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# 2008 State Meeting Schedule

The 66th annual session of the South Carolina State Association of Original Free Will Baptists meeting will take place February 28-29, 2008 at Horse Branch FWB Church in Turbeville. In the past, the state meeting has been hosted by a particular conference or association; however, due to the completion of the new state office in Turbeville, the Executive Committee voted for the State Association to host the meeting requesting that each conference participate in a combined effort in hosting the meeting. It is being requested that each conference contribute \$500 to assist with the cost of meals and expenses for the meeting. The plan is to have the dedication of the new state office building during the state meeting. The following is a schedule of the meeting:

#### Wednesday, February 27, 2008:

General Board Meeting at 10 AM at Horse Branch FWB Church

#### Thursday, February 28, 2008:

8:30 AM - Registration

9:00 AM - Welcome & Call to Order

9:15 AM - Devotion - Rev. Chad West (Northgate FWB Ch)

9:30 AM - State Ministry Reports

10:50 AM - Recess

11:00 AM Morning Worship - Message: Rev. Wayland

Owens (First FWB Church, Kingstree)

Noon - Recess for Lunch

Dedication of the new State Office - Devotion:

Rev. Sherwood Lee, Moderator (Sandhill, Scranton)

1:20 PM - Reports Continued

7:00 PM - Evening Worship Service - Guest Speaker:

- Dr. Matt Pinson, FWBBC, Nashville, TN

#### Friday, February 29, 2008:

9:00 AM - Welcome & Congregational

9:05 AM - Devotion - Rev. Jody Wynn (FWB Bible Church, Darlington)

9:20 AM - Final Reports

11:00 AM - Worship Service - Rev. Johnny Evans (EC)

12:00 Noon - Lunch and Adjournment

# \$1.3 Million Giving in 2007

In 2007, churches and individuals gave \$1,328,108.22 through the South Carolina Free Will Baptist State Office. Read the enclosed details of who it came from and where it went!



# 2007 Giving Through the SCFWB State Office:

Beaver Creek Conference	\$136,649.10
Central Association	\$177,807.01
Eastern Conference	\$132,799.39
Palmetto Conference	\$9,964.83
South Carolina Conference	\$625,974.85
True Life Conference	\$1,950.00
SC Women Active for Christ	\$54,689.79
Various	\$188,273.25
TOTAL	. \$1.328.108.22

#### **TOP FIFTEEN GIVERS IN 2007**

1) Horse Branch, Turbeville (SC)\$101,262.27
2) Westside, Johnsonville (SC) \$65,508.20
3) Florence First (SC) \$47,774.17
4) Peace, Florence (SC) \$45,013.60
5) Lebanon, Effingham (SC) \$43,529.27
6) Gilead, Lake City (EC)\$39,650.12
7) Mill Branch, Johnsonville (EC) \$39,379.02
8) Grace, Lake City (SC)\$34,845.11
9) Little Bethel, Johnsonville (CA) \$32,410.00
10) Liberty, Lancaster (BC) \$32,079.19
11) Bethany, Timmonsville (SC) \$28,273.00
12) Sand Hill, Coward (SC) \$26,629.00
13) Temple, Darlington (SC) \$26,497.10
14) White Savannah, Conway (CA) \$23,125.56
15) Evergreen, Aynor (CA)\$21,113.83

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# Liberty, Lancaster WAC Hosts Missionary Fellowship



Liberty FWB
Women Active for
Christ hosted a
meet and greet
fellowship with
missionary to
Spain, Kristi
Johnson, on
January 26, 2008.
Kristi and her

daughter, Ana, honored the ladies by sharing what their days are like as a missionary in Spain. The ladies were challenged to renew their commitment to more interces sory prayer for all missionaries. Kristi led the ladies in singing in Spanish the song, "Nothing but the Blood." She also shared a devotion from Colossians 4. There was a total of 35 in attendance, which included 5 churches and 4 Beaver Creek District officers. Ana's birthday was celebrated with a birthday cake, gift bags, and a Wal-Mart gift card. Kristi also received gifts from the ladies including a variety of cards, cookbook, Rada knives, Tupperware, Wal-Mart gift card, and money to help with postage. The ladies were greatly encouraged with the informal time of sharing with Kristi and Ana. Please continue to remember the Tim and Kristi Johnson family in prayer. (Pictured above L to R: Pam Hackett, Vice President Beaver Creek District WAC and SC WAC President; Carolyn Snipes, Secretary Beaver Creek District WAC; Jowand Larrimore, Liberty's pastor's wife; Kristi Johnson, missionary to Spain; Cathy Logan, Beaver Creek District Treasurer; Gail Hill, Beaver Creek District Mission Prayer Coordinator)

#### 2007 Leadership Conference



Participants from 22 states gathered at the Millennium Maxwell House Hotel, December 3-4, for the 2007 Free Will Baptist Leadership Conference. The annual meeting explored the theme, "Blueprint for Leadership." Keynote speakers Garnett Reid, Jack Williams, and

Jeff Manning approached leadership from unique perspectives. Using Moses as an Old Testament example, Reid listed 10 characteristics of a godly leader. Williams, member of the Free Will Baptist Historical Commission, gave listeners a "tour" of denominational leadership, highlighting lessons learned along the way. Jeff Manning based his message on 1 Thessalonians 2:1-12, citing the life of Paul as a New Testament example of positive leadership. The seminars addressed a wide range of leadership topics from "Financial Safeguards for Leaders" to "How to Identify Your Leadership Style." Denominational leaders handled a lengthy slate of business at the conference. The Nominating Committee of the National Association of Free Will Baptists met Tuesday afternoon to recommend nominees for board and commission vacancies to be filled at the 2008 convention in Charleston, West Virginia. Other national boards and committees met in conjunction with the conference including the Executive Committee, Home Missions Board, International Missions Board, the Board of the Free Will Baptist Foundation, the Board of Retirement and Insurance, Randall House Publications Board, Master's Men, and Women Nationally Active for Christ. (Pictured above L to R: Sherwood Lee, Gary Fry, A.C. and Judy Allen)

#### **Eastern Conference Ordains Two Ministers**

The Eastern Conference met on Saturday, December 14, 2007, at New Prospect FWB Church in Pamplico, SC. Moderator Rev. Brian Tolliver welcomed everyone to the meeting. Rev. Danny Stone opened the meeting in prayer. Rev. Nathan Barrington shared the morning devotion from Deuteronomy 32. Reports were received from the various committees and state representatives. The meeting also included the ordination of Tommy Haselden and Laney Ard. Rev. Haselden is currently serving as the pastor at Hickory Hill FWB Church in Gresham, SC. Both of these men are from the New Prospect Church. Rev. Alan Sailors, pastor at New Prospect Church, shared the ordination message. After the ordination service, the members of New Prospect Church served everyone a delicious meal. The next Eastern Conference meeting will take place at Calvary FWB Church in Georgetown on Saturday, March 22, 2008.



(Pictured Above L to R: Ordaining Council members, Rev. Johnny Evans and Rev. Larry McAlister, Rev. Tommy Haselden and family, Rev. Laney Ard and family, and Rev. Alan Sailors)



(Pictured Left: Current and Previous Eastern Conference Clerks -Bro. Danny Johnson and Bro. Carlisle Jones)

#### **South Carolina Conference Annual Meeting**

On Thursday and Friday, January 24-25, 2008, the South Carolina Conference annual meeting was hosted by Sand Hill Free Will Baptist Church in Coward, SC. The theme for the meeting was "The Season for Preaching," based on Titus 1:3. Reports were heard from various state and national agencies. Rev. Tim York, the National Association of Free Will Baptist moderator, brought four wonderful messages to compliment the theme. Rev. Todd Parrish, the South Carolina Conference moderator for 5 years, was replaced by Rev. Theron Scott, pastor at Westside Free Will Baptist Church in Johnsonville, SC. In 2007, the South Carolina Conference met on Saturdays as a trial to evaluate its effectiveness. However, in 2008, the conference will go back to meeting on Saturdays. The next quarterly conference meeting is scheduled to take place on Friday, April 4, 2008, at 7:00 PM at Faith FWB Church in

(Pictured L to R: Moderator Rev. Todd Parrish and Rev. Tim York)

Darlington, SC.

#### First, Enoree Hosts Beaver Creek



The Beaver Creek Association met for its annual meeting on Saturday, January 26, 2008, at First Free Will Baptist Church in Enoree, SC. The meeting was opened with the congregational hymn, "Love Lifted Me." Rev. James Sanders provided the morning scripture reading. Mr. Charles Hughes, member of the First FWB Enoree Church,

provided special music for the morning worship service. Rev. Jim Fairchild, the new Home Misisonary to Southside Free Will Bapitst Church in Aiken preached the morning message (pictured above). The meeting was represented by 17 churches, 8 delegates, and several ministers. A resolution was passed relating to the Beaver Creek's stand against homosexuality and expressed a desire to pray for our country during this election year. The folks at First, Enoree provided a meal after the meeting for everyone in attendance. The next Beaver Creek meeting is scheduled to take place on Saturday, April 26, 2008, at Turning Point FWB Church in Spartanburg.

#### **Socastee Church Hosts Central Association**

The Central Association met on Saturday, January 12, 2008, at Socastee Free Will Baptist Church in Socastee, SC. The previous Central Association meeting placed emphasis upon International Missions, and the January 2008 Central Association meeting placed emphasis upon Home Missions, specifically the Hispanic ministry. Rev. Rick Bowling, Director of the National Hispanic Ministry, brought the morning devotion. Rev. Fernando Bustamante, Hispanic missionary to Effingham, SC, brought a message from Romans 10:15, concerning the beauty of the feet of those who carry forth the gospel message. Various reports were heard from various conference and state representatives. Socastee FWB Church provided a wonderful meal for everyone in attendance. The next Central Association meeting is scheduled to take place on Saturday, April 12, 2008, at South Conway Free Will Baptist Church in Conway, SC. (Pictured Below L to R: Rev. Buddy Seay moderates the meeting, Bro. Bennie Inman takes notes, and Rev. Rick Bowling interprets as Rev. Fernando Bustamante



# **Jefferson Road Church Remodels Sanctuary**



Jefferson Road Free Will Baptist Church in Sumter, SC, held a dedication service on Sunday, February 3, 2008, for recent renovations to their church auditorium. The church spent about \$21,000 on new carpet, new choir chairs, pew re-upholstering, a cross in the

baptistry area, new wall paint, additional sound system changes, and extendeding the pulpit and platform area wich was completed by men in the church. The church looks brand new church on the inside. Pastor Rusty Conyers says, "To God be the glory!" Pastor Rusty Conyers and his wife Maria have been serving faithfully at Jefferson Road Church for five years. Jefferson Road Church is Pastor Rusty's home church.

(Pictured Above: Pastor Rusty Conyers. Pictured Right: Men of the church being honored for their hard work in helping complete the renovations of the sanctuary)



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# 2007 GIFTS THROUGH THE SOUTH CAROLINA FREE WILL BAPTIST STATE OFFICE

**EASTERN CONFERENCE GIFTS:** 

		EASTERN CONFERENCE GIFTS:	
<b>BEAVER CREEK CONFERENCE GIFTS</b>	S:	EC Gilead, Lake City	
BC Liberty, Lancaster	32,079.19	EC Mill Branch, Johnsonville	
BC Parkway, Spartanburg		EC St John, Scranton	12,066.46
BC Inman First		EC New Vision, Hemingway	10,839.55
BC Lockhart, Lockhart		EC Lighthouse, Florence	8,331.09
BC Southside, Aiken		EC Freedom, Ladson	5,388.15
BC High Point, Lancaster		EC Calvary, Georgetown	4,789.00
BC Greenville First		EC Williams Hill, Hemingway	4,618.00
BC Simpsonville, First		EC Happy Home, Andrews	2,941.00
BC Fairview, Spartanburg		EC Hillside, Florence	1,865.00
BC Whitney, Spartanburg		EC Eastern Conference	1,300.00
BC Lesslie, Rock Hill		EC New Prospect, Pamplico	780.00
BC Enoree First FWB		EC Cypress Fork, Manning	600.00
BC Landmark, Anderson		EC Fellowship, Manning	
BC Chester First		EC Sunday School Convention	
BC Greenwood First		TOTAL	
BC Beaver Creek Association			
BC Northgate, Greer		SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE GI	FTS:
BC Westgate, Arcadia		SC Horse Branch, Turbeville	101,262.27
BC Gaffney, Gaffney		SC Westside, Johnsonville	65,508.20
		SC Florence First	47,774.17
BC Una, Una		SC Peace, Florence	45,013.60
BC Hope, Spartanburg		SC Lebanon, Effingham	
TOTAL	136,649.10	SC Grace, Lake City	34,845.11
CENTRAL ASSOCIATION GIFTS:		SC Bethany, Timmonsville	
CA Little Bethel, Johnsonville	32 /10 00	SC Sand Hill, Coward	
CA White Savannah, Conway		SC Temple, Darlington	26,497.10
CA Evergreen, Conway		SC Southside, Darlington	19,275.20
CA Cornerstone, Whiteville		SC Beulah, Pamplico	
CA Mt Trolly, Galivants Ferry		SC Black River, Andrews	
CA Mullins-Marion, Mullins		SC Bay Branch, Timmonsville	
CA Unity, Johnsonville		SC Tabernacle, Coward	
CA Myrtle Beach First		SC Lynches River, Coward	
CA South Conway, Conway		SC Pamplico, Pamplico	
CA Damascus, Conway		SC Jefferson Road, Sumter	
CA Central Association		SC Kingstree First	
CA Free Welcome, Conway		SC Liberty, Manning	
CA Little Star, Johnsonville	,	SC Darlington First	
CA Sweet Home, Myrtle Beach		SC FWB Bible, Darlington	
CA Mt Ariel, Conway		SC Low Country, N Charleston	
CA Charity, Laurinburg		SC Mt Elon, Pamplico	
•		SC Columbia Original	
CA Wildwood Niebole		SC Charleston First	
CA Bains Bains		SC Fellowship, Florence	
CA Sagartas Sagartas		SC Hartsville First	
CA Social Crown Colling to Form		SC Victory, Andrews	
CA Dath of Florence		SC Poplar Hill, Hemingway	
CA Bethel, Florence		SC St John, Patrick	
CA Boo Boo Common		SC Immanuel, Santee	
CA Pee Dee, Conway		SC New Town, Lake City	
CA Flevida Nickala		SC Faith, Darlington	
CA Floyds, Nichols		SC Midlands, Columbia	
TOTAL	177,807.01	SC High Hill, Scranton	
		SC South Carolina Conference	
		SO South Carolina Contelence	000.00

SC Eastside, Florence	200.00	Lockwood, Fred & Lavonne	50.00
		Walker's Chapel, Sumter	50.00
SC Liberty, Orangeburg		Tech Services	
SC Camp Branch, Scranton		Brewer, Judy	
TOTAL	625,974.85	Brown, Janis	
PALMETTO CONFERENCE GIFTS:		Hicks, Kay	
	0 106 50	Williams, Mary	
PC Victory, PA		Tyler, Mary	
PC New Vision, Rock Hill		Floyd, Thessie and Teresa	
PC Peace, Spartanburg			
PC Palmetto Conference		Green, R.S or Becky	
TOTAL	9,964.83	TOTAL	
TRUE LIFE CONFERENCE GIFTS:		WNAC GIFTS:	
TL Calvary, Gastonia, NC	700.00	SCD Temple	14,652.00
TL Heart Land, Lancaster	700.00	SCD Lowcountry, Charleston	
TL Calvary, Lancaster		SCD Darlington First	
TL Corner Stone, Chester		BC Liberty, Lancaster	
TOTAL		SCD Liberty, Manning	
		SCD Horse Branch	
VARIOUS GIFTS:		CD Little Star	
Anonymous	165,270.00		•
HYMAN, PATSY	7,679.17	BC High Point	
Coker, L. E. & Betty	1,500.00	SC WAC State	,
Jones, Mike & Paula		SCD Faith	,
Stone, James L		SCD Mt Elon	•
Lane Physical Therapy Center		CD Mt Ariel	•
Inman, Benny/Dorothy		BC Inman	•
Tilley, Tony-Patricia		SCD Eastside	1,363.00
Smithville FWB Church, TN		BC Whitney	1,245.00
Williams, Leonard & Zellene		BC Chester	1,169.00
		BC Canaan	1,150.00
Tyler, Eddie and Pamela		SCD Immanuel	1,072.00
Smith, Todd and Teresa		SCD Black River	•
Prospect FWB Church - NC		CD Oak Grove	•
Liberty FWB Church - GA		SCD Lebanon	
HM Comunidad Hispana FWB		BC Fairview	
Coker, Allen		BC Promise FWB Church - NC	
Phelps, Edward-Sandra		BC Greenville	
Hanna, Carlisle	200.00		
Hicks, Julian	150.00	BC Parkway	
Colinial Heights FWB Church	150.00	CD Unity, Johnsonville	
Aycock, David	120.00	BC Simpsonville	
MEMORIALS		BC Lockhart, Union	
Hanna, Dr Don		CD Myrtle Beach First	
Parrish, Todd and Miranda		SCD Grace	
Hicks, Elbert		SCD Westside	363.00
Berry, Luther-Elizabeth		BC Turning Point	300.00
Willard, Rachel		BC Greenwood	293.00
		BC Enoree	240.00
Warren, Claussen		SCD Pamplico	213.78
Watts, Carlton or Jackie		BC North Spartanburg	
Moore, Dorothy		BC Landmark, Anderson	
Lee, Sherwood-Vada		SCD Fellowship	
Coker, Sybil		SCD Bethany (Kirby Circle)	
Kolias, Michael and Heather	50.00	SCD Betharry (Kirby Circle)	
Johnson, R. Larry or Elizabeth	50.00		
Cusaac, Don and Darene	50.00	SCD Sand Hill	
Hill, Scott & Julie		CD Mullins-Marion	
Williams, Barbara or Ronald		BC Southside, Aiken	
Hearne, Raymon and Violette		TOTAL	54,689.79
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SCPS 2007 Distributio	ns	Floars, Greg	2,322.00
14/14 O O: 1 D : 1	4 007 57	Michoancan Mexico	1,000.00
WNAC State Project	4,207.57	Gwen Hendrix Hispanic Instit	8,636.47
Mike Jones State Offering 07	14,101.00	Gwartney, Howard	2,438.87
STUDENT LOAN	178.00	Highway Helpers	140.00
National Ministries:		Nason, Joel	275.00
		Parks, Dr. Paul	4,201.40
Co-op Gifts	429.95	Reynolds, Bill (Rhode Island)	2,975.76
FWBBC—Bible College:		Reynolds Land Fund	835.00
Creech, Caleb	240.00	Rodriguez, Gerardo	15,865.79
Paul Ketteman Memorial	1,148.00	Roy, David	1,533.29
Postlewaite, Hanna	80.00	Thomas, Mark	465.42
FWBBC	78,468.65	Wallace, Ron	742.39
Total FWBBC—Bible College	79,936.65	Home Missions (Gen Fund)	10,925.01
Board of Retirement	106.76	Total National Home Missions	126,742.94
Executive Office	5,646.33	Masters Men	461.60
National Foreign Missions		Rest of the Family	700.97
Outlaw, David	381.00	Total National Ministries	876,208.12
Lancaster, Jamie	491.08	Other Foreign Missions:	070,200.12
Corley, Mike	491.08	Kovach, Dane and Kena - Wycliff	300.00
Hanna Project	1,600.00	Friends of India	
Aycock, David	16,383.36		21,145.12
Gainer, Mirial	54,475.63	Beacon Missions International	404.00
Hanna, Carlisle	34,47 3.03	Barnett, Lori (Honduras)	491.08
Travis Poston MF	26 225 00	Ellis, Robbie (Honduras)	742.39
Land Fund-India	26,335.00 1,049.37	Total Beacon Missions International	1,233.47
		Enviame, Inc - Riggs, Mark	3,245.31
India Direct Funds	4,634.44	Total Enviame, Inc	3,245.31
Boys Hostel - India-Friends	2,500.00	Faith, Goldsboro	
Bolen Marendi Memorial Fund	420.00	Candy Carlota (Moldovia)	219.03
Famine Relief- India	2,665.00	Jackson, Ken	1,425.00
Motorcycle Fund- India	8,066.96	Patel, H	5,147.66
Hanna, Carlisle	213,699.71	Total Faith, Goldsboro	6,791.69
Vision - India Churches	161,778.48	Hansley, Luther	300.00
Johnson, Tim	53,796.67	Johnson, Grace	360.00
Vision—Building Fund (Spain)	1,891.83	Local Church Missions	1,440.00
Moore, Andy	21,198.40	Maye, Chip	120.00
Andy Moore - Vision	4,654.66	Spain Piano- Johnson	500.00
Poole, Bobby	41,409.57	Sparks, Noel	2,944.92
Barker, Molly	40.00	Kibe Tressi (Africa Mission)	165.01
Bishop, Dale	120.00	Weaver, John (Afghanistan)	1,791.29
Bowerman, Eddie	100.00	Total Other Foreign Missions	40,336.81
Bunch, Stan	2,319.00	Other Ministries:	40,000.01
Cousineau, Mike	50.00	Faith Comes by Hearing	480.00
Doropo Hospital	1,000.00	Christar	500.00
Gibbs, Jerry	100.00	Reformers Unanimous	525.00
McDonald, Don (Japan)	766.08	Bivens, Bud	600.00
McVay, Sam	1,753.51		
Pinkerton, Jerry	2,726.21	Charity Resue Mission, TX	300.00
Vision—Church Buildings	257.21	Christian Law Association	1,936.00
Vision—Land Fund	435.86	Gateway Christian College	1,183.20
Warren, Sean	4,757.92	Gideons International	265.00
World Missions Offering	-	Hayes, Gerald	2,476.70
	14,314.06	Hebron Colony	2,476.70
NFM Foreign Missions (Gen Fund)	15,520.83	Hicks, Eddy	200.00
Total NFM Foreign Missions	662,182.92	Holifield, Ray	260.00
National Home Missions	10.00	Lighthouse Ministries, Florence	600.18
Carpenter's Helpers	40.00	Radio Bible Class	300.00
Riggs, Tim (AL)	491.08	SE—Southeastern Bible College	10,762.44
Hall, Allen (PA)	3,752.10	Watson, Chad	118.75
Fannin, Chris (AZ)	20,925.86	Total Other Ministries	23,665.97
Bailey, Don (TX)	2,028.60	State Ministries	
Benjamin Randall Offering	14,292.58	Mt. Elon Cemetary Fund	300.00
Bowling, Rick Hispanic Ministry	5,398.04	BC Bible Institute	676.20
Build My Church	2,425.00		
Bustamante, Fernando	18,245.68		
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885.00 54.78
18,856.55 90.00 11,111.30 41,047.18 71,105.03
54.78 191.22 2,339.00 <b>320,239.53</b>
2,068.00 350.00 1,685.00 <b>4,103.00</b>
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3,500.00 3,550.00 202.23 235.00 175.00 1,018.34
100.00 4,682.22 4,686.50 9,468.72 86.55 1,575.00
494.00 1,570.00 210.00 85.00 100.00 180.00 1,204.66 150.00 530.00

MCVAY, SAM Park, Paul PROVISION CLOSET	150.00 500.00 1,449.00
Rodriguez, Gerardo (HM)	904.67
SC FWB Executive Secretary	150.00
SC FWB State Office - GF	100.00
Fairchild, Jim - Aiken	668.33
TURNER, I. BENNIE	50.00
WEST, CHAD (SC)	955.00
YOUTH CAMP (SC)	385.00
AYCOCK, DAVID	725.50
GAINER, MIRIAL	4,982.33
HANNA, CARLISLE	3,314.33
JOHNSON, TIM	2,076.34
MOORE, ANDY	875.50
Moore, Andy - Land Fund	150.00
POOLE, BOBBY	925.50
Laura Barnard OFFERING	154.00
Lizzie McAdams Thanksgiving	975.10
PRE-EASTER OFFERING	1,193.12
Total WNAC	45,068.22
GRAND TOTAL	1,328,108.22

### Johnsons on Stateside Assignment



1. Pray for the Villalba Church's building project as they move forward. On December 24, 2007, ground was broken and construction began on the very first free-standing

Prayer Request:

evangelical church in the whole northwestern province of Madrid.

2. Pray for the work in Alpedrete. The Outreach Center will continue its regular activities, with only the Edgmons there to organize and lead everything.

3. Pray for their family as they are on stateside assignment. Pray for Alejandro and Ana as they attend new schools. Pray also that God will burden many people to give to our mission account (both special offerings and monthly support) so that we can return to Spain on schedule. Our upcoming services:

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February 3	(AM) Little Bethel FWB Church
	(PM) High Hill FWB Church
February 5	Westside FWB Church WAC (Kristi)
February 6	Grace FWB Church
February 10	(AM) Southside FWB Church
	(PM) Unity FWB Church
February 16	Central District WAC meeting
February 17	(AM) Northgate FWB Church
	(PM) Lockhart FWB Church
February 23	South Carolina District WAC
February 24	(AM) Horse Branch FWB Church
	(PM) Sand Hill FWB Church
February 28-29	SC FWB State Meeting
March 2	(AM) First FWB, Greenwood
March 9	(AM) Hillside FWB Church
	(PM) Bethany FWB Church
March 15	SC State WAC meeting

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#### **FWB IM Minister's Luncheons**



In order to explain the current thinking of the restructured giving plan, Free Will Baptist International Missions hosted two minister's luncheons in SC on Friday and Saturday, January 11-12, 2008 at Peace FWB Church in Florence and at Parkway FWB Church in Boiling

Springs. FWB IM Director Rev. James Forlines, Director of Devlopment, Berry Simpson, and FWB IM Board Chairman Danny Williams attended the meeting to provide information regarding the plan and to answer any questions. Please feel free to visit the FWB IM web site to gain information about this plan and to receive answers to questions (www.fwbgo.com).

#### Mullins-Marion Donates \$12,000 to Children's Home



On Sunday, November 4, 2007, Mullins-Marion Free Will Baptist Church donated \$12,254.75 to the FWB Children's Home of Turbeville, SC. Children's Home Director Rev. Roy Roach preached the evening service at Mullins-Marion

FWB Church. In attendance with Rev. Roach was his wife Paula and four boys from the Children's Home. Rev. Roach informed the congregation of the number of children being served at the present time at the home, the operating expenses, and the debt of the home. After the service, Pastor Neil Hinson presented Brother Roach with the check. The look on Brother Roach's face speaks for itself as to the overwhelming joy expressed from this gift (pictured above). The money given was applied to the special offering for Children's Home on the first Saturday in November 2007. Brother Roach reported at the recent January 2008 conference meetings that the debt of the Children's Home has been reduced to \$193,000.00. After the \$20,000.00 is received from the sale of two acres of land, the debt will be reduced to \$173,000.00.

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#### **Randall House Meets With State Leaders**



At the July 2007 Free Will Baptist Convention, the national body voted for Randall House to meet with all state office promotional and bookstore individuals. On February 4-5,

2008, the Randall House board, staff, and Director Ron Hunter met with Free Will Baptist state promotional and state bookstore individuals and staff. There were 35 present at the meeting with 9 bookstore/state offices being represented. The purpose of the meeting was to collaborate together on how state offices and bookstores can work together more effectively in serving the local church by providing Sunday school literature and books. The meeting provided the opportunity for transparent conversation regarding bookstore contracts and CLEAR Sunday school literature. At the end of the meeting, there was emphasized a greater commitment from everyone to unite together in a common cause for a greater purpose of providing Christian educational tools for churches.

#### First, Florence and Maranatha School Donate Gifts to the Children's Home

First Free Will Baptist Church and Maranatha Christian School in Florence, SC, teamed up to help make Christmas special for each of the 15 young people at the Children's Home. The members of the "Life Builders Class" were challenged by their teacher, Jay Poston, to adopt a child from the Children's Home for Christmas. Maranatha Christian School also added \$1,500.00 from weekly chapel offerings as well as a special offering collected at its elementary Christmas program to add to the cause. These gifts were delivered to the Children's Home on December 18. First Free Will Baptist Church also took up a special offering at its living Christmas tree program and was able to send a check for \$588.75.

