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UPCOMING EVENTS

Conference Meetings:

- Beaver Creek Saturday, September 13 at High Point FWB, 2095 Great Falls Highway, Lancaster, SC 29720
- Central TBA
- Eastern Saturday, September 13, Location TBA
- South Carolina Friday, October 3, Columbia FWB, <u>1230</u>
 <u>S. Kilbourne Rd, Columbia, SC</u>
- True Life TBA
- 2026 STATE Association Meeting February 26-27, 2026, Turning Point FWB, <u>104 Fairview Church Rd, Spartanburg,</u> SC 29303
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Missionary Updates

Jonathan and Amy Postlewaite (Bulgaria)

Here are some ways that you can be praying for our ministry in the city of Pleven and the surrounding region:

• As I mentioned, we are currently Stateside until the beginning of September. Please be praying for us as we travel to various churches, mostly in the state of South Carolina, and share about what God is doing in Bulgaria. Pray that God will give our whole family strength as we adjust to living in a new place for the next month.

JONATHAN & AM\ POSTLEWAITE

Church Planters

- Pray also for the Bulgarians from both the church in Pleven and in Svishtov who are stepping up to help keep
 things going while we are away. Pray that God will use this time without us there to help people in our churches
 to understand the fact that every Christian has a role in Christ's body.
- Pray for a couple of young men with whom our church is connected in Pleven. One of them was coming for a
 while, but then stopped. After going to summer camp, however, he seems to have a renewed interest in growing
 closer to God. Another young man is our teenage neighbor who has visited church a couple of times and has
 expressed interest in coming again.

We'd love to hear from you while we're in the state.

Feel free to call us if you'd like to get together. My number is 843-407-0089.

Thank you so much for praying!

In Christ, Jonathan Postlewaite

<u>Alejandro and Brianna Johnson (France)</u>

Friends and partners in ministry,

We have had a very busy month! We were blessed with the opportunity to take a two week "vision trip" to France to meet our teammates, visit the churches, and spend time with several of the missionaries currently serving in France. God truly blessed us during this time, and we are so grateful we were able to go on this trip. We also attended the National Convention in Kansas City shortly after arriving back in the States. This year, we got to see three new missionary "units" be commissioned to come to France!

Praise the Lord! We are so excited to have FIVE new individuals on the field! "So, when will you all be moving?"

We are still waiting on an answer regarding Breanna's most recent visa appeal. As you may have seen in one of the most recent Johnson Journal's, we decided to wait to reapply for a visa for Breanna and instead send only an appeal request to be processed. We were informed that

reapplying would likely be the best course of action for us at this time, as sending a new application while an appeal is in progress may seem suspicious. Thankfully, we had the counsel of a French lawyer and one of our teammates, Lydie Teague, who has a law background on this decision. Lydie also helped us draft and submit a letter on Breanna's behalf contesting the most recent denial we received. What a blessing it is to have such great help during such an uncertain time.

"But what about the baby? Will Breanna be able to fly or are you guys staying here for him to be born?"

Well, the short answer is, "We don't know."

If we receive an answer regarding Breanna's appeal by mid-August, we will be able to move to France before our boy is born. However, if not, we will stay in the States for his birth. Both of these options have huge blessings and stressors attached to them, but we are thankful for the peace that passes all our understanding that God has given us. Ultimately, we know we will be taken care of, and our little boy will

be here with us soon! In large part, you all are to thank for this. Your prayers, words of encouragement, and offers of help during this time have eased our minds. Thank you for being such faithful partners in ministry!

To God alone be the glory,

Alejandro, Breanna, and baby Johnson



Ministry Positions for Maranatha Christian School Florence, SC

For the upcoming school year we are in need of:

Full time Middle/High School <u>math teacher</u> to teach pre-algebra, algebra I, algebra II, and geometry, and possibly an advanced math class.

Full time High School English to teach 8th-12th grade English.

We could possibly make a part time position 9-12th (4 classes).

Please contact:

Dr. Dale E. Young (Interim Principal) 843-409-5128 843-665-6395 (School Office)

Announcement from Maranatha Christian School Florence, SC

Maranatha Christian School still needs some help as we open our doors for the 53rd year. Please contact the interim principal, Dr. Dale E. Young, at 843-409-5126.

Salem FWB of Scranton

We are thankful to announce 6 members were baptized June 22nd. For the adult members, they decided to get rebaptized, as adults.





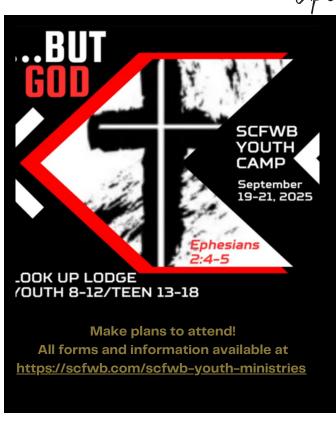
We are proud to announce the graduates from the 13 week new convert class taught by Preacher Larry McAllister.

Send us your events

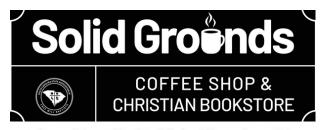
Send us information about upcoming revivals, homecomings, and special events. We would love to include them on our update and website. Send information to leilani.reid@scfwb.com or reply to this email.

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Upcoming Events







Solid Grounds/Coffee Shop is currently seeking a Barista/ Sales Floor Associate

Solid Grounds Coffee Shop and Christian Bookstore is housed within the South Carolina Free Will Baptist (SCFWB) State Office. We are a Non-Profit Organization owned by the South Carolina State Association of Free Will Baptists and exist to promote the Gospel of Christ, as well as support missions, churches, pastors, and other denominational approved organizations.

The roles of Barista and Sales Floor Associate are interwoven. Therefore, it is important for potential employees to possess the following qualities:

- -First and foremost, the employee MUST be a born-again believer in Jesus and attend church on a regular basis. One of the Job References must be from church leadership so this can be verified. Because of the nature of this office, it is important for the employee to view their position as, not only a job, but as their "mission field".
- -The right employee for this position must be friendly and able to carry on conversations with customers. Most of our "regulars" like to talk, so the employee needs to maintain good rapport with them.
- -This person must be teachable. Between the two roles there are a lot of tasks to learn, manage, and execute. Once learned, these must be completed seamlessly with little to no supervision.
- -One other important essential quality of the employee is that of trustworthiness. There is cash handling involved, and there can be times when confidentially is required. We should be able to trust the employee on these matters.

Specific job duties for the Barista/Sales Floor Associate include, (but may not be limited to):

-Making café drinks (coffee, frappes, lattes, chai, smoothies, etc.)	-Receiving payments with point-of-sale software	-Becoming SC Food Handler Certified through ServSafe
-Baking (cupcakes, muffins, doughnuts, cookies, etc.)	-Interacting with walk-in customers	-Keeping supplies stocked (cups, napkins, toilet paper, paper towels, powders, syrups,
-Cleaning (bathrooms, mop, vacuum, trash, dishes, café	-Interacting with church members	etc.) -Maintaining a safe and healthy
equipment, bookshelves, etc.)	-Being knowledgeable of inventory	work environment by adhering to sanitation guidelines set forth
-Answering the phone	-Operating coffee shop	by the state of South Carolina.
-Cash handling	equipment with care	

Our hours of normal operation are Monday-Thursday from 7 AM until 5 PM, and from 7 AM until 11 AM on Friday. However, work schedules may be adjusted accordingly. There may be times when you are asked to work extra hours depending upon the needs of the office.

Experience in a coffee shop or retail setting is preferred, but not required

If you are interested in applying for this Barista/Sales Floor Associate position, please email your resume to bookstore@scfwb.com, or fill out an application at 1169 Atkinson Street, Turbeville, SC, Monday-Thursday between the hours of 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM.