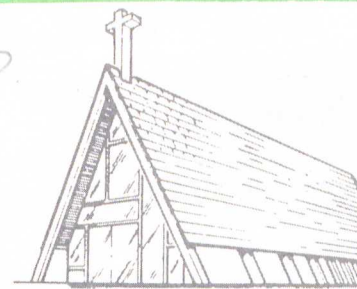


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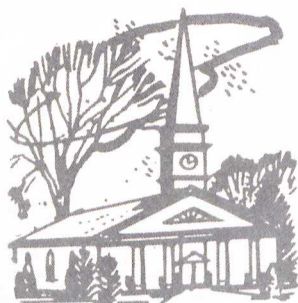
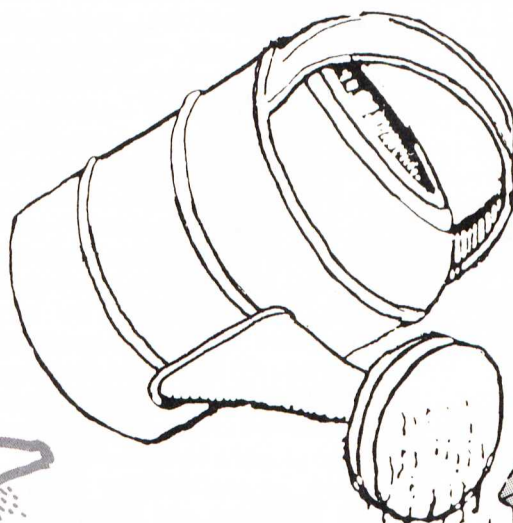
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# “Lord, Please Use Me To Build Your Church”

by Jim Williams

## II. BEGINNING.

Have you ever watched athletes while they are in competition? In swimming, when the gun sounds, the swimmers all jump as far and as hard as they can, then swim for all they're worth. In a sprint race, the sprinters place their feet against their starting blocks, then push off with all their might when the starting horn sounds. These athletes have learned the importance of getting off to a strong start.

When a Boeing 747 takes off, it accelerates to full force until it has lifted off the runway and has reached a safe climbing speed. It requires more power to take off than to maintain a cruising speed.

The same is equally important when beginning a church. It is detrimental if all stops aren't pulled and full throttle not given. I have listed a few thoughts to aid in getting a new church off to a good start:

★**ARRIVING ON THE FIELD.** When you get there, plan to stay. I believe it is to your advantage to move into a house instead of an apartment. A house shows the people in your community that you are planning to make that community your home, and you will seem more stable. Move close to where you want your church to be.

Remember, too, folks will be watching your dress, habits, actions, and activities. Your life style will determine what people think of all Free Will Baptists.

Let the people of your community know why you are moving into their town. Get acquainted with them in your new bank, post office, utility office, newspaper office, school, etc. I even got acquainted with some of the pastors in town and let them know that I was not here to take people from their churches, but that I was sure going to minister to all that I could if they weren't taking care of them.

Start your prospect list immediately. I'm surprised and disappointed as to how few pastors maintain an active "prospect list." This will be discussed in greater depth when we discuss "The Body."

★**SELECTING A SPACE TO BEGIN IN.** Every big, strong, healthy church has had to begin somewhere. And chances are, it began small. Remember as you select your first meeting place, where you begin is not where you will stay, so look for temporary space. You might consider a storefront building, a school auditorium, an empty theater, a day care facility, a bank meeting room, a remodeled garage, a gymnasium, or a VFW hall. Keep in mind that you are looking for a temporary place, but it is important to meet in a place that is easy to find and has parking space.

★**PRE-FIRST SERVICE WORK.** First, set the date and time for your first service well in advance so it can be publicized. Allow plenty of time to do all the work that needs to precede that service. Consider a list of things needed for services. Song books, for example, could be donated or

borrowed from another church. Out of date Sunday School literature could be used for a few months. Folding chairs could be borrowed from a mortuary or a sister church. Pulpit and altar may be built or improvised. Also make sure you haven't forgotten offering plates, and train the people from the beginning to give. (I take up offerings every church service so the people know it costs us to open their church and turn on the lights.) It is important that the pastor lead the church to support missionaries and have the church start paying part of the pastor's salary from the beginning.

Next, advertise your church and the starting date by every means available to you. Write an editorial on yourself and your plans to start a church, and send it to the local newspaper religious section editor. List your church in the local Chamber of Commerce church listings. Many radio stations offer free time for community events and news. Put up posters in local grocery stores, laundries, and other businesses. Hand out tracts. Invite the mayor, councilmen, and other leaders in the community to your church. The more you put the name of your church before the people, the more people you will have in attendance.

Then host some "get acquainted" meetings. Meet with the people who have shown an interest in your new church. Don't use this time as only a time to get acquainted or fellowship, but also as a time of prayer and an invitation for those present to follow Christ.

Finally, be enthusiastic! If you aren't enthused about serving the Lord and letting Him use you to build a church, find something else to do that will excite you. If you aren't enthused, no one else will be either. As you go on visitation, get excited. If you have to lead the singing, teach, usher, clean the building — get excited. Do all "heartily as unto the Lord," and others will see you really do enjoy serving Jesus. Keep the church services moving at a good pace and with excitement. In that first "Big Service," soak in the excitement and determine never, never, to lose that enthusiasm. I'm not talking about false excitement; but if you live out the joy and excitement that is inside of you, you will find it is catching.

In summary, let me share a six point outline I use as a six week study. These are a must for a good start:

1. Prevail In Prayer.
2. Pursue His Promises.
3. Practice His Presence.
4. Proclaim His Praises.
5. Permeate With Power.
6. Prepare For Progress.

Recently, the door of the church opened and in stepped a man who was alone and showing signs of real hurting. At the close of the message when the altar call was given, this young man came forward, weeping. After I prayed the sinner's prayer of repentance with him, he

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stood up, still sobbing. His testimony was that a year earlier his wife had been pregnant with their first baby. She told him and all their relatives she was about four months along, when in reality she was already six months into her term. Three months later she went to the hospital and said she had a miscarriage. He went on to say that last month he got a phone call from the Department of Family Services in Oklahoma. They asked if he was the father of a baby boy being given up for adoption. He told them that he didn't have a son. They replied that his wife had listed him as the father on a birth certificate, and she had sold their baby boy for drugs in Oklahoma.

He continued, "I wanted my son. I wouldn't give him up! I went to Tulsa and picked him up and brought him home. His mother was arrested, but we were making it fine until last night. I got up and checked on him during the night and found him dead. He had died of SIDS. That's twice I lost my baby boy. I didn't know who to turn to or where to go; then I remembered your church and the people here who seem so open and caring. I came today to get right with God and to ask Rev. Williams to preach my baby's funeral next Tuesday."

The Church prayed some more for him, and there wasn't a dry eye in the building. I lifted my head toward Heaven and thanked God for sending us where we are needed. Where would these people be if we had never gotten off to a good start?

Then, having started, we're ready to dream and plan for the next step, "The Building."



Nathan Ruble



From  
The Desk of  
The

## Executive Secretary

One of the vivid memories of my childhood is when, at the age of five, my family moved from the country into the town of Lebanon, Mo. Needless to say I suffered a certain amount of culture shock, being a country kid in town, but I soon discovered something more difficult. I was the new kid on the block.

Being new meant that I didn't have the knowledge of those who had lived there for a long time. It meant that I had to prove myself until relationships were established and knowledge was gained. With time that happened. I was no longer considered new when I had gained all that was expected of me to be accepted.

Today as I assume the office of the Executive Secretary of the Missouri State Association of Free Will Baptists, I am the "new kid on the block." I know that I have things to learn and that I must prove myself until I am no longer the new kid. However, being new this time is different from that time as a child. Today I have a pattern that has been laid down by the men who have preceded me in this office. Brother Harry Beatty and Brother Clarence Burton have left me an excellent job description. They left more than that which is written on paper. They left the testimonies of their lives which were expended with love and devotion in service. They left me a standard of conduct which I will adhere to. I also have the advantage of not being new to the work of the Missouri State Association of Free Will Baptists. Yet with all this I will still be going through a learning process. Just as Brother Clarence was different from Brother Harry, I will be different from Brother Clarence. I will, however, continue Brother Burton's policy of visiting the association and quarterly meetings faithfully. Some associations meet on the same day and this will require me to visit on a rotating schedule. Brother Burton visited the churches by invitation. I will continue to do this. If you would like to have me come to your church for a service, please call me and we will set a date. I will be glad to come. With your prayers and help, I trust I will be the kind of Executive Secretary you have had in the past.





# Youth Camp Highlights

## 1992 STATISTICS:

Ken Goff, Youth Camp Superintendent, reports that a total of 1,102 registered for the four weeks of camp. Of these, 101 were saved, 147 rededicated their lives, and 132 went to the altars with special needs. The campers gave \$868.56 to missions. Praise God for a good camp session!











## Reports from the Churches

**GREETINGS FROM GRACE CHURCH** — writes reporter Mildred Killian. Much has happened since our last report.

First, we give thanks to God for the prayers that were prayed for our pastor, the Rev. Glenn Rehkop. God intervened on his behalf and his health has improved.

In April, the church held a Revival with the Rev. David Huett serving as the evangelist. Our Homecoming day was extra special this year. It was climaxed with the burning of the church mortgage papers.

Vacation Bible School, held in June, was well attended. Bonnie Funston and the Rev. Rick Chapman served as directors.

Rev. Rick Chapman resigned as the associate pastor in order to assume the pastorate of the Mill Creek Church. We wish him well in this new endeavor.

Our youth group meets on Wednesday night and has been very active. Their emphasis for the summer has been to 'thump the slump.' They have encouraged this through singings, devotions, and many social activities held in different homes. We are grateful for our youth group.

**GRANT AVENUE CHURCH** — Carla Huff, Grant Avenue Free Will Baptist Church, had the privilege of participating in Team Brazil '92 this summer.

The Team, consisting of ten teens led by veteran missionaries Ken and Marvis Eagleton, spent three weeks in Brazil. While there they traveled 1500 miles by bus, visiting nine cities. They participated in fourteen services where they sang and gave their testimonies.

Carla was sponsored by Grant Avenue Ladies Auxiliary which helped her raise financial support by having a "Carla Huff Day" on April 5.

Carla says this trip was an opportunity of a lifetime and one that she will never forget.

## Sunday School Attendance Averages February 1992 - July 1992

CHURCHES	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE	JULY
Belton	68	60	54	59	54	
Bethel, El Dorado	57	60				57
Calvary Fellowship	248	316				
Cape Girardeau	98	106	84	82	91	73
Central	97	102	101			
Cuba	86	95	97	83	98	90
DeSoto	202	204	211	187	187	182
Farmington	400	438	392	359	317	339
Flat River, First	108	161	142	135	139	132
Hannon	96	110	99	96	95	97
Harmony	76	75	74	71	72	69
Hartville	104	96	96	96	87	
Hopewell	27	32	38	31	34	42
Houston	97	93	79	85	71	70
Kirksville	34	34	37	37		
Lebanon, First	107	110	115	105	96	100
Marshfield	25	28	28	27	24	27
Monett	141	129	136	125	119	
Myrtle	31					34
Oskaloosa			17			
Overland	43	42				
Parkview	51	56	54	56	60	
Potosi	49	61				
Richwoods	38	39	40	50		
Rock Chapel	79	85	80	79		71
Springfield, First	130	132	118		118	119
Thayer	119		124	112	107	121
United, West Plains	165	177	178	172	176	168
Verdella	77		69	68		69
Victory, Kansas City	66	90		69		
Willow Springs	62	63	65	61		58

The above is only a partial listing — there are 177 Free Will Baptist churches in Missouri. Each church is encouraged to send in the Sunday School average each month.

## Roll Call Statistics

The National Home Missions Department announces a total attendance of 231,117 and 558 salvation decisions on Roll Call Sunday, March 29, 1992, with 2,610 churches reporting. (The report was 100% of the churches belonging to the National Association of Free Will Baptists.) Missouri had 16 associations reporting, 176 churches, a total attendance of 12,947, and an average of 73.56 per church. Missouri had 5 churches listed in the denomination's top 100 churches in attendance on Roll Call Sunday, March 29, 1992, plus five others, making Missouri's top 10 attendances. These were:

Rank:	Church:	Pastor:	Attendance:
28.	First FWB Church, Farmington, MO	Pastor Roger Hogan	481
38.	Calvary Fellowship FWB Church, Fenton, MO	Pastor Jerry Norris	403
66.	First FWB Church, Flat River, MO	Pastor Sterl Paramore	291
72.	Fellowship FWB Church, Flat River, MO	Pastor Wayne Phillips	278
94.	First FWB Church, Mountain Grove, MO	Pastor Gary Fry	239
	First FWB Church, Desoto, MO	Pastor Charles Miller	207
	First FWB Church, Springfield, MO	Pastor Max Courtney	204
	First FWB Church, Cape Girardeau, MO	Pastor Wesley Rider	200
	West Plains FWB Church, West Plains, MO	Pastor Ronnie Blanks	200
	United FWB Church, West Plains, MO	Pastor Glen Murray	200

The National Home Missions Department commends the Missouri congregations and pastors for this good attendance. Roll Call Sunday next year is March 28. (Roll Call Sunday is always the last Sunday in March.)



# Missouri State Youth Conference



November 6 & 7  
1992

Baptist Assembly  
at Windermere

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**Windemere Baptist Assembly**  
**Roach, MO 65787**

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Parent or Legal Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street) (City) (Zip Code)

Residence Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Business Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
(Area Code) (A/C)

Church Coming With \_\_\_\_\_  
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Allergy To Any Medicine? \_\_\_\_\_ If Yes, What? \_\_\_\_\_

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I \_\_\_\_\_, having legal custody of \_\_\_\_\_,  
(Name of Parent/Legal Guardian) (Minor)

who resides with me at the above address, am entrusting the care of him/her to the adults responsible for the camp program in which the child has been enrolled during the dates of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_ through \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_ at Windemere Baptist Assembly, located at Roach, Missouri.

Conference \_\_\_\_\_

**Authorization For Emergency Care**

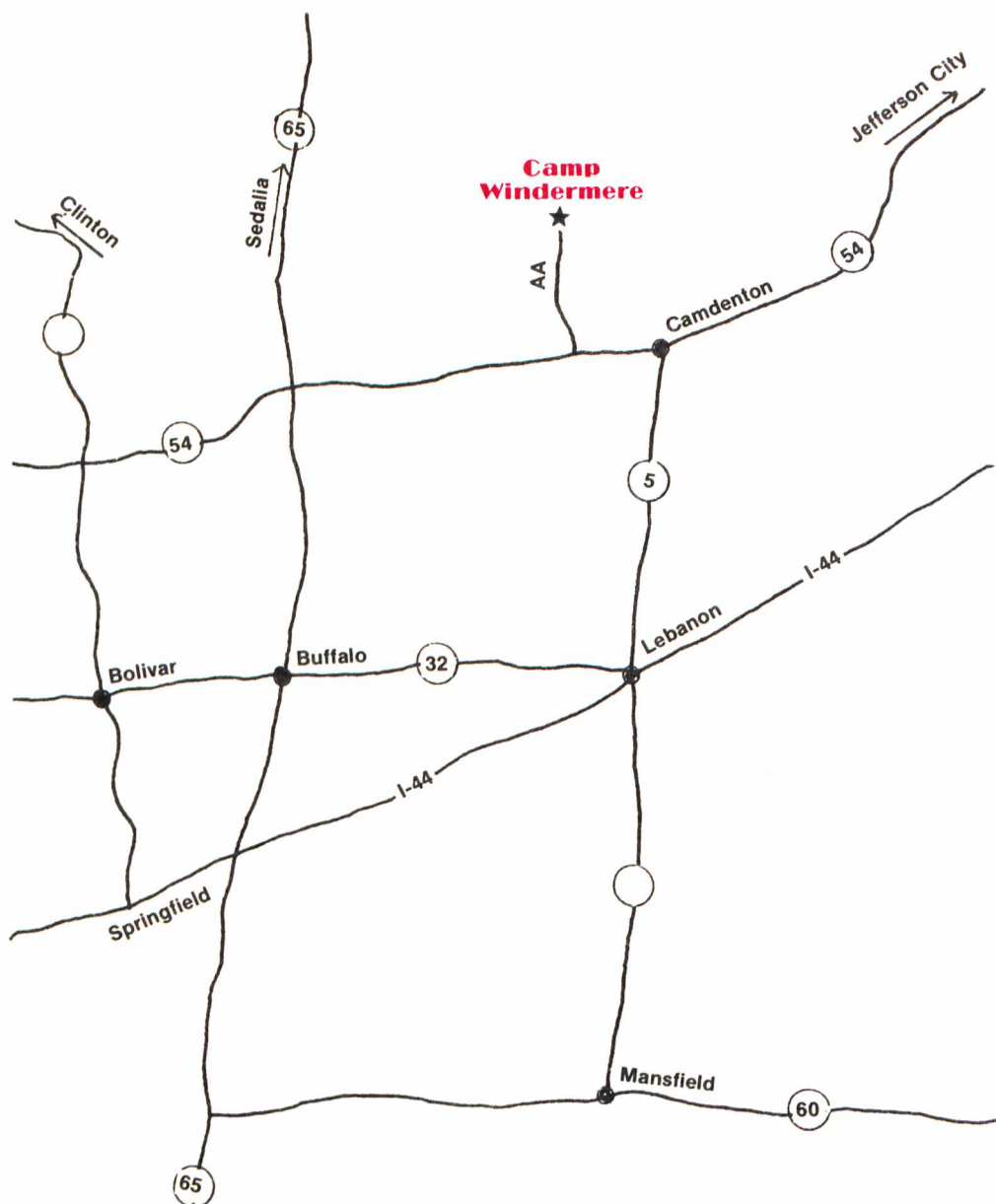
I hereby give permission to the physician selected by the camp personnel entrusted with the care of my child to order x-rays, routine tests, and treatment for the health of my child, and in the event I cannot be reached in an emergency, I hereby give permission to the physician selected by the camp personnel entrusted with the care of my child to hospitalize, secure proper treatment for, and to order injection and/or anesthesia and/or surgery for my child as named above. I also authorize said physician or any physician or hospital who has previously treated my child, to disclose any information thus acquired, if requested, to the camps insurance carrier.

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Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian

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Date

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## SCHEDULE

### Friday, November 6

3:30 pm - Registration begins  
7:00 pm - General Session  
8:30 pm - Dinner & Free Time  
11:00 pm - Lights out

### Saturday, November 7

9:00 am - General session  
9:45 am - Youth session  
11:00-1:00 pm - Lunch  
1:15 pm - Adult session  
2:30 pm - Closing session



## Rev. Archie Cooper Honored

On July 25, 1992, the Northeast Missouri Association of Free Will Baptists honored Rev. Archie Cooper for 57 years of faithful service to the community and the denomination.

Rev. Cooper was licensed to preach the gospel in 1935 and ordained in 1937. He has pastored several churches in the Northeast Association as well as conducting over 2600 funerals and over 900 weddings over the years. He also had a morning radio ministry six days a week over radio station KIRX in Kirksville for about 35 years.

The association presented Brother Archie with a plaque in commemoration of "Archie Cooper Day" and presented Mrs. Cooper with a plaque and a dozen roses.

A resolution was presented to Rev. Cooper by Kirksville Mayor Tom Duden from the city council in recognition of the day. Moderator Rev. Lynn Beck read a letter of congratulations to Brother Archie from President George Bush.

A time of testimony was taken with several people standing to speak of the influence that Brother and Sister Cooper have had on them through the years.

The morning service was concluded with the Reverend Clarence Burton bringing the message. Brother Clarence highlighted Brother Cooper's ministry and shared from Scripture some thoughts on what an influence men like Brother Archie have in the ministry.

Lunch was served, followed by an ice cream social and a card shower for the Coopers.

On Sunday, July 26, a full page ad sponsored by several businesses in Kirksville ran in the *Kirksville Daily Express*.

The Northeast Missouri Association of Free Will Baptists is proud of Rev. Archie Cooper and others like him. The association was proud to honor him on this day.

*Article by: Rev. Lynn Beck*



## Checking Our Church Growth

*by Kenneth Dodson*

Church growth never has come without challenge. Satan's troubles and strife attacks have been going on since the very beginning of Free Will Baptists.

On page 454 of the *Free Baptist Cyclopaedia* of 1889, the following account takes place: "In 1782 Shakerism swept away Lock with the Loudon and Canterbury church, and through his influence the Crown Point church became an entire wreck. North Strafford church was saved only by earnest effort. Randall, Hibbard, Tingley, Lord and Weeks stood up bravely against the strange heresy and exposing its errors effectually resisted its onslaught. Fire tries the true metal, and consumes the dross. In this case it did one thing more. It fused all together into one mass. On October 13, 1784, a day of fasting and prayer was observed in the Quarterly Meeting at New Gloucester, Me., that God would cut short the delusion of Shakerism."

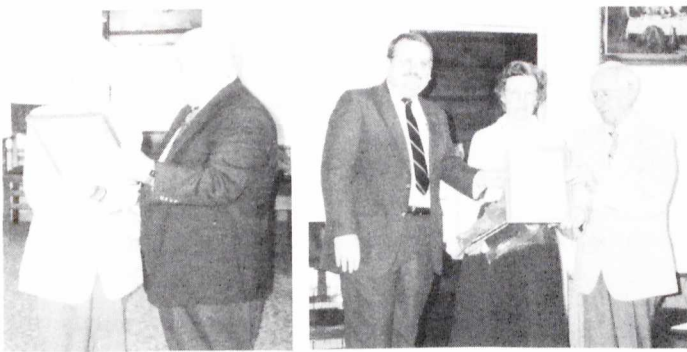
About the time one challenge was met, another struck. "The New Durham church was disturbed by Quaker influences about this time and Deacon Robert Boody, Ruling Elder Nathaniel Buzzell and Ebenezer Buzzell were dismissed because they did not believe that neither baptism, the Lord's Supper or the washing of feet was obligatory upon Christians. In spite of all trials the Arminian Baptist cause strengthened."

The next several years records a time of peace and tranquility. However, Satan used that tranquility to become a lukewarm stagnation. "A death like quiet seemed to settle on the free churches of New Hampshire. Then did Randall greatly arouse himself. Searching consecration and prayer occupied the leader. Soon a precious revival had begun and fitly were inquiring with tears the way of life. The meeting at New Durham in June was one of remarkable power. In three months sixty-seven were added to the church."

The revival spirit continued to glow and grow. Our Free Will Baptist churches began to experience wonderful growth. "At the yearly meeting June 9, 1798, Hezekiah D. Buzzell first publicly dedicated himself to God.

Amid earnest prayers and his heartfelt exhortations many began to catch the melting spirit. Day after day Pentecost reigned among the thousands who gathered. On the fourth day Randall baptized six from as many different towns. There was scarcely a town in all that region to which those returning did not bear the bread of life."

Troubles and strife attacks have always been around, but praise God, Jesus is still on the throne! Just like Benjamin Randall, let's seek God's power by consecration and prayer and we too can be "Checking Our Church Growth."





# National Convention Highlights



## Convention Adopts "Together Way Plan"

ANTIOCH, TN — For the first time in almost 40 years, delegates to the Free Will Baptist National Convention called for a major change in funding denominational agencies. "The Together Way Plan," a program that encourages individuals and churches to support all agencies of the National Association on an equitable basis, was adopted at the 56th session which met July 19-23 at the Indiana Convention Center in Indianapolis. The plan goes into effect January 1, 1994.

The 6,000 attendees acted on the Budget Committee's final report on denominational giving which culminated a two-year study. The Together Way Plan calls for churches to support agencies on either a cooperative or designated basis. Each state will be encouraged to reach Fair Share goals with the understanding that departments will continue to promote quotas based on need and experience.

As part of The Together Way Plan, the entire denomination will promote four special annual drives which will be supported by all national agencies. The annual drives will be held in April, September, November and December.

In other action, delegates:

**REGISTERED**...6,119 in three concurrent conventions including 799 ordained ministers, 146 deacons, 107 local church delegates, 110 state delegates, 89 home missionaries, 26 foreign missionaries; 1,977 non-delegates; 1,826 for the National Youth Conference and 1,039 for the Woman's National Auxiliary Convention.

**ADOPTED**...an \$11.3 million 1993 budget for the following agencies: Foreign Missions - \$4.3 million; Home Missions - \$2.5 million; Sunday School and Church Training - \$2.4 million; Free Will Baptist Bible College - \$1.02 million; Executive Office - \$475,000; Retirement and Insurance - \$371,000; Master's Men - \$146,000; FWB Foundation - \$38,500; Radio-Television Commission - \$10,900; Commission for Theological Integrity - \$2,700; Historical Commission - \$2,350; Music Commission - \$1,600.

**GAVE**...a record \$38,400 Wednesday evening missionary offering. Undesignated funds will be divided between home and foreign missions.

**RESOLVED**...that the Executive Committee be instructed to re-evaluate the national convention program format to insure that it meets the needs of attendees.

**RESOLVED AFFIRMATION**...of the denomination's pro-life and anti-abortion stance.

**RESOLVED OPPOSITION**...to pornography and urged delegates to boycott businesses that distribute it.

**RESOLVED CAUTION**...before individual members give funds to charitable organizations outside the local church. Members were cautioned to carefully evaluate organizations requesting funds since a number of scams have been run by rip-off artists.

**INCREASED**...the representation fee per church from \$10 to \$25 beginning with the 1995 national convention. The increase marked the first time since 1983 that delegates had addressed rising convention costs.

**CHANGED**...the wording of the *Treatise* (chapter II, Section I.E.2 of the Practice division) in order to clarify procedures to follow when a minister moves from one district or state to another.

**FORMED**...a Master's Men Congress which will work in conjunction with the Master's Men Board to develop more effective avenues of lay ministry. Roy Copeland (Okla.) was elected as the first moderator.

**ADJOURNED**...to meet in Louisville, Kentucky at Commonwealth Convention Center for the July 18-22, 1993, session.



## National Youth Conference 1992 Winners

### BIBLE COMPETITION

Horizon

2nd Place - Tammy Yount

### MUSIC AND ARTS FESTIVAL

Vocal Solo

1:1A Amanda Wills

1:2E Mark Phillips

1:3E Jennifer Gloyd

Vocal Ensemble: Quintet

2:5C Fellowship Church

Small Instrumental Ensemble

5:6E New Home Trio

Large Instrumental Ensemble

6:1F Hartville Ensemble

Oral Communication: Poetry

8:3C Nikki Williams

Oral Communication: Prose

8:5E Nikki Williams

Creative Arts: Textiles

11:5E Kelly Shillings

We congratulate all those who participated in the National Youth Conference. Each of you did a fine job representing Missouri.

## WNAC Action

The following resolutions were presented, discussed and adopted by the 1992 WNAC:

Be it resolved,

1. That WNAC make available from the Foreign Student Scholarship Fund \$1,000 for the Brazilian student, Silvestre de Silverira Pinto Neto, recommended by Brazilian missionaries and the director of Foreign Missions.
2. That WNAC plan a retreat at Glorieta, New Mexico Baptist Conference Center for the fall of 1995, and, if this retreat attracts sufficient numbers, that it continue in odd years and the retreat at Ridgecrest continue in the even years.
3. That Auxiliaries support the \$1 Million More by '94 Campaign in any way that they can in our local, district and state work, since retiring the debt on the building will help national agencies.
4. Whereas the executive committee feels that the 5% administrative fee has caused some dis-unity among us and whereas our desire is that all of our women be united, be it resolved that in lieu of the 5% administrative fee each local auxiliary support the WNAC office with a minimum of \$10.00 per month.



## Looking Out My Parsonage Window

by Ve Ann Tilson

Those big orange and black things on wheels are clogging up the streets and roadways again...loading and unloading the world's most precious cargo - our children. School bells are ringing and it is time for you, the parent, to answer the following question:

What is the key to your child's success in school?

- (a) an excellent school system
- (b) quality teachers
- (c) strong curriculum
- (d) none of the above

If you chose (d), you are correct. New studies show that throughout school years, more than any other factor, it is what parents do at home that makes the difference between success and failure for children. Even after they reach school age, children spend an average of only 13% of their time in school. The other 87% of their time is spent at home or under parental influence and direction.

This sheds a different light on what "ails" America's educational system. It is easy to blame others for the decline in student achievement in the local school system, but...all the blame cannot and should not be placed on "others."

Parents are becoming less and less involved in their children's education. The reasons are many...more single parent households, mom having to seek an outside job, frantic household schedules, etc. Most of the time it is not because parents lack concern for their child. Researchers say that most parents want to be involved in their children's schoolwork, but simply do not know what to do or where to start.

In the upcoming articles, I will deal with this issue and give you some ideas on what you can do as a parent to help your child have a successful school career.

## HILLSDALE Free Will Baptist College

Because of its relationship and commitment to Free Will Baptists, Hillsdale has always sought ways in which to demonstrate its duty to our denomination. We have shown our loyalty in many ways, not the least of which is the fact that we train our pastoral students to be active in all aspects of the denomination, supporting the programs and ministries that Free Will Baptists have agreed upon. I am pleased to announce two new ways in which we hope to serve you.

First, a student will receive a \$10.00 per semester hour discount if his/her home church is a systematic supporter of the Cooperative Plan or of Hillsdale Free Will Baptist College. A college education is an expensive and important investment for the student, and this is our way making the burden lighter.

Second, we have inaugurated the annual "Have a Heart For Hillsdale" fund-raising campaign. The success of the \$250,000.00 campaign will mean that Hillsdale will only make one appeal for its operating fund per year. We believe that this approach is in keeping with the sentiments expressed among Free Will Baptists as we chart a new course in denominational stewardship.

Three developments are on the calendar for the 1992/1993 school year. First, we now offer a missions major at the Bachelor of Art level. Second, we are adding the Bachelor of arts degree with a music major. Third, we will open our completely renovated science laboratory in the fall semester. This laboratory will fully support our pre-nursing program as well as all other science courses. Progress is still the order of the day.



# REACH OUT '92



***A Conference on World Missions and Evangelism***

***October 6-9, 1992***

"This will be unlike any conference we have ever had," says Dr. Robert Woodard, planner/director of *ReachOut '92*. "We expect it to impact everyone who is interested in world evangelism, from denominational leaders to local church layworkers."

*ReachOut '92* will be held at the Bible College October 6-9. It will begin Tuesday evening and conclude Friday evening. Sandwiched in between those two services will be 12 general sessions and 24 workshops.

### ***Outstanding Speakers***

The featured speakers will be Dr. Paul Smith, pastor of The Peoples Church of Toronto, Canada, and Don Richardson, world-famous missionary and writer. Both men have a global view of missions and are challenging speakers.

Dr. Smith's church gives more than \$2 million per year to missions and his annual travels keep him in contact with missions work around the world.

Mr. Richardson, author of *Peace Child*, *Lords of the Earth*, and other missions books, spent 15 years in Irian Jaya among the head-hunting Savi tribesmen.

Other featured speakers will be Rev. Eugene

Waddell, General Director of the Free Will Baptist Foreign Missions Department; Rev. Roy Thomas, General Director of the Free Will Baptist Home Missions Department; and Rev. Carlisle Hanna, veteran Free Will Baptist missionary to India.

### ***Make Your Plans***

If you can attend only one conference this year, make it *ReachOut '92*! There will be no charge for the conference. The college hopes to underwrite it with offerings. Attendees may stay at local motels or hotels, convenient to FWBBC. Meals in the dining hall will be available, or you may choose from many restaurants and fast food outlets near the college.

Write or call for a brochure outlining the entire conference and suggesting motels offering special conference rates.

*ReachOut '92*

Free Will Baptist Bible College  
3606 West End Avenue  
Nashville, Tennessee 37205  
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## Financial Information

### JULY 1992

#### COOPERATIVE DISBURSEMENTS

18.50% Mo. State Home Missions Board .....	\$ 5,583.05
17.50% Exec. Off. & Gem. ....	5,281.27
3.50% General Fund .....	1,056.27
8.50% Youth Camp Bd. ....	2,565.19
2.50% Youth Ministries Bd. ....	754.46
2.50% C.E. Board .....	754.46
2.50% Sr. Adult Ministries Board .....	754.46
9.00% Mo. State Retirement Program .....	2,716.08
30.50% Nat'l. Ministries, Hillsdale & Calif. Christian College .....	9,204.49
Foreign Missions Board	
National Home Missions Board	
Same Allocation:	
Free Will Baptist Bible College	
Hillsdale Free Will Baptist College	
Executive Department	
Layman's Board	
Radio & TV Commission	
Theological Commission	
Historical Commission	
Board of Retirement & Insurance	
1% Calif. Christian College (\$92.04 included in \$9,204.49)	
5% Mo. State Conference Center Fund .....	\$1,508.95
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>\$30,178.68</b>

How wonderful to love and serve a loving God. He always supplies the need for His work. May the Lord continue to bless the faithful pastors and churches as we serve Him. Because of His great love toward us, souls are saved and Christians are strengthened in the Lord.

The allocation for National Ministries goes undesignated for this year with FWBCC & Hillsdale receiving an equal amount. California Christian College will continue to receive the 1%.

### JULY 1992 RECEIPTS

#### COOPERATIVE

Terrill Road .....	\$ 178.00
Oak Hill, Fredericktown .....	107.04
Joplin .....	405.80
Union Grove .....	165.41
Fourth .....	170.00
Overland .....	105.58
New Hope, Fredericktown .....	13.23
Central .....	704.97
Friendship .....	309.43
Hartville .....	327.48
Liberty .....	242.75
Fellowship .....	400.00
Macedonia .....	65.06
Lebanon First .....	509.45
Calvary, Conway .....	138.68
Union, Success .....	60.00
Unity .....	246.00
Mt. Pisgah .....	204.00
Pleasant Ridge .....	120.00
O'Fallon .....	161.05
Lone Star .....	27.41
Hannon .....	330.77
Monett .....	588.28
Belton .....	369.31
Alton .....	225.00
Royal Oak .....	128.00
Columbia .....	75.00
Rolla .....	82.90
Bailey .....	60.00
Parkway, Sedalia .....	98.50
Thayer .....	447.00
Heritage .....	140.00
Faith & Hope, W. Spgs. ....	31.88
Rock Chapel .....	351.29
West Plains First .....	464.71
Cope .....	26.00
Merl's Chapel .....	137.00
Verdella .....	171.97
Houston .....	290.39
Mt. Zion, Gower .....	42.30

Freeman Chapel .....	189.57
Salem .....	90.00
Happy Home .....	113.67
Leadington .....	214.45
Lingo .....	18.87
Mine La Motte .....	45.09
Springfield First .....	514.89
Faith, Lemay .....	25.00
Black Oak .....	167.10
Hurryville .....	328.05
New Life Fellowship .....	455.69
DeSoto .....	840.00
Flat River First .....	538.79
Potosi .....	114.87
Waynesville .....	426.76
New Harmony .....	16.18
Kirkville .....	173.15
Grant Avenue .....	704.22
Calvary Chapel .....	160.63
Jones Chapel .....	178.78
Hopewell .....	119.00
Riverview .....	650.00
Cape Girardeau .....	557.11
South Fremont .....	470.00
Seymour .....	77.00
Richwoods .....	486.00
Farmington .....	2,624.81
Greenfield .....	214.00
Wolf Creek .....	292.90
Mill Creek .....	221.01
Copper Mines .....	222.44
Oskaloosa .....	54.20
Victory, K.C. ....	168.33
Cabool .....	257.57
Trinity .....	901.29
Grace .....	875.00
Parkview .....	251.00
Terrill Road .....	147.00
Fordland .....	175.25
Wilderness .....	475.00
Eastern Gate .....	253.35
Pleasant Home .....	301.25
United, West Plains .....	503.68
Pleasant Hill .....	42.93
Victory Hill .....	173.26
Willow Springs .....	231.63
Bethel, Eldorado Spgs. ....	57.18
Stockton .....	118.90
Oak Hill, Union .....	393.91
New Rock Springs .....	76.00
Fredericktown First .....	5,536.95
Mill Creek .....	232.75
Oak Hill, Fredericktown .....	52.12
Houston .....	314.48
Harmony .....	417.00
Number One .....	45.64
Myrtle .....	201.28
Merl's Chapel .....	169.00
Clifton .....	66.60
Marshfield .....	192.61
Scott City .....	441.00
Fourth .....	153.00
Central .....	670.62
Hartville .....	411.42
O'Fallon .....	188.53
Parkway .....	109.00
Monett .....	487.28
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>\$30,178.68</b>

#### FOREIGN MISSIONS

Niangua .....	\$ 76.00
Joplin .....	30.00
Fourth .....	636.00
Overland .....	25.00
Central .....	411.00
Hartville .....	65.49
F. Greene .....	35.00
S. Hart .....	20.00
Lebanon First .....	80.00
Calvary, Conway .....	41.60
Cuba .....	84.94
Mt. Pisgah .....	100.00
Pleasant Ridge .....	45.00
Blue Springs .....	45.00
O'Fallon .....	40.00
Hannon .....	455.77
C. Thompson .....	50.00
Monett .....	664.00
Belton .....	548.66
Beacon .....	477.00
Columbia .....	26.26
Parkway, Sedalia .....	250.00
Thayer .....	120.00
Richwoods .....	77.00
Faith & Hope, W. Spgs. ....	100.00
Rock Chapel .....	153.00

West Plains First .....	5.00
N. Akeman .....	10.00
Merl's Chapel .....	200.00
Verdella .....	484.30
Houston .....	203.26
Freeman Chapel .....	357.00
Leadington .....	76.00
Faith, Lemay .....	75.00
C. Layman .....	10.00
New Life Fellowship .....	159.71
DeSoto .....	459.36
K. Williford .....	72.00
Flat River First .....	161.64
New Harmony .....	80.93
Kirkville .....	33.87
Kirkville Children's Ch. ....	37.83
Grant Avenue .....	514.34
B. Blair .....	30.00
Calvary Chapel .....	62.00
Oak Grove, Cabool .....	65.00
South Fremont .....	244.00
Farmington .....	982.89
Parkview Mission Group .....	60.00
Oak Grove, Norwood .....	113.52
Greenfield .....	100.00
Bethel, Festus .....	165.05
Calvary Fellowship .....	1,025.33
Calvary Chapel .....	25.00
Victory, K.C. ....	88.00
Trinity .....	400.39
Grace .....	216.30
Parkview .....	511.14
Fordland .....	321.59
Wilderness .....	171.00
Eastern Gate .....	155.99
Viburnum .....	90.00
Union Light .....	140.00
Pleasant Home .....	121.02
United, West Plains .....	48.56
Oak Hill, Union .....	10.00
Blue Springs .....	321.03
Myrtle .....	107.00
Merl's Chapel .....	200.00
Marshfield .....	30.00
Richwoods .....	66.00
Fourth .....	92.11
Central .....	307.50
Faith, Oak Grove .....	50.00
Hartville .....	82.28
O'Fallon .....	78.00
Monett .....	766.00
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>\$14,843.66</b>

#### NATIONAL HOME MISSIONS

Joplin .....	\$ 10.00
Central .....	113.00
Lebanon First .....	5.00
Mt. Pisgah .....	50.00
Blue Springs .....	10.00
O'Fallon .....	25.00
Hannon .....	5.00
Monett .....	10.00
Belton .....	20.00
Beacon .....	35.00
Columbia .....	21.26
Thayer .....	89.00
Richwoods .....	32.00
Faith & Hope, W. Spgs. ....	25.00
Rock Chapel .....	45.00
West Plains First .....	429.20
Verdella .....	15.00
Leadington .....	15.00
New Life Fellowship .....	45.57
DeSoto .....	200.00
DeSoto Children's Ch. ....	40.00
Flat River First .....	78.88
Kirkville .....	28.87
Grant Avenue .....	11.00
South Fremont .....	12.00
Farmington .....	176.50
Parkview Mission Group .....	10.00
Oak Grove, Norwood .....	56.76
Buffalo First .....	50.00
Bethel, Festus .....	55.00
Wolf Creek .....	42.59
Victory, K.C. ....	5.00
Trinity .....	20.00
Grace .....	110.00
Parkview .....	45.00
Fordland .....	10.00
Eastern Gate .....	10.00
Viburnum .....	38.00
Union Light .....	25.00
Pleasant Home .....	103.63
Oak Hill, Union .....	14.00
Blue Springs .....	20.00

Myrtle .....	150.00
Richwoods .....	29.00
Central .....	113.00
O'Fallon .....	78.00
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>\$2,532.26</b>

#### STATE HOME MISSIONS

Joplin .....	\$ 10.00
Central .....	20.00
Southeast Ass'n. ....	25.00
Lebanon First .....	65.00
Cuba .....	169.90
Pleasant Ridge .....	25.00
O'Fallon .....	20.00
Hannon .....	165.38
Columbia .....	35.00
Thayer .....	40.00
Richwoods .....	15.00
Rock Chapel .....	117.99
West Plains First .....	5.00
Lebanon Bible & Book .....	174.00
J.W. Rader .....	20.00
New Life Fellowship .....	45.57
DeSoto .....	50.00
DeSoto Children's Ch. ....	20.00
Flat River First .....	53.88
New Harmony .....	80.96
Grant Avenue .....	110.42
South Fremont .....	55.00
Farmington .....	136.66
Bethel, Festus .....	10.00
Calvary Fellowship .....	10.00
Victory, K.C. ....	5.00
Trinity .....	55.00
Grace .....	25.00
Parkview .....	5.00
Fordland .....	3.00
Eastern Gate .....	40.00
Viburnum .....	8.00
Union Light .....	61.00
United, West Plains .....	8.56
Oak Hill, Union .....	10.00
Myrtle .....	58.00
Marshfield .....	19.26
Richwoods .....	15.00
Fourth .....	10.00
Central .....	10.00
O'Fallon .....	40.00
Monett .....	3.00
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>\$1,875.58</b>

#### FWBCC

Thayer .....	\$ 35.00
DeSoto .....	35.00
Farmington .....	127.37
Parkview Mission Group .....	10.00
Calvary Fellowship .....	35.75
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>\$243.12</b>

#### YOUTH CAMP

Hartville .....	\$ 20.00
Mt. Pisgah .....	10.00
Hannon .....	15.00
Thayer .....	35.00
Lebanon Bible & Book .....	78.00
DeSoto .....	50.00
Flat River First .....	69.87
Parkview .....	10.00
Calvary Fellowship .....	39.00
Buffalo First .....	50.00
Trinity .....	14.00
Willow Springs .....	10.00
Bethel, Eldorado Spgs. ....	15.00
New Rock Springs .....	10.00
Myrtle .....	38.00
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>\$463.87</b>

#### HILLSDALE FWB COLLEGE

Central .....	\$112.00
Beacon .....	45.00
Belton .....	150.00
Thayer .....	40.00
Grant Avenue .....	8.00
Farmington .....	142.41
Calvary Fellowship .....	35.75
Victory, K.C. ....	26.83
Oak Hill, Union .....	14.00
Parkway .....	262.00
Hannon .....	50.00
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>\$885.99</b>

#### JOHN MCCLURE ACCOUNT

Monett .....	\$10.00
Thayer .....	10.00
Verdella .....	10.00
Farmington .....	10.00
Grace .....	27.50
Victory, K.C. ....	5.00
Monett .....	10.00
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>\$82.50</b>



## Our Missionaries Write . . .

### JEFF & SUSAN TURNBOUGH:

The final plans have been drawn, the basement is dug, the water and electricity are ready; yet the Nehemiah Project has only begun. From human perspective, it will be a miracle if the project is completed on schedule.

September is still the month we have set as our goal to receive men from the United States in order to begin construction.

We are very thankful that Steve and Linda Reeves are now back in Spain. They are a tremendous asset to the work in Villalba. Please pray for them, especially for Steve's health as he begins to assume responsibilities.

### KEN & JUDY BAILEY:

As many of you know, we have extended our term two years. We are able to do this because of your faithful support. Thank you for sharing the burden we have for the Japanese people!

### VERGEL MANESS:

We continue to work on the completion of the construction of the church building, and I hope to have that done by the end of summer.

I want to thank you so much for your financial and prayer support! I have marveled at your consistency, and I am so thankful for you. I truly do not know what we would do without you.

### STAN & BRENDA BUNCH:

Everything we do is for the purpose of making the name of Jesus known and His saving grace understandable. We are investing in the lives and souls of people. So are you. Thank you for praying for us here. Please pray for a very serious problem with a land dispute concerning our property in Parita. Pray earnestly for us as we face the enemy head-on. We love you.

### CHAROLETTE TALLENT:

October 1992 will begin the 4th year of our outreach on the University of Nantes campus. The French university academic year runs from October to June.

Approaching our 4th year, I hope more students will be reached and that the ministry will be enhanced with some additions. One of the additions will be Joe & Tanya Dudley, our first short termers.

### JIM & ROSE MERTZ:

My missionary account with the National Home Missions Department has a huge deficit of \$7,528.88 that continues to burden me! Please give a generous gift this month to help erase this deficit. I could not tell you how important your prayers are to bring victory for Jesus' sake.

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