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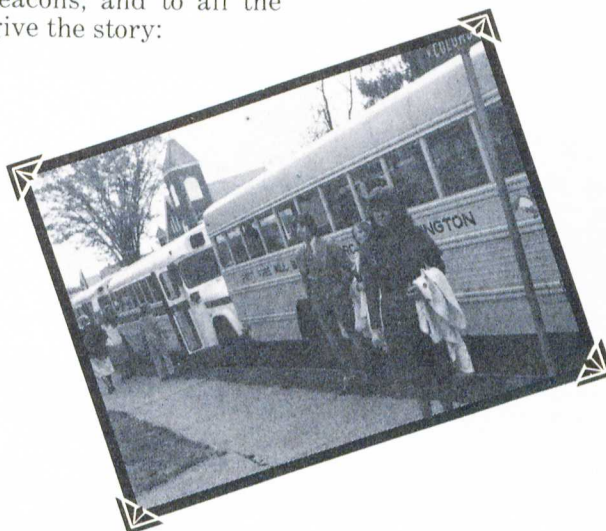
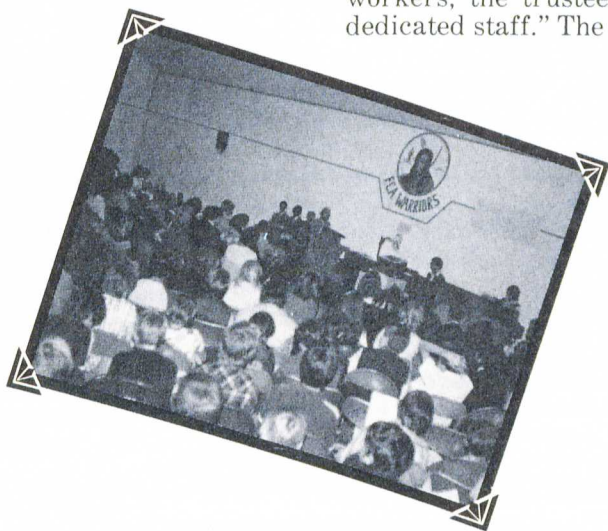
# GEM

"Voice Of Missouri Free Will Baptists"



The First Free Will Baptist Church, Farmington, Missouri, broke the record! The Sunday school had a goal set for 1001 on Sunday, October 25, 1981. The attendance was 1093! This Sunday climaxed a revival meeting with Reverend Bob Shockey. There were 86 decisions for Christ in the Sunday services.

The pastor, Reverend Jim McAllister, stated, "We praise God for what He has done. We are thankful to the promotion committee; to the Sunday school Superintendent, Brother Jim Bowen; to the entire Sunday school Staff; to the ushers; to the parking lot attendants; music department; bus captains and workers; the trustees and deacons; and to all the dedicated staff." The photos give the story:



# SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AVERAGES 1980-81

CHURCH	DEC.	JAN.	FEB.	MAR.	APR.	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG.	SEPT.	OCT.	NOV.
Aulsbury Chapel		115	111	123	133	136	125	130				
Buffalo								53	46	44	44	
Calvary, Conway	66	67	77	81	103	83	81	84	79	89	73	
Calvary Fellowship		150	166	184	161	133	157	120	143	142	233	179
Central	67	73	65	78	91							
Copper Mines	81	75	75	80	80	75	76	74	87	77	80	78
Cuba	41	43	40	44	47	49	61	54	61	56		
DeSoto	187	178	184	183						190	160	158
Farmington	654	639	657	692	669	617	601	601	634	684	852	720
Flat River, First	181	153	148	201	187							
Fourth	141	153	162	206	160	139	141	107	130	126	110	110
Fredericktown, First	109	108	151	156	145		133	143	134	133	170	146
Grace		178	172	186	239	183	158	150				
Grant Avenue	141	137	141	150	141	137	129	132	131			
Hannon	82	82	76	84	99	90	91	85	80	83	81	82
Happy Home	85	82	77	88	94	84						
Harmony, KC	60	50	40	70	63	50	57	40	60	54	58	54
Hartville	90	88	97	96	102	95	94	94	88	82	80	
Houston	57	58	54	56	65	57	62	66	65	63	62	61
Lebanon, First	117	113	117	147	132							
Marshfield	44	43	44	45	45	50	53	49	56	62	80	73
Myrtle							58	54	53	55	56	48
O'Fallon	81	92	92	100	97	86	87	80	86	82	80	70
Parkview	51	50	50	53	60	55	62	64	55	57	59	58
Richwoods	18	17	19				21	21	25	27	33	
South Side	111	91	92	110	125	106						
Thayer	172	155	162									
Trinity	124	121	120									
Twin Oak	75	74	71	82	77	76	78	80	84	75		
Willow Springs	116	119	114	118	129	101	103	93	101	101	94	104
United, West Plains		77	76	78	63	55	65	69	68	64	62	

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# Reflections Of A Christian Mother

When asked to share what it has meant to me to be a Christian, I prayed to be led to speak of the things the Lord would have me share, as it would be impossible to tell of all the ways in which He has worked in my life.

My first thoughts returned to that glorious day of new birth when I accepted Jesus as my personal Savior and Lord of my life. How difficult it is to describe in words that tremendous joy which is felt when fellowship with God is restored and light is found where darkness once reigned. "Amazing grace how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me." Although I'd often heard that song I was never able to fully comprehend its significance or its beauty until I'd personally experienced His amazing grace. I was 18 at the time and did not have any immediate plans for the future. It is a difficult time at best for any young person, but particularly so when the future is full of uncertainty. Many of these anxieties and fears were to disappear when I came to know that freedom which Jesus speaks of "... And ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free" (John 8:32).

I can remember wondering what Heaven must be like and could easily visualize a multitude of angels standing before the throne of God, each serving a unique and individual purpose, while the song of the cherubim proclaimed in perfect harmony the glory of God. My heart still soars in anticipation whenever I consider the promise I've been given of a place in God's kingdom. While time has dimmed other memories, I find that the memory of the joy of my salvation returns again and again confirming the unalterable love of my Savior.

A number of years have passed since I made that commitment to Christ and even though I am a few years wiser I realize that living a Christian life still presents as great, if not a greater challenge, than it did then. I recall how eager and impatient I was as a young Christian to accomplish something great and wonderful for the Lord and how difficult it was for me to learn the necessity of building a strong foundation of faith and spiritual knowledge which would properly support a house of works. As any carpenter knows, a house built without a foundation cannot stand and a foundation without a house is incomplete and serves no purpose.

I, like any other child of God, must stand alone in making my decisions to trust and follow Him, yet as my brother's keeper it is often not I alone who will be affected by those decisions. One can only guess at the number of times a decision made in indifference or out of ignorance has resulted in a lost opportunity to glorify God or to share the gift that Jesus gave—Himself.

As a mother of two children it is my hope to instill in them a desire to serve God and through the teaching of faith and spiritual knowledge, the ability to recognize those opportunities when they come. At the same time I must also realize that the same freedom God has granted me in making my decisions will be granted unto them. It is my prayer that they will come to know the peace and fulfillment that I have found as a Christian.

It is with an overwhelming awe that I consider all the marvelous ways in which the Heavenly Father works to teach His children these valuable lessons. A Father who's infinite wisdom and mercy works to perfect the imperfect, gently enforcing and instructing yet never withdrawing the freedom He has granted His children to choose. That freedom which allows us to accept or reject Him is the same freedom which allows us to continue to make decisions which will measure our Christian growth and maturity. The Bible presents God's Word and His promises and it is through the Holy Spirit that the necessary power is given to make a positive response.



About the writer: Jeannette Collins is a young adult, actively involved in the First Free Will Baptist Church in Waynesville, Missouri. She and her husband fill positions in the work of the Sunday school and the church.



# Churches People And Events

## Historical Committee Requests Information

The Historical Committee, appointed by the Missouri State Association of Free Will Baptists, is endeavoring to acquire and accumulate information concerning the Free Will Baptist movement in Missouri. The committee suggests that a Historical Committee be appointed or elected in each District Association. This information could be given to the local committee in that association. If a committee is not formed the information should be sent to Reverend Kent Tallent, 686 Plainview Drive, Houston, MO 65483, or one of the following men:

Reverend James Barker, Route 2, Box 254, Farmington, MO 63640; Reverend Cecil Campbell, Stella, MO 64867. It is hoped that a strong and favorable response will be made to this request.

## Missouri Senior Makes Bible College "Who's Who"

Jeff Halliburton, a senior at Free Will Baptist Bible College, will be listed in the 1982 edition of "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges." Jeff is a native of Mountain Grove, Missouri, and a member of the First Free Will Baptist Church. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Burl Halliburton.

Following mid-semester examinations in early November, the names of 132 students were added to the Dean's List. Of this list five are from Missouri. They are: Danny Felts, Springfield, senior; Joanna Sasser, Bridgeton, senior; Cynthia Fry, Mountain Grove, sophomore; Susan Keesling, Mountain Grove, sophomore; and Kellie Wingate, Columbia, sophomore.

## Jones Family Evangelistic Team Terminates Ministry

The Jones Family Evangelistic Team announced that on October 2, 1981 the board of directors voted to dissolve the corporation. The Jones Family would like to thank each one who has prayed for and supported the ministry. The Evangelistic Team donated to the Free Will Baptist Youth Camp, Niangua, Missouri, the following items: Elliott Addresser and file, four drawer file cabinet and approximately 700 records. (The records will be sold with the money going to the camp.)

## Christian Day School Principals and Pastors to Meet

Gene Wilfong, principal of Farmington Christian Academy, has announced that a meeting will be held in Farmington, Missouri on January 25, 1982 for principals and pastors of Christian Day Schools in Missouri. Also, pastors that are interested in a Christian Day School are invited to attend this meeting. The meeting will begin at 9:30 at the Farmington Christian Academy, 303 West Columbia, Farmington, Missouri. Please contact Brother Wilfong at the above address if you plan to attend.

## Twenty-Fifth Anniversary at Grant Avenue

Grant Avenue Free Will Baptist Church in Springfield, Missouri celebrated its 25th Anniversary on Sunday, October 25, 1981. The service, according to the program, included a testimony by Brother Bob Branson, charter member, Choral Worship, "I'm In This Church" by the church choir, duet by Ted and Kaye Wilbanks and the Anniversary Message by a former pastor, Reverend Grover Terry. Lunch was enjoyed by everyone in the Fellowship Hall.

Grant Avenue Church was organized on October 19, 1956. The following ministers participated in the organizational service: Reverends Harry Beatty, Frank Linton, Rolla Smith, O. T. Dixon, Homer Smith, and Lester Hilton.

The first building was built under the supervision and leadership of Reverend Lester Hilton. He served as the first pastor of the church. A basement was dug under the original building while Reverend Grover Terry served as pastor. The present sanctuary was built during the ministry of Reverend O. T. Dixon.

The Grant Avenue Free Will Baptist Church has supported from the very beginning a worldwide ministry through cooperative and designated giving. Reverend Ted Wilbanks is serving as pastor of the church.

## Jerry Scotts Begin New Work in New York

Reverend and Mrs. Jerry Scott have moved to Saratoga Springs, New York and are making plans to begin a Free Will Baptist Mission. (New York is the home state of Reverend Scott.) He states, "We are excited about starting a new work in this area. It is such a big field and the harvest truly is plentiful. If anyone has relatives or friends in the Albany or Saratoga areas please write us. Jerry Scott, R.D. #6, Route 29, Wooley Road, Saratoga Springs, New York 12866, phone 1-518-587-3441."



## News From the Myrtle Church

Reverend Glynn Campbell writes, the Lord is continuing to bless the work of the church. Recently two girls in the Children's Church made profession of faith in Jesus for which we are thankful. The photo shows Brother and Sister Leonard Hall standing beside a Church Bell that they gave to the church. Every Sunday the bell is rung to invite the neighborhood to worship together in public worship at the church. The church appreciates this gift from the Halls.



A "New Piano Fund" has begun at the church. It is in memory of Brother Hubert Brewer. He served as a deacon in the church and held the offices of church treasurer and Sunday school Superintendent. He died August 15, 1981. Contributions to this fund may be sent to Myrtle Free Will Baptist Church, Route #1, Box 137, Myrtle, Missouri 65778.

## New Members Received and Love Loaf Broken at Hannon Church

Virginia Hoover, church reporter writes, the Hannon Free Will Baptist Church received several new members, with four following the Lord in baptism on November 22, 1981. The ones uniting with the church were Brent and Cindy Thompson and Mr. and Mrs. Duane Lewis and children, Tifani and Matthew. Duane, Nancy, Tifani and Matthew also followed the Lord in the ordinance of water baptism. Among the visitors present for the service were Mrs. and Mrs. Ralph Lewis, Duane's parents, and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Prettyman, Nancy's parents.

At the Sunday evening service the Love Loaves for World Vision were presented to the Lord. (The love loaf banks had been given to the members several weeks prior to this date.) The money to be received was to be used to feed the hungry in Bangladesh, India, and other regions. Brother Don Smith led in the prayer of dedication for the offering. The total amount was \$335.00. Additional loaves may be given at a later date. The church believes that the Lord can bless the offering just as He did the lad's lunch and can go a long way toward helping many that are starving. World Vision workers will also give them spiritual food. The pastor and his wife, Reverend and Mrs. Bob Dickey furnished sandwich "fixins" which were enjoyed by everyone.

## Report From Copper Mines

Marie Graham, church reporter, writes, the Lord is blessing the Copper Mines Free Will Baptist Church, under the leadership of the pastor Reverend Raymond Michael. The church had a wonderful revival meeting in October with Reverend Leroy Blankenship serving as the evangelist. The messages were uplifting and everyone that attended felt the fire of revival in the church. The Sunday school averages are: February, 75; March, 80; April, 80; May, 75; June, 76; July, 74; August, 87; September, 77; October, 80; November, 78.

## Missouri Has Two Winners in Enlargement Campaign



The annual fall enlargement campaign promoted by the Sunday School and Church Training Department resulted in two Missouri churches as winners. Division A 1st place First Free Will Baptist Church, Farmington, MO Spring average 603, Campaign average, 776. An increase of 28.69%  
Division E 1st place Calvary Fellowship, Fenton, MO Spring average, 158, Campaign average, 232.25. An increase of 46.99%

*Editor's note:* Congratulations to both churches!

## Greetings From Twin Oaks

Madeline McFarland, church reporter writes, Greetings from the Twin Oaks Free Will Baptist Church. We had a wonderful revival with Brother Bob Thebeau, pastor of the Oak Hill Church, serving as evangelist. The attendance was good with friends coming from other churches. Thank the Lord for other churches that are concerned enough to help with revival meetings outside their own church.

We are thankful for the souls that have been saved. Some have made profession of faith in their homes and others at the church services. This is fine. As Christians let us not grow weary in well doing but fight the good fight of faith and be determined that we will fight the devil and work for the salvation of the lost.

We need to remember the elderly in prayer and the ones that are unable to attend the church services.

Pray for us at Twin Oaks that we will labor to win the lost while it is day, for tomorrow may be too late.



## First Church Calls Bus Director and Junior Church Pastor

Brenda Hoehn, church reporter, writes, The newest family at the First Free Will Baptist Church in Flat River is Reverend and Mrs. Gene Howell. They have come to the church as pastor of the Junior Church and director of the Bus Ministry.

The Lord has blessed with an average of 211 in Sunday school and approximately an average of 57 in Junior Church. There has been an average of three decisions for the Lord each month.



On November 21, 1981 the church held a special dinner for one of the members, Brother Wayne St. Gemne. The folks gave a love gift of over \$1,150.00 to apply towards the cost of a lift gate on a van. The lift gate is needed to accommodate the wheelchair Brother St. Gemne uses. The church has been blessed by the courage and strength of this Christian brother that has been faithful in his service for the Lord.

## Commission Service for the Parkers

The First Free Will Baptist Church of Desoto, Missouri held a Commissioning Service for Reverend and Mrs. James Parker. Reverend and Mrs. Parker accepted the pastorate of the Richwoods Free Will Baptist Church. The service was held November 7, 1981 at the First Church in Desoto, Missouri.

On November 21, 1981 an Ordination Service was held for Brother Robbie Fortner. He was ordained to serve as a deacon.

These services were blessed of the Holy Spirit and those attending felt His presence in a very special way. We trust that these families shall be used of the Lord in wonderful service for Him.

The theme for the service on November 29 was "Thank You, Lord, for the Church." The pastor, Brother Miller delivered a very fine message. It

caused folks to stop and think—then appreciate the worth and value of the church. Mrs. Sophia Ackerson, church reporter continues to write, we are thankful for the Free Will Baptist Church in Desoto and the Lord Jesus Christ whom we love and worship. Pray for us that we shall be faithful in serving Him.

## Missionary Accounts in the Red

The Foreign Missions Office has notified the *Gem* office that the following Missionary Accounts are in the red. These missionaries are from Missouri.

Howard and Joan Filkins need \$2,335.21

Jerry and Carol Pinkerton need \$1,153.18

Jim and Olena McLain need \$2,625.99

Let us respond to this need and put these accounts in the black.

## Fulcher Account in the Red

Reverend and Mrs. Bill Fulcher, former missionaries to Panama, have been appointed to a very unique ministry with the National Home Missions Department. They will be working with and serving as coordinator to over 15 million Spanish speaking people in the United States. The National Home Missions Board believes that the right family is serving at the right time for this important ministry. Inasmuch as Missionary Fulcher has recently begun this ministry it is in need of financial help. Hopefully, many churches, and individuals will respond to this need.

## Church and Sunday School Growth Seminar

Time: March 16-18

(Registration, Tuesday evening 5:30 p.m.)

Place: Youth Camp, Niangua, Missouri

Cost: Single participant	\$35.00
Couple	50.00
Students	20.00
Out of state	50.00

(This seminar with the same principal speakers normally costs \$225 and up. Much of the cost is being underwritten by Missouri State Standing Boards and the Promotional Office.)

Principal speakers: Dr. Win Arn

Dr. Charles Arn

Every pastor, every Sunday school Superintendent, and as many Sunday school and Church Training workers as possible should attend. This seminar is full of good, solid Biblical principles that will work.

LAST YEAR REVIVAL WAS EMPHASIZED. AS A FOLLOW-UP THIS YEAR THE EMPHASIS IS SUNDAY SCHOOL AND CHURCH GROWTH. Let us work together in winning souls to Christ and grow and grow and grow!



## Ordination Service For Loren Barton

An Ordination Service was held for Reverend Loren Barton of the Thayer Free Will Baptist Church on August 23, 1981. Brother Barton was ordained to preach the gospel.

Reverend Charles Hollis, served as chairman of the ordaining council and directed the service. Reverend Richard Robinson, pastor of the Thayer Church, gave the charge. Reverend David Honeycutt and Reverend Grover Pingleton, members of the ordaining council, led the ordained and the congregation in a prayer of dedication for Reverend and Mrs. Loren Barton. Reverend Clarence Burton delivered the message for the ordination service.



## Christmas Greetings From Our Missionaries

*Carlisle and Marie Hanna in India:* Our thoughts turn more and more toward you as this Christmas time draws near. We wish for you that peace which is the true gift of Christmas. Please pray for India, for our work North and South, for our national pastors and preachers, for all the work for which we are responsible, and for us.

*Jerry and Carol Pinkerton in Africa:* Merry Christmas to everyone. Jerry and Carol are taking language classes at the Ivory Coast Academy. Jerry Jr. will be spending Christmas with us. Wonderful! Continue to remember us in prayer.

*Charolette Tallent, Home from France:* A very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. A few days ago my heart was thrilled as how we might re-dedicate the purpose of our lives to God in 1982—to give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death. Thanks to the churches which have adopted me as their missionary as well as many individuals and auxiliaries that give faithfully each month.

Editor's note: There will be many other Christmas Greetings from missionaries but these came to us before the *Gem* deadline.

## Memorial Service For Lombard

On September 13, 1981 the O'Fallon Free Will Baptist Church held a Memorial Service for Reverend Don Lombard, a former pastor. Brother Lombard was killed in a plane crash approximately a year before this date.

The Memorial Service began with congregational singing. The Pastor, Reverend Robert Sharpy, extended a warm welcome and led the congregation in prayer.

The speakers included Reverend Clarence Burton, who delivered the Memorial Message, Chaplain, Dr. Stuart Simpson, representing the chaplaincy of the Police Department and Reverend Ken Spilger, the only survivor of the plane crash, in which Reverends' Lombard, Thompson and Spurgeon were killed. Special music was provided by Gary and Linda Walls and the Gospel Harmonaries. The Woman's Auxiliary of the church presented a portrait of Brother Lombard and a plaque to Deacon Harry Yeakey. Brother Yeakey received the gift on behalf of the church.

Brother Yeakey announced that the Church Library was being dedicated in memory of Reverend Don Lombard. A prayer of dedication was offered in behalf of the library.

The service was well attended by people of the church, folks of the St. Louis area, with out of town guests including the Clarks and the Lombards from Mt. Grove and Monett, Missouri.





# The Pleasant Home Church Story

*Editor's Note:* The Pleasant Home Free Will Baptist Church has expressed a faith that will not waver and a quality of determination that will not quit. In the beginning of this New Year, 1982, I thought that it would be well to look at the faith and courage of this church. I obtained this information from Mrs. Fae Davis, a member and active worker in the church.

The Pleasant Home Free Will Baptist Church was organized in the late 1920s. It functioned as a Community Church with no permanent place of worship (services were held in various school buildings) until the early 1940's. The first building was erected on the present building site with the land deeded by Lester and Purnie Barr. This building sufficed until 1962, when a sanctuary was built, with the older part of the building being used for educational purposes. The church added other facilities later on.

during a freezing rain, the entire structure was destroyed by fire.

The experience was far from pleasant but we knew that our church had not been destroyed, merely the building. The people began to respond to the need. Our hopes had not been destroyed; our faith was not shaken. We knew the Lord would provide for the need.

We were fortunate to have a community building in the area. (Incidentally, it was the building the church had originally used.) The trustees agreed to use the building for church services.

The people began to clean up the burned church building. They did a phenomenal job, particularly during the winter and early spring months of freezing and thawing. The insurance adjuster estimated the loss at \$70,000 but we had only \$20,000 coverage. It looked rather discouraging but again, we knew that God would provide.

So, work began on the new building. The church hired labor for the basic structure and the men of the church did the remaining part on a volunteer basis. The women also helped in many ways. The actual cash investment in the new building is approximately \$40,000. About \$4,000 was donated by outside sources, churches, and individuals. The other came from the folks of the church. (Editor's note: During the rebuilding process the Pleasant Home Church continued to support the Cooperative Plan of giving to the state and national ministries.)



The attendance did remarkably well during the building program. The first service in the new facilities was held on Wednesday evening, before Thanksgiving 1979; however the building was far from being completed. The formal dedication was held on September 20, 1981. Reverend R. E. Helsley delivered the dedicatory message.

The church has experienced a renewed strength and has been brought together in a closer fellowship. There is seemingly a stronger desire to work together than before. The Lord is blessing. Forty-two people have united with the church during the three year period. The Sunday School and CTS are strong and each is fulfilling its purpose. The Pleasant Home Free Will Baptist Church has a past, a present, and it is looking forward to the future. As the Lord continues to bless we will grow, and souls will be saved and Christians will effectively serve the Lord.

Reverend Lee Easter is the pastor of this strong and growing church.



**MISSOURI STATE HOME MISSIONS GIVING**  
**October/November 1981**

Houston	\$ 81.84
Greater Springfield Assoc.	37.51
Clarence Burton	20.00
Wayne Wagner	20.00
Fordland	5.00
Cooperative Receipts	6,500.22
Bethel, Festus	50.00
Beacon	185.00
Pleasant Ridge	20.00
Berkeley	70.00
National Home Missions	221.53
Rock Chapel	198.09
New Harmony	25.54
Central	29.57
Myrtle	71.70
Mt. Vernon	30.00
Joplin	100.00
Merl's Chapel	6.78
Monett	108.55
Olivet	300.00
Parkview	8.00
Hurryville	50.00
Grace	50.00
Sedalia	143.10
Mable L. Riley	10.00
Mill Creek Young Adult SS Class	30.00
Mt. Zion, Thayer	20.00
Union Light	24.00
Fourth	58.31
Low Ground	10.00
Flat River, First	100.00
Aulsbury Chapel	10.00
New Hope, Fredericktown	10.00
Farmington	700.00
Mary Ann Owens	5.00
Bethel Woman's Auxiliary	20.00
DeSoto	50.00
Oak Hill, Union	29.00
Total	\$9,408.74

**COOPERATIVE DISBURSEMENTS**  
**October 1981**

18.50% Missouri State Home Missions	\$3,493.66
16.00% Promotional Department	3,021.55
4.50% General Fund	849.81
5.50% Youth Camp	1,038.66
2.00% Christian Board of Education	377.69
2.00% Sunday School and CTS	377.69
5.00% MO State Retirement Program	944.23
7.00% MO State Retirement Village	1,321.93
6.00% Hillsdale Free Will Baptist College	1,133.08
11.00% Foreign Missions Department	2,077.31
8.00% Free Will Baptist Bible College	1,510.78
6.00% National Home Missions Department	1,133.08
6.00% National Home Missions	1,133.08
2.00% National Board of Ret. & Ins.	377.69
.25% Layman's Board	47.21
.25% Theological Commission	47.21
Total	\$18,884.66

"Praise ye the Lord; for it is good to sing praises unto our God; for it is pleasant; and praise is comely." "Sing unto the Lord with thanksgiving . . ." Month after month it seems so appropriate to give thanks and praise to the Lord for the faithfulness of His people. May we continue to reflect our love for Him as we give to proclaim the gospel of Christ throughout the world.

**COOPERATIVE DISBURSEMENTS**  
**November 1981**

18.50% Missouri State Home Missions	\$2,362.39
16.00% Promotional Department	2,043.15
4.50% General Fund	574.64
5.50% Youth Camp	702.33
2.00% Christian Board of Education	255.39
2.00% Sunday School & CTS	255.39
5.00% Missouri State Retirement Program	638.48
7.00% Missouri Retirement Village	893.88
6.00% Hillsdale Free Will Baptist College	766.18
11.00% Foreign Missions Department	1,404.66
8.00% FWBBC	1,021.58
6.00% Executive Department	766.18
6.00% National Home Missions	766.18
2.00% National Board of Ret. & Ins.	255.39
.25% Layman's Board	31.93
.25% Theological Commission	31.93
Total	\$12,769.68

We continue to praise God from whom all blessings flow. Inasmuch as this month ends on Monday it is reflected in the total receipts. May the Lord continue to bless as we are faithful and obedient to Him.

**DESIGNATED GIFTS TO FWBBC**  
**October/November 1981**

Flat River, First	\$ 50.00
In Memory of James Miller	\$50.00
Grant Avenue	\$ 30.00
Leadington	\$935.20
Joplin	\$ 50.00
Library Wing	\$50.00
Total	\$1,065.20

**DESIGNATED GIFTS TO WORLD VISION**  
**October/November 1981**

Grant Avenue	\$10.00
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**DESIGNATED GIFTS TO CHILDREN'S HOME**  
**October/November 1981**

O'Fallon	\$13.00
Myrtle	\$3.94
Total	\$16.94

**DESIGNATED GIFT TO BOB CARR ACCOUNT**  
**October/November 1981**

Grant Avenue	\$20.00
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**DESIGNATED GIFT TO O'FALLON LIBRARY**  
**October/November 1981**

Monett	\$5.00
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**DESIGNATED GIFT TO NATIONAL BOARD OF RETIREMENT AND INSURANCE**  
**October/November 1981**

Grant Avenue	\$1.00
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**DESIGNATED GIFTS TO YOUTH CAMP  
October/November 1981**

Bethel .....	\$50.00
Mt. Pisgah .....	20.00
Hartville .....	20.00
Thayer .....	20.00
Merl's Chapel .....	25.00
Chairs	
Willow Springs .....	10.00
Faith, Lemay .....	20.00
Olivet .....	40.00
Berkeley .....	20.00
Dishwasher	
Myrtle .....	21.20
New Rock Springs .....	10.00
Aulsbury Chapel .....	20.00
Jean Gloyd, Beacon .....	50.00
Total .....	\$326.20

**DESIGNATED GIFTS TO  
HILLSDALE FREE WILL BAPTIST COLLEGE  
October/November 1981**

Grant Avenue .....	\$ 16.00
Farmington .....	520.00
Special	
Cave Springs Assoc. ....	400.00
Special	
Verdella .....	154.20
Special	
Mtn. Grove .....	244.15
Special	
Central .....	128.35
Special	
Joplin .....	50.00
Special	
Monett .....	17.75
Willow Springs .....	15.00
Total .....	\$1,545.45

**DESIGNATED GIFTS TO NATIONAL HOME MISSIONS  
October/November 1981**

Bethel .....	\$100.00
Maness .....	\$50.00
General Fund .....	50.00
Fredericktown, First .....	\$40.00
Ross .....	\$40.00
Pauline Clayton, Buffalo .....	\$2.00
Maness .....	\$2.00
Grant Avenue .....	\$34.00
Maness .....	\$30.00
Mexico .....	2.00
Vandivort .....	2.00
Charles Moyers .....	\$5.00
General Fund .....	\$5.00
South Side .....	\$25.00
Maness .....	\$20.00
Fulcher .....	5.00
Mt. Pisgah .....	\$160.00
Maness .....	\$85.00
Bowers .....	50.00
Vandivort .....	25.00
Olivet .....	\$40.00
Maness .....	\$40.00
O'Fallon .....	\$82.00
Fulcher .....	\$35.00
Adkisson .....	47.00
Mtn. Grove .....	\$95.00
Vandivort .....	\$35.00
Maness .....	40.00
Bowers .....	20.00

Berkeley .....	\$147.00
Bowers .....	\$12.00
Maness .....	10.00
Fulcher .....	75.00
Deficit Accts. ....	50.00
South Fremont .....	\$17.00
Maness .....	\$ 7.00
Bowers .....	10.00
Rock Chapel .....	\$34.00
Maness .....	\$ 4.00
Bowers .....	10.00
O'Dell .....	20.00
Leadington .....	\$30.00
Maness .....	\$20.00
Vandivort .....	10.00
Woof Creek .....	\$20.00
Vandivort .....	\$20.00
Bob & Glenda Keith .....	\$15.00
Bowers .....	\$7.50
Vandivort .....	7.50
Rolla .....	\$100.00
Vandivort .....	\$100.00
Central .....	\$1,065.00
Maness .....	\$ 45.00
O'Dell .....	10.00
General Fund .....	10.00
Kennedy .....	1,000.00
Thayer .....	\$178.50
Bowers .....	\$85.50
Vandivort .....	15.00
Highway Helpers .....	50.00
Maness .....	28.00
United-Independent FWB .....	\$25.00
Fulcher .....	\$25.00
Carl Layman .....	\$20.00
Maness .....	\$20.00
Fordland .....	\$5.00
Maness .....	\$5.00
Monett .....	\$5.00
Bowers .....	\$5.00
Myrtle .....	\$140.38
General Fund .....	\$30.00
Evangelism .....	20.00
Bowers .....	52.38
Maness .....	38.00
Joplin .....	\$175.00
Weatherford .....	\$175.00
New Rock Springs .....	\$65.00
Vandivort .....	\$65.00
Kirksville .....	\$5.00
M. Lake .....	\$5.00
Columbia .....	\$10.00
Vandivort .....	\$10.00
Low Ground .....	\$30.00
Vandivort .....	\$30.00
Flat River, First .....	\$125.00
O'Dell .....	\$ 15.00
Vandivort .....	10.00
General Fund .....	100.00
Marshfield .....	\$45.00
O'Dell .....	\$20.00
Maness .....	25.00
Indian Creek Ass'n. Missionary Conference .....	\$647.55
Adkisson .....	\$647.55
Total .....	\$3,487.43

**DESIGNATED GIFTS FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS  
October/November 1981**

Bethel .....	\$55.00
General Fund .....	\$50.00
Tallent .....	5.00
Fred Clayton, Buffalo .....	\$5.00
Banks .....	\$5.00



Beacon .....	\$908.68	Joplin .....	\$40.00
Coscia .....	\$320.00	Pinkerton .....	\$10.00
Miley .....	244.15	Wode .....	10.00
Filkins .....	339.53	Cousineau .....	10.00
Brazil .....	5.00	Banks .....	10.00
Charles Moyers .....	\$5.00	Merl's Chapel .....	\$201.00
General Fund .....	\$5.00	Tallent .....	\$100.00
Pleasant Ridge .....	\$40.00	Murray .....	101.00
General Fund .....	\$20.00	Lebanon .....	\$20.00
McLain .....	20.00	Tallent .....	\$20.00
South Side .....	\$230.00	Kirksville .....	\$29.00
Tallent .....	\$205.00	Pinkerton .....	\$24.00
Filkins .....	25.00	Eagleton .....	5.00
Olivet .....	\$100.00	Columbia .....	\$85.00
Poole .....	\$30.00	McLain .....	\$50.00
Inscoc .....	30.00	General Fund .....	5.00
Sparks .....	20.00	Filkins .....	10.00
McLain .....	10.00	Inscoc .....	10.00
Pinkerton .....	10.00	Tallent .....	5.00
Trinity .....	\$334.07	McCollough .....	5.00
General Fund .....	\$ 49.07	Grant Avenue .....	\$381.00
Payne .....	35.00	Hersey .....	\$280.00
Miley .....	24.00	Pinkerton .....	100.00
McLain .....	105.00	General Fund .....	1.00
Morgan .....	35.00	Low Ground .....	\$30.00
Hanna .....	5.00	McLain .....	\$30.00
Filkins .....	66.00	Dale & Evelyn Crossgrove .....	\$20.00
Mtn. Grove .....	\$220.00	McLain .....	\$20.00
General Fund .....	\$190.00	Aulsbury Chapel .....	\$120.00
Cousineau .....	30.00	Pinkerton .....	\$60.00
Berkeley .....	\$153.00	Filkins .....	60.00
Filkins .....	\$83.00	O'Fallon .....	\$54.59
Lytle .....	23.00	Tallent .....	\$54.59
Tallent .....	7.00	B. L. & Debbie Schmachtenberger .....	\$10.00
Deficit Accts. ....	40.00	Tallent .....	\$10.00
Fredericktown, First .....	\$15.00	Marshfield .....	\$35.00
General Fund .....	\$15.00	Tallent .....	\$35.00
Hickory Grove .....	\$55.00	Rolla .....	\$80.00
Lytle .....	\$55.00	Turnbough .....	\$80.00
Hannon .....	\$166.50	Indian Creek Assoc. Missionary Conference .....	\$1,295.10
Miley .....	\$16.50	Morgan .....	\$647.55
Pinkerton .....	50.00	Haas .....	647.55
Lytle .....	50.00	Total .....	\$6,704.48
Filkins .....	50.00		
South Fremont .....	\$100.00		
Tallent .....	\$100.00		
Rock Chapel .....	\$5.00		
Tallent .....	\$5.00		
Leadington .....	\$20.00		
Eagleton .....	\$20.00		
New Harmony .....	\$80.84		
McLain .....	\$40.42		
Miley .....	40.42		
Central .....	\$261.81		
Filkins .....	\$202.95		
Miley .....	59.56		
Thayer .....	\$10.00		
Pinkerton .....	\$5.00		
Faith, Lemay .....	135.00		
Black Oak .....	\$14.00		
McCollough .....	\$14.00		
Fordland .....	\$20.00		
Tallent .....	\$20.00		
Overland .....	\$1,000.00		
Hanna .....	\$1,000.00		
Monett .....	\$180.00		
Sparks .....	\$170.00		
General Fund .....	10.00		
Fourth .....	\$192.00		
Tallent .....	\$ 10.00		
Lytle .....	182.00		
Myrtle .....	\$132.89		
Tallent .....	\$50.00		
Miley .....	82.89		

# **COOPERATIVE RECEIPTS** **October, 1981**

Kingsway .....	\$ 50.00
Bethel .....	264.00
Sedalia .....	107.33
Buffalo .....	85.60
Fredericktown, First .....	276.00
Harmony, KC .....	206.00
Neosho .....	10.00
Mill Creek .....	144.87
Grant Avenue .....	452.72
Old Bethel .....	54.83
Faith, Leman .....	135.00
Belton .....	125.07
Union Grove .....	81.00
Beacon .....	458.11
Twin Oak .....	500.00
Waynesville .....	109.32
Number One .....	24.80
Farmington .....	1,110.00
Parkview .....	171.07
DeSoto .....	600.00
Victory, Alton .....	87.00
Royal Oak .....	33.00
Pleasant Ridge .....	41.00
South Side .....	214.62
Mt. Pisgah .....	53.00
Columbia .....	50.00



Gray Summit	88.57
Pleasant Home	369.14
Byrd	19.25
Faith, Fair Grove	136.85
Mt. Zion, Gower	61.67
Cuba	216.08
Cuba	191.97
Purdy	279.43
Mine La Motte	25.00
Mt. Zion, Thayer	37.77
Koshkonong	17.00
Olivet	250.00
Hartville	170.88
Calvary, Conway	127.50
Grace	692.00
Hurryville	112.45
United, West Plains	100.00
Macedonia	14.00
Waynesville	39.85
Trinity	200.00
O'Fallon	371.15
Mtn. Grove	488.49
Berkeley	333.41
Fredericktown, First	324.00
Lebanon, First	380.89
Verdella	143.37
Verdella	113.68
Gospel Light	39.00
Koshkonong	18.00
Hickory Grove	53.18
Copper Mines	156.65
Friendship, Branson	56.78
South Fremont	215.00
Hannon	170.00
Marshfield	140.30
Richwoods	288.00
Cabool	165.08
Aulsbury Chapel	836.00
Freeman Chapel	202.52
Community	9.00
Rock Chapel	279.42
Leadington	389.68
New Harmony	7.92
Way Side	380.00
Wolf Creek	204.61
Rolla	111.45
Cedar Ridge	76.50
Cedar Ridge	43.54
Central	845.00
Thayer	220.65
Black Oak	10.00
Fordland	252.93
St. Francois Dist. Assoc.	21.00
Salem	150.00
El Dorado Springs, First	5.00
Koshkonong	17.00
Pleasant Hill	17.85
Fellowship	260.00
Monett	322.65
Buffalo	87.40
Koshkonong	13.00
Fourth	341.00
Myrtle	173.84
Mt. Zion, Gower	46.80
Cope	32.25
Mt. Vernon	37.41
Joplin	307.80
Merl's Chapel	61.60
Gospel Light	47.50
Gray Summit	126.95
Houston	150.03
Willow Springs	204.77
New Rock Springs	106.83
Mill Creek	122.28
Belton	147.03

Eastern Gate	22.79
Kingsway	50.00
United—Independent FWB	91.93
Total	\$18,884.66

#### COOPERATIVE RECEIPTS November, 1981

Victory, Alton	\$ 100.00
Sedalia	107.32
Mt. Pisgah	76.00
Columbia	50.00
Faith, Lemay	136.00
Mine La Motte	30.00
Happy Home	99.11
Hurryville	121.98
Pleasant Ridge	46.00
Monett	349.56
Farmington	1,110.00
Harmony, K.C.	239.00
Bailey Chapel	49.00
Number One	27.20
Calvary, Conway	101.00
Bethel, Festus	345.00
Parkview	183.79
Oskaloosa	34.78
South Side	210.00
O'Fallon	376.17
Cuba	191.83
Wolf Creek	206.43
DeSoto	600.00
Purdy	140.17
United, West Plains	100.00
Trinity	200.00
Friendship	62.97
Hartville	189.60
Faith, Fair Grove	129.98
Freeman Chapel	112.54
Beacon	412.86
Flat River, First	518.75
Grace	760.00
Olivet	250.00
Neosho	60.00
Royal Oak	33.00
Community	9.80
Fredericktown, First	316.00
Hannon	163.00
Cabool	133.61
Grant Avenue	452.72
Leadington	380.00
Copper Mines	210.24
Rock Chapel	199.77
Mt. Zion, Thayer	38.28
Thayer	244.45
Oak Hill, St. Clair	296.77
Kingsway	50.00
Byrd	13.07
Houston	165.80
Black Oak	10.00
Marshfield	171.27
Rolla	100.47
Liberty	110.00
New Harmony	8.47
Joplin	287.85
Merl's Chapel	56.03
Cedar Ridge	47.40
Koshkonong	24.00
Koshkonong	16.00
El Dorado Springs, First	5.00
Pleasant Hill	29.43
Farmington	1,110.00
Total	\$12,409.47
Interest on Com-bo Acct. (2 Months)	360.21
Total	\$12,769.68



# Essentials of Evangelism

by Stanley Jones

During some recent reading I happened on a prescription for revival by the late Dr. R. A. Torrey. The three parts of his prescription are worth our consideration.

"First, let a few Christians (they need not be many) get thoroughly right with God themselves. This is the prime essential. If this is not done, the rest that I am to say will come to nothing.

"Second, let them bind themselves together in a prayer group to pray for revival until God opens the heavens and comes down.

"Third, let them put themselves at the disposal of God for Him to use as He sees fit in winning others to Christ. That is all!

"This is sure to bring a revival to any church or community. I have given this prescription around the world. It has been taken by many churches and communities, and in no instance has it ever failed; and it cannot fail!"

## Historic Meeting for Missouri Free Will Baptists

The Historical Commission and the Promotional Office are sponsoring a Historic Conference for Missouri Free Will Baptists at the Mt. Zion Free Will Baptist Church, Gower, Missouri. This conference will be held in cooperation with the Freeman Chapel Church and the Mt. Zion Church.

According to information compiled by the Historical Commission, the Mt. Zion Church is the oldest, active, Free Will Baptist Church in Missouri. It was organized in 1832. The date and time for the meeting is *May 14 and 15, with the services beginning at 7:30 Friday evening and 9:30 Saturday morning.*

Reverend Cecil Campbell, member of the Historical Commission states, "We are looking forward to the trip and services at the Mt. Zion Free Will Baptist Church in the Northwest District Association. We anticipate the fellowship of the people in that area and all across Missouri. Besides being the oldest Free Will Baptist Church in the state, and perhaps west of the Mississippi, it has maintained a continuous witness for Christ through the years. It was my privilege to go to this church in the early years of my ministry. The Reverend Noel Turner and I went there for a revival meeting in the early thirties. We met a fine

## Points for Pastors



by Jim McAllister

"What do you do when you've got a big problem in your church?" That question has been asked many times. The fact is, I've asked it myself many times. Of course, there is no pat answer for all situations, but there are some things a pastor can do and we'll deal with some of these here.

First, many problems are unnecessary. They don't have to occur. Wisdom and forethought would prevent some. Kindness would prevent some. Understanding would prevent others. Some of us preachers are always going to have trouble due to our attitude, our impulsive nature, or our inability to cope with situations as a godly undershepherd should.

Second, waiting on God is a necessary practice for each pastor to adopt. It takes patience and we're short of that. Wait on the Lord. I read Isaiah 40:31 often to remind myself that waiting is a biblical teaching. You don't have to be doing something. You can wait and pray.

Third, don't always carry all the burdens of the problems by yourself. Allow your deacons (if they are trustworthy, and any deacon who can't keep the pastor's comments to himself is a shame to the whole cause of Christ), to share some of these burdens. *That* is a part of their duty.

Fourth, fast and pray. That's right! *FAST*. This is a lost biblical truth. There are some things that come only by fasting and prayer. Recently I faced a tremendous problem. I went on a fast and prayed many times during a couple of days. I read chapter after chapter of appropriate Scripture and stayed in my office. God heard and He honored my prayers. He'll do the same for you.

Fifth, don't allow these problems to prevent your Christian service in the church. Keep planning, keep witnessing, keep preaching, and keep working. As one old preacher said, "Thank God these things came to pass."

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group of people, some of whose families are probably still living in the area and attending the Mt. Zion Church. Someone has said, 'He who forgets his history, will relive it.' I hope that this meeting will be such that we will be reminded of the labor of those before us and recognize that God has led and blessed us in our labor for Him. Jewell is quite interested in all historical places and events. So, these days spent on this trip will be quite enjoyable and interesting. We hope to see many Free Will Baptists at this meeting."



## OH WHO ARE THEY

Oh who are they  
From where do they come  
As many as fifty  
As few as one?

Oh who are they  
Why do they come  
To jump, to shout  
To have fun?

Oh who are they  
What do they lack  
For if they leave  
Shall they be back?

Oh who are they  
Their age so varied  
The eldest walking  
The young are carried?

Oh who are they  
From where do they come  
From good homes, bad homes  
And loved by no one?

Oh who are they  
What shall they find  
What is it they're seeking  
Is it a word so kind?

Oh who are they  
That squirm in their chairs  
With hands so busy  
Yet expressions bare?

Oh who are they  
Why have they come  
Is it to hear of the love  
Of God's own Son?

Oh who are they  
Their precious hearts do so ache  
To receive for themselves  
That amazing Grace?

Oh who are they  
And how shall they hear  
But do not dismay  
For I have heard and am so near.

Oh who are they  
I love them so  
Shall any be turned away  
The answer is NO.

Oh who are they  
I once had their feelings too  
They are no different  
Than me or you.

Oh who are they  
We can end the search  
for you can see all these  
In my Children's Church

By Randy Bishop  
Children's Church Pastor  
First Free Will Baptist Church in Joplin, MO.



Missouri Students attending Hillsdale Free Will  
Baptist College

Front Row—left to right  
Tresa Dickey, Stacey Hampton, Belinda Letterman,  
Teresa Hickenbotham, Sheila Burnett, Robert  
Francis

Second Row—left to right  
Charles Crenshaw, Scott McCully, Ulen McGary,  
Mark Brawley, Doug Hoover, John Davis  
Not Pictured: Rebecca McGary and Jimmy Kiser



## CORRECTION



The August-September issue of the Gem inadvertently showed Debbie Virtue from Rock Chapel with this photo. It should be Nicole Burk from Grant Avenue.

### District Meeting

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Central Western District met at 7:30 p.m. September 10 at the Hannon Free Will Baptist Church fellowship hall. Charolette Tallent was the speaker for the meeting. The meeting was well attended. As the meeting began, the ladies served fresh fruit salad from one-half of a large scooped out watermelon. It was delicious and refreshing. Afterward Miss Tallent gave an inspiring devotional on "Love." She then showed slides of the people of Rennes, France, and told of the differences in their customs of food preparation, etc. Charolette briefly told of her past work and of the time she spent in language study in Albertville, France. She also told of the work with the Joe Haas family in Rennes. After a question and answer time this rewarding meeting was dismissed in prayer. Several ladies lingered visiting with Charolette until time for her departure.

(Submitted by Mrs. Clifford Hoover)

## JUVENILE OR PARENTAL DELINQUENCY

(The kids aren't all to blame)

We read in the paper and hear on the air  
Of killing and stealing and crime everywhere.  
We sigh, and say, as we notice the trend . . .  
"This young generation! Where will it end?"

But can we be sure that it's their fault alone?  
That maybe a part of it might be our own?  
Are we less guilty, who place in their way  
Too many things to lead them astray?

Too much money to spend, too much idle time,  
Too many movies of passion and crime.  
Too many books, not fit to be read,  
Too much evil in what they hear said,  
Too many children encouraged to roam,  
By too many parents who won't stay at home.

Youth don't make movies, they don't write the books,  
That paint the gay pictures of gangsters and crooks.  
They don't make the liquor, they don't run the bars,  
They don't make the laws and they don't buy the cars,  
They don't make the drugs that addle the brain,  
It's all done by older folks, greedy for gain.

Delinquent teen-agers! Oh, how we condemn  
The sins of the nation and blame it on them!  
By the law of the blameless, that the Savior made known,  
"Who is among us, to cast the first stone?"  
In too many cases it's sad, but it's true,  
The title "Delinquent" fits older folks, too!

Sincerely,  
Gene Jones  
Chief Deputy  
Juvenile Officer

Editor's note: This poem was submitted by Mrs. Geneva Sorrell. Geneva is very active in the Myrtle Free Will Baptist Church as a teacher, officer in Woman's Auxiliary and clerk of the church.

### Senior Saints Dinner

The Woman's Auxiliary of the First Free Will Baptist Church in Lebanon held a dinner for those 62 and older Tuesday, December 15, 1981 in the fellowship hall. Although it was snowing, there were 35 that attended. The youth minister and his wife, Richard and Becky Brown sang Christmas carols for the group. Edwin Bowden then gave a devotional. We appreciate the older women of our church who are actively involved in the work of the auxiliary.



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## **WOMAN'S PAGE**

*Editor, Shirley Bowden*

Dear Friends,

As most of you know, we have delayed our departure to Panama for a short time, as we have been waiting for a very important event to take place. That event has now transpired. On September 29, 1981 at 9:44 a.m., Judy gave birth to an 8 lb. 8 oz. boy named David Anthony Lytle. Mother and son are both home now and doing just fine. We had expected a little girl, but we're just delighted with the Lord's choice for us. Michael and Phillip are so pleased with "their baby," and are proving to be a real help to Mom and Dad in caring for him.

Now, of course, we're getting ready to return to the portion of God's harvest field He has assigned to us. These next few weeks will be busy ones. We'll be packing boxes and sending them to Panama, we'll be getting passports in order, and we will be saying goodbye to our many friends and family members that mean so much to us.

Our furlough time has been a blessed experience. Thank you for allowing us the privilege of coming to your churches and sharing with you what God is doing in Panama. Thank you for your fellowship in the gospel, as expressed by your hospitality, warmth, and kindness. How rich we are in Christian friends! Thank you for committing yourselves to a ministry of prayer on our behalf. And thank you for helping us to raise the needed cash and monthly support so that we could return to the field. We could never adequately express how much we love and appreciate you.

Please remember us now in prayer as we prepare to leave. Pray that Judy and David will soon be able to travel. Pray that God would guide us in the multitude of details that must be taken care of prior to our leaving the states, and after our arrival in Panama. Please especially pray for Michael and Phillip, that they will make the adjustment back to a different language and culture.

The Lord willing, our next newsletter will come to you from Panama, with an up to the minute report on the work there. Let's claim Panama for our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! Panama sera para Cristo!

Laborers together with Him,  
The Lytles  
Steve, Judy, Michael, Phillip  
and David

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(This letter was received after the November-December *Gem* had already been sent to the printer.)

Please pray for the Lytles as they are now in Panama. Pray for their work, their health, and their children as they adjust to being back in Panama. Also remember that the Lytles are our State project this year for Foreign Missions. The amount is \$2,000.00 and will be used to purchase Spanish films, equipment for the church in Panama, and a washer for their personal use.