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MISSION CHAIRMAN

O Woman, great is thy faith. (Matt. 15: 28)

Lydia held a prayer meeting at the
riverside. Dorcas sewed garments in
her home. Christians, through the years,
have pointed to Lydia and Dorcas and
said, "There is woman's work in the
church."

Perhaps you will say, "Well, I am not
a Lydia or a Dorcas, just what can I do?"
Many Christians are content to come to
church and hear about God's Word, but re-
luctant to go and do what He requires of
them. God expects deeds on earth, and
knowledge will not be accepted as a sub-
stitute. Christians should "DO" as well
as "know" what Christ commands. Each
one has a place to fill and abilities that
may be used in the kingdom of God.

Every church needs the Woman's Au-
xiliary, and every Auxiliary needs a well
informed Missions Chairman. Most groups
of women want to learn more about the
missionaries and their work. But several
questions arise. "Where do we find mis-
sionary materials?" and "How do we
present the information?" These are le-
gitimate questions. Resource materials,
or ready-made missionary programs to
fit specific groups can be ordered from
our WNAC Office, 1134 Murfreesboro
Rd., or Box 1088, Nashville, Tennessee.

May I make a suggestion? Why not begin
to compile material for a missionary re-
ference file. Most missionaries send home
regular newsletters reporting on their
work. Interesting facts about the countries,
customs, and people maybe found in secu-
lar magazines, newspapers and geography
books. These articles and suitable pictures
may be included in the file.

This could be adopted in several ways
on the district or local levels. The files
could be exchanged so that each auxiliary
could benefit from the research of the
others.

The second question, "How do we
present the missionary lesson?", will be
determined by local situations. The mis-
sionary study should never become boring
nor a necessary nuisance part of the
program. A reluctant speaker who

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NEW STATE PROJECT:

"Help Build a Fort for Vandivorts"

More information coming soon.

stumbles through a lesson, showing lack of
preparation and little interest in the sub-
ject, will scarcely inspire the other women
to be enthusiastic about missions.

Here is a way to eliminate the problem
of securing speakers. At the beginning of
the year one woman is selected to repre-
sent a certain field or specific missionary
family.

Our local and district Missions Chair-
man should regularly correspond with our
missionary families, perhaps make a
scrapbook with items of interest, pictures,
and clippings. At the end of the year,
this book may be added to the mission
file. Movies, slides, and flannelgraph will
provide a variety for missionary news.
Another way could be the use of costumes
or headdresses of the country being
studied.

Of course the most important thing is
to cause our women to see the need to
"pray" daily for our missionaries and
their needs.

So, to our many Mission Chairmen
across our dear state of Missouri, let us
claim the service that is found in Mark
14: 8. "She hath done what she could".

State Mission Chairman
Mrs. Peggy Davis
18201 E. 17th St. Ct.
Independence, Mo. 64050

ST. LOUIS DISTRICT WOMEN'S AUXILIARY MEETING

Our meeting was called to order by
our president, Mrs. Jerry Plummer, Sep-
tember 24, 1968, 7:30 p.m. at the Grace
Free Will Baptist Church. The opening
prayer was prayed by Mrs. Lucille Beatty,
followed with a congregation song entitled
"America" lead by Mrs. Wanda Huitt.

Next on the program was the business
session, which included two items to be
discussed item by item. Mrs. Lois Buie
was elected to fill the unexpired term of
Mrs. Marie Wood, Assistant Secretary and
Treasurer. It was agreed to send \$50.00
to the WNAC Emphasis Month Offering,
and \$25.00 to the Mark Vandivort project.
A new constitution was adopted with the
following change.

ARTICLE IV FEES One Dollar and
Twenty Five Cents (\$1.25) per active
member shall be paid yearly to the St.
Louis District Women's Auxiliary Con-
vention for membership and convention re-
presentation fee.

The registration report was given with
51 in attendance. A church by church listing
is as follows. Grace-12, Faith-3, Forth-3,
Berkeley-9, South Side-11, Trinity-4,

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AUXILIARY

Visitors-3.

An offering of \$20.57 was received. With the business being completed, we moved into the program. A skit was presented by the Grace Women's Auxiliary. The title was "Consider Your Choice" written by Mrs. Wanda Huitt. The main character had not been enjoying her Christian way of life, because she was too busy with personal items and Christ had been crowded out of her life. After seeing and confessing her fault, she was again happy serving the Lord.

The prayer of dismissal was prayed by Mrs. Mariam Willhite.

District Corresponding Secretary,
Joan Barr

VISITS OLD FOLK'S HOME

The Woman's Auxiliary at Faith Free Will Baptist Church met July with seven members present. We have an enrollment of twelve members. The election of new officers were as follows: president, Lucille Gillman; vice president, Ruth Pratt; recording secretary and treasurer, Doris Arnold; corresponding secretary, Glenda Washam; mission chairman, Margaret Kraft; study course chairman, Rachel Cuttingham; program prayer chairman, Katherine Mertz; personal service chairman, Mary Lambert.

The Ladies Auxiliary will be holding services once a month at different old folk's homes and baking cookies for them.

Sept. 21, 1968 the Ladies Auxiliary had a pie supper above the Lemay Bank, to help purchase a new church bus.

Corr. Sec.

Glenda Washam

SHEETS FOR THE MILEYS'

The monthly meeting of Overland Woman's Auxiliary was held Tuesday night, October 1 at the church. Sis. Alice Stevens, president, called the meeting to order. Nine members and two visitors were present. "Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus" was the opening song. Special prayer was led by Sis. Land for Sis. Alyne Mannes' family who are ill.

Norma Landers, a Stanley Home Products representative, presented some money-making ideas to the group.

Our present project, bandages made from sheets for the Mileys', is to be completed by the November meeting and bandages are to be ready for shipment at that time.

Sis. Betty Renner was elected our new program prayer chairman.

It was decided to get pamphlets on projects for the Thanksgiving program and to show a film for our Christmas program.

We dismissed to work on our bandages
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and then had refreshments.

Yours in Christ,
Lois Buie, Corr. Sec.

VERY BUSY MONTH

The Woman's Auxiliary of the First Free Will Baptist Church, Festus, Mo., spent a busy month. We started the month off by a few of the women visiting a needy family and taking them bags of groceries. For this month's project we made a layette set for the missionary provision closet in Nashville, Tenn.

Corr. Sec.

Mrs. Dorothy Burkett
First F.W.B. Church
Festus, Mo.

AUXILIARY PLANS STUDY COURSE

The Bethel Free Will Baptist Woman's Auxiliary of West Plains, Mo. met Oct. 7 with 12 members and three visitors.

Study Course Chairman plans were for a Study Course Friday night, October 11, on "Christian Living". Mission Ch. read a newsletter from the Luther Sanders in Hawaii. Personal Service Ch. reported two showers, serving food at one home who had a death, and serving food at a public auction sale. Plans and electing delegates for our District Auxiliary were made.

Motion was made and seconded that we send \$20.00 to our new Home Mission Church in Columbus, Mo. and it was also voted that we write a letter to our Congressman in regard to drawing prayer and Bible study from our school. We will then sign this letter as a group of women who are fighting for our rights and freedom.

We closed our business meeting by a prayer offered by Addie Adkisson.

Program Prayer Ch. then took charge and gave us a wonderful lesson from our Co-Labor Book on the women of Japan.

Our pastor, Bro. Dale Skiles, lead us in prayer for the women we had just studied about who had unsaved husbands.

Dismissed in prayer by Eudene Adkisson.

Do continue to pray for our Auxiliary that we can win more people in the Auxiliary for our church and win souls for our Lord Jesus.

Cor. Sec.

Hattie Sims

EMPHASIS NIGHT

The Women's Auxiliary of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Springfield, Mo., were welcomed by the Prayer Meeting Director, Bro. Kenneth Lairmore to have their Women's Auxiliary Emphasis Night August 28, 1968.

A very interesting program was rendered. The choir sang several special

songs. Prayer by our Pastor, Rev. Henry Long. A welcome was given to all by our president, Sister Mildred Kensinger. Some Scripture was read by Sis. Mattie Tannehill. Sister Janice Floyd sang a special. A skit introducing the Women's Auxiliary to a very good crowd was given by Sister Lola Long, Mildred Kensinger, Alyene Collier, Kathleen Kruger. Following the skit each lady was united around the altar for prayer, each having a burden and blessing a real joy from combining our efforts to help our missionaries.

The Auxiliary voted to sponsor a student for the coming school year for Bro. Billows Academy.

The projects for the month are to visit Sunshine Acres Rest home for the Aged, and serve refreshments to the patients whom are less fortunate than we are.

Aug. 20, we served pie, cake and sandwiches at the U.S.O. for our servicemen that are away from home.

We were very grateful to Bro. Long when he concluded the program with his appreciation for the work the Auxiliary was doing and encouraged each one to help with their prayers and support in all efforts of the work.

Each one attending enjoyed a spiritual blessing.

Myrtle Corbin

Corresponding Sec.

BANDAGES FOR MILEYS

The Twin City FWB Woman's Auxiliary met Tuesday night, Sept. 24 with seven members and one visitor present. Opening song was "Bring Them In". Prayer by Sister Charles Moyers. Officers reports were given and accepted. Our project this month was bandages for the Mileys. Another project was a package for the Children's Home.

God has wonderfully blessed our Auxiliary this year as we meet, study and work to help others to be brought to the Word of God. Our earnest prayer is for those on the mission field who are working to get the Gospel to others. It gives us great joy to know we are helping in our small way by our pledges and packages we send. We do praise His Holy Name for His guiding light and leading us in the way we should go. Pray for our Auxiliary that we may grow and do more for those on the mission fields and at home.

Corr. Sec.

Zetta Whitehead

LEBANON'S AUXILIARY WORKS HARD

The Woman's Auxiliary of the First Free Will Baptist Church met Wednesday, October 2 with twenty members and one visitor present. The opening hymn was led by Mrs. Gladys Montgomery. Prayer was offered by Mrs. Dorothy Mosier. The president, Mrs. Farron Jones, ask each officer to give her report for the month.

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The youth center idea started after camp in the summer of 1966. There was concern that, now camp was over, something be done to keep high the spiritual interest gained in camp and to give the teen-agers something wholesome to do on Saturday nights.

We started by meeting in different homes each Saturday night. After devotions and games, we had a time of refreshments and fellowship. This worked fine for a few weeks until we ran out of homes big enough to accommodate our number. It was Halloween time when we decided to rent a club house by a river about 25 miles away. The club house was nothing fancy, but it served our purpose. That afternoon, while decorating for the party, one of the teen-age girls remarked with much sincerity, "If only we had a place like this of our very own." I realized then how important it was for teen-agers to have a place of their own to meet where they could feel free.

From that night on, we began looking around town for empty buildings. We knew we faced many problems, but we also knew that God could take care of them and work them out. And take care of them He did in such a beautiful way. He opened our eyes to the perfect place right under our nose. It was a huge room just under my apartment. It covered the same floor space as two of the apartments over it and had been a store several years ago. Money, of course, was one of our problems. Where would this group of teen-agers get enough money to decorate this building and fix it up enough to use it—plus pay rent, lights and heat? The rent problem was solved pretty fast. The owner let us use the building rent-free for three months and then charged us only \$15.00 a month. The man we got to come out and estimate the cost of the paint said that it would take over \$40 to paint the walls. The furniture would be an additional expense. While we were trying to decide on buying the paint, a man from another store sent us word to decide on the color we wanted, and he would order the paint at no cost to us.

We asked for furniture; and as we asked, it started coming in pews, pulpit, sofa, chairs, ping pong table, booths, tables, bookcase, desk and the money to buy curtains.

Heat was not a cost to us because the pipes going to the apartments in the building ran through this room and kept it comfortable all the time.

The Lord worked with us, and, before too many weeks had gone by, we had a youth center that we

could be proud of.

We use the center mainly on Saturday night from about 6:30 until 9:30 or 10:00. Sometimes, on Sunday nights after Church services, we open it for a while. Also, some of the churches use it for various CTS and Sunday School activities. Last spring I used it on Wednesday afternoon for a Good News Club. The kids came after school and after enjoying pepsis, candy and games heard a Bible story.

Our Saturday night program consists of a variety of things. Each night, except second Saturday nights, we have a short devotion (given sometimes by one of the teen-agers), choruses, sometimes a Bible game or quiz, and sometimes testimonies. We are beginning now a study of the missionary journeys of Paul. This part of the night's activity usually lasts about 30 or 45 minutes. On the second Saturday nights, we invite preachers to speak to the young people. On this night, the program is similar to a regular church service.

After the devotional period is over, the teen-agers are free to spend the rest of the evening with the games. We have ping pong, Scrabble, Carroms, Dominoes, Chess, Checkers, Password, Try, Sorry, Twister and puzzles. We also have Christian books and magazines that can be checked out. Each week we sell Pepsis, hot dogs or hamburgers and candy. We make enough profit on these to keep our rent paid. Thus, we try to provide three things—fun, food and Christian fellowship.

This group of young people also takes part in activities outside the center. Last Christmas they gave a play in two of the churches in town. They went to a rest home once and conducted a service, had a youth banquet last spring, and played several soft ball games. They visit with other youth groups, and plans are now being made to have a hayride at our youth camp. This group raised \$150.00 last spring to buy a trampoline for Camp Venture.

The youth center has proved to be an effective instrument to keep the young people active. It has also been a means of keeping them aware of the needs of a world without Christ.

Several Free Will Baptist Churches are opening youth centers similar to ours; others are considering the possibility. I challenge every youth leader to consider the possibility of providing this type opportunity for young people.



by Rudene Kennedy

YOUTH CAMP

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Bro. Cletus Nichols with one of classes at Youth Camp, 1968.

An appeal has been made and the response is fair. I'm referring to the suggestion that was made at Youth Camp and at the Missouri State Association--each church interested in Youth Camp send \$10.00 each month for the Expansion Program.

This report from Bro. Bill Reeves, treasurer, is of September 30.

Hannon Church	\$10.00
Thayer Church	10.00
Hannon Church	10.00
Marshall Church	10.00
Rock Chapel Church	10.00
Lyn St. Church, Lebanon	10.00
Willow Springs	10.00
First FWB, Lebanon	10.00
Mountain Grove	10.00
Berkeley Church	10.00
Macedonia Church, Niangua	5.00
Phronia Barker	1.00

Grant Ave Church

Bro. Reeves states, "If I have left out any church or individual please let me know and I will list it in the next report." (next month).

Inasmuch as it takes awhile for an additional project to become a part of our regular giving, I'm sure the response will be better next month. Actually, this is not a bad response for the first month. Remember, the Youth Camp is depending on YOU to help in this very worthy project. If you have not started, will you consider this at your next church business meeting or perhaps some auxiliary would like to take this as a project.

A working was held at Youth Camp, along with a board meeting, September 23. These were present: Brothers O. T. Al- lred, James Franklin, Clifford Bowman, Dave Parrott, Grover Pingleton, Luther Gibson, William Reeves, O. E. Reeves. (Clarence Burton was absent). There were

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ladies who helped also: Mrs. Grover Pingleton, Mrs. Dave Parrott, Mrs. Pauline Reeves and Mrs. Vada Reeves. Inasmuch as it rained and the working was cut short another day has been set for a working-- November 11. This can be a good day of fellowship and work for the Lord. Why not make plans to be at Youth Camp November 11?

Clarence Burton

Promotional Sec. Youth Camp Board

Note: Several good sweaters were left at Youth Camp last summer. If you are missing one please write to Bro. Reeves, identifying the item and he will send it to you.

"MUSINGS" FROM THE 1968 CAMP SESSIONS

Greetings in the Name of Jesus to all our Gem reders and friends:

Another year has rolled around and camp time arrived June 16 bringing 476 preteen campers, sponsors and teachers in all.

First came registration and assigning of cabins. Then came unpacking of suitcases, hanging best clothes wherever possible, slamming of suitcase lids on rest, out to greet old friends and to make new friends. Meanwhile in the kitchen, the cook and helpers were preparing lunch for all. Then came the bell calling them to eat the prepared food. All in line to wait their turn for camp chow again. After eating, another free period again to dress and find a place to sit before their first Youth Camp service for year 1968 started. During the first service a rain begin falling so after dismissal, a run for the cabins out of the shower. Some older ones went to the dining hall for a cup of coffee before beginning their first night at Camp.



There were many wonderful services, and lots of good singing. Seventy (70) precious souls made their way to the altar. Some were saved for the first time, others renewing their vows to the Lord. A precious time, indeed, with so many boys and girls on the Youth Campgrounds. Then came Friday goodbyes which were said to old and new friends. "Meet you next year at Camp" was heard every where around the campgrounds. Busses and cars leaving to take everyone home again. Those left behind breathed a prayer for the safety of those on the highways.

Then came June 23 bringing the teenagers to camp, so grown up from last years camp. But in meeting old friends and making new ones, soon they became campers again. Again good preaching, singing and many souls saved or reclaimed in the Lord's service. A glorious feeling existed among the campers and teachers.

As someone remarked, "These are the best Youth Camps ever here, as everyone, the Youth Camp board, teachers, preachers and lay members are all busy in some way." The cause of this statement came from the fact that in the after- noons, while no classes were in session, the Youth Camp board, State moderator, other ministers, teachers, sponsors and others worked putting siding on the Chapel Class rooms, dining hall and painted the same--thus creating a much nicer outlook for the camp and also matching the new cold drink stand with two classrooms attached on back side.

There were 731 enrolled in the two camps when all finished registering.

May God ever bless the Youth Camp is everyone's prayer.

The Reeves family at Youth Camp

EDITOR'S NOTE: This above article was misplaced. It is late, but good, so I am using it. I am very sorry for the delay.

GLEANINGS



SOFTBALL TEAM, BERKELEY CHURCH

The Softball Team of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Berkeley was undefeated for the 1968 season. The team along with the manager, coaches and bat-boy were recognized at a Sunday evening service. A trophy will be presented at a later date. Pictured above on the front row left to right: Ronnie Hovis, Craig Combs, John Burton, Kevin Usery (batboy), Danny Smith, Dennis Usery, David Hogan, James Crick, Bill Bice; back row, left to right: Danny Martin, Mgr., Randy Foshee, Terry Coleman, Steve Burton, Butch Hovis, Gary Dodson, Everett Usery, Coach, and Jim Dodson, Coach. Not available for the picture are Lonnie Dodson, Mike King and Danny Case. Clyde Harris, who was manager of the team at the beginning of the season and his son, Jerry Harris, are not pictured inasmuch as the Harris family moved out of state. (At the time of this publication the Harris family is back in Missouri and it's good to have them back.) Clarence Burton is pastor of the Berkeley Church.

SPEAKERS FOR BIBLE CONFERENCE NAMED



JERNIGAN



MOORE

Two well-known Free Will Baptist ministers will be the keynote speakers at the annual Bible Conference to be hosted by the Oklahoma Bible College November 20-23. They are the Reverend Dean Moore and the Reverend Wade Jernigan.

Reverend Moore is currently pastoring the First Church in Richmond, California. He has long been active in the work of Free Will Baptists in that state having

served four years as president of the California Bible Institute at Fresno. The Reverend Jernigan, who helped guide Oklahoma Bible College in its earlier days, is now serving as pastor of the Cavanaugh Church in Fort Smith, Arkansas. He has been widely used as an evangelist and also served as a home missionary to Jerome, Idaho, under the auspices of the National Home Missions Department.

The opening service of the Conference will be Wednesday evening, November 20, with the closing services to be Saturday morning, November 23. One of the highlights of Saturday morning will be the dedication of the new dormitory now in its final stages of construction. Tours of the new facility will be scheduled following the dedication.

All daytime services will be held in the chapel of the College with the night services being held at the Southern Oaks Free Will Baptist Church, 7201 South Santa Fe, Oklahoma City. Meals will be available in the College dining hall.

Special music will be provided by the OBC Music Department throughout the Conference. Complete program details will be found in the November issue of the NEWSLETTER.

FROM THE

REGISTRATION AT O.B.C.

Six young people from Missouri were among those students who attributed to the unprecedented increase in the number of full-time students enrolling at Oklahoma Bible College for the fall semester, 1968.

The final registration figures show that the full-time equivalency enrollment increased seventy-six per cent over the previous fall semester. Registrar Eugene Workman stated that although the actual head count of students enrolled now stands at eight-six, only a seven per cent increase over last year's head count, the large increase in full-time students can be attributed to the fact that almost all of the students enrolled are carrying a full academic load. This is in keeping with the enrollment predictions of last summer; however, the number of part-time students was not as great as expected.

The Missouri students enrolled are: Kathy Barclift, Kansas City; Robert Colby, St. Ann; Roger DePriest, St. John; Coy Donakey, Jr., Polo; Tom Hampton, Springfield; and Richard Terry, Lee's Summit.

The current semester has also seen an

increase in the faculty and staff of the college. The Reverend Lynn Wood, moderator of the Oklahoma State Association of Free Will Baptists and former pastor of the Ada church, is now serving as the full time Promotional Director for the College. The Reverend Ted Wilbanks, who is a native of California and a graduate of Free Will Baptist Bible College, has joined the faculty as a private music instructor. The third addition to the faculty, the Reverend Eddie Altis, of Springfield, Missouri began service with the College last July as librarian and teacher. Mr. Altis also serves as Counselor of Men.

Dear Gem Readers:

We're still rejoicing in the Lord at Sunnyview Free Will Baptist Church, and oh, how we thank God for all of His goodness to us. We had one soul saved, one uniting with the church and three adults baptized during September.

Our Laclede County Quarterly meeting was well attended, with some old fashioned preaching, singing and praying, and good fellowship was enjoyed by everyone. Bro. Harry Beatty was present and spoke in the afternoon.

At our last business meeting, Sunnyview Free Will Baptist Church adopted the Co-operative Plan of giving, with a unanimous vote. We praise God for this.

We ask that you remember Sunnyview in your prayers, that more souls may be saved.

Thank you,
Reporter, Bonne Fulkerson
Pastor, Rev. Milan J. Ruble

OBITUARY

LAWERANCE BERRY

On September 16, 1968, our dear Bro. Lawerance Berry fell asleep in Jesus at work at McDonalds Air Craft, St. Louis, Mo., 40 years of age.

His sudden passing was a great shock to all of us at home. Brother Berry was member of the Desoto Free Will Baptist Church, Desoto, Mo. He was a trustee of the building program and a church building is under construction under his supervision at the time.

Brother Berry was faithful to the cause of Christ and was anxious to see the church finished, where people would have a place to worship God, and sinners could come in to listen to the Gospel of Christ

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and be saved. He also worked in his community trying to make it a better place to live.

He leaves to mourn his passing his wife, Roberta, and eight children. They are Brenda, Lawerance Jr., Ann, Barbara, Bobby, Gene and Jane, of the home, and Alpha Marie of Flat River, Mo. He also leaves his mother, Dortha Berry of Desloge, Mo.; one sister, Mrs. Alpha Wampler of Elvins, Mo., and many other relatives and a host of friends.

He lay in state at Sparks Funeral Home and was moved to the Park View Free Will Baptist Church, Desloge, Mo., where Rev. Harley Brown officiated. He was laid away in Park View Cemetery near Farmington, Mo., to wait the resurrection, when the dead in Christ shall rise first. ". . . then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so shall we ever be with the Lord."

"How precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints."

"Thanks be to God, there remaineth a rest for the people of God."

Our church and community has suffered a great loss on earth, our loss is Heaven's gain.

Sister Ackerson, reporter

SEEKING

Once I was a stranger,
Seeking a pathway to find,
All was darkness around me,
The path of sin was mine.

Then in all my wandering
I took a notice of light
I stumbled on in darkness
Not looking for the right.

Then someone stood beside me,
With a light I could find.
He was there to help me;
So patient and so kind.

Now, I've found the Saviour
And have wholly peach of mind,
There's no darkness in the pathway
The light will ever shine.

Laphema E. Herrell
January 10, 1968

BRO. BOB DICKEY ORDAINED TO THE MINISTRY

Bro. Bob Dickey was ordained to the ministry in ordination services held at the Oskaloosa Free Will Baptist Church in Oskaloosa, Mo. The service was begun with a song by the congregation and then Bro. Hollis Walker led in prayer. Sam Smith brought a special song and Keith Dickey led in prayer. Rev. Carl Eden preached the ordination sermon using as his scripture Luke 5: 18 and Rom. 10: 11. Rev. Glenn Murray gave the church. Prayer by Bro. Reed Smith. After a handshake of fellowship by all, they retired to the dining room where

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refreshments were served.

Bro. Bob was called to pastor Hickory Grove Church where there shall be show-ers of blessing, we hope. We do miss him and his family so much, but the called one is filling the task the Lord has for him to do. Our prayers are for him.

Mrs. Laphema Herrell
Reporter

CHURCH STARTS BASEMENT

Our church in Desoto is doing good. The Lord is blessing us in a very wonderful way. We are working on the new church building. They are just about ready to pour the basement floor. We thank the dear Lord for all things.

How is everyone? I know you are busy in the Lord's work continually. We must work with all our might as we have such little time to win souls for Christ. I believe Jesus is going to come again soon. signs point to His coming.

Pray for us.
Sister Ackerson

CHURCH HAS MISSIONARY CONFERENCE

September was a month of many blessings at Parkview Church in Desloge, Mo. Rev. and Mrs. John Long reunited with the church. They had been with Verburnum Church and are not retired and living in Desloge, Mo. Rev. Long is a former pastor of Desloge Church. We are glad to welcome them back.

Special services to help increase our attendance were held in September.

The third Sunday was the Men's Day. Bro. Olan Lincoln, a layman, brought the morning message. Attendance increase was 16% above the previous Sunday.

The fourth Sunday was the Women's Day. A special report of the Woman's Auxiliary was given by Sis. Marilyn France, District President, and Velma Dean Adams, local President.

Sister Lorna Huff was the speaker for the morning service. We were all blessed when a young woman rededicated her life to the Lord. The attendance increase was 7%.

The fifth Sunday was Youth Day. The young people were given the honor of filling the offices and the privilege of teaching the Sunday School classes. This was also Promotion Day and special awards for perfect attendance were given to Mark Huff, Karen Brown, and Rev. and Sis. Brown. David Huett, a fourteen year old young man from Grace Free Will Baptist Church in Arnold, Mo., was guest speaker for the morning service. Attendance increased 21% above the ladies record.

The C.T.S. drive for more members has not lagged behind. Bro. Arthur Jenkerson, president, has interesting programs and we are working for at least a

25% increase.

Missionary Eddie Payne visited with us from September 26 through 29. Our pastor, Rev. Harley Brown, called a missionary conference and all the other Free Will Baptist churches in this area were invited to attend. Bro. Payne delivered inspiring and challenging messages. He showed slides of the people and land of Africa. He told about the living conditions of the people and their manner of worship, and of the missionaries efforts and desire to help them. It was only when he was asked that he told of the living conditions of the missionaries themselves! The Paynes' are blessing to Desloge Church and its our prayer that we will be a blessing to them.

Reporter, Sis. Alice Bowen
Pastor, Rev. Harley Brown

ORDINATION SERVICE

Neosho Free Will Baptist Church held Ordination Services at 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 15, 1968. Rev. James Franklin brought the message taken from 2 Tim. 4: 1-4. The charge that Paul gave unto young Timothy. He was charged to preach Christ and Him crucified.

Also Rev. Cecil Campbell gave a charge and his scripture was taken from I John 5: 11-12. The word "watch" was used. 1. Watch his words. 2. Watch his actions. 3. Watch his tongue. 4. Watch his conduct. 5. Watch his health.

Rev. Frank Harris from Stella, Missouri, was being ordained. He was to give full proof of his ministry. The church expects him to be for all phases of the work of Free Will Baptist Church, teaching missions, education, evangelistic, and also doctrine. Rev. James McCully took his scripture text from Acts 13: 1-4. He talked on the responsibility of the church.

Rev. Dale Underwood talked to Rev. Frank Harris on taking the Bible and preaching the word from the Holy Scripture.

The service was concluded with prayer of dedication and consecration around the altar with Bro. Elmer Johnson leading the prayer. They had a fellowship handshake afterwards. It was a very inspiring service.

Yours in Christ
Mrs. Dorothy Childress

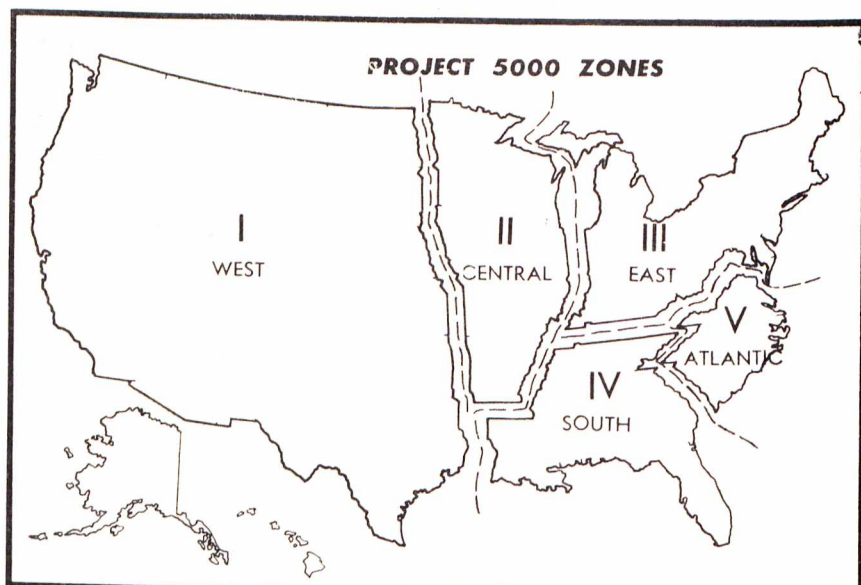
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I was a sinner far from grace,
Till Jesus came and took my place.
To Him I'll give my heart and pray,
I want to climb higher day by day.
I'm on my way to glory land by daily
working, praying too,
Praise the Lord, I am going through.
Over there the Lord I'll see,
With all the saints forever be.
I'll walk those streets of gold,
With joy forever peace untold.

By Laphema Herrell
Jan. 10, 1968

NEWS OF THE MISSION FIELDS

Home and Foreign



PROJECT 5000

I AM A FIRM BELIEVER IN THE POWER OF PRAYER AND THE FOREIGN MISSIONS OUTREACH OF MY DENOMINATION. THUS I WISH TO BE ONE OF THE 1000 PARTNERS IN WORLD EVANGELISM FROM MY ZONE PARTICIPATING IN PROJECT 5000.

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Dear friend of missions:

We have a plan to help our missionaries that we think is one of the best in the missions business. It's called Project 5000, and for some reason our first attempt to enlist supporters fell flat. We think it must be our fault, since too many businessmen and laymen in our churches have told us that the plan is solid. And it reduces the number of appeals for funds reaching you, while at the same time relieving the burden of giving for each individual. So, we don't want to let it go.

The plan seeks enlistment of a hard core supporting group of 5000 individuals who will give a maximum of \$20 per year above regular giving as need demands.

We have divided the country into five geographical zones on the basis of denominational membership, and are seeking to enlist 1000 people within each zone who will commit themselves to give \$10 upon request for basic funds for the missionary or for an approved project overseas. No individual will be asked to send in his \$10 Project 5000 gift more than once within any six-month period. Thus the maximum commitment in this program is for \$20 per year, less than two dollars per month.

The five zones are clearly marked on the map on the enclosed explanatory leaflet. This is the way the plan works: A new missionary needs \$10,000 to depart for the field. The 1000 participants in Zone 1 are asked to make their Project 5000 commitment of \$10 each, thus providing the \$10,000 needed. Zone will not be called upon for another Project 5000 gift for at least six months. To meet emergency needs or special projects during that period, other zones will be called upon instead.

This appeal is one of only two major appeals made to you by the foreign missions department. The other is our annual "Call-a-thon", a once-a-year campaign through the Sunday School during April, Foreign Missions Month. Any other appeals to you for missions come through missionaries who are usually from your

own locality and deserve your special support, or through your local organizations.

We feel that God has richly blessed our work through your giving and your prayers in the past. And as our work grows to reach more souls for Christ, we are faced with new and complex problems of finance. Such items that we must consider in getting new and returning missionaries on the fields include travel, language study, equipment, vehicles, housing and furnishings, not to mention the missionary's personal expenses. Total costs that must be met before a missionary leaves the States average between \$8500 and \$12,000.

This price is small compared to the fruit of that missionary's labors--souls won, villages opened to the gospel, hearts opened by medical care, national missionaries trained to minister to their own people, Scripture translated into previously un-translated languages, gospel literature produced and distributed. One has only to look at the churches established in our ten foreign fields and the hundreds of souls won to Christ in the last ten years to see the thrilling returns on a relatively small monetary investment.

Last year all five zones received a general appeal in behalf of the Fred Herseys and Lonnie Palmers. No appeals have been made this year, since we are seeking first to enlist the full quotas of commitments from all areas before making special appeals.

We trust that you will prayerfully consider Project 5000 and become one of our hard core supporters to provide these basic funds. If you have already joined our friends of missions who have committed themselves to Project 5000, please pass this letter on to a friend.

Sincerely in Christ,
J. Reford Wilson
General Director

I 'M NOT AMAZED

Hebrews 10: 25. . .Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another; and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.

I believe that the Christian people either under estimate or overlook the importance of this verse. I believe that it is a warning. I believe that the Holy inspired man of God, the writer of the book of Hebrews, could see by the revelation of God that the days shortly before the end of time would be very trying times and that there would be many things to lead people astray.

I believe many people are amazed by the things going on in the world. But this ought not to be. If we would study our Bible. We are compassed about by many troubles and wars. Man now flies faster than sound, man orbits the earth, man talks of going to the moon. Man takes the

heart of one man and puts it in another.

Let us look to God's word:

Matthew 24: 21-24:

21...For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be.

So we can expect the trouble and strife.

22...And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved; but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened.

But the loving God that we serve will give comfort to his children.

23...Then if any man shall say unto you, Lo, here is Christ, or there; believe it not.

We need to know the word of God. Be not deceived.

24...For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch

that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect.

So we can expect man to offer other ways to be saved other than Jesus. We can expect false prophets. We can expect to see great wonders of mans hands.

25...Behold, I have told you before. Be not deceived, Jesus already told us these things would come.

So you see, if we would gather together even more as the day approaches. We will not not be amazed. Don't be amazed when you see more people at the lakes and other places of amusement than you see at God's house. God's word says in II Timothy 3: 4 speaking of the last days that men shall be lovers of pleasure more than lovers of God. I believe God's perfect word will teach us all things.

Rev. Earl Ames

Pastor Twin Oaks FWB Church

PIONEER MISSIONARY DIES



The Rev. Thomas H. Willey, veteran Free Will Baptist missionary to Latin America, died at Miami, Florida, Friday, October 18, 8 p.m. (EST) following an extended illness. Death came at Cedars of Lebanon Hospital where he was undergoing treatment for cancer.

Willey, 70, was the senior missionary on the staff of Free Will Baptist Foreign Missions, serving in Latin America under Free Will Baptist auspices since 1936.

Funeral service were held Tuesday, NOVEMBER 1968

October 22, at 11 a.m. (EST) at Ebenezer Free Will Baptist Church, 349 Southwest 12th Street. Interment followed in Woodlawn Memorial Cemetery. The Rev. Raymond Riggs of Detroit and the Rev. J. Re-ford Wilson of Nashville, Free Will Baptist missions officials and longtime associates of the deceased, officiated. They were assisted by other associates of the veteran missionary.

The family has requested that no flowers be sent. They invite those wishing to ex-

press respects to do so by memorial contributions to the Thomas H. Willey Memorial Loan Fund, established by the family in cooperation with the Free Will Baptist foreign board to assist church construction in Panama. Donations may be sent to Free Will Baptist Foreign Missions, Box 1088, Nashville, Tenn. 27202. The family will be notified of all gifts.

Surviving Mr. Willey are his wife, the former Mable Alice Bailey; one son, Thomas, Jr., a Free Will Baptist missionary to Panama; and one daughter, Mrs. Barbara Willey Moehlman of Miami.

Mr. Willey, known throughout his denomination affectionately as "Pop", was the first sent by his denomination to Latin America where he pioneered work in Panama in 1936 and in Cuba in 1942. He also made surveys leading to the establishment of Free Will Baptist work in Brazil in 1958. Prior to appointment by Free Will Baptists, Mr. Willey served in Peru under auspices of the Christian and Missionary Alliance. He is an alumnus of Ausbury College in Wilmore, Ky.

Following nearly two decades in Cuba, Mr. Willey moved to Miami in 1960 where he became actively engaged in ministry to Cuban refugees and from where he served as a deputational representative for his missions department until death. In the latter capacity, Mr. Willey traveled throughout the United States and eastern Canada where he was in popular demand for special missionary conferences and rallies.

The native of New Jersey was stricken three years ago with cancer. He continued a heavy speaking schedule until his voice was affected a few months ago. His last weeks were spent in writing and counseling visitors.

"He was a true ambassador for the Kingdom of Jesus Christ," eulogizes General Director Wilson of the Free Will Baptist foreign board. "He was God's man whether shaking hands with the president of a Latin American country, chatting in the art studio of Norman Rockwell, riding horseback with a Cuban campbesino, rowing canoes with Panamanian Indians, praying with condemned men in Castro's prisons or counseling young missionaries. His last day of service was as his first--a day of unshakeable faith in the eternal promise, 'Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end. . .'" (Matthew 28: 20)

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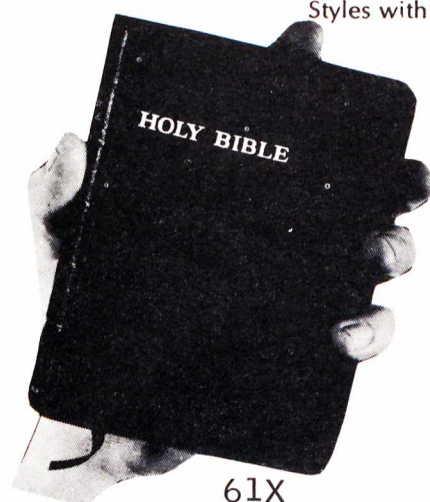
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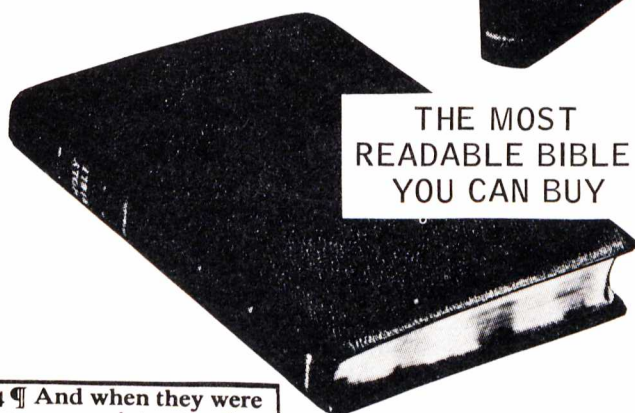
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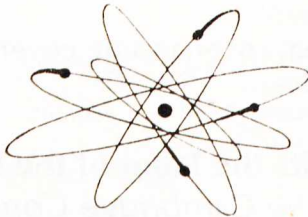
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A PROVEN PLAN FOR GROWTH

Divine laws are immutable. God does not go about arbitrarily violating laws he has set in operation. He has ordained that living things grow according to definite patterns. The Sunday school as a part of the church is a living organism. The basic unit of all living things is the cell. Growth comes as the result of cell division and other related factors which bring about change. Change is the chief characteristic of growth.

This change is not change just for the sake of change. In order for change to be productive a number of other factors enter in.

1. It must be planned
2. Its objectives must be clear
3. It must be supported
4. It must be initiated and implemented.
5. Results must be evaluated

Let us think about some needed changes in our Sunday schools.

1. We need more pupils
2. We need trained leaders
3. We need more space
4. We need greater dedication
5. We need a graded school

These changes can be brought about in the Sunday school in an orderly manner by proper planning and application of these basic principles of growth.

I. SUNDAY SCHOOL ENROLLMENT INCREASES IN PROPORTION TO WORKERS AT THE RATIO OF 10 TO 1.

Experience and observation teaches us that most Sunday schools have ten times as many students as teachers.

It is possible to exceed this ratio for a short period but when the average attendance is checked over the period of a year there will be few exceptions to this rule.

This does not indicate that every class in the Sunday school will have ten pupils each in them. It refers to the average of all the classes.

Every Sunday school has at least one large class. It will be generally noted that this class will have a strong personality as the teacher. It is dangerous to build on the personality of a few because if these personalities leave the church or community the class will diminish.

Multiply by dividing

The Sunday school which further reduces the ten to one ratio can experience even more growth providing it applies the other principles of growth. Growth comes by creating new units. This will necessitate dividing existing classes in order to create them.

Leadership Training

New classes demand trained teachers for them. This points up the need for continuous leadership training classes to be conducted by the pastor or other qualified person. The order should be to train the leaders first then enlist the new

students.

Size of Classes

Ideal size for Beginner classes is five. Six to eight Primaries are about all one teacher can adequately teach. Nine is a good number of Juniors and Intermediates. Twelve to fourteen for Young People and fifteen to twenty-five for Adults will give opportunity for involvement and participation.

II. THE BUILDING WILL SET THE PATTERN FOR GROWTH

This principle indicates that the Sunday school will take the shape of the building. A Sunday school which has twelve teaching centers will have great difficulty in maintaining an average attendance in excess of 120.

Growth demands new teaching centers which means additional space with classroom facilities.

There is definite and emphatic correlation between the square footage, available space and the growth of a Sunday school.

Building extra space is expensive. Therefore the element of time must be considered. This points up the need for long-range, advance planning. If your Sunday school is built on the Class System, plan for a Departmentalized Sunday School. If you are partly or fully departmentalized, project your planning for a closely graded Sunday school.

III. NEW UNITS CREATED IN THE SUNDAY SCHOOL USUALLY REACH PEAK GROWTH WITHIN A FEW MONTHS

When new units have grown to recommended size in accordance with figures listed under Item I they ought to be divided and a new class begun. Failure to do so will cause the group to become stagnant and dormant. New groups grow faster, provide more workers, have greater zeal and cause fewer problems. The potential growth in numbers, in dedication and in providing new leadership possibilities is too great to ignore this principle.

IV. GRADING BY AGES AND SEX IS THE LOGICAL BASIS FOR CREATING NEW UNITS

Grading a Sunday school is simply providing opportunity for pupils to worship and be taught on their own or approximate age level.

A number of advantages are apparent.

1. Teacher can meet individual needs.
2. Group pupils with those of similar age group characteristics.
3. Gives a pupil-centered class rather than a teacher-centered one.
4. Simplifies the teacher's task.
5. Makes application of the principle of multiplying by dividing.
6. Allows for and recognizes advancement through promotion.
7. Employs more workers.
8. Facilitates creation of new units.

Grading the Sunday school recognizes the areas in which Jesus grew as recorded in Luke 2: 52. "And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man."

There are critical periods in the growth of children when it would be advisable to divide them on the basis of sex. This is especially true at the Junior level and is helpful among Teen groups as well.

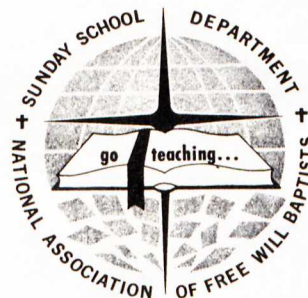
V. ENROLLMENT AND ATTENDANCE INCREASE IN PROPORTION TO VISITATION

Trained workers, adequate space and proper grading do not automatically assure growth. This fifth principle is a key one. Without the application of visitation the others will be of little value. Visitation is the keystone which completes the arch and provides the doorway to growth.

Visitation is showing spiritual concern for the unreached and the unchurched. Visitation is scriptural and is for all.

Visitation programs which have proven to be effective indicate that at least 10% of the average attendance should be on visitation weekly. Records indicate that an average of one out of every eight calls produces results. It is also known that absentee follow-up is 80% effective.

These principles are not magical formulas which work themselves. They must be applied. They mean planning, change, work and evaluation. They mean souls, dedication, joy and the reward of growth. APPLY THEM AND SEE!



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Farmington	116	129	142	160	153	147	136	140
Southside, St. Louis	109	117	133	142	120	119		
Trinity, St. Louis	117	149	156	144	134	123	122	128
Kirksville	109	127	136	151	142	136	124	
Grant Ave., Springfield	175	188	186	187	183	178	160	174
Viburnum Church	43	44	43	54			46	42
Mine La Motte	17	31	27	36	36	33	38	25
KoshKonong	43	51	62	-62	62	63	56	60
First, Mtn. Grove	213	277	287	287	288	274	301	284
Desloge	74	82	90	89	92	79	86	77
First, Springfield	211	213	262	268	225			87
Hannon	54	63	64	61	62	65	59	58
Leadington	112	133	156	166	146	140		120
Copper Mines	62	90	93	85	87	77	88	109
Fourth Church, St. Louis	167	183	190	176	188	132		92
West Plains	162	169	176	181	166	148	115	124
First, Lebanon				92	90	113	97	99
Myrtle Church	50	67	62	70	66		60	99
Twin City Ch., Festus	49	59	64	55	52	43	43	46
Cape Girardeau	24	48	75	70	60	52	61	45
Sunnyview, Lebanon	67	68		81		72	58	67
Desoto	41	52	56	58	53	52	55	63
Thayer	102	129	129	135	124	125	132	128
Overland	162	201	216	215	203			128
Salem					26	25	21	25
Willow Springs Mtn. Grove	76	77	82	86	84	85	94	26
Twin Oaks Church	44	55	57	64	50	58	45	51
Fellowship Church					213	217	223	208
Faith Church, St. Louis	60	72	63	76	67	62		

Promotional Secretary's Corner



HARRY BEATTY
Promotional Secretary

Sunday morning, Sept. 1, we worshipped with our Thayer Church. Pastor Pingleton delivered a soul-stirring sermon. They received two new members into the church, who were saved in recent services. They were baptized Sunday afternoon. I was privileged to deliver the evening sermon at the same church.

Saturday, September 21, I accompanied our Missouri State Home Mission Board to Columbia. Their meeting was held at the property secured by missionary, Mark Vandivort, located on Highway 12 about two miles south of the University of Missouri. Five board members were present to okay the launching of the mission work at this location. The potential for this work looks real good. Bro. Vandivort formerly organized the mission Sunday afternoon, Sept. 22. Vernon Maggard, our missionary in St. Joseph, Mo., also attended this board meeting.

LaCade County Quarterly Meeting convened with New Home Church Sept. 28. Sermons were delivered by ministers Fulkerson, Hampton and Irvin Florence. Time was given for our Missouri Cooperative Program to which 80% of their churches contribute.

Niangua Quarterly meeting met with the New Prospect Church, Saturday evening, and Sunday, Sept. 28-29. Licensed ministers preaching in this session were Long, Talbott and Scurlock. Other ministers filling the pulpit were Linton, Bennett and Beatty. Time was given for our Promotional Work to which they promised more support. The Communion and Foot-washing services were observed in the final service.

Waynesville Church continues to grow and glow for the Lord under the leadership of pastor, Barry Hampton. They have completely finished and rearranged their Sunday school basement annex. New members have been received into the church recently. I was privileged to deliver the

Sunday evening sermon September 29. There was a good number present for this service including some servicemen from Fort Leonardwood. Therefore, this church serves a very important ministry there, as well as being a participant in the world-wide ministry of the Word of God through the Cooperative Plan of giving.

Thirty-nine churches contributed through Missouri Cooperative Plan in Sept. Thus, our receipts were real good. We need to average this each month to ready our 1968-69 budget.

Remember your own Missouri Free Will Baptist Book Store, 2100 Mt. Pleasant St., St. Louis, Mo. 63111 when purchasing Bibles.

SEPTEMBER COOPERATIVE RECEIPTS

Farmington	Aug.	\$ 135.65
Cabool	Aug.	39.71
Waynesville	July & Aug.	123.70
Overland	July & Aug.	419.00
East Independence	Aug.	35.00
Merl's Chapel	Aug.	23.86
Thayer	Aug.	49.89
Cope FWB	Aug.	15.70
Victory	Aug.	127.50
Hannon	Aug.	52.60
Meremec Heights	Aug.	25.00
Olivette	Aug.	56.00
Granby	Aug.	12.70
Salem		20.00
Union FWB		25.00
Kirkville	July & Aug.	60.00
New Harmony S.S.	Aug.	46.69
Desoto	Aug.	48.80
Leadington	Aug.	151.00
Mt. Grove	Aug.	265.26
Copper Mines	Sept.	70.00
Lebanon First	Aug.	100.00
Black Oak		30.00
Mine LaMotte	Sept.	16.35
Twin Oaks	Sept.	100.00
Carterville	Sept.	21.68
O'Fallon	Sept.	23.99
Fellowship	Sept.	50.00
Granby	Sept.	19.13
Willow Springs	Sept.	53.00
West Plains Bethel	Sept.	75.00
Grant Ave.	Sept.	205.46
Mill Creek	July-Sept.	172.61
Myrtle	July-Sept.	150.25
Union Light	Sept.	65.00
Parkview	Sept.	121.07
Southside	Sept.	189.00
Hurryville	Sept.	204.00
Monett	2 months	254.70
Berkeley	Sept.	357.76

Total Receipts \$3,970.06

Disbursed:

52.00% National FWB	\$2,064.43
1.00% Mo. C.T.S.	39.70
1.00% Mo. Superannuation	39.70
3.75% Gem	148.88
4.00% Youth Camp	158.80
8.25% General	327.53
14.00% Promotional Dept.	555.81
16.00% Mo. Missions	635.21

100% Disbursed \$3,970.06

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Mrs. Beth Florence, mission chairman, had the members to bring bandages to be sent to Dr. and Mrs. Miley in Africa. It was voted to send a gift of money to Gayle Jones who was married recently to Mr. Gary Nellis of the state of New York.

The lesson, "Today's Women in Japan" was given by Mrs. Janell Walters.

The meeting was dismissed in prayer by Mrs. Freida Hays.

PRAYER HOUR FOR REVIVAL

The FWB Woman's Auxiliary of Berkeley had their regular monthly meeting October 3. Our program was on "Today's Women in Japan". Minutes were read and approved. We decided to have one hour of prayer each day at each others homes this coming week before our fall revival which starts October 13. Rev. Jim McAllister is our evangelist. Pray for our Auxiliary as we work together for the Lord.

Verna Smith
Corr. Secretary

GIFT TO PROVISION CLOSET

The Woman's Auxiliary of The Thayer Free Will Baptist Church met on October 1 with 13 members and two visitors present.

Devotion was led by the president, Gay Combs. Co-labor program, "Today's Woman in Japan", was given by Lorene Pohnert, Nettie Bennett and Helen Underwood.

At the beginning of our business meeting the group sang, "So Send I You". Prayer by Laura Webb. All officers gave good reports for the past month.

The Program Prayer Chairman, Clara Allen is planning for our Pre-Thanks-giving Week of Prayer to be Monday through Thursday in homes of members, and a program Friday evening at the church.

Study Course Chairman Jo Pingleton has planned a study course for October 24. Bro. Dale Skiles, pastor of the Free Will Baptist Church of West Plains, will be teaching the class.

The Mission project for October is to send a gift in the amount of \$15.00 to the provision closet. At the close of the meeting, a fellowship was enjoyed by the Masters Men and Woman's Auxiliary members. Pray for us as we work together for Christ.

Helen Underwood
Corresponding Secretary

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