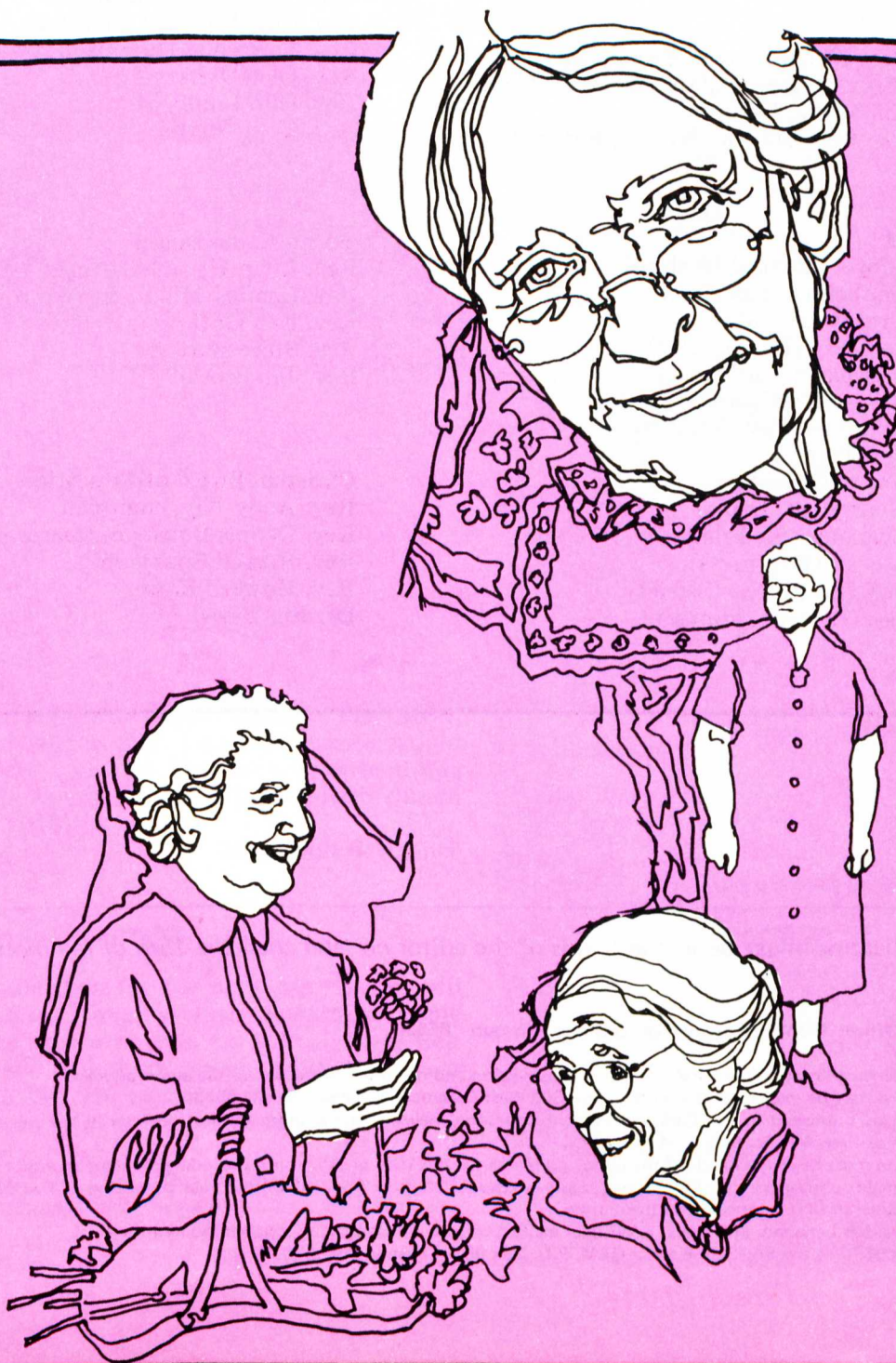


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Rev. Grant Severance



June 5-8, 1978

Fellowship Free Will Baptist Church, Flat River, Missouri, and pastor Rev. Grant Severance would like to extend a cordial invitation to attend the Missouri State Association to be held at their church on June 5-8, 1978.

Rev. Grant Severance

### A Word From the Moderator

June 5-8, the date for our state association, will soon be upon us. I hope you are planning to come and share this time with us in the friendly Lead Belt of Missouri. We will share reports of the best year Missouri Free Will Baptists have ever had. We will make decisions about the opportunities of the future.

I invite you to join me for an exciting, challenging, and inspirational Missouri State Association.

Sincerely yours,  
Bill Evans

Monday, June 5

2:00 p.m. General Board Meeting  
(visitors welcome)

7:30 p.m. Worship Service—Sunday School  
and CTS Board in Charge  
Rev. Kent Tallent, Speaker

Theme: "The Word of the Lord Is Right" (Psalm 33:4)

Tuesday Evening, June 6, 1978

7:30 Worship in Song

Convening of Session

Rev. Jim Mertz, Clerk

Welcome

Response

Moderator's Message

Rev. William Evans, Moderator

Special Music

Keynote Message

Rev. Leroy Forlines

The Word of the Lord Is Right—"Theologically"

Report of Committee on Committees

Benediction

Wednesday Morning, June 7, 1978

9:00 Congregational Singing

Rev. Denzil Durbin

Devotional

Credential Committee's Report

Seating of Corresponding Messengers

General Board Report

Statistician's Report

10:45 Recess

Exhibits

11:00 Worship Hour

Rev. Ken Dodson, presiding

Congregational Singing

Special Music

Message

Rev. Leroy Forlines

The Word of the Lord is Right—"Practically"

12:00 Lunch

1:30 Congregational Singing

Devotional

Rev. Gary Elder

1:45 Report of National Office Representatives

Report of State Treasurer and

Promotional Secretary

Report of State Home Missions Board

Report of Sunday School and CTS Board

Report of Youth Camp Board

Report of Lebanon Bible and Book Store

4:00 Adjournment

\*Corresponding messengers will be recognized as time allows.

Wednesday Evening, June 7, 1978

7:30 Worship Service

Rev. Edwin Bowden, presiding

Congregational Singing

Special Music

8:00 Message

Rev. Jim McAllister

The Word of the Lord Is Right—"Exclusively"

Benediction

Thursday, June 8, 1978

9:00 Congregational Singing

Devotional

Rev. Grover Terry

9:15 Business Session

Report of Appointed or Elected Committees

Report of Resolutions Committee

Report of Obituary Committee

Report of Placement Committee

Report of Nomination Committee

10:45 Recess

11:00 Worship Service

Rev. N. R. Smith, presiding

Congregational Singing

Special Music

Message

Dr. James Davis

The Word of the Lord Is Right—"Scientifically"

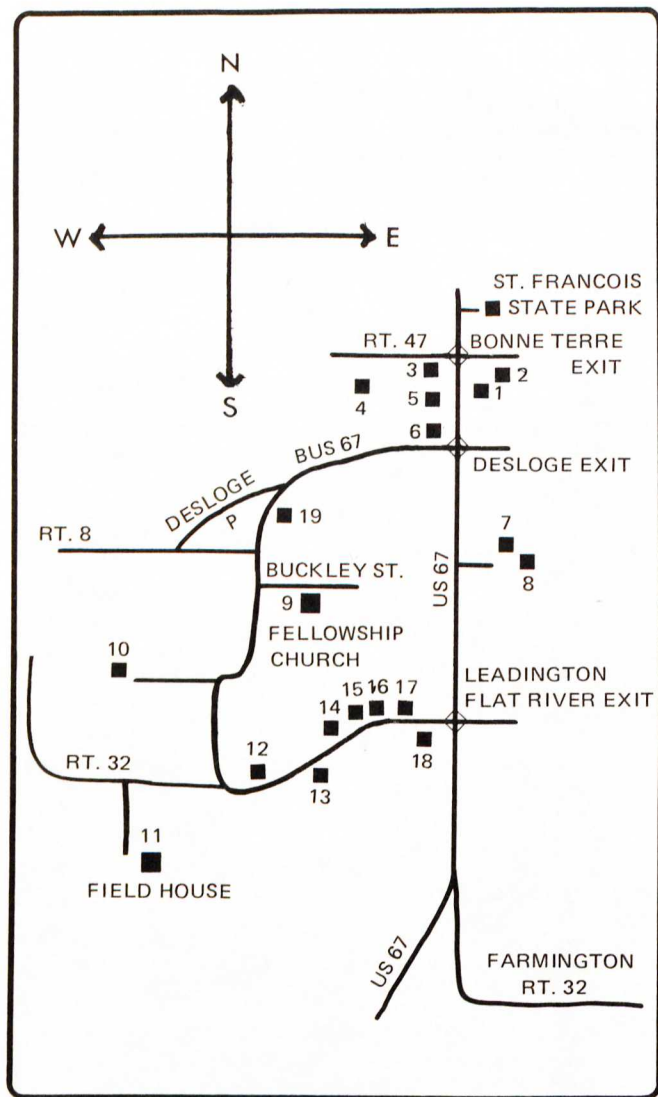
12:00 Lunch

1:30 Remaining Business and

Final Adjournment

General Board will meet following  
the benediction.



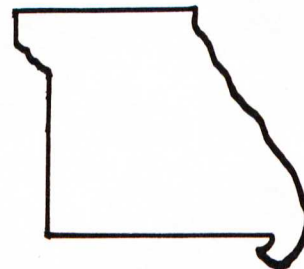


## Let's Fellowship and Worship Together at the Missouri State Association

What a wonderful time to meet and fellowship together at the Missouri State Association. The Lord has blessed us in our previous meetings and we feel sure that He will bless again this year. This is a time when we can feast on His Word, fellowship with His people, and take care of the necessary business for His cause.

The pastor of the host church, Reverend Grant Severance, and the moderator of the St. Francois District Association, Reverend Guy Leonard, extend a warm welcome, along with the pastors and the churches in the Flat River area. Inasmuch as we have many Free Will Baptists in this area of Missouri, it is anticipated that we will have large crowds. So, let's make plans to attend and trust the Lord for an outpouring of His blessings.

May I encourage every pastor and family to attend. It would be well for the church to pay or at least help with the pastor's expenses. He will receive much benefit from the meetings and will be able to pass this on to the church he is serving. I should like to encourage every lay person to attend. The association is for everyone. Only the Lord knows the spiritual uplift and strength that will be received as a result of attending the meeting.



1. Bonneville Motel
2. Bonneville Inn
3. Lappe's Family Restaurant  
Open 24 Hours
4. Lamplighter Inn
5. Chateau Deville Motor Lodge
6. Bemac Lodge
7. Rosener's Best Western Motel
8. Rosener's Restaurant & Smorgasbord
9. Fellowship Church—Day Services
10. Dogal's Big Star & Restaurant
11. Flat River Field House—Night Services
12. Federal IGA & Restaurant
13. Pedro's Mexican Food
14. Captain D's Sea Food
15. Pit Bar-B-Que Pit
16. Grecian Steak House
17. Burger Chef
18. Kentucky Fried Chicken
19. Lucy's Restaurant

## MONDAY NIGHT SER- VICES SPONSORED BY THE MISSOURI STATE SUNDAY SCHOOL AND CTS BOARD

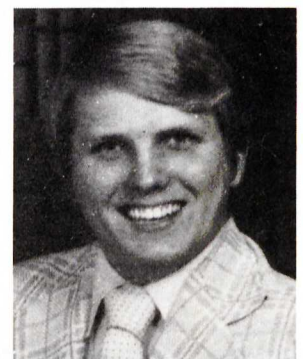
Starting Time: 7:30 p.m.

Place: Flat River High School

Speaker: Rev. R. Ken Tallent, Chairman of the board and pastor of the Columbia FWB Church

Fellowship Time: Following the evening services we will be having a fellowship time with all winning music competition from state competition providing the entertainment.

Special Music During the Service: Provided by the Farmington Christian Academy choir





# Woman's Page



*Shirley Bowden, editor*

The State Woman's Auxiliary Convention will be held at the Fellowship Free Will Baptist Church in Flat River, Missouri, June 6, 1978. The program for the meeting is listed below.

Theme: Abounding in Jesus

Song: "Jesus Is the Sweetest Name I Know"

SCRIPTURE: 1 Corinthians 15:58 "Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord."

Organist: Mrs. Joann Thomas

Pianist: Mrs. Wanda Ragsdale

Music Director: Mrs. Alice Tallent

9:00 a.m. Registration

9:00 a.m. Opening Hymn

Welcome: Darlene Parrish

Response: Frances Bowman

Theme Song

Skit: "Last Look at Calvary"

Seating of Delegates

Appointment of Committees

10:00 a.m. Recess

11:00 a.m. Worship Service

Congregational Singing

State Woman's Auxiliary Choir Special

Message: Rev. Roy Thomas

12:00 a.m. Lunch

1:45 p.m. Congregational Singing

Special Music: Wanda Huett

Panel Discussion

Christian Mother: Lill Tallent

Christian Teacher: Barbara Wilfong

Christian Business Woman: Audrey Bigelow

Business Session

5:30 p.m. Banquet at the Central

High School Cafeteria

Banquet Speaker: Charolette Tallent,

Missionary to France

Banquet Special Music:

Voice in the Wilderness

The banquet will be catered at the school. The dinner will be \$3.50. Tickets will be available at the meeting from Betty Reeves.

Make plans now to attend the convention.

## Francises to the Field

Beacon Auxiliary	\$ 67.92
Berkeley Auxiliary	27.07
Bethel Auxiliary, Festus	85.04
Bethel Auxiliary, West Plains	25.00
Cuba Auxiliary	10.00
Farmington Auxiliary	245.17
Fredericktown Auxiliary	50.00
Grace Auxiliary	14.55
Hazel Creek Auxiliary	15.00
Kansas City District	29.98
Kirkville Auxiliary	30.53
Lebanon Auxiliary	39.92

Martinstown Auxiliary	5.00
Myrtle Auxiliary	100.00
Oak Hill Auxiliary	9.22
O'Fallon Auxiliary	25.00
St. Louis District	10.08
South Side Auxiliary	28.04
Willow Springs Auxiliary	5.01
Total April 15, 1978	\$822.53

## Missouri State Home Mission Loan Fund

Beacon Auxiliary	\$ 211.92
Berean Auxiliary	26.47
Berkeley Auxiliary	27.08
Bethel Auxiliary, Festus	11.76
Bethel Auxiliary, West Plains	525.00
Cabool Auxiliary	10.00
Central Auxiliary	36.50
Farmington Auxiliary	64.01
Fredericktown Auxiliary	50.00
Grace Auxiliary	14.54
Grant Ave. Auxiliary	15.00
Hartville Auxiliary	25.00
Houston Auxiliary	15.00
Kansas City District	29.98
Lebanon Auxiliary	20.00
Mountain Grove Auxiliary	29.75
Myrtle Auxiliary	50.00
Northeast Mo. District	30.00
O'Fallon Auxiliary	25.00
Olivet Auxiliary, Marshall	100.00
South Side Auxiliary	28.03
St. Louis District	10.07
Thayer Auxiliary	7.16
Viburnum Auxiliary	10.00
Victory Auxiliary	28.67
Waynesville Auxiliary	20.00
Willow Springs Auxiliary	31.61
Total April 15, 1978	\$1,452.55

## Kansas City, Mo. WNAC Convention

Bethel Auxiliary, West Plains	\$33.00
Columbia Auxiliary	15.00
Fredericktown Auxiliary	42.00
Hannon Auxiliary	30.00
Hazel Creek Auxiliary	21.00
Kirkville Auxiliary	42.00
Myrtle Auxiliary	30.00
New Harmony Auxiliary	18.00
Viburnum Auxiliary	30.00
Waynesville Auxiliary	9.00
Willow Springs Auxiliary	.35
Total April 15, 1978	\$270.35

## Pinkertons on Wheels

Beacon Auxiliary	\$ 67.91
Berkeley Auxiliary	27.07
Bethel Auxiliary, Festus	11.77
Bethel Auxiliary, West Plains	25.00
Farmington Auxiliary	45.00
Fellowship Auxiliary	63.66
Fredericktown Auxiliary	50.00
Grace Auxiliary	14.55
Hannon Auxiliary	30.00
Hazel Creek Auxiliary	15.00
Kansas City District	29.98
Kirkville Auxiliary	54.53
Lebanon Auxiliary	39.92
Macedonia Auxiliary	400.00
Martinstown Auxiliary	5.00
Myrtle Auxiliary	50.00
O'Fallon Auxiliary	25.00
St. Louis District	10.08
South Side Auxiliary	46.14
Thayer Auxiliary	120.00
Willow Springs Auxiliary	5.01
Total April 15, 1978	\$1,135.62



## **CHURCHES PEOPLE AND EVENTS**

### **Twenty-fifth Anniversary at Joplin**

The First Free Will Baptist Church of Joplin, Missouri, will be celebrating its 25th anniversary on Sunday, June 11, 1978. The special day will begin with Sunday school at 9:45. Plans are being made to break the previous record of 202 in attendance. The morning worship will include special music, and proper recognition will be given the anniversary event. The program for the afternoon will include recognition of former pastors. Reverend James Williams will be present to represent his father, Reverend Paul Williams, founder of the church.

The church was organized on January 15, 1953, with a charter membership of eighteen. The church petitioned the Indian Creek Association for membership in September of that year and was received into fellowship of the association. This placed the church in fellowship with the Missouri State Association and the National Association of Free Will Baptists.

The church moved to its present location, 2301 Connecticut, and constructed a beautiful church edifice and parsonage. In August of this year all bonds will mature and the church indebtedness will be paid.

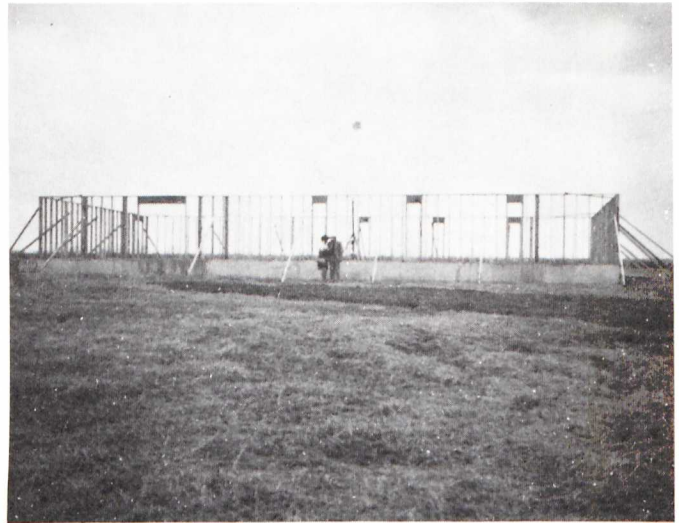
The Reverend N. R. Smith is the present pastor of the church. The church would like to praise the Lord for the many blessings it has experienced the past few months. There have been many souls saved, many who followed the Lord in baptism, and many additions to the church. The church has had a true revival spirit and prayers are being answered daily.

Lillie Eaton continues to write, "We wish to invite all of our friends to share with us on this joyous occasion."

### **First Church at Flat River Reports**

Brenda Hohn, church reporter, writes, "The Lord is blessing at the First Church. The Sunday school average attendance for the month of March was 254. The expectation is for the attendance to climb higher. The church is planning revival services in April with Reverend Lynn Wood. A skate-a-thon was sponsored recently to raise funds for two new cabins at youth camp. The amount raised was approximately \$1,200."

Rev. Ken Goff is pastor of the church.



**New Building at Fair Grove**

The Faith Free Will Baptist Church that was recently organized is in the process of building a new building. The church property is located at the edge of Fair Grove, Missouri. The attendance was recently broken with an attendance of 51. The Singing Ledbetters are scheduled to be with the church in the new building on Sunday, May 7.

Rev. James Crawford is pastor of the church.



**Dedication Service at New Hope**

The New Hope Free Will Baptist Church, located near Fredericktown, Missouri, held a dedication service on Sunday, April 9, 1978. The Sunday school had a record attendance of 72 and the morning worship had a record attendance of 88.

The program for the service included Jerry Mosier reading the selected Scripture, Paul Graham leading in the prayer of dedication, and Rev. Clarence Burton delivering the message. Special music was given by the church quartet.

The church, formerly located on South Mine La Motte, recently acquired the property on Highway 67 just north of Fredericktown.

The pastor of the church is Reverend Edwin Bain.



## Progress at Moberly

The attendance at Moberly has reached a high of 34 in Sunday school and 39 in the morning worship. The financial income of the new work has been exceptionally good. Plans include the purchase of 3 acres of land in a choice location and the erection of a first unit building.

Reverend and Mrs. David Kirby are the home missionaries working with the mission.

## New Missionary Family at Rolla

Reverend and Mrs. Booth are the new missionary family working with the Rolla Mission. They have two daughters. Services are presently being held in property owned by the Nazarene Church at 302 Rhoades. As of April 1, 1978, the missionary family has been serving in the area for one month. They show a record attendance of 23 in Sunday school and 24 in the morning worship. The weekly offerings have been very good.



*Left to right:  
Trustees: Olon Lincoln,  
John Miller,  
Leroy Huff  
Background:  
Rev. Guy Leonard*



*Parkview Free Will  
Baptist Church*

## Mortgage Burning at Parkview

The Parkview Free Will Baptist Church located at Desloge, Missouri, became debt free in November of last year. A mortgage burning service was held on November 23 with Reverend Charles Miller, a former deacon of the church, delivering the message. Reverend Miller is presently serving as pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church in Desoto, Missouri.

Mrs. Cleo Leonard, church reporter writes, "The note burning service came twenty years after the former sanctuary was destroyed by a tornado. The new building gives evidence that the Lord will bless those that serve Him as they take one step at a time. The church recently received two new members, Elmer and Olga Harris."

Rev. Guy Leonard is the pastor of the church.



## Points for Pastors

*by Jim McAllister*

Children's Church is a gift from God. Our church was the first in Farmington to have an effective and interesting children's church program.

At present we have four graded children's church programs. They are three and four year old, kindergarten and first grade, second and third grade, and fourth, fifth, and sixth grades.

The bus ministry has contributed to the children's church program. It is a necessity for a church with a bus ministry. The children cannot be turned loose in the church sanctuary for the worship service without parental guidance.

By the time our children are old enough to enter adult church, they know how to behave. However, they are in the adult services on Sunday evening from age three and up. The children's church program carries over to music and devotions on Wednesday evenings for the prayer meeting service.

The program for the children varies from week to week. There is storytelling, flannelgraph, preaching, and always singing and prayer. The children enjoy it, and they learn much more than they would in an adult service. Also, this results in a peaceful and quiet atmosphere that is conducive for worship in the auditorium. The adults appreciate the children's church.

Pastors, children's church and the bus ministry will produce converts, baptisms, new members, maturity in new Christians, and growth for the church and Sunday school. This will occur in the children and the adult departments.

## Attention: Clerks, District Association

This item was adopted at the Missouri State Association last year: "That each district association pay a representation fee to the Missouri State Association of \$5.00 per church and this fee to become a part of the procedure of seating the delegates. The motion was made and seconded to amend that this money will be used to pay for expenses of the Missouri State Association and the printing of minutes."



## COOPERATIVE RECEIPTS March 1978

Hurryville	\$100.00
Oskaloosa	23.32
Fellowship	50.00
Faith, Lemay	108.30
Mt. Pisgah	40.00
Oak Hill, St. Clair	194.48
Beacon	324.71
Low Ground	37.30
Kansas City, First	60.03
Faith, Fair Grove	93.54
Olivet	200.00
Pleasant Hill	19.26
Alton	71.20
Royal Oak	36.00
Monett	273.81
Bailey Chapel	14.00
Mountain Grove, First	377.59
Belton	122.00
South Side	298.77
Mill Creek	41.13
Grace	545.00
Buffalo	82.97
Happy Home	54.68
Community	31.14
Community	32.14
Community	34.04
Waynesville	104.00
Shiloh	17.60
Malden	74.43
Fredericktown, First	195.40
West Plains, First	236.00
Byrd	22.20
South Fremont	21.00
Macedonia Sunday school	8.75
Hopewell	79.85
Houston	122.55
Houston	48.64
Black Oak	10.00
Way Side	63.00
Springfield, First	159.00
New Harmony Sunday school	5.65
Mine La Motte	25.75
Lebanon, First	236.00
Berkeley	366.29
Hartville	123.95
Pleasant Ridge	26.16
Number One	49.65
New Rock Springs	48.00
Merl's Chapel	39.27
Marshfield	91.04
Fordland	108.49
Verdella	48.99
Freeman Chapel	78.63
Bethel, Festus	205.00
Kirksville, First	193.04
Thayer	104.63
Parkview	50.00
DeSoto	400.00
Copper Mines	150.00
Farmington	866.24
Martinstown	100.00
Joplin	152.35
Mt. Vernon	76.75
Wolf Creek	127.00
Union Grove	262.00
Jones Chapel (3 months)	474.87
Calvary, Conway	386.00
Leadington	192.43
Kingsway	34.67
Grant Avenue	423.00
Willow Springs	175.75
Mill Creek	49.11
Leadington	251.60
Old Bethel	20.00
Union	60.00

Sedalia	\$52.91
Myrtle	101.47
Alton	56.39
Pleasant Grove (Cope)	25.50
Twin Oaks	350.00
El Dorado Springs, First	5.00
Mt. Vernon	.35
Joplin	100.35
Fellowship	50.00
Cape Girardeau	226.00
Number One	35.00
Oak Hill, St. Clair	193.88
Union Light	54.23
New Harmony Sunday school	6.15
Buffalo	150.87
Hurryville	93.00
Fredericktown, First	224.87
Community	51.00
Kirksville, First	148.89
Fourth	334.00
Joplin	286.70
Moberly	54.44
Pleasant Hill	36.00
Total Cooperative Receipts	\$13,067.14

## MISSOURI DESIGNATED GIVING March 1978

### NATIONAL HOME MISSIONS

Oak Hill, St. Clair	\$56.52
Bob Francis	\$56.52
Olivet	\$55.00
Vergel Maness	\$5.00
M. Vandivort	25.00
Leland Horton	25.00
Monett	\$35.00
Larry Powell	\$30.00
General Fund	5.00
Mountain Grove, First	\$37.00
M. Vandivort	\$37.00
South Side	\$101.00
Bob Francis	\$101.00
Waynesville	\$10.00
Bob Francis	\$10.00
Bethel	\$21.71
Bob Francis	\$21.71
Thayer	\$2.00
M. Vandivort	\$2.00
Wolf Creek	\$10.00
M. Vandivort	\$10.00
Fourth	\$16.00
Bob Francis	\$4.00
Vergel Maness	12.00
Total	\$344.23

### MISSOURI STATE HOME MISSIONS

Beacon	\$4.00
Moberly	\$4.00
New Harmony Sunday school	\$37.98
Moberly	\$37.98
Lebanon, First	\$2.00
General Fund	\$2.00
Bethel	\$5.00
Moberly	\$5.00
Thayer	\$14.00
Poplar Bluff	\$6.00
Moberly	1.00
Owens	2.00
General Fund	5.00
Total	\$62.98

### FREE WILL BAPTIST BIBLE COLLEGE

Bethel (Missouri Project)	\$27.58
Total	\$27.58

### HILLSDALE FREE WILL BAPTIST COLLEGE

Monett	\$23.65
Mountain Grove, First	\$38.00
Total	\$61.65



## FOREIGN MISSIONS

Oak Hill, St. Clair	\$31.77
Jerry Pinkerton	\$31.77
Olivet	\$95.00
Bobby Poole	\$40.00
Mabel Willey	20.00
J. Pinkerton	10.00
Lynn Miley	10.00
Howard Filkins	5.00
Lonnies Sparks	5.00
Jim McLain	5.00
Monett	\$110.37
Clint Morgan	\$25.00
General Fund	85.37
Mountain Grove, First	\$115.00
General Fund	\$115.00
South Side	\$40.00
Charolette Tallent	\$35.00
J. Pinkerton	5.00
West Plains, First	\$60.00
Howard Filkins	\$10.00
General Fund	50.00
Marshfield	\$20.00
Jerry Pinkerton	\$20.00
New Harmony Sunday school	\$75.94
Dr. Miley	\$37.97
Jim McLain	37.97
Lebanon, First	\$56.00
Clint Morgan	\$17.50
J. Pinkerton	17.50
Charolette Tallent	21.00
Walnut Grove	\$10.00
Lynn Miley	\$10.00
Bethel	\$17.00
J. Pinkerton	\$12.00
Charolette Tallent	5.00
Kirksville, First	\$259.27
J. Pinkerton	\$49.00
Howard Filkins	145.77
Jim McLain	64.50
Thayer	\$8.00
Dale Bishop	\$5.00
J. Pinkerton	3.00
Kingsway	\$44.67
Joe Haas	\$44.67
Fourth	\$174.00
Steve Lytle	\$98.00
Bill Fulcher	25.00
J. Pinkerton	20.00
Charolette Tallent	31.00
Total	\$1,117.02

## MISSOURI STATE YOUTH CAMP

Faith	\$10.00
Mt. Pisgah	5.00
Oak Hill, St. Clair	20.00
Olivet	10.00
Mountain Grove, First	10.00
Thayer	10.00
Fourth	10.00
Total	\$75.00

## COOPERATIVE DISBURSEMENTS

March 1978

20.00% Missouri State Home Missions	\$2,613.43
16.25% Promotional Department	2,123.41
4.50% General Fund	588.02
5.25% Youth Camp	686.03
2.00% Gem	261.34
2.00% Sunday School & CTS	261.34
2.00% Christian Board of Education	261.34
52%	6,794.91
7.00% Hillsdale Free Will Baptist College	914.71
13.00% Foreign Missions	1,698.73
9.00% Free Will Baptist Bible College	1,176.04
7.00% Executive Department	914.70
6.50% National Home Missions	849.37
2.50% Retirement & Insurance	326.68
2.50% CTS	326.68
.25% Laymen's Board	32.66
.25% Theological Commission	32.66
41%	5,357.52
Total Disbursements	\$13,067.14

This month ends our Missouri State Association year. The Lord has been good to us. Let us praise Him and praise Him from whom all blessings flow!

MISSOURI STATE HOME MISSIONS GIVING  
MARCH 5 through MARCH 31, 1978

Oak Hill	\$80.24
Berean	10.00
Fellowship	30.00
Grace	35.00
Olivet	250.00
South Fremont	105.00
West Plains	70.00
Joplin	53.00
Myrtle	27.92
Houston	119.00
DeSoto	100.00
Flat River, First	75.64
Farmington	25.00
Victory	61.04
Sedalia	35.27
Fourth	27.40
Union Light	24.00
Moberly	39.36
Viburnum Auxiliary	15.00
Mountain Grove Auxiliary	30.00
Thayer Auxiliary	69.50
Myrtle Auxiliary	57.50
Macedonia Auxiliary	75.00
Grace Auxiliary	10.00
Total	\$1,424.87

Secretary-Treasurer  
Rev. Lawrence Thompson  
3416 N. Bellefontaine  
Kansas City, Mo. 64117

Dear Friends in Missouri,

You have been faithful to give to our account and we are grateful. Faithfulness is commended in the services of the Lord on many occasions in the Bible, and we commend you for your faithfulness in giving to our account in order that we might be your ministers in Minnesota.

Our church had its lowest attendance in December but has shown an increase in January and February. As the weather gets better to where we can increase our door to door visitation, we will no doubt see an even greater increase in attendance.

We want to win many souls during the next months and would appreciate your continued prayers and gifts. Our family is well and we think of the good people in Missouri often. May God bless all of you as you minister for Him in Missouri

Sincerely,

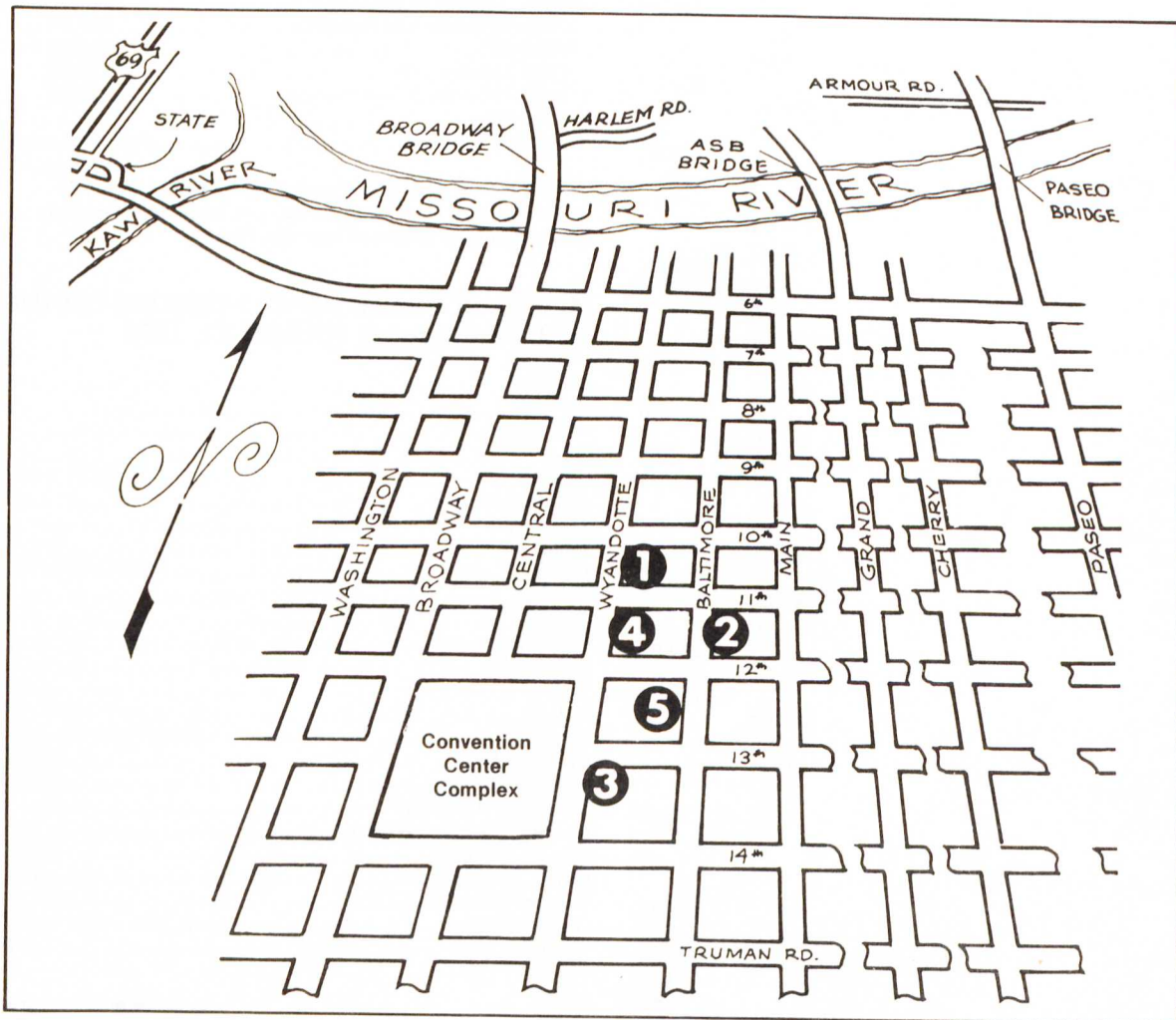
*Bob Francis*



# NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

July 16-20, 1978 / Municipal Auditorium

Kansas City, Missouri



## Hotels & Motels

	*SINGLE	DOUBLE	TWIN	SUITES	TRIPLE	QUAD
(1) Continental Hotel	\$20	\$24	\$24		\$27	\$30
(2) Dixon Inn	\$16-21	\$21-27	\$21-28	\$50-65	\$24	\$28
(3) Holiday Inn City Center	\$24	\$28	\$28	\$75-140	\$32	\$36
(4) Phillips House	\$18	\$22	\$22		\$26	\$30
(5) Radisson Muehlebach Headquarters Hotel	\$26	\$32	\$32	\$70-190	\$36	\$40

\*KEY TO TYPES OF ACCOMMODATIONS: Single—1 bed, 1 person; Twin—2 twins, 2 persons; Double—1 bed, 2 persons; Triple—2 beds, 3 persons; Quad—2 beds, 4 persons.



# NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

## APPLICATION FOR HOUSING RESERVATIONS

**Kansas City, Missouri**

**July 16-20, 1978**

Please fill out form completely

and mail to      Free Will Baptist Housing  
1221 Baltimore, 11th Floor  
Kansas City, MO 64105.

ALL RESERVATIONS MUST BE CLEARED THROUGH FREE WILL BAPTIST HOUSING. Each request must give definite date and approximate hour of arrival and include names and addresses of all persons who will occupy the rooms requested. If it is necessary for you to cancel a reservation, please notify the Housing Bureau promptly. At least two choices of hotels/motels are desirable. Reservations will be filled in order of receipt.

Reservations must be made by July 1, 1978.

**ACCOMMODATIONS DESIRED:**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Room(s) for one person (one full size bed)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Room(s) for two persons (one full size bed)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Room(s) for two persons (two double beds)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Room(s) for (    ) three or (    ) four persons (two double beds)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Room(s) with twin beds for two persons
- \_\_\_\_\_ Suite-Parlor and (    ) one bedroom (    ) two bedrooms

*(For office use only)*

**RESERVATION FOLLOW THRU**

**DATE & INITIAL**

Received at Housing Bureau

Processed to Hotel/Motel

Received at Hotel/Motel

Confirmed to Guest

Returned to Housing Bureau

**HOTEL OR MOTEL**

1st choice .....

2nd choice .....

3rd choice .....

Planned arrival date .....

time ..... a.m. .... p.m. ....

Planned departure date .....

time ..... a.m. .... p.m. ....

**NAMES OF OCCUPANTS**

**Street**

**City**

**State**

**Zip**

- 1 \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 \_\_\_\_\_
- 7 \_\_\_\_\_

(Names of all parties must be listed. Please print names and complete addresses. Bracket the names of those staying in the same room. We cannot confirm unless rooms requested balance with number of persons listed.)

SEND

CONFIRMATION

TO:

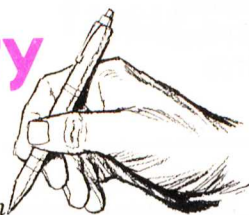
Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_



# From the Desk of the Promotional Secretary



by Clarence Burton

This is the report of the month of March! It came in like a lion and roared like a lion for a while; then it ended with Easter weekend being very much like Christmas. But we accepted it and thanked God for the privilege of serving Him.

Our Missouri State Association year ended March 31. The Lord blessed with a wonderful year! We exceeded our cooperative budget of \$130,000 for which we are very grateful. We thank the Lord for every pastor that has led his church in sharing with this giving for the cause of Christ. Through this unified, systematic plan of support, the Great Commission is being fulfilled at home and abroad.

When the treasurer's report is given at the Missouri State Association in June, it will reflect the giving of the local churches. This should be a time of reflection, a time to think about what you have or have not done in supporting the Lord's work through our state and national ministries. If there has been some deficiency in the support for which you are responsible, now is the time for the church to consider the need of investing the tithes and offerings of the local church in the ministries that extend out of the local area. As we know, cooperative and designated giving is a means and a plan by which this can be done.

May the Lord bless you for everything you have done for Him. On behalf of the Missouri State Association, I want to thank everyone that has shared in this ministry. May we together thank God for His blessings and determine that next year will be even a better year as we serve Him.

Please make all checks payable to and mail to Missouri State Association of Free Will Baptists, P. O. Box 991, Lebanon, Missouri 65536. (My report is short inasmuch as all space is needed for this issue before the Missouri State Association.)

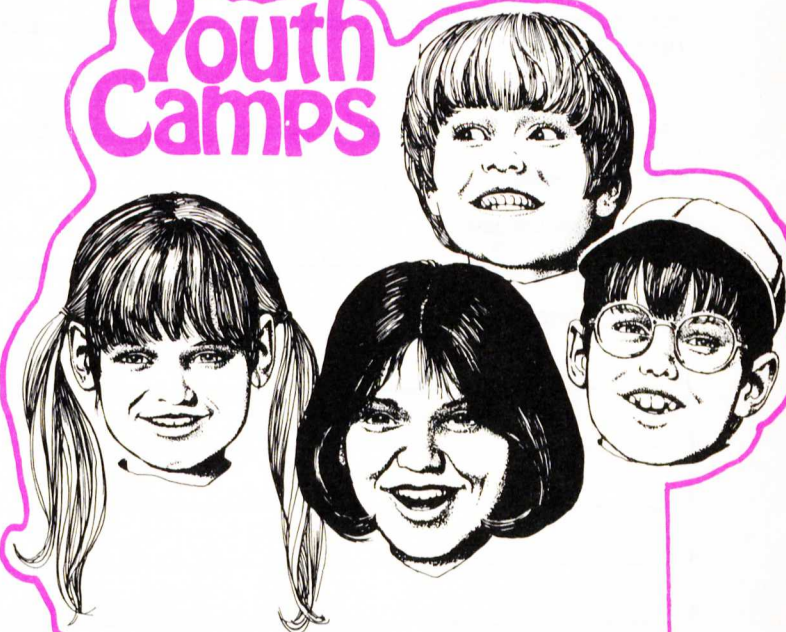
## Two Missouri Students on Dean's List

Following the mid-semester exams in March, the names of 110 Free Will Baptist Bible College students were placed on the Dean's List of honor students. The two students from Missouri were Jan Felts and Gary Underwood.

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BOX 1088  
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## Youth Camps



Elementary—June 11-16

Junior High—June 18-23

Senior High—June 25-30

Cost: \$15.00