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September is
Pastor Appreciation Month

Hebrews 13:1-25

"But to do good and to communicate
forget not: for with such sacrifices
God is well pleased." (vs. 16)

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Free Will Baptist National Convention, July 21-25, 1996, Fort Worth, Texas
Worship service in the Arena at Tarrant County Convention Center

Arkansas Pastor Elected National Moderator

For the first time in 34 years, delegates to the National Association of Free Will Baptists elected a pastor as moderator. The Reverend Carl Cheshier, 58-year-old pastor of Cavanaugh FWB Church in Fort Smith, Arkansas, was elected moderator during the 60th session which met July 21-25 in Fort Worth, Texas, at Tarrant County Convention Center. Cheshier had served nine years as assistant moderator; he succeeds outgoing moderator Ralph Hampton who announced that he would not be available for re-election.

The new moderator has pastored the same church 27 years. Converted in 1955, Cheshier was ordained in 1956 and pastored 10 years in Oklahoma, California, and Texas before accepting the pastoral call to Cavanaugh FWB Church in 1969. He served 18 years as moderator of the Arkansas State Association and two terms on the Sunday School and Church Training Board.

Another pastor, 35-year-old Tim York from Kentucky, was elected assistant moderator. Reverend York, who began preaching at age 12, pastors Heritage Temple FWB Church in Ashland. He serves as moderator of Kentucky's Blue Grass Association and as state promotional secretary.

In other action, delegates:

Examined . . . audited reports from all denominational agencies. The information was packaged in a 242-page Digest of Reports distributed to delegates and visitors at registration.

Elected . . . members to 33 positions on the following boards and commissions: General Officers (4), General Board (13), Executive Committee (3), Free Will Baptist Bible College Board of Trustees (3), Foreign Missions Board (3), Sunday School and Church Training Board (3), Commission for Theological Integrity (1), Radio-Television Commission (1), Music Commission (1), Historical Commission (1).

Registered . . . 6,771 people in three concurrent conventions including 724 ordained ministers, 146 deacons, 74 local church delegates, 68 state delegates, 72 home missionaries, 43 foreign missionaries; 2,120 non-delegates; 2,531 for the National Youth Conference and 951 for the WNAC Convention.

Adopted . . . a \$14.8 million denominational budget for the following agencies: Foreign Mission—\$4.4 million; Free Will Baptist Bible College—\$3.6 million; Home Missions—\$2.8 million; Sunday School and Church Training—\$2.7 million; Executive Office—\$565,000; Retirement and Insurance—\$334,000; Master's Men—\$131,000; Free Will Baptist Foundation—\$93,000; Radio-Television Commission—\$8,350; Music Commission—\$3,725; Historical Commission—\$2,875; Commission for Theological Integrity—\$2,400.

Approved . . . the Budget Committee's recommendation that gifts received through the Together Way Plan be allocated to national ministries on the following basis: (1) Underwrite the Executive Office administrative budget above designated gifts, not to exceed 50% of cooperative gifts; (2) disburse the balance of cooperative gifts according to these percentages — Free Will Baptist Bible College 23%, Foreign Missions 23%, Home Missions 18%, Retirement and Insurance 14%, Master's Men 14%, FWB Foundation 6%, Commission for Theological Integrity 0.5%, Historical Commission 0.5%, Music Commission 0.5%, Radio-Television Commission 0.5%.

Gave . . . a Wednesday evening missionary offering of \$33,000. Undesignated funds will be divided between home and foreign missions.

Invested . . . more than \$2 million in Fort Worth economy, according to the Convention and Visitors Bureau. This includes hotel rooms, food, shopping, and other items.

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1996 National Youth Conference

Below is a list of winners from Missouri:

Bible Memorization

Grade Three

3rd Place Lindsey Keith

Bible Sword Drill

Grade Four

3rd Place Kerrie Morgan

Bible Tic Tac Toe

1st Place - Hartville

FWB Church, Hartville, MO

Amber Jones, Heath Coy,

Ben Hughes, Brian Lenox

Horizon

1st Place - Jason Yount

Female Solo

E - Nikki Williams-Dolan

Vocal Trio

A - Blackwell/Carlyon Trio

B - Calvary Fellowship Trio

Vocal Quartet

B - Calvary Fellowship

Chorales (7-14 members)

B - Three in One

Instrumental Solo - String (bowed)

A - Jesse Blackwell

B - David Jones

C - Aaron Beck

Instrumental Solo - Woodwind

B - Lorie Scott

Oral Communications -

Dramatic Selection

E - Nikki Williams-Dolan

Oral Communications - Poetry

E - Nikki Williams-Dolan

Oral Communications -

Intrepretive Reading of Scripture

A - Joni Dixon

E - Nikki Williams-Dolan

Oral Communications -

Recorded Puppetry

A - Hannon Puppeteers

Oral Communications - Skit

B - Trend Setters

Creative Writing - Poetry

E - Nikki Williams-Dolan

Creative Writing - Short Story

C - Ja'lyn McMillian

Age Divisions

A - Grades 1-3

B - Grades 4-6

C - Grades 7-9

D - Grades 10-12

E - Ages 18-24

F - Any combination of the above

Dear Friends,

Let me speak to you for just a few moments concerning our new Missouri Foreign Mission Plan called "The Show-Me Plan." I am really excited about the potential this plan has for getting more people involved and accomplishing the task in a more efficient manner.

The mission of the Church has always been a team effort. The Lord as the head of the body gives direction and we as the body work together to accomplish His purpose. Sometimes the members of the body may disagree on some aspect of God's purpose for the Church, but the one thing we cannot dispute is the need to carry the gospel of Christ to the ends of the earth. We don't want to neglect our Jerusalem, Judea, and Samaria, but our concern must go beyond this!

Brethren, we have a wonderful opportunity to let the whole body be involved in getting this job done. In the past we have had some Churches who, due to limited funds, have not shared at all in the outreach of foreign missions. Sometimes, we might feel that because we cannot give a large amount each month that our missionaries won't miss the small amount that we could give. God's Word teaches us that every member's involvement is important and that in our giving God measures the gift according to what we have and not by what we don't have (II Corinthians 8:12).

Let me encourage you to pray about what God might want you and your local Church to do concerning this plan for reaching to the ends of the earth. Let's share the burden of the "Show-Me Plan" and see what God can accomplish through us! If you need more information or if I can help you in any way, please give me a call at: Home (417) 264-7220 Church (417) 264-7669.

Your Fellow Servant,
Cody Freeman, Chairman
Show-Me Plan Committee



The Show-Me Mission Plan

The Show Me Plan becomes effective January 1, 1997. We need to receive pledges for the 2,000 shares in order to underwrite the missionaries in 1997. Below is a pledge card. Write in the number of shares which you wish to adopt for 1997. Clip the card and send it to the State Office. When the certificates are completed, one will be mailed to you.

Faith Commitment to the Show Me Plan

And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work: II Cor. 9:8. Trusting God to supply for me and for those whom He has sent, I will adopt the following shares to help support 10 foreign mission families.

By faith I adopt _____ Share(s)

(Write in the number of shares desired: 1 share is \$15.00 per month)

(Please print)

Name _____

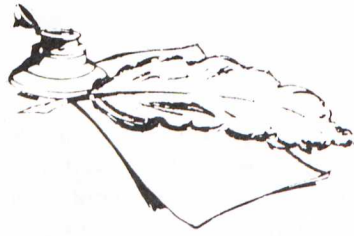
Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Mail to: Missouri State Association of Free Will Baptists, P.O. Box 991, Lebanon, MO 65536.



Nathan Ruble



From The Desk of The Executive Secretary

Pastor Appreciation

H.B. London and Neil Wiseman authored a book entitled Your Pastor is an Endangered Species. In the book they make this statement. "Businesses, large and small, are discovering how much CEOs, vice presidents, janitors, and all workers in between need the big A's – affirmation, appreciation, and admiration. Every human being needs a generous proportion of all three. And these expressions of affection are especially needed for and from persons with whom we work, live, and serve, especially pastors."

September has been designated by Free Will Baptists to be Pastor Appreciation Month. It is a time when churches are encouraged to show their pastor that they appreciate their labors of faith and love.

There are many ways to say Thank You to your Pastor. I know that it will depend on the resources of the individual church, but each church can do something to show that they appreciate their pastor.

One of the best ways to show your pastor that you appreciate him is to see that he receives the best salary that the church is capable of paying. The Pastor often labors with a salary that is far below what is needed to care for his family. Consequently, his wife must work to help supplement the income, and often the family still struggles to make ends meet. Review his salary. When you look at his package, the gross amount, it may seem a sizable sum. I would encourage you to look at what the pastor takes home after his insurance, half of the 15.3% self employment tax, retirement, and professional expenses are deducted. If the church is financially able, give the pastor a raise in salary or increase his benefits.

If you have a problem thinking of a way to honor your pastor, the book mentioned in this article lists 49 ways to show the pastor that you appreciate him.

The gift doesn't have to be large to encourage your pastor. You may honor him with a special dinner and a gift. The church should do the best it is capable of doing for the man which God has sent.

National Convention will meet in Kansas City in 2004

Missouri Free Will Baptists will host the Convention of the National Association of Free Will Baptists in Kansas City, MO, in 2004. It is an honor to have the National Association meet in our state. The meeting will be accessible to many Missouri Free Will Baptists who are unable to attend when it is in other states. As in the past, it will be necessary for our associations to raise the money needed to help with the expense of such a meeting.

Rather than wait until 2003 to raise the needed funds, the delegates to the 1995 State meeting voted to encourage our associations to raise the money in 1996. The money will be put into a trust account where it will accrue interest until it is needed. By doing it early, we will save the churches of Missouri approximately \$8,800.

Each association is asked to raise the equivalent of \$75 per church. To date the following associations have given: Cave Springs Association \$1,155.00, Indian Creek \$1,100.00, Northeast \$225.00, Southeast \$775.00, Greater Springfield \$225.00, Hopewell & Buffalo 1st Church have given from the Niangua Association, and O'Fallon 1st from Mid-Rivers Association.

Ozark News

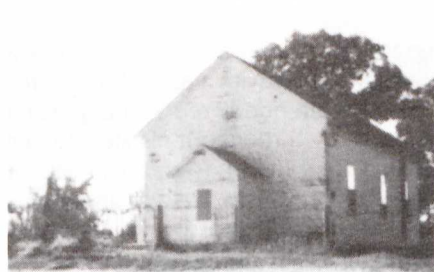
We had a wonderful Vacation Bible School July 8-12, with an average attendance of 66 kids, and the average was over 100 with the workers. Several young people were saved and 202 people attended the closing program. Pray that we will reach many of these new prospects.

The church has scheduled revival services for October 20-23, at 7:00 p.m. each evening. The Evangelist will be Rev. Connie Carriker from Tulsa, Oklahoma.



Hazel Creek Celebrates 100 Years

Karen Sponsler



1896



Hazel Creek FWB Church

1981

The Hazel Creek Free Will Baptist Church, pastored by Rev. Kenneth Reiter, celebrated 100 years as a church body, June 29 and 30, 1996. The original building was built as a union church in 1896 and a new church building was built in 1981.

Seven former pastors, their wives, and some of their families along with our present pastor and his wife were with us to celebrate: Rev. Marie Hyatt and husband Myron; Rev. Rolla Smith and wife Helen; Rev. Wayne Parsons and wife Oletha and daughter Jeannie Bowman; Rev. Archie Cooper and wife Gladys; Rev. Boyce Williams and wife Shelia and son Daniel; Rev. Thomas Drake and wife Jo, and sons David, Joseph, and Andrew; Rev. Randy Bishop and wife Helen and son Donovan and daughter-in-law Tammy and grandson T.J.; and our present pastor Rev. Kenneth Reiter and wife Kay.

Saturday was spent visiting and catching up on news since our last meeting in 1992. We also listened to music by the Hazel Creek Wildcats and viewed a video depicting parts of our church's history. A cookout supper was then served to over 250 people. The Wildwood Quartet entertained at the evening service.

Sunday morning following Sunday School, Dr. Laverne Miley, retired missionary doctor to the Ivory Coast, West Africa, brought the message. Dr. Miley is a former member of Hazel Creek and was ordained there before going to the mission field. A bountiful dinner was served to all at noon, followed by a program of recognizing former pastors, giving awards, hearing letters from those unable to attend, and hearing many musical selections. Rev. Thomas Drake, a former pastor, brought the afternoon message. It was a day that will long be remembered.

Silence is Golden

by Mary Vaughn Armstrong

"He's never quiet," despaired a weary mother of a developmentally disabled child. "He talks all the time usually with words and syllables that don't make sense. He bangs on things constantly . . ."

"Would you let me stay with him tomorrow afternoon, while you get away?"

She stared at her friend, shaken. "Oh . . . it's really hard. I never know what he'll do next . . . I couldn't ask you to do that . . ."

"If you'll tell me what to do, I'm willing to give it a try."

How's your own level of noise tolerance? Does your relative's television run eight hours or more a day? Does he shout when you walk by? Must the other children play quietly, lest they disturb your one precious hour of peace while he naps? Is the tension in your home crackling so loud it hurts your ears? Has a friend offered to relieve you? Have you been hesitant to accept that help? For the success of your soul's health, allow yourself a second look at that offer. Then give yourself a few hours alone - when nobody will need you, nobody will call your name. Listen to the Psalmist, and somehow, somewhere, discover a way to spend quiet time with God alone.

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News From Cotton Creek Church

Jerry Burkett

The Cotton Creek Free Will Baptist Church located near Couch, Missouri, was organized August 6, 1893. At that time Tom J. Dunkin and G.W. Robinson were ordained as deacons by Rev. Nath Combs and Rev. J.H. Herlson. Those serving as deacons today are: Leamon Combs, Charles David Melton, Mike Crawford and Phil Johnson. Brother Phil Johnson was ordained by the church January 21, 1996. Pastor Darrell Mitchell pastors the Cotton Creek Church.

A new steeple was recently added to the church building. Brother Cliff, a skilled carpenter, built a wonderful steeple. In the rolling green hills of Oregon County, from a far off distance, one can see Cotton Creek's steeple stretching into heaven.

News From Springfield First

Pastor Gene Howell writes: We had a good Vacation Bible School with an average attendance of 105 for the week. We had three salvation decisions, with one of these following the Lord in baptism and joining our church that Sunday night. After the baptism, one of the young ladies who had attended our VBS began asking questions about the baptism and before long was at the altar and trusted Christ as her personal Savior.

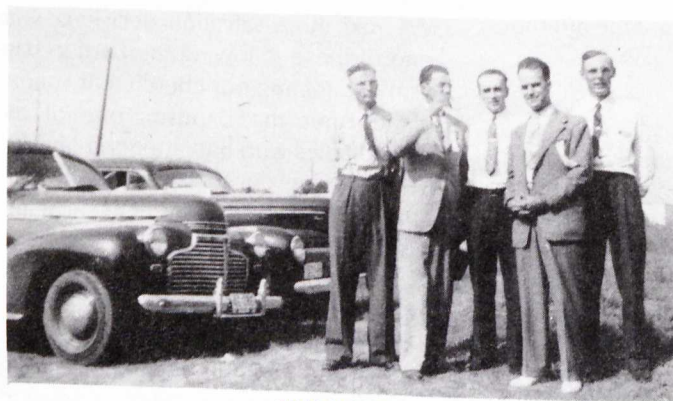
The boys and girls had a contest with the daily offering. It was close all week, but the girls came out on top (just barely). The \$400.00 offering was designated for Howard Gwartney the Missionary Builder.

**September Is
Pastor Appreciation
Month**

Sunday School Averages February 1996 - July 1996

CHURCHES	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL
Beacon	64	71	72	58	64	
Belton	42	52	46	37	52	47
Calvary Chapel	95	109	103	112	100	95
Cape Girardeau	70					
Copper Mines	48	63	60	63		
Cuba	112	118	111	111	108	103
DeSoto	174	181	172	177	171	179
Farmington	308	310	271	279		272
Hannon	125	116	118		111	111
Harmony	51	53	50	36	47	52
Hartville	94	98	101	95	107	92
Hazel Creek	71	71	80	77	76	57
Hopewell	34	40	31	34	34	35
Houston	44	56	60	50	46	48
Lebanon First	107					
Lebanon FWB			56	53	51	49
Mill Creek	47	54	58		50	51
Monett	80	91	73	94		
Myrtle	30		35	34	33	
Ozark	81	79	79	77		
Park Hills First	109	127	117	114	104	114
Republic	46	40				
Richwoods	30	30	38	38		
Rock Chapel	51	49			56	55
Springfield First	108	116	106	105	110	111
Terrill Road	29	53	41	42		33
Thayer	142	185	170	151	149	149
United, West Plains	258	262	247	257	252	
Unity	41	49	44	44	44	49
Verdella	73	71	70	80	79	80
Viburnum	29	28				
Willow Springs	55	60	58	56		

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.



1942 PHOTO

Albert Halbrook, Cecil Campbell, Ken Turner, Damon Dodd, Alvin Halbrook

Rev. Albert Halbrook With the Lord

Services for Rev. Albert Halbrook, 82, were held at the George A. Smith & Sons North Chapel at 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, July 9, 1996. Dr. Ralph Brand and Rev. Glen Fox officiated. Burial was in Highland Memorial Gardens. Pallbearers were Bracey Halbrook, Alvin Scott, Dennis Fox, James Pierce, Van Stayton, Larry McBroom, William Mitchell, and Shannon McCall.

Rev. Halbrook, pastor of the Woodhaven Free Will Baptist Church, died Saturday evening, July 6, 1996, at Columbia Regional Hospital of heart failure.

He was born at Womack, Missouri, May 27, 1914. He was one of the eight children of George and Mary Halbrook, and only his twin brother Alvin survives.

Albert was married to Christina Parker September 2, 1939. To this union one son was born.

Brother Halbrook graduated from Flat River Jr. College and Southeast Missouri State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Education. He also attended Free Will Baptist Bible College. He continued to study throughout his life. He began preaching at the age of 20 and held pastorates in Missouri, West Virginia, Tennessee, and Arkansas. He was also a former editor of the Gem as well as clerk and treasurer for the Missouri State Association and the Madison County Quarterly Meeting. He was faithful to his professed calling, knowing that the Lord has said, "Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life." He preached his last sermon three weeks prior to his death. He sought to serve God all the days of his life, saying like Joshua, "But as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord." He sought the salvation of his fellowmen like Paul who said, "My heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is that they might be saved." He looked forward to his heavenly home, "Wherefore God is not ashamed to be called his God, for God has prepared for him a city." Romans 12:9-21

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Christina Halbrook; one son, Raymond Halbrook of Oakfield, TN; and one grandson, Bracey Halbrook, Nashville, TN.

The Lytles Need Your Help

Dear Lytle Supporter:

By now you should have received the latest newsletter from Steve and Judy Lytle, missionaries to Panama. God has certainly used this fine couple over the past 20 years to minister to the Panamanian people. Many people, like yourself, have played an important role in their ministry. Thank you for being a "sender" in the Great Commission.

I don't have to tell you what a fine team Steve and Judy make. Neither do I have to tell you what a fine communicator Steve is. He is an excellent preacher and teacher in either English or Spanish.

Now the Lytles are ready to return for another term, but they still need \$9,000 cash for a vehicle and \$250 additional monthly support. I want to ask you to prayerfully consider doing something to undergird their ministry. If 10 churches, individuals, woman's auxiliary groups or Sunday school classes would commit to give \$25 per month over the next four years, all their monthly support would be underwritten. Likewise, a cash gift of \$200 from 45 individuals or churches would give them the \$9,000 they need for a vehicle.

Please help us get the Lytles back to Panama so they can fulfill their ministry of training national leaders. Take a few moments and think about what you can do to make their return to Panama a reality. I can think of no better way to invest our money than in the cause of Christ. Only that which is laid up in heaven will produce eternal rewards. Remember, the Panamanians are not only counting on us for the good news that Jesus saves but also for personnel who will build up believers and train leaders.

In His service,
Fred Warner
Director of Missionary-Church Relations

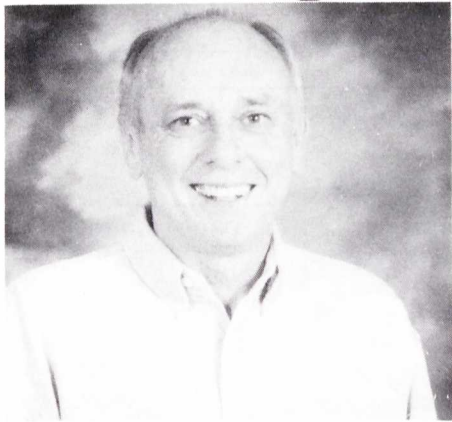
1996 Missouri State Youth Conference

November 22-23, 1996

Windermere Baptist Assembly



Featuring: Les Christie



Chairman, Youth Ministry Department
San Jose Christian College, San Jose, CA

Les has spoken to over a million young people and thousands of Youth Workers in ten countries. He has authored nine books on Youth Ministry and co-authored 10 others. He is an amazing communicator!

Music by Mark Brawley

You'll love him!

1996 Missouri State Youth Conference

Registration Form

Return by October 10.

Church _____ City _____
Youth Leader _____ Phone # _____

Guys

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Age _____ Phone # _____

Cost of the conference is \$30 per person. _____ x \$30 = \$ _____
(Includes lodging and three meals.) (# attending) (Total Amount)

Mail completed registration form, Check and medical release forms to:

Missouri Youth Ministries Board

P.O. Box 444

Park Hills, MO 63601

All forms must be postmarked by October 10.

After October 10, the fee increases to \$35 per person.

Camper Medical Release Form
Windermere Baptist Assembly
Roach, MO 65787

Camper's Name _____ Sex _____ Age _____

Parent or Legal Guardian _____

Home Address _____
(Street) (City) (Zip Code)

Residence Phone _____ Business Phone _____
(Area Code) (A/C)

Church Coming With _____
(Name) (City)

Allergy To Any Medicine? _____ If Yes, What? _____

If not available in an emergency, notify:

(Name) Phone _____
(A/C)

(Name) Phone _____
(A/C)

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 Windermere Baptist Assembly, located at Roach, Missouri.

Conference _____

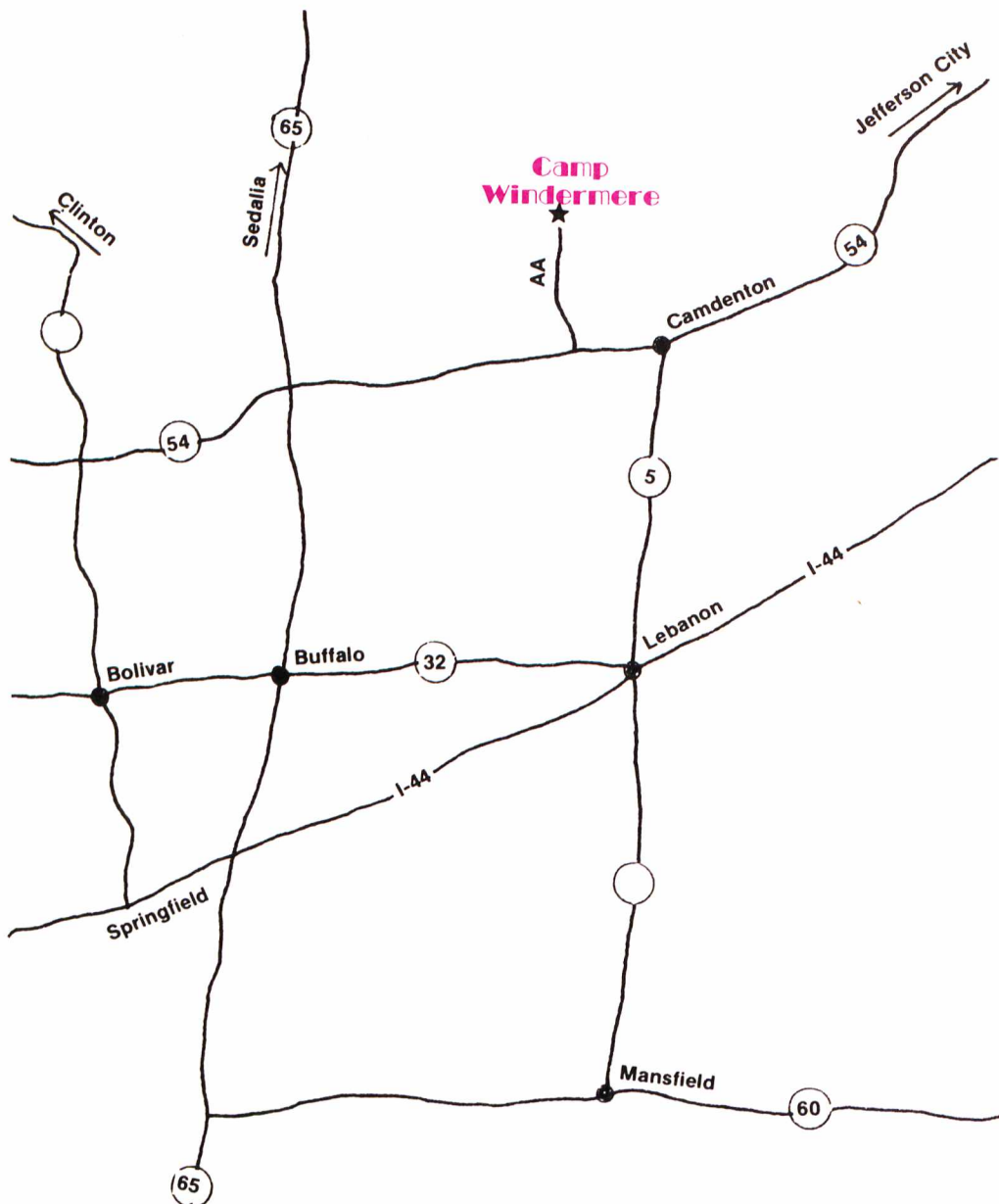
Authorization For Emergency Care

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.

Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian

Date

(PLEASE PHOTOCOPY)



1996 Missouri State Youth Conference "Take The Stand" Schedule

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 1996

- 4:00 p.m. - Registration
- 7:30 p.m. - Supper
- 8:30 p.m. - Concert with Mark Brawley
- 9:30 p.m. - Meet Les Christie
- 10:30 p.m. - Cabin Devotions
- 11:00 p.m. - LIGHTS OUT

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 1996

- 8:00 a.m. - Breakfast
- 9:00 a.m. - Les Christie
- 10:00 a.m. - Free Time (Youth)
 - "Youth Workers Only" w/Les
- 12:00 noon - Lunch
- 1:00 p.m. - "OFF THE WALL" - (Youth)
 - "Youth Workers Only" w/Les
- 2:00 p.m. - Free Time
- 3:15 p.m. - Closing Rally with Les

FAITHFUL MEMBER OF THE VERDELLA CHURCH REWARDED

Hazel Helen Ball Bowman was born to Charles Wesley Ball and Lizzie Ann Webb Ball on January 11, 1904, in Custer County Nebraska near Broken Bow. Her father and mother had moved to Nebraska from Kentucky in a covered wagon and homesteaded land in the late eighteen hundreds where she was born and lived in a sod house. She loved to tell how the children played on the sod roof and how they would often get cactus needles in their feet. The family lived in the sod house until she was about six years old, at which time her dad had a framed house built.

Hazel moved to Missouri in 1914 and was married to William Ewing Bowman on December 11, 1920. God blessed them with two children, Lewis Bowman and Lorene Bowman Wilford, and three grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Hazel had two brothers and six sisters. One brother died in infancy and the other brother died with pneumonia after enlisting in the army during World War I. She was preceded in death by her father, mother, and all of her brothers and sisters.

Sister Hazel's first recollection of church was when a circuit preacher held church services at the school house where she attended school. It was there that she memorized her first Bible verse, Genesis 1:3, "God said, let there be light; and there was light." She delighted in seeing children memorize Bible verses in Sunday School. Sister Hazel did her part in helping to provide a better place for the children to learn than she enjoyed. No one loved the Lord or His Church more than Sister Hazel.

If there was one outstanding characteristic of Hazel Bowman, it was faithfulness. She accepted Jesus as her Savior in 1922 at the Verdella Free Will Baptist Church and was baptized in a nearby creek. From that time until the Lord called her home on August 3, 1996, she was faithful in her service to the Lord and His Church. God has called her to be rewarded for her love and faithfulness to the Lord. Jesus said, "Be thou faithful until death and I will give you a crown of life." (Rev. 2:10) "A life to be lived without end in a place of indescribable beauty." (1 Cor. 2:9-10)



Hazel Bowman

November is Home Missions Month

This special emphasis is part of the "Together Way Plan" adopted by the National Association of Free Will Baptists. Every church is urged to give a special offering for National Home Missions General Fund. Your gifts and prayers help build churches in the North American continent and U.S. owned islands. Everyone is asked to give to the Benjamin Randall Offering, and each pastor whose church gives and every individual who gives at least \$25.00, will receive an exciting book, *The Life of Elder Benjamin Randall* by John Buzzell. This will be the last book published by Home Missions on Benjamin Randall and the early days of the Free Will Baptist Denomination.

Free materials to promote *Home Missions Sunday* may be obtained from Free Will Baptist Home Missions Department, P.O. Box 5002, Antioch, TN 37011-5002.

NATIONAL CONVENTION HIGHLIGHTS

(continued from page 2)

Selected . . . Birmingham, Alabama, as the site for the July 16-20, 2006, national convention. The convention last met in Birmingham in 1987.

Heard . . . five sermons in convention worship services delivered by the following men: Gerald Fowler (NC), David Williford (FL), Tim Hall (KY), Trymon Messer (TN) and Will Harmon (TX).

Crowded . . . into a meeting hall at Tarrant County Convention Center to hear missionary to Uruguay, Marcia Ellison, address the WNAC Fellowship Dinner. Some 633 bought tickets for the event.

Rallied . . . in a two-hour Free Will Baptist Camp Meeting Monday afternoon to hear director of missionary assistance David Crowe preach a rousing sermon to attendees.

Resolved . . . appreciation for the Texas State Association of Free Will Baptists who hosted the convention. This marked

the fourth time the National Association has met in Texas; three of the four meetings were in Fort Worth.

Resolved . . . boycott Walt Disney Corporation products because of their support and approval of homosexuality as a lifestyle.

Resolved . . . support for the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban in keeping with our belief in the sanctity of life and our opposition to abortion on demand.

Resolved . . . financial and prayer support for those brethren in America whose churches have been destroyed under suspicious circumstances

Tabled . . . two proposed resolutions concerning Promise Keepers, one of which condemned the organization and the other which commended it.

Enjoyed . . . a spectacular musical program coordinated by Randy Sawyer. Attendees heard instrumental ensembles, quartets, trios, choirs, soloists, and robust congregational singing.

Took . . . the Gospel to the streets of Fort Worth when 250 National Youth Conference attendees distributed tracts, worked with the Union Gospel Rescue Mission, and sorted four tons of food for the Fort Worth Area Food Bank.

Hailed . . . Marlin Street of Red Bay, Alabama, who was named Youth Worker of the Year. Mr. Saint has coached a Bible Bowl team for twenty years. His team won first place again this year.

Joined . . . WNAC for an 11:00 a.m. Tuesday worship service with missionary to India, Carlisle Hanna.

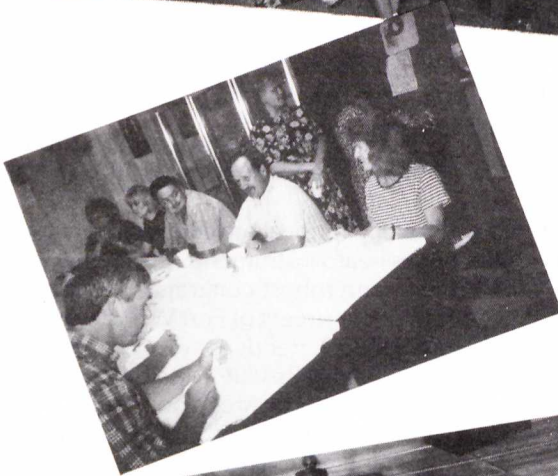
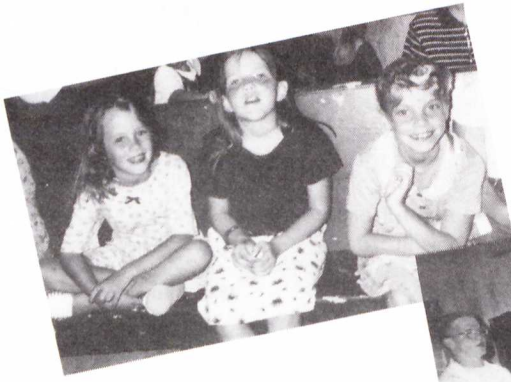
Survived . . . 912 entries in National Youth Conference Music and Arts Festival, and individual competitions. The Hartville, Missouri, team won the Bible Tic Tac Toe competition, while the Red Bay Church team from Red Bay, Alabama, won the Bible Bowl competition.

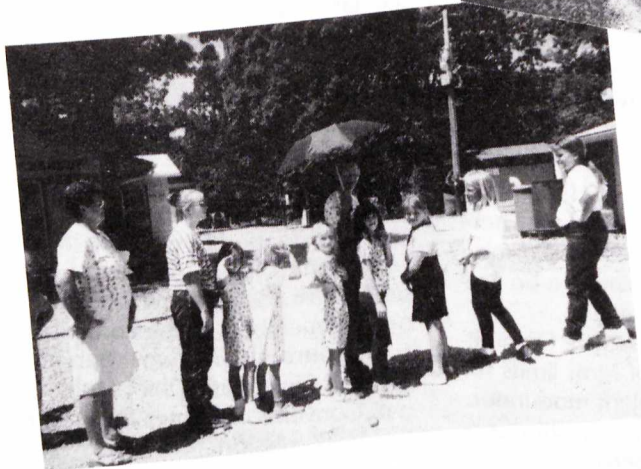
Toured . . . West Exhibit Hall-Bay 5 in Tarrant County Convention Center where exhibitors distributed information from 60 booths and offered services ranging from denominational agencies to children's homes to Gospel quartets.

Gathered . . . for the Tuesday afternoon seminar sponsored by the Commission for Theological Integrity to hear Dr. Robert

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PRE-TEEN CAMP 1996





NATIONAL ASSOCIATION HIGHLIGHTS *(continued from page 7)*

Picirilli speak on the subject, "The King James Version: The Manuscript Side."

Appreciated . . . chief usher Raymond Lee and the Master's Men who anchored the convention ushering staff. They distributed song sheets and reports, counted votes, provided security, received offerings, delivered announcements, and did it all with cheerful attitudes.

Marched . . . closer to computerized registration when five computers were installed in the registration area. Some 3,200 attendees pre-registered and avoided long lines in Fort Worth. Several hundred pre-registered attendees picked up information packets on Saturday. Registration Coordinator George Harvey, Jr., and Pre-Registration Coordinator Nancy Smith along with volunteer workers served efficiently and courteously.

Saluted . . . two outstanding laymen. John Fowlkes of Vilonia, Arkansas, was named Layman of the Year. J.P. Seley of Clayton, North Carolina, was named Runner-Up Layman of the Year.

Filled . . . more than 1,200 hotel rooms in Fort Worth. Most stayed in five major convention hotels, but some drove five miles or more from the suburbs to attend services.

Ate . . . more than 3,700 catered meals in 20 events, including the 1,400 person Youth Banquet served at Texas Lil's Ranch outside Fort Worth. Fifteen buses hauled attendees to the ranch.

Accepted . . . the Leadership Conference Committee Report which addressed the seven-point "Areas of Concern" resolution presented to the National Association during its 1995 session by the North Carolina State Association. The report called for commitments to holiness, ecclesiastical separation, biblical preaching, theologically sound church music, revitalization of Sunday Schools, missions and servant leadership. The report also suggested six ways to prevent spiritual decline.

Celebrated . . . 40 years of service with the Master's Men Department on Tuesday evening. The evening included the first public performance of a new song, "God's Men," commissioned by the Master's Men and written by Dr. Vernon Whaley in honor of Free Will Baptist laymen.

Participated . . . in a first-ever Leadership Forum on Tuesday morning. The three-hour forum included an opening sermon by Evangelist Bob Shockey and two hours of general discussion. A num-

ber of issues were addressed beginning with the Leadership Conference Committee Report. However, the local media focused on a decision by the FWBBC Board of Trustees permitting women students to wear slacks during recreation and informal settings.

Learned . . . that the International Fellowship of Free Will Baptist Churches was organized in October 1995 during a gathering in Brazil. The Fellowship will meet every three years. Nine countries represented: Brazil, Cuba, France, Cote d'Ivoire, Japan, Spain, Panama, Uruguay, and the United States.

Agreed . . . that the Home Missions Department will take primary responsibility for implementing, directing, and supervising the denomination's cross-cultural ministry outreach.

Thanked . . . the Lord that Free Will Baptist Bible College's "Claim the Land" campaign ended successfully. All 123 acres at the site for the proposed new campus were sold. Plans to relocate the school are ongoing.

Complained . . . when two hotels overbooked and walked conferees to other properties. And complained more when air conditioners at one hotel shut down for nearly 24 hours in the 100-degree Texas heat. And complained loudest at \$105 per night room rates at one major hotel . . . before about half of them moved out and settled in more economical digs.

Smiled . . . when the Foreign Missions Department reported 1,014 converts and 554 baptisms on nine mission fields. The department also reported 253 licensed and lay preachers, 41 ordained pastors, 6 Bible Institutes, 77 organized churches, 163 mission works and 8,861 in Sunday Schools.

Bought . . . every copy of WNAC's new video of the offices of staff. The project was completed just in time for the convention. More copies of the video are now available from WNAC.

Prayed . . . for former Home Mission Department director Roy Thomas after learning that he had been seriously injured in a riding accident when a horse fell on him and then stepped on him.

Asked . . . the Commission for Theological Integrity to research Promise Keepers and prepare a report to be presented at the 1997 convention.

Instructed . . . the Executive Committee to study the issue of term limits for the moderator and assistant moderator.

Referred . . . to the Leadership Conference a motion requesting that the

Nominating Committee publish a list of nominees for various boards and commissions along with a brief biographical sketch of those nominated.

Rose . . . as one in a unanimous rising vote of thanks to Moderator Ralph Hampton for his nine years of service.

Listened . . . as Leroy and Fay Forlines told of spending nearly five months as short-term missionaries in Russia and the Ukraine. The Forlines' effort helped open new possibilities in Russia for Free Will Baptists.

Rejoiced . . . when Trymon Messer gave his first report as general director of the Home Missions Department and reported that nine new home missionaries were appointed, along with two new chaplains and other workers.

Cheered . . . Colonel Gerald Mangham who will retire from the U.S. Army in January 1997 after 30 years as a Free Will Baptist chaplain. He also received a plaque of appreciation from the Home Missions Department.

Flinched . . . when FWBBC Treasurer Tom Sass reported that the college ended the 1995-96 academic year with a \$140,000 operating deficit. Steps are being taken by the board and administration to increase revenues and reduce expenditures.

Praised . . . Howard Gwartney and his crew of missionary builders for their work in constructing new churches at home and abroad.

Surprised . . . themselves when Executive Secretary Melvin Worthington reported that in the past ten years, Free Will Baptist churches had a net increase of 60,000 members.

Nodded . . . agreement when the Board of Retirement reported \$13 million in assets in the retirement program. Since 1969, the program has averaged 8.59% in annual earnings. Fifty-three new participants joined the retirement plan last year.

Snapped . . . up copies of a new CD and cassette sound tracks produced by the Music Commission to accompany congregational singing. The sound tracks accompany 20 hymns from Rejoice: The Free Will Baptist Hymn Book.

Said . . . goodbye to Sandy Goodfellow who stepped down from the Radio-Television Commission after 13 years of service. Mr. Goodfellow was one of the original members of the commission.

Adjourned . . . two hours early to meet in Cincinnati, Ohio, at the Cincinnati Convention Center for the July 20-24, 1997, session.



Financial Information



JULY 1996

COOPERATIVE DISBURSEMENTS

18.50% Mo. State Home Missions Board	\$7,998.32
17.50% Executive Office	7,565.97
3.50% General Fund	1,513.20
8.50% Youth Camp Bd.	3,674.90
2.50% Youth Ministries Bd.	1,080.85
2.50% C.E. Board	1,080.85
2.50% Sr. Adult Ministries Board	1,080.85
9.00% Mo. State Retirement Program	3,891.07
30.50% Nat'l. Ministries, Hillsdale & Calif. Christian College	13,186.41
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	
1.00% Calif. Christian College (\$131.86 included in \$13,186.41)	
5.00% Mo. State Conference Center Fund	2,161.71
TOTAL	\$43,234.13

God continues to bless the faithfulness of the Pastors and Churches in Missouri. He has given us another good month. As we continue to work together, we will see the lost saved and the saints edified.

The allocation for National Ministries is designated this year, with FWBCC and Hillsdale receiving an equal amount. California Christian College will continue to receive 1%.

JULY 1996 COOPERATIVE

Bailey	\$ 341.60
Bailey Chapel	150.00
Belton	318.16
Berean	50.00
Bethel	117.90
Black Oak	201.52
Cabool	300.80
Calvary Chapel	486.73
Carthage	330.00
Carthage	318.25
Central	1,076.07
Clifton	76.30
Copper Mines	303.13
Crossroads - Lebanon	382.66
Cuba	661.00
DeSoto 1st	1,100.00
Faith & Hope - Aur.	73.00
Faith & Hope - Willow Spgs.	120.49
Farmington 1st	2,747.80
Fordland	626.07
Fourth	323.51
Fredericktown 1st	401.00
Freeman Chapel	295.21
Friendship	403.25
Grace - Arnold	1,248.00
Grant Avenue	1,030.80
Hannon	766.25
Happy Home - Ava	139.73
Harmony	523.00
Hartville	834.69
Heritage	140.00
Hopewell	217.00
Houston 1st	339.81
Hurryville	408.72
Jones Chapel	738.59
Joplin 1st	594.99
Kirksville 1st	166.81
Koshkonong	182.30
Lead Hill	190.00
Leadington	433.31
Lebanon 1st	808.68
Lebanon FWB	359.00
Lone Star	42.20
Macedonia	54.85
Marshfield	374.00
Merls Chapel	276.00
Mill Creek	366.92
Mine La Motte	57.45
Monett 1st	564.61
Mt. Pisgah	300.00
Mt. Zion - Gower	70.20

Mtn. Grove 1st	1,711.90
Myrtle	243.93
New Harmony	34.00
New Hope - Fredericktown	50.00
New Life - Licking	424.68
New Rock Springs	109.00
North Five	128.91
Number One	47.39
O'Fallon 1st	623.53
Oak Grove - Houston	65.00
Oak Hill - Fredericktown	187.27
Oak Hill - Union	529.47
Park Hills 1st	556.72
Parkview	398.97
Parkway	1,860.00
Pleasant Hill	141.56
Pleasant Home	183.00
Pleasant Home	225.49
Pleasant Home	235.27
Pleasant Ridge	91.00
Potosi 1st	184.44
Richwoods 1st	497.00
Riverview	664.18
Rock Chapel	415.18
Rolla 1st	92.10
Royal Oak	116.00
Seymour	148.00
Smyrna	1,500.00
South Fremont	1,000.00
Springfield 1st	1,111.75
Stockton	313.41
Thayer	911.00
Trinity	1,044.88
Tyrone	25.50
Union Grove	286.00
Union Light	102.55
United - West Plains	1,002.70
Unity	290.00
Verdella	441.20
Victory	635.43
Victory Hill	65.52
Victory - Alton	209.71
Waynesville 1st	370.20
West Plains 1st	781.50
Willow Springs - Mtn. Grove	203.93
Willow Springs - Mtn. Grove	189.20
Wolf Creek	353.30
TOTAL	\$43,234.13

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Beacon	\$740.00
Belton	354.00
Bethel - Festus	145.00
Bob Thebeau	5.00
Bud Rogers	10.00
Buffalo 1st	50.00
Carthage	92.00
Carthage	64.00
Central	406.00
Cuba	69.99
DeSoto 1st	300.00
DeSoto Joymakers	10.00
Donna Lewis	10.00
Doyle Akeman	10.00
Eastern Gate	163.40
Faith & Hope - Aur.	43.00
Faith & Hope - Willow Springs	150.00
Farmington 1st	325.00
Farmington 1st	752.45
Fordland	95.00
Fourth	245.00
Freeman Chapel	455.00
Grace - Arnold	205.00
Grant Ave. - Women's SS	25.00
Grant Ave.	577.16
Greater Springfield	606.00
Hannon	1,381.25
Hartville	166.94
Houston 1st	175.35
John Schebaum	20.00
Judy Hoggard	10.00
Ken Minor	20.00
Larry Voyles	10.00
Leadington	45.00
Lebanon 1st	50.00
Lebanon FWB	15.00
Marshfield	29.23
Merls Chapel	200.00
Monett 1st	200.00
Monett 1st	1,050.00
Mt. Pisgah	75.00
Mtn. Grove 1st	774.96
Nathan Ruble	20.00
New Harmony	170.10
New Home - Hartville	142.00
New Hope - Fredericktown	70.00

New Life - Monett	77.68
O'Fallon 1st	65.84
Oak Grove - Norwood	79.50
Park Hills 1st	222.68
Parkview	599.25
Pleasant Home	48.75
Pleasant Home	66.08
Pleasant Home	33.53
Pleasant Ridge	50.00
Richwoods 1st	29.00
Rock Chapel	208.41
South Fremont	73.00
Southeast Assoc.	25.00
Thayer	220.00
Trinity	611.32
Union Light	140.00
United - West Plains	50.00
Unity	40.00
Verdella	2,824.20
Victory	200.00
Waynesville 1st	50.00
West Plains 1st	10.00
TOTAL	\$16,257.07

STATE HOME MISSIONS

Beacon	\$2.00
Berean	15.00
Central	10.00
Cuba	139.97
DeSoto - Victor's CTS	10.00
Faith & Hope - Willow Springs	25.00
Fordland	10.00
Fourth	20.00
Grace - Arnold	25.00
Grant Ave.	59.00
Hannon	383.12
Larry Wormington	30.00
Lebanon Bible & Book Store	285.00
Marshfield	37.50
Mtn. Grove 1st	30.00
Nathan Ruble	10.00
New Home - Hartville	10.00
O'Fallon 1st	65.84
Pleasant Ridge	20.00
Rock Chapel	102.86
Southeast Assoc.	25.00
Thayer	5.00
Trinity	185.00
Union Light	51.00
United - West Plains	21.00
Victory	5.00
TOTAL	\$1,582.29

NATIONAL HOME MISSIONS

DeSoto C. Church	\$20.00
DeSoto Y. Adults S.S.	50.00
Beacon	100.00
Belton	15.00
Bethel - Festus	60.00
Bud Rogers	10.00
Buffalo 1st	50.00
Carthage	128.00
Carthage	46.00
Central	64.00
Cuba	69.99
DeSoto 1st	969.00
Eastern Gate	20.00
Faith & Hope - Aur.	43.00
Faith & Hope - Willow Springs	50.00
Farmington 1st	37.50
Fordland	15.00
Grace - Arnold	225.00
Grant Ave.	179.08
Hannon	81.62
Hartville	100.00
Houston 1st	5.00
J. W. Rader	20.00
Joplin 1st	375.70
Joplin 1st Youth Group	1,200.00
Judy Hoggard	10.00
Larry Voyles	10.00
Leadington	45.00
Lebanon FWB	10.00
Monett 1st	261.65
Mt. Pisgah	50.00
Mtn. Grove 1st	75.00
Nathan Ruble	10.00
New Harmony	170.10
New Home - Hartville	10.00
O'Fallon 1st	65.84
Oak Grove - Norwood	39.75
Park Hills 1st	75.67
Pleasant Home	10.00
Pleasant Home	10.00
Pleasant Home	28.66
Richard White	20.00
Richwoods 1st	45.00

Rock Chapel	55.00
South Fremont	67.00
Thayer	175.00
Trinity	170.00
Union Light	75.00
United - West Plains	10.00
Unity	50.00
Verdella	25.00
Victory	35.00
Waynesville 1st	50.00
West Plains 1st	408.00
Wolf Creek	65.00
Wolf Creek	10.00
TOTAL	\$6,075.56

MISSOURI FWB YOUTH CAMP

Willow Springs - Mtn. Grove	\$20.00
New Home - Hartville	10.00
Mtn. Grove 1st	10.00
Hartville	10.00
New Life - Monett	77.68
Hannon	15.00
Mt. Pisgah	10.00
Cabool	10.00
West Plains 1st	25.00
Leadington	40.00
DeSoto 1st	50.00
Berean	15.00
Park Hills 1st	25.00
Buffalo 1st	50.00
Trinity	14.00
Lebanon Bible & Book Store	127.50
TOTAL	\$509.18

FREE WILL BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOME - S.C.

Unity	\$25.00
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HILLSDALE FWB COLLEGE

Victory - KC	\$51.77
Hannon	50.00
Eastern Gate	83.40
Central	60.00
Grant Ave.	10.00
Beacon	6.00
Thayer	5.00
Farmington 1st	110.32
Lebanon FWB	25.00
Pleasant Home	75.00
TOTAL	\$451.49

REV. JOHN McCLURE

Carthage	\$17.00
Verdella	10.00
Thayer	10.00
Monett 1st	35.00
Central Western Auxiliary	20.00
Indian Creek Association	66.50
Farmington 1st	20.00
Grace - Arnold	15.00
TOTAL	\$193.50

TRULA CRONK HOME FOR CHILDREN

Myrtle	\$10.00
New Life - Monett	77.68
New Hope - Fredericktown	30.00
South Fremont	162.00
DeSoto 1st	50.00
Unity	50.00
Park Hills 1st	10.00
Farmington 1st	30.00
TOTAL	\$419.68

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD

Lebanon Bible & Book Store	\$37.50
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SENIOR ADULT MINISTRIES BOARD

Lebanon Bible & Book Store	\$37.50
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CALIFORNIA CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

Farmington 1st	\$21.75
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YOUTH MINISTRIES BOARD

Lebanon Bible & Book Store	\$37.50
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WORLD RELIEF

Victory - K.C.	\$10.00
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WORLD VISION

Victory - K.C.	\$10.00
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STEVE SMITH

DeSoto 1st	\$141.50
Farmington 1st	5.00
Lebanon FWB	5.00
TOTAL	\$151.50

FWB BIBLE COLLEGE

Verdella	\$88.24
Grant Ave.	20.00
DeSoto 1st	35.00
N. Ruble	10.00
Farmington 1st	192.96
TOTAL	\$346.20

MISSOURI RETIREMENT PROGRAM

Lebanon Bible & Book Store	\$142.50
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National Youth Conference Conduct/Dress Code

The National Youth Conference feels that its National Conference should have the highest standards of conduct and Christian testimony. Therefore, because this event is the highest level of activity for Free Will Baptist students in the nation, *all participating students and adults* are expected to display the utmost respect for and strict adherence to the following standards:

A. Code of Conduct

The conduct of participants is expected to meet the standard for believers in 1 Timothy 4:12. Patience, kindness, and good sportsmanship is the exemplary rule to follow at all times for all students, sponsors, parents, and visitors. Insubordination or disruptive behavior by any student, sponsor, parent, or visitor toward any judge(s) or conference official(s) will not be tolerated. Behavior which does not exemplify a Christian will be grounds for disqualification from competition and/or expulsion from the conference.

B. Competition Dress Code

- I. All clothing should meet biblical standards of modesty. (1 Timothy 2:8-10).
 - A. All male participants in the National Youth Conference Bible Competitive Activities and Music and Arts Festival should dress in a manner that complements, protects, and enhances their masculinity; and all female participants should dress in a manner that compliments, protects, and enhances their femininity.
 - B. Dress should always be in good taste and should reflect high concern and appreciation for modesty. All clothing should be loose fitting: no tight pants on men or boys; no tight dresses, skirts, blouses, or sweaters on ladies or girls.
 1. Boys or men are to wear a shirt, tie, and slacks (coats are optional). Tank tops and T-shirts are unacceptable.

2. Girls or ladies are to wear dresses which shall extend to the knee or longer. Dresses must not be low cut or revealing in style or material. Slacks or pantsuits are unacceptable.

- II. All participants should groom and attire themselves in such a fashion that would not be offensive or show tendencies of conforming with the unholy fashions and patterns of the world (1 Corinthians 11:14,15).

- A. The boys shall groom their hair so as to follow natural hairlines without covering the ears or extending to the eyes or collar. Sideburns shall not extend below the ears.

- B. Hairstyles for girls should not be in accord with male fashions.

- C. Semi-formal or formal attire is in order for the Youth Banquet.

C. Activity Dress Code

Participants in certain National Youth Conference sponsored off-site and/or physical activities may find it more modest to wear attire other than stated above. Male participants may wear jeans and T-shirts (provided they do not contain secular slogans). Female participants may wear loose fitting T-shirts (provided they do not contain secular slogans) and loose-fitting, knee-length attire, or loose fitting slacks.

During free times when you are not participating in a worship service, competition, or National Youth Conference sponsored activities, we request that boys and men refrain from wearing shorts and that girls and ladies refrain from wearing slacks and shorts.

D. Worship Dress Code

Participants are expected to wear modest attire to worship services.

Bible College Adds New Teachers

Five new faculty members will greet Free Will Baptist Bible College students when they arrive on campus in late August, according to the Academic Dean, Dr. Robert Picirilli. They are:

Dr. James Davis: Dr. Davis, an alumnus of the Bible College who has pastored Free Will Baptist churches in Tennessee and Missouri, is retiring from Vanderbilt University and will teach Science.

Dr. Alan Matthews: Dr. Matthews, a computer technology specialist, is taking a one-year leave of absence from Trevecca Nazarene University to teach Business at the Bible College.

Tom McCullough: Mr. McCullough, also a FWBBC alumnus and veteran missionary to France, will join the faculty to teach Missions.

Brad Sneed: Mr. Sneed attended FWBBC in 1985-86. After a successful ministry with young people in two Arkan-

sas churches, he is returning to the college to teach Youth Ministry.

Dr. Bradley Thomas: Dr. Thomas taught pastoral training courses at New Orleans Theological Seminary and directed its Clinical Pastoral Training program. He will teach Psychology at FWBBC.

They are Christians as are all the teachers, administrators and staff workers at the Bible College. We welcome them to the FWBBC family.

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