

# The Standard



Winter 2009



*Southeastern Free Will Baptist College*

# President's Pen

## FAITHFUL . . . TILL HE COMES

As you read and study the Bible, you readily see and understand that God requires and commands of His children faithfulness. "Moreover it is required in stewards that a man be found faithful." (I Cor. 4:2) Webster defines "faithful" as "maintaining allegiance to someone or something." It carries the idea of a strong sense of duty and responsibility.

Faithfulness should be seen in our home with our companion and children. If a person is not faithful here, he has failed in the greatest area of responsibility on earth. Our families deserve to see faithfulness

lived out in the home environment.

Faithfulness should also be demonstrated in our relationship to our church. There should never be a question about where we will be on Sunday. Our pastor ought to know he can count on us. (Heb.10:25)

We must be faithful to the commands God makes on our life. He has given us many commands and has clearly taught us how to live a life that is pleasing and glorifying to Him. We must read and study His Word so we can be obedient to these commands. If we are to live productive Christian lives, faithfulness is a must.



Another area of faithfulness that is vital is in our calling. God's calling on our life does not change. Where we serve may change, but not the calling. Often when the going gets tough, some will get out of the ministry. If God calls, we have no right to quit and get out.

### "A" Honor Roll

#### Freshmen

Katelyn Horne

#### Sophomores

Joy Rabon

#### Juniors

Aaron Crank

Jonathan McNeese

#### Seniors

Caitlin Sexton

### "B" Honor Roll (3.0)

#### Freshmen

Breeana Aycok

Elizabeth Dickson

Ethan Gaynor

Erica Hayes

Tabitha Lanham

Brandi Lewis

Nicholas McCuiston

Corey Mitchell

Doug Morgan

Joey Orozco

Benjamin Patterson

Renee Provencal

Blake Taylor

Katie VanDeventer

#### Juniors

James Arcuri

Lakeisha Glaspie

Amanda Rager

Mckensie Tutor

Courtney Young

#### Sophomores

Shelley Allen

Joseph Ange

Camille Bartholomew

Chase Bright

Christy Frazier

Jessica Green

Brittany Johnson

Stacie Jones

Juliana Moreno

Noharis Rodriguez

William Scrivner

Rachel Smith

#### Seniors

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Jessica Lancaster

Joshua Rager

Stephen Schreiner

Stephanie Smith

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"...lift up a standard for the people."  
(Isaiah 62:10)

## DEAN'S LIST FALL SEMESTER 2008

A Student Must be Taking at Least 12 Semester Hours & have no Failures or Incompletes to be eligible for the Dean's List.

# Faithful ... ... Till He Comes

Camp Meeting 2009

*1 Corinthians 4:2*

## Camp Meeting 2009

### MONDAY, APRIL 6

- 9:00 A.M. SOUNDS OF PRAISE ENSEMBLE
- 9:30 A.M. PAT HALL
- 11:00 A.M. HENRY HORNE
- 2:30 P.M. BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
- 7:00 P.M. SOUNDS OF VICTORY CHOIR
- 8:00 P.M. DR. DAVID GIBBS, III

### TUESDAY, APRIL 7

- 9:00 A.M. STEVE BERRY
- 10:20 A.M. BILLY BEVAN
- 11:20 A.M. DR. DAVID GIBBS, III
- 4:30 P.M. COOPERATIVE BOARD MEETING
- 6:45 P.M. ALUMNI CHOIR CONCERT
- 8:00 P.M. DANN PATRICK

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8

- 9:00 A.M. PREACHER BOYS
- 10:20 A.M. BRIAN PHILLIPS
- 11:20 A.M. JASON MYERS



Alumni Choir & Orchestra  
Tuesday Night  
Contact Kevin Denton  
Email: [campmeetingmusic@sfwbc.edu](mailto:campmeetingmusic@sfwbc.edu)



# “NOW IS THE TIME TO SUPPORT SOUTHEASTERN”

Steve Berry, Alumni Association President

Recently, eight hundred London buses advertised a slogan that read, “There’s probably no God. Now stop worrying and enjoy your life.” This propaganda displays the aggressive atheistic agenda that is on the march in our world today. Two years ago in my city, parents of graduating seniors filed a law suit against the public school system for hosting its graduation ceremony in a church auditorium that displayed a cross on the wall. Despite the fact that the church was the only building in the area large enough to host the graduation indoors, the school relented and moved its graduation outdoors regardless of the fear of rain.

Although we know that the attack is against Christ and Biblical Christianity, the secularist has successfully redrawn the battle lines against organized religion and religious symbols in public life. The Church of today has such a weak biblical worldview. The Church too often fights for the right

of these religious symbols in public life rather than declaring that God is God. It seems as if the Church is retreating and giving up ground to pacify the pagan. The battle America faces is not to have more religious symbols displayed, but to realize that Jesus Christ is the Savior of the world. It must be remembered that the real battle lines were exposed by the

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Prophet Elijah in I Kings 18:21 *“And Elijah came unto all the people, and said, How long halt ye between two opinions? if the LORD be God, follow him: but if Baal, then follow him. And the people answered him not a word.”*

With the pervasive political correctness, Christians have become afraid to draw the lines at repentance and belief in the God of the Bible. The Philippian jailer asked the Apostle Paul, *“What must I do to be saved?”* Paul responded in Acts 16:31 *“And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.”*

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The need for distinctively Christian leaders with a real Biblical worldview in our churches is at crisis level. For over twenty-five years Southeastern Free Will Baptist College has produced Christian leaders with a Biblical worldview. Yet the future of a college is just as uncertain as the future of a local church. The future depends on its supporters.

We are told that a church has a “life-cycle.” Its life-cycle is 15-20 years with decline beginning somewhere around the 18th year. The church’s life-cycle has been broken down into four stages: missions, movement, maintenance, and decline.

- **Stage One – Mission** – These are the church planting years when a visionary pastor, a few families, or a church decides to birth another church. Everything is new and exciting.
- **Stage Two – Movement** – These are the growth years. In order to exist, the church has to show growth. The whole team works diligently to build the new church.
- **Stage Three – Maintenance** – These are the years of church ministry. The church is involved in evangelism, discipleship and other programs.
- **Stage Four – Decline** – These are the church stagnation years. Prior to this stage is when the original vision must be picked up by the disciples or supporters, or the mission ceases to be fulfilled and decline is inevitable.

A Christian college has a life-cycle similar to a church. It’s my opinion that stage two and three can be lengthened indefinitely if the disciples or supporters sense the need and embrace the vision. The Mission of Southeastern Free Will Baptist College is “To prepare men and women for the work of the ministry.” We are at a stage in the life-cycle of Southeastern Free Will Baptist College that a new generation needs to catch the vision. The vision has been cast and has remained focused for over twenty-five years. Now is the time that this generation joins with current supporters and recasts the vision to support Southeastern Free Will Baptist College.

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# Alumni Notes

## Alumni Updates

**Rhonda (Radford) Castleberry ('87)** and her husband Clyde are rejoicing that they were able to complete the adoption of two more children: Dan Jacob (age 4) and Natalie Joy (age 2). The adoption was finalized on November 20, 2008, after 18 months of serving as their foster parents. The Castleberry's live in Raleigh, NC.

**Derek and Karla (Bevan) Druey ('03)** gave birth to Meredith Mischa on September 11, 2008. The Druey's live in Pearl, Mississippi.

**Kevin Bailey ('04)** graduated from Liberty University School of Law in May of 2008. He passed the Virginia Bar Exam in October of 2008. Kevin and his wife live in Lynchburg, Virginia.

**Jessie Jamison-Terry ('04)** and her husband Staven recently celebrated their 3rd Anniversary. They also welcomed their first child, Jaylee Elisabeth, on October 23, 2008. They request prayer for Staven, who is still dealing with health issues as a result of his tour of duty in Iraq. The Terry's live in Crossett, AR.

**Holly (Clayton) Lagos ('07)** requests prayer for her husband, Dennis, who is facing some health issues in addition to seeking a visa to join her in the States.

**Bradley Dixon ('08)** is excited about his new ministry as Youth Pastor of Liberty FWB Church in Roanoke Rapids, NC. He is joining Pastor Fred Carraway in this church plant endeavor.

**Davey Duncan ('08)** and his wife Ginger welcomed their second child, Clayton Jeffery, on November 9, 2008. The Duncans currently live in Alderson, WV.

**Joshua Horton ('08)** was ordained on October 5, 2008. He serves as the Youth Pastor of Bethany FWB Church in Timmonsville, South Carolina.

**Logan Wolf ('08)** was married on May 24, 2008, to Grayson Williams. He was ordained on October 5, 2008, and on January 4th he assumed the full-time duties of Assistant/Youth Pastor of Cape Fear FWB Church in Wilmington, NC.

*Don't be left out! Sign up at [www.sfwbc.edu/alumni](http://www.sfwbc.edu/alumni) to receive email updates from the Alumni Association.*

## Christopher Anthony Ream

May 1, 1985-December 23, 2008

It is not uncommon to mention weddings on the Alumni page; however, it is unusual and heartrending to mention a marriage and a funeral together.

Christopher Anthony Ream was married to Holly Nicole Rhodes on December 6th, 2008 at Faith Free Will Baptist Church in Goldsboro, NC. After three short weeks of marriage, Faith Church was the site of his funeral services. Chris died in an automobile accident on the 23rd along with the driver of the other car. A former student Hunter Davis was also injured in the accident.

Chris was still seeking the Lord's mind about full-time service or being a Godly layman serving in his local church. Dr. Patrick noted during his message that Chris and Holly desired to be used as a couple to reach other young couples for the Lord. As a volunteer fireman, he was honored at the graveside by his community comrades with a dramatic "fireman's" ceremony. Please pray for his family and his widow, Holly during these days. Memorials may be made to Faith Free Will Baptist Church, 1200 W. Grantham St., Goldsboro, N.C. 27530.



## Alumni Picnic At Camp Meeting 2009

- Tuesday, April 7th
- On the SFWBC campus, following the morning services of Camp Meeting
- Free Admission for all Alumni and their families
- Fun for the whole family!

**On Tuesday, April 7th, all Alumni are invited to enjoy an afternoon of food, fun, and fellowship following the morning services of Camp Meeting.**

**There will be tents, bbq chicken and pork, events for the kids, and just a great time of fellowship together.**

**Reconnect with former classmates, make new friendships with fellow alumni, and enjoy a relaxing afternoon of food and fellowship together.**

## Reunion Reception At Camp Meeting 2009

**Monday night, April 6th**

**Honoring the classes of 1984, 1989, 1994, 1999, and 2004**

**In the SFWBC cafeteria following the Monday evening services**

## Join the Nehemiah Club

...and support the college you love and the Alumni Association at the same time. Just mark that you are an alumnus and half of your monthly gift will go the Alumni Fund, which is used to provide scholarships, support special projects, and fund Alumni social activities.

# Teacher Education

## THE IMPORTANCE OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Russ Moots

**A**braham Lincoln once said, "the philosophy of the classroom is the philosophy of the government in the next generation." The wisdom of this great American president has been and is being witnessed all over our world. The philosophy and training of boys and girls is evident in the policies of governments today, and history has taught us that entire generations of people can be molded by the training of school age children. With this in mind we should realize the impact of a statement made by our country's first president, George Washington: "The future of this nation depends on the Christian training of the youth. It is impossible to govern without the Bible." The need for the proper training of boys and girls is more critical today than it has ever been.

Many people today are under the impression that where or how a child is educated is immaterial because all of the facts of a subject are the same. While the facts of a subject are the same, the interpretation of those facts will make a tremendous difference in shaping the mind and heart of the student. In the Christian school the students will learn to understand, interpret, and analyze those facts from a biblical perspective. The "secular versus Christian" education issue is really a question of whether a student will learn to view life from man's perspective or God's perspective.

The Teacher Education department of Southeastern Free Will

Baptist College is committed to a philosophy of education based on the authority, authenticity, and reliability of the Bible as the complete and final revelation of God concerning all matters. The warning expressed in Colossians 2:8 to not fall prey to the false and harmful teachings of the world's philosophy points to the need for proper Christian education. It is critical that Christ be the center of the educational philosophy and practice. The Bible teaches us that Jesus Christ is to be preeminent in all things; this certainly includes a child's education. An education that either omits God or does not acknowledge Him in His proper place is not God honoring. The student must be taught that God is sovereign and active today; He is the sustainer and ruler over all the universe.

Southeastern students who com-

plete the teacher education program are well equipped to serve in the Christian school ministry. They receive training in the academics that provide them with a well rounded foundation of knowledge. They are also trained in the area of methods consistent with a biblical philosophy of teaching. Teacher Education Department students are also influenced to develop a heart for ministry. The students are consistently reminded of the importance of viewing teaching as a ministry rather than a vocation. The desire of those ministering in the Teacher Education Department is that our graduates will have both the desire and ability to serve in whatever area of ministry the Lord would have for them.

## MANY THANKS

**We are very grateful to Terry Pike for donating the use of all the equipment for the lunch at the Southeastern Benefit Golf Tournament which was held in October.**

**Terry owns "Pike's Roadside Grill" and does catering for Eastern North Carolina. He can be reached at (910) 818-2000. Terry prepared the food and was assisted by his brother, Johnny Pike and Travis Bennett.**

**We also say a hardy "thank you" to Shawn Pike who donated the food for the luncheon. Shawn owns "C&C Cooks for Hire" out of Davidson, NC and does private and church catering for the Charlotte area. His phone number is (704) 796-9647.**

**We apologize that this announcement was not included in the fall issue of the Standard.**



# News & Notes

## Graduation Speaker Announced



Southeastern Free Will Baptist College  
Commencement Ceremony

May 8, 2009  
10:00 am

**Speaker: Harold Blankenship**  
Pastor, Evergreen FWB Church, TN

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### March

6<sup>th</sup> - Missions Retreat  
13<sup>th</sup> - 22<sup>nd</sup> - Choir Tour  
16<sup>th</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup> - Spring Break  
26<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> - Get Acquainted Days

### May

1<sup>st</sup> - Spring Banquet  
8<sup>th</sup> - Graduation

### June

15<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup> - Youth Aflame

### April

6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> Camp Meeting

## GET ACQUAINTED DAYS 2009

MARCH 26-28  
NOVEMBER 5-7

Spring Enrollment  
Total Students: 124  
(Including 7 New Students)

48 Freshmen  
37 Sophomores  
23 Juniors  
16 Seniors

## GRAD DAYS 2009

FEBRUARY 5-7  
SEPTEMBER 24-26



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## SFWBC Tip Off Basketball Tournament



Raleigh Christian Academy  
2008 Varsity Girls Basketball Champions



Cramerton Christian Academy  
2008 Varsity Boys Basketball Champions



# YOUTH AFLAME '09

JUNE 15-19, 2009  
CRAMERTON FWB CHURCH  
CRAMERTON, NC

# NO G2 NO EVILS NO GLORY

"...and the LORD wrought a great  
victory that day..." 2 Sam. 23:10

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