



675 South Lafayette Drive
Sumter, SC 29150

November 4, 2015

The Honorable Nikki R. Haley
Office of the Governor of South Carolina
1205 Pendleton Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Governor Haley:

Berea Seventh day Adventist Church is having its Annual Homecoming event Saturday, November 28, 2015, but this year is very special. We are celebrating our Twenty-fifth Anniversary of worship at the Lafayette Drive location.

We would be most honored and proud to have such a distinguished guest as you to help us celebrate this momentous occasion on Saturday, November 28, 2015, 11:00 a.m., 675 South Lafayette Drive, Sumter, South Carolina. Other community leaders and government officials have been invited and are expected to join us.

It is hard to believe that we opened the doors for worship and service in this community 25 years ago. The years have been fruitful. We opened a daycare center which grew into a school, (grades kindergarten-eight). Our Community Service Center is providing the community with food, clothing, financial assistance in some hardship emergencies and spiritual encouragement. A summer activity children's program opened and operated for several years. One of our annual events is an exhibit booth at the Sumter Fair displaying and offering literature on health, How to Stop Smoking Program and blood pressure checks. Berea is here for the Sumter Community with our doors opened for worship and doing what we can to help our community. Our motto is: "to connect to Christ through teaching, preaching and reaching thus, igniting spiritual growth in preparation for the Second coming of Jesus Christ" and we are doing our best to uphold this.

Please come. We look forward to your presence and support.

Friends in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Doris J. Dupree". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "D".

Doris J. Dupree, Member
Homecoming and Anniversary Committee