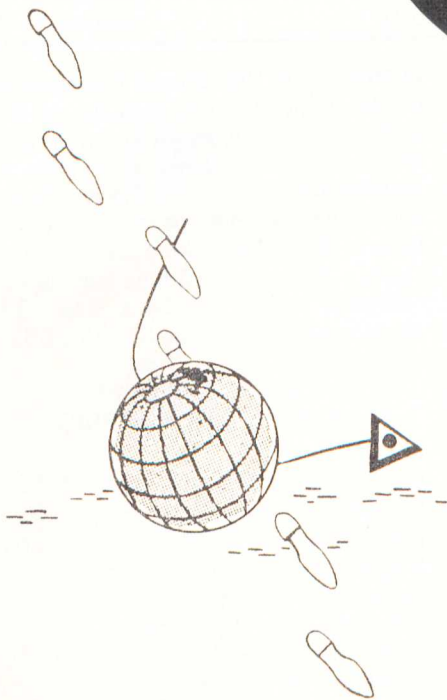


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Promotional Secretary's Corner

St. Francis County quarterly meeting assembled with the Hurryville Church Friday night November 4th & 5th. Festus pastor Jack Stalling delivered the youth rally sermon and Pastor Cliff Bowman preached 11 a.m. Saturday. Time was given for our Missouri Cooperative Program, which 100% of their churches support regularly. They launched a new Church Club Plan in this session. Sunday Nov. 6 we enjoyed a good service with Pastor Ernest Kennedy and First Flat River Church. I was privileged to deliver the 11 a.m. message. This church is moving forward. Their laymen's revival began with this service, souls were saved through their revival efforts. Sunday evening I visited Pastor Stallings and Festus First Church and delivered the sermon there. They also had a revival recently.

Wolf Creek Church near Hartville hosted the First Quarterly Meeting of Mission Association November 10th. Four ministers delivered sermons during this session. They licensed one young minister, also. This is also true in every Association in our Mo. State Association. Time was given to explain the new 1966 allocation of our Mo. Cooperative Funds. They also raised their quota for Fulcher's Travel account. Pastor Ezra Butts and Willow Springs Free Will Baptist Church invited me to deliver the message there Sunday 1 a.m. This is a good rural church. Sunday evening, Pastor Luther

Gibson invited us to share in the service and render the Cooperative Program, through which they continue to support every phase of the Lord's work and win souls at home, too. Saturday, Nov. 19 Evangelist Jack Parmore was the special speaker for our Southeast Missouri Minister's Fellowship held in Desloge Free Will Church. Lonnie Palmer, missionary on furlough from Africa, held special service with our St. Louis South Side Church Nov. 20th. South Side has supported Mrs. Palmer for six years. Bro. Bill Evans is our newly elected pastor here. Souls have been saved in regular services recently. Twin City Woman's Auxiliary used me as their pre-Thanksgiving messenger Wed. night, Nov. 23. They received good missionary response through these services. They are now worshipping in their new basement church located near highway junctions 61 and 67, Festus, Mo. The fall meeting of the General Board was held in Beacon Church, Kansas City, Nov. 29th. Reports of all the



HARRY BEATTY
Promotional Secretary

Boards and the Promotional Secretary given to the General Board indicate our entire work here in Missouri is moving forward and several good soul saving revivals were also reported. Commendations, Churches and Pastors for your cooperative contributions in November making this a real good month. Remember--Bibles and books are available at your own Book Store, 3100 Mt. Pleasant St., St. Louis, Mo. 63111.

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Carterville -----	24.00
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Hickory Grove (2 Mo.) ----	60.00
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The New VS The Old

By

William W. Evans

Pastor Southside F.W.B.C., St. Louis

As each new year begins, we hear, and make, a variety of resolutions and promises. Invariably the promise is to "be better, live better, do better than last year." However, actually carrying out these promises is a horse of another color.

I believe it is significant that we can depend on God's promises. From Genesis to Revelation we see His prophecies, His promises, His covenants made and then fulfilled. Many are yet to be fulfilled, and we can rest on the fact that they will be!

Of God's many promises and covenants that were made and fulfilled, perhaps the most vivid example could be found in the two called the Old Covenant and the New Covenant. Let's examine the two and see how blessed we are to be presently living under the new promise. My text is II Corinthians 3:6-11.

January, 1967

When Moses went up into Mount Sinai to receive the Law, God gave him that first copy on tables of stone. That copy of the Law was from the very hand of God --written by His own finger on stone. Later in history, God promised His people that there would come a time when He would make a new covenant with man (Jeremiah 31:31-33; Hebrews 8:7-13). This new covenant would be written in the heart of man. It would be a warm and vibrant covenant reaching down into and touching the heart, not a code of laws written on tables of stone.

THE OLD COVENANT-The Law

Under the law, the stress was upon keeping every jot and tittle in exactness. "For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, he is guilty of all." James 2:10. Therefore if every letter was not kept in its fullness, the offender was guilty of breaking all the law.

The covenant of the law was given to point out man's sinfulness, and to show man how very exceedingly sinful he was. The law was not a way of salvation; it was not a means of righteousness or forgiveness. It was God's way of showing man that his own efforts were futile, and that salvation comes "not by works of righteousness which we have done."

The old covenant was made to emphasize the sinfulness of wicked and unrighteous people. "Now we know that what things soever the law saith, it saith to them who are under the law: that every mouth may be stopped, and all the world may become guilty before God." Romans 3:19. And furthermore, the law spelled impending judgment upon this ungodliness and unrighteousness. It pointed out the real condition of man without God, man without forgiveness. Consequently, the law was a means of bringing the death penalty to man in clear, understandable terms. The final cry of the law was, "And sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death." James 1:15.

THE NEW COVENANT-Grace

After looking at the old covenant - the law - and its purpose, let's see the rest of the picture of God's plan. The story of God's dealing with man would not be complete if we stopped here, leaving man hopelessly condemned and guilty before God.

The law was not sufficient for salvation, nor was it meant to be. God in His love and mercy already had a way of salvation planned-the only Way. Scripture teaches us that before the world began, before the foundation of the world was laid, Christ was slain. And it is through His death, resurrection, and ascension that we see the fulfillment of the promise God made to His people in Jeremiah 31:31-33.

Under the new covenant of grace, written in man's heart, and lived outwardly, God has provided all that was lacking in the law written on stone.

When Jesus healed a man on the Sabbath, He was accused of being a Sabbath breaker. In His answer to this accusation, He said that the Sabbath was made for man, and not man for the Sabbath. His statement sets forth the principle which is the basis of the new covenant. As Paul so aptly says, "...not of the letter, but of the spirit: for the letter killeth, but the spirit giveth life." II Corinthians 3:6.

Through Christ we can have forgiveness of sin and righteousness before God. That, the law could not offer. Within ourselves, and even with our efforts at keeping the law, we still have only filthy rags of righteousness to offer God. "But we are all as an unclean thing, and all our righteousnesses are as filthy rags." Isaiah 64:6. But God did the work when He "...made Him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him." II Corinthians 5:21. "And be found in him, not having mine own righteousness, which is of the law, but that which is through the faith of Christ, the righteousness which is of God by faith." Philippians 3:9. "Even the righteousness which is through the faith of Jesus Christ unto all and upon all them that believe." Romans 3:22. Our sins were placed on Him and in return His righteousness was given to us. For when we in faith accept the work that Christ did for us on the cross, without further delay we are given the righteousness of the Lord Jesus Christ. It is placed on our account; we are accounted righteous.

The greatest gift that anyone could receive from a covenant is the promise of life. The covenant of grace that God made with man promised just that. Jesus Himself said of those who would believe, "Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my work, and believeth on Him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation but is passed from death unto life." John 5:24. And again Jesus said, "I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly." John 10:10.

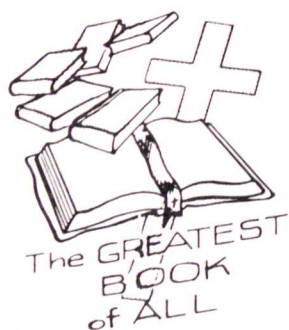
What a difference there is for man under the covenant of grace! No longer is man bound to the letter of the law, but he is entitled to love and serve God in the freedom of the Spirit. And he can have forgiveness of sin and righteousness placed on God's account book under his name. And too, he is promised everlasting, never-ending life with God in heaven.

What blessings are ours for this new year! Thank God for His precious promises, and that we can rest on the fact that every one of them will be fulfilled.



The M I S S I O N

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LATIN AMERICAN TOUR SET JANUARY-FEBRUARY

Nashville--Free Will Baptist Foreign Missions has arranged 18 exciting, inspiring days in Latin America for pastors and laymen.

"This isn't an ordinary tourist trip," explains tour director Rufus Coffey. "It is rather a missionary adventure in which you will receive an intimate view of missionaries wrestling with problems of proclaiming the Gospel in beautiful and strategic Latin America."

The group will leave Miami, Fla., January 24 and return on February 10 concluding 18 hectic, thrilling and momentous days in Panama, Ecuador, Brazil and Uruguay.

Mr. Coffey, who has traveled in Latin America previously, will lead the tour. Total cost including air and land transportation, meals and lodging is \$761.00. Interested persons should write for information immediately to Missionary Adventure Tour, Box 1088, Nashville, Tenn. Space is limited.

9220 37th Avenue, South
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October 1966

Dear Friend:

In July we made an urgent request for prayer for Sunday school teachers. God answered those prayers in July. A new family started attending our church that month, and we have a Sunday school superintendent and a teacher as a result. Some rearranging of personnel in some jobs gave us another teacher so that we now have enough for our present needs.

After three months of encouraging attendance, we had a drop to an average of 14 in Sunday school in June, and we braced for a summer-long slump. Then in July, because of several visitors on vacation and the new family (of eight) just mentioned, we had the best month we have ever had with an average Sunday school attendance of 30. In August our average was 25 and in September it was 24.

In August the Northwest Association had its annual youth encampment. There were fifty in attendance with thirty-four young people and sixteen adult workers. Nine of those were from our church.

We are very grateful for your prayers and financial support this year. We know many of you have sacrificed to give and we wish we could reward you with reports of an organized church with a hundred in attendance. We cannot do that, but we can report a slow growth in numbers and growth in grace and knowledge in some of our people. We are grateful for the report from the Hartville, Missouri, church that

they have voted to continue our support for another year.

We have a missions emphasis in our mission church also. On October 27 Brother Bobby Poole, Free Will Baptist Missionary to Brazil, will be with us for a service. He is the second missionary we have had here, following Brother Bill Fulcher last March.

Debbie Austin, a six-year-old girl in our church, has been a special blessing recently. She heard her aunt and uncle talking about the church's need to buy property of its own, and she asked if there was anything she could do. A moment later she asked for a can of pop. Her aunt agreed to give it to her if she would save her pennies in the empty can until it was full and then give them to the church's land fund. She agreed to do that but during the following week she told visitors in their home and her neighbors that she was going to "buy the church" and asked if they would like to help with a contribution! She raised \$19.22 in one week, and in another two weeks she had raised another \$25.90.

We have been able to put a good amount of money in savings each month for our land fund. With what we have put in and with the gifts from our friends elsewhere, we have \$1,590.95 in savings. Almost one third of this total amount has been given by the Oklahoma Woman's Auxiliary, from whom we received a gift of \$294 this week. Of this amount \$228 was given in memory of Mr. Freedom Lane, who died in September. He was the husband of a lady in the church. Several smaller gifts have come from other churches and individuals and we are indeed grateful. Our church itself has been able to put an average of \$127 each month in this land fund in the past three months.

We are happy to see our land fund growing rapidly, but that amount is almost nothing considering the soaring land prices here.

Perhaps many of you are wondering when we will organize here. We are anxious to have an organized church and recently we made plans and set a date for organizing. However, it became clear before that date that the time was not ripe for organization. We hope that time will not be long in coming.

The question of where we will worship after January 15 is becoming a real concern to us. Will you pray with us about this problem? We have a lease on the place we are using until January 15, paying \$80 per month. We would like to lease this place for another year, but the owner wants to sell for \$14,900 and does not talk encouragingly about the possibility of another lease. He will ask \$100 per month if he does lease it again. We

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do not consider the property worth \$14, 900 nor suitable for a permanent location.

Our services lately have been better than usual. There seems to be a greater interest and more concern about the cause of Christ. There are many encouraging developments and we believe God is blessing. Will you continue to pray?

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Lloyd Plunkett

Thank you very much for your financial and prayer support of the work here! The problem mentioned in this newsletter of where we will worship after Jan. 15 is of real concern to us now. We learned last week that we cannot have this property after our lease is up; so please be praying with us that we will follow God's leadership in this.

Lloyd & Betty Plunkett

December 1966

Dear Friends:

Once again the old familiar, but dearly beloved Christmas story comes to our minds, to remind us that nearly 2000 years ago "A SAVIOUR WAS BORN" and that He came to bring "PEACE AND GOOD TIDINGS". Although it seems there is very little peace in the world today, and very few have real peace in their lives. But many are still finding this peace precious to their lives.

We have just closed our revival here at the first church in Monterrey. MY! how we felt your prayers. We as a church prayed for two weeks, twice daily, at 10:30 in the morning and at 7:00 in the evening, before the revival begun. Arthur did the preaching, the quartet did the special singing, the rest of us did the praying, and God blessed with the saving of 17 souls. The church was filled every night. The revival closed with 14 being baptized, who had already completed the 3 months training course, and 15 of the 17 came forward for church membership in the church when they have completed the study course. We wish you could have been with us to have enjoyed the great blessing God poured out upon the church—perhaps even as you read this you will be pleased to know God still answers prayer and that BLESSED PEACE still exists for any one who will accept it.

Arthur and the quartet will be going to El Canelito in January, and also the Lord willing they will be going to Houston, Texas in the same month for a weeks revival. We ask you to remember these services and also pray for them as they travel. Time is so short and it seems that mans hearts are so hard, but God is still on the throne and still saves.

We, as a family, wish to take this space to wish each of you a blessed Christmas.

January, 1967

We had planned to send a special family picture (many of you have requested that we did) and a special greeting to you. But we were so busy that the time just got by and we didn't have it done. May you and yours be blessed with all the good things that God has to offer His children.

This is the time of year that I miss home perhaps more than any other time. We miss the Christmas preparations, the excitement of shopping, the joy of being with the family around a Christmas tree and a big dinner, so I busy myself with the baking of cakes and making candy, and this is our preparation for Christmas. We will meet at the school with the students on December 24, and have the traditional Christmas fiesta, "FEMALES AND COFFEE". I will "AMERICANIZE" the fiesta with a fruit cake, a banana nut cake, pecan pies, and homemade candy. The students really enjoy the "AMERICAN GOODIES" and I get more joy just from seeing them enjoy it. Just to be able to give them something they have never eaten before brings real joy to my heart. It reminds me of home, (my mother used to bake all those things). Our children also look forward to the fiesta, since we have no tree, and no Santa Claus, this is all of our Christmas. At home we always looked forward to opening gifts with the greatest of anticipation, but we have learned that to give is even more exciting. Altho it is little we have to give, it is something our people have never had before - not only do we give at Christmas, but as Peter said, "silver and gold have I none, but such as I have - give I thee" through the year the "BLESSED STORY" is told to many who have never heard.

We trust that during this season and throughout the entire year, His peace shall reign in your lives. That you, too, can know the joy of sharing the blessed story with someone who doesn't know. May you and yours be blessed with health during the coming year.

Again thank you for your faithful prayer and financial support throughout the years.

Your Missionaries in Mexico,
The Billows

NATIONAL HOME MISSIONS MISSOURI 1966

Farmington FWBC	\$ 36.51
Mr. Ronald E. Barr, Arnold	2.00
South Side FWBC	4.00
Bethel FWBC, West Plains	137.30
Janet McGowan, Mt. Grove	5.00
First FWBC, Fredericktown	20.00
H. A. Jacobs, Fredericktown	5.00
Janice Long, Hartville	5.00
Gene Peterson, Mt. Grove	10.00
New Home Church, Hartville	110.00
Joe N. Howard, Kansas City	10.00

Rev. Dillard Darnell, Fred'town	20.00
Monett C.T.S.	5.00
Gerald Edwards, Hartville	10.00
New Home FWBC, Hartville	10.00
Beacon FWBC, Raytown	20.00
Leadinton FWBC	32.00
Dixie Green, Harrisonville	10.00
Ladies SS Cl. Copper Mines	5.85
First FWBC, Mt. Grove	5.00
Willow Springs FWBC, Mt. Grove	14.41
Mary-Martha Cr., Mt. Grove Ch.	5.00
Mrs. Oma Scott, Mt. Grove	2.00
Mrs. Pearl Alexander, Monett	10.00
Mr. Billy J. Miller, St. Louis	10.00
Yng. Adult SS CJ, Farmington	7.50
Ronald Barr, Arnold	5.00
Floyd Luney, Cassville	1.00
Central FWBC, Kansas City	21.48
New Harmony SS, Greentop	3.00
L. Aux, Grant Ave. Springfield	26.95
E. L. Ratliff, Monett	5.00
Louis Willhite, Bridgeton	4.00
Mrs. Agnes Jones, Fredericktown	1.00
Victory FWBC, Avondale	67.00
Myrtle FWB Wom. Aux	26.79
New Rock Springs Ch. Cabool	25.00
Fellowship FWBC, Flat River	10.00
Central FWBC, Kansas City	202.00
Mrs. Phillip Fry, Mt. Grove	1.00
Copper Mines W. Aux, Fred'twn	5.00
Cooperative Plan	235.96
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First FWBC, Berkeley	\$ 147.50
Rock Chapel FWBC, Norwood	10.00
Mr. & Mrs. Howard Muse, Alton	10.00
FWBC, Farmington	182.57
Beacon FWBC, Raytown	10.00
Oak Grove FWBC, Mt. Grove	15.00
South Side FWBC, St. Louis	85.00
Thayer FWBC	56.67
Henry A. Jacobs, Fredericktown	5.00
First FWBC, Fredericktown	40.00
Garfield FWBC, Couch	20.00
Tommy Riley, Springfield	17.19
FWBC, West Plains	20.00
Kirksville FWBC	59.60
Smyrna FWBC, Thayer	21.00
New Harmony FWBC, Greentop	41.29
Overland FWBC	19.42
Floyd Green, Harrisonville	50.00
Cooperative Plan	427.69
Alton FWBC	26.00
Lillian Moore, St. Louis	19.29
Hannon FWBC, Liberal	28.15
Rock Chapel FWBC, Mt. Grove	10.00
First FWBC, Monett	20.00
Grace FWBC, Arnold	89.59
Leadinton FWBC	22.00
H. D. Wilfong, Leadinton	7.50
First FWBC, Mt. Grove	94.00
Ernest Clift, Marshfield	6.00

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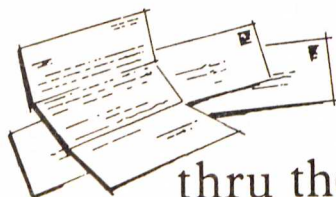
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JANUARY:

Woman's Auxiliary Enlistment Month
Master's Men Enlistment Month
National Youth Week (Jan. 29-Feb. 5)



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LABORING TOGETHER

Cape Girardeau Church organized an Auxiliary with 6 members.

Besides our monthly meeting we have a weekly prayer meeting.

We are very grateful for the interest of
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our women throughout the state in our work here.

We were very pleased with our Pre-Thanksgiving Week of Prayer. We had 15 at each service and enjoyed a sweet spirit and good fellowship.

Please continue to pray for us as we labor here.

In His Service
Beverly Jones

BERKELEY AUXILIARY

The Berkeley Woman's Auxiliary met Wednesday evening, November 1, for their regular monthly meeting with 31 in attendance.

Since we were studying about our work in Hawaii, some of the women wore mumus and flowers in their hair. Our Program Prayer Chairman, Francis Combs, presented a wonderful program. One of the interesting items was a map of the Hawaiian Islands, with a cross standing, casting a shadow across the Islands.

After the program, the women enjoyed a Hawaiian luau, with beautiful decorations.

On Saturday, November 12, we sponsored a bake sale with the proceeds going to the mission at DeSoto, Mo.

The Penn's Nursing Home was visited on November 17. A service was held for the old folks and cookies were passed out to all.

Mrs. Gusta Barks
Corresponding Secretary

PRAYER, STUDY & FELLOWSHIP

The First Free Will Baptist Church of Kirksville, Missouri enjoyed their pre-Thanksgiving Week of Prayer, along with the Woman's Auxiliary by joining in home prayer on Monday and Tuesday. A special prayer service was held on Wednesday evening led by the program-prayer chairman, Mrs. LuEtta Stewart. A study course on "Prayer" was given in the Thursday morning session by the study course chairman. In the afternoon session the theme of "Home Missions" was carried out.

Friday evening a Fellowship dinner was enjoyed by all with a Thanksgiving shower

for the Pastor and his family. Thanksgiving was then turned into "thanks-living" by a service of praise and testimony which was conducted by the program-prayer chairman. Special music was provided all through the services. An offering of \$21.47 was received for Home Missions.

In His Service,
Mrs. Laura Glaspie
Corresponding Secretary

THE STORY OF THE TWO SISTERS

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Twin City Free Will Baptist Church held their pre-Thanksgiving Season of Prayer November 21, 22 and 23. We enjoyed good spiritual services and Christian fellowship. Bro. Gerald Bay conducted services Monday evening giving a report on the missionary in the Ivory Coast. Bro. E. F. Hutchinson gave our report on the Mission Field in India on Tuesday evening. Wednesday evening Bro. Harry Beatty was our guest speaker. Judges 6 & 7. We all enjoyed his sermon.

Two ladies of the Auxiliary, Sis. Naomi Whitehead and Sis. Geraldine Bay gave a small skit on "The Story of Two Sisters", the American sister and the Indian sister, by Marie Potts. It showed the great need of our missionaries.

We were thankful for an offering of \$29.50 to be sent to a foreign missionary.

There were 14 members present and 5 visitors.

We have sent candy and gum to our two orphanages for Christmas. We are also making house shoes for the women in the Mt. View Nursing Home and buying white socks for the men which we will deliver to them Sunday afternoon December 18th for their Christmas.

For our December meeting following the lesson study we are having our Christmas Party and reveal the names of our "Secret Sisters". We are inviting our husbands and children.

Sally Knotts,
Corr. Secretary

WORLD FOR MISSIONS

The Fredricktown Free Will Baptist Ladies Auxiliary observed pre-Thanksgiving Week of Prayer with services in the homes of Mrs. W. J. Dettmer, Mrs. Bob Jones and at the church.

Highlighting the week was a Missions Study on Thursday evening presented by Mrs. Hobert Slinkard.

Mrs. Slinkard displayed a series of maps and information outlining every phase of foreign and home missions. Included in her study was a list of board members and other personnel, and the requirements of Free Will Baptist Gem

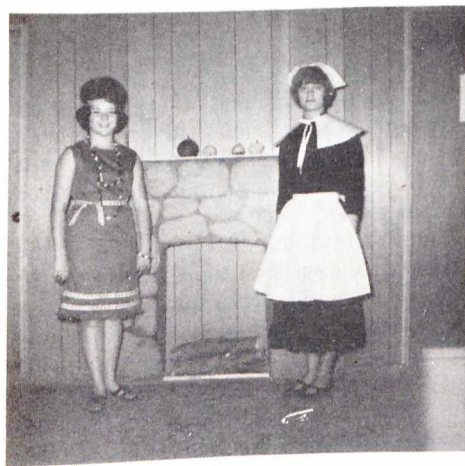
the missionary from his call to the field to retirement.

At the closing of the service each one present was given a booklet of FWB Missionaries and a small styrofoam world marking the mission fields. The base and holder arm were colored lavender and white (the auxiliary color) to represent its support of all missions.

Our offering for National Home Missions received during the Week of Prayer was \$28.25.

Corresponding Secretary,
Hallie Dettmer

THANKSGIVING BANQUET



The Woman's Auxiliary of the Grant Avenue Free Will Baptist Church in Springfield concluded their Pre-Thanksgiving Week of Prayer with a Thanksgiving Banquet on Friday night, November 18. The members and their husbands enjoyed golden roasted turkey with all the trimmings in the beautifully decorated Fellowship Hall. Marilyn Bagwell and Sharon Grisson served at the banquet. Above is a picture of the girls dressed in their pilgrim and Indian costumes.

A solo, "Lord Send Me", was sung by Mary Fortney. The speaker for the evening, Lynda Glenn, presented an inspiring program on the Personnel Needs of Home Missions.

"Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest". Matthew 9:38.

The entire week of prayer was a real blessing.

Alene McCormack
Corresponding Secretary

DOUBLE BIBLE SUNDAY

The West Plains Free Will Baptist Auxiliary met Dec. 5 with 12 members present.

Personal Service Ch. made plans for visiting shut-ins and Rest Home on Tuesday, January, 1967

day, Dec. 19. Plans to take home made cookies and candy to shut-ins for Christmas.

Mission officer read letters from the Ernie Deeds, Mary Ellen Rice and from Foreign Mission Board. It was voted to send \$25.50 for Double Bible Sunday to buy bibles.

The ladies had made a quilt for the Rev. Luther Sanders and family for Christmas. It was also voted we would go to Alton Free Will Baptist Church in the near future to explain about our auxiliary work, hoping to help the Alton church get an auxiliary organized.

Our lesson, "The World God So Loved" was given.

CANDLELIGHT CHRISTMAS DINNER

Mrs. Bob King entertained the Ladies Auxiliary of Farmington Free Will Baptist Church with a candlelight Christmas dinner December 6 at 6:30 p.m.

Tables were laid with white and centered with miniature Christmas trees. Colors of red and green were also used in table decorations.

Mrs. F. L. Smith led the devotional, using the Christmas story and a poem to emphasize the true meaning of Christmas.

Following the dinner, a brief business meeting was held. Then entertainment was enjoyed with Mrs. Alvin Highley, Mrs. F. L. Smith and Mrs. Clayton Ramsey each conducting a humorous game. Gifts were exchanged and names of Secret Prayer Pals for the year were revealed. Names were drawn for Pals for the new year.

Corresponding Secretary,
Mrs. Alvin Highley

FOLLOW THE GOLDEN RULE

The Woman's Auxiliary of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Flat River met November 21. Vickie Matthews and Rose Marie Kemp sang "I Want To Be Ready". Mrs. White read the scripture Ps. 95, 96 and 100 then spoke on "The Power, Purpose and Plan" telling us what God would have us do in His cause. A trio, Mrs. Goldie Black, Rose Marie Kemp and Mrs. Kemp sang "Land of Dream Come True". Marion Wilson gave a review on our Foreign Missions, their locations and Missionaries assigned. Our president called our business session to order, during this time five new members joined the auxiliary. They were: Clara Gammon, Mary Belle Gammon, Marie Kemp, Rose Marie Kemp and Vickie Matthews.

An election of officers was held and they are: Orela Kennedy-President, Genevieve White-Vice President, Marion Wilson-Secretary-Treasurer, Mildred Burcham-

Mission and Study Course Chairman, Clara Gammon-Program Prayer Chairman. An installation service followed with the president in charge. Theme: "Follow the Golden Rule". Each officer was given a portion of a 'Golden Circle' when completed it said: "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you." After a prayer of dedication and singing of hymn "Blest be the Ties" the group was dismissed in prayer by Mrs. Goldie Black.

CHRISTMAS TREE FOR BIBLE COLLEGE

The Womans Auxiliary of the Fellowship Free Will Baptist Church, Flat River, had their regular monthly Co-Labor study on December 5 with 21 members present. The program "The World God So Loved" was opened with the hymn "Joy To The World" followed with prayer by Janice Reeves and scripture meditation from John 3:16 given by Florence Burcham. The program was introduced by the Program-Prayer Chairman Betty Reeves. Topics given by Sarah Burcham and Della Getz.

The business followed. We received one new member, Charlotte Bloom.

The personal service committee for the month of November made and distributed fruit baskets. There was a report given on the pre-Thanksgiving week of prayer, it was voted to send \$15.00 to our National Womans Auxiliary for the Thanksgiving offering. Our auxiliary also voted to buy a twenty dollar bulb on our church Christmas Tree, the money from this project will go to the Bible College in Nashville, Tennessee.

The services adjourned with prayer by Verna Malone.

BASKETS FOR SHUT-INS

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Myrtle Free Will Baptist Church met Tuesday evening December 8th at the church with 7 members and 2 visitors present.

The business part of the meeting was taken care of, reports given, then plans made and are getting underway to make up Christmas baskets to be given to the shut-ins and elderly people of the community for Christmas.

We also participated in the "Double Bible Sunday" which was December 11th. We voted to give the church an opportunity to help us with this activity and they responded wonderfully. An offering of \$34.61 was given.

Our program chairman then took charge and our December lesson was presented.

Corresponding Secretary
Mamie Crase

HOW BIG IS YOUR CHRIST?

Acts 4:8-12



In our world today, Christianity in some sense, has lost the influence it once had. People throughout the world are making statements such as: "I think of all these people who talk Christianity, but are unwilling to do anything about it." Another proclaims, "Christianity will go. It will vanish and shrink. I needn't argue about that; I'm right and I will be proved right. We're more popular than Jesus now; I don't know which will go first--rock'n roll or Christianity. Jesus was all right but His disciples were thick and ordinary. It's them twisting it that ruins it for me."

Why are people saying such things as this??? I credit the reason for this to the fact that people believe the Christ whom they trust in, is too small. We need to gain a larger conception of Christ in relation to our personal lives. We need to realize that Jesus Christ is very adequate for all the needs of life. As the Bible tells us, "My God shall supply ALL your needs according to His riches in glory." If we have given our hearts to Him then He has a claim on our supreme loyalty, and He deserves to be shared with all the world, but do we share Him?? Let us examine this question, "How Big is Your Christ?" and see what answer we can ascertain.

First of all, "Is Christ big enough to be trusted for your salvation? So many today are trying to gain salvation by themselves. They work in the Church, community and at home and feel this will open the gates of Heaven to them. In the book of James the question is ask, "Can works save you?" Peter testified, "Lord, to whom shall we go? thou hast the words of eternal life." John 6:68. You can try to work your way to Heaven but in that final day you will be 'weighed in the balance and found wanting', for 'works without faith is dead'.

Again we hear Peter testifying in Acts 4:12, "Neither is there salvation in any

other; for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved." The "Name" is the Lord Jesus Christ. He is the one to trust for salvation, not what we do.

Paul confessed, "I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that He (Jesus Christ) is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day." II Tim. 1:12. This man was one who knew how big his Christ was. Thru all the trials, persecutions and temptations, he still held tight to Christ His Saviour.

A story is told of a Christian man that was suddenly stricken with his mortal death, before dying he was seen, lying still with his hands clasped, his lips moving, and his eyes raised upward, as if engaged in prayer, when all at once he repeated, firmly and earnestly, "And Jesus said unto him, 'Thomas, because thou hast seen, thou hast believed; blessed are they who have not seen and yet have believed.'" This man also knew how big his Christ was. If your Christ is not that big to you, as Peter's, Paul's or this man's, you need a bigger Christ. The fact is, He (Jesus Christ) is that big, and He wants to become that big in your life if you will just let Him. "Believe on the Lord Jesus and thou shalt be saved". Acts 16:31.

Secondly, is your Christ big enough to meet your need in the time of your severest trial? When the devil, who knows the hearts of men; feels their pulse, knows their tempers, and so, accordingly, can apply himself and knows what temptation to sow in such a heart, then, is your Christ big enough or do you succumb to the devil's temptations? We know the smallest thing can tempt. John Bunyan once said, that something was tempting him to sell out Christ, if he stooped to pick up a pin the voice said, "Sell him for that! Sell Him for that!" and men sell their honor, their Christ for things as

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cheap. A pin will do it; a sweet smile, a fair face; the ruby wine or what-ever-color; the amber-colored beer; the picture shows; the wild sexual dances and such; the love of money, fame and etc. Ah! for what has not man sold his soul! But your Christ is big enough to deliver you from all these temptations.

In Matthew 8:23-27, we see the disciples in the storm on the Sea of Galilee found Jesus was amply able to meet their needs. (as He was in other times past). If your Christ is not this big to you, you need a bigger Christ BUT in reality, He is that big and He wants to become that big in your life.

Thirdly, is He big enough to claim the Supreme loyalty of your life! Christ said, "If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross and follow me." (Matthew 16-24). The first disciples gave up everything to follow Him. They forsook their nets, boats and occupation, everything they had, to do the bidding of the Master.

Saul of Tarsus gave up all to follow Christ and this is what his testimony was concerning that fact; "But what things were gain to me, those I counted loss for Christ. Yea doubtless, and I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord: for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and do count them but dung, that I may win Christ." (Phil. 3:7-8). Then further in the same chapter, he said, "Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus". Martyrs, missionaries, and other faithful Christians down through the centuries gave all to follow Jesus. They had not only gone the first mile, but the second, third and more for the cause of Christ. He wants us to do the same thing. You say, the way is too rough, or the way is too dark but as the poem by A. M. Overton tells us:

My Father's way may twist and turn,
My heart may throb and ache,
But in my soul I'm glad to know,
He maketh no mistake.

My cherished plans may go astray,
My hopes may fade away,
But still I'll trust my Lord to lead,
For He doth know the way.

Tho' night be dark and it may seem
That day will never break;
I'll pin my faith, my all in Him
He maketh no mistake.

There's so much now I cannot see,
My eyesights far too dim;
January, 1967

But come what may, I'll simply trust
And leave it all to Him.

For by and by the mist will lift
And plain it all He'll make.
Through all the way, tho' dark to me
He made not one mistake.

Peter, James, John, Paul and others down through the ages know Christ made no mistakes. They forsook all to follow, with no questions asked. If Jesus is not that big to you, you need a bigger Christ. Positively, He is that big, and He wants to become that big in your life if you will just open up your heart and let Him in. Romans 12:1-2 enjoins us to open up, when it tells us. "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service, and be not conformed to this world; but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect will of God". Christ can be big in your life.

Then, Is Christ big enough to make you want to share Him with ALL the world?? Some of the very last words of the Saviour were to His followers to be witnesses of Him to all the world. He said, "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations...." (Matthew 28:18). "And (he) said unto them, Thus it is written, and thus it behoved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day: and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name among ALL nations beginning at Jerusalem". (Luke 24:46-47).

The little word "GO" is a command given from one person to another and it means, "to depart; proceed; move on; pass from one place to another; conduce (which means "to tend to"); be habitually used or said; succeed; be expended. (National Dictionary). This command given by our Lord "to go" is a personal order to each of us and is what He intended it to be. This was His method of getting the message of His Saving Grace throughout the world.

As we think of the matter of sharing Christ with the world, the question arises, "How?" "Go after them". When a man plans a hunting trip, he does not sit at home and wait for the game to come and be shot at; neither does the fisherman leave their hooks in the boat and expect the fish to jump in and get them. He places the hook in the water in a likely place that the fish may be. A salesman doesn't sit in his office and wait for customers to call and tell him what they want, but he goes to where the customers are. So must we as Christians go out in the highways and hedges and share our Christ with those lost in sin. We must give all, time, talent

and tithes, to follow Christ. If He is not that big to you, you need a bigger Christ. Actually, He is that big, and He wants to become that big in your life. Will you let Him??

During a voyage to India, a man sat one car evening in his cabin, feeling thoroughly sick. Suddenly the cry of "Man overboard! Man overboard!" came sounding through the night and made him jump to his feet. Hearing the engines stop, the crew trampling overhead, he thought, "What can I do?" Seeing a lantern lying on the table and realizing that He would be in the way if he went topside, he grabbed the light and let the beam shine out the small window on the waves below. In a short time he heard the joyful cry, "It's all right! It's all right! He is safe!" The next day he was told his little lamp was the sole means of the saving of this man's life: it was only by the timely light which shone upon the man that the rope could be thrown so as to reach him. How so like this light could our life be if we let Christ be as big or bigger, as He wants in our life. Our light could shine forth to those that are lost on the sea of sin and we could be the means of leading them to the saving knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Again I ask, "How Big Is Your Christ???" Make Him the biggest item of love and service in your life and enjoy the many promises of God.

Rev. Bud Hill
Springfield, Missouri



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GLEANINGS

from the fields



FULCHER'S TRAVEL FUND

We are running behind on the Fulcher's Travel Fund. The following is what has been received thus far:

Previous receipts	\$112.30
Received this month:	
Hannon Church	
Central Western Ass'n	30.50
First Quarterly Meeting of the Mission Ass'n	75.00
First Church, Berkeley	
St. Louis District	15.00
Total in Account	\$ 232.80
Goal -----	1,000.00
Received -----	232.80
Need -----	\$ 767.20

GRACE FWB CHURCH BLESSED IN REVIVAL

We had a glorious revival which began Nov. 9th and closed Nov. 16th. Our Evangelist was Jim McAllister from Kansas City, Mo. He is a wonderful preacher and a true Man of God. There were several precious Soul's saved and several rededications--we praise the Lord for them all. On Saturday night during our revival we had an all night Prayer Meeting, which was wonderful. Thessalonians 5:17 says, Pray without ceasing. On Sunday after we had prayed all night, there were seven precious Soul's who gave their hearts to the Lord. It seemed like the windows of Heaven were opened. We praise the Lord for answering prayers, and all his wond-

erful blessings. If you have never had an all night Prayer Meeting in your church, you should have one. The Lord will bless you for it. II Chronicles 7:14 says, If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from Heaven, and will forgive their sins and will heal their lands. With so much sin in the world today we need to have a closer walk with the Lord. If there ever was a time that we as Christian people should be on fire for the Lord, it is today. There are precious Souls dying every day and going out into Eternity, unprepared to meet God. If we do not have a burden for lost Souls, we should get on our knees and ask God to give us a burden. We need changed hearts, not changed environments. We need conversion, not conversation. We need love in our hearts and more consecration and dedicated Christians in the world today, who will dare to take the stand for our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. May God help us all to be better workers in his service.

Yours in Christ,
Pauline Reeves

GRANT AVENUE CHURCH PRESENTS CHRISTMAS CANTATA

A Christmas Cantata, "Love Transcending" by John Peterson was presented by the Meetin' Time Choir of the Grant Ave. Free Will Baptist Church on Sunday evening, December 18th.

The presentation was received by some 400 persons who were in attendance and tended to convey a dynamic message of the birth of the Son of God. Special solo work was done by Rev. Bud Hill, who has been working with the pastor, Rev. O.T. Dixon as an associate since moving to Springfield to attend college, and Mrs. Mary Fortney, church soloist who is blessed with an unusually talented voice, along with several other personalities in making the musical presentation along with the reading of the Scriptures, an outstanding service.

Featured in the Scriptural reading was Mr. Bruce Newport, former Free Will Baptist Bible College student who has an unusual voice that God seems to be using to bless many hearts.

The Cantata offered to the church a new

medium by which hearts were permitted to realize the beautiful Christmas story in a vivid manner.

Mrs. O.T. Dixon, music director for the church, directed the Cantata with Mrs. Lynda Dee Glenn as organist and Miss Kathy Morton as pianist.

It might be noted that the Sunday School for the Grant Ave. Church is averaging around 240 with worship service filling the new auditorium. Several decisions each month are a reality and the blessings of God are acknowledged by the people.

The Pastor has just returned from the state of Washington where the revival there resulted in over twenty decisions for Christ. He was at the Wenatchee Free Will Baptist Church where Rev. Edwin Wade is the pastor. In the absence of Rev. Dixon, while he is away in extensive evangelistic work, Rev. Hill supplies the pulpit.

Those of you who have relatives or friends living in the vicinity of Springfield are urged to contact the pastor and the bus which has been purchased will be used to pick them up for services.

MISSIONARY SERVICE AT THE CUBA, MO. F.W.B. CHURCH



On October 17th we were privileged to have Brother and Sister Bobby Poole at our church for an evening service.

The Activities began with a birthday supper for Sister Geneva Poole and a lovely gift was presented by the church. Then our Children's Church, which is under the leadership of Sister Francis Bowman and Sister Lucille Blume, presented a short program. These young folk had Free Will Baptist Gem

laboured hard for several weeks making piggy banks out of plastic bottles and saving money to be given to the Poole's to help carry the Gospel.

A check for \$52.25 was presented by young Eddie Kitchen on behalf of the Children's Church, and the Ladies Auxiliary gave a clothing shower for their children, Robert and John.

Bro. and Sis. Poole presented a very challenging program. At the close of the service the Poole's were presented with a check for \$50.00 and the church voted to take an offering the first Sunday of each month to be used in the Gospel ministry in Brazil.

Sis. Poole's mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Hicks from Effingham, S. C. were with them. We have experienced many blessings from having these fine Christian folk with us.

Enclosed is a picture of our Children's Church with Bro. and Sis. Poole should you desire to use it.

Yours for Christ,
Cliff Bowman

NEW CHURCH BUILDING GOING UP

The Free Will Baptist Church in Koshkonong is building a new church building. The last report received is that the roof is nearly completed. Pray for this new church. Rev. Davie Combs is the pastor.

CHURCH WINS ALL AWARDS



The Young People of the Carterville Church C.T.S. (Church Training Service) won all trophies at the annual meeting Oct. 30 held at the Joplin Free Will Baptist Church. Four other area Free Will Baptist churches in the Indian Creek Association competed.

In the above picture standing in the back row left to right: Mike Littlefield, Jessie Penner, Roger Dale Littlefield. Second row: Mary Nutting, Wanda Penner, sitting-Kathy Penner, Ann Penner, Linda Ellis.

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Bible Bowl was won by Linda Ellis, Ann Penner, Roger Dale Littlefield, Jesse Penner. Bible Tic-Tac-Toe-Kathy Penner, Mike Littlefield. Sword Drill was an individual contest won by Mary Nutting. Pastor is Rev. Lester Nutting.

Marshfield, Mo.
Dec. 10, 1966

Greetings in the name of Jesus:

We at the Marshfield Free Will Baptist Church are still striving and working for the Lord's cause.

As our small church seemed to be at a standstill and after much prayer and meditation, the members and friends of the church decided to sell the present four room dwelling we have used to worship in the past four years and try to purchase a lot to build a small church building.

As soon as our plans were announced

we were offered, by the Assembly of God Church, a nice church building consisting of three class rooms, pastors study and auditorium for the sum of \$5,500.

They asked the sum of \$200. to hold the building until we could raise \$1000. payment on same. They are purchasing the Lutheran Church building to accommodate their members.

The ladies and friends of the church started working to raise the \$200 and also to raise the \$1000 payment. The \$200 was paid to hold the building. Letters were mailed to different pastors and friends telling of our plans. Some have responded with a nice offering. A bazaar and bake sale were given Dec. 10 and also by placing a second mortgage on the present property and a loan from some friends, we now have the \$1000 needed.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL AVERAGES FOR 1966

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November
Fellowship, Flat River	241	261	297	309	257	272	229	244	246	285	249
New Harmony Church	39	39	36	42	34	39	36	33	37		
Farmington		150	126	148	122	122	112	126	120	169	127
Liberty-Phillipsburg	60	59	51	51	62	55					
Trinity Church, St. Louis	112	122	117	126	114	108	101	108	121	149	128
O'Fallon Mission	46			22	26	32	37	30			
Kirkville	96	100	99	106	94	97	111	107	98	108	96
Grant Ave., Springfield	205	202	211	216	206	209	200	216	221	231	216
Viburnum Church	41	42	46	42	40	43	42	41	47	46	38
Mine La Motte	31	29	30	34	29	28	31	36	25	26	
Koshkonong										32	29
Thayer	106	118	114	125	109	107	113	125	117		
First, Mtn. Grove	297	319	338	370	321	310	321	314	321	312	
Desloge	100	99	101	114	96	95	73	76	75	80	81
Mill Creek, Fredericktown	61	57	61	69	59	51	51	51	47	51	
Union Light	116	99	107	102	100	124	106	112	113		
First, Springfield	180	201	194	235	203	194	171	179	185	199	198
Central, Kansas City	143	141	134	126	146	138	123	129			
Desoto Mission						29	28				
Hannon	55	58	64	63	52	60	56	52	59	64	65
First, Monett	120	126	124	124	114	107	112	122	128		
Garfield-Couch	48	46	49	43	46	47	52	45			
Leadington	128	197	154	159	131	137	128	129	125	166	146
First, Fredericktown	164	164	188	191	171	165	165	165	168	177	
Copper Mines	67	66	75	85	73	67	92	90	74	83	
Joplin	88	79	87	96	86	77	76	88	102		
Fourth Ch., St. Louis	109	118	117	134	110	117	118	119	125	155	138
Twin Oaks Church	54	54	56	68	64	58	58	55	66	62	
West Plains	187	191	198	205	191	187	179	195	180	175	185
First, Lebanon	114	126	108	128	103		112	107	122	121	121
Myrtle Church	70	72	73	80	71	72	70	66	67	64	66
Twin City Ch., Festus	37	35	54	50	37	39	39	36	64	44	44
Richwoods	44	46	51	52	56	51	53	54	56	59	56
Hartville Church								58	60	58	
Berkeley Church					350	297	255	291	330	300	
Grace Ch., Arnold				207	171	172	152	159	152	205	
Cuba Church							53	63	72	88	
Salem Church											32

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After the first of the year, we will be sharing the church building with the Assembly of God until they can secure use of their building. Our services will be in the afternoon on Sundays. Tuesday night prayer service.

The partitions that were removed in our present building, for church services, are being replaced by the men and friends of the church, hoping and praying the building will sell quicker and that we soon may be the owners of a church building to worship and serve the Lord in a better way.

If God so leads anyone to give an offering for this cause it will be deeply appreciated and used to glorify Christ.

Yours for Christ Cause

Rev. Wm. (Bill) Reeves, Pastor

DEAR

Dear Bro. Beatty,

We would like to have a correction on the piece in the Gem on our Revival that Rev. Frank Guinta had. It should read there was one soul saved during the youth revival and one rededication during our revival. We would like to have this corrected in the Jan. Gem if possible.

Thank You

Viburnum FWB Church

TWO YEARS WORK ACCEPTED

Course work completed at the Oklahoma Bible College is now being accepted for transfer toward a higher degree by ten colleges across the United States including the University of Oklahoma, according to Clarence J. Hearron, Academic Dean of OBC.

This means that Free Will Baptists in Oklahoma and neighboring states will now be able to complete the first two years of their college requirements at Oklahoma Bible College, a two year Christian junior college owned and operated by Oklahoma Free Will Baptists, and successfully transfer the credits received for their studies to an institution able to confer a higher degree. Work transferred will be validated when passing grades are maintained at the new institution.

Oklahoma Bible College, which is authorized by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education to operate as a junior college, is able to confer an Associate of Arts degree upon those successfully completing the required two year curriculum. The College is being listed this year for the first time in the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers Report of Credit Given.

Colleges which are presently accepting OBC credits to be applied toward a higher degree include Oklahoma University, Nor-

man; Baylor University, Waco, Texas; Bethany Nazarene College, Bethany, Oklahoma; Bob Jones University, Greenville, South Carolina; Calvary Bible School, Kansas City, Missouri; Southwestern Assemblies of God College, Waxahachie, Texas; Central Bible College, Springfield, Missouri; Southeastern Bible College, Birmingham, Alabama; Fort Wayne Bible College, Fort Wayne, Indiana; and our denominational college, Free Will Baptist Bible College, Nashville, Tenn.

DOES THE SHOE FIT?

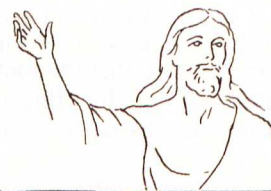
A lot of folks are like wheelbarrows--
not good unless pushed.
Some are like canoes--
they need to be paddled.
Some are like kites--
if you don't keep a string on them, they fly away.
Some are like footballs--
you can't tell which way they will bounce.
Some are like balloons--
full of wind and ready to blow up.
Some are like trailers--
they have to be pulled.
Some are like neon lights--
they keep going on and off.
Some are like a good watch--
open face, pure gold, quietly busy and full of good works.

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Beacon -----	123.19
Overland -----	160.00
Copper Mines -----	40.00
Hickory Grove -----	14.46
Thayer -----	56.18
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Cape Girardeau -----	25.11
Merl's Chapel -----	34.81
Mine La Motte -----	11.70
Union F.W.B. Church ----	25.00
Viburnum -----	40.03
Fellowship -----	50.00
Victory -----	129.31
South Side -----	129.00
Central Nov. -----	78.00
Hannon Nov. -----	51.30
Berkley -----	231.80
TOTAL -----	\$3,501.24

Disbursed	
55% National Assn. ----	\$1,925.68
1% Mo. C.T.S. -----	35.00
2.75% Youth Camp ----	78.78
3.75% Gem -----	131.30
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Total	\$ 2256.69

MISSOURI STATE HOME MISSION BOARD

Pastor Lloyd Durbin from O'Fallon reports that they began services in their new building on Sunday, November 20th. Their new property is located at 716 Sandy Lane. Brother Durbin reports an

average Sunday School attendance of 30 for the month of November. He further reports that they plan to organize the mission into a church around the last of January.

The new mission in Independence had their first service on Sunday, November 28th. They have had some difficulty in locating a building in which to have their services. We thank the Lord for opening up the way for them. Rev. Teddy Davis is pastor of the Independence mission.

During our last home mission board meeting on November 15th, the board decided on some long range planning concerning our Missouri Home Mission endeavor. We hope and pray that sometime in early 1967 we will be in a position to send a man into St. Joseph to begin mission work there. We are now in the process of setting up a special "St. Joseph project". We are asking you pastors and lay members to make this an item on your prayer list. And, if any of you are not presently supporting the state home mission work through a designated monthly offering, and you would like to support the proposed work in St. Joseph, please send your contributions to me, earmarked for the St. Joseph account.

You will be hearing more about this project later on.

Those making contributions to the home mission department this month are listed below:

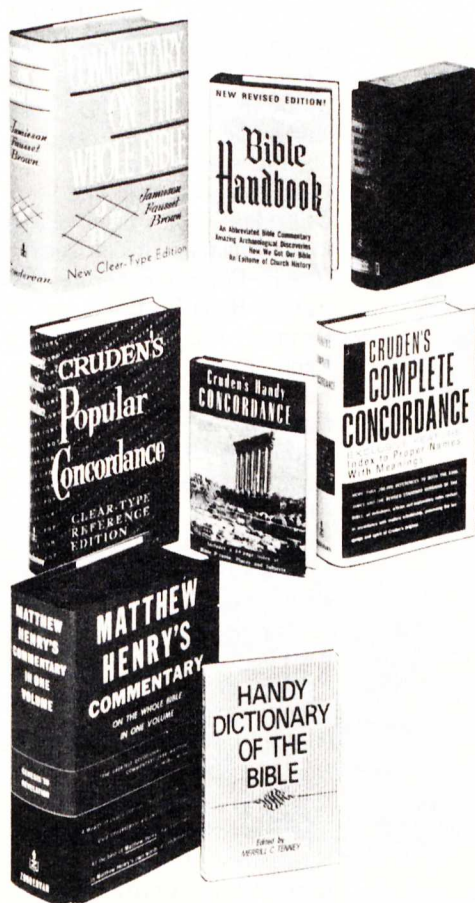
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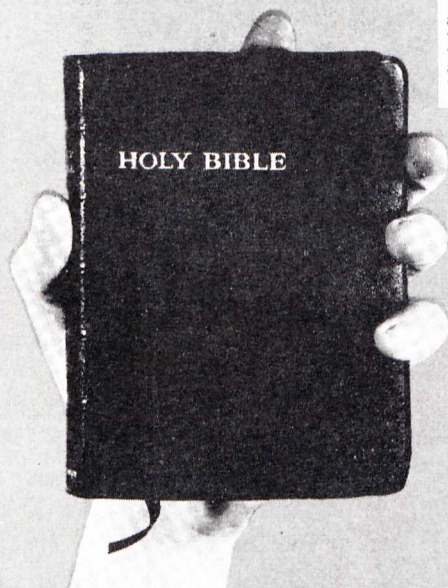
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