

## **SC FWB Update, Vol. 4, No. 32, Wednesday, July 14, 2010**

### **OPENING REMARKS:**

It was a joy yesterday to travel with Moderator Reverend Sherwood Lee, Reverend Jacob Creech, Reverend Mike Jones, and Missionary Neil Morgan to Charleston to be at the airport with several others for the arrival of Missionary Carlisle Hanna ("Uncle") and Pastor Ronen and Pastor Saifal from India. Their luggage did not arrive but thankfully Missionary Hanna and our India pastors arrived safely. Please pray for the many missionaries and others from national fields traveling to the states to attend the National Association of Free Will Baptist Convention in Oklahoma City, which will take place July 18-21. Also, please pray for many pastors and church members as they will be traveling this week to attend the NAFWB Convention.

Due to attending the NAFWB Convention next week, the next weekly update will go out on Wednesday, July 28, 2010. Thank you for the privilege it is to serve you and your church.

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### **PRAYER / PRAISE REQUEST:**

\*Please pray for Brother Bobby Laws, a deacon at Westgate Free Will Baptist Church in Arcadia (Spartanburg). Pastor Kevin Smith said Brother Bobby is facing some health issues at this time. Thank you for your prayers.

\*Missionary Jim Fairchild's parents are battling with cancer. Please remember his family in prayer.

\*Bert Tippet, who was diagnosed with a highly aggressive form of prostate cancer in May 2008, began a 10-day radiation treatment June 29 at St. Thomas Hospital's Rudy Cancer Center in Nashville. He is scheduled to preach the opening message at the NAFWB Convention on July 18. Please remember him in prayer during this time. Bert retired as FWBBC's director of church relations in August 2009.

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### **MINISTER NEWS:**

\*NAFWB Convention - July 18-21, 2010 - Oklahoma City, OK

\*Beaver Creek Association - Saturday, July 31, 2010 - First FWB Church, Greenville - 9 AM

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### **CHURCH NEWS:**

July:

19-21 REVIVAL - Mt. Ariel FWB Church in Conway with Reverend Henry Ward - 7:30 PM each night.

26-30 Revival - Rains FWB Church in Rains, SC with Reverend Kevin Smith

August:

2-6 Vacation Bible School - Mt. Ariel FWB Church (Aug 2-5 at 6 PM and Aug 7 at 7 PM)

13-15 YOUTH RETREAT - Westgate FWB Church in Arcadia (Spartanburg) will be hosting its first annual YOUTH RETREAT August 13-15, 2010. Some of the events will be roller skating, putt putt, batting cage, bon fire, and much more. Reverend Kevin Smith (pastor at Westgate), Reverend Joey Mills (youth pastor at Westgate), and Reverend David "Boo" Casper (pastor at Promise FWB Church) will be preaching. For more information or registration forms, contact Tami Fish at the church office at 864-574-5904 or Youth Pastor Joey Mills at 864-219-1849.

20 BACK TO SCHOOL BASH BOWLING PARTY - South Gate Bowling in Florence, 6-9 PM. \$10 per person. Grades 4-12. Area churches are invited. Please contact Reverend Chris Edwards for details - 843-598-4410 or [chris@lebanonfwbc.com](mailto:chris@lebanonfwbc.com)

\*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.

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**YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS:**

\*Junior Youth Camp, Camp Pee Dee, August 2 - 6, 2010. Vince Tharpe with Art Alive Ministry will be the evangelist. Please visit Vince's website at [www.Artalive.org](http://www.Artalive.org). For further details, visit [http://www.scfwb.org/youth\\_ministries.htm](http://www.scfwb.org/youth_ministries.htm)

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**WAC NEWS:**

\*SC WAC Fall Retreat - October 8-9, 2010 - Camp Bob Cooper in Summerton, South Carolina.

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**CLOSING REMARKS: "Alcohol from a Torpedo"**

During World War II, a pharmacist's mate, Wheeler B. Lipes, Jr., performed a lifesaving appendectomy on Seaman Darrell Dean Rector aboard the submarine, *Sea Dragon*. Maneuvering behind enemy lines in the Pacific, the closest thing to a doctor on board was pharmacist's mate Lipes, a lab technician by training, who had witnessed an appendectomy.

Facing certain death if not operated upon, Rector agreed to Lipes correcting the situation. Without surgical instruments, Lipes used a knife blade for a scalpel, a tea strainer to administer ether, and spoons from the galley to keep the incision open during surgery. The crude tools were sterilized with alcohol from a torpedo. Surgery was performed in the officer's quarters on September 11, 1942, the first appendectomy aboard a submerged submarine. Rector resumed his responsibilities in thirteen days.

As a Christian, we are helping others in rooting out the consequence of sin from their life by surrendering to our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. One may not have the most elaborate degree or the most modern tools to help do the job. But we can all, no matter what place we find ourselves in life, use the tools and talents that God has given us where we are to do our best in winning souls for Christ. Never let not having what someone else has be our excuse for not winning others. God can use you and wants to use you for His glory in reaching the lost for Christ! May we win them while watching and awaiting His return!