

## SC FWB Update, Vol. 4, No. 34, Wednesday, August 4, 2010

### OPENING REMARKS:

Our South Carolina Free Will Baptist youth are at Junior Camp this week in Marion, South Carolina. Please pray for them that this will be a time of spiritual reflection and renewal.

Tonight, Liberty FWB Church in Lancaster will be hosting the area wide Mission Rally Service for Missionary Carlisle Hanna and our India pastors at 7 PM. A birthday reception for Missionary Hanna will follow the service. He turned 81 years old yesterday.

Missionaries Bobby and Geneva Poole will be stateside in South Carolina mid-August through the end of October. Feel free to contact me at 843-657-2091 if you would like to schedule a service for them at your church. In advance, thank you for your willingness to be a part of global evangelism.

After closing out the books for July yesterday and today, I realized that South Carolina Free Will Baptist churches and individuals have given \$699,804.72 through the SC FWB State Office for missionaries and ministries in America and around the world. Despite the economy, this is just shy of \$12,000 above last year at this same time. Thank you for your faithful support of missions and ministries at home and abroad!

The following article was sent to me in email. It's an excellent article written by Thomas J. Winters on "How to Determine Reasonable Pastoral Compensation."  
<http://www.sermoncentral.com/articlec.asp?ac=true&article=Tom-Winters-Reasonable-Compensation-Pastors-Ministers>.

---

### PRAYER / PRAISE REQUEST:

\***Reverend Ralph Hampton**, former chairman of the Biblical and Ministry Studies Department at Free Will Baptist Bible College, has been diagnosed with cancer of the vocal cords. Results from a battery of tests indicate that the cancer appears to be contained, but the location makes surgery inadvisable.

\*Please pray for all of our missionaries at home and abroad as they continue serving the Lord on their various fields of service.

---

### MINISTER NEWS:

\*Tuesday, August 10, 2010 - **Florence / Darlington Area Minister's Breakfast** - Bazen's Restaurant, Florence - 8:30 AM

\* Tuesday, August 17, 2010 - **Lake City Area Minister's Breakfast** - Prosser's Restaurant, Lake City - 8:30 AM

\*Saturday, August 21, 2010 - **Eastern Conference Meeting** - Hillside FWB Church, Florence - 9:30 AM

---

## **CHURCH NEWS:**

### August:

**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.

---

## **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)

---

## **WAC NEWS:**

\*SC WAC Fall Retreat - October 8-9, 2010 - Camp Bob Cooper in Summerton, South Carolina. The cost is \$70, and the deposit needs to be sent in by September 10, 2010. Monies need to be

sent to Cathy Logan, 1580 Potter Road, Lancaster, SC 29720. For more details, feel free to contact Mrs. Pam Hackett at 864-680-3150 or by email at [hackettp71@bellsouth.net](mailto:hackettp71@bellsouth.net). You can also contact Mrs. Sandra Dail at 843-307-4079 or email her at [sandradail@msn.com](mailto:sandradail@msn.com).

---

### **CLOSING REMARKS:**

Take a look at men and women whom God used in spite of their past!

\* Moses was a murderer, but later became the one who delivered his nation from the slavery of Pharaoh.

\* Jephthah was an illegitimate child who was chosen by God to be His personal representative.

\* Rahab was a harlot in the streets of Jericho but was later used in such a mighty way that God enlisted her among the members of His Hall of Fame in Hebrews 11.

\* Samson failed God by giving up his power to the Philistines.

Dr. Bob Jones, Jr. said, "It is no disgrace to fail, but it is a disgrace to do less than your best to keep from failing."

Many of God's choicest servants had weaknesses in their own lives, but despite their failures, many of them continued on fervently serving the Lord.

Vance Havner said: "We need a heartwarming.... The early Christians did not need a shot in the arm every Sunday to keep them going. They knew Jesus and they upset the world and worried the devil and gave wicked rulers insomnia and started something the jails couldn't lock up, fire couldn't burn, water couldn't drown, swords couldn't kill.... You may be little experience and speak of the dangers of emotion, but we are suffering today from a species of Christianity as dry as dust, as cold as ice, as pale as a corpse, and as dead as King Tut. We are suffering, not from a lack of correct heads but of consumed hearts."

Despite our failures and our past, may we be consumed with a fire of passion that burns deep within to see the lost saved, the backslidden reclaimed, and Christians revived. May we go forth with this burning desire in our hearts!