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FWBBC Sets Bible Conference Program

NASHVILLE, TN—Dr. Harry Reeder III, senior pastor at Briarwood Presbyterian Church (PCA) in Birmingham, Alabama, will be the featured guest speaker during the March 8-11, 2009, Bible Conference at Free Will Baptist Bible College, according to President Matt Pinson. Dr. Reeder will address four plenary sessions during the conference.

President Pinson said, “Dr. Reeder is a well known PCA pastor, conference speaker, radio personality, and church revitalization consultant. He is a conservative pastor of a large urban church committed to putting biblical growth methods into practice in a postmodern society. His book, *Embers to a Flame: How God Can Revitalize Your Church*, is one of the best succinct books I’ve ever read on church revitalization, and I recommend it to every Free Will Baptist pastor.”

During an earlier 17-year pastorate at a PCA church he founded, Reeder saw the congregation grow from 38 members to more than 3,000. He is currently in his ninth year with the Briarwood congregation. He conducts a five-day-a-week radio program (“In Perspective”), hosts church revitalization conferences twice a year, devotes time to leadership development and Christian manhood seminars, and is a member of the Board of Trustees at Westminster Theological Seminary in Philadelphia.

A pastor since 1974, Reeder completed a Doctor of Ministry degree at Reformed Theological Seminary. His most recent book, *The Leadership Dynamic*, is a balanced, thorough, and biblically-based guide for Christian leaders.

Two outstanding Free Will Baptist pastor-educators have also been asked to address plenary sessions of the 2009 Bible Conference—Dr. Jeff Manning (North Carolina) and Dr. Stanley Outlaw (Tennessee).

Dr. Manning has been senior pastor at Unity Free Will Baptist Church in Greenville (NC) since 1991. He will speak three times. A 1986 FWBBC graduate, Manning serves on the Board of Free Will Baptist International Missions and is an adjunct professor at FWBBC.

He completed a Master of Divinity degree at Bob Jones University (1990) and a Doctor of Ministry degree at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary (2002). He has written articles and book reviews for *ONE Magazine* and *Integrity*. The North Carolina native was converted at age 10 and answered the call to preach in 1987.

Dr. Stanley Outlaw, pastor of Corner Stone Free Will Baptist Church in Murfreesboro (TN), will speak twice to conference attendees. He served 31 years (1966-1997) on the Bible faculty at FWBBC and has been an adjunct faculty member since 2002. In addition to his several educational roles, he has pastored more than 45 years.

Dr. Outlaw is a 1962 FWBBC graduate. He earned the Master of Arts (1964) and Doctor of Philosophy (1975) degrees from Bob Jones University. He is a writer for the *Randall House Bible Commentary* series. He wrote the commentary on the book of Hebrews and the commentary on I-II Timothy and Titus.

The Bible Conference schedule will include a number of workshops (Monday-Wednesday) on pastoral/preaching issues, theology and cultural trends, outreach and evangelism, music, and more. The music of FWBBC will be featured Monday and Wednesday evenings.

The Classes of 1959 (50 years), 1984 (25 years), and 1999 (10 years) will be honored. The FWBBC Alumni Association invites members of the three classes to come to Bible Conference and participate in the class reunions.

Alumni Association president Frank Owens said, "We will recognize the 2009 graduating class and invite them to the conference alumni events. It's important that they feel they're part of the FWBBC alumni family. We want them to come on board right now and be a continuing influence in the Alumni Association."