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2010 SC FWB State Meeting

The sixty-eighth annual session of the South Carolina State Association of Original Free Will Baptist will be hosted by the Central Association and will be held at Evergreen FWB Church in Conway on Thursday and Friday, February 25-26, 2010. The theme for the meeting will be "Conforming to His Likeness" (Psalm 17:15). The headquarter hotel will be the Sleep Inn located at 3345 Church Street in Conway. The special rate will be \$59.95 plus tax for two queen or one king. The price for suites will be \$69.95 plus tax. Feel free to make your reservations at the Sleep Inn by calling 843-365-2828. A second option for lodging will be the Best Western located at 1004 Waccamaw Drive in Conway. The Best Western special rate is \$45 plus tax for 2 queen or one king. Feel free to make your reservation at the Best Western by calling 843-234-1678. Below is a schedule of the 2010 state meeting:

THURSDAY MORNING, February 25, 2009

- 8:30 Registration
- 9:00 Prayer/ Call to Order / Welcome (Host Pastor)
- 9:15 Devotion: Reverend Stephen Hyman
- 9:30 Business
- 10:50 Recess
- 11:00 Message: Reverend Jeff Cockrell
- Noon Recess for Lunch

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

- 1:00 Devotion: Reverend Kenneth Cash
- 1:20 Business
- 2:50 Break Time
- 3:00 Reports Continued

THURSDAY NIGHT SERVICE

- 7:00 Offering - 2010 75th FWB IM Celebration for India
- Message: Dr. Garnett Reid, FWBIBC

FRIDAY MORNING, February 26, 2009

- 9:00 Devotion: Reverend Danny Stone
- 9:20 Business
- 11:00 Message: Reverend Thad Jacobs
- Noon Lunch

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

- 1:00 Moderator Message: Reverend Sherwood Lee
- 1:30 Business Concluded / Announcements
- 3:00 Adjournment

Blessings at Calvary

Two years ago when God led Reverend Teddy Rabon to accept the pastorate at Calvary FWB Church in Georgetown, there was an average of 16 in attendance. After accepting the pastorate there, the local newspaper ran an article entitled "Minister Accepts Challenge at Calvary." The first year was difficult, but God was still at work. Two years later, the church now averages 63 in attendance on Sunday morning and 40 on Sunday and Wednesday nights. Since January 2009, they have seen 18 souls saved, and several have been baptized and joined the church. They recently had "Family Day" which turned into "Pastor Appreciation Day" with 110 in attendance. Easter Sunday they had 47 for sunrise service and 93 for worship service. Their "Homecoming" service was held in June with 99 in attendance. For their Vacation Bible School in June, they had 40 children and 20 adults in attendance each night. When Pastor Teddy first came to Calvary Church, there were no young people in the church, but now they have toddler, primary/junior, and teen Sunday school classes. Youth service was held on August 19, 2009, with 19 young people participating in the service, and 12 year old Cody Bailey preached the morning message. There were 111 in attendance for their "Youth Service." Calvary Church is currently running a campaign entitled "Harvest is Plentiful...It's Harvest Time." They will be having their "Big Harvest Day" on Sunday, November 29, 2009, with the "Phillips Family" providing special music. Pastor Teddy Rabon said, "Let's remember, it's not about man, nor is it about numbers, but it is about God and souls being saved. We just want to lift our Lord up and praise him. Please keep us in your prayers that we will ever be used of God and that we will continue to see God working at Calvary Church in Georgetown!"



FWBBC Moves Forward

by Jack Williams



Free Will Baptist Bible College enrolled 302 students from 23 states and five foreign countries as it began its 67th year of service, including eight students from South Carolina. Since 1942, more than 6,000 FWBBC alumni have entered the denominational workforce as pastors, missionaries, local church leaders, school teachers, military chaplains, and more.

One of the college's fall highlights was the October 4-6 World Missions Conference that resulted in dozens of FWBBC students responding positively to messages calling for them to shake off spiritual apathy and commit their lives to Christian service. The three-day conference included seven worship sessions and 11 seminars. Other Fall Events Include:

Welcome Days November 19-21

Thanksgiving Holidays November 24-30

Final Exams December 8-11

FWBBC Board of Trustees Meet December 9-10

FWBBC is a regionally accredited four-year college offering more than 40 majors ranging from traditional pastoral ministry, missions, Christian education, and music to business, teacher education, psychology, history, exercise science, and more.

The college offers nine degrees: Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Music Education, Associate of Arts, Associate of Christian Ministries, Associate of Science in Biology, Associate of Science in Business, Associate of Science in Early Childhood, and Associate of Science in Ministry, as well as online learning, international studies, and adult education.

Relocation

FWBBC has purchased 66 acres in nearby Gallatin (Sumner County), just 25 minutes from the current campus, on which to build a new campus. The college's fundraising team has raised nearly \$2 million in cash and commitments and over \$1 million in commitments of gifts-in-kind this year, which represents half of the campaign goal of \$6 million to pay off the Gallatin property.

Correction: In the July/August 2009 Informer issue on page two, it stated: "For the first time in the 60 year history of its ministry, the FWB Home for Children is totally debt free." The article was printed as submitted; however, there have been years since its conception that the home has been debt free and in good financial status. We express our heartfelt gratitude to the many staff and directors who served in the home who left the home in good financial standing. Thank you for your continued faithful support of the SC FWB Children's Home.

A Year of Evangelistic Fervor

Dr. Bruce Barnes

Gateway Christian College is especially experiencing a great atmosphere of evangelistic emphasis in this year's calendar. We've just completed a revival in the church (Gateway Free Will Baptist Church) with 175 decisions for Christ. What a great time for our students to be involved in such a moving series of services as well as the needed visitation follow up! Four days after this meeting, the student body went away for our annual Missions Retreat (pictured below). As usual, it was a great time for our students and administration to gather for a time of missions emphasis, missionary prayer, and Christian fellowship.

This year's prayer emphasis surrounded the three college teams that were to go on mission trips immediately after the retreat: teams to Idaho, Minnesota, and Mexico. Through these prayer sessions, everyone got to know a little better what would be taking place on each field as well as to present and to pray over specific needs during the time of missions work. It was a small depiction of the method missionaries and missionary supporters work together to see a work done for Christ. For Gateway Christian College, missions is more than a topic for discussion; it is a burden of heart for the world both here and internationally.

This is not the only area where our students are involved; weekly, they participate in F.A.I.T.H. Evangelism and specific areas of Christian service such as bus routes, teen ministry, children's ministry, AWANAs, and more. Looking ahead in the school year, our students will be able to enjoy this spring's "Take Back America Conference." This meeting will emphasize church planting here and internationally, and it promises to be one of the biggest conferences we've had. Everyone is invited to attend; the dates are March 14-17. Open House for college students will be March 13-15. It will be a great time for prospective students to sense the fervor of a college within its native evangelistic fervor. Pastors and Youth Pastors are encouraged to be a part and to let your young people be part of one of the most impacting meetings of the year.



**Gwen Hendrix Hispanic Institute
Fall Semester Graduation in Inman, SC
Saturday, November 28, 2009
10:30 AM**

Southeastern FWB College

by Heath Ferguson

The Fall Semester of 2009 began at Southeastern Free Will Baptist College on Wednesday, August 26, 2009, with 142 students, of which 6 were from South Carolina. In a year when colleges are struggling due to the recession Southeastern has had an increase of enrollment by 15%. The Lord has blessed this year already in the opening revival with Dr. Tom Ferrell and in a Missions Conference that included Missionary David Aycock from Brazil, Pastor Dan Patrick, and Evangelist Rudolph Outlaw. Southeastern continues in its 27th year of service to the Lord. We thank all our supporters that have made it possible to sustain the college for these many years. Please come visit the college and continue to pray that God will use Southeastern to change the world for Jesus Christ. The following are some upcoming events of interest: Get Acquainted Days – Nov. 5-7 and Invitational Basketball Tournament – Nov. 19-21.

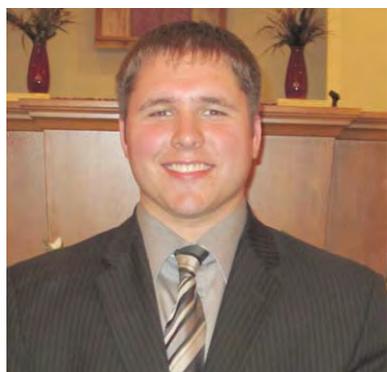
Watkins Ordained



Charles Watkins was ordained into the Gospel ministry through the True Life Association on September 26, 2009, at Pine Grove Free Will Baptist Church. Reverend David Sellers brought the message and the charge. After the charge, the True Life executive board anointed and prayed for Reverend Watkins.

After the prayer, Reverend Sellers presented Reverend Watkins with a Bible. Reverend John Cody offered words of wisdom at the conclusion of the service. Reverend Watkins and his wife Joyce have four children, Shana, Ashley, Justin, and Cassidy. Please pray for them as they continue their ministry.

Jones Accepts Pastorate at First, Greenville



In March 2009, Reverend Hal Jones, IV, accepted the pastorate at First Free Will Baptist Church in Greenville. Hal is the son of Reverend Hal Jones, III, pastor at Great Bridge FWB Church in Chesapeake, VA. Hal Jones, IV attended Southeastern

Free Will Baptist College, and he is now working on his Master of Divinity at Bob Jones University. He previously served two summers overseas on the mission field. He will be transferring his credentials into the Beaver Creek Association from the Tidewater Association. We welcome Reverend Hal Jones to South Carolina.

Hanna Elected to NAFWB Home Mission Board



At the July 2009 convention, Reverend Earl Hanna was elected to serve on the National Association of Free Will Baptist Home Mission Board. Reverend Hanna was saved under the ministry of Reverend Norwood Gibson. He attended Free Will Baptist Bible College and afterwards served as the pastor at Rutledge Hill Community Church in Nashville. He also served pastorates in NC at Trinity FWB Church in Lagrange and Ruth's Chapel FWB Church in New Bern. In 1986, he became a joint project home missionary to Orangeburg, SC, and started Liberty FWB Church. After taking the church self supporting, he moved to Jacksonville, NC in 1993 where he served as pastor at the First FWB Church. After a wonderful ministry in Jacksonville, he accepted the pastorate at Bethany FWB Church in Timmonsville where he now serves.

Tolliver Accepts Pastorate at High Hill



Reverend Brian Tolliver accepted the pastorate at High Hill FWB Church in Scranton. Reverend Tolliver graduated from Free Will Baptist Bible College in 1989. He has been preaching for 25 years, serving

pastorates for the past 19 years of which 13 of those years were in South Carolina. He and his wife Shirley have two children, Brook (18) and Adam (16). In his ministry, he has served on the Michigan State Home Mission Board, SC FWB Youth Camp Board, Assistant Moderator of the Eastern Conference, and since 2005, he has been serving as the moderator of the Eastern Conference.

**Don't Forget: Free Will Baptist
Children's Home Day is
Saturday, November 7, 2009
Tours Begin at 10:00 AM**

**Men's Gospel Quartet Singing - 11:00 AM
Message: Rev. Todd Parrish, Director
Lunch Provided For All Guests!**

***The Children's Home is located on Hwy
378 beside the IGA in Turbeville, SC.**

Women Active for Christ Retreat by Pam Hackett

The SC State Women Active for Christ Retreat was held at White Oak Conference Center in Winnsboro. There were a total of 91 ladies in attendance. The theme for the 2009 retreat was "Esther's Closet." Everyone attending was a queen in the eyes of our Heavenly Father. Women from various WAC groups dressed in the appropriate attire fit for a King. We were honored to have in our presence the Cowgirl Queen, a Queen Bee, the Queen of Encouragement, the Cooking Queen, the Cleaning Queen, the Office Queen and many others. The Queen bringing the most ladies in waiting was the Inman WAC Coordinator, Kim Hendrix. On Friday evening we enjoyed a fashion show fit for a Queen! Merinda Parrish, and Amy Postlewaite were draped with royalty by Jowand Larrimore, and Elfrieda Monday as they designed disposable gowns from rolls of toilet paper. The "Esteroids" ended the Friday evening fun time with great fanfare! Weeping Wilma (Sandra Dail), Hot Flash Hanna (Mona Dukes) and Edna Egg Crate (Faye Hanna) were our main entertainment for the Friday evening gala. Royal laughter filled the King's halls as they displayed their comic relief for the ladies in waiting. The Saturday time together was truly a blessing as Sandra Dail spoke on "Purification for the King." During this time Amy Henderson completed a makeover for Leann Carnes (Liberty) for her time of renewal for the purification time for the King. Pam Hackett spoke on the importance of the "Spiritual Crowns" in our lives. Cindy Weaver sang as all the ladies shared their burdens or blessings with one another and then we all collectively cast our crowns at the foot of the cross. The handmaiden time of singing and special music was directed by our popular Court Jester, Mona and was accompanied by pianist Carolyn Riddick. We extend a special thanks to all of those who made this year's WAC retreat a success.



You're Invited - WAC Prayer and Praise Rallies

- *South Carolina Conference District - Saturday, November 14, 2009 at Mt. Elon FWB Church in Pamlico at 10:00 AM (Registration at 9:30 AM).
- *Beaver Creek District - Saturday, November 21, 2009, at Fairview FWB Church in Spartanburg at 10:00 AM.
- *Central District - Saturday, November 21, 2009, at Mt. Ariel FWB Church in Conway at 10:00 AM.

Tribute to Yvonne Hampton



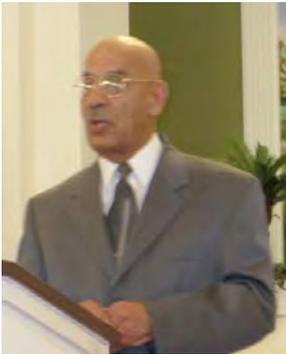
With any life change comes a loss. Mrs. Yvonne Hampton died Tuesday, October 20, 2009. She was 63 years old. Yvonne served more than 20 years as executive assistant with Women Nationally Active for Christ and five years as student supervisor at Free Will Baptist Bible College. Her husband, Larry Hampton, has been a member of the FWBBC adjunct faculty

since 2005. We in the WNAC office definitely feel that loss. Working side-by-side with Yvonne Hampton, we shared sorrows and joys, expectations and frustrations, and myriad stories of family and our larger family as Women Active for Christ. Yvonne was a greeter, a sounding board, a scheduler, and a detailer. Her many years of experience and familiarity with Women Active for Christ afforded her wisdom, insight, and an amazingly accurate indicator as to how issues, topics, and changes would be received by Free Will Baptist women across the country. Early last fall, when Yvonne received the news her cancer had returned, she resolutely commented, "This is the path God has chosen for me." On her last day in the office, she repeated those same words. However difficult, Yvonne's acceptance of God's sovereignty and obedience to His will stand as testimony to her godly character.

FWB IM Restructured Giving

The NAFWB voted to restructure the giving received through Free Will Baptist International Missions (FWB IM). Beginning January 1, 2010, each FWB IM missionary will have a "Strategic Ministry Partner Account" (SMP) which will help meet the needs of their ministry expenses. Designated gifts for individual missionaries will be applied to their SMP account. The Global Evangelism Fund (GEF) will meet the needs of support services and the personal salary needs and expenses for all FWB IM missionaries and staff. At the end of the year, each missionary's SMP account will be evaluated, and the SMP budget overages will be applied to the GEF; however, if a missionary falls short of the SMP budget, funds will come from the Global Evangelism Fund to fill the gap. The SC FWB State Association voted at the 2009 state meeting that beginning January 1, 2010, all funds designated to the "SC Foreign Missions Plan of Support" will be directed to the Global Evangelism Fund. The Vision Fund which is for buying land and building churches will remain unchanged other than the name. For missionaries that have a Vision Fund, it will be called the "Impact Fund." If you have any questions regarding these changes, please do not hesitate to call the SC FWB State Office at 843-657-2091.

Damascus Hosted Central Association



Damascus FWB Church in Conway hosted the Central Association meeting on Saturday, October 10, 2009. The meeting was opened in prayer by Reverend Billy Baker. The devotion from Genesis 28 was brought by Reverend J.T. Adams. Reports were heard from various conference and state representatives. Special music was brought by

Josh Todd, a member of Damascus Church. The message was brought by Reverend Parvis Ashoori (pictured above) from Philippians 1:21. The next Central Association meeting will take place January 9, 2010, at Evergreen FWB Church. Also, the Central Association annual Camp Meeting will take place January 28-29, 2010, at First FWB Church in Myrtle Beach. Below is a schedule of the Camp Meeting (www.campmeetinginthecarolinas.com):

Thursday - 7 PM - Wayne Snipes and Trymon Messer

Friday - 10 AM - Tommy Hill and Trymon Messer

Friday - 7 PM - Trymon Messer and special singing will be provided by the Eddie Carter family.

Peace Hosted South Carolina Conference



Peace FWB Church in Florence hosted the South Carolina Conference on Friday, October 2, 2009. Reverend Donnie Miles, host pastor, welcomed everyone to the meeting. Moderator Reverend Theron Scott brought

greetings and shared a devotion with the conference. In attendance were 36 ministers, 10 delegates, and 13 visitors. Special music was provided by Peace FWB Church. Various reports were heard from conference and state representatives. Missionary David Aycock (pictured above) brought the message from Philippians 2:8-16. The annual session of the South Carolina Conference will take place on Thursday and Friday, January 21-22, 2010. Reverend Roy Harris will be the guest speaker for the annual session in January. Everyone is encouraged to attend.



Pictured Left: Pastor Allen Fredell baptized Emily Haynes (6 years old) on September 27th. Pastor Allen and his wife Raylene presented Emily with a Bible from Freedom FWB Church for her dedication to the Lord.

First Chester Hosted Beaver Creek Association



First Free Will Baptist Church hosted the Beaver Creek meeting on Saturday, October 31, 2009. Moderator Reverend Tim Hackett welcomed everyone to the meeting. Reports were heard from various state representatives. During the break, First Chester provided a brunch for everyone in their family life center. After the break,

the minister's conference was called to order, and the report was heard from the ordaining council. Following the conclusion of the business session, the southern gospel group "Restoration" provided special music. Afterwards, Reverend Todd Parrish (pictured above), the FWB Home for Children Director, brought the conference message from John 4. After the adjournment, various announcements regarding revivals and other special events were shared. The next Beaver Creek Association meeting will be held on Saturday, January 30, 2010, at 9:00 AM at Fairview FWB Church in Spartanburg.

True Life Conference Meeting

The Bride of Christ Free Will Baptist Church hosted the True Life Conference on Saturday, September 19, 2009. Moderator Reverend John Cody welcomed everyone to the meeting and welcomed visitors. Reverend Stan Degraw, the pastor at the Bride of Christ FWB Church, brought the devotion from Genesis 15:6. After singing and testimonies, Reverend Kevin Rife shared the morning message from Mark 2:1-12. It was moved, seconded, and carried to receive Bethel FWB Church in Fort Mill, SC into the conference. During the meeting, Moderator Reverend John Cody shared about a project called "Operation Famine" in which they are raising funds and collecting food to help the poor in West Virginia. For more information on this project, feel free to contact him at 803-323-7092. The next conference meeting will take place on Saturday, January 16, 2009, at Bethel FWB Church in Fort Mill at 10 AM.

St. John FWB Church in Patrick Seeks Pastor

St. John FWB Church in Patrick, SC is seeking a pastor and is requesting for any resumes desired to be submitted be sent to the following address:

Mr. Robert Jordan
Chairman of the Deacon Board
1766 Hwy 102
Chesterfield, SC 29709
843-623-7297

25th Anniversary - Peace, Florence



On Sunday, September 27, 2009, Peace FWB Church in Florence celebrated their 25th Anniversary Homecoming. The "Bibletones" and the bluegrass group "Crystal River" provided special music. Several people

gave testimonies of how Peace Church had influenced their lives. Reverend Donnie Miles (pictured left with his wife Mrs. Trudy), having served as the pastor at Peace Church since December 1990, brought the morning message for the special anniversary celebration. Lunch was provided for everyone after the worship service.

Liberty, Lancaster Honors Pastor

Liberty FWB Church in Lancaster honored Pastor Timmy and Mrs. Jowand Larrimore on Sunday, September 20, 2009. Reverend Larrimore has been serving as the pastor at Liberty Church for the past 9 years. Under his ministry, the church borrowed \$800,000 to build a new sanctuary in 2004. They now owe less than \$300,000. They are making plans to build a family life center in the future. In 2009 thus far, there have been over 50 salvation decisions at Liberty Church. After the church honored Pastor Timmy and Mrs. Jowand for their faithful service, Executive Secretary Todd Smith preached the morning message. A meal was provided for everyone in the fellowship hall following the service.



(Pictured L to R: The Larrimore Family - Benji and Heather Brazington and their two girls, Abbie and Ansley, Jowand and Timmy Larrimore, Blake and Christy Larrimore and their daughter Jaylin.)

Black River Honors Pastor



Black River Free Will Baptist Church honored Pastor Jeff Cockrell (pictured left) on Sunday, September 27, 2009 with a "Pastor and Family Appreciation Day." The church presented Pastor Cockrell and his family with a check in recognition of nearly eight years of ministry at the church and served a meal in their honor. Reverend Todd Parrish, Executive Director of the

FWB Home for Children, offered remarks about Reverend Cockrell and kicked off the fall revival.

Horse Branch 150th Anniversary Homecoming by Mrs. Karen Edwards



Sunday, October 4, 2009, was a big day at Horse Branch FWB in Turbeville as they celebrated 150 years of ministry. Some 300 were in attendance. A special "Homecoming Choir" was led by Mr. Lenich

Coker. During the service Pastor Mike Edwards recognized Mrs. Beulah Mims (pictured above) as the oldest member of the church and former pastors Monroe Harrell (55-57), Talmadge Brown (81-88) and Jake Creech (1999-2006, now serving as Senior Saints pastor), and former youth pastor Todd Parrish, who were all in attendance. Former pastors James Earl Raper (88-96), Charley Carmack (96-98) and former youth pastor Jonathan Kell were unable to attend. Mrs. Beulah and the former pastors were each given a commemorative homecoming afghan. Rev. Talmadge Brown delivered the morning message. During his ministry the current sanctuary was built. A special love offering was received for FWBBC which exceeded \$12,000. Everyone in attendance received a special gift. Horse Branch began in 1859 with Rev. Wright Wilson as the first pastor. Until 1914, Horse Branch had 10 pastors. Rev. George Vause pastored the church from 1914-1950 with 36 years of service. Rev. Wilburn Beasley was the second longest serving pastor, 1967-1980. His three children are members of the church. Rev. Mike Edwards, current pastor, is the 22nd pastor. Horse Branch has had 3 full-time youth pastors, Rev. Todd Parrish, Rev. Jonathan Kell, and current youth pastor Brian Sargent. Horse Branch praises God for blessing the church all these years.

Pamplico Church Dedicates Library



On Sunday, October 4, 2009, Pamplico FWB Church celebrated their 44th Homecoming. The church created a library in memory of their former pastor Reverend Sigbee Dilda. Executive Secretary Todd Smith

offered the prayer of dedication for the new library. Reverend Guy Owens, a long time friend of the Dilda family, preached the morning message. Mrs. Mary Dilda and her two children, Bryant and Susanna (pictured above), were presented with a special certificate of "Honorary Lifetime Membership" at Pamplico Church. A meal was provided for everyone in the fellowship hall at the conclusion of the service.

McLeod Strickland Honored for 50 Years



Central Association Moderator, Reverend Buddy Seay; Asst. Moderator, Reverend Billy T. Baker, and Ordaining Council Chairman Dr. Tommy Bryson along with laymen J.C. Gasque, Carl Israel, and Barney Strickland met at Reverend McLeod Strickland's home in Tabor City, NC, on Wednesday,

August 26, 2009, and presented him a plaque from the Central Association of Original Free Will Baptist of South Carolina in recognition of him being an Ordained Minister in the Central Association for 50 years. Reverend Seay had a short devotion, Reverend Baker presented the plaque, and Reverend Bryson led in a prayer of thanksgiving for Reverend McLeod's faithfulness to the Lord. Please remember him in prayer as his health is failing in recent days. The Central Association is honored that Reverend McLeod is a part of their associaiton.

Little Bethel Baptism

Despite the threat of rain on Sunday, October 11, 2009, Little Bethel FWB Church in Johnsonville held a baptism at the Half Moon landing in the Hannah community. Reverend Joe Cagle was assisted by Reverend Tommy Haselden as they braved the chilly water and baptized 8 children and 3 adults for the glory of the Lord. The dads of the children being baptized were given the special honor of walking their children into the water. All that were baptized, later joined the church and became members of the Little Bethel



family.
Praise the Lord!

Community Builds Activity Center



Community FWB Church in Florence started in May 2008 building a 5,200 square foot Activity Center which was completed in October 2009. The dedication took place on Saturday, October 17, 2009, at 2 PM. Recognition

was given to all those who helped make the project a success. The youth choir sang, and Pastor William Justice preached the dedication message. Everyone enjoyed a wonderful meal following the dedication service.

White Savannah Teen Ministry Team



White Savannah FWB Church Teen Ministry Team (TMT) has been sharing the Gospel message through skits, dramas, songs, and sign language since 2005.

They began with a handful of teens, a little bit of homemade equipment, and a desire to reach the lost. TMT now has 18 teens who love the Lord and who travel Friday and Saturday nights to churches throughout the region putting on a program called "Choices". Although the program has changed a lot since it started, it is still about an hour long as the Lord leads and has something for everyone. The Lord has blessed, and they have seen many come to Christ. They have traveled to youth rallies and churches as far away as Richmond, VA and Knoxville, TN. They ask for nothing, but an open door. If you would like more information please contact Team Leader David Stevens (843)-254-1592 or visit them online at TMTministries.com.

Lockhart Honors Reverend and Mrs. Hutchinson



Lockhart FWB Church had Homecoming on September 13, 2009. Reverend David Hutchinson was the guest speaker. Reverend Hutchinson served as pastor there in the

late 70's and early 80's. The church had Vacation Bible School the first week in August, and the youth decided that all the money that was collected would go to Reverend and Mrs. Hutchinson. They raised over \$400, and the church matched what the youth had raised. Also several Sunday School Classes and the Ladies WAC took up love offerings for them. But that's not all, the youth also brought over 400 grocery and household items. The youth wanted to do something for this special couple who have given over 50 years service to the lord.

Children's Home Board Honors Previous Director

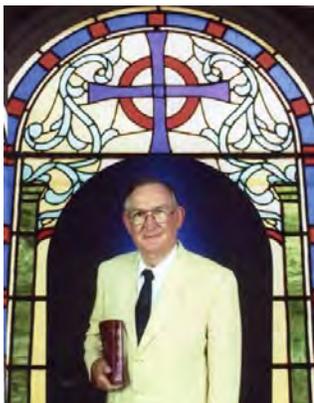


Pictured Left: The Children's Home Board members and their wives and the current Director Reverend Todd Parrish honored previous Director Reverend Roy and Mrs. Paula Roach with a special meal for the years of service at the Children's Home.



Heb. 6:19

You're Invited



You are invited to attend the 75th Birthday celebration for Reverend Bennie Turner on Saturday, November 14, 2009, from 2-5 PM at the FWB Home for Children in Turbeville, SC. On this special day various individuals will be singing southern gospel music and giving testimonies about Reverend Turner's influence in their life. He will also be celebrating 55 years of ministry. During the past 55 years, he has served

as tent-maker home missionary having established three Free Will Baptist Churches, Youth Camp Director, evangelist, conference moderator, and state association clerk. Also, in 1966, he served as the State Promotional Secretary and was the editor of "The Post," the forerunner periodical of "The Informer." He currently serves as a board member for the FWB Home for Children. For more information on this special day of celebration, please contact Mrs. Vivian Turner at 803-433-8979. Everyone is invited to attend.

SC Conference Youth Competition



The SC Youth Competition Convention was held on October 17, 2009, at Salem FWB Church. Six churches were represented with a total attendance of 85. Reverend Jonathan Postlewaite gave the devotion which focused on being "doers" of the

Word and not "hearers" only. He challenged the young people to not only memorize God's Word but to meditate on it and apply it to their lives. A good representation of competition was present, with 13 Memorization, 2 Sword Drill, 4 Bible Millionaire teams, 1 Tic Tac Toe team, and 1 Bible Bowl team. The young people did a great job in the competition and this looks to be another great year of competition for our young people. Any church interested in participating in the youth competition can find more information on the NYC/Youth Website at www.scfwb.org/nyc.html.

During the business session, it was noted that the Executive Committee was in the process of writing and revising guidelines for the South Carolina District Youth Competition. Copies of the proposed guidelines will be mailed to each church in the district and will be voted on at the February 6, 2010, convention. The next competition convention will be February 6, 2010, at Sand Hill FWB Church.

Executive Secretary Todd Smith's Schedule

October

- 2 South Carolina Conference Meeting – 7 PM
- 4 Pamlico FWB Church, Pamlico, SC
- 4 Jefferson Road FWB Church, Sumter
- 6 Conway Minister's Breakfast
- 10 Central Association Quarterly Meeting
- 11-14 Revival – Columbia Original Free Will Baptist Church
- 13 Florence/Darlington Minister's Breakfast
- 18 Mt. Trolly FWB Church, Galivants Ferry
- 18 Community FWB Church, Florence
- 20 Lake City Minister's Breakfast
- 31 Beaver Creek Association Quarterly Meeting,

November

- 1 Calvary FWB Church, Georgetown
- 2 Salem FWB Church, Coward
- 3 Charleston - Missionary Hanna Returns to India
- 7 Children's Home Day
- 8 Parkway FWB Church, Spartanburg
- 10 Florence/Darlington Minister's Breakfast
- 15 Landmark FWB Church, Anderson
- 17 Lake City Minister's Breakfast
- 21 Eastern Conference Quarterly Meeting
- 22 Hillside FWB Church, Florence – Homecoming

Mt. Trolly Plans for Sanctuary Expansion

Within the past two years, Mt. Trolly FWB Church in Galivants Ferry extended their sanctuary by raising their sound booth to a balcony area to increase the seating capacity. However, they are now facing the need to expand the sanctuary even more. Plans have already been drawn to extend the sanctuary out front by 40 feet, which will allow them to add 21 pews increasing the seating capacity by an additional 105. Once the sanctuary addition is completed, plans are to build a new fellowship hall and divide the old fellowship hall into Sunday school classes. Mt. Trolly Church had their 63rd Homecoming Service on Sunday, October 18, 2009. Executive Secretary Reverend Todd Smith brought the morning message, and special



music was provided by Mt. Trolly Church members. Everyone enjoyed a great meal following the service. Pictured Left: Pastor Marty Cox welcomed everyone to the 63rd Homecoming service.