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Dear Reader,

Last month we got acquainted with one another and in part you became acquainted with some new ideas I have inserted in the Gem. I would like to further explain a few of these ideas. One of them is the Sermon of the month. I would like to feature a good gospel message each month. Ministers (or laymen) who would like to contribute sermons are asked to present them in manuscript form (either typed or written legibly) along with a recent picture of themselves.

In the Gleanings From the Field, Youth And our Church, and the Woman's Auxiliary pages you will find news from the various phases of our church activities. In order for these pages to be filled with news it must be contributed to you. **So please get in those news, items.** Also be sure to make use of the Pastoral Changes column. No minister need be embarrassed to have his name listed in this column as being available for pastoral duties. This column can be used by churches seeking pastors and pastors seeking churches. Announce your revivals in the Revivals column. The Gem is yours so please use it.

News from the Mission Field is gleaned from our own denominational periodicals and news releases. Much of the news is releases by the Missionary News Service of the Evangelical Foreign Missions Society. It can be used in presenting League topics, Auxiliary discussions, and even in sermon building. Use it. You're welcome to it.

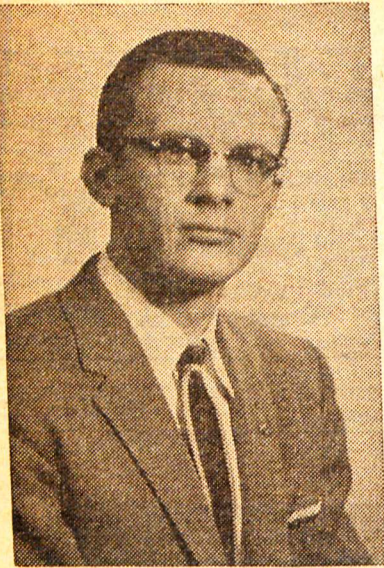
The letter page is open to you. I have heard it said that on many occasions folks just haven't had the opportunity to express their opinion on various problems; local, regional, and national. This is your page and your chance to voice opinion. I will print your letter even though it may be critical as long as personalities are not involved. Don't use this page to throw rocks at some one but to speak up on vital issues.

From time to time human interest articles will appear such as the very fine article by Rev. Ben Scott that appears in this issue. All in all I hope you like the Gem. Let me hear from you if you do. Let me hear from you if you don't.

Yours in His Service,
Roger C. Reeds, Editor

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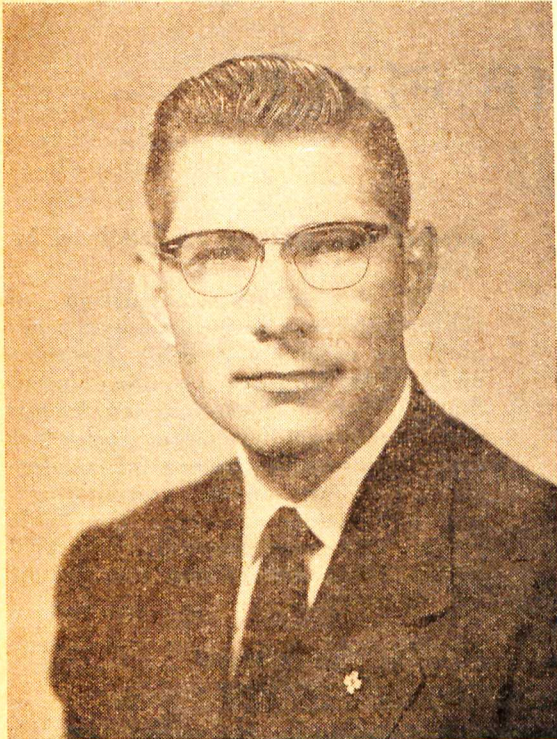
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SERMON OF THE MONTH



Rev. Kenneth Walker

"The Fields... Are White"

By Ken Walker

"Say not ye, There are yet four months, and then cometh harvest? Behold, I say unto you, Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white **already** to harvest. And he that **reapeth** receiveth wages, and gathereth fruit unto life eternal: that **both** he that soweth and he that reapeth may rejoice together." (John 4: 35-36).

Jesus is here answering His disciples who had been trying to get their Master to eat. Jesus had dealt with the Samaritan woman at Jacob's well and was full of the spirit of soul winning. His soul was filled with the needs of lost souls.

My Saviour did not live by bread alone! Doing the will of His Father was meat to His soul and He therefore answered His disciples, "My meat is to do the will of Him that sent Me, and to finish His work." (John 4:34).

Then Jesus brings us face to face with the condition of the world. The fields are ready; ready to reap, ready to be gathered in. Who will go? Who will reap? Who will receive the eternal wages?

Such an opportunity is afforded the Free Will Baptist denomination to reap the harvest in our nation's capital, Washington D. C.

From the text I see three things to

consider: A Readiness, A Reaping, and A Rejoicing.

A Readiness to Consider

Readiness is perhaps best described as the condition of being ready. From the text we learn that "the fields... are white already to harvest."

Washington D. C. is ready to harvest. Note the following statistics: There are nearly 1½ million people in and around this city covering an area of 69 square miles. The field is seen as we make a contrast. In contrast per square mile of population Ohio has 193 people, Illinois has 155, West Va. 83, Tennessee 78, and Georgia has 58. But for every square mile in Washington D. C. there are 13,150 people! All the heathen countries of the world afford the Free Will Baptists a great challenge but I think one of the biggest mission fields in the world exists in the large cities of our United States. America is going away from God and the Bible says, "The wicked shall be turned into hell and all the nations that forget God." (Psalm 9:17.) Is America excluded? Our nation's capital is one of the most corrupt cities in America. The people are there and the need is there. The field is ready.

God is ready! Jesus said, "Lift up your eyes and look," If there is any

city in the U.S.A. that needs a revival it is Washington D. C. Here our laws are made. Here our nation's leaders live and work. Here they sin and forsake God!

You say that this writer is too optimistic. Say, brothers and sisters in Christ, we do not know the full impact that a Free Will Baptist Church could have in this city. It is ours to obey. It is ours to go. It is ours to see that the witness is given. It is God's place to give the increase: and the Bible teaches us that He is ever ready to do so.

Your missionary appointees are ready. That is, they are willing to go; willing to work; and hungry to see God's will done in the matter. These appointees are of the persuasion that a church is the product of missions and exists only to promote the same. It is their earnest desire to start and build a "Mission minded" church by the grace of God to His glory. Our whole mission program is going to be badly hurt unless we get more mission minded churches!

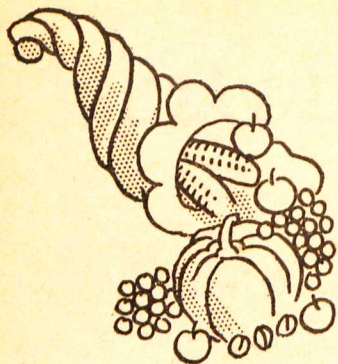
Yet there is another group of which this writer cannot now speak definitely. Is the Free Will Baptist denomination ready? I think so. I pray they are. Oh, that our vision might increase to see the need. Without a vision the people perish!

For us to be ready we must be willing to co-operate in prayer and purse. Will you do your part to meet this challenge of God?

A Reaping to Conserve

Here is a reaping to be preserved from loss, that is, to be conserved. If the Free Will Baptist people **really** believed that the lost "are lost"! If they only believed that the gospel message is the only answer. "If Christ is not necessary for all, He is not necessary at all." When such truths as these go through the mind and **reach the heart**, then, and only then will we get the job done.

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GLEANINGS

FROM THE FIELD



KOREANS BUY SCRIPTURES

Gifts Increase to Bible Society

NEW YORK N. Y.—Gifts to the American Bible Society increased by some \$43,595 during the year of 1958. Churches throughout America gave \$895,422 for the cause of distributing the Scriptures. The Society was responsible for the distribution of 16,629,486 Bibles, New Testaments, and Scripture portions during 1958. Pictured above are some Koreans buying Bibles from an American Bible Society colporteur. In some instances the Koreans traded farm products for Bibles. In other instances when they had no money or produce the Bibles were given to them.

Bible College Association To Hold Its Annual Meet

FORT WAYNE, Ind.—The Word of God in Education is the theme of the 1959 annual meeting of the Accrediting Association of Bible Colleges to be

held in Chicago, October 29-30. Among the speakers will be Evangelist Billy Graham; Dr. Frank Gaebel, headmaster of Stony Brook School, Long Island; and President Bernt C. Opsal of Lutheran Bible Institute, Minneapolis.

Dr. Cornelius Haggard of Azusa College (Calif.), president of the Association, will preside at all sessions, which begin at 9:00 a. m. Thursday, October 29, and conclude with a luncheon at the Lawson YMCA on Friday noon. All other sessions will be held at Moody Bible Institute.

The annual meeting aims to present significant reports and to promote a forum for the discussion of current issues in Christian education. General sessions are open to the public, particularly to representatives of Bible Institutes, Bible Colleges, and related organizations and institutions. Last year, in addition to delegates from 41 member schools in the United States and Canada, 50 representatives from 36 non-member schools and related organizations were in attendance. The

number this year is expected to be higher.

The Accrediting Association of Bible Colleges is recognized as the accrediting agency for Bible institutes and Bible Colleges by the United States Office of Education, the American Council on Education, and other organizations. By means of conferences, seminars, surveys, consultations, and publications it serves the Bible college movement generally. Free Will Baptist Bible College is a member of the Association.

Mendota Church Hosts Fifth Sunday Meeting

KIRKSVILLE, Mo.—The North East Missouri Fifth Sunday meeting convened with the Mendota Church on Sunday, August 30. Rev. William Buster brought the message at the morning worship hour using Mark 5:1-20 as the basis of his message. A basket dinner was served on the church grounds at the noon hour and a period of fellowship followed. The Rev. Mrs. Mildred Gilliam opened the afternoon session with the devotional. She read the 100th Psalm. During the business session the resignation of Mrs. Winford Hatfield as youth chairman was approved. Mrs. Maizie Semts was elected to this position vacating her previous office of vice-president. The Rev. Mrs. Alta Mikels was elected as vice-president. An offering was received and divided between the Hannas and the Mexican Mission Station. The next meeting will be at the New Harmony Church with Rev. Woodrow Matthews to bring the eleven o'clock message.

Central Western Missouri Association Holds Fifty-First Meet

KANSAS CITY, Mo.—The Central Western Missouri Association convened in Kansas City, Missouri for its fifty-first annual session. The Victory Church hosted the meeting. The introductory message was delivered by Rev. James McCully. The business of the Association was given chiefly to the revision of the Constitution and

By-Laws. A highlight of the Association was the Missions service held on Wednesday night. A film titled, "The Cry of the Night" was shown and a testimony from Pedro Alvarez, a candidate to his own country of Mexico, was heard. A portion of the Association was given over to the Minister's Conference and Sunday School Convention. During the Minister's Conference the morning message was delivered by Rev. Archie Burress and topics on Romans 6:23 were discussed by Reverends Lester Jones, Russell Spurgeon, and Archie Burress. Rev. Bob Jones brought the evening message. During the Sunday School Convention a work shop was conducted by Mrs. Lester Jones. This was an hour of information and inspiration as Mrs. Jones used various displays and visual aids. The convention was climaxed by a message on the Sunday School delivered by Rev. Russell Spurgeon.

Fifth Sunday Meeting Held At Freeman's Chapel

GOWER, Mo.—The North West Missouri and North East Kansas churches met together at the Freeman's Chapel Church on August 30 for the regular fifth Sunday meeting. Rev. Maude Mann led the opening devotional reading Psalms 121 and 122. Rev. Melba White led in prayer. The morning message was delivered by Rev. Mann. After the noon hour Rev. Stanley Letterman opened the afternoon session with the devotional. He read I Corinthians 13. The business session followed and the meeting was concluded with a program of special singing.

Beacon Church Observe Family Night

KANSAS CITY, Mo.—Family night was observed at the Beacon Church of Kansas City, Missouri during National Sunday School week. The program was presented by the youth of the church and consisted of skits, readings, and songs. After the program the families of the church and community enjoyed an hour of fellowship with refreshments. The church has set the first Sunday in October as Sunday School Rally day with the intent of setting a new record attendance.

Kansas City Churches Meet For Quarterly Conference

KANSAS CITY, Mo.—The churches of the greater Kansas City area met together at the Beacon Church for their regular Quarterly Meeting on Satur-

day, September 12. The theme of the conference was "Prayer" with messages by Rev. Jim McAllister and Rev. R. B. Spurgeon. Topics were discussed by Rev. Lester Jones and Rev. Bob Jones. During the business session it was decided to invite Mr. Ray Turnage, National League Director, to the next session which meets with the First Church of Kansas City, Mo.

South Side Church Completes Building

ST. LOUIS, Mo.—A brick hallway has been completed at the South Side Church of St. Louis that connects the auditorium with the educational building. The hallway is some eight feet in width and fifteen feet in length and will be solid brick veneer and will have aluminum letters that spell out the name of the church. The letters have not been installed as yet. The entire building at 3120 Mt. Pleasant St. has been vacated for educational purposes. There are seven class-rooms, two bath-rooms, and the pastor's study. A new nursery will be installed on the first floor of this building. In the future and as the church grows plans are to occupy the four-family flat the church recently purchased as an educational unit too. It currently is being used partially as a pastorum and the remainder is being rented out. Plans are under way to construct a parking lot across the entire length of the church's property that borders the alley. The lot should accomodate some twenty-five cars.

Berkeley Church Breaks Sunday School Records

BERKELEY CITY, Mo.—The annual home coming and rally day services were held Sunday, September 20 at the First Church of Berkeley City. At the Sunday School hour 359 people packed the class rooms and the old record attendance of 274 was broken. This by far exceeded the goal of 300. The church has enjoyed its best attendance in its history this summer. The average attendance for the summer months has been: July-186; Aug.-198. At the 11:00 a. m. worship service the church was filled to capacity. Rev. Harvey Hill, the pastor, brought the message on the subject, "Majoring in Minors." The Lester Band from radio station KSTL entertained the large crowd during the afternoon. During the night service Rev. Rolla Smith brought the message and climaxed a week long revival meeting he conducted at the church. There were four decisions reported in the revival.

Missionary Group Organized At Twin Oaks Church

FREDERICKTOWN, Mo.—On September 9th a group of ladies met in the home of Mrs. Florence Jacobs to organize a missionary group. With some eight members the group plans to do benevolence work in the community. Mrs. Metta Dowd is the chairman and Mrs. Florence Jacobs is Secretary.

Master's Men Proves Blessing To Church

ST. LOUIS, MO.—Though it is only nine months the Master's Men of the South Side Free Will Baptist Church has already proven to be a great blessing to the men of the church according to Mr. William Cruse, president of the group. There are some twenty-two members with new members joining monthly. On Thursday, October 4th, the group joined in with the Woman's Auxiliary of the church in entertaining both the Master's Men and the Woman's Auxiliary of the Third Church. Gifts were presented to two men of South Side Church. Mr. Lester Hill, who is senior deacon of the church and a charter member, was honored for his years of service. Mr. Carl Campbell was given a gift in appreciation of the labor he donated on the breezeway the church recently completed.

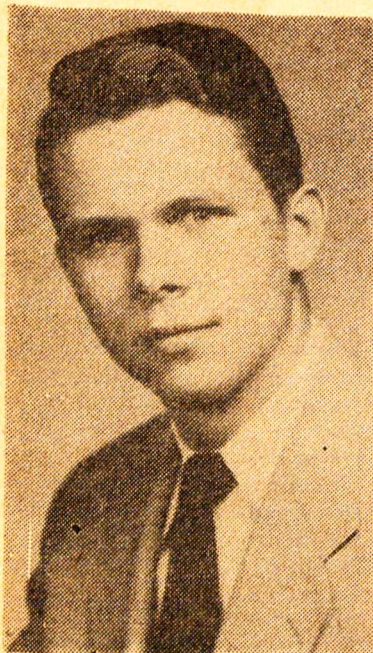


Rev. Homer Willis, Director of National Home Missions and evangelist for an October revival at Overland, (Mo.) Church.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AVERAGES

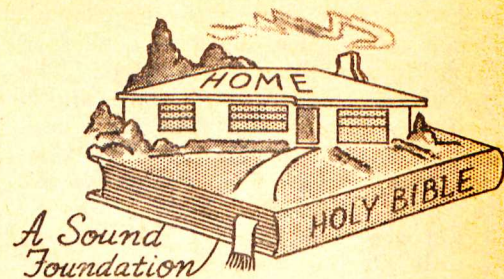
	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.
Cuba	40	40	45						
Mt. Pisgah	47	51	67	57	54	66	53	51	
Copper Mines	104	106	123	110	110	94	101		
Fellowship, Flat River	185	188	203	203	200	204	198	214	
Leadington	67	68	96	79	78	79	81	81	
Farmington	56	63	78	67	60	67			
Fourth, Maplewood	60	65	57	65	54	49	39	42	
Old Bethel	26	24	28	21	23	28			
Berkeley City	154	177	207	163	185	191	186	198	218
Richwoods	45	44	53	55	59	50	51	67	
Oak Grove	48						40	40	
Joplin	64	70	86	70	70	79	66		
Kirksville	91	91	96	101	103	95	97		
Grant Ave., Springfield	78	80	90	94	68	88	85	86	100
Hazel Creek			44		46	25		51	
Twin Oak	63	44	65	57	60	61	73		
South Side Church	141	163	170	186	149	148	142	173	174
New Hope, Kansas City	35	35	49	42					
Mine La Motte	31	39	62	49	48	39	41		
Mill Creek	53	55	65	64	65	63			
First Church, Kans. City	60	55	64	65					
Liberty	29								
Overland Church	78	90	102	101	117	128	100	114	117
Third Church, St. Louis	90	100	104	108	108	109	92	101	100
Faith, St. Louis	56	95	91	78					
Myrtle	48	54							
Mountain Grove	283	281	392						
Crystal City						19	17	22	

Only twenty-nine churches are reporting their Sunday School averages. Why don't you post your church's average in the next issue of the Gem? Others are interested in the progress of your church and your Sunday School attendance is a pretty good gauge. If your church has not reported its average lately then be sure to bring your report up to date.



REV. EUGENE WADDELL

Pastor at Portsmouth, Va., and evangelist for an October revival at the South Side Church in St. Louis.



THE FAMILY ALTAR

Prayer Requests:

Pray that the Youth Camp may have funds to expand its facilities. Pray for Rev. & Mrs. Reeves, the caretakers. (Isaiah 54:2)

Pray for the Immanuel Bible Institute of St. Louis; Free Will Baptist Mt. Olive Junior College at Mt. Olive, North Carolina. (2 Tim. 2:15)

Pray for the youth of our nation. Have you read recent newspaper accounts of juvenile delinquency? The answer to this problem is Christ in the homes. (1 Cor. 15:58)

Pray for our ministers as they stand in the pulpit from week to week to deliver the message of the Word. Nothing is more important than God's Word. (11 Tim. 4:2)

Pray for the home missionaries from our state, Rev. & Mrs. Johnny Postlewaite of East Wenatchee, Washington, and for Rev. & Mrs. R. Luther Sanders in Hawaii. (Eph. 6:17, 18)

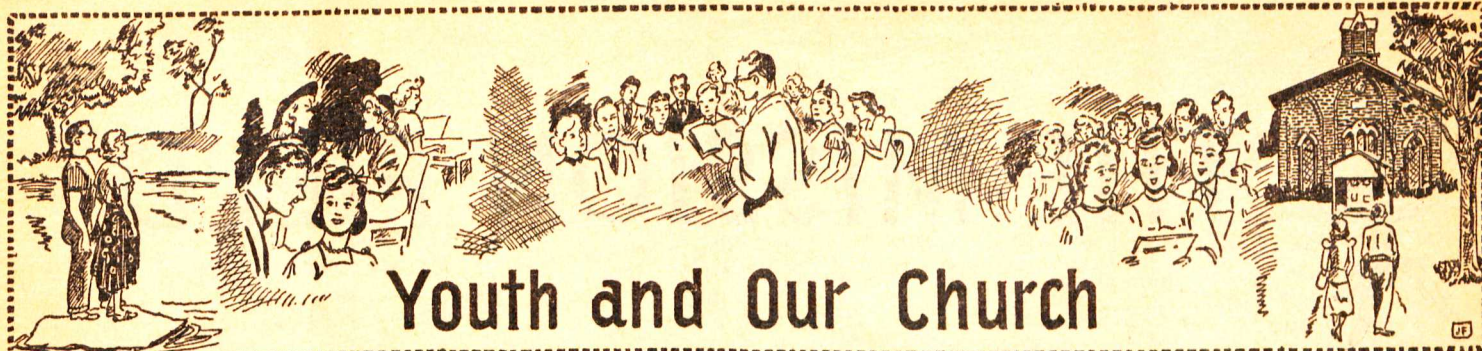
Pray for the Billows of Mexico, the Whaleys of Alaska, the workers of Arizona-Mexico Mission, and all other Home Missionaries. (Acts 13:2)

Pray for our foreign missionaries located in Africa, Brazil, Cuba, India, Japan, and Spain. (1 Thes. 4:2, 3)

SPECIAL NOTICE

All articles to be published in the Gem must reach the Office before the 25th of the month. Articles received after this date will be held for the following edition.

The Editor



New League Officers Elected at Berkeley

BERKELEY CITY, Mo.—The Free Will Baptist Leagues of the Berkeley Church recently elected new officers for the coming year. Those elected were: General Director, Lonnie Skiles; Assistant General Director, Bob Hesselmeier; Secretary and Treasurer, Saundra Cantrell; Corresponding Secretary, Jane Ferguson; Quiz Leader, Dale Skiles, Organist, G. G. Barks; Pianist, Saundra Cantrell; Choir Director, George Wood; General League Sponsor, Willard Hovis. This makes a complete change of officers for the coming year.

Annual League Convention Meets In Kansas City, Mo.

KANSAS CITY, Mo.—The Central Western League Convention convened in Kansas City at the Victory Church. The youth presented the program that was climaxed by a Sword Drill conducted by Mrs. Lester Jones. Jimmy Wilson won first place and will compete at the State League Convention next year. Officers elected for the coming year are Joyce Davis, President; Jimmy Williams, Vice-President; Beverly Barton, Secretary-Treasurer.

Youth Camp Session To Be Divided in 60

NIANGUA, Mo.—Due to the overflowing crowd at camp during the '59 session, the Youth Camp Board recommended to the State Association and it met with their approval to divide the 1960 session into two groups. The division is as follows: The first week will begin on Monday, June 20 and conclude on Friday, June 24 and will be exclusively for the Pre-teen boys and girls. The second week will begin on Sunday June 26 and conclude on Friday, July 1. This session will be for the teen-agers. Rev. Harvey Hill, Promotional Secretary of the Youth Camp Board announces that many more workers will be needed as a result of

the divided sessions and issues a plea that all who are called upon to help to respond in the affirmative.

Fifteen Missourians Enroll At Free Will Baptist Bible College

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—Fifteen young men and women from Missouri were among the 179 students who were registered at Free Will Baptist Bible College during the first week of school. Several late arrivals are expected to push the enrollment figure over the record peak of 185 last fall. A feature of the registration this year is the enrollment of approximately 20 Nashville residents for the evening classes.

The Rev. T. L. Burch, former pastor of Forest Grove Church, Knoxville, Tennessee, has been appointed to the faculty for the fall semester. Mr. Burch holds a M. S. degree from the University of Tennessee, B. A. degree from Miami University, and has completed a major in Bible at Free Will Baptist Bible College in 1953. He will teach courses in social studies.

The University of Tennessee has recently announced that it is approving two full years of transfer work from the Bible College. For the past several years Peabody College in Nashville has accepted two years of work for transferring students. All credits taken at the Bible College are transferrable at face value to all schools in the Accrediting Association of Bible Colleges, which includes approximately 30 member schools.

Mt. Olive College Receives Government Loan Grant

MT. OLIVE, N. C.—Mount Olive Junior College has been advised by the United States Office of Education that it will receive \$2,849 during the 1959-60 school year from the National Defense Student Loan Program. In making the announcement, President W. Burkette Raper revealed that these funds were available as loans to students with superior ability in mathematics, science, and foreign language,

and those preparing for vocations in teaching. A special feature of the National Defense Loan Program is that students who enter the teaching professions may have up to one-half of their loan forgiven if they teach as many as five years. President Raper also explained that the loans are without interest during the student's tenure in college and that up to ten years are allowed for repayment after college.

At the recent North Carolina State Convention laymen and two laywomen were placed on the College Board of Directors. New members are: Mrs. Carl Dudley of Fuquay-Varina, president of the State Woman's Auxiliary Convention; Mrs. Ernest J. Cassick, a graduate of East Carolina College and secretary to the president of an oil refinery in Greenville; and Earl H. Holton, owner of Pamlico Packing Company of Vandemere. The Convention approved a budget of \$190,950 for the current school year, \$90,000 of which is to be raised through gifts.

Two new members have been added to the faculty for this year. They are: Mr. William John Thomas, Jr. of Detroit, Michigan, who will head the Department of English, and Miss Nadine Blanton of Morgan, Georgia, who will begin her duties as dean of women.

Immanuel Bible Institute Opens For Fall Semester

ST. LOUIS, Mo.—Registration and classes began at Immanuel Bible Institute on Tuesday night, October 13. Subjects offered at the Institute, which was approved by the Missouri State Association last August, are Missions, Music, Church History, and Homiletics. Classes are held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 7:00 to 9:15. The Institute is currently using the facilities offered without charge by the South Side Church. It is hoped that in the not to distant future property can be purchased and the school can expand to a regular daytime schedule. Rev. Roger C. Reeds is president of the Institute and Rev. Robert Wright is Dean.



THE MISSION FIELD

Free Will Baptists Of Cuba Report Statistics Of Work

PINAR DEL RIO, Cuba—Rev. Thomas H. Willey, Mission Director in Cuba, submits the following statistics of the Free Will Baptist work in Cuba. In making this report, Bro. Willey states: "These are very conservative figures given by our workers. They always fear exaggerating."

Church Members	930
Protestant Community	4,260
Churches	25
Unorganized Groups	60
Foreign Workers	5
Ordained National Workers	16
Other National Workers	16
Primary Schools	1
Bible Institutes	1
Bookstores	1
Mission Presses	1
Agriculture Stations	1

Annual Missionary Conference Meets at The Bible College

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—The annual Missionary Conference at Free Will Baptist Bible College began on Tuesday night, October 6th at 7:30. The featured speaker for the first service was Rev. Joe Ange, member of the Foreign Missions Board and pastor of the Highland Park Free Will Baptist Church in Michigan. The Foreign Missions Department also featured Rev. Thomas Willey, Jr. who is on furlough from Cuba. Bro. Willey, son of the Director of Missions of Cuba, was in that country during the recent revolution and gave a thrilling but gruesome account of his experiences. Mrs. Ruth Willey played several special numbers on the vibroharp. Present with fresh news from the Bondoukou Circle of Africa was Mrs. Gordan Timyan. Dr. Laverne Miley, appointee to Africa, brought the message at 11:00 A. M. Wednesday and on Wednesday night of the Conference Rev. and Mrs. Sammy Wilkinson were commissioned as missionaries to Brazil.

Rev. Homer Willis presented a review of Home Missions Fields and Rev. Fred Rivenbark, new member of

the National Home Missions Board, brought the commissioning message on Wednesday night of the Conference.

Here is a list of those who appeared on the program:

Program Personalities

Mr. Ross Dowden—Music Director Free Will Baptist College.

Rev. Harry Staires—Chairman Home Mission Board and Pastor Drumright, Okla.

Rev. Raymond Riggs—General Director-treas. Foreign Mission Board.

Rev. Joseph G. Ange—Member Foreign Mission Board and Pastor Highland Park Free Will Baptist Church, Mich.

Rev. and Mrs. Sammy Wilkinson—Appointees to Brazil.

Rev. and Mrs. Mack Owen—Missionaries New Hampshire and Canada.

Mrs. Gordon C. Timyan—Missionary to Africa under CMA.

Rev. and Mrs. Ken Walker—Missionaries to Washington, D. C.

Dr. LaVerne D. Milley—Appointee to Africa.

Rev. J. P. Barrow—Faculty member Free Will Baptist Bible College and Sponsor Missionary Prayer Band.

Rev. and Mrs. Thomas H. Willey, Jr.—Missionaries to Cuba.

Rev. Homer E. Willis—Promotional Secretary-Treasurer Home Mission Board.

Rev. Fred Rivenbark—Member Home Mission Board and Pastor Fairmount Park Free Will Baptist Church, Norfolk, Va.

Food Parcels For Missionaries

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—Through a special arrangement with Trans-World Missionary Services the Foreign Missions Board of the National Association is now able to secure and ship to Free Will Baptist Missionaries overseas two special food packs designed for shipment abroad. Many groups have asked to do something personal and practical for our own missionaries and the opportunity is now open to those who wish to respond. Write to

the office at 3801 Richland Ave, Nashville, Tennessee for details.

Sunday School Class Sacrifices For Missions

OTWAY, N. C.—The Intermediate Sunday School Class of the Otway (N. C.) Church wanted to do something for Missions and so they decided to do without candy and drinks and bring their money to church on Sunday for Missions. They were able to raise \$20.00 in behalf of Miss Mollie Barker, our missionary to Mexico. Teacher of the class is Mrs. Beatrice Lewis.

Sr. Angel Jimenez Is Killed By Savage Indians In Bolivia

COCHABAMBA, Bolivia—Missionaries working in northern Santa Cruz are endeavoring to make contact with savage Indians and take them the gospel. On June 2 some Christians were clearing a tract of land for a landing strip when they were attacked by Indians. Sr. Angel Jimenez, one of the workers, was grazed by an arrow and when he turned to see what was happening a second arrow struck him in the chest. In five minutes he was gone to be with the Lord. He left a widow and six children —MNS

Conservative Baptists Win Film Festival Award

WINONA LAKE, Ind.—The Fourth Annual Missionary Film Festival sponsored by the United World Mission of Dayton, Ohio was held here August 3-6. Twelve missionary organizations entered a total of fifteen films in the two categories offered—Dramatic Division and Documentary Division. The Dramatic Division award went to the Conservative Baptist Foreign Mission Society for their film "Jade for the Master." "Hope of the Nations," produced for the Assemblies of God Foreign Mission Department, received the Documentary Division award. The 1960 Missionary Film Festival will be

held next August 1-6. All films with foreign missionary content which are less than three years old and have not been previously entered are eligible for entry in 1960. —MNS

Supreme Court Rules On Flag Ceremony

MANILA, Philippines—The Supreme Court of the Philippine Republic has ruled that members of the religious sect known as Jehovah's Witnesses are not exempt from participating in flag ceremonies in schools. In a unanimous decision the high tribunal held that the Filipino flag "is not an image that requires religious veneration" but rather "a symbol of the Republic of the Philippines, of sovereignty, an emblem of freedom, liberty, and national unity." —MNS

Ambassador To United States To Author Book On Christianity

TAIPEI, Formosa—Dr. Hollington Tong, who has recently resigned as Ambassador to the United States, has been asked to write a book on the status of Christianity on Formosa. Dr. Tong is now collecting material by interviewing and observing missionaries. In 1906 Dr. Tong spent some time teaching English to Chiang Kai Shek, who was later to become President of China. When asked about his future plans since stepping down as Ambassador to the United States, he replied, "I have been promoted to the Ambassador of heaven." —MNS

Assemblies of God Establish New Missions Magazine

SPRINGFIELD, Mo.—The Foreign Department of the Assemblies of God has established a new quarterly magazine entitled "Global Conquest" which will publicize a special missionary program known by the same name. The Global Conquest program is a three-pronged offensive to speed up Assemblies of God missionary work along three particular lines: literature, evangelistic centers, and Bible training schools. The Assemblies presently have 2,183 national workers and prospective workers enrolled in 61 Bible schools in 39 countries. They also have 16 printing establishments in foreign countries turning our gospel literature in the language of the people.

DEVELOPMENTS ON THE WORLD SCENE

These recent developments on the world scene today may have their effects on missions tomorrow.

Afghanistan—Facts revealed in a recent Intelligence Service survey in-

dicate that a startling infiltration has taken place in Afghanistan. Almost 50% of Afghanistan's foreign trade is with Russia under long-term barter deals. The Afghan army, armed with \$70 million worth of Russian military equipment, is being trained by Soviet officers. The Russians have provided Afghanistan with a jet air force consisting of 60 fighters and 12 bombers.

Laos—While developments in India have taken the spotlight from Laos, conditions there continue to be extremely serious. Fifty-two-year-old Crown Prince Savang Vathana has been named regent of Laos by his 75-year-old father, King Sisavong Vong, in an effort to establish a more energetic leadership.

The United States is sending military supplies to help the little nation maintain its stand against the aggressors.

Haiti—The expulsion from Haiti of two Roman Catholic priests by the Haitian government on grounds of plotting against the government has stirred the wrath of Romanism. When Msgr. Francois Poirer attacked the government in a pastoral letter condemning the expulsion of two priests he was also arrested. The government of President Francois Duvalier threatened to ask Vatican to recall Msgr. Poirer but withheld the request while asking the Archbishop to withdraw his statements against the government.

President Duvalier's government, which was elected in 1957 by a large majority is looked upon in many United States circles as preferable to any of the opposition parties and has been receiving aid from the U. S. since last February.

Under President Duvalier's regime missionaries have enjoyed great freedom to carry on their work.

HOME MISSIONS, THE GREAT MISCONCEPTION

The word "home" is an odd one as it relates to some things. Also, the twin to it, "foreign." These words have their proper meanings everywhere except seemingly in the field of missions, the evangelization of the world.

The average person, when he thinks of home missions does not think of the Hottentot in Africa, half-clothed; the Hindu fakirs of India doing penance for his salvation; the plantation worker of Brazil who has heard nothing except Romanism all his dark life; the Shinto in Japan worshipping one of the hundreds of thousands of pagan shrines there; therefore, his understanding which has been disciplined by these things all his life is incomplete. It is

not touched. He doesn't realize that people in the homeland are dying without Christ, and therefore his heart is not touched. Therefore, his support is little if any, and the most important thing, his prayers are as little as his support.

Personally, I think that it is a shame that we Christian people have to insert the two words (one at a time) into the Great Commission of Christ when He said go. What some people don't realize is the world is the field; not Africa, not India, not Brazil, not Japan, but the world. The word home and the the word foreign should never have been coined. The biggest trouble is that we do not realize that in this field, the world, some workers who are in the homeland are doing as great, yes, a greater job in their missionary work than those who have been hypercanonized because they crossed a large body of water to find their field of service.

When the average born-again believer thinks upon missions, the Great Commission in particular, he thinks of Matthew 28:19-20, "Go ye therefore . . . teach . . . and lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world." This is a commandment; but, we seem to overlook one other passage of Scripture which is just as holy, just as meaningful, just as inspired by the Great Author, the Holy Spirit. This passage is Luke 24:47, "And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem." Beginning where? Beginning at Jerusalem. Christ did not say the people at home did not need attention. He did not say go as far as you can and work your way back. He emphatically stated that you are to begin at home. How about it Christian? Where do you live? Nashville? Then let's read the verse again. And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations (including the United States of America, all fifty states) beginning at Nashville. This may seem real contorted to the average believer, but if we could think of this verse as such, beginning at home, our thinking would be straightened out with about the first ten or fifteen souls we see come to the Lord on our own block, maybe in the apartment house in which we live.

Let us get our testimony and our hearts right with the Lord and His Word, and pray, give, and if go is in our heart because God has put it there, then go TO THE FIELD AND LABOR FOR HIM. The world is the field.

Editor's Note: The above article was written by Charles Snow a Junior at Free Will Baptist Bible College.

Who Killed Mr. Barr?

By Ben Scott

64% of the adult population of America drink beverage alcohol.

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The number of alcoholics in America now exceeds 5,000,000.

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An alcoholic is one who has lost control of his ability to stop drinking.

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Liquor drinking is the greatest factor in divorce and broken homes. It is the chief cause of Juvenile Delinquency.

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America is now spending 30% more for alcoholic beverages than for public schools.

A few weeks ago a terrible crime was committed not far from here. A 19 year old and a 14 year old boy shot a man in cold blood then brutally beat his teen-age daughter and another young lady who was visiting in the home, killing one and sending the other to the hospital in a very serious condition. Also they seriously wounded the man's wife with two shots from a shot gun. When the smoke had cleared this is what remained—2 dead, 2 more in hospitals, critically wounded. Add to this when totalling up the score, two youths, not yet 20 years of age, facing the penalty for murder. An awesome and gory scene!

But who killed Mr. Barr? In an editorial which appeared recently in the Fredericktown Democrat-News the writer expressed the opinion of many when he declared that the youths probably would not have done such a thing had they not been under the influence of beer. If this be true, then what about the tavern operator who sold the beer to minors? And what about a society of people who will allow such things to be done without ever raising a voice of protest against it? Furthermore, consider this: Will alcoholic beverages sold illegally to a 19 year old youth come any nearer causing him to commit crime than the same beverage sold legally to a 21 year old? What difference does it make whether it's sold legally or illegally? Or whether it's sold to a young man 19 or 21? What kind of a nation are we to legalize such a product knowing full well its possible results?

But it doesn't concern You? That's what hundreds of innocent folks said last year; but when they found themselves at the mercy of a drunken driver or a maniac wielding a gun under the influence of strong drink it began to concern them greatly. Our highways are stained with the blood of hundreds of folk who said, "It doesn't bother me; it's everybody's business if he wants to drink." Your blood and mine may be next!

According to reports, the worst auto accident last year in the state of Missouri was one in which seven persons were killed because of a drunken driver. He rounded a curve at high rate of speed, on the wrong side of the road, rammed head-on into another car. Seven dead! But millions in America, including lots of Government officials and church members, content ourselves by saying, "Nothing can be done about it." It's my personal opinion, tho, that if the Russians or some other aggressive nation should fly over America tomorrow and shoot down seven Americans, we would be in World War 3 in less than two days. Our government would wage an all-out war; our boys would be drafted; our factories would be converted to produce weapons; our entire life would be changed. If a nation can do so much in time of war, can we not do something about this present evil of beverage alcohol which may claim my boy and yours as its next victim?

Joel 3:3 is all too true of our nation—"And they have cast lots for my people; and have given a boy for an harlot, and sold a girl for wine, that they might drink."

Pastoral Changes

Rev. Leslie Logsdon has been called to the Crystal City Church where he replaces Rev. Frank Giunto who resigned to attend college.

Rev. Robert Wright has resigned as pastor of the Richwoods Church and plans to begin a Mission in Granite City, Ill. The Richwoods Church is currently seeking a pastor.

Rev. Bud Hill has accepted a call to the Parkview Church at Desloge. He succeeds Rev. John Long who resigned and moved to Fredericktown. Rev. Long is semi-retired and is available for limited pastoral work.

Rev. Floyd Arnold has been called as pastor of the Faith Church of St. Louis. He succeeds Rev. Loy Smith.

Rev. Cecil Campbell is the new pastor at Jones Chapel.

Rev. Dean Burpo is the newly elected pastor of the Aulsberry Chapel Church. His predecessor was Rev. James Miller who has moved to Knoxville, Tennessee to a pastorate.

(Please inform the Editor and our Gem Readers of the Missouri pastoral changes as they occur.)

REVIVALS

Merl's Chapel Church Oct. 12-?

Tommy Day, Evangelist.
O. T. Allred, Pastor.

Monett Church Nov. 1-?

Thomas Brashear, Evangelist.
Tommy Day, Pastor.

South Side Church (St. L.) Oct. 19-28

Eugene Waddell, Evangelist.
Roger C. Reeds, Pastor.

Berkeley City Church Sept. 14-20

Rolla Smith, Evangelist.
Harvey Hill, Pastor 4 decisions.

Fellowship Church Sept. 20-26

Eustace Riggs, Evangelist.
Elro Driggers, Pastor.

Overland Church Oct. 11-?

Homer Willis, Evangelist.
Harry Asher, Pastor.

(Why not post a notice or the results of your revival in this column?)

ARE YOUR MANNERS SHOWING?

By Lo Belle

May the good Lord forgive me, instead of listening to the sermon our minister preached today, I was watching the church manners of the congregation. This was merely an experiment and not my usual custom.

Close to the front sat a Hairdresser (though not by profession). She tucked her hair in here and there, took out and replaced several bobby pins, brushed the stray hairs from her collar. Sitting next to her was a Chewing Gum Enthusiast. I don't know whether the flavor was juicy fruit or clove; but at the rate she chewed, the flavor would have been gone long since, anyway.

In the third row from the front sat a Nap Snatcher. He'd start each nap by staring straight ahead as if in a daze and then his head would droop lower and lower until his chin almost touched his chest. Suddenly, his head would jerk back into position and the cycle would start all over again.

A few rows behind the Nap Snatcher sat two teen-age Note Writers. After they had written notes back and forth until there was no space left on their bulletins, they started writing notes in the hymnal. After each note was read, it was erased.

Fashion Experts inspected all the clothes within their range of view. After much whispering back and forth, it was easy to see by their nods whether they approved or disapproved. One hat in particular caused them quite a bit of concern.

One kindly soul never did find her offering envelope. After much searching in her purse, the plate was passed on without it. Several ladies occupied much of their time putting things into or taking things out of their purses. Some purses make quite a noise when they snap.

The man who sat on my left was a Watchman. Right after the service started, he began keeping time. Since he carried a pocket watch it required a bit of stretching to get it from his pocket each time he checked the time.

Daydreamers were having a field day. They seemed deep in thought, probably planning their work for the next week. One lady seemed to be figuring the amount of material it would take to make a dress like the one in front of her. The Yawners also were present.

Halfway through the sermon, the

Get-Ready-on-Timers started to get their things together in order to make an early departure. Hats were straightened, hymnals placed in the racks (they didn't plan to sing the last hymn anyway), wraps put on, gloves inspected and tried for size, purses explored to see if everything was there, a few shoes replaced. Then these people sat back to enjoy what was left of the sermon.

No, I can't tell the text or anything the preacher said. I don't remember the responsive readings, the creed or hymns. But the lesson I did learn will not soon be forgotten. We are not being fair to our God, ourselves, our church, our minister. God expects reverence in his house of worship. He wants our attention and our participation in the service. One way to feel his Presence in the worship service and to be uplifted by its beauty is to improve our church manners.

—Contributed by Mae Heide

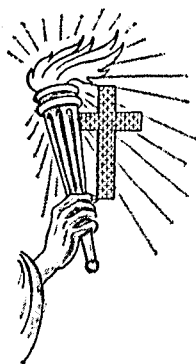
NO TIME TO SLEEP

By Louise Simpson

"What meanest thou, O sleeper? Arise and call upon thy God." Jonah 1:6.

What is the thought that comes to mind, the minute a soul feels God striving with him to follow after—to lift Christ up before men—

Possibly many of us today are as Jonah was in his day, prone to turn to the other direction leading away from God and His works. Jonah was probably a strong man, morally, but he was human and afraid of the great task of spreading the Gospel and the warning of lost souls of the wrath to come. Preaching repentance has been the main course of spreading the Word of God since the coming of Christ, but so many are seemingly afraid to speak it to this lost world. Some of us are too shy to let our everyday friends know that we believe in God—that we intend to stand for Him in all things, no matter what. Jonah turned away, let an important opportunity pass until he found himself, finally, in a condition from which there was no way out. Then he remembered the Lord. He was fortunate simply because God was merciful and gave him another chance. Let us not take advantage of that fact, because God might not spare us for that second chance. Repent now, accept Him and at His bidding, go tell the world all about Him. He died for us all. We are His very own. So let us "Arise and call upon our God", and be saved.



Woman's Auxiliary

FROM KANSAS CITY:

The Central Western Missouri District Convention convened at the Victory Church of Kansas City on August 5th. The theme of the program was, "The Challenge of the Cross." The Woman's Auxiliary colors of lavender and white were used in the display of a white background and lavender letters to present the theme and a white cross in the center. The theme was clearly presented by a number from each Auxiliary and climaxed by a pantomime: "The Challenge of the Cross" by the First Church of Kansas City Auxiliary. The president, Mrs. Lester Jones, presented the National Project: A Mission Station in Mexico along with other items of interest and help to the local auxiliary. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Lester Jones; Vice-President, Mrs. Raymond Dickey; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Reed Smith; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Doris Whitson; Youth Chairman, Ruth Postlewaite; Study Course Chairman, Jean Williams; Stewardship-Prayer Chairman, Elaine Spurgeon; Personal Service Chairman, Reva Prinz.

—Mrs. Doris Whitson, Cor.-Sec.

FROM ST. LOUIS:

The South Side Woman's Auxiliary met September 24th for their monthly meeting with fifteen members present. We were happy to have the Third Church's Auxiliary meet with us for the evening meal, after which they presented the year book program concerning Africa. At the conclusion of the program, the Master's Men of both churches assembled with us in the auditorium for the showing of the film, "All Are Called." This film presented a real challenge of our responsibility in giving for the cause of missions. Let us remember that our missionaries need our prayer and financial support as they carry the good news of salvation to the lost.

—Norma Kennedy, Cor.-Sec.

FROM FLAT RIVER:

May we come together on this wonderful day and thank the Lord for the good reports of the auxiliary work from the State Association. After hearing these we should all have a desire to do more in the future. Our auxiliary at the Fellowship Church met together for the regular year book study and we found it to be very interesting. It is so wonderful to hear and study about people in other lands. It makes us more thankful for what God is doing for us at home.

—Mrs. Hildebrand, Cor.-Sec.

FROM WEST PLAINS:

The Bethel Woman's Auxiliary met September 8th at the church with seven members and seven visitors present. The meeting opened with singing, "Send the Light" followed by Scripture reading from Hebrews 4:12, Psalms 119:105, and II Peter 1:19 by our president, Addie Adkinson. Prayer by Mrs. Dave Robinson. During our business session, our Benevolence Chairman, Hattie Sims, reported that food was taken to two homes at the time of a death in the family. Also plans were made to have services at the West Plains Rest Home. An offering was taken and the treasurer's report was read by Treasurer Lillian Brooks. Our lesson was, "The Word In a Dark Place," and was about the country of Africa. Topics were discussed by Mrs. Langley, Mrs. Dave Robinson, Lillian Brooks, Hattie Sims, Eudene Adkinson, Claudia Combs, and Addie Adkinson. The Program Chairman, Eudene Adkinson assigned topics for the next meeting which will be held on the second Tuesday night in October. The meeting was closed with prayer by Mrs. Langley.

—Claudia Combs, Assistant-Sec.

FROM FLAT RIVER:

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Leadington Church met for their all day session at the church on Thursday,

September 10. The program for the morning was the September study from our Year Book, "The Word In A Dark Place." There were seven members and two visitors present. The meeting was called to order by the President, Iva Treaster, and the service was opened by singing, "Bring Them In." This was followed by prayer and Scripture reading by Mrs. Hammon. The Scripture that was read was Hebrews 4:12, Psalms 119:105, II Peter 1:19. After this, a hymn, "Send the Light" was sung. The business period followed and the Secretary, Elva Turnbough read the report of the last meeting. The introduction to the lesson was read and discussed by Elva Turnbough. Topic 1: "A Land of Darkness," was given by Lola Underwood. Topic 2: "The First Gleams of Light," by Freda Pirtle. Topic 3: "Conflict Between Darkness," by Iva Treaster. Topic 4: "The Need For Lightbearers," by Allie Penrod. These topics were all enlightening and helpful, for we need to know more of the people to whom our missionaries carry the gospel and may our prayers follow them wherever they go. Our morning session ended with prayer by Freda Pirtle. At the noon hour, a fellowship dinner was served in the basement of the church. We were very happy to have with us Rev. Dale Jones, pastor of the First Church of Flat River who spoke in the afternoon on "Fellowship Among Churches." We truly appreciated the message. We were glad also to have our pastor, Rev. W. T. Turnbough with us. He and Mrs. Turnbough are doing a wonderful work in this community and we thank God for their leadership. Our benediction on the service was given at the altar by all who were present.

—Anna Lincoln, Cor.-Sec.

FROM THAYER:

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Thayer Church met Tuesday afternoon at 1:30 P. M. August 25th at the church. There were fifteen members and eight visitors present. We welcome Mrs. Dorene Fields and Mrs.

Shirley Caldwell as new members. The meeting was called to order by our new president, Mrs. Netta Bennett. Prayer was offered by Mrs. Louise Caldwell. The Scripture reading was from Acts 16:8-15 and the hymn was, "Send the Light." A committee of three consisting of Clara Allen, Lorene Paknut, and Cladis Carroll were elected to work with the Master's Men on a new project to furnish transportation for those who would like to come to Sunday School but have no method of transportation. Gertrude Schuster presented the program, "The Living Word In Europe." The benediction was offered by Lorene Paknut.

—Helen Underwood, Cor.-Sec.

FROM FLAT RIVER:

The Woman's Auxiliary of the First Church of Flat River met September 2nd at the church for an all day meeting. There were twenty-five present. The meeting was opened with singing, "Send the Light," and "I must Tell Jesus." Prayer by Mrs. Kirkpatrick. Scripture reading: Hebrews 4:12; Psalms 119:105; and II Peter 1:19. The program for September was, "The Word In A Dark Place." Topics were presented by Mrs. Jean Blakely, Mrs. Hovis, Mrs. McCorkle and Mrs. Lizzie Williams.

—Gussie Hamblen, Cor.-Sec.

MEMORIAL STUDENT LOAN FUND PROGRAM

Mrs. Luther Sanders, Waipahu, Hawaii

This program is for information as well as inspiration. The Memorial Student Loan Fund as adopted by the Woman's National Auxiliary Convention is a new project, (established in July 1957) and for this reason many of our people are not acquainted with this phase of our Woman's Auxiliary work.

It has been proven many times throughout our denomination that when a cause is presented to our people, they rally to its support. This program is intended to give you the reason for our Auxiliary having such a fund, how the fund operates, and how the fund is supported.

Topic I: Why Should the W. N. A. C. Have a Student Loan Fund?

I am sure this question has come to the minds of many of our people; however, it takes only a few minutes of real thinking to realize that there are many answers to this question. Let's think together for just a few minutes on some answers—

1. It is in keeping with the purpose and work of our Woman's Auxiliary. One of the departments of our Auxiliary work is the missionary education of our youth. It is through our youth department that we encourage our young people to attend the Free Will Baptist Bible College where they can be taught missions and trained for missionary service. Since we do believe this, we should try to provide a way for them to attend.

2. Because of the encouragement it can give to our youth. The young people who would like to attend, or who do attend, our Bible College are not offered scholarships from any source; therefore, as a denomination we have offered very little encouragement for our youth to obtain a Christian education, and, as a result many of our finest young people have entered secular colleges because they have received scholarships to these schools. As an Auxiliary Convention we are not in a position at present to offer scholarships, but we hope that the response to this loan fund will be sufficient to make available the financial assistance needed to help those who wish to attend our own college.

3. Because of the need. During the 1957-58 school term twenty-five young people had to leave the Free Will Baptist Bible College because of financial reasons. This is most distressing and should not be repeated; therefore, we, as Auxiliary women and mothers, must help to remedy this situation. This same school year eight students would have had to leave school had it not been for the assistance made possible by the Memorial Student Loan Fund. This Fund is one of our greatest needs and is worthy of our whole-hearted support.

Topic II. How does the Memorial Loan Fund Operate?

The Fund is under the supervision of a committee known as "The Memorial Student Loan Fund Committee," which is composed of the W. N. A. C. Executive Secretary-Treasurer, the W. N. A. C. Youth Chairman, and a third committee member elected by the National Auxiliary Convention. The applicant for a loan must have completed at least one year of schooling at the Free Will Baptist Bible College before being eligible for a loan, and must be a member in good standing with a Free Will Baptist church. The applicant must sign a written contract, (copies of contract may be obtained from the W. N. A. C. office) and if applicant is under twenty-one years of age a co-signer is required.

Interest of 4% will begin one year from date loan is granted and is to be paid annually on or before June 30 of each year. The payments of the principle are to begin one month from the date of the student's graduation, his withdrawal, or his expulsion from school. The borrower must pay at least ten per cent of his total monthly income on the principle of the loan until debt is paid in full. These payments are to be made to the W. N. A. C. office.

Topic III. How Is the W. N. A. C. Student Loan Fund Supported?

Now that you have this information, perhaps you desire to do something to help. The W. N. A. C. asks that each auxiliary member invest at least one dollar per year in this fund. We use the word "invest" because we believe you will receive many dividends from your investment as you see those whom you have helped go to the mission field, etc. This seems like such a small amount for such a worthy cause; yet if each auxiliary member would give only one dollar a year our income to this Fund would be more than \$11,000 annually. Ladies, my heart beats for joy as I realize or try to imagine what we could do with so much money! May I urge you, with all of my heart, to do your best for this worthy fund?

From these fine young people will come our future pastors, missionaries, and church leaders—let us help them get the necessary training to become the very best leaders possible.

KEEPING HER TROUBLES TOGETHER

A hard-working woman of ready help and abundant sympathy for the troubled, lately gave her recipe for cheerfulness.

"Why, it's no credit to me. It's only that I have got in the habit of having all my uncomfortable feelings at one time. Mornings, after my husband has started off, I do the breakfast dishes; and if there's anything worrying me I just attend to it then. If I don't get it thought out then, it has to go till the next day. You select a few minutes like that, in the early morning, when you are fresh, and do up your worries for the day, and you'll find it's the easiest thing in the world to keep cheerful the rest of the time and be ready to attend to other folk's troubles."—Unknown.

He who conquers the other fellow but fails to conquer himself, is a poor conqueror after all.

LETTERS

Dear Prayer-Partners and Co-Workers:

ALOHA FROM HAWAII! Your missionaries to our 50th state are thankful to be able to send you this first monthly report and prayer-letter.

In order to bring you up-to-date we will begin this report from the time we left the Mainland. We sailed from Los Angeles, California, on August 10 and arrived in Honolulu, Hawaii, on August 15. We had a very pleasant voyage and were able to rest a few days which we certainly needed after the strain of about five months of itinerant work. We were greeted at the pier by Mrs. George Lanvermeier and her two sons, George Jr. and Gary. As we came down the gang-plank we were able to see among the hundreds of spectators a very welcome and heart-warming sign raised above the crowd with the inscription: "Aloha, Rev. and Mrs. Sanders." Then we, after receiving the customary Island greeting with flower leis, kisses, etc., were taken to the Lanvermeier home where we spent the next two days enjoying their hospitality and learning more about the Islands. When Mr. Lanvermeier came in from the marine base the afternoon we arrived we found him to be very interested in our work. During the course of our conversation we were both pleasantly surprised to discover that we had served together aboard the U. S. S. ENTERPRISE (an aircraft carrier during World War II) for about three years and for the next few days we "re-fought" the various battles of the Pacific war and discussed how the ENTERPRISE "won the war."

The Lanvermeiers had rented us an apartment (unfurnished except for the stove and refrigerator) in Waipahu. We brought a small dinette table and a cot with us and the Lanvermeiers loaned us some chairs and we bought a bed and moved into our apartment. We spent the first two weeks making a survey of the Island of Oahu and looking in second-hand furniture stores trying to find some bargains in the furniture line. We have been able to purchase some good used furniture and at long last have moved out of our suitcases.

We knew of certain spiritual needs

in the Islands; however, we did not realize that this spot in the middle of the Pacific Ocean was the spiritual desert that it really is. We have not surveyed the other Islands yet for at least two reasons: (1) The definite and immediate need on Oahu. Over one-half of the total population of the Islands can be reached on this Island. The population is increasing daily; houses are being built by the hundreds. Various religious cults are growing rapidly which makes it more urgent that we get a work established immediately because the longer we wait the more difficult it will become. (2) The second reason we have not as yet surveyed the other Islands is because of the lack of funds. I hope to be able to make the complete survey soon.

We had our first service Sunday, September 6, with fifteen present. At our last service Sunday evening, September 13, we had eighteen present. We are meeting at the Waipahu High School and using a building that is not being used by the High School this year. We pay \$5.50 per Sunday for the use of the building. I have a weekly radio program through which I can reach all of the Islands. I shall continue this broadcast as long as funds are available. The cost now is \$30.00 per month; however, the station manager informed me that the rates would be increased to about \$40.00 per month within about two months.

We live in a town of about 10,000 population which is just about centrally located for all the military bases on the Island. The churches in this town are: A large Catholic church and school, a Congregationalist church (which is the largest protestant church in town), a Seventh-Day Adventist church, a small Jehovah's Witness, a Church of Christ (which meets in the elementary school), a Missionary Baptist Mission (which started about the same time we did), and the Buddhist Temple and school. The Church of Christ and the Free Will Baptists are the only churches having evening services.

In my visitation last week I visited a family from the Mainland who has a Methodist background—the lady

seemed very happy that we were beginning a protestant church here. She said, "My little boy wanted to go to church and I let him attend the Catholic church because I thought a Catholic church would be better than no church at all." I came home and told Helen of this experience among several others and again we wondered why we had waited so long to come here.

Perhaps you have been wondering about living expenses here—so to give you an idea I will name only a few: Our apartment rents for \$110.00 a month plus about \$25.00 a month utilities. Food cost is about 25% above that on the Mainland. Gas for the car is 40c per gallon for regular.

May we take this opportunity to thank all of you who have remembered us in prayer or have contributed to our support—May God bless you for it!

Yours for Christ in Hawaii,

Luther, Helen and Brenda Sanders

THINGS TO PRAY ABOUT:

1. Pray for our services and for those we have enlisted to help in our services.

2. Pray concerning our support—we plan our work according to our pledge support; therefore, it is necessary for those who have pledged to be as prompt as possible.

3. A tape recorder would help out in my radio ministry tremendously. I have to drive in heavy traffic for about 35 miles (round trip) to the broadcasting station which is on the other side of Honolulu. There is a radio station here in Waipahu but because of the anti-protestant feeling of the management I was unable to buy time. I can purchase the recorder for about the same price as it could be purchased on the Mainland. Perhaps a group from your church would like to help with this project.

4. OUR PRAYER IS: "And let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us; and establish thou the work of our hands upon us; yea, the work of our hands establish thou it."

Our Address is:

H. M. H. Apartment D

94-239 Aniani Pl.

Waipahu, Hawaii

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(Editor's Note: In the future the "Letters" page will be used for letters to the Editor and to our Gem readers. This will be your chance to speak out against something you've agreed with or disagreed with for some time. Let's have those letters.)

EVERY CHURCH FAMILY PLAN

OUR GOAL: 2,000 SUBSCRIPTIONS

The Every Church Family Plan is the best plan ever used by Free Will Baptists to keep their membership informed. It is currently being used by the Gem and our national magazine Contact. The plan is simple. The church clerk makes out a list of the names and addresses of all the families in the church. (Be sure each home is represented on the list.) This is sent to the Gem editor and he adds the names to the mailing list of the Gem. As the Gems are sent out the editor bills the church for the amount of copies sent out to their members. Names may be added or dropped at any time. The plan remains in effect until the church requests that it be discontinued. It does not expire. By using this plan every family in every church that subscribes to the plan will be informed of denominational activities. This is the best plan for your church. Why not use it? Here is a list of the churches who are currently active in the Every Church Family Plan:

Fellowship	Rev. Elro Driggers
Amity	Rev. Robert Carlson
Black Oak	Rev. Ezra Vestal
New Lebanon	Rev. Cliff Bowan
Leadington	Rev. W. T. Turnbough
Copper Mines	Rev. Glenn Rehkop
Myrtle	Rev. Wayne Parsons
Kirksville	Rev. Woodrow Matthews
Overland	Rev. Harry Asher
Berkeley	Rev. Harvey Hill
Joplin	Rev. Paul Williams
Farmington	Rev. James Barker
Verdella	Rev. Archie Burruss
Third, St. Louis	Rev. Rolla Smith
Richwoods	
Old Bethel	Rev. George Hibbitts
Mt. Zion	
South Side	Rev. Roger Reeds
Thayer	Rev. Harry Beatty
Carterville	Rev. Kenneth Turner
Fredericktown	Rev. Ben Scott
Pleasant Grove	Rev. Chas. Black
Old Liberty	Rev. Wm. Reeves
Martinstown	Rev. Alta Mikel
Hannon	Rev. James McCully
First, Flat River	Rev. Dale Jones

Springfield	Rev. Henry Long
Neosho	Rev. Lester Nutting
Mine La Motte	Rev. Albert Halbrook
Union Light	Rev. Curt Johnson
Bethel	Rev. Davie Combs
Mt. Pisgah	Rev. Ezra Butts
Fourth, St. Louis	Rev. Elmer Turnbough
Twin Oak	Rev. Truman Huffman
Victory	Rev. B. Spurgeon
Mill Creek	Rev. O. D. Matthews
Beacon	Rev. Lester Jones
First, Kansas City	Rev. Alice Dickey
New Hope	Rev. James McAllister
Merl's Chapel	Rev. O. T. Allred
Faith	Rev. Bud Arnold
Oskaloosa	
Jones Chapel	Rev. Cecil Campbell
Walnut Ridge (Ark)	Rev. Glen Campbell
Pleasant Ridge	Rev. Alford Ford
New Harmony	Rev. Mildred Gilliam
Grant Ave	Rev. Grover Terry
Monett	Rev. Tommy Day
Aulsberry Chapel	Rev. Dean Burpo
Lebanon	Rev. F. D. Johnson
Wagoner	Rev. James McCully
Mountain Valley	Rev. Homer Smith



Rev. & Mrs. Luther Sanders & Brenda
Our Missionaries to Hawaii

LETTERS

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Dear Friends in Christ:

We have just completed our busiest season for evangelistic work. Because of the severity of the winters here; we must do most of the evangelistic work during the summer months. Recently we closed our first Bible Camp at a lake near Abashiri. About fifty young people attended and many made decisions for Christ. At present we are engaged in follow-up work of the tent meeting in Abashiri. The Lord is blessing these humble efforts for His glory. Even though the groups are still small we have assurance that the Lord is working. There is evidence of growth on every hand.

Since we are so busy with evangelistic work we hardly have time to think about our first furlough. However, as our sailing date draws near, we realize that we must begin to make preparations. We are due to sail from Yokohama, Japan, November 13, on the SS Orcades arriving in San Francisco on November 28. We are anxiously looking forward to seeing our homeland again, but at the same time we have a few misgivings. I am sure that we have changed somewhat in becoming adjusted here and living in America again is going to demand some re-adjusting. However, we are looking forward to seeing our many friends and "prayer partners" who have been behind us these five years.

Also, we are quite anxious to "show off" our two lovely children. Rebecca and Jonathan, whom the Lord has given to us. They too are looking forward to seeing America where "everybody speaks English."

The furlough expenses will be quite a strain on our financial account with the Foreign Mission Board. In fact, we must buy our tickets in a few days and we are trusting that the Lord will lay it upon the hearts of His people to supply these needs. He has supplied abundantly during these five years and we are sure that He will continue to do so.

As we think of leaving Japan for our furlough we have somewhat mixed emotions. Naturally speaking, we long to see our homeland and our loved ones who are anxiously awaiting our return. Along with this we have a deep love for Japan and for the Japanese people. Especially for those who have been won to the Lord through our work here. Our hearts have been bound together by a love that ordinary words cannot express. Leaving Japan will not be easy, but we are trusting the Lord to give us strength to do His

will. The physical as well as the spiritual uplift we will receive during our year of furlough is greatly needed. Physically we are tired and need the rest that the months at home will give us. Spiritually, we long to fellowship with many of you around the Word of God and be strengthened. Please pray that our furlough will be used greatly for the glory of God.

Also please pray for the work in Japan while we are away. Most of the burden of the work will fall on Fred and Evelyn Hersey, as the Waids have not finished language study. Pray for the young workers whom the Lord has raised up for our church in Japan. At present there are six Young Japanese men and three young ladies who are working with us as teachers, pastors, and helpers. They are a fine group and deserve your prayers. Goodbye for now. We hope to see you soon.

Your friends in Japan,
The Calverys

"THE FIELDS ARE WHITE"

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We must be faithful to sow and reap. If we reap the Lord says, "He that reapeth receiveth." Now look at it again. "He that reapeth receiveth." Do we need any more of a motive to move. God has promised us wages, eternal wages, if we be faithful.

Will we conserve this opportunity to build an effective witness in our nation's capital?

And now lastly there is:

A Rejoicing to Contemplate

Yes, there is a rejoicing to look forward to **together!** Jesus so inferred when He said, "That both he that soweth and he that reapeth may rejoice together." (John 4:36) Brethren, we are co-laborers together in our praying, our giving, our reaping and our rejoicing.

When churches pray, give and wait upon the Lord in such missionary endeavors, they are sowing; sowing the gospel message through their chosen messengers. When both the sender (churches) and the messengers (missionaries) are faithful, God will give the increase!

There are several reasons why we should and could rejoice together. First, because we are saved and are privileged to know Christ as Saviour. Second, because here is a precious opportunity to show our love for our Saviour. Third, because the heart is always made to rejoice in obedience to our Lord's command. And fourth, because we are made to rejoice over the promise of souls for "He that reapeth receiveth."

Free Will Baptists, we are depending on you to pray, to give, and to share in the rejoicing with us. Let us be optimistic in our faith. Is there any other kind of faith? Let us claim this city for Christ to the glory of God. Let us determine that a Bible believing, Bible teaching, and Bible working church will be established in our nation's capital, Washington D. C.

COOPERATIVE GIFTS EXCEED \$1000 FOR SEPTEMBER

Gifts to the Cooperative Fund totaled \$1043.79 for the month of September. This makes September just about an average month. Here is a list of the churches who gave and the amount each gave. Is your church listed?

Myrtle Church	\$ 12.80
Leadington Church	80.00
Merl's Chapel	20.00
Beacon Church	129.36
First Church, Monett	78.42
First Church, Waynesville	18.65
Dutch Chapel Church	11.50
Carterville Church	14.21
Grant Ave. Church	26.34
Hickory Grove Church	12.67
Rock Chapel Church	17.50
Fellowship Church	169.62
Copper Mines Church	37.45
Mine La Motte Church	26.27
Farmington Church	39.92
St. Louis Dist. Qtly.	349.08
Total	\$1043.79

LOVE

At a Midwest orphanage, the infant mortality has been reduced almost 50%, not through use of a new wonder drug, but through an old wonder hug.

Each attendant nurse was instructed to hold the motherless children for one hour a day. You know, make the little fellow feel like he had a mother. The remedy has cut the deaths, under one year old, to almost one half.

—Selected

Last year, a pair of Alabama deer hunters were sorely disappointed to find that their favorite guide had deserted them to serve visiting fishermen instead. "What's the matter? Don't you like hunters?" one of them asked.

"Like 'em first rate."

"Do fishermen pay more?"

"Nope."

"Then what's the idea of taking up with them?"

"Friend," the veteran woodsman replied. "I just got plumb tired of being shot at for a deer. So fur, ain't nobody mistook me for a fish."