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Promotional Secretary's Corner



HARRY BEATTY
Promotional Secretary

Royal Oak Church hosted Cave Springs
Quarterly Meeting July 1, 1967. Each
of their churches sent delegates; thus,
we had a full house. Time was given
for our Missouri Cooperative Program.
We enjoyed some good gospel messages,
a real harmonious business session,
and a good old fashioned country-style
dinner was served by the ladies in
the Community Building near by.

Good response in Bible sales were
received there. Sunday morning, July 2,
we worshiped with and preached the
morning message in our former Home
Church at Thayer. Bro. Grover Pingleton
and the church continue to win souls to
the Lord there.

Sunday afternoon, July 2, we worshiped
with and delivered the evening message
for Pastor Finis Johnson and our West
Plains Church. They have enlarged their
Church and completely bricked their
building. They have a thirty minute
Sunday evening program on the local
radio station broadcast, direct from the
church. Their Sunday School attendance
is good also.

Sunday, July 9th, enroute to the Na-
tional Association with Bro. and Sis.
Ray Burch and son, Brad. We wor-
shiped with one of our Missouri Free
Will Baptist Bible College students,
Rev. Jerry Rackley, and the First Free
Will Baptist Church, Springfield, Tenn.,
where Jerry pastors. This church has
a good potential in Springfield.

The National Association held in Jack-
sonville, Florida was wonderful, good
preaching, singing, praying, even shout-
ing in the camp, with strong evangelistic
and missionary emphasis throughout the
meeting. The Missouri State Association
is the top giver through the Cooperative
Plan. Thus, we exceeded the suggested
quotas to Foreign Missions, National
Home Missions and Free Will Baptist
Bible College. (Glory!) Say, Brethren,
we are so near our \$40,000.00 sug-
gested budget for 1966-67 in Cooperative

giving. We will just say "Praise the
Lord" again!

North East Mo. Association assembled
with Hazel Creek July 26, Thursday
evening through Saturday evening, the
22nd. Dr. O'Donnald was the principal
messenger for each preaching service.
This association has produced several
missionaries. Therefore, they give them
good support. Time was given for our
Cooperative Program, too.

Sunday morning, July 23, we joined
Pastor Andy Lay and Kirksville Church
in worship. Also delivered the morning
sermon. Kirksville Church continues to
win souls for the Lord, and they are
launching a Sunday School building pro-
ject adjacent to the church sanctuary.

Sunday evening we worshiped with Pas-
tor Archie Cooper and New Harmon
Church, delivering the evening sermon
there. Bro. Cooper baptized some con-
verts Sunday afternoon..

Victory Church hosted Central Wes-
tern Association July 25 through 27. I
was privileged to preach the sermon for
the Woman's Auxiliary hour. This as-
sociation moves forward. The Indepen-
dence Mission proposes to organize in
the near future. They have purchased
property with a dwelling house on it on
23rd Street and Highway #71 Bypass.
If you have people living in this locality,
please send their names to Pastor Teddy
Davis, 713 Sunset Drive, Independence,
Mo.

Friday night, July 28, and Saturday,
29th, I attended the North West Mo.
Association held with Mt. Zion Free
Will Baptist. Sister Melba White de-
livered the introductory sermon Friday
evening and I delivered the morning
sermon Saturday. This association is
small in number. Let's pray and support
our state home missionary.

Rev. Dale Skiles is going to St. Jo-
seph, Missouri endeavoring to establish
another Free Will Baptist Church in
this prosperous section of Missouri.

Oskaloosa Church entertained the Fifth
Sunday Mission Rally Sunday, July 30,
and I was privileged to preach both morn-
ing and evening sermons there. They con-
tributed an offering. One half was given
to the Missouri Cooperative Fund and
one half to the Independence Free Will
Baptist Mission. You will observe from
my monthly Cooperative report that this
is the best month on record.

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Oak Grove (in) Cave Springs Assn.	\$ 62.50
Twin City	37.14
Twin Oak	109.74
Mill Creek	76.48
Berkley	264.00
Hickory Grove	20.55
Richwoods	103.53

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A WONDERFUL VACATION



By Vernon Long, Member 1st F.W.B. Church, Festus, Mo.

On Sunday night, June 4, following our Sunday evening worship service at the First Free Will Baptist Church in Festus, my family and I left on our vacation trip to visit the Mission field in Nova Scotia. Rev. Mack Owens, while on itinerate work in the spring of 1966 held a service at our church in Festus and had visited in our home after the services that night. He had shown us some of the scenery of the New England area where he had previously worked in the Mission field and invited us to come to the area and cross over to Yarmouth, Nova Scotia and spend some time with him and his family. On Thursday, June 8, 8:00 a.m. we caught the boat at Bar Harbor, Maine and left for Yarmouth. At 3:30 p.m. (AST) we arrived in Yarmouth. Bro. Owens met us at the dock, as we had left our car in the states. We drove to Wedgeport where he lives. (He lives between the towns of Wedgeport and Plymouth).

Sister Owens (Jackie) works as an extra at the hospital in Yarmouth and has a tremendous witness in her work with those in physical need, as well as spiritual need. She was working the evening we arrived, so we didn't enjoy her fellowship until later in the evening.

It was rainy all day Friday so all seven of the children (three of mine and four of their's) had to spend the day inside. So those of you with children know how disappointed the children were about this. Brother Owens had been doing quite a bit of work on the house and had just got running water in the house a few days before we got there.

Saturday we visited some of the places around Yarmouth and he showed us where he had previously held services in Yarmouth until the local ecumenical movement had forced him out when they heard he was preaching the Gospel and having successful services. He also showed us where he had held services on Sunday night for a while, but due to the condition of the building and the location, his efforts weren't accomplishing much. We also drove by the building he had hopes of getting at the edge of Yarmouth, which he mentioned in his Newsletter to those of you who receive it. This is one of the great needs in the Yarmouth area, a place to worship. The United Church, which is ecumenical, does have a number of empty buildings in town, as they are all attending the finer churches where the virgin birth, blood redemption, resurrection and all other fundamental doctrines are denied. However, they will not sell their property or allow it to be used by Gospel preaching missionaries or ministers. (I might add here, we should be on guard against any moves by ecumenical leaders to lure us in to cooperate with them, whether it is to be cooperative evangelism, Ministerial Alliances, community activities, etc., as I saw first hand what this leads to.)

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Bro. Owens had a broadcast on the radio station in Yarmouth on Sunday morning, so he taped it Saturday night. Sunday morning we all crammed into his car and took off for church services, which he was holding at Forest Glen. I was privileged to teach the Adult class in Sunday School and then we enjoyed the morning worship service. One lady came forward for dedication to the Lord and the power of Holy Spirit conviction was working in the hearts of unsaved who were in the services. (I trust by this time they have made a decision for Christ.) We returned Sunday night for services at Forest Glen, and there were unsaved in these services also.

Monday morning at 9:00 a.m. we caught the boat for our trip back to Maine. Monday night we stayed with the Pastor of the Twin Mountain Church, Rev. Ronnie Dail, then Tuesday morning Bro. Dail showed us the facilities of the Twin Mountain, which just recently utilized some of the space in the attic for Sunday School rooms. Then we traveled over to the Littleton, N.H. church and visited with the Pastor, Rev. Eddie Riddick. Our summer Missionaries from the Bible College were there on their way to Canada, so we had them pose for a picture with Rev. and Mrs. Riddick, which is above. Both the Twin Mountain and Littleton churches are doing a great work under the pastorates of these men and I commend them both for their success. But we mustn't forget how these two churches were established, and that was through the missionary efforts of Rev. Owens. While in Littleton we visited with Sister Owens' mother. We traveled down through the beautiful White Mountains and passed through many towns in need of a Free Will Baptist Church. The question is will there be a Free Will Baptist Church in these towns with no Gospel preaching churches? The answer will depend on how we respond. Will we give, will we pray, and will we go?

I might mention again the need of a building in Yarmouth, Nova Scotia and ask that you pray that some building will open up to Rev. Owens. Also pray concerning the opposition he is receiving from the ecumenical churches, catholicism, and some of the so-called evangelical churches. And ask the Lord what He would have you do for the financial support of the Owens'? The cost of living is extremely high in that area and especially gasoline, which is 51.9¢ per gallon for regular.

On the last part of our trip we visited kinfolk, Rev. Bill Hill and family in Hazel Park, Michigan, where he pastors. While there we also enjoyed visiting with Rev. Ray Turnage of our Children's Home in Greenville, Tennessee, as he was in Detroit for the Michigan State Association.

In closing I'll say, if you don't have a burden for our Home Missionaries visit their field of work and you'll come away asking yourself the question, 'Why haven't I done more?'

Vernon Long, 833 Joachim Street, Festus, Mo.



GLEANNINGS from the fields



CHRISTIAN ECHOES' REPORT

Shown here is the Christian Echoes' Quartet. We are Free Will Baptist who go about the St. Louis area singing and playing for the honor and glory of God. We are open for engagements. Call our manager, Bro. Jim Dodson, JA 4-4495.

On July 15, we drove down from St. Louis, a distance of about 240 miles to Alton for our annual engagement at two churches in this area. This is a beautiful part of the Ozarks. It makes me wonder how anyone could look up on His handiwork and say, "There is no God!"

We had a good supper with our friends, Rev. and Mrs. C.A. Dodson, and played and sang at the Alton Church Saturday night to a large crowd. What a time we had! Then Sunday we all had breakfast with Mr. and Mrs. Jr. Dodson and I might add, a very good one. From there we went to the Smyrna Church, a short distance from Alton. It seems like we lit right in the middle of a revival! "There was shouting all over the house!" - as Dad Speers would say. I like this sort of carrying on. After a big feast out under the trees, more singing and praising the Lord.

This is Bro. Jim Dodson's (our M.C., Boss singer's) home community, and I know what a blessing it was to him because we all enjoyed it so much. As these good people bid us good-by and said "Come back real soon" it made us want too - real soon.

"Will I hear the same voices When I drift to that Sweet By & By
Will see the same faces By the river that will never run dry;
Will I have the same neighbors That I knew down by the side
of the road?"

When God's gentle people steal away to that Blessed Abode?"
The Christian Echoes' Quartet

PARKVIEW NEWS

Rev. and Mrs. Harley Brown and their daughter, Karen, represented the Parkview Church of Desloge at the National Association.

On their return they brought with them the C.T.S. plaque, which our C.T.S. had earned with an increase in attendance of the 25% required. On Sunday morning, July 23, Rev. Brown presented the plaque to Bro. Arthur Jenkerson, president of our C.T.S.

Four young people were baptized on Sunday afternoon, June 24, and are now in full fellowship with the church.

Two young women were saved in the morning worship service July 30, and one of them has united with the church.

Our regular St. Francois County Quarterly meeting convened with the Viburnum Church at Viburnum, Mo., July 29, 1967.

Parkview Church was well represented at this spirit filled meeting. Rev. Cliff Bowman was a visitor at this service and gave a stirring devotional in the afternoon session.

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Bro. Charles Miller, a young man from our church, some call him Bro. Charley, others Bro. Louis, was granted a one year license to preach the gospel. Bro. Miller has been a blessing to our church. He held the office of deacon, and was an inspiring teacher. He was our choir leader and his singing was a blessing to all who heard him. His wife, ImaLee, was a teacher and their two children were faithful members of the Church, Sunday School and C.T.S. Bro. Miller has been working with the Desoto Mission which recently organized and became another Free Will Baptist Church. He will be their pastor.

We, at Parkview, feel our loss and are saddened, yet; we rejoice that the work didn't stop at Jerusalem, but has begun to move into Judea. Pray for them as they obey the great commission.

LETTER FROM A READER

Dear Brother Bud,

Oskaloosa, Missouri Free Will Baptist Church had the fifth Sunday meeting, July 30. Seven churches represented. The church was filled nearly to capacity.

We had the pleasure of having our promotional director with us for the 11 a.m. service, also 2:30 service, which we enjoyed so much. One child going forward to pray for her family's salvation.

There were songs by Oskaloosa, Mo. Quartet, solo by Victory and others.

I'm sure all enjoyed a bountiful dinner, served at noon. We take this opportunity to thank each who brought food and also those who had a part in any way.

The Junior Class from Hannon gave an interesting skit, entitled "Summerits."

We thank our God for the new church building (we moved May 7) that afforded us room to accommodate this 5th Sunday meeting.

Pray that this church will be a soul-saving station for God. Every building has its foundation, let us build on the chief corner stone - CHRIST.

To continue to prosper, America today needs more righteousness, less riots, more prayer, less pride, more of God and less greed.

May we keep the line of communication open that the Spirit of God may flow in. All we as a church have accomplished, we owe to our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. May God give us all a deeper burden for those about us who are out of the Ark of Safety.

Laphema E. Herrell, Reporter

CAN YOU HELP ME?

Is there anyone that can give me any information regarding my father, A Free Will Baptist Minister of some years ago, Rev. T. C. Ferguson?

Information regarding any Church he organized or pastored or any contact you might have had with him. I understand he was State Moderator for a year or so. I realize many years have passed since his active ministry, however, somewhere, someplace, perhaps someone yet lives that remembers him. This I know - he was one of GOD'S chosen servants. He departed this life in 1957. I will thank you in advance, if by correspondence, you can help me.

John W. Ferguson
1025 Concord St.
Springfield, Mo. 65802
Telephone UN 2-0691

PASTORAL CHANGES

Rev. Lloyd Jeffreys has accepted the Merls Chapel F.W.B. Church, Cassville, Mo.

Rev. Kennedy has resigned the First F.W.B. Church, Flat River to accept the church at Pocahontas, Arkansas.

Rev. Bud Hill, Interim Pastor at Grant Ave. F.W.B. Church, Springfield, Mo.

Rev. Stilt has accepted the First F.W.B. Church, Fredericktown, Mo.

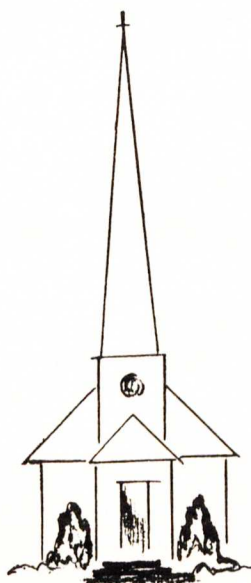
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CTS RALLY SUNDAY

September 17, 1967



The church with vision pushes



September 1967

September 17, 1967 has been set as Church Training Service Rally Day. Two objectives are specifically stated for this special day. Each church challenged to set a new record high in CTS attendance on this day. The second objective is that each church make an offering to the National CTS Department. The suggested goal for each church is ten dollars or twenty-five cents per CTS member whichever is greater.

A drive for attendance to CTS during September will help rebuild following the summer slump. If members new and old can be recruited during September, the CTS will be ready to launch into a vigorous program at the beginning of the new quarter in October.

Financial support for the National CTS

GOALS

- ✓ A new record attendance
- ✓ All regular members present
- ✓ New members enlisted
- ✓ Special offering for National CTS

Department is needed to give a thrust to the total youth effort. Several projects are waiting to be launched that will help the local church do a better job of training its young people. Your response on September 17 will directly affect thousands of Free Will Baptist young men and women.

Missouri Free Will Baptists have provided outstanding leadership during the development of our present Church Training Service program. The youth of Missouri have represented their state well in all of the National Contests. You are to be commended for your consistent support and promotion of the Church Training Service. Will you now help make September 17 a great day for Free Will Baptist Youth?

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MEETING THE CHALLENGE AUGUST '67

Dear Friends,

After a two month absence, it is again my privilege to greet you from Mexico, in the lovely name of Christ.

First of all, I want to take this space to thank each of you for your many acts of kindness. It isn't possible for me to write you personally, but please accept this as very personal from me to you.

I entered the hospital July 16, and on Monday, the 17th, had two tumors removed; one being rather large and the other small. The whole thing involved major surgery lasting some two hours and thirty-five minutes. I cannot try to explain all the complications which caused so much pain, but God was very merciful to me, and I have recovered wonderfully since the operation. I do thank you most of all for the many faithful prayers, cards and letters. Each of you was a special blessing to me. The last thing I can remember before going into unconsciousness in the operating room, was repeating the verse "--yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for thou art with me." About two days after the operation, the surgeon who did the operating,

asked me about prayer. I had the opportunity to witness to him. He told me he was not Catholic or really anything, but God gave me the privilege of witnessing to him. When he finally was ready to leave he said to me, "You know, perhaps the reason you are getting along so well is because you believe in prayer." It could be that I had such an operation just to be able to witness to this doctor. God's ways are always perfect.

We just finished our D.V.B.S. in the first church here in Monterrey. The average attendance was 156. God wonderfully blessed the school and to add to it, we are having a one week camp here with children from the Monterrey church only. We couldn't handle more from other churches due to lack of funds. We feel this will open many new doors of opportunity for us to enter new homes with the gospel message. Next year, the Lord willing, we plan to have two age groups - one group the first week and the second group the following week.

We have a beautiful new kitchen at the school, thanks to the efforts of Frances Radford of N.C. This is the "Dad Woody building". We will have the dedication at the annual convention.

Our convention starts Sept. 1st and goes through the 3rd. Again we wish to extend a cordial invitation to be with us. We realize you cannot understand the language, but the Spirit of God will be sensed in our midst. David Cochrane H.Z.(?) Cox and Roy Thomas will be the featured speakers. The special singing will thrill you greatly. Do make plans to attend; we have plenty of room for everybody. We are fairly easy to find: just follow highway #85 going South towards Mexico City. Leaving Monterrey, you will pass a factory "L.T.H." on the left. Continue on for some 8 miles until you arrive at a nursery where there is plant-selling stand, etc., and just over the next little hill and then to the left you will see a small sign, "Instituto de Oro, Bautista de Libre Albedrio." Turn in and follow the signs to the school grounds.

Also at this year's convention we have a new feature. On Sunday afternoon there will be a youth meeting with various games, such as Bible Bowl, Sword Drill, etc. The convention will officially end at 4:30 p.m. that same Sunday afternoon. Plan to come and stay for the final service!

Immediately following the convention, our new school term starts. We expect several new students this year. Although we have our own meat, eggs, milk, and most of our vegetables, it still means added expense. We can keep a student for \$5.00 per month because we have a large portion of our own food. Your support has been very faithful during the nine years here in Mexico. God through you has supplied our every need. We humbly ask you - please continue such support. Last month we lacked

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almost \$200.00 to meet the need. We must have at least \$800.00 monthly to properly meet present obligations. This pays full support for four workers, the churches, the school and our own salary. Do pray about keeping up the good support!

Arthur has not been feeling well lately. He went to the doctor and you guessed it! Too much weight and too much work. The doctor says he must loose weight--you know how he loves to eat--a diet for him will be a real job!

Again God bless you and thanks so very much for everything. Pray for us and the national workers, students and financial needs.

Your missionaries,
The Billows

AMERICA HAS GREAT NEED FOR REVIVAL

Dear Readers:

Recent news from across our country of riots in as many as fifteen cities at one time, with loss of lives and property as never before know, has brought to our attention again the fact that America is a mission field!

The only answer to our problem in the cities is to send gospel preachers who will win souls and build churches. I have been saying this for years and at times I wonder if it has been taken seriously by some of our Free Will Baptist people.

Give us your money so that we can get churches built in the great cities of America, and give us your prayers so that the churches will be successful. This is our continued plea.

The cause of all this unrest is lack of spiritual truth. We have always had, and always will have, poor people; we have always had poor housing in places; we have even always had rats - these things are not the real problems. The real problem is a NEED FOR REVIVAL AND A TURNING TO GOD. It is not too late now, but it may be too late tomorrow.

Thank you for sending your offering for the cause of home missions, church extension, and evangelism.

Sincerely in Christ,
H. E. Willis

FOREIGN MISSION OFFERINGS MISSOURI FOR JULY, 1967

Mr. & Mrs. H. A. Jacobs,	\$	5.00
Fredericktown		
Harold Oliver, Sugar Creek		10.00
George Bryant, Mountain Grove		10.00
Ruth Allis, Independence		10.00
Mr. & Mrs. Joe Howard, Kansas City		10.00
Jesse Watkins, Kansas City		10.00
Berkely F.W.B. Church		10.00
Pleasant Ridge Church, Alton		10.50
Hurryville F.W.B. Church,		
Farmington		57.00
Phillip Fry, Mountain Grove		5.00
Hazel Creek Church, Kirksville		194.55

South Side F.W.B. Church, St. Louis	85.00
Ernest Clift, Marshfield	6.00
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Hurryville Church, Farmington	57.00
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First F.W.B. Church, Fredericktown	27.70
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MISSOURI HOME MISSIONS REPORT

NEW MISSIONARIES IN MISSOURI



On August 1, 1967, the Rev. Dale Skiles and family will move to the Northwest Missouri city of St. Joseph to begin a Free Will Baptist work in that city, that will soon develop into a fine Free Will Baptist church. We have prayed for several years about this matter, and feel that now is the time for action.

We feel very proud that we can have a man of Brother Skile's ability going to this city. We know that he could have stayed at the fine church at Myrtle, Missouri indefinitely, and he has received numerous calls from other large churches in Missouri and other states. He is not going to St. Joseph out of necessity. He is going joyfully, knowing this is the Lord's will for his life. We realize that the Myrtle Church will miss him, and will have difficulty in finding a replacement, but just as surely as God has called him to St. Joe, God will provide a fine replacement for the Myrtle Church. Brother Skiles has a very good reputation with both the people of Missouri and with the National Home Mission Board.

September 1967

He is the founder of the Riverview Free Will Baptist Church of Bettendorf, Iowa.

Some have expressed concern over the fact that Missouri Free Will Baptists are not in charge of this work. Let me assure you that although Brother Skiles is actually an employee of the National Board, he is our Missouri State Missionary just as much as Brother Don Jones of Cape Girardeau is and Brother Lloyd Durbin of O'Fallon was. We, the Missouri State Board, must raise all his support. The Church will be organized under the direction of the State and National Boards. Our State constitution and By-laws will be used in the church. We are very proud to be working with the National Board, and hope that this endeavor will provide better understanding between state and national men.

Brother Skiles will start itinerant work in the State of Missouri, August 6. Possibly he will be in your church for a service, maybe not. But no matter whether you get to meet him or not, be assured that he needs your support. First, pray for the work in St. Joe. This is a strong Catholic area. He will want your prayers. Second, support financially. We need both monthly support and offerings in order to assure him of sufficient finances to stay on the field. Do not send your offerings to the National offices. Send all offerings to Missouri State Missions, 3100 Mt. Pleasant, St. Louis, Missouri 63111. Earmarked for St. Joseph. The people of northwest Missouri are counting on you.

James McAllister, Chairman, Mission Board

REPORT FROM CAPE

We averaged 18 in Sunday School. Our church conducted a five-day Bible Club with an enrollment of 29 and an average of 25. There were three children saved during the Club.

Also, our church has nearly completed a \$12,000.00 Bond Program with Executive Church Bonds of Nashville, Tennessee. Today we have sold \$9500.00 with only \$2500.00 to sell. We expect to start our building the first of September.

Don Jones

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WOMAN'S AUXILIARY



SEPTEMBER - Christian Education Month
REMEMBER!

- * Stewardship Emphasis Time
- * National Sunday School Week - (September 24 - October 1)
- * Memorial Student Loan Fund Month for Woman's Auxiliary

MISSOURI STATE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION

State Officers - 1966-1967

President, Mrs. Joanne King, 303 W. Columbia St., Farmington, Mo. 63640.

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the work of women, thereby creating new interest in miss

- (2) That the National Office offer co-ordinated helps prepared around a central theme for each WNAC Emphasis program.
- (3) That a suggested informative program be written around the theme, and visual aid and/or other helps be made available.
- (4) That pastors first be sent information concerning the program and then each local program chairman receive program material far enough in advance to plan a Woman's Auxiliary Emphasis service in conference with the pastor. (Use of materials supplied by the national office is optional. They may be adapted, or another type program or service planned.)

3. That the 1968-69 WNAC theme and watchword be as follows:

Theme: "A World in Hunger"

Watchwork: "Give Ye Them to Eat", Mark 6: 37

4. That the WNAC minutes be printed and distributed separately from the Co-Laborer magazine.

5. That flowers be sent to Mrs. E. Edwards, our former Sec., while in the hospital, at St. Louis.

(All resolutions and recommendations passed. Our National Convention was a real blessing! Editors note)

NEW OFFICERS OF THE WNAC FOR 1967-68

PRESIDENT: Mrs. Robert Hill

VICE-PRESIDENT: Mrs. Edwin Hill

RECORDING SECRETARY: Mrs. Gene Rogers

ASST. SECRETARY: Mrs. Sonny Rose study course chairman; Mrs. Vilot Cox

MISSIONS CHAIRMAN: Mrs. Henry Van Kluyve

STEWARDSHIP-PRAYER: Mrs. Robert Picirilli

MISSIONS CHAIRMAN: Mrs. Henry Van

PERSONAL - SERVICE - EVANGELISM

CHAIRMAN: Mrs. O. Hatcher

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY - TREASURER:

Mrs. Paul Pursell

STUDY COURSE

The Alton Free Will Baptist Woman's Auxiliary met July 10 with ten members and one visitor present.

Sis. Barbara James read a letter she had received from the Ellisons'. Our missionaries to Brazil.

Motional made and seconded to order greeting cards to sell.

The date of July 27 and 28 was set for a study course on youth.

Sis. Lida Wallace took charge of the program, "Caribbean Conquest."

We want to express our thanks and appreciation to Sis. Maureen Holman from

the Thayer Auxiliary for being with us and giving us ideas in our Auxiliary work, report on national convention

The Ladies Auxiliary of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Flat River held their July meeting Monday evening, July 24. There were nine present.

Marian Wilson was in charge of the program for the evening, which was entitled Caribbean Conquest. Ella King gave the special prayer request taken from the Heartbeat and Mission Grams publications. The special music was a duet by Marie Kemp and Clara Gammon who sang "Ye Are The Light of The World". Rose Marie Kemp read an article taken from the Heartbeat entitled "A Song of Praise" by Lorene Miley. Remarks were made explaining the display on Aids For Natural Vision and Aids For Spiritual Vision and the lesson for the evening taken from the Co-Laborer magazine by Marian Wilson.

Mrs. Orela Kennedy gave a very informative report of the National Convention and we were again made aware of the importance of missions and their needs. Mrs. Kennedy led in the closing prayer.

LOVE OFFERING SENT

The First F.W.B. Auxiliary of Lebanon held the meeting July 1.

Report: The Auxiliary brought supplies for the Youth Camp and spent one day cleaning in June.

Love offering sent to Loney Palmers' returning to Ivory Coast.

PASTOR INSTALLS NEW OFFICERS

The Womans Auxiliary of Springfield First Free Will Baptist Church met Tuesday night, July 18, at the church.

The meeting opened with a hymn and a prayer by our Pastor, Brother Henry Long. We had eleven members present. We received two new members which make a total of 21 membes.

The meeting was turned over to Brother Henry Long to install the new officers for this year. The elected officers are: President, Kathleen Kruger; Vice President, Myrtle Corbin; Secretary, Alyene Collier; Treasurer, Ada Bilyeu; Personal Service Chairman, Ruby Smith; Missionary Chairman, Merie Myers; Youth Chairman, Mattie Tannehill; Prayer Chairman, Allita Climer; Study Course Chairman, Iris Bolin.

Our installation closed with a prayer by Sister Mattie Tannehill. The Personal Service group took cookies to Sunshine Acres Rest Home. We joined together singing Free Will Baptist Gem



thru the LETTER BOX

W.N.A.C. RESOLUTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS, 1967-68

1. Be it resolved that a committee of five be appointed for the purpose of making a long-range thorough study of the Woman's Auxiliary entire plan of work; objectives, financial status and contribution to the denomination, in order to enable the Woman's Auxiliary to be more effective.

2. Recognizing the observance of WNAC Emphasis month is necessary if WNAC is to continue its work of strengthening and correlating its growing program, and whereas the observance should be a time of spiritual blessing and inspiration to the local churches as well as supplying the needs of WNAC, We recommend:

- (1) That WNAC Emphasis month be observed by each local auxiliary with a special program to acquaint new members with and focus attention upon

hymns with them. Our meeting was closed with all saying the Lord's Prayer.

DR. MILEY WRITES

The Woman's Auxiliary of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Kirksville, Mo. met August 3 at the church. Roll call was answered by 12 members. A letter from Dr. Laverne Miley of Africa was read.

AUXILIARY HISTORY

The Womans Auxiliary of the Fellowship Free Will Baptist Church, 601 Buckley St., Flat River, Mo. held their August meeting at the Church on Tuesday, August 1, with twenty-five members present.

The Co-Labor study "Forces Challenging World Missions" opened with the hymn, "The Lilly of the Valley", prayer by Betty Reeves.

A skit given by Pat Morris, Rachel Milburn, Betty Reeves, Edith Brooks, Della Getz, Alberta Turley, Alpha Moore, Janice Reeves and narrated by Verna Malone gave each of us a clear picture of the importance of each of our auxiliary members in relation to our auxiliary work.

Pat Morris introduced the speakers on the program.

Verna Malone gave a very interesting report on the auxiliary's national meeting along with the Mission Emphasis based on the verse of Scripture "Send Forth Labors."

A complete history of our auxiliary in book form was given to each member.

LETTERS FROM MISSIONARIES

The Ladies of the Free Will Baptist Auxiliary of West Plains, Mo. met August 7 with 14 members and three visitors present.

All officers gave good reports as follows:
Cor. Sec. read letters from missionaries, Rev. Luther Sanders and Rev. Lloyd Plunkett.

Personal Service Ch. reported a good cottage prayer meeting at Sis. Hunters and of furnishing food for the Gregory family at their mother's death.

The rocking chairs were brought for the nursery. It was voted to buy a rug runner for the two side doors of the new class rooms.

It was voted to send a \$1.00 per member for the General Auxiliary Funds as Aux. month of Aug.

It was also voted to send some sheets to Sister Miley for the hospital in Africa.

The Program Prayer Ch. Elyrun Daffron had charge of the lesson "World Mission." It was a good lesson and given in question and answer.

PROJECT - JIM McCLAIN

The Women's Auxiliary of the Victory Free Will Baptist Church met on August 1st. Seven members listened while scripture was read from Ephesians 6:10-13 telling us to Stand for the Lord.

During our business session we voted to send money from last month's project to the Jim McClain account. We are using WNAC as September 1967

our project for August.

We also planned a pink and blue shower for Joyce Oliver for the month of September. The missionary box was taken by Lorna Blacksher for one month who will then pass it on to the next member in line.

We enjoyed a very interesting lesson with Janice Rippee in charge.

PROJECT - NEWS LETTER

Overland Ladies Auxiliary meeting was called to order by Pres. Jesse Cronk on August 3 at the church. Nine members and one visitor were present.

The first item of business was a nursery for children during Auxiliary meetings and a change of our meeting place to our new church basement.

Our first project, as unanimously agreed by the ladies, is to sponsor a newsletter. This letter will be weekly and we will be responsible to completely edit the letter and mail it out to church families. We are eager to get this project underway.

The Billows' family has been selected by our auxiliary as its missionary family. We are happy to report this step forward.

Sis. Charlotte Whitcomb, our visitor, was accepted into full membership with us, offerings for mission efforts

The Woman's Auxiliary of Thayer Free Will Baptist Church met Tuesday evening, August 8, with 15 members and two visitors.

Program Prayer Chairman, Mrs. Fern Hickinbotham was in charge of the program. "Forces Challenging World Missions."

President Mrs. Gay Combs was in charge of the business meeting. Officers reports were given. Mrs. Lorene Pohnert gave an inspiring report of the national association convention.

Missions Chairman Mrs. Nettie Bennett received \$28.00 in free will offerings for the Lonnie Palmers & Fred Hershes.

We are sending \$10.00 to the Youth Camp for kitchen needs.

It was voted to send \$15.00 to WNAC's General Fund, and it was decided to buy a carpet for the stairway of the church.

A \$50.00 offering was given by a Lover of the Lord and his work to help buy and install the carpet.

We were dismissed with prayer by Mrs. Elsie Worel.

TEA GIVEN



On Tuesday evening, July 25, the Grant Avenue Woman's Auxiliary of Springfield gave a Tea in honor of the newest ladies of our church. The Fellowship Hall was beautifully decorated using the W.N.A.C. colors, lavender and white. Above is a picture taken at the Tea.

A solo, "Tell Me The Story of Jesus", was sung by Mrs. Mary Fortney. A skit, "The Crippled Branch", was presented by several college students and ladies of our church. It explained the purpose and aim of the Woman's Auxiliary and was given to help us to become more consecrated Christians, always doing our part in the Lord's work.

A Missions Report, reviewing our Missions Projects this past year was given by Mrs. Georgia Glenn.

Mrs. Mary Hill gave a devotional using the first part of Mark 14: 8 - "She hath done what she could" as her scripture reading. Also she read a poem, "Why Didn't You Let Us Know". As Christians, it is our duty to tell others about our wonderful saviour, Jesus Christ. Not only in America, but the whole world.

The entire program was a real blessing to everyone that attended.

Alene McCormack
Corresponding Secretary



The Need Is Emphasis On The Preaching Of The Word

JAMES McALLISTER, PASTOR, CENTRAL FREE WILL BAPTIST
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

Historically, Free Will Baptist have been strong in the pulpit. The best sermons I have ever heard came from the lips of Free Will Baptists. I thank God that finally we have discovered this, and we are hearing Free Will Baptists preach at our state and national conventions rather than other men of different persuasion. Free Will Baptists do not usually need to feel ashamed of our preachers, they get the job done.

Recently, we have been hearing a great deal said about a need to change our methods in regard to our Sunday School in its relationship to the church. It would almost seem that as the Jews had man for the sabbath, some have church for the Sunday School. The ideal situation is, we are told, a church in St. Louis that erected two giant educational buildings before ever constructing a sanctuary. I wonder where all these 2000 Sunday School attenders were at 11:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. I would imagine they were in the same place the Methodist people were at these hours. Do we need to change our method of reaching the lost from Church centered to Sunday school centered? or should we start a new emphasis in our churches of promoting church attendance rather than just Sunday School. Our GEM carries the Sunday School attendance of our churches, maybe we should change and carry the church attendance.

Near my home we have two large Baptist churches with huge educational buildings and small insignificant sanctuaries. There is a reason for this. The people all go home after Sunday School and don't come back for evening service. Sunday night attendance runs around 30 or 40. Are we to believe that this is the ideal? Are these churches really winning people to Christ in the classrooms? It is very possible I am sure, but I say if they get saved

in the classroom, they will stay for preaching and return that night for church. Is this what we want? The Southern Baptist began emphasizing Sunday School over the preaching of the word and have reached this sorry state. Do we want the same? I don't think so. I believe Free Will Baptists want to have the world know that we count the preaching of the word the most important part of our Sunday services. We want people to come in large numbers to Sunday school, and in great numbers to CTS, but we want them to know that the best is yet to come. The best is when God's man, anointed by the Holy Spirit, steps behind the sacred stand to preach the blessed work "It pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe." I Corinthians 1: 21b.

We need the CTS, the Sunday School, and the Prayer meeting to make our churches what they should be. But most of us would agree that our churches have slipped from what they once were, and somehow I feel that the reason can be traced partially to the emphasis being changed in our large churches from preaching to Sunday school. The child of God needs to hear the word preached; he needs to be corrected and reproofed; he needs to worship God; he needs the emotional charge he gets from the worship and evangelistic services.

If we are going to take notice of particular churches, let us measure their over all attendance. If they have 200 in Sunday School, it seems logical that they should have near that on Sunday night, and at least one-half that number Wednesday. They should be able to muster a large attendance for a special missionary service, and a strong audience in revival time. Let's not change our emphasis, let's just add a stronger Sunday School and CTS to our preaching, and let's have something worthy of the Bible as a supplement.

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Pleasant Hill	10.00
Myrtle	107.95
Parkview	96.04
Farmington	130.49
Thayer	42.06
Hannon	55.40
Alton	14.00
Mt. Grove	214.70
Overland - Mar. -	190.00
North Side	950.00
Mt. Valley	83.40
New Harmony Sunday School	4.40
Rock Chapel	22.83
Olivett	23.68
O'Fallon	42.97
Carterville	15.88
Victory	130.60
Copper Mines	40.00
Monnet	97.89
Grace	170.00
Beacon	109.87
Churches of the south section	
of Central Western Association	26.00
Fifth Sunday Mission Rally offering	
Cape Girardeau	20.05
Flat River First Free Will Bap.	276.88
Overland - April -	228.00
Fellowship	50.00
New Home	12.98
Merl's Chapel - June & July -	59.52
Martinstown	25.00

Leadington	127.00
Mine La Motte	12.90
Thayer - July -	48.10
Desota Free Will Baptist Church	12.00
Verdella	120.02
Cope	19.92
Kirksville	30.00
Berkley	262.32
Garfield	27.38
Bethel West Plains	45.00
Cabool	39.38
Jefferson City, 1 St. - June-July -	22.41
Parkview	98.60
Farmington	116.56
Victory	162.23
South Side	150.00
TOTAL RECEIPT	\$5,218.35

TOTAL RECEIPT JULY, 1967	\$5,218.35

DISBURSED:	
55.00% National Free Will Baptist Association	\$2,870.08
1.00% C.T.S.	52.18
2.25% Mo. Youth Camp	117.41
3.75% GEM	195.70
8.00% General Fund	417.47
14.00% Missouri Missions	730.57
16.00% Promotional Department	834.94

TOTAL DISBURSED:	\$5,218.35

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Howard Filkins, Greentop	10.00
First F.W.B. Church, Kansas City	23.84
Milford House	10.00
Leadington F.W.B. Church	20.00
L. D. Aldridge, Grandview	11.00
New Home F.W.B. Church, Hartsville	30.00
Miss Lillian Moore, St. Louis	69.00
Grace F.W.B. Church, Arnold	100.00
First F.W.B. Church, Berkeley	295.00
Beacon F.W.B. Church, Raytown	10.00
Mr. & Mrs. Val Arnold, Florissant	30.00
Mr. & Mrs. Eli Stephens, St. Louis	5.00
Jones Chapel F.W.B. Church, Stark City	7.42
Grace F.W.B. Church, Arnold	59.72
Leadington F.W.B. Church	10.00
First F.W.B. Church, Springfield	44.12
Mrs. Faye Hilton, Monett	100.00
Free Will Baptist Church, Cuba	16.42
New Harmony Sunday School	18.46
First F.W.B. Church, Monett	20.00
Thayer F.W.B. Church	5.00
Parkview F.W.B. Church, Desloge	30.00
Central F.W.B. Church, Kansas City	89.52
Mrs. G. W. Hopper, Poynor	5.00
Edith Blair, Kansas City	5.00
Alton F.W.B. Church	22.11
Zona Smith, Mountain Grove	5.00
Billy Miller, St. Louis	5.00
Mr. & Mrs. Lester Barks, St. Louis	10.00
Aulsbury Chapel F.W.B. Church, Bonne Terre	22.50
Rev. & Mrs. Tom Malone, Ft. River	10.00
Clell Pruitt, Flat River	10.00
A. C. Kennedy, Avondale	10.00

Free Will Baptist Gem

Twin Oak Church, Fredericktown	50.00
Fellowship F.W.B. Church, Flat River	135.00
Mrs. Joe Burchan	25.00
Northeast Mo. Assn., Kirksville	75.67
Cape Girardeau F.W.B. Church	8.00
Mrs. Coy, Marshfield	10.00
Mt. Grove F.W.B. Church	8.57
Mrs. Laurine Maxwell, Cabool	8.57
Mr. & Mrs. Eli Stephens, St. Louis	5.00
Rev. & Mrs. Clyde Montgomery, Cabool	5.00
Pleasant Ridge F.W.B. Church, Alton	8.05
Clifford Neasby, Phillipsburg	12.00
Grace F.W.B. Church, Arnold	6.40
Cooperative Plan	511.04
Total	\$3,248.70

NATIONAL HOME MISSIONS

First FWB, Fredericktown	20.00
Miss Olga Helsey, Hartville	16.00
Myrtle FWB	5.00
Mr. Gene Peterson, Mtn. Grove	10.00
Pleasant Ridge FWB, Mtn. Grove	5.00
First FWB, Flat River	5.00
Mr. & Mrs. Henry Jacobs, Fredericktown	5.00
Mary Martha Cir., Mtn. Grove FWB	5.00
Mrs. Oma Scott, Mtn. Grove	2.00
Victory FWB, Avondale	12.00
Mrs. Phillip Fry, Mtn. Grove	2.00
Coon Creek FWB, Hartville	51.39
New Home FWB, Hartville	10.00
Mr. Vencie Long, Hartville	5.00
Richwoods FWB	7.00
Mr. & Mrs. Gerald Edwards, Hartville	10.00
Miss Janet McGowan, Mtn. Grove	10.00
Mt. Home FWB, Mtn. Grove	2.00
New Rock Springs FWB, Mtn. Grove	15.00
Mr. Floyd E. Green, Harrisonville	2.50
FWB Church, Readington	12.00
Victory FWB, Avondale	23.58
Central FWB, Kansas City	9.70
Mr. & Mrs. Vernon Long, Festus	13.00
Meromac Heights FWB, St. Louis	91.58
FWB, Cape Girardeau	4.00
Victory FWB, Avondale	16.00
Fellowship FWB, Flat River	10.00
Rev. O. T. Allred, Monett	10.00
Cooperative Plan	281.95
Total	671.70

SUNDAY SCHOOL AVERAGES FOR 1967

	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June	July
Fellowship, Flat River	233	227	273	243	240	219	
New Harmony Church	34	36	38				
Farmington	124	136	146	139	122	133	113
Southside, St. Louis	128	122	125	127		112	114
Trinity Church, St. Louis	122	144	134	148	138	128	110
Kirksville	100	110	110	111	114	125	114
Grant Ave., Springfield	221	234	221	220	214	196	176
Viburnum Church	36	40	38	33		29	
Mine La Motte	30	30		27	30	31	
Koshkong	48	37	42	56	60	58	
Thayer	115	120	125	120	116	119	
First, Mtn. Grove	311	326	335	302	306	285	
Desloge	90	101	104	88	90	91	80
Union Light	102	94	105	84		126	
First, Springfield	226	221	257	216	208	216	211
Hannon	64	62	66	69	67	63	65
Overland	163	175	204	183			
Leadington	153	170	173	165	146	140	137
Copper Mines	75	73	88	78	92	97	101
Joplin	94	109	104				
Fourth Church, St. Louis	160	150	163	157	149	167	
Hazel, Creek Ch.	36	35	39	37	38	42	
West Plains	176	178	184	173	171	164	182
First, Lebanon	130	133	131	126	112	118	115
Myrtle Church	62	58	60	54	64	68	
Twin City Ch., Festus	51		45	50	49	46	
Richwoods	47	53	42	53	46	54	
Hartville Church	55	60	62	61	57	58	69
Berkeley Church	317	339	385				
Grace Ch., Arnold	201	213	257	222			
Cuba Church	92	119	136	126	111	112	
Salem Church	26	30	29	30			
Cape Girardeau	22	33	28	25	29	21	
Willow Springs, Mtn. Grove	82	92	89	86	95		
Twin Oak	67	56	57	57	56	66	58

State	1967 Quota	Amount Given	Balance	MISSOURI			
Alabama	\$ 8,500.00	4,695.70	\$ 3,804.30	New Mexico	10,000.00	4,142.74	5,857.26
Alaska	500.00	25.00	475.00	New Hampshire	500.00	103.37	396.63
Arizona	500.00	880.59	(380.59)	North Carolina	500.00	176.67	323.33
Arkansas	6,000.00	1,926.30	4,073.70	Ohio	20,000.00	6,301.60	13,698.40
California	10,000.00	4,330.58	5,669.42	Oklahoma	5,000.00	2,646.76	2,353.24
Canada	500.00	160.82	339.18	Oregon	21,000.00	9,488.84	11,511.16
Colorado	500.00	199.52	300.48	South Carolina	500.00	364.69	135.31
Florida	5,000.00	4,531.60	468.40	Tennessee	4,500.00	1,548.15	2,951.85
Georgia	5,000.00	2,380.73	2,619.27	Texas	20,000.00	11,894.44	8,105.56
Hawaii	500.00	30.50	469.50	Virginia	4,500.00	1,421.91	3,178.09
Idaho	1,000.00	174.25	825.75	Washington	5,000.00	2,206.15	2,793.85
Illinois	4,000.00	1,009.38	2,990.62	West Virginia	2,500.00	1,035.12	1,464.88
Indiana	2,000.00	618.56	1,381.44	Other States	2,500.00	378.70	2,121.30
Iowa	500.00	23.64	476.36	Mexico	3,500.00	660.42	2,839.58
Kansas	3,500.00	374.48	3,125.52		500.00		500.00
Kentucky	5,000.00	1,608.92	3,391.08	TOTAL	\$171,000.00	70,321.64	\$100,678.36
Maine	500.00	256.51	243.49	Exchange & ex-			
Michigan	6,500.00	2,388.60	4,111.40	pense refunds		881.13	
Miscellaneous	6,000.00	945.74	5,054.26	Total Receipted		71,202.77	
Mississippi	4,500.00	1,390.66	3,109.34				

NEWS

FROM OUR

COLLEGES

BIBLE COLLEGE COMPLETES NEW MEN'S DORMITORY



The first unit to be built under the Bible College's current expansion program has been completed. The new men's dormitory, constructed at an estimated cost of \$300,000, will provide living quarters for 120 students and an apartment for the dormitory supervisor. The 3-story building is centrally air conditioned and provides a spacious student lounge, a laundry center, and six large shower rooms.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION SETS BIBLE COLLEGE BUDGET AT \$150,000

A \$150,000 general fund budget was adopted by the 31st session of the National Association for the Bible College's 1967-68 school year. This is an increase of 11 percent over last year's operating budget of \$135,000.

With an anticipated first semester enrollment of 360 students, an accompanying rise in operating costs for the school is unavoidable.

The following state quotas were suggested:

Alabama	\$ 6,500.00	Alaska	\$ 200.00
Arizona	1,200.00	Arkansas	3,500.00
California	5,000.00	Colorado	600.00
District of Col.	300.00	Florida	5,000.00
Georgia	9,500.00	Hawaii	100.00
Idaho	750.00	Illinois	5,000.00
Indiana	1,500.00	Iowa	200.00
Kansas	1,000.00	Kentucky	2,700.00
Michigan	12,000.00	Mississippi	5,500.00
Missouri	9,500.00	New Hampshire	400.00
North Carolina	20,000.00	Ohio	7,000.00
Oklahoma	6,500.00	South Carolina	7,500.00
Tennessee	16,000.00	Texas	3,500.00
Virginia	1,500.00	West Virginia	1,500.00
Washington	850.00	W.N.A.C.	1,800.00
Others	8,200.00	TOTAL	\$150,000.00

CAN YOU EXCEPT THIS GREAT CHALLENGE?

Dear Brother Pastor:

Please do not lay this appeal aside. Take a moment to consider the burden I am about to share with you.

Let me be perfectly frank. Before construction was begun on the academic building the First American Bank agreed to loan us as much as \$250,000. We were hopeful that as the building went up we would be able to raise enough money from the denomination to, along with this loan, completely pay the bill. Response has been good and we praise the Lord for His marvelous blessings. Yet we have not been able to keep pace. The outgo has exceeded the income.

Now here is where we stand. We have \$20,000 left of the \$250,000 bank commitment. The academic building is almost finished and we owe the contractor over \$137,000. I turn to you, my only source of aid, and with all that is within me appeal that you help us in the month of August as never before.

We must somehow raise \$117,000. This could be done by 117 churches immediately launching a drive to raise \$1,000 each or 234 churches raising \$500. Another way it can be done is for all who read this letter to raise at least \$100. Remember, we are honoring the \$1,000 donors with specially prepared plaques.

Dear pastor, in the midst of all the appeals that come to your desk, I beseech you, give this one top priority now. Let us hear from you. The need is most urgent. Join me in prayer that God's people will rally behind this challenge. I am depending on you.

In Him,
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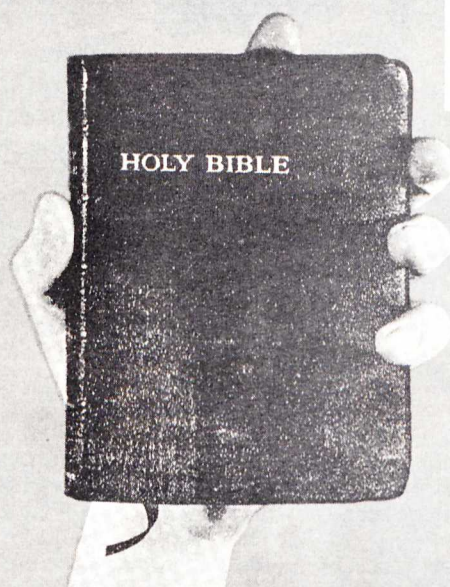
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A CRAZY MIXED UP WORLD

By Rev. Hill

Our age has been described as a period of anxiety, a sick generation, the age of the "over hill," the age of revolution, the age of demonstration, etc. I think we could describe our age as the "adolescent period." I asked my class of teenagers one Sunday the question, "What is an adolescent?" One alert young girl quickly replied, "A crazy mixed-up kid." This pretty well describes the adolescent and it is a good description of our nation.

In comparison to the age of other nations, I suppose ours would be passing the adolescent age. I am sure I get no argument from anyone that the United States for the most part is passing through a crazy mixed-up period. We are not sure who we are or where we are going or what we're going to do when we get there. We talk out of both sides of our mouths at the same time. We wear a halo and horns on the same head. We find inconsistencies, un-stableness and unrest in our lives.

We talk of freedom and are enslaved by our own lusts and desires. We very piously drool about loving our neighbor and we demonstrate hate and violence. Our "love-ins" end up in fights. We want to take a stand for the right but we don't know what is right. A young college student wanted to demonstrate but didn't know what to demonstrate for. We boast of our peace efforts and send our young men all over the world to war. We are going to force freedom and western culture on people if we have to kill them to do so. We want peace but sadistically enjoy war. We have more pleasures than any other age or nation has ever known.

We have so much leisure time we are bored. We are busy doing nothing. We laugh more outwardly and weep inwardly. We are religious but deny God. We love humanity but hate people. We rebel against the very laws we incorporate. We want to clean up the slums but not the slums of our lives. "Black is not black and white is not white, it is all a shade of grey" goes a line in a song.

Some psychologists have concluded that we are neurotic because we can't be otherwise and live in our "sick" society. In the midst of all of this confusion the church seems to withdraw, pull the blinds, lock the door to the outside world and pretend it isn't affecting us. But it is leaving its impact on the church. We, too, find our lives confused, inconsistent, and unstable if we don't completely rely on Christ.

This age could be a harvest time for the church. Christ came to give us freedom, love, peace, standards, joy, clean hearts and something worth demonstrating for - The Gospel - the good news of Salvation.

Oh, Christian! Let's not go down with this age, but let us by God's grace help to lift up fallen men. We can't afford to do otherwise. If the church gives up there is no hope for our age. Man's extremity is God's opportunity. Will you allow God to use you on your job, in your neighborhood, in your family?

REV. WILLIAM HILL, Pastor, First FWB Church, Hazel Park, Michigan

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NATIONAL HOME MISSION REPORT

This report is published for the benefit of the churches and individuals who like to know which accounts are most in need of support. This entire amount has been paid from the general fund and should be replaced so that other projects can be undertaken.

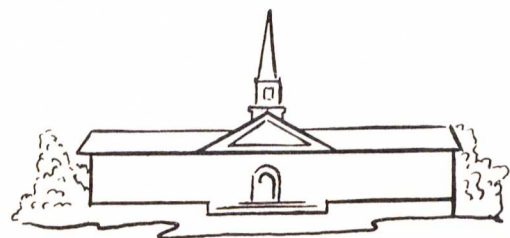
DEFICIT ACCOUNTS JULY 1, 1967

Field	Name	Amount
Canada	Rev. and Mrs. Bill Adkisson	854.57
Alaska	Rev. and Mrs. Kirby Joe Godwin	136.99
	Rev. and Mrs. Carl Johnson	2,213.14
	General	355.27
Idaho	Rev. and Mrs. Carl Hinz	126.32
	Rev. and Mrs. Wade Jernigan	2,702.56
Oregon	Rev. and Mrs. Johnnie Postlewaite	2,672.98
Cooperative State Projects	Completed	4,493.61
	Continuing	2,090.47
Missionary Maintenance	Unclassified	2,017.38
TOTAL		\$17,663.29

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BALANCE IN ACCOUNTS		
Mexico	Rev. and Mrs. Harvey Aguirre	\$ 2,593.03
	Rev. and Mrs. Arthur Billows	2,203.64
	Other	516.10
New Jersey	Rev. and Mrs. Leslie Carney	253.08
Mississippi	Project	5,281.62
Canada	Rev. and Mrs. Mack Owens	1,934.89
Washington	Rev. and Mrs. Lloyd Plunkett	96.91
Virgin Islands	Rev. and Mrs. Larry Powell	5,314.97
Hawaii	Rev. and Mrs. Luther Sanders	365.80
Retirement fund	Miss Bessie Yeley	119.06
Summer workers	Nine workers to various places	771.65
Florida	Rev. and Mrs. Harvey Hill	650.62
Church Loan Fund	To use for small loans and bonds	1,741.28
Other	Small amounts of designated funds	79.42
TOTAL		\$21,922.07

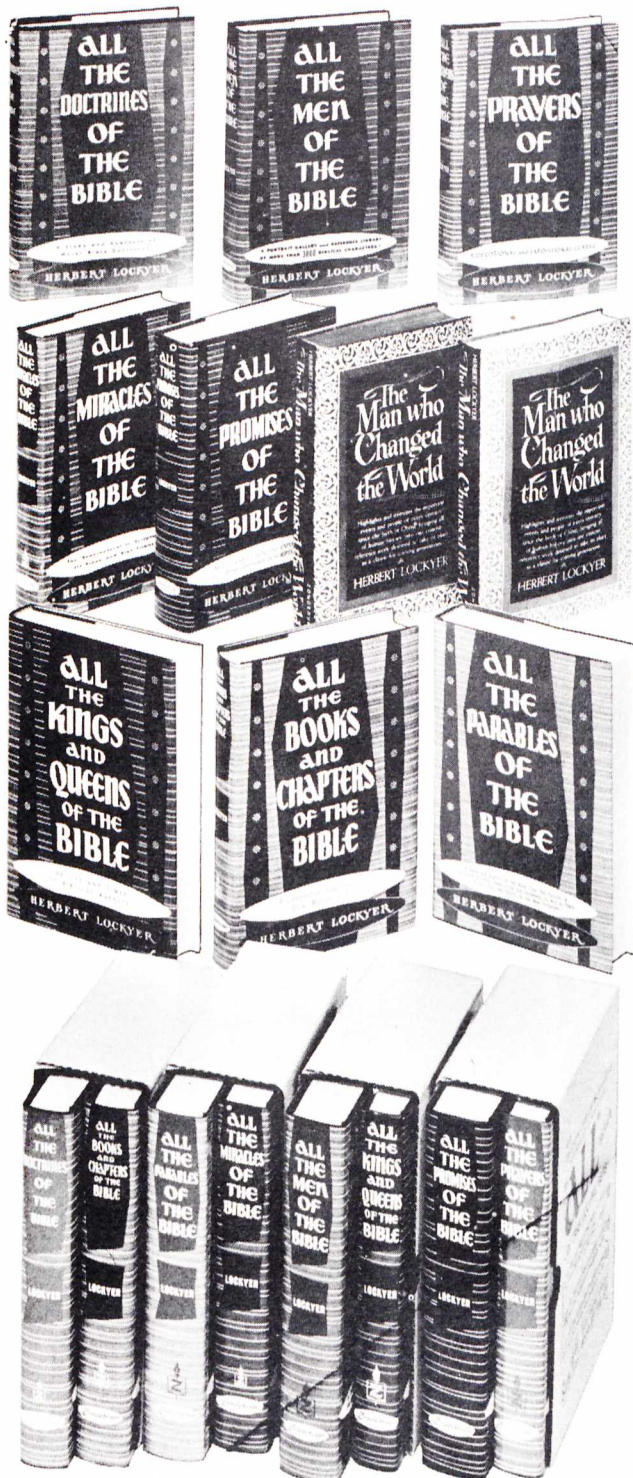
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Cash in 1st American National Bank, July 1, 1967	\$14,191.95
Savings Account, First American National Bank	15,000.00
Total Cash on Hand, July 1, 1967	29,191.95
Receipts this month	11,463.48
Total	40,655.43
Disbursements	16,318.80
Cash on hand, July 30, 1967	24,336.63

Amount in general fund	\$ 300.25
Amount in designated funds	19,036.28
Amount in reserve fund	5,000.00
Accounts balance	\$24,336.63
Amount of 1967 budget	\$171,000.00
Receipts this month*	11,191.20
Previous receipts **	70,321.64
Total balance to be raised	89,487.16
*This amount doesn't include	\$272.28 ex-
change and refund receipts.	
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