



**Pictured Left:** A snapshot of the foyer during Lectureship weekend. **Pictured Right:** Those gathered for the Ministry Moments fellowship after Sunday evening church service.

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# The latest news story from Bear Valley

From the school to your home

----- **STEVEN JAEGER**

This past month of September has gone by faster than I thought possible. In August, learning how to settle into the new routine of full-time school life led me to think that time would be extensive. However, now in place of an established routine, I am learning more each week about the importance of intentional living with the time we have. Namely, to be a steward of the opportunities, relationships, and responsibilities we are blessed to have in our lives. Thank you all for your continued support. Please continue to pray for all the saints throughout the world that we all may remain steadfast until the end of the race.

The busiest and best weekend in September was when the Bear Valley congregation and the school hosted a lectureship event. We had many people from several congregations and Christian organizations throughout the country visit. The time was filled with worship, fellowship, and great teachings. If interested, you can visit the BVBI YouTube page for all things lectureship 2022. Something new that has recently been introduced is what is known as "Ministry Moments." This is a time of fellowship each week on Sunday evenings after church. School members get together to listen to a guest speaker to learn about ministry and from guests about their time in serving the Lord's Kingdom. It has been a great time of fellowship and insight.



## September Update Quarter 1 Classes

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With the first quarter coming to an end, final exams are less than a week away. But first, a recap of this past month! Midterm exams have come and gone. Apart from the perceived stress because of the desire to do good and be a good steward of the very special opportunity I have as a student at Bear Valley, the education and budding relationships with God's Word and those around me have been as remarkable as it is edifying.

The most challenging class has perhaps become the most exciting. Seeing the growth in the understanding and application of Bible Geography continues to be one of the most textually revealing classes of the first quarter. And because of this, one of the most rewarding. This class is most challenging because of the extra study time needed to put the pieces together (sometimes literally) compared to the other courses. But from this process come increasingly rewarding results in relation to understanding the stories told throughout the Bible as well as the personal experiences lived by each of the characters mentioned.

If you haven't heard of this resource already, I highly recommend spending time with the Bible Land Passages video series. You can find it on YouTube as part of the World Video Bible School channel.

Acts I with Wayne Burger, covering the first twelve chapters of the book, is serving to create a solid foundation of the Lord's intention regarding the existence of His Kingdom through the church He established in Christ Jesus. That God shows no partiality among nations indicates the desire God has for the hearts of all men and that is a warm and encouraging welcome for our own relationship with Him and others.

The classes covering the Gospel of Matthew and Personal Evangelism have been unexpectedly yet enjoyably intertwined, and not purposefully by the instructor's doing. This unplanned connection reinforces just how much Jesus cared about the lives of the people He came from Heaven to serve and save. It is a blessing to have Him as our intermedator as we seek to be humble before God.