

OPENING REMARKS:

The South Carolina Conference NYC/CTS first district convention will be held this Saturday at Salem FWB Church in Coward. Registration is at 9 AM. Church dues of \$100 need to be paid by October 31, 2009. Please mail them to Angie Dority at 1205 Vance Drive, Darlington, SC 29540, or feel free to bring the dues on Saturday at the convention. All Bible competitors must attend and participate in at least one of the conventions held in October or February of each year in order to be eligible to compete in the South Carolina NYC District run-off in March.

PRAYER REQUEST:

- 1) Please remember the family of **Reverend Doug Mathis** in prayer. Brother Doug's father Mr. William C. Mathis passed away this past Saturday. The funeral was held yesterday at the Sossman Chapel FWB Church in Morganton, NC. Please remember his family in prayer during this time.
- 2) **Reverend James Sanders**, pastor at First FWB Church in Chester, had surgery last week. Please remember him in prayer as he recovers.
- 3) **Reverend McLeod Strickland** (Central Association) was recently admitted to the hospital. Please remember him in prayer.

MINISTER NEWS:

- 1) **Lake City Area Minister's Breakfast** - Tuesday, October 20, 2009, at Prosser's Restaurant in Lake City, 8:30 AM
- 2) **Beaver Creek Conference Meeting** - Saturday, October 31, 2009, at First FWB Church in Chester, 9 AM
- 3) **Conway Area Minister's Breakfast** - Tuesday, November 3, 2009, at Shoney's Restaurant in Conway, 9 AM

COUPLES RETREAT:

20th Annual Couple's Retreat - Myrtle Beach Hilton - February 12-13, 2010

Cost: \$175 per couple (includes ocean view room, Friday night buffet at Captain Bennett's Seafood, Saturday morning buffet in the Dune's Ballroom, all sessions, door prizes, and goodie bags. A deposit of \$125 is due by December 18, 2009. If people opt to pay in full by December 18, the cost is \$165 and their names will be entered into the Grand Prize Drawing (\$100 off next year's retreat). For more information, call Donnie Miles at 667-8798.

CHURCH NEWS:

October

- 17 BIKE-A-THON - **New Prospect FWB Church and Christian School, Pamplico** - October 17, 9 AM
- 18-21 REVIVAL - **Peace FWB Church, Spartanburg**, with Reverend Mike Jones (Sun. 6 PM / M-W 7 PM - Meal on Wed at 6 PM)
- 18-21 REVIVAL - **Sand Hill FWB Church, Coward**, with Reverend Mac Atkinson (Sun 6 PM / M-W 7 PM)
- 18 HOMECOMING - **First FWB Church, Darlington**, with Reverend Todd Parrish, 10 AM
- 18 HOMECOMING - **Bethany FWB Church, Timmonsville, SC**. Begins at 10:00 AM, with Rev. Galen Dunbar and "One Focus" Singing.
- 18 HOMECOMING - **Mt. Trolley FWB Church, Galivants Ferry**, with Rev. Todd Smith (SS 10 AM / Worship 11 AM)
- 18 HOMECOMING - **Freedom FWB Church** in Ladson at 10 AM
- 18 HOMECOMING - **Mt. Elon FWB Church in Pamplico** with Reverend Reedy Saverance, 10 AM
- 19-23 REVIVAL - **Mt. Ariel FWB Church in Conway**, with Rev. Darren Squires
- 19-23 REVIVAL - **Freedom FWB Church, Ladson**, with Rev. Richard Cole from Gastonia, NC (7 PM)
- 19-23 REVIVAL - **Mullins Marion FWB Church**, with Reverend Kevin Smith (7:30 PM)

- 25 HOMECOMING - **White Savannah FWB Church, Conway**, with Rev. Billy Poe Jones. Lunch for everyone to follow service.
- 25 HOMECOMING - **Sand Hill FWB Church, Coward**, with Reverend Eddie Carter (SS 10 AM / Worship 11 AM)
- 28 HOMECOMING - **New Town FWB Church in Lake City**, with Reverend Bruce Jones. Also, the "Believers" Gospel group will be singing.
- 31 FALL FESTIVAL - **Freedom FWB Church** in Ladson at 6 PM
- 31 FUND RAISER - **Socastee FWB Church in Socastee** 7 PM - The Judgment Play
- 31 FALL FESTIVAL - **Happy Home FWB Church in Andrews** (4 PM Games, Fun, and Food / 6 PM Drama "Life's Final Choice")

November

- 1 HOMECOMING - **New Prospect FWB Church** in Pamplico, 10 AM
- 1-4 REVIVAL - **Hillside FWB Church, Florence**, with Reverend Wayne Snipes (Sun 6 PM / M-W 7 PM)
- 1-4 REVIVAL - **First FWB Church, Chester**, with Reverend Jack Lassiter (Sun. 11 AM & 6 PM / M-W 7 PM)
- 1-5 REVIVAL - **Mt. View FWB Church** (True Life Conference) in Dallas, NC (7 PM)
- 7 GOLF TOURNAMENT - **Sponsored by Westgate FWB Church** at Greer Country Club, 10:30 AM.
For more information, call 864-574-5904
- 8, 10, 17, 24th 2nd ANNUAL SEASON of HARVEST - Three Churches - One Goal - The Harvest of Souls
Sunday, November 8, 2009 - **Parkway FWB Church, Spartanburg** -6 PM - Kick-Off Service
Tuesday, November 10, 2009 - **Turning Point FWB Church, Spartanburg** - 7 PM - Driven Quartet
Tuesday, November 17, 2009 - **First FWB Church, Una** - 7 PM - Rev. Wayland Owens
Tuesday, November 24, 2009 - **Parkway FWB Church, Spartanburg** - 7 PM - Rev. Buddy Seay
- 8-12 REVIVAL - **Mill Branch FWB Church, Johnsonville** (SS 10 AM / SS Worship 11 AM & 6 PM / M-Th 7:30 PM) - Various Preachers
- 14 SEEING BEYOND THE BROKEN PIECES SEMINAR - **Mt. Elon FWB Church in Pamplico**, November 14, 2009. Registration 9:30 AM. Service at 10 AM.
Ellen Rauh, a teacher from Delmae in Florence, will be sharing her testimony. Break out sessions include: "Care Givers/Illnesses," "Employment Issues," "Single Life," and "Abusive Situations."
- 14 BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION - **75th Birthday Celebration for Rev. Bennie Turner** at the FWB Children's Home in Turbeville, 2-5 PM
- 15-18 CAMP MEETING - **Westgate FWB Church in Spartanburg**, with Reverend James Service (Sunday 10 AM & 6 PM / M-W 7 PM)
Various Singers each night and a meal provided after each service for a small donation. Everyone's Invited.
- 15-18 REVIVAL - **Liberty FWB Church in Lancaster**, with Reverend Billy Fields.
- 29-Dec 2 REVIVAL - **First FWB Church in Hamlet, NC** with Reverend Jack Lassiter
*Please send church news announcements via email to ToddSmith@scfwb.com by Tuesday of each week for the following SC FWB Update.

SC FWB Youth Ministries News:

- 1) **South Carolina Conference District Convention**, October 17, 2009, Salem FWB Church, Scranton, SC - Registration 9 AM - Church dues of \$100 should be paid by October 31, 2009
- 2) **SC FWB Teen Retreat** - October 23-25, 2009 in Myrtle Beach, SC. The retreat is for young people ages 12 to 18, and the cost is \$125 per person. A \$35 non-refundable deposit is due by October 10th. The guest speaker will be Reverend Heath Hubbard. Also, Joe Wilson from FWB International Missions will be there to give a presentation to the youth in regard to the GO10 walk retracing the steps of Laura Bell Barnard. For more details, feel free to contact Rev. Jonathan Postlewaite at 843-601-4072 or Rev. Bruce Kimbrel at 843-307-4016. The application will be available this week on the web at www.scfwb.org/youth_ministries.htm

FWB CHILDREN'S HOME News:

Saturday, November 7, 2009 - Children's Home Day at the SC FWB Home for Children in Turbeville, SC.

CLOSING REMARKS: "The Bible"

A writer once described the Bible this way: "This Book is the mind of God, the state of man, the way of salvation, the doom of sinners, and the happiness of believers. Its doctrines are holy, its precepts are binding; its histories are true, and its decisions are immutable. Read it to be wise, believe it to be safe, practice it to be holy. It contains light to direct you, food to support you, and comfort to cheer you. It is the traveler's map, the pilgrim's staff, the pilot's compass, the soldier's sword, and the Christian's character. Here paradise is restored, heaven opened, and the gates of hell disclosed. Christ is its grand subject, our good its design, and the glory of God its end. It should fill the memory, rule the heart, and guide the feet. Read it slowly, frequently, prayerfully. It is a mine of wealth, a paradise of glory, and a river of pleasure. Follow its precepts and it will lead you to Calvary, to the empty tomb, to a resurrected life in Christ; yes, to glory itself, for eternity."

May we hide its words in the depths of our hearts.

In Christ,

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