



# FMBC News

“Helping People  
to Know  
Christ and  
Live for Christ”

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## CELEBRATION ON AUGUST 13, 2017



I forgot to put our August birthdays in the last Newsletter!!  
So sorry August “babies”!  
Happy Belated Birthday!

### August Birthdays

- 14 - Edna Hanna
- 19 - Debbie Williamson
- 24 - Cuba Rowland
- 26 - Beth Rautio
- 26 - Jimmy Spivey
- 28 - Geraldine Bradham
- 29 - Beryl Arbaugh
- 30 - Jimmy Duncan

### September Birthdays

- 2 - Carl Bledsoe
- 5 - Tom Eaves
- 9 - Yvonne Nordeen
- 12 - Maliek Burrell
- 15 - Susan Pruett
- 16 - Amy Bryant
- 20 - Wesley Parrish
- 23 - Phillip Dixon
- 25 - Grace Caldwell

Be sure to  
look for  
important  
news on  
page 3!



The Gloryland Singers! Members and guests were on hand to celebrate with us.



The FMBC Church Family took an evening to thank God for reaching a milestone by paying off the mortgage on the Christian Life Center, and to celebrate with Amber Bryant as she begins her college journey at USC-Aiken. We were especially blessed during our evening service by the Gloryland Singers coming to lead in worship.

## Congratulations Amber! and FMBC!



Amber Bryant receiving FMBC's financial gift from the FMBC Church family, from Geraldine Bradham.



Wendy Grigsby and the FMBC Church family (*safely*) burning the mortgage.



Amber Bryant, daughter of David & Amy Bryant



Yummy Covered Dish Supper!



The Monday, September 11, 2017, 10:00 AM prayer meeting for SC State Missions will serve as the Women on Mission meeting for September.

The next regular meeting will be October 9 at 6:00 pm.

**Janie Chapman SC State Missions Offering**  
*to be collected during September*

**Goal**  
**\$1,000.00**

## WMU News

The Women on Mission met on Monday, Aug. 21 at the home of Carol Tucker. She led us in a look at the lives and ministry of the Cole family serving as North American missionaries in Missouri. David is a church planter and his wife and five sons are active in the ministry of reaching out to the people in the church where he serves as pastor starting church plants in metropolitan area of Kansas City.

Edna Hanna led in the Bible emphasis and prayer for the Southern Baptist missionaries who had birthdays that day as well as the Coles and Samuel D. Rodriguez who will be receiving the Christmas in August supplies collected by the FMBC GA's, which are being sent for the children's ethnic ministries in New Jersey. Samuel is the only full time NAMB (North American Mission Board) missionary in New Jersey and is working with church planters there from Africa, the Philippines, Haiti and Puerto Rico. He was commissioned in 2007 by NAMB to reach all peoples and nations in New Jersey as they come to the United States either as refugees or to have a better life. As Southern Baptists our mission is to teach people that Jesus the Way, the Truth and the Life.

The South Carolina Baptist Convention Week of Prayer for the Janie Chapman Offering for State Missions will be September 10-17. **The women of FMBC will hold the information and prayer time on Monday, September 11 at 10 AM in the Golden Circle Class Room.** The state goal is \$1,700,000. Our goal is to continue to give as we have in the past and not fail to support our Southern Baptist people who evangelize, reaching out to the lost with the gospel, as well as those who teach missions and Great Commission living and minister to physical needs in our state.

The GAs will start the new church year by meeting on Wednesdays during the school sessions at 4:00 PM. Our first Journey activity will be to pack the box going to Samuel and his church planting team. We selected the *Kid's Study Bible, Airship Genesis*, by David Jeremiah in the NKJV to help the young children in the ethnic groups as they learn English and Scripture.

## A Church on the Rise

From the [www.scbaptistarchive.org](http://www.scbaptistarchive.org) web site October 3, 2015

### "God Is Up to Something": A Church on the Rise

After years of prayer, Pastor Jamey Collins was thrilled to see God open a door at Jamestown Baptist Church in Conway. He and his wife, Paula, had been praying for 18 years for an opportunity to move to the area to be closer to family. The timing of the call from Jamestown was unexpected, with his wife owning and operating a successful daycare in the Upstate; but when she came home one day and announced that she thought it was time to close the business, Collins knew God was up to something. They made the move, and Collins took the position at Jamestown.

"The last year has been my most exciting year in the ministry without question. We actually had God save a few folks at my trial sermon service, and He has not stopped working and moving since that day," Collins says.

When Collins arrived, attendance was hovering around 100 on Sunday mornings. After 13 months, that number has jumped up to 175. Just as important, the church has baptized 35 people.

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**FMBC invites everyone to an introductory sermon with**

**Rev. Rocky and Mrs. Frances Gregory**

**on Sunday, September 10 at 11:00 am.**

*Please continue to pray for FMBC and the Pastor Search Committee as we seek God's man to lead our church family.*

*"Our prayer for this new church year is to grow stronger in the area of discipleship and continue reaching out to the community with the gospel."*

"Jamestown is situated in a transitioning community and in recent years had plateaued like so many churches in their situation do," Collins says. "However, there were several members here who refused to give up and kept praying for God to move and send revival. When I got here, they were sitting on 'go' and ready to see things turn around-- ready to share the gospel and reach their community."

"Very early on in my time here we adopted the phrase 'God is up to something' and no doubt that has been the case," Collins says, pointing to the intentionality of the church to be unified in purpose and prayer. "I have had several people tell me that it's fun to come to church. People love each other, and in that spirit we can focus on the problems people face in the world rather than problems within the church."

Tiffany Sanders, a church member and Sunday school teacher feels that the addition of Collins and his family has made all the difference for the church. "When Jamey and his family came to JBC, we were at a crossroads. We have always had a loving congregation, but our church has been through turmoil, as do most churches at one time or another. Jamey and Paula, along with their three boys, brought life and Godly joy back into our church. They came with a vision and a mission to revitalize our church from the inside out. Jamey has brought life to the pulpit with his sound biblical preaching--along with his quick wit and sense of humor."

Sanders feels an intentional focus on family and youth by Pastor Collins and his wife has contributed to the level of growth. "He and Paula have formed bonds with our church family and with people in the community. They have hit the streets, knocking on doors and meeting new people while sharing their testimonies and inviting them to church. Youth and children's ministry has been a focus for Jamey, as well. He wanted to run the youth VBS class, and we had one of the largest attendances for that age group ever! They had a ball with him!"

In addition to a growth in membership, individual Sunday school classes have also been growing, including the women's class that Sanders leads. "We all got together after we met Jamey and Paula and decided that if God blessed JBC with this family, we would do our parts in helping our church grow and furthering His kingdom. We began to pray for direction, and God brought excitement back into our class and helped to mend relationships. The excitement started catching on as we all began to invite more people to Sunday School. Our class is continuing to grow, and we are looking for a bigger room to meet in," she said.

With growth climbing each week, Jamestown is praying about expansion. Already at 80 percent capacity each week, the church knows that space is needed. One option is to start a second service at a new location—perhaps at a local middle school as an option for reaching more unchurched people in the area with a different worship style and time. Prayers are being lifted about the prospect of a new church building on ten acres of property about a mile from the current location.

Regardless of what Jamestown Baptist decides to do to further expansion in this climate of quick growth, Pastor Collins has a few prayers for his church in the coming year. "Our prayer for this new church year is to grow stronger in the area of discipleship and continue reaching out to the community with the gospel. We have reorganized our mission groups and hired a full time student pastor, as well. Our prayer is that JBC will truly be a lighthouse in this community for those hurting and in need of salvation. At the same time, we want to aid our current membership in its walk with God and provide a place that can minister better to the whole family."

WRITTEN BY JESSICA WYNDHAM

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## PRAYER REQUESTS

### Health Needs:

Dan Baker (Linda Sumner)  
Edna Davenport  
Janett Kendrick  
Waylon Loving (David W.)  
Steve & Bunny Raper  
Henry & Cuba Rowland  
Anthony Shaw  
Georgia Shaw  
Brenda Stewart (Jennifer W.)  
Linda Sumner  
Jerry Toole (E. Carter)

### Other Needs:

Daniel & Cheryl Braswell & Family,  
Rockville, MD (military)  
Grant Ensley  
President/US, State/Local Govt.  
Texas Hurricane/Flood Victims

### Leadership/Guidance:

Rev. & Mrs. Earl Carter  
Music Ministry  
Deacons  
Teachers  
FMBC Missions & Ministries  
Pastor Search Committee  
Church Family

### Seniors, Caregivers & Families



## FMBC FINANCIAL REPORT

AUGUST, 2017

- **Tithes & Offerings:** \$9,520.20
- **Aiken Baptist Association**
- **Love Offering:** (as of 8/27) \$900.00
- **Gloryland Singers Love Offering** \$348.00

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Thank you! Wendy

# September

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>We encourage all members to be in attendance to meet, pray and worship with <b>Rev. Rocky L. &amp; Mrs. Frances Gregory</b> Sunday morning, September 10, 2017 at 11:00 am</p>					1	2
<p>3 9:45 Sun. School 11:00 Worship <b>4 - Deacons Mtg.</b> 5:30 Bible Study 6:00 Worship</p>	<p>4  <i>Church Office Closed all week</i></p>	5	<p>6 4:00 GA's 6:00 Prayer Mtg. 6:45 Music Rehearsal</p>	7	8	9
<p>10 9:45 Sun. Sch. 11:00 Worship w/ <u>Rev. Rocky Gregory</u> 5:30 Bible Study 6:00 Worship</p>	<p>11 <u>10:00 am</u> <i>Prayer for SC State Missions at FMBC - Golden Circle SS Room</i></p>	12	<p>13 4:00 GA's 6:00 Prayer Mtg. 6:45 Music Rehearsal</p>	14	15	16
<p>17 9:45 Sun. Sch. 11:00 Worship <b>4:30 Fin. Comm.</b> 5:30 Bible Study 6:00 Worship</p>	18	<p>19 <b>6:30 pm</b> Anchor Rehab Ministry</p>	<p>20 <i>No GA's</i> 6:00 Prayer Mtg. 6:45 Music Rehearsal</p>	21	22	23
<p>24 9:45 Sun. School 11:00 Worship <b>12 Bus. Meeting</b> 5:30 Bible Study 6:00 Worship</p>	25	26	<p>27 4:00 GA's 6:00 Prayer Mtg. 6:45 Music Rehearsal</p>	28	29	30

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