

## SCFWB UPDATE Vol. 1, No. 28

### OPENING REMARKS:

The parking lot at the new state office is being paved as I write this email. Much of the interior work of the building is complete. The completion of the shipping/loading dock and landscaping are items on the agenda for the next couple of weeks. It has been amazing to watch how God has pulled things together for this construction project. He deserves the glory and praise!

The SC FWB Home Mission Board met on Tuesday in Columbia. The meeting turned out to be a great meeting. Jim and Kim Fairchild will be the new Home Missionaries to Aiken, SC. Jim is a native of Walbash, Indiana. He graduated from Southeastern FWB Bible College in 1988. Between 1988 and 2006, Jim served in various aspects of ministry amongst Free Will Baptist churches from serving as Youth Pastor to Pastor to even serving as a Home Missionary in Waldorf, MD. More information will be given in the next issue of the Informer regarding his family and transition to SC. We welcome this family as our new Home Missionaries.

The new State Office physical address will be 1169 Atkinson Street, Turbeville, SC 29162. It is located just behind IGA Grocery Store off Hwy 378 beside the pink house, which Bro. Roy Roach, our Children's Home Director lives. The new mailing address is PO Box 9, Turbeville, SC 29162. The phone numbers for the state office will be as follows: State Office - 843-657-2091, Bookstore - 843-657-2091, and Fax - 843-657-2094. The toll free line (800-319-2346) will still be available for use after we re-locate. We are still looking at relocating the last week in September. If you or your church would be willing to help us relocate, we would greatly appreciate your kindness. In advance, thank you for your consideration.

### PRAYER REQUEST: (Please note updates.)

**1) Kerick and Katie Stokes Family** - Katie Stokes, daughter of Keith Burden, our NAFWB Executive Secretary, lost her new born baby girl, Karoline Stokes, after physical complications from a premature birth. Please remember the Burden and Stokes family in prayer during this difficult time. The funeral service for baby Karoline will be held at First FWB Church, Locust Grove, OK, Saturday, September 8, at 2:00 pm.

**2) Barbara Dunbar**, wife of Rev. Galen Dunbar, was hospitalized this week due to some physical complications. She is back home and recuperating. Please remember her in prayer.

**3) Kevin Smith**, pastor at Arcadia FWB Church, Arcadia, SC, will be having surgery on Tuesday of next week to repair his shoulder.

**4) E.B. McDonald**, long-time treasurer at FWBBC, is in Nashville's Centennial Hospital with pneumonia. Thank you for your prayers for Brother McDonald and his family.

### MINISTER NEWS:

**1) Florence Area Minister's Breakfast** - Tuesday, September 11th, 8:30 AM, **Bazen's Restaurant**, Florence, SC

**2) Lake City Area Minister's Breakfast** - Tuesday, September 18th, 8:30 AM, **Prosser's Restaurant**, Lake City, SC

### CHURCH NEWS:

- 1) **HOME COMING - Turning Point FWB Church, Spartanburg, SC, Sunday, September 16th, with Rev. Todd Smith**
- 2) **HOME COMING - Fellowship FWB Church, Florence, SC, Sunday, September 16th, with Rev. Elro Driggers.**
- 3) **REVIVAL - Turning Point FWB Church, Spartanburg, SC, Sept. 17-21 (M-F), 5th Annual Fall Jubilee, with Rev. Buddy Seay**
- 4) **REVIVAL - Hillside FWB Church, Florence, SC, Florence, SC, Sept 23-26, with Rev. Larry McAlister.**
- 5) **HOME COMING & REVIVAL - Peace FWB Church, Florence, SC, September 23-26th, with Homecoming on Sunday, with Rev. Buddy Seay (M-F 7PM)**
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- 17) **PIC FEST & 140th Homecoming - Mt. Elon FWB Church, Pamplico, SC, Oct 20-21 (Sat Picnic at 11:30 AM and Sunday Homecoming with Dr. Picirilli)**

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## **STATE NEWS:**

- 1) **Children's Home Benefit Golf Tournament, Saturday, September 8th - Call 843-659-2880 for more details.**
- 2) **Eastern Conference Meeting, Saturday, September 22nd**
- 3) **SC FWB State Teen Youth Retreat, October 26-28th, Myrtle Beach, SC, \$115 per person, Guest Speaker - Gowdy Cannon. For more information on the youth retreat, please contact Rev. Cyrus Shoffner (HM - 843-398-9923 or MB - 843-858-0195).**

## **CLOSING REMARKS: THE MOST PHENOMENAL GRANDPARENT STORY IN THE BIBLE!**

This coming Sunday, September 9th is Grandparents Day in America. There are about 50 million grandparents in the United States, but many are not known by their grandchildren. However, research

shows that the relationship with a grandparent is second only to the emotional bond that children have with their own parents. Some children are more familiar with TV characters than they are their own grandparents. Obstacles, such as geographical location, can make family togetherness difficult, but it is not impossible. The wisdom of a grandparents is invaluable, according to Scripture (Dt. 4:9, Job 12:12, 2 Tim. 1:5). Parents are wise to encourage healthy relationships between their children and their godly grandparents.

Josiah was 8 years old when he began to reign, and he reigned 31 years in Jerusalem. (2 Kings 22). He never had the opportunity of knowing his great grandfather Hezekiah, the righteous king. The only thing he knew about his father was that he was a very wicked man, and his father died when he was just a little boy.

He never gleaned any spiritual training from his father, but his granddad, King Manasseh, turned back to God in his old age. It was in these few years that Manasseh had with his grandson that he had the opportunity to instill into Josiah the ways of God.

By studying the chronology, we learn that the last six years of Manasseh and the first six years of Josiah overlap. We also learn that the last six years of Manasseh were his repentant years, his godly years, his years of reform and contrition. It was too late for him to influence his own son, Amon. But it wasn't too late for Josiah, and we can easily picture the old king spending long hours with his small grandson, telling him, "Now, one day you're going to be king. Don't make the mistakes I did. From the beginning, serve the Lord." This grandfather who had been the most violent and wicked man in his nation's history, gave himself to God with just enough time to spare to implant his newly-found faith in the tender heart of his little grandson.

In the 18th year of the reign of Josiah, he began to break down the altars and high places that his grandfather had set up. (2 Chron 34). While the temple was being cleaned out and set back up for worship, Hilkiah found the book of the law (most likely the Pentateuch), and message was sent to Josiah regarding the contents of the book of the law (2 Chron 34:24).

Most likely, they shared with him the instruction of Moses from God (Deut. 28:15-68) regarding the fact that God's wrath would be poured out on them because of their wickedness. When Josiah heard these words, he rent his clothes (2 Kings 22:11). He sought the face of God, and God heard his cry. Josiah became the turning point in the history of the children of Israel.

If you are fortunate enough that your grandparents are still living and if you are more blessed to have godly grandparents, be sure to let them know that you love and appreciate them.

You are Greatly Appreciated,

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## SC FWB Update, Vol. 1, No. 29

### **OPENING REMARKS - "Need Help Relocating Next Week"**

This summer has proven to be a testimony of God's blessings. With the help of the Lord, a new South Carolina Free Will Baptist State Office now exist in Turbeville, SC, on our Children's Home Campus. We will relocate the office and bookstore next week. The bookstore will be closed next week (September 17-21) for relocation purposes. Lord willing, we will reopen the state office and bookstore on Monday, September 24th, in Turbeville.

On Monday morning of next week, we will meet in Turbeville to learn the operations of the phone system. From there, we will come to Florence and continue packing with hopes to rent a U-Haul truck on Thursday or Friday of next week to transport everything to the new office. If you or your church will be available to help us next week, we would greatly appreciate the help. In advance, thank you for your kind consideration.

There will still be some projects to complete after we relocate, such as the landscaping, shipping dock, and a few odds and ends, but for the most part, after this week, the building will be ready for us to occupy. Our plans are to have a "Grand Opening" some time in the near future that will involve the community and all of those who would like to attend for a "Ribbon Cutting" ceremony. We will keep you posted when that time arrives. We also still have plans to have the dedication of the new state office building at our SC FWB State Meeting, which will take place February 28-29, 2008 at Horse Branch FWB Church.

### **PRAYER REQUESTS:**

- 1) **Mrs. Molly Gibson**, wife of our previous Promotional Director, Norwood Gibson, had surgery this week. She is home and doing well now.
- 2) **Rev. Jack Strickland**, member of the Central Association and also a member of the Mullins-Marion FWB Church, fell out of a deer stand one evening this week. He was transported to a hospital in Charlotte, NC, due to excessive blood loss and broken bones. Please remember him in prayer during this time.
- 3) **Miranda Parrish**, wife of Todd Parrish, pastor at Temple FWB Church in Darlington, traveled to Alabama this week to attend a funeral of a family member. Please remember her family in prayer during this time.

### **MINISTER NEWS:**

- 1) **Beaver Creek Minister's Luncheon** - Monday, September 17th, 11:30 AM at CJ's in Boiling Springs
- 2) **Lake City Area Minister's Breakfast** - Tuesday, September 18th, 8:30 AM, Prosser's Restaurant
- 3) **Conway Area Minister's Breakfast** - Tuesday, October 2nd, 8:30 AM, Shoney's Restaurant

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FWB Church. For more information, please contact Rev. Cyrus Shoffner (HM - 843-398-9923 or MB - 843-858-0195).

3) Following are the dates for **SC FWB Youth Camp for the summer of 2008**: 1) SC FWB Junior Camp - July 28 - August 1, 2008 and 2) SC FWB Teen Camp - June 7-11, 2008.

**CLOSING REMARKS: "DECISIONS"**

A boy asked his father, "Dad, if three frogs were sitting on a limb which hung over a pond, and one frog decided to jump off into the pond. How many frogs would be left on the limb?" The dad replied, "Two." The son replied and asked again, "No, there's three frogs and one decides to jump, how many are left?" The dad said, "Oh, I get it, if one decides to jump, the others would too. So there are none left." The boy said, "No, dad, the answer is three. The frog only DECIDED to jump."

How many times in life have we decided to do something and never did it. Think of your life as a canoe and your decisions and actions as your paddles. You'll get where you're going one stroke at a time with the decisions and actions you make. If we only make decisions with no action, then we'll only paddle in circles, and if we only act with out thinking a decision through, then we'll still paddle in circles. However, when we decide to do something for God, and we act upon that decision, it is then that we can move forward in the canoe of life in the Lord's work.

It's an honor to serve you. May the Lord add His riches blessings upon your life as you decide to serve Him and act upon your decisions.

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## SC FWB Update, Vol. 1, No. 30, Friday, September 21, 2007

### **OPENING REMARKS**

The South Carolina Free Will Baptist State Office has officially re-located to Turbeville, SC. We transferred everything to Turbeville on Wednesday and Thursday of this week. We appreciate those who came out and helped us with the relocation process. It was a tremendous blessing. Some dear servants of the Lord have volunteered their time and effort to make this transition possible, and we are deeply grateful.

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Feel free to list this information in your upcoming church bulletin. We appreciate your prayers as we continue to unpack boxes and prepare to open our bookstore next week. Also, please pass along the above contact information to your church treasurer and Sunday School Superintendent for church giving and Sunday School ordering purposes. In advance, thank you for your help.

### **PRAYER REQUESTS:**

- 1) **Rev. Kevin Smith**, pastor at Westgate FWB Church, Arcadia, SC, recently had shoulder surgery. Pray for him as he recovers.
- 2) **Rev. Jack Strickland**, member of the Central Association, is recovering from a fall out of a deer stand recently. Please remember him as he recovers.

### **MINISTER NEWS:**

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- 2) **SC WAC Ladies Retreat** - Friday and Saturday, September 21-22, 2007 at the White Oak Conference Center in Winnsboro, NC.
- 3) **SC FWB State Teen Youth Retreat**, October 26-28th, 2007, Myrtle Beach, SC. The cost is \$115 per person. The guest speaker will be Rev. Gowdy Canon, originally from Horse Branch FWB Church. For more information, please contact Rev. Cyrus Shoffner (HM - 843-398-9923 or MB - 843-858-0195).
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**CLOSING REMARKS: "WASH A RENTAL CAR?"**

When's the last time you saw somebody wash a rental car? Probably never. Why? Because there is no sense of ownership. People normally only wash the car that they own, unless it is an act of kindness for another. Therefore, if they don't own it, they don't take care of it. It gets turned back into the rental service.

When it comes to our testimony, we belong to God. We were bought with a price, therefore we need to glorify God with our bodies. The testimony is ours. We must not destroy it. We must be a good steward and ambassador of the testimony that God has given us!

Abraham Lincoln said: "Character is like a tree and reputation like its shadow. The shadow is what we think of it; the tree is the real thing." May the shadow of our life be a true representation of our life.

May the Lord add his richest blessings upon your life as you continue to serve Him!

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## SC FWB Update, Vol. 1, No. 31, Friday, September 29, 2007

### OPENING REMARKS

It's actually Saturday morning, and our update is a day late. This past week, we spent unpacking boxes and setting up the state office and bookstore. Yesterday, we closed out the books for the month. In the month of September, we received \$101,071.94 in giving for missions and other outside causes from our South Carolina Free Will Baptist Churches and other individuals. We praise the Lord for the giving of God's people. The next Informer is due to come out by October 10th, so I'll be diligently working on compiling it next week. We close on the property in Florence on Monday morning with our buyer. The Lord's blessings and provision through this time of transition has been a marvelous handiwork of the Lord! We have listed our new contact information again in this update in case you missed it last week. If we can assist you or your church in any way, please don't hesitate to let us know. Our bookstore is open, and we are here to serve you. We're only a phone call away.

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- 1) Please remember the **family of Robert Edwards** in prayer. Robert passed away this week. Robert previously served as pastor at Horsebranch FWB Church in Turbeville, and he also previously served as a pastor at First FWB Church in Darlington, SC.
- 2) Please remember **Bro. Carlisle Hanna** as he makes preparations to return to India at the beginning of November.
- 3) Cindy Cunningham, a 1985 FWBBC graduate and director of the Village of Hope Uganda, came through brain surgery successfully this week.

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- 2) COWBOY & INDIAN SUNDAY - **Socastee FWB Church, Socastee, SC**, Sunday, September 30th with **Rev. Darren Squires**

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3) Following are the dates for **SC FWB Youth Camp for the summer of 2008**: 1) SC FWB Junior Camp - July 28 - August 1, 2008 and 2) SC FWB Teen Camp - June 7-11, 2008.

**DENOMINATIONAL NEWS:**

\*Leadership Conference - Mon-Tues., December 3-5, 2007, at the Maxwell House Hotel in Nashville, TN.

**CLOSING REMARKS: "WHO IS SERAIAH?"**

The Bible is full of the "faithful unknowns." D. L. Moody once said: "God called us to be faithful, not famous." Seraiah was in charge of the day to day operations of the temple (Nehemiah 11:11). He was the one who made sure everything was in place and everyone had what they needed. Who will be a Seraiah? Who will be the ones to help take care of the little things that go unnoticed by most people? Who are those who give of their time without asking anything in return? Where would the church be without them?

Leonard Bernstein, the celebrated orchestra conductor, was once asked, "What is the hardest instrument to play?" Without a moment's hesitation he replied, "Second fiddle. I can always get plenty of first violinists. But to find one who plays second violin with as much enthusiasm, or second French horn, or second flute, now that's a problem! And yet if no one plays second, we have no harmony."

In 1953 Sir Edmund Hillary climbed to the summit of Mount Everest, the first man ever to do that. The man who impressed me most, though, was not Edmund Hillary but the companion who climbed the mountain with him: Tenzig Norgay. Nobody ever hears his name. Yet on the way back down the mountain, Hillary fell and was almost lost. He would have been lost without Tenzig Norgay, who literally pulled him back up the cable and saved his life. Edmund Hillary lived to tell a great story because of the help of an unknown man. When someone asked Norgay why he didn't brag about it, he said, "We mountain climbers help each other."

Are you willing to be an "unknown faithful" one in the house of the Lord. May we serve the Lord with gladness in our hearts!

YOU ARE GREATLY APPRECIATED,

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