

## SC FWB Update, Vol. 2, No. 27, Wednesday, July 15, 2009

### OPENING REMARKS:

**NAFWB CONVENTION** - The National Association of Free Will Baptist Convention will take place next week, July 19-22, 2009, in Cincinnati, Ohio. Please pray for the many that will be traveling to the convention, and please pray for the speakers that will be preaching during the convention. Also, the next weekly update will go out on Wednesday, July 29, 2009, due to the national convention being next week.

**SC FWB STATE MEETING** - The Central Association met this past Saturday, July 11, 2009, and voted for the next South Carolina Free Will Baptist State meeting to be hosted by the Evergreen FWB Church in Conway. The state meeting will be held February 25-26, 2010. The General Board will meet at Evergreen Church at 10:00 AM on Wednesday, February 24, 2010. 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. 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.

**80th BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION FOR MISSIONARY CARLISLE HANNA** - The family of Missionary Carlisle Hanna will be having an 80th Birthday Celebration for Brother Hanna on Saturday, August 1, 2009, at Grace FWB Church Fellowship Building in Lake City. This will be a "drop in" celebration from 3-5 PM. His birthday is on August 3rd but the celebration will take place on August 1st. Please pray for Missionary Hanna as he will be returning to the states on July 22, 2009.

**DAVID HUTCHINSON ACCOUNT** - In the May/June issue of the *Informer*, an article stated that an account has been set up by the Mt. Elon FWB Church to help the needs of Rev. and Mrs. David Hutchinson. The name of the account has been changed. If you would like to help with this special project, please make checks payable to "New Elon Special Account" and forward the checks to Mt. Elon FWB Church, c/o Rev. Mark Leonard, 241 West Seven Mile Road, Pamplico, SC 29583.

### PRAYER and PRAISE:

- 1) Please pray for our upcoming **National Association of Free Will Baptist Convention**, which will take place in Cincinnati, Ohio.
- 2) Please remember in prayer **Mrs. Susie Owens**, the wife of Rev. Wayland Owens, as she had to go back to Atlanta, GA this week for some further medical care.
- 3) Please pray for the **family of Rev. Larry Monday**, the pastor at Whitney FWB Church in Spartanburg. Rev. Monday's 10 year old granddaughter, Meah Weidener, passed away on Tuesday, July 7, 2009.
- 4) Please pray for **Rev. Murrell Young** who recently came out the VA Hospital in Columbia from having been in the hospital for four weeks.

### MINISTER NEWS:

- 1) **NAFWB Convention** - July 19-23, 2009 - Cincinnati, Ohio.
- 3) **Lake City Area Minister's Breakfast** - Tuesday, July 21, 2009, at Prosser's Restaurant in Lake City, at 8:30 AM
- 3) **Beaver Creek Meeting** - Saturday, July 25, 2009, at Calvary FWB Church in Union, SC, at 9:00 AM
- 4) **Eastern Conference Meeting** - Saturday, August 22, 2009, at St. John FWB Church in Pamplico, SC, at 9:30 AM

### CHURCH NEWS:

#### July

13-17 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - **Freedom FWB Church in Ladson**, July 13-17, 2009 from 6-8:00 PM. All ages welcome.

There will also be adult classes.

30-August 1 CAMP MEETING - **Happy Home FWB Church in Andrews** will be having a Camp Meeting July 30-August 1, 2009.

Thurs-Friday - 7 PM

Thursday - Sam Atkinson Trio and Rev. Larry McAlister and Rev. Wayland Owens

Friday - Rev. James Sanders and Rev. Kevin Smith

Saturday - 9:00 AM until Noon and Lunch to Follow

AM - Rev. Michael Calder, Rev. Mitch Ingram, and Rev. Paul Lambert

Singing - Mrs. Summer Calder

#### August

1 TMT MINISTRIES - The **White Savannah FWB Church's** TMT Drama Ministry Team will be sharing their message of the gospel at the

Conway High School Auditorium at a Special Annual Gospel Singing with "The Browders" on August 1, 2009, at 6:00 PM.

The cost for admission is \$10.00 (children 12 and under are free). For more information contact Rev. Buddy Seay at 843-455-7028

8 Ordination - **Mt. Carmel FWB Church in York, SC** will hold the ordination service for Kevin Rife (True Life Association).  
9-12 YOUTH REVIVAL - **Lebanon FWB Church in Effingham** will be having a Youth Revival August 9-12, 2009, with Rev. Chris Edwards.

#### **September**

21-25 REVIVAL - **South Conway FWB Church**, September 21-25, 2009, with Rev. Stephen Hyman

27 HOMECOMING - **South Conway FWB Church**, September 27, 2009, with Rev. Allen Goodman

27 HOMECOMING - 25th Anniversary Homecoming at **Peace FWB Church in Florence** on Sunday, September 27, 2009.

\*Please send church news announcements via email to [ToddSmith@scfwb.com](mailto:ToddSmith@scfwb.com) by Tuesday of each week for the following SC FWB Update.

#### **SC WAC News:**

**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 stay and 3 meals is \$70. A \$20 non-refundable fee is due by April 30th. Please make checks payable to "SCWAC" and mail the payment to Cathy Logan at 1580 Potter Road, Lancaster, SC 29720. The remaining \$50 is due upon arrival.

#### **SC FWB Youth Ministries News:**

1) 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](http://www.scfwb.org/youth_ministries.htm)

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

#### **CLOSING REMARKS: "Lifeboat No. 14"**

The story of the Titanic may be a bit over-worked, but here is one more clip worth noting. Survivor Eva Hart related the experience of what took place after the big ship sank. Twenty lifeboats were launched, but many people chose not to board one. Consequently, few of the rafts were filled. When the Titanic slipped from sight at 2:20 AM, Lifeboat No. 14 rowed back to the scene. It paddled through the darkness, chasing cries and seeking to rescue those in the water. The other lifeboats remained distant because they feared if they rowed back to help, too many swimmers would converge on their boat and cause it to sink. Do we ever respond like those in Lifeboat No. 14 who went back to the scene of danger to possibly rescue a few more, or are we more like the other nineteen boats keeping a distance for fear of getting hurt? Fear of the unexpected or the unknowns can strike deep into the heart of Christians when it comes to doing a work for the Lord.

In 1933, Franklin D. Roosevelt said in his first inaugural address, "The only thing we have to fear is fear itself." The only proper fear in the Christian life is the fear of God. It is only the fear of God that can deliver us from the fear of man and circumstances. I encourage you to rely on the Lord, fear not circumstances, and continue faithfully serving God.

May you go in His Grace and Strength,

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