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## 2009 SC FWB State Meeting

The 67th annual session of the South Carolina State Association of Original Free Will Baptist meeting will take place Thursday and Friday, February 26-27, 2009, at Fairview FWB Church in Spartanburg. The General Board will meet at Fairview Church at 10:00 AM on Wednesday, February 25, 2009. The headquarter hotel will be the Best Western located at 125 Sloan Garden Road. The hotel is offering a special rate of \$50 per night. Please call 864-699-0000 and use code SCFWB to make your reservation. The Thursday evening offering will go to the South Carolina Home Mission Board. The following is a schedule of the meeting:

### Thursday, February 26, 2009:

- 8:30 AM - Registration
- 9:00 AM - Welcome / Prayer / Call to Order
- 9:15 AM - Devotion - Rev. John Johnson (Hillside FWB Church, Florence)
- 9:30 AM - State Ministry Reports
- 10:50 AM - Recess
- 11:00 AM Morning Worship - Message: Rev. Tim Hackett (Fairview FWB Church, Spartanburg)
- Noon - Recess for Lunch
- 1:30 PM - Devotion - Rev. Lee Patrick (First FWB Church, Florence)
- 1:20 PM - Reports Continued
- 4:30 PM - Recess

### Thursday Evening:

- 7:00 PM - Evening Worship Service - Guest Speaker:  
- Dr. Lorenza Stox, Southeastern FWB College

### Friday, February 27, 2009:

- 9:00 AM - Welcome and Congregational
- 9:05 AM - Devotion - Rev. Mike Wilson (Calvary FWB Church, Gastonia)
- 9:20 AM - Final Reports
- 11:00 AM - Worship Service - Rev. Eddie Carter (New Life FWB Church, Conway)
- Noon - Lunch and Adjournment

## \$1.1 Million in Giving in 2008

In 2008, churches and individuals gave \$1,147,488.89 through the South Carolina Free Will Baptist State Office. Read the enclosed report of who it came from and where it went!



### 2008 Giving Through the SCFWB State Office:

Beaver Creek Conference .....	\$123,765.53
Central Association .....	\$146,173.40
Eastern Conference .....	\$104,630.85
Palmetto Conference .....	\$10,491.49
South Carolina Conference .....	\$688,363.59
True Life Conference .....	\$1,947.00
SC Women Active for Christ .....	\$26,182.50
Various .....	\$45,934.53
<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>\$1,147,488.89</b>

### TOP TWENTY GIVING CHURCHES IN 2008

1) Horse Branch, Turbeville (SC) .....	\$116,426.25
2) Peace, Florence (SC) .....	\$68,297.10
3) Lebanon, Effingham (SC) .....	\$49,019.36
4) Florence First (SC) .....	\$47,831.45
5) Westside, Johnsonville (SC) .....	\$46,971.18
6) Bethany, Timmonsville (SC) .....	\$38,861.00
7) Southside, Darlington (SC) .....	\$37,902.72
8) Sand Hill, Coward (SC) .....	\$32,095.40
9) Gilead, Lake City (EC) .....	\$27,820.97
10) Liberty, Lancaster (BC) .....	\$26,958.28
11) Mill Branch, Johnsonville (EC) .....	\$26,694.52
12) Temple, Darlington (SC) .....	\$24,153.96
13) Evergreen, Aynor (CA) .....	\$22,911.19
14) Grace, Lake City (SC) .....	\$22,756.96
15) Parkway, Spartanburg (BC) .....	\$18,821.71
16) Cornerstone, Whiteville (CA) .....	\$18,400.00
17) Black River, Andrews (SC) .....	\$17,021.65
18) Bay Branch, Timmonsville (SC) .....	\$16,663.00
19) Lynch River, Coward (SC) .....	\$16,465.00
20) Beulah, Pamplico (SC) .....	\$16,096.75

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## 2008 Gifts and Distributions Through the South Carolina Free Will Baptist State Office

### Beaver Creek Conference Gifts:

Liberty, Lancaster	26,958.28
Parkway, Spartanburg	18,821.71
Lockhart, Lockhart	12,579.95
Inman First	9,738.21
High Point, Lancaster	9,090.38
Northgate, Greer	7,062.37
Calvary, Union	5,052.60
Landmark, Anderson	4,503.00
Greenville First	4,445.18
Whitney, Spartanburg	3,550.00
Greenwood First	3,277.51
Simpsonville, First	3,125.00
Fairview, Spartanburg	3,120.54
Una, Una	2,507.00
Beaver Creek Association	2,280.00
Chester First	2,049.93
Lesslie, Rock Hill	1,820.00
Enoree First FWB	1,100.00
North Spartanburg, Inman	950.00
Turning Point, Spartanburg	609.71
Southside, Aiken	599.07
Greer First, Greer	384.09
Gaffney, Gaffney	141.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$123,765.53</b>

Bethel, Florence	630.00
Pee Dee, Conway	422.35
Grace, Loris	400.00
Socastee, Socastee	321.00
Freedom, Tabor City	100.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$146,173.40</b>

### Eastern Conference Gifts:

Gilead, Lake City	27,820.97
Mill Branch, Johnsonville	26,694.52
Lighthouse, Florence	7,955.33
Calvary, Georgetown	7,002.54
St John, Scranton	6,644.57
Freedom, Ladson	6,419.73
Happy Home, Andrews	5,600.00
Hillside, Florence	5,390.00
New Vision, Hemingway	4,621.90
Williams Hill, Hemingway	3,472.00
Eastern Conference	1,000.00
New Prospect, Pamplico	780.00
Cornerstone-Fellowship, Manning	479.29
Olanta, Olanta	400.00
Hickory Hill, Gresham	200.00
Cypress Fork, Manning	150.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$104,630.85</b>

### Central Association Gifts:

Evergreen, Conway	22,911.19
Cornerstone, Whiteville	18,400.00
White Savannah, Conway	15,236.08
Mt Trolly, Galivants Ferry	14,378.59
Mullins-Marion, Mullins	13,295.90
Unity, Johnsonville	8,556.00
Little Bethel, Johnsonville	8,200.00
Myrtle Beach First	7,806.40
Damascus, Conway	7,245.12
South Conway, Conway	5,708.45
Little Star, Johnsonville	4,850.00
Free Welcome, Conway	4,681.00
Mt Ariel, Conway	3,003.00
Central Association	2,424.09
Charity, Laurinburg	2,000.00
Hamlet First	1,750.00
New Life, Conway	1,459.00
Wildwood, Nichols	959.15
Oak Grove, Conway	786.08
Rains, Rains	650.00

### South Carolina Conference Gifts:

Horse Branch, Turbeville	116,426.25
Peace, Florence	68,297.10
Lebanon, Effingham	49,019.36
Florence First	47,831.45
Westside, Johnsonville	46,971.18
Bethany, Timmons ville	38,861.00
Southside, Darlington	37,920.72
Sand Hill, Coward	32,095.40
Temple, Darlington	24,153.96
Grace, Lake City	22,756.96
Black River, Andrews	17,021.65
Bay Branch, Timmons ville	16,663.00
Lynches River, Coward	16,465.00
Beulah, Pamplico	16,096.75
Pamplico, Pamplico	12,436.33
Tabernacle, Coward	12,140.00
Jefferson Road, Sumter	11,595.84
Darlington First	10,057.00
High Hill, Scranton	9,294.00
Liberty, Manning	9,262.05

FWB Bible, Darlington	7,900.00
Low Country, N Charleston	7,412.93
Mt Elon, Pamplico	5,861.70
Midlands, Columbia	5,046.00
Columbia Original	4,809.00
Immanuel, Santee	4,709.84
Charleston First	4,661.43
Bethesda, Camden	4,290.00
Hartsville First	3,965.77
Victory, Andrews	3,846.91
Eastside, Florence	3,665.00
Fellowship, Florence	3,581.88
Kingstree First	2,670.00
Camp Branch, Scranton	2,500.00
South Carolina Conference	2,046.51
St John, Patrick	1,990.37
New Town, Lake City	1,925.00
Faith, Darlington	1,209.25
Poplar Hill, Hemingway	800.00
Community, Florence	107.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$688,363.59</b>

**Palmetto Conference Gifts:**

Victory, PA	9,792.49
New Vision, Rock Hill	549.00
Peace, Spartanburg	150.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$10,491.49</b>

**True Life Conference Gifts:**

Mt Carmel, York	679.00
Heart Land, Lancaster	500.00
True Life Association	350.00
Calvary, Lancaster	300.00
Bride of Christ FWC, Rock Hill	59.00
Gloryland, Rock Hill	59.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,947.00</b>

**SC Women Active for Christ Gifts:**

WNAC SCD Lebanon	4,721.00
WNAC SCD Temple	4,425.00
WNAC BC Fairview	2,310.00
WNAC SCD Darlington First	2,043.00
WNAC SCD Eastside	1,553.00
WNAC CD Little Star	1,430.00
WNAC SCD Mt Elon	1,415.00
WNAC SCD Black River	1,003.00
WNAC SCD Horse Branch	1,000.00
WNAC SCD Liberty, Manning	829.50
WNAC CD Mt Ariel	790.00

WNAC SCD Immanuel	712.00
WNAC SCD Beulah	637.00
WNAC CD Myrtle Beach First	635.00
WNAC SCD Grace	620.00
WNAC ED Williams Hill	500.00
WNAC SCD Lowcountry	424.00
WNAC SCD Fellowship	260.00
WNAC State	250.00
WNAC CD Oak Grove	245.00
WNAC SCD Southside, Darlington	150.00
WNAC BC	100.00
WNAC SCD Pamplico	80.00
WNAC BC Hope, Spartanburg	50.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$26,182.50</b>

**Various Gifts:**

Anonymous	30,020.00
Coker, L. E. & Betty	3,500.00
Tyler, Eddie and Pamela	2,667.00
Smithville FWB Church, TN	1,033.31
Hyman, Patsy	1,020.00
Tilley, Tony and Patricia	900.00
Pleasant Grove Baptist Church	600.00
Cornerstone Assembly	516.00
Coker, Sybil	500.00
Loudendale FWB Church, WV	500.00
Lee, Sherwood and Vada	500.00
Prospect Independent Meth Church	455.00
Hare, Clyde	300.00
Roach, Roy & Paula	250.00
Comunidad Hispana FWB	250.00
Williams, Zellene	212.00
Stone, Gail	200.00
Stone, James L.	200.00
Shenandoah Baptist Church	200.00
Sawyer, Darlene - Progress Energy	200.00
Critchler, Charles and Barbara	170.00
Hicks, Julian	150.00
Hearne, Raymon and Violette	125.22
MEMORIALS	125.00
Aycock, David	120.00
Melvin, James or Ruth	118.00
Carlson, Dav & Wanda	100.00
Lowery, Leroy	100.00
Carnell, John	70.00
Gaskins, Clinton and Audrey	65.00
Powell, Billy	59.00
Baker, Billy and Marie	59.00
Dickess, Dennis and Karen	50.00

Hicks, Maxcy	50.00
Hicks, Kay	50.00
Shepherd, Katherine	50.00
Singletary, Richard & Sheila	50.00
Coker, Allen	50.00
Brace, Diane	35.00
Williams, Leonard	35.00
Godwin, Mary	30.00
Bishop, Magan	25.00
Rase, Chester, Betty, and Wilma	25.00
Wiggs, Dennis and Betty	25.00
Lee, Michael	25.00
Davis, Donald	25.00
Feagin, Woodrow and Frances	25.00
Altman, Robin	20.00
Kimbrel, Bruce and Crystal	20.00
Ard, Lydia	20.00
Book, Rich and June	20.00
Rankin, Teresa and Richard	10.00
Mathis, Mary	10.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$45,934.53</b>

**Grand Total Gifts . . . . . \$1,147,488.89**

**SCPS Distributions:**

Co-op Gifts	391.65
Free Will Baptist Bible College	
Gibson, David	500.00
Creech, Caleb	2,500.00
Paul Kettelman Memorial	1,042.07
Postlewaite, Hanna	560.00
FWBBC	74,290.44
Board of Retirement	60.46
NAFWB Executive Office	5,433.23
Free Will Baptist International Missions:	
Morgan, Neil & Mandy	33,179.39
Garrison, Halie	100.00
Gibson, David	960.45
Outlaw, David	117.68
Lancaster, Jamie	692.05
Corley, Mike	692.06
Aycock, David	14,965.67
Gainer, Mirial	50,182.61
Hanna, Carlisle	218,594.03
Johnson, Tim	75,076.05
Moore, Andy	24,894.20
Poole, Bobby	41,274.47

Bishop, Dale	120.00
Bunch, Stan	1,765.27
Cousineau, Mike	80.00
Doropo Hospital	400.00
Gibbs, Jerry	3,231.00
McDonald, Don	1,367.05
McVay, Sam	2,735.73
Pinkerton, Jerry	1,985.06
Price, Matt	390.00
Vision - India Churches	1,940.76
Vision - Spain	463.00
Vision - Brazil - Moore	1,322.87
Warren, Sean	1,891.93
World Missions Offering	32,259.60
IM General Fund	18,913.29
<b>Total International Missions</b>	<b>529,594.22</b>
<b>NAFWB Home Missions:</b>	
Neppl, Marc	625.00
Lemelin, George	100.00
Sexton, David	225.00
Carpenter's Helpers	100.00
Riggs, Tim	692.08
Hall, Allen	3,992.50
Fannin, Chris	9,901.78
Bailey, Don	1,652.10
Benjamin Randall Offering	15,472.13
Bowling, Rick	2,935.71
Build My Church	700.00
Bustamante, Fernando	23,253.14
Collins, Paul	5,535.20
Collins, Larry	55.00
Floars, Greg	1,925.00
Gwen Hendrix Hispanic	5,952.46
Gwartney, Howard	2,933.50
Highway Helpers	110.00
Nason, Joel	325.00
Parks, Dr. Paul	1,075.00
Reynolds, Bill	3,412.93
Reynolds Land Fund	610.00
Rodriguez, Gerardo	9,975.73
Roy, David	1,508.57
Thomas, Mark	45.00
Wallace, Ron	692.06
NAFWB HM GF	11,780.77
<b>Total NAFWB Home Missions</b>	<b>105,585.66</b>
<b>Masters Men</b>	<b>423.02</b>
<b>Rest of the Family</b>	<b>683.69</b>
<b>Friends of India</b>	<b>51,429.27</b>
<b>Beacon Missions International</b>	<b>1,723.13</b>

Riggs, Mark	916.50
Faith, Goldsboro	9,260.58
Local Church Missions	600.00
Maye, Chip	110.00
Stateside Assignment Missionary	426.24
Sparks, Noel	3,149.92
Kibe Tressi (Africa Mission)	198.79
Weaver, John (Afghanistan)	1,768.57
BJU - Kelly, Jason	250.00
Christ Team - Westside, Johnson	100.00
Watts, William "Jackson"	100.00
CEF - Kelly Monfort #70134	870.00
Bivens, Bud	700.00
Charity Resue Mission, TX	350.00
Christian Law Association	2,118.91
Gateway Christian College	1,828.94
Gideons International	717.00
Hayes, Gerald	1,109.93
Hebron Colony	1,477.78
Hicks, Eddy	417.85
Holifield, Ray	1,040.00
Lighthouse Ministries, Florence	700.24
Minister Ministry	156.00
Owens, Guy	520.00
Radio Bible Class	100.00
Southeastern Bible College	
Rawlinson, Frances	250.00
Southeastern "CHOIR"	1,500.00
Jared Carnell	500.00
Southeastern Bible College	10,621.53
Total Southeastern Bible College	12,871.53
Watson, Chad	113.35
SCWAC	
State Dues - SCWAC	5.00
Seating Delegates	5.00
Speaker Dues	120.00
Total SCWAC	130.00
BC Bible Institute	550.70
CH--Children's Home	
Children's Home Debt	3657.00
Children's Home	166,453.91
Total CH--Children's Home	170,110.91
Christian School Income	
Fairview Christian Academy	220.02
Hawthorne Academy	220.02
Inman Christian Academy	99.96
Maranatha Christian School	219.96
Mullins Marion Christian	220.02
New Prospect Christian	220.02

Total Christian School Income	1,200.00
SCFWB State Office	67,341.79
Liberty, Orangeburg	1,290.00
Poston Baggett Loan Fund	62.53
State Home Mission Board	
Jim Fairchild	25,575.61
Aiken Loan Fund	6,802.06
State Home Mission Board	31,023.87
Total State Home Mission Board	63,401.54
Church Training Service	62.53
Youth Camp	1,172.42
Turner, Bennie	300.00

SC WAC Gifts:

AX Brazil Children's Home	125.00
AX World Mission Offering - IM	517.75
AX Friends of India	549.00
AX Bustamante, Fernando (HM)	363.42
AX CHILDREN'S HOME (SC)	1,374.25
AX CO-LABORER	100.00
AX Dues	1,815.00
AX EMPHASIS	158.00
AX FOREIGN MISSIONS (GF)	296.00
AX HOME MISSIONS (GF)	275.00
AX HONOR MINISTER	150.00
AX Fannin, Chris (HM Arizona)	120.00
AX MCVAY, SAM	755.00
AX PROVISION CLOSET	726.00
AX Rodriguez, Gerardo (HM)	363.41
AX SCFWB State Office	200.00
AX Fairchild, Jim - Aiken	1,025.00
AX STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP	16.00
AX YOUTH CAMP (SC)	470.00
AX FWB International Missions:	
AX AYCOCK, DAVID	7.50
AX GAINER, MIRIAL	853.50
AX HANNA, CARLISLE	189.00
AX JOHNSON, TIM	1,869.00
AX Moore, Andy	10.00
AX POOLE, BOBBY	511.00
AX Benjamin Randall	653.00
AX Lizzie McAdams	735.00
AX PRE-EASTER	441.00
AX Student Loan	153.00
AX WAC 07 State Project	10,856.67

**Grand Total Distributions . . . . . \$1,147,488.89**

## Beaver Creek Convenes at First, Chester



The Beaver Creek Association met at First FWB Church in Chester on Saturday, January 31, 2009. Everyone was welcomed to the meeting by Moderator Rev. Tim Hackett. A local gospel singing group called "Restoration" provided special music for the worship service. Greetings were brought by Dr. Don Hanna, son of missionary Reverend Carlisle Hanna. After his greetings, Reverend Carlisle Hanna preached the morning message from Mark 4 regarding "Sowing the Seed of the Gospel." After the morning worship service, the ladies at the First FWB Church served a wonderful meal.

## True Life Conference Meets at Pine Grove

The True Life Conference met on Saturday, January 17, 2009, at the Pine Grove FWB Church in Jefferson, SC. The meeting was called to order by Rev. John Cody. The morning message was brought by Reverend Dan Hines. Calvary FWB Church in Gastonia, NC, was presented with the "2008 Conference Attendance Trophy." The Pine Grove Church provided a wonderful meal for everyone in attendance.



(Pictured Left: Rev. Mike Wilson accepts the Attendance Trophy on behalf of Calvary Church.)

## Central Association Meeting



The Central Association met on Saturday, January 10, 2009, at Wildwood FWB Church in Nichols, SC. Moderator Rev. Buddy Seay welcomed everyone to the meeting. Hispanic Director Rev. Rick Bowling shared a devotion from 2 Timothy 4. During the business session at his request Mr. Bennie Inman, long time clerk for the Central Association, requested to step down from the clerk position. He was replaced as clerk by his pastor Reverend Stephen Hyman. The Central Association will be further honoring Mr. Bennie Inman at their next meeting for his many years of service. After the business session, Dr. Don Hanna, the son of Missionary Carlisle Hanna, brought greetings to the conference, and Missionary Carlisle Hanna preached the worship service message. A DVD of Missionary Hanna's message can be obtained by contacting conference Moderator Reverend Buddy Seay at 843-455-7028.

## South Carolina Conference Meeting



The two day annual South Carolina Conference meeting convened at Westside FWB Church in Johnsonville on Thursday and Friday, January 22-23, 2009. The meeting started on Thursday evening and concluded on Friday afternoon. Many people complimented the

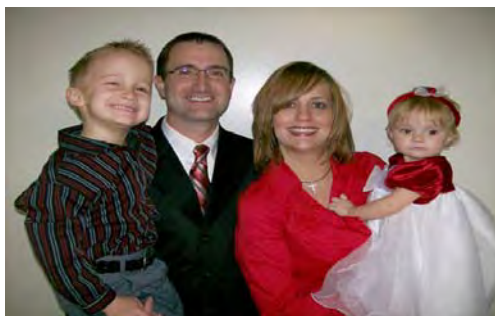
wonderful Thursday evening choir music by the Westside FWB Church. Evangelist Bobby Jackson (pictured above) was the guest speaker for the two day meeting. The evangelistic messages stirred the hearts of those in attendance to be more involved in being a witness as "ministers of the gospel." Moderator Theron Scott and host pastor for the meeting, brought the moderator's message from Romans 1:16 and 2 Corinthians 4:3-6. It was a wonderful message relating to the current shifting trends in Christianity today and our need to maintain faithfulness in the midst of these changes. The Westside FWB Church is to be commended for their kind hospitality for hosting this two day meeting.

## Camp Meeting in the Carolinas

The Central Association held its annual "Camp Meeting in the Carolinas" on Thursday and Friday, January 29-30, 2009, at First FWB Church in Myrtle Beach, SC. The camp meeting started on Thursday evening with special music by "Sacred Ground" and preaching by Evangelist Jack Lassiter. On Friday, Rev. Tony Miles, pastor at Little Star FWB Church, and Evangelist Jack Lassiter brought the morning messages. On Friday evening, special music was provided by the "Rivertown Boys," and the evening message was brought by Evangelist Jack Lassiter. Pastor Wayne Snipes and the First FWB Church did a great job in hosting this year's "Camp Meeting in the Carolinas." A combined video recording of all the camp meeting services is available on DVD by contacting host pastor Rev. Wayne Snipes at 843-457-0825.



## Fortner Accepts Associate at First, Inman



The First Free Will Baptist Church of Inman is proud to announce the addition of Rev. Sean Fortner to the staff as Associate Pastor. Sean

graduated from Bob Jones University in 1998 with a B.S. Degree in Financial Management. He was previously employed with Boiler Tube Company in Lyman, South Carolina. Sean along with his wife, Dawn, and two children, Dylan and Kylie, reside in Lyman. Both Sean and Dawn grew up in the First Inman Church under the ministry of Pastor Earl Hendrix, and they also graduated from Inman Christian Academy. They have been very active in the ministry of First FWB Church. Sean has been fulfilling the role of Minister of Music for the past year, as well as having been a deacon for 6 years. Dawn serves as Vice President of the First Inman Ladies Active for Christ. She also assists Sean with the youth and other ministries. Dawn is the daughter of Larry and Kay McElrath who are active members of First FWB Church. Sean Fortner is the son of Shelby Hayes, also an active member of First FWB Church, and Clarence Fortner, Jr. of Saxon, SC. The church and leaders are very pleased to have this God called, capable and gifted person, fulfilling this position.

## Greetings from the SC WAC Coordinator



I am looking forward to seeing all of the women of our state at our SCWAC state meeting on March 21, 2009, at High Point FWB Church in Lancaster. We have a great meeting planned, and our guest speaker will be Danita High, the new WNAC Executive Secretary. She is excited about meeting all of the wonderful ladies in our state. It is my opinion that we are one of the greatest states involved in the WNAC. Please partner with me in prayer for our SC WAC to participate in the opportunities God has given each one of us to serve Him. This has been a difficult year for many regarding our economy and physical problems. It is extremely important for us to come together to uphold one another in prayer and fellowship according to Hebrews 10:25. We need each other now more than ever, and we still have much work to accomplish for the cause of Christ before His return. I appreciate all of you and thank the Lord daily for the work you are doing to faithfully fulfill the "Great Commission."

In His Service, Pam Hackett

## Mac Atkinson, Jr. Ordination

On Sunday, January 25, 2009, at 3:00 PM, Rev. Mac Atkinson, Jr. was ordained into the gospel ministry at Lebanon FWB Church in Effingham, SC. Rev. Mac Jr.'s parents, Mac and Mildred Atkinson, have faithfully attended Lebanon FWB Church since Mac Jr. was 10 years old. Mac Jr. is the oldest of 5 children. Mac Jr. and his wife Leslie have three children, Mac III ("Mackie" - age 8), Avery (age 7), and Ella Claire (age 3). During the ordination service, special music was provided by Leslie Atkinson and also Mandi Davis. The ordination message was brought by Rev. Buddy Seay. The ministerial charge was brought by Rev. Mike Jones. The presentation of the ordination Bible was by Rev. Todd Smith, and the ordination prayer was led by Rev. Chris Fanin. Rev. Mac Atkinson, Jr. serves as the pastor at Lebanon FWB Church, and Rev. Mike Jones serves as the Associate Pastor at Lebanon Church. Pictured below is Mac Atkinson, Jr along with all the ministers who were in attendance at the ordination service.

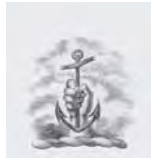


## Alexander Retirement Fellowship



On Saturday, January 24, 2009, the Columbia Original FWB Church celebrated the ministry of Reverend Carroll G. Alexander. Rev. Alexander

recently retired after serving as the pastor at the Columbia Original FWB Church for 47 years. Rev. Alexander served on the Free Will Baptist Bible College Board of Trustees from 1961-1964. He also previously served as the clerk of the South Carolina Conference for 18 years, moderator of the State Association for 3 years, and presbytery board member for more than 10 years. His wife Anna Lee, originally from Kentucky, met Carroll at the Free Will Baptist Bible College in 1953. Rev. Alexander and his wife have two children, Martha Drake and Kenneth Alexander. They have two grandsons, K.C. and Kyle Alexander, and four granddaughters, Kimberly Alexander and Britany, Bethany, and Diane Drake. Rev. Alexander was ordained into the gospel ministry in 1954. Pictured above is Reverend and Mrs. Carroll Alexander and family.



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## Mark Your Calendar

**SC WAC State Meeting - March 21, 2009, at High Point FWB Church in Lancaster, SC**

**State CTS/NYC Youth Competition - Friday (registration at 6:30 PM) and Saturday (registration at 8:30 AM) - May 1-2, 2009 - Peace FWB Church, Florence, SC**

**Children's Home Gold City Concert, Sumter, SC - June 6, 2009**

**SC FWB Teen Camp - June 8-13, 2009, Camp Anchorage at Wacamaw Lake, NC**

**NAFWB Convention - July 19-22, 2009, in Cincinnati, Ohio**

**SC FWB Junior Camp - July 27-31, 2009 at Camp Pee Dee in Marion, SC**

**SC FWB Teen Retreat - October 23-25, 2009**

### January 2009 Missionary Deficit Accounts:

Please pray about what God might have you or your church to do in helping to reduce the account deficits of these faithful South Carolina Missionaries.

David Aycock (Brazil)	(\$31,500.82)
Carlisle Hanna (India)	(\$56,329.99)
*This takes into consideration Missionary Hanna's 2009 first quarter withdrawal.	
Bobby Poole (Brazil)	(\$2,184.58)
Jim Fairchild (Aiken)	(\$4,686.19)
Fernando Bustamante (Effingham)	(\$538.58)



## Executive Secretary Todd Smith's Schedule

### February

- 1 Evergreen FWB Church, Conway
- 5 SC Home Mission Board Meeting, Columbia
- 8 Salem FWB Church, Coward
- 10-11 FWB Exec Secretary Meeting – Jacksonville, FL
- 17 Lake City Minister's Breakfast
- 21 Central WAC District Annual Meeting
- 22 First FWB Church, Hamlet, NC
- 25 SC FWB General Board Meeting
- 26-27 SC FWB State Meeting - Fairview FWB Church
- 28 South Carolina District WAC Annual Meeting

### March

- 1 Grace FWB Church, Lake City
- 3 Conway Minister's Breakfast
- 7 Beaver Creek District WAC Annual Meeting
- 8 Horse Branch FWB Church
- 10 Florence/Darlington Minister's Breakfast
- 11-13 Randal House Meeting, Nashville, TN
- 15-18 Revival – Poplar Hill FWB Church, Hemingway
- 17 Lake City Minister's Breakfast
- 21 SC WAC State Meeting - High Point FWB Church
- 22 High Point FWB Church, Lancaster, SC
- 29 First FWB Church, Florence, SC

### April

- 3 South Carolina Conference Quarterly Meeting
- 5 Lynch River FWB Church, Coward
- 7 Conway Minister's Breakfast
- 11 Central Association Meeting
- 14 Florence/Darlington Minister's Breakfast
- 18 Turbeville Puddin Swamp Festival Representing FWB Christian Book and Supply
- 21 Lake City Minister's Breakfast
- 25 Beaver Creek Association Quarterly Meeting

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