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Join us:

State Association Meeting

February 26-27, 2026, Turning Point FWB,
104 Fairview Church Rd, Spartanburg, SC

.... Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest. John 4:35

UPCOMING EVENTS

Conference Meetings:

- Beaver Creek - Saturday, January 17, 2026, Parkway Free Will Baptist Church, Boiling Springs, SC. Registration starts at 9:30, with the meeting starting at 10:00 and service at 11:00.
- Central - Saturday, January 10, 2026, Cornerstone FWB Church, Whiteville, NC
- Eastern - Saturday, March 14, Location: TBD
- South Carolina - January 22-23, 2026, Cypress Grove Church, Effingham, SC
- True Life - Saturday, January 17, 2026, Bethel FWB Church, Fort Mill, SC
- **2026 STATE** Association Meeting - February 26-27, 2026, Turning Point FWB, 104 Fairview Church Rd, Spartanburg, SC 29303

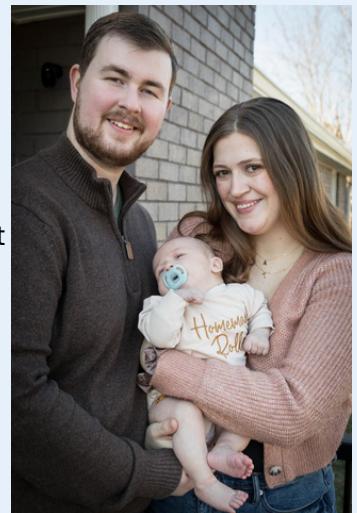
• [For more details and events, click here](#)

Alejandro and Breanna Johnson (France)

Hello from the Johnsons! We look forward to telling you good news.

We officially have a plan for being in France! An opportunity has come up that will allow Breanna to apply for a student visa! Please pray for her as she goes through the process of being accepted into this school, then having an interview with Campus France (an organization that determines if you are actually intending on being a student throughout your time in France), before she can apply for the student visa itself.

In attending to figure out how to apply for Theodore's passport, we discovered that his social security card was lost or damaged by the postal service. We have an appointment on January 27 to have it reissued. Please pray with us that we will get it soon enough to apply for his visa as well. Our lease here in our apartment in Gallatin ends in March. Ideally, we would all three have visas by this point and would be heading to France. However, even if we do not all have visas, we still plan to go to France in March. Our American passports will allow us to stay there for 90 days. During this time, because Alejandro has his visa, we would be able to find a small place to settle in to. Alejandro would be able to teach in person, and Breanna could start attending some French classes. If we do return to the States after 90 days, Alejandro will officially have had his visa for 18 months. This is the specific amount of time needed in order to apply for family regroupment. So, we have several options that may work for us over the coming months. We are so grateful that God opened these doors and lit the way to show us the paths He may have us take. He never stopped working for us, and He works out all things for our good and His glory. Thank you all so much for your prayers and encouragement. We look forward to being with many of you next month at the South Carolina State Meeting!



Alejandro and Breanna Johnson

IM News

The first NewsBeat of January 2026 is here! Read about IM's horizon goals, learn about this year's World Missions Offering theme, and catch up on the latest missionary family happenings.

Read and download the PDF here: [IM NewsBeat January 2026](#)



Enoree FWB Church began 2026 with a joyful Baptism Service on Sunday, January 4. Four new converts, ages 12–30, publicly declared their faith through baptism after giving their lives to the Lord during church and youth services throughout 2025.

During 2025, Enoree FWB Church held four baptism services, celebrating the baptism of 11 individuals. Of those baptized, nine came to Christ through outreach efforts and church services, a powerful testimony to the impact of faithful ministry and evangelism.

God is truly moving and growing this church—one soul at a time. We give all glory and praise to God for His abundant blessings and for the lives being transformed through His love.





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Then spake Jesus again unto them saying, I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life John 8:12

Dear Praying Friends and Supporters,

Greetings to you in the precious name of Jesus. As another year draws to a close and I reflect on all the Lord has done in and for our work in India my heart is full of gratitude. I am so thankful for each of you as individuals and churches who have faithfully stood with us in praying for and supporting our work in India.

Milly and I were able to make two trips to India and while there in March I was able to visit our work in Nepal and make an exploratory trip to Sri Lanka.



Highlights of the year include our annual Conference, dedication of new church buildings, ordination of twenty-five pastors and the establishment of several new churches. We continue to see many come to saving faith each month. The Lord has blessed our Christian school, now with almost 400 students and a good reputation in the local community.



Our people have just celebrated Christmas with many special programs and outreach. Please pray for response from those who were exposed to the Light of the World that they would be added to His church.



HANNA MEMORIAL MISSION SCHOOL
P.O.- Sonapur Hat, Dist.-Uttar Dinajpur (West Bengal) INDIA

As we look to the coming year, we are planning for the 75th Annual Conference (dating from 1951 when Mom and Dad were appointed as missionaries to India). We have many opportunities for outreach, so please pray for wisdom and direction in these and that we will have the necessary resources to do what the Lord has for us to do. Plans are underway to build a few churches, to resume the Bible Institute in two locations in South India, to help pastors in Sri Lanka, to continue the hostel ministry including repair of the building, and to continue to add new grades to the school. Most of all, pray with us for many to come to The Light and to be added to His church.

Please pray especially for the health and safety of our pastors and church planters as they live and work in an increasingly hostile environment.

Again we give thanks to the Lord for each one of you and your churches. We thank you for partnering with us as we continue to seek gospel advance in this very needy part of the world. May our Lord richly bless you as you continue to serve Him. Thank you for your heart for the gospel.

Love in Christ,
Don Hanna, Friends of India

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GOOD NEWS!

Happy New Year!! Thanks for all the prayers! Our church is growing! We have had our best quarter so far with plenty of God's blessings! Our playground is finished!

Philippians 1:6 "Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform *it* until the day of Jesus Christ:"

RAISING SUPPORT

Thank you for your prayers and encouragement!

God is doing amazing things here, and we're excited to see our church growing. To keep up with this growth, we need your help.

Our vision is to:

Add two classrooms for children's ministry and a nursery

Expand our auditorium from 45 seats to 100

These improvements will allow us to welcome more families and share the Gospel with even more people. We can't do this alone—we need God's provision through His people. Would you prayerfully consider partnering with us to make this vision a reality?

Send Support to: Free Will Baptist Church home office or use the QR code

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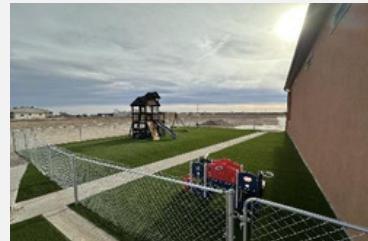
CHURCH

Pastor Mark and Mrs. Donna have retired from our church and have moved to Arizona with family. Please keep them in your prayers during this time.

Building Fund

PRAYER REQUEST

- Financial Support for us to continue our ministry in Pueblo
- Souls to be saved
- Wisdom through building decisions



Church Expansion

With your support, we will be adding on from the back porch of the church—this is where the new classrooms and expanded auditorium will be built, based on our contractor's recommendations.



The true Christmas tree

The true Christmas tree had no lights, it wasn't green
But it had a greater light, put there to be seen

It had no ornaments, no ribbons upon
But instead hung a man, God's only son

He hung in place of a killer
Betrayed by his disciple, who died a sinner

The perfect man, with no misdeeds
Punished, on that faithful tree

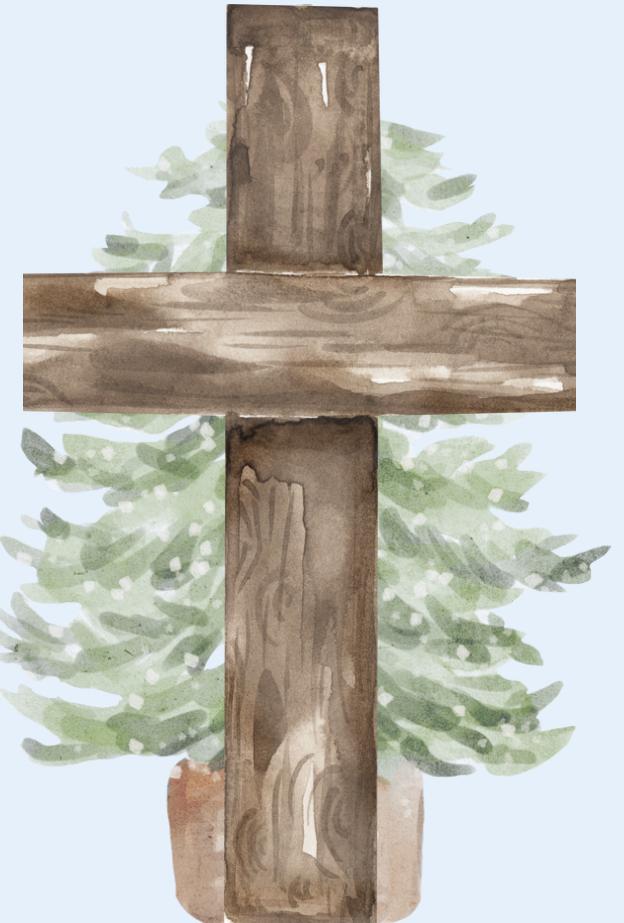
Sat tall and strong, on top a hill
And yet so many refuse to see still

On that cross, the ghost he gave up
The blood began to run, and fill our cup

He died on that tree, to give you a chance
To save you from your sinful stance

And now that his blood is applied, and we are free
We must all share the story, of the true Christmas tree

Braydon Stone



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THIRSTING FOR GOD

- + **Long for God** and Him alone (Psalm 63:1-3).
- + **Delight in God** and rejoice in Him (Psalm 63:4-5).
- + **Meditate on God.** Think and sing about Him (Psalm 63:6-8).
- + **Trust in God** (Psalm 63:9-11), the only One who can truly satisfy your thirst.



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