

**OPENING REMARKS: "A/C Units Stolen from a SC FWB Church"**

**"Church Vandalism"** - Through a process of four separate occasions last week, individuals stole three air conditioner units at the First Free Will Baptist Church in Una, South Carolina while we were attending the Free Will Baptist Convention in Oklahoma City. One individual indicated that the criminal was stealing the copper tubing for its high price return. Pastor Kenneth Cash indicated their insurance is assisting with the damages, but said the insurance company required their church to pay four separate deductibles for each occasion of vandalism. With money reserved in their Building Fund for other purposes, along with love gifts from individuals and help from the Hispanic church that meets at First, Una, they were able to meet the four deductibles. Plans are now being made for the air conditioner units to be replaced. This all happened on the week prior to Reverend and Mrs. Cash planning to leave for a much needed vacation. The wonderful people at the First, Una Church insisted on their pastor going on vacation, while they are working diligently to have the air conditioner units replaced. Please pray for the First FWB Church in Una along with Pastor Kenneth Cash and his family. If you would like to send them a card of encouragement or love gift, feel free to send it to Reverend Kenneth Cash, First FWB Church, 7203 Wood Street, Spartanburg, SC 29303.

**"Sunday School Literature"** - Sunday School literature for the fall quarter arrived yesterday at the South Carolina Free Will Baptist State Office and will be distributed this week and next week to churches.

**"GO10 Walk"** - The GO10 Walk for the World proved to be a great success raising over \$520,000.00 for the Global Evangelism Fund with Free Will Baptist International Missions. At least 1,845 walkers participated with many helpers along the way. The money raised provided the full matching amount needed for the promised Planned Estate gift, providing over \$1 million for missions once the planned gift is fulfilled. Praise the Lord for all those who helped in making this event a great success!

**"Junior Camp"** - Next week, our SC FWB youth will be attending Junior Camp at Camp Pee Dee in Marion, South Carolina. Feel free to visit our website for a brochure, medical release form, or registration form ([www.scfwb.org/youth\\_ministries.htm](http://www.scfwb.org/youth_ministries.htm)). Please pray that next week's camp will be a time of spiritual renewal for our young people.

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**PRAYER / PRAISE REQUEST:**

\*Reverend Donnie Miles' dad was recently admitted to the hospital in Colorado due to physical complications. Reverend Donnie Miles is the pastor at Peace FWB Church in Florence. Please remember his dad in prayer during this time.

\*Merry Floyd's mother, Mrs. Annie Hickman, recently went for a biopsy. Merry is the bookkeeper at our FWB Children's Home in Turbeville. Please remember her mother in prayer during this time.

\*Mrs. Paula Jones' dad, Brother Evans, had an aneurysm surgery last week which turned out to be a success. Please continue to remember her dad in prayer. Mrs. Paula is the wife of Reverend Mike Jones.

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## **MINISTER NEWS:**

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

\*Spartanburg Area Wide Minister's Luncheon - Monday, August 2, 2010 - 11:30 AM - Grapevine Restaurant, Boiling Springs, SC

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## **CHURCH NEWS:**

### July:

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

28-31 Old Fashion Camp Meeting - Happy Home FWB Church (Wed - Fri at 7 PM / Sat at 9 AM with Lunch Provided), with various preachers

### August:

1 India Mission Spartanburg Area Wide Mission Rally Service - Parkway FWB Church, Boiling Springs - 6 PM

4 India Mission Lancaster Area Wide Mission Rally Service - Liberty FWB Church, Lancaster - 7 PM

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

8 Neil and Mandy Morgan Commissioning Service - Horse Branch FWB Church, Turbeville - 3 PM, Reception to follow. They will be leaving to go to Uruguay on August 16, 2010. Please remember their family in prayer.

8 India Mission Florence/Pamplico/Coward/Scranton/Lake City Area Wide Mission Rally Service - Lebanon FWB Church, Effingham - 6 PM

10 India Mission Darlington Area Wide Mission Rally Service - Tuesday, Aug. 10 - Southside FWB Church, Darlington - 7 PM

11 India Mission Conway/Galivants Ferry/Myrtle Beach Area Wide Mission Rally Service - Wednesday, Aug. 11 - Evergreen FWB Church, Conway - 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: "Prayer"**

D. E. Host, the man who took over for Hudson Taylor, wrote a book titled *Behind the Ranges*. He was trying to analyze a problem he had seen while working in two different villages in China. The people with whom he lived and worked were not doing very well. But the people in the other village across the ranges were doing great! He visited them only now and then, but they were always doing fine, so he began to ask the Lord what was going on. How could those across the ranges be doing better than those with whom he lived and worked? The Lord showed Host the answer. Although he was spending much time counseling, preaching, and teaching with those with whom he lived, he spent much more time in prayer for those across the ranges. He concluded that there were four basic elements in making disciples: (1) prayer, (2) prayer, (3) prayer, (4) the Word—in that order and in about that proportion.

Prayer is the key to a God-honoring life. Prayer moves the hand that moves the world. George Muller said, "I live in the spirit of prayer. I pray as I walk about, when I lie down and when I rise up. And the answers are always coming." May prayer be a rich part of our daily walk with the Lord.

Thank you for the honor to serve you. May the Lord richly bless you. Todd Smith