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 Bible School.....9:30 AM
 Sunday AM Worship.....10:30 AM
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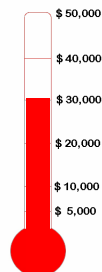
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DATES TO NOTE

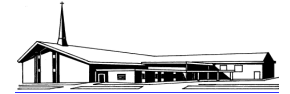
November 11
 6:30 PM Walk Through
 7:15 PM Ladies Ensemble Practice
November 12
 ... Leadership Reports Due ...
November 14
 7:30 AM FCC Work Day
November 15
 ... Family Sunday ...
November 16
 7:00 PM Leadership Meeting
November 18
 6:30 PM Walk Through
 7:15 PM Ladies Ensemble Practice
November 20
 7:00 PM
 ... First Care Celebration of Thanks ...
November 22
 6:30 PM ... Thanksgiving Comm Service
 at Spartanburg Christian Church, Doug
 Nolen Speaker ...

FACTS AND FIGURES

11-01-09	General Fund	\$1847.01
11-01-09	Missions	\$ 791.58
11-01-09	Maintenance	\$ 300.00
11-01-09	Roof	\$ 50.00
11-08-09	General Fund	\$ 4293.10
11-08-09	Roof	\$ 100.00



**FCC ROOF
 PROJECT TOTAL
 \$32,775.10**



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“In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth”

These are the first few words of Scripture, and words which have created great controversy in recent years. For most of history, the human race has understood we were created by God. Although we may not have always understood the *how* or the *why* of Creation, we at least knew the *Who*. In the late 19th century, all that changed.

Although we can't lay all the responsibility at the feet of Charles Darwin, his book *The Origin of Species* (1859) helped popularize a view of life that did not require God for its genesis. The book was about natural selection of species, but implied that eventually species could dramatically change, given enough time. Initially controversial, by 1925 the Scopes trial allowed evolution to be taught along with Creation in public schools. The issue has been debated in American courts ever since. In 2005, a judge in Dover, PA ruled that creation could not be taught in the public school system as a possible explanation of life. During that time, newspapers and televisions were filled with discussions about the issue.

This issue is not going to go away, and it continues to be big news. One way that this issue has come around is through a very unlikely person and method. Ben Stein (of Visine commercial fame) wrote and performed in a movie that was released in 2008 entitled, *Expelled: No Intelligence Allowed*. The film explores the attempts by evolutionary scientists to suppress the large and growing body of evidence for creation. The movie is out on DVD and I encourage you to see it. It is powerful food for thought. For more details, <http://www.expelledthemovie.com/>.

The understanding of us as beings created by God in His image is foundational to understand who we are, and why we are here as human beings. The challenge of this truth represents an effort to remove God and our responsibility to Him from the public eye. This is yet another opportunity God has given to us to challenge the lies of the evil one and instead give credit to the Only One to whom credit is truly due.

In Christ's service,
 Doug



THERE'S BEEN A CHANGE

The Jr/Sr XYZ Dinner has been postponed until Spring. Please look for further details later...

FCC MAINTENANCE

Come join us this Saturday, November 14th as we work on some projects here at the church that need our attention. This includes the playground, some general maintenance, and outside landscaping clean-up. Time will be from 7:30AM to 12noon.

NEW DOOR CHIME FOR FIRST CARE

Due to a recent incident, the church doors will be locked during Pre-school hours. Office hours are as follows and posted on front door: Monday and Friday 9AM—1PM; Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday 9AM—3PM. There is also another sign posted on door to inform you to ring the doorbell, and someone will let you in. Thank you for your cooperation!



LEADERSHIP MEETING

The next Leadership Meeting will be Monday, November 16th at 7PM. Leadership reports are due Thursday, November 12th. The text to read is chapter four, pages 88—96. Rex Ratcliffe will be leading devotions.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Don't forget that shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child are due no later than Sunday, November 22nd. If you have any questions, please see Amy Alka.

**Will the road you're on
get you home?**

YOUTH MINISTRY

We are still needing help with our children during Bible School hour and AM Worship. If you are willing to help, please see Cindy or Denise.



THANKSGIVING COMMUNITY SERVICE

This year the Spartanburg Christian Church will be hosting our community's Thanksgiving evening service on Sunday, November 22nd at 6:30PM. Please plan to attend and join other fellow Christians for an evening of worship in the Word and song. Our very own Doug Nolen will be the guest speaker.

LADIES CHRISTMAS ENSEMBLE

Do you enjoy singing to the Lord? Need a night out? Then come to church on Wednesday evenings for an hour or so, for fun, fellowship, and singing. We are preparing for our Ladies Christmas Ensemble. Practices will be every Wednesday at 7:15PM. If you have any questions, please contact Jim Norris. Hope to see you there!

CARRY-IN DINNER

On Sunday, November 29th FCC will be having a carry-in dinner immediately following AM Worship. Details later...



PRAYER CONCERNS

Those Who Need to Become Christians

Home (Health Concerns):

Aaron Bruner; Bob Chalfant; Betty Clark, Johna Yandl's mother; Charlie Cole; Ruth Evans, Diana Glunt's aunt; Steve Hill; Karmen Kellams; Marshall Meyers; Joe, Eula, and Rochella Newland; Mary Norris; Cy Riley; Harry Williams, Amy Phenis' brother-in-law

Our Missionaries including:

Bright Outreach
Steve and Ann Plettner

Those Serving in the Military

Home (Cancer):

Lisa Fankhauser, Jeff Boyer's boss' wife; Carl Howard, chemo treatments; Sage Isaacs, great-niece of Anna Cross; Cindy Longnecker, granddaughter-in-law of Barbara Quack

Assisted Living and/or Nursing home:

Arbor Trace: Frank Johning
Forest Park: Dorothy Funk
Randolph Nursing Home: Virginia Frazier
Summers Pointe: Beulah Kirk, Ruth Welch

These names and concerns have been reported or up-dated to the church in the last month. If you have a prayer request that the church family needs to be aware of, please contact the church office.

