

## **SC FWB Update, Vol. 5, No. 13, Wednesday, April 5, 2011**

### **OPENING REMARKS:**

\*World Mission Offering - Sunday, April 24, 2011 - We encourage churches to take up a special offering for FWB International Missions.

\*"Missionary Heroes" - Would you like a resource to teach children in your family or church about the "Missionary Heroes" that God has greatly used amongst to help spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ? Young people want heroes in their life that they can look up to, but the sad truth is that many of those heroes turn out to be not-so-good heroes. Our South Carolina FWB Christian Book and Supply has in stock "Missionary Heroes" published by Randall House Publications that includes "12 Missionary Story Cards for Each Missionary." It is a wonderful resource to help teach your youth about some real Free Will Baptist missionary heroes who have invested into the souls of men. The cards are 11" by 17". The "Missionary Heroes" packet is \$24.00. A CD recording of each story is also included giving the option of using the stories or just providing a tool to aid the teacher in becoming familiar with the story. Call our SC FWB Christian Book and Supply to order your "Missionary Heroes" resource packet today at [843-657-2091](tel:843-657-2091), and you won't regret showing your youth some GREAT HEROES!

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

\*Reverend Paul Lambert, the pastor at Cornerstone FWB Church in Whiteville, NC (Central Association), had a heart attack last week and was admitted to the Grand Strand Regional Hospital in Myrtle Beach, SC. Doctors placed a stint in his heart. He had one artery that was 100 % blocked. He is currently home and doing better. Please continue to remember him in prayer as he recovers.

\*Please continue to pray for Reverend Bennie Turner (Eastern Conference) as he gains strength from a recent hospital stay and physical difficulty.

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### **MINISTER NEWS:**

\*Central Association Quarterly Meeting - Saturday, April 9, 2011 - Greater Vision FWB Church, Bladenboro, NC - 9 AM

\*Florence/Darlington Area FWB Minister Breakfast - Tuesday, April 12, 2011 - Bazen's Restaurant, Florence - 8:30 AM

\*Lake City Area Wide FWB Minister Breakfast - Tuesday, April 19, 2011 - Prosser's Restaurant, Lake City - 8:30 AM

\*Lancaster / Rock Hill Area Wide FWB Minister Breakfast - Monday, April 25, 2011 - Belltown Grill Lancaster - 9 AM

\*Beaver Creek Association Quarterly Meeting - Thursday, April 28, 2011 - First FWB Church, Inman - 5 PM - Speaker: Rev. Danny Dwyer

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## **CHURCH NEWS:**

### April

- 3-6 REVIVAL - Mill Branch FWB Church, Pamplico - with Reverend Mac Atkinson, Jr.  
(Sunday 6 PM / M-W 7:30 PM)
- 3-6 REVIVAL - Lesslie FWB Church, Rock Hill - with Reverend Mitch Ingram
- 10-13 REVIVAL - Peace FWB Church, Spartanburg - with Reverend Wayland Owens (Sun 6 PM / M-W 7 PM)
- 10-13 REVIVAL - Canaan FWB Church, Lancaster with Reverend Jamie Montgomery  
(Special Singing Each Night)
- 10-13 REVIVAL - Temple FWB Church, Darlington with Reverend Mike Jones (Sun 11 AM & 6 PM / M-W 7 PM)
- 10-13 REVIVAL - New Vision FWB Church, Rock Hill - with Reverend Mitch Ingram
- 13-17 SPRING JUBILEE - Westgate FWB Church, Spartanburg/Arcadia, (Wed - Rev. Tim Larrimore and the Phillips Family, Thurs - Rev. Buddy Seay and the Driven Quartet, Fri - Rev. Teddy Rabon and Sam and Labreeska Atkinson, Sat AM - Rev. Mitch Ingram, Rev. James Sanders, Rev. Wesley Campbell, and Rev. Thad Jacobs). Services start at 7 PM and 9 AM on Saturday with lunch following the morning services.
- 11-14 REVIVAL - Parkway FWB Church, Spartanburg with Reverend Larry McAlister (M-Th, 7 PM)
- 11-15 REVIVAL - Northside FWB Church, Spartanburg with Reverend Leon Simmons
- 17-20 REVIVAL - Landmark FWB Church, Anderson with Reverend David Amburgey (6:30 PM nightly)
- 22 GOOD FRIDAY CANDLE LIGHT SERVICE - Columbia Original FWB Church, Columbia. Special music by Bob Michalski. Following the music, communion will be observed. The service begins at 7 PM.
- 25-27 YOUTH REVIVAL - South Conway FWB Church, Conway - with Reverend Wesley Campbell. (7:30 PM Nightly). Special singing each night. For more information call Pastor Chris McEachern (803) 804-4674.

### May

- 1-4 REVIVAL - New Harvest FWB Church, Tradesville, SC with Reverend David Casper
- 14-15 50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION - Columbia FWB Church, Columbia. Open House Celebration will be on Saturday, May 14, 2011 from 4-8 PM. The Saturday evening service will be a time of singing and sharing memories. Then the 50th Anniversary Homecoming service will take place on Sunday, May 15, 2011, at 10:30 AM. The guest speaker will be Reverend Jon Justice. A meal will follow the morning worship service at the South Kilbourne Road Elementary School. Please send acknowledgements to Rev. Ernest Barnes, 1039 Orangeburg Drive, West Columbia, SC 29169 or [preacherbarnes@aol.com](mailto:preacherbarnes@aol.com) or call [803-520-7463](tel:803-520-7463).
- 20 SINGING - Turning Point FWB Church, Spartanburg with "The Singing Cookes" - Friday, May 20th at 7 PM

### June

- 11 TMT DRAMA Team will be at Evergreen FWB Church, Conway - 7 PM - Performing "Hope for Every Man."
- 13-17 Lancaster / Rock Hill Area Wide Free Will Baptist Wide Camp Meeting - with Reverend Chris Rumpfelt (7 PM Nightly) at the Lancaster High School Auditorium
- 18 YOUTH FEST - Mt. Ariel FWB Church, Conway. Different youth groups from various

churches singing and providing skits. The event also includes a devotion, fellowship, food, and fun. The event starts at 3 PM.

23-25 YOUTH RALLY - Mt. Ariel FWB Church, Conway (23-24th - Special Singing and Devotion by David Stevens / 25th - TMT Drama Ministry Team) For details, call [843-289-7809](tel:843-289-7809)

\*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 NEWS:**

\*April 30, 2011 - Eastern Conference Youth Rally, New Prospect FWB Church, Pamplico

\*May 20-21, 2011 SC State CTS/NYC Competition - Columbia FWB Church, Columbia

\*SC FWB Teen Camp - June 6-11, 2011, Camp Anchorage, Waccamaw, NC - Guest Speaker, Reverend Blake Coghill / Cost per camper - \$225 (Early bird price) - \$235 per camper after May 18, 2011.

\*SC FWB Junior Camp - July 25-29, 2011, Camp Pee Dee, Marion, SC - Guest Speaker, Reverend Jonathan Postlewaite / Cost per camper - \$125 (Early bird price) - \$135 per camper after June 1, 2011.

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#### **CLOSING REMARKS: "Are Children Worth The Investment?"**

One study revealed the following:

- \* A person's moral foundations are generally in place by the time they reach age nine.
- \* A person's response to the meaning and personal value of Jesus Christ's life, death and resurrection is usually determined before a person reaches 18.
- \* Effective adult church leaders usually have had serious involvement in church life and training when they were young.
- \* In most cases, barring a significant life-changing experience, people's spiritual beliefs are irrevocably formed when they are pre-teens.

The research also found an essential partnership between the church and the family in the spiritual development of children. "The church encouraged parents to prioritize the spiritual development of their children and worked hard to equip them for that challenge. Parents, for their part, raised their children in the context of a faith-based community that provided security, belonging, spiritual and moral education, and accountability."\*\*

Are children worth the investment? You probably answered a resounding "YES" when you read the title of this article, and you are absolutely correct! They are worth every minute and penny of investment in grooming them to be leaders of the church!

Joshua McDowell provided some insightful information in relating to today's youth. He stated the following:

“Used to teens would say, ‘If it is true, it will work’, now they say, ‘If it works, it is true.’”

“Today, instead of asking what does it mean, they ask what does it mean to you.”

“Influence on youth is by 300% is parents than any other youth pastor or pastor.”

“You must reach a child by 12th Birthday.”

Rules to Relationship: “Truth without relationship leads to rejection.”

Seven Principles: 1) Affirmation - Build an emotional bridge, 2) Acceptance - Don't celebrate only the wins but also the effort, 3) Appreciation - Express it to them. Discipline without appreciation exasperates them, 4) Availability - Give your child time, 5) Affection - Sense of lovability...say it verbally and express it visibly, 6) Approval - Find out what they like and get involved, 7) Accountability - Youth need a sense of responsibility. Show them you care about them with liberties that have rules and limits.

Today's youth need strong churches and families that are caring and committed to building consistent and godly character in children by showing compassionate correction in the midst of a chaotic world!

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