

## SC FWB Update, Vol. 4, No. 37, Wednesday, September 1, 2010

### OPENING REMARKS:

This coming Saturday, September 4, 2010, Missionaries Bobby and Geneva Poole will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary. If you would like to email them an [anniversary](#) wish, you can do so by sending an email to [bpooles@fwbgo.com](mailto:bpooles@fwbgo.com). They are currently in South Carolina traveling throughout our state visiting churches for mission itinerant services. Please remember them in prayer as they travel.

Also, this Friday, September 3, 2010, is Missionary Tim Johnson's birthday. If you'd like to email him a birthday wish, feel free to send it to [tjohnson@fwbgo.com](mailto:tjohnson@fwbgo.com). Tim and his wife Kristi (from Westside FWB Church in Johnsonville) are currently serving as Free Will Baptist missionaries in Spain.

Missionary Carlisle Hanna is currently stateside. Please remember him in prayer that he might gain strength during this time in preparation for returning to India in November.

Matt Deckard, our FWB Christian Book and Supply bookstore manager will be getting married to Miss Halie Garrison this Saturday, September 4, 2010, at 2 PM at Temple FWB Church in Darlington.

Our FWB Christian Book and Supply will be closed on Monday, September 6, 2010, for Labor Day. I request your prayers as I will be having a colonoscopy and EGD on Wednesday, September 8, 2010, at McLeod Regional Medical Center in Florence. Next week's update will go out on Thursday instead of Wednesday due to these medical procedures. In advance, thank you for your prayers.

It is an honor to serve you. Thank you for your faithful support. Our goal is to honor God, serve others, and endeavor to reach others for the cause of Christ!

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### PRAYER / PRAISE REQUEST:

\***Brother William Justice, Sr.**, father of Reverend William Justice (pastor at Community FWB Church in Florence), was admitted to the hospital in Rock Hill this week. Brother Justice, Sr is 87 years of age and is a member at Mt. Carmel FWB Church. Please remember him in prayer during this time.

\*Please remember churches in our state that are seeking a pastor, and please pray for ministers that are seeking the Lord's leadership during this time. Please pray for many who have faced tough financial times during this economic crisis. Please pray for several who have faced trying times over the past few weeks. Our Lord knows our every need, and may we each intercede on behalf of others in prayer.

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### MINISTER NEWS:

\***Florence/Darlington Area Minister Breakfast** - Tuesday, September 14, 2010 at Bazen's Restaurant in Florence at 8:30 AM.

\***True Life Conference Meeting** - Saturday, September 18, 2010 at Calvary FWB Church in Lancaster

at 9:45 AM.

\***Lake City Area Minister Breakfast** - Tuesday, September 21, 2010 at Prosser's Restaurant in Lake City at 8:30 AM.

\***South Carolina Conference Missions Luncheon** - Friday, October 1, 2010, at Horne's Restaurant in Florence from 11 AM - 1 PM.

\***South Carolina Conference Fall Missions Quarterly Meeting** - Friday, October 1, 2010, at Horse Branch FWB Church in Turbeville at 7 PM. A supper meal will be served at the FWB Home for Children in Turbeville prior to the meeting at 5:30 PM. (\*see Youth Ministry news for SC Conference Youth Rally information).

\***Central Association Meeting** - Saturday, October 9, 2010 at Free Welcome FWB Church in Conway at 9 AM.

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## **CHURCH NEWS:**

### September:

15-19 OLD FASHION JUBILEE - **First FWB Church, Simpsonville** (M-F 7 PM / Sat. 9:30 AM). Everyone's invited to attend!

19-22 FALL JUBILEE - **Cornerstone-Fellowship FWB Church in Manning** (Sun 11 AM & 6:30 PM / M-W 7 PM) with Reverend Todd Parrish

26-29 REVIVAL - **Mt. Elon FWB Church in Pamplico** with Rev. Milton and Rev. Melvin Worthington. (Sun - 11 AM & 6 PM / M-W at 7:30 PM)

26-30 REVIVAL - **White Savannah FWB Church in Conway** with Reverend Van Dale Hudson (Sun at 10 AM & 6 PM / M-Th at 7:30 PM)

27-Oct 1 REVIVAL - **Calvary FWB Church in Georgetown** (M-F / 7 PM) with Reverend Kevin Smith

### October:

3 HOMECOMING - **St. John FWB Church, Pamplico**, with Reverend Billy Baker (SS 10 AM / Worship 11 AM)

4-8 REVIVAL - **Liberty FWB Church in Lancaster**, with Reverend Jacob Berry. Everyone's welcome. (Pastor Timmy Larrimore)

24-27 CAMPMEETING - **Canaan FWB Church, Lancaster**, with Reverend Kevin Smith (Sunday 6 PM / M-W 7 PM)

### **November:**

14-17 CAMP MEETING - **Westgate FWB Church in Arcadia**

\*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:**

**NOTE CHANGE -- SC FWB Teen Retreat** - Weekend of October 29-30, 2010. The date for the Teen Retreat has been changed to the last weekend in October (Friday and Saturday). Also, this year's retreat will take place in Columbia instead of Myrtle Beach in order to have it in a more centralized location.

Reverend Ken Cash, the pastor at Belvoir FWB Church in Greenville, NC, will be the guest speaker. The lodging place is the Laquinta Inn on Garner's Ferry Road. For details, feel free to contact Reverend Jonathan Postlewaite at 843-601-4072, or you may contact Youth Ministries Director, Reverend Cyrus Shoffner at 843-858-0195.

\***South Carolina Conference Youth Rally** - Saturday, October 2, 2010, at Bethany FWB Church, at 7 PM. The quest speaker will be Missionary Jim Fairchild.

\***Eastern Conference Youth Rally** - Saturday, November 13, 2010, at Happy Home FWB Church in Andrews at 10 AM. Lunch will be provided.

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#### **WAC NEWS:**

\*SC WAC Fall Retreat - October 8-9, 2010 - Camp Bob Cooper in Summerton, South Carolina. Registration will begin at 4:00 PM in the Walter Cox Building. The cost is \$70 (including deposit), and the \$30 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 843-731-6313 or email her at [sandradail@msn.com](mailto:sandradail@msn.com). Remember to come dressed in 50's attire for this year's "Happy Days" retreat. The guest speaker at this year's retreat will be Mrs. Joanne King from North Carolina. Also, special guest Missionary Geneva Poole will be at the retreat with signed copies of her new book.

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**CLOSING REMARKS:** "They Could Take Everything Away From Me, But This One Thing..."

When working as an attorney, Abraham Lincoln deplored petty litigation. So imagine how he felt the day an irate businessman approached him, intent on bringing suit against a bankrupt debtor over an unpaid bill of \$2.50. Lincoln tried to dissuade the man from pursuing such a trivial matter, but the man refused on principle. So Lincoln agreed to take the case and asked for a \$10 retainer. The client happily obliged. After receiving payment, Lincoln gave half of the money to the defendant. With the \$5 windfall in hand, the defendant agreed to pay the debt and thereby settle the matter. The plaintiff was victorious. The defendant had a little money in his pocket. And Lincoln was able to avert an unnecessary lawsuit.

Someone once said, "You cannot get ahead by trying to get even." After his experience in a Nazi concentration camp, Victor Frankl concluded: "They could take everything away from me except one thing...that was the attitude with which I chose to respond to the situation."

How do we react to injury and insult? Do we find our self wishing to retaliate in a spirit of revenge? Our answer to that question is a true test of our spiritual character. It is often our reactions that people remember above our actions. We cannot control what happens to us, but we can control what happens in us. Love in return. Live an example of compassion, and Leave the rest to our Lord who is able to bridle a situation for our good and His glory.

May the Lord bless you.