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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### National Conference:

- July 21–24, Tampa, Fla – Click [HERE](#) for more details.

### Conference Meetings:

- **Eastern** – Saturday, June 8, New Prospect FWB, [4221 Sheminally Rd, Pamplico, SC 29583](#), 9:30 AM.
- **True Life** – Saturday, July 20, Bethel FWB, [9809 Blackwelder Rd, Ft. Mill, SC 29715](#), 10:00 AM

### Youth Camp:

- September 20–22, Friday–Sunday at Look–Up Lodge. Deadline for registration is July 15th. Forms can be found [HERE](#).

### SCWAC Retreat:

- October 25–26, Friday–Saturday, Look–Up Lodge. Click [HERE](#) for details and registration forms.

[For more details and events, click here.](#)

*The 2024 Convention Program is now online, with the full schedule of seminars, business, and other convention events.*

*The 2024 National Convention will be held July 21–24 at the Tampa Convention Center. More details will be posted on the NAFWB webpage as they become available.*

[Click HERE to go to the webpage.](#)

[Click HERE to see the 2024 Program.](#)

*Pre-Registration is open until June 21. Save time and money and pre-register today. See you in Tampa!*



# CONFERENCE MEETINGS

- Central Conference Meeting – TBA
- Beaver Creek – Saturday, October 19, Whitney Free Will Baptist Church, 847 Iron Ore Rd, Spartanburg, SC 29303
  - Please make plans to attend as we will be celebrating 100 years as an association.
  - 9:30 AM Registration, 10:00 AM Meeting, 11:00 AM Service
- South Carolina – TBA
- True Life – Saturday, July 20, Bethel FWB, 9809 Blackwelder Rd, Ft. Mill, SC 29715, 10:00 AM
- Eastern – June 8, New Prospect FWB, 4221 Sheminally Rd, Pamplico, SC 29583, 9:30 AM.
- STATE Meeting – February 27-28, 2025, Peace FWB, Florence

# HISPANIC CHURCHES IN SC

We have five Hispanic Churches in SC. Please share information with friends and family. The church in Conway is thrilled to have to move locations due to growth and will now be meeting at the Pee Dee FWB Church in Conway!

Iglesia Cristiana Roca de Salvacion  
7001 Friendfield Rd., Effingham

Iglesia Cristiana Roca de Salvacion  
3725 Hwy 378, Conway, SC 29527

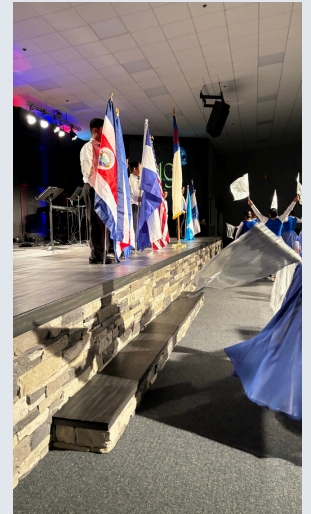
Iglesia Cristiana Roca de Salvacion  
1232 Lincolville Rd., Ladson

Iglesia Cristiana Roca de Salvacion  
1635 Decree Ave West, Columbia

Iglesia Cristiana Roca de Salvacion  
1752 S. Fourth St., Hartsville



The SC 2024 Hispanic Annual Conference was held May 24-26, at Cypress Grove (Lebanon) Free Will Baptist Church in Effingham. With many in attendance, we are so thankful to see the Lord at work in this conference!



Hello South Carolina Churches.

We all know that summer is approaching and that means VBS!! I'm challenging all of our churches to adopt Free Will Baptist Family Ministries as your VBS fund raising project.

Kids Helping Kids This will be a state wide competition. The church that raises the most money over \$700 will win their pastor and his wife a 3 night accommodation in beautiful Myrtle Beach SC during the less busy season.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me Wayne Snipes, Field Rep Free Will Baptist Family Ministries 843-957-8383 Please call me and let me know that you are participating in this event.

The winner will be announced after all participating churches VBS have been completed.

Please help us welcome First FWB Greenwood's new Pastor, Mike Nabors and his beautiful family: wife, Sandra, and children, Hannah, Clayton, and Allie. Brother Mike and his family will be moving from Alabama, please pray a smooth transition for their family.

Please help us as we continue to pray for other churches that are still seeking Pastors.



# Missionary Updates

## Alejandro & Breanna Johnson (France)

We have had a wonderful month in the state of Michigan! We have been blessed to attend their state meeting as well as have services and meals with many wonderful congregations and people. We traveled back down to Tennessee on May 23 to attend the Southern Quarterly meeting where Alejandro met with his ordination committee! There, he was approved for ordination, and his ordination service will be on June 9, 2024! On the evening of June 2, we had an amazing opportunity to have a special event at North Warren Free Will Baptist called A Taste of France! Here, we sang songs in English and French, read Scripture, shared about our ministry in France, and even had some delicious French food after the service! We also were able to do some giveaways of French macarons and two missions-themed books! We are so grateful for what the Lord is doing through the hearts of so many congregations and individuals in the state of Michigan!



## Jonathan and Amy Postlewaite (Bulgaria)

"But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ." -1 Corinthians 15:57

The longer we live in Bulgaria (we are now in our 12th year!), the more aware we become of the great battle for souls, which is taking place here. Yet the longer we engage in community relationships and ministries which the Lord sends our way, the more stories we have to share of the great victories which are being won for His kingdom!

We are currently leading a bilingual church in the city of Pleven as well as a small church in the village of Odarne. A big focus of our ministry is small group of individual discipleship, which around 20 people are participating in. As these believers become more confident and grounded in their faith, God is using them to impact the people around them who do not yet know Christ. A few examples of this include a weekly prayer time that was started by our Bulgarian small group and a worship night led by our international students, which was attended by 80 people (around half of them being guests!). Through our partnership with our local Child Evangelism Fellowship team, doors have been opened in the past six months for our church to be involved in outreaches to children in children's homes, schools, and village community centers (around 30 places in total). The Lord blessed us (through the support of many of you!) with an amazing opportunity to host a women's conference in February, which breathed life into around 70 women who are a part of our New Life churches. We praise God for each person is being discipled and each person who has heard the good news because you gave to help us be here and because you sustain us in the battle through your prayers!

Please continue to pray that God would raise up laborers for the harvest which is plentiful right now in Pleven, Bulgaria--specifically that he would raise up strong Bulgarian leaders for all of the church plants here in Bulgaria. Pray that those who have recently heard about Christ and begun seeking and following Him would "be strong in the Lord and His might" and not pulled away by the enemy or the world.

We thank God so much for each one of you who is laboring with us in the battle, so that more people in Bulgaria would discover life, hope, freedom, and salvation through our Savior, Jesus. We look forward to seeing you in person on our next stateside assignment and sharing even more stories with you of victories He has won!

## IM News

We hope you'll download a copy of our **World Missions Offering** poster to share digitally on your church's website or Facebook page. The icons featured share moments from some of IM's history, which began back in 1935. Your gifts to the WMO will help CONTINUE THE MISSION into the future.

Download the poster [HERE](#).

Give to the WMO use this [LINK](#).

### World Missions Offering Poster





You can join us as we...

### MINISTER



Ministry happens daily across our mission fields through missionaries and our partners around the world. From the very first pioneer missionary sent out in 1935 to our newest missionary interns, our goal is to minister to people.

### PLANT CHURCHES



Churches are being planted by our IM missionaries from the mountains of Europe to the plains of Africa to the bustling cities of Asia. With the help of our partners, we are reaching into the uttermost parts of the world.

### SHARE THE GOSPEL



At IM, we understand that sharing God's Word will never return void. Our missionaries share the Gospel through church events, English classes, children's clubs, and just doing life with people who need to know Jesus. God's command is to share the Gospel, and that's our mission!

### TRAIN LEADERS



More than 1,700 leaders...from campfires to classrooms...are being trained worldwide each year by IM missionaries to take the Gospel to places that are still waiting to hear it.

### DISCIPLE



Discipling new believers is imperative for what IM is doing around the world. We are all about making disciples who make disciples, engage in Bible studies, and more!

### PARTNER WITH NATIONAL CHURCHES



IM and its partners are reaching even farther, with a presence in at least 38 countries around the world. This truly reflects our mission: IM labors with the Body of Christ to fulfill the Great Commission.

## Opportunities to Go and Continue the Mission

**The Hanna Project** offers short-term experiences, field worker careers, and opportunities to share Help, Hope, and Healing through its humanitarian efforts around the world.



**Perspectives** courses allow participants to explore God's global purpose as they learn in week-long intensive classes. Students can receive undergrad or graduate credit for completing the course.



**College Missions Program** allows college-aged students to serve short-term with IM missionaries and participate in IM ministries around the world.



**IM Global Partners** labors within the larger Body of Christ alongside legacy Free Will Baptist associations in other countries where there are no resident missionaries, as well as with other Kingdom-minded partners.



**ETEAM** provides cross-cultural missions opportunities for high school students every summer to serve short-term with IM missionaries.



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Imagine families in your church thriving in their faith, not just surviving. Engaged kids, inspired parents, and the joy of discipleship filling your halls. It's possible, even in today's busy world. But we get it. Reaching families is tough. Shifting demographics, endless distractions, and competing priorities make it seem like a constant uphill battle. You're not alone. Churches everywhere are facing these challenges. We understand the pressing need to enhance family-based discipleship.

Experience the D6 HomePoint model firsthand:

- ✦ Spark lasting faith in families: No more chasing down busy parents. Our "self-serve" model empowers families to grow their faith together, on their own schedule.
- ✦ See real results: Hundreds of churches have witnessed transformed families and thriving ministries using our proven approach.
- ✦ Tailor it to your church: From on-campus resources to engaging online tools, we offer a treasure trove of customizable materials to fit your unique context.

To explore whether the D6 HomePoint model is right for your church, take advantage of the free Drive Faith Home University mini-courses at D6Homepoint.com. Learn more about our mission and resources at D6Family.com.

- If you are a church who is seeking a pastor, click here to see information form or look under Information on the SCFWB webpage. Information given may be posted on the state website.
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FOR MORE INFORMATION ON SPECIFIC MINISTRIES, CLICK TO VISIT ON OUR WEB PAGE. SCFWB WEBPAGE

# Journeying for Jesus

## May Review

Please pray for us as we continue in 2024 to "Journey for Jesus" fellowshipping, preaching, promoting, and encouraging our SCFWB family. Please contact us if you would like for us to visit your church/group.

Faith FWB Church's 51st Homecoming Celebration, Darlington, May 5th



Enjoyed preaching and celebrating 53 years of Ministry at Free Will Baptist Bible Church in Darlington on May 19th. What a blessing also to hear the Fiddlin Fluds share their talents and music ministry!



# Solid Grounds



## COFFEE SHOP & CHRISTIAN BOOKSTORE



Solid Grounds will miss Maggie as she moves onto another ministry. Her love for the Lord was witnessed in her kindness and ministry unto others, and she loved using her gifts to make others smile!

We also welcome our newest ministry partner, Taylor White to the coffee shop/bookstore.

– Bring your local Ladies Auxiliary, Seniors and/or Youth for a visit!!

# Upcoming Special Events

## SC Women's Ministry Retreat

### He Covers Me

**Guest Speaker**– Cindy Berry  
Southeastern FWB  
Bible College

**Breakout Sessions**–  
Trudy Miles / Melissa Pate

**Special Singing**



**Silent Auction** – Each group bring a basket to auction. All proceeds will go towards the Ivory Coast Truck Project.

**Creative Hat Contest** – All who wish, decorate a hat to go with our theme "He Covers Me", birds, feathers, etc.

**Registration** - \$100 (Non-refundable deposit of \$50 must be received by July 27, 2024.)  
Mail deposit to: SCWAC, 713 Silkwood Court, Boiling Springs, SC 29316.  
All beds are twin bunks. Please be sure to note if bottom beds are needed. Balance of \$50 due at check in.

**Meals Included**

Bring **ALL** your own linens – sheets, towels, etc.

**Don't FORGET** -

- Each group bring a basket for silent auction. All proceeds will go towards the Ivory Coast Truck Project.
- Special offering will also go towards the Ivory Coast Truck Project.
- We will be having a campfire, bring s'mores items if you would like!
- Creative Hat Contest – All who want to participate, decorate a hat to go with our theme "He Covers Me", birds, feathers, etc. **Winner gets a PRIZE!**



Get your youth (ages 8-12) and teens (ages 13-18) ready for SCFWB YOUTH CAMP this fall!!! We are excited and we are ready to "STAND FIRM" in our Identity for Christ at Look Up Lodge, September 20th-22nd, 2024! REGISTRATION deadline is July 15, 2024 (ALL forms and fees are due by the deadline). Additional information and registration forms are available on our SCFWB website.

Make plans to attend Youth Camp!

September 20-22, 2024

@Look Up Lodge

Click HERE for forms

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CELEBRATION OF  
THE BEAVER  
CREEK  
ASSOCIATION

Text 100 to 866-714-1429 and register at the link provided or  
Scan the QR code below with your camera to register.



Saturday, October 19, 2024 @ 9:30am  
Whitney Free Will Baptist Church  
847 Iron Ore Rd Spartanburg SC 29303

Click HERE for link to register.

## Send us your events

Send us information about upcoming revivals, homecomings, and special events. We would love to include them on our update and website.

Send information to leilani.reid@scfwb.com or reply to this email.