

Capitol Baptist

CAPTIONS

Church Activities

FEBRUARY 6, 2015

- **FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13**
Friends and Family Banquet at 6pm in the fellowship hall; \$16 per person; 18 yrs. old and up
- **SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 14**
Easton Literature Preparation; meet at the church at 8am
- **SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21**
Faithful Rubies Meeting; meet in the fellowship hall at 10am
- **SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22**
Workers' Meeting at 5:35pm; Birthday/ Anniversary Fellowship after the evening service

Weekly Events

SUNDAY

Early Service	8:30am
Sunday School	9:45am
Morning Service	11:00am
Choir Practice	4:30pm
Prayer Meeting	5:30pm
Evening Service	6:00pm

WEDNESDAY

Teen Meeting	6:15pm
Children's Service	7:00pm
Bible Study & Prayer	7:00pm

SOUL-WINNING & VISITATION

Wednesday	3:30pm
Saturday	10:00am

VICTORY OVER A BESETTING SIN

James 1:13-18 | Pastor T. H. Moore

There is a species of the redbud tree that grows in Mediterranean and Asia Minor countries called the *Cercis siliquastrum*. It has been given the nickname the "Judas Tree" for two reasons. One, because tradition tells us that it is the type of tree that Judas Iscariot hanged himself on after his betrayal of Christ. The other reason, is because of what this tree does. The beautiful blossoms of this tree appear before the leaves and are a brilliant crimson color. The flaming beauty of the flowers attracts innumerable insects. Bees are drawn to it to gather honey. But every bee that attempts to draw nectar from these blossoms, instead takes in a fatal opiate, and immediately drops dead to the ground. Beneath this enticing tree, the earth is covered with the victims of its fatal fascinations. The beautiful blossom attracts only to destroy. What a tremendous illustration of what we read in verses 14-15 of our text, *"But every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed. Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death."*

Sin has an alluring nature to it, but it is a deceitful, destructive and deadly thing that all of us have to deal with. Even when a person gets saved, our sin nature is still present, and we still have to battle sin. If all of us were honest, we would say that there are certain sins that give us more trouble than others. They may or may not be as obvious, visible or unacceptable as other people's sins, but they are there nonetheless. We call these

types of sins "besetting sins". The word "besetting" means, *"besieging or habitual"*. I'd like for us to consider the subject, "Victory Over our Besetting Sin".

All of us have at least one besetting sin. By that I mean a particular sin that is the most recurring, that gives us the most trouble, that causes us the most grief, that seems like we can't get the victory over. For some Christians, that sin could be something as destructive as alcohol, drugs, adultery, fornication or pornography. For others it could be more "acceptable" sins

*Christians can get
victory over a besetting
sin!*

like anger, unforgiveness, lying, gossip, a sharp tongue, laziness, selfishness, covetousness, being critical or negative. Whatever sin it is, a besetting sin is one that has become habitual. What is your besetting sin? If we do not think that we have a besetting sin, then our besetting sin is pride! But no matter what it is, all sin is displeasing to God. And any sin is destructive. So the question is, How do we get victory over our besetting sin? Many times we say that we want victory, but we are not willing to do the things that the Bible tells us to do in order to get the victory.

Over the next few weeks, we will look at some Bible principles that will enable us to get the victory over besetting sins. The first Bible principle is:

I. The Conquering of Sin (Romans 6:8-12)

The first thing we must realize is the work that was accomplished on the cross of Calvary. When the Lord Jesus Christ died on the cross, was buried and rose again, He paid our sin debt in full. 1 John 1:7b reads, *"and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin."* If you have repented of your sin and received Jesus Christ as your personal Savior, then your sin debt has been paid in full! You have been freed from the penalty of sin. But there is more! Notice what the Bible tells us in Romans 6:6-7, *"Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin. For he that is dead is freed from sin."* Then in verse 12, *"Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, that ye should obey it in the lusts thereof."* Then in verse 14, *"For sin shall not have dominion over you."* The death, burial and resurrection of Jesus Christ has also freed us from the power of sin! The Bible does not teach that we can reach a place of sinless perfection while living in these bodies, but it does teach that we can get continual victory over sin. If we will *"reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin"* - in other words, by faith, account it a fact! Many Christians have conceded to certain sins saying, *"I can't get victory, I can't help it, or I've just got to accept it, or I'm giving up"*. But the Bible teaches otherwise. You and I can get victory over a besetting sin if we will simply claim the victory by faith!

Join us in prayer for...

- EASTON BAPTIST CHURCH: Reid family; financial support; literature distribution; Get-Acquainted Meetings (March 29th - April 2nd)
- BUILDING RENOVATION: God's guidance and wisdom
- LILA CHILDRES: in Silver Lake Nursing Home
- PAM CORDREY: cancer and mother's cancer
- SCOT & KATIE DAKU: safety while on furlough; increased support
- JIM DUNN: eye surgery on February 17th
- HEISHMAN'S GRANDDAUGHTER, ELLIE: heart complications
- DORIS HUTCHINSON: recovering at home
- IAN GONZALEZ' COUSIN, IRIS: heart transplant needed
- HEATHER REECE: chemotherapy treatments; salvation of unsaved family members
- MARIA ROMAN: heart surgery
- LES SUTTON: in Delmar Nursing Home

Sunshine Corner

WALTER & NANCY PERETIATKO
17257 Ash Ct.
Lewes, DE 19958

Walter and Nancy are some of our church's shut-ins. You can be a blessing to them this week by sending a note and praying for them.

Harvest from Heaven

CHURCH SERVICES
1 visitor

SOUL-WINNING & VISITATION
1 salvation

Easton BAPTIST CHURCH

Week of 2/1

SUNDAY AM - 19

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From the Mission Field

YURA & WENDY POPCHENKO - UKRAINE

November/December 2014

Dear Prayer Partners,

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from the Popchenko family! The end of the year 2014 was marked by **two major milestones** in the Ukrainian Bible translation project. First and foremost, by God's grace, **I finished the first draft of the entire New Testament!** When I look back and consider all the effort put into preparation and the actual work of translation, plus all the obstacles that had to be overcome, I can only say with the song writer "to God be the glory, great things He hath done"! Speaking of obstacles, they were particularly troublesome this past month. We have been having power outages for four hours daily and I have had the most intensive and persistent pain in my left knee that I have ever had. But God's grace sustained me and the New Testament is now finished.

The **second major milestone** is that, after many years of prayer, my assistant Anya has quit her teaching position at the university, moved back to her hometown and begun to work full-time on translation, as of January 1, 2015. Pray for her as she settles in and starts this new stage of her life. Also, Sasha Savchenko has begun putting out an unprecedented number of hours on translation and is making every effort to move to full-time involvement. He will continue to work on

translation part-time until the Lord opens the door for him to go full-time. Please pray for this to happen very soon.

Our **next stage** is to work on preparing the translation for **publication**. In order to do that, we will need to complete the final draft, as well as produce cross references, section headings and footnotes. In the process, we will follow our usual practice of publishing portions of Scripture before the entire New Testament is published. Right now, my assistants and I are working on the publication of the four Gospels and Acts.

We continue to plan our **furlough for 2015**. Several meetings have already been scheduled and if you would like us to give a report or to present the ministry at your church, please let us know as soon as possible. Thank you for continuing to pray for all of the preparations that go into making a trip like this...

Sincerely Yours in Christ Jesus,

Yura, Wendy, Sashko, Yurko, Andriy, and Matviy Popchenko

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