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*A Happy Thanksgiving and A Merry Christmas  
and A Happy New Year*

*—Clarence & Vivian*





# SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AVERAGES 1982-83

CHURCHES	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.	JAN.	FEB.	MAR.	APR.	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG.	SEPT.
Bethel	93	98	95	93	122	149	110	114	110	99		
Calvary Fellowship				163	178	206	201	171	166	149	169	
Central	104	100	99	104	103	105	108	96	106	98		
Copper Mines	70	72	68									
Cuba	83	87	78	85								
Cape Girardeau					89	89	90	89	89	88	87	93
De Soto	146	146	142									
Farmington	745	779	707	708	684	778	776	696	687	697	664	710
Flat River, First	189	166	185	192	169	184	184	164				
Fourth	124	104	101	117	115	117	114	97	90	91	102	98
Fredericktown, First	194	184										
Grace				174	166	188	167	154	152	136	158	
Grant Avenue	158	168	156	159								
Hannon				98	88	94	88					
Happy Home	74	67	72	76	75							
Harmony, K.C.	64	58	66	72	73	92	81	69	77	63	88	86
Hartville	102	98	98	98								
Houston	61	55	63	63	62	62	56	61	61			
Marshfield	59	61	59	68	69	71	72	65	63	64	57	54
Monett	145	144	141	139	138	146	145	145	151	151		
Myrtle	52	41	40	39	38	52	48	51	40	49	48	59
New Hope	42	48	47	49	51	67	63	58	51	52	54	47
O'Fallon	67	62	63	62	57	61	51	49	56	51		
Parkview	47	40	46		40	41	45	41	41	49	40	36
Richwoods				53	53	56	61	57	55	58	64	
Terrill Road						40	59	47	56	58	51	66
United, W.P.	80	79	69	65	61	79	87	80	78	83	78	83
Victory, K.C.					65	70			95			
Willow Springs	101	98	93	91	76	91	101	100	87	91	96	85
West Plains, First	110	97	91	81	70	83	94	99				

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# "Can You Tell Me Where I Can Find The Priest?"

By James Gideon

One afternoon as I was visiting one of my church members in a large Kansas City hospital I encountered an obviously distraught lady in the hallway. Stopping me, she asked the question, "Can you tell me where I can find the priest?"

I excused myself and said that I could not, then explained to the lady that I was a minister of the gospel. My offer of help was rejected when the lady said, "Thank you, but I need to see the priest."

As I watched her walk away I thought of 1 Peter 2:5, "Ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ."

Since that incident, every time I meet a person who is distressed, depressed, and defeated, God reminds me of the lady who asked, "Can you tell me where I can find the priest?" I have concluded that question to be one of the most appropriate and pertinent questions I've ever been asked. Where is the priest?

In the Old Testament sense, a priest was an intermediary—a minister standing between God and those wishing to worship Him. The worshiper did business with the priest, and the priest did business with God.

Thankfully, that system is no longer necessary as the worshiper is now entitled to go to God directly. But the New Testament gives us a much more comprehensive meaning to the word "priest."

The Lord Jesus Christ totally fulfilled the Law and became our High Priest (Hebrews 9:11, 12). Now, we are instructed by the Word of God to emulate the Lord and model our individual ministries after Him (1 Peter 2:21). The implications are clear; every Christian is to be a priest—a representative of God to this world, a witness of God's mercy, compassion, and love.

Although a study of the New Testament reveals much concerning the priestly duties of the believer, the Lord has specifically caused my attention to center upon two things.

First, every believer-priest has offered a sacrifice unto God. The twelfth chapter of Romans has much to say about Christian duty and Christian service. In fact, the theme of its opening verses is that the believer can make only one sacrifice that is acceptable to God—his body. It's very important to note that it is considered to be a reasonable service when we sacrifice ourself unto the Lord (Romans 12:1).

The Old Testament priests offered sacrifices for their own sins and for the sins of others. The New Testament teaching is that every believer is a priest who sacrifices his own body and life unto the Lord to be used in His service. What a privilege that is!

We are not our own, but we belong to the One who died to save us. Therefore, our lives are not our own; our bodies are not our own; our aims and ambitions cannot be our own; they must all be His. Every believer must make his sacrifice unto the Lord.

Finally, every believer-priest has an obligation to share the gospel message with every person they meet. The Apostle Peter said it this way, "But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: and be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear" (1 Peter 3:15). In other words, we should make a positive impact upon every person we meet. We are to be a living witness to every person, and we are to be a reliable guide to those who are seeking God.

I have thought that this is one of our greatest privileges as a believer—to influence others for God! Just think of it this way: God has personally chosen every believer to be a witness, a guide, and a soul winner.

"Can you tell me where I can find the priest?" I know what that lady was asking and so do you. But doesn't that question prompt a very sure response: You will find a priest in every true believer!

"Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood, And hath made us kings and priests unto God and his Father; to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen" (Revelation 1:5, 6).

About the writer: Reverend James Gideon is pastor of the Belton Free Will Baptist Church in Belton, MO. He and his wife Linda are actively involved in the Greater Kansas City District Association. He is involved and very supportive of the state and national ministries.



Rev. Jim Gideon,  
wife Linda,  
and children



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# REVIVAL

By Darrell Strain

This is the first in a *three part series* on "The Greatest Need in our Churches."

Acts 2:47 states, "Praising God, and having favour with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved."

Revival had broken out in the area of Jerusalem; people were getting saved and then going out and bringing in others who needed to be saved. You see revival is the greatest need we have in our church today. If we could just get a Holy Ghost-sent revival that would get those who are already converted to live lives so that God could be glorified, we would have the other things that we think we need in our churches. The people would go out and bring other people into the house of God. We would see souls added to the church.

Are you happy with things in your life? Does your soul cry out to God for revival? Do you have unsaved loved ones that seem impossible to reach for Christ? Do you have children who have gone astray? We need revival. We need a revival that will cause born again Christians to really get right with God. Really get down to business about living for God. Only a Heaven-sent, sin-killing revival will get the

job done. Somehow Christians must be convinced that the greatest need of the hour is the power of God in their lives to empower them for service to honor Christ. We need the eternal power of God manifest from the pulpit as the preacher speaks outwardly, so that the Holy Spirit will speak inwardly. Jesus said, "Come follow me and I will make you to become fishers of men." The natural outcome of the following where Jesus leads is, to become fishers of men. That is, when you follow Jesus you will naturally have on your mind what Jesus has on His mind.

Now before someone thinks that I am Charismatic or am implying a second work of grace let me assure you that I am not either. We in Free Will Baptist circles have to get back to the preaching of Holy Spirit empowered lives. I'm sure most do preach this; however, we've been intimidated by the Charismatic movement and have sometimes failed to preach on Holy Spirit empowered lives as has been needed for fear someone would think we had gone off into the tongues thing. Let me impress upon you that the whole business of getting things done for God is based upon born again Christians being filled, controlled, and used of the Holy Spirit of God. When I preach I must have the power of the Holy Spirit of God to speak to people's hearts and to apply the Word where it is needed and in the manner it is needed.

About the writer: Reverend Darrell Strain is presently serving as pastor of the Victory Free Will Baptist Church, Alton, MO. He has served as moderator of the Cave Springs Quarterly Conference and District Association. He and the Victory Church are actively involved in the support and work of the State and National ministries.

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## Essentials of Evangelism

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By Stanley Jones

Some adults find it difficult to communicate their Christian witness to unsaved youth. If this is true with you, consider this suggestion.

Help train and encourage Christian young people to reach other youths. Many "how to" books on soulwinning emphasize the value of people working with other their own age. While young people may "turn off" adults, many times they will listen to one of their own.

You might let your pastor know of your burden to reach young people for Christ. He can give suggestions that could prove helpful.

If you are a teacher, you can instill in your students a burden for those of their peer group. You can do this through prayer requests for lost youth. By planning activities where unsaved youth are included. By being evangelistic in your teaching. By a consistent soulwinning example. Take Christian young people with you when you go soulwinning.

Talk to others who have been successful in working with young people. Don't be too proud to listen to suggestions from others.

The idea of training and encouraging young people to evangelize those of their own age is not a "cop-out" for adult Christians. It is rather an opportunity to extend your witness into an area where you otherwise could not go.



# Churches People And Events

## Exchange Student At Lebanon

Tom and Barbara Agan, members of the First Free Will Baptist Church in Lebanon, Missouri, have a special guest at their home this year. The guest is Claudia Cenzano from Rio Cuarto, Argentina. She is a foreign exchange student.

Claudia is very personable and open to discuss her beliefs and opinions. She likes the United States and is having a very enjoyable experience living with the Agan family and attending the Lebanon School.

The school system is a bit different in America. In Argentina the teachers move to and from the classrooms rather than the students. Academically she likes English, Music, Psychology, and Sociology; she also enjoys sports, especially tennis and volleyball.

She is fascinated by the vast amount of automation in America. To be sure there is some in Argentina but not nearly as much as is in the U.S.

Claudia especially enjoys attending the church services with the Agans. In fact, Barbara stated that Claudia rescheduled some of her activities in order that she could attend church at the Free Will Baptist Church.

When Claudia returns to Argentina, we wish her a *bon voyage*, but we will miss her warm friendly smile and sweet personality.



Claudia with the Agan Family

## Youth Camp Slide Presentation Service Available

Dale and Margie McCurry are available for a Youth Camp Emphasis Service. They will show an interesting slide presentation that will give the history and up-to-date information concerning the camp. This is preferable for a Sunday evening service. They may be contacted at this number: 417-473-6444.

Brother McCurry states, "This time of year

many people begin to get firewood. There is a need for a lot of cleanup in the wooded area. Free Will Baptists are welcome to bring their chainsaws, help with the cleanup, and get wood." (This is for Free Will Baptists only.) This has been authorized by the camp board.

## Baptismal Service at Youth Camp

Reverend Jack Day, pastor of the Black Oak Free Will Baptist Church, baptized Keith Cantrell and Tony Medlock in the new swimming pool at Free Will Baptist Youth Camp on Sunday, September 3, 1983. This was the first Baptismal Service held at the new pool. A large number from the Black Oak Church attended the service.



Rev. Jack Day, Keith Cantrell, and Tony Medlock

## Good Report From West Plains

Phyllis Miller, church reporter from the First Free Will Baptist church in West Plains, writes, The church is experiencing a spiritual awakening. It seemed to manifest itself during the Vacation Bible School. Three children were saved that week.

Since that time we have seen two young fathers at the altar to recommit their lives to the Lord. One of the men has witnessed two of his sons being saved. On Saturday evening, September 10, Brother Joel Robertson was with us. He spoke to the youth as well as the adults concerning the dangers of rock music. The following Sunday morning one person was saved and 13 united with the church. Four were baptized that evening.

In October we were involved in a Sunday School campaign, and revival services were held the last week. Brother Roy Thomas was the evangelist. Once again we have adopted the cooperative program, and many have pledged to help support Ken and Judy Bailey as they prepare to leave for Japan.

The church desires the prayers of other Christians. The services have been such an inspiration. Our pastor, Reverend John England, is having a difficult time keeping his feet on the ground. Pray with us that we shall follow the Lord in doing greater things for Him.

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**More photos from State Association and  
Youth Camp in next issue.**



## Progress At Houston Church

I am so happy to report that we have finished the brick-work, put new carpeting down, and painted the inside of the auditorium, writes Ethel Cummins, church reporter for the First Free Will Baptist Church in Houston, Missouri. She writes further, The church received a grant from the Oldham Foundation in the amount of \$3,000.

The church requests that other churches remember them in prayer that the Spirit of God will always be with them to guide them in their labor for the Lord. The pastor is Reverend Payton Smyers.

## Homecoming Service at Gray Summit

On October 2 1983, the Gray Summit Free Will Baptist Church celebrated their annual Homecoming with 50 people in attendance throughout the day.

Rev. Hugh Stogsdill brought the Homecoming message, and the Ellis Gospel Singers were our special singing group for the day. Everyone enjoyed the preaching and singing and, of course, the bountiful meal. Our Free Will Baptist ladies always come through so abundantly in this area.

The Ellis Gospel Singers can be contacted at 212 Berry St., Gray Summit, Mo. 63039, or by calling 314/742-4822.

Rev. Roger Ross is the new pastor of the church.



Ellis Gospel Singers

## A Full Year At Grace

Grace Church participated in its second year of a church bowling league. "We feel the church should meet the needs of its people and why not bowl for the church," writes the church reporter, Peggy Rider.

In the month of February the teens worked very hard for the Sweetheart Banquet raising over \$2,000. The proceeds went towards building a Boy's Cabin at Youth Camp. This year's king and queen were Terry Radke and Leanna Stacy. A great big thanks goes to Brother Harold Baldwin for building the cabin. The total amount given by the teens for the cabin was over \$4,000. Bob Eden deserves a great big thank you also, for having the vision of the cabin, back in 1981.

The month of March was filled with promotional days in an attempt to increase the Sunday school

attendance. We experienced a very good month with cottage prayer meetings, revival, Family Day, and plenty of blessings!

For the Third Annual Senior High Day, Donna Hymphrey and Doug Roach were voted Most Outstanding Girl and Boy for 1983. These two young people are to be commended for their faithfulness and willingness to be used in the Lord's service.

Youth Camp activities are always outstanding days for the young people from Grace. Brother Joel Robertson did his presentation on the Dangers of Rock Music during both teen sessions. The teens came home with a greater zeal to serve the Lord. A word of appreciation is due the McCurrys and all the work they do and are doing at camp.

This summer the church had a men's and women's softball league. We appreciate the work of our coaches: Riley Lowe and Randy Wray for the ladies and Les Bowling and Wes Rider for the men.

The church had a super V.B.S. this year. Special guests included Kermit the Frog, Pac-Man, and E.T. Laura Robertson and Peggy Rider served as directors. The average attendance was 143.

We are planning some big things at Grace for this Fall. We are expecting to win the Fall Enlargement Campaign.

## Calvary Bible Institute Graduates

Calvary Bible Institute, the training arm of the Calvary Fellowship Free Will Baptist Church graduated four this year. Each received the Advanced Teacher Training Certificate which is made available through the Evangelical Teacher Training Association.



Left to right: Jerry Norris, teacher; Mary Ann Buchanan; Cliff Buchanan; Erma Hogan; Don Love; and Don Moiser, teacher.

## Rock Chapel W.A. Adopts New Project

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Rock Chapel Free Will Baptist Church, Norwood, Missouri, has adopted a new project. The project consists of installing new cabinets in the lower level of the church. The auxiliary presented a program "Down By The



Riverside" recently and raised \$85.00. The organization recently initiated a library project which now has 120 books and 10 sermons on cassette.

The group is actively involved in the work of the church, and each member is quite active in the auxiliary. The woman's group was organized November 6, 1980.



From left to right—

Top Row—Lola Dennis; Phyllis Virtue; Sharon Renfro; Lois McNutt—Pres.; Florence Housley—V. Pres; Eugene Dobson—Mission Study Chairman; Debbie Berry; Tammi Housley; Carla Osborn; Bottom Row—Beverly Helsley; Hope Mowry—Historian; Patti Housley—Mission Action Chairman; Virginia Housley—Sec.-Treas.; Robin Virtue—Mission Prayer Chairman

Editor's note: I was with Brother Gene Terry, his wife Donna, and the folks at the Liberty Free Will Baptist Church for a Sunday evening service. I had my camera with me and took this photo of these friendly folks. (There were some visitors in the service not included in this picture.)



These men were on the program at the All Boards Meeting held in September. They are: Millard Sasser, Moderator; Nathan Ruble, Asst. Moderator; Dale Skiles, ch. Youth Camp Board; Howard Gwartney, ch. S.S. & CTS Board; Gene Wilfong, ch. C.E. Board; Cliff Bowman, ch. Home Missions Board.

### New Choir Robes At Lebanon

The congregation of the First Free Will Baptist Church in Lebanon, Missouri, received a pleasant surprise on Sunday morning, October 25, 1983. The choir came out for the morning worship with new robes. The robes were presented to the church by Mrs. Henrietta Garrett. Mrs. Garrett is an active member of the church and has been for a number of years. Her deceased husband, Brother Farris Garrett, served as a deacon of the church.

The music director, Jean Bowman, the choir members, along with the ladies of the church held a buffet dinner in honor of Mrs. Garrett. The dinner was held in the Fellowship Hall.

The pastor, Reverend Joe Braddy, presented a plaque to Mrs. Garrett and expressed appreciation on behalf of the church for the robes. An outstanding feature of the robes is the F W B lettering on the front stole. The robes are red on white with contrasting yoke, inset sleeve stripe and cuffs. They were purchased from the Lebanon Bible and Book Store.



The Lebanon Church Choir, Music Director, Musicians, the Pastor, and Mrs. Garrett



## Progress At The Harmony Church, Kansas City

Church reporter, Rachel Leclere, writes, We thank God every day for our church and His blessings. The Sweetheart Banquet in February was very nice. A large number attended, and one of our friends from another church, Debby, sang some gospel songs. The meal was furnished by the Supper Club.

We had our spring revival in April with Brother Dale Skiles serving as the evangelist. He preached some good sermons, and the Lord blessed with five people being converted.

Brother and Sister Phil Ledgerwood are serving directors for the Children's Church. Thanks to Orvil Spencer and Jerry Gibson we have an increasing number that ride the church bus. They spend a lot of time working with this ministry.

We had a visitor in our church this summer, Brother Jimmy Kiser, who worked with the pastor and the church. He filled the pulpit when the pastor was away and worked with the young people. He and Brother and Sister Terry Bowen planned activities for the teens and also served as teachers.

The church held Homecoming Service, September 11, 1983. Reverend Ralph Cook delivered the

message. It was a very inspiring message, and everyone was blessed. A basket dinner was enjoyed during the lunch hour, and several special singers sang in the afternoon.

Two very dear members of the church died. Last year, July 5, Sister Geneva Overbeck was called home; and this year April 18, Brother Orvil Johnson went to be with the Lord.

Remember our church in your prayers. Pray for us as we work for Him. Reverend Cody Freeman is the pastor.

## Strong Appeal For National Home Missions

Brother Roy Thomas, general director for the Home Missions Department, has asked that every church receive a special offering for Home Missions in November—Home Missions month. He states, "the appeal is urgent and something must be done." Please send contributions to Home Missions Department, P.O. Box 1088, Nashville, TN 37202 or Missouri State Association, P.O. 991, Lebanon, MO 65536.

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# Points for Pastors

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By Jim McAllister

A church *must* be a multiple ministry church. There must be more to our church than just meeting weekly and having church. It's good to meet for fellowship and worship. It's good that we have a place where we can unite our hearts, voices, and minds in praise, worship, song, testimony, sacrifice, and fellowship. The community needs to see the church in loving fellowship. The world must see our Christianity in action in the community of believers. But surely there is more.

The church must reach out to the world. During the next few months we will survey some of the extra ministries a local church can involve itself in and thereby enable its members to reach out and touch others in both the community and the world.

In past issues we have seen the importance of the bus ministry. Our church hardly ever has a Sunday pass that we don't see souls saved as a result of the bus ministry. We praise God for the more than 300 who ride our buses weekly. Ten buses, under the direction of our new bus director, Gary Bigelow, reach out now into three counties.

In other issues we have written about our children's churches. We now have seven children's

churches that average more than 300 weekly. David Bates is director of our children's church ministry. He has more than 30 workers who help him. During the past 9 years hundreds have been saved in children's churches.

We have also written about our Sunday School where Jim Bowen, our Sunday School superintendent, directs 54 classes, 10 departments, and more than 75 workers weekly and averages nearly 700 weekly attendance.

We have mentioned in detail our discipling ministry where Greg McAllister directs several workers who teach follow-up to all new converts. Our teen ministry, also directed by Greg McAllister, ministers to more than 130 teenagers weekly.

Gene Wilfong directs Farmington Christian Academy, a kindergarten through grade 12 school, with 150 students. Our Senior Citizens group is called WFR and meets monthly under the direction of Austin Boyd. John Smith is music director for our music program that thrills our people weekly.

All these and other ministries help us reach out into our community. During the next few issues I will write about other means of reaching out into the community and the world with the love of God.



**COOPERATIVE DISBURSEMENTS****August 1983**

18.50%	Missouri State Home Missions	\$ 3,372.80
16.75%	Promotional Office & GEM	3,053.74
3.50%	General Fund	638.74
6.50%	Youth Camp	1,185.04
1.75%	Christian Board of Education	319.05
1.75%	Sunday School & CTS	319.05
6.75%	Retirement Village	1,230.61
5.00%	Missouri State Retirement Program	911.56
6.00%	Hillsdale College	\$ 1,093.88
33.50%	National Departments	\$ 6,107.50
Total		\$18,231.33

This is the fifth month of this State Associational Year. The Lord continues to bless for which we are always so grateful. How encouraging it is to know that each church that supports cooperative giving is involved in a world-wide ministry for the Lord Jesus Christ. May the Lord continue to bless the faithful pastors and churches.

**COOPERATIVE DISBURSEMENTS****September 1983**

18.50%	Missouri State Home Missions	\$ 3,211.52
*16.75%	Promotional Office and Gem	3,210.08
* 3.50%	General Fund	204.43
* 6.50%	Youth Camp	1,531.54
* 1.75%	Christian Board of Education	203.00
* 1.75%	Sunday School and CTS	203.00
* 6.75%	Retirement Village	1,070.97
5.00%	Missouri State Retirement Program	867.87
6.00%	Hillsdale Free Will Baptist College	\$ 1,041.57
33.50%	National Association Departments	\$ 5,815.46
Foreign Missions		
FWBBC		
Executive Office		
National Home Missions		
National Board of Retirement and Insurance		
Theological Commission		
Total		\$17,359.55

\*Reflects adjustment for allocation changes at State Association for April and May. June, July, & August were disbursed according to change. Youth Camp gained 1%. Promotional Dept., C.E. Bd., SS & CTS Bd., and Retirement Village gave up .25%.

The Lord is to be praised! The faithfulness of God is reflected in His provision for His people. His people reflect their love by giving to support His work. May His blessings continue on those that give so faithfully to the cause of Christ.

**COOPERATIVE RECEIPTS****August 1983**

Monett	\$ 691.36
Pleasant Ridge	67.00
Mill Creek	185.14
Fellowship	100.00
Union Grove	160.00
Hopewell	204.00
Victory, Alton	190.00
Faith, Fair Grove	179.74
New Rock Springs	120.27
Myrtle	179.07
Purdy	470.11
Eastern Gate	27.00
Sikeston	126.40
Terrill Road	125.00
Waynesville	80.00
Royal Oak	39.00
Number One	48.10
Union	60.00
Cope	29.67
Bailey Chapel	40.00
Columbia	50.00
Harmony, K.C.	371.00
Tyrone	63.89
New Harmony	9.37
Kingsway	50.00
Kingsway	50.00

Grace	809.00
Joplin	327.75
Merl's Chapel	101.44
Parkview	221.56
Hartville	186.42
Rock Chapel	304.49
Mt. Pisgah	154.00
Fredericktown, First	400.00
Cape Girardeau	467.06
Walnut Grove	133.97
United, West Plains	100.00
Fordland	384.60
Olivet	250.00
Berean	13.97
Viburnum	188.44
Bethel	540.00
Gray Summit	147.47
Pleasant Home	170.92
Mine La Motte	25.00
Marshfield	193.96
Beacon	523.77
Freeman Chapel	197.25
Byrd	34.60
Hannon	273.34
Cabool	270.61
Mt. Zion, Gower	61.88
Hartville	178.22
Macedonia	25.00
Flat River, First	737.15
Belton	218.30
Friendship	88.00
Lebanon	366.48
Leadington	435.00
Trinity	870.00
Salem	180.00
Copper Mines	178.57
Alton	225.00
St. Francois Association	21.50
Lingo	73.49
Pleasant Hill	48.94
Wolf Creek	253.67
Thayer	322.65
Seymour	74.40
DeSoto	600.00
Koshkonong	89.00
El Dorado Springs	5.00
Liberty	240.00
Mill Creek	153.57
Harmony, K.C.	272.00
Joplin	611.97
Neosho	71.25
Willow Springs	277.17
Terrill Road	95.00
Happy Home	126.69
Houston	140.00
Hazel Creek	334.00
Rolla	185.39
Black Oak	10.00
Gray Summit	136.42
Cope	22.10
New Harmony	7.60
Myrtle	140.54
Interest paid on account	219.64
Total	\$18,231.33

**COOPERATIVE RECEIPTS****September 1983**

Fredericktown, First	\$ 345.00
Viburnum	107.21
Victory, Alton	238.00
Olivet	250.00
Hartville	195.11
Calvary, Conway	155.68
Mine La Motte	26.91
Faith Fair Grove	131.00
Number One	44.83
Bailey Chapel	30.00
Grace	739.00
Columbia	50.00
Fellowship	80.00
Bethel	298.00
Macedonia	20.00
Mt. Zion, Gower	38.76



Farmington	1,150.00
Royal Oak	31.00
Verdella	172.96
Verdella	142.46
Salem	90.00
New Rock Springs	91.68
Mt. Zion, Thayer	67.62
Pleasant Ridge	53.00
Kingsway	50.00
Salem	30.00
Parkview	147.34
Belton	152.48
Hannon	242.64
Mt. Pisgah	139.26
United, W. P.	100.00
Freeman Chapel	106.00
Tyrone	40.73
Trinity	687.00
Friendship	73.84
Hurryville	106.90
Union Grove	132.50
Beacon	489.00
Pleasant Home	153.35
Hopewell	152.00
Rock Chapel	208.30
Berean	6.80
Fordland	265.00
West Plains, First	97.00
DeSoto	550.00
Purdy	132.96
Sikeston	71.59
Monett	482.28
Wolf Creek	214.15
Boothel District Association	13.80
Cabool	212.34
Copper Mines	205.51
Marshfield	157.35
Waynesville	50.41
Thayer	300.57
Berkeley	382.74
Pleasant Hill	30.44
Seymour	55.19
Jones Chapel	475.21
Flat River, First	468.86
Eastern Gate	31.00
El Dorado, First	5.00
Joplin	194.53
Merl's Chapel	77.81
Neosho	71.25
Lingo	56.71
Viburnum	77.35
Leadington	375.00
Gray Summit	91.20
Harmony, K.C.	320.00
Twin Oak	400.00
Union Light	144.30
Tyrone	47.60
Myrtle	158.73
Byrd	17.00
Willow Springs	209.46
Calvary, Conway	151.63
Parkview	209.00
Mtn. Valley	160.15
Mtn. Valley	172.33
Verdella	139.00
Bailey Chapel	34.00
Fordland	354.00
Farmington	1,150.00
Number One	29.00
Lebanon, First	325.07
Cape Girardeau	419.13
Interest on account	207.54
Total	\$17,359.55

#### MISSOURI DESIGNATED GIVING August/September 1983

##### YOUTH CAMP

June/July 1983

Myrtle	\$ 61.00
Hartville	20.00
Mt. Pisgah	20.00
Farmington (Pool)	500.00
Leadington	40.00
Olivet	20.00

Bethel	50.00
Beacon (Pool)	10.00
Hannon	30.00
Mission First quarterly Meeting—Pool	500.00
Lebanon, First	100.00
Thayer	20.00
James & Dianna Crawford (Pool)	101.28
Aulsbury Chapel	320.00
Pool (300.00)	
General Fund (20.00)	
Willow Springs	20.00
John & Lorene Schebaum (Pool)	50.00
Total	\$1,862.28

#### DESIGNATED GIFTS TO FWBBC

August/September 1983

Eastern Gate	\$40.00
Leadington	40.00
Total	\$80.00

#### DESIGNATED GIFTS TO HILLSDALE COLLEGE

August/September 1983

Eastern Gate	\$ 40.00
Hannon	100.00
Willow Springs	40.00
Total	\$180.00

#### DESIGNATED GIFT TO CHILDREN'S HOME

August/September 1983

Myrtle	\$12.25
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#### DESIGNATED GIFTS TO JOHN MCCLURE

August 1983

Friendship	\$40.00
Freeman Chapel	25.00
Columbia	10.00
Total	\$75.00

#### DESIGNATED GIFT TO WORLD VISION

August 1983

Beacon (For Cairo Egypt project)	\$153.13
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#### MISSOURI DESIGNATED GIVING

August/September 1983

##### NATIONAL HOME MISSIONS

Monett	\$196.00
Lake	\$ 61.00
Lewis	20.00
General Fund	110.00
Elder	5.00
South Side	\$20.00
Maness	\$10.00
Fulcher	10.00
Myrtle	\$381.00
Elder	\$111.00
Maness	105.00
Highway Helpers	135.00
Evangelism	30.00
Eastern Gate	\$80.00
Vandivort	\$40.00
Lewis	40.00
Columbia	\$79.76
General Fund	\$34.76
Vandivort	45.00
Harmony, K.C.	\$90.00
Lake	\$75.00
Maness	15.00
Indian Creek Association	\$40.00
Lake	\$40.00
Rock Chapel	\$232.08
Lake	\$232.08
Mt. Pisgah	\$155.00
Vandivort	\$55.00
Lewis	50.00
Maness	50.00
Fredericktown, First	\$89.50
Barron	\$44.50
Lewis	20.00
Shockey	12.50
General Fund	12.50
Bob & Glenda Keith	\$20.00
Vandivort	\$20.00
Rolla	\$100.00
Vandivort	\$100.00



Fordland		\$67.00	South Side		\$342.09
Maness	\$43.00		Tallent	342.09	
General Fund	24.00		Liberty, Kirksville		\$83.00
Farmington		\$32.50	Pinkerton		\$83.00
Maness	\$ 5.00		Columbia		\$94.77
Thompson	27.50		General Fund		\$34.77
Leadington		\$230.00	McCullough	10.00	
Maness	\$65.00		Pinkerton	10.00	
O'Dell	40.00		McLain	10.00	
Vandivort	45.00		Tallent	30.00	
Long	40.00		Harmony, K.C.		\$72.25
Fulcher	40.00		Turnbough	\$15.00	
Viburnum		\$85.00	Bailey	57.25	
Vandivort	\$20.00		New Harmony		\$113.69
Maness	55.00		Miley	\$56.84	
Lewis	10.00		McLain	56.85	
Bethel		\$160.68	Indian Creek Association		\$393.36
Long	\$ 8.68		Miley	\$200.00	
Elder	82.00		Bailey	64.18	
Maness	20.00		Bunch	44.18	
General Fund	50.00		Morgan	60.00	
Marshfield		\$60.00	Wode	10.00	
Maness	\$40.00		Tallent	5.00	
O'Dell	10.00		Cousineau	10.00	
General Fund	10.00		Fredericktown, First		\$105.50
Hannon		\$25.00	General Fund	\$ 7.50	
Elder	\$25.00		Turnbough	10.00	
United, West Plains		\$40.39	Bailey	88.00	
General Fund	\$40.39		Fordland		\$85.00
Flat River, First		\$13.00	Tallent	\$35.00	
General Fund	\$ 1.00		Pinkerton	50.00	
O'Dell	2.00		Farmington		\$367.88
J. D. Norris	10.00		Pinkerton	\$186.50	
Trinity		\$26.00	Bailey	181.38	
Fulcher	\$26.00		Leadington		\$430.00
Wolf Creek		\$20.00	Turnbough	\$45.00	
Vandivort	\$20.00		Cowart	5.00	
Thayer		\$61.00	Morgan	40.00	
Highway Helpers	\$52.00		Pinkerton	40.00	
Maness	9.00		Miley	40.00	
South East Association		\$100.00	McLain	40.00	
Barron	\$100.00		Hanna	40.00	
Bourbon		\$10.00	Eagleton	40.00	
Adkisson	\$10.00		Lytle	40.00	
E. Smallwood		\$5.00	Richards	40.00	
Highway Helpers	\$5.00		Bailey	60.00	
Stephen Morris		\$10.00	Viburnum		\$161.50
General Fund	\$10.00		Bailey	\$116.50	
Beacon		\$5.00	Tallent	25.00	
Elder	\$5.00		Turnbough	20.00	
Dale McCurry		\$10.00	Bethel		\$93.00
Nason	10.00		Tallent	\$20.00	
Berkeley		\$217.00	Bailey	23.00	
Fulcher	\$155.00		General Fund	50.00	
Maness	4.00		West Plains, First		\$227.00
Deficit Accounts	50.00		Bailey	\$227.00	
Lewis	10.00		Pleasant Home		\$270.00
Victory, K.C.		\$20.009	Bailey	\$125.00	
Ross	\$ 5.00		McLain	125.00	
Maness	5.00		Pinkerton	20.00	
General Fund	10.00		Marshfield		\$45.00
Total		\$2,680.91	Tallent	\$35.00	
			Bailey	10.00	
<b>FOREIGN MISSIONS DESIGNATED GIFTS</b>			Freeman Chapel		\$400.90
<b>August/September 1983</b>			Pinkerton	\$400.90	
Monett		\$463.50	Faith Chapel		\$20.00
Tallent	\$151.50		McLain	\$20.00	
General Fund	207.00		Hannon		\$257.99
Pinkerton	20.00		Bunch	\$157.99	
Sparks	75.00		Lytle	50.00	
Miley	10.00		Pinkerton	50.00	
Pleasant Ridge		\$40.00	United, West Plains		\$70.78
General Fund	\$20.00		Pinkerton	\$70.78	
McLain	20.00		Flat River, First		\$211.20
New Hope, Fredericktown		\$58.00	Bailey	\$211.20	
Tallent	\$30.00		Jones Chapel		\$128.00
Bailey	28.00		Tallent	\$60.00	
Myrtle		\$344.00	Bailey	68.00	
McLain	\$161.00		Trinity		\$568.51
Tallent	60.00		Bailey	\$178.16	
Bailey	123.00		General Fund	215.35	
Eastern Gate		\$120.00	Payne	20.00	
Pinkerton	\$40.00		Tallent	5.00	
Patsy Vanhook	40.00		Hanna	150.00	
Tallent	40.00				



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SECOND CLASS  
POSTAGE  
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Thayer		\$33.50
Tallent	\$12.00	
Pinkerton	15.00	
McLain	6.50	
Aulsbury Chapel		\$120.00
Bailey	\$60.00	
Pinkerton	60.00	
Houston		\$15.00
Tallent	\$15.00	
Black Oak		\$42.71
Hersey	\$42.71	
Sunnyview		\$23.79
Bailey	\$23.79	
Willow Springs		\$42.75
Bailey	\$42.75	
Victory, K.C.		\$90.00
Bailey	\$50.00	
Pinkerton	20.00	
Turnbough	20.00	
Union Light		\$100.00
Bailey	\$100.00	
Berkeley		\$70.00
Deficit Accounts	\$50.00	
Tallent	10.00	
Lytle	10.00	
Wolf Creek		\$50.00
Bailey	\$50.00	
Happy Home		\$100.00
Bailey	\$100.00	
Lebanon, First		\$207.00
Bailey	\$207.00	
Olivet		\$50.00
Poole	\$15.00	
Inscoc	15.00	
Sparks	10.00	
McLain	5.00	
Pinkerton	5.00	
Fourth		\$310.00
Lytle	\$290.00	
Tallent	20.00	
Dale McCurry		\$10.00
Tallent	\$10.00	
Sikeston		\$12.69
Bailey	\$12.69	
Byrd SS Class		\$27.00
Banks	\$27.00	
Martinstown		\$110.00
Sparks	\$20.00	
Pinkerton	10.00	
Richards	20.00	
Miley	20.00	
McLain	20.00	
Hanna	20.00	
Total		\$6,981.36

MISSOURI STATE HOME MISSIONS GIVING:  
July & August 1983

Union Light	\$ 21.00
Oak Hill	19.00
Parkview	4.00
De Soto	50.00
Leadington	120.00
United, West Plains	28.38
Pleasant Ridge	20.00
Bethel	50.00

New Life	30.00
Mtn. Grove, First	55.00
Joplin	50.00
Merl's Chapel	60.29
Waynesville	30.00
Marshfield	6.00
O'Fallon	15.00
National Home Missions	3.00
Monett	565.11
Berkeley	100.00
Thayer	30.25
Myrtle	26.00
South Fremont	35.00
Kirksville	50.90
Aulsbury Chapel	20.00
New Harmony	54.72
Co-operative Receipts	6,993.44
Springfield, First	147.81
David Douglas	15.00
Rev. James A. Williams	445.78
John England	20.00
Clarence Watson	5.00
West Plains, First	25.00
Rick Dablemont	25.00
Terrill Road	35.00
Grace	50.00
Berean	7.26
Columbia	37.04
Diana Kruger	2.00
Dale McCurry	15.00
Marshfield	49.00
Beacon	169.00
Mill Creek Young Adult SS Class	30.00
De Soto	50.00
Don Raney	20.00
Darrell Vinson	25.00
Michael Terry	5.00
Seth Draper	5.00
Trinity	13.00
Pleasant Home	70.00
Indian Creek Association	426.14
Lebanon, First	10.00
1/2 Wednesday Evening Offering	
State Association	188.23
Sedalia	30.00
Olivet	188.00
McDowell Church Building Fund	72.00
Verdella	35.00
Robert Wilson	20.00
Wallace Strain	300.00
Jim Williams	5.00
Jones Chapel	147.00
Dale Underwood	10.00
Wilma Robinson	5.00
Wayne Williams	5.00
Jesse Hogan	10.00
Cecil Nettles	10.00
Total	\$11,164.35

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