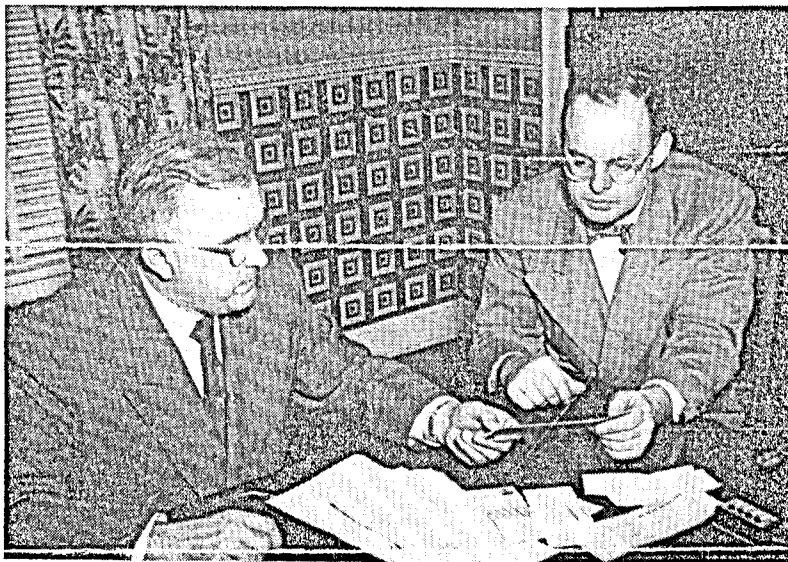


Free Will Baptist BULLETIN Bible College . . .

INDEBTEDNESS CAMPAIGN BRINGS EARLY RESPONSE



President L. C. Johnson shows a \$500 check for the Indebtedness Campaign Fund to the College treasurer, E. B. McDonald. The gift was received in the day's mail from J. A. Blackburn, Mount Hope, West Virginia, a loyal friend to the College.

Early indications of a widespread interest in the \$40,000 Campaign are being received at the College office daily, according to L. C. Johnson, College president.

"From personal contacts on the field and from letters sent in by pastors we believe the response is becoming denominational wide," he stated. "Leaders in several states are co-operating in a most unusual way in leading the pastors and churches in raising \$100 each, or more."

"Each day some church or pastor writes to let us know we can depend upon them for a special gift by April 1," he added.

The campaign was first begun in October, 1952, upon purchasing the Richland Apartments building for \$65,000. Since then more than \$23,000 has been received on this goal; and \$31,000 has been paid, leaving a balance of \$34,000. An indebtedness of \$5,000 is owed on the 3612 Richland Avenue property, making a total indebtedness of \$39,000 as of December 31, 1953.

Dr. Johnson believes as many as 300 Free Will Baptist churches can give \$100 each to raise \$30,000 on this debt-clearing drive. Offerings from churches other than the 300 and gifts from individuals will finish out the \$40,000 goal.

\$40,000 Day will be April 1, 1954 at the 11:00 o'clock service on the closing day of the Bible Conference. Representatives from each church are to present the churches' gifts at this service. The combined gifts are expected to enable the College to liquidate every dollar of indebtedness against all College properties. Churches not able to send a representative should mail their special campaign offering to the College office before April 1, and the College will have someone to present the gift for the church.

The churches in the following states should raise these amounts, which are based on the average income from the state gifts.

Alabama\$ 700.00

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Gifts for Library Books Continue to Come In

Each month the list of donors to the library fund for new books grows longer. It is wonderful to know so many people are interested in the needs of the Bible College.

Mr. Roscoe McDowell, Jr., of McDowell & McDowell, Contractors, Nashville, recently gave \$100. This gift was used to purchase several sets of needed commentaries (31 volumes altogether), according to Mrs. J. P. Barrow, librarian.

Listed below are other gifts received during the past two months.

First F.W.B. Woman's Auxiliary, Warwick, Virginia	\$24.05
California State Woman's Auxiliary	15.00
Woman's Auxiliary, Holdenville, Oklahoma	7.90
Woman's Auxiliary, Norman, Oklahoma	3.50
Dorothy Waddle, Norman Okla.	1.25
Mattie Grizzle, Norman, Okla.	1.25
First F.W.B. Woman's Auxiliary, Shawnee, Oklahoma	10.00
Junior and Intermediate Leagues, Shawnee, Oklahoma	5.00
Young's People's Auxiliary, Tabernacle Church, Coward, S. Carolina ..	5.00
Leagues of Kerman, California ..	10.66
Wendell Babcock, Nashville ..	25.00
Woman's Auxiliary, Pretty Water Church, Sapulpa, Oklahoma ..	1.25
Woman's Auxiliary, Tecumseh, Oklahoma	2.50
Woman's Auxiliary, Head's Church, Cedar Hill, Tennessee	6.75
Auxiliary First Okla. Convention	10.00
Wolverine Association, Auxiliary Convention, Michigan	20.00

The Woman's National Auxiliary Convention under the leadership of Mrs. Paul Pursell, Shawnee, Oklahoma deserves credit for much of the widespread interest in the library fund.

Donations should be mailed directly to the College. If you wish to donate a book, you should write the librarian at the College address.

From My Desk...

L. C. JOHNSON, L.H.D.

400,000 People! !

That is the approximate number of Free Will Baptists affiliated with the National Association according to our latest statistical report. In this number of people we have much talent, almost unlimited financial resource, a life power which, if activated and consecrated to God, could do unbelievable things in the kingdom work of our Saviour.



Let us dream for a moment of some of the possibilities that belong to us Free Will Baptists. To keep the figure from seeming unbelievably huge, and in order to be safe in our estimation, let us say there are 300,000 Free Will

Baptists and 3,000 local churches. Let us estimate there are 75,000 homes represented in this number and that each home has an average of $1\frac{1}{2}$ wage earners. This would give a total of 112,500 Free Will Baptists who earn a salary. Let us say the average salary is \$40 weekly. This gives us a total Free Will Baptist weekly income of \$4,500,000. Suppose each of these tithed, it would give a weekly income to the churches of \$450,000. This would mean each of the 3,000 local churches would receive an average of \$150 weekly. If each of the 3,000 churches gave the small amount of 1/10 to denominational causes, it would be \$15 weekly from each of the 3,000 local churches, which would amount to \$45,000 weekly income for denominational purposes. This would mean the Bible College, Foreign Missions, Home Missions, and every other department of our work would receive a monthly income of \$180,000.

Such huge sums are hard for us to imagine, but we can see what would happen if we were all scriptural in our giving. In other words, this is what would happen if we would do things in God's way. I will admit I have been shocked as I have seen the possibilities and then looked at the realities within our church. The surface has barely been scratched. The challenge is before us. The way to begin is for each individual to promise God now that he will be scriptural in his giving.

Financial Facts

1. Average monthly income over the past 12 months excluding gifts to Building Fund	\$ 8,711.00
2. Average monthly expenses	8,727.09
3. Received on purchase of new dormitory	23,462.24
4. Paid on purchase of new property	34,000.00
5. Total interest paid on indebtedness of new property	3,375.00
6. Balance due on new property	39,000.00
7. Receipts for December:	
General Receipts	3,057.15
W.N.A.C.	32.42
Building Fund Gifts	108.00
Gifts on Piano	20.00
Student Accounts	1,044.44
Gifts by States:	
Alabama	31.00
Arkansas	21.50
California	99.00
Florida	21.00
Georgia	266.44
Illinois	94.00
India	10.00
Kentucky	69.00
Michigan	439.07
Mississippi	78.00
Missouri	334.36
New Mexico	10.00
North Carolina	627.44
Ohio	152.00
Oklahoma	136.46
South Carolina	142.00
Tennessee	465.71
Texas	75.68
Virginia	48.00
West Virginia	44.49

Indebtedness Campaign

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Arkansas	600.00
California	1,000.00
Florida	600.00
Georgia	3,500.00
Illinois	2,000.00
Kansas	100.00
Kentucky	500.00
Michigan	1,500.00
Mississippi	2,000.00
Missouri	3,000.00
North Carolina	10,000.00
Ohio	500.00
Oklahoma	1,500.00
South Carolina	1,500.00
Tennessee	5,000.00
Texas	1,500.00
Virginia	1,500.00
West Virginia	1,000.00

The College is depending on each pastor to lead his people in subscribing a gift for this \$40,000 campaign or receiving a special offering. Begin to raise your amount at once and let the College know as soon as possible what your church will do.

One church in Texas of 26 members has already set a goal of \$500. A new congregation in Missouri of 34 members is planning to be one of the 300 \$100 donors. Many churches have set at least \$100 as their minimum and the sky as the limit.

Alumni Association

BY MRS. DAMON C. DODD, Secretary

Rashie Kennedy, '45, writes, "The Grace church was organized December 10, 1953, with a charter membership of 129. The new church is on full time and is planning a new building in the near future. We request our many friends to be much in prayer for our success in the work of Christ here in Greenville, North Carolina."

The Texas Association, of which Gaston Clary, '49, is moderator, voted to set aside \$100 toward the College Liquidation fund. They also appointed a committee to make arrangements for an Extension School to be held in the near future.

After teaching a Teacher Training class in his church, Robert Wilfong, '49, will issue four E.T.T.A. Certificates. Jereleen will complete her Practical Nurse's Training in April.

Aileen Calvary, '52, will complete her Practical Nursing Course while working in the Glover Clinic in Ashland City.

Damon Dodd, '44, has just completed a very successful Home Mission itinerary in California.

Recent visitors in the Alumni office were Adam, '51, and Nadyne Scott, '50. Their church in Durham, North Carolina, has recently installed new pews.

The new church in Kirksville, Missouri, under the leadership of Lester Jones, '51, plans to erect a 42 x 70' building. It will be of brick veneer construction with eight Sunday school rooms and a pastor's study in addition to the sanctuary. Mrs. Jones, '50, is very active in Auxiliary work in Missouri.

The following letter came to the Alumni office this past week and is from Carlisle, '52, and Marie Hanna, '51.

"This letter is delayed, but none the less, we wish to thank the Alumni Association for sending us Contact. We enjoy it very much. Dan and Trula are here. Tomorrow the four of us are to have a day of prayer.

"Carlisle has begun teaching our three boys typing. They seem thrilled with each lesson. . . . I began teaching English two periods a day in the girls' high school on Tuesday.

"We had a pleasant Christmas. Dan, Trula, and Ruth Stam had dinner with us. In the afternoon all of us went to Sonapurhat where the boys gave a Christmas drama. . . ."

The Correspondence Corner

Prospective Student Pledges

"I pledged to give one dollar a month to the Bible College for one year. I made the pledge while the quartet was here in November. . . Even though the pledge is for a year, I hope to be in school at Nashville F.W.B.B.C. in September.

"Enclosed is one dollar. I know it will be used for the glory of God."

PEGGY MILLS

Greenville, North Carolina

Looks Forward to Bible Conference

"I feel honored to be able to support such a noble cause to which the Bible College is serving. As the Lord continues to provide an income I shall continue to support the college with my gifts and prayers.

"I am looking forward to the Bible Conference as a means of acquiring a blessing and once again seeing the College."

WILLIS MEADOWS

Ayden, North Carolina

Hopes to Return to School

"Enclosed you will find five dollars . . . to help on payment of Richland Apartments. I believe if our people could only spend one year at F.W.B.B.C. they would say it is well worth all we could pay.

"Hoping to return next September, I am,"

CHARLES GOUGE

Indianapolis, Indiana

\$100 Gift for Campaign

"Please give Union Arbor Free Will Baptist Church near Beckville, Texas, credit for this check for \$100.00 to be used for indebtedness of the College."

AVIS KINARD

Beckville, Texas

\$500 West Virginia Donation

"Attached you will find a small donation for the benefit of your College as I think you are doing a wonderful work with the young people. . .

"I, personally, think the Free Will Baptist College is one of the finest

COLLEGE STUDENTS FEATURED IN MISSIONARY RALLY



The above is a picture of Cofer's Chapel Church. Marvis Lee is reading from the Bible to begin the missionary service. College students form the choir behind him.

On Sunday morning, January 17, College students presented a special missionary program at Cofer's Chapel Church. The congregation wholeheartedly responded with a record offering of \$400 for foreign missions.

Marvis Lee, president of the Bible College Foreign Mission Fellowship, previewed the day's activities in his introductory remarks. Students preparing for foreign mission service were

featured on the program. They presented the heathen conditions of the different countries of the world, and in their personal testimonies they told how they were willing to help meet these needs.

All the students who attended the program were served lunch by the ladies of the church.

Rev. J. L. Welch is pastor.

institutions for training in the right direction that I know of, and you have my heartiest support and backing in all your undertakings."

J. A. BLACKBURN

Mount Hope, West Virginia

New Missouri Church to Give

"In regard to your letter . . . concerning a special offering to pay off the indebtedness of the College, I have taken it up with the Board of Deacons of the church and have their approval and I am sure it will pass with the church and we are planning to have a special offering. I am praying and believe strongly it will be a hundred dollars. . . I wish it could be much more but we are a new church only having thirty-two members as yet."

LESTER C. JONES

Kirksville, Missouri

Study at Home

To fulfill the commission of Christ, every Christian must be a witness for Him. To make training in soul winning possible for every Free Will Baptist, the Correspondence Department offers a course in personal evangelism. The text used for this study was written by Dr. William Evans, noted Bible scholar.

Credit for this course may be applied toward any award offered by the College. For further information write the Correspondence Department at the College address.

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Office Set Up For Student Groups

A room adjoining the music studio has been designated student organizations' office, to meet the need of a central work room for the different student groups.

The Missionary Prayer Band and The *Lumen* staff are already making use of the office. The room is furnished with desk and chairs and a Royal typewriter recently purchased by the College. Other items of equipment will be added as the work increases.

A professional-type camera has been purchased to provide photographs and snapshot pictures for the yearbook and other school publications. It will eliminate the expense of a professional photographer.

Funds for this equipment were made available from student activities in previous years.

Warwick City Church Donates Utility Tables

Just before Christmas the First Free Will Baptist Church of Warwick City, Virginia, gave the Bible College eight aluminum utility tables for the dining hall.

The tables are on wheels and are of special light-weight construction. They are used by the waitresses in serving the food and in clearing the tables.

Rev. Ronald Creech, former student, is pastor of the Warwick City Church and delivered the tables during a recent visit to Nashville.

New Semester Begins January 27

Several new students are expected to enroll at the beginning of the second semester, January 27, according to LaVerne D. Miley, College official in charge of registration.

"We encourage the students to enter the Bible College in September at the beginning of the fall term," he said. "But some whose training has been interrupted return, and usually several new students register for the spring term."

The number registered for the first semester was 151. The incoming students in January will probably raise that number to 160, the second highest number of students enrolled in the history of the school, according to statistics in the registrar's office.

COLLEGE OFFICE FORCE SWAMPED WITH CAMPAIGN CORRESPONDENCE WORK



Flying fingers pound the keys on five typewriters to meet the daily quota of campaign letters going to Free Will Baptist people. The typists are left to right: Barbara Hancock, Olena Filkins, Mary Ruth Wisheart, Marvis Anderson, and Geraldine Gay. Miss Filkins is the College secretary; the others are students who work part time in the College office.

In Dr. Johnson's efforts of making a personal appeal to each Free Will Baptist pastor on the College mailing list, the crew of office typists are using every available minute in typing letters. More than one thousand ministers should receive individually typed letters during the month of January, Mr. Johnson stated. The routine office work is given the necessary minimum of attention while the urgent debt-clearing campaign correspondence is emphasized.

Administrative officers, faculty members, and students are working together in the giant task of alerting 300,000-400,000 Free Will Baptist people about the special Bible College drive. Extra typists have been added to the normal force to push the campaign work forward. Many students who can type give the office a much-needed lift by typing during off hours. On several occasions the office lights have burned into the night to see the accomplishment of a daily objective. Each person works with the incentive that a successful campaign will be worth every effort expended.

Be On Hand

April 1, 11:00 o'Clock A.M.
Closing Service of Annual Bible
Conference

Bible College Indebtedness to Be
Retired.

Be one of the 300 churches to give
\$100 to reach the goal of \$40,000.



MAKE PLANS NOW
to attend the
**ANNUAL BIBLE
CONFERENCE**
at
**FREE WILL BAPTIST
BIBLE COLLEGE**
March 28-April 1

St. Louis Student Ordained in Home Church

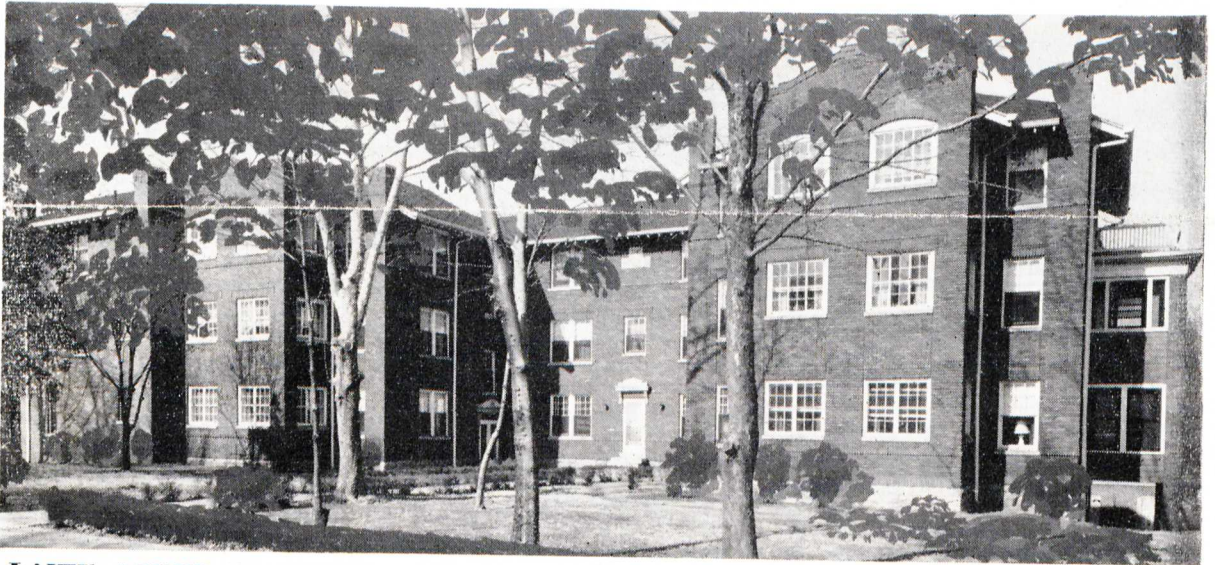
Clarence Burton, Jr., was ordained December 22 in a special service in his home church, Third Free Will Baptist Church, St. Louis, Missouri.

The charge was given by Rev. Rolla Smith. Rev. Ben Scott brought the ordination message, and the ordination prayer was offered by Rev. James Barker.

Burton is a junior at the Bible College and is pastor of Oak Grove Church near Charlotte, Tennessee.

Free Will Baptist Bible College ... BULLETIN

DEBT FREE BY APRIL 1!



LAITY ASKED TO SUPPORT PASTORS IN CAMPAIGN

The following personal letter was recently mailed to 1550 pastors. Their response to the appeal to retire the indebtedness has been great. The college officials are expecting the laity to join hands with their pastors in assuring their church's participation.

Dear Brother:

You no doubt are busy with your church plans for 1954. Having spent several years in the pastorate, I know I always had more things planned for the new year than I was ever able to get done. I do hope that you have another successful year in the greatest of all work—the Gospel ministry.

After much prayer I have asked the Board of Trustees of our Bible College to give me the go-ahead on raising the money and paying off the College indebtedness. Unanimously and enthusiastically they approved the plan.

So the date and the hour has been set when we hope this dream will become real. April 1, 11 o'clock, is the time. This is on Thursday of our Bible Conference.

The plan is this: We are asking 300 churches to have a gift on hand to be presented at the 11 o'clock service on the above-mentioned date. That would give us \$30,000. We would then need \$8,000 more to make a total of \$38,000

which would put Free Will Baptist Bible College completely debt free.

We know there are some churches planning to give much more than one hundred dollars. There are a number of churches that have always been loyal to the Bible College that cannot give a hundred dollars. We hope the larger and smaller gifts will make up the \$8,000 needed after 300 churches have given one hundred dollars each.

I know you keep your people pretty well loaded, and I even hesitate to ask you for this special help, but I would personally be very grateful to you and the Lord if you would write me and tell me you are asking your people for a special gift for our Bible College to be given April 1 at the 11 o'clock service of our Bible Conference.

I shall be expecting to hear from you soon. You can imagine how I feel with this responsibility. Your help will mean so very much. Pray for us.

Yours in Christ,

L. C. JOHNSON, *President*

Bible Conference Speakers Scheduled

March 28 to April 1 are the dates for this year's Bible Conference. This will be the eleventh Bible Conference held at the Bible College.

Hundreds of people over our denomination look forward to this time of special blessing. Especially do all former students of the Bible College look forward to coming "home" at this time.

We believe each speaker chosen for this year's Conference will bring messages of great interest and blessing to all who attend. They are as follows:

- Rev. Damon Dodd, Home Missions Promotional Secretary
- Rev. Burkette Raper, Promotional Director of North Carolina
- Rev. Ralph Staten, Pastor of First Free Will Baptist Church, Wewoka, Oklahoma
- Rev. Joseph Ange, Pastor of Edgemont Free Will Baptist Church, Durham, North Carolina

I am certain each speaker will appreciate your prayers.

This year's Conference will likely be better attended than any in the past.

Write the College for information about accommodations.

From My Desk...

L. C. JOHNSON, L.H.D.

"Pray ye therefore the Lord of harvest . . ." Matthew 9:38.

In my last article I pointed out the financial income if 300,000 Free Will Baptists followed God's order in giving. Let us now think of something far more important than material things; namely, workmen.



I am again basing these calculations on the assumption that we have 3000 Free Will Baptist churches. (This is 1000 below the actual figure.) Suppose that one out of every ten of these churches produced a preacher or a missionary

every year. That would give us three hundred preachers and missionaries every year. Let us further imagine that one hundred of these became missionaries and two hundred went into the pastorate and other types of service on the home field.

Fantastic, you say! Is it not reasonable that out of every ten congregations God wishes to call some young man or woman into full-time service for Him? For a long time I have felt that every church that has been in existence for five or at the most ten years should have sons and daughters on the harvest field for the Master. If your church has not produced a preacher or a missionary lately, perhaps you should call it to the attention of the congregation and seek out the reason.

Can you imagine what would happen in our denomination if we had three hundred young people every year entering into full-time Christian service. In the next ten years we would have a thousand missionaries on the field. We would have two thousand more preachers of the gospel in our churches here at home.

The many churches that are now desperately searching for pastors could have them. Hundreds of new churches could be organized, and the hundreds of communities in our own homeland without any religious services could be cared for. Does the thought not thrill you?

But how are we to go about getting people into the ministry and missionary work? The answer will be found in the scripture verse at the head of this article.

Ten Additional Students Enroll for Second Semester

Second semester registration brought the total enrollment this year at Free Will Baptist Bible College to 161, according to reports from the registrar's office. This is the second highest enrollment in the history of the College.

New students this semester are:

Leroy Cutler Pantego, N. C.
Frank Dunn New Bern, N. C.
Odes Faries Stigler, Okla.
J. B. Fletcher, Jr. Manchester, Tenn.
Fred Hersey Raleigh, N. C.
Charles Short Nashville, Tenn.
Eloise Hoyt Monticello, Maine
Del Jean Hatcher Micro, N. C.
Katherine McDonald Nashville, Tenn.
Carrie Branning Beulaville, N. C.

An outstanding feature this semester is the course in journalism that is being offered for the first time. The instructor is Rev. W. S. Mooneyham who majored in religious journalism at Oklahoma Baptist University. His training, together with several years' experience both in editing religious publications and in pastoral work, very adequately qualify him to teach this long-looked-forward-to course. At present time he is editor of *Contact*, national publication of Free Will Baptists.

College Adds New Equipment

Two articles of new equipment have been purchased and another contracted for during recent weeks at the Bible College.

A fully automatic gas fired burner for the boiler and a gas fired booster water heater have been installed in the Richland Apartment building to replace the worn-out coal stoker and the old-fashioned coal-burning hot water heater.

The College office is host to the other new equipment—an automatic typewriter. Miss Olena Filkins, head operator of the "gifted" machine, proudly states its daily output is equal to that of three typists. The auto-typist, which operates on the "player piano" principle, has largely solved the problem of the College administration in handling the heavy daily correspondence of acknowledging gifts and carrying on the promotional activities of the school.

Perhaps a much greater need is a large safe to protect the important College records, journals, and other valuables. The hazard of fire destroying present unprotected records makes a large safe imperative. Present plans will bring this about soon.

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Alumni Association

By MRS. DAMON C. DODD, Secretary

3301 Richland Avenue
Nashville, Tennessee

With January and February gone, March is about ready to make her formal appearance. The calendar on the wall lists March as the official opening of spring while the Alumni Calendar lists it as time for the Annual Alumni Homecoming at the College.

The date this year will be Wednesday, March 31, and great plans are being made by the committee for a wonderful meeting this year. It is their wish that every member of the Alumni Association be present. Why not begin to plan *now* to attend?

We are glad to pass the following news items on to you:

Wedding bells rang for *Patricia Norris*, '52, and Earl Bailor. They were married January 12 at the bride's home in Benton, Illinois. Congratulations!

G. C. and *Maurine Lee, Jr.*, '52, are the parents of a daughter born January 31. She has been named Melinda Kay.

Joseph Ange, '50, and his family have recently moved into the new church parsonage. Joe is pastor of Edgemont church in Durham, North Carolina.

Lee Whaley, '48, is leading his church in raising \$100 for the College campaign.

The following quotation is taken from the Newport News, Virginia "Peninsula Youth for Christ Newsletter" and concerns *Ronald Creech*, '52. "The First Free Will Baptist Church, pastored by Rev. Ronald Creech, shared in Col. Fain's ministry. The spiritual blessings shared by church and rally resulting from this dear pastor's cooperation cannot be described. May God give us more pastors like Rev. Creech."

Leroy Forlines, '52, has just completed a very successful Extension School in Ina, Illinois.

W. Clyde Clearman, '52, has accepted a call to the pastorate of the First Church, Erwin, Tennessee.

K. J. Esther, '49, will serve as music director during the Conference on Home Missions and Evangelism to be held in Chipley, Florida, February 14-17.

The Ebenezer Church of Glennville, Georgia, has recently installed a Hammond organ. *T. G. Hamilton, Jr.*, '47, is pastor.

William Mishler, '48, has been appointed Home Mission Director for Michigan.

Day of Prayer Held in January

The second day of prayer this year was observed on Friday, January 29. Instead of going to classes the students gathered in the College auditorium for devotions and prayer requests. After this period together, the individual classes met with their respective groups for a one-hour period. Time was then set aside for personal meditation and prayer. The closing service held in the auditorium was highlighted by testimonials and singing.

In preparation for this special day of heart seaching and meditation, the girls kept an all-night vigil in their dormitory with prayer couples spending half-hour periods each throughout the night.

A special interest in prayer has been manifested during the past month as several groups have stayed in prayer far beyond the usual evening devotional time. Spiritual decisions and rededications are necessary as the student pursues his Biblical studies to form a basis for his full-time service to Christ

January Gifts To Library Fund

Philadelphia Church, G. T. A.,	
Detroit, Michigan	\$ 5.00
Sheila Hanna Y. P. A.,	
Highland Park, Michigan	10.00
Rangers Intermediate League,	
Cofer's Chapel,	
Nashville, Tennessee	20.25
Kerman, Calif., G. T. A.	1.50
Kerman, Calif., Y. P. A.	3.50
Compton Woman's Aux.,	
Laneville, Texas	5.00
First F. W. B. Church,	
Woman's Auxiliary,	
Norfolk, Virginia	10.00
Woman's Auxiliary,	
Holdenville, Okla.	10.90
Gleaners Class, Cofer's Chapel,	
Nashville, Tenn. 16 almost new books	

"It didn't hurt any of us to save this money," said Miss Ann Burgess, treasurer of Rangers Intermediate League of Cofer's Chapel on presenting their money to Mrs. J. P. Barrow. "It was the money we would have spent for ice cream and candy from our school lunches."

Dr. Johnson To Write for Sunday School Publication

Dr. L. C. Johnson has been asked by Higley Press of Butler, Indiana, for the second year in succession to write a 300-word homily for their 1956 *Evangelical Sunday School Lesson Commentary*.

Mr. Loyal R. Ringenberg, editor, wrote, "... you are one of the fifty-two American ministers favored for the 1956 staff. We sincerely hope you will be free to write again."

Turnage New Dietician



Ray Turnage, who graduates June 3, joined the College staff as dietician the first of January. Mr. Turnage's previous experience has given him a decided ability in satisfying the needs of hungry students. His many pleasant surprise dishes keep the students looking forward to each meal.

Mr. Turnage and Mrs. Turnage, who also graduates with him in June, will stay in Nashville during the summer. He plans to attend George Peabody College.

Second Extension School Held in Illinois

Rev. Leroy Forlines, College Extension School director, reports a successful school at Ina, Illinois, January 18-28 with five receiving certificates and others in attendance. The classes were held in the local public school building.

Rev. George Waggoner of Okawville handled the local publicity for the school and was in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Forlines taught the doctrines of God and the Holy Spirit, units of the Free Will Baptist Doctrine course. In The Church and Its Auxiliaries course he dealt with the following divisions: The Church—Its Mission, Its Origin, Duties of Officers, Duties of Members, Finance System, Promoting Spiritual Life, and the Relation of the Auxiliaries to the Church.

Mr. Forlines described the school as having a very good interest in the subjects taught. He recommends future extension schools be sponsored by the local church.

The Correspondence Corner

Responses To \$38,000 Campaign

Myrtle, Missouri, Church

"I received your letter yesterday, was glad to get it.

"However it was a little late as I already have a drive on to try to raise one hundred (\$100.00) for the College. We may not get that much, but we will get something; already have part of it. Will try to send it in by April 1.

"We are thankful for the progress of the school, and feel sure it will take eternity to reveal all the good the school has and is doing."

REV. GEORGE W. SCOTT
Myrtle, Missouri

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Hull To Be One of 300

"I appreciate your writing me relative to your campaign to retire the indebtedness of the Bible College . . . I am confident that our church, Hull Road, will be one of the 300 to raise \$100 towards retiring the indebtedness."

REV. WILLIAM BURKETTE RAPER
Snow Hill, North Carolina

* * *

Another \$100 Pledge

"The Cedar Springs Free Will Baptist Church has already pledged its efforts towards . . . one hundred dollars for the College."

REV. W. F. McDUFFIE
Cedar Springs, Georgia

* * *

Memorial Church To Give \$100

"In regards to the letter about raising funds for the College, our people at Memorial Church plan to give \$100.00 by the date you mention."

REV. EMMETT McDUFFIE
Rochelle, Georgia

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Mississippi Pastor Pledges Support

"Received your letter asking for an offering to help clear the College from debt . . . We will do our best to have an offering there on the date mentioned. As you know our churches have always stood behind the College. Hope you complete VICTORY in your effort.

REV. M. L. HOLLIS
Amory, Mississippi

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Other Letters of Interest

Paper Boy "Helps Out"

"I am sending in my donation and my son's together as it will be more con-
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Financial Facts

1. Average monthly income over the past 12 months excluding gifts to Building Fund	\$ 8,711.00
2. Average monthly expenses	8,727.09
3. Received on purchase of new dormitory	24,438.99
4. Paid on purchase of new property	35,000.00
5. Total interest paid on indebtedness of new property	3,500.00
6. Balance due on new property	38,000.00
7. Receipts for January:	
General Receipts	3,332.42
W.N.A.C.	80.52
Building Fund Gifts	976.75
Gifts to Library Fund	70.25
Student Accounts	13,435.22
Gifts By States:	
Alabama	290.96
Arkansas	5.27
California	116.00
Florida	32.00
Georgia	793.07
Illinois	142.61
India	5.00
Kentucky	80.50
Michigan	57.50
Mississippi	187.98
Missouri	323.58
North Carolina	786.76
Ohio	89.00
Oklahoma	101.56
South Carolina	50.72
Tennessee	457.08
Texas	200.86
Virginia	78.22
West Virginia	510.50

CORRESPONDENCE CORNER

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venient. He is only 12 years old and has a paper route and wanted to help out. We were very glad to see him interested as on different occasions he has said he wants to attend college there when he is out of high school."

H. E. WALKER
PHILIP WALKER
Detroit, Michigan

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Elderly Couple Sends Gift

"We are an elderly couple and don't have much income but we want to send you \$10.00 for the College. We are members of the Pleasant Ridge Church where Brother Eskle Baker is pastor and we want our church to have credit for this offering."

MR. AND MRS. KELLY HALL
Cookeville, Tennessee

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Enjoyed Quartet

"Please find enclosed check of \$7.50 . . . We had the boys (College quartet) with us at Patmos Sunday and we enjoyed them so much and appreciate the work that is being done at the College for the glory of God."

J. F. GRIFFIN
Leary, Georgia

Auditorium Scene of Home Missions Rally



Representative of the many guest ministers attending the National Home Missions meeting in Nashville, February 1-3, is Rev. E. M. Kennedy of Tulsa, Oklahoma. He is pictured above when addressing the College students, faculty members, and visitors at the chapel service, Tuesday, February 2.

The associational-wide Home Missions Rally held at the College Memorial Auditorium Wednesday evening, February 3, climaxed a three-day Preaching Mission sponsored by the National Home Mission Board. Rev. C. F. Bowen, East Nashville pastor, spoke to an almost capacity crowd. The College Chorus furnished special music.

The purpose of the special services was to help in raising Tennessee's national quota and to place emphasis on Home Missions, according to Rev. Damon C. Dodd, National Home Mission director. Monday and Tuesday night services were held in many churches of the Cumberland Association with guest ministers bringing the messages.

Rev. Lonnie DeVault, senior student and pastor of Trinity Church, was host to Rev. Homer Willis on Monday night and Rev. C. F. Bowen on Tuesday night. Mr. DeVault was guest speaker at the East Nashville Church on Tuesday night.

Rev. Roger Reeds (junior) of Bethlehem, Rev. Carey Watkins (junior) of Mt. Zion, Rev. Bob Wilfong (special) of Head's, and Rev. Ben Barrus (senior) of Olivet also conducted special services in their churches with members of the Home Mission Board as guest speakers.

The members of the Home Mission

College Chorus Records Music for Mission Radio Program

Transcriptions of the College Chorus singing "Rescue the Perishing" and "Just As I Am" were made by Mr. Van Irwin, general manager of radio station WNAH. These transcriptions will be used on a radio program every Saturday morning by Rev. Charles Short in the interest of starting a Rescue Mission in Nashville.

Mr. Short, special student at Free Will Baptist Bible College this semester, will be the director of the mission after it is established.

Mr. Irwin stated that there is a demand for the type of music the College Chorus presents since the supply of recorded sacred music is very limited.

Dean's List

The following students made an average of "B" or better for the first semester.

<i>"A" Honor Roll</i>	Barbara Hancock
Ruth Floyd,	Eula Mae Martin
Senior	Jane Smith
Bobby Jackson,	Donald Upright
Senior	Barbara Willey
Ruth Scott,	<i>Freshmen</i>
Freshman	Bobby Aycock
<i>"B" Honor Roll</i>	Joyce Barrus
Seniors	Jane Berry
Ben Barrus	Edna DeVault
Lonnie DeVault	Ken Eagleton
Robert Edwards	Shirley Graves
Johnnie Floyd	Ada B. Hickman
Bonnie Henson	Robert Hill
Christine Hooks	William Hill
Leah McGlohon	Anita Kaminsky
June Rivenbark	John B. Martin
Eugene Waddell	Jo Ann Piercey
Juniors	Jerry Thompson
Carroll Alexander	Joyce Thompson
Clarence Burton	Henry V. Kluyve
Betty Jo Ingle	Virginia V. Kluyve
Boyce Wallace	Sara Willoughby
Carey Watkins	Ronald Winkle
Mary R. Wishart	<i>Special Students</i>
Sophomores	Margaret Bryan
Marvis Anderson	Olena Filkins
Dale Burden	Lonnie Sparks
Juanita Dunn	Robert Wilfong

Board were guests at the College dining hall for the Wednesday noon meal.

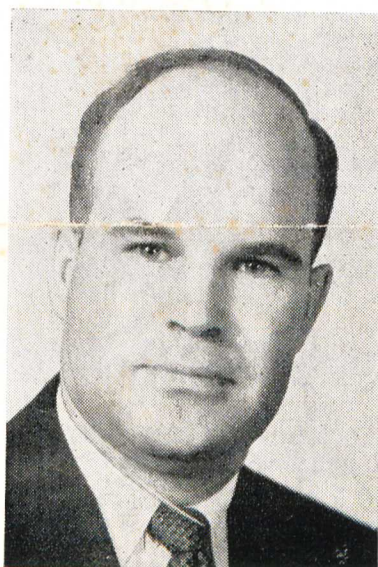
The establishment of National Headquarters in Nashville furnishes the College with outstanding denominational leaders as special chapel speakers on many occasions. The students benefit in becoming acquainted with the departments of the national program, thus qualifying them early in their ministry to appreciate the objectives of the Free Will Baptist Church as a whole.

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BIBLE CONFERENCE SPEAKERS



REV. JOSEPH G. ANGE



REV. DAMON C. DODD



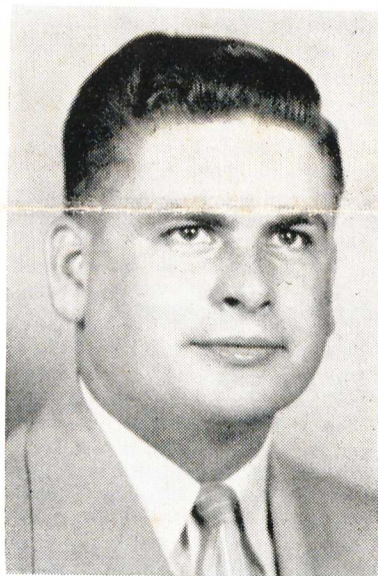
REV. RALPH STATEN

Record Attendance Expected at Bible College

The largest attendance ever to be registered is expected by the Bible College for its annual Bible Conference to begin Sunday, March 28, at 3:30 p.m. in Memorial Auditorium and to continue through Thursday noon, April 1.

Speakers featured on the program will be Rev. W. Burkette Raper, Snow Hill, North Carolina; Rev. Damon C. Dodd, Nashville, Tennessee; Rev. Joseph G. Ange, Durham, North Carolina, and Rev. Ralph Staten, Wewoka, Oklahoma. Mr. Raper is Promotional Director of North Carolina State Convention and is pastor of the Snow Hill Church. Mr. Ange, former student at the College, is pastor of Edgemont Church, Durham. Mr. Dodd, former College student and return speaker at the Conference, is Promotional Secretary for the National Home Mission Board. Mr. Staten is pastor of the First Church, Wewoka.

Outstanding, timely, Bible-centered messages by these well-qualified speak-



REV. W. BURKETT RAPER

ers will high-light the conference. Special music will be presented by the College chorus and other student groups. The sessions will begin at 8:45 each
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Debt Retirement Service To Climax Bible Conference Program

The closing hour of the Bible Conference, 11 o'clock, Thursday morning, April 1, has been designated "Debt Retirement Service" by College officials. Gifts from churches throughout the denomination will be presented at this time in the combined effort of Free Will Baptists to raise \$38,000 to "Pay in Full" the indebtedness against buildings and property purchased within the past few years in the College Expansion Program.

Representatives of many Free Will Baptist Churches will personally present their churches' gifts to be receipted and posted on a blackboard listing the goal for each state. Gifts from churches received prior to April 1 will also be posted in the state totals.

It is hoped \$100 donations from as many as 300 churches and donations of other amounts will be received to assure the \$38,000 objective.

Many pastors and individuals have
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From My Desk...

L. C. Johnson, L. H. D.

You will read this about the time we will know the results of the campaign to clear the Bible College indebtedness. Of course none of us yet knows what the results will be. Whatever the outcome, my heart has been made to rejoice at the wonderful response you have made to this appeal.



I have tried to analyze this response and I believe there are two good reasons why the Free Will Baptist denomination is behind the Bible College. First, with few exceptions we are all aware of the importance of trained leadership.

We realize that our denomination could not continue to exist, much less grow, unless intelligently directed. We live in a day when education is considered so vital that our ministers are going to get training whether we provide it or not. We do not want to force them into other denominational schools or into secular institutions for training. By their increase in giving our Free Will Baptist people are saying the responsibility is ours of equipping the workmen we send into the harvest. By so doing we purchase for our denomination the kind of training befitting our needs.

Second, you believe Free Will Baptist Bible College is giving the right kind of training to the youth of our church. You would not support the Bible College unless you were sure we were running a thoroughly Christian college that was true to the teachings of our denomination. Free Will Baptist Bible College has an obligation to you who are asked to support it, to be true to the Word of God both in doctrine and in practice. I wish to take this occasion to assure you that Free Will Baptist Bible College not only believes in orthodoxy but in clean, separated, Christian living.

As long as your Bible College stands for these things it need not blush to ask you to support it, and you will gladly do it. You read the history of an institution in the lives of its students. You also read its aims and policies from the lives of those who attend. We believe your faithful support is proof that you are well pleased with the work Free Will Baptist Bible College is doing.

Record Attendance

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morning, Monday through Thursday, and at 7:30 each evening, Monday through Wednesday. The afternoon hours will be reserved for fellowship, visitation, or local sight-seeing trips.

Year by year more and more people are attracted to the Bible Conference. Families of the students, church leaders, pastors, and former students look forward each year to many spiritual blessings during the four days of special services declared by many to be the most enjoyed yearly event anywhere in the Free Will Baptist Church.

At the College itself all classroom assignments and other school activities are put aside so the student can partake of all the Conference services. Following the closing service on April 1, the students will have a vacation until Wednesday, April 7.

The following program will serve as a guide during the Conference.

Sunday, March 28

3:30 p.m. Vesper Service

Monday, March 29

8:45—9:35 Damon C. Dodd

9:35—10:30 Ralph Staten

10:30—11:15 Recess

11:15—12:15 W. Burkette Raper

7:30 p.m. Joseph G. Ange

Tuesday, March 30

8:45—9:35 Joseph G. Ange

9:35—10:30 W. Burkette Raper

10:30—11:15 Recess

11:15—12:15 Ralph Staten

7:30 p.m. Damon C. Dodd

Wednesday, March 31

8:45—9:35 Damon C. Dodd

9:35—10:30 Joseph G. Ange

10:30—11:15 Recess

11:15—12:15 W. Burkette Raper.

7:30 p.m. Ralph Staten

Thursday, April 1

"College Day"

8:45 Devotional—Joseph G. Ange

9:15 Alumni Hour

10:30 Recess

11:00 College Debt Retirement

Seniors Present Chapel Programs

The senior students have brought a bit of variation to the chapel services recently. The young men have been given a chance to speak in the chapel. Their messages have been beneficial to the student body and faculty.

The young women have conducted two chapel services in which they recalled experiences spent during four years at the Bible College.

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Alumni Association

By MRS. DAMON C. DODD, Secretary

3801 Richland Avenue

Nashville, Tennessee

As I write this column, there are many things that are racing through my mind. The Bible Conference is coming up soon, and of course, during that time we always look forward to the Alumni Association meeting. We are planning a great time this year at our annual meeting. There will be the banquet at the B & W Cafeteria, and the business meeting in connection. Several new ideas for improving the Alumni Association will be presented this year.

We are praying for victory on Thursday, April 1, in paying off the \$38,000 indebtedness against the Richland Apartments building. Let me urge each one of you to pray to this end.

The news this month is all good and I am happy to present it herewith:

Bobby Picirilli, '53, made the "A" honor roll at Bob Jones University.

Daniel Merkh, '53, has accepted a call to the Jacksonville, Florida church. The Merks have a new baby boy born January 14. He has been named Daniel James Merkh, Jr.

Dorena Davis, '52, has been employed to prepare the Junior League Quarterly.

Joseph Ange, '50, is conducting a revival for *Rolla Smith*, '49. Rolla is pastor of Fellowship Church in Flat River, Missouri.

Harold Dunlap, '47, recently closed a very successful revival in the Thomas-ton, Georgia Church.

Pray daily for *Homer Wiltis*, '46. He has been injured in an auto accident.

Damon C. Dodd, '44, and *Joseph Ange*, '50, will speak at the annual Bible Conference.

Ronald Creech, '52, has just closed a very successful revival at the Little Creek Church near Norfolk, Virginia.

Evelyn Felts, '49, is taking work at Watkins Institute in Nashville.

T. G. Hamilton's, '47, church in Glennville, Georgia is in a revival with Lonnie Sparks as evangelist.

Huey Gower, '46, is working with *Noah Tuttle*, '47, in organizing a mission at Marshall, Texas.

Everett Hellard, '43, pastor of First Church of Houston, has the Rev. C. F. Bowen with him for a revival.

N. R. Smith, '53, led his church at Bristow, Oklahoma, in making a pledge of \$165.00 for Home Missions.

Library Book Fund News

Junior Girls' Sunday School	
Class First Church, Hazel Park, Mich.	\$ 3.00
Dorcas Class, East Nashville Church, Nashville, Tennessee	3.16
Woman's Auxiliary, New Harmony Church, Greentop, Missouri	5.00
Woman's Auxiliary, Quarterly Meeting Southeast Missouri District	15.00
Woman's Auxiliary, Spring Hill Church, Lexington, Oklahoma	4.00
Woman's Auxiliary, Wewoka, Oklahoma	5.00
Oklahoma Woman's Auxiliary	3.00
Woman's Auxiliary, Indian Creek Association, Southwest Missouri	5.00
Woman's Auxiliary, Smithfield, North Carolina	10.00
Woman's Auxiliary, New Hope Church, Joelton, Tennessee	5.00
Woman's Auxiliary, Marlboro, North Carolina	3.50
Y.P.A., Olivet Church, Guthrie, Kentucky	5.00
Oilton Oklahoma League—one new book Mrs. J. E. Frazier, Ashland City, Tenn. 84 very good books, several new.	

"We appreciate every gift, and we are inspired to work harder when the postman leaves a letter with a gift that betokens some auxiliary's thoughts and interest," Mrs. Barrow, librarian, stated in announcing the above gifts received during the past month for the Library Book Fund.

Child Evangelism Director Visits College

Recently the Bible College students were privileged to have as a chapel speaker Miss Bertha Coon, East Tennessee Director of Child Evangelism. She challenged the hearts of many with her description of the field of winning children, which is wide open to workers. Several students had already felt they were called for full-time Child Evangelism work and are making preparation for that field.

During the chapel program Miss Coon presented various methods used in winning children to Christ.

In the afternoon and evening, interested students attended a workshop directed by Miss Coon. She demonstrated the use of object lessons and flannel-graph lessons, and gave many helpful hints for those working with children. The workshop was held at the newly opened Child Evangelism office in Nashville.

The Practical Work Department of the Bible College works in connection with the Child Evangelism Fellowship.

The Correspondence Corner

Many encouraging responses to the appeal for gifts to liquidate the \$33,000 debt of Free Will Baptist College have been received. Below are just a few of them.

Church at Children's Home to give \$100

"... Our little church here at the Children's Home is weak and small but we will put forth special effort to do what we can on the first day of April for the College indebtedness. We have already by our membership reached the \$60.00 mark on the subscription and it might be possible for us to go the other forty by that date.

"Our church here is composed of part of the children in the Home and they are doing without candy and the things that would be a pleasure to them in order to help raise the money. We would like to just say, just count on us."

REV. W. H. RYLAND
Eldridge, Alabama

Illinois Church to give \$100

"Our church voted unanimously to be one of the \$100 donors . . . We join with you in prayer that God shall speak to enough people, and that by their obedience our Bible College shall be free of debt that day.

"We are truly glad to be one of those churches to give, for God has been wonderfully good to us here in Johnston City. Although our church is only four years old we have broken all records of all the churches in Johnston City for prayer meeting attendance with an average this month of 122. We also broke our own Sunday School record this month with 187. Also five souls have been saved this month at our regular services. I believe these are some of the blessings from God because of the willingness of our people to give."

REV. CLAUDE CHILDERS
Marion, Illinois

Texas Church of 30 Members Giving \$400

"The members and friends of the little Blue Lake Free Will Baptist Church here in the Piedmont community used part of the service last Sunday night to make donations for the purpose of helping pay off the \$33,000 indebtedness on the building at the Bible College. I am enclosing herewith checks from various members totaling \$260, and another check repre-

Anticipation

By MRS. J. E. SIMPSON,
DEAN OF WOMEN

Yes, anticipation is fun. We spend our time in summer thinking and planning what we will do when we get to College. Maybe each night we draw a black line through that day on the calendar exclaiming, there now! I have one day less to wait to get fixed snug and cozy in that dormitory room with walls painted some favorite color and curtains that just blend in so beautifully. My! Will I enjoy hanging in the closet my pretty dresses that I have chosen so carefully as to color, style, and material that would make any college girl turn to Exodus 20:17 and read the 10th commandment, especially when her eyes fall on my new formal all trimmed up with tucks, ruffles, and sparkling pins.

Now that summer is over, fall is here and college life is a reality. Classes, chapel services, tests, and class meetings. These and many other activities carry us through the whirl of the day.

But wait a minute! Soon there is coming the Christmas holidays. How wonderful! Just think, we will get to go home. I can hardly wait. Will I be glad! We only have to wait 18½ days. On and on we see the days fly by with the sparkle of anticipation in the eyes of everyone.

Now we here at the College are watching with interest these fine students as they live these experiences; and if you would like to have the thrill of your life, you should be present at the opening of school and see the students meet and greet each other with that warm friendly spirit that exists among our students. You would immediately say to yourself, "I'm glad I can have a part in supporting such an institution, for truly my observation teaches me that college is carrying on a well-planned training program, and the dividends that will result from such a training program will honor the name of our Lord—far beyond our anticipation."

sending cash collection from the Sunday School balance, and from friends in the amount of \$40. Altogether a grand total of \$300.

"There was an additional pledge of \$100 . . . which I believe you will receive direct. If you do not get sufficient funds from all the churches to cover the indebtedness, we shall by the grace of God, dig up a little more."

W. K. O'BRIEN
Anderson, Texas

Correspondence Department Growing

Those handling the Correspondence Courses of the Bible College are kept busy because this comparatively new department is growing by leaps and bounds. Twenty people are now enrolled in correspondence work, and lessons to be graded come in regularly.

The following people are now enrolled:

G. Cecil Bowen, Claremore, Oklahoma
Francis Boyle, Turlock, California
Jack Carswell, Cramerton, North Carolina
Albert T. Coates, Smithfield, North Carolina
Mrs. Norvell Dawson, Dunn, North Carolina
Mrs. Aletha S. Deese, Newton, Alabama
Ralph Doggett, Warren, Arkansas
William L. Hall, Darlington, South Carolina
Herman D. Hupp, Calwa, California
Mrs. Jane Jackson, Nashville, Tennessee
Wade Jernigan, Modesto, California
Mrs. Betty Lambert, Nashville, Tennessee
Mrs. Eloise Phillips, Nashville, Tennessee
Henry L. Player, Darlington, South Carolina
Nellie Imogene Richards, Greeneville, Tennessee
Winston Sweeney, Bristol, Tennessee
Mary Jo Wall, Mt. Hope, West Virginia
James S. Whitehead, Paden, Mississippi
Robert L. Wilfong, Cedar Hill, Tennessee
Marvin M. Williams, Durham, North Carolina

Music Department Presents Sunday Morning Radio Program

If it were possible for you to tune your radio to station WNAH in Nashville every Sunday morning from 7:00 to 7:30 you would hear "Sunday Morning Reveries." This is a program of religious music presented by the music department of Free Will Baptist Bible College. The Phillips-Robinson Funeral Home of Nashville sponsors this program.

"Sunday Morning Reveries" consists of songs by the College chorus, the girls' trio and sextette, and quartets. It is recorded in the Memorial Auditorium during the week and transcribed for the Sunday morning program.

In the dining hall on Sunday morning one is able to hear the program all during the breakfast hour. The music students are especially interested in hearing the outcome of their efforts to exalt the Lord Jesus Christ through their singing.

Missionary Speaker Delights College Students

W. G. Lewis, of Lincoln, Nebraska, specialist in missionary dental training, engendered in the student body an additional fervor for missions in a special chapel program Thursday, March 18.

Mr. Lewis challenged the missionary students to a greater missionary ministry by taking dental training before leaving for the mission field. He related the story of his life as a farm boy in Michigan, his struggle in working his way through college, his later success in the commercial chicken-hatching business, and finally his being able to fulfill his lifelong desire of helping missionaries on the mission field. This he did after seeing the lack of dental care was impairing the health of many missionaries. A great burden to supply this need caused him to take hundreds of hours of private instruction from cooperative dentists before he took a dental chair to the mission field where he has ministered to the dental needs of nearly a thousand missionaries in several foreign countries. Not only were the missionaries kept in better health, but this ministry afforded many entrances among the natives as well.

The great success of this venture led Mr. Lewis to found a dental training school for missionary candidates. His school offers a seven-months' course in intensified dental training including 1600 hours of work. Requirements for completion of the course are 100 teeth extracted, 300 fillings, 25 dentures made, and 15 wisdom teeth extracted. No charge is made for the training except room and board of approximately \$500 for the course. Tools to properly equip a missionary to do dental work on the mission field will cost \$1500, he stated.

Mr. Lewis pointed out that although his school furnished training free and sometimes the students would receive help even to pay their room and board, yet the students must meet the personal requirements of consecrated lives, hearts, eyes, and hands.

The student body was thrilled over this unique Christian ministry, and many of the missionary candidates consulted with Mr. Lewis for further information about his training program as well as news from the mission fields. He later spoke at the Missionary Prayer Band.

**Free Will
Baptist Bible College**
1942-1954
12 Years of Service

February Receipts Come From Twenty States and India

1. Average monthly income over the past 12 months excluding gifts to Building Fund	\$ 8,828.47
2. Average monthly expenses	8,685.65
3. Received on Purchase of new dormitory	26,104.38
4. Paid on purchase of new property	35,000.00
5. Total interest Paid on indebtedness of new property	3,500.00
6. Balance due on new property	38,000.00
7. Receipts for February:	
General Receipts	2,935.44
W.N.A.C.	29.33
Building Fund Gifts	1,665.39
Gifts to Library Fund	68.56
Students Accounts	4,105.57

Gifts by States:	
Alabama	88.00
Arkansas	5.25
California	90.50
Florida	18.00
Georgia	899.56
Illinois	85.00
India	5.00
Kentucky	143.50
Maryland	3.00
Michigan	167.50
Mississippi	69.50
Missouri	315.23
New Mexico	5.00
North Carolina	1,048.09
Ohio	83.50
Oklahoma	149.80
South Carolina	162.13
Tennessee	719.96
Texas	399.69
Virginia	106.96
West Virginia	35.66

Debt Retirement

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been contacted during the past four months with information about the campaign. The overall response has encouraged a high expectancy for success among College staff members.

Quotas desired from the different states are:

Alabama	\$ 700.00
Arkansas	600.00
California	1,000.00
Florida	600.00
Georgia	3,500.00
Illinois	2,000.00
Kansas	100.00
Kentucky	500.00
Michigan	1,500.00
Mississippi	2,000.00
Missouri	3,000.00
North Carolina	10,000.00
Ohio	500.00
Oklahoma	1,500.00
South Carolina	1,500.00
Tennessee	5,000.00
Texas	1,500.00
Virginia	1,500.00
West Virginia	1,000.00

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Indebtedness Campaign Gifts Total \$30,000

The campaign for retirement of the Free Will Baptist Bible College debt was climaxed on April 1 at the 11 a.m. service with gifts totalling approximately \$30,000. A capacity crowd gathered in Memorial Auditorium to watch with anticipation the presentation of gifts from churches in twenty states, denominational organizations, and individuals. Dr. L. C. Johnson, president of the College, expressed the prevailing sentiment in these words, "Nothing like this has happened before."

All donations were tabulated on a blackboard in view of the audience. The student body president, Ray Turnage, led the parade of givers with \$1030 from the students, followed by LaVerne D. Miley, dean, with \$600 from the faculty. States were called forth alphabetically, and the total for each state was posted on the blackboard.

Included in these totals were many notable gifts. J. A. Blackburn from West Virginia, Clarence Crow from Tennessee, and R. D. Norwood from Oklahoma, made personal gifts of \$500 each. Cofer's Chapel Church, Nashville, gave \$1000. Other gifts ranged up to \$650.

Gifts from the College Alumni and Woman's National Auxiliary Convention were classed along with the student and faculty gifts as miscellaneous gifts.

Such a response was the result of a campaign throughout the denomination. The spirit of cooperation shown all during the campaign was outstanding; all gave in the spirit of willingness. Everyone has acclaimed this to be the greatest victory in the history of the Bible College.

BUILDING FUND RECEIPTS

Oct. 16, 1953 through April 15, 1954

Alabama	\$ 1,045.82
Arkansas	527.62
California	131.79
Florida	142.25
Georgia	3,592.20
Illinois	874.00
Indiana	20.00

\$34,000 RICHLAND APARTMENT MORTGAGE PAID



Dr. L. C. Johnson presents check for \$34,850 to bank official in full payment of loan on Richland Apartment building. Left to right: E. B. McDonald, College treasurer; J. L. Welch, chairman of Board of Trustees; Dr. Johnson; and Floyd Stone, bank manager.

As an anti-climax to the \$30,000 given at the College Debt Retirement service on April 1, College officials added \$5,000 from the school's General Fund

to pay the \$34,000 mortgage against Richland Apartment. An interest payment of \$850 was due at the same time.

Acclaiming the \$30,000 as a great victory, College leaders felt the wisdom of taking enough out of the operating fund to make possible the objective of clearing the College's newest property of debt. The remaining indebtedness of \$4,000 will be paid in semi-annual payments of \$1000 out of the General Fund budget. Interest on this smaller loan will not run very much each year.

All gifts to the Campaign Fund have not been received in the College office, and it is hoped these late gifts will furnish the \$5000 to repay the General Fund. This will have to be replaced shortly. If General Fund gifts are unusually good within the next two months, the operating fund will be able to absorb the \$5000 transfer without borrowing, College officials believe.

Kansas	47.00
Kentucky	504.00
Louisiana	1.00
Michigan	858.00
Mississippi	1,229.52
Missouri	1,317.92
North Carolina	7,195.34
Ohio	251.25
Oklahoma	1,661.95
Oregon	12.00
South Carolina	1,076.91
Tennessee	4,872.15
Texas	1,552.31
Virginia	332.18
West Virginia	547.90
W. N. A. C.	100.00
College Students	1,164.12
College Faculty	600.00
Alumni Association	163.54
Bible Conference Offering,	
April 1	547.49
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	\$30,368.26

From My Desk...

L. C. Johnson, L. H. D.

"If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God . . . and it shall be given him." (James 1:5).

Wisdom has been described as the proper use of knowledge. We shall accept this definition even though I feel the wisdom of God goes beyond our ability to properly use knowledge. A study of the words "if any of you lack



wisdom" reveals that James was not implying that there would be some of us who would have sufficient wisdom of our own and therefore would not need the wisdom of God, but rather the purpose of the statement is to direct us who need

wisdom to the proper source.

The need for the wisdom of God is strongly stressed by the Apostle Paul in his first letter to the Corinthian church. He distinguishes between "the wisdom of this world" (1 Corinthians 1:20) and the "wisdom which God ordained." There are many reasons why we need the wisdom of God. First of all we need God's wisdom in order to understand our need of a Saviour. The natural man's wisdom tells him that by being good and practicing the Golden Rule he can save himself. "But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God. . ." (1 Corinthians 2:14).

We also need God's wisdom in order to understand our position in Christ Jesus and the things which God has prepared for them that love Him. In the more practical things we need the wisdom of God in making our daily decisions that in all things we might please Him. Proverbs 3:6 teaches us: "In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths."

In our text we are directed to the source of all wisdom, God. "If any of you lack . . . let him ask of God." In comparing human and divine wisdom Paul says ". . . the foolishness of God is wiser than men. . ." (1 Corinthians

SPEAKERS THRILL BIBLE CONFERENCE AUDIENCE



Pictured above with Dr. L. C. Johnson are the four Bible Conference speakers: Joseph Ange, Durham, N. C.; W. B. Raper, Snow Hill, N. C.; Damon Dodd, Nashville, Tennessee; and Ralph Staten, Wewoka, Oklahoma.

Their preaching and leadership in the services with the music of College groups made up one of the most enjoyed Bible Conferences. God's seal of approval was evident in His blessings shared by those who attended.

The messages on great themes of the Bible, Evangelism, and Christian Philosophy, were well delivered and appropriate, informative, challenging, and soul stirring.

In listening to the speakers one was conscious that hours of study and prayer had been put into each sermon. Three messages were brought each morning and one each night.

1:25). 1 Corinthians 2:9-10 again he says, ". . . Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him. But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit. . ." Again in verse 12 of the same chapter we are told ". . . we have received not the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God." It is a comfort and a challenge to us who are God's workmen to know that we have a source of wisdom if only we will use it. God will not leave us in confusion and doubt when we earnestly seek to know His will.

Let us note the means of this wisdom, asking. When we read the verse we are assured that it shall be given us. There is no need for failure in the work of God if we but only ask Him for wisdom.

Twenty-Three States Give in March

1. Average monthly income over the past 12 months excluding gifts to Building Fund \$ 9,442.61
2. Average monthly expenses 9,962.99
3. Received on purchase of new dormitory (9-1-52-3-31-54) 37,069.86
4. Paid on purchase of new property 35,000.00
5. Total interest paid on indebtedness of new property 3,500.00
6. Balance due on new property 38,000.00
7. Receipts for March:
 - General Receipts 3,445.72
 - W. N. A. C. 51.94
 - Building Fund Gifts 10,965.48
 - Gifts to Library Fund 53.75
 - Student's Accounts 3,320.27

Gifts by States:	
Alabama	\$ 382.32
Arkansas	498.57
California	217.29
Florida	328.80
Georgia	1,343.73
Illinois	692.00
Indiana	15.00
Kansas	20.00
Kentucky	415.75
Maryland	1.00
Michigan	753.20
Mississippi	187.15
Missouri	894.22
New Mexico	4.00
North Carolina	4,881.53
Ohio	322.25
Oklahoma	489.29
Oregon	12.00
South Carolina	280.28
Tennessee	1,654.10
Texas	803.30
Virginia	166.52
West Virginia	48.90

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Alumni Association

By MRS. DAMON C. DODD, *Secretary*
3301 Richland Avenue
Nashville, Tennessee

Alumni Banquet

One hundred and nine Free Will Baptist Bible College Alumni and their friends packed the main banquet room of the B & W Cafeteria on March 31 for the most successful session ever held.

President Joseph Ange, Durham, North Carolina, presided at the affair which featured the Girls' Trio of FWBBC as vocalists Wendell Babcock, College faculty member, accompanied at the piano. Rev. W. S. Mooneyham delighted the gathering with his wit and humor. The members of the 1954 graduating class and Rev. and Mrs. J. L. Welch, were guests of honor.

Alumni Presents Pageant At Bible Conference

The Alumni hour at the Bible Conference featured a pageant in five parts depicting the denomination's founding and growth, with emphasis on the expansion of the Bible College.

The pageant, written by *Damon C. Dodd*, '44, began with the ministry of Rev. Paul Palmer and followed the course of events to 1787 and the Randallian Free Will Baptist movement in the North.

From here the cause was traced historically through the early 1800's to the Civil War days when the denomination was split on the slavery question.

The narrative proceeded on to the merger with Northern Baptists and the consequent loss of Free Will Baptist colleges and mission work.

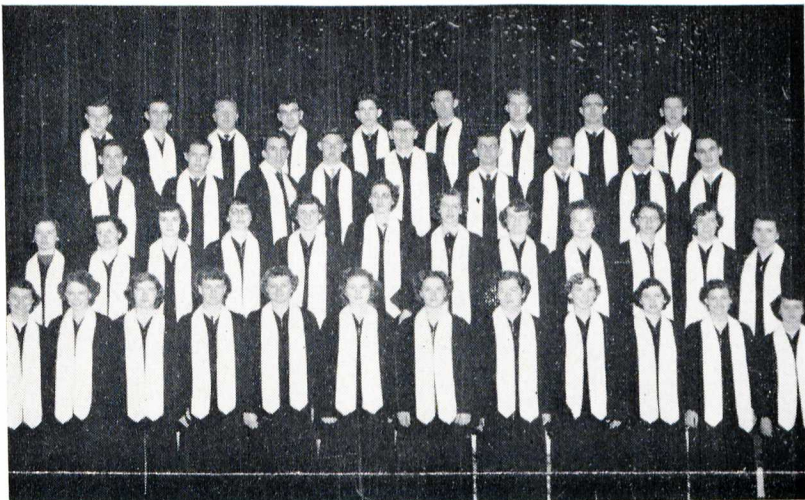
Then began the recovery story. In 1935 the Eastern and Western Free Will Baptist groups met and formed the National Association. This event was dramatized, using some of the persons actually engaged in the merger.

The Bible College story came next, with the session of the National Association in Columbus, Georgia, in 1942, being relived. The opening of the College in Nashville, the first class session, and the first graduating class were other historical events which used the persons who actually made the history in depicting it.

The pageant closed with a great dedication service in which scores of students and former students participated.

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COLLEGE CHORUS TO VISIT IN MISS. AND ALABAMA



The thirty-member Bible College chorus will appear at four out-of-state churches April 25-28. L. C. Johnson, president, and Ross Dowden, director of music, have announced. They want Free Will Baptist churches to benefit from the work the music department is doing this year.

The choir has sung at some of the

Nashville churches, but this will be the first time such a large number has planned to visit churches any distance from the school. The members of the choir will travel by chartered bus to their appointments. They will leave Nashville at noon Sunday, April 25, and return on Thursday, April 29. Ross Dowden and Wendell Babcock, faculty members, will accompany them on the trip. These students compose the group:

Nashville Church Raises \$1,000 for Indebtedness Campaign

Pastor J. L. Welch led Cofer's Chapel Church in special services March 28, resulting in a gift of \$1000 to help retire the College indebtedness.

A spirit of enthusiasm swept from the Sunday School classes into the morning service and throughout the evening service.

The giving began in the individual Sunday School classes and grew to more than \$700 at the close of the morning service.

At the beginning of the evening service the amount had swelled to over \$800. The pastor called upon the people to raise it to the \$1000 mark. A splendid spirit of giving was manifested among the members who felt they should match the \$1000 raised by the students. After all gifts were in, the church supplied the necessary amount to complete the \$1000 goal.

A group of College students were in charge of the Sunday morning service. The program consisted of music by the College quartet and chorus, a brief history of the College, and personal testimonies of students.

Joyce Barrus
Barbara Willey
Shirley Hancock
Ada Beth Hickman
Barbara Hancock
Ruby Griffin
Leah Nichols
Jo Anne Piercy
Argent Steedley
Virginia VanKluyve
Jane Berry
June Goode
Julia Pate
Dale Burden
Galen Dunbar
Henry VanKluyve
Bobby Joe Davis
G. C. Lee, Jr.
Marvis Lee
Kenneth Faison
Mary Ruth Wischart
Jane Smith
Leah McGlohon
Sammy Wilkinson
Eugene Waddell
Carroll Alexander
Willis Wilson
Tommy Willey
Carlton Lambert

Evening services will be held at the following churches:

Sunday, April 25—East Tupelo, Miss.
Monday, April 26—Columbus, Miss.
Tuesday, April 27—Brilliant, Ala.
Wednesday, April 28—Cordova, Ala.

CAPACITY CROWDS ATTEND CONFERENCE



Brown Receives Ordination

J. O. Brown, Jr., a junior student, was approved for ordination as a minister in the Free Will Baptist Church at the meeting of the Cumberland Association Presbytery on March 26.

His ordination service was held on April 10 in the Friendship Church at the Eastern Quarterly Meeting of the Cumberland Association. Rev. J. L. Welch of Nashville led in the ordination service.

Mr. Brown is working to establish a church in the Woodbine section of Nashville.

Alumni Association

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All requests for copies of this pageant should be directed to the secretary of the Alumni Association. They may be had in mimeograph form for 50c each.

Alumni News

Charles Sapp, '53, reports 239 in Sunday School and two conversions in a recent service.

Wedding bells rang for Jane Reeder, '51, and James R. Trout. They were married November 27.

Joe Haas, '49, and Mrs. Haas are the parents of a girl born April 5. She has been named Trusilla Diane.

Bobby Picirilli, '53, and Clara Mae, '53, have a baby girl born April 5. She has been named Annina Jean.

During the recent Alumni banquet, Mrs. Welch was presented with a Parker "51" pen and pencil set in recognition of her devoted and untiring service to the Alumni Association.

Dean's List

The Dean's List of honor students for the first nine weeks of the second semester is as follows:

"A" Honor Roll	Janet Blackburn
Bobby Jackson,	Dale Burden
Senior	Ken Eagleton
Joyce Barrus,	Rubye Griffin
Freshman	Chesley Hill
"B" Honor Roll	Eloise Hoyt
Seniors	Eula Mae Martin
Ben Barrus	Stanley Pentecost
Robert Edwards	Donald Upright
Johnnie Floyd	Barbara Willey
Ruth Floyd	Willis Wilson
Bonnie Henson	

Freshmen

Fred Hersey	Joan Allen
Mary Hess	Jane Berry
Carlton Lambert	J. B. Fletcher
Leah McGlohon	Shirley Graves
June Rivenbark	Beth Hickman
Lonnie Sparks	William Hill
Eugene Waddell	Anita Kaminsky
Sammy Wilkinson	John Bill Martin
	Ruth Scott
	Jerry Thompson

Juniors

Wilburn Beasley	Joyce Thompson
Clarence Burton	Henry Van Kluyve
Del Jean Hatcher	Sara Willoughby
Boyce Wallace	Ronald Winkle
Carey Watkins	
Mary Ruth	
Wisehart	

Sophomores

Marvis Anderson	Edna DeVault
	Lucille Howard
	Doris Raper

Following is a thank-you note from Mrs. Welch: "You were so generous and kind to think of giving me the beautiful pen and pencil set. It will bring happy thoughts of the Alumni Association as I use it. Please accept my sincere thanks for the lovely gift."

More than 400 visitors from 19 different states registered during the Bible Conference. This number does not include the College students who attended each service. This is by far the largest crowd ever to attend a Bible Conference.

Many visitors arrived in Nashville on Saturday to be on hand for the opening service of the Conference.

By the time of the Monday night service, all the seats in Memorial Auditorium were filled and extra chairs were brought in. At the other night services overflow crowds were seated with extra chairs borrowed from churches in the city.

A great percentage of the people attended the entire conference. As they left on Thursday afternoon many were heard to remark, "It was the best Bible Conference we have ever attended."

Comprehensive Exams Given

Comprehensive examinations for seniors graduating with the B.A. degree were scheduled for April 19-28. Passing the comprehensive examination is a requirement for graduation, and many seniors look forward to this event with a great deal of anxiety.

The purpose of the examination is to ascertain whether or not each graduating senior has a comprehensive knowledge of the Bible and theology. Teachers in Bible and theology administer the examinations orally to one student at a time, allotting one hour and fifteen minutes for each examination. Any senior who fails to pass the examination is given the privilege of re-examination, but no student is permitted to graduate until he satisfies his examiners.

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TWENTY-FIVE TO RECEIVE B.A. DEGREES



On June 3 the largest graduating class in the history of Free Will Baptist Bible College will be awarded B.A. degrees, with a major in Bible and Theology and a minor in English or Christian education. Of this group twelve are ministers, four are ministers' wives, four are missionary students, and five plan to go into other Christian work.

This is the fourth four-year graduating class. The first B.A. degrees were conferred upon a class of five in 1951. The number increased to six graduates in 1952 and to twelve in 1953. Twenty of this year's graduates received all their resident training at the Bible College and five have transferred some of their work from other colleges.

They are pictured above from left to right, *front row*: Christine Hooks, Kenly, North Carolina; Ruth Floyd, Marion, North Carolina; Mary Hess, Mount Hope, West Virginia; Evelyn Lawrence, Pittsburg, Illinois; Bonnie Lou Henson, Hurricane, West Virginia. *Second row*: Betty Wall Lambert, Mount Hope, West Virginia; Lissie Chaudoin

Turnage, Healdton, Oklahoma; Eloise Phillips, Cramerton, North Carolina; Geraldine Hall, Cottonwood, Alabama; June Rivenbark, Durham, North Carolina; Jane Kettelman Jackson, Ewing, Illinois. *Third row*: Johnnie Floyd, Marion, North Carolina; Ray Turnage, Florence, South Carolina; Elro Driggers, Coward, South Carolina; Eugene Waddell, Kenly, North Carolina; Paul Wood, Nashville, Tennessee. *Fourth row*: James Earl Raper, Snow Hill, North Carolina; Lonnie Sparks, Sulphur, Oklahoma; Lonnie DeVault, Moore, Oklahoma; Robert Edwards, Beulaville, North Carolina. *Fifth row*: Carlton Lambert, Florence, Alabama; Bobby Jackson, Eureka, North Carolina; G. C. Lee, Jr., Calhoun City, Mississippi; Sammy Wilkinson, Glennville, Georgia; and Ben Barrus, Norfolk, Virginia.

Eleven E. T. T. A. diplomas will be given. These diplomas qualify the ones who receive them as approved teachers under the Evangelical Teacher Training Association of Chicago.

Seven Complete Christian Worker's Bible Course



The above students have completed the three-year course and will be presented with the Christian Worker's Bible Course diploma at graduating exercises, June 3. They are from left to right, front row: Carey Watkins, Cary, North Carolina; Rachel Rollins, Pikeville, North Carolina; Olin Phillips, Cramerton, North Carolina. Second row: Eustace Riggs, Kenova, West Virginia; Wilburn Beasley, Winfield, Alabama; George Ludwig, Nashville, Tennessee; and J. B. Hall, Jr., Cottonwood, Alabama.



From My Desk...

L. C. JOHNSON, L. H. D.

"And there were some that had indignation within themselves, and said, Why was this waste of the ointment made?" (Mark 14:4).

The enemies of our Lord are often misjudged by us who are His friends. We assume they were always insincere when they opposed our Saviour. No doubt at times they were, but many times they spoke exactly what was in their hearts. On the occasion our Scripture verse refers us to, they were indignant at what they considered the waste of precious ointment. They saw no point in this act of worship. To them it was not worship but reckless abandonment of a foolish woman's emotions that led her to an extravagance for which she should be reprimanded.

It is interesting to study the motive which prompted this woman to such an act. She was giving to the Saviour that which was her most precious possession. It meant the same to her that a prospective bride's hope chest would mean to her. The emotions which led her to pour this very precious ointment upon her Saviour were provoked by

her deep love for the Master. Nothing given to Him was wasted, in her opinion. She was convinced her precious possession was being put to its highest use.

Should not that be the attitude every servant of the Lord has toward His Saviour? What greater thing can we do with our lives than give them to Him?

I would say to any young person who wants to make his life count for the most to give himself as completely to the Lord Jesus Christ as this woman gave her ointment. To be sure there will be some who will think it a waste. They will not understand why you should take your young life with its talents and possibilities and invest them in Christian service; but He whom we worship, love, and serve will understand and place His blessings upon you as He did this woman.

Leaguers welcome to the Sixth Nation-wide League Conference, June 15-17.

Dedication of 1954 *Lumen* Honors J. L. Welches



Pictured above are Rev. and Mrs. J. L. Welch receiving the first copy of the 1954 *Lumen* at chapel exercises on May 11. This year's *Lumen* is dedicated to Mr. and Mrs. Welch for their outstanding service to both the College and the denomination.

Mr. Welch has served the College as chairman of the Board of Trustees and as a member of the faculty. Mrs. Welch has served faithfully as secretary of the College since 1944.

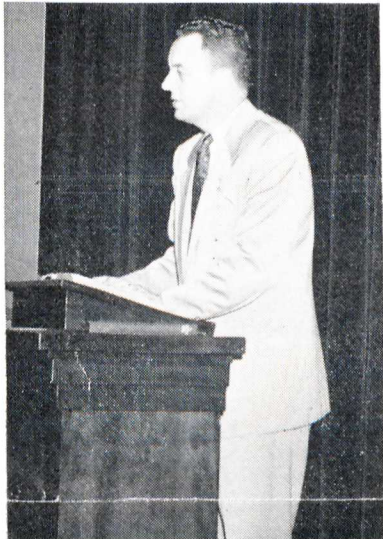
April Receipts

General Fund Gifts	\$ 2,891.33
Building Fund Gifts	16,102.31
Woman's National Aux. Conv.	180.69
Library Fund Gifts	26.00
Student Accounts	2,942.66
Miscellaneous Income	268.69
Gifts by States:	

Alabama	807.84
Arkansas	244.03
California	112.50
Florida	183.00
Georgia	1,652.25
Illinois	470.47
Kansas	15.00
Kentucky	36.50
Michigan	341.00
Mississippi	1,609.53
Missouri	1,029.34
North Carolina	2,724.02
Ohio	193.00
Oklahoma	1,299.58
South Carolina	860.67
Tennessee	3,645.00
Texas	769.67
Virginia	390.59
West Virginia	34.50
Alumni Association	163.54
Faculty and Students	1,764.12
Offering	547.49

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Special Chapel Speakers



DR. TOM MALONE

"You young people have the greatest opportunity any young people have ever had. Never has the world been more serious about getting right with God as they are today." This statement was made by Dr. Tom Malone, pastor of Emmanuel Baptist Church of Pontiac, Michigan, in his opening message to the College students. Dr. Malone was special speaker during the chapel services and each evening from April 20 to 23.



REV. OTHEL DIXON

Rev. Othel Dixon of Russellville, Arkansas, was guest speaker at the College chapel during the week of May 4 through May 7. The students enjoyed their fellowship with him and his challenging chapel messages.

COLLEGE QUARTET TO TOUR WESTERN STATES



Free Will Baptist churches in Arkansas, Oklahoma, and Texas will be visited this summer by the College quartet in the interest of the Bible College. The quartet going on this itinerary will be composed of Willis Wilson, Stokes, North Carolina; Carroll Alexander, Bethel, North Carolina; Galen Dunbar, Bradley, West Virginia; Dale Burden, Weleetka, Oklahoma.

Seniors Honored At Banquet

The 1954 Seniors were guests of honor at a banquet sponsored by the Junior Class on April 30.

The evening's program and decorations were centered around the appropriate theme—"Launching Out." The group of nearly one hundred was seated along tables with centerpieces of ships sailing on foreign seas and seas close to the homeland. After the invocation by Dr. J. P. Barrow, Tommy Willey, Junior Class president, welcomed the Seniors and depicted them as a ship ready to slip off the dock into the sea of duty, asserting the Junior Class was happy to launch them and help them as they started. Carlton Lambert, Senior Class president, gave the response.

Following a delicious meal of ham with all the trimmings and a finishing touch of apple pie, the Juniors presented a program to the Seniors with Marvis Lee as Master of Ceremonies. Included in the program were a poem by Mary Ruth Wisheart, the Junior "Lament" by Boyce Wallace, a Senior Diagnosis by Bettye Ingle, and the Senior Prophecy by Geraldine Gay. Mr. Ross Dowden, music instructor, sang "Ship Ahoy."

Rev. W. S. Mooneyham, banquet speaker, set forth the required courses that have to be taken in the school of life. At the conclusion of this address, Carlton Lambert, senior, sang "Jesus, Saviour, Pilot Me." Rev. L. D. Miley prayed the prayer of benediction.

Churches in Arkansas will be host to the quartet services during most of June. Eastern Oklahoma will be visited during the latter part of June and the first few days of July. Two weeks of July will be spent in Oklahoma, and the remainder of July will find the quartet making appearances in Texas churches.

For the past five years the Bible College has sent out a young men's quartet to help our people become acquainted with the work of the College, to appeal to Free Will Baptist young people to consider the College in planning their Christian training, and to seek the financial support of our people.

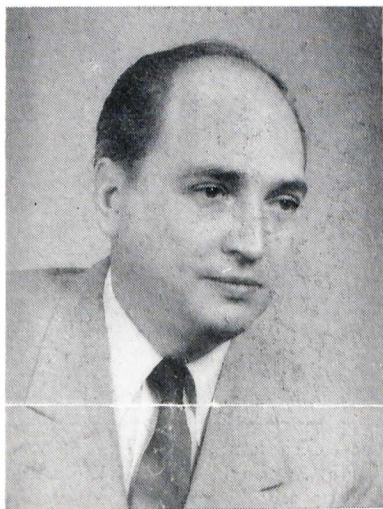
The quartet will present a program of gospel songs, testimonies, and a message from the Bible. The services conducted by these young men are not only for College promotional work, but are designed to be a blessing to the churches.

As a whole the College quartet has had a warm welcome among the churches, and many churches have expressed enjoyment and benefits from the programs. Through these church visits, more and more people are becoming acquainted with the Bible College.

Many requests from all over have come in to have the College quartet for a service this summer. Since the members of the quartet will need some vacation before returning to school next September, they will visit only the churches in the states mentioned above, where they have not held services in two years.

SPECIAL SPEAKERS FOR COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

University President Commencement Speaker



DR. BOB JONES, JR.

Dr. Bob Jones, Jr., of Greenville, South Carolina, will bring the commencement message to the largest graduating class in the history of the Bible College on Thursday evening, June 3.

Dr. Jones is president of Bob Jones University, one of the largest Christian institutions in America. It is known for its outstanding emphasis on evangelism, having turned out some of the greatest evangelists of our day.

Melvin Is Baccalaureate Speaker



REV. HENRY MELVIN

Rev. Henry Melvin will preach the baccalaureate sermon on Sunday afternoon, May 30. Mr. Melvin is the former business manager-treasurer of the College and is at present pastor of Reedy Branch Free Will Baptist Church, Winterville, North Carolina.

During Mr. Melvin's work with the College, he had much to do with influencing many members of this graduating class to attend Free Will Baptist Bible College.

Buildings Officially Named

At the annual meeting of the Board of Trustees in March, the buildings of Free Will Baptist Bible College were officially named. The 3609 Richland Avenue building, formerly called the Tirrill Building, was named "Davidson Hall" in honor of Rev. J. R. Davidson. This is the original building of the College at its beginning, and Mr. Davidson, at that time chairman of the Board of Education, was largely responsible in raising the money to purchase this building. He was the first business manager-treasurer serving from 1942-1947. He has been a member of the Board of Trustees since its organization in 1945 and is now its secretary.

The building formerly known as the Sword Building at 3533 Richland Ave. was named "Ennis Hall," in honor of Rev. L. R. Ennis, president from 1944-

Chorus To Present "The White Pilgrim"

The chorus will present "The White Pilgrim" as its last program of the school year on Tuesday night, June 1.

The music of "The White Pilgrim" is based on early American religious ballads, folk-hymns, and spiritual songs. The central figure points to a real man, Elder Joseph Thomas, an itinerant preacher of a hundred years ago. Little else is known about him except what the song reveals and that he always dressed in white.

The chorus has presented several good programs this year, but this is expected to be the best.

1947, under whose administration the expansion of the College made necessary the purchase of this additional property in 1945.

Seniors Donate New Books to College Library

At chapel services on May 7 Carlton Lambert, senior class president, presented to the College a new twenty-four volume set of *Lange's Commentary* and sixteen volumes of *Ante-Nicene* and *Nicene Church Fathers*, very welcome additions to the Library.

President L. C. Johnson accepted the books and expressed the College's appreciation for the most useful volumes. To furnish the library with these needed books had been chosen as the graduating class' gift to the College.

Mrs. Barrow, librarian, is shown happily receiving the gifts from Carlton in picture below.

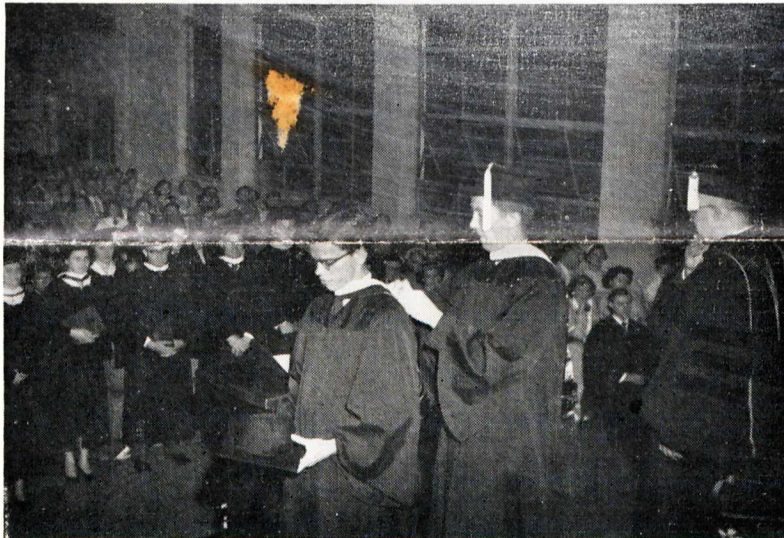


The following donors have made gifts to the Library Fund during the past two months:

Head's Woman's Auxiliary	
Cedar Hill, Tennessee	\$7.75
Lewis Ave. Woman's Auxiliary	
Tulsa, Oklahoma	7.50
Grimesly Woman's Auxiliary	
Maury, North Carolina	2.00
New Home Woman's Auxiliary	
Tulsa, Oklahoma	4.00
Drumright Woman's Auxiliary	
Drumright, Oklahoma	4.00
Lawnwood Woman's Auxiliary	
Tulsa, Oklahoma	3.00
Concord Woman's Auxiliary	
Concord, California	5.00
Robert Edwards, Senior student	5.00
Tecumseh League	
Tecumseh, Oklahoma	5.00
Winterville Woman's Auxiliary	
Winterville, N. C.	6.00
Pine Level Woman's Auxiliary	
Alma, Georgia	5.00
Bristow Woman's Auxiliary	
Bristow, Oklahoma	new book
Rev. Damon C. Dodd	
Nashville, Tennessee	new book
Miss Mary Elizabeth Griffith, Cofer's	
Chapel, Nashville, Tenn.	21 books
Mrs. J. P. Barrow, librarian, states:	
"We praise the Lord for the wonderful response we have had for our Library Fund. In the above report the woman's auxiliaries outnumber the other auxiliaries and Oklahoma outshines the other states. May the Lord bless you all for your gifts."	

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COMMENCEMENT SERVICE



Paul Wood, senior student, is shown above receiving his degree as Dean LaVerne Miley affixes the academic hood on Paul's shoulders. President Johnson who conferred the degrees is seen on the right. In front seniors who have already been to the platform hold their degrees.

At impressive graduating exercises, Monday evening, June 3, Dr. Bob Jones, Jr., president of Bob Jones University, Greenville, South Carolina, brought the commencement address to the twenty-five graduating seniors and seven graduating from the three-year course. An auditorium-filled crowd heard Dr. Jones' message, which was built around the present need of the world, the diagnosis of sin as the cause, and the remedy to be supplied by the gospel message.

Preceding the presentation of degrees and diplomas, Dean LaVerne Miley presented distinguishing awards to honor students as follows:

Bobby Jackson, most outstanding student.

Boyce Wallace, editor award.

June Rivenbark, best all-around girl.

Harold Critcher, best all-around boy.

Scholastic honors among the Seniors were earned by Bobby Jackson, *summa cum laude* (2.75 grade point average); Ben Barrus, *magna cum laude* (2.50 grade point average); and Eugene Waddell, *cum laude* (2.25 grade point average).

Carlton Lambert, senior student, was

featured on the commencement program as soloist, singing "The Lord's Prayer."

Commencement night has been a much-longed-for event in the lives of these students. Four years ago they arrived at the Bible College, most of them directly from high school and some of them just discharged from the armed services, but each with a conviction to receive training for effective, full-time Christian work. The way wasn't easy, for many times the needs looked greater than the provision. Their freshman class which numbered about fifty in 1950 suffered losses each year as some for various reasons did not return to school. Diligent study and persistence paid off for these, however, and they have become the record graduating class in the history of the institution.

Grateful for their training and eager for the work, they stand upon the threshold of great opportunities. Their lives of service to Christ and His Church will spread to the four corners of the globe and will be bringing souls into the kingdom for many years to come.

Quartet Begins Itinerary at Rogers, Arkansas

The Gospeliers Quartet began its summer itinerary of seventy services in Rogers, Arkansas, on Sunday night, June 6. The first report from the group indicates a good enthusiasm from the results of the first three services.

The following services are scheduled:

Arkansas:

- June 6—Rogers Church, Rogers
- June 7—Phillips Chapel, Springdale
- June 8—Huntsville Church, Huntsville
- June 9—Freedom Church, Hindsville
- June 10-13—Unconfirmed
- June 14—Hot Springs Church, Hot Springs
- June 15—Crossett Church, Crossett
- June 16—Mt. Pleasant Church, Monticello
- June 17—Harmony Church, New Edinburg
- June 18—Pine Hill Church, Star City
- June 19—Pleasant Valley Church, Warren
- June 20—*a.m.* Willoughby Church, Warren
- June 20—*p.m.* Rose Hill Church, New Edinburg
- June 21-24—Churches near Waldron
- June 25-26—Arkansas League Convention
- June 26-July 3—Churches near Muldrow, Oklahoma

Oklahoma:

- July 4-18—Oklahoma churches

Texas:

- July 19-26—Churches in West Fork Association
- July 27—Bryan Church, Bryan
- July 28—Houston Church, Houston
- July 29—Pine Prairie Church, Huntsville
- July 30—Good Hope Church, Henderson
- July 31—Buncombe Church, Carthage

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From My Desk...

L. C. JOHNSON, L. H. D.

It was an inspiring experience to sit on the platform on graduation evening and look into the faces of thirty-two young men and women who made up this year's class. I wished that every one of you who has put money into the College could have been there; I



believe you would have been well repaid. I must confess I could hardly restrain the tears of joy as I remembered the long trail that led to that hour. To the many loyal Free Will Baptists who have traveled the trail with us, I wish to say "thank

you." You have kept us company and supplied the needs as we have traveled over these twelve years together.

You had a great part in that hour on Thursday evening, June 3, when with stately dignity and yet with humble hearts these clear-eyed youths with sparkling intellects stood and switched their tassels from right to left and then marched forward to receive their degrees and diplomas and their academic hoods. Such sights have been long in coming to us as Free Will Baptists, but now with their coming our hopes as a denomination have reason to soar.

Other things that I thought about as I sat on the platform on graduation evening were these: These young men and women (we call them our boys and girls) have been guided in their learning experiences by a competent faculty that were sympathetic and understanding. Now they must go on their own and learn in the bitter school of experience. I asked myself, have we done our best to fortify them and prepare them for this hour of departure into a world of materialism, modernism, and communism? As I thought of such things I had no smarting of conscience for I believe we have done about the best we could.

I call upon you friends to pray for your Bible College and stand by us with your gifts.

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DEAN'S LIST

SECOND SEMESTER, 1953-54

"A" HONOR ROLL

Johnnie Floyd	Senior
Bobby Jackson	Senior
Carey Watkins	Junior

"B" HONOR ROLL

SENIORS		Ruby Griffin
Ben Barrus		Chesley Hill
Lonnie DeVault		Eloise Hoyt
Robert Edwards		Eula Mae Martin
Ruth Floyd		Jane Smith
Bonnie Henson		Donald Upright
Fred Hersey		Barbara Willey
Carlton Lambert		Willis Wilson
G. C. Lee		FRESHMEN
Leah McGlohon		Joyce Barrus
June Rivenbark		Ted Berberich
Lonnie Sparks		Jane Berry
Eugene Waddell		J. E. Blanton
JUNIORS		Janie Cagle
Wilburn Beasley		J. B. Fletcher
Del Jean Hatcher		Shirley Graves
Marvis Lee		Ada Beth Hickman
Eustace Riggs		William Hill
Rachel Rollins		Anita Kaminsky
Boyce Wallace		John Bill Martin
Mary Ruth Wischart		Ruth Scott
SOPHOMORES		Jerry Thompson
Marvis Anderson		Joyce Thompson
Dale Burden		Henry VanKluyve
Ken Eagleton		Ronald Winkle

Financial Facts

May Receipts

General Fund Gifts	\$2,589.46
Building Fund Gifts	331.50
W.N.A.C.	23.49
Library Fund Gifts	28.08
Student Accounts	9,731.34
Miscellaneous Income	47.03

Gifts by States:

Alabama	\$ 64.50
Arkansas	38.64
California	77.50
Florida	68.00
Georgia	260.76
Illinois	101.07
Indiana	100.00
Kentucky	37.50
Michigan	27.00
Mississippi	87.96
Missouri	369.79
North Carolina	549.02
Ohio	372.24
Oklahoma	153.85
South Carolina	186.52
Tennessee	218.95
Texas	142.66
Virginia	58.50
West Virginia	6.50

Your Gifts Are Needed

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

By MRS. DAMON C. DODD, Secretary

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Nashville, Tennessee

Redford Wilson, '48, pastor of Pocahontas, Arkansas church recently closed a very successful revival. The evangelist was Rev. C. F. Bowen.

Edward H. Corn, '52, resigned his work in Missouri to accept the Little Creek Church in Virginia.

Charles B. Craddock, '50, has resigned as pastor of the Ayden, North Carolina church.

Harold K. Dunlap, '47, conducted a very successful Home Mission itinerary in East Tennessee.

Homer E. Willis, '46, writes, "I am up and about but still on crutches." Remember to keep praying for his recovery.

Derald West, '49, and Mrs. West are the parents of a boy born April 25. His name is Gary Randall.

Robert Wilfong, '49, pastor of Head's Church, Cedar Hill, Tennessee, is leading them in the building of a Sunday school annex.

Leroy Forlines, '52, has recently completed an extension school at Wewoka, Oklahoma.

Wade Jernigan, '47, has resigned the pastorate of the Modesto, California, church. He has accepted a call to the Kerman church. Pastoral duties began June 1.

Paul Kettelman, '45, is chairman of the State Arrangements Committee for the National Association.

N. R. Smith, '53, pastor of the Bristow, Oklahoma church, finished second in a city-wide membership crusade. His church's average was 80% of members in church from January 1 through Easter Sunday.

Ben Barrus, '54, has resigned the pastorate of Olivet church to accept pastoral duties of East Nashville church.

Ray Turnage, '54, will begin duties as Christian Education Director at the Cordova, Alabama church. He will direct singing for sixth nation-wide League Conference.

Wedding bells rang for Roy O'Donnell, '53, and Mary Lou Raper. They were married June 10.

Mary Evelyn Lawrence, '54, has applied to the Foreign Missions Board for missionary service.

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West Virginian Sets Noble Example as College Benefactor

J. A. Blackburn, Mount Hope, West Virginia businessman and friend of the College, has set a precedent in what may come to be the future financial security of the Bible College.

Mr. Blackburn has designated Free Will Baptist Bible College as beneficiary in a \$2000 life insurance policy. In a recent letter to Dr. L. C. Johnson the insurance agent stated:

This act of Mr. Blackburn, to me, is most commendable and certainly gives much food for thought to others who may desire to make the path for knowledge easier for someone less fortunate after the donor will have long since departed this life. This spirit and worthy thought of Mr. Blackburn's, I am sure, comes from a sincere desire to ever follow the noble teachings of our Christ.

Many Free Will Baptists have longed to make a substantial investment in the Bible College but have not because of limited means. Mr. Blackburn's plan will make it possible for a small yearly premium to grow into a monumental investment. If Free Will Baptists will follow this example, it will insure a provision for the future financial needs of the College in the years to come.

Mr. Blackburn has had three of his children enrolled at the Bible College during the past several years and has responded time and again to the school in its ever-expanding needs. He has chosen this method of helping the school because as he states, "If one waits to have enough money for a sizeable contribution in the ordinary life-time, it is seldom realized."

Alumni Association

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Bobby Jackson, '54, and Jane are the parents of a boy born April 4. He has been named Stephen Rand.

Damon Dodd, '44, recently conducted very successful week-end Home Mission services in the Norfolk, Virginia area.

Johnnie Floyd, '54, is serving as supply pastor for the Fairmount Park Church, Norfolk.

Sammy Wilkinson, '54, has been chosen Assistant Camp Director for Georgia.

Carlton and Betty Lambert, '54, are the parents of a girl born May 30. She has been named Carla Jean.

Lonnie Sparks, '54, will attend Winona Lake School of Theology this summer.

Baccalaureate Service



Rev. Henry Melvin, Winterville, North Carolina pastor, was special speaker at the annual baccalaureate service on Sunday afternoon, May 30, at Memorial Auditorium. He challenged the graduating class with a message based on God's command to Ezekiel, "Son of man, stand upon thy feet, and I will speak unto thee." The out-going students were charged to stand up as men with courage, conviction, and character in going forth as God's watchmen.

The service was attended by other members of the student body, faculty, and visitors from local churches. Students' parents, visiting the College during graduation week, were also in the service.

1954-55 Catalog Now Ready

The new 1954-55 College catalog, printed this year in an attractive blue and white cover, is now ready. Prospective students can receive a copy by writing the registrar's office.

Students to Visit Cuban Mission Field

On July 1 several Bible College students will visit Cuba for two weeks of on-the-field training and two weeks of classroom instruction. Rev. Thomas H. Willey, director of the Cuban mission work, will have charge of the group.

Students docked for this new phase of training are Kenneth Eagleton, Dave Franks, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Wood, Fred Hersey, Mary Francis Hess, June Rivenbark, Robert C. Hill, Eugene Waddell, Leah Nichols, and Bobby Jackson. Additional college credit will be given for this work.

Free passage to Cuba and back has been provided by the owners of a shipping line, who are interested in Free Will Baptist work.

An agreement for this needful on-the-field mission training has been worked out recently between the Bible College and the director of the Cuban Mission Field.

Correspondence Corner

Former Student in Korea Enjoys Bulletin and Contact

"Some time ago my wife subscribed for me the College BULLETIN and the paper *Contact*. I am really thrilled each month as I receive them. I am blessed wonderfully to see the great work our people are doing. Even though I am in Korea it gives me a feeling of being there to read these papers. I would like to make a small contribution of five dollars to the College. Pray for me and my wife. It is our desire to be back at the college soon."

MAX PERRY
U. S. Army

Wants to Help in the Lord's Work

"Please find enclosed \$5.00 to push the work forward for our Lord and Saviour. He has done so much for us and it seems sometimes that we are doing nothing for Him or a world of lost sinners that He died to save. And I feel led to send you this as I am 82 years old and can't get about much, but can help a little to carry on the work He left us to do until His return. May God's richest blessing be showered on the people of the College and may souls be brought to Him through the work is my prayer to God.

MRS. R. B. NELSON
Pensacola, Florida

Extension School Conducted in Oklahoma

First Free Will Baptist Church, Wewoka, Oklahoma, was host to the third College Extension School this year, held May 3-14. Leroy Forlines, director, reported an enrollment of 29 with 22 certificates awarded at the close of the school.

Thirty-eight credit hours were earned in courses including Free Will Baptist Doctrine, The Church and Its Auxiliaries, and Evangelism.

Rev. John West, Tulsa pastor, assisted Mr. Forlines, bringing lectures on the work of the Sunday school.

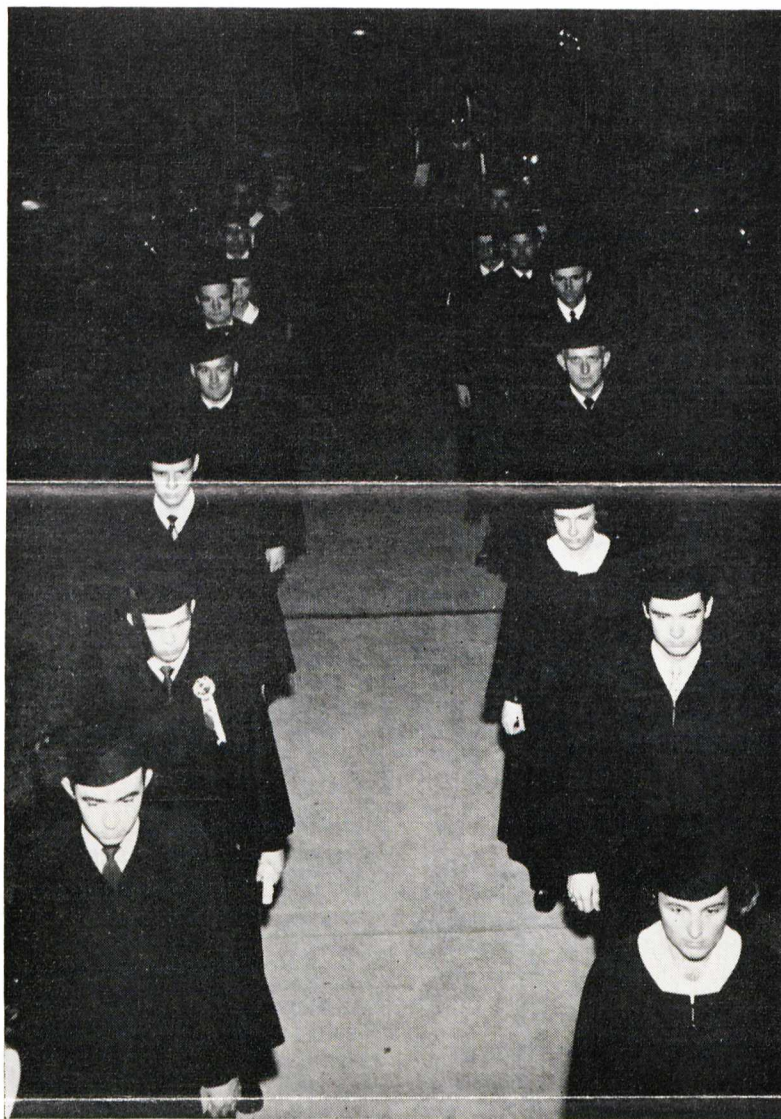
Mr. Forlines was very high in his praise of the cooperation and interest of the Oklahoma people. Rev. Ralph Staten, host pastor, was in charge of arrangements and is to be commended for his effective work of advertising and promotion.

Six churches cooperated in the school with the following enrollment.

Wewoka First Church	15
Holdenville	7
Weleetka	3
Shawnee First Church	2
Ardmore	1
Happy Land	1

Plans call for another school to be held in September at Wetumka.

MARCHING GRADUATES



Dressed in their caps and gowns the graduates for the year 1953-54 march in double file to Memorial Auditorium for graduation exercises, Thursday evening, June 3.

Work Groups Report 765 Decisions

The Practical Work Department reports 765 decisions made for Christ during the past nine-months school term, according to Leroy Forlines, director. A total of 2672 persons were witnessed to, and more than 65,000 gospel tracts were distributed in services and work groups in the vicinity of Nashville.

This report covers only Christian work done under the direction of the work groups. It does not include other soul-winning efforts put forth by the student in his own personal contacts.

During the course of training, the student gains experience in many types of gospel services from handing out tracts to passers-by on the streets to preaching from the pulpit. His knowledge of the Bible and methods in personal soul-winning are utilized from the day he enters school until he marches across the platform to receive his degree.

College Book Store Announces Book Sale

The College Book Store has a stock of accumulated books in excess of the needs of the student body. Some of these are new books; others are student text books held over and discounted in price. None are second-hand books. All are religious books.

Any one or number of these books will be mailed postage paid to anyone sending the below purchase price.

NEW BOOKS

Christian Workers New Testament	
—Leather	\$3.75
Christian Workers New Testament	
—Im. Leather	2.25
Great Doctrines of the Bible—	
Evans	2.75
His Name Among All Nations—	
Barnard	2.00
The Kneeling Christian—	
An Unknown Christian	1.50
Personal Soul-Winning—Evans	2.25
Principles of Teaching—Eavey	3.00
How to Prepare Sermons and	
Gospel Addresses—Evans	2.90
Springs in the Valley—Cowman	2.25
Synthetic Bible Studies—Gray	3.00

DISCOUNTED BOOKS

Adventures in Faith—DeHaan	2.00
At Break of Dawn—	
Fred John Meldau	1.75
Barnes Notes—	
Genesis, Volumes 1 and 2,	
per vol.	2.50
Minor Prophets, Volumes	
1 and 2, per vol.	2.50
Book of Revelation—Larkin	2.00
Delicious Recipes Cook Book with	
devotional verse	1.25
General Epistles—Erdman	1.00
History of Christian Education—	
Benson	2.00
An Introduction to Child Study—	
Benson	2.00
Pathways to Power—Merrill F.	
Unger	1.25
The Book of Exodus—Erdman	1.50
The Origin of Religion—Zwemer	1.50
The World's Living Religions—	
Hume	2.00
Thine Is the Kingdom—	
J. H. Hunter	2.00
'Til Night Is Gone—	
Phyllis Primer	2.00
Twenty Missionary Stories of Latin	
America—Miller	1.00
The Westminster Atlas of the	
Bible	5.00
Life of Christ—Farrar	1.75
Why a Preacher and Not a Priest	
—John Carrara	1.25
Youthspiration Hymnal	.40
Know So Christian	
(paper bound)	.25
When Loved Ones Are Called	
Home	.50

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Quartet Completes Summer Itinerary

After eight weeks of travel and holding services each night in a different Free Will Baptist Church, the College Quartet ended its summer itinerary on July 30. The totals show 57 services held and a response of \$6,571.76 in cash and pledges. Total cash offerings were \$1,020.76; total pledges to be paid during the coming year were \$5,551.00.

The totals by states are as follows:

	Services Held	Cash Offerings	Pledges
Arkansas	22	\$407.59	\$1,686.00
Oklahoma	18	287.46	1,188.00
Texas	17	325.71	2,677.00

The quartet this year was made up of Carroll Alexander (senior), Willis Wilson (junior), Galen Dunbar (senior), and Dale Burden (junior).

School Opens September 7 There is still time to enroll

NEW BUDGET CALLS FOR \$50,000. EXPANSION FUND

The inevitable task of an Expansion Program was realized by the Board of Trustees and Administration of the Bible College a year ago. The objectives in this program as outlined then were stated to be:

1. A dormitory to accommodate one hundred men.
2. Dining hall and kitchen for three hundred people.
3. Classroom building with adequate room for teachers' offices.
4. A library building.
5. A gymnasium where students can have supervised recreation.

Blocking any action on these objectives was an indebtedness of \$44,000 which has been erased during the past twelve months.

College officials have included a \$50,000 Expansion Fund as part of the income on the 1954-55 budget. Outside gifts must be sustained at the present rate and even increased during the coming year to provide the fund for definite steps to be taken on the above objectives.

The amount needed from gifts for the operating fund is \$51,500. Adding to this the proposed Expansion Fund income of \$50,000, the total proposed income from gifts for the 1954-55 year has been set at \$101,500.

The suggested quotas by states are:

Alabama	\$ 4,000.00
Arkansas	2,200.00
California	2,200.00
Florida	1,200.00
Georgia	9,000.00
Illinois	4,000.00
Kentucky	2,000.00
Michigan	3,800.00
Mississippi	3,000.00
Missouri	7,700.00
New Mexico	100.00
North Carolina	24,000.00
Ohio	3,000.00
Oklahoma	4,400.00
South Carolina	3,600.00
Tennessee	14,000.00
Texas	4,800.00
Virginia	2,000.00
West Virginia	2,000.00
Miscellaneous	3,000.00
W.N.A.C.	1,500.00
	\$101,500.00

LEAGUERS MEET AT BIBLE COLLEGE

Memorial Auditorium was the scene of the Sixth Nation-wide League Conference which met at the Bible College

for its three-day program June 15-17. L. C. Johnson, president, welcomed the leaguers in behalf of the College.

The first service on Tuesday evening opened with a capacity crowd enjoying "The Challenge of the Cross" presented by leaguers from Oaklawn Church of Tennessee.

The conference listed 663 registering from 17 states with a probable total attendance of more than 700. The night services in the auditorium were so crowded that scores had to remain outside.

Many of the boys and girls were housed in the College dormitories.

One of the principal features of the youth program was the Intermediate Sword Drill participated in by twelve contestants from as many different states.

During the course of the conference 50 leaguers indicated their desire to attend the Bible College when they have completed high school.



Intermediate Leaguers Stand on Stage for Bible Sword Drill at Memorial Auditorium, Wednesday Night, June 16.

Indecision

By LAVERNE D. MILEY

"How long halt ye between two opinions? if the LORD be God, follow him."—1 Kings 18:21b

One of the most difficult tasks that we face in life is the task of making decisions. Right decisions mean success; wrong decisions mean failure—whether in business, in marriage, or in some other area of life. Quite often we hesitate or refuse to make a decision and remain in indecision.

There are many Christians who fail to come to a clear decision in the matter of following the Lord. Conversion marks the beginning of the Christian life, but that life is perfected by a day by day following of the Lord. As we follow Him, many of us must decide the issues: Does the Lord want my life for full-time service? and should I prepare myself for such service? When we are faced with making such decisions, surely it is God's will that we pause and seek His guidance. In His Word we find: "If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him" (James 1:5). But when the Lord has given us direction, He then expects action and not indecision.

In times past God has called upon His people to decide whether or not they would follow Him. The vacillating Israelites were bidden by Joshua: "Choose you this day whom ye will serve" (Joshua 24:15b). In the days of Elijah they were asked the question: "How long halt ye between two opinions?" When Christ came and found them still remaining in indecision and failing to follow the Lord, He denounced them and said: "The kingdom of God shall be taken from you and given to a nation bringing forth the fruits thereof" (Matt. 21:43b).

Perhaps some of you are at this moment abiding in indecision. You may be undecided as to whether or not you should enter full-time Christian service or whether you should come to Free Will Baptist Bible College. The Lord is willing to give you wisdom to make the right decision if you will but ask Him for it.

May I ask you: "How long halt ye between two opinions?" And may I urge that "if the LORD be God, follow Him."

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Financial Facts

1. Average monthly gifts to general fund during 1953-54 \$3,800.00
2. Average monthly gifts to building fund during 1953-54 3,000.00
3. Total average monthly gifts to College for 1953-54 6,800.00
4. Average monthly gifts needed during 1954-55 for operating expenses 4,300.00
5. Average monthly gifts needed during 1954-55 for expansion fund 4,200.00
6. Total average monthly gifts needed during 1954-55 \$8,500.00
7. Receipts for June and July:

	June	July
Gifts	3784.20	3245.53
W.N.A.C.	61.94	105.41
Library gifts	3.00	10.50
Piano gift		17.67
Student Loan	68.50	82.00
Student accounts	763.00	185.00
Misc. Income	40.75	583.91
Matriculation Fees	30.00	120.00
Tuition	78.00	42.00
Room	5.50	29.66
Board	205.94	
Misc. Refunds	55.93	34.57
Book Store Sales		10.23

Gifts by States:

Alabama	113.54	59.50
Arkansas	596.96	173.48
California	75.50	43.50
Florida	55.50	57.50
Georgia	207.38	236.38
Illinois	53.00	145.78
Kentucky	58.00	40.00
Maine		10.00
Michigan	261.00	131.00
Mississippi	100.42	186.59
Missouri	217.39	319.31
New Mexico	5.00	5.00
North Carolina	626.29	438.42
Ohio	136.50	160.50
Oklahoma	145.13	510.34
South Carolina	40.00	20.00
Tennessee	822.10	270.00
Texas	202.53	388.73
Virginia	49.48	42.00
West Virginia	18.48	7.50

Redecorating Work Being Done During Vacation Period

Since the close of school on June 3, a working crew has been busy in painting, repairing, and altering to get the College buildings and campus ready for the reopening of school in September.

Under the direction of J. B. Hall, Jr., superintendent of maintenance, the dining hall has been completely redecorated in an attractive gray-green, and the dormitory rooms above are getting a new paint job. In the meanwhile the outside trim is receiving a new white look. The classrooms at Ennis Hall are in for some work as well as the dormitory rooms above.

The Book Store, formerly at the rear of Ennis Hall, has been relocated in the basement of the Richland Building.

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

By MRS. DAMON C. DODD, Secretary
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F.W.B.B.C. alumni have been busy during the summer months. News from over the nation spotlights many of them in leading roles as

pastors, evangelists, singers, and teachers. That the Lord is pleased with these efforts has been evidenced in numerous ways. Not only has their work magnified their Christian testimony but has also done much toward endearing our College to our Free Will Baptist people. It is with pleasure that I present the Alumni news this month.

Carlisle, '52, and Marie Hanna, '51, are the parents of a girl born June 28. She has been named Brenda Kay.

Durward Long, '53, recently closed a very successful revival in Monticello, Florida. At the time of this writing he is engaged in a revival effort in the Florida-Alabama State Line Association and the Southeastern Alabama Association. He has accepted a position at Alabama Polytechnic Institute as American History instructor.

Harold Dunlap, '47, recently closed a very successful revival with the Mt. Olive Church in Taylor Mills, Georgia. At the present time he is in a revival at the Little Bethel Church in Ideal, Georgia.

Don Ellis, '53, and Emma, are the parents of a girl born May 30. She has been named Shelia Elizabeth. Don is pastoring the Berkeley City Church, St. Louis, Missouri. E. J. and Esterline (Ellis) Barnett are the parents of a daughter, Esther Diane, born June 22.

Roy O'Donnell, '53, is doing his practice teaching at Alabama Polytechnic Institute at Auburn, Alabama. His wife, the former Mary Lou Raper, is a senior at A.P.I.

Wedding Bells:

Christine Hooks, '54, and Everette Bryan, married June 19. Everette is a senior at FWBBC.

Eugene Waddell, '54, and Leah Nichols, married July 22 at the Union Grove Free Will Baptist Church, Fremont, N. C.

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Year's Operation Shows Largest Income and Expenditures

In its twelfth year of operation completed on June 30, the Bible College received the largest amount of money in its history, \$150,543.92, and also expended the largest amount, \$158,489.06.

Receipts include gifts of \$43,951.93 for the general fund and \$35,810.12 for the building fund.

The following statistics are based on the year's audit by McIntyre and Associates, Certified Public Accountants, Nashville. This report covers a period of twelve and one-half months, from June 15, 1953 to June 30, 1954.

Income from gifts by states is as follows:

Alabama	\$ 2,389.60
Arkansas	1,658.74
California	1,672.54
Florida	933.65
Georgia	7,118.11
Illinois	3,052.31
India	135.00
Kansas	53.00
Kentucky	1,532.50
Louisiana	1.00
Maryland	9.00
Michigan	2,991.07
Mississippi	3,357.24
Missouri	6,211.67
Nebraska	3.00
New Mexico	49.00
North Carolina	19,216.01
Ohio	2,384.81
Oklahoma	3,495.90
Oregon	12.00
South Carolina	2,751.24
Tennessee	11,206.92
Texas	3,764.57
Virginia	1,426.52
West Virginia	1,258.50
Wisconsin	2.00
Alumni Asso.	163.54
W.N.A.C.	100.00
Faculty and Students	1,764.12
Bible Conference Offering	548.49
Book Store Gift	500.00

Income:	
Gifts	\$ 79,762.05
Room and Board	34,063.53
Tuition	15,855.52
Reg. and Mat. Fees	2,880.00
Music Fees	1,947.00
Activity Fees	1,128.96
Misc. fees and income	4,060.65
Book Store sales	10,846.20
Total Income	\$150,543.92

Expenditures:	
Salaries	55,476.76
Groceries	11,622.30
Maint. and repairs	7,367.93
Quartet itinerary expense	5,016.51
Promotional expense	4,132.39
Utilities	4,184.31
Office expense	1,830.95
Unified program	1,500.00
General and misc. expense	1,354.90

Freshman Class Furnishes Signs for Campus



Shortly before the close of school, the Freshman Class bought and placed three signs for the two boys' dormitories and the administration building (Richland).

Shown above placing one of the signs are Ronnie Winkle and Henry Van Kluyve, freshman students, and Eskle Baker, faculty sponsor.

These markers will aid visitors in recognizing the College property as they pass by. The only sign previous to these recent markers was the "Free Will Baptist Bible College" over the doorway of the 3609 Richland Avenue building.

Balance Sheet June 30, 1954 ASSETS

Current Assets	
Cash on hand and in banks	\$ 2,734.01
Accounts receivable	4,552.98
Book store inventory	1,048.48
Total current assets	\$ 8,335.47
Fixed Assets	
Land	\$ 20,450.00
Buildings and improvements	122,943.08
Equipment, furniture, fixtures	33,899.26
Total fixed assets	177,292.34
Total assets	\$185,627.81

LIABILITIES, RESERVE AND SURPLUS

Liabilities and Reserve	
Mortgage payable	\$ 4,000.00
Accounts payable	105.00
Employees payroll deductions	623.79
Due general fund from building fund	4,400.00
Reserve for student loan fund	71.92
Total liabilities and reserve	9,200.71
Surplus	
Excess of total assets over liabilities and reserve	176,427.10
Total liabilities, reserve and surplus	\$185,627.81

Telephone expense	1,350.45	Household supplies	460.51
Travel expense	1,247.41	Printing	384.10
Library expense	1,027.50	School supplies	362.38
Insurance	970.52	Sales taxes	330.90
Honorarium	953.00	Interest expense	2,100.00
Practical work dept. expense	473.35	Book store cost of sales	9,417.73
Board of trustees. expense	472.56	Additions to fixed assets	5,452.60
		Payments on loan	41,000.00
		Total expenditures	\$158,489.06

Missionary Prayer Band

MARY RUTH WISEHART, *Editor*

Members of the Missionary Prayer Band are urged to pray consistently this summer. If it is impossible to pray at the usual one o'clock hour each day, some hour should be set aside daily to recall requests and bring them to God.

To encourage prayer during the vacation period, facts and requests concerning the world in general were distributed to all members before the close of school. Since it was impossible to include all the needs of missions in this brief form, members are encouraged to supplement the material by reading church papers and other literature.

The Missionary Prayer Band began under the direction of Miss Laura Belle Barnard. Its purpose is united prayer for world-wide missions. Since its beginning in 1943, groups have met for prayer every day of the school year.

Besides the members at the College, a number of people over the different states hold membership in the Prayer Band. These people join those at the College in prayer as near the same hour as possible. Once a month a newsletter containing information and requests for the different fields is sent to the field members.

Anyone desiring to become a member of the Missionary Prayer Band should mail his request for membership with his name and address to: Missionary Prayer Band, 3609 Richland Avenue, Nashville 5, Tennessee.

College Display at National Association

The Bible College was represented at the National Association in Spartanburg, S. C., July 13-15, by a display advertising the school and its work.

Arranged on a table in the lobby of Memorial Auditorium were posters setting forth the courses of training offered at the College, pictures of the buildings and campus in color, and snapshots of student groups showing various activities of college life. The College yearbooks for 1953 and 1954, the current catalog, application blanks, College Bulletins, and information on the Correspondence and Extension Departments were displayed to catch the eye of the passer-by.

One of the features of the display table was music by the College Chorus played on a tape recorder.

Attendants at the display table were Bayless McDonald and Marvis Anderson, College staff members. Many visitors came by to see the display and inquire about the College.

Fifty-one Applications Received

Within a few short weeks Free Will Baptist Bible College will open its doors for its thirteenth consecutive year of operation. Students are expected from nearly all parts of the United States wherever Free Will Baptists are to be found—from California to North Carolina, and from Maine to Florida. In addition to these, students are expected from two foreign countries.

Fifty-one new applications have already been received, and several more will undoubtedly be received during the month of August. Included in the number who have sent in applications are one student from Beirut, Lebanon, one retired army captain, and fourteen veterans who will be training under the G. I. Bill of Rights.

Last year's record-breaking graduating class of thirty-two members left quite a vacancy to be filled. But the number of applications already received and further interest manifested indicate that this vacancy will be more than filled. This year's enrollment is expected to equal or possibly surpass that of last year.

Faculty Members Further Training

Several members of the faculty and staff have taken additional training during the vacation period. Mrs. J. B. Hall, Jr. and Fay Gilbert have attended the summer session at Peabody College, and Leroy Forlines and Bayless McDonald have taken graduate work at Winona Lake School of Theology. Laverne Miley and Wendell Babcock have completed additional work under the direction of Northern Baptist Seminary and Bob Jones University respectively.

Alumni Association

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Ben Barrus, '54, pastor of East Nashville Church, plans to enter Vanderbilt University this fall for graduate work.

Lonnie Sparks, '54, is pastor of Wolfe Church, Snomac, Oklahoma. Several alumni were re-elected to positions in the National Association at the July session in Spartanburg, South Carolina. Among them were: *George Waggoner*, '44, clerk; and *T. G. Hamilton*, '47, assistant clerk. *William Mishler*, '48, was elected to serve as promotional secretary for the National Sunday School Board.

Damon C. Dodd, '44, was retained by the National Home Mission Board to serve as promotional secretary; *Paul Kettelman*, '45, was elected to the College Board of Trustees.

Correspondence Corner

"Dear President Johnson:

"Just to let you know how much we enjoyed having the quartet with us for the special service on July 4. Our people, though few were present, certainly enjoyed the program and meeting such fine consecrated young men.

"I am a young pastor myself, only 20, so you can see why I was so wonderfully blessed by their coming our way. I told them that I was praying that God would lead me there to study.

"Enclosed is my first love gift . . . for the College. May God bless you and the wonderful work you are doing."

In His service,
DAN FARMER
Checotah, Oklahoma

Library Fund Gifts Total Almost \$700

Special gifts received during the past year from church groups and individuals for help in building up the College library amount to \$683.35, according to figures released recently from the library department.

Gifts received during June and July are:

Woman's Auxiliary,	
First Church, Tulsa, Okla.	\$ 5.00
Woman's Aux., Turley, Okla.	3.00
Social Bank Asso., Woman's	
District Aux., Arkansas	7.08
Woman's Aux., Heads Church,	
Cedar Hill, Tennessee	2.00
Young People's Auxiliary,	
Pocahontas, Arkansas	3.00
Woman's Auxiliary,	
Holdenville, Oklahoma	10.50
Books received for the same period:	
J. W. Boyte, Cofer's Chapel,	
Nashville, Tennessee	41
Mrs. Miller Schurer, Cofer's	
Chapel, Nashville, Tenn.	3
Colonel Pendleton, Nashville	3
Henry Brown, Russellville, Ark.	9

The following is a report by states of the money sent in for books during the past year.

Arkansas	\$ 10.08
California	40.00
Georgia	5.00
Kentucky	5.00
Michigan	38.00
Missouri	25.00
North Carolina	26.50
Oklahoma	110.05
South Carolina	5.00
Tennessee	179.36
Texas	5.00
Virginia	34.05
College Senior Class (1954)	200.31

Free Will Baptist BIBLE COLLEGE . . . BULLETIN

OUR NEW STUDENTS



Pictured above are seventy of the incoming students this year at the Bible College.

Largest Freshman Class Enrolls

The 1954-55 freshman class with a record enrollment of 83 has 17 more members than all previous classes. The sophomores are next in number with 52 enrolled. The juniors have 17, and the seniors have 15.

Last year's record graduating class of 32 left a large hole in the student body, but the incoming students this year have more than filled it.

The names, home towns, and classifications of registered students are listed below:

SENIORS

Carroll Alexander	Bethel, North Carolina
James O. Brown	Nashville, Tennessee
Everette Bryan	Parkersburg, North Carolina
Clarence H. Burton	St. Louis, Missouri
Galen Dunbar	Bradley, West Virginia
Dave Franks	Guin, Alabama
James B. Hall	Cottonwood, Alabama
Betty Joe Ingle	Birmingham, Alabama
Bill McClintock	Detroit, Michigan
Leah McGlohon	Winterville, North Carolina
Roger Reeds	St. Louis, Missouri
Geraldine Waid	Goldsboro, North Carolina
Boyce Wallace	Albertson, North Carolina
Tom Willey	Pinar del Rio, Cuba
Mary Ruth Wischart	Myrtle, Missouri

JUNIORS

Keith Boyd	Durham, North Carolina
Dale Burden	Wecetka, Oklahoma
Harold Critcher	Durham, North Carolina
Bobby Joe Davis	Anderson, Texas

Juanita Dunn	Kenansville, North Carolina
Lorena Edwards	Mountain Grove, Missouri
Barbara Hancock	Tulsa, Oklahoma
Del Jean Hatcher	Micro, North Carolina
Charles Hollingshead	Cordova, Alabama
Eloise Hoyt	Houlton, Maine
Eula Mae Martin	Benson, North Carolina
Ruth Milburn	Flat River, Missouri
Leslie Rowe	Bridgeton, North Carolina
Garland Teasley	Durham, North Carolina
Roger Tripp	Ayden, North Carolina
Herbert Waid	Detroit, Michigan
Barbara Willey	Pinar del Rio, Cuba

SOPHOMORES

Joan Allen	Blackshear, Georgia
Bobby Aycock	Fremont, North Carolina
Joyce Barrus	Norfolk, Virginia
Elyse Bennett	Alma, Georgia
Ted Berberich	Flint, Michigan
Jane Berry	Huntsville, Texas
J. E. Blanton	Surrency, Georgia
George Branning	Jacksonville, North Carolina
Herbert Bryan	Beulaville, North Carolina
Janie Cagle	Pocahontas, Arkansas
Charles Clark	Cordele, Georgia
Ken Eagleton	Fort Worth, Texas
Kenneth Faison	Moultrie, Georgia
William Ferguson	Huntington, W. Virginia
June Goode	Carthage, Texas
Joyce Gore	East Tupelo, Mississippi
Shirley Graves	Snow Hill, North Carolina
Elisabeth Guthrie	Cordova, Alabama
Donna Hamilton	Tulsa, Oklahoma
Claude Hampleman	Tamaroa, Illinois
Odell Harris	Pell City, Alabama
Gordon Hart	Ayden, North Carolina
Ada Beth Hickman	Bladenboro, N. Carolina
Buddy Hill	Lemay, Missouri
Bob Hill	St. Louis, Missouri
Bill Hill	Lemay, Missouri
Alton Hines	Bridgeton, North Carolina
Janet Hines	Bradley, West Virginia

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Fall Registration Sets New Record

In the opening days of this thirteenth year of the Bible College, the classrooms, dormitories, and dining hall have been filled to capacity with a record-breaking enrollment of 167 for the fall semester, according to the registrar's office. This exceeds last year's first semester registration by 17 and tops the previous high of two years ago by 10. Late enrollees and incoming second-semester students are expected to raise the total registrants to 175 for the year.

Eighteen states and Cuba are represented in the student body, and as in previous years the list is headed by North Carolina. The enrollment by states is as follows:

North Carolina	48	West Virginia	6
Tennessee	15	Arkansas	5
Oklahoma	12	California	5
Missouri	12	Florida	3
Alabama	12	Mississippi	3
Michigan	11	Ohio	3
Texas	9	South Carolina	3
Georgia	8	Illinois	2
Virginia	6	Maine	2
Cuba	2		

LARGEST FRESHMAN CLASS ENROLLS

(Continued from page 1)

Beryle Hoyt Houlton, Maine
David Hutchinson Pamplico, South Carolina
Billy Jackson Ernul, North Carolina
Bob King Booneville, Arkansas
Joyce Lane LaGrange, North Carolina
John Bill Martin Holdenville, Oklahoma
Ray Moye Snow Hill, North Carolina
Ira Sue Nicholson Loudon, Tennessee
Gene Outland Lucama, North Carolina
Robert Owen Chipley, Florida
Julia Ann Pate Bridgeton, North Carolina
Stanley Pentecost Pleasant View, Tennessee
Jo Ann Piercey Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
Donnie Strickland Durham, North Carolina
Jean Stultz Springfield, Ohio
Joyce Thompson Detroit, Michigan
Henry Van Kluyve Nashville, Tennessee
Billy Walker Pleasant View, Tennessee
Mary Jo Wall Kilsyth, West Virginia
Jessie White Cookeville, Tennessee
Sara Willoughby Aboskie, North Carolina
Willis Wilson Stokes, North Carolina
Ronald Winkle Richmond, California
Arnold Woodlief Marianna, Florida

FRESHMEN

Joy Arnold Gainesville, Texas
Josie Ruth Baker Walstonburg, N. Carolina
Molly Gray Barker Morehead City, N. C.
Willie Jean Barker New Edinburg, Arkansas
Emma Ruth Bennett Bridgeton, N. Carolina
Gearldene Bryan Belmont, North Carolina
Charles Bryant Goldsboro, North Carolina
Theodore J. Buck Miami, Florida
Luther Ray Burns Pinetown, North Carolina
Louis M. Cole Norfolk, Virginia
Barrie Sue Colson Bryan, Texas
Randy Cox Washington, North Carolina
Joe Creech Norfolk, Virginia
Roy Creech Newport News, Virginia
Leroy Cutler Pantego, North Carolina
Teddy Davis Monett, Missouri
Moses E. Deeds Oilton, Oklahoma
Dorothy DeHart Healdton, Oklahoma
Joseph DeRossett Nashville, Tennessee
Dean Dobbs Kirksville, Missouri
Frank Dunn Bridgeton, North Carolina
Odes Farles Stigler, Oklahoma
Blant Ferguson Diboll, Texas
J. B. Fletcher Manchester, Tennessee
Cleo Foley Detroit, Michigan
Willie Gardner Norfolk, Virginia
Daniel Gaskins New Bern, North Carolina
Minot Godwin Dunn, North Carolina
Thomas Golden Charleston, South Carolina
Beulah Henson Hurricane, West Virginia
Edwin Hill Elizabethtown, North Carolina
Don Hill Lemay, Missouri
Herman Hoffman Oakland, California
Errest Hollingshead Ensly, Alabama
Paul Inbody Tulsa, Oklahoma
Bob Isares Thompsonville, Illinois
Willie Johnson Alcolu, South Carolina
Billy Jones Bryan, Texas
Wilma Ann Jones Leeds, Alabama
Betty Keech Free Union, North Carolina
Mrs. Bob King Booneville, Arkansas
Meredith Kirksey Gordon, Alabama
Paul Lee Flint, Michigan
Bill Leno Richmond, California
Moses Linn Cushing, Oklahoma
Billy Ray Livesay Tarboro, North Carolina
Wyndell Long Surrency, Georgia
Gerald Mangham Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
Mary McClintock Detroit, Michigan
Sam McClintock Detroit, Michigan
Joan McKinney Abbeville, Georgia
Deby McQueen Ferndale, Michigan
Peggy Mills Greenville, North Carolina
John Mochlman Bryan, Texas
Nancy Montgomery Tupelo, Mississippi
Luther Ray Morgan Chesapeake, W. Virginia
Carol Mustafa Highland Park, Michigan
Hadley Norwood Florence, Alabama
Raymond Osborne Springfield, Tennessee
Ernestine Outland Lucama, North Carolina
Mack Owens Wilson, North Carolina
Ronny Peele Durham, North Carolina
Bobby Poole Hickory Point, Tennessee
Luther Reed Ashland City, Tennessee
Barbara Rentz Baxley, Georgia
Nellie Richards Greeneville, Tennessee
Lee Roberts Hampton, Virginia
Albert Rollins Pikeville, North Carolina
Hilton Ray Russell Farmville, N. Carolina

Bowen To Teach in History Department



C. F. BOWEN

Rev. Clarence F. Bowen has been added to the faculty this year and will teach courses in history and Christian education.

Mr. Bowen is a graduate of Wake Forest College, Wake Forest, North Carolina, where he received his B.A. degree in 1945. He took further training at Vanderbilt University, Nashville, during 1945-46. He plans to enroll at Peabody College for the summer quarter in 1955.

The Reverend Mr. Bowen served as pastor of the East Nashville Free Will Baptist Church for approximately nine years (1945-1954). He is at present secretary of the Free Will Baptist League Board and moderator of the Tennessee State Association of Free Will Baptists.

His training, years of pastoral experience, and work with young people equip him to do excellent work in the teaching field.

Ruth Scott Detroit, Michigan
Carolyn Shepherd Springfield, Tennessee
Maxine Sides Cordova, Alabama
Patsy Swann Pocahontas, Arkansas
Harold Talley Orange Cove, California
Patsy Tyson Fountain, North Carolina
John W. Vick St. Louis, Missouri
Joan Walker McAlester, Oklahoma
Kenneth Walker Wheelersburg, Ohio
Kay Whitaker Tupelo, Mississippi
Jackie Whitehurst Portsmouth, Virginia
Dorothy Williams Guin, Alabama
Evelyn Yelley Wheelersburg, Ohio
Carl Young Selma, California

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ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

By MRS. DAMON C. DODD, Secretary
3801 Richland Avenue
Nashville, Tennessee

Charles Craddock, '50, has accepted the Dothan, Alabama, church.

Bob and Jerry Wilfong, '49, are now in Tampa, Florida, doing home missionary work among the Cubans.

Wesley and Aileen Calvery, '51, are making last-minute preparations before sailing for Japan on October 29.

Ray and Lissie Turnage, '54, are the parents of a boy born August 25. He has been named Danny Ray.

Luther Sanders, '48, is now pastor of the church in Cordova, Alabama.

Johnnie Floyd, '54, has accepted the pastorate of the Philadelphia Church in Detroit, Michigan.

Wedding bells rang for Lonnie Sparks, '54, and Anita Kaminsky. They were married August 15. Lonnie is pastor of Wolfe Free Will Baptist Church in Snomac, Oklahoma.

Roger and Myrtle Reeds, '53, are the parents of a girl born August 15. She has been named Mary Kathleen.

William Misher, '48, Promotional Secretary for the National Sunday School Board, is now setting up his office in the Headquarter's Building.

Fred Kirby, '53, recently resigned his pastorate in Flat River, Missouri, to accept the church in Mountain Grove, Missouri.

Among the '54 graduates attending Columbia Bible College are Eugene Waddell, Sammy Wilkinson, and Paul Wood. James Earl Raper and Bobby Jackson are enrolled at Bob Jones University.

Two of the girls in the '54 class are taking nurse's training. They are Mary Francis Hess and Rachel Rollins.

Ronald and Mary Belle Creech, '52, are the parents of a new daughter, Mary Elizabeth, born September 10.

Kermit Esther, '49, has resigned the church at Cottondale, Florida, to accept the new church in Memphis, Tennessee. His duties will start on September 26.



New Speech Department Head



MISS BRANT

Miss Naomi Brant of Kent, Ohio, comes this year to the Bible College as head of the speech department.

Miss Brant received her training at Bob Jones University, Greenville, South Carolina, where she was graduated in 1951 with her B.S. degree and in 1953 with her M.A. degree. She has been a student at Kent State University, Kent, Ohio, and the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.

Miss Brant was on the faculty of Bob Jones University as part-time speech instructor from 1951-1953. She taught in the Newton Falls High School, Newton Falls, Ohio, last year.

Her wide range of experience in dramatic productions, radio, and other fields of speech should enable her to do a superb job in her department, which is expected to bring forth some fine Christian programs during the school year.

Correspondence Corner

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"As you begin another school year we pray God will richly bless you, the faculty, and student body.

"We are very thankful and happy that our son, Randy, is in school there this year. For this we have prayed and looked forward to for some time. He tells us in his letters it is just wonderful there and that he is so thankful that the Lord has blessed him with the opportunity to go there."

MR. AND MRS. HUBERT R. COX
Washington, North Carolina

"We certainly did enjoy having the quartet with our church and in our home.

"They were a blessing to us. May God bless you and the College in your undertakings. Pray for us.

"Yours for lost souls for Christ."

A. F. FERGERSON
Dennison, Texas

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"My class of girls from the Scioto-dale Free Will Baptist Sunday School range from ages ten to fourteen and we have pledged a dollar a month. It isn't much but we send it with prayer and best success for the College."

GIRLS STAR CLASS
Scioto-dale FWB Church
Mrs. Arnold Boggs, Teacher
South Webster, Ohio

"Visit with Us for a Moment"

MRS. J. E. SIMPSON, *Dean of Women,*
Richland Hall

After much thought and prayer, we have chosen six of our best qualified girls to be prayer captains. They are assigned groups of approximately ten girls each and are responsible for the prayer life of each student in their groups.

Each night, Monday through Friday, at 9:35, you will hear coming from the windows of the Richland dormitory that traditional call: "Sweet Hour of Prayer." The groups assemble to sing choruses, read Scripture, and unite their prayers for the causes that are of the greatest concern to each of them. But they are not selfish in their praying. Many telephone calls come in requesting prayer, and letters from home and elsewhere bring in requests for prayer; and they are all included—none are overlooked.

It would thrill your heart to be able to look down upon about sixty girls on their knees in earnest, fervent prayer for unsaved friends and relatives, for those who have financial or physical needs, for the students who have gone out from the College and are serving in various fields, and for every phase of our denominational program.

It would bless your heart to know some of the marvelous answers to prayer these girls experience during their college days.

You join them this year, won't you, and greater things will be accomplished through prayer. There is strength in unity.

Texas	599.79
Virginia	54.38
West Virginia	18.50

New Spanish Teacher



MISS GRAVES

Miss Marna Graves of Nashville, Tennessee, has joined the College faculty as part-time instructor. She is teaching first and second year Spanish; she also teaches Spanish at Belmont College in the city.

Miss Graves received her B.S. and M.A. degrees from George Peabody College and did additional work at the University of Southern California. She holds a certificate from El Centro de las Estudios Historicos in Madrid, Spain. She has traveled extensively in Spanish-speaking countries and has taught Spanish for eighteen years at the Edgewood Park School, Briarcliff Manor, New York.

August Income

RECEIPTS FOR AUGUST:

Gifts	\$2,936.00
Library gifts	91.38
Other Income	752.71
Loan from bank	3,500.00

Gifts by states:

Alabama	101.00
Arkansas	119.32
California	77.00
Florida	38.50
Georgia	200.50
Illinois	100.00
Kentucky	29.00
Michigan	48.00
Mississippi	70.10
Missouri	251.85
North Carolina	431.77
Ohio	136.00
Oklahoma	238.28
South Carolina	56.51
Tennessee	415.50

BILLY GRAHAM ASSOCIATE IS CHAPEL SPEAKER



Rev. Grady Wilson is welcomed at the Bible College. Left to Right: C. F. Bowen, Wilson, L. C. Johnson, and LaVerne Miley.

The first two weeks of the fall semester were brought to a climax on Friday morning, September 17, when Rev. Grady Wilson, associate evangelist to Billy Graham, spoke at the College auditorium to the student body, faculty, staff, and special guests.

Mr. Wilson, former classmate of President L. C. Johnson, described the work of the Billy Graham Greater Nashville Evangelistic Crusade and emphasized the over-all need of prayer. He congratulated the students for their choice of a Christian institution in which to receive their training.

To enable the students to attend the Graham Campaign as much as possible, many of the school's opening activities were dropped, and buses from Free Will Baptist churches in the city were used to transport the students to and from Vanderbilt Stadium.

To see firsthand the working of a great city-wide evangelistic campaign was an immense thrill to each student, and to see hundreds of people going forward night by night to make their decisions for Christ set the students' hearts aflame to do their part in winning a lost world to Christ.

Some of the students sang in the thousand-voice Crusade Choir directed by Cliff Barrows. Others of the student body and staff who had attended the training classes preceding the campaign were used as personal counselors.

New Tracts Available

The Practical Work Department has announced the printing of a new tract, "What Must I Do To Be Saved?" These are available at a cost of \$3 per thousand or 40 cents per hundred.

Opening Week Activities

Opening services at Free Will Baptist Bible College were held Tuesday evening, September 7, at 7:30 P.M. in the College auditorium with Dr. L. C. Johnson bringing the devotional message from Psalm 16. President Johnson was introduced by LaVerne Miley, dean, who was in charge of the service.

Ross Dowden, Music Department head, led the assembly in the song service and sang a special solo number, "Jesus Will Walk With Me."

On Wednesday morning, Rev. C. F. Bowen brought the devotional message from Psalm 1. Each member of the faculty was presented by Dean Miley. Dr. Johnson lectured on "Living in a Christian School," the first in a series of orientation lectures to begin the school year. Senior and junior students registered on Wednesday while the freshmen took entrance examinations.

The Thursday morning service featured the pastors of Nashville Free Will Baptist churches, who welcomed the new students to the city and extended an invitation to visit their churches.

A Faculty Reception was held Monday evening, September 12, on the lawn near Memorial Auditorium. The students lined up, with the newcomers in front, to be introduced to the College faculty and staff members.

Refreshments of punch, cookies, and mints were served the group by the senior girls, Mrs. J. E. Simpson, dean of women, and Ray Turnage, Master of Affairs.

The fellowship period was concluded with singing by Ross Dowden and prayer led by Dr. Johnson.

Extension School Held in Texas

Rev. Leroy Forlines conducted an Extension School in the Jameson Memorial Church in Henderson, Texas, August 23 to September 3. Eleven were enrolled in courses in Personal Evangelism and Free Will Baptist Doctrine. Eight certificates were given.

Rev. Noah Tuttle is pastor of the host church. Publicity and arrangements were handled by Rev. Huey Gower of Henderson.

This is the fourth extension school to be held during the past year.



Tommy Willey, senior class president (center) introduces freshman students as Dr. L. C. Johnson at the head of the reception line greets each student.

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A Personal Letter

Dear Friend:

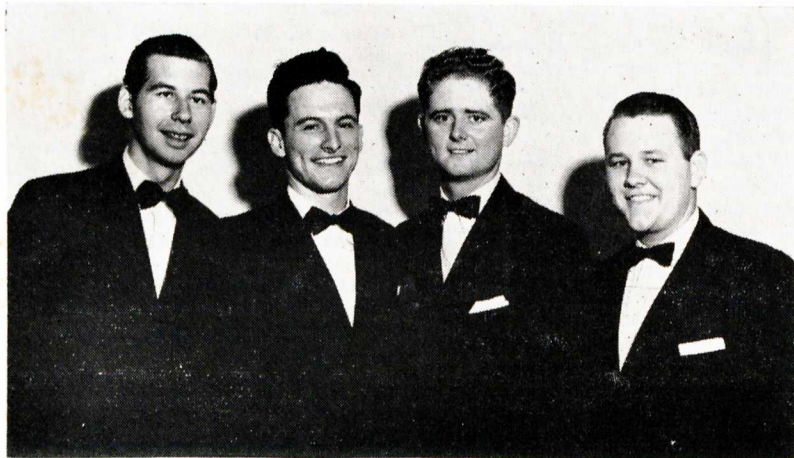
First of all I want to thank the many friends of Free Will Baptist Bible College who have helped us do a wonderful job in the past years. The way you sent in your gifts to pay off the indebtedness was one of the greatest things that has happened in modern-day Free Will Baptist history. Our friends have been like money in the bank. Whenever we have had a need we have cashed in on your friendship and interest and you have never failed.

However, with the increased cost of operation and the largest student body in the history of the institution, it is absolutely necessary that you rally to the needs of the Bible College with liberal offerings if we are to continue our march of progress. Since last April, when we paid off our indebtedness, the gifts have not been up to par. I know that many individuals and churches put forth a special effort during that campaign and have neglected to keep their regular gifts coming in. The time has come, however, when we must have some special gifts to boost our income.

Many hundreds of you who read this can send a \$10 or a \$25 gift to the College. Many churches will be able to send a \$50 or a \$100 gift. We are going to be expecting to hear from you in the near future. I know that you are interested in this work because when our needs have been called to your attention you have always been faithful. Write us a letter today and send us whatever gift you are able to send, and you might call it to the attention of your church for a special offering. We will appreciate it so very much. May God bless you.

Yours truly,
L. C. JOHNSON

NEW COLLEGE QUARTET



KING'S MESSENGERS (See article on page 4).

College Host To Missionary Conference

Rev. Thomas H. Willey and Rev. John Ruth will be special speakers at the Fifth Annual Missionary Conference to be held at the College Auditorium Nov. 23-25, from Tuesday evening through Thursday noon.

The Reverend Mr. Willey is the director of Free Will Baptist Missions in Cuba and the father of two College students, Tommy and Barbara Willey. Mr. Willey was principal speaker at the first Missionary Conference in 1950.

The Reverend Mr. Ruth is connected with the Free Will Baptist churches in Maine, and this will be his first appearance at the Missionary Conference and before a national meeting of Free Will Baptists.

The College Music Department has charge of special music throughout the conference, and the Speech Department will present a special program on Wednesday evening.

Developing the conference theme of: "I am Debtor . . . I am Ready to Preach" will be a group of speakers including the two mentioned above; Dr. L. C. Johnson, College president; Rev. T. G. Hamilton, Glennville, Georgia; Rev. Raymond Riggs, Promotional Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board; Rev. Luther Sanders, Cordova, Alabama; Tommy Willey, student; Rev. E. C. Morris, Tifton, Georgia; Galen Dunbar, student; Rev. Bob King, Cedar Hill, Tennessee; Rev. Damon Dodd, Home Mission Board head; and Rev. LaVerne Miley, College dean.

The meeting is conducted each year by the Foreign Mission Board and purposes to promote missionary interest and activity in the Free Will Baptist Church. The Bible College feels especially blessed to have this conference on its campus each year because of its spiritual impact as well as its bringing many friends who get to visit the College.

From My Desk...

L. C. Johnson, L. H. D.

Thanksgiving is an American tradition and is one of the few holidays that has not been commercialized to the point of losing its significance. Each American should make a list of things for which he should be thankful. Our freedom of speech and



worship are so much taken for granted that many of us have lost sight of the value of these blessings. Someone has suggested that it might be good for us to have these freedoms taken from us a while

to make us conscious of their meaning. I do not believe we have to experience totalitarianism in order to appreciate freedom, but it will be necessary for us to develop a greater spirit of thankfulness if we are to be worthy of the blessings.

God in His Word commands us to be thankful. Thankfulness on our part shows that we recognize our dependence upon God. Man is not self-sufficient but must depend upon God for his daily needs. We have had a philosophy in this country teaching us that man could build a society that would give us freedom from want and fear. But we have seen the folly of this, and we should know that as long as man rejects the Lord Jesus Christ there is going to be hunger in his heart and soul and mind as well as physical hunger. We should thank God anew at this Thanksgiving season that He not only provides for our daily physical needs but that He is the Bread of life and the Water of life to all those who will receive Him by faith into their hearts. We should all lift our voices in praise to Him for all He has done for us throughout the past year. He has been good to Free Will Baptist Bible College and is giving us perhaps the greatest year we have ever had. We praise Him for the fine student body and for our faculty and for the friends of the Bible College who have been so faithful throughout the year.

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Financial Facts

1. Average monthly gifts to general fund during 1953-54 \$3,800.00
2. Average monthly gifts received during 1954-55 3,200.00
3. Average monthly gifts needed during 1954-55 for operating expenses 4,300.00
4. Every \$2.00 the student pays must be matched with \$1.50 gift from a friend.
5. Your gifts are urgently needed to increase the monthly gift income.
6. Receipts for September and October.

	September	October
Gifts	\$3,345.92	\$3,223.71
W. N. A. C.	81.68	
Student Accounts	15,215.71	3,550.40
Library gifts	17.50	17.45
Miscellaneous Income	81.33	379.99
Miscellaneous Refunds	71.54	106.79
Book Store Sales	2,932.71	1,022.41

Gifts by States:

Alabama	147.81	182.25
Arkansas	110.87	105.78
California	66.50	75.50
Florida	46.50	42.50
Georgia	227.15	146.49
Illinois	58.00	112.17
Kansas	11.00	
Kentucky	59.82	35.00
Michigan	127.00	132.00
Mississippi	76.00	153.02
Missouri	197.94	91.78
North Carolina	577.79	615.23
Ohio	81.50	186.00
Oklahoma	260.13	178.69
South Carolina	469.91	124.33
Tennessee	406.00	779.48
Texas	292.39	200.49
Virginia	71.78	60.50
West Virginia	12.83	2.50

Lumen Staff Organizes

The *Lumen* staff is off to a good start this year with an early organization of its officers. C. F. Bowen has been chosen as faculty sponsor.

Dale Burden.....	Editor
Barbara Willey.....	Associate Editor
Harold Critcher.....	Business Manager
Ruth Milburn.....	Secretary
Ronnie Peele.....	Photographer
Keith Boyd.....	Artist

Letters to pastors and churches are being prepared and will go out soon, according to Mr. Critcher. An endeavor is being made this year to contact a larger number of churches than before, he stated. Free *Lumens* will be given to those churches taking a whole or half page of advertising.

Many churches send gifts each year to *The Lumen*, student yearbook publication, in helping finance its cost. If your church is interested in some space in the yearbook and your pastor is not contacted right away, you may write directly to *The Lumen* at the College address.

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

By MRS. DAMON C. DODD, Secretary
3801 Richland Avenue
Nashville, Tennessee

Ronald Creech, '52, recently conducted a very successful revival in Lee Whaley's church in Jacksonville, N. C. Lee is a graduate of '48.

Wanda Edwards, '51, has just completed her nurse's training in the School of Nursing at the St. Louis City Hospital, St. Louis, Missouri. She is now on the staff of the hospital awaiting assignment to the mission field.

Wilburn Beasley, '54, has been called to pastor the Beech Springs church in Mississippi.

Eugene Waddell, '54, is now pastoring the church in Timmons ville, South Carolina. He is also a student at Columbia Bible College.

Wedding bells rang for Fred Hersey and Evelyn Lawrence, '54. They were married September 9.

Elro Driggers, '54, has been called to pastor the church in Pine Bluff, Arkansas.

Reford and Jean Wilson, '48, are the parents of a girl born October 6. She has been named Rebecca Lane.

Carey Watkins and Ray Turnage, '54, are enrolled in Peabody College.

John M. Rich, '46, is now pastoring the church in Cottdale, Florida.

George Ludwig, '54, has accepted the Glennville, Georgia church.

Joe Ange, '50, reports 39 decisions and 27 rededications in a recent revival at Edgemont Church, Durham, N. C. The church's annual missionary conference is set for November 24-28. Speakers are Mrs. G. C. Timyan, returned missionary from French West Africa, Rev. Bruce Barrow, Rev. Raymond Riggs, and Dr. Clyde Taylor.

Jane Smith, former student, is working at the Goldsboro, N. C. church. She teaches in the day school and has a Child Evangelism class of 52 members.

Music Notes

by ROSS DOWDEN

The Music Department has started another busy year. We look forward to a year of service through the ministry of music.

The following courses are being taught this fall: Music Fundamentals, Hymnology, Music History, Choral Conducting, Advanced Choir, Chorus, Class Voice, Class Piano, Voice, Piano, and Organ. The courses in Church Music Administration will be offered the second semester.

It is the purpose of the Music Department of the College to train Christian young people who can accept places of leadership in the music program of the local church. They are being trained in the best traditions of church music, being ever mindful of the practical music needs of the churches.

The College Choir has been organized and is rehearsing on music for the Thanksgiving Vesper Program to be given in conjunction with the Speech Department on November 24. The officers of the choir are: Galen Dunbar, president; Joe Creech, vice president; Leah McGlohon, secretary-treasurer; Eula Mae Martin, librarian; Ada Beth Hickman, wardrobe mistress; Carroll Alexander, wardrobe master; Willis Wilson and Tommy Willey, managers.

A Christmas musical and dramatic program is also being planned, and we hope to resume our radio broadcasts in the near future. The Choir will go on another tour in the spring. The tour last spring proved to be highly successful and a blessing to many.

In addition to the Choir, there are other musical units on the campus: two girls' trios, the King's Messengers Quartet, the Evangeliers Quartet, and the Gospel Couriers Quartet. We hope to have a male chorus also this year.

An increasing number of students is taking voice, piano, and organ. These applied music lessons give the student individual attention, and every effort is made to equip him to serve effectively in his chosen field.

As one can see from the activities listed, we shall be busy in the Music Department of the College this year, learning to serve God better through the ministry of music.

Man is never more profitably engaged than when he is engaged in the worship of God. The church musician should be a sensitive and effective instrument through which God can lead many souls to His throne of grace.

Recent Library Gifts

The following gifts have been received for purchasing needed books for the College library, according to Mrs. J. P. Barrow.

Heads Woman's Auxiliary,	
Cedar Hill, Tenn.	\$5.00
Reedy Branch Youth Auxiliary,	
Winterville, N. C.	5.00
Reedy Branch Original Woman's	
Auxiliary,	
Winterville, N. C.	6.00
Spring Hill Young People's S. S.	
Class	
Pansy, Alabama	5.50
First Church Woman's Mission	
Flat River, Missouri	10.00
Grace Woman's Auxiliary	
Royal Oak, Michigan	5.00
Fay Gilbert, faculty member ..	9.00

The following have given books to the library:

Books

J. B. Fletcher, student.....	1
Foreign Mission Board.....	2
Noah Tuttle, Henderson, Texas.	23
L. V. Borden, former student...	12
Major Young, Nashville.....	5
J. W. Boyte, Nashville	7
Paul Lee, student.....	1

Mrs. Barrow gives her words of appreciation:

"Thank you! You have all done marvelously the past school year. We need to double the number of books we now have before we can comply with the requirements of the Accrediting Association of Bible Institutes and Bible Colleges. Can we count on you?"

If you have some worth-while theology books you are not using, why not write the College librarian to see if yours would not be a valuable addition to the College library?

Correspondence Courses Available

Pastors, Sunday school teachers, and Christian workers can receive Bible training at home through the College Correspondence Department. The following courses are offered on college level, and credit may be applied toward any award the College offers.

Evangelism	4 Hours
Missions	3 "
Minor Prophets	3 "
Old Testament Introduction ..	2 "
New Testament Introduction ..	2 "

Correct Your Mailing Address

If this Bulletin is mailed to you at the wrong address or has your name misprinted or if this goes to anyone deceased, please send a card stating any change of address to the College.

Missionary Prayer Band

By MARY RUTH WISEHART, President

"... And when they had prayed ... they spake the Word of God with boldness."

Someone has said every failure is a prayer failure. A look at the progress of world-wide missions today should cause one to stop and wonder if Christians have failed to pray.

Christ left the earth giving man a commission to teach all nations in His way. Yet how few there are who have been willing to give themselves to this work in comparison with the many lost in darkness. Every missionary on the field realizes the need of prayer in his life. They depend on the prayers of those at home. Are the Christians here failing to pray to God for them?

The Missionary Prayer Band grew out of a burden for those who had given their lives for the spread of the Gospel and the lost of the world. This organization encourages students to pray by getting before them the need of the world and then giving them definite requests for which to pray. Many students learn for the first time the conditions existing in lands where the light of Christ has not been taken. Some catch for the first time a vision of the need of these souls in darkness and answer God's call to service.

Have you caught a little of the love of Christ which caused Him to die on the cross for those who bow down to wood and stone? Do you feel burdened to pray for the world? Perhaps you would like to join us in prayer. Maybe you would like to become better acquainted with the needs of the world as well as those of our own missionaries. Each month the Missionary Prayer Band publishes a newsletter especially for you who wish to receive information and requests from different mission fields.

One hundred forty-four people from different states are members of the Missionary Prayer Band and join with us in prayer each day. There should be many more who are willing to spend some time each day praying for the extension of the Gospel of Christ. Perhaps you do spend time in prayer for missions already; but if you would like to receive our newsletter and join with us, mail your request for membership to Missionary Prayer Band, 3609 Richland Avenue, Nashville, Tennessee.

The newly-elected officers of the Missionary Prayer Band are:

Mary Ruth Wisehart.....	President
Galen Dunbar.....	Vice President
Joyce Thompson.....	Newsletter Editor
Ruth Scott.....	Treasurer
Juanita Dunn.....	Secretary

THE NEW BOOKSTORE



Leah McGlohon, senior student, waits on students at the "Snack Shop." One student has just picked up his laundry, and two others are seen at the right getting their mail.

One of the greatest changes meeting students on their return to school this semester was the relocation of the bookstore and snack shop. Formerly housed at the rear of Ennis Hall, the bookstore is now on the ground floor of Richland Hall.

Many improvements have come with the new location. For one thing there is much more room so that students do not have to wait in line to get into the store. During the rush period just after chapel, the space is usually filled to capacity with everyone going to his mail box or picking up some refreshments from the service counter before the next class.

A new feature is an electric milk machine from which the students may obtain a refreshing drink of ice-cold milk.

Once the ordeal of book buying is over at the beginning of each semester, the students find the bookstore an attraction and place of relaxation during the day.

Wallace Student Body President

Boyce Wallace, senior from Albertson, North Carolina, has been elected president of the student body for this year. Barbara Hancock, junior from Tulsa, Oklahoma, is vice president; Ronald Winkle, sophomore from Richmond, California, is treasurer; and Ernestine Outland, freshman student from Lucama, North Carolina, is secretary.

FMF Members Attend Georgia Meeting

Several members of the Foreign Missions Fellowship attended the annual Southeastern FMF conference at Toccoa, Georgia, Oct. 8-10. Much inspiration and enthusiasm are brought back to the College group each year by these representatives.

The Foreign Missions Fellowship, a missionary organization, has met several times this year with much interest being shown by the students. Its main purpose is to create more interest in the cause of world-wide missions. In order to do this, interesting programs are given each week.

The high lights of the organization so far this year have been the presenting of FMF membership cards to those who have announced their call to the foreign field. Missionary manuals were presented to the members in order for them to better understand the call and requirements of a foreign missionary. The FMF officers for this year are:

President.....Bobby Aycock
Vice President.....June Goode
Secretary-Treas.....Eula Mae Martin
Letter Staff.....Eula Mae Martin
Galen Dunbar

These officers are responsible for handling the affairs of the student body, such as arranging a program for student day each week in the College chapel and promoting a special speaker each year.

Two Quartets Represent College

The Gospeliers

The Gospeliers Quartet is still going strong! Having sung as the College quartet the past four years, the singing of Eugene Waddell, James Earl Raper, Bobby Picirilli, and Bobby Jackson has become known denominational wide. They have continued their quartet work this year although they graduated from the Bible College last June. All four are in graduate school in South Carolina—Waddell at Columbia Bible College, and Raper, Picirilli, and Jackson at Bob Jones University—and on week ends they have represented the College in some of the near-by Free Will Baptist churches.

During the months of September and October the quartet made 6 week-end itineraries in South Carolina, Georgia, and North Carolina, totaling 26 services with a good measure of response of offerings and pledges. Also there were several decisions for Christ resulting from the services.

The King's Messengers

Among its freshmen students this year, the College gained a very well-balanced boy's quartet. Bill Gardner and Joe Creech, Norfolk, Virginia; Randy Cox, Washington, N. C.; and Blant Ferguson, Diboll, Texas form the King's Messengers Quartet. They had sung together in North Carolina and Virginia previous to enrolling at FWBCC.

This group has already made several visits to churches for the College, and present plans call for their services on week-end itinerary work during the school year.

The following churches have been visited:

TENNESSEE

Shady Grove—October 2
Loyal Chapel—October 3, A.M.
Columbia, 1st Ch.—October 3, P.M.
Stone Association—October 15
Ashland City—October 17, A.M.
Friendship—October 17, P.M.

VIRGINIA

Fairmount Park—October 31, A.M.
Portsmouth—October 31, P.M.
Warwick City—November 7

NORTH CAROLINA

Albemarle Union—October 30, A.M.
Albemarle League Convention—
October 30, P.M.
Tee's Chapel—November 1
Kinston—November 2
Pleasant Grove—November 3
Casey's Chapel—November 4, A.M.
Stony Creek—November 4, P.M.
Antioch—November 5
Hickory Chapel—November 7, P.M.

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NATIVITY SCENE

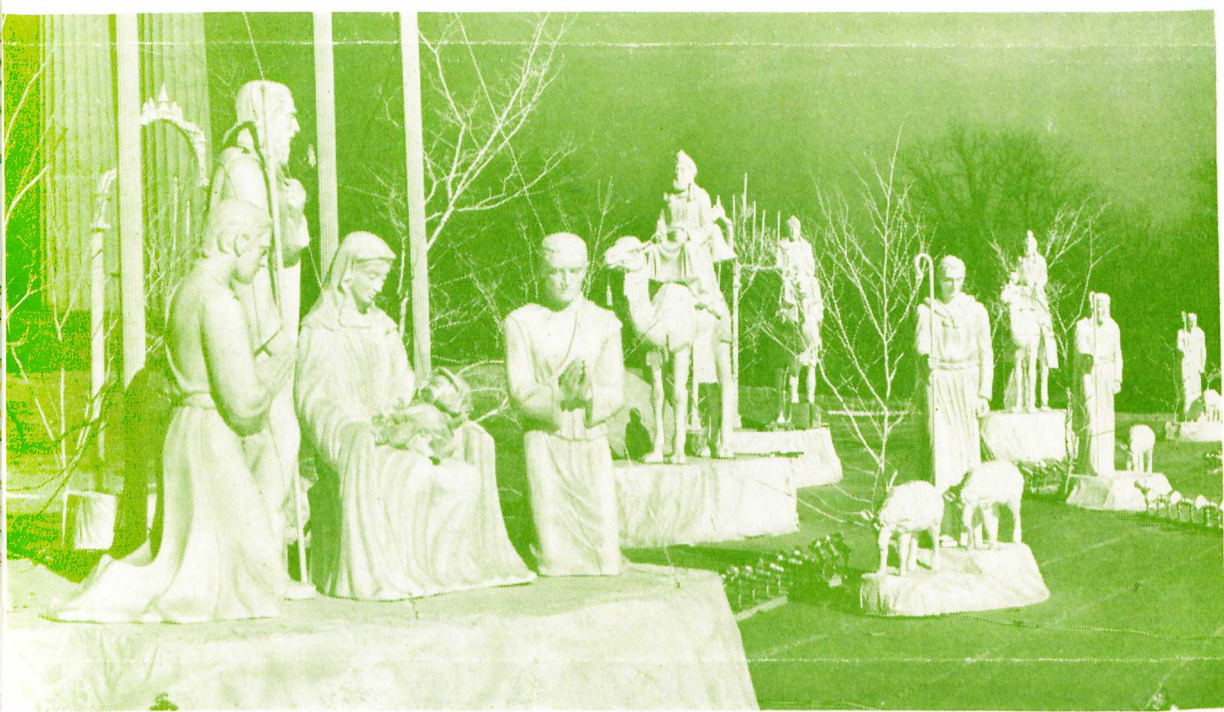


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THOUSANDS OF TENNESSEANS and visitors will be reminded of the first Christmas by the above Christmas Nativity scene at Nashville's Centennial Park. The Christ Child, Mary, Joseph, and shepherds form the central arrangement. The exhibit of life-size statues, displayed annually during the holiday season, is believed to be the largest of its kind in the world.

From My Desk...

L. C. JOHNSON, L.H.D.

Perhaps you will be reading this after Christmas is past. I trust you had a joyous time with your friends and family and that we all took time to realize the true meaning of the season.



Speaking of families, of all seasons of the year when it means most to be with our loved ones, it is Christmas. In this time of family breakdown, there needs to be new emphasis placed on family get-togethers.

When we go back to the old home with our brothers and sisters and parents, we relive our childhood days and life becomes simple again and the values of life are seen in an entirely new light. Perhaps it is sleeping in the "side room" again, or sitting beside the open fireplace listening to the crackle of the wood fire, or bathing our hands for dinner at the "water shelf" on the back porch, that enables us to simplify our living again, makes us thankful for our heritage.

You and I have enjoyed so many of the good things of life, born in a land of opportunities unequalled by any nation on earth. Most of us were reared in good average American homes and taught to go to church and fear God. Like the man described in Proverbs, we were not so rich that we felt no need of God and not so poor that we had to steal. Then there comes that greatest of all gifts—our Lord Jesus. At Christmas our minds are aflamed anew with thoughts of Him. To the Christian the meaning of Christmas is not seen in glittering tinsel or sparkling lights, but in having in our hearts Him who brought "peace on earth good will toward men."

All of us from Free Will Baptist Bible College send our personal greetings to you for a wonderful Christmas and a happy, prosperous New Year.

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November Gifts Much Better

After four months of decreased gifts from July through October the response from churches and individuals picked up during the month of November to give the College the best month's income this year. It is hoped this is an indication of an over-all increase in gifts so badly needed for the College's expanded operation.

1. Average monthly gifts to general fund during 1953-54 \$3,800.00
2. Average monthly gifts received during 1954-55 3,600.00
3. Average monthly gifts needed during 1954-55 for operating expenses 4,300.00
4. Every \$2.00 the student pays must be matched with \$1.50 gift from a friend.
5. Your gifts are urgently needed to increase the monthly gift income.

6. Receipts for November:

Gifts	\$4,927.39
W.N.A.C.	39.75
Student Accounts	4,214.56
Library Gifts	1.00
Miscellaneous Income	218.50
Miscellaneous Refunds	46.77
Bookstore Sales	825.24

Gifts by States:

Alabama	72.90
Arkansas	142.18
California	81.14
Florida	55.50
Georgia	256.00
Illinois	50.50
Kentucky	18.00
Michigan	277.40
Mississippi	161.05
Missouri	276.61
North Carolina	1,806.60
Ohio	103.00
Oklahoma	293.18
South Carolina	237.03
Tennessee	426.78
Texas	362.24
Virginia	301.28
West Virginia	6.00

New Auxiliary Officers Announced

The College unit of the Woman's Auxiliary has announced the election of new officers for this year:

Mrs. J. B. Hall, Jr.—President

Fay Gilbert—Secretary

Shirley Graves—Treasurer

Meetings are held on the fourth Friday night of each month.

Last year the group achieved the Standard of Excellence in the A-1 classification. It holds several study courses each year and conducts projects of helping the sick at special seasons during the year. The membership averages about thirty-five year by year. It is in many respects a model auxiliary.

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

By MRS. DAMON C. DODD, Secretary
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Irvin Hyman, '51, has resigned work in Charleston, South Carolina and has accepted two churches in Georgia: Pine Level and Marietta.

Adam Scott, '51, reports a very successful revival in his church in ham. Bobby Jackson, '54, was evangelist.

Dan Merkh, '53, has accepted position of Educational Director of Edgemont Church, Durham.

W. B. Hughes, '53, writes that auditorium of the Chipley, Florida church will be completed very soon. He is planning a missionary conference in it first thing.

Lester Jones, '51, had the new church in Kirksville (Missouri) dedicated November 5. Damon C. Dodd, '44, Rolla Smith, '51, participated in service.

William Mishler, '48, Promoted Secretary of the F. W. B. C. School Board, is making contacts for new church at Memphis, Tennessee at Springdale, Arkansas the week of December 12.

Charles Craddock, '50, has started Sunday School Worker's Conference in his church in Dothan, Alabama.

Geraldine Hall, '54, is teaching F.W.B.C. and working on her degree at Peabody College.

Wedding bells rang for Zalee '48, and Lieutenant Bob Breeden were married November 27 at the Mount Church, Durham, North Carolina.

Walter Reynolds, '51, has led Hickory Chapel Church in making gift of \$25 to the new church in Shelton, Nebraska.

George Ludwig, '54, and his wife are now in the beautiful new parsonage at Glennville, Georgia.

James Earl Raper, '54, is the pastor at the Valley Falls Church in Spartanburg, South Carolina.

Leo Sharpe, '53, was ordained October 14, at the annual meeting of the Cumberland Association, in the Lawn Church, Pleasant View, Tennessee.

Lonnie DaVoult, '54, is the newly elected moderator of the Eastern District Meeting of the Cumberland Association.

Correspondence Corner

A Challenge

"I challenge every Free Will Baptist preacher in the U. S. to pledge a like amount (personally) above their church. Let's see how much this will bring into the College each year."

REV. C. J. TURRENTINE
Ft. Worth, Texas

(The above statement was made by this faithful friend upon signing a checkbook for another year's support to the College.)

"I've been encouraged by the wonderful things I've been hearing about the College lately. I also want to take this opportunity to tell you how much The Bulletin means to me. I always take time to read it through, and although I don't know many of the students, I feel as though I know you all. It's inspiring to know that young people are so wonderfully dedicating their lives to Christ. Although we know it's the grace of God that makes a man what he is, still in a small way we realize that the training one gets in a College such as ours helps immensely."

KATHLEEN CHASTEEN
Wheelerburg, Ohio

"This is my pledge for Nov. and Dec. I have completed my first year of this small monthly gift and am so glad to have had just a little part in the great work of the College. I plan to continue my monthly gift next year."

MRS. C. A. EUBANKS
Kinston, N. C.

"Our hearts were blessed by the quartet and the two young men who traveled with them when they came down through our section of the country two weeks ago. We thank God for their lives and for our Bible College where they can get the best training in the field of work which God has called them to do."

CATHY COX
Washington, N. C.

"So thankful I can share in the blessings there. Since I know so many of the students it makes me love the College a little more. . . . So I just thrill at having a part in such a wonderful college."

MRS. SAM C. HOBGOOD
Farmville, N. C.

WILLEY, RUTH HEAD MISSIONARY PROGRAM



Missionary Conference personalities pictured above are left to right: Rev. Thomas H. Willey, Miss Wanda Edwards, and Rev. John Ruth.

An important date in the school calendar is that set aside for the annual Missionary Conference. This year's date was November 23-25. The conference is sponsored jointly by the National Foreign and Home Missions Departments and sessions are held in Memorial Auditorium on the College campus. Classes were dismissed for this time so that all students might attend each session. On Wednesday afternoon open

house was held when visitors were invited to visit each of the three dormitories.

The conference was opened Tuesday night when a capacity crowd heard Dr. L. C. Johnson speak on "I Am Debtor to Christ" following the theme of the entire conference—"I Am Debtor." Rev. Damon Dodd, Home Missions Secretary, introduced the speakers for the two following days. They were Rev. Thomas H. Willey, director of the Free Will Baptist mission station in Cuba; Rev. John Ruth, pastor, of Houlton, Maine; and Galen Dunbar and Tom Willey, Bible College students.

Rev. Willey, principal foreign missions speaker, brought several missionary messages interspersed with reports of the work in Cuba.

Rev. Ruth, representing Free Will Baptists of Maine, brought reports of the difficulties experienced by the small group there and of their interest in becoming affiliated with the national work.

On Wednesday evening Bobby Aycock, president of the Foreign Mission Fellowship, presented Miss Wanda Edwards with a piece of luggage as a gift from that group. Miss Edwards recently graduated from nurse's training and is awaiting a visa to India so that she may enter the work there.

Day of Prayer Brings Spiritual Refreshing

The first day of prayer held this school year at F.W.B.B.C., November 19, closed with praise and thanksgiving to God for what He is and what He does. After allowing the Holy Spirit to speak, man realizes his weakness and God's strength and goodness.

Every day should be a day of prayer for the Christian, and prayer characterizes the lives of students and faculty at Free Will Baptist Bible College. Yet a day when the usual busy schedule is laid aside for prayer and meditation always proves a blessing.

This day of prayer gave opportunity for faculty and students to pray together. Also a time was given for private prayer and meditation.

Missionary Prayer Band

By MARY RUTH WISEHART, President

"Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and show thee great and mighty things which thou knowest not." Jer. 33:3.

Can you imagine scores of trained doctors, nurses, teachers, etc., from Free Will Baptist ranks applying to the Foreign Mission Board for service? Can you see Free Will Baptist people over the United States giving sacrificially so that these may go? Try to think of India, China, and other countries which have been hostile to the Gospel welcoming it with open arms. "Oh, impossible!" you say. But God has promised. Once we meet His conditions the blessing is ours.

Through prayer a vision of the world in need of Christ is gained. Through prayer God's will in our lives for reaching that world is learned. Through prayer the workers now on the field are empowered to preach the Word. Through prayer our Christian brothers and sisters in Christ around the world are blessed. A real prayer life enriches our lives with things we have not known before.

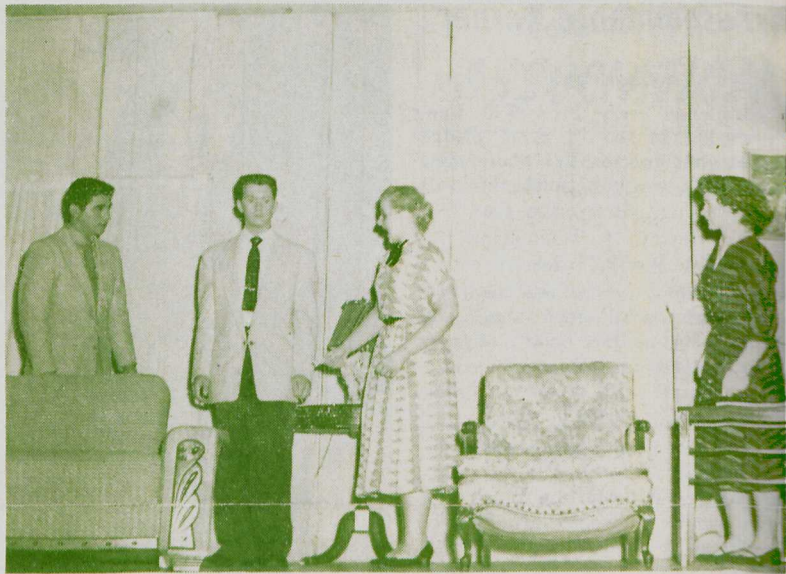
How many of us have longed for the day when Free Will Baptist missionaries will be carrying the Gospel to many unreached places? How many of us tremble at the thought of India's growing hostility toward American missionaries? Have we failed to pray? What a challenge is given us in God's Word to pray! Pray for the man next door to you, for your town, for your Christian brothers and sisters undergoing persecution in Europe, for our missionaries, and for all who carry the Gospel.

At this Christmas season remember those on foreign fields especially. What emotions they must experience thousands of miles from home, among people whose customs are strange and who do not know the real meaning of Christmas. Perhaps this season will afford many opportunities for witnessing.

Wesley and Aileen Calvery will be spending their first Christmas in Japan this year. Remember them especially.

Above all present to Christ your gift of "willing feet, a giving hand, and a praying heart" that His name may be exalted in the earth.

COLLEGE PLAY HIGHLIGHTS CONFERENCE



The above scene from "The Years Ahead" features Harold Critch (center) as Bob Ramsey, a conscientious young Christian who finds difficulty in getting the approval of his family to go as a missionary to Peru.

The Speech and Music departments of the College cooperated at the Wednesday night service of the Missionary Conference to bring a most effective program in music and drama. The play, "The Years Ahead," captivated a swelled audience and charged the evening program with an atmos-

phere of keen missionary challenge. Visitors and students are still accepting it as one of the best plays with Christian message.

At a consecration service following the play, the front of the auditorium was filled with Christian young men and women dedicating their lives to Christian work.

An offering of approximately \$100 was given at the close of the service, to be divided equally between the Foreign and Home Mission Boards.

Special musical numbers by the College Music Department were enjoyed throughout the conference.

Recent Chapel Speakers

The student body has been privileged this fall to have some outstanding speakers for chapel services.

It is an annual custom for the student body to sponsor a speaker for a series of services. This year the choice was Dr. Paul Van Gorder, pastor of Colonial Hills Baptist Church, Atlanta, Georgia, who brought missionary messages at the chapel services and each evening, October 25-29. Dr. Van Gorder has led his church to support directly and partially one hundred eighty-seven missionaries in foreign service.

Mr. C. C. Menzler of Nashville spoke at the chapel period October 20, on the work being done in Tennessee to help in the juvenile delinquency problems.

Mrs. Katherine Hawthorne, returned missionary from Sumatra, spoke Thursday evening and Friday morning, October 21-22. Mrs. Hawthorne is now associated with radio station HCJB, Ecuador, world-wide gospel broadcasting station.

These guests bring valuable information to the students about various fields of work as well as being a spiritual blessing.

McDonald Represents College in Chicago Meetings

E. B. McDonald, treasurer, and represented the College at the Friends of Christian Higher Education meeting in Chicago, October 25-27. Approximately one hundred officials of educational institutions gathered at the Lenox YMCA for the lectures and workshop sessions on current problems in the Bible college and seminary field. One of the features of the three-day convention was the demonstration of machine bookkeeping for colleges. Following this meeting, Mr. McDonald attended the annual meeting of the Accrediting Association of Bible Institutes and Bible Colleges held at the Moody Bible Institute Auditorium, October 28-29.

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JANUARY 26**

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