISSIONS**



We have completed one trip this year, and have another scheduled for June. We have trips scheduled to Fiji and Australia for next year, and are considering a Fall construction trip to Brazil as well. Please help us by sending your donation marked “Missions” to the address on this letter:

### **Brazil 2017**

We spent 23 days in Brazil in March, working with five missionary couples and their ministries. On March 1, we flew to Sao Paulo. Our first ministry was with Graham and Renee Foran. We ministered at a Saturday night youth rally, the Sunday church services, and Monday night split ladies’ and men’s meetings. Several souls came to Christ.

From Tuesday through Sunday AM, we worked with Nathan and Diane Fray. In addition to evangelistic meetings from Thursday PM through Sunday AM, we also held five assemblies at three schools, and ministered at a handicap day camp and a children’s Bible club. We saw many souls saved here. At one of the evening meetings, a woman came at the invitation of a friend. Her husband came mid service and tried to get her to leave. She refused, saying that she wanted to hear the rest of the message. She trusted Christ that night. Then next night, her husband came with her, and was saved. Praise God!

On Sunday afternoon, we moved to the town of Itupeva to spend Sunday PM through Wednesday AM with Dave and Kim Huffman. We began with a Sunday PM evangelistic meeting. On Monday PM, we participated in a dinner for Mrs. Huffman’s English class. Through prepared questions, we gave our testimonies and shared Christ with the class. On Tuesday, we spoke to men’s and ladies Bible studies, and on Wednesday, we did a school assembly at a nearby school. While there were no visible professions of faith here, we did plant much gospel seed.

On Wednesday, we returned to Sao Paulo to spend Wednesday PM through Sunday AM with Roberto and Patricia Coelho. We preached at their Wednesday night service, a Thursday night men’s prayer meeting, and Friday PM through Sunday AM evangelistic meetings. We saw multiple souls saved in the services including a husband and wife who were saved on consecutive nights.

On Sunday afternoon, we traveled to Sorrocaba, about an hour and a half from Sao Paulo, to work with Shawn and Donna Alexander. We held three nights of evangelistic meetings at their church, and presented the gospel twice at an English language school run by one of the deacons. The Alexanders posted a video report of these meetings at <https://vimeo.com/211359564>. Several souls were saved here! We praise the Lord for a harvest of souls in Brazil!

### **2017 Malawi Medical Team**

We are returning, in May, to Malawi, Africa to work with Eric and Stephanie Chapman. We will be working with the mobile medical clinic that EurAsian Baptist Mission runs. You can learn more by watching the video at this link: <http://www.eurasianbaptistmission.com/portfolio> We are looking for American doctors, and other medical personnel to participate in and support this ministry. If you would like to be involved, please contact us.

### **FAMILY ADDITION**

On February 8 at 4:00 PM, we welcomed a new grandson into the world. Micah Jackson Herwaldt was born to Bethany and Phil in Fort Thomas, AZ. He was 22 inches long and weighed almost 9 lbs. He is our sixth grandchild.

### **SPECIAL PRAYER NEEDED**

We would like to request special prayer for Cheryl’s mother, Lorraine Proper who was diagnosed in January with colorectal cancer. Complications arose in the third week of simultaneous radiation and chemo therapy treatments, and she had to have surgery to remove a damaged part of her intestine. She is now recovering at home. Please pray for healing from the surgery and the cancer, and for wisdom for medical decisions ahead.

### **PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

- Safety in travel.
- Wisdom in scheduling meetings.
- Additional support for mission field evangelism.
- More souls for Christ in our meetings.
- Healing for Cheryl’s mother, Lorraine Proper.

Thanks again for partnering with us in sharing Christ both here and abroad. Come visit us when we are near you!

Yours for Souls,

*Barry and Cheryl Webb*