

SC FWB Update, Vol. 2, No. 12, Wednesday, March 25, 2009

OPENING REMARKS: "WMO"

Below is a message from Reverend Galen Dunbar, Ambassador for Free Will Baptist International Missions, regarding the World Missions Offering (WMO), which takes place the last Sunday in April:

"APRIL 26. World Missions Sunday is only four weeks away. On this Sunday, Free Will Baptist churches will join together to receive our World Missions Offering (WMO). The goal for 2009 is \$600,000.00 which is basically the same as last year. It is our hope and prayer that all of our churches will put forth your best effort to reach this for the sake of getting the gospel out to the world. This offering will help support all of our missionary family, the Bible institutes, and the support services for our missionaries. Pastor, all of us recognize that you are the key to meeting this goal. May the Lord bless each Free Will Baptist as you do your part to fulfill the Great Commission. Get in touch with us if we can assist you in this noble effort." - Reverend Galen Dunbar (843-676-9865).

PRAYER REQUEST:

- 1) **Reverend Paul Reid** would like to extend his thanks to you for your prayers regarding his hospital stay March 8-15, 2009. He was diagnosed with a blood clot and cellulites in his lower left leg.
- 2) Please continue to prayer for **Reverend Tim Hackett**, pastor at Fairview FWB Church in Spartanburg, as he continues to recover from surgery.
- 3) Please pray for **Reverend J. W. Hyman**. He is the Marion County Hospital and was transferred to the ICU yesterday.
- 4) Please continue to pray for **Mrs. Wanda Bryson**, wife of Reverend Tommy Bryson, as she is home and continues to recover from surgery. Rev. Tommy Bryson would like to extend his thanks to you for your many prayers and calls.
- 5) Please continue to pray for **Reverend Steward Norris**, pastor at Cornerstone FWB Church in Whiteville.
- 6) Please remember **Reverend Paul Hyman**, member of the Central Association, as he is home and recovering from surgery.

MINISTER NEWS:

- 1) **South Carolina Minister's Conference Meeting** - Friday, April 3, 2009, at First FWB Church in Florence, at 7:00 PM.
- 3) **Conway Area Minister's Breakfast** - Tuesday, April 7, 2009, at Shoney's Restaurant in Conway, at 8:30 AM.
- 3) **Central Association Meeting** - Saturday, April 11, 2009, at Bethel FWB Church in Florence, at 9:00 AM.

4) **Beaver Creek Minister's Luncheon** - Monday, April 20, 2009, at C.J.'s Restaurant in Spartanburg, SC, at 11:30 AM.

5) **PASTORAL TRAINING / SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER TRAINING** - Saturday, May 16, 2009, at Evergreen FWB Church in Conway at 9:00 AM. Registration is \$20. For each church sending 5 people or more people with a paid registration, the pastor can attend the training at no charge. Lunch will be provided by the Evergreen Church.

CHURCH NEWS:

March 2009

22-27 REVIVAL - **First FWB Church in Simpsonville**, with **Reverend Kevin Smith** (SS 10 AM Sun 11 AM & 6 PM / M-W 7:30 PM)

Contact Reverend Chris Jackson for details - 864-967-4080

23-29 REVIVAL - **Happy Home FWB Church** in Andrews, with **Reverend Paul Lambert** (M-F 7:30 PM)

23-27 REVIVAL - **Little Bethel FWB Church** in Johnsonville, with **Reverend Rickey Evans** (7:30 PM nightly)

26-29 REVIVAL - **Freedom FWB Church** in Ladson, with **Reverend Wesley Fredell** (Thurs-Sat 7 PM / SS 10 AM & Worship at 11 AM)

22-25 REVIVAL - **Mt. Elon FWB Church** in Pamplico, with **Reverend Mike Jones** (SUN 10 AM & 6 PM / M-W at 7:30 PM)

March/April

29-April 1 REVIVAL at **Horse Branch FWB Church** in Turbeville, with **Rev. Donnie Miles** (Sunday evening at 6 PM & M-W at 7 PM)

29-April 1 REVIVAL at **First FWB Church, Myrtle Beach**, with **Rev. Howard Messer** (Sunday 11 AM & 6 PM & M-W 7 PM)

April

5-8 REVIVAL - **New Vision FWB Church in Hemingway**, with Rev. Marty Cox

10 GOOD FRIDAY SERVICES - **Bride of Christ FWB Church** (9:00 AM - 3:00 PM).

There will be 7 different preachers preaching on the 7 different sayings of Christ on the cross.

17 FWBBC FRIENDS and ALUMNI DINNER - **Lebanon FWB Church in Effingham**, Saturday, April 17, 2009, at 7 PM

Please contact Mr. A.C. Allen at 843-687-1250 by Monday, April 13, 2009 if you will be able to attend.

19-23 REVIVAL - **Bethany FWB Church** in Timmonsville, with **Reverend Timmy Larrimore** (Mon-Thurs 7:30 PM)

25 FUNDRAISING CONCERT - **First FWB Church in Florence** for David Gibson's summer ministry in China.

The concert will feature The Poston Brothers, Karen Kelly, a Trio from the Free Will Baptist Bible College.

The event will take place at 7 PM. For more details, call Allen Gibson at 843-230-7150

May

16 GOLF TOURNAMENT - **Peace FWB Church in Florence will be hosting a Golf Tournament on Saturday, May 16, 2009.** This charity golf tournament is a fund raiser benefiting the Peace Church's youth ministry trip to the National Youth Conference (NYC) in July in Cincinnati, OH. The cost is \$60 per person and will take place at the Wellman Club located at 436 Clubhouse Drive in Johnsonville, SC. The deadline for entry is May 1, 2009. Please contact Mr. Craig Place for details or entry forms. His email address is singnplay@sc.rr.com, and his home number is 843-968-5837.

16 GOLF TOURNAMENT - **Temple FWB Church in Darlington will be hosting its third annual "Radical Change" golf tournament on Saturday, May 16, 2009,** at the Governor's Run golf course in Lamar, SC. It will be four men teams, captain's choice, shotgun start tournament that will start at 9 AM. The cost will be \$60 per person which includes lunch, good bag, snacks, and drinks during the tournament. Tickets for prizes will be available for some of Myrtle Beach's finest golf courses. Also, there will be four hole-in-one prizes as well as longest drive and closest to the pin. Proceeds will go toward the youth fund for expenses for going to the NAFWB Convention in Ohio in July. For more information or to register a team, contact Reverend Bruce Kimbrel at 843-307-4016 or Temple FWB Church at 843-393-5251. The deadline for entries is Monday, May 11, 2009.

June

14 67th HOMECOMING - Mt. Carmel FWB Church in York with Rev. Earl Stanley (11 AM)

*Please send church news announcements via email to ToddSmith@scfwb.com by

Tuesday of each week for the following SC FWB Update. THANKS.

SC WAC News:

1) **SC Conference District WAC Retreat**, April 24-25, 2009, Camp Bob Cooper, Summerton, SC (Friday, Check in at 4 PM and ends Saturday at Lunch). For details, contact Sandra Dail at 843-407-4079 or 843-621-3927 or sandradail@msn.com or Evelyn Upright at 803-478-6318 or eupright@ftc-i.net.

2) **SC Conference District Mother Daughter Luncheon** - Saturday, May 16, 2009, 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM, at the FWB Children's Home in Turbeville, SC. Guest Speaker: Amber Faulkner. The cost is \$7 for ages 12 and up, \$4 for children ages 4 to 11, and children under the age of 3 are free. For details, contact Sandra Dail at 843-407-4079 or 843-621-3927 or sandradail@msn.com.

3) **SC WAC STATE RETREAT** - "ESTHER'S CLOSET" - Friday and Saturday, October 2-3, 2009, at the White Oak Conference Center in Winnsboro, SC. The total cost for 1 night's stay and 3 meals is \$70. A \$20 non-refundable fee is due by April 30th. Please make checks payable to "SCWAC" and mail to Cathy Logan at 1580 Potter Road, Lancaster, SC 29720. The remaining \$50 is due upon arrival.

CTS/NYC News:

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.

SC FWB Youth Ministries News:

1) SC FWB Teen Camp - June 8-13, 2009 (Mon-Sat) at Camp Anchorage at Wacamaw Lake, NC. For a camp brochure, worker screen form, or a medical release form, visit www.scfwb.org/youth_ministries.htm

2) SC FWB Junior Camp - July 27-31, 2009 at Camp Pee Dee in Marion, SC. For a camp brochure, worker screen form, or a medical release form, visit www.scfwb.org/youth_ministries.htm

3) SC FWB Teen Retreat - October 23-25, 2009 in Myrtle Beach, SC.

CLOSING REMARKS: "Tooth Decay"

I had the privilege of spending this afternoon with my children, but it was not the quality "dad" time they had hoped for. I took them to a dental appointment in which they had cavities filled. Tooth decay in the beginning stages is not visible from the surface. A tiny little pin hole begins on the hard outer surface of the tooth but once the outer seal of the tooth is broken, the inner and softer tissue of the tooth begins to decay more quickly. If not corrected, it can lead to infection or even complete loss of the tooth to decay. That is why a good dentist will always recommend brushing and flossing on a daily basis.

Our Christian life is much like that. On the outside, things may appear as if they are ok, but sometimes on the inside, sin can be decaying the spiritual heart of a person. That is why a good preacher will always recommend a daily dose of reading the Word of God and a consistent prayer life. Adrian Rogers once said that "Satan wants to cripple you and then blame you for limping." There may be a wrong way to do a right thing, but there is never a right way to do a wrong thing. Don't let Satan destroy your spiritual joy. Walk in obedience, and your life will be God-honoring.

Thank you for allowing us to be your servants!

In Christ,

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