

Free Will Baptist Bible College ... BULLETIN

Bible Conference Will Be March 31—April 4 \$50,000 by April 1 Is First Goal

The 14th annual Bible Conference will be held March 31-April 4, according to Dr. L. C. Johnson, president.

Following the usual pattern, the first session will begin on Sunday afternoon, March 31, at 3:30 o'clock. Services will be held mornings and nights Monday through Thursday morning. All services are scheduled in Memorial Auditorium. The afternoons will include open sessions on spiritual guidance, youth emphasis, and discussion periods.

Speakers this year are Rev. Joseph G. Ange, Durham, N. C., pastor; Rev. Ronald Creech, pastor of First Church, Florence, S. C.; and Dr. Tom Malone, pastor from Pontiac, Michigan.

Special music from the College Music Department will be furnished throughout the four-day conference. Ross Dowden, music director, will have the College Choir present "The White Pilgrim," a folk cantata based on Early American religious music. Several soloists appear in this program. In addition to the chorus singing, other groups will include the male quartet and girls' trio.

The Reverend Mr. Ange spoke at the Bible Conference in 1954 and will bring with him a wealth of pastoral experience and sound Bible preaching that has brought his church to be one of the denomination's best in support of foreign missions and Christian education. Mr. Ange is a much-sought-

for preacher in revivals. He is an alumnus of the Bible College.

This is the first appearance as a Bible Conference speaker for Rev. Ronald Creech. He has been a popular evangelist and pastor for the past five years since graduating from the Bible College in 1952. He has held pastorates in Ahoskie, N. C., Warwick City, Va., and Florence, S. C. He has held revival meetings in numerous Free Will Baptist churches.

The special guest speaker this year is Dr. Tom Malone, pastor of Emmanuel Baptist Church, Pontiac, Michigan. During his approximately 16 years of pastoral work, Dr. Malone has carried on radio broadcasting. Within the past several years, he has founded a Christian day school and Western Baptist Seminary, of which he is president.

Dr. Malone will bring special Bible messages on evangelism and youth problems. He was speaker at the Bible College for a series of services in April, 1954.

During the course of the conference the Alumni Association will meet for its annual business session and banquet. The College Board of Trustees has rescheduled its annual meeting, usually held during the Bible Conference, until May.

The Bible College is looking forward to many new visitors this year as well (Continued on page 2)

A total of \$50,000 in gifts by April 1 is the first goal in the Improvement Program as set by the College Board of Trustees.

Up to this time some \$9,000 in gifts has been received. The income is expected to grow much heavier during February and March with the April 1 goal in view.

Many pastors and churches have planned to raise at least \$100 for the Improvement Program to be paid by April 1.

Rev. James F. Miller, promotional worker for the Improvement Program, has contacted local church leaders in several states, and almost without exception each pastor has indicated a keen interest in the success of the expansion program.

During January and February Mr. Miller completed an itinerary in Arkansas, Oklahoma, and Texas. He discussed the program in meetings with pastors and spoke directly to congregations in several pulpits.

"The reception in these states has been wonderful," Brother Miller said. "The pastors and people are interested in the Bible College and want a part in making possible a greater Bible College."

During his recent trip Brother Miller visited with 41 pastors. He plans to continue this contact with local pastors in the coming months.



Rev. Joe Ange



Dr. Tom Malone



Rev. Ronald Creech

From My Desk...

STANDING AT THE FOOT OF THE BED

All of us at one time or another have the experience of standing at the foot of the bed of a dying loved one. I have just had that experience at the passing of my father on February 11.

While standing at the foot of the bed during those hours when life was slowly but definitely ebbing serious thoughts engaged my mind. First of all, there is the feeling of helplessness. You are conscious that the end is near. There is the rearrangement of the pillow and the adjusting of the bed



and the shifting of the body for a bit of comfort, but that is only a gesture of your interest and concern. As you stand observing you wonder what your reactions will be when loved ones are standing at the foot of your bed.

Another thing you do at such an hour is to evaluate the life of the passing loved one. I am sure the evaluation is somewhat subjective, but none the less you review the life of the passing loved one and its impact upon your own. You do not think in terms of this good habit or that bad habit, this particular weakness or this particular strong point; but rather in terms of the general impact of his life upon your own. If we set out to evaluate one's life by the good and bad points, we would have enough on the one hand to make him a saint with no faults and on the other a great sinner with no hope. If the loved one has inspired you to do your best and to live for God and has set a high standard of integrity, you feel that he is leaving you a great heritage.

So this is one of the things you do in those hours of waiting at the foot of the bed. Of course, there are thoughts of loneliness and how you will miss your loved one. But then you move on into another serious area of thinking as the end draws near. You begin wondering just what is going to take place in the spiritual realm when life leaves the body. All you will see will be that the breathing has stopped but you will feel that something has taken place between God and your loved one's spirit that you know nothing about. You wonder what it was like when the soul and spirit goes back to be with God. Of course, we shall never know just what it will be like until the experience becomes ours, but you cannot help wondering.

And then when it is over, there is the feeling of triumph in that you

Good Neighbors

Some people are a joy to live beside. That is the way the Bible College feels at times, for some of our neighbors have proved their appreciation for the school in neighborly deeds.

Last fall when canning season was on, Rev. Robert Shockey, Bible College student and pastor of Bethlehem Church near Ashland City, led his people in giving vegetables and fruits to be served in the College dining hall. Brother Shockey brought in several car loads.

At Thanksgiving and Christmas another neighbor visited the College. This time it was Rev. Robert King, student and pastor of Head's Church near Cedar Hill. Brother King furnished enough turkeys for Thanksgiving dinner and a Christmas dinner before vacation time.

These are the kind of neighbors the Bible College has depended upon through the years; they are the kind that make its continued success possible.

BIBLE CONFERENCE

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as to seeing those who come year by year for a time of spiritual refreshing and fellowship around the Word of God.

It is hoped the attendance will break all previous records in celebrating the Bible College's fifteenth year of operation.

Especially invited are the alumni and former students of the school.

Out-of-town guests desiring reservations are invited to write the College ahead of time.

A nursery for pre-school age children will be maintained during all the services. Parents will find students at the entrance of the auditorium waiting to take their children so the parents can enjoy the services.

In Memoriam

The College staff and friends of the school join the College family in sympathy in the recent death of Mr. Tom Johnson, father of President L. C. Johnson.

Mr. Johnson lived at Alma, Georgia and was a member of Pine Level Free Will Baptist Church.

realize your loved one has finished the last dreaded experience of man on earth. You are glad for him that the victory is won. The last enemy is death and when this has been conquered there are no more enemies and for the first time the soul faces life without an enemy and is with God in eternal rest.

So those are some of the thoughts we have as we stand at the foot of the bed, and somehow you go away asking God to prepare you for that time when loved ones will be standing at the foot of your bed.

Gift Income Up Over Previous Year

Gifts to the General Fund during the past seven months have averaged \$4200 per month, an increase of \$600 per month more than the average for the past fiscal year, the January financial report shows.

This does not take into account more than \$8500 given to the Improvement Program.

The following is a complete report of income to the Bible College from July 1, 1956 through January 31, 1957:

Gifts by states:

Alabama	\$1698.93
Arizona	50.72
Arkansas	1140.58
California	567.89
Colorado	20.00
Florida	313.02
Georgia	3079.08
Illinois	1333.82
Indiana	2.50
Kansas	31.00
Kentucky	525.23
Michigan	1950.23
Mississippi	2316.03
Missouri	3587.73
Nebraska	6.59
New Mexico	63.37
North Carolina	7536.85
Ohio	996.31
Oklahoma	1057.84
Oregon	12.00
South Carolina	2122.40
Tennessee	6271.19
Texas	1420.93
Virginia	1096.52
West Virginia	345.97
Wom. Nat'l Aux. Conv.	529.93

\$38,126.66

General Fund gifts \$29,459.17
Building Fund gifts 8,667.49

Income:

Gifts	38,126.66
Miscellaneous Income	413.24
Matriculation Fees	335.00
Registration Fees	3,787.50
Tuition	23,560.95
Activity Fees	1,895.00
Room	13,144.84
Board	32,223.68
Music Fees	1,878.50
Miscellaneous Fees	445.00
Library Gifts	308.68
Extension School	150.00
Bookstore Sales	5,850.00

*\$122,119.05

*This total figure includes student income for both semesters.

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Eagleton New Director For Practical Work

Kenneth Eagleton, senior from Fort Worth, Texas, is the new director for the Practical Work Department.

Mr. Eagleton completed his work for the B. A. degree at the close of the first semester in January. In addition to his duties with the Practical Work Department, he will work as assistant in the business office.

Miss Peggy Moore has been added to the office staff recently. A worker has been needed here since Miss Mary Ruth Wischart transferred to the teaching department in September.



Kenneth Eagleton Peggy Moore

Miss Moore is a member of the First Free Will Baptist Church, Marion, North Carolina and is a graduate of Marion High School. She has worked for the past two years in Asheville, North Carolina.

Mr. Eagleton explained that two new features have been added to the work groups this year. A group of six students conducts an evangelistic service at Nashville Rescue Mission one night each week. The other new assignment is an evangelistic service among military men at Sewart Air Force Base near Nashville.

List of \$100 Donations Grows

Five hundred donations of \$100 or more have been set up as a goal before building contracts are let for construction of the new dining hall building, the first unit in the Improvement Program.

The number of gifts totaling \$100 or more is constantly increasing, and College officials are pulling for at least five hundred such gifts to be in by April 1.

The list of \$100 gifts up to date includes the following:

Mrs. Sophia Hardee, N. C.	\$100.00
B. D. Harvey, Georgia	100.00
C. M. Crow, Tennessee	300.00
Rev. and Mrs. Robert Edwards, N. C.	100.00
Students & Faculty, FWBBC ..	814.84
Columbus First Ch., Miss.	309.78
Rev. & Mrs. Bobby Jackson, Ill.	100.00
B. F. Payne, Texas	100.00
F. S. Van Hoose, Kentucky	100.00
Bryan First Church, Texas ..	183.48

Bible College Day Services Paying Off

Want a suggestion as to how you can lead your church into a whopping big gift for the Bible College Improvement Program?

The answer is: Promote a "Bible College Day" in your church. Use students from your own church who attend the Bible College on the program. Invite the College quartet, or Rev. James Miller, field representative, to be in on the program. Announce the special Sunday ahead of time and encourage your people to be ready to do something extra on this day for a "Greater Bible College."

Write the Bible College for informative literature to offer during the service and even beforehand. Explain the importance of Christian training for youth in the Free Will Baptist church. Take the offering on the prescribed Sunday, both morning and night if possible, and see how well your people will respond.

Some pastors have already promoted a Bible College Day in their churches. Rev. Luther Gibson, pastor of East Tupelo Church, East Tupelo, Miss., sponsored a Bible College Day service with the church's Bible College students taking part. The offering was \$325.

First Church, Bryan, Texas was led by its pastor, Rev. Charles Sapp, in a special offering, totaling \$183.48.

A special Christmas offering at Highland Park Church, Michigan, resulted in gifts of \$563.81 for the Improvement Program. The Rev. Charles Thigpen is pastor.

Members of the Hazel Creek Union Church, Kirksville, Mo., made special gifts of \$350.

Rev. Paul Kettelman set up Sunday, February 17, as Bible College Day at Columbus, Miss., First Church. The College quartet sang at the service and Rev. Robert Picirilli, faculty member, spoke. The offering was \$203.68.

Faculty members and students at the Bible College gave \$814.84 as a result of a special offering.

Other pastors are setting up services in their churches. Be one of the five hundred churches to give at least \$100 for a Greater Bible College, and challenge your church to go the limit.

Wolverine Ass'n of Michigan ..	200.00
Hazel Creek Union Ch., Mo.	350.00
East Tupelo Church, Miss.	325.00
Wellston Church, Missouri	100.00
Tidewater Q. M., Virginia	100.00
James A. Webb, Tennessee	100.00
Kinston Men's Bible Class, N.C.	100.00
Kinston Young Adult Class, N.C.	100.00
Rev. & Mrs. James Miller, N.C.	100.00
Highland Park Ch., Michigan ..	563.81
Amory Church, Miss.	200.00
Roy L. Brown, S. C.	100.00
Southside Church, Mo.	100.00
Florence First Ch., Ala.	100.00
O. B. Everson, Georgia	100.00

Correspondence Corner

Re: Note on Dunbar property

"We are enclosing a check on our treasurer for \$7.11 to be applied on this debt. Please accept this "widow's mite" along with our prayers.

"Our College is doing a wonderful work. We truly treasure Willie Justice and Kenneth Faison who helped us last summer."

Mrs. Lena Brown, Clerk
Donalsonville Church, Ga.

"Enclosed is a money order for \$10.22 to be used on the new dormitory building. It is a sacrificial offering sponsored by the ladies auxiliary of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Brunswick."

Mrs. C. R. Walden, Treas.
Brunswick, Georgia

"We, as a group of young people from Young's Chapel Free Will Baptist League, decided we would like to have a little part in helping with the financial burden of Free Will Baptist College.

"We are sending ten dollars as a gift to help pay off the debt on the property that has been purchased."

Arnold Fortner, Superintendent
Burnsville, North Carolina

First contribution to College

"Enclosed is our first contribution to your college. We will do our best to continue them throughout the coming year. The quartet of young men seemed like extra nice people as well as wonderful singers. They represent your school excellently and it is an honor and a privilege to help them and others like them."

M. A. Graves
Covin, Alabama

Parents of Missionaries Write

"We are so thankful for our College and what it means to Lonnie and Anita. We wish all young Christians would go to Bible College after they have finished high school.

Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Sparks
Sulphur, Oklahoma

"Proud of Workers"

"Please accept this check for \$10 along with my prayers and best wishes for everyone and everything that's being done there.

"We as a denomination are very proud of the wonderful workers that are going out from our school each year and I do want to give my small donation to help each of you go on in the work."

Mrs. T. M. Mock
Colquitt, Georgia

"A Mite for His Glory"

"Please find enclosed \$5 for the Property. I am so glad I can spare this. I really could use it for my own needs but praise the Lord I gladly give this little mite for His glory."

Mrs. Cora Hagin
(Mother of Laura Belle Barnard)
Glennville, Georgia

SECOND SEMESTER SETS NEW RECORD



Students registering for the second semester, January 23, are seen clearing with the Business Office. Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Eagleton help the students in their financial arrangements.

A record enrollment of 189 students for the year was established January 23 with the registration of 18 additional students.

Fourteen new students and four returnees enrolled for the second semester, bringing the student body to the highest number in the fifteen-year history of the institution.

Their names and home towns follow: Danny Arnold, Whitesboro, Texas; John E. Bradley, Jr., Pleasant View, Tennessee; Kenneth Doggett, Warren, Arkansas; Ruth Ann Edwards, Cicero, Illinois; Robert Francis, St. Louis, Missouri; Edwin Hughes, Canvas, West Virginia; Aunilee Hughes, Canvas, West Virginia; Max Lankford, Birmingham, Michigan; Rosemary Lankford, Birmingham, Michigan; Gene McCully, Monett, Missouri; Margaret Merkh, Lynnhaven, Virginia; Lonnie Palmer, Ft. Worth, Texas; Lillian Palmer, Ft. Worth, Texas; Ronald Royal, Tulsa, Oklahoma; Peggy Royal, Tulsa, Oklahoma; Billy Gene Sherrill, Flat River, Missouri; William Smith, Darlington, S. C.; Tony Ziady, Republic of Lebanon.

Yearbook Deadline March 15

Ralph Hampton, editor of *The Lumen*, Bible College yearbook, announced today that March 15 is the final date for sending advertising and material to the printer. He urged churches taking advertising space to help sponsor the publication, send their remittances in by March 10.

Kenneth Walker, business manager, said that half-page and full-page ads would permit the use of the church picture.

Library Fund Report

Cash Receipts

Woman's Aux., Heads Church Cedar Hill, Tenn.	\$ 1.00
Woman's Aux., Olivet Church Tennessee	12.00
Woman's Aux., Sylvan Park Church Nashville	12.00
League, Yorktown Church Star City, Ark.	10.00
Woman's Aux., Hull Road Church Snow Hill, N. C.	6.00
Woman's Aux., First Church Pine Bluff, Ark.	10.00
Saline Dist. League Assn. of Arkansas	15.00
YPA, First Church Pine Bluff, Ark.	5.00
Woman's Aux., Pine Hill Church Star City, Ark.	5.00
YPA, Pine Hill Church Star City, Ark.	5.00
League, Hull Road Church Snow Hill, N. C.	6.00
Woman's Aux., Beech Springs Church, Sault Ste. Marie, Miss.	6.00
Rev. Robert King, Student Cedar Hill, Tenn.	25.00
Woman's Aux., Shady Grove Church Tennessee	1.00
Woman's Aux., Wooddale Church Straw Plains, Tenn.	12.00
YPA, Willoughby Church Warren, Ark.	5.00
Leagues, Dickson Church Dickson, Tenn.	10.00
Rev. & Mrs. L. D. Miley alumni gift	10.00
Harold Critcher, alumni gift	5.00
Miss Mary Ruth Wischart alumni gift	5.00
Miss June Rivenbark alumni gift	5.00
Books Miss M. M. Graves, faculty member	2

Summer School Folders Available

An attractive folder giving information on the summer school June 3-21 is now ready for distribution.

The leaflet will be mailed to all ministers on the Bible College mailing list in the near future as well as to anyone requesting information about the school.

College officials are enthusiastic about a good attendance for the first summer session to be offered by Free Will Baptist Bible College.

Courses to be offered include a study of the book of Hebrews two hours daily, and two additional hours selected from the following courses: Pastoral Problems (1 hour), Free Will Baptist Doctrine (1 hour), and The Church and Its Auxiliaries (1 hour).

The maximum load is four semester hours. Full college credit will be allowed for all credits earned. Those desiring to attend without credit are encouraged to do so, and they will not be expected to achieve the same level of work as regular students.

Other courses may be offered according to the demand of the summer students.

President L. C. Johnson will direct the school, and teachers will be supplied from the College faculty.

The expenses for the entire session will be \$67, including tuition, fees, and room and board. The student's wife may register for a full load for a minimum charge of \$10 not including room and board. Books will be at extra charges.

Summer students will be housed in College dormitories, and meals will be served in the dining hall under the supervision of the College dietician.

School officials feel there is adequate room for single students in the dormitories. There will be accommodations for some couples, depending on circumstances.

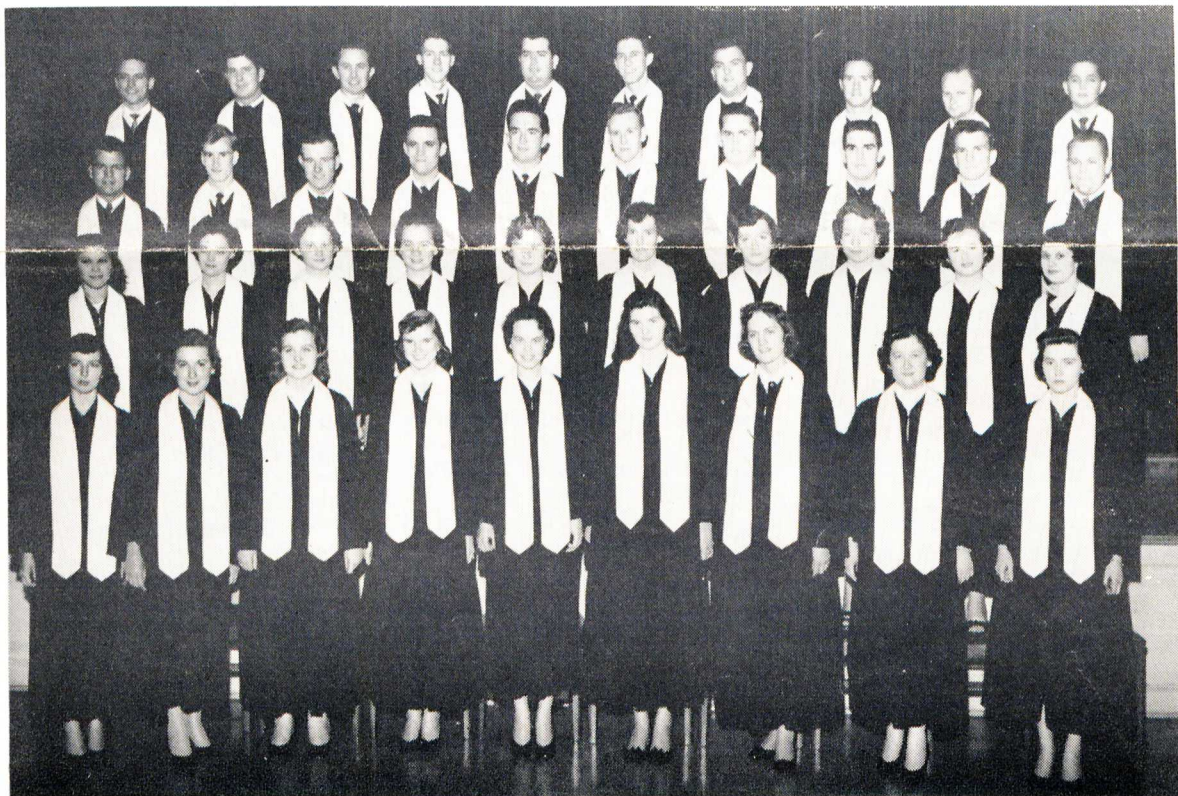
Students bringing their families may obtain furnished apartments within the city.

Pastors, Sunday school teachers, and Christian workers desiring a new perspective and refresher course in the Word of God are urged to write at once for an application blank. Address your correspondence to Academic Council, Free Will Baptist Bible College, 3609 Richland Ave., Nashville.

Mrs. W. E. Marshall, Nashville	11
Woman's Aux., Good Springs Church Tennessee	13
W. I. Jackson, Norfolk, Va.	35
William McDonald, Greenville, S.C.	13
Rev. Robert Hill, student	2
Rev. James Miller, board member ..	1
Rev. Fred Cloud, Nashville	3
Carson Weaver, student	2
Freeman Edwards, student	6
Dan Merkh, Durham, N. C.	41
and pamphlets	14

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CHOIR TO VISIT MICHIGAN CHURCHES



The 37-voice College choir will visit churches in Michigan April 22-28, according to Dr. L. C. Johnson, president.

Services will be conducted in eight Free Will Baptist churches in the Detroit area. The choir will be under the able leadership of Ross Dowden, music department head, and Miss Emily Dance, piano and organ instructor at the College.

Doctor Johnson will speak during the services.

This is the fourth successive year the Bible College has sponsored the choir tour. States visited previously are Mississippi, Alabama, Tennessee, North Carolina, South Carolina, Arkansas, Missouri, and Oklahoma.

The annual tour has proved to be a very popular occasion, both to the churches visited and to the choir personnel. The students feel that the

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Linguistic School To Be Held April 15-26

The Bible College will sponsor a two-week linguistic school on the college campus April 15-26.

The school will be conducted by Mr. Burton Bascom, a representative of the Wycliffe Bible Translators, Inc., with headquarters in Glendale, California.

Wycliffe Translators conducts similar schools throughout the country as a part of its over-all program of translating the Scriptures into all foreign languages and tongues.

The course is designed to give the student a short introduction to phonetics and linguistic analysis. Mr. Bascom will give informative lectures and actual practice drills in language learning.

The instructor has worked with Wycliffe Translators since 1943 in Sum-

Enroll Now for Summer School

The registration office urges those who plan to attend summer school June 3-21 to write immediately for an application blank. All correspondence should be addressed to Academic Council, Free Will Baptist Bible College, 3609 Richland Ave., Nashville.

Four semester hours may be taken in Pastoral Problems, Free Will Baptist Doctrine, The Church and Its Auxiliaries, and the book of Hebrews.

The expenses for the entire session will be \$67, including tuition, fees, and room and board.

mer Institutes of Linguistics as well as among the Tepchaune Indians of Northern Mexico. He is well equipped to present the part that linguistic training plays in modern missionary service.

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From My Desk...

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

We have just closed a most wonderful Bible Conference here at Free Will Baptist Bible College. This was the 14th Conference and many people who have attended from year to year said this was the greatest Conference ever held at Free Will Baptist Bible College. In many ways it was more like a revival than a Bible Conference.



Johnson

One of the most interesting things about the Conference was the similarity of the messages. The general theme throughout the Conference was the same, but the messages approached the same subject from different points of view. The very

fact that the same theme was emphasized over and over again by every speaker made the Conference a mighty impact for evangelism.

Another interesting thing from the standpoint of us Free Will Baptists was that the two men on the program who were Free Will Baptists, were graduates of Free Will Baptist Bible College and are comparatively young men. In spite of their being young in the ministry their messages carried weight because they were putting into practice in their own churches a program of evangelism which is new to Free Will Baptists. This program of evangelism carried on through a visitation program is reaching many un-reached people in the shadows of our churches.

Another interesting thing was the straightforwardness of the messages. There were no punches pulled. The type preaching heard at this Conference is much needed in our churches today. The note of authority is much underplayed in the modern pulpit. The kind of preaching our brethren did will bring results. It cannot be shrugged off and passed over. It demands attention. It has to be received or rejected. I feel safe in saying that all of us preachers will be preaching more authoritatively by having attended this Conference.

Linguistic School

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Mr. Bascom's teaching at the Bible College will be confined to two one-hour sessions each day.

College Choir to Visit Michigan Churches

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weeks of training and hard work in preparation are well paid for when the people in our Free Will Baptist churches are able to enjoy the musical program.

Visiting each year in a different area, the College choir presents a service of sacred choral music representative of the type training Free Will Baptist Bible College offers in its music department. Included in the program will be special numbers by the College choir, the King's Messengers quartet, and the girls' trios: The Gospels and The Evangels.

The group will leave Nashville by chartered bus Monday, April 22, and will hold its first service Tuesday night. A service will be held each succeeding night through the following Sunday with a morning and afternoon service on the final day.

The students will stay in Free Will Baptist homes while in Detroit. The singers will return to Nashville on Monday, April 29.

Services will be held in the following churches:

West Wayne, Tuesday night, April 23
Hazel Park, Wednesday night, April 24
Rouge Church, Thursday night, April 25

Faith Church, Friday night, April 26
Flint First, Saturday night, April 27
Highland Park, Sunday morning, April 28

F. W. B. Temple, Sunday afternoon, April 28

Philadelphia, Sunday night, April 28
The following students compose the College choir:

Sopranos

Joy Arnold
Glenda Barks
Bertie Clark
Margaret Evans
Ruth Ann Edwards
Shirley Graves
Donna Hamilton
Joyce Rentz
Jackie Whitehurst
Regina Woodard

Basses

Randy Cox
Ellis Cravens
Charles Edwards
Danny Arnold
Allen Messer
Roger Phenice
LaVelle Sawyer

Altos

Shirley Goode
Margaret Merkh
Mary Ellen Rice
Patsy Swann
Ada Belle Sapp
Norma Travis
Sue White
Patsy Williams
Patricia Winders

Tenors

Jimmy Aldridge
Teddy Davis
Kenneth Faison
Bill Gardner
Ralph Hampton
Fred Hall
Jimmy Hughes
Jack Paramore
Billy Sherrill
Jack White
Ronnie Winkle

36 Students Make Dean's List

Students averaging "B" or higher for the first nine weeks of the second semester numbered 36. Mrs. J. B. Hall, Jr. from the Registrar's office reported.

The students and their classifications are as follows:

Seniors

Bobby Aycock
Teddy Davis
Elisabeth Guthrie
Donna Hamilton
Ralph Hampton
Bill Jones
Jackie Whitehurst
Ronald Winkle

Juniors

Joy Arnold
Willie Jean Barker
Paul Inbody
Ann Johnson
Jack Paramore
Gordon Sebastian
Kenneth Walker

Sophomores

Barbara Nell Hart
Geneva Hicks
Sarah Brown
Jimmy Hughes
Cecil Sanders
Carson Weaver
Sue White

Freshmen

Jimmy Aldridge
George Allen
Glenda Barks
Milton Crowson
Phillip Gilbert
Carl Johnson
H. F. Johnson
Fleda Mercer
Bettie O'Haver
Peggy Peake
Dow Roberson
Roy Thomas
Pat Winders
Regina Woodard
Roger Phenice

President Speaks In East Tennessee

College President L. C. Johnson was a special guest speaker at the East Tennessee Unicoi County Preaching Mission Friday night, March 29.

The mission was sponsored by the churches of Unicoi County. The Free Will Baptist element, led by Rev. J. E. Floyd, Jr. of Erwin, asked Dr. Johnson to speak for Free Will Baptists.

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Financial Facts

GIFTS BY STATES

	February	March
Alabama	340.01	232.33
Arizona	4.86	17.96
Arkansas	141.42	189.09
California	73.03	81.47
Florida	192.38	387.27
Georgia	451.36	449.16
Illinois	192.26	136.59
Indiana	2.50	2.50
Kentucky	80.78	297.00
Michigan	125.00	115.00
Mississippi	416.48	131.59
Missouri	258.20	456.30
New Mexico	6.02	29.98
North Carolina	607.13	1,246.27
Ohio	91.98	358.33
Oklahoma	201.20	275.16
South Carolina	118.27	62.00
Tennessee	873.30	918.24
Texas	129.96	179.81
Virginia	156.40	143.30
West Virginia	9.50	24.00
W.N.A.C.	43.32	49.24
Total Gifts	4,515.36	5,782.59
Students Accounts	4,714.71	5,006.85
Miscellaneous		
Income	119.14	227.40
Library Gifts	46.84	26.68
Bookstore sales	1,085.17	841.79
	10,481.22	11,885.31

Missouri Church Donates Library

The Jewell Free Will Baptist Church near Kirksville, Missouri, recently voted to give its entire church library to the Bible College.

Rev. James Miller, College representative, picked up the books from Jewell Church March 25. He lauded the spirit of this church in cooperating to build up the College library.

Pastors should stress the needs of the College library to their people. Many books are lying unused in many homes which could be donated to the library. Some of our older ministers have valuable books they could present to the library.

The following is a list of donations in cash and books during February and March.

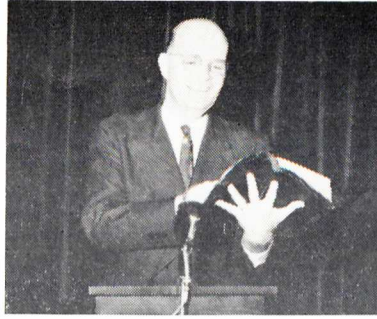
Cash Receipts

Eastern Quarterly Meeting,	
Cumberland Assn.	\$ 46.84
Woman's Aux., N. Knoxville	
Church, Tenn.	12.00
Saline District League Assn.	
Arkansas	10.00
Woman's Aux., Reedy Branch Ch.	
Winterville, N. C.	5.00
Woman's Aux., Free Union Ch.	
Greene Co., N. C.	3.00

Books

Mrs. J. L. Welch, Nashville, Tenn.	1
Mrs. O. C. Briley, Nashville, Tenn.	1
Jewell Church, Kirksville, Mo.	113

Bible Teacher Is Student Speaker



FRANK SELLS

Frank Sells, faculty member at Columbia Bible College, Columbia, S. C., was special student speaker at the Bible College March 11-15.

Mr. Sells was sponsored by the student body as their annual speaker. He spoke each morning at the chapel hour on messages from the book of Colossians and each evening on messages from the book of Ephesians.

The speaker brought very challenging Bible messages. He dealt with themes very vital to the Christian, emphasizing the experience of victory in Christ over daily difficulties.

Mr. Sells is a Bible college student himself, having graduated at Columbia Bible College and later having received his M. A. degree at Dallas Theological Seminary. He is professor of Old and New Testament Survey at Columbia and is frequently used as a Bible conference speaker. He has been on the faculty at Columbia Bible College for twenty years.

The students benefit each year by hearing able Bible preaching from various speakers who are brought to the Bible College. Many are Free Will Baptist pastors and others are missionaries or outstanding men of God who are making a distinct contribution to the preaching ministry.

Eleven Additional \$100 Donations Received

Since the report of \$100 gifts to the Improvement Program in the last issue of the *Bulletin*, the following donations of \$100 or more have been received.

Ernest Owen, Florida	\$100.00
O. B. Everson, Georgia	100.00
Winfield Church, Alabama	100.00
C. E. Dever, Tennessee	100.00
Pine Bluff First, Arkansas	100.00
Christian Home, Florida	100.00
Rev. F. S. Van Hoose,	
Kentucky	100.00

Improvement Program Gifts Almost \$11,000

Gifts to the Bible College Improvement Program almost reached the \$11,000 mark by March 31, the financial report revealed.

Gifts have come in steadily, though slowly, since the expansion program opened October 1 of last year.

An up-to-the moment report shows total gifts to be \$10,874.72. Gifts are shown by states.

Alabama	\$ 285.00
Arizona	25.00
Arkansas	178.00
California	187.67
Colorado	5.00
Florida	450.75
Georgia	696.31
Illinois	342.50
Kansas	16.00
Kentucky	352.00
Michigan	778.81
Mississippi	995.78
Missouri	1,052.14
Nebraska	5.00
North Carolina	1,861.96
New Mexico	2.00
Ohio	54.00
Oklahoma	175.30
Oregon	12.00
South Carolina	477.48
Tennessee	2,212.29
Texas	478.98
Virginia	200.00
West Virginia	29.75
Wisconsin	1.00

Quartet to Visit Three States During Summer

The College quartet will visit churches in North Carolina, California, and Georgia during the summer months, according to tentative plans.

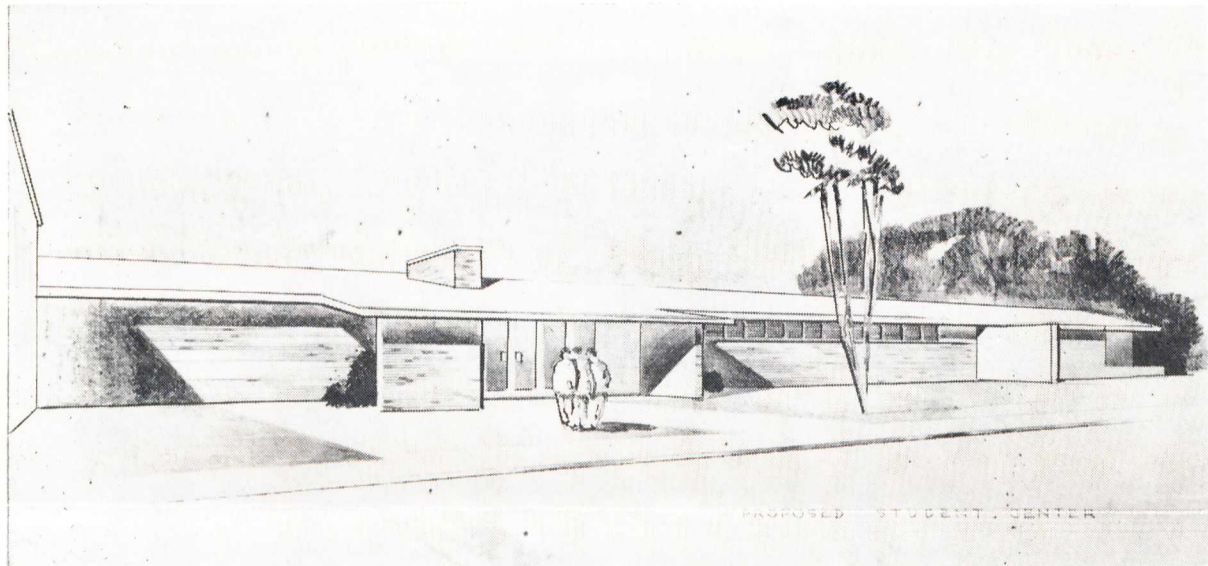
Following graduation, May 30, the quartet will begin in western North Carolina and work to eastern Virginia, finishing there June 23. Then the fellows will travel across country to California, scheduling some services along the way.

Services in California are scheduled for June 30 through July 21, beginning in the northern part and continuing south to Bakersfield.

After completion of the work there, the group will work back East for about two weeks of services in Georgia, completing an itinerary of some fifteen thousand miles by August 8.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy O'Donnell,	
Tennessee	100.00
Toms Creek Church, Kentucky	100.00
Ashland City, Tennessee	176.31
Mrs. J. E. Frazier, Tenn.	100.00
Forest Grove, Tenn.	100.00

NEW BUILDING NEEDED BY SEPTEMBER



This is the architect's sketch of the first unit to be constructed in the Improvement Program—a dining hall and student lounge.

Bible Conference Has Tremendous Impact

Tremendous is the one word that describes the 14th annual Bible Conference held at Free Will Baptist Bible College March 31-April 4.

First of all, there was a *tremendous* atmosphere—beginning with a spirit of expectancy at the first service Sunday afternoon and continuing with spiritual blessings throughout the entire conference. Prayers for a great conference preceded the first service; prevailing prayer during the conference created a spiritual intensity with God's Spirit moving from heart to heart.

Tremendous themes captured the interest of guests and College personnel alike: Revival, Evangelism, Soul-Winning, Christian Youth, Missions. Powerful messages were delivered by *tremendous* preachers. Soul-stirring messages challenged Christians to become active in the winning of the lost to Jesus. Messages on the Christian's part in the Great commission engendered conviction for what little had been done, yet brought therewith a consecration to put God's business first. The wicked and sinful were warned of God's wrath and judgment; the defeated Christian was encouraged to follow Christ to victory.

Tremendous crowds filled Memorial Auditorium at almost every service. The building was usually filled, even for day services. Every available seat was taken at the night services with many people occupying an overflow room in an adjacent building. The special music program Wednesday night was given to a packed house, despite a downpour of rain and tornado winds at service time.

Tremendous was the music—hearty

The Bible College Improvement Program proposes the construction of a new dining hall and student lounge as the first unit of a general enlargement program to increase the student capacity to approximately double the present enrollment.

The Board of Trustees is withholding the letting of a contract for the building until adequate funds are received.

Rev. James Miller, representative for the Improvement Program, reported that he will continue to contact churches and pastors in raising sufficient funds to finance the building.

The cooperation of every pastor is needed if enough funds are received in time to put the new dining hall in operation by the opening of school in September, Mr. Miller said.

congregational singing, impromptu duet singing, and Christ-honoring special numbers from the College choir, male quartets, and girls' trios. Climax of the music rendered came Wednesday night with the presentation of "The White Pilgrim" by the College choir under the capable direction of Ross Dowden and Miss Emily Dance.

A *tremendous* need for all-out participation in the College Improvement Program was voiced by President L. C. Johnson. He explained the needs for a new dining hall and student lounge, the necessity for an enlarged library, and the urgency for a classroom building, as well as the need for an over-all strengthened College program.

A consuming interest kept the more than 500 attendants eager for each next service so that few guests missed a single service.

A *tremendous* Bible Conference becomes so because of the planning, the

Students to Attend Missions Meeting

Bobby Aycock, senior at the Bible College, will have charge of the spring conference program of the Southeastern Regional Foreign Missions Fellowship to be held April 12-14 at Toccoa, Georgia.

Serving along with Mr. Aycock at this student meeting will be Miss Joan McKinney, last semester student who is secretary-treasurer of the regional organization.

These two officers served during the fall conference at Lake Louise Conference Grounds, Toccoa, and their term of office will be completed at the April conference.

A dozen or so students usually represent the Bible College Foreign Missions Fellowship chapter at the conference.

The program theme is "Discipling all nations." Speakers include Dr. L. C. Johnson, Bible College president; Rev. Robert Atwood of the Central American Mission; and Rev. Elrow LaRowe of International Missions.

Some 18 independent faith mission boards will be represented at the meeting which begins with a local radio program Friday morning, April 12, and continues through Sunday noon.

The Student Foreign Missions Fellowship is composed of college students interested in Christian missions.

prayers, the right selection of the speakers, the service of College personnel, and the backing of people from east, west, and north and south.

Such a conference is worth attending.

Free Will Baptist Bible College ... BULLETIN

Thigpen Elected Dean



REV. CHARLES A. THIGPEN

Rev. Charles A. Thigpen, pastor from Highland Park, Michigan, has been elected dean of the Bible College, according to a recent announcement from the College president and the Board of Trustees.

The Reverend Mr. Thigpen was an instructor in Bible and Christian education at the Bible College from 1948 through 1953. He also served as registrar and dean of men.

Mr. Thigpen graduated from Bob Jones University, Greenville, South Carolina, in 1947 and received his M.A. degree from Winona Lake School of Theology in 1953. A popular speaker in revivals, Mr. Thigpen's years of experience qualify him to be a leader for ministerial students.

Mrs. Thigpen was head of the College speech department and an instructor in English from 1948-1952.

The dean will begin his new duties July 1. He will also serve as an instructor in addition to his work as dean, it was announced.

Mr. and Mrs. Thigpen will move to Nashville early in the summer. They have three children: Jonathan, Laura, and Ann.

Second Largest Class to Graduate

Seventeen seniors will graduate May 30 with B.A. degrees and five will graduate from the Christian Worker's Bible Course.

The graduation service will be held at 8 o'clock Thursday evening in the College auditorium with Rev. Henry Oliver, Nashville minister and educator, bringing the commencement address.

The baccalaureate service will be held Sunday night, May 26, at 8 o'clock. The Rev. L. D. Miley, former dean at the Bible College, will speak.

The Senior Class of 1957 is the second largest graduating class in the history of the school. One of the seniors has set a record by completing four years of work in a three-year period. Out of the 17 seniors 15 have completed all of their work at the Bible College; two students transferred from other institutions.

These students have completed four years of work with a major in Bible and theology and a minor in English, Christian education, or music. Of this group nine are classified as ministers, seven are missionary students, and one plans to do other Christian work.

To graduate with B.A. degrees are: Bobby Aycock, Fremont, North Carolina; J. E. Blanton, Surrency, Georgia; Kenneth Eagleton, Ft. Worth, Texas; Kenneth Faison, Moultrie, Georgia; Shirley Graves, Snow Hill, North Carolina; and Elisabeth Guthrie, Birmingham, Alabama.

Donna Hamilton, Tulsa, Oklahoma; Chesley Ray Hill, Lemay, Missouri; Robert Hill, St. Louis, Missouri; William Hill, Lemay, Missouri; Billy Jones, Bryan, Texas; and Robert King, Booneville, Arkansas.

Billy Gene Outland, Lucama, North Carolina; Henry Van Kluyve, Clifton, New Jersey; Billy Walker, Pleasant View, Tennessee; Jacksie Whitehurst, Portsmouth, Virginia; and Ronald Winkle, Richmond, California.

Five students have completed the three-year course and will graduate with the Christian Worker's Bible Course Diploma. They are: Daniel Gaskins, New Bern, North Carolina; Luther Reed, Ashland City, Tennessee; Albert Rollins, Pikeville, North Carolina; John Vick, Granite City, Illinois; and Arnold Woodlief, Marianna, Florida.

DUNBAR BUILDING PAID FOR

The final payment of \$5,000 was paid May 7 to pay in full for the purchase of the 13-room Dunbar Building last August at a cost of \$15,000.

The purchase was financed through a loan at a local bank, and the Bible College has paid for this in three payments of \$5,000 each.

The purchase of the Dunbar Building was one of the first objectives in the overall Improvement Program. This additional building has provided needed dormitory

space for men this year. It has also supplied an apartment for a staff member.

An income of more than \$13,000 to the Improvement Program, with some money taken from the General Fund, has enabled the Bible College to entirely pay for this property within nine months of its purchase.

Not only does the Dunbar property give extra housing space, but it is also valuable in that it is bounded on the east and west by other Bible College property.



From My Desk...

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

"... The God of heaven, he will prosper us; therefore we his servants will arise and build:..." Nehemiah 2:20

In any undertaking the first thing Christians are to do is to determine whether the project is according to the will of the Lord. Once you have determined that it is of God, you move forward confident that God will prosper you.



Johnson

Nehemiah had a great task when he undertook to rebuild the walls of Jerusalem. The people were in exile and had lost their initiative and will to work. They might have been justified in assuming the attitude that "it cannot be done." The only reason Nehemiah believed the walls could be rebuilt was his faith in "the God of heaven." He believed that "the God of heaven" would prosper them and therefore indifference and hostility and ridicule could not defeat their cause. This faith in God projected the servants of the Lord into a building program that looked utterly impossible to the man of no faith. And I dare say, the task was impossible without faith in God and the prosperity of God.

The prosperity of the Lord includes the necessary miracles in order to keep his program moving. Miracles are wrought for those who have faith in God. I am sure the walls Nehemiah built with the mortar and stone had the unseen ingredient of miracle. With the eye of faith Nehemiah could see the miracle ingredient, but of course the natural eye was blind to it.

We believe that the Improvement Program of Free Will Baptist Bible College is of the Lord. The Lord will prosper it for His glory. But His willingness to prosper it does not relieve us of the responsibility of arising and building. The Lord will not lay the brick or mortar; that is our task. I am sure "the God of heaven, he will prosper us..." Perhaps it is time for His servants to arise and take hold of this task and get on with building.

Seniors Honored at Banquet

The Senior Class was honored by a banquet given by the Junior Class at a Nashville restaurant Thursday evening, May 9.

Paul Inbody served as toastmaster, and Ernie Deeds, Junior Class president, welcomed the seniors. Senior Class President Ronald Winkle gave the response.

The program consisted of special music by Minor Godwin, Bill Gardner, and Patsy Swann, accompanied at the piano by Regina Woodard.

Four speakers developed the banquet theme, "Your Life's Tree." Rev. Robert Picirilli, Mrs. J. E. Simpson, Rev. W. S. Mooneyham, and Dr. L. C. Johnson challenged the seniors to greater objectives in the years to come.

Gifts Up in April

Gifts for the month of April are the highest for any one month this year. Total gifts received were \$7,988.39. This includes \$2,501.33 in Improvement Program gifts.

Gifts to the General Fund for the past ten months have averaged \$4,200.

April gifts by states are listed below.

Alabama.....	\$ 246.31
Arizona.....	6.57
Arkansas.....	136.44
California.....	69.58
Florida.....	257.70
Georgia.....	281.02
Illinois.....	131.62
Indiana.....	2.50
Kentucky.....	65.03
Michigan.....	1,266.77
Mississippi.....	128.57
Missouri.....	1,057.19
New Mexico.....	11.27
North Carolina.....	1,256.54
Ohio.....	124.17
Oklahoma.....	116.77
South Carolina.....	671.09
Tennessee.....	1,120.45
Texas.....	261.98
Virginia.....	250.40
West Virginia.....	35.32
W. N. A. C.....	85.36
Bible Conference Offerings.....	405.74

Income from gifts.....	7,988.39
Student accounts.....	5,374.58
Miscellaneous income.....	412.39
Library gifts.....	41.00
Bookstore sales.....	1,006.44

Total income.....\$14,882.80

Expenses for April:

Salaries.....	5,337.08
Maintenance and repairs.....	218.20
Travel expense.....	17.52
School supplies.....	26.73
Telephone expense.....	88.03
Utilities.....	523.78
Laundry.....	15.95
Groceries.....	1,713.34
Household supplies.....	37.99
Miscellaneous expense.....	219.50
Honorarium.....	586.56
Printing.....	398.67
Insurance.....	276.04
Office expense.....	299.34
Library expense.....	123.37
Practical work expense.....	25.28
Board of trustees expense.....	187.75
Quartet itinerary expense.....	794.48
Employer social security expense.....	177.84
Hospitalization insurance.....	87.33
Additions to fixed assets.....	359.95
Bookstore purchases and expenses.....	787.58

Total Expense.....\$12,302.31

Bank Accounts

General Fund.....	\$2,853.19
Student Loan Fund.....	1,549.15
Improvement Program.....	8,696.35

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Summer Session To Begin June 3

Several applications are already on hand for the Bible College's first summer session to begin June 3 and to close June 21, according to a report from the Academic office.

Four hours credit may be earned in Bible, Bible Doctrine, Pastoral Problems, and Church Administration. President L. C. Johnson will direct the school and teachers will be supplied from the college faculty.

The school will begin Monday following the first Sunday in June and will close Friday before the fourth Sunday so pastors from out of state will be absent from their churches only two Sundays.

Registration will be held Monday morning, June 3, with classes beginning immediately following. Four classes will be held each morning from 7:30 through 11:40 including a daily chapel period.

The extra session will provide three weeks of intensive training for pastors, laymen, and Christian workers. Credit toward any degree offered by the College will be granted for courses taken.

Students may stay in the college dormitories and take their meals in the dining hall. The total cost of the three-week school will be \$67, including room and board, tuition, and registration fees.

It is suggested that churches may want to send their pastors to the summer session as a part of the pastor's vacation. He will enjoy the break as well as be a more profitable worker upon his return.

Anyone interested in attending the summer school should write immediately to the Academic Council, Free Will Baptist Bible College, 3609 Richland Avenue, Nashville.

Music Department Activities

The College Choir returned from its Michigan tour to continue its musical program in several Nashville services.

The 40-voice group held an early service at the Veteran's Hospital Sunday night, May 5. After this service the singers sang at the East Nashville Church.

The choir presented its program at the Trevecca Nazarene College chapel service May 8. On May 9 they traveled to Ashland City where they sang at the high school chapel service.

Another double service was held Sunday night, May 12, with an early service at Tennessee Preparatory High School followed by a later service the same night at Trinity Church.

Ross Dowden, Music Department head, announced that the student recital will be May 24 at 8 p.m. and that the annual choir concert will be May 29 at 8 p.m.

The Music Department has conducted two music emphasis weeks this year. One was observed last fall, and the other was held May 13-17.

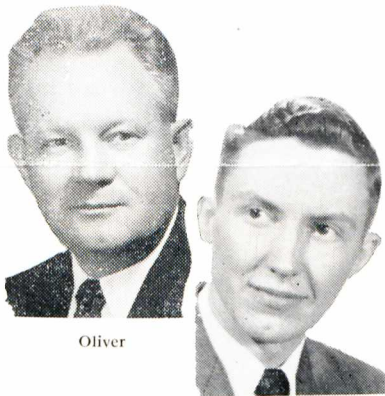
During music emphasis week music students have charge of the music in the chapel service each day. Special numbers are rendered, either instrumental or vocal. A brief history is given of the hymn for the day.

The Trevecca Nazarene College Choir sang at the chapel service Thursday during music emphasis week.

Oliver and Miley Will Speak at Commencement Exercises

The Rev. Henry Oliver and Rev. LaVerne Miley, both Free Will Baptist ministers, will speak at Commencement exercises closing out the Bible College's 15th year of operation.

Mr. Oliver, principal of East Nashville High School, will address the graduating class on Thursday night, May 30. The Nashville minister is a graduate of Vander-



Oliver

Miley

bilt University and Peabody College. He taught two years at Eureka College, Ayden, North Carolina, before entering public school work in Tennessee where he has been a teacher and principal for almost 30 years.

Mr. Miley will preach the baccalaureate sermon Sunday evening, May 26. He was Greek instructor and dean at the Bible College before entering medical school two years ago. Mr. Miley plans to go into medical mission work after completing his work at the University of Tennessee at Memphis. He received his training at Northeast Missouri State Teacher's College, Free Will Baptist Bible College, and Northern Baptist Theological Seminary.

New Catalog Ready

The 1957-58 catalog is now ready for distribution to prospective students and to pastors who want one for their churches.

The catalog is attractively bound in a green and white enamel wrap-around cover. The book lists general information about the school, courses offered, and members of the faculty and staff.

The Bible College will send a copy to anyone writing the registrar's office.

College Needs Minute Books

The Bible College will appreciate the clerks of district and state associations sending copies of their last year's minute books to Free Will Baptist Bible College, 3609 Richland Avenue, Nashville.

Improvement Program Gifts Climb to \$13,000

Gifts to the Improvement Program during April totaled \$2,501.33, raising the total gifts to this fund to \$13,376.05.

This is the second best month since the campaign began last October. In November more than \$3,000 was received.

Rev. James Miller, special worker for the Improvement Program, said that churches and individuals are making good gifts and that other pledges are yet to be paid.

Brother Miller appealed for each pastor to take the Improvement Program to his church and give the people a chance to make a special gift soon. The Board of Trustees in its meeting May 29 will decide whether enough funds have been received to justify awarding a contract for the construction of the new dining hall building, he said.

Gifts to the Improvement Program from October 1, 1956 through April 30, 1957 are listed below by states.

Alabama.....	\$ 285.00
Arizona.....	25.00
Arkansas.....	239.51
California.....	187.67
Colorado.....	5.00
Florida.....	550.75
Georgia.....	710.06
Illinois.....	342.50
Kansas.....	16.00
Kentucky.....	352.00
Michigan.....	878.81
Mississippi.....	1,036.28
Missouri.....	1,897.49
Nebraska.....	5.00
North Carolina.....	2,227.66
New Mexico.....	2.00
Ohio.....	55.00
Oklahoma.....	186.30
Oregon.....	12.00
South Carolina.....	642.48
Tennessee.....	2,754.68
Texas.....	629.24
Virginia.....	294.87
West Virginia.....	39.75
Wisconsin.....	1.00
	\$13,376.05

More \$100 Donations Recorded

During the past month seven more donations of \$100 or more were received on the College Improvement Program.

This brings to 43 the number of such gifts in response to the challenge for five hundred \$100 gifts to raise \$50,000 with which to construct the new dining hall.

Rev. Rolla Smith, pastor of the Fellowship Church, Flat River, Missouri, led his people in making a very commendable gift of \$500.

Gifts of \$100 or more during the past month are as follows:

Fellowship Church, Mo.....	\$500.00
C. F. Goen, Texas.....	100.00
Fredricktown Church, Mo.....	100.00
Hazel Park Church, Mich.....	100.00
Goldsboro Church, N. C.....	100.00
Ina Church, Illinois.....	100.00
S. C. League Convention.....	100.00

Correspondence Corner

(Editor's Note: Every day the college mail includes numerous letters from friends who send in donations to support the Bible College. The following are letters that have been selected for printing in the *Bulletin*.)

Expansion Fund Gift

"Am enclosing my May check for the College, and adding one dollar for the Expansion Fund."

Mary Wade
Liberal, Mo.

Seven-Year Old Gives

"I am a Christian and I would like to give \$1.00 a month to the college."

Stevie Shockey (Age 7)
Ashland City, Tennessee

Wants Larger College

"Enclosed is one dollar on my pledge. Hearing of some of the things taught our young people at some of the so called Christian colleges I am so thankful that we have a college that teaches the Bible as it is in faith and truth.

"I am praying that the college will grow larger so many more boys and girls can get a Christian education."

Mrs. C. A. Phipps
Arapahoe, N. C.

Helps to Lighten Load

"This morning before I start the activities of this new day I want to mail my offering to the college.

"I am sending \$2.00 and hope it will help some way to lighten the load of expense."

Leman Miller
Minford, Ohio

Thanks for Quartet

"I am writing to thank you for letting the Ambassador quartet come to Houston. They greatly enriched our revival. I know that each one of us received a blessing from their messages in song. They are a wonderful example of what our college does for the young men and women who go there."

Mrs. Peggy Washburn
Texas City, Texas

Improvement Program Gift

"We are praying for the Expansion Program of the Bible College.

"The enclosed check is a contribution to the Improvement Program from the State League Convention."

Rev. Rufus Coffey
Darlington, S. C.

A Gift to Pay off Debt

"We, as a group of young people from Young's Chapel Free Will Baptist League, decided we would like to have a little part in helping with the financial burden of Free Will Baptist Bible College.

"We are sending ten dollars as a gift to help pay off the debt on the property that has been purchased."

Arnold Fortner
Burnsville, N. C.

Quartet to Hold Services in N. C. and Va. During June



Lavelle Sawyer, Randy Cox, Jack Paramore, and Teddy Davis

The College quartet begins a fifteen-thousand-mile summer itinerary with services in North Carolina and Virginia during June followed by later visits to California and Georgia.

The quartet (King's Messengers) is composed of LaVelle Sawyer, Norfolk, Virginia; Randy Cox, Washington, North Carolina; Jack Paramore, Winterville, North Carolina; and Teddy Davis, Monett, Missouri. Sawyer is a sophomore at the Bible College, Paramore is a junior, and Cox and Davis are seniors.

The quartet will present a service of gospel songs, testimonies, and a Bible message. They will tell about the work of the Bible College, its accomplishments, and its challenges. The young men will counsel with prospective students and will distribute information about the school.

Most of the services have already been confirmed. The following is a tentative schedule of the summer itinerary.

North Carolina

- May 31—Swannanoa, 7:30 p.m.
- June 1—Jacksonville, 7:30 p.m.
- June 2—Goldsboro, 11: a.m.
- 2—Casey's Chapel, 2:30 p.m.
- 2—Rooty Branch, 7:30 p.m.
- 4—Hull Road, 7:30 p.m.
- 5—Ruth's Chapel, 7:30 p.m.
- 6—St. Mary's, New Bern, 7:30 p.m.
- 7—Rose Hill, 8: p.m.
- 8—Rocky Mount, 7:30 p.m.
- 9—Greenville, 11: a.m.
- 9—Reedy Branch, 7:30 p.m.
- 10—Morehead City, 7:30 p.m.
- 11—Faith Church, Morehead City, 7:30 p.m.
- 12—St. John's, Stacy, 7:30 p.m.
- 13—Davis Church, 7:30 p.m.
- 15—Warden's Grove, 7:45 p.m.
- 16—Elm Grove, 11: a.m.
- 16—Bethany, 2:30 p.m.
- 16—Black Jack, 7:30 p.m.
- 17—Prospect, Erwin, 7:30 p.m.
- 18—Hickory Chapel, 8: p.m.
- 21—St. Paul, Elizabeth City, 7:45 p.m.

Virginia

- 22—Richmond, 7:30 p.m.
- 23—Fairmont Park, 11: a.m.
- 23—Hyde Park, 2:30 p.m.
- 23—Portsmouth, 7:30 p.m.

West Virginia

- 24—Thomas Memorial, Huntington, 7:30 p.m.

California

- June 30—July 21

Georgia

- July 28—August 8.

Choir Completes Successful Itinerary

The 37-member College Choir returned to Nashville Monday afternoon, April 28, after completing its fourth annual tour.

The students, tired but glad to be back in Nashville, voiced unanimous thanks to the Michigan churches for the fine reception and entertainment during their eight church services there.

President L. C. Johnson and Music Director Ross Dowden both termed the tour a "great success."

Although the tour was not primarily a fund raising effort, the appreciation for the choir program was registered in offerings totaling \$844.46 and pledges amounting to \$4693.24, making a grand total of \$5537.70.

The group left Nashville by bus Monday night, April 22 and arrived in Detroit at noon, Tuesday. The Highland Park Church entertained the singers at lunch time, and the people of the church were hosts during the choir's entire stay in Detroit. The students stayed by couples in homes where they rested in the afternoons before traveling to each church for supper before the evening service.

The Highland Park Church pastor, Rev. Charles Thigpen, had arranged a daily tour to points of interest in the Detroit area.

The first service was held at West Wayne Church Tuesday night, and on Wednesday morning the choir members visited the River Rouge Ford Plant and the Ford Rotunda.

The Hazel Park Church service Wednesday night was well attended. Thursday morning a visit was made to Edison Park where homes of many famous people have been erected. Luncheon for the group was provided by a member of the Highland Park Church.

The Thursday night service was held at the River Rouge Church. Friday the group traveled into Canada and ate their noonday meal there. The Faith Church entertained the choir for supper Friday night before the choir service.

The students were free Saturday morning to do shopping uptown, to rest, or to catch up on visiting the people where they stayed. Another choir service was held at the Flint Church Saturday night.

Christian Workers Institute to Open in September

The Bible College will operate a Bible Institute along with its regular college course beginning in September of this year, as authorized by the Board of Trustees.

Satisfactory plans for the separation of the institute work from the regular B.A. work have been worked out this year by the Academic Council.

Previously felt an impossibility without an enlarged plant and faculty, this move will fit into the present college program, in the light of the proposed expansion program.

The major purpose of this move is to bring non-high-school graduates (and others who are not qualified for or do not desire regular college work) into classes that are separate from the regular college classes.

This will serve two advantages: (1) it will enable the Bible College to be of better service to these students by giving them special attention; and (2) it will remove one hurdle that has stood in the way of accreditation. (Previously, the percentage of non-high-school graduates in the regular college has been too high.)

The Christian Workers Institute will award the Christian Workers Bible Diploma at the end of two years of study in Bible and related subjects. Individuals who desire more than two years' preparation may then be admitted into the regular college as special students.

Except for this separation of classes, the student in the institute will in all other ways be the same as a regular student in the Bible College. Courses taught in the institute will be much the same in content and standards as those of the B. A. course.

By making this change, the Bible College hopes to be of better service to a large group of people in the denomination who would like to prepare for Christian service, but who are in some way not prepared for regular college work, or do not have time for more than two years of preparation. Those who do not have a high-school diploma or its equivalent are encouraged to register for the 1957-58 school term.

The regular college course of study will continue to offer the Bachelor of Arts Degree with a major in Bible and minors in either English, Christian education, or music.

Three services were held Sunday. The Highland Park Church received the choir program Sunday morning in a crowded house. The afternoon service was held at the Free Will Baptist Temple following the church's entertaining the group at luncheon.

The final service was held Sunday night at Philadelphia Church where again the choir program was given to a full house. Following this service the church furnished a meal for the group before the trip to Nashville was begun.

One of the choir members expressed the sentiment of the group when she said, "We thoroughly enjoyed the whole tour"

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GRADUATION 1957



Twenty students were graduated at the Bible College's Memorial Auditorium, May 30, with Rev. Henry Oliver, Nashville minister, as commencement speaker. Seventeen B.A. degrees were awarded and three diplomas from the Christian Worker's Bible Course were presented. . . Pictured above are (front row) Chesley Hill, Shirley Graves, Ronnie Winkle, Donna Hamilton, Kenneth Faison, Jacksie Whitehurst, and Elizabeth Guthrie. Second row: Albert Rollins, Billy Walker, Kenneth Eagleton, Bobby Aycock, Henry Van Kluyve, Billy Jones, Gene Outland, John Vick, Robert Hill, Robert King, J. E. Blanton, and William Hill. Luther Reed, candidate for the Christian Worker's Bible Diploma, was not present when the picture was made.

A Letter You Must Read

Dear Brother Johnson and Staff:

I am sending you this check for \$50.00 I did not take out hail insurance on my tobacco only with the Lord. We had a very bad storm with hail, wind, and much rain, but I am trusting in the Lord.

My neighbors kindly laughed when I told them I was giving my money for insurance to the Lord. Please pray for me. I lost the dearest one on earth to me April 1, my husband. I have 5 children ages 19, 14, 8, 6, 2. It is so lonely without him but the Lord has been so wonderful to me. I have so many decisions to make. My Oldest boy 14 is gone to Cragmont this week. Pray it will be a real blessing to him.

I have met so many wonderful Christian friends from the Bible College and my dear niece . . . and nephew

Seniors Present Check

The Senior Class looked into the future in selecting a project as their departing gift to the Bible College.

Ronnie Winkle, class president, presented Dr. L. C. Johnson with a check for \$139.71, a gift to be used to construct an entrance sign at the College's administration building when it is built. The sign will fit in with the architectural scheme used by the school and will show that it was presented by the Graduating Class of 1957.

This gift is being reserved in a special bank account for this purpose.

. . . , who went to school there. I just love the school.

If possible give this credit to Grimsleys Free Will Baptist Church. Please pray for me.

Purple And White— Yellow And Red

Thousands of purple and white and yellow and red business reply envelopes have gone into thousands of Free Will Baptist homes in the last few weeks. These were sent in the interest of the Improvement Program which the Bible College is beginning.

Many of you have returned these envelopes with nice gifts. For this you are to be thanked and we are to be grateful. However thousands of these envelopes are still out and naturally we would like to see them come back home with a nice offering enclosed.

Think it over and then if you can, enclose your gift and drop the purple and white or yellow and red envelope in the mail today.

President's Report to Board of Trustees

This report concerns the fifteenth year of the operation of Free Will Baptist Bible College. As the figures reveal, records have again been broken. Our enrollment is almost reaching the 200 mark. To be exact, 189.



JOHNSON

From my personal experience of 12 years with the institution and from what seems to be the unanimous agreement of both faculty, staff, and students, this has been the most harmonious year we have had. There has not been a single serious disciplinary problem. Such an atmosphere makes it easy to perform at maximum.

The income to the general fund has been some better than in previous years. We have made a close analysis of the source of income and without doubt the major increase can be attributed to the itinerant work of the quartet. There has been some increase through the cooperative plan but in most instances this plan can be credited with lowering the income as often as raising it from particular areas. It is still a fact that personal appearances are necessary for support.

The Improvement Program launched last July has been a source of concern to all of us. By no means are we failing in the program, but on the other hand we are not moving as rapidly as we would like.

There are perhaps contributing factors to this lag. One could be that newly established state organizations have brought about a period of transition from direct to organizational support, making it difficult to present a special cause to our people. There is an understandable fear on the part of infant organizations that strong appeals from departments of work that are favorably received by the laity will take away from young organizations support necessary to their existence. The understanding on the part of many that their gifts through these organizations would take care of all needs is creating some confusion when the donor learns that special appeals are still necessary.

Another contributing cause to the lag is the tremendous building and ex-

pansion programs on the local level. All these are obstacles that must be overcome.

The administration of the Bible College under the particular guidance of the academic council has been carrying on a systematic program of self-evaluation. This evaluation is according to the standards of the Accrediting Association of Bible Institutes and Bible Colleges. An evaluation is made of the administrative policies and teaching practices and policies, and the financial policies of the institution as a whole. Certain weaknesses became apparent and are being faced courageously and followed through by making necessary improvements. On the whole, however, the survey revealed a good rating for the institution.

An area of weakness was inadequate facilities for our enrollment. This is being corrected as we are able to provide buildings. The strong points of the institution, we feel, are in the area of its spiritual life and the effectiveness of the ministry of those who go out as graduates.

The University of Tennessee had promised an inspection this year, and we had looked forward to having the first two years of our credits approved by the University. Dr. Thomason, who is in charge of such investigations at the University, has had two serious operations this year and has not been able to carry through with the promise he made more than a year ago. Dr. Thomason is friendly toward our institution and expressed a desire to be with the committee when it comes. We do trust that the University will give an early inspection next year which will result in the University's approval.

The teachers of our institution have worked faithfully and congenially throughout the year. One of the responsibilities of this Board is to see that the faculty and those employed by the institution are relieved from menace of anxiety created by low salaries and an inflationary period unparalleled in history. I again bring to the attention of the Board the wisdom of inaugurating a retirement plan for the faculty. Some preliminary work has already been done in this direction.

I again express my appreciation to a loyal, dedicated faculty, staff, and administration who have worked with me in making another year of successful history for our institution.

Auxiliaries And Alumni Support Library

Woman's Auxiliaries and the College Alumni Association were chief contributors to the Bible College library fund during the past two months.

Gifts for the past two months are listed below.

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY GIFTS

East Nashville, Tenn.	\$ 12.00
Bridges Chapel, Newport, Tenn.	12.00
Heads, Cedar Hill, Tenn.	5.00
Shady Grove, Clarksville, Tenn.	3.00
Dorcas Circle, First Church Portsmouth, Va.	5.00

BOOKS GIVEN THROUGH ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Dan Merkh	1
Dorena Davis	2
Juanita Barrow	3
Rev. and Mrs. D. C. Dodd	46
and pamphlets	4

MISCELLANEOUS GIFTS

Leagues, Pine Bluff, Ark.	5.00
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Books

C. F. Bowen, professor	1
Kenneth Walker, student	2
Frank Dunn, student	12
M. E. Griffith, Nashville, Tenn.	17
and pamphlets	3
Paul Woolsey, Loudon, Tenn.	1

Yearbook Dedicated To Mr. Hall

A sustained applause went up from the student body approving the dedication of the 1956-57 yearbook to J. B. Hall, Jr., Superintendent of the College Plant.



HALL

Ralph Hampton, editor of *The Lumen*, presented the book to the student body at chapel services May 20.

The dedication read: "Seldom has a man endeared himself so much to young people as he. We thank him for the joy and Christian love we

feel in his presence. By his outstanding love and testimony for our Lord we are challenged and encouraged. For the gentle understanding and help he has given we are grateful.

"His job here may be to maintain the buildings, but his greatest contribution to this college has been in helping to build better Christian lives. For his influence on our lives we gratefully and humbly dedicate *The Lumen* of 1957 to Mr. J. B. Hall."

Work Groups Report 2,000 Decisions for Christ

This has been an outstanding year for the Practical Work Department. From the very beginning of school our students were impressed with the importance of praying much for the department as a whole and praying particularly for their own group. This naturally resulted in our having many

decisions for Christ. This has also produced a better spirit among the students.

The statistics for the year are:
Number of persons dealt with .. 6,998
Number of decisions .. 2,114
Number of tracts distributed .. 46,187

Ken Eagleton, Director

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Quartet To Visit 29 California Churches

The Bible College quartet will hold services in 29 Free Will Baptist churches in California, June 30 to July 21.

A one-night stopover service will be made at Huntington, West Virginia, following the North Carolina and Virginia itinerary. The quartet will visit churches in Georgia after the trip to the West Coast is completed.

The quartet members report a fine reception in North Carolina churches along with some decisions for Christ in the services.

The California services have been arranged by Rev. R. C. Hampton, state promotional secretary. The schedule follows:

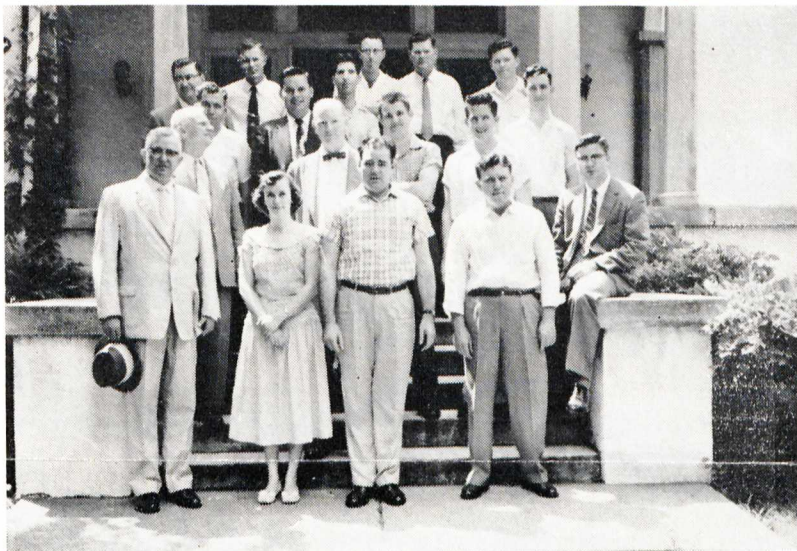
- June 28—Buhl, Idaho, 7:30 p.m.
 30—Sacramento, Calif., 11:00 a.m.
 30—Stockton, 7:30 p.m.
 July 1—Concord Church, 7:30 p.m.
 2—Sherwood Church, Richmond, 7:30 p.m.
 3—Oakland Church, 7:30 p.m.
 4—Richmond First Church, 7:30 p.m.
 5—Campbell Church, 7:30 p.m.
 6—Salinas, 7:30 p.m.
 7—North Modesto, 7:30 p.m.
 7—Turlock, 11 a.m.
 7—Modesto First Church, 2:30 p.m.
 8—Merced, 7:30 p.m.
 9—Chowchilla, 7:30 p.m.
 10—Kerman, 8:00 p.m.
 11—Calwa Church, 7:30 p.m.
 12—North Fresno Church, 7:30 p.m.
 13—Tulare, 7:30 p.m.
 14—Bakersfield, 11 a.m.
 14—Lamont, 2:30 p.m.
 14—Arvin, 7:30 p.m.
 15—Shafter, 7:30 p.m.
 16—Taft, 7:30 p.m.
 17—Santa Paula, 7:30 p.m.
 18—Huntington Park, 7:30 p.m.
 19—Bell Gardens, 7:30 p.m.
 20—North Long Beach Church, 7:30 p.m.
 21—Norwalk, 11 a.m.
 21—Artesia, 2:30 p.m.
 21—Ontario First Church, 7:30 p.m.
 22—Phoenix, Arizona, 7:30 p.m.
 23—Albuquerque, New Mexico, 7:30 p.m.
 25—Tulsa, Okla., 7:30 p.m.
 28—August 8, Georgia

\$1,000 Gift For Expansion Program

A \$1,000 check from Mr. C. F. Goen, Texas, for the expansion program was received this month. This with ten others brings the total number of gifts of \$100 or more to 53.

Mr. C. F. Goen, Texas\$1,000.00
 Mrs. Marcella Vickery, Fla. 100.00
 Mrs. C. M. Crow, Tenn. 200.00
 Swannanoa Church, N. C. 100.00

15 ENROLL FOR SUMMER SCHOOL



Assembled on the steps of Ennis Hall are the summer school students with three faculty members. The following students enrolled: H. Ray Berry, Bryan, Tex.; Archie F. Burress, Granby, Mo.; Harmon Herndon, Aliceville, Ala.; Tillis Walley, Richton, Miss.; Lonnie Palmer, Ft. Worth, Tex.; Freeman Edwards, Pink Hill, N. C.; James McCully, Neosho, Mo.; Harrold Harrison, Weleetka, Okla.; Donald Sexton, Coeburn, Va.; Robert Crawford, Greenville, N. C.; Joe Hurst, Midwest City, Okla.; Gordon Hart, Ayden, N. C.; Ruth and Lawrence Thompson, Salem, Mo.; D. L. Sharp, Nashville, Tenn.

15 Enroll For Summer School

Fifteen students enrolled June 3 for the College's first summer session. Nine of these were dormitory students and the remaining six were outside students. Six were regular students at the Bible College the past year.

Daily classes were held in Ennis Hall with the following serving as the faculty: Dr. L. C. Johnson, Rev. Leroy Forlines, Rev. Robert Picirilli, and Dr. J. P. Barrow. Mrs. J. P. Barrow, librarian, supervised library study. Dr. Johnson conducted daily chapel services, also held in Ennis Hall.

Ray Turnage, food service manager, supplied delicious meals for those residing at the College.

Courses taught were Pastoral Problems, Free Will Baptist Doctrine, and Hebrews.

Testimonies from the students indicated that the three-week session was not only profitable from a standpoint of learning but was enjoyable as well.

Rev. Robert Crawford, Greenville, North Carolina, minister, stated: "The

time I have spent in summer school at the Free Will Baptist Bible College has been of great help to me. There has been the restudying of Free Will Baptist Doctrine in the light of the Holy Bible. The spiritual and intellectual atmosphere of the classroom has warmed my heart. The high Biblical and scholastic standards of our college have caused me to have the highest appreciation for our Bible College.

"I honestly believe that any or all Free Will Baptist ministers taking work at one of these summer sessions would be greatly helped in living their lives to a greater glory of the Lord, and it would be a real spiritual feast for you."

Mrs. Ruth Thompson, mother of three children, attended summer school with her husband and had this to say about her stay at the Bible College: "This summer session at Free Will Baptist Bible College was worth every sacrifice we made to attend."

I feel that this short study has helped me to be a better pastor's wife and a more effective witness for Christ."

Rev. H. Ray Berry, pastor from Bryan, Texas, took time out from a busy schedule to take in the summer school. Mr. Berry said: "The opportunity to study, pray and meditate afforded here at Free Will Baptist Bible College is indeed a great blessing. The atmosphere of the school and the humility of the instructors are such as to strengthen one spiritually."

Mr. J. W. Boyette, Kenly, N. C.	100.00
Lowe's Chapel Church, Tenn.	100.00
Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Evans, Mo.	100.00
Rev. Melvin Bingham, Okla.	100.00
Mrs. Mary Welch, Tenn.	105.30
Philadelphia Church, Mich.	100.00
New Enterprise Church, Ga.	100.00

Gift Income Largest In History

The gift income to the general fund for the current fiscal year is the largest in the history of the Bible College, the unofficial financial statement shows. This report covers an 11-months period since the date for closing the fiscal year was changed by action of the Board of Trustees.

In addition to general fund gifts of \$46,889.04 the improvement program receipts were \$15,692.21, making a total gift income of \$62,581.25.

Total income for the 11-month period (July 1, 1956-May 31, 1957) was \$134,383.52; expenditures for the same period were \$123,917.72.

The following is the financial report of the College.

Gifts by states:

Alabama	\$ 2,756.81
Arizona	86.57
Arkansas	1,911.52
California	849.26
Colorado	30.00
Florida	1,343.75
Georgia	4,863.70
Illinois	2,046.47
Indiana	12.50
Kansas	31.00
Kentucky	1,096.62
Michigan	3,769.00
Mississippi	3,161.47
Missouri	5,743.13
Nebraska	6.59
New Mexico	122.43
North Carolina	11,739.36
Ohio	1,659.62
Oklahoma	2,031.45
Oregon	12.00
South Carolina	3,138.94
Tennessee	10,554.61
Texas	2,256.15
Virginia	1,759.70
West Virginia	428.79
W.N.A.C.	764.04
Bible Conference Offering	405.74

Total \$ 62,581.25

Income:

Gifts-Improvement Program	\$ 15,692.21
Gifts-General Fund	46,889.04
Matriculation Fees	399.00
Registration Fees	3,787.50
Tuition	23,408.61
Activity Fees	1,515.00
Room	13,138.72
Board	32,219.18
Music Fees	1,810.50
Misc. Fees	469.75
Library Gifts	423.20
Extension School Income	150.00
Misc. Income	598.26
Bookstore sales	9,574.76

Total Income \$134,383.52

Expenditures:

Administrative Salaries	9,839.63
Teachers Salaries	27,259.95
Office Salaries	6,548.75
Kitchen Salaries	7,769.96
Household Salaries	1,345.00
Janitor Salaries	2,337.50

Board Approves Construction Of New Dining Hall

The Board of Trustees at its annual meeting in May voted to begin the immediate construction of a new dining hall. The new building will consist of a 27-foot extension to our auditorium and a wing which will include a sizable student lounge and a dining hall and kitchen to take care of 250 students. The cost of construction is expected to be from \$65,000 to \$75,000.

The architect's plans and contractors' bids are scheduled to be ready by mid-July. If one of the bids is accepted, construction is to begin immediately. It is hoped that the building will be ready before Christmas.

The Board of Trustees and College officials hope that individuals and church groups throughout the denomination will join in a "giving campaign" that will enable the building to be debt free by the time it is completed.

Further plans of the Improvement Program call for a classroom-office building which will relieve a critical need in this area. The speed with which this first unit is paid for will determine the progress of the future plans.

Bible College Faculty Furthers Training

Seven faculty members of Free Will Baptist Bible College are furthering their training in summer school.

Leroy Forlines, professor of theology and Bible, will complete his resident work for the master of arts degree at Winona Lake School of Theology. Kenneth Eagleton, assistant to the business manager—treasurer and head of the practical work department, is also enrolled at the same institution for the summer session.

C. F. Bowen, Mrs. J. B. Hall, Miss Mary Ruth Wischart, and Roy O' Donnell are studying in George Peabody College for Teachers in Nashville. Mr. Bowen will receive his master of arts degree at the end of the summer.

Library Salaries	2,935.32
Maintenance Salaries	3,976.24
Maint. & Repairs Expense	4,636.42
Travel Expense	742.73
School Supplies	128.54
Telephone Expense	1,446.11
Heat	3,171.79
Electricity	1,014.11
Water Bill	543.99
Laundry	140.88
Groceries	17,115.62
Household Supplies	510.37
Misc. Expense	1,547.27
Honorarium	651.56
Printing	3,910.29
Insurance	1,714.34
Office Expense	2,641.83
Library Expense	1,951.72
Practical Work Dept. Expense	338.09

Honor Students



POOLE



AYCOCK

Five students were awarded medals at the Commencement exercises this year and seven graduates merited honor badges.

Bobby Aycock, B. A. candidate, was selected by the faculty for the most outstanding student award for the year.



WHITE

Sue White, sophomore, was chosen by the student body as best-all-around girl of the year and Bobby Poole, junior, as best-all-around boy.

Ralph Hampton received the editor's medal in recognition of his work as editor of the *Lumen*. Billy Jones, student body president for the year, was presented a medal in appreciation for his contribution to the college student life.

Those graduating with honors were: Kenneth P. Eagleton, William J. Hill, Billy Marion Jones, Robert L. King, and Jacksie Ann Whitehurst, *cum laude* (2.25 grade average); Henry Van Kluyve and Ronald S. Winkle, *magna cum laude* (2.50 grade average).

Board of Trustees Expense	783.09
Quartet Itinerary Expense	6,200.77
Employer Soc. Sec. Taxes	554.58
Employee Hosp. Ins. Expense	715.17
Kitchen Supplies	221.12
Music Dept. Expense	321.05
Bad Debts	33.33
Bookstore Salaries & Expense	8,342.36
Additions to Fixed Assets	2,528.24
Total Expenditures	\$123,917.72
Assets:	
Cash on Hand	350.00
Cash in Bank (Gen. Fund)	5,378.40
Accts. Receivable	1,249.71
Accts. Receivable	10,887.90
Bookstore Inventory	1,365.10
Student Loan Fund-Bank Acct.	1,595.52
Student Special Project Fund	139.71
Building Fund-Bank Acct.	5,814.51
Land, Buildings, Equip.	200,914.89
Total Assets	\$227,695.74

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CONSTRUCTION BEGINS



Workmen are seen pouring concrete footings for the new Dining Hall and Student Center adjoining Memorial Auditorium. Completion of the building is expected in January.

Improvement Program Gifts Lag

Gifts to the Improvement Program are lagging after amounting to nearly \$22,000 received during the program's first year.

The Improvement Program officially began last October and has seen the purchase of Dunbar Hall, an 11-room brick home, as the first step in the program.

The long-range program covers the erection of two new buildings so that the College can accommodate up to 300 students or more.

The first new building is now under way. The contractor began August 1 to excavate for the basement area, and at the present time footings have been poured and block and brick work is going along handily on the basement walls. Weather permitting, the building should be ready for occupancy sometime in January.

The Board of Trustees and College officials felt the acute need for additional space at the College called for a launching out into the building program even though gifts will have to come in to pay for the building as it goes up, or a loan will have to be secured to finance the remaining cost.

169 Register For Fall Semester

Dean Charles A. Thigpen reported a registration of 169 students at the beginning of the fall semester.

Including the summer school enrollment, the registration so far this year totals 178. The yearly registration should surpass all previous years.

A convocation service on Wednesday morning, September 4, opened the new school year. This was followed by registration of returning students that day and orientation procedure for freshmen. Freshmen students registered September 5 and classes began September 6.

Worship services were held each evening of opening week, Tuesday through Thursday, and a faculty reception was held on the lawn near Memorial Auditorium Friday evening.

The student body of 169 is made up of 56 new students and 113 returnees. This year the Bible College houses 53 men and 40 women students as compared to 76 outside students.

The students represent 19 states and two foreign countries. North Carolina again leads with 44 students registered.

The breakdown is as follows:
North Carolina44

Missionary Conference To Be October 8-9

The eighth annual Missionary Conference will be held October 8-9 at the Bible College's Memorial Auditorium.

Speakers will be Rev. LaVerne D. Miley, Rev. Dave Franks, Rev. James E. Timmons, Rev. and Mrs. Lee Whaley, Mrs. Eunice Edwards and Rev. Joseph Ange.

Mr. Miley is a medical missionary student and a former faculty member at the Bible College. Mr. Franks is a missionary candidate to Brazil, and Mr. Timmons is a missionary to Mexico.

The Whaleys are missionary candidates to Alaska. Mrs. Edwards is Executive Secretary of the Woman's National Auxiliary Convention, and the Reverend Mr. Ange is pastor of Highland Park Church, Highland Park, Michigan.

The opening service will be Tuesday night, October 8, and other services will continue throughout Wednesday, October 9. A feature of the conference will be the commissioning of Rev. Dave Franks to Brazil and Rev. and Mrs. Lee Whaley to Alaska.

The College Music and Speech departments will present a Missionary Cantata at 2:15 p.m. Tuesday, October 8, based on the life of David Livingstone. The music for this program will be furnished by the freshman choir.

The annual conference is sponsored by the Foreign and Home Mission Departments of the National Association under the leadership of Rev. Raymond Riggs and Rev. Homer Willis.

Tennessee	21
Oklahoma	20
Alabama	11
Arkansas	9
Michigan	9
Virginia	9
Missouri	8
Georgia	6
California	6
Mississippi	6
South Carolina	5
Texas	5
West Virginia	2
Kentucky	2
Illinois	1
New Mexico	1
Ohio	1
New Hampshire	1
Cuba	1
Lebanon	1

From My Desk...

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

The child of God who reads his Bible cannot help being impressed that we must be living in the last days. I believe the Bible indicates that just before the return of the Lord there will be a period of prosperity that will cause people to drift away from God. We are told that it will be as it was in the days of Noah when they were eating, drinking, marrying and giving in marriage. All these things suggest that the people of Noah's day were materialistic and giving great emphasis to the physical side of life. Surely that description fits today. We are enjoying a prosperity unparalleled in history. And even though there seems to be a religious interest there has



never been a time when more worldliness was in the church.

I have been in the ministry almost a quarter of a century, and I have seen a tremendous change in our own Free Will Baptist churches. We seem to have lost our convictions about a great many things that we used to take stands on. For instance, dancing, picture shows, and other things that used to be classed as worldly are tolerated and never cried out against as they were 20 years ago.

What should be the attitude of Christian people and the church as we draw ever closer to the coming of the Lord? For one thing I believe it should cause the true child of God to rededicate his life to the Lord. We should examine ourselves to see just how much we have been influenced by worldliness and been made to drift along with the course of this world system. Every one of us ought to be dead sure that we are fully surrendered to God and are living separated lives.

Another thing we ought to do is to concentrate on the important tasks of the church. There are so many things that we could do that if we are not careful we will overlook the most important task of the church, and that is to get the gospel to men and get them saved. All of our time and money and effort should be spent with one thing in mind, and that is to win people to Jesus Christ.

If I were not convinced that Free Will Baptist Bible College was helping us to win more people to Christ than we could possibly win without the institution, I would not be interested in

Library Gifts

Mrs. J. P. Barrow, College librarian, reports a continued activity in gifts of money and books to the library fund. During July and August the following gifts have been received.

Heads Woman's Aux.—	
Cedar Hill, Tennessee.....	\$ 1.00
Shady Grove Woman's Aux.—	
Clarksville, Tennessee.....	1.00
Bethel Woman's Aux.—	
Ashland City, Tennessee.....	12.00
Harris Memorial Master's Men—	
Greeneville, Tennessee.....	10.00
Tennessee Woman's Aux.....	31.00
Leroy Forlines, professor.....	10.00

ALUMNI GIFTS

Mrs. Clyde Brown.....	\$ 6.00
Juanita Dunn.....	3.00
Rev. and Mrs. Albert Halbrook.....	2.00
Rev. and Mrs. Bobby Jackson.....	2.00
Julia Ann Pate.....	3.00
Rev. and Mrs. Luther Sanders.....	10.00
Ray Turnage.....	5.00
Rev. Eugene Waddell.....	5.00

BOOKS DONATED

F. W. B. Headquarters.....	2
E. W. Tippet, Rhode Island.....	28
Daniel Merkh.....	26
Mrs. Bessie Moore, Star City, Ark.....	6
Rev. Owen Gancy, Manchester, Tenn.....	32
and pamphlets.....	11
Shirley Goode, student.....	6

spending my life in this kind of work. I believe the emphasis of our Bible College is such that we are able to win more people to Christ because of its ministry than we could possibly win without it. If that is true, and I am sure it is, then we should make whatever investment necessary for this institution to do the best job possible. In order to do this, we need a tremendous prayer campaign put on by every Christian who loves the Lord and is interested in our work.

Now, another thing, we must have more financial help if we are to do this job. I know our churches are loaded with financial obligations. As individuals many of us can hardly meet our obligations, but let me ask you to please pray that God will supply the needs of the institution. There are some people within our church that could give some substantial gifts that would ease the burden we are under. Of course, most of the gifts come from those who can give only \$1.00 or \$5.00. Any gift is welcomed and blessed of God if given in the right spirit. Those who have been blessed with more of this world's goods can make up for us who have less. Let us pray that someone will be led of the Lord to make a generous gift to Free Will Baptist Bible College.

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Monthly Gifts Average \$5,000

General Fund gifts to the Bible College during June, July, and August have totaled \$15,581.73 with an average of \$5,193.91 monthly.

Gifts to the Improvement Program during this same three-months' period of the new fiscal year totaled \$5,653.81.

The breakdown of gifts by states for June, July, and August is given below with total income and expenses.

Income

Alabama.....	\$ 588.42
Arizona.....	36.05
Arkansas.....	424.51
California.....	1,456.06
Florida.....	384.35
Georgia.....	2,813.19
Idaho.....	77.63
Illinois.....	383.19
Indiana.....	7.50
Kansas.....	3.00
Kentucky.....	160.87
Maine.....	20.00
Michigan.....	1,217.41
Mississippi.....	482.49
Missouri.....	1,078.17
New Mexico.....	73.72
North Carolina.....	5,106.54
Ohio.....	355.08
Oklahoma.....	677.96
Oregon.....	25.33
South Carolina.....	315.39
Tennessee.....	2,834.08
Texas.....	1,517.30
Virginia.....	667.85
West Virginia.....	162.59
W.N.A.C.....	208.46
Radio and TV Board.....	122.40

Total Gifts.....	\$21,235.54
Student Accounts Receivable.....	\$ 1,574.18
Other Fees.....	320.50
Bookstore Sales.....	430.72
Library Gifts.....	75.00
Refunds.....	292.69

Total Income.....\$23,928.63

Expenses

Salaries.....	\$15,710.39
Maintenance and Repairs.....	2,037.52
Travel Expense.....	132.29
School Supplies.....	3.57
Telephone Expense.....	485.75
Utilities.....	1,110.25
Groceries.....	543.47
Household Supplies.....	37.38
Miscellaneous Expense.....	310.41
Printing.....	916.70
Insurance.....	466.73
Office Expense.....	786.67
Library Expense.....	131.63
Practical Work Dept. Exp.....	44.79
Board of Trustees Expense.....	10.00
Quartet Itinerary Expense.....	2,239.35
Employer S.S. Tax Expense.....	89.19
Kitchen Supplies.....	19.00
Additions to Fixed Assets.....	488.50
Bookstore Purchases.....	1,887.51

Total Expenses.....\$27,481.10

6 Enroll For Institute

Six students registered for the Bible Institute at the beginning of the fall semester. This is the first time for the College to offer the Institute work separate from the regular College program. Non-high school students, and others who wish to get into Christian work right away, take special courses over a two-year period.

The Senior Class this year numbers 21, the Juniors have 26, the Sophomores 37, and the Freshmen 71.

Special students number 8. These are students taking less than 12 hours of regular work.

The entire registration with each student's name, classification, and hometown is as follows:

Freshmen

Allen, George F., Jr. Guthrie, Ky.
Amerson, Billy Ray Chester, Ga.
Anderson, Gene Hazel Park, Mich.
Argo, James Kermit Norman, Okla.
Bean, Frances Detroit, Michigan
Billows, Arthur Wilmington, Calif.
Billows, Jennell Tulsa, Okla.
Bowman, James E., Jr. Norfolk Va.
Brown, Jimmie Coward, S. C.
Craig, Joseph Leroy, Jr. Hampton, Va.
Creech, Jackie Kenly, N. C.
Dake, Donald Ada, Okla.
Davis, Alvin Darlington, S. C.
Dew, Hildred Bailey, N. C.
Doggett, Kenneth Warren, Ark.
Edwards, John Flint, Mich.
Elliott, Dorothy Ann Brilliant, Ala.
Felts, Geraldine Ashland City, Tenn.
Francis, Robert St. Louis, Mo.
Gambill, Charlecia Ashland City, Tenn.
Gann, Milton Hamilton, Ala.
Gayle, Margaret Sue Portsmouth, Va.
Gilliam, Joseph Earl Louisburg, N. C.
Godley, William Thomas
..... Stantonburg, N. C.
Hall, William Oklahoma City, Okla.
Hampton, Charles Modesto, Calif.
Harris, Carolyn Joyce Portsmouth, Va.
Hawkins, Betty Jo Sweetwater, Tenn.
Hawkins, Francis Freddie
..... Sweetwater, Tenn.
Heath, Dalton Lee Cove City, N. C.
Holloway, Ronald Everett
..... Highland Park, Mich.
Howland, Ronald Earl
..... Morehead City, N. C.
Iddins, Larry Manassas, Ga.
Johnson, Sally Ruth Baxley, Ga.
Jones, Donald Lee Tulsa, Okla.
Jones, Raymond Earl Norfolk, Va.
Keech, Albert Pinetown, N. C.
Keiffer, Everett Ray Tulsa, Okla.
King, Bobby Cramerton, N. C.
King, Joanne Cramerton, N. C.
Lankford, Max Birmingham, Mich.
Lankford, Rosemary
..... Birmingham, Mich.
Long, Jess Willard
..... Morehead City, N. C.
McCully, Edward Gene Monett, Mo.
Mauldin, Barbara Bowie, Texas
Niebruegge, Ronald Craig
..... Nashville, Tenn.
Palmer, Bernice Batesville, Ark.



Students line up for registration on September 4 at the beginning of the College's 16th year. Kenneth Eagleton is seen registering Mrs. Peggy Davis, sophomore. Other students await in line.

Pannell, Marie Henderson, Texas
Payne, Eddie Joe Tulsa, Okla.
Perry, Joyce Ashland City, Tenn.
Pettus, Marion Rosebud, Ark.
Phipps, Billy Arapahoe, N. C.
Purser, Glenda Richmond, Calif.
Reeves, Barbara Jean
..... Ashland City, Tenn.
Rial, Denson Eugene
..... Huntington Park, Calif.
Richards, Norman Howards
..... Searcy, Ark.
Rickner, Arthur Oilton, Okla.
Rudder, Marcia Highland Park, Okla.
Sample, Richard Howard Flint, Mich.
Sexton, Donald Coeburn, Va.
Snow, Charles William
..... Highland Park, Mich.
Smith, William Darlington, S. C.
Styles, Artice Newport, Tenn.
Teague, Jimmy Knoxville, Tenn.
Teague, Harold Knoxville, Tenn.
Valentine, Robert F. Norfolk, Va.
Vaughan, Barbara Graham, N. C.
Warren, John Oilton, Okla.
Williams, Jerry Nashville, Tenn.
Williams, Peggy Sue Nashville, Tenn.
Ziady, Tony Beirut, Lebanon

Sophomores

Aldridge, Jimmy Cordova, Ala.
Breedlove, Frank Henderson, Texas
Campbell, Lewis New Bern, N. C.
Collier, Naudja Pine Creek, West Va.
Crowson, James Milton Tupelo, Miss.
Davis, Peggy Richmond, Calif.
Dunn, Frank New Bern, N. C.
Edwards, Freeman Pink Hill, N. C.
Elmore, James Dothan, Ala.
Ferguson, Bobby Laneville, Texas
Gilbert, Charles Phillip Cordova, Ala.
Hall, Paul Frederick Durham, N. C.
Harwell, Roger Alan
..... Oklahoma City, Okla.
Helms, Harvey Franklin Wilton, Calif.
Herndon, Harmon Aliceville, Ala.
Johnson, Carl Jacksonville, N. C.

Johnson, H. F., Jr. Baxley, Ga.
Joslin, David Van Buren, Ark.
Mangham, Gerald
..... Oklahoma City, Okla.
Melton, Rachel Lake City, S. C.
Mercer, Fleda Blakely, Ga.
Messer, Allen Swannanoa, N. C.
O'Haver, Bettie Kirksville, Mo.
Owens, Mack Fountain, N. C.
Palmer, Lonnie Ft. Worth, Texas
Phenicie, Roger Pinar del Rio, Cuba
Phipps, Keith Green Castle, Mo.
Pierce, Bonnie Tupelo, Miss.
Pittman, Betty Jean Cordova, Ala.
Plunkett, Lloyd Oklahoma City, Okla.
Roberson, Dow Douglas Detroit, Mich.
Sharpston, Billy Florence, Ala.
Thomas, Roy Artesia, N. Mex.
Turnage, Flora Snow Hill, N. C.
Warner, Frederick Canton, N. C.
Winders, Patricia East Tupelo, Miss.
Woodard, Regina Leary, Ga.

Junior

Brown, Sarah Dorsey, Miss.
Clark, Bertie Farmville, N. C.
Crutcher, Stanley Greenbrier, Tenn.
Evans, Margaret Springfield, Mo.
Fulcher, William Bridgeton, N. C.
Gardner, Bill Norfolk, Va.
Godwin, Kirby Dunn, N. C.
Goode, Shirley Carthage, Texas
Harrison, Harrold Weleetka, Okla.
Hart, Barbara Nell Ayden, N. C.
Hicks, Billie Geneva Effingham, S. C.
Hughes, Jimmy New Bern, N. C.
Hurst, Joe Midwest City, Okla.
Johnson, Ann Kellum
..... Jacksonville, N. C.
Justice, Willie Carol Jacksonville, N. C.
Livesay, Billy Tarboro, N. C.
Owens, Guy Fountain, N. C.
Rice, Mary Ellen Morehead City, N. C.
Sanders, Cecil New Edinburg, Ark.
Sawyer, LaVelle Norfolk, Va.
Sebastian, Gordon Rantoul, Ill.
Shockey, Robert Catlettsburg, Ky.

Travis, Norma June
 Ashland City, Tenn.
 Turner, Bennie, West Asheville, N. C.
 Weaver, Carson Durham, N. C.
 Whitaker, Kay East Tupelo, Miss.

Seniors

Baker, Josie Farmville, N. C.
 Barker, Molly, Morehead City, N. C.
 Burns, Luther Pinetown, N. C.
 Cox, Hubert Randolph

..... Washington, N. C.
 Cravens, Ellis, Mountain Grove, Mo.
 Cutler, Leroy Pantego, N. C.
 Davis, Teddy Monett, Mo.
 Deeds, Earnie Oilton, Okla.
 Deeds, Willie Jean, Monticello, Ark.
 Fletcher, J. B., Jr., Manchester, Tenn.
 Hampton, Ralph, Jr., Modesto, Calif.
 Hollingshead, Ernest Donald

..... Cordova, Ala.
 Inbody, Paul, Tulsa, Okla.
 Jones, Wilma Ann Leeds, Ala.
 Morgan, Luther, Huntington, West Va.
 Paramore, Sterl Dixon

..... Winterville, N. C.
 Peele, Ronnie, Durham, N. C.
 Poole, Bobby, Clarksville, Tenn.
 Sherrill, Billy Gene, Flat River, Mo.
 Swann, Patsy, Pocahtontas, Ark.
 Walker, Kenneth, Wheelersburg, Ohio

Special Students

Eagleton, Marvis, Nashville, Tenn.
 Edwards, Lola, Pink Hill, N. C.
 Filkins, Olena, Kirksville, Mo.
 Inbody, Helen, Tulsa, Okla.
 Moore, Peggy, Asheville, N. C.
 Owens, Jackie, Littleton, N. C.
 Thompson, Gustus, Nashville, Tenn.
 Turnage, Ray, Nashville, Tenn.

Institute Students

Brown, Betty Lou, Durham, N. C.
 Harper, Richard W., Durham, N. C.
 Jones, Beverly Ann, Tulsa, Okla.
 Neuenschwander, Victor E.
 Dorsey, Miss.
 Viles, Oma A., Muldrow, Okla.
 Williams, Nancy, Durham, N. C.

Quartet Conducts 83 Services In Summer

The Bible College quartet enjoyed one of its most successful itineraries this summer, as well as one of the most extensive. Services were held in 83 churches in 11 states, covering some 15,000 miles.

Quartet members were Randy Cox, Jack Paramore, Teddy Davis, and LaVelle Sawyer. Cox, Paramore, and Davis are seniors and plan to graduate next May. Sawyer is a junior.

This was the first time for a Bible College quartet to appear in California, Idaho, Arizona, and New Mexico.

The quartet met with splendid reception everywhere, but a word of special commendation is due the churches in California who responded with some of the best services the quartet has had.

Appreciation is hereby extended to each pastor and church clerk for their cooperation in setting up the services.

Thanks go to the people who entertained the quartet in their homes.

The total response for the summer itinerary was \$22,147.62, including \$2,685.62 in cash offerings and \$19,462.00 in pledges. The average response per service was \$266.84.

The following is a break-down by states of services held with financial response:

	Services	Offerings	Pledges
N. C.	28	\$1,020.68	\$6,219.00
Va.	4	174.82	1,086.00
W. Va.	1	40.85	462.00
Idaho	1	25.63	118.00
Calif.	28	700.74	7,616.00
Ariz.	1	17.87	120.00
N. M.	1	11.20	120.00
Texas	1	16.21	108.00
Okla.	1	55.00	506.00
Ga.	16	604.47	3,107.00
Fla.	1	18.15	

Local Church Raises Garden For College

RAY C. TURNAGE, *Food Service Manager*

Good Springs Church near Nashville planted a garden for the Bible College, and approximately 35 bushels of green beans, 17 bushels of butter beans, 25 bushels of tomatoes, and a truck load of "trucker's favorite" white corn were delivered to the College during late summer.

The pastor, Rev. Paul Inbody, directed the planting, harvesting, and delivery of the vegetables to the school. Friends in and around Nashville assisted in processing this donated produce into jars and freezer lockers.

Several other churches in the Nashville area contribute annually to the College canned vegetables, fruits, and meats. A member of Bethlehem Church, Ashland City, is fattening a hog and will deliver it to the College in late fall or early winter.

The College administration deeply appreciates any goods given to the school. In fact food expense is reduced considerably when our people share their surplus foods. Thanks to the College friends for manifesting such an interest.

Howard Is New Board Member

At a recent session of the Bible College Board of Trustees it was agreed that each board member was to be a special representative in his area for promotion of the Improvement Program.

M. E. Howard, Richmond, Virginia, contractor, is the newest member of the nine-member board. He was elected to the board in July at the National Association, replacing Rev. J. L. Welch of Nashville, long-time member of the Board.

Brother Howard is a native of North Carolina and has been a member of the

Free Will Baptist Church for a number of years.

The Board of Trustees is composed of the following:

Rev. James Miller, Farmington, Mo.
 Rev. J. R. Davidson, Goldsboro, N. C.
 Rev. F. B. Cherry, Greenville, N. C.
 Rev. Melvin Bingham, Tulsa, Okla.
 Rev. K. V. Shutes, Thomaston, Ga.
 Rev. Ralph Lightsey, Hazlehurst, Ga.
 Rev. Luther Gibson, East Tupelo, Miss.
 Rev. Paul Kettelman, Columbus, Miss.
 Mr. M. E. Howard, Richmond, Va.

Faculty Members Added

The College faculty lists three new members for this year. They include Dean Charles Thigpen, who began his duties in July, Mrs. Louis Nicholas, and Mrs. Charles Thigpen.

Mr. Thigpen will be teaching some courses in addition to his duties as dean. He taught in the Bible Department previously for five years. He holds his B.A. degree from Bob Jones University and his M.A. degree from Winona Lake School of Theology.

Mrs. Nicholas has been employed as instructor of piano and organ. She is well qualified by her training and experience to teach in the Music Department.

Mrs. Nicholas received her B. A. degree from Hope College and her bachelor's and master's degrees in music from the University of Michigan. She has taught private piano classes and piano and music in several colleges. They include Hope College, the University of Michigan, East Texas State College, and Peabody College. She has served as church organist in several churches for a period of years.

The new music teacher lives in Nashville with her husband, Louis Nicholas, who is a music professor at Peabody College. They have three sons: Joel, David, and Kevin.

Mrs. Thigpen is returning to the College Speech Department, which she founded in 1948. She taught in the Speech and English departments until 1952.

Mrs. Thigpen holds her B.A. degree from Bob Jones University and has done graduate work at Winona Lake School of Theology.

The Thigpens moved to Nashville in July with their three children: Jonathan, Laura, and Ann.

O'Donnell Receives Fellowship

Rev. Roy O'Donnell, head of the College English Department, has been awarded a fellowship from the Ford Foundation to teach freshman English at Peabody College for the coming year.

Mr. O'Donnell has been granted a year's leave of absence from the College.

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STUDENTS AND FACULTY 1957



The students and faculty members gathered in front of the auditorium following chapel November 1 for a group picture. Several students were absent because of influenza.

PRESIDENT URGES SUPPORT OF IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

President L. C. Johnson has written pastors of approximately 2000 churches to lead their churches in raising \$100 or more for the construction of the new dining hall building at the Bible College.

These letters were mailed during the past month, and pastors are already responding with gifts from their churches. Dr. Johnson has asked that these gifts be sent in by January 1 before final settlement is made with the contractor.

This is the largest construction program the Bible College has undertaken with building costs to be in the area of \$70,000. The building is being erected as rapidly as possible with the concrete and masonry work almost fifty per cent complete. Most of the walls are up to the roof line, and some roof beams have been placed.

Each month the contractor submits an invoice for the work completed up to date, and the school must pay this by the 10th of the following month.

The Bible College needs \$15,000 at once if it is to pay the contractor for

construction costs up to date. The contractor's estimates of work completed through October 31 amount to \$19,814.75. Improvement Program receipts have paid some \$5,000 on this total amount, leaving some \$15,000 needed if the construction through October 31 is paid for in cash.

During August and September gifts to the Improvement Program were slow, amounting to about \$1,000; however, since then the gifts have accelerated with some \$2,700 coming in during October.

The president said that as the pastors and churches line up their gifts the income is expected to pick up sharply. "Free Will Baptists can pay for this building by January 1," he said. "We hope they will."

If each pastor or church that has not already made an offering will give worthy consideration to the Improvement Program needs, many good gifts can be received between now and January 1. This could pay for the entire cost of the new building if participation is made by every church.

CHRISTMAS PLAY TO BE PRESENTED

A Christmas drama will be given Friday night, December 13 in the college auditorium. Mrs. Charles Thigpen, speech department head, has announced.

Entitled "The Other Shepherd," the play was written by Dorothy Clark Wilson. Robert Picirilli, faculty member, will play the leading character (the other shepherd). The cast includes 11 characters in addition to the stage crew.

The music department is planning a program of appropriate Christmas music preceding the play.

The Christmas program has been planned on a weekday night so friends of the Bible College in the vicinity of Nashville may attend.

**Needed
\$65,000 by January 1
For the Improvement
Program**

From My Desk...

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

Church membership in this country is at an all-time high. Church building and improvement is also at an all-time high. Church activity on the local level as well as on the denominational level has never been equaled in the history of the American church.

On the surface these records seem to indicate progress that should cause all to rejoice. However, there has never



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been a time when the church was plagued with worldliness like it is today. In recent years I have found the spirit of evangelism and revival at an all-time low in my evangelistic experiences. I believe we are standing dangerously near to substituting work and organization for the true mission of the church.

In our own Free Will Baptist denomination we have never experienced growth like we have seen in the last 20 years. It is becoming rare to find a quarter-time church. Even 15 years ago it was an exception to find a full-time church. We have switched from quarter-time to full-time church programs in a decade and a half. We have increased our missionary program from practically nothing to a sizeable present-day program. Our educational enterprise has grown from nothing to a well-established Bible College as well as other recent educational endeavors. All of us are grateful for the progress.

But to be realistic, a disturbing factor in all this is that it has been growth that did not issue from revival, but from organization and plans of work. The organization and plans of work are not at fault, but it is a serious mistake for us to accept growth from this source and neglect the revival spirit that gives growth real vitality and consecrated energy. One of the most serious handicaps that any church can inherit from its forefathers is a successful church program that is minus spiritual vitality and the warmth of real Christian love. God forbid that those who inherit denominational responsibility from us shall inherit it built upon the foundation of good organization and works but minus evangelistic flames and Christian zeal.

Perhaps the most important thing in our denominational program at this moment is for each one of us to give himself to seeking the Lord and asking Him for revival in our own hearts as well as in our denomination at large.

Prayer Band Elects New Officers

Bobby Poole, Clarksville, Tennessee, senior student, has been elected president of Missionary Prayer Band for this year. He will be assisted by Miss Patsy Swann, vice president, who will be in charge of missionary programs in chapel each 2nd and 4th Thursdays.

The Missionary Prayer Band has a vital part in student life at the Bible College and has been in continuous operation since its organization by Miss Laura Belle Barnard, India missionary, early in the history of the school.

An installation service for Prayer Band officers was held September 12. Treasurer Bill Smith reported that offerings received at the prayer band services will be shared 75% to Foreign Missions and 25% to be retained for expenses incurred in sending out a monthly Prayer Band newsletter.

Other officers installed were:

Corresponding Secretary—Pat Winders

Recording Secretary—Billy Sharpston

Prayer Group Leaders—Bill Hall, Bettie O'Haver, Lewis Campbell, Fleda Mercer, and Lloyd Plunkett.

Editor of Newsletter—Frank Breedlove

Typists—Norma Travis and Bonnie Pierce

Faculty Sponsor—Dr. J. P. Barrow

Five groups gather daily at 1 o'clock p.m. to pray for missionary activities around the world. Each group leader keeps up-to-date information on missionary news and needs and announces them at the daily meetings.

Although attendance at the prayer meetings is not compulsory, most of the students attend regularly.

Bible College officials consider prayer a vital part of training for a vision of world-wide missions.

School Architect Dies

Mr. Thomas W. Tisdale, the school architect on the student center building now under construction, died of a heart attack on October 12. He was 38 years of age.

Mr. Tisdale was also the school architect for the auditorium which was built in 1950.

Mr. Eli Tisdale, father of the deceased, has assumed the responsibility of supervising the construction in his son's stead.

College officials feel a very keen loss since Mr. Tisdale had been in on the building plans of the Bible College from the beginning. He was also considered a very personal friend to College officials.

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General Fund Gifts Dip Slightly

Gifts to the General Fund have dipped to \$4600 and \$4700 for September and October after averaging over \$5100 for June, July, and August.

To meet the lowest possible budget requirements this year, the general fund gift income must keep within the \$5000 plus monthly average.

Improvement Program gifts during the first five months of the current fiscal year have amounted to \$9001.74.

The Bible College urges that churches and individuals strengthen their support to the General Fund to provide an adequate income for the operating of the school. Also special gifts are needed for the Improvement Program.

Gifts by states for the months of September and October follow along with a statement of income and expenses.

	Income	
	September	October
Alabama	\$ 200.09	\$ 262.59
Arizona	2.50	17.39
Arkansas	44.79	451.10
California	360.23	361.87
Florida	254.32	140.00
Georgia	505.22	453.25
Idaho	8.50	-
Illinois	57.18	194.21
Indiana	2.50	-
Kansas	10.00	.95
Kentucky	57.00	31.00
Michigan	289.00	474.98
Mississippi	332.00	245.30
Missouri	263.90	552.40
New Mexico	20.02	11.69
North Carolina ..	1,366.32	1,306.68
Ohio	59.15	57.38
Oklahoma	150.83	188.64
South Carolina ..	168.35	319.76
Tennessee	720.85	1,725.71
Texas	132.60	125.23
Virginia	143.99	269.04
West Virginia ..	84.97	113.00
W. N. A. C.	53.87	111.18
Total Gifts	5,288.18	7,413.35
Student accounts ..	15,133.73	4,544.63
Library Gifts	36.00	2.00
Misc. Income	138.90	636.12
Bookstore sales ..	2,670.74	932.63
Total Income ...	\$23,322.55	\$13,528.78
	Expenses	
	September	October
Salaries	\$ 5,955.22	\$ 6,147.82
Maint. & Repairs ..	353.73	377.96
Travel Expense ..	81.41	426.06
School Supplies ..	86.79	55.36
Telephone	-	-
Expense	106.72	113.89
Heat &	-	-
Electricity	145.69	285.21
Groceries &	-	-
Supplies	1,943.80	1,893.25
Insurance	148.50	-
Household	-	-
Supplies	194.53	11.54

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Woman's Auxiliary To Present Play

The College Woman's Auxiliary is scheduled to present a play November 2 at the Cumberland District Auxiliary Workshop. The play, "A Model Auxiliary Meeting" will carry out the theme of the workshop: "Know Your Auxiliary."

The Auxiliary furnished guides for a campus tour during the Woman's Auxiliary Workshop in session at the Bible College October 8. The women were taken through the girls' dormitory, library, administrative offices, and classrooms. Following a visit to the National Headquarters Building, the tour ended with a tea served in the College dining hall.

The Woman's Auxiliary at the College is not organized as an A-1 standard auxiliary. Instead an attempt is made to adapt the study courses, programs, and activities to the needs of the girls. The organization furnishes an opportunity for the students to become acquainted with a working auxiliary, however, and may serve as a training center for future presidents and chairmen.

Officers elected for this school year were:

President Mary R. Wischart
Vice president Mary Ellen Rice
Recording Secretary Fleda Mercer
Corresponding Sec. Patricia Winders
Youth Aux. Chairman

Mrs. Roy O'Donnell
Study Course Chmn.

Mrs. L. C. Johnson
Program-Prayer Chmn. Molly Barker
Personal Service Chmn.

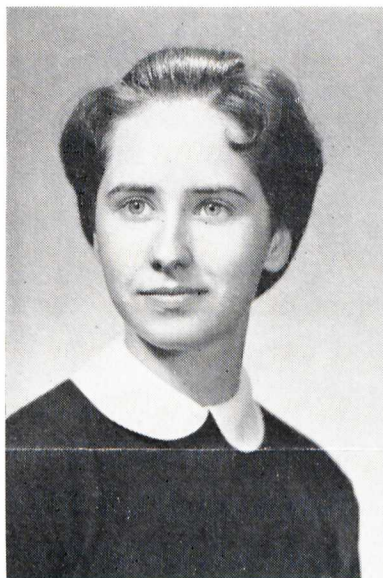
Mrs. Ken Eagleton
Treasurer Rachel Melton

The College Auxiliary plans to contribute to the national project—a \$10,000 mission station in Africa—by asking each member to save her dimes. At the close of the year the total contribution may be increased by a special offering.

General Fund Gifts Dip Slightly

Office Exp. & Printing	594.16	255.96
Library Expense.	96.22	134.28
Practical Work Exp.	104.73	42.72
Quartet Itinerary Exp.	530.22	51.27
Social Sec. Taxes	28.54	183.50
Hosp. Ins. Expense	25.00	162.50
Music Dept. Expense	38.30	8.44
Misc. Expenses	446.84	455.83
Additions to Assets	52.86	351.26
Bookstore Purchases	1,170.59	634.79
Total Expenses	\$12,113.85	\$11,591.23

Miss Hart Heads Lumen Staff



For the first time in the history of the school a young woman will be editor of *The Lumen*, College yearbook published by the students.

Miss Barbara Nell Hart, Junior from Ayden, North Carolina, will direct the writing of the annual. Assisting her will be Associate Editor Jimmy Hughes.

Jim Hurst has been selected as business manager and will be responsible for raising funds with which to finance the publication. Mr. Hurst reported that ads taken by churches provide the larger portion of the cost. Churches will be solicited again this year to share in the cost of the book, he said.

Letters have been written to pastors who are urged to place their ads by November 30 to gain a discount advantage. Full-page ads will be \$40, one-half page \$25, quarter page \$15, and eighth page \$8. Churches taking ads of one-half page or more will be given a free copy of *The Lumen*.

Miss Hart announced a snapshot contest will be held again this year with prizes to be given for the best inside and outside pictures. All Bible College students may participate.

Many of the pictures in the annual are taken by the staff photographer. The class pictures are taken by a professional firm.

Other staff members announced by the editor are:

Harold Teague—Photographer
Randy Cox—Senior Editor
Cecil Sanders—Junior Editor
Bettie O'Haver—Sophomore Editor
Marie Pannell—Freshman Editor
Gordon Sebastian—Activities Editor
Eddie Payne—Art Editor
Everett Keiffer, H. F. Johnson, and Fleda Mercer—Typists
Miss Mary R. Wischart—Sponsor

The Correspondence Corner

(Editor's Note: The following letters are selected from many which have come to the Bible College recently.)

"Enclosed is a check for \$25 from The Phebean Class of First Freewill Baptist Church, in Elizabethton, Tenn."

MRS. CLYDE PHILLIPS
Elizabethton, Tenn.

"Enclosed is a check from the Core Creek Free Will Baptist Church. We hope this will be of some help on the Building Program."

A. L. HINES, Pastor
Cove City, N. C.

"Enclosed is our pledge for the month of July. We certainly enjoyed the quartet; also the message was truly a blessing. There was one soul saved . . . It makes our heart to rejoice to know that we have a school that is able to send out boys or men such as these."

MR. AND MRS. FRANKLIN BRYANT
Concord, California

"This is a part of the \$12 I am to send to the school. Enjoyed the quartet and the wonderful messages they brought in song and talks and preaching."

SISTER M. B. MITCHELL
Buhl, Idaho

"Enclosed you will find the \$30 I pledged to the building fund for this year."

MRS. GROVER BURGER
Greenville, Tenn.

"Enclosed is a check for five dollars for the college. Our prayer is that the Lord will supply every need of the college and that its leaders will continue to follow the leadership of our Lord."

J. T. REEDER
Ft. Worth, Texas

"You will find a money order of \$75 for your improvement program."

MRS. GENEVA POPE
Kenly, N. C.

Parents Honored

"I am enclosing a check for sixty dollars to your college which is part of my tithe, that I would like to give in honor of my parents [Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Reed] who have been lifelong members of the Free Will Baptist Church. I would like for their church—Cedar Springs—to receive credit for it.

"Rather than waiting until after they're gone and giving something in memory I prefer to give, while they are living, what I can in their honor so they may see the kingdom of God advanced."

MRS. SIDNEY H. SHINGLER
Blakely, Georgia

THE WALLS ARE GOING UP



The completed walls and basement to the extension of the auditorium can be seen at the rear of the present auditorium. Materials for the dining room walls can be seen to the left and right in the picture.

\$100 Gifts Reach 78

Twenty-three additional donors have made gifts of \$100 or more from July through October to bring the number of \$100 donors to 78.

At the beginning of the Improvement Program a year ago a goal was set for 500 donors to give \$100 each to provide \$50,000 for the new dining hall building.

Many churches and individuals have made nice donations under the \$100 level.

The *Bulletin* lists donations of \$100 or more, and those individuals and churches making donations not previously listed are as follows:

First Church, Houston, Texas	\$100.00
J. B. Reding, Tenn.	100.00
Antioch Church, N. C.	100.00
Mrs. James A. Webb, Tenn.	100.00
Floyd P. Harris, N. C.	100.00
Georgia State Asso.	160.19
B. D. Harvey, Ga.	250.00
Miss Dot Harvey, Ga.	250.00
Sylvan Park Church, Tenn.	100.15
South Mississippi Asso.	101.60
Wolverine Asso., Mich.	100.00
Mrs. Alma Weatherford, S. C.	100.00
Pine Bluff First Ch., Ark.	100.00
Students & Faculty, FWBCC	218.31
Core Creek, N. C.	100.00
Forest Grove, Tenn.	500.00
Ina Church, Ill.	100.00
Friendship Church, N. C.	100.00
Edgemont Church, N. C.	100.00
Hazel Creek Union Ch., Mo.	140.00
Midway Church, Tenn.	100.00
Coker's Chapel Truthseekers	
Class, Tenn.	100.00
M. E. Howard, Va.	100.00

Students Attend Georgia Meeting

Carson Weaver, Lewis Campbell, and Roger Phenicie (students), and Ken Eagleton, staff member, attended the semi-annual meeting of Foreign Missions Fellowship held at Toccoa Falls, Georgia, November 1-3.

The conference program this year featured as speakers: Dr. L. E. Maxwell, Principal of Prairie Bible Institute, Alberta, Canada; and A. M. Southerland, a returned missionary from the Philippines.

Officers of the Bible College chapter of Foreign Missions Fellowship are Earnie Deeds, president; Carson Weaver, vice president; and Shirley Goode, secretary-treasurer.

Woman's Auxiliary Establishes Loan Fund

Mrs. Eunice Edwards, Executive Secretary of the Woman's National Auxiliary Convention, has announced the establishing of a student loan fund for future students attending Free Will Baptist Bible College.

Gifts to establish the fund will be made during this year by local auxiliaries to memorialize pioneer women of the Woman's Auxiliary.

Loans will be available in 1958 to students having attended Free Will Baptist Bible College at least one year.

A Memorial Student Loan Fund Committee will supervise the fund. Mrs. Edwards as a member of this committee will be glad to furnish information to those interested.

School Officials Attend Meetings

Officials of the College have been busy lately attending church associations and other meetings.

President L. C. Johnson attended the North Carolina State Association Sept. 11-12, the Cumberland Association (Tennessee) October 17, the Tennessee State Association October 23, and the Florida State Association November 1.

During November Dr. Johnson plans to attend the North Carolina Central Conference (6-7), the Alabama State Association (8-10), the Georgia State Association (12-14), and the South Carolina State meeting (14-15).

Dean Charles A. Thigpen spoke at the Union Association (Tennessee) in August, and attended the Oklahoma State Association October 23-24 and the Texas State meeting October 31.

Rev. J. R. Davidson, member of the Board of Trustees, has been attending union meetings in North Carolina in the interest of the College. He and other Board members are special representatives for the Bible College Improvement Program in their areas and will be glad to appear at various meetings to talk for the school, Dr. Johnson has announced.

E. B. McDonald, treasurer, represented the Bible College in Chicago at the meeting of the Friends of Christian Higher Education and the Accrediting Association of Bible Colleges, October 21-25.

The first organization is a group of school officials from Bible Colleges and other Christian institutions who meet annually and conduct workshops on the problems of college business management. The latter is the accrediting association under whom the Bible College is at present conducting a self-evaluative study leading to examination for accreditation.

Wedded Belles Hold Monthly Meetings

Mrs. Carl Johnson, new president of the Wedded Belles, reported the election of new officers and two meetings held this year.

A "Get Acquainted" meeting was held in Richland Hall September 27, and the October meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Ross Dowden. Mrs. Marston Crump, friend of Mrs. Dowden, was the guest speaker. She demonstrated ideas and ways to make party favors for special occasions.

The Wedded Belles organization is composed of wives of students and faculty members.

The officers for the current year are:

President—Mrs. Carl Johnson
Vice President—Mrs. Roy O'Donnell
Sec.-Treas.—Mrs. Jimmie Brown
Sponsor—Mrs. Ross Dowden

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BUILDING NEARS COMPLETION



The final phase of excavation and grading is being completed as the bulldozer operator smooths the entrance way to the south side of the new Dining Hall and Student Center. Beyond the bulldozer can be seen the addition to the auditorium. Under this section is a basement approximately 30 x 40 feet which will accommodate a large storage room, heating plant, and rest rooms.

Work on the Dining Hall and Student Center is nearly two-thirds complete, according to the contractor's estimate at the end of December.

The walls, roofing, heating, and plumbing are 90% complete. The contractor at present is tying in the new structure to the auditorium, which includes the moving of the stage back approximately 18 feet. This will provide space for 100 additional seats in the auditorium.

Inside the new structure work yet to be done includes electrical wiring, concrete floors for resilient tile, concrete stairways, plastering, quarry tile, glass, and painting. It is estimated that two more months will be needed to ready the building for full occupancy. The completion date, first set for January 1, has been rescheduled because of extra excavation and weather conditions.

Churches and individuals are urged to send donations to pay for this building within the next two months. Some churches have written, stating they are preparing to make donations for the Improvement Program. The amount needed will be in the neighborhood of

\$60,000 since the contractor's bid was \$66,000 to which will be added the architect's fee and extras that have been necessitated by changes. Approximately \$9,000 has been paid from Improvement Program funds on this construction work.

The construction has been financed by a loan from a local bank until the building is completed. It was hoped by College officials and Board of Trustee members that gifts to the Improvement Program would enable the cost of construction to be paid by the time the building is completed.

Keep the Mail Green

The daily mail at the Bible College brings a good number of green envelopes containing gifts to the Improvement Program in response to Dr. Johnson's letter of December 30.

Keep these green envelopes coming in. If you have not sent your personal gift for the new building yet, enclose your gift in the green envelope and send it to the Bible College today.

Approximately \$60,000 is needed between now and March 1.

Bible Conference To Be Held March 23-27

Make your plans now to attend the 15th annual Bible Conference to begin Sunday, March 23, and to close Thursday noon, March 27.

The program will include outstanding Bible preaching, missionary emphasis, and music and drama from the Bible College music and speech departments. The conference will be held as usual in Memorial Auditorium, which is being enlarged to seat 100 additional persons.

An unusual number of visitors are expected this year, both to enjoy the conference as well as to see the new dining hall and student center.

The Student Ministerial Fellowship, serving as an entertainment committee, will be glad to handle reservations or to send information to those who wish to attend. Address all correspondence to the Bible College office.

New Enrollment Record Expected Second Semester

Twelve additional students expected to enroll January 22 for the second semester will set a new record in enrollment for one year, according to Dean Charles A. Thigpen.

Last year's registration of 189 students was the previous high; however, this number will be exceeded if second semester expectations are realized.

Total registration for the current year will include the summer school last June as well as the fall and spring semesters, 1957-58.

Attention, Alumni Members!

All FWBCC Alumni Association members are urged to make special efforts to attend the Bible Conference this year and to attend the annual Alumni meeting.

This applies to all former students of the Bible College who have completed as much as one unit of work.

Special things are being planned for you by the program committee.

MARY R. WISEHART, *Secretary Alumni Association*

From My Desk..

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

Dedication is the act of setting something apart for a particular purpose. We dedicate buildings, institutions, and as Christians we dedicate ourselves to the Lord. Once a building is dedicated, it is never necessary to have a rededication of that building. But this is not true in regard to our lives. It is necessary for us to constantly rededicate ourselves to the Lord since it is so easy for us to change our purpose.



JOHNSON

It is also necessary for an institution to rededicate itself if it is to stay true to its original purpose. There are many institutions in this country that started out with a real Christian purpose, but along the way they lost sight of the thing they came into existence to accomplish.

Free Will Baptist Bible College has had to fight off the temptation to spread out into other areas of education and forsake its original purpose. The original purpose was to train young men and women who had dedicated their lives to the Lord to be pastors, ministers, and lay workers. This institution doesn't propose to train doctors and lawyer and teachers as such. The training they would receive at Free Will Baptist Bible College would help them be better Christian doctors, Christian lawyers, and Christian teachers, but the science of these professions we do not propose to teach. So Free Will Baptist Bible College wishes to assure you who support it and pray for it that we are staying true to the original purpose of training our young men and women in the Word of God and in Christian education. We believe we can do a better job in this area by not attempting to embrace all the other areas of education.

This does not mean that one has to be preparing for the ministry or missionary work in order to come to Free Will Baptist Bible College. It simply means that one should have a strong desire to make his life count for God whatever his vocation might be. Training here will help you know God better through His Word.

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Library Receives \$100 Gift

Recent gifts to the College Library include a \$100 gift given in memory of Carl R. Brown, Detroit, Mich., and a good number of books from Mt. Olive College.

For the past few years a drive has been underway to increase the number of volumes in the library. Several thousand books have been added and the total numbers nearly six thousand, Mrs. J. P. Barrow, librarian, reports. An immediate goal is eight thousand volumes, she said.

During the past three months cash gifts and books donated have been as follows:

Davis Wom. Aux., Davis, N. C.	\$ 5.00
Pleasant Valley Wom. Aux., Warren, Ark.	2.00
Tennessee Wom. Aux.	4.00
Oaklawn Y. P. A., Pleasant View, Tenn.	1.00
Jack White, former student, Fla.	14.00
Rev. and Mrs. Garland Teasley, Alumni members	10.00
Mrs. Charles Thigpen, faculty	3.00
Leroy Forlines, faculty	5.00
Mrs. J. P. Barrow, librarian	10.00
Carl R. Brown, Detroit, Mich., by Rev. and Mrs. Charles Thigpen	100.00

Books

Mt. Olive College, N. C.	84
L. E. Duncan, East Tupelo, Miss.	3

Thigpen Visits Oklahoma Church

Rev. Charles A. Thigpen, College dean, was guest speaker January 5-8 at Lewis Avenue Free Will Baptist Church, Tulsa, Okla., where Rev. Willard Day is pastor.

"Seldom have I found a group more sincerely interested in the work of Free Will Baptist Bible College than the members of Lewis Avenue Church," Mr. Thigpen said. Speaking each evening on some phase of the College, he explained the needs of the Bible College and brought a message from God's Word.

Other Free Will Baptist churches in the Tulsa area were represented at the meeting by pastors and members. An offering of \$167 was received for the Bible College, and many responded with pledges to be paid over a twelve-month period.

"We had a glorious time as we fellowshiped around God's Word," Mr. Thigpen stated.

President Johnson or Dean Thigpen will be glad to hold special services in churches in the interest of the College. You may write them at the Bible College, 3609 Richland Avenue, Nashville.

President Outlines School Needs

President L. C. Johnson has outlined the basic needs of the Bible College following the close of December, the seventh month of the present school fiscal year.

"Primarily, we must urge the financial support of the school's operating fund. We should receive \$7,000 in general fund gifts each month to operate the Bible College properly. This would permit us to develop in several areas in the general program of the school." General fund gifts are averaging about \$5000 each month, he reported.

"Another very urgent need this year is a denominational-wide support of our Improvement Program to increase the school's facilities for the present student body of approximately 200 and to provide a 50% increase in students within the next few years," Dr. Johnson stated.

"The present phase of this program is the Student Center and Dining Room building being erected at present at a cost of \$70,000. Since the Improvement Program was officially approved by the National Association in 1956, a total of \$28,254.68 has been received. Out of this amount a \$15,000 building was purchased along with financing the costs of the campaign for the first year, and approximately \$9,000 has been paid on the new Student Center building.

"This means the Bible College must receive as much as \$60,000 by the completion date of the building if the costs of construction are to be paid." Gifts to the Improvement Program are averaging about \$2000 monthly, and at this rate it will take some time to raise the money for this building.

Dr. Johnson urges every church or individual who has not done his best to support the present Improvement Program to send the best gift he can as soon as possible.

93 Ministerial Students

Out of a student body of 169 those registering as ministerial students this year number 93, according to registrar's records.

Before the year is over some of the freshmen students will probably announce their call to the ministry, if this year follows the usual pattern. To be sure, this group is a vast potential, and to the end of training them for the gospel ministry Free Will Baptist Bible College was organized and is dedicated.

Surely a denomination that has approximately 100 ministers in training each year will be receiving manifold returns as these young men take their places in the pastorate and in evangelistic work.

\$100 Gifts Climb to 100

During the past two months 22 additional gifts of \$100 or more were received, bringing the total number of such gifts to an even 100.

This is one-fifth of the goal set in the fall of 1956 to challenge Free Will Baptists to raise five hundred \$100 gifts for the Improvement Program.

Other fine gifts are being received from other churches and individuals than those listed in the *Bulletin*. The following have made recent donations of \$100 or more:

Porter Church, Ohio	\$100.00
Hull Road Church, N. C.	100.00
Fairmont Park Church, Va.	100.00
Tulsa First Church, Okla.	100.00
Harris Memorial Church, Tenn.	100.00
Howell Swamp Church, N. C.	100.00
Black Jack Church, N. C.	100.00
Students and Faculty, FWBBC	156.18
Hopewell Church, N. C.	100.00
Davis Church, N. C.	100.00
Horse Branch Church, S. C.	100.00
Shiloh Church, N. C.	100.00
Sidney Church, N. C.	100.00
Mr. and Mrs. Glen Nelson, Tenn.	100.00
Hazel Park Church, Mich.	135.85
Savannah Church, Ga.	100.00
Lenwood Benton, N. C.	100.00
Rev. and Mrs. Lonnie Sparks, Switzerland	176.00
Amory Church by Mrs. D. V. Mayfield, Miss.	200.00
First Church, Houston, Tex., by B. F. Payne	100.00
Mr. and Mrs. Chester Wright, Mo.	100.00
Rev. and Mrs. Carlisle Hanna, India	100.00

Since the Improvement Program was started in October, 1957, the following have made donations of \$500 or more.

C. M. Crow, Tenn.	\$ 500.00
Highland Park Church, Mich.	563.81
Forest Grove Church, Tenn.	600.00
Fellowship Church, Mo.	500.00
C. F. Goen, Texas	1,100.00
Students and faculty, FWBBC	1,189.33
Hazel Creek Church, Mo.	617.00

Day of Prayer Observed

A day of prayer was observed at the Bible College November 27. Classes before chapel were devoted to prayer and singing, and Dean Charles Thippen led the morning chapel service with Scripture reading and meditations on prayer followed by the listing of prayer requests.

The student body was divided into sections for group prayers under the leadership of upperclassmen. The faculty held its own group meeting.

Following this prayer period, the groups reassembled in the auditorium for a time of praise and singing under the leadership of Robert Picirilli and Leroy Forlines. The students gave testimony as to the value of the day of prayer and as to the Lord's spiritual blessings upon them.

Ministerial Students Ordained

Randy Cox and Guy Owens, senior and junior students at the Bible College, have recently been ordained and have taken churches in the Nashville area.

Mr. Cox was ordained December 6 at the Manchester Church where he is pastor. Rev. J. B. Fletcher, moderator of the Cumberland Association Presbytery, was in charge of the service. Rev. Raymond Riggs preached the ordination sermon. Rev. Leroy Forlines gave the charge and the Rev. Kenneth Walker presented the Bible. Cox's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Cox from Washington, N. C., attended the service along with Mrs. Randy Cox.

Randy Cox is widely known throughout the denomination, having traveled with the College quartet for three years and having preached in numerous Free Will Baptist churches.



OWENS

COX

Guy Owens, whose home is in Fountain, N. C., was ordained December 28 at Hull Road Church, Snow Hill, N. C., at the recent meeting of the Central Conference. Serving on the ordination council were Rev. J. C. Lynn, who gave the charge; Rev. N. D. Beaman, who presented the Bible; Rev. D. W. Alexander, who offered the ordaining prayer; and Rev. F. B. Cherry.

Mr. Owens' father is F. C. Owens of Fountain, N. C. Mr. Owens is pastor of Carlisle Church, Carlisle, Tenn., and Scott's Chapel, Erin, Tenn.

Local Church Donates Canned Goods

The Bethlehem Church near Ashland City, Tenn., in addition to sending an offering to the Bible College each month, sponsors a project among the church women to tithe canned goods.

The pastor, Rev. Harold Harrison, has made several trips to the dining hall this year with 72 jars of vegetables and fruits.

One of the members, Clyde Vann, raised a hog for the school this year. He recently delivered 150 pounds of dressed meat.

Several of the local churches plan

The Correspondence Corner

Georgia Church Gives \$100

"Enclosed is check for \$100 from the First Church, Savannah, to be used on your current improvement program. I wish it could have been a thousand.

"We appreciate what you are doing for Christ and for the young people of our denomination."

LOUIS H. MOULTON, *Pastor*
First F. W. B. Church
Savannah, Georgia

Another Improvement Program Gift

"Enclosed you will find a money order in the amount of \$23 to be used in your Improvement Program.

WENDELL F. ANGE, *Clerk*
Mount Olive F. W. B. Church
Plymouth, N. C.

Michigan Church Sends Gift

"You will remember that I told you that the First Free Will Baptist Church of Hazel Park could be counted on for a gift of \$100 for the Expansion Program. . . .

"We are pleased to enclose our check in the total amount of \$135.85. . . .

MARK M. LEWIS, *Pastor*
First F. W. B. Church
Hazel Park, Michigan

\$100 for New Building

"I am happy to enclose a check for \$100 to be used on the new building.

"In these Christless days, with the forces of Satan trying to weaken the Christian faith, it is my sincere prayer that the Bible College will remain true to the Saviour in the future as it has in the past."

HENRY J. VAN KLUYVE, *Pastor*
Davis F. W. B. Church
Davis, N. C.

Missionary Candidates Give

"Enclosed find check (\$176) to be applied to the building fund. We are happy to hear that the new building will soon be ready for use.

"We certainly appreciate the stand which the Bible College takes. We hope that the Bible will always be the major subject on the curriculum."

LONNIE AND ANITA SPARKS
Switzerland

to grow vegetables for the Bible College next summer.

Gifts of vegetables or produce help out as much as cash since this enables the dining hall to operate at a lower cost.

Financial Report For June 1-Dec. 31 1957

The following is a seven-months' financial report of income and expenditures with the gift income distributed by states.

<i>Income</i>	
Alabama	\$ 1,486.91
Arizona	83.87
Arkansas	1,068.15
California	2,751.03
Florida	1,366.58
Georgia	4,709.97
Idaho	92.13
Illinois	895.61
Indiana	10.00
Kansas	23.95
Kentucky	325.21
Maine	20.00
Michigan	2,600.54
Mississippi	1,385.20
Missouri	2,530.46
New Mexico	141.08
North Carolina	10,843.58
Ohio	811.81
Oklahoma	1,695.87
Oregon	25.33
South Carolina	1,170.72
Tennessee	6,990.85
Texas	2,227.18
Virginia	1,594.74
West Virginia	623.03
W. N. A. C.	510.03
Radio & TV Board	122.40

Total Gifts by States: \$46,106.23

Improvement Program Gifts	\$12,562.47
Kitchen Fund Gifts	328.35
General Fund Gifts	33,543.76
Library Gifts	255.00
Student accounts	36,564.17
Miscellaneous Income	317.12
Sale of Capital Assets	350.00
Bookstore sales	5,241.19

Total Income \$89,162.06

<i>Expenses</i>	
Salaries	\$39,392.86
Maint. and Repairs	3,540.84
Travel Expense	894.52
School Supplies	221.41
Telephone Expense	960.92
Heat, Elec., Water, Laundry	2,756.77
Groceries	7,230.84
Household Supplies	260.50
Miscellaneous Expense	1,372.88
Printing	1,001.74
Insurance	1,670.06
Office Expense	2,561.03
Library Expense	512.08
Practical Work Dept. Expense	288.86
Board of Trustees Expense ..	10.00
Quartet Itinerary Expense ..	2,924.74
Social Security Taxes	312.71
Hosp. Insurance Expense	350.00
Kitchen Supplies	84.45
Music Department Expense ..	174.16
Additions to Fixed Assets ..	907.55
Bookstore Purchase	4,685.99

Total Expenses \$72,117.91

CHRISTMAS PLAY PRESENTED TO FULL HOUSE



Beverly Jones, as Mary, and Ronald Niebruegge, as Joseph, are pictured above from a scene in "The Other Shepherd."

A capacity audience enjoyed "The Other Shepherd," College Christmas play, at the Memorial Auditorium, December 13.

A program of special Christmas music preceded the play. Ross Dowden, music director, conducted the College Choir in the singing of three Christmas numbers, and solos were sung by Bill Gardner and Fred Hall. Mrs. Louis Nicholas was the accompanist.

Robert Picirilli, faculty member, was the leading character in "The Other Shepherd," supported by a cast of 11 other persons. A production staff of seven students did a splendid job with technical and stage equipment, producing a very effective lighting detail.

Mrs. Charles A. Thigpen, speech instructor, directed the play, the first at the Bible College this year.

College personnel and students, along with friends in the Nashville area, filled the auditorium for the Christmas service.

<i>Assets</i>	
Petty Cash	\$ 350.00
First Amn. Bank (Gen. F.)	5,733.53
First Amn. Bank (Spec. F.)	142.71
First Amn. Bank—(Imp. Program)	1,463.80
First Amn. Bank—(Kitchen Cam.)	328.35
Fidelity Federal—(Loan Fund)	1,615.02
Accounts Receivable	14,277.45
Returned Checks	48.00
Bookstore Inventory	1,365.10
Total Current Assets	\$ 25,333.96
Fixed Assets	200,914.89

Total Assets \$226,248.85

Quartet to Visit Churches on Week Ends

The Bible College quartet will become active during the spring semester in visiting churches in behalf of the College.

The quartet made only three trips during the fall, one to Knoxville, Tenn., and two trips to Florida. Present plans call for the group to visit churches in Kentucky, Alabama, Illinois, Missouri, and Arkansas during the next few months. Robert Picirilli, faculty member and veteran of several years' quartet work, will accompany the quartet on some of its trips.

The College quartet has served as a main attraction for the school, creating interest in the Bible College among Christian youth and promoting support for the school among churches.

Composing the quartet this year are LaVelle Sawyer (bass), Norfolk, Va.; Fred Hall (baritone), Durham, N. C.; Donald Dake (second tenor), Ada, Okla.; and Charles Snow (first tenor), Highland Park, Mich.

Alternating with this group will be Bill Gardner, Norfolk, Va.; Bill Sherrill, Flat River, Mo.; and Teddy Davis, Monett, Mo.

<i>Liabilities</i>	
General Fund:	
Taxes Withheld	\$ 390.45
Hosp. Insurance	93.12
Accounts Payable	3,189.49
Building Fund:	
Due General Fund	4,582.08
Due First Amn. Bank	18,300.00
Total Liabilities	\$26,555.14