BMAA Cambodia's Medical Ministry

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The Baptist Missionary Association of the Philippines (BMAP) in Cambodia established the Happy Heart & Wellness Clinic at its Coordinating Office at Toul Tompung 1 in Phnom Penh, Cambodia on August 23, 2007. The clinic addresses the health care needs of Christian missionaries and their families, the Filipino community and other multi NATIONALS, indigent Khmer patients, not only from the capital city of Phnom Penh, but likewise from adjacent prov-

ences and government employees from different line ministries. The Happy Heart & Wellness Clinic provides curative health care services, pro-life program and HIV/AIDS counseling services. It has been duly recognized by the Royal Government of Cambodia’s Ministry of Health as a charitable medical facility unit, rendering quality curative, preventive and promotive health care services to its clients. Importantly, from the medical ministry point of view, the Clinic continues to bear witness to its patients by relating to them the message of Christ aside from bringing them health, hope and healing.

Achievements for the Lord

From August 2007 to December 2008, the Happy Heart & Wellness Clinic has treated a total of 487 patients, who were mostly impoverished and disadvantaged Cambodians. Fourteen (14) women of reproductive age who intended to have abortion were counseled and given the educated option not to terminate their pregnancies. Eleven (11) pregnant women decided to continue their pregnancies with Dr. Fil providing them regular prenatal checkups. Six (6) were saved prior to their childbirth and have accepted Christ as their personal Lord and Savior.

During the period, twelve (12) HIV-AIDS patients underwent periodic counseling either at the Clinic or at home. Seven (7) died of complicated opportunistic infections but prior to death, four (4) have been saved and now are enjoying eternal life.

From January to December 2009, a total of 734 patients were seen, treated and counseled at the Happy Heart & Wellness Clinic. Ten (10) pregnant women joined the pro-life service program and decided to continue with their pregnancies with guidance from Dr. Fil. Two (2) died of complicated childbirth at home in their villages. Eight (8) have been saved and continue to come regularly to the Clinic to learn about the Good News.

Sixteen (16) HIV-AIDS patients have been counseled by Dr. Fil, of whom five (5) succumbed to death, but have known that there is a Christ who has redeemed the world. Four (4) were referred to institutional care as they could not be well taken cared of by their families at home because of poverty. Dr. Fil continues to provide them free counseling services and anti-oxidant/food supplement drugs.

Happy Heart & Wellness Clinic would want to thank all partners, friends and associates for their support to the medical ministry. Special gratitude goes to the Baptist Medical Missions International (BMMI)/Dr. Ralph Izard for sharing with Happy Heart & Wellness Clinic various drugs and medical supplies.

Kindly continue to pray that the 63 Khmer patients whom the Happy Heart & Wellness Clinic has seen and treated continued on page 5

400 Participants Needed For DiscipleWay Survey

The development team for a discipleship training program being designed for BMA churches is requesting BMA church members to complete an on-line survey that will aid the preparation of the material.

The training program, called DiscipleWay, is a joint effort of BMA departments and about 50 writers and graphic designers. It will offer classroom as well as hands-on training in seven key disciplines for growing Christians, according to Steve Crawley, project manager.

A minimum of 400 participants, particularly lay men and lay women, is needed to give a meaningful outcome.

The window of time to complete the survey is January 25 – February 15. The survey will consist of 50 questions and will take about 10-15 minutes to complete.

Participants may access the survey by going to www.discipleway.org and clicking on the Survey link. Rainer Research is conducting the survey. The researchers will present an analysis and final report to DiscipleWay on March 8.

The Rainer Research group was founded by Thom Rainer, president of LifeWay. Sam Rainer, president, will serve as lead researcher and primary contact and be responsible for the research, analysis and closure, Crawley said.
Parents Must Monitor Time with Electronics

Parents, you can also find things for them to do. Do you want lazy, mindless blocks sitting around as adults? It is no wonder teens tell me they don’t have time to have a ministry once a week where they serve others. It is no surprise that they don’t have time to do devotions and study the Word. It would amaze most families how much time they would have to grow spiriually with devotions and serving others, how much they would grow socially if they learned to interact at a personal level with people, and how much they would grow as a hard-working mature adult if they had limits every day on the amount of time spent with these items.

You are the parents. If you want your children to be successful, then limit video games, computer, TV and cell phones. Tell your kids it is not a wise thing to do. It is not wise to spend all your free time doing these activities. And as Christians we are to pursue wise things. Start off with a devotion before you set down your new rules. Use Proverbs 4:7 and Psalm 101:3.

God’s speed.

Parents, we need to do our best to limit the time spent on the computer, the TV, the cell phone or video games. It seems as a society to only be growing worse. The number of hours spent on these devices by children and teens is escalating at an alarming rate. It is alarming because of the social deterioration it brings about. Too much time spent playing video games will cause grades to fall. Too much time watching TV will cause a state of apathy and ignorance in a person’s life. Too much time on the cell phone only further exacerbates the breakdown of communication amongst all people in our society.

There is a real and growing problem amongst young people and communication. You can’t go through life never communicating eye to eye at a personal level with people. Can you imagine the marriages in the future when couples don’t argue in person anymore? They just text each other from separate rooms in the house! Healthy and holy families communicate. Communication is the foundation of a good home life. Of course, prayer is the most important form of communication. Well adjusted children come from homes where there is a great deal of communication. Where people speak the truth in love. Where people openly express affection towards one another. Where people sit down and even argue when there is a disagreement. (However, it is within the context of a healthy argument).

What happens in a family where everyone is plugged in to something? The family fractures. The family falls apart or at the very least becomes disinterested individuals all living under a common roof. If your child, even a teenager, stays in their room playing video games all night, or all weekend, this is a serious problem. It is not something to be dismissive about. It hurts the development of the child into a healthy adult. It hurts them in forming relationships. It separates a family from having any close family ties. It is okay for kids to play a lot of video games or watch movies on DVD if it is a snow day. It is okay if it is a rainy day. It is even okay if this is something the family does on occasion. You pick a Saturday every few months, and everyone just eats popcorn and enjoys a movie day with decent movies. If you are going to watch movies all day you will probably have to resort to some black and white movies because most today are inappropriate for Christians. But parents really need to make sure these days are the exception and not the rule. It is so easy for the hours spent on video games, TV and computer things to pile up before you know it. Parents need to actually write down the amount of time each child is doing these things for one month. I think most adults would be surprised at how much time they waste in front of the TV. It adds up fast. A recent study said that some teens are spending 50 hours a week playing video games and watching TV. And we wonder why America is slipping on test scores compared to other nations?

Set clear boundaries and expectations with your kids on how much time they are allowed to do these things. No exceptions except for those aforementioned. Stick to your guns no matter how big of a fit they throw. Expect them to honor you in these guidelines. If they make your life miserable don’t give in. Discipline them. Video games and TV are privileges. If they smart mouth you, they lose the privilege. If they don’t do the chores you ask, they don’t get to play video games. If they go ahead and do it after you have told them no, then you unplug it and remove it from them. You have them write a letter to you asking for your forgiveness, and coming up with some more constructive ways to spend their time.

I sometimes attend the bachelor parties of the young men in my mentoring group. I always smile when I walk in, and they are all sitting around a TV playing video games. That is what they do all night. Eat and play video games. And I am happy they are doing this. It is so refreshing to see young guys playing video games and eating at a bachelor party rather than being out at a strip club and getting drunk. Sadly, the latter is what occurs at most bachelor parties today.

 Appropriately decent video games are not by themselves bad. TV has some horrible evil games. If they go in, they just text movie day with decent movies. If they go ahead and do it after you have told them no, then you unplug it and remove it from them. You have them write a letter to you asking for your forgiveness, and coming up with some more constructive ways to spend their time. Parents, we need to do our best to limit the time spent on the computer, the TV, the cell phone or video games. It seems as a society to only be growing worse. The number of hours spent on these devices by children and teens is escalating at an alarming rate. It is alarming because of the social deterioration it brings about. Too much time spent playing video games will cause grades to fall. Too much time watching TV will cause a state of apathy and ignorance in a person’s life. Too much time on the cell phone only further exacerbates the breakdown of communication amongst all people in our society.

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Honor Roll • Fall, 2009

President’s List
Amanda Lavinghouse, John Kelly, Garrett Harvey, George Matthews, Brian Dickens, Marcus Raymond, Charles Lee, George Grund, Jr.

Dean’s List
Mary Lavinghouse, Zachary Patrick, Sandra Buckingham, Jacob McKenzie, Donald Miller, David Parker, Jason Howard, Justin Elkins, Gary Smith, Adrain Johnson, Clay Smith, Marvin Mathis, Adam Parker, Trent Warren, Randall Jones, Mark Williams.

Enrollment for Spring Semester, 2010
We are thankful for another good enrollment this semester. It is almost identical to that of last Spring. A few students completed their studies in the fall semester and we are thankful for the new students who came this time.

Missionaries Visit the Campus
We were privileged to have BMAA Missionaries Miss Darlene Carey and Bro. Michel Poirier in our chapel services this month.

Memorials
Contributions have been sent to purchase memorial books to be placed in the college library in memory of Mrs. Celest Rowlin Cooper and Mrs. Joan Wallace Howard. May the Lord bless these families. We appreciate all those who remember loved ones in this manner. It will, no doubt, be a blessing to many people in the future.

SBC FOUNDATION
Looking Back
The Southeastern Baptist College Foundation, Inc. was chartered in 1979. Its purpose is to generate revenues to support the general operation of Southeastern Baptist College. Every cent put into the Foundation since its beginning remains there, never to be spent. Only the interest earned from these funds can be used. Tens of thousands of dollars have been generated in interest for the college’s use during the history of the Foundation.

Looking Ahead
The future of the financial stability of Southeastern Baptist College is directly related to the strength of her Foundation. Every cent deposited in the Foundation in the future will remain there perpetually to continue producing yearly income for operating expenses. The continual growth of the Foundation will mean ready access to needed funds for the ongoing advancement of the ministry of the college.

Looking Around
A look around will reveal a number of ways the college Foundation will grow.

*Gifts from Individuals - Anyone can give any amount designated to be placed in the Southeastern Baptist College Foundation. All gifts to the Foundation are tax deductible.

*Offerings from Churches - Churches are encouraged to include the Foundation in their monthly budgeted offerings.

Memorial Gifts - Gifts may be made to the Foundation in memory of a loved one or friend who has already gone to be with the Lord.

Honor Recognition - Gifts may be made to the Foundation in honor of a loved one or friend who is still living.

Bequests - Placing the Foundation in one’s will is an excellent way to remember and acknowledge the Lord’s blessings in this life.

Further Information
If you would like further information about the Southeastern Baptist College Foundation and how you might contribute to it, please contact the president at:

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Checks should be made payable to: Southeastern Baptist College Foundation

We appreciate the support given to the Foundation. The contributions have increased each of the last four years. Last year eight churches, four individuals and one estate saw the need to help build the Foundation and contributed $19,362.00 to it. The churches that are supporting at this time are: Antioch, Soso Bethel, Louise Big Creek, Soso First Baptist, Calhoun, Laurel Hopewell, Laurel Lebanon, Laurel Paramount, Perkinston Skyway Hills, Pearl

We invite other churches, associations, families, and individuals to join these and help build the Foundation. Our goal in the next few years is to have one million dollars providing funds for the college. As of June 30, 2009, the assets were $570,035.00.
When Ye Be Angry..

“Bey angry, and sin not; let not the sun go down on your wrath.” Ephesians 4:26

Anger is something we all have to deal with in life. Anger usually results when someone infringes on our rights. We get angry when someone slanders us because we have a right to a good name and reputation. We get angry when the motorist ahead does not signal their turn off the road because they were inconsiderate of our safety. We get upset with long lines because we have places to go and things to do. Sometimes our anger seems justified.

Ephesians 4:26 is not a command for the Christian to get angry. Anger is not something we schedule into our lives; it usually just happens without warning. Notice the context. Verse 25 is a command to stop lying. Verse 29 is a command to stop stealing. Ephesians 4:26 is not a command for the Christian to get angry. Ephesians 4:26 is a command that right. Rely on God’s strength and the power of Scripture to respond as Jesus would respond. And if you do experience righteous anger against sin, display it in a spirit of love, for “the wrath of man worketh not the righteousness of God.” James 1:20.

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is itself not always sinful. Jesus was angry with the money changers and drove them from the Temple. He was also angry when the Pharisees questioned his authority to heal on the Sabbath. In both of these instances, the Scriptures tell us that Jesus was angry, but His was a righteous anger against sin. However, Ephesians 4:26 is not speaking of righteous anger.

We can refrain from lying and stealing, but we cannot always keep from becoming angry. Paul is giving guidelines on what to do when anger happens. He is not saying, “Be ye angry” but is saying, “When ye be angry” do not sin. Why? Because the potential to commit sin is greater when we are angry. In fits of anger, people do and say things they might not otherwise do. Say in anger, people curse, profane the Lord’s name, say hurtful words, attack others, and sometimes commit murder. Anger can be an Achilles heel, so Paul is giving a warning to stay on guard and deal with it quickly by using the phrase, “let not the sun go down on your wrath” which is an admonition to get it right within 24 hours. Even if we can stay in control at the first sign of anger, we may not be able to remain in control if we remain in an angry state too long. Paul is hinting that one day may be all we can handle before we begin to commit sins of the heart (and in other ways) against those with whom we are angered.

Do not minimize your anger. Do not excuse it by claiming that you have a short fuse or quick temper. When someone infringes on one of your “rights”, ask yourself how important is that right. Rely on God’s strength and the power of Scripture to respond as Jesus would respond. And if you do experience righteous anger against sin, display it in a spirit of love, for “the wrath of man worketh not the righteousness of God.” James 1:20.

Church of the Covered Dish by Thomas Tapp

“Is that a freudian slip, or are you REALLY writing a letter to all the DEMONS of our church?”

Mankind Needs To Take God’s Word Seriously

by Grover Laird

Of the multitudes who die daily, many are now wishing that they had taken the Word of God more seriously. Through the centuries the Bible has been saying, “O earth, earth, earth, hear the word of the LORD.” (Jeremiah 22:29) Yet many pay Him little attention.

Men need to hear the Word of the Lord as it tell us of God’s great love for sinners. God loved us so much that He gave His darling Son to come to earth to die for us. In His death He “bare our sins in his own body on the tree,” paying the due payment for our sins against a holy God. (1 Peter 2:24) The Father made Jesus “to be sin for us, who knew no sin: that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.” (2 Corinthians 5:21) He died as “the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God.” (1 Peter 3:18) Yet many seem to pay no attention to God’s “goodness and forbearance and longsuffering,” which should be leading them to repentance. (Romans 2:4)

Many of those who die in their sins fully intended to be saved later. Yet they fail to take seriously the Word of God when it says, “Boast not thyself of to morrow: for thou knowest not what a day may bring forth.” (Proverbs 27:1) The Bible also said, “Seek ye the LORD while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near!” (Isaiah 55:6) That people would hear “the word of the Lord,” and realize that life is short and uncertain.

People need to take the Bible seriously when it calls attention to the value of one’s soul. It was Jesus who said, “For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?” (Mark 8:36,7) Jesus is telling us that if one gained all the wealth of the world, was trusted with all of the power of the world, obtained all of the fame and honor of the world, enjoyed every pleasure of the world, and lived here longer than anyone ever lived, if He died lost it would have been better that he had never been born.

People need to take God’s Word seriously when it speaks about Hell. In Psalm 9:17 we read “The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God.” In Matthew 25:46 we read, “And these shall go away into everlasting punishment; but the righteous into life eternal.” In Revelation 20:15 we read, “And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.” (Revelation 20:15)

We do know that these verses about hell are true, because we have the words of one sinner after he got there. Jesus, Who knows all about every man’s birth and life and death, tells us about it: “And in hell he lift up his eyes, being in torments, and seeth Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom. And he cried and said, Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus, that he may dip the tip of his finger in water, and cool my tongue for I am tormented in this flame.” (Luke 16:23,24) “O earth, earth, earth, hear the word of the LORD.” (Jeremiah 22:29)
BMA Seminary, Jacksonville, Texas
Roy L. Grimsley Building Dedication set for March 9, 2010

The Baptist Missionary Association Theological Seminary is excited to announce the completion of the newest building on the Jacksonville campus, the Roy L. Grimsley Building. The Grimsley Building houses a video-classroom that will connect to other classrooms around the world. International students will be able to attend real-time classes without leaving their home countries. The furnishing of the video-classroom was a project of the National Women’s Missionary Auxiliary.

The building will also house archived materials and rare book collections. Much of BMA history has been collected and is housed at the seminary and is preserved for historical and research purposes. There will also be study carrels set aside for those engaged in upper-level studies.

A dedication service is planned for March 9, 2010 at 10:00-12:00 in the Dorman Memorial Chapel on the seminary campus in Jacksonville, Texas. There will be a reception and tours of the new building. Everyone is invited to attend.

The Baptist Missionary Association

Minister's Resource Service
Ron Chesser, Director

BMA Retirement Returns
- Fixed Income — 2003, 2.89%; 2004, 2.18%; 2005, 2.75%; 2006, 2.34%; 2007, 2.54%; 2008, 2.64%; and 2009, 2.78%.

The Long Term Growth accounts have averaged a growth of 7.91% each year for the past 7 years. In the past 7 years we have posted a total of 55.39% to each LT Growth account.

The Fixed Income accounts have averaged a growth of 2.59% each year for the past 7 years.

The BMA Retirement portfolio assets totaled $9,109,032.11 on Dec. 31, 2009. In 2009 the BMA Retirement portfolio grew by 1.8 million, with 1.1 million of the growth being new retirement money deposited by participants. The BMA Retirement portfolio over the past 7 years has had a growth in assets of $5,226,965.24.

Market Performance
- DOW — 2003, 21.1%; 2004, 3.15%; 2005, 0.6%; 2006, 16.29%; 2007, 6.4%; 2008, 34.9%; and 2009, 18.8%.
- NASDAQ — 2003, 42.1%; 2004, 8.58%; 2005, 1.4%; 2006, 9.52%; 2007, 9.8%; 2008, 40.5%; and 2009, 43.9%.

The Dow has averaged 4.32% each year for the past 7 years. The Nasdaq has averaged 10.69% each year for the past 7 years. The S & P 500 has averaged 2.00% each year for the past 7 years. The S & P 500 has averaged 2.54%; 2008, 2.64%; and 2009, 2.78%.

In 2009 the BMA Retirement portfolio generated a growth of 2.59%.

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In addition, says Tooley, McLaren believes in a moral equivalency between Israel defending itself and Palestinians launching terrorist attacks.

"For example, Brian McLaren...like many on the evangelical left...gives a great deal of attention to Israel's security fence, which of course has been largely successful in keeping suicide bombers from infiltrating Israel," says the IRD president. "But as McLaren and others on the evangelical left portray it, it's a tragic and terrible symbol that is inflicting untold suffering on the Palestinians."

In a recent blog, McLaren described that security fence as a "segregation wall."

Tooley says McLaren and his ilk do not favor a two-state solution, but rather a one-state solution that dissolves the Jewish state of Israel and replaces it with one where Muslims are in the majority.

To God be always the glory!
Lifestyle Diseases Kill Abundant Life

From LifeWay by Brenda Polk

“The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.” John 10:10

Jerry slumped into his chair exhausted. His children begged him to join them playing driveway basketball, but he couldn’t. His knees hurt, he had no energy, his breathing was short and he had a headache. Jerry really wanted to have energy, to feel good and to live a full abundant life and he really didn’t know why he felt so bad. Yes, he had gained quite a bit of weight over the last few years, but he thought of himself as a “big guy” and didn’t believe some extra weight could be this limiting. Surely something was really wrong with him.

Concerned, he made an appointment with his doctor and was diagnosed with Metabolic Syndrome, a cluster of health related conditions including high blood pressure, abdominal obesity, elevated blood glucose and insulin intolerance, high blood fat of both triglycerides and bad cholesterol, and a pro-inflammatory state. Jerry knew he had been feeling bad, but he didn’t realize it was this bad. He asked his doctor what caused Metabolic Syndrome. His doctor answered, “Jerry, you did this to yourself. You are digging your own grave one fork full at a time.”

The shock of the doctor’s response overwhelmed Jerry. He didn’t do this. Why would he pick to feel this bad? He didn’t do anything. But, that was the problem. Jerry didn’t realize that his unhealthy lifestyle choices caused Metabolic Syndrome. His doctor answered, “Jerry, you did this to yourself. You are digging your grave one fork full at a time.”

The choices that lead to lifestyle diseases are made every time a person chooses what to eat, whether to not to be physically active, to drink alcohol, to smoke cigarettes or to take drugs. And, while the occasional “treat” food or day on the couch won’t lead to dire disease, a pattern of unhealthy choices day in and day out lead a person down this deadly path that severely limits and even kills the ability to live an abundant life.

Lifestyle diseases slowly kill abundant life by:

• Decreasing physical energy level.
• Lowering the desire to be involved in life.
• Consuming monetary resources on medical treatments and medications.
• Limiting mobility.
• Requiring assistance from others for basic personal hygiene and care.

Mississippi State Brotherhood Report

by Bryson Haden, Vice President

Not a lot of time has elapsed since our annual Brotherhood meeting in Laurel, yet already our minds have had time to focus on other things. Things like a collapsing economy, a straying government, or even major disasters in our own backyard. With all of the craziness in our everyday lives and in our world we should always remember that worry can not ever change the outcome of anything. Prayer and a Christian voice are able to bring about change to the paths of the unrighteous and unsaved world. Silence and procrastination have been the nemesis of Christian males in our modern times.

Men we can change this trend by taking advantage of the opportunities presented by our churches, associations, state work and even our National BMA. We should take a stand for God and not be timid or ashamed of it. The Brotherhood is working to be the leadership and the voice of the BMA men. Your support through prayer and participation is exactly what is needed to make a difference. The National Brotherhood is currently raising funds for the Moral Action Commission. There is no better voice for the BMA and our moral beliefs than this! Our own state Brotherhood is taking donations for the Disaster Relief project which will enable us to respond to disasters in our area.

Again this is an excellent place to show Christian love and compassion. So for just a moment let’s not fret over our reeling economy or the demise of our great country. Instead let’s do something about it!

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State Galilean Report

by Mark Jones
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I want to let everyone know that we are working hard planning our State Galilean Camp. We will be meeting at Lake Tiak O’Khatra again this year in Louisville, Mississippi.

Bro. Larry Trelam will be our camp pastor and I am sure he will have mess’ages that will be great. Our theme for the camp this year is “Soldiers of God” with our theme verse from 2 Timothy 2:4. If you have a young man who is going before the review board for Mr. Galilean, please send me an email with his name and if he is a Junior or Senior Galilean. Also if any of the leaders that will be at camp will like to be on the review board, please let me know.

I also have a new cell number 662-231-1435 and my email is stonwall@yahoo.com. If you have any ideas or would like to start a Galilean program in your church let me know and we would love nothing more than to help. Out of our youth is our biggest asset and we need to disciple them and give them a strong foundation in the the Word of God.

I will give the time camp starts when we have all the plans made.

Oak Grove District WMA Report

On January 15 the Oak Grove District WMA met with Bethel Baptist Church with four churches present: Bethel, Good Hope, Temple, and Pine Grove. There were 28 present.

The meeting was called to order by President Debbie Patterson, with Tiny Dyess opening us in prayer. After singing the devotion was given by Debbie Patterson from Romans 8. Our welcome was given by Bethel with the response by Good Hope. Our project for this quarter was the New Heart Mission in Hattiesburg.

The program was brought by Patsy Burge, “On the Outside Looking In.” Our next meeting will be at Good Hope on April 9.

Margie McVay, Reporter
Conviction in Kansas abortionist murder

OneNewsNow • A man who says he killed prominent Kansas abortion provider Dr. George Tiller to protect unborn children has been convicted of murder.

A jury deliberated for 37 minutes Friday before finding Scott Roeder guilty of premeditated, first-degree murder. The 51-year-old Kansas City, Missouri, man faces a mandatory sentence of life imprisonment with the possibility of parole after 25 years. Roeder testified that he shot Tiller in the head May 31 in the foyer of Tiller’s church in Wichita because he believed Tiller posed an “immediate danger” to unborn children.

KAKE TV was there as Roeder admitted during testimony that he shot Tiller. He was asked why he killed the abortionist.

“The lives of those children were in imminent danger,” he replied. “If someone did not stop George Tiller, he was going to continue as he had done for 36 years prior to that time. If someone did not stop him, they were going to continue to die.”

“I did what I thought was needed to be done to protect the children. I shot him.”

Roeder admitted thinking of killing Tiller for years at different locations. He told Sedgwick County District Attorney Nola Foulston that he even thought of severing Tiller’s hands.

Foulston: You began to think of different ways in which you might pull this off. Is that correct?

Roeder: Yes.

Foulston: And among them was that you would cut his hands off with a knife. Is that correct?

Roeder: Probably with a sword.

In a big setback for the defense, presiding Judge Warren Wilbert instructed the jury to only consider guilt or innocence based on a charge of first-degree murder — and not for voluntary manslaughter.

Roeder faces a mandatory sentence of life, with the possibility of parole in 25 years. Foulston told the court she would pursue a “hard 50” sentence, meaning a minimum of 50 years.

Fortuneteller sues - doesn't say how it will turn out

OneNewsNow • A Virginia fortuneteller is suing to overturn a Chesterfield County ordinance, saying it discriminates against her beliefs.

The situation involves a law that is designed to prevent fraud -- and in fact, it simply says that if you’re telling somebody’s future by tarot cards or some other similar means, you have to have a business license, “If you’re holding yourself out to be a business, you have to have a business license -- and in this particular case, this so-called ‘counselor’ who is a tarot card reader, a fortuneteller, is saying that that is discriminatory, that she shouldn’t be required to have a license.”

Sophie King feels that she is being singled out, and she does not classify herself as a fortuneteller. The lawsuit claims that since she “relays information that she receives without knowing how it relates to the client or its specific chronological significance,” and since she does not predict the future, she considers herself a spiritual counselor.

Staver adds that based on the ordinance, there is a fine line between someone providing biblically based counseling using scripture and another who counsels through cards, although people who have a Christian perspective know the difference and can make the better choice. Staver feels that as written, the ordinance could not only include fortunetellers, but Christian counselors as well.

Roeder posed an “immediate danger” to unborn children. I shot him.”

Fortuneteller sues to overturn a Chesterfield County ordinance

South Dakota argues 'self-evident truths'

OneNewsNow • The Eighth U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals is being asked to rule on South Dakota’s informed consent law.

The Eighth Circuit ruled the first time that South Dakota has a right and arguably even an obligation to require abortionists to tell the whole truth to women who are considering abortion.

“Tiller to protect unborn children

The trial court did not think so,” explains Steven Aden, senior counsel with the Alliance Defense Fund (ADF). “We are hopeful that the Eighth Circuit will again reverse the trial court and say that South Dakota has a right and arguably even an obligation to require abortionists to tell the whole truth to women who are considering abortion.”

The lawsuit was filed by Planned Parenthood, the organization which claims it speaks for women. ADF argues that is not the case since the legislature found that Planned Parenthood was misleading women and not providing them the full truth about abortion.

“We think those are self-evident truths, but the trial court did not think so,” explains Steven Aden, senior counsel with the Alliance Defense Fund (ADF). “We are hopeful that the Eighth Circuit will again reverse the trial court and say that South Dakota has a right and arguably even an obligation to require abortionists to tell the whole truth to women who are considering abortion.”

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Annual Rallies

The Oak Grove Association had their annual rally for the Home on January 14. The meeting was held with the Good Hope Baptist Church near Columbia and Pastor Denny Patterson. The children presented specials in music and a shared a message from God’s Word after giving a report on the ministry of the Home. Afterwards we enjoyed a time of refreshment and fellowship with the host church.

On January 15 the Capitol Association had their annual rally for the Home. This meeting was held with the Skyway Hills Baptist Church in Pearl and Pastor Billy Huffmaster. After reporting on the ministry of the Home special music was rendered by some of the children of the Home and I brought a message from the Word of God. After the meetinga time of refreshment and fellowship was enjoyed by all with the host church.

We would like to express our appreciation to each association, church, and individual who helped make these rallies a success.

The Proof of our Love

This time of the year at Valentine’s Day everyone has our love to Him. May we be challenged each day to remind ourselves to tell Him that we love Him and also thank Him for His love for us. May we also seek God’s help in becoming obedient children.

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Pine Ridge to celebrate 50th anniversary

On February 14, 2010, Pine Ridge Church will celebrate its 50th anniversary. Worship service begins at 10:30 AM with special singing and recognition. Former pastor Bro. Howard Rogers will be our guest speaker. Lunch will be served followed by an afternoon service of singing by the Mitch Green Family. All former pastors, members, and friends are cordially invited to attend.

Boguefala Baptist Church

Greetings from Boguefala Baptist! We have started the new year off with several milestones for our small church. As reported earlier, a challenge had been issued to Bro. David Perry to wear a bowtie if our Sunday School attendance reached 100. In early December, we had 101 in attendance. True to his word, Bro. David took the pulpit for morning announcements wearing a make-shift red bowtie.

Our church finished up 2009 with 68 new members. Twenty-five of the new members were by baptism. We also began some esthetic renovations to the exterior of our church building. If you are ever in Mooreville, drive by to check out our beautiful new cross and flower beds added on the front lawn. Also, there are plans for other continued improvements.

As we welcomed in 2010, Bro. David and Mrs. Cindy Perry celebrated their first year of service to Boguefala Baptist Church. Our Brotherhood meet started the year off with 37 men in attendance, and prays for continued growth.

Earlier this month Bro. David and Mrs. Cindy set off for a trip to the Holy Land. Upon their return, we will be hosting a service for them to share trip experiences with the congregation. Hopefully this will take place sometime in February.

On Sunday night, January 17, we hosted our first quarter singing. The group “Saving Grace” brought the music message.

We pray for continued growth and spiritual rejuvenation as we begin 2010.

Suzanne Riley, reporter.
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