

CONNECTIONS



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SCHOOL LIBRARY
Donated books are filling the shelves! We currently have

151 books, and need 1,500 to meet the requirements of the accrediting board. New or used books of a religious nature are needed. Let's bring in the books!



MISSION PROJECT
On December 17, 2009, we helped ship eighteen 55

gallon drum barrels to an orphanage in Haiti. The barrels contained 500 pounds of rice and beans, clothes, shoes, toothpaste, soap, shampoo and other items. Praise God!



FUND RAISER NEWS
The Langdales are putting together a class

yearbook. (Details coming soon.) We need workers to plan, organize, and orchestrate a fund raiser. Please let Dr. Carr know of any suggestions you may have.

KEEP THE DREAM ALIVE

What dream? ...the dream of getting a biblical education right here in Sylvester, Georgia. I encourage the students and faculty of SGTS to keep the dream alive!

Hard work by our volunteer teaching staff, our office workers, and students who give of their time to work allows SGTS to equip students to serve our Lord Jesus Christ in local churches, on mission trips, and in their own neighborhoods.

Free tuition is a blessing that we must not take for granted. Free tuition doesn't mean there is no

need for funds. At SGTS, we do not have to pay the exorbitant tuition found at so many seminaries; I am thankful for this fact. However, we all must donate monetarily. The electric bill must be paid. Supplies must be purchased. Weekly donations are a must.

I want our children and grandchildren to say, "My parents and grandparents graduated from Southwest Georgia Theological Seminary and look what they have done for God!"

What will you do to keep the dream alive?

– Dr. Carol DuPree

LET US ALL BE GIVERS AND MEET THE NEEDS OF THE SCHOOL.
"...For God loveth a cheerful giver." 2 Corinthians 9:7



FINANCIALLY SPEAKING

As you know, SGTS is funded by monetary donations. Please do not forget to donate weekly to the school to keep the doors open!

The "donation buckets" are located in the fellowship hall or you may give your donation to Judy Harris.

All donations are tax deductible.



NEXT SEMESTER AND GRADUATION

Next semester brings us to graduation! There are forms to fill out....fees to pay...classes to finish! Be prepared for this on registration day, January 7, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.

The first day of class will be January 21, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.

Undergraduate Courses:

Godly American Heritage/ Dr. Carr
Biblical Beliefs/Dr. Frye
Old Testament Survey/J. Harris

Graduate Courses:

Godly American Heritage/Dr. Carr
Research and Development/Dr. Carr
Thesis Writing/Dr. Carr & Dr. Williams

PASTOR OF FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Wilbur Harris

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Dr. Bill Frye

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Dr. Karen Carr

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Dr. Katherine Williams

REGISTRAR

Dr. Carol DuPree

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

THE INTERVIEW—

STUDENT: EARNESTINE MITTAN

Q. How long have you been a student at SGTS? **A.** Since fall semester 2007

Q. Why did you decide to become a student of God's word in a school setting? **A.** I have always wanted to be a minister since a child. God has been training me in that for a while. When I moved to Georgia, God made a way for me to come to SGTS. One night I brought my sister, Dr. Marie Newson, who was already enrolled at SGTS, to class. While I was there visiting God spoke to my heart to enroll and become a student. Money was always a hindrance in the past for other schools. But I have had a faith for the book fees while here at SGTS. God has always provided the money.

Q. Have you begun any new ministry work since becoming a student here, and was that decision made because of what you learned here? **A.** Yes, definitely! If I hadn't attended SGTS I wouldn't have had opportunities opened to me like now. I am in a ministry called, Bridges to Access. This helps people get their medicine free of charge. New doors have opened because of the degrees that I have earned. It is giving me the opportunity to get my foot in the door in places that I wouldn't have had previously. I will be moving

back to Washington state in February or March. I have been looking for a home church on the internet. I think I have found one. They posted a job for a children's director. I have applied for the post due to the fact that I now possess a Masters degree in Ministry. Even though I will be moving back to Washington State, I will continue my studies with SGTS through distance learning. The website, this newsletter and many e-mails to Sis. Karen will keep me linked to SGTS. I hope to see you all at graduation 2011.

Q. Please tell us what being a student at SGTS means to you. **A.** Being a student here at SGTS has been a God send, my life line. When I was in Washington, I was selfemployed, in a big church making big money. Then I got very sick and had to move to Georgia. Going to school has been sobering to me; shown me what it has been like to be around people who really love me. Being able to have a focus for the Lord has helped me to cope. I went from \$150,000 a year to a fixed income. I have seen real people who really care about me. You, Sis. Karen and Dr. Frye and many others, have shown me the love of God and the fellowship of the saints. My time at SGTS has brought me a long way in my walk with the Lord. I am going back to Washington a totally different person, all because of attending SGTS. I am proud to say I'm a graduate of SGTS. (We're proud to call you one!) ■



"Forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 3: 13-14