

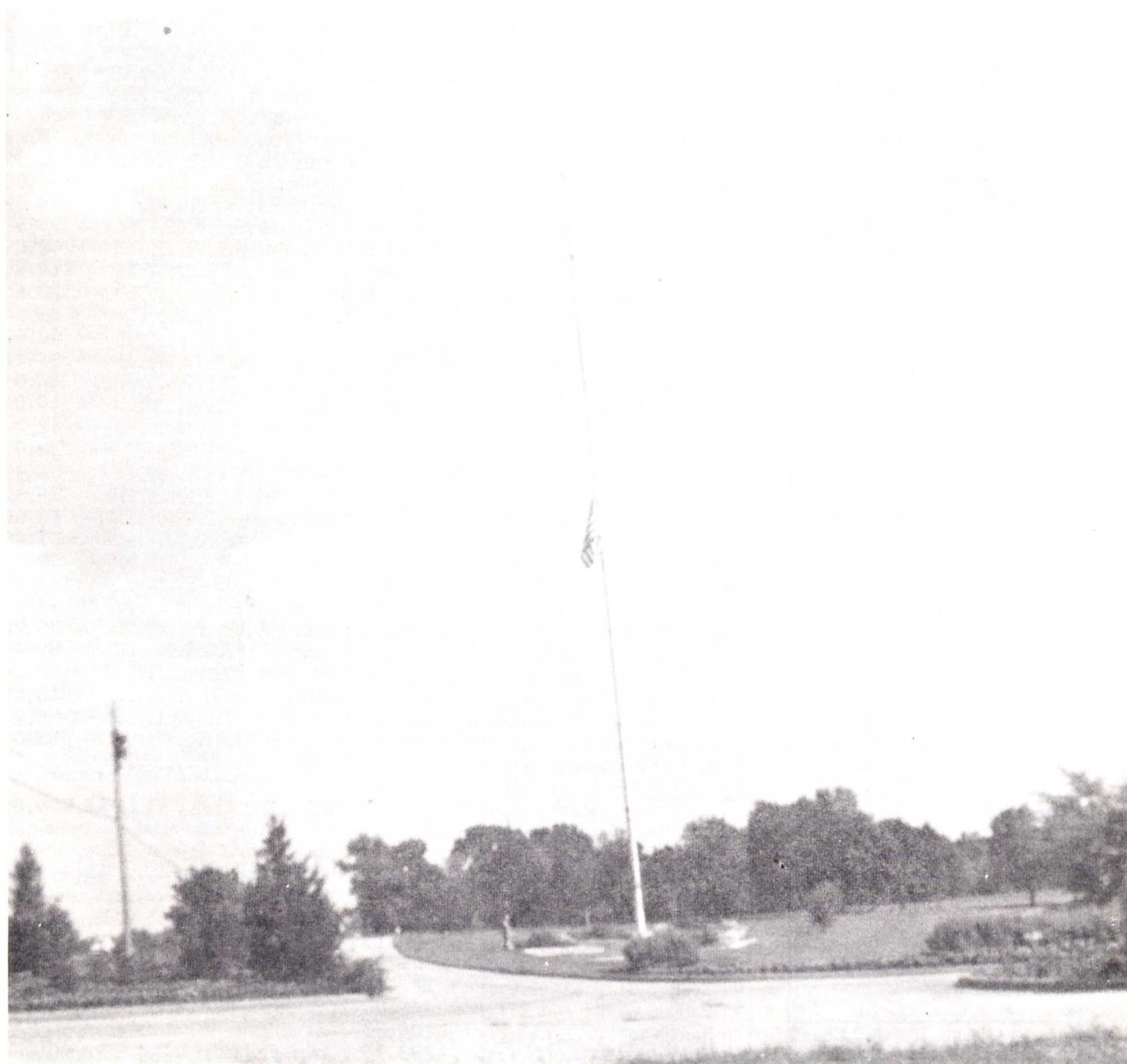
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## Promotional Secretary's Corner

Cave Springs Quarterly Meeting assembled with Pleasant Hill Church, July 2-3 with each of their churches represented by delegates and letters. Two young ministers were ordained during the meeting. I was privileged to preach the sermon for the Communion Service in Thayer Church Sunday night, July 4th.

We attended the National Association in Raleigh, North Carolina July 13-15. Our family worshiped with the Oak Ridge, Tennessee Free Will Baptist Church July 11th on our way to the National. Rev. Jerry Fields, one of our Missouri ministers is pastoring there and doing a fine work for the Lord.

The entire week of the National Meeting was a real spiritual uplift and a great success in every respect. Our denomination is moving forward and reaching new goals every year. As we returned home we worshiped with our Donelson Free Will Baptist Church, July 17th. Rev. Rolla Smith is pastor there and doing a fine work.

I was privileged to deliver five messages during the North East Association July 22-24, held with the Kirksville Church. One young lady was saved. North East Association is moving forward for the Lord.

Sunday, July 25, we preached at Graysville, where James McCully is pastor, at 9:30 a.m. and had a real good service; then preached at New Harmony at 11 a.m., where Sis. Gilliam is pastor. This church was saddened by the death of Sis. Gilliam's husband, on Saturday night preceding this service.

I attended Liberty Association at Nianagua Camp Ground, July 28th. They had a good associational meeting. I also attended Central Western Association held with the Hannon Church on July 29. I was privileged to share in the preaching services while there.

I was called home for the funeral service of Bro. Herbert Allen, August 1st, a member of our former pastorate in Thayer. We extend our Christian sympathy to the surviving family.

Harry Beatty  
Promotional Secretary

## RECEIPTS, JULY, 1965

Union	\$ 25.00
Beacon	88.18
Garfield	9.93
South Side	138.00
Bethel, West Plains	48.00
Farmington	100.23
Fredericktown	293.19



HARRY BEATTY  
Promotional Secretary

Parkview	83.39
Pleasant Hill	7.00
Mill Creek	51.45
Central	69.35
Carterville	25.88
North Side	42.22
Festus	40.00
Oskaloosa	26.00
Monett	104.72
Richwoods	93.92
Mount Valley	42.89
Viburnum	114.60
Rock Chapel	20.60
New Harmony	13.34
Thayer	40.66
Pleasant Home	37.76
Union Light	10.00
Salem	10.00
Copper Mines	42.24
Hannon	22.43
Victory	61.46
Faith	39.52
Merl's Chapel	52.00
Mine La Motte	17.43
Cabool	29.14
Overland	442.11
Verdella	94.26
Bethel	35.00
Beacon	99.40
Fellowship	50.00
Hickory Grove	10.49
Garfield	6.72
North Side	51.09
Kirksville	120.00

Total ..... \$2,709.60

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# Can We Win the Human Race?

BY JERRY BALLARD

For every three members added to church rolls annually, a net gain of 20 unchurched people are added to the multitudes who do not know Jesus Christ as Saviour.

The population explosion about which we have heard so much during recent years confronts the Church with the greatest evangelistic dilemma ever. People are being born more rapidly than they are being reached for Christ. Percentage-wise, the world is becoming more non-Christian each passing day.

In Monterrey, Mexico, recently I was told that in that city, Mexico's third largest, 240 births were recorded daily. Add to this the vast number who are born outside of hospitals, and one can quickly see the phenomenal thing taking place in our world. World population is increasing at the rate of 57 million annually. At the present rate of evangelization, 50 million of these will never know forgiveness of sin.

The Church faces this great question—Can we win the human race for Christ? Is there any way we can reach our generation during our generation?

This is a matter of utmost importance for the Bible-believing Christian. Every child of God needs to remember three important facts of God's Word in light of our present population explosion.

Fact One: Men without Christ are lost! This is an easy fact for Christians living in modern America to forget. We often live as though we believe that "men without TV sets are lost" or "men without second automobiles are lost." Things good within themselves have absorbed our interests to the detriment of world evangelism.

Romans 5:12 dogmatically declares, "Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned."

Every man reaching the age when he chooses for himself right or wrong automatically chooses wrong, because it is his nature to sin. And through this disobedient nature he rejects God. All 57 million people being added to the world's population this year are born with sinful natures.

Because of man's sin and failure to know Christ as Saviour, he is under the condemnation of God. "He that believeth not is condemned already."

Fact Two: Jesus is the only Source of salvation! Christ endured the cross so that the wrath of God could be satisfied and man removed from condemnation.

"Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law" (Galatians 3:13).

But there is no other way for man to be reunited with God and to have eternal life. Jesus Himself said, "I am the way . . . no man cometh unto the Father, but by me."

In Africa today there is a revival of Islam. For every one convert to Christianity, there are nine to the worship of Mohammed.

In Japan, men are crying for salvation in the name of Buddha and Shinto. In Latin America, the name of Mary, Mother of God. In India, their Hindu gods. Throughout the world, many people are seeking salvation in the name of Karl Marx and Lenin.

But, Acts 4:12 emphatically declares, "Neither is there salvation in any other; for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved."

Fact Three: Men cannot be saved unless they are given the gospel!

The most logical discourse in print is found in Romans 10. Paul reminds us that every man who calls on the Lord Jesus will be saved. But then he poses these very practical considerations.

"How shall they call on him in whom they have not believed?"

"How shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard?"

The perplexing problem thus facing the Church today is that the 57 million people being added to the world's population each year are lost in their sin unless we get to them the gospel message.

Can we win the human race? Has God given us the means with which to reach a mushrooming populace with the gospel?

In light of the 57 million annual increase in population, it is interesting to note that more than 50 million people are learning to read each year. The literacy rate is keeping pace with population while rate of world evangelization is lagging depressingly behind. These facts startlingly point the Church to this truth: Literature is the most effective tool for gospel propagation today.

The power of the printed page is a long established fact. Napoleon said, "I fear three newspapers more than a thousand bayonets." When Communists marched in victory in China, their symbol of conquest held aloft on waving banners was a drawing of a printing press. The Chinese believed a Communist lie . . . because it was in print. Men believe what they see in print.

God recognized the power and value of

written matter in using this means to give His Word to the human race. Men have successfully manipulated various translations of the Bible, but ancient manuscripts stand as of old because they are preserved in written form.

The most powerful substance in today's world is not nuclear force nor military might. It is a tiny substance 25 ten thousands (.00025) of an inch thick, the thickness of printer's ink when applied to commercial paper.

The cultists know this.

The so-called Jehovah's Witnesses own the largest single printing establishment in the world, located in Brooklyn, N.Y. They print and distribute 80 million books and 85 million copies of Watch Tower and Awake magazines annually. They know that a man's thought life is molded by what he reads and that "as a man thinketh in his heart, so is he."

The Seventh-Day Adventists operate nearly 50 publishing houses around the world spending more than \$15 million annually for literature. Their 300 different periodicals appear in more than 200 languages. They know that literature is the one missionary that can go into every part of the world and can stay when human witnesses must leave.

The Christian Scientists publish the Christian Science Sentinel. These, along with display racks filled with free pamphlets, are found in transportation centers, professional offices, and public buildings in nearly every city of any size in the country. They know that the best time to reach a man with their "gospel" is when he has time on his hands, when he's alone and anxious to receive words of comfort and instruction.

The Mormons or Latter-Day Saints have vast numbers who devote two years to "evangeistic work" which consists primarily of distributing their delusive concepts. In Uruguay alone, an estimated 100 Mormon "missionaries" are at work—more than all evangelical workers, foreign and national, combined.

The Communists have long recognized the power of the printed page. Since 1913, Russian book production has increased by 38 times. In Latin America, perhaps the greatest ideological battlefield in the world today, 350 Communist or pro-Communist periodicals, exclusive of Cuban publications, are in circulation.

The question is not whether the peoples of the world will read. The question is—What will they read? Will it be the twisted half-truths of the cults, the dia-



# THE MISSION FIELDS

"JAPAN....WHITE UNTO HARVEST"

For the past few years many Free Will Baptists with a vision and a burden for lost souls have been looking at the world and wondering how long before other countries would be added to the list of places where our missionaries were already serving.

At the close of World War II we became conscious of the need in Japan as General Douglas McArthur appealed, "America, what Japan needs today is missionaries. Send us missionaries!"

We became aware that Japan presented what was probably the greatest missionary challenge of this generation. Japan, . . . "the land of the rising sun", is composed of four main islands with many smaller ones clustered about them. The total area of Japan is only about 142,000 square miles—less than that of the state of California. Yet over 90 million people inhabit these small islands and the population is increasing at the rate of over a million a year. Because the vast majority of Japan's land area is mountainous only 17% of the total area can actually be used for agriculture.

The Japanese are not ignorant or illiterate people, in fact they have one of the highest literacy rates in the world. This fact should make the propagation of the Gospel of Christ relatively easy. However 99 1/2% of the more than ninety million people in Japan are still held captive by Satan in the false religious systems of the country.

Shintoism has long been the leading religion of Japan. Shintoism, "the way of the Gods", is strictly a Japanese religion and forms the basis of Japanese social and patriotic life. In early times this religion had to do with the worship of nature—sun, trees, rivers, etc. Gradually there was added the worship of ancestors and because the emperor was supposed to be descended from the Sun Goddess, emperor worship naturally followed. But Shintoism does not stand alone as the religion of Japan. Buddhism was brought to Japan from India as long as 15 centuries ago. Buddhism today has become adulterated with idolatry and worldliness yet there are more than 100,000 Buddhist temples and shrines in Japan. Both Shintoism and Buddhism are replete with festivals and ceremonies. The two religions are so intertwined in Japanese culture that most Japanese embrace both.

Wesley and Aileen Calvaly became the

first Free Will Baptist missionaries to Japan when they landed in Yokohama, Japan on November 14, 1954. Fred and Evelyn Hersey followed them in April of 1956 and then Herbert and Geraldine Waid sailed in August of 1958. These three couples constitute the first of what we hope may soon amount to a score or more of couples in Japan under our own Free Will Baptist Foreign Mission Board.

The Japanese are extremely industrious people and because of the limitations of this small insular country they have come to be a closely-knit group, ardent in their patriotism. A polite and courteous people, they are generally well educated. There is in the country a highly developed public educational system and school attendance is compulsory through at least the ninth grade.

Japan is a land of striking contrasts and is today in the midst of most important changes. This nation is moving through the most critical period in all its history. Its centuries-old civilization, based on the idea of the uniqueness and even diety of the Japanese nation, was shaken to its very foundations by its defeat in the second World War.

Today, with Japan again an independent nation, many ideologies and faiths—among them nationalism, Communism, the old religions of Shintoism and Buddhism, many new religions, and Christianity—are all trying to win the soul of the Japanese people. Whether this day of rare opportunity in Japan will be claimed for Christ depends upon how much Free Will Baptists and others of the Christian faith are willing to pay in personnel, prayer and in financial giving.

PRAYER REQUESTS:

Japan has the greatest number of missionaries who break down physically and who do not return for second terms, and who move about unsatisfied.

Japan has the hardest language, according to some, and very few missionaries actually get it well enough to break through to the hearts of the people.

The customs are hard to adjust to and even very difficult for the Japanese themselves.

Japan is rapidly changing and no one knows what even the next few months may bring.

"..God forbid that I should sin against the Lord in ceasing to pray for you.." I Sam. 12:23.

FOREIGN MISSION OFFERING  
MISSOURI  
JULY, 1965

Grace FWB Church,		49.60
Auxiliary, Arnold .....	\$	
South Side FWB Church,		75.00
St. Louis .....		
Pauline Means,		5.00
Willow Springs .....		15.00
Alton FWB Church .....		60.00
Beacon FWB Ch., Raytown		
Willow Springs FWB Ch.,		46.37
Mt. Grove .....		12.10
Cabool FWB Church		
Heralds for Christ, 1st Ch.,		4.30
Kirksville .....		
Oak Grove FWB Church,		29.00
Mt. Grove .....		140.71
Missouri State Ass'n ....		40.00
1st FWB Ch., Fredericktown		
Merls Chapel FWB Ch.,		26.50
Cassville .....		10.00
Richwoods FWB Church ..		20.00
Garfield S.S., Couch ....		20.00
1st FWB Church, Monett .		
Union Light FWB Church,		43.80
Patton .....		22.43
Hannon, Liberal .....		5.00
Howard Muse, Alton ....		2.00
Maude Etherton, Cabool ..		29.50
Leadington FWB Church ..		15.00
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Valentine Arnold, Florissant		40.00
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Grant Ave. FWB Ch.,		5.00
Springfield .....		5.00
1st FWB Ch., Festus ....		16.88
1st FWB Ch., Greenfield .		51.51
Central FWB Ch., K. C. .		
Steadfast S.S. Class,		
Overland FWB Church,		24.64
St. Louis .....		90.00
FWB Ch., Berkeley City..		15.00
Aulsbury Chapel, Farmington		10.00
Beacon FWB Ch., Raytown		10.00
Lester Barks, St. Louis ..		
Fellowship FWB Church,		125.00
Flat River .....		25.00
WNAC .....		
		<u>\$1,465.03</u>

MISSOURI HOME MISSIONS  
JULY, 1965

Cooperative Plan of Support,	
Headquarters.....	\$186.70
Mrs. Pauline Means,	
Willow Springs .....	5.00
South Side FWB Ch.,	
St. Louis .....	17.00

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# YOUTH CAMP

## NEWS AND VIEWS

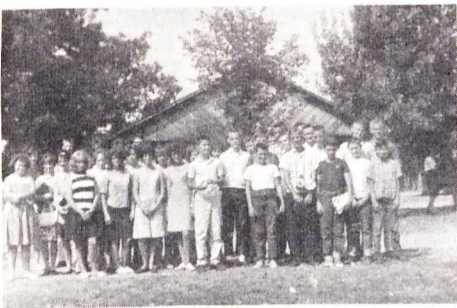
### THE LORD HATH DONE GREAT THINGS

C. H. Burton, Pastor - Berkeley Church  
Promotional Secretary

In thinking of our Pre-Teen and Teen Sessions for 1965, we can surely say with the Psalmist, "The Lord hath done great things for us whereof we are glad."

To enumerate some of the blessings of our youth encampment, the greatest and foremost is, over one hundred decisions for Christ. Some of these were rededications, however, most of them were professions of faith. Then, there were some who announced their call to the ministry and missionary service. The Lord has done this and we are eternally grateful. Only eternity will reveal the complete and full result of these decisions.

Another thing for which we are thankful — all attendance records were broken this year. The enrollment for the Pre-Teen Session was 352. The enrollment for the Teen Session was 262. Our goal was 300 for each session. In a collective sense we made it, for the total enrollment was 614. This was history for the



Youth Camp. The Lord hath done this — moved on hearts to attend and they responded. Inasmuch as we do not want to regress but rather progress let's make next year a greater enrollment. We can trust God for it.

Then, out of my heart, I thank God for each one who helped make the sessions successful. Without camp workers there could be no camp — may the Lord richly bless each one who gave of his or her talent and time.

Let this go on record — the Free Will Baptist Youth of Missouri are the best. We must give them the best teaching and training possible. The Free Will Baptist Youth Camp endeavors to supplement the teaching and training of the local church. We can do this because dedicated workers give of themselves to teach and train our young people at Youth Camp.

It is the prayer and hope of the Youth Camp Board that in the near future the Youth Camp will be self-supporting. This can happen if the enrollment continues to grow. We believe it will. Perhaps your church or association is considering a new cabin. If so, now is the time to build for there is plenty of space available. Four cabins were built last year. They are very nice and I'm sure they are appreciated.

This year has been a good year for our Missouri Youth Camp — "the Lord hath done great things". One of the young people who attended Camp said, "I wish every young person could attend Youth Camp at least one year." This is my prayer and the prayer of the Youth Camp Board. May God richly bless us as we labor for Him.



CAROLYN LOVELACE

Youth Camp is the most wonderful place I have ever been. I will never forget the first time I attended camp. Since that time it has meant very much to me because I was saved there. I always look forward to going to camp now and I have attended almost every year since then. It is unbelievable how friendly everyone is and the Christian atmosphere that surrounds you.

The 1965 sessions have been the best I have ever attended. There was a record attendance both weeks and over a hundred young people made decisions for Christ. I had the pleasure of attending both weeks and I can't describe how helpful it was to me. We studied about missions, Bible characters and their experiences with Jesus, and about the problems young people are faced with in school, on dates, and when you are "with the crowd."

Besides our Bible classes we had lots of free time and games to play. This year we had two ball fields and more room to play. We had volleyball, horseshoes, and many other sports such as swimming and basketball.

If you have never attended camp you have really missed a blessing. I hope you will make plans now to attend next year. I'm sure you will enjoy it as much as I. Hope to see you there.

Carolyn Lovelace  
Thayer Church  
Thayer, Missouri



# WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

Dear Co-Laborers,

God is certainly a great God - isn't he? The National Association was a great success and now our State Association is over; which was also a great success. Next month our Gem will carry pictures concerning our State Meeting.

Back to school time! It's also time for our "Student Loan Fund". Each auxiliary member is urged to send \$1.00 per active member to help our "own" students in Nashville.

## DATES TO REMEMBER:

September: Student Loan Fund time.

September 26-30: National Sunday School week.

October 3-6: "Missionary Conference" Bible College, Nashville, Tenn.

## SEND ALL REPORTS TO:

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## AUXILIARIES REPORTING

Neosho - Woman's Auxiliary

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Verdella - Woman's Auxiliary

West Plains - Woman's Auxiliary

Desloge - Parkview Woman's Auxiliary

Lebanon - Woman's Auxiliary

Flat River - First Church, Woman's Auxiliary.

Springfield - Grant Avenue

Flat River - St. Francois Co. Woman's

Auxiliary District Meeting

Joplin - Woman's Auxiliary

Beatrice, Nebraska - First Free Will Baptist Church

## "HELP MISSIONS WITH STAMPS"

Friends:

We have taken on a project to secure a new piano for our church with S&H Green stamps. It's a Baldwin and takes 380 books, so your help would really be appreciated.

We are just a new church organized in June of 1964. We are worshiping in a large house, also using it as a parsonage. We have finally secured a loan so we

can remodel and enlarge some. God is blessing in many ways. We have so much to thank Him for.

If you have stamps and want to give them, please send to:

First Free Will Baptist Church

LeRoy Morrow, Minister

901 No. 7th

Beatrice, Nebraska



## INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

The Women's Auxiliary of the First Free Will Baptist Church in Monett met July 14th at the church for installation of new officers for the coming year. Mrs. Marjorie Hultgren was in charge of the service in which each officer represented some country where there are missionaries.

Each officer wore a costume from her assigned country and as each one was called forward she carried an article from the country and displayed it on a table. The group joined in singing "Send The Light," followed in prayer by Mrs. Faye Hilton.

Officers and their countries were Mrs. Doris Weston, president, the United States; Mrs. Mary Hill, vice-president, Mexico; Mrs. Joe Davis, secretary-treasurer, Brazil; Mrs. Pauline Shrum, Study Course Chairman, Hawaii; Mrs. Dortha Roller, benevolence chairman, Japan; and Mrs. Jo Ann Thomas, program prayer chairman, India.

After each officer was told of her duties the group joined hands around the display table and repeated a pledge together. The remaining auxiliary members were asked to join the group around the altar in prayer with Mrs. Dortha Roller leading.

After installation services the new president called the meeting to order by

the group singing, "Make Me A Channel Of Blessing." Mrs. Lorraine Wallen read scripture from Acts 9:36-42. Minutes and treasurer's report were read, with old and new business being taken care of. The lesson was entitled "A Compelling Witness." Topics were given by Mrs. Ed Jones, Mrs. Pauline Shrum and Mrs. Joe Davis. Each brought out the thought that only through love can we be a faithful witness.

The group was dismissed in prayer by Mrs. Tommy Carlson. One new member, Mrs. Elnor Medlin, was welcomed.

Mrs. Joe Davis

Corresponding Secretary

## \$63.00 TO STATE PROJECT

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Thayer Free Will Baptist Church met on August 10th with 17 members present and several visitors. For our opening hymn we sang "We'll Work Till Jesus Comes." Prayer by Sister Jo Pingleton. The President read scripture from Acts 16:11-15; 40. Then business session was held with all officers reports given and approved.

Several months ago our Treasurer gave out dime wrappers to the ladies to save 30 dimes each to be turned in at the end of June. She reported that 21 ladies of the Auxiliary turned in their \$3.00 each making \$63.00. The money is for the State Project of "Pay and Pave the Way" for Bro. and Sis. Carlisle Hanna, missionaries in India.

Several members are planning to attend the State Woman's Auxiliary Convention at Monett, Missouri.

Sister Jo Pingleton reported to the Auxiliary on the Missionary that attended the National Association.

The program prayer chairman had the program well planned with a special song by Ruby Johnson and Christeen Case and then the lesson, "A Career For Christ". We were adjourned by prayer.

After our meeting the Auxiliary honored Elda Mae Grooms with a bridal shower. She received many nice gifts.

Gay Combs

Corresponding Secretary

# SEPTEMBER CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MONTH 1965



The Woman's Auxiliary of the Neosho Free Will Baptist Church met at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Charles Black on July 20, 1965 at Goodman, Mo., with five members and three visitors present.

Our next meeting will be held August 17, 1965 in Fellowship Hall at the church with the entire church invited to attend. A covered dish supper will be at 6:00 p.m., sponsored by Woman's Auxiliary.

## PROJECT

The First Free Will Baptist Auxiliary, Lebanon, Mo., met August 6th with 16 members and five visitors present. Meeting was called to order by Sue Cook, president.

The group then took up business and was decided to sell all-occasion cards as next project. The ice cream social held in July was a great success and we give thanks to our good Lord for this.

The lesson introduction and devotional from Acts 16:11-15; 40, was given by Naomi Hefton. Mrs. Betty Moore, who is a school teacher, then gave a very interesting talk on a career girl and her Christian life. She pointed out how her life, as ours as housewives, has to be pure, prayerful, truthful, and when to speak for Christ and when silence pays off.

The lesson topics were given by Sybil Agan - 1. "Housewife"; Elvis Braboy - 2. A Woman's Home and Her Hands; Jean Bowman - 3. Career Girl; Henrietta Garrett - 4. A Woman's Heart and Mind.

The meeting was dismissed and the blessing asked on refreshments by Mrs. Farron Jones.

Refreshments were served by Jean Bowman, Judy Arnold, and Marilyn Allen. I would also like to make a correction on last months refreshment committee - they were Sybil Agan, Virginia Brashear, Elvin Braboy.

Dorothy Brawley  
Corresponding Secretary

## DISTRICT MEETING

The St. Francois Co. Woman's Auxiliary District Meeting was Monday evening, July 19, at the First Free Will Baptist Church, Flat River. President Norma Williams directed the meeting.

The devotion, "Tasks for 1965" was by Jerry Wilfong. The WNAC report was given by Peggy Giunta, followed with a special prayer session for the missionaries.

The reports were read by the secretary Jean Blakeley. Five delegates were appointed to attend the state association and September, 1965

they were Peggy Giunta of Leadington, Agnes Terry of Parkview, Rachael Milburn of Fellowship, Verna Malone of Fellowship and Jean Blakeley of First Church.

The project for the next three months was selected and will be the Home at Eldridge, Alabama.

The installation of officers was by Verna Malone. Each officer came to the front and was presented her challenge in her office and a prayer card as a reminder of her position. The prayer of dedication and benediction was by Mildred Hilderbrand.

Refreshments were served by the host church.

## VICE-PRESIDENT HONORED

The August meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of the First Free Will Baptist Church, Flat River, was highlighted with the program "A Career For Christ." After prayer the hymn, "His Way With Thee," was sung.

Mrs. Jane Norris, vice president of the auxiliary, was honored with a hankie shower by the members of the auxiliary and was also presented a lovely earring and necklace set by the auxiliary. The Rev. and Mrs. Norris will be leaving the pastorate of the First Church.

Jean Blakeley, Secretary

## GIFT TO MISSIONARY WADE JERIGAN

The Ladies of the West Plains Free Will Baptist Church Auxiliary met August 2nd for our regular meeting, with 10 members present.

Opening song, "Trust and Obey". Vice President Addie Adkisson had charge of the meeting reading scripture Acts 6:11-15; 40.

Corresponding Secretary reported she had written five letters and sent cards to the sick, made posters, called the radio and daily paper to advertise our V.B.S. and auxiliary meeting date. She had mailed \$3.79 worth of coupons to the Children's Home. Other officers gave good reports.

Due to the closing of our V.B.S. our ice cream social was reset for Aug. 14.

Our V.B.S. was a great success. We averaged 99 for the 10 days. The Auxiliary ladies were faithful help through all the school.

It was voted to send \$10.00 to our Home Missionary, the Rev. Wade Jerigan. Our lesson, "Career for Christ", was a good lesson showing we women we can help and work for Christ any place

our work may be.

After the discussion of the lesson we were dismissed by Tula Johnson.

Pray much for our auxiliary that more people will join in and help us carry on a small work for our church for the cause of Christ.

Hattie Sims  
Corresponding Secretary

Ladies Mission met at church for the monthly meeting August 2nd. Opening song, "There Is A Name I Love To Hear". Prayer by Betty Neese. Scripture read by President, Isaiah 12th chapter. Eleven members present and one visitor answering roll call with scripture verses.

Song, "When The Mist Have Rolled Away". Prayer by Nellie Rosnic. Topic I, Asking Righteousness, I John 3:23, by Edna Moore. Topic II, Pray and Pray In Love, I John 3:23; by Bobby Cowley; Topic III, Ask In Faith, Mark 11:24; Rom. 14:18-21; I Thess. 5:17; Luke 21:36; I Tim. 2:8, by Pearl Sirclum. The Habit of Prayer, Mark 1:32-39.

Dismissed by singing the Doxology.

Parkview, Desloge  
Mission Reporter  
Hazel Winfrey  
Flat River, Missouri

## YOUNG WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

The Young Women's Auxiliary of the Verdella Free Will Baptist Church met August 5th at the home of Stella and Gene Fast. The older Women's Auxiliary was invited as guests.

The lesson, "Career For Christ", was studied, followed by prayer. Doris Whitson read the scripture, Acts 16:11-15. The minutes from the last meeting were read by Stella Fast.

All of the members were present at the meeting.

Some of the ladies plan to go to the State Association at Monett for the Auxiliary program and to hear Dr. and Mrs. Milley.

Margaret Walker

From the Desk of the Editor:

Please let us know when you are going to move. It costs us ten cents for each paper that is returned to us. Also, we will have to have ZIP Code numbers on all new subscriptions. Remember, let us know when you move.



# Reports of the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

The National Association was one of the most thrilling experiences for me this summer. Most persons that I have talked with in regards to this meeting say that this ranks as one of the greatest. I will not attempt to tell everything that went on but just hit the highlights and then you may read the reports in full that follows.

On Wednesday night, Dr. LaVerne Miley, from Africa spoke to a capacity crowd of almost 3,000 Free Will Baptists. At the close of the services a number of young people responded to the altar call. An offering was taken that amounted to approximately \$2,800.00.

The 1966 budget was adopted which amounted to \$1,306,307.55. The breakdown on the Co-operative percentages are the same as last year.

The other speakers who did a tremendous job were Malcom Fry, Robert Picirilli and Henry Van Kluyve. All of the messages were soul-stirring.

A \$3,000,000.00 building program was adopted for our Free Will Baptist Bible College.

The officers elected for the coming year are: Moderator, Dr. Robert C. Picirilli; Assistant Moderator, Wayne Smith; Clerk, Malcom Fry; and Assistant Clerk, John Floyd, Jr.



Rev. Wm. Hill, presiding over one of the services.

## REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

"And all things are of God, who hath reconciled us to Himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation" (II Corinthians 5:18).

This year, perhaps as never before, we have sensed the urgency of our ministry as we seek to be instruments of God by which He reconciles men unto Himself. It has been a privilege for me to serve this year as Executive Secretary and I wish to express my sincere appreciation for the support which you have given to us in the work of the Executive Department as well as the other departments of our work. We trust that through our mutual endeavor there have been many who have come into a right relationship to

God through Jesus Christ as Saviour.

Promotion: Travel over the states and attendance at various meetings of interest to our denomination has occupied a large portion of my time in the past year. It is evident that more and more people are becoming aware of our denomination and the work which we are doing for the Lord. I have found that the area meetings for pastors continued to be an excellent means of sharing first hand information as well as problems at the grass-roots. It is my intention to have more of these meetings in the future.

In March, 1965, we held our second meeting in Nashville for the Promotional Secretaries or Moderators of our various states. This meeting was well attended and was a fitting continuation of our first meeting the previous year. We are planning another such meeting in 1966.

Due to other duties, we have not been able to continue the monthly news service. It is our intention to revive this activity, however, and we hope that we will have sufficient resources to make it possible.

Our office has also been involved in securing a group ruling from Internal Revenue Service in order to protect all of our member churches and organizations. As of this writing we have not received a reply from IRS, but we do expect to be able to make an announcement at the annual convention.

Department Ministries: In the past year our book store has changed its name and location. Our store is now Randall Book Store and is located in the new National Office Building. As result of this move, we have a larger stock and selection. Catalogues have been mailed to all churches. We hope that you will give us your business and will write to us about any book store needs that you have. We are also able to supply you with church furniture, tables and chairs.

Through Executive Church Bonds, Inc., we have helped churches finance new building programs. We believe that we have an excellent program, competitive in price, and would welcome the opportunity to present this program to your congregation.

New Building: Just at the time of the convention last year we had broken ground for our new building. Now, one year later, we have just finished and occupied these facilities. We started our move on May 24 and about one month later was fairly well settled. At this writing we have not been able to close the loan on the building, but a detailed financial report has been prepared for the General

Board.

Needless to say, this project has consumed much of my time in the past year. An undetermined number of decisions had to be made and endless details cared for. We are happy to report that we feel we have excellent facilities for the investment made and that these facilities are a credit to our work.

One important and imperative item yet remains. We still must raise \$20,000 to purchase the additional two acres of land which we have under option. This option will expire on September 24, 1966. You will be hearing more about this in the months ahead and I trust that



Part of the group of approximately 35 missionaries that attended the National Association.

you will determine now to help us in a tangible way and pray with us until victory comes in respect to this need.

Our Stewardship: Denominational giving last year was \$592,797.35 for all national causes. (This does not include income from sales.) A six year comparison follows:

1959 ---	\$329,810.87
1960 ---	\$353,409.00
1961 ---	\$413,127.00
1962 ---	\$432,451.85
1963 ---	\$507,094.14
1964 ---	\$593,697.35

Of the total denominational giving, \$73,668.76 was given through the Co-operative Plan of Support. We are grateful for this increase in Cooperative receipts which is another all-time record for a one year period. Here is our Co-operative giving for the past six years:

1959 ---	\$43,839.69
1960 ---	\$47,291.44
1961 ---	\$49,706.10
1962 ---	\$57,075.52
1963 ---	\$63,082.56
1964 ---	\$73,668.76

The following table gives the actual gifts of our people to National Association ministries over a span of four years.

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Year	1961	1962	1963	1964
Foreign Missions	\$216,016.04	\$239,909.78	\$289,845.38	\$343,783.60
Home Missions	79,778.76	92,604.89	105,855.92	117,397.81
Bible College	97,369.00	83,754.00	85,528.43	102,512.20
Executive Dept.	13,469.00	14,930.00	13,645.04	16,169.97
Sunday School	3,594.00	4,385.00		
Church Training				
Service	10,675.00	8,522.00	9,168.38	
Superannuation	4,459.00	3,421.00	3,050.99	

#### BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS REPORT - 1964

"Ye are my witnesses." - Jesus Christ

The world is an arena. We are engaged in spiritual conflict, and no seats are provided for spectators in our foreign mission program.

In 1964, many more Free Will Baptists joined us with prayer and financial support. Receipts for the year reached an all-time high. We received \$367,-034.06, an increase of \$57,188.68 over 1963.

Twelve new missionaries arrived on their fields in 1964.

Brazil: Louis and Florine Coscia, Jim and Shirley Combs, Walter and Marcia Ellison, Don and Carol Robirds; Ivory Coast: Archie and Sarah Mayhew; Panama: Bill and Barbara Phipps.

Our department not only has a ministry abroad but also to our people at home whom we serve. The Reverend Rufus Coffey, director of conference ministries, arranged 49 missionary conferences in churches across the country, numerous itinerary services for missionaries and appointees, and attended several state and district conventions. Mr. Coffey says, "Every conference and each missions service is a new and thrilling experience. As Paul wrote to Timothy, 'I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who hath enabled me, for that he counted me faithful, putting me into this ministry.' I am fully convinced that the reason we have so many unreached souls in the regions beyond is because we have so many unreached pastors, churches, and Christians here at home. The most effective way to enlist the support of these noninvolved people is through more missionary services and a follow-up through literature to keep them informed."

Our Informational Services Division is under the direction of the Reverend Jerry Ballard. Heartbeat circulation has reached the 35,000 mark giving us a projected readership of more than 100,000. We believe we are reaching into 30,000 different Free Will Baptist homes.

Through our Audio-Visual Division several missionary films and filmstrips are available. The filmstrips are our own  
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productions, and later this year a teen evangelism film shot in Brazil will be released.

An extensive survey of literature evangelism was made by Mr. Ballard on his tour of mission fields. He found an appalling lack of evangelistic materials. We have personnel and financial limitations complicating the pressing problems of distribution procedures. Our Spanish publication *Impacto*, a similar production in Portuguese, a youth magazine, *Tam-Tam* in French for Africa, Sunday School curriculum materials for India and other related materials make up our foreign literature ministry.

Contrary to circulated reports from ill-advised sources, none of our Free Will Baptist churches have been closed in Cuba. There is still a strong fellowship between the pastors and their people. The property is still controlled by the Cuban Association of Free Will Baptist Churches. There are restrictions on the activities of the church, the pastors and families suffer intimidations and no Bibles or Christian literature can be sent into Cuba. But God is still at work, and souls are being saved.

Suggested State Quotas for 1966 for Foreign Missions for Missouri - \$24,-250.00.

#### RECEIPTS BY YEARS FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS

1960 --	\$192,140.06
1961 --	216,016.04
1962 --	239,909.78
1963 --	289,845.38
1964 --	347,034.06

#### BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS CHURCH EXTENSION Report for 1964

Since our last report to the National Association, the following men and women have been appointed to serve in the home missionary and church extension ministry:

Rev. Richard Shade, Kansas  
Mrs. Richard Shade, Kansas  
Rev. Roger Harwell, Colorado  
Mrs. Barbara Harwell, Colorado  
Rev. Lonnie Rolen, New Mexico  
Mrs. June Rolen, New Mexico



Rev. Eugene Waddell leading the congregation in singing.

Rev. Lloyd Plunkett, Washington  
Mrs. Betty Plunkett, Washington

Income for the year 1964 was \$120,054.69, an increase of \$14,-198.77 over the previous year.

Our board has been able to launch into a "loan program" for new churches in a very limited way. This is a much needed ministry and we hope to advance in this field of endeavor this year.

Thousands of pieces of missionary literature have been mailed from the office, and approximately 34,000 copies of MISSION-GRAMS go out at each printing.

Receipts have been good from the WNAC, and a word of praise is in order for Mrs. Paul Purcell in her great efforts for making November so successful as National Home Missions month. The receipts for the Co-operative Plan have also increased during the past year. Seven states exceeded their suggested quotas for 1964: Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Maine, Michigan, Oklahoma, and Tennessee.

Twenty-two new churches were reported the first five months of this year, organized in several states.

We ask you to take notice of our new address which is P. O. Box 1088, Nashville, Tennessee 37202, and the new telephone number which is 244-3470, area code 615.

Suggested State Quotas for 1966 for Home Missions for Missouri - \$10,-000.00.



Dr. L. Miley speaking on Wednesday night.

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

The Sunday School Department has enjoyed a highly successful year. Sales for the year zoomed to the excess of \$175,000.00. Due to increases both  
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# GLEANINGS

## FROM THE FIELD

### WELCOME FOR MILEY'S

The Northeast Missouri Association youth sponsored a surprise welcome for the Dr. Lavern Miley family, missionaries to the Ivory Coast, Africa, at the Kirksville Free Will Baptist Church Saturday night, July 31.

The guests of honor were greeted by a large crowd of people outside the church who were waving banners and balloons under a huge sign which covered the church front reading "Welcome Miley's". A red carpet was rolled out to the car for them to enter upon.

The program consisted of a welcome by the Moderator of North East Missouri Association, Rev. Cletus Nichols, and Dr. Lavern and Sister Lorene gave a few words of greeting, followed by several special musical numbers.

A reception was given at the fellowship house at the close of the service. Guests were served cake, punch, nuts and mints from the lavender and gold decorated table.

A love offering was taken for the Miley's and the district youth presented Lynette with a handmade foam doll pillow for her 15th birthday.

We are so thankful to have the Miley family home again, but even more grateful for their service in the Ivory Coast and for the souls that have been reached for Christ.



### RADIO PROGRAM

Vernon Long of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Festus has a radio program, Gospel Favorites, three times each weekend on KJCF (1400 kc.) He may be heard on Saturdays at 8:00 a.m. and twice on Sunday at 7:05 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. It is a program of gospel music and he invites you who are in the listening area to listen each weekend.



### 56 ENROLL FOR SUMMER SESSION

Dear Friends in Christ:

The Aulsbury Chapel Free Will Baptist Church of Bonne Terre, Route One, was host to the St. Francois County Quarterly Meeting on Saturday, July 24th. Reverend Tom Malone of the Fellowship Church presented the message for the Friday night service and Reverend James Barker of the Hurryville Church brought the message during the Saturday service. A bountiful meal was served at the noon hour by the ladies of the host church and everyone enjoyed a day of good fellowship. There was a business meeting following the noon meal. Officers elected for the coming year were Rev. Grover Terry of the Desloge Church as Moderator, Rev. Frank Giunta of Leadington Church as Clerk, Rev. Tom Malone of Fellowship Church as Assistant Moderator and Bro. Edward Varney of the Cuba Church as Assistant Clerk. Our next meeting will be held November 5th and 6th at the Cuba Free Will Baptist Church, Cuba, Mo.

We welcome Mr. and Mrs. Lester Ames and daughter, Marjorie, who just recently became members of our church.

Doris Waller, Church Reporter  
Rev. Dean Burpo, Pastor

### INDIAN CREEK ASSOCIATION

The Indian Creek Association met at the First Free Will Baptist Church August 3-5 for the 53rd annual session. Bro. Rufus Coffey delivered the keynote message and challenged our hearts to the cause of missions.

One item of business that was of great interest was an item from the business committee on the matter of checking into the possibilities of starting a church in the city of Carthage, Mo.

The officers for the coming year are: Rev. Ted Davis, Joplin, Moderator; Rev. Bud Hill, Monett, Assistant Moderator; Mrs. Claude Hutchins, Joplin, Clerk; Mrs. Orlie Phillips, Monett, Assistant Clerk. The host pastor was Rev. Ted Davis.



## PASTOR RESIGNS AT FARMINGTON

The pastor, Everett D. Hellard, and his family will be leaving the church before too long, no later than sixty days from now.

The church will need to be in prayer concerning a replacement for the pastor and his family.

## GUEST SPEAKER

The First Free Will Baptist Church of Berkeley City, Mo. recently had as their guest speaker, Mr. Edward Huitt, principal of the Berkeley Junior High School. Mr. Huitt was principal of the Junior High at Lebanon, Missouri for 17 years and has been with the Berkeley Jr. High for four years. He is a member of the First Baptist Church in Ferguson and Superintendent of the Intermediate Department.

The service was enjoyed by all.

## STATE MEETING

Reports and pictures of our State Meeting which convened at Monett, Mo. August 16-19 will be in next month's issue of the Gem.

Richwoods, Mo.  
July 21, 1965

Dear Co-Workers:

We come to you with greetings and thankful hearts in the name of our blessed Lord Jesus.

Our dear Lord has been blessing us with showers of blessing and our hearts are rejoicing in Him.

On May 1 we gave our Annual Bake and Rummage Sale. The benefits were used for our Vacation Bible School. We made \$117.00 at this sale.

On June 7 we began our school with 47 enrolled. The dear Lord was with us each day as we gathered at the church to study His blessed word. The theme of the lessons were "Jesus The Prince of Peace" and "Answering God's Call." We all studied hard and learned well. Our supervisor was Sister Vannay. But she became very ill and wasn't able to be with us after the third day. The dear Lord is always ready to lend a helping hand and supplied our need. Our little church has faithful and willing workers. Praise His name.

We closed our school on Friday night with a program. Each class presented their own part of the program. The children all did real well and we enjoyed doing the work of the Lord.

On Saturday, June 12, we held our annual Sunday School picnic at Washington State Park with 50 attending. We were rained on around two o'clock and some were soaked, but we can say we had a good time in the Lord.

On June 20th our church sent 13 of our boys and girls and three adults to attend the Pre-teen Camp session. This writer attended and I can truly say it was wonderful. The Lord blessed in every part of the session. One of our girls was saved and we were made to rejoice. You who have never attended a camp session have missed blessings and you don't realize what the youth camp really means to our youth. Try to attend and find out.

The Lord has been blessing us in our services the past few weeks. We have witnessed eight souls saved, nine baptized and eight added to the church. Our little church is growing and God is blessing our feeble efforts.

We thank God for our young people. We have a nice group of talented young people, always ready to do the Lord's work.

We thank the Lord for our faithful pastor and his family. They have been faithful to the church and the Lord's work in this September, 1965

community.

We are looking for our blessed Lord to make His return to earth again soon. "Let us work while it is yet day. The night cometh when no man can work." Let us be about our blessed heavenly Father's business. We have but a short time left to gather in the golden grain. The fields are white already to harvest. Pray the Lord of Harvest will send laborers into His fields.

God bless all our dear friends  
Pray for us.

In Christian love,  
Sophia Ackerson, Reporter

P. S. We are planning for our Homecoming to be on September 5. We will have all day services. Everybody welcome. Come worship with us and receive a blessing.

Dear Friends of the Gem,

There is a little matter I wish to write to you about, to see if I can solicit your aid in my cause. Now, I am not in this letter trying in any way to influence you to quit attending all of the services of your church, just as long as you don't get up in time to come to Sunday School. I visited your Sunday School last Sunday and I was overjoyed to see that so many of you had not come. I heard some lessons that were not very well prepared, and some teachers reported that they had made no visits or contacts for the week. All this made my heart leap for joy.

I was thrilled, so thrilled, last Sunday when I saw so many people walk away after Sunday School taking with them their wives, husbands, and children from the morning worship service. I always tremble when they attend the preaching service, because there they get food for their souls, and souls find Christ as Saviour. It always helps me to get in my Sunday punch when folks stay away from the Sunday services. It will help me, beyond measure, if you will skip the Sunday evening services. Many church members across the nation have already taken my suggestion, and I am proud to report that hundreds of churches are dark each Sunday night as a result of their co-operation.

It used to be that Christians all seemed to feel that they ought to be in the Sunday evening services, but gradually I have been able to get them around to my way of thinking. Once a day ought to be enough for anyone. I can recall the days when the greatest evangelistic services in the churches were held on Sunday evenings. People would bring in their unsaved friends, and many were brought to Christ. Naturally I never did approve of such things, I need not tell you that I have been able to change that situation in most places.

Then too, I laughed with glee when I saw how many failed to give their tithes and offering last Sunday. I like to see the Pastor and Treasurer worry about church finances. I am writing this as a personal letter to beg you to stay away from Church and to please withhold your financial support. It makes my work much easier.

It makes me very happy to report that the prayer service has been failing in health for the past several months, gradually wasting away she will soon be rendered helpless by stiffness of knees, coldness of heart, inactivity and weakness of purpose and will power. Her fading words are inquiries concerning the absence of her loved ones, now busy in places of the world.

Thanking you for whatever cooperation you may have already given me in this matter, and assuring you of my deepest appreciation for your assistance in the future, and hoping to have you with me real soon - in the place I am saving for each and every one of you who cooperate with me.

I remain your Adversary  
Satan



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First FWB Ch., Fredericktown.....	20.00
Faith FWB Wom. Aux. & Masters Men, Lemay.....	15.00
Richwoods FWB Ch. ....	10.00
First FWB Ch., Berkeley City Mr. & Mrs. Clayton Ramsey, Farmington .....	10.28
Mrs. Anna Lincoln, Flat River .....	1.00
Mr. R. W. Greer, Farmington.	1.00
Mr. Bruce Pressley, Springfield	3.00
Pleasant Home FWB Ch., Vanzant .....	5.00
Leadington FWB Ch. ....	12.00
Mrs. Marguerite Darnell, Fredericktown .....	5.50
Mrs. Philip Fry, Mountain Grove .....	1.00
Mr. Bill Haynes, Joplin ....	1.00
Mrs. Floyd Luney, Cassville.	1.00
Mr. Ronald Barr, St. Louis ..	1.00
Festus First FWB Ch. ....	5.00
Overland FWB Ch. ....	75.00
Fellowship FWB Church, Flat River .....	10.00

Total Receipts .....\$395.48

#### INTERNAL REVENUE ISSUES RULING ON SOCIAL SECURITY FOR MINISTERS

Washington, D. C. (MNS) - Revenue Ruling 65-124, announced here recently, deals with the position of certain licensed and commissioned ministers with regard to rental value of parsonages and Social Security coverage under the Self-Employment Contributions Act.

The ruling says nothing new regarding regularly ordained ministers. It addresses itself to the status of commissioned and licensed persons in churches which ALSO ordain ministers.

Internal Revenue Bulletin 1965-19 (May 10) states the ruling as follows:

Unordained members of a religious denomination which provides for ordination of ministers, who are commissioned by a church or a related religious organization without investing them with the authority of ordained ministers, do not qualify as ministers of the gospel for purposes of section 107 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954.

Further, such individuals may not be regarded as "duly ordained, commissioned, or licensed ministers of a church" for purposes of section 3121 (b) (8) (A) of the Federal Insurance Contributions Act, section 1402 (e) of the Self-Employment Contributions Act, as amended, or section 3401

(a) (9) of the Code relating to the Collection of Income Tax at the Source of Wages (26 CFR 1.107-1: Rental Value of Parsonages. Rev. Rul. 64-124. Also sections 1402, 3121, 3401; 1.1402 (a)--11, 31.3121 (b) (8)-1, 31.2401 (1) (9)-1.)

"This ruling grew out of a situation where regular ordination was practiced, giving ministerial status to those meeting the requirements for ordination," said Rev. Wade T. Coggins, assistant executive secretary of the Evangelical Foreign Missions Association, when asked to comment on the ruling. "In the same organization there were Ministers of Music and Ministers of Education, lay pastors, and administrative personnel who had been 'commissioned' to their sphere of service. The commissioned personnel did not have authority to 'perform sacerdotal functions' in the same way as the ordained ministers."

It is believed, Mr. Coggins indicated, that this ruling will become a guide-line for making decisions about the status of commissioned and licensed personnel in other organizations.

Asked what missions and churches should do in view of the ruling, Mr. Coggins suggested that each should study its own situation carefully, with the help of a tax lawyer if possible.

If the church or mission practice provides for commissioning or licensing which does not establish a status equivalent to ordination, the ruling may very well apply, and a careful study should be made of the problem. Missions and churches are advised to seek the help of tax specialists before changing their present arrangement.

It should be noted that commissioned and licensed persons are not excluded when they are recognized by the church to be "fully qualified to exercise all the ecclesiastical duties" of a minister in their church. The Internal Revenue Bulletin elaborates on this as follows:

In cases where a church or church denomination ordains some ministers of the gospel and licenses or commissions other ministers, in every respect the licensing or commissioning of an individual as a minister of the gospel must establish a status that is the equivalent of ordination and is so recognized by the church. That is, the individual, upon being licensed or commissioned, must be invested with the status of authority of an ordained minister, fully qualified to exercise all the ecclesiastical duties of such a minister in his denomination.

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bolical lies of Communism, or the truth of the Word of God? Our answer here will determine the answer to the question—Can we win the human race?

The Board of Foreign Missions joins with other agencies involved in world evangelism in the recognition that literature is the most effective means available to multiply the efforts of missionaries seeking the souls of men. And the board has taken definite steps to help meet the pressing need for evangelistic literature.

This month sees the inauguration of Impacto, a two-color, 24 page, 8 1/2" x 11" quarterly magazine in Spanish. The publication is geared to an evangelistic Bible study format featuring 13 consecutive studies on a selected Book of the Bible. Evangelistic articles geared to Latin American life complete the format. Edited by Benito Rodriguez, it will be used in Spanish-speaking Free Will Baptist fields throughout Latin America and the United States.

Stepped up production of evangelistic and new convert materials in Spanish and Portuguese is in progress. Tracts in French for use in the Ivory Coast are on the drawing board. A Portuguese version of Impacto is scheduled for release this time next year. A doctrinal book in Spanish and Portuguese is also planned.

During October, Protestant Press Month, Free Will Baptists are called upon to share in the expanded literature ministry of the Board of Foreign Missions. A special gift at this time and a covenant for regular prayer and support will be great encouragement to those involved in this strategic ministry.

Your help does make a difference. And everyone can do something. May God lead you clearly in the share He wants you to have in the task of winning our generation to Christ. We can win the human race . . . if you are willing!

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in the cost of production and our ministries we operated with a deficit for 1964. This does not mean that we are operating in the red for our excess of 1963 was more than enough to cover the deficit. We are showing a margin of profit in 1965 thus far. This has been accomplished without curtailing our present ministries.

#### Literature

In 1964 we introduced our Teen Quarterly and the Teen Teacher. We began publishing our own workbooks. We also introduced Teach N Train Magazine. Our new curriculum will begin on three levels -- Preschool, Primary and Junior in the first quarter of 1966. The list of our own products will grow longer.

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## Teacher Training

Reverend Harrold Harrison heads up this phase of our service. In 1964 Reverend Harrison and I conducted a total of thirty-one Sunday School Institutes. Together we traveled over 60,000 miles in Sunday School Promotion. The Institutes were held in fifteen states. A total of 937 enrolled and 540 certificates were issued. We now offer a Teacher Training Program by correspondence. We have continued to work with the Church Training Service Department in Teach N Train Rallies.

## Promotion

### 300 Club

We now have 16 churches in our 300 Club. This represents approximately 6,000 in Sunday School.

Sunday School Superintendent of the Year

Mr. Hubert Harral was named Superintendent of the year for 1964. He is Superintendent of the Sunday School at the First Free Will Baptist Church of Mountain Grove, Missouri. A 1965 Superintendent of the Year will be named in the fall.

### Fall Enlargement Campaign

Beginning with the first Sunday in October the department will sponsor a fall enlargement campaign under the theme "Families For Christ." Ask about this.



## BOARD OF CHURCH TRAINING SERVICE

The Board of Church Training Service is pleased to make its first annual report to the National Association of Free Will Baptists. The CTS department is successor to the former League Board. During the first year of operation under the new banner, many improvements have been made in the total program of training for youth and adults.

It is significant that for the first time in several years this area of our national work is operating without the weight of a fund deficit. Sales of literature and supplies have grown steadily during the past year and continue to provide more of the operating budget. At the end of 1965 the monthly contribution from the Sunday School department will be terminated. The CTS department is grateful for the assistance from the Sunday School during an important transitional period. Other sources of income which include ten percent of co-operative gifts, direct gifts from churches, and honorariums will be used to supplement income from sales.

Many changes are being made in the youth and training program as additional study is given to meeting the needs of

each church. It has been necessary to make changes even in some of the materials which have recently been published. Your cooperation in helping the staff develop a sound program is greatly appreciated. You have helped by being patient in waiting for materials to be produced. You have helped by offering suggestions which have been followed in an attempt to develop a workable solution to the problem of challenging and training our youth and adults.

As the changes are made in the various programs for the different groups in CTS they will be explained in the manuals and other appropriate publications. Announcements of changes and the availability of new items appear in CONTACT regularly. Whenever you need additional information, you should write immediately

to the national CTS office.

The Church Training Service annual cycle will run from October 1 to September 30 of each year. Promotional and award sessions should be planned to coordinate with these dates. In order to set up a systematic program for competitive activities among the young people, the national office recommends that all local winners be selected by the end of the Fall quarter, Oct., Nov., and Dec. It is further suggested that the district association select its winners by the end of the Winter quarter, Jan., Feb., and Mar.; and that the state association select its winners by the end of the Spring quarter, Apr., May, and June. The national competition will be held during the Summer quarter in conjunction with the National Association.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL AVERAGES FOR 1965

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May	June	July	August	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.
Fellowship, Flat River	162	169	186	178	182	194	171				
First Ch., Festus			43	48	45						
Farmington	104	100	111	122	108		96				
Liberty-Phillipsburg	69	51	65	72							
Berkeley City	288	309	355	321							
Richwoods	42	44	42	51	53	50					
Kirkville	90	94	103	107	120	123	117				
Grant Ave., Springfield	164	181	180	208	182	199					
Hazel Creek											
Mine LaMotte	34	33	35	37	39	34	37				
First, Flat River		110	100	112							
Overland Church	145	156	187	190	169	155	139				
First, Mtn. Grove	318	329		348	325						
Desloge	102	113	112	116	115	110	111				
Mill Creek, Fredericktown	58	45	62	66							
Union Light	96	116	110	131	107	114	106				
First, Springfield	189	183	187	229	188	171	166				
Sunnyview Church	58	67	63	79	65						
Central, Kansas City	108	93	95	122	122	109					
Hannon	59	60	63	62	60	68	67				
First, Monett	131	131	139	137	138	123	117				
Garfield-Couch	43	37	44	52	47	51					
Leadington	77	95	100	114	90	105	87				
First, Fredericktown											
Copper Mines	81	72	89	101	87	76	79				
Meramec Hgts., Valley Pk.	43	40	35	30							
Fourth Ch., St. Louis											
Twin Oaks Church	49	55	65	74	60	64					
West Plains	201	199	191	209	190	198	187				
Olivet Church, Marshall				28							
Southside	184	194	209								
First, Lebanon	90	100	97	97	116	106	94				
Myrtle Church											
Mt. Pisgah											
Joplin	83	84	91	101	106						
Grace Church	149	153	183	162	143	150					
Salem		38	37	42	35	38					
Thayer Church	130	135	162	155	135	121					
Alton Church											
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# THE WORLD'S GREATEST NEED

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Psalms 85:6 "Wilt thou not revive us again: that thy people may rejoice in thee?" There is a good deal of talk today of the greatest need, and lingering in the mind of our own people. I mean the American people. Some say we need the atomic bomb, some say we need to send a man to the moon, some say the greatest need is more education and others say more money. No doubt some of these things and maybe all of them are needed. But I say the greatest thing this world needs is a God sent Holy Ghost Revival. Such a revival is needed at home and abroad. "Go ye therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world." Matthew 28:19-20. This is the last and greatest commission of our Lord and needs to be carried out by the church.

First of all, this revival is needed in the church, the church needs revived. I have been in the ministry for 35 years and I have never, no never, seen the churches so badly in need of a revival as in this day in which we live. What we need is to do away with our ideals and this formality and get our altars back in the church and gather around it in an old fashioned way and get on our knees and become humble and have our hearts and voices lifted to God in prayer so that our faith can be increased in God and receive some power in the church. "God resisteth the proud but giveth grace to the humble. Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you. Draw nigh to God and he will draw nigh to you. Cleanse your hands, ye sinners; and purify your hearts, ye double minded. Be afflicted and mourn and weep: let your laughter be turned to mourning, and your joy to heaviness. Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and he shall lift you up." James 4:6-10.

Too many of our church members are living in a backsliden condition, having little or no interest in the church. The churches as a whole need a filling of the Holy Spirit as the early church. Acts 2:4, We need preachers like the Apostle Peter that rebuke sin and not compromise with it. Acts 3:12-16.

Second, this revival is needed to save the unsaved church members. You may say that we should not judge but we shall be able to know a Christian. Ye shall know them by their fruits.

Matthew 7:16. Paul said in II Corinthians 5:17 "Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things have passed away; behold, all things are become new." This is the evidence of salvation. He or she is a different person. They do not love sin and unrighteousness. They do not fellowship with works of darkness. "For the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness and righteousness and truth; proving what is acceptable unto the Lord. And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them. I Ephesians 5:9-11. Our duty as Christians is not to partake of sin but to show the wrong in it and take a stand against it.

Third, why this revival is needed because of so many people living in sin; fathers, mothers, children that never attend the house of God unless there is a funeral, wedding, or some kind of social, then they don't go to church to worship God. "Ye are epistle written in our hearts, known and read of all men:" II Corinthians 3:2. We, as Christians, should so live that the unsaved could see Christ in us. Jesus said, "Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost his savor, wherewith shall it be salted? It is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden underfoot of men." Matt. 5:13. In other words, if we have lost our influence with the unsaved by partaking of sin how do we expect to win them to Christ. Jesus also said, Matt. 5:16 "Let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works and glorify your father which is in heaven." So it is how we act and do, that glorifies God and brings people to Christ.

Fourth, the last reason we need a worldwide revival is because Jesus will soon appear. Our Lord says in Matthew 24: 37-39, "But as the days of Noe were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be." I do not know the day or hour that Christ will come, but I know He is coming and we also know the people are doing the same thing they did in the days of Noah. Jesus went on to say, "For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark. And knew not until the flood came and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be." So let us keep ourselves "in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life" and pray that such a Holy Ghost, heaven sent revival will sweep our country.



## WHAT I OWE MY PASTOR

I owe him respect as the ambassador of God, sent to teach me a better way of living than the selfish, sordid existence I might be guilty of, but for his guidance. I owe him trust, that he may be free to serve the church unhampered by criticism and fault finding.

I owe my pastor the protection of kindly silence by refraining from repeating, in his presence, the slander of unkind gossip that would worry him from doing his best.

I owe him prayer, that God may make his service a blessing to everyone with whom he comes in contact.

I owe him enough of my time to help him in his work, whenever he may need me.

I owe him encouragement when vexations and annoyances make his work difficult.

I owe my pastor consideration, not to interrupt and hinder his work by financial worry.

I owe my pastor attention when I go to church, that he may not be annoyed by my inattention.

Anonymous

## I DID NOT STAY FOR CHURCH

I told my church that I did not need it; I received all the spiritual power I needed in Sunday school.

I told the minister that his work was useless; all the efforts he put into learning what God wanted said; all the work in preparing that message to make it effective; all his energy in delivering, those were of no use, at least to me.

I told my family it would be better for us to go home than to remain for the hour of worship. I told them we would receive a greater blessing by going home than to remain for the hour of worship.

I told the children in Sunday school that it is not necessary to stay for preaching in order to be a good church member. I told them by going that one hour a week is all that God needs of our time.

I told my unsaved friend that I was not interested in him finding Christ as his Saviour. I know that he will likely never be saved if he does not attend church services, but I am not particularly concerned; so I went home.

I told Christ I had heard enough of Him for one day; I did not care to hear any more about Him. I did not care to hear my pastor lift up Christ to a lost world. I did not care about having fellowship with my Christ, so I went home. - Selected

## THE WITNESS

There was a man named Saul  
Whom after conversion was Paul.  
Paul preached of one who could set you free  
Of the Christ who died at Calvary.  
The one who died for you and me.  
As I witness to my friends today  
The ones who haven't found the way  
The ones who have the need of Saul  
I remind them of the Apostle Paul.

Earl Ames  
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## THE TEN COMMANDMENTS FIRST-GRADE STYLE

1. We only got one God: not a lot of gods like rain god and a snow god and a flower god.

2. We don't say prayers to statues and things like that.  
3. We only say God's name when we talk about Him and when we say our prayers.

4. We musn't forget to go to church every Sunday unless we're sick and say a couple of extra prayers that we don't say on other days.

5. Do what your father and mother tells you to do and be nice to them.

6. We must never, ever, kill people and boys and girls and babies.

7. If you got a wife, you have to be nice and take care of her, and if you got a husband you have to be nice and take care of him.

8. We musn't steal or just take anything that's not ours.

9. Don't say bad things about people. Only good things if you know they're true.

10. We musn't wish we had what everybody else has, specially toys.

## WHEN IS A PIG NOT A PIG?

Mrs. Loyd Thomas

Once upon a time there were three little Christians who set out in the world to make their fortunes. Upon their departure from home their wise old father cautioned them, "Be sure to build good strong houses so that Big Bad Satan cannot get you".

The first little Christian went his was singing, "Who's afraid of Big Bad Satan?" Gaily he said, "I will build my house of good works". And so he did.

Shortly thereafter, along came Big Bad Satan and said, "Little Christian, little Christian, let me in!"

"No, no", replied the little Christian. "By my good works I'll win, win, win!"

"Very well" said Big Bad Satan, "I'll huff and I'll puff and I'll blow your house away". He did just what he said he would do and devoured the first little Christian, for although the upper part of this little Christians house was strong and beautiful, it didn't have a foundation.

The second little Christian set out on his journey much like the first, only he said, "I will build my house out of good moral attributes. Old Satan doesn't know how to get into houses built of good moral qualities". And so he built his house.

A few days later along came Big Bad Satan and said, "Little Christian, little Christian, let me in!"

"No, no" said the little Christian, "By my very good moral attributes, I'll win, win, win!"

"Ho, ho", laughed Big Bad Satan. "That's the easiest kind. I'll huff and I'll puff and I'll blow your house away". So taking a deep breath of temptation, he did just that and devoured the second little Christian. This little Christian's house looked fine outwardly but right in the middle there was a big black rotten spot. No one knew about it for it was hidden inside a closet.

The third little Christian started his journey singing, "Victory In Jesus". He said, "I will build my house out of faith in Jesus Christ. I will use prayer for the braces and pages of the Bible for wallpaper. It will be furnished with good works and good moral practices but it will be held together by and founded upon faith in Christ". And so he constructed his house.

Presently, along came Big Bad Satan. "Little Christian, little Christian, let me in!"

"No, no", answered the third little Christian. "By faith in Jesus Christ, I'll win, win, win!"

Everyday for years and years Big Bad Satan came and huffed and puffed at this little Christian's house, but a strange thing happened. Through the years it seemed to grow stronger and more beautiful and everyone that passed that way remarked about the wonderful light that shined out of its windows. - Vision



## WAYS TO (FIRE) YOUR MINISTER

Sit up front, smile and say "Amen" every time he says something. He will preach himself to death.

Pat him on the back and tell him what good work he is doing in the church and community. He will work himself to death.

Increase your offerings to church. He will suffer from shock.

Tell him you've decided to join the visitation committee and help win souls for the Lord. He will probably have a heart attack.

Get the whole church to band together to pray for him. He

will get so efficient that some other church will hear about him and give him a call. That will take him off your hands.

Ambassador

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