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Objectives In Focus

By President Charles A. Thigpen

It is essential to keep objectives in clear focus. This is true in a life, a home, a church or a Christian college. Everyone connected with a college should know what the college is really attempting to do. Free Will Baptist Bible College has existed for more than 40 years. What has been its purpose? What has been its mission?

One of the objectives has been to teach a *clear understanding of the gospel*. In earlier days there were pockets of Free Will Baptists who were confused about how one received salvation. Some would have added water baptism or even church membership as a part of the plan of salvation. The college has forcefully taught that salvation is provided by God's grace—His favor toward man which is totally unmerited and undeserved. The means of receiving salvation—repentance and faith—have been consistently taught.

The college and its influence have been successful. It would be almost impossible today to find a local church, a group of Free Will Baptists or even a single Free Will Baptist minister who could not clearly state that a person is saved by repenting of sin and believing on the Lord Jesus Christ as personal Savior.

The college has consistently stood for and taught *separated Christian living* as the Biblical standard. Unashamedly, the college has held to clear, Christ-like living. Wholesome behavior and neat, well-groomed appearance have characterized the faculty and students. The college's view of separation has historically been two-fold: separation unto the Lord and separation from the world. It has always maintained a strict observance of social proprieties and Christian standards between those of the opposite sex. The college has insisted that wholesome and profitable recreation be chosen to the exclusion of worldly amusements and worthless pleasures.

There has been a *warm-hearted approach to evangelism*. Christian service has never been optional; every student participates every week. The student learns the theoretical in the classroom and puts what he learns into practice through his Christian service experiences. The goal of the Christian service department is to win souls and build up believers. This personal, warm-hearted approach to soulwinning has always been the heartthrob of the college.

There has also been the desire to share the gospel with the entire world—a genuine commitment to *world-wide evangelization*. When the college started, there were no home missionaries and only one foreign missionary. Now there are scores of both. The college has played a vital role in bringing this about. Missions is kept before the students

Bible College Enrolls 526 for 1983-84

Free Will Baptist Bible College has enrolled 526 students from 29 states and seven foreign countries for the 1983-84 school year, according to Dr. Charles E. Hampton, registrar. The total includes 513 undergraduate students and 13 who are studying in the Graduate School.

The spring semester began in January with 44 new undergraduate and three new graduate students. By classes, the enrollment for the year is 168 freshmen, 114 sophomores, 107 juniors, 80 seniors, 44 special students and 13 graduate students.

This year, the Bible College was privileged to help train 108 young preachers and 75 who are preparing to be missionaries.

Dr. Hampton noted that there was an increase in the numbers of students from Indiana and Illinois, especially. The number of Indiana students has risen from 21 last year to 32 this year. The number from Illinois has grown from 21 to 27.

Here is the 1983-84 enrollment, by state (undergraduate students only):

Alabama	31	Missouri	20
Arkansas	7	New Mexico	1
Arizona	1	New York	1
California	3	North Carolina	77
Delaware	3	Ohio	9
Florida	13	Oklahoma	2
Georgia	22	South Carolina	11
Idaho	1	Tennessee	72
Illinois	25	Texas	10
Indiana	20	Virginia	21
Kansas	1	Washington	5
Kentucky	10	West Virginia	10
Maryland	1	Wisconsin	1
Michigan	17		
Mississippi	7	Foreign	13

We thank God for every young person He has sent our way this year, and we ask our friends to uphold us in prayer for the remaining months of this school year.

daily. There is an annual missions conference and frequent missions speakers throughout the year. It is our sincere desire that every student come to feel the urgency of getting the gospel message "to every creature."

Then, there is overriding *commitment to excellence* in all of life. This certainly includes mastering the courses in a program of study. But, far more than this, it is doing one's best in everything that one does. Even our best is poor enough to offer to the Lord of Heaven and earth. In years gone by, the Lord's work was characterized all too often by that which was shoddy, slipshod or mediocre. Becoming really good persons, growing up into full maturity in Christ, is the college's desire for every student. God deserves the best, that which is superior in every way.

These are some of the objectives the college has sought to achieve. Our job is not over yet—we still seek to fulfill these objectives in the life of each student who enrolls. To the extent that the college has impressed these upon students and former students, we thank God. Pray with us that we will not get weary in well doing.



President Thigpen



The Board of Trustees

Trustees Approve New Systems, Grant Sabbatical Leave

All nine FWBBC trustees met on campus December 6-7 and approved the installation of new telephone and energy control systems for the college. They also granted a half-year sabbatical leave to Dean Robert Picirilli, according to President Charles Thigpen.

The new telephone system will replace one that the college has been leasing for several years. The old system, which was being used to capacity, could only accommodate 67 phones. The new one will service up to 400 phones and will be owned by the college.

A centralized energy control system to be installed will automatically adjust campus thermostats and will save the college money on energy bills, even if costs continue to rise.

Dr. Picirilli will be on leave for the spring 1984 semester to write a textbook on the life and letters of the Apostle Paul. For many years, Dr. Picirilli taught the course on Pauline Writings at the college, and his class notes are still used by the college and others.

Trustees also approved the hiring of Mrs. Eugene Waddell, a 1963 alumna, to teach English courses for the spring semester. She will fill in for Dr. Mary Ruth Wisehart, who is taking a semester sabbatical to write a history of the college and a book on the history of the Woman's Auxiliary and the contributions of Free Will Baptist women to the denomination and the cause of Christ.

The college's trustees are Rev. Clarence Burton, Rev. W.B. Hughes, Rev. Bob Ketchum, Rev. Tom Malone (chairman), Dr. J.D. O'Donnell, Rev. James Earl Raper, Dr. Douglas Simpson, Rev. Sam Truett and Rev. Ken Walker.

Fall Welcome Days Brings 132 To Campus

The college's fall Welcome Days attracted 132 visitors from 46 churches in 15 states to the campus December 1-3, according to Dr. Charles Hampton, Welcome Days coordinator. "Twenty-two of these churches are represented for the first time," he says. The number of states represented is the highest for any Welcome Days the college has held, he adds.

The next Welcome Days is scheduled for April 5-7, 1984.

For information or registration materials, write:

Welcome Days
Free Will Baptist Bible College
3606 West End Avenue
Nashville, Tennessee 37205



Christian battles Apollyon in *Pilgrim's Progress*.

Drama Team To Visit Carolinas On Tour

The Evangel Players will visit 10 Free Will Baptist churches in North and South Carolina as they tour for the Bible College during spring holidays, March 8-16.

This year's production will be a stirring dramatic presentation of John Bunyan's classic, *The Pilgrim's Progress*. Director Joseph Jones and the cast of 26 students bring to life the allegory of Christian's journey from the City of Destruction to the Celestial City.

The following services have been scheduled:

Thursday, Mar. 8, 7:00 p.m.	Canton FWB Church, Canton, NC
Friday, Mar. 9, 7:30 p.m.	N. Spartanburg FWB Church, Spartanburg, SC
Saturday, Mar. 10, 7:30 p.m.	West Side FWB Church, Johnsonville, SC
Sunday, Mar. 11, 10:00 a.m.	Horse Branch FWB Church, Turbeville, SC
Sunday, Mar. 11, 7:00 p.m.	Bethany FWB Church, Timmonsville, SC
Monday, Mar. 12, 7:30 p.m.	Prospect FWB Church, Dunn, NC
Tuesday, Mar. 13, 7:30 p.m.	First FWB Church, Beaufort, NC
Wednesday, Mar. 14, 7:30 p.m.	Ruth's Chapel FWB Church, New Bern, NC
Thursday, Mar. 15, 7:30 p.m.	Union Chapel FWB Church Chocowinity, NC
Friday, Mar. 16, 7:30 p.m.	Temple FWB Church Greenville, NC

We invite every Free Will Baptist in these areas to attend one of the services. We believe that you will be blessed by The Evangel Players' production of *The Pilgrim's Progress*.



The College Choir

Choir To Tour Illinois, Missouri, Arkansas and Oklahoma

The 1984 College Choir will head west March 8-18 to visit Free Will Baptists in Illinois, Missouri, Arkansas and Oklahoma. Twelve services have been scheduled for the 35-voice choir, under the direction of Dr. Vernon Whaley.

The latest choir record, "Majestic!" is due to be released in time for the tour and will be available to those who attend services.

In addition to a delightful, soul-stirring program of music, the services will also feature a multi-image report on the Bible College and testimonies by members of the choir.

The following services are scheduled:

Thursday, Mar. 8, 7:00 p.m.	First FWB Church Johnston City, IL
Friday, Mar. 9, 7:30 p.m.	Bethel FWB Church S. Roxana, IL
Saturday, Mar. 10, 7:00 p.m.	Berkeley FWB Church Berkeley, MO
Sunday, Mar. 11, 10:45 a.m.	Fellowship FWB Church Flat River, MO
Sunday, Mar. 11, 7:00 p.m.	First FWB Church Farmington, MO
Monday, Mar. 12, 7:30 p.m.	First FWB Church Mountain Grove, MO
Tuesday, Mar. 13, 7:30 p.m.	Grace FWB Church Broken Arrow, OK
Wednesday, Mar. 14, 7:30 p.m.	Southern Oaks FWB Church Oklahoma City, OK
Thursday, Mar. 15, 7:30 p.m.	East Side FWB Church Muldrow, OK
Friday, Mar. 16, 7:00 p.m.	First FWB Church Russellville, AR
Saturday, Mar. 17, 7:00 p.m.	First FWB Church N. Little Rock, AR
Sunday, Mar. 18, 9:45 a.m.	Oak Park FWB Church Pine Bluff, AR

We hope that every Free Will Baptist near enough to attend a service with the College Choir will do so. You can count on receiving a very special blessing.

Over \$50,000 Raised In Latest Christmas Project

Bible College students and employees raised \$50,229.88 for the college during the Christmas break, according to Paul Ketteman, whose public relations office sponsors the annual Christmas Project. The total exceeded the goal of \$47,500 Ketteman had set for the drive.

Mr. Ketteman honored three students, whose efforts resulted in over \$8,700 for the college, before the entire student body. The students are Denise Maynard, a freshman from Munster, IN; Kim Reed, a freshman from Dunn, NC; and Jonathan Snow, a senior from Decatur, GA.

The Christmas Project funds will help to meet the \$650,000 general fund gift budget for 1983-84.



The Woodbine Eagles
Woodbine Christian Academy
Wins Basketball Tournament

The Woodbine Eagles, of Nashville, Tennessee, won four straight games to capture first place in FWBBC's fifth annual High School Invitational Basketball Tournament, according to Byron Deel, the college's athletic director. The tournament was held on campus January 5-7.

The Heritage Christian Academy Hawks, of Columbus, OH, took second place and the Van Buren Christian Academy Miracles, from Van Buren, AR, took third.

Other schools that competed are Grace Christian Academy, Rocky Mount, NC; Florence Christian Academy, Florence, AL; Martin Hill Christian Academy, Booneville, MS; Shenandoah Christian Academy, Baton Rouge, LA; and Spring Valley Christian School, Cleveland, OH.

Kevin Riggs, a 6'3" senior from Woodbine, was chosen Most Valuable Player. Joining him on the All-Tournament Team were Mark Walker (Woodbine), Danny Ross (Van Buren), Karl Sexton (Martin Hill), Gary James (Heritage), Alan Foe (Heritage), George Robertson (Florence) and Dennis Brooks (Grace).

Cheerleading squads from the competing schools were also judged. The award for the best squad went to Spring Valley's cheerleaders.

Next year's invitational tournament is scheduled for January 10-12, 1985.

Free Will Baptist Bible College's

Student Loan Investment Plan

THE PLAN

The Student Loan Investment Plan is an opportunity for you to deposit savings with Free Will Baptist Bible College, where it will become part of a loan fund for needy students.

You will be paid a healthy rate of interest—probably more than your passbook account is earning now—and you will be funding a loan program that will help Bible College students get a Christian education. Everyone benefits!

Should you need to withdraw some or all of your deposits, you can do so without penalty.

Your funds are not a gift! You retain the ownership of your deposits. Your tithes and other special gifts to FWBCC, missions and other worthy causes are not affected by your participation in the Student Loan Investment Plan.

1. All deposits, opening and additional, must be at least \$250. Deposits may be made at any time.
2. Interest, which is set at 7% for 1984, will be paid once each year on December 31. The interest rate will be reviewed annually.
3. Although the college prefers that withdrawals be made on either June 30 or December 31, no penalty will be assessed for withdrawals at other times. Please allow 60 days for withdrawal checks to be sent to you.

Not A Gift; An Investment!

THE BENEFITS

Here are some of the benefits to you, to FWBCC students and to the college when you make a deposit with the Student Loan Investment Plan.

First, you have the double satisfaction of knowing that your savings is both earning interest and helping Christian young people. Also, your money is still available to you, should you need it, while earning a good rate of interest.

Second, the students who use the funds in the Plan will pay a lower interest rate than banks charge. Over one-third of the students who attend the Bible College have to borrow money. In fact, they have had to borrow over a million dollars since 1970, some paying interest rates as high as 21%! They will be grateful that people like you have helped them get the Christian education they want and need.

Finally, the college benefits by having more money available to loan to students and by being able to manage the Plan with less paper work than other loan programs require.

For more information on the Student Loan Investment Plan, call Mr. Tom Sass at (615) 383-1340, or write to:

Student Loan Investment Plan
c/o Free Will Baptist Bible College
3606 West End Avenue
Nashville, Tennessee 37205

OUT AND ABOUT—Members of the administration, faculty, and staff have scheduled the following services:

ARKANSAS—Dr. Riggs, 3/8-11, Eastgate FWB, Siloam Springs; Dr. Thigpen, 3/9, Board of Directors, AABC, Fayetteville. **CALIFORNIA**—Mr. Thigpen, 4/13-14, State Youth Conf., Calif. Christ. Col., Fresno. **FLORIDA**—Dr. Riggs, 3/30-4/1, First FWB, Winter Haven. **ILLINOIS**—Mr. Creech & Campus Men, 3/23-25, South Central Conf. **INDIANA**—Mr. Creech, 4/22-27, First Bible FWB, New Castle; 4/28, White River Ass'n. **KENTUCKY**—Dr. Picirilli, 3/9-10, Trinity FWB, Bowling Green; Mr. Breeden & Quartet, 3/25 (AM), Lovely FWB, Lovely; (PM), First FWB, Lexington. **MISSISSIPPI**—Mr. Kettelman, 4/2-6, First FWB, Smithville. **NORTH CAROLINA**—Mr. Creech, 3/11-16, Harriett Mem. FWB, Caroleen; Mr. Breeden & Ensemble, 3/30, Cedar Hill FWB, Asheville; 3/31, Grace FWB, Greenville; Mr. Breeden & Trio, 4/1 (AM), Belvoir FWB, Greenville; Mr. Kettelman, 4/15-20, Cove City FWB, Cove City; Dr. Miley, 4/20-22,

West Calvary FWB, Smithfield. **SOUTH CAROLINA**—Mr. Breeden & Trio, 4/7, Oates FWB, Lamar; 4/8 (AM), Bay Branch FWB, Timmonsville; 4/28, Prospect Ind. Method., Johnsonville; 4/29 (AM), Grace FWB, Lake City. **TENNESSEE**—Mr. Thigpen, 3/2-4, Bethlehem FWB, Ashland City; 4/18-22, Trinity FWB, Nashville; Mr. Breeden & Trio, 3/4 (AM), Liberty FWB, Millington; Dr. Thigpen, 3/21, Richland FWB, Nashville; 3/22-23, Tenn. College Ass'n., Nashville; Dr. Whaley & Choir, 4/10, Collegiate Choir Festival, Cookeville; Mr. Breeden & Evangel Players, 4/22 (AM), Fellowship FWB, Kingsport; (PM), First FWB, Oak Ridge. **TEXAS**—Mr. Thigpen, 3/29-4/1, McAllen. **WEST VIRGINIA**—Mr. Kettelman, 3/18-28, Various churches, Logan county; Mr. Breeden & Quartet, 3/24, Fellowship FWB, Lenore.

CALENDAR Of Campus Events

Mar. 4-8	Bible Conference
Mar. 8-13	Spring Break
Mar. 8-16	Choir/Drama Tours
Mar. 30- Apr. 1	NaCoMe Missions Retreat
Apr. 2	Bus Rally
Apr. 5-7	Welcome Days
Apr. 12	Concert: Raymond and Ann Gibbs
Apr. 13	Jr.-Sr. Banquet
Apr. 15-22	Recital Week
Apr. 19-22	Drama Mini Tour
Apr. 26	Mixed Chorus Concert

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The Evangels



The Living Praise Trio



The Crownsmen



The Victorymen



The Living Faith Trio

Five Student Teams To Make Summer Tours

Five student music and drama teams will travel for Free Will Baptist Bible College this summer on tours that range from six to ten weeks, according to Frank Breeden, public relations assistant. The college has also scheduled two senior men to visit Free Will Baptist youth camps and to conduct weekend services.

The touring groups include the Crownsmen Quartet, the Victorymen Quartet (a capella), the Living Praise Trio, the Living Faith Trio and The Evangels Drama Team. The groups will visit churches in nearly every section of the country.

The camp representatives are Doug Carey, from Sylacauga, Alabama, and Jonathan Merkh, from Richmond, Virginia.

The college will also send a mixed vocal

ensemble, The Ambassadors, to the National Association of Free Will Baptists in Little Rock, Arkansas, in July. This group will visit several churches on its way from Nashville to the convention.

Breeden says, "All groups will be traveling to make new friends for the college, recruit young people and raise financial support for the general fund. We plan to reach into nearly every state with a group this summer."

If your church would like to have a service with a group from Free Will Baptist Bible College, please write:

Mr. Frank Breeden
c/o Free Will Baptist Bible College
3606 West End Avenue
Nashville, TN 37205-2498



College Choir Releases New Record, Tape

The FWBBC College Choir recently released a new record/cassette entitled "Majestic!" It includes arrangements of "Beulah Land," "How Majestic Is Thy Name," and "It Is Finished!" All of the songs were arranged and orchestrated by Dr. Vernon Whaley, choir director and Music Department chairman.

Copies of the record/cassette may be ordered from the college's Bookstore. The Bookstore is reducing the price by \$1 on each copy for orders placed by July 31, 1984. Records are \$6.95 and cassettes are \$7.95, postage included. After July 31, the records will be \$7.95 and tapes will be \$8.95.

To order, send your name and address, the number of records or cassettes you want, and a check for the total amount to:

Bookstore
c/o Free Will Baptist Bible College
3606 West End Avenue
Nashville, TN 37205-2498



Bible College To Offer Summer School Program

Eight courses have been tentatively planned for FWBBC's 1984 summer school, May 15-June 15, according to Dr. Charles E. Hampton, Registrar. Some courses will last two weeks, one is scheduled for three weeks, and others will span the entire five weeks.

The two-week courses, scheduled for May 15-30, are Ephesians and Colossians, General Psychology, Music and Art Appreciation, and Beginning Spanish.

The three-week course, to run May 31-June 15, is Introduction to Psychology.

Five-week courses, May 15-June 15, now scheduled are Bible Doctrines, Introduction to Literature, and Advanced Greek.

For more information, including cost, please write:

Summer School
c/o Free Will Baptist Bible College
3606 West End Avenue
Nashville, TN 37205





Rev. Robinson

Activities Announced For Graduation Week

Reverend Bill Robinson, pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Savannah, Georgia, will bring the Baccalaureate Sermon on Sunday evening, May 6, opening graduation week activities at the Bible College, according to President Charles A. Thigpen. Reverend Robinson is a 1961 graduate of the college and a former member of the board of trustees.

All 1984 graduates and their families will attend a reception in Patton House following the Baccalaureate Service.

On Tuesday evening, The Evangel Players will present their final 1984 performance of John Bunyan's **The Pilgrim's Progress**. The program will begin at 8 p.m.

Wednesday, May 9, will be a busy day for the graduates and others at FWBBC, opening at 8 a.m. with the traditional breakfast for graduates and their families in the college dining hall. At 10 a.m., the entire college family will attend a special chapel service at which a number of awards will be made and honors bestowed. A concert by the College Choir at 8 p.m. will conclude the day's special events.

Commencement Exercises will be held at 10 a.m. on Thursday, May 10, in the activities building. Six graduates will give testimonies. Reverend Paul Ketteman, the college's director of public relations and a 1945 FWBBC graduate, will deliver a challenge to the graduates. At noon, the 1983-84 school year will end.

Please pray for these graduation week events and for the graduates who will be finishing this portion of their training.

Teachers To Write Bible Commentaries

Two FWBBC teachers have agreed to write a Bible commentary on Romans and First and Second Corinthians for Randall House Publications, according to Dr. Roger C. Reeds, general director.

Leroy Forlines, Bible-theology teacher at the college, will write the commentary on Romans. Dr. Robert Picirilli, dean of the college and its graduate school, will cover the two Corinthian epistles.

This first volume, part of a 10-volume set to be published by Randall House, is scheduled to be released by July 1986. A special prepublication price of \$29.95 has been set for this volume. Orders may be placed with Randall House, P.O. Box 17306, Nashville, TN 37217.

Choir, Drama Tours Reach Six States

The annual spring choir and drama tours, that always follow Bible Conference, took students this year both east and west to visit churches in six states. The College Choir went to Illinois, Missouri, Arkansas and Oklahoma. The Evangel Players drama team headed east to tour the Carolinas.

Both groups reported excellent services while on tour, March 8-18. Some 60 decisions were recorded in services and from personal encounters. The tourers covered some 3,300 miles in 10 days and raised nearly \$20,000 for the college.

Attendance was high. Several pastors reported that the crowds for choir and drama services were the largest they had ever had at their churches. The touring groups also ministered in Christian schools. The choir sang in one public high school and the drama team made a video tape for a cable TV company.

One of the most encouraging aspects of both tours was the large number of young people who are planning to come or are considering coming to FWBBC. The choir and Evangel Players met with many teens after services and brought back hundreds of prospect cards from those who want to know more about the college.

Both groups would like to thank every pastor and family who aided them on the tours. The meals were great, the fellowship was sweet and the services were a blessing.

May God continue to touch the hearts of many who heard the gospel in music and in drama.

Living Memorial Honors Florida Couple

Anonymous donors recently established a living memorial fund at Free Will Baptist Bible College in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Brown of Lake Butler, Florida, according to Paul Ketteman, Director of Public Relations. The donors intend to build the fund to \$50,000 for the college to invest, with the annual interest to be placed in the college's general fund.

The Browns are active members of Harmony Free Will Baptist Church. Mrs. Brown is the daughter of Mr. J. S. Howard, deceased. Mr. Howard was a dedicated layman who generously supported FWBBC during its early years. "The Browns have perpetuated Mr. Howard's example by their consistent and generous annual support of the college," Mr. Ketteman said.

Concerning the living memorial fund, Mr. Ketteman recently told the Browns, "I have never seen a gift come to Free Will Baptist Bible College in honor of someone that has carried with it more love and appreciation than that manifested by the donors of this gift."

Anyone who wishes to share in this living memorial should mark gifts to:

The Carl and Annie Howard Brown
Endowment Fund
c/o Free Will Baptist Bible College
3606 West End Avenue
Nashville, Tennessee 37205

FORWARD '85

Church Growth Conference Set For January

Two outstanding Free Will Baptist pastors—Reverend Tom Malone and Reverend Gordon Sebastian—will be featured in a church growth conference entitled *Forward '85* to be held on campus January 2-4, according to Dr. Charles A. Thigpen, president.

"We will examine all of the key aspects of church growth," he said. Sessions will include a study of the philosophy of church growth, the kind of preaching that builds churches, local evangelism, world outreach and much more. Special sessions are also planned for pastors' wives, Dr. Thigpen says.

Currently, the college is hoping to house all conference guests right on the campus, since students will be away for the holidays.

Watch the *Bulletin* and other denominational publications for further announcements of *Forward '85*.



Bible Conference congregation.

Great Preaching, Sweet Spirit Characterize Conference

The 1984 Bible Conference, held on campus March 4-8, was a double-portioned blessing. First, the preaching was great. How good it was to hear men who love the Word and preach it with power from burdened hearts! Dr. Monroe Parker, who was a special guest speaker this year, convinced all that he is, indeed, a man of God, who longs for the salvation of the lost. It was a blessing to see his 55 years in the ministry honored during our conference. The other speakers were also a blessing. Reverend James Puckett preached on the Word, will, work and worship of God. Reverend Hobert Ashby's messages included a study of Moses, the definition of true spirituality and the illusions of the prodigal son. Reverend Garnett Reid preached three messages on various themes, but seemed to reveal more of his heart in his message "Five Pleas for Christians," from Romans 13-15.

The second special conference blessing was the sweet, harmonious spirit. It was like a long-awaited homecoming. Alumni clustered in little knots and reminisced. Current students showed relatives and friends around the campus. Pastors and laymen fellowshiped before and after the services. The spirit was as refreshing as a cool breeze on a hot day.

Next year's Bible Conference is scheduled for March 10-14, 1985. Mark your calendar now!

14 Christian Schools Represented in Conference

Fourteen Christian schools in five states were represented on campus February 13-15 at FWBBC's 1984 Christian Schools Conference, according to Dr. Kenneth Riggs, chairman of the Teacher Education Department and conference planner.

Dr. Walter Fremont, dean of the School of Education of Bob Jones University, was guest speaker. In addition to conducting workshops, Dr. Fremont spoke at five plenary sessions, including two chapel services and two evening services.

Twelve other speakers conducted workshops on various topics for Christian school teachers, administrators and board members.

The conference was especially meaningful to the college's students who are preparing to be teachers. Dr. Riggs said, "Our teacher education students appreciate the opportunity to hear about the ministries of Christian schools from those who are directly involved."

Plans for next year's Christian Schools Conference, set for February 18-20, are already underway. Dr. Riggs is planning sessions to benefit both elementary and secondary teachers, and administrators/board members.

15 Seniors Chosen For 1984 "Who's Who"

The FWBBC faculty has picked 15 seniors to appear in the 1984 edition of "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges," according to Dr. Robert Picirilli, dean. The criteria included campus leadership, social and spiritual development, academic standing and potential for future success.

This year's "Who's Who" students are:

Teresa Andrews	Jerome, ID
Connie Barnes	Goldsboro, NC
Gerald Carraway	Kinston, NC
Kim Drake	Oakford, IN
Merritt Floyd, Jr.	Johnsonville, SC
Darlene Latham	Hampton, VA
Richard McManus	Kannapolis, NC
Joy Nelson	Nashville, TN
Susan Pierce	Knoxville, TN
Robert Poole	Rib. Preto, Brazil
William Preston	Jenkins, KY
Gwen Riddle	Nashville, TN
Ruth Slaten	Nashville, TN
Jonathan Snow	Decatur, GA
Jeffrey Stegall	S. Roxana, IL

Students from more than 1,500 institutions of higher learning will be included in this year's volume.

We congratulate these outstanding young people and pray that God will use them greatly.



1984-85 CAMPUS EVENTS

at
Free Will Baptist Bible College

August 1984

- Aug. 27** Opening Service, 7:30 p.m.
- Aug. 28-29** Registration
- Aug. 30** Classes Begin
- Aug. 31** Opening Convocation, 9:50 a.m.

September

- Sept. 19-23** Campus Revival

October

- Oct. 19** Formal Dinner
- Oct. 23-26** Mid-semester Exams

November

- Nov. 5-7** Missionary Conference
- Nov. 22-26** Thanksgiving Break

Nov. 29-

Dec. 1

Welcome Days

December

- Dec. 17-20** Semester Exams
- Dec. 20** Semester Ends

January 1985

- Jan. 8** Registration
- Jan. 9** Classes Begin
- Jan. 10-12** High School Basketball Tournament

February

- Feb. 15-16** Formal Dinners
- Feb. 18-20** Christian Schools Conference

March

- Mar. 5-8** Mid-semester Exams
- Mar. 10-14** Bible Conference
- Mar. 14-19** Spring Break

April

- April 4-6** Welcome Days

May

- May 9-14** Semester Exams
- May 12** Baccalaureate Service, 8:00 p.m.
- May 15** Graduates Breakfast, 8:00 a.m.
- May 16** Commencement Exercises, 10:00 a.m.

(Please keep this calendar for checking on 1984-85 campus events.)





Summer missionaries meet with missions teacher Bobby Aycock.

14 Students Appointed Summer Foreign Missionaries

Fourteen FWBBC students have been approved for foreign missionary service this summer by the Board of Foreign Missions, according to General Director Rolla Smith. They will serve on the fields of Brazil, France and Ivory Coast.

Each will have to raise his own support, just as full-term missionaries do. The amounts range from \$1,650 to \$2,700, depending on which field they have chosen.

Rev. Smith cites two reasons for the summer missionary program. "The experience helps the young person to determine God's will for his or her life with respect to involvement in missions," he says. He also notes that the summer missionaries are a great help to their hosts, giving them a helping hand with daily activities.

Please pray for and support these fine young people who have been approved for summer missionary service:

Cynthia Bell (CA)	Ivory Coast
Walter Clinton (MS)	France
Darlene Corey (NC)	Ivory Coast
Terri Greene (GA)	Ivory Coast
Jeff Hart (NC)	Brazil
Randy Hill (VA)	France
Marsha Howell (NC)	Brazil
Glenda Humbles (NM)	Brazil
Susan Keesling (MO)	France
Donna Langston (NC)	Brazil
Scott McPeak (VA)	France
Craig Mills (MO)	France
Rebecca Nicholson (MO)	France
Jonathan Powell (TX)	Brazil

Support may be sent to the Foreign Missions Department, designated for the summer missionary of your choice.

Student Loan Investment Plan Draws Good Early Response

Initial response to the college's Student Loan Investment Plan, first announced in the last issue of the *Bulletin*, has been excellent, according to Tom Sass, director of student financial aid. "Over \$20,000 has already been invested in the loan fund," he says.

The funds have come from widely varied sources, including retired laymen, military personnel, churches, auxiliaries, and the college's own faculty and staff.

The plan opens the door for people to deposit money at seven percent interest, which the college can loan to students who need to borrow for their education. "Everyone benefits," says Mr. Sass. "The investor earns a good return on his deposit and the student borrows at a lower interest rate than the banks charge."

The money invested in the Student Loan Investment Plan makes it possible for Christian young people to get the training they need in their service to the Lord. Also, these investments do not hinder the depositor's program of tithing or giving to other causes.

If you would like information on the plan, please write:

Student Loan Investment Plan
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ALABAMA—Dr. Riggs, 5/4-6, South Highland FWB, Muscle Shoals; 5/18-20, Mt. Pleasant FWB, Brilliant. **CALIFORNIA**—Mr. Breeden, 6/14-16, State Ass'n, Fresno. **GEORGIA**—Dr. Riggs, 5/31, Glennville Christian Academy, Glennville. **INDIANA**—Mr. Creech, 6/15-16, State Ass'n, La Porte; Dr. Riggs, 6/17-22, First Bible FWB, New Castle. **KENTUCKY**—Dr. Thigpen, 5/18-20, Camp Caleb, Paintsville; Dr. Whaley, 6/4-22, Camp Caleb, Paintsville; Mr. Kettelman, 6/15-16, State Ass'n, Marion, Ohio. **MARYLAND**—Mr. Kettelman, 6/21-23, State Ass'n, Fredericksburg, Virginia. **MICHIGAN**—Dr. Thigpen, 6/15-16, State Ass'n, Taylor. **MISSOURI**—Dr. Thigpen, 5/30-6/2, State Ass'n, Lebanon. **NORTH CAROLINA**—Dr. Riggs, 5/10-13, Saw

Mill Hill FWB, Bryson City; Mr. Creech, 5/13, West Calvary FWB, Smithfield; 6/4-5, State Ass'n, Ahsoskie. **OHIO**—Dr. Whaley, 5/10-13, Heritage Temple FWB, Columbus; Dr. Riggs, 6/8-10, Spring Valley Christian School, Cleveland; Mr. Breeden, 6/21-23, State Ass'n, Columbus. **TENNESSEE**—Dr. Riggs, 6/10-15, Happy Hills Camp, Clarksville; Mr. Thigpen, 6/11-15, Liberty Ass'n Youth Camp, Fall Creek Falls State Park. **TEXAS**—Mr. Kettelman, 6/6-8, State Ass'n, West Fork District. **WEST VIRGINIA**—Mr. Creech, 6/8-9, State Ass'n, Parkersburg. **CANADA**—Dr. Whaley, 6/25-30, Annual Conf., New Brunswick.

CALENDAR Of Campus Events

- May 6 Baccalaureate Service, 8 p.m.
- May 8 Drama Program, 8 p.m.
- May 9 Breakfast for Graduates, 8 a.m.; Awards Chapel, 10 a.m.; Choir Concert, 8 p.m.
- May 10 Commencement Exercises, 10 a.m.
- May 11-12 FWB Writers Conference
- May 15- June 15 Summer School



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Jon Snow gives his graduate testimony.

1984 COMMENCEMENT AWARDS

Yearbook Editor's Medal: Johnie Terry, Hampton, VA

Student Body Pres. Medal: John Merkh, Richmond, VA

Outstanding Student: Gwen Riddle, Nashville, TN

Best All Around Students: Gwen Riddle, Nashville, TN, Robert Poole, Rib. Preto, SP, Brazil

Society Sports Trophies: The John Bunyans. The Sonnets

Class Scholarship Medals:

Freshman — Daniel Dean (4.0), Gilbert, WV

Brian Hampton, (4.0), Nashville, TN

Sophomore — Rebecca Coxwell (4.0), Dothan, AL

Edward Howe (4.0), Flat River, MO

Kam Vestal (4.0), Dickson, TN

Junior — Darlene Corey (4.0), Washington, NC

Keli Harvey (4.0), Marietta, GA

Brent Nix (4.0), Russellville, AL

Johnie Terry (4.0), Hampton, VA

Senior — Martin McWilliams (4.0), Flat River, MO

Delta Epsilon Chi Honor Society: Tina Randolph (3.74 GPA), Gwen Riddle (3.798), Ruth Slaten (3.91), Roy Swisher (3.791)

Graduated With Honors: Summa Cum Laude ("With Highest Honor")— Ruth Slaten (3.91), Gwen Riddle (3.79), Roy Swisher (3.791). **Graduate School, Summa Cum Laude**—Paul Hall (4.0), Wendell Walley (4.0).

Magna Cum Laude ("With Great Honor")—Teresa Andrews (3.56), Joy Nelson, (3.51), Tina Randolph (3.74), Chris Shore (3.64). **Graduate School, Magna Cum Laude**—David Williford (3.86).

Cum Laude ("With Honor")—Jerry Carraway (3.27), Darlene Latham (3.47), Jim Leonard (3.27), Susan Pierce (3.48), Keith Bartlett (3.45), Paul Collins (3.37), Martin Elliott (3.38), Richard McManus (3.40), Martin McWilliams (3.38), Bill Preston (3.49). **Graduate School, Cum Laude**—Jeff Gaskins (3.63).



1984 Graduating Class

78 Graduates Honored in Commencement Exercises

"Who Is On The Lord's Side?," played by the Concert Band, heralded the approach of 78 graduates who filed into Free Will Baptist Bible College's Activities Building on May 10 for the college's 41st Commencement Exercises. The processional hymn was appropriate. During their years of study at the Bible College, these graduates were constantly challenged to live their lives "on the Lord's side." Now, they were finishing their programs with this final reminder ringing in their ears.

The Lord Jesus Christ was honored and magnified throughout the commencement program.

Seven students, representing various programs of study, gave their testimonies. They thanked parents for their support, friends for their encouragement and teachers for their example. But they saved their greatest praise for the Lord, who had saved, called and enabled them to reach this milestone in their lives. Those who testified are Paul Creech, Gwen Riddle, Connie Barnes, Susan Pierce, Jonathan Snow, David Mishler and Wendell Walley.

The Lord was also honored in the challenge Rev. Paul Ketteman gave to the graduates. The FWBBC Public Relations Director urged them to walk with the Lord as He leads them to their places of service.

The graduating class was comprised of 26 women and 52 men. They were completing

six different degree/diploma programs. Seven men had finished the college's new graduate program and received the Master of Arts in Pastoral Studies. In other programs, 21 received the Bachelor of Arts Degree, 35 the Bachelor of Science Degree, six the Christian Worker's Bible Diploma, one the Associate of Arts Degree, and eight the Associate of Science in Business Degree. The three-year Bible diploma program was recently up-graded to a degree program by the board of trustees. Future graduates of the program will be awarded the Associate of Christian Ministries Degree.

A junior education major from Virginia was pleasantly surprised as the graduation program drew near its close. Jennifer Wiggs, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Dennis Wiggs, was awarded a \$4,000 scholarship that will cover her final year of study at the Bible College. The scholarship will be given annually to a junior student majoring in education. It is being made in honor of Rev. William Henry Oliver, a lifelong educator and Free Will Baptist preacher who taught for seven years at FWBBC.

If the processional hymn was a challenge, the recessional was a promise. The 78 members of the 1984 graduating class departed to the strains of "Wherever He Leads, I'll Go."

We pray that they will.



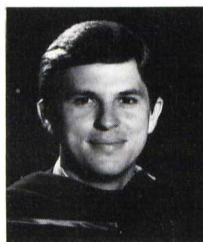


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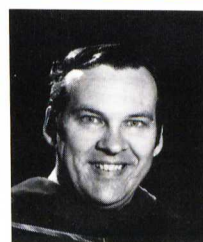
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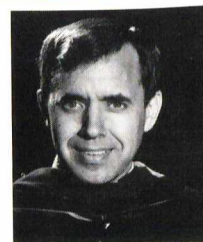
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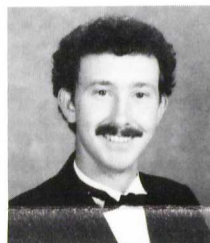
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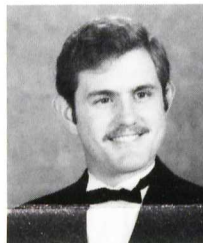
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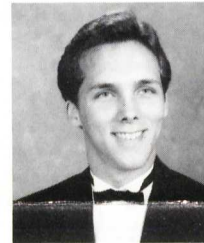
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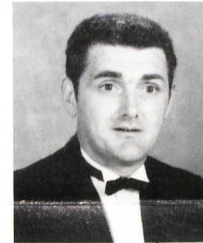
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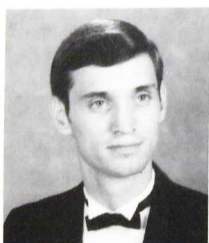
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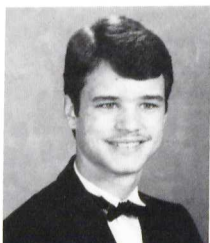
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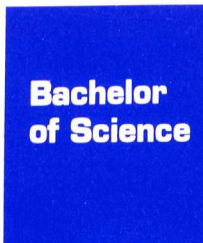
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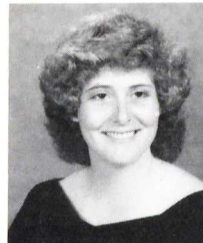
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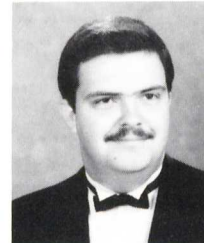
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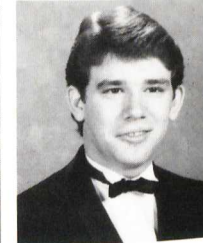
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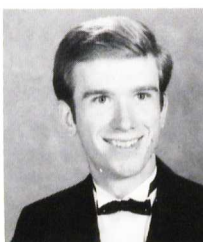
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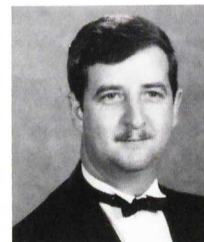
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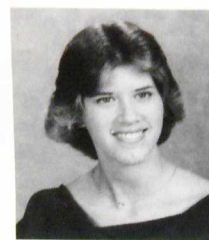
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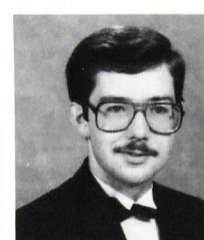
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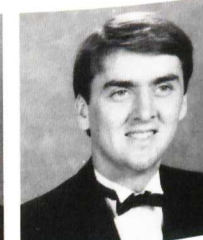
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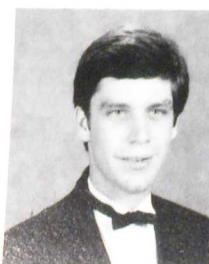
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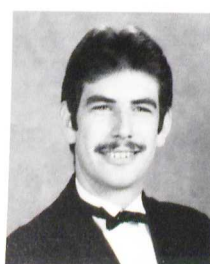
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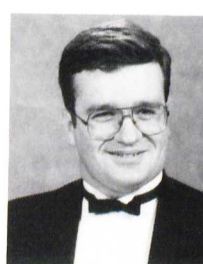
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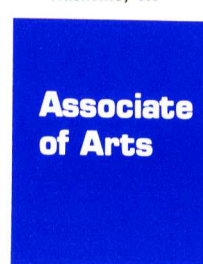
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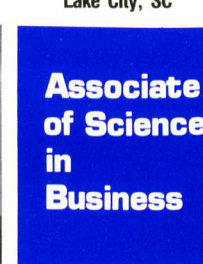
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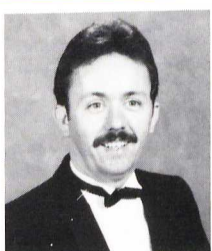
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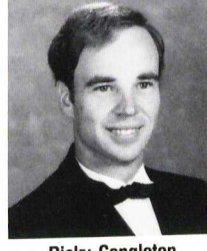
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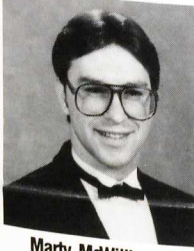
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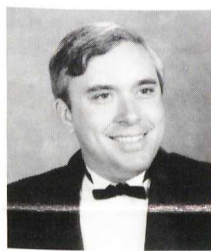
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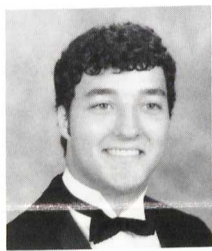
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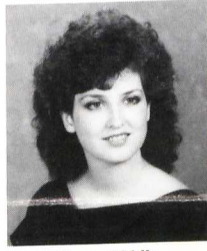
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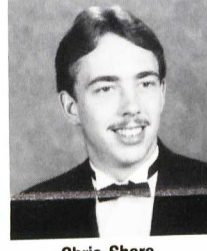
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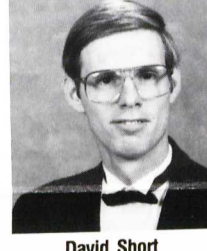
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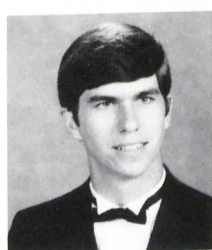
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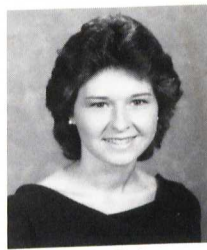
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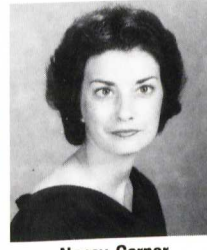
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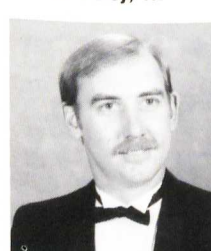
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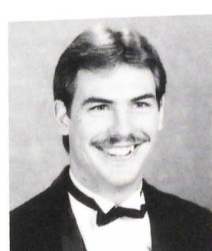
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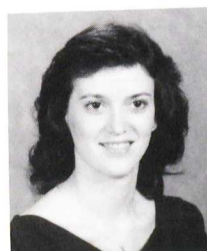
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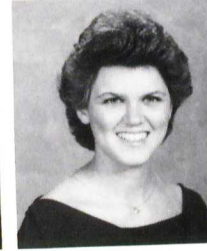
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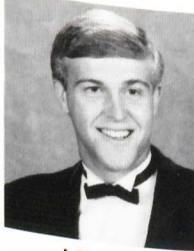
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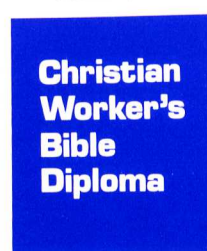
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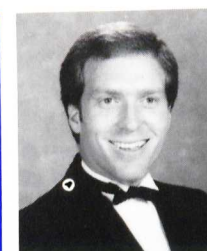
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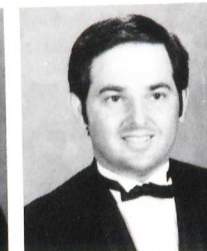
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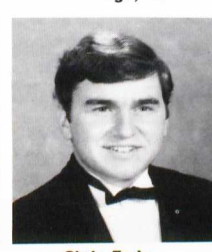
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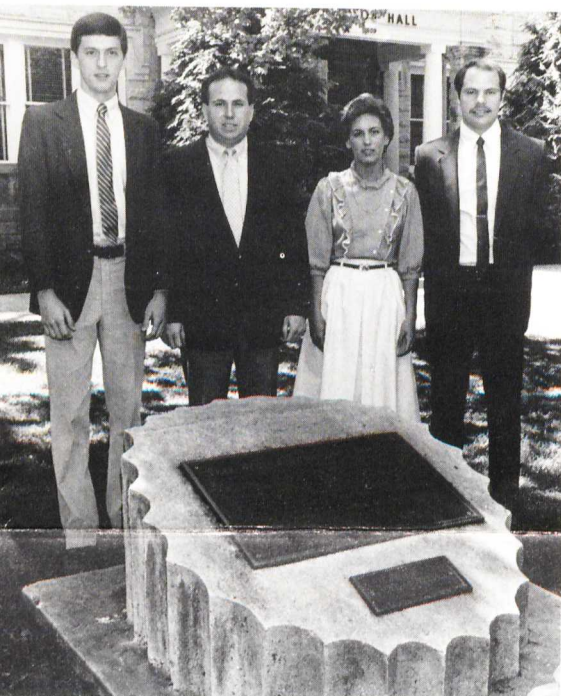


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Laura Wukitsh
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Christian Worker's Bible Diploma



1984-85 Student Body Officers: Len Davenport, president; Ed Adkisson, vice president; Rhonda Wiggs, secretary-treasurer; Ron Helms, chaplain.

Students Elect Carolinian To Lead In 1984-85

Bible College students chose Len Davenport, a rising senior from New Bern, NC, to serve as president of the student body for 1984-85. Elections were held on campus in late April.

Mr. Davenport is majoring in Pastoral Training and plans to pastor after graduation. He has been active in drama and travelled for three years with The Evangel Players. He was president of his campus society, president of the campus CTS chapter, and chaplain of his junior class. He has also been a Christian Service group leader.

Helping Mr. Davenport will be Ed Adkisson, a junior from Nashville, who was chosen to serve as vice president.

Students elected Rhonda Wiggs, a junior from Williamsburg, VA, to serve as secretary-treasurer.

Ron Helms, a senior from Chandler, IN, will be chaplain of next year's student body.

Please pray for these student leaders as they return in the fall to begin their duties.

Pray For The 1984 Graduates

Graduate School Publishes First Bible Study Journal

The first issue of **Dimension**, a new Bible study journal being published by the college's Graduate School, is scheduled to be sent to Free Will Baptist pastors in late June, according to Dr. Robert Picirilli, editor of the journal and dean of the Graduate School.

In his introduction, Dr. Picirilli says, "Its purpose is to serve those who minister our Lord's Word to His church, whether pastors, teachers, Christian educators, church musicians, or those in other kinds of ministry." He hopes **Dimension** will become "something no church leader in our ranks will want to do without."

Dimension will be published four times each year. The first two issues will be mailed free to Free Will Baptist pastors in the hope that they will see its value and want to subscribe to it. Subscriptions will not be limited to pastors. Indeed, it is hoped that many Free Will Baptists will want to receive **Dimension**.

Subscriptions will be \$7.50 per year or \$14 for two years, and may be sent to:

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ALABAMA—Mr. Breeden, 7/4, Cordova FWB, Cordova; 7/5, Pocahontas FWB, Carbon Hill; 7/6, Liberty FWB, Vernon; 7/8 (AM), First FWB, Northport; 7/25, First FWB, Dothan. **ARKANSAS**—Dr. Thigpen, 7/15 (AM), First FWB, Jacksonville; Mr. Kettelman, 8/14-16, State Ass'n, Conway. **DELAWARE**—Mr. Breeden, 8/12 (AM), First FWB, New Castle. **FLORIDA**—Mr. Breeden, 7/21, Shiloh FWB, Bratt; 7/22 (AM), First FWB, W. Pensacola; 7/22 (PM), Beulah FWB, Pensacola; 7/24, First FWB, Panama City; 7/28, Victory FWB, Auburndale; 7/29 (AM), First FWB, Winter Haven; 7/29 (PM), First FWB, Haines City; 7/31, Cocoa FWB, Cocoa; 8/1, First FWB, Deerfield Beach; 8/2, First FWB, Vero Beach. **GEORGIA**—Dr. Riggs, 7/22-29, Double Branch FWB, Hawkinsville; 7/29-8/3, Midway FWB, Moultrie; Mr. Breeden, 8/3, Philadelphia FWB, Folkston; 8/4, Glennville FWB, Glennville; 8/5 (AM), First FWB,

Savannah. **ILLINOIS**—Dr. Riggs, 8/24-26, Waltonville FWB, Waltonville. **KENTUCKY**—Mr. Thigpen, 7/30-8/11, Camp Caleb, Paintsville. **MARYLAND**—Mr. Breeden, 8/14, Mt. Calvary FWB, Perryman. **MISSISSIPPI**—Mr. Creech, 7/22-27, New Gauley FWB, Calhoun City. **MISSOURI**—Dr. Riggs, 7/8-13, First FWB, Monett. **NEW JERSEY**—Mr. Breeden, 8/11, Thompson Mem. FWB, Vineland; 8/12 (PM), Calvary Bapt., Oceanport. **NORTH CAROLINA**—Mr. Breeden, 8/7, Antioch FWB, Pikeville; Dr. Whaley, 8/17-19, Friendship FWB, Pink Hill. **SOUTH CAROLINA**—Mr. Breeden, 8/5 (PM), Fellowship FWB, Florence. **TENNESSEE**—Dr. Riggs, Mr. Reid, Mr. Tippet, 7/2-6, Peace and Truth Conf., FWBBC, Nashville; Dr. Thigpen, 8/15-16, Union Ass'n, Greeneville. **VIRGINIA**—Mr. Breeden, 8/8, Bethel FWB, Woodbridge; 8/9, Bloss Mem. FWB, Arlington; 8/10, Norva Youth Camp, Prince Wm. Forest Park, Triangle.

CALENDAR Of Coming Events

- Aug. 21-24 Faculty In-service Training
- Aug. 25 Dormitories Open
- Aug. 27 Opening Service, 7 p.m.
- Aug. 28-29 Registration
- Aug. 30 Classes Begin
- Aug. 31 Opening Convocation, 9:50 a.m.

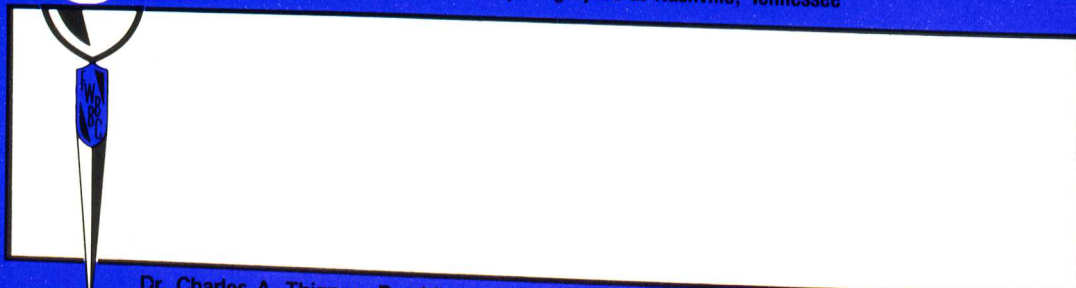
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Forward, '85+

CHURCH GROWTH CONFERENCE

January 2-4 • Free Will Baptist Bible College



Rev. Malone



Rev. McAllister



Rev. Sebastian

Church Conference To Feature Key Pastors

"Forward, '85," the Bible College's new church growth conference, will feature three outstanding Free Will Baptist pastors and 16 other well-qualified speakers in 38 services and seminars, all held on the FWBBC campus in Nashville, January 2-4, 1985.

The featured speakers are Rev. Tom Malone, pastor of the First FWB Church of Florence, Alabama; Rev. James McAllister, pastor of the First FWB Church of Farmington, Missouri; and Rev. Gordon Sebastian, pastor of Peace FWB Church of Wilson, North Carolina.

The conference will touch on nearly every area of church growth, and would benefit all church leaders, especially pastors, assistant pastors, youth directors, and ministers of music.

Conference guests may stay on the campus in dormitories vacated during the Christmas break and may eat all meals in the college's Cumberland Cafeteria.

The cost, including meals and lodging, is \$45 per person, \$80 per couple. For those who live and eat off campus, the cost is \$10.

1985 CHURCH GROWTH CONFERENCE

TIME	WEDNESDAY, JAN. 2	THURSDAY, JAN. 3	FRIDAY, JAN. 4
8:30-9:15		Family Life, I Dr./Mrs. LaVerne Miley Practicals of Congregational Song Leading Rodney Whaley Developing Lay Leaders For Youth Ministry Jon Thigpen Teaching Children, I Lorene Francen/Al Kent	Family Life, III Dr./Mrs. LaVerne Miley How To Start A Church Band Program Rodney Whaley 50 New Ideas For Youth Ministry Jon Thigpen Teaching Children, III Lorene Francen/Al Kent
9:20-10:05		Family Life, II Dr./Mrs. LaVerne Miley Does My Church Need A Minister of Music? Dr. Vernon Whaley Bible Study For Teens Dr. Ken Riggs Teaching Children, II Lorene Francen/Al Kent	Family Life, IV Dr./Mrs. LaVerne Miley Starting A Church Choir Dr. Vernon Whaley Building Self Esteem In Teens Dr. Ken Riggs Teaching Children, IV Lorene Francen/Al Kent
10:05		RECESS	RECESS
10:45-11:30		Busing For Church Outreach Rev. James McAllister	Church Growth Symposium Rev. Sebastian Rev. Hampton Rev. Malone Rev. McAllister Dr. Outlaw
11:30-12:15		The Local Church And Evangelism Rev. Gordon Sebastian	The Pastor's Heart And Ministry Rev. Tom Malone
12:15		LUNCH	LUNCH
1:00-1:45		A Comprehensive Philosophy of Church Growth Dr. Robert Picirilli	FELLOWSHIP
1:50-2:35		Church Drama, I L. Thigpen/J. Jones Preaching Seminar, I R. Hampton/S. Outlaw Teaching the Bible To Youths and Adults, I R. Woodard/G. Reid	Church Drama, III L. Thigpen/J. Jones Preaching Seminar, III R. Hampton/S. Outlaw Teaching the Bible To Youths and Adults, III R. Woodard/G. Reid
2:40-3:25		Church Drama, II L. Thigpen/J. Jones Preaching Seminar, II R. Hampton/S. Outlaw Teaching the Bible To Youths and Adults, II R. Woodard/G. Reid	Church Drama, IV L. Thigpen/J. Jones Preaching Seminar, IV R. Hampton/S. Outlaw Teaching the Bible To Youths and Adults, IV R. Woodard/G. Reid
3:25		RECESS/RECREATION	RECESS/RECREATION
5:30	DINNER	DINNER	DINNER
7:00	Evening Message I Rev. Gordon Sebastian	Evening Message I Rev. James McAllister	Evening Message I Rev. James McAllister
8:00	Evening Message II Rev. Tom Malone	Evening Message II Rev. Tom Malone	Evening Message II Rev. Gordon Sebastian



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Rev. Forrest

Arkansas Pastor To Hold Campus Revival

Rev. Terry Forrest, pastor of the First FWB Church of Monticello, Arkansas, will preach the fall campus revival September 19-23, according to President Charles Thigpen.

Rev. Forrest is a 1971 FWBBC graduate. He has pastored in Missouri, Tennessee and Arkansas. He presently is chairman of the Arkansas State Missions Board.

The annual campus revival runs Wednesday through Sunday and includes weekday chapel services, as well as evening services. The revival is sponsored by Ministerial Fellowship, a campus organization of student preachers.

Please put the campus revival and Rev. Forrest on your prayer list. Ask the Lord to give stirring services during the opening weeks of the 1984-85 school year.

Missions Major Program To Be Offered

A new 30-hour major in the field of Missions will be available at the Bible College, according to Ralph Hampton, chairman of the Christian Ministries Department. The new program will be offered in addition to the 20-hour Missions minor that has been available for a number of years.

"The time has come when we must do more for future missionaries," he said. "Foreign missions work is increasingly complex. The missionary needs to know more, and there is more to be known, than ever before."

Missions teacher Bobby Aycok, who spent more than 20 years in Brazil, pointed out that two new electives—Missionary Internship and Roman Catholicism—will be available in the program. Five of the eight foreign fields on which Free Will Baptists are established are predominantly Roman Catholic, he observes, and it is important that our missionaries be acquainted with the errors of Romanism.

Dr. LaVerne Miley, who served for 19 years as a medical missionary in Ivory Coast and now teaches at FWBBC, says that the new program "should be a tremendous asset to our missions enterprise."

Missions students in the 1983-84 student body numbered 75. The interest in missions is growing among FWBBC students.



Three Trustees Reelected To Board

The National Association of Free Will Baptists, meeting in Little Rock, Arkansas, in July, returned all three trustees whose terms had expired to the Bible College board. They are Dr. J. D. O'Donnell of Houston, Texas; Rev. James Earl Raper of

Greeneville, Tennessee; and Rev. Sam Truett of Smithfield, North Carolina.

The three were reelected to six-year terms that will expire in 1990.

The other Bible College trustees are Rev. Clarence Burton (MO), Rev. W. B. Hughes (VA), Rev. Bob Ketchum (OK), Rev. Tom Malone (AL), Dr. Douglas Simpson (TN), and Rev. Ken Walker (FL).

Student Missionaries Report Great Summer

Reports from the 14 Bible College students who are serving on three foreign mission fields this summer indicate that they are learning much and are proving to be a real asset to the missionaries.

Here are three excerpts:

I have greatly enjoyed the people, getting to know them and 'communicating' with them. Pray for them. Thank you for the privilege of allowing us to be here.

Susan Keesling, France

My experiences in Ivory Coast have been quite interesting and definitely unique. The children sure seem to be starving for love and affection. Thank you for this opportunity of learning.

Darlene Corey, Ivory Coast

I must tell you I am very impressed with the missionaries here. They truly exemplify Christianity in the making. They have inspired me to be a hard-working and dedicated servant for the Lord. This is a learning experience I will never forget. So far, my burden for missions has deepened.

Rebecca Nicholson, France

Summer Tour Groups Report Excellent Services

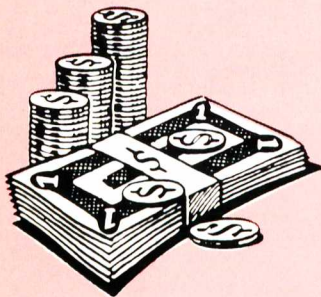
The five student groups that are touring for the Bible College this summer have reported excellent services and warm welcomes.

Joseph Jones, an FWBBC speech teacher who travelled for several weeks with The Evangels, a mixed drama team, says that the group has enjoyed visiting homes and churches, and that God has blessed greatly in their services. One pastor wrote the college, "This was the first time that most of our people had been privileged to have seen a drama team perform, and they loved it."

In addition to the drama team, the college has also fielded two men's quartets and two women's trios. The groups will visit most areas, coast to coast, where there are Free Will Baptist churches. The college also has two young men who are visiting and helping in youth camps this summer.



\$721,000 Given To College In 1983-84



GENERAL FUND

STATES	1983-84 QUOTA	1984-85 QUOTA
Alabama	\$ 49,000.00	\$ 54,500.00
Arizona	1,250.00	1,500.00
Arkansas	20,500.00	20,500.00
California	7,000.00	10,500.00
Colorado	1,000.00	1,000.00
Delaware	350.00	.00
Florida	17,000.00	18,000.00
Georgia	44,000.00	44,000.00
Hawaii	500.00	500.00
Idaho	750.00	750.00
Illinois	18,000.00	19,000.00
Indiana	6,500.00	6,500.00
Kansas	2,000.00	2,000.00
Kentucky	12,000.00	12,000.00
Maine	2,000.00	.00
Maryland	3,500.00	5,000.00
Michigan	22,000.00	24,000.00
Mississippi	17,500.00	16,000.00
Missouri	30,000.00	30,000.00
Montana	150.00	150.00
Nebraska	350.00	400.00
New Mexico	1,000.00	1,000.00
North Carolina	105,000.00	105,000.00
Ohio	13,000.00	13,000.00
Oklahoma	32,500.00	33,500.00
South Carolina	36,000.00	37,500.00
Tennessee	95,000.00	96,000.00
Texas	17,000.00	15,000.00
Virgin Islands	400.00	800.00
Virginia	18,000.00	15,000.00
Washington	250.00	400.00
West Virginia	12,000.00	12,000.00
W.N.A.C.	3,000.00	3,000.00
Other	61,500.00	61,500.00
TOTALS	\$650,000.00	\$660,000.00

Free Will Baptists gave \$721,118.94 to Free Will Baptist Bible College in its latest fiscal year, June 1, 1983, to May 31, 1984, according to E. B. McDonald, treasurer. Total giving was \$6,000 less than the record \$727,673 the college received in 1982-83.

The biggest drop was in general fund gifts. The general fund received about \$40,000 less than it did the previous year. However, gifts to the building fund were up by about \$5,000.

Eight states surpassed their 1982-83 general fund gifts, but 11 states dropped in their support. The states showing gains are: Alabama, California, Florida, Illinois, Maryland, Michigan, South Carolina and Tennessee. Those whose gifts decreased are: Arkansas, Georgia, Kansas, Maine, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Texas, Virginia and West Virginia.

The settlements from two estates were a great help to the college this year. The school received about \$40,000 from the estate of the late Rev. and Mrs. M. L. Sutton of Texas. Another \$6,600 came from the estate of an Arkansas layman, Mr. Arville Pride. President Charles A. Thigpen said, "Income from these wills and estates came when there was great need at the college." We thank God for His provision through the generous foresight of these godly Free Will Baptists, who are now with the Lord.

The general fund gift budget for 1984-85 was recently set by the board of trustees at \$660,000.

The 1983-84 gifts from individual states are listed below.

GIFT REPORT

June 1, 1983-May 31, 1984

States	General	Building	Total
Alabama	\$ 53,643.72	\$ 1,360.36	\$ 55,004.08
Arizona	1,236.20	5.00	1,241.20
Arkansas	19,124.54	5,205.03	24,329.57
California	9,082.00	550.00	9,632.00
Colorado	575.55	—0—	575.55
Connecticut	1,975.00	—0—	1,975.00
Florida	16,321.36	1,180.57	17,501.93
Georgia	34,819.15	13,702.95	48,522.10
Hawaii	197.79	—0—	197.79
Idaho	585.33	200.00	785.33
Illinois	20,459.32	5,260.58	25,719.90
Indiana	5,051.22	123.30	5,174.52
Kansas	440.86	—0—	440.86
Kentucky	9,661.40	199.00	9,860.40
Louisiana	395.00	—0—	395.00
Maryland	4,246.69	10.00	4,256.69
Michigan	23,098.42	110.00	23,208.42
Mississippi	15,437.65	2,504.27	17,941.92
Missouri	21,949.15	615.00	22,564.15
Montana	19.50	—0—	19.50
Nebraska	180.00	325.00	505.00
New Mexico	293.94	—0—	293.94
North Carolina	81,211.67	42,699.51	123,911.18
Ohio	12,171.47	501.69	12,673.16
Oklahoma	21,778.71	422.50	22,201.21
South Carolina	36,656.29	1,716.36	38,372.65
Tennessee	91,527.77	6,575.15	98,102.92
Texas	13,773.91	2,070.00	15,843.91
Virginia	13,460.82	1,104.95	14,565.77
Washington	275.00	—0—	275.00
West Virginia	6,585.47	156.00	6,741.47
W.N.A.C.	1,157.35	—0—	1,157.35
Virgin Islands	673.54	—0—	673.54
Other	30,939.35	13,297.20	44,236.55
	\$549,005.14	\$99,894.42	\$648,899.56
Graduate School			6,991.68
Alumini Project			18,929.12
Estates & Trusts			46,298.58
			\$721,118.94

Students Raise \$10,000 For India Missions

Bible College students and teachers, in a final offering taken on the last day of school, exceeded their \$10,000-goal for Project India.

The drive was conducted during the school year and resulted in \$10,103 for motorized bicycles for Indian pastors and to underwrite the construction of simple village chapels.

Rev. Rolla Smith, Foreign Missions General Director, shared his thanks and commendations with all who helped in the drive. "Although Foreign Missions Fellowship (a campus organization of missions students) set the goal and contributed significantly," he said, "there were many others—prayer groups, faculty members and students who gave."

Excellent Summer Enrollment Begins 1984-85 School Year

One student in every five who enrolled at FWBBC in 1983-84 stayed for summer school, according to Dr. Charles Hampton, registrar.

The college enrolled 110 summer school students, 21 percent of its student body. Another 17 students took internship studies for summer credit. These included eight foreign missions interns, eight pastoral interns and one music intern.

The total number of students receiving summer credit is 127.

The most popular course was a five-week study of Bible Doctrines taught by Dr. Ken Riggs, which enrolled 30 students.



The Ambassadors sing for Sunday morning worship in Little Rock.

Ambassador Ensemble Performs In Little Rock

The 17-voice Ambassador Ensemble, comprised of FWBBC students, performed in two worship services at the National Association of Free Will Baptists when it met July 15-19 in Little Rock, Arkansas. The ensemble also performed for the National Youth Conference, which ran concurrently with the National Association.

The ensemble sang in the Sunday morning and Wednesday evening convention services. They, with other FWBBC students, also presented a youth program entitled "Turn Your Radio On," which the young people (as well as older ones) thoroughly enjoyed.

When they were not performing, the Ambassadors assisted in youth activities and worked in the college's display booth.

OUT AND ABOUT—Members of the administration, faculty, and staff have scheduled the following services:

SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER, 1984

ARKANSAS—Dr. Riggs, 9/28-30, Camp Beaverfork, Conway; Dr. Miley, 10/12-13, First FWB, Walnut Ridge. **ILLINOIS**—Mr. Creech, 9/9-14, First FWB, Mt. Vernon; 9/30-10/5, Faith FWB, Milan; Dr. Riggs, 10/19-21, First FWB, Ina. **KENTUCKY**—Dr. Thigpen, 9/12-14, Southside FWB, Paintsville; Dr. Miley, 10/5-6, Camp

Caleb, Paintsville. **MISSOURI**—Dr. Thigpen, 10/24-27, American Ass'n of Bible Colleges, Kansas City. **TENNESSEE**—Dr. Miley, 9/14-15, First FWB, Cookeville; 9/24-29, Heads FWB, Cedar Hill; Mr. Creech, 10/29-31, State Ass'n, Donelson FWB, Nashville. **VIRGINIA**—Mr. Creech, 10/21-23, Providence FWB, Hampton.

CALENDAR Of Campus Events

Sept. 19-23 Campus Revival
Oct. 19 Formal Dinner
Oct. 23-26 Mid-semester Exams



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417 ENROLLED FOR FALL SEMESTER



Senior Alice Chaffin checks her schedule with Dr. Riggs.

Coach Deel directs the first Beginning Tennis class.



Room assignments...
Yearbook pictures...
Registration lines...
Orientation...
Picking classes...

FWBBC enrolled 417 students from 26 states and seven foreign countries in late August, kicking off its 1984-85 school year.

The opening days were both typical and unique. Although many of the activities were typical of recent years, the fresh, enthusiastic spirit of both students and faculty-staff was exciting and new.

The new year is being characterized by great music on the campus and many decisions—rededications, mended friendships, answering God's call. From the opening Sunday evening service through the campus revival in late September, the spirit has continued.

Four graduate school enrollees joined the 417 undergraduates to bring the enrollment to 421.

Tennessee boasts the greatest number of students, with 70. North Carolina follows, with 65. Other states with more than 20 are Alabama (26), Illinois (28), Indiana (30), and Michigan (24).

While noting that this year's enrollment is down slightly, President Charles Thigpen praised the incoming students. "There was an excellent spirit of enthusiasm and expectancy among the students," he said. "There is tremendous potential for the work of the Lord in this student body."

Why not come and see for yourself? Visitors are always welcomed at FWBBC.

Pray for the students, teachers and staff this year. The college family is asking God to make 1984-85 the best year ever at FWBBC. Will you join us in that request?



Student Body President Len Davenport leads in prayer.





Many decisions mark the new year.



1984-85 Faculty



Dr. Picirilli greets Rev. Bill Gardner.



Lisa Hutchinson registers.



Society Rush Night appeals

Students leave Memorial Auditorium after chapel.





Rev. Shockey and Mrs. Armontrout

New Faculty, Staff Additions Announced

The addition of several new employees to the FWBBC faculty and staff were recently announced by President Charles A. Thigpen.

Among these are Rev. Bob Shockey and Mrs. Susan Armontrout. Rev. Shockey will serve as Christian Service director and campus pastor. Mrs. Armontrout will teach in the Business Department.

Rev. Shockey resigned the pastorate of Heritage Temple FWB Church, Ashland, Kentucky, to join the college. He has been associated with Home missions outreach and evangelism throughout most of his 25 years in the ministry. He was a member of the National Home Missions Board for seven years, was promotional secretary of the Board for three years and served for five years as general director of the Home Missions Department.

Mrs. Armontrout has studied business at Central Virginia Community College, Longwood College, and received her Master's in 1981 from the University of Tennessee. She has taught business on the high school and college levels in Virginia and Tennessee.

Mr. Shockey replaces Garnett Reid, who now teaches full time in FWBBC's Bible Department. Mrs. Armontrout replaces Mrs. Lucy Lima. Mrs. Lima is now managing editor of Randall House's new Spanish Curriculum Division.

Other new college employees are:
Miss Rebecca Aycock, Student,
Supervisor

Mr. Leonard Ball, Student Supervisor
Mrs. Angie Deel, Secretary
Mr. Randy Fosse, Student Supervisor
Mr. Clayton Hampton, Maintenance
Mrs. Rhonda Helms, Secretary
Mrs. Frances Mercer, Campus Nurse
Mrs. Peggy Messer, Cashier

Please pray for these new employees when you remember the Bible College this year.

Fall Blood Drive Sees 132 Volunteers

The Red Cross welcomed 132 students, teachers and staff workers to the college's fall Bloodmobile held on campus September 11. Donors gave 120 pints during the six hours the drive lasted. Thirty three students gave blood for the first time.

On September 7, the Bible College was honored at a district luncheon held by the Red Cross at the Maxwell House Hotel in Nashville. The Red Cross presented their award for Outstanding Support to the school for its sponsorship of the blood drive.

The college hosts two blood drives annually. The next one is set for January 17, 1985.



Welcome Days Coming November 29-December 1

Hundreds of prospective Bible College students and their sponsors will come to the campus November 29 for the fall Welcome Days. The young people will stay in the dormitories, visit classes, attend chapel and enjoy a two-day sample of Bible College life.

Special events have been planned for Welcome Days. One of these is a dramatic program on the life of Simon Peter, "The Rock." This moving account of Jesus' impact on Peter's life will be a blessing to all who see it. Other special activities include a music program and society basketball games.

Welcome Days is open to all high school juniors and seniors. For registration materials and/or additional information, please write or call Free Will Baptist Bible College.

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It is a gift he will appreciate and one that will remind him of you as he receives every issue. A card from the college will tell him that **Dimension** is coming to him because of you.

Send your check and your pastor's name and address to:

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Robert Crawford Celebrates 50 Years In The Ministry

The Bible College wishes to honor Rev. Robert Crawford, who is celebrating his golden anniversary in the ministry. Brother Crawford served as the denomination's first full time executive secretary and pastored for most of his years in the ministry. Since his retirement, he has promoted the Bible College at numerous meetings.

God bless you, Brother Crawford!

Yearbook Ads Due From Churches

If your church plans to include an ad in the 1985 **Lumen**, the college yearbook, please submit all materials by December 1.

The rates are very low, considering the denomination-wide circulation of the **Lumen**. A full page is \$110 (and you receive a free yearbook); half page, \$60; and quarter page, \$40.

Please include pictures and payment with your request for an ad. Send them to:

The Lumen

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3606 West End Avenue
Nashville, Tennessee 37205

Reserve Your Place At "Forward, '85"

Please notify the college if you plan to attend "Forward, '85," the Church Growth Conference set for January 2-4, 1985.

Some 39 messages and seminars have been packed into the three-day event. Sixteen speakers will participate, including our special guests, Rev. Tom Malone, Rev. Gordon Sebastian and Rev. James McAllister.

The cost, including room, meals and conference fee is only \$45 per person, or \$80 per couple. Housing will be provided in the dormitories, so bring your own linens, wash cloths, towels and toiletries.

Bring a car or van load from your area.

To reserve your place, write or call the Bible College.

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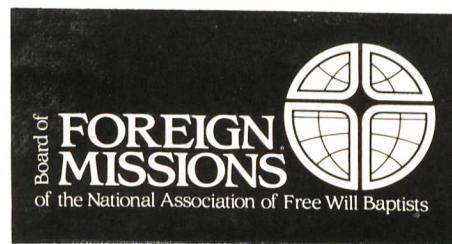
Paul and Helen Kettelman

Public Relations Director Showing Good Progress

Paul J. Kettelman is making good progress in his fight against cancer of the bone marrow, which was diagnosed in Nashville on July 5. The cancer, multiple myeloma, is incurable, but, after two months of recuperation and three chemotherapy treatments, Mr. Kettelman is back in the office on a limited basis.

Mr. Kettelman received scores of phone calls and hundreds of letters and cards. He says, "It has been a real source of comfort to know that the God Who does not make mistakes will hear all prayers. I believe my friends' continued prayers to God will bring my complete healing from Him." He thanks every person who has prayed for him.

Please continue to pray for Mr. Kettelman and for those who carry on the work of the Public Relations Department.



Conference To Feature Foreign Missions

The Bible College fall Missionary Conference, to be held on campus November 5-7, will feature the ministry of Free Will Baptist Foreign Missions, according to President Charles A. Thigpen.

Speakers will include General Director Rolla Smith and Associate Director Eugene Waddell. Missionaries scheduled to speak are Jimmie Aldridge, Don Sexton, Fred Hersey and Mollie Barker.

Classes will be suspended so that students, teachers and staff workers can give their full attention to the needs of the foreign fields. Fall enrollment figures show more than 60 missionary students are now taking classes at FWBCC. During the school year that figure will grow as more students answer God's call to missionary service.

Please pray for the fall Missionary Conference.

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November/December 1984

ALABAMA—Dr. Thigpen/Mr. Creech, 11/8-10, State Ass'n, Dothan. **ARKANSAS**—Dr. Whaley, 11/14-18, First FWB, Batesville; Dr. Miley, 11/17-18, Oak Park FWB, Pine Bluff. **FLORIDA**—Mr. Creech, 11/1-2, State Ass'n, Hollywood. **GEORGIA**—Mr. Creech, 11/15-17, State Ass'n, Norman Park; Mr. Breeden/Quartet, 10/28-11/2, First FWB, Savannah; 11/4 (AM), Liberty FWB, Gainesville. **INDIANA**—Mr. Whaley, 11/7-11, Rock Prairie Sep. Baptist, Tipton. **MICHIGAN**—Dr. Riggs, 11/1-3, Inter. Christ. Ed. Ass'n, Detroit; Dr. Thigpen, 11/3, Liberty Ass'n, Detroit; 11/4, First FWB, South Haven. **NORTH**

CAROLINA—Mr. Creech, 11/4, Prospect FWB, Dunn; Dr. Miley, 11/24-25, Bethlehem FWB, Kannapolis. **OKLAHOMA**—Mr. Breeden/Quartet, 11/17, First Oklahoma Dist., Capitol Hill FWB, Oklahoma City. **TENNESSEE**—Mr. Breeden/Choir, 11/8, Forest Grove FWB, Knoxville; 11/9 (AM), Johnson Bible College; (PM), First FWB, Newport; 11/10 (AM), Central Quarterly, Newport; (PM), First FWB, Erwin; 11/11 (AM), Fellowship FWB, Kingsport; (PM), Monterey FWB, Monterey; Dr. Whaley, 12/15, Area Christmas Cantata, Pleasant View.

CALENDAR Of Campus Events

- Nov. 5-7 Missionary Conference
- Nov. 8-11 Fall Choir Tour
- Nov. 22-26 Thanksgiving Holidays
- Nov. 29-
Dec. 1 Welcome Days
- Dec. 1 Drama, "The Rock"
- Dec. 2 Drama, "The Rock"
- Dec. 8 Choral Union presents
Handel's "Messiah"
- Dec. 12 Mixed Chorus
Christmas Cantata
(Chapel)
- Dec. 17-20 Examinations
- Dec. 20 Semester Ends



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Rev. Wilcox



Rev. Wolfenbarger



Dr. Thigpen



Dr. Miley



Wilcox, Wolfenbarger To Be Featured In College's Bible Conference

Rev. Willard Wilcox and Rev. Floyd Wolfenbarger will be guest speakers for the college's spring Bible Conference, March 10-14, according to Dr. Robert Picirilli, dean. The program will also feature messages by President Charles A. Thigpen and Dr. LaVerne D. Miley, former missionary now teaching at the college.

Rev. Wilcox, a native of Paintsville, Kentucky, who now lives in Greeneville, Tennessee, has been an active evangelist and pastor for more than 32 years. His pastorates have included churches in Tennessee, Kentucky, Ohio and Florida. For 26 years he has produced "The Lower Lighthouse," a weekly television outreach to six states. He is a graduate of Asbury College and Seminary.

Rev. Wolfenbarger began preaching at the age of 12, although he was not ordained until he was 20. He has pastored Free Will Baptist churches in Oklahoma and Ohio, and is now pastor of the First FWB Church of Russellville, Arkansas, which he has served since 1982. He has attended several colleges including the Bible College, Hillsdale FWB College and Ohio State University. He has been on the General Board and the Executive Committee of the National Association of Free Will Baptists.

Dr. Thigpen maintains an active preaching ministry, even while serving as president of the Bible College. He became the college's third president in 1979. He also serves currently as president of the American Association of Bible Colleges.

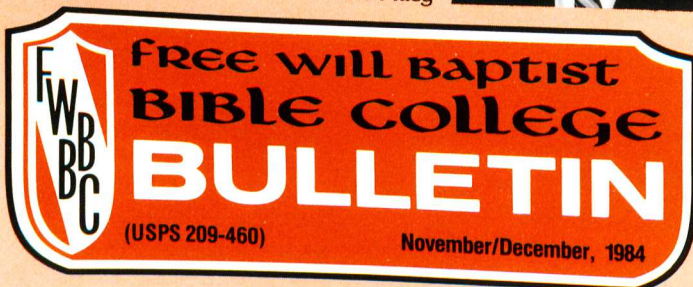
Dr. Miley served Free Will Baptists for 19 years as a medical missionary to Ivory Coast, West Africa. He served the Bible College as teacher and dean in 1950-55 and returned to the faculty in 1979.

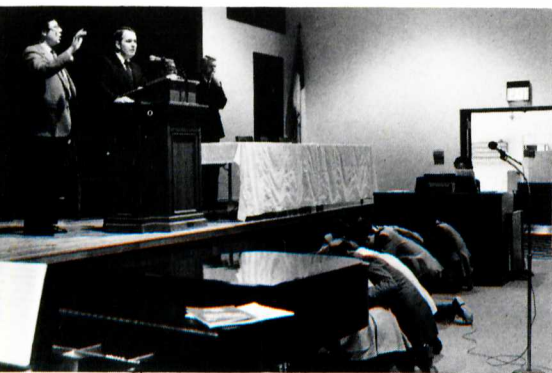
During the conference, Rev. Wilcox will speak four times, Rev. Wolfenbarger five times, and Dr. Thigpen and Dr. Miley will each speak three times.

The music is always one of the special features of Bible Conference. Dr. Vernon Whaley, chairman of the Music Department, promises a musical feast that will include everything from solos to a concert by the College Choir and special numbers by the Concert Band.

The Alumni Association traditionally considers Bible Conference to be the time for its annual homecoming. Plans for alumni activities have not been announced, but will be finalized later.

All Free Will Baptists are invited to attend the Bible Conference and are encouraged to pray that it will be a great meeting around the Word.





Foreign Missions Featured In Annual Conference

The ministry of Free Will Baptist foreign missions was displayed by missionaries and department spokesmen who participated in the college's fall Missionary Conference, November 5-7.

The missionaries featured were Rev. Fred Hersey, Rev. Jimmy Aldridge, Rev. Don Sexton and Miss Molly Barker. Rev. Rolla Smith and Rev. Eugene Waddell also spoke.

In addition to preaching services, the conference presented two missionary panels in question-and-answer sessions. Foreign Missions personnel were also available for private meetings with students and other conference guests.

Rev. Smith, executive director of the Foreign Missions Department, said, "I appreciate the keen interest in world missions that was demonstrated by so many students and faculty members. Genuine concern was evidenced by attentiveness, an eagerness to ask questions, requests for interviews and public commitments."

FWBBC missions teacher Bobby Aycock, who served 21 years in Brazil, said he was impressed by the breadth and depth of the conference. "The deep, quiet moving of the Spirit was evident, especially on Wednesday night," he said. "We saw many decisions, without pressure from the pulpit."



Fall Banquet Theme Is "Turn Your Radio On"

A cast of students took the college family on a historical tour of radio, from its earliest days to the present, in a program that was the highlight of the college's formal dinner held on campus October 19. The music program was entitled "Turn Your Radio On" and was essentially the same as when it was presented by Bible College students to young people at the National Association of Free Will Baptists last July in Little Rock.

The program was the climax of an evening already filled with good food and great fellowship.

The college hosts two such dinners each year for single students and one for married students and their spouses.

Dean Announces Fall Graduates

Dr. Robert Picirilli, dean of the college, has announced that five students have completed programs and are fall graduates of Free Will Baptist Bible College. They are:



Phyllis Dunn
B.A.
Salem, OR



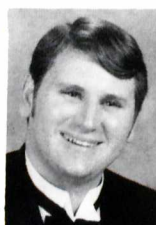
Angela Barrow
B.S.
New Bern, NC



Cynthia Kinnick
B.S.
Norfolk, VA



Vivian Hersey
A.S.B.
Nashville, TN



Gregory Vester
A.S.B.
Raleigh, NC



Welcome days

For High School Juniors and Seniors

- Visit classes
- Tour the campus
- Live in the dorms
- Sample Bible College life
- Choir/drama programs
- North/South basketball games
- And much more!

For information, or to make your reservation, write:

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Front to back, L. to R.: Marlene Corey, Darlene Corey, Jennifer Wiggs, Jill Picirilli, Alice Chaffin, Randy Hill, Scott McPeak, Johnnie Terry, Brent Nix, Jon Powell, Len Davenport. **Not shown:** Johnny Merkh, Teresa Settle.

13 Seniors Named For "Who's Who" Honors

The Bible College faculty recently nominated 13 FWBBC seniors to be included in the 1985 "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges," according to Dr. Robert Picirilli, dean. Criteria included grades, campus leadership, spiritual maturity and potential.

These seniors join an elite group of students from some 1,500 institutions across the U.S. and Canada. The "Who's Who" has been published since 1934.

This year's honored seniors from the Bible College are: Alice Chaffin, *Kermit, WV*; Darlene Corey, *Washington, NC*; Marlene Corey, *Washington, NC*; Len Davenport, *New Bern, NC*; Randy Hill, *Virginia Beach, VA*; Scott McPeak, *Richmond, VA*; Johnny Merkh, *Richmond, VA*; Brent Nix, *Russellville, AL*; Jill Picirilli, *Nashville, TN*; Jonathan Powell, *McAllen, TX*; Teresa Settle, *Aberdeen, MD*; Johnnie Terry, *Hampton, VA*; and Jennifer Wiggs, *Williamsburg, VA*.



Eight Teams To Compete In Basketball Tournament

The college has invited eight Free Will Baptist high school teams from five states to compete in the 1985 High School Basketball Tournament on campus January 10-12, according to Coach Byron Deel, tournament director.

Last year's champion, the Woodbine Christian Academy Eagles from Nashville, will face tough competition. Second place Heritage Temple Hawks from Columbus, Ohio, will be back. So will the Miracles from Van Buren, Arkansas, who placed third last year.

Other competitors will be Farmington Christian, Farmington, MO; Randall Christian, Memphis, TN; Spring Valley Christian, Cleveland, OH; Pleasant View Christian, Pleasant View, TN; and Victory Christian, Jasper, AL.

Cheerleaders from each school will also be judged.

The entire college family is looking forward to having these fine Christian young people and their sponsors on campus.

Spring Touring Groups To Head North, West

The College Choir and the Evangel Players will visit churches in the north and west when they take their annual spring tours March 15-24, according to Frank Breeden, who schedules the tours for the Public Relations Department.

Many services are still being confirmed, but Mr. Breeden says that the choir will visit churches in Indiana, Michigan, Ohio and Kentucky. The drama team will go to Arkansas, Missouri, Oklahoma and Texas.

A schedule of specific services will be in the next issue of the **BULLETIN**.



Dr. Youstra

Christian Schools Conference Set For February 18-20

The college will hold its annual Christian Schools Conference on campus February 18-20, says Dr. Ken Riggs, conference organizer and chairman of the Teacher Education Department.

Dr. George Youstra, a Reagan appointee to the U.S. Department of Education and a graduate of Bob Jones University, will be the featured speaker. Eight other administrators, teachers and specialists will participate on the program.

Dr. Youstra will conduct two general sessions on Monday and Tuesday evenings and will speak in chapel on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings. He will also speak on "The Reagan Revolution in Education," "Legal Responsibilities of Teachers," and "Christian Schools and The Handicapped."

Other sessions will feature workshops on student recruitment, the use of newspapers in the classroom, yearbook advising, classroom discipline and much more.

Display areas will be provided for individual schools to promote their programs. Times will be scheduled for administrators to conduct interviews with prospective teachers.

If you plan to attend the 1985 Christian Schools Conference, please notify Dr. Riggs, in care of the Bible College.

Student Loan Investment Plan Update

by Tom Sass, Financial Aid Director

Last March, the Bible College announced a brand new ministry to directly help financially needy students. We called it the Student Loan Investment Plan. Through it, people and churches could deposit savings with the college, which could be loaned at low interest to students, who need help paying for their education.

This new concept has proven to be a tremendous blessing. Individuals and churches have deposited about \$70,000 to date. They are earning seven percent interest on their money, while helping students. So far, 52 students have benefited directly from the program.

However, we need more capital so that we can help the students who are still paying as much as 21 percent interest on the educational loans they made through the bank. We need to receive another \$30,000 this year to meet the immediate demand.

Your investment is not a gift! You may withdraw part or all of it without penalty.

"Give without giving" through this new program. Write for our brochure describing this program.

Who has invested in the plan?

- Retired persons
- Churches
- Woman's Auxiliary
- Pastors
- Students
- College workers
- Military personnel
- And many others who wish to be a help to Bible College students.

Yes, I want more information on the Student Loan Investment Plan!

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Mrs. Frazier

Frazier Endowment Fund Rises To \$14,000

The profit from the sale of their home and special gifts to the college have boosted the J.E. and Agnes Frazier Endowment Fund to some \$14,000, according to Paul Kettman, director of public relations.

In October 1983, Mrs. Frazier sold her Ashland City, TN, home to the college for less than its market value. The college sold the home last June and placed the profit in the endowment fund. Later gifts by Mrs. Frazier raised the fund to \$14,000.

She established the fund as a memorial to her late husband, whom she describes as "the best Christian man I ever knew." Mrs. Frazier is a member of the Ashland City FWB Church and has been active in the Woman's Auxiliary for most of her life.

The college is grateful for Mrs. Frazier's support and for the faithful Christian service of her and her husband. Mr. Kettman described the endowment fund as "a spring constantly bubbling forth its waters for those who come here."

Indiana Pastor To Speak To FWBBC Preacher Boys

Rev. Archie Ratliff, pastor of Peace Free Will Baptist Church of Beech Grove, Indiana, has been invited to the college to spend three days next semester with ministerial students, according to Dr. Robert Picirilli, dean.

Rev. Ratliff, a 1972 FWBBC graduate, will be on campus February 6-8. In addition to conducting several seminars for ministerial students on the practical problems of the pastorate, he will speak to the whole college family in daily chapel services.

The college currently expects to bring a different Free Will Baptist pastor to the campus each year, Dr. Picirilli says. This addition of a practical dimension of training should result in better prepared preachers.

Statement of Non-Discrimination

Free Will Baptist Bible College admits students without regard to race, color, or national and ethnic origin. All students are admitted, equally, to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the college.



\$45,000-Goal Set For Christmas Project

The students, faculty and staff are working to raise \$45,000 for the college during the Christmas holidays. The goal for this Christmas Project was set by Paul Kettman, director of public relations.

He notes that \$45,000 is the equivalent of about \$100 in tuition credit for every student who will enroll at FWBBC this year. "This is the only fund-raising event of the year when we ask our student body to assist," he said.

If a college representative speaks in your church or Sunday school, or asks you personally to help with the Christmas Project, please make your support generous. A signed monthly checkbook would be especially helpful. Even if you are not approached about a gift, you may send one to the college, but please mark it for the "Christmas Project" so that it can be credited toward the goal.

Kettman says, "We are grateful for our students, who care enough to work hard to make the Christmas Project a success."

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JANUARY/FEBRUARY 1985

ALABAMA—Mr. Breeden/College Choir, 2/10 (AM), First FWB, Florence; **Dr. Miley**, 2/16-17, First FWB, Florence. **ARKANSAS**—Mr. Breeden/Trio, 1/26, Charleston FWB, Charleston; 1/27 (AM), Cavanaugh FWB, Fort Smith; 1/27 (PM), Chapel Lane FWB, Searcy; **Dr. Whaley**, 2/18-20, Ministers' Retreat, Siloam Springs. **CALIFORNIA**—Mr. Breeden, 2/12, First FWB, Salinas; 2/13, Greenfield FWB, Greenfield; 2/15 (AM), Herman Lewis Christian Academy, Santa Paula; 2/15-16, West Coast Ass'n, Baldwin Park FWB, Baldwin Park; 2/17 (AM), Harmony FWB, Fresno; 2/17 (PM), Memorial FWB, Fresno. **FLORIDA**—Mr. Breeden/Trio, 1/19-20 (AM), Harmony FWB, Lake

Butler; **Mr. Creech**, 2/18-24, First FWB, Winter Haven. **GEORGIA**—**Dr. Thigpen**, 1/27, Decatur FWB, Decatur. **MICHIGAN**—Mr. Breeden, 1/7, Ministers' Meeting, Detroit. **MISSISSIPPI**—Mr. Breeden/Trio, 1/13 (AM), First FWB, Amory; 1/13 (PM), First FWB, Smithville; 1/25, Springdale FWB, Oxford; **Mr. Breeden/College Choir**, 2/9, Tupelo FWB, Tupelo; 2/10 (PM), First FWB, Booneville. **OHIO**—Mr. Breeden/Quartet, 2/3 (AM), Bloom FWB, Wheelersburg. **TENNESSEE**—Mr. Breeden, 1/12, Northern Quarterly, Heads FWB, Cedar Hill; **Mr. Breeden/Trio**, 2/24 (AM), Heads FWB, Cedar Hill; **Special Presentation**, 2/24 (PM), Northern Quarterly Rally, Pleasant View Christian School, Pleasant View.

CALENDAR

Of Campus Events

- JANUARY**
- 2-4 Church Growth Conference
 - 8 Spring semester registration
 - 9 Classes begin
 - 10-12 High School Basketball Tournament
 - 22 Red Cross Blood Drive
- FEBRUARY**
- 1-3 Men's retreat
 - 6-8 Rev. Archie Ratliff on campus
 - 8-10 Winter choir tour
 - 15 Formal dinner (single students)
 - 16 Formal dinner (married students)
 - 18-20 Christian Schools Conference
 - 22 Faculty/Senior Basketball games
 - 26 Recital, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Nicholas

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