Subject: Duncan has Arrived.
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Moulder (that's not a reference to the X-Files, is it??),

I appreciate your efforts in setting up this forum. Hopefully, it will serve as another outlet for people to not only discuss their observations/experiences with Faith Assembly, but to discuss Christian topics that run deeper than a typical church teaches.

The following is just a quick overview of how I fit into the FA scene:

My parents heard Dr. Freeman preach at a Full-Gospel Business Men's meeting around 1972 (the year I was born). Over time, they developed a close relationship with Dr. Freeman and his wife, June. Around this same time, Dr. Freeman had a prophecy for my father that stated God would use him to teach the Word of God. After visiting Indiana for several years, we finally moved in 1978. We remained part of FA for the next 8 years. During this time, my father preached every couple of months at FA and also preached at a house church in Ohio each month. I played my guitar at church, and we bought an organ for the church that my brother, and one other man named Gary, played. (My brother still has that organ in his house today.)

Towards the end of Dr. Freeman's life, and after he died, my parents felt they were being led to move back to our home state of Alabama. We visited Jim Oswalt's fellowship for a while, but my parents didn't feel that was where God was leading them. (My grandmother, however, stayed at that fellowship until it dissolved.) We went to several different churches until my parents finally stopped going, because they could never find the same spark that FA had in the early 70s. While in college, I started to attend a Baptist church on my on. It wasn't much, but it was better than nothing.

Finally, after I was married, my wife and I began to seek God's will for a church. We visited around until we came upon a little country Baptist church that would seat about 75 people. The average age of the church was mid-to-late 60s, and we did not know anyone who went there. However, even though we didn't fit in demographically, we fit in spiritually. We knew that this was the place God wanted us to be, and we have been their for almost 10 years. The church is not charismatic, but they have a deep love for Jesus and preach a deeper and more conservative doctrine than almost any other Baptist church.

Sorry for the long post, but I wanted to lay the ground work, so everyone will know where I'm coming from.

In Christ, Duncan