

SPOTLIGHT: AARON LEE ASSELIN

Ministry Goals: To be faithful in what God has given me at present, till He should lead me to another job where I can be faithful. To be the best influence and worker in today's church movement as possible.



Favorite thing about Heritage Seminary: Our instructors have taken the time to give us a quality education, but with a Pentecostal holiness emphasis and viewpoint. They care more about our spiritual being than anything.

Aaron was born on October 2nd has an outstanding, cheerful personality and always has a smile on his face. He is an active member of the Savannah Choir and is a participant in church services and altar work. It has certainly been a pleasure watching Aaron become a part of our church and student body.

Below is a list of his favorite things:

Color: Blue

Music: Holiness Artists

Book: "A Man's Faith" By Winfred T. Grenfell

Food: Chinese or Japanese – Chicken Broccoli with Egg Drop Soup

Season of Year: Fall/Winter

Family Time: Playing games and hanging out



MISSIONS IN HAITI

BY JOE & JENNA SALTER
DIRECTORS OF MISSIONS

"God speaks English. God speaks Spanish. God speaks Creole. God speaks French." This was a message that resonated during the week. Each of these languages was represented on our trip to Haiti.

We had the opportunity to visit the Lloyd family with Missions in Haiti during the month of July 2015. This was a very fulfilling and busy trip. We had the privilege to conduct a four night kid's crusade, minister in the services through singing and preaching, and work on a building project. We had a great time painting, running wires, and hanging doors in a building for future school use. There was often much laughing and singing coming from the work site as several of the Haitian youth joined the project to help complete the task. All the young people had a wonderful time in the Lord during our kid's crusade and church services. We all felt His presence as we told and acted out Bible stories, sang praises unto Him, and searched for "Treasure" in the Word of God. Our group worked tirelessly raising funds to make this trip a reality. We received

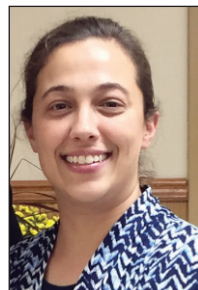
donation after donation of coloring books, crayons, toys, games, sidewalk chalk, and clothing. We loaded our baggage to the max and spent a couple of days passing out all the goods to the kids! We trust that lives were forever changed of those in Haiti, as well as, members of our group as we work to expand the kingdom of God!



DEVOTIONAL CORNER

BY SIS. ANITA MILES

And when He had thus spoke, He spat on the ground, and made clay of the spittle, and anointed the eyes of the blind man with the clay. And said unto him, Go, wash in the pool of Siloam (which is by interpretation, Sent.) He went his way therefore, and washed, and came seeing! John 9: 6-7



Ever had those moments in your life where God made you uncomfortable and called you to do something that was unfamiliar to you? I guess it was to the blind man's advantage that he couldn't actually SEE when Jesus SPAT on the ground to make what would become the agent He

would use to progress the healing. I don't think I would have handled that very well!!! And then to make matters worse, not only does he now have spit and dirt smeared across his eyes and face, but then Jesus tells him what he has to do to be healed. That consisted of staggering... alone - still blind - to the pool.

Ever been there? Not only are you uncomfortable in the place where God has put you, but then you have to believe God, sometimes all alone. ...But you know, without a shadow of a doubt, that God has placed the spittle on your eyes and then told you to walk by faith and not by what you can see!!

And all that matters is that you get to that pool – even if you have to stagger and stumble all the way there. Smith Wigglesworth once said "There is something about believing God that will cause Him to pass over a million people to get to you!" And in the end, "SEEING" is the reward for believing Him!



Welcome, Welcome, Welcome

BY HERITAGE SEMINARY STAFF

Please extend a warm welcome to all of our new college students! It is a joy and pleasure to have them as part of our wonderful church family and we are extremely excited about the future as our college continues and grows by the grace of God. As Bro. Ryan has mentioned from the pulpit, we have received four students from other states and we have four from our church. We will be highlighting the students in future editions to give you more information about each of them personally. For the moment, here is a list of quick information:

Aaron Asselin, a freshman, comes to Heritage Seminary from Powhatan, Virginia.

Caressa Burdine, a freshman, comes to Heritage Seminary from Greenwood, Indiana.

Stormy Carroll, a freshman (with some incoming classes from AASU), comes to Heritage Seminary from Savannah, Georgia.

Justin Fioccaprile, a senior and the boy's RA, comes to Heritage Seminary from Rincon, Georgia.

Kelsey Fioccaprile, a sophomore, comes to Heritage Seminary from Rincon, Georgia.

Isaac Peyton, a sophomore, comes to Heritage Seminary from Lonoke, Arkansas.



Grant Ralston, a sophomore, comes to Heritage Seminary from Savannah, Georgia.

Camren Thomasen, a freshman, comes to Heritage Seminary from Fouke, Arkansas.

With certainty, this is a transitional period for all of them as they adjust to living apart from their families, budgeting their finances, and attending college. Let us all extend the hand of southern hospitality by offering support, home-cooked food, or a kind word, and most importantly, our prayers.

Please remember to pray for the parents of the students and the faculty and staff of Heritage Seminary. There has been many days of preparation that have gone into the first day of Heritage Seminary and there will be many days of work and prayer ahead.

We wish all of our students to have success in their studies, growth in their walk with Christ, health for them and their families and a clear path to God's perfect will for their lives. Let's kick off this year with purpose!

President's Address

REV. RYAN RALSTON

Greetings from Heritage Seminary! Since this is my first chance to introduce you to Heritage Seminary, please allow me to answer a question that some constituents may ponder. Why start a Bible college? Why name it Heritage? I believe the answer is found in the mission statement that was crafted to describe the foundation and mission of Heritage. Allison and Kaye (2005) posit that a mission statement serves as

the over-arching guide for organizations; it is the "statement of purpose" that succinctly explains to supporters and the public the reason for the organization's existence.

The mission of Heritage Seminary is to equip students with professional competence, academic distinction, and an informed Biblical worldview so that they will be set apart as people whose experience is Pentecostal, whose standard is holiness, and whose goal is excellence in all

things for the Glory of God.

Heritage Seminary desires to provide practical training experience coupled with academic competence that will provide a powerful atmosphere to train today's generation of young people. Our desire is to see the Holy Ghost empower these young people to bring revival and growth to our churches. Please pray for Heritage Seminary to help train our students to impact the world for Christ.



GIRLS DORM IN PROGRESS

The long awaited girl's dorm has arrived and is awaiting inhabitants. After rezoning efforts, placement, and delivery, it is coming together and the final touches are being made. We are thankful for the provision of God and his hand working in this phase of Heritage Seminary.



THE TREASURE OF A TEXT

REV. E. R. RALSTON

In 2 Timothy 3:16 the Bible declares, "All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness." Thus, the Word of God was given by inspiration (theopneustos) and is God-breathed. It is also profitable (ophelimos) and is God-blessed. From the sanction



and sanctity of this verse the manifestation and magnification of the Word of God becomes the foundation principle upon which the New Testament Church abides.

Consideration of this text reveals two important imperatives which every Christian should obey. The first imperative is dedication to the Bible. This implies that we must be committed to its cause, devoted to its doctrines, and sur-

rendered to the sovereignty of Jesus Christ. Abraham Lincoln, when speaking of the Bible, stated, "All the good from the Savior of the world is communicated through this Book; but for the Book we could not know right from wrong. All the things desirable to man are contained in it."

The second imperative that issues from this text is to defend the Bible. In 1 Peter 3:15 the Bible states, "But to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear."

The Greek word for answer is "apologia" which renders the word "apologetics". Apologetics is a reasoned statement or verbal defense. Clearly, from the example of Apostle Paul's defense on Mars Hill, as recorded in Acts 17 and through the writings of the Early Church saints, defending the truth has been a mandate to the Christian church throughout all centuries. At Heritage Seminary we prayerfully and purposefully accept this charge. Thus, our commitment to all our students is to instruct, inspire, and ignite.

STEPS

GREGG MILES

Psalms 37:23 The steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord...

Matthew Henry said about this scripture:

By his grace and Holy Spirit he directs the thoughts, affections, and designs of good men. He has all hearts in his hand, but the good man's is by their own consent. By his providence he overrules the events that concern them, so as to make their way plain before them, both

what they should do and what they may expect.

I believe that years ago when Rev. Ryan Ralston had the dream of creating a Bible school in South Georgia it was more than an ambitious goal, it was an ordered step. When the land beside the church became available at a fraction of the original price, I don't think it was a coincidence, I think it was an ordered



step. The ordered steps continued as we met as a group for the first time, as we built, bought, and remodeled to accommodate this year's students.

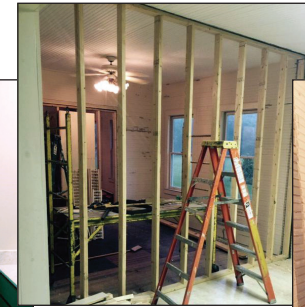
I believe these ordered steps will continue as we create a new path for our Holiness young people to choose.

It's important to remember that if the steps are ordered, then there is a purpose. The ordered steps mentioned above, and many more,

began years ago in the hearts and minds of a few and have led to a single purpose. Those steps have led to the creation of a Biblical institution of higher learning whose mission is to equip Pentecostal Holiness men and women with the necessary skills and passion to pursue their calling in the field of Christian ministry. I am looking forward to the future steps that Heritage Seminary will take because I have seen how far it has come in just a few short years. Continue praying for us as we fulfill the purpose we feel we have been called to do.

View from the front porch

This phrase, so often used as an endearing term of reflection upon the past, is epitomized in this picture from the front porch of the boy's dorm. It is doubtful that there is a more beautiful dorm in the entire USA and certainly not one filled and renovated with more love. This "farmhouse" was acquired with the purchase of the property lying beside of Savannah Holy Church of God and has been fully restored and renovated. It is now a charming, spacious dorm for the first male attendees of Heritage Seminary. Below are some pictures from the renovation, completion, and some reflections from Heritage Seminary faculty, staff, and administration.



REACH US

Heritage Seminary students will be performing Kids Crusade at PFYC 2016 and will be on ministry during the summer of 2016, performing the kid's crusades. If your church would like the students to visit for that purpose, please contact us to schedule.

Heritage Seminary students will also be on ministry throughout the school year visiting different churches. Please contact us to schedule this ministry weekend also.

Please send an email to the email address located below to receive periodic emails from Heritage Seminary.

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DONATIONS



It is with great thankfulness that Heritage Seminary acknowledges the monetary gifts that have been received. There have been many donors, some that have given a one-time gift and some that give consistently, all are appreciated. We would like to recognize one gift given in honor of Bro. Hezekiah Polk, a deacon at Savannah Holy Church of God for many years. This donation is a significant help to Heritage Seminary, both monetarily and sentimentally.

If you wish to make a donation, you may give electronically at holychurchofgod.org and notate Heritage Seminary in the memo or make a check payable to Heritage Seminary. Thank you for your giving and please remember us in prayer above all.

PERFECT PLANS

BY BRINA DAVIS

Reflecting upon the past causes me to realize that God has had a hand in my life, even when I wasn't aware of the future of Savannah Holy Church of God or the existence of Heritage Seminary. When I was 21 years old, I was contacted by a friend about a job opening at a local college. I was currently working at a retail Christian bookstore and not actively seeking other employment, but I recognized that this was a good opportunity for me. I interviewed for the position and was offered the job, never realizing how useful it was going to be for the kingdom of God. I worked for the college for over 10 years and gained



a lot of experience that I am able to use at Heritage Seminary. Often, we think that the good things come into our life because of our good work ethic or because we are likeable, but really it's all a gift from God intended for a greater purpose.

James 1:17 "Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning."

I have often prayed for the will of God in my life, but when I look back over the past 13 years of my life and see where God has gently led (or pushed if needed) me, I am so thankful that we have a Heavenly Father that cares about our future and gives guidance to a greater end than we had expected. It is an honor to me be able to serve in any capacity for the Lord and I am so excited to see how God uses these young people at Heritage Seminary to change the world for Christ.