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# Personal from the Editor



In the Cook County Jail, Illinois, one day a 23-year-old convict who had killed a man in a holdup wrote: "I am here . . . with only six days to live before I go to the electric chair . . ." Then he related his escapades in juvenile crime that finally brought him to the "big stuff" urging his readers to take note of the very sad but fundamental lesson that crime does not pay. And then—almost as a "last will and testament"—addressed these words to our American "hard boiled" youth: "You aren't tough when you put a gun in a man's face and take what he has worked for . . . any fool can put a gun in his hand and do wrong . . . but it takes a MAN to work for what he wanted . . ."

There is a school of thought in our American society today which insinuates that being a Christian means being a weakling; going to church makes one a sissy. And turning the picture around, the manly thing to do is to exert yourself, give expression to your self-will, be tough by being your own boss. "Be a man!"

Let's analyze it the Bible way. St. Paul once told a group of people to act like men, to exert themselves, "be strong." He was not talking to a group of "Dead End" kids, giving them a pep talk before setting out on another expedition of criminal adventure. Paul was talking to Christians. He was telling them that to be a thorough-going Christian takes manliness, moral fiber, God-given strength. It means to be strong.

"Live like men, be strong." You've got to be a man to live by faith. Moses, the great leader of God's people in their wanderings to the Promised Land realized this one day when his 12 spies returned with their reports on the big giants and fortified cities that had to be taken in order to conquer Canaan. Ten of the men said, "No! We haven't the arms. We haven't the fight in us." Joshua and Caleb put their trust in GOD and maintained that with God on their side, they could not lose! They were the men. They lived by faith.

"Live like men, be strong." It takes a man to resist

temptation. To follow the whims and fancies of my own sinful flesh, to give vent to all its lusts and desires, that is taking the path of least resistance. You have got to be a man to say, "How can I do this great wickedness and sin against my God?" Young Joseph of Egypt showed every inch a man, a man of God, when he preferred the cell and dungeon to the path of least resistance with Potiphar's wife. Jesus in one of His parables, Luke 15, has painted a very graphic and pathetic picture of a youth who wanted to be every inch a man in the sight of the world. He came to his father one day and with impetuous impatience asked if he could get the money that was coming to him in his future inheritance. The father consented. Now with this money he was going to show the whole world that he was a man—that he could drink and hold his liquor, that he could keep up with the fastest and most loose company, and that he could waste his substance in riotous living. "Today I am a man. I am my own boss." And then one day he woke up—realizing the evil of his ways—broke, and in the pig sty. And there he became a man—the day he resolved to be man enough to own up to his past foolishness and sins and go home to ask his father for forgiveness.

"Live like men, be strong." It takes a man to let the world see him as a Christian. Poor Peter found that out one night—the hard way. He wandered into the wrong crowd one night, a group of rough soldiers who were making fun of Jesus whom they had just taken from the Garden of Gethsemane to the High Priest's palace. Now Peter knew these men were wicked and, when one of the girls asked him what he was doing in this crowd, Peter put on an act: "I don't know the man, don't know what you're talking about." Then he begun to curse and swear. But his Galilean brogue betrayed him. Peter did not become a man until he broke down and cried in penitence over his sins. You see, it takes a man to admit his sins and plead for forgiveness. A Christian does just that every day when he pleads "Forgive us our trespasses."

"Live like men, be strong." It takes a man to let his comrades know, "I am now a Christian." Zacchaeus was just a little bit of a fellow, but he was smart. He knew the right people and played the right angles. And he got to be "quite a man." He was a VIP—a chief of publicans. He controlled a vast and lucrative racket. He was a man. Then one day Jesus walked into the house and something inside Zacchaeus began to pound—his conscience. Zacchaeus saw himself a miserable little cheat, a sinner. And then he became a disciple of Jesus. He became a man and he proved it by telling his old associates, "From today on I am a Christian. I give half of

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**T**ODAY WE HEAR a lot about the "generation gap" and how the young people of today are always disobeying their parents and God. A lot of people think that the generation gap began in the 1950's, but where did it really begin? It began with Adam and Eve when Cain became jealous of his brother Abel and killed him. By killing his brother, Cain disobeyed God and his parents. We can also see the generation gap in Moses' time when a young man named Korah and his followers rebelled against Moses and Aaron because they thought that Moses had too much authority over the Israelites. (Numbers 16:1-3) So as we can see, the teenagers of today didn't start the generation gap, they just continued it. The only reason that it's noticed more today is because teenagers now have more problems to face than they did ten years ago.

Besides the generation gap, we are always reading and hearing about teenagers using drugs such as marijuana, heroin, amphetamines, and LSD. These teenagers claim to be looking for thrills, but what are they really looking for? I believe that they're looking for God and just don't realize it. People shouldn't ignore the teenagers that are drug users or the teenagers who rebel against authority. Instead I believe that all of us should try to help them and tell them what Christ has done for us.

As a Christian, I'm glad that I'm saved from my sins and that I have a Christian family who helps me if I have questions or problems. I'm also thankful for the church that I attend and that we still have the freedom to worship God in this country. This is one freedom that we in the United States of America still have that many of the people behind the "iron curtain" doesn't have. There are also other things that I'm thankful for; such as good health, a nice house to live in, and plentiful supply of food. You may be wondering why I added food and the reason is that there are countries, such as India and China, who have people in them who are actually starving to death because these countries can't produce enough food to feed all of its people. So the next time you sit down to a meal, visit the sick in the hospital, or go to church, be thankful for what you have.

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Leadington Church	270.02
Mt. Grove & Willow Springs Ch's.	
(joint service)	44.54
Willow Springs Church	30.82
Faith Church	26.57
Monett Church	1.00
Hartville Church	47.00
Salem Church	24.50
Cabool & Mt. Pisgah Ch's.	30.00
Union Church	29.64
Pleasant Home Church	41.50
St. Francois Co. Qrtly. Mtg.	25.00
South Side Women's Aux.	56.25
First Church Joplin	29.35
Waynesville Young People's CTS	23.50
New Rock Springs Church	51.25
Farmington Church	31.00
Grant Avenue Church	28.00
Fourth Church	97.00
First Church St. Joseph	20.35
Twin Oake Church	6.00
Hannon Church	45.36
First Ch. Waynesville	28.50
Belton Church	25.00
Victory Church	247.55
Central Church	96.81
Cuba Church	5.00
Olivet Church	25.00
Tressie V. Walker	1.00
First Church O'Fallon	5.00
Low Ground Church	5.00
Myrtle Church	85.98
Pleasant Grove Church	10.00
First Ch. Flat River	42.50
Union Light Church	24.00
First Church West Plains	184.81
George G. Brown	5.00
Cuba Ch. Women's Aux.	5.01
Thayer Ch. Jr. S.S. Class	6.00
Parkview Church	40.75
Calvary Church	6.00
Rock Chapel Church	12.00
Mrs. Kenneth Salsmax	2.00
First Church Berkeley	10.00
Mine LaMotte Church	10.00
Alton Church	39.50
Hurryville Church	30.00
Fellowship Church	63.00
Tommy Barr	10.00
Bill & Glenda Fulcher	25.00
Mildred Wallace	5.00
Harold G. Burcham	10.00
Beverly Ann Leirer	2.00
Melvin E. Howell	10.00
Cave Springs Assoc.	
Week end revival	26.63
Beacon Church	161.23
Kirkville Church	3.00
Cooperative Receipts - March	853.51
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3080.42</b>



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my goods to the poor, and if I have taken aught from any man, I will restore it fourfold." Zacchaeus became a man the day he became a Christian.

"Live like men, be strong." Our Saviour did that and more. He paid an awful price to become a man. You see, He was at the same time God and could have wiped the Roman eagle from the face of the earth. With a few loaves of bread and fewer fishes, he could have given social security to the whole world. He could have wrought miracle after miracle. And he could have had any number of angels to do away with His enemies. But that would have been following the path of least resistance. His Heavenly Father wanted Jesus to be a man for a much nobler purpose—to suffer and die in our stead because of a mountain of debt we men pile up by our sins. How much easier it would have been to step down from the cross the way His enemies challenged Him to do—no suffering, no shame, no having to die the miserable death of a malefactor.

Thank God that Jesus lived like a man. That he was strong—strong enough to bear our iniquities on the tree, strong enough as the God-Man on Easter morning to rise as Conqueror over our mortal enemy, death. Strong enough to say, "Come unto Me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." Strong and gracious enough to say, "Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the Kingdom which is prepared for you."

"Live like men, be strong." Strong enough to live by faith. Strong enough to be morally straight and clean. Strong enough to say, "I have sinned, forgive me." Strong enough to let the world know you are a follower of Christ—without having to tell them. Strong enough to suffer if need be—whatever may come. Strong enough to demonstrate the Love of God.

"Live like men, be strong."

Ed. Note: We are uncertain exactly what happened, and I hesitate to accuse, but we had mail problems this month. Some things that are regular in coming did not come and had to be called about and resent. If you mailed news in this month and it does not appear in this issue, please send it in again. It may have also got waylaid. When sending in pictures, please send in glossy, black and white. Colored photographs and negatives cannot be used. Please do send in news and we would like very much to have pictures of your activities. Pastors, are there really so few young people in your churches who can or are willing to write that we cannot have a greater variety in our *proof #* series? I sincerely appreciate the cooperation many have given in many ways, but there is a great deal more in many areas that could be coming in. Please consider what you can do.

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#### WAYNESVILLE, CHURCH ON THE MOVE, WILL HOST 1970 STATE ASSOCIATION.

**T**HE FIRST Free Will Baptist Church of Waynesville has erupted into the throws of a "range war" brought on by a keenly devised plan to expand the horizons of one said Sunday School. Sunday School is a great barron who wishes to reach out into the community and capture the "strays" from every range in the country. We have not divided, but actually united in our efforts to help this barron for the Lord Jesus Christ. If you want to "rope" a "stray" sign on with Jesus.

These are the excited remarks of a church on the move and one that is breaking all its standing

records for growth and expansion. Last year over 100 decisions were recorded for Jesus, fifty were united to the Church and 40 baptized. This year has started with equal enthusiasm. The previous record attendance in Sunday School, set in November, 1970, was broken March 21, with 135. The average attendance for March—119—is an all-time high for Waynesville.

Why should all this be exciting and important to a church which began in 1958? Well, the truth is, the church almost ceased to exist. Services were held only once a month for some time and in 1966 there were 12 members on the church roll with 20 enrolled in Sunday School. Progressively the roll has grown: 30 in church membership and 40 in Sunday School in 1967; 34 in church membership and 45 in Sunday School in 1968; 45 in church membership and 48 in Sunday School in 1969. Many were on the roll who were not attending and some attended only once-in-a-while. The turning point came in 1967 when two families came to the church from the Springfield area. When Brother Charles Keesling, his wife, and his son, Jack, with his family came there were a total of 11 in attendance. Brother Charles was a deacon and now serves the Lord as our Chairman of the Deacon Board. Our church membership is now 97 with 110 in Sunday School.

The financial reports are equally improved. From 1967 to 1970 there has been a 300% increase in the church's yearly income.

Last year the church caught sight of a vision for souls and launched out. They have extended and reversed the Sanctuary, doubled the educational area by building over the previously existing basement which was remodeled in 1968. Along with the expansion of the church a parsonage was purchased. All areas of expansion was to win souls and friends. It has worked.

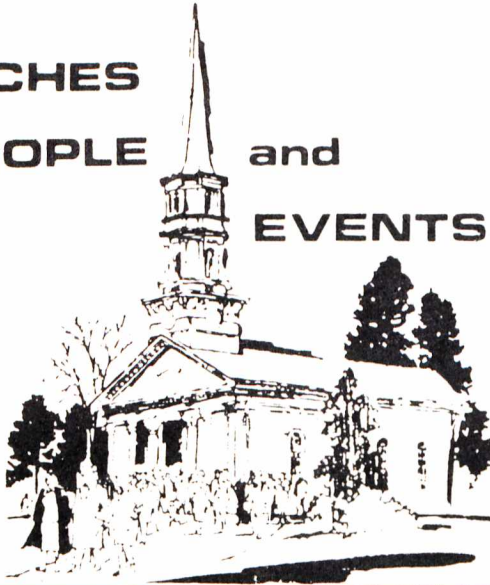
This church has become a supporter of the Cooperative Plan on a regular basis, Home Missions, the Youth Camp, Foreign Missions, Free Will Baptist Bible College, and has maintained a full-time pastor for the past three years. When the church voted to support a full-time pastor they had less than the weekly salary coming in and only \$1,000.00 in the bank. The God who meets all needs takes care of financial problems too. Our church property is now valued at \$65,000 with a 10½ year A.B. Culbertson Bond Issue of \$31,000 against it.

When attending the State meeting you will not see a large expensive sanctuary or elaborate educational units, but a church on the move. We have arranged with the local school board to have the High School Gym for the services in the evenings. The High School is just four blocks from the church and both are on the city route 66 for easy location. The Waynesville Church is looking forward to the State Association with great expectations and hope you are too. Though a mission church in many ways, the Lord has many, many, many future blessings in store. Watch the *GEM* for information concerning the Motels, restaurants, etc. next month.



# CHURCHES

## PEOPLE and EVENTS



The First Church of Monett has recently completed a remodeling job on the Church auditorium. New red wall-to-wall carpeting was installed in the sanctuary and foyer and new colored glass windows placed in the Sanctuary in the complete redecoration. Two new classrooms were constructed in the educational area of the church. The church is looking forward to Rev. Bobby Jackson of Greenville, North Carolina coming as evangelist for a revival meeting, April 26 through May 2.

The First Free Will Baptist Church of Salem will sponsor a series of five radio broadcasts during their coming revival. Rev. Johnnie Land, evangelist, will be featured on the programs beginning May 17. These radio services will advertise the revival services, give an opportunity to reach persons not attending with the gospel message, and afford an opportunity for shut-in's to hear Brother Land present the Word of God. The church is completing work on their basement classrooms and the remodeling of bathroom facilities.

The Twin Oaks Church rejoices in the blessings of the Lord. Revival is already with them as they look forward to Evangelist Billy Walker coming

for a revival. The church requests the prayers of fellow Christians as we work together and look for our soon-coming Lord.

The Myrtle Church reports God's continued blessing and the moving of the Spirit in their work. People are turning to Christ to give their life new meaning. That is truly the purpose of the Church. By publication time they will have already been represented at their Quarterly Meeting. This is an important part in the working of the Church that is often overlooked by many of our congregations. New central heating and cooling equipment is now being installed. We are confident of God's continued blessing as Pastor Boggs leads this congregation into a closer, spirit-filled walk with God.

April 4 marked the fifth birthday of the DeSoto Church. We send congratulations as the church praises God for all His wonderful works. They are well on their way to completion of their new building. The Lord has provided all the needs as they were made known. It is truly reason to praise the Lord when a church can be built from a beginning to an average Sunday school attendance in March of 79, with a new building project almost

completed, in five years. God always blesses dedicated service.

The Madison County Quarterly Mission Board now sponsors a radio program each Sunday afternoon at 2:00 p.m. from Fredericktown. The Copper Mines Church assumed responsibility for the first program in February. Through the leadership of Pastor O. D. Matthews, God has been blessing the church.



Wes Thomas, Monett policeman and member of the First Free Will Baptist Church (left), shows marijuana cigarette to Sunday School Superintendent Cy Carpenter at recent meeting on drug abuse at the First Free Will Baptist Church in Monett.

On a snowy night in April the police took charge of the First Free Will Baptist Church in Monett. Wes Thomas, a Monett policeman, and a member of the Monett Church, and Dave Tatum of the Monett Police Department took charge of the Church Training Service April 4, and presented a film on LSD, had a time of questions and answers, then allowed the congregation to view the large display of items used by drug addicts. Narcotics has become a big business that has reached into the elementary schools of the small towns as well as the large metropolitan areas. It is the church's business to be informed on this subject in order to combat it. We must teach and train our children and parents as to the danger of this sin. The entire church appreciated the informative program presented by Wes Thomas and the Police Department.



# news front

Ed. Note: Borrowed from the Trinity Newsletter. Thank you Pastor Spurgeon.

## FROM DETECTIVE VERNON BARTON . . . .

What is Marijuana? The scientific name is Cannabis-Sativa, better known as Indian Hemp. The hemp plant was cultivated for its fiber and was one of the earliest crops of the American colonies, reported as early as 1632. The hemp plant was found to have highly intoxicating resins and was used by the Indians to get "stoned" (drunk).

Our teenagers of today know marijuana by several names such as joints, pot, reefers, weed, grass, locoweed, and Mary-Jane. They use it for the same reason the Indians did, except they call it getting "high" or taking a "trip".

A recent survey showed about 8 million have tried Marijuana. Teens have no problem buying it—it can be purchased at most high schools, recreational centers, and street corners. A joint (self-rolled cigarette) will cost about \$2.00. If he wants to play cowboy, he can buy a package of grass for about \$5.00, and roll his own.

Marijuana affects a teenager about the same way an overdose of alcohol affects his parents. The time of danger for a drug user is when he is "high". He may believe he's walking on a cloud, but in reality he may be walking off a ten-story building.

If you are experimenting with Marijuana, take a word of advice: STOP! Don't advance to Heroin, LSD, or any other drug. 85% of Marijuana users *do advance*. Heroin users have after-effects, which is called "withdrawal". The only way to stop the pain is to get another "fix", which is another shot of Heroin. Each fix

has to be increased to satisfy the body's need. Now you are hooked—you have become a drug addict. Your body is no more than a vegetable living on a needle. There are between 100,000 and 200,000 addicts in America. A Heroin habit could cost you as much as \$100.00 a day, which will force you to turn to various forms of crime to pay for it.

If you decide to travel this road, may the Lord have mercy upon your short-lived and ruined life.

## CTS NEWS

Scholarships worth \$25 to \$50 are available to participants in the 1971 Hillmont Engineer Program. Write to CTS, P. O. Box 1088, Nashville, Tennessee 37202.

It is requested that you pre-register for the National Youth Conference. Send your name and address along with the \$2 registration fee to the CTS office. The registration fee is the same for young people and adults.

A choir of young people will be assembled during the National to sing in one of the evening services. Three selections have been chosen from the song book, *The Cliff Barrows Choir*, published by Singspiration, Inc. Selections are "Heaven Came Down and Glory Filled My Soul," "Go Tell It On The Mountain," and "There's a New Song in My Heart." It is requested that you learn these songs and be prepared to sing with the special youth choir at the National.

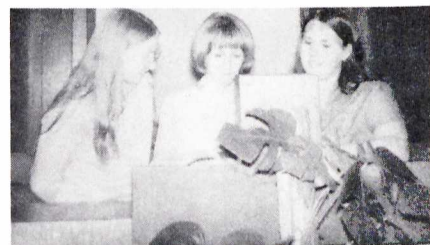
The Y.P.A. of the Overland Church held its first Sweetheart Banquet Friday evening, February 13. The Banquet was sponsored not only to provide an outstanding Christian social function for the young people, but to raise funds for one of our Missionaries. Missionary Arthur Billows of Mexico was chosen to receive the gift of \$173.50. Money was raised prior to the banquet through candy sales and a bake sale at the National Food Store of Overland.

The appropriately decorated fellowship hall set the stage for the delicious dinner and a delightful program of skits and songs depicting the many stages of love. Each Queen candidate was escorted down the isle to the stage as her name was called. The review of the Queen candidates included Sherri Luter, Brenda Konnersman, Vickie Reeves, Debbie Hun, Ronda Asher, Debbie Milligan, and Carolyn Phillips. Flower girls Joy Moody and Ronda Crumrine and crown bearer Greg Daniel completed the review. After the candidates were seated each drew a question and stepped to the microphone to answer it. The Queen was determined by a count of one cent votes. Carolyn Phillips was second place runner-up; Rhonda Asher was first place runner-up; with Vickie Reeves named as Queen. The Queen was presented with a bouquet of red roses and crowned to reign.

The Overland young people plan to make the Sweetheart Banquet an annual event.



The Junior Choir of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Waynesville presented their offering of \$23.00 for the Home Mission project in Jefferson City when Brother Frank Giunta challenged them with the opportunity to serve with him there.



A trio of young ladies from the very active Waynesville young people.



The needs of the Jefferson City work as presented by Missionary Frank Giunta prompted the Junior Choir of the Waynesville First Church to give their Wednesday night savings offering toward the work there. This spontaneous action by the young people came as a surprise to their parents and pastor. The kind of pleasant surprise that makes one feel that the teaching in C.T.S., Sunday School, and from the pulpit has truly had its fulfillment. The offering was \$23.00, making a total offering given to the work of \$159.00 plus action to maintain a regular support.

Earlier teen response was shown when Missionary Wesley Calvery and John Yasuda held a weekend Youth Revival. Not only was the spiritual uplift experienced, but the young people gave \$50.00 for the Mission outreach of these men-of-God. They also raised \$120.00 toward a new mimeograph machine for the church, this they did even before the adults of the congregation had taken any action toward the need.

The church of tomorrow? Pastor Maness thinks not. It is here today. Pastor Maness believes that your church is missing something if it is not allowing its young people to be used in God's work in your congregation *NOW*. Work with Juniors and Teens pays off in many ways, but especially in the evidence of a total Christian life. Pastors, Deacons, teachers, and other church leaders should make the extra effort to start young people to work now for Christ. Thanks to Calvary, *all can come and all can be used*. The opportunity to serve and the encouragement to serve is all that is needed. That can be done by someone like YOU.

Adults have been added to the Waynesville church through the efforts of young people in that congregation. Young people, maybe you should not wait to be pushed. Talk with your pastor. He can probably find something for you to do to help in the work of the Church.



Helen McAllister, Debbie Gentry, Reggie Carpenter, Jerry Thomas, Lonna Wallon and Greg McAllister all participated in the drama, "The Shadow of Peter," presented at the First Free Will Baptist Church, Monett on April 11.

A large congregation attended the presentation of the play, "The Shadow of Peter," at the First Free Will Baptist Church, Monett, Easter Sunday night, April 11. The cast was made up of young people of the church and was directed by Mrs. Helen McAllister. The story moved around the crucifixion and resurrection of our Lord and the influence this had on a young couple of Jerusalem. Greg McAllister, Debbie Gentry, Reggie Carpenter, Jerry Thomas, Lonna Wallon, and Helen McAllister all did a fine job portraying the characters. The entire congregation was deeply blessed.

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL AVERAGES

	Jan	Feb	Mar
Belton	48	53	
Berkley		335	
Copper Mines	82	78	91
DeSoto	71	73	79
Farmington	120		
Fredericktown, 1st		126	136
Hannon	65		
Hurryville	92		
Lebanon, First	163	147	150
Mill Creek	42		
Mine LaMotte	38	33	
Monett, First	169	173	188
Mtn. Grove, First	261		
Myrtle	55	53	62
Oskaloosa		22	
Parkview	109	92	121
Salem	41	37	53
Trinity	158		211
Victory	121	113	137
West Plains, First	142	127	
Willow Springs	95	89	90

#### YOUTH CAMP NEWS

The Missouri State Youth Camp Board is happy to present the Daily Schedule and the Supervisory Staff for the 25th Annual Session of the Missouri State Free Will Baptist Youth Encampment. Hope to see you there.

#### THE DAILY SCHEDULE

6:30- 7:00 a. m.—Rise and shine  
 7:00- 7:14 a. m.—Flag raising and calisthenics  
 7:15- 8:00 a. m.—Breakfast  
 8:00- 8:30 a. m.—Free period  
 (8:15- 8:25 a. m.—Meditation and prayer for camp workers)  
 8:30- 8:55 a. m.—Morning devotions  
 9:00- 9:25 a. m.—Classes  
 9:30- 9:55 a. m.—Classes  
 9:55-10:25 a. m.—Recess (Refreshment Stand open)  
 10:25-10:50 a. m.—Classes  
 10:55-11:20 a. m.—Classes  
 11:25-11:50 a. m.—Classes  
 12:00-12:45 p. m.—Lunch  
 12:45- 2:00 p. m.—Recreation Time  
 2:00- 3:00 p. m.—Swimming for girls  
 3:00- 4:00 p. m.—Swimming for boys  
 4:30- 5:00 p. m.—Singspiration and Talent Time  
 5:00- 5:30 p. m.—Prepare for evening meal  
 5:30- 6:30 p. m.—Evening meal  
 6:30- 6:55 p. m.—Free Period  
 6:55- 7:15 p. m.—Rest Period  
 7:15- 7:35 p. m.—Cabin Prayer Meeting  
 7:45- p. m.—Evangelistic service  
 Following Evangelistic Service, an hour of fun and fellowship (supervised).  
 Retire to cabins for Devotions.  
 Lights Out ..... All Quiet

#### SUPERVISORY STAFF

##### TEENS (June 13-18)

Camp Director—Cliff Bowman  
 Evangelist—Andy Lay  
 General Cabin Sponsors—Rev. and Mrs. Glen Murray  
 First Aid—Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Day  
 Pianist—Jim McAllister  
 Music Director—Bud Arnold  
 Swimming Pool—Grover Pingleton, Tommy Carlson  
 Playground Supervisors—Rathel Mayo, Ken Golf  
 Refreshment Stand—Woodrow Matthews, Roger Harwell  
 Prayer Haven—Finnis Johnson

##### PRE-TEEN (June 20-25)

Camp Director—Lynn Wood  
 Evangelist—Dale Skiles  
 General Cabin Sponsors—Mr. and Mrs. Maxwell  
 First Aid—Frank Giunta



Pianist—

Music Director—Geo. Gryant  
Swimming Pool—Grover Pingleton, Tommy Carlson  
Camp Bible School—Helen McAlister, Mrs. Wayne Wagner  
Playground Supervisor—Bob Dick-ey  
Refreshment Stand—Woodrow Matthews, Roger Harwell  
Prayer Haven—O. T. Alred

Ed. Note: It was necessary to make a change in the Teen's week Camp Director because I could not keep my commitments with the College and serve in that capacity. I'm very sorry I did not know sooner, but I had promised to teach in the Summer Session in January, 1971. It is my personal opinion that the plan to maintain the same Director for more than one year is a smart one. This plan will make it possible for procedures to become established. Though I cannot serve as Director, I'll look forward to seeing you there.

In a recent Youth Camp board meeting, the board decided to put out the Missouri State Youth Camp Crier again. We plan to mail it to every Pastor in the state every quarter.

It is the Youth Camp Board's desire to keep the Pastors and all interested parties informed as to the needs of the Youth Camp and new projects that are planned for the improvement of the camp.

I would like to encourage anyone who has a suggestion on how to better our Youth Camp or any helpful information, to mail it to the correspondence secretary, Rev. Bud Arnold, 156 W. Arlee, Lemay, Mo. 63125.

The Youth Camp Board met February 6, 1971 at the youth camp to plan out the program for this year's session. The theme will be "If My People" using 2 Chronicles 7:14 as the text with the following as main points:

- A. Separation
- B. Sanctification
- C. Dedication
- D. Glorification

## E. Deliverance

For the young people that are converted during this camp session there will be a follow-up class taught by Rev. Jim McAlister. We believe that this will help strengthen their faith and answer any question in regards to their conversion and the Christian faith. We members of the Youth Camp Board believe that most Pastors will be grateful for such a class.

## NEW PROJECTS

Most everyone who has ever attended Youth Camp has witnessed the crowded condition on the playground. At the present time there is only one ball diamond for the boys and girls. Usually the boys are playing ball and there is very little room left for the girls to participate. To correct this condition, the Youth Camp Board has plans to build a new play ground just west of the Snack Stand. There will be room for basketball, volley ball and a badminton court. In order to get this project completed by Youth Camp time the board stepped out on faith and borrowed \$500.00. We hope the quarterly meetings and churches over the state will send a contribution to help pay this loan. Some quarterly meetings have agreed to send \$50.00. PLEASE HELP US WITH THIS PROJECT.

## GOOD NEWS

We are happy to report the mens and ladies rest rooms have been enlarged and improved greatly. Bro. Reeves has worked hard on this project and is to be highly commended.

## GREAT NEWS

Plans are under way to clean and resurface the swimming pool. I'm sure everyone is aware of the fact that the present pool is just too small. We are hoping that

somehow, someday in the future we will be able to raise the money to build another pool. Wouldn't it be wonderful if the youth groups, Masters Men, and Woman's Auxiliary over the state could raise the money for this project?

## MISSOURI STATE C.T.S. COMPETITIVE ACTIVITIES

It is almost time for Missouri to decide who will represent us in the National C.T.S. Competition again. We, the Missouri State Sunday School and C.T.S. Board, feel that we have been well represented in the past. We look forward to a lively competition this year for the privilege to attend the National competition in Nashville. State competition will be held in conjunction with the Teen Week of the Youth Camp this year. The date to remember is Friday, June 18, 1971. Activities are scheduled as follows:

- 2:00 p.m. Registration
- 2:20 p.m. Opening rounds in Bible Bowl and Tic-Tac-Toe
- 4:00 p.m. All Declamations
- 5:30 p.m. Supper
- 7:00 p.m. Sword Drill
- 7:30 p.m. Final rounds in Bible Bowl and Tic-Tac-Toe

Awarding medals in conclusion.

We will operate under the following rules:

1. There will be no limit on the number of contestants a church may enter in any event, as long as the entry fee is paid for each one.
2. Medals will be given to the first, second, and third place winners.
3. The Sunday School-C.T.S. Board will award each first place winner or each member of a first place team \$35.00 toward his or her expenses in attending the National Competitive Activities in Nashville, Tennessee.
4. Rules for dress and conduct will be the same as those used



in the National level.

5. Any individual or team not present when scheduled for competition will be disqualified.

If you have not received a schedule and entry blanks write to Rev. Jimmie Bundy; 103 West Murta, Fredericktown, Missouri 63645.

Entry fees must accompany the entry blanks as follows:

Sword Drill	\$ 2.00 per contestant
Declamation	2.00 per contestant
Tic-Tac-Toe	10.00 per team
Bible Bowl	10.00 per team

Deadline for entry is June 1, 1971.

## MISSOURI NATIONAL HOME MISSION GIVING

Hartville Church	\$ 10.00
Mtn. Grove, First Church	11.27
Fellowship, Flat River	25.00
Jones Chapel C.T.S.	5.00
South Side, St. Louis	32.00
Olga Helsley	17.00
Salem Church	10.00
Rev. & Mrs. Bill Evans	6.00
Mr. & Mrs. W.A. Denton	5.00
Cuba Women's Auxiliary	5.01
New Home Church	10.00
Mr. & Mrs. Lehman Riggs	100.00
Bruce Presley	60.00
Grant Avenue Church	68.00
Fredericktown, First Church	20.00
Overland Steadfast Class	100.00
Victory Church	37.98
Pleasant Ridge Church	10.00
D.E. Tinsley	10.00
Central, Kansas City	29.88

Mt. Pisgah Church	16.00
Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Barr	5.00
Fredericktown Women's Aux	15.00
Olivett Church	10.00
Fellowship, Flat River	30.00
Pleasant Ridge C.T.S.	5.00
Farmington, Fellowship Class	10.00
Harmony Church	25.73
Missouri Cooperative Plan	334.44
Rev. & Mrs. Wm. Evans	3.00
Parkview, Flat River	40.00
Hartville Church	10.00
Mr. & Mrs. Macy Gregory	10.00
Woman's Auxiliary	5.00
Jones Chapel C.T.S.	5.00
Grant Avenue Church	10.00
Myrtle Church	5.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,091.31</b>
Balance to date	\$2,987.18
Balance on Quota	\$14,012.82

### Winners Of "Living Is . . . Marching For Christ" Sunday School Spring Enlargement Campaign

We increased our record of Free Will Baptist churches participating in the Spring Enlargement Campaign by 16% over any previous attendance campaign. The increases in attendance also set new records. The net increase in average attendance of those churches reporting was 43.4%. The increase listed represented the percent of increase over October, November, December average attendance in 1970.

#### First Place Winners

Div.	Church	Oct.- Dec.	Avg. Camp.	Increase
A	Liberty - Durham, N.C.	688	849	23.4%
B	Collinswood - Portsmouth, Va.	400	570.5	42.6%
C	Grace - Greenville, N.C.	301	390	29.6%
D	Woodbine - Nashville, Tenn.	248	364.75	47.1%
E	Loudendale - Charleston, W. Va.	170	293.75	72.8%
F	First - Salina, Ks.	116	202	74.1%
G	Garden Heights - Sand Springs, Ok.	74	138.25	86.8%
H	First - Newbury, Vt.	15	52	244.0%

#### Second Place Winners

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
-----	Fairmount Park - Norfolk, Va.	Welch Avenue - Columbus, Oh.	Central - Johnson City, Tn.	Rouge - River Rouge, Mi.	Joy - Tarboro, N.C.	Trinity - Muskogee, Ok.	Portland - Portland, Tn.
	476	304	257.6	169	113	92	47
	653	357	363.5	235.5	188	168.25	113
	37.2%	17.5%	41.1%	39.3%	66.9%	82.9%	140.4%

A General Electric cassette is being awarded to each of the first place winners. A General Electric Show N Tell is being awarded to each of the second place winners. There seems to be an increased interest in the use of such national contests to increase enrollment and challenge greater participation of Sunday school personnel.

Details will be released soon on the national "In With People" Fall Enlargement Campaign.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT TO PRODUCE MUSICAL CASSETTES



Our own Bill Gardner's now famous renditions of *Ship Ahoy*, *Christ Is All* and other favorite gospel numbers are being released on cassettes by the Free Will Baptist Sunday School Department. They will appear on the Randall productions label.

Other releases planned soon are from the original sound masters of *Free Will Baptists Sing* which features Fred Hall, the Gospeliers Quartette, Bobby Jackson, Erma Lou Padgett, the Fellowship Trio and the Choir of the Mountain Grove, Missouri Church. Additional releases are *Look And Live* featuring the Free Will Baptist Bible College Choir directed by Mr. David Randlett and *The Fortson's*, a Carolina girls duet. Other musical cassettes are in the planning stage.

These are available through the Sunday School Department or Randall Book Store.



# College News

## BIBLE COLLEGE TO GRADUATE 41

Thirty-six students will walk across the platform in Free Will Baptist Bible College's Memorial Auditorium on May 13, clasp Dr. Johnson's extended hand, receive Bachelor degrees from Dean Charles Thigpen, stand while Registrar Robert Picirilli places the graduate's hood across their shoulders, and then move to various posts of Christian duty across the denomination. Five more will receive the school's Christian Worker's Bible Diploma and Business Certificate.

Graduation exercises will climax a week of commencement activities on the Bible College campus. The Reverend Randy Cox, pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church in Columbus, Mississippi, will open this eventful week on Sunday, May 9, with the Baccalaureate Address. Later activities will include a breakfast for the Senior Class and an outing for juniors and members of the faculty. On Tuesday evening two plays, "Daniel and The Tempter" and "Release," which were given on the school's recent Drama Tour will be presented for students and guests on campus. The 1971 Choir Tour program, "Now Sing We Joyfully," will be given on Wednesday evening.

The Reverend William Henry Oliver, a Free Will Baptist preacher, experienced educator, and newest member of the Bible College faculty will bring the Commencement Address on Thursday morning, May 13, bringing the week's activities and the 1970-71 school year to a close.

These students will be receiving degrees, diplomas, or certificates at the Bible College's 1971 Commencement Program:

### BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREES

Wanda Compton, Mirianna, Fla.  
Terry Forrest, Alton, Mo.

John Gillentine, Hico, Texas  
Raymond Halbrook, Chapmansboro, Tenn.

Albert Hamm, Fayette, Ala.  
Donald Hayes, Tuscaloosa, Ala.  
Michael Hicks, Waltonville, Ill.  
Larry Inscoc, Jacksonville, N. C.  
Danny Keen, Smithfield, N. C.  
Joyce King, Exeter, Calif.  
Carole Lerner, Detroit, Mich.  
Sue May, Salado, Ark.  
Brenda Mitton, Littleton, N. H.  
Aldene Moore, Ceres, Calif.  
Ronald Moore, Milton, Fla.  
Charles Nichols, Wayne, Mich.  
David Nobles, Greenville, N. C.  
Sandra Ogletree, Tifton, Ga.  
Barbara Pate, Knoxville, Tenn.  
Dewayne Patterson, Florence, Ala.

Roy Pearson, Laurel, Mississippi  
Walker Peterson, Jr., McDavid, Fla.

Tommy Sanders, Durham, N. C.  
Judy Shrewsbury, Odd, W. Va.  
Terry Simpson, Loudon, Tenn.  
Janie Sitton, Clarksville, Tenn.  
Carl Stamey, Canton, N. C.  
Gloria Stubbs, Glennville, Ga.  
Dennis Teague, Ardmore, Okla.  
Edward Vincent, Lebanon, Mo.  
Josephine Wainright, Greenville, N. C.

Rita Wenning, Nashville, Tenn.  
Sunny Wenning, Nashville, Tenn.  
Larry Whitwell, Columbia, Tenn.  
Arilla Wode, Collinsville, Okla.  
Gary Wright, Salinas, Calif.

### CHRISTIAN WORKER'S BIBLE DIPLOMA

Jack Stone, Charleston, W. Va.

### BUSINESS CERTIFICATES

Brian Carter, Goldsboro, N. C.  
Wanda Cooper, Tifton, Ga.  
Bobby Lewis, Jr., Crab Orchard, W. Va.  
Daniel Shrewsbury, Odd, W. Va.

Missouri has given 70% of their 1970-71 Quota to the Free Will Baptist Bible College General Fund. To date contributions on this year's quota have been \$9,458.56, and increase of \$1,706.38 over last year's giving, but somewhat under the \$13,500.00 Quota set for us in the Bible College budget. Expansion program gifts total to date are \$20,857.54 with \$1,773.95 in unpaid commitments.

## Call-A-Thon '71

Mrs. John Norris, Pastor's wife from Manchester, Tennessee started the telephone ringing at 10:55 a.m. April 18. Call-a-thon Sunday, before it ended, saw 140 churches calling in gifts of almost \$10,000. The Manchester church is a small church with only 33 members, but its gift of \$80.52 reflected their real interest in missions and set the pace for an average gift per church of over \$70.00 for all the calls.

From the state of Missouri, seven churches called in, for a total of \$1,196.75. The First Church of Mountain Grove is to be especially commended for being the church giving the largest single gift. The churches calling in were:

First Church,	
Mountain Grove	\$779.84
Jones Chapel Church,	
Stella	50.00
Hazel Creek Church,	
Kirksville	41.23
New Harmony Church,	
Kirksville	50.00
Hannon Church,	
Liberal	119.00
Willow Springs Church,	
Mountain Grove	86.33
Fellowship Church,	
Flat River	70.35

May God bless these churches as they continue to express their concern for His field and work.

Call-a-thon '71 will be used to help erase the deficit accounts. With the additional gifts from those who did not call in, we believe enough will come in to do this. The Lord has done unusual things among us. We rejoice and praise His Name for it. And we look forward to seeing the world evangelized in our generation. We pray that every Free Will Baptist will fill the place God has chosen for him.



## MISSOURI FOREIGN MISSION GIVING - MARCH

Mr. & Mrs. W. L. Evans, Springfield	20.00
Macedonia Church, Woman's Aux., Monett	100.00
Mr. & Mrs. Ronald P. Stewart, Kirksville	5.00
Mrs. Charles R. Smith, Monett	10.00
Free Will Baptist Womens Aux., Cuba	8.00
First FWB Church, Springfield	10.25
Mr. & Mrs. John P. Smith, Springfield	4.00
Martinstown FWB Church, Novinger	30.00
Hurryville FWB Church, Esther	17.20
Mr. & Mrs. Phillip Fry, Mtn. Grove	8.00
Mr. Otho McCormack, Springfield	5.00
Central Western Mo. Assn., Liberal	275.51
Mary L. Moss, Fenton	20.00
Garfield FWB Church, Couch	20.00
Kirksville FWB Church, Kirksville	428.18
Columbia FWB Church, Columbia	25.00
Fellowship FWB Church, Flat River	280.00
Mrs. Laurine Maxwell, Cabool	2.00
Beacon FWB Church, Raytown	60.00
Free Will Baptist Church, Berkley	207.50
Free Will Baptist Church, Salem	10.00
Copper Mines Teen Class, Fredericktown	6.50
Mary Martha Class, Leadington	10.00
Hannon FWB Church, Liberal	37.86
South Side FWB Church, St. Louis	156.00
Central FWB Church, Kansas City	29.88
New Harmony FWB Church, Greentop	46.14
Merl's Chapel Church, Cassville, Mo.	19.00
First FWB Church, Monett	24.00
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Cummins, Houston	10.00
Verdella Baptist Church, Liberal	10.00
Anonymous	5.00
New Home FWB Church, Hartville	85.25
Mr. & Mrs. Hilliard Gray, Farmington	10.00
Mr. Leeman Hahn, Fredericktown	10.00
Faith FWB Church, LeMay	25.79
Beacon FWB Church, Raytown	47.96
Mr. & Mrs. Freddie J. Oxedine, Joplin	4.00
First FWB Church, Joplin	29.35
Mrs. Harold Kelsey, Greentop	20.00
Alton FWB Church, Alton	13.16
First FWB Church, Fredericktown	60.00
Victory FWB Church, Avondale	52.98
Cope FWB Church, Hartville	47.50
Trinity FWB Church, Bridgeton	411.15
Mrs. Coy Rader, Marshfield	10.00
New Rock Springs, Graff	30.00
Mr. & Mrs. Robert R. Reeves, Farmington	10.00
Mr. & Mrs. Milford House, Gower	5.00
Mr. D. E. Tinsley, Bismarck	10.00
Belton FWB Church, Belton	15.00
First FWB Church, Springfield	60.49
First FWB Church, St. Joseph	18.43
First FWB Church, Farmington	59.55
First FWB Church, DeSoto	31.50
Mr. & Mrs. Cleo Clay, Unionville	5.00
Graysville FWB Church, Unionville	15.00
Oak Grove FWB Church, Norwood	144.21
Mr. Ed Freeland, Fredericktown	20.00
Wolf Creek Church, Mansfield	33.51
Fellowship FWB Church, Flat River	10.00
Mr. & Mrs. Archie Cooper, Kirksville	10.00
Mrs. Cleo Clay, Unionville	20.00
Mr. & Mrs. Eli Stephens, St. Louis	28.00
Mr. & Mrs. Oliver B. Harp, Anderson	100.00
Bethel FWB Church, Festus	17.50
Park View FWB Church, Flat River	94.00
Mr. Valentine Arnold, Florissant	25.00
Hickory Grove FWB Church, Harrisonville	16.97
Beacon FWB Church, Raytown	15.00
Mr. Ronald E. Barr, St. Genevieve	5.00
Mr. & Mrs. Dale Crossgrove, Novinger	5.00
Low Ground FWB Church, Novinger	5.00
Mr. & Mrs. Ronald P. Stewart, Kirksville	5.00
First FWB Church, Lebanon	20.00
Junior S.S. Class New Hope, Kansas City	5.00
Fellowship FWB Church, Flat River	275.00
Independence FWB Church, Stockton	10.00
Pearl H. Willhite, Dillard	5.00
Young Married Class, First FWB Church, Fredericktown	5.00
Aulsbury Chapel FWB Church, Bonne Terre	22.50
Mr. Willard L. Hovis, Sr., St. Louis	15.00
Grant Ave. FWB Church, Springfield	4.00
Calvary FWB Church, Niangua	10.00
St. Louis District Woman's Aux., St. Louis	84.78
Mr. & Mrs. W. L. Evans, Springfield	31.00
Mrs. Jerry Fields, Thayer	5.00
Rev. Tommy Carlson, Monett	30.00
W.N.A.C.	5.00
New Harmony FWB Church, Greentop	143.56
Union Light FWB Church, Marquand	81.00
New Rock Springs Church, Graff	21.25
Beacon FWB Church, Raytown	45.00
Myrtle FWB Church, Couch	37.00
Cooperative Plan	652.60

\$5,054.01

# Womans World



The Woman's Auxiliary of the Grace Church, Arnold, reports two new members added in March. The attendance at meetings has been good and God has blessed as the ladies work for the advancement of Missions. The project for March was new clothing for the Fulcher's brought by each member. Each month the ladies willingly work and give to the Lord through their offerings to Missions.

The Women's Auxiliary of the First Church, Lebanon, met April 7, with sixteen members present. The business meeting was opened with prayer followed by scripture reading. Committee reports were given with emphasis on the project to make bandages for the Miley's work in Africa and items for the provision closet in Nashville. The Auxiliary voted to build extra counter space in the church dining area and to purchase two tables and a coffee maker. Names were drawn for prayer partners and the lesson on Ministering in Southern Brazil was well done and informative. Pre-Easter prayer service was held in the home of Mrs. Eunice Barber. A Missions offering of \$22.00 was received.

The Berkeley Free Will Baptist Woman's Auxiliary held their meeting Wednesday night, April 7. The regular order of business was followed by the announcement of the Mother and Daughter Banquet to be held May 7. A nominating committee was elected to present a roster of new officers and Glenda Fulcher led in the Pre-Easter prayer service.



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## MARCH COOPERATIVE RECEIPTS

Salem	\$ 20.00
Merl's Chapel	46.20
Monett	153.99
Grace	227.70
Berkley	314.40
Belton	60.00
Royal Oaks	26.65
Houston	102.00
Verdella	29.35
Mine La Motte	10.00
Victory	202.48
Leadington	97.33
Pleasant Ridge	25.00
New Rock Springs	21.30
St. Joseph, First	20.25
Waynesville, First	99.48
Black Oak	30.00
Thayer	66.12
Granby	10.70
Viburnum	55.48
Farmington	177.53
Fourth	179.01
Jones Chapel	10.00
Garfield	14.33
Carterville	26.28
Kirksville	360.00
Olivette	110.00
Marshfield	13.02
Hickory Grove	23.25
Copper Mines	56.00
Happy Home	18.00
DeSoto, First	62.30
Fellowship	50.00
Cedar Ridge	51.32
less 10% from FWBBC to	
Foreign Missions	5.70
Rock Chapel	18.85
Lebanon, First	284.85
Union Light	10.15
St. Joseph, First	20.44
New Rock Springs	35.00
Union (Gladden)	60.00
West Plains, First	83.00
Grant Avenue	196.70
Flat River, First	257.98
Mine La Motte	11.82
New Harmony	20.85
Central, Kansas City	120.00
Granby	12.37
Parkview	134.54
Beacon	162.54
Myrtle	166.20
South Side	180.62

TOTAL RECEIPTS \$4,552.01

DISBURSEMENTS	
00.25% Superannuation	\$ 11.38
01.00% C.T.S. & S.S.	45.52
04.00% GEM	182.08
04.00% Youth Camp	182.08
07.00% General Fund	318.64
16.00% Promotional	728.32
18.75% Home Missions	853.51
51.00% TOTAL 7 Mo. Depts.	\$2,321.53
03.00% O.B.C.	136.56
00.50% Theological Com.	22.76
01.00% Layman Bd.	45.52
01.50% R.E.A.P.	68.28
03.00% C.T.S.	136.56
07.00% Home Missions	318.64
10.00% Executive	455.20
10.00% FWBBC	455.20
less designated	5.70
13.00% Foreign Missions	591.76
plus designated	5.70
46.00% TOTAL 8 Nat. Depts.	\$2,093.92
100.00% TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$4,552.01

## PROMOTIONAL SECRETARY'S CORNER



**S**ATURDAY, March 6, Pastor Henry Long and the Springfield First Church hosted the Liberty Quarterly Meeting. Fifteen churches were represented with delegates. Ministers speaking were: Harwell, Matthews, and Cathy. Brother Beatty was given time to explain the 1971 Cooperative percentage allocation.

We enjoyed a good service Sunday morning, March 7, with Pastor Adkisson and our Grant Avenue Church. I was privileged to bring the Gospel sermon. Grant Avenue fully participates in cooperative giving plus, good missions support. That evening I delivered the sermon in our Cuba Church. Pastor Nichols and the church anticipate a good revival beginning Monday night, March 8, with Rev. Virgil Maness as evangelist.

In response to an invitation from Pastor Floyd Arnold and Faith Church in Lemay, I delivered the Sunday evening message there, March 14. Pastor Arnold

reports souls being saved in recent services. The church is growing and going forward for the Lord.

Sunday evening, March 21, I presented the cooperative plan of work and delivered the evening sermon in our Gateway Church, 11363 Oak Branch Drive, St. Louis. Pastor Albert McFarland and the church propose to adopt this plan of support. They have received several new members into their congregation since they moved into their new sanctuary.

Pastor Harry Asher and the Overland Church continue to win souls for the Lord. I delivered the morning sermon there, March 28. They began a New Converts Sunday School Class that day.

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