

SC FWB Update, Vol. 5, No. 19, Wednesday, May 25, 2011

OPENING REMARKS:

SC FWB Teen Camp - South Carolina Free Will Baptist Teen Camp will be held the week of June 6-11, 2011, at Camp Anchorage on Lake Waccamaw in Waccamaw, North Carolina. The speaker for the week will be Reverend Blake Coghill, previous Associate/Youth Pastor at Peace FWB Church in Florence. If you will be sending any young people to camp and have not already registered them for camp, please call SC FWB Youth Camp Director Reverend Teddy Rabon at 843-520-6407. The deadline for the early bird discount was May 18, and the price per camper now is \$235. Each camper needs to have a completed and signed medical release form along with their registration form to attend camp. The medical release form must be signed by a parent or legal guardian. To obtain a medical release form or registration form, please visit http://www.scfwb.org/youth_ministries.htm. We are looking forward to a great week of youth camp. We are not only praying for a fun and enjoyable week for our youth but also that it will be a time of spiritual renewal.

PRAYER / PRAISE REQUEST:

*Please continue to pray for **Mr. Bill Parrish**, father of SC FWB Children's Home Director Todd Parrish, as he is now home recovering from an open heart by-pass surgery.

*Please continue to pray for **Free Will Baptist International Missions** as funds come in for the World Missions Offering (WMO) that their financial needs will be met. To follow the progress of the WMO, feel free to visit <http://www.fwbgo.com/funding/wmo/>

MINISTER NEWS:

*Spartanburg Area FWB Minister Luncheon - Monday, June 6, 2011 - Grape Vine Restaurant, Boiling Springs - 11:30 AM.

*Florence Area FWB Minister Breakfast - Tuesday, June 14, 2011 - Bazen's Restaurant, Florence - 8:30 AM

*True Life Conference Meeting - Saturday, June 18, 2011, Mt. Carmel FWB Church, York, SC

CHURCH NEWS:

May

28 MASTER'S MEN CONFERENCE - Damascus FWB Church, Conway - Guest Speakers: Rev. Tony Miles and Rev. Allen Goodman. For more information, contact one of the following men: Rev. Timmy Locklear ([843-289-7809](tel:843-289-7809)), Rev. Allen Goodman ([843-450-3860](tel:843-450-3860)), Brother J.C. Gause ([843-397-2256](tel:843-397-2256)), or Brother Gary Holt ([843-997-9440](tel:843-997-9440))

June

5-9 Landmark FWB Church, Anderson - Vacation Bible School - "Pandamania - Where God is Wild About You" / 6-8:30 PM. Pre-registration party will take place June 4th from 2-4 PM.

11 TMT DRAMA Team will be at Evergreen FWB Church, Conway - 7 PM - Performing "Hope for Every Man."

11 ONE DAY VBS - St. John FWB Church, Pamplico - with guest speaker, Rev. Timmy Larrimore.

14 CAR WASH / BAKE SALE - Mt. Ariel FWB Church, Conway - 7 AM Until. Proceeds will go to the Mt. Ariel Youth League. For details, contact Pastor Timmy Locklear at [843-289-7809](tel:843-289-7809)

13-17 FWB LANCASTER AREA WIDE CAMP MEETING at the Lancaster High School (Mon-Thurs) and at High Point FWB Church, Lancaster (Friday), with Reverend Chris Rumpfelt. Services start at 7 PM. Reverend Chris Rumpfelt will be singing Monday, Thursday, and Friday, and Sam and Labreeska Atkinson will be singing Tuesday and Wednesday. The Super 8 Motel located at 1201 Highway Bypass 9 in Lancaster will be providing a special rate for the meeting. In order to make reservations, contact them at [803-283-1200](tel:803-283-1200), and let them know you will be attending the FWB Camp meeting in order to get their special rate.

13-17 VBS - Mt. Ariel FWB Church, Conway - Vacation Bible School (6-8:30 PM - Friday night will be at 7 PM) - "Inside Out and Upside Down" on Main Street Where Jesus Makes a Difference Everyday!" Adult and Youth Classes. Kick off will be June 4th at 10 AM - 12 NOON. For details, contact Pastor Timmy Locklear at [843-289-7809](tel:843-289-7809)

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 by Tuesday of each week for the following week's SC FWB Email Update.

YOUTH NEWS:

*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.

CLOSING REMARKS: "Second Coming of Christ"

As no doubt was discussed across pulpits in America on Sunday, Harold Camping's prediction of the Lord's return was incorrect. For one who believes the Bible, it was an inevitable false prediction, as we know the Bible says, "Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh" (Matthew 25:13).

Although we do not know the day nor the hour, we can see and know the signs of His coming, and I do believe it is closer than ever before. Both the Old and New Testaments are filled with promises of the Second Coming of Christ. There are 1,845 references to it in the Old Testament,

and a total of seventeen Old Testament books give it prominence. Of the 260 chapters in the entire New Testament, there are 318 references to the Second Coming, or one out of 30 verses. Twenty-three of the 27 New Testament books refer to this great event. For every prophecy on the First Coming of Christ, there are eight on Christ's Second Coming.

Four times in the book of Revelation, we have the words proclaimed, "Behold, I come...." and with each one of these there is a warning. First of all, there is a warning to "hold that fast which thou hast" (Rev. 3:7-13). We need to hold fast 1) Our Profession (Hebrews 10:23), 2) That Which is Good (1 Thess 5:21), 3) The Form of Sound Words (2 Tim. 1:13), and we need to hold fast 4) The Name of Christ (Rev. 2:13).

The Second "Behold, I Come..." is found in Rev. 16:15 and warns that the coming of Christ will be as a "thief." It will be unexpected. The Third "Behold, I Come..." is found in Rev. 22:7 and warns that the coming of Christ will be "quickly." The last "Behold, I Come..." is found in Rev. 22:12 and warns that Christ's reward will be with Him.

Although Harold Camping's prediction was predictably wrong, we still must be prepared for the coming of Christ! **Rev. 22:20** *He which testifieth these things saith, Surely I come quickly. Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus.*