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November 1, 2013, our Annual Report was submitted to the Association for Biblical Higher Education (ABHE) including the Response to the Evaluation Team Visit. President Zechman, Academic Dean Cooley, and Coordinator of Institutional Effectiveness McDowell met with the Commission on Accreditation in February 2014 for consideration of "Candidate Status" with ABHE. The Commission granted Penn View Bible Institute "Candidate Status," which is a major milestone leading up to Initial Accreditation. Students' diplomas will be more freely accepted, and their credits will increase in transferability. Dr. Tony Buchanan met with Penn View's leadership to discuss further steps in this process in March. If you are interested in more details, you can go to www.pvbi.edu and scroll down then click on PVBI Accreditation Progress.



President Zechman and Academic Dean Cooley met Dr. Sherrill Babb in Harrisburg to talk together with Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) personnel about the degree-granting approval process and the endowment requirements. The meeting went very well. PVBI has begun the application process.



ALUMNI ASSOCIATION UPDATE

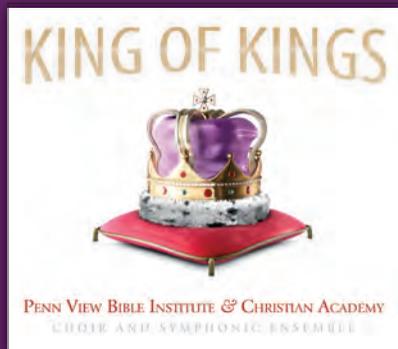
The Penn View Alumni Association was pleased to convene a special meeting of alumni on March 20, 2014, to receive input and give voice to our alumni. The meeting was constructive and useful in the furtherance of the Alumni Association.

Each year, Penn View Bible Institute hosts its Alumni Reunion at the Dayton IHC. The event is held in room 307 of the Dayton Convention Center at 9:30 p.m. following the Wednesday services. It is a time to connect with fellow alumni and reconnect with your alma mater. Refreshments are provided along with special presentations which will look back over past days as well as give us a vision for the future. Please take note of this annual event and make it a part of your IHC experience if you have not already done so!

Alumni of PVCA and PVBI are invited to visit the Alumni webpage at www.pvbi.edu/alumni. Take the time to update your contact information and let the Alumni Association know what you are up to today! Don't forget to "like" Penn View Alumni Association on Facebook!

CHOIR TOUR

Penn View Bible Institute's Choir and Symphonic Ensemble is always a highlight. More than sixty people load into 2 vans and a coach bus traveling many miles to share the gospel through music. These tours give students a unique opportunity for ministry. This corporate effort is an uplift and encouragement to local congregations across the United States. Under the direction of Mr. Lucas Shroust and Accompanist Mr. Michael DeStefano, the Choir & Ensemble share in many Spirit-filled worship services. Log on to Penn View's home page at PVBI.edu and click the "On the Road" link to see if they will visit a place near you!



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Black Tie Event



Penn View was proud to host a Black Tie event this spring on our campus. The Music Division presented an evening which showcased the talents God has given our students in a unique fashion. A fantastic banquet in the Miller Dining Center was followed by a concert in the G.I. Straub Tabernacle. These musicians, under the supervision of Mr. Lucas Shroust, made musical and short acting presen-

tations throughout the evening. Creating great memories and generating school spirit is just one of the benefits of these events. Special thanks to Music Division Chairman Lucas Shroust and each of our students for a very enjoyable evening. Praise the Lord for each music student! The faculty and staff look forward to seeing how these young people will use their talents for God's kingdom in the future.

Public Relations Groups

Public Relations musical groups have been a part of the fabric of Penn View Bible Institute from the very earliest years of its history. This year, there are three musical representative teams traveling. "The Praise Singers," "Heritage," and "Majesty Strings" are all passionate and committed young people and are sure to be an inspiration to many.

To see these group's schedules, visit PVBI.edu and click on the link "On the Road." If you are interested in hosting one of these groups, call Public Relations Director Kent Engle at (570) 837-1855 ext. 1132 or (570) 765-1877.



Congratulations Seniors!

Penn View Bible Institute and Christian Academy applaud the accomplishments of the 2014 graduating class. Congratulations on a job well done!



INSTITUTE

Samuel Aiken, Omagh, Co. Tyrone, Northern Ireland (Ministerial Studies)
Jonathan Blackert, Margaretsville, Nova Scotia, Canada (Christian Education-Secondary Social Science)
Jeffrey Brewer, Utica, NY (Certificate in Biblical Studies)
Joshua Davis, Davenport, IA (Ministerial Studies)
Kristen Dorman, Portage, PA (Biblical Studies)
Aaron Gillett, Crooked Tree Village, Belize, South America (One Year Bible)
Erika Gingrich, Penns Creek, PA (Child Evangelism)
Judy Hunt, Archdale, NC (Child Evangelism)
Jenna Kratz, Mount Joy, PA (Christian Education-Elementary)
Chris Martin, Millmont, PA (Ministerial Studies)

Benjamin McDowell, Penns Creek, PA (Hispanic Studies)
William Peters III, Liverpool, PA (Christian Music Education)
Clinton Redmond, Waldo, OH (Christian Music Education)
Tonweya Sherman, Winner, SD (Ministerial Studies, Missionary Studies)
Marie Spangler, East Rochester, OH (Missionary Nursing)
Angela Thornton, Somerset, KY (Missionary Nursing)
Joshua Tomek, Middleport, OH (Missionary Studies)
Steven Tomek II, Middleport, OH (Ministerial Studies)
Diane Welch, Meshoppen, PA (Christian Education-Elementary)
Vuyolwethu Wolfkop, Queenstown, Eastern Cape, South Africa (Certificate in Biblical Studies)

ACADEMY

Dustin Durkee
Bethy Grizer
Kirsten Gingerich
Cody Heidler
Zachary Hill
Larisa Kolva
Julia Kozlova
Kaitlin Rine

CHRIST COULDN'T MEAN *Preached* Every Creature *Preached* COULD HE?



ALUMNI ERIC & HANNAH KUHN'S NAMED "MISSIONARIES OF THE YEAR"

Penn View Bible Institute celebrates with alumni Eric & Hannah Kuhns on their being awarded "Missionary of the Year" by Hope International Missions. Their commitment and success in ministry are commendable. May God continue to bless the Kuhns and their family as they continue to win souls for Jesus Christ.

This is the third consecutive year that Penn View alumni have received this award. It is an affirmation of the effectiveness and quality of Penn View's Missions Department. To God be the glory!

NIGERIA'S ART AMBASSADOR IBIYINKA ALAO VISITS PENN VIEW

Ibiyinka Alao is the Nigerian Art Ambassador and winner of a United



Nations art competition which included 61 representatives from other nations. Mr. Alao shared his art in the Chapel service and spoke about the relationship between art and Christianity. He spent time meeting with missions students as well as participating in a workshop for the elementary students. We thoroughly enjoyed our visit with this diplomat and thank him for his interest in Christian education and Penn View Bible Institute.



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New Destiny Treatment Center
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Steven V. Mayle
Missionary
All Tribes Missionary Council
Blind River, Ontario, Canada

Steven A. Mowery
Penn View Alumnus
Director of Missions
Penn View Bible Institute
Penns Creek, PA

MISSIONS CONVENTION

Penn View Bible Institute's Missions Division convened the annual Missions Convention this spring. This year's convention theme was "Christ Couldn't Mean Every Creature Could He?" The major emphasis of the convention was reaching those people who have never heard the gospel. Rev. Gary Brugger, Rev. Steve Height, and Missionaries Michael and Crystal Mason and Tanjela and Steven Mayle presented challenging and meaningful messages to our students and staff as well as the many visitors who attended the services.

Missions Convention is a vital element of the pursuit of our mission to train Christ-like servant

leaders to fulfill our Lord's Great Commission. It is the passion of the faculty and staff to instill the value of soul-winning in Penn View's students. This convention drives that message home each year. It serves all of the departments of Penn View by lifting our eyes to that Great Harvest about which our Lord spoke.

Missions Director Steve Mowery's visionary and creative leadership has led Penn View's Missions Division in its successful preparation of many missionaries and Great Commission driven leaders throughout the years. Thank God for this talented man's dedication and commitment to the up building of the Kingdom of Christ!

MISSIONS DIRECTOR STEVE MOWERY PASSES THE TORCH



After 24 years of service to Penn View Bible Institute in varying capacities, Mr. Steve Mowery will be stepping down at the end of the school year. Under Mr. Mowery's leadership, Penn View's Missions Division has become a premier program. He has incorporated creative and effective methods to improve and expand both practical and philosophical training in the Missions program. Under his leadership, Penn View Bible Institute has produced numbers of successful missionaries who serve around the world today. Many Penn View Alumni look back with fondness at Mr. Mowery's "out of the box" thinking and monologues which broadcast solid Christian values, practical ministry philosophies,

and integrity driven purpose among the students of Penn View. He truly will be missed, and his legacy will be one that only eternity can fully reveal. His continuing passion for ministry is shifting toward the inner-city work at the Gospel Center in Lebanon, PA. Thank you for your contributions to the advancement of Penn View Bible Institute, and may your future endeavors continue in success!



STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Nathan Yohe is a junior in the Ministerial Division at Penn View Bible Institute. Nathan and his family lived in Newville,

PA until he was 12 years of age. They then moved to Sebring, FL, where they lived throughout his teen years. The Yohe's attend the Kissimmee God's Missionary Church.

"I got saved...when I was 13 in a revival," Nathan said as he recalled the meeting where Rev. Marshall Smart was evangelist and he began to seek God with a whole heart. He was saved and later sanctified wholly in the same series of meetings. It was also at that time he began to sense a call to preach. He went through the usual decisions and struggles of the teen experience but still understood that God was calling him to the ministry. Nathan considered enrolling in classes online and staying at home to

complete his degree, but through a series of unpredictable events, the Lord led him to Penn View.

Nathan currently holds a Local Preacher's license through God's Missionary Church and serves as Assistant Pastor at the Danville God's Missionary Church. His plans for the future include entering full-time ministry, likely as a pastor.

Proverbs 16:9 says, "A man's heart deviseth his way, but the Lord directeth his steps," and this verse has been a source of guidance to Nathan over the last semester. He says, "The Lord's been working step by step.... We try to get our plans all made, and there's nothing wrong with that, but the Lord is directing over all of that." With the increasing responsibilities of pastoring and going to school, God is leading him step by step.

"I would recommend [Penn View] first of all just because of... the staff, their personal touch when you have a problem or a situation.... I've talked to different ones.... They're open to talk to", he said. Rev. Jacob Martin, the Ministerial Division Director among other instructors has had a major

influence on Nathan's life. He goes on further to say that he appreciates the fact that "The people that... train us are in it.... They've practiced it themselves." Yohe believes it is important for the instructors not only to have an intellectual knowledge of material, but also to have a practical, experiential knowledge of the material they teach. He also noted that the spiritual atmosphere and the friendships built in the dorm are among reasons he would recommend Penn View.

When asked what experiences at Penn View have influenced him most, Nathan said, "I probably had some basic ideas of what I believe, ... but it has helped me to find out why I believe that." He emphasized the fact that knowledge does not replace, but rather enhances, the relationship that one has with God. The more one knows about Him, the more one loves Him and desires a deeper relationship with Him.

Please pray for Nathan as he completes his years of study here at Penn View. We are proud of the quality young people who are dedicating their lives to serving in God's kingdom!

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Beginner Music Recital: May 5- 8:00 pm
Spring Benefit Auction: May 9-10
End of Semester: May 23
Spring Concert: May 24- 7:00 pm
Baccalaureate: May 25- 2:30 pm
Commencement: May 26- 10:00 am