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On The Home Front

by Steve Lytle

How will we ever finish the unfinished task? Six billion people and counting live on our planet! One half have either never heard of Jesus Christ, or have not heard an adequate presentation of the gospel to know how to be saved. Hundreds of millions of people will live and die and spend eternity in Hell without ever getting an opportunity to know of God's salvation. Surely, this ought to burden and motivate us to get the gospel out to the unreached.

Yet at the same time, we are thankful for the eternal difference that Free Will Baptists are making around the world. Some of our missionaries labor in receptive countries where a great harvest is being seen (India, Cuba, and Ivory Coast are examples). Others work in resistant countries, where progress is slow and people are resistant to the message, but faithful sowing and watering the seed of the gospel brings hope of an ingathering (France, Spain, Japan, Uruguay). Some countries have seen a degree of receptivity, but there is still significant resistance, and much work remains (Brazil, Panama, Russia). Still other fields, or people groups within countries, are restricted, where a creative approach is necessary to bring

Christians into close proximity to non-Christians for the purpose of showing the love of Christ and sharing the message of Christ (M-Team, Project Restricted Access Countries).

Our missionaries are the "front-line troops." They are indispensable, standing in the gap among perishing multitudes, serving where the spiritual battle rages fiercely. **But they can't do it alone!** Free Will Baptist Foreign Missions and every believer in every FWB church play vital roles as well. Perhaps a good way to look at it is by using the analogy of America's effort to win World War II.

"On the Home Front:" Winning WW II required heroic sacrifice, tireless effort, and steadfast determination, and not just on the part of the front-line soldiers, sailors, airmen, and marines. Men and women in America mobilized, retrained and redeployed, and entered the fray to provide what was necessary in terms of supplies, weapons, and logistical support to enable the Allied forces to storm the beaches, capture the islands, secure the cities, and subdue the enemy troops in the European and Pacific arenas. The whole economy was

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restructured to produce weapons. The civilian population made great sacrifices for the war effort. Churches were filled with people praying for the boys in battle. Everybody was involved.

In a special edition of Pastors' Beat (October 2001), Free Will Baptist Foreign Missions Director James Forlines wrote an article entitled "Aleph or Alpha - Must We Choose" in which he answers the question: Is the home office really needed? He shows that the home office in Nashville does make essential contributions to the efforts of global evangelization.

Funding provided for Support Services is not wasted bureaucratic money that could be better used overseas by front-line missionaries. Why is this the case? Funding the home office enables those of us who serve the cause of world missions here in Nashville to be able to (1) provide a myriad of services for our missionaries from receipting donations to paying bills, from maintaining insurance to publicizing missionary ministries through HeartBeat and other periodicals, from ministering to the missionary family to providing oversight to the entire work around the world, and to (2) "mobilize, not just our missionaries, but our entire denomination to the cause of world evangelization." We in the home office are convinced that seeking to be the catalyst for denominational vision, recruitment, and mobilization is part of the call and responsibility of a denominational mission's agency. We really are needed, and we need the support of FWB people!

God has blessed the efforts of the office in recent years. For example, Mission publications such as Heartbeat have charted departmental reorganization leading to the addition of staff and tools for projected growth, and the adoption of ambitious, courageous budgets. **We have grown so that we can help the denomination to mobilize, in order that the number of missionary units will grow.** Our goal is to "double in a decade" the number of overseas career and short-term missionaries. Reports from our mission fields show steady growth over the past two years. In 2000-2001 our fields reported 3900 professions of faith, 2649 baptisms, and average Sunday attendance in FWB churches around the world of over 18,000. Overseas attendance on our mission fields has doubled over the past ten years. Our missionaries and national workers are doing a commendable job! What would happen if the work force were doubled?

Stateside efforts to mobilize are also bearing fruit in many ways. E-TEAM participation (high school students) has grown from two teams and 16 members in 1997 to six teams and 65 members in 2002. The number of overseas apprentices (college students) grew from 12 to 34 during that same time period. Foreign Missions personnel are also able to challenge pastors, youth workers, and local church

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Correction To Church Needs a Pastor

Please note that the wrong phone number was given for the contact person for the Mt. Pisgah Free Will Baptist Church. The church is seeking a pastor. The correct phone number for Neil Hamilton is 417-962-3261.

Report from Raymore

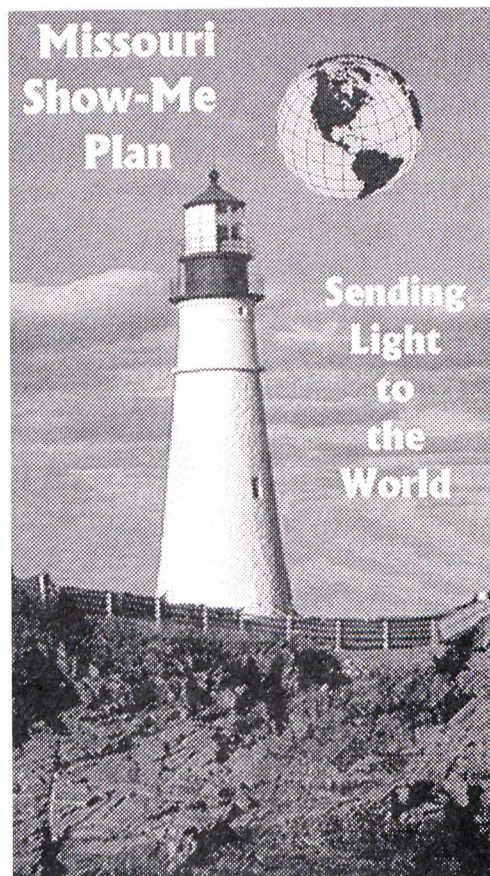
Our mission church has chosen a name. We are the Harvest FWB Church and we use John 4:35 as our verse, "Say not ye, There are yet four months, and then cometh harvest? behold, I say unto you, Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest."

We started our Sunday School about 3 weeks ago. We have three classes and so far are averaging around 19. Our youth group (though still yet small) is hosting a Valentine Banquet on Feb 12. We've gotten a good response so far.

We are still in our temporary building, but have been looking for something more permanent or some land to work with so please keep this item in your prayers.

Yours in Christ

Gene, Sandy & Jon Howell



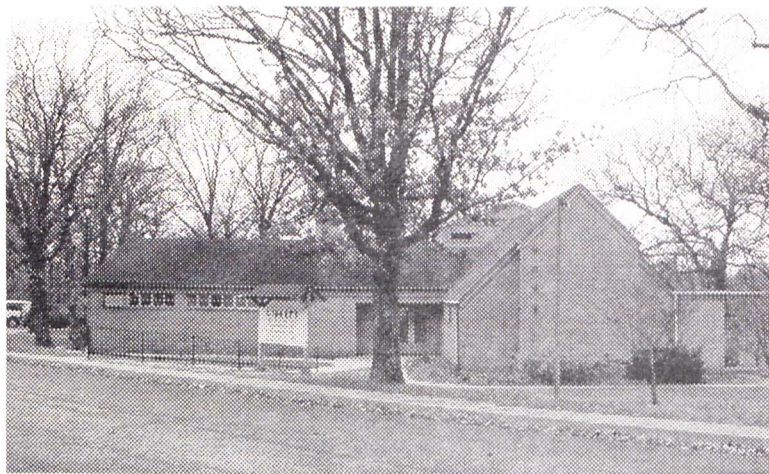
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Liberty Free Will Baptist Church Dedicates New Building

The Liberty Free Will Baptist Church, located in Nevada, Missouri, celebrated its new beginning by dedicating their new building. God has graciously provided the new mission church with a beautiful building which is located on three acres of land. The small mission congregation and volunteers from the Verdella Free Will Baptist Church had painted and spruced up the former Lutheran church building in the days before the dedication service.

The worship services sanctified the sanctuary with songs of praise and gospel preaching. The Graves Family from Oklahoma provided the special music for the morning and afternoon services. Rev. Dale Skiles, Director of Missouri State Home Missions, delivered the message during the eleven o'clock service, and Rev. Nathan Ruble, Missouri Executive Secretary, preached during the afternoon service. Following the morning service, the congregation enjoyed barbequed brisket, turkey, ham, and wild bore with all the trimmings. Missionary Pastor Robby Rutledge did a fine job of leading the congregational singing and presiding over the events of the day.

The Liberty Free Will Baptist Church is located at 1030 S. Clay in Nevada. If you know anyone who is living in the Nevada area who may be a prospect for the church, you may contact Bro. Rutledge at (417) 549-6219.



Sanctuary



Rev. & Mrs. Robby Rutledge

Fellowship Hall



Men's Rally
First Free Will Baptist Church of Ozark
March 7, 2003
Speaker: Rev. Roger Hogan
Dinner at 5:30 p.m.
Service at 7:00 p.m.

leaders in conferences, retreats, and seminars held around the country.

Free Will Baptist Foreign Mission's home office has also produced the video series, "Embracing the Vision." Beginning with ETV I in 2001 and continuing with ETV II in 2002 these videos are, according to one pastor, "tool(s) to show how we can get involved in worldwide missions." Testimonials of pastors, laymen, and churches across the denomination speak of the benefit of these videos. They provide (1) tools for mobilization, (2) teaching on the Biblical basis for missions, (3) a look at every believer's role and responsibility in the Great Commission, (4) the challenges of reaching unreached peoples, (5) a challenge to develop an Acts 1:8 strategy in the local church, (6) a look at opportunities and how to take advantage of them, and more. **"Embracing the Vision III" is currently under production.** It will show the value of continued support in the fruit of ministries in India and Cuba. Those who have contributed to world outreach will rejoice at what God is doing. "Acts 1:8 In Action" will challenge viewers with the needs and opportunities to mobilize for global witness.

In our denominational structure, God has raised up the Foreign Missions Department in Nashville and given us a vital role to play. Please remember the home office with a generous offering during April for the World Missions Offering. We advance the global cause of Christ when we support both the missionaries serving overseas and those who serve those missionaries and challenge our denomination to greater involvement in the unfinished task. Working together, we can make an eternal difference!

Missouri State CTS Competition May 9 - 10, 2003 Calvary Fellowship Fenton, MO

The **2003 Missouri State Competition** is just around the corner. **Calvary Fellowship Free Will Baptist Church in Fenton, MO**, will be the site for this year's competition. We're expecting the largest number of entries ever.

Remember these rules: Individual contestants may enter no more than three (3) categories and divisions, excluding Bible Competition entries. Any church having four (4) or more entries in Music and Arts Categories 1-9, **must have at least one Bible Competition entry** at the lowest level of competition.

Coaches and Sponsors need to be thoroughly familiar with the **NYC Guidelines**. Copies of the *Guidelines* can be obtained from the Lebanon Bible and Book Store (417) 532-9516.

Entry Fees for the competition shall be:

\$25.00 per single entry category

\$45.00 per group entry (2-4 people)

\$75.00 per group entry (5+ people)

The **entry deadline is April 10, 2002**. **Please use a separate form for each entry.** Send entry forms and appropriate fees to:

Missouri Youth Ministries Bd.

% Mark Braisher

P.O. Box 23808

Overland Park, KS 66283

(913)685-2855

Motel Information for Youth Competetive Activities

Pear Tree Inn

1100 S. Highway Dr.

Fenton MO 63026

636-343-8820

All rooms \$89.00

Mention that you are with Free Will Baptist CTS



Pastors of churches giving \$1,000 or more will be recognized during a special dinner at the 2003 National Association in Tampa, Fla.

Offerings must be received by Foreign Missions, P.O. Box 5002, Antioch, TN 37011-5002 before June 30 to ensure a reservation for the recognition dinner on Wednesday evening.



Help your pastor and his wife visit the Free Will Baptist Work in Cuba! Just give to the . . .

Laura Belle Barnard
World Missions Offering
April 27, 2003

If your church gives (undesigned)

\$10,000 or more - The pastor and his wife receive an all-expense paid trip to Cuba where "Mom and Pop" Willey labored and where the work is flourishing. The church receives a beautiful framed collage of Laura Belle Barnard and other pioneer missionaries.

\$5,000 or more - The church receives a beautiful framed gemstone wall map (left) and the pastor receives a nice framed collage of Laura Belle Barnard and other pioneer missionaries.

\$1,000 or more - The church receives a nice framed collage of Laura Belle Barnard and other pioneer missionaries.

National Youth Conference Competition Registration Form

District-State-National

COMPETITION CODES

Circle the appropriate information below and write correct code numbers in the boxes in the top right-hand corner:

AGE GROUP...

- A Grades 1-3
- B Grades 4-6
- C Grades 7-9
- D Grades 10-12

BIBLE DIVISIONS...

- 0.11 Bible Memorization - Grade 1
- 0.12 Bible Memorization - Grade 2
- 0.13 Bible Memorization - Grade 3
- 0.14 Bible Memorization - Grade 4
- 0.15 Bible Memorization - Grade 5
- 0.16 Bible Memorization - Grade 6
- 0.17 Bible Memorization - Grade 7
- 0.18 Bible Memorization - Grade 8
- 0.19 Bible Memorization - Grade 9
- 0.20 Bible Memorization - Grade 10
- 0.21 Bible Memorization - Grade 11
- 0.22 Bible Memorization - Grade 12
- 0.40 Bible Sword Drill - Grade 4
- 0.50 Bible Sword Drill - Grade 5
- 0.60 Bible Sword Drill - Grade 6
- 0.70 Bible Tic Tac Toe
- 0.80 Bible Bowl
- 0.90 Truth Quest

MUSIC & ARTS...

Vocal Solo

- 1.10 Vocal Solo (Age A - B)
- 1.20 Male Vocal Solo (Age C - D)
- 1.30 Female Vocal Solo (Age C - D)

Vocal Ensemble

- 2.20 Duets
- 2.30 Trios
- 2.40 Quartets
- 2.50 Ensemble with 5-12 members
- 2.60 Ensemble with 13 or more members

Instrumental Solo (non-keyboard)

- 3.10 Woodwind
- 3.20 Brass
- 3.30 Strings (Bowed)
- 3.40 Strings (Plucked)
- 3.50 Percussion

Instrumental Ensemble

- 4.10 Duets, Trios, or Quartets
- 4.20 Ensemble with 5 or more members

Keyboard

- 5.10 Manual/Electronic Solo
- 5.20 Keyboard Ensemble

Communication Arts

- 6.10 Famous Speech
- 6.20 Preaching
- 6.30 Individual Drama
- 6.40 Illustrated Storytelling
- 6.50 Group Drama
- 6.60 Puppetry (live)
- 6.70 Puppetry (recorded)

Creative Writing

- 7.10 Short Story
- 7.20 Essay
- 7.30 Poetry

Electronic Media

- 8.10 Video
- 8.20 Web Page Design
- 8.30 Powerpoint Presentation

Creative Arts

- 9.10 Painting
- 9.20 Graphics
- 9.30 Three-Dimensional Art
- 9.40 Photography
- 9.50 Fabricated Art
- 9.60 Promotional Graphic Art
- 9.70 Computer Art

COMPETITION FEES

- \$25.00 Per single entry category
- \$45.00 per group entries of 2-4 people
- \$75.00 per group entries of 5+ people

20 Record code numbers from left column here → -

Year

Name of participant or group (as you want it to appear in the directory)

Name of Church

City

State

Pastor's Name

Pastor's phone number

 - -

Name of director (or coach)

Director's phone number

 - -

Name of Association

Total Fee for this entry

 \$.00

Complete the following information for each participant in this entry:

1. Name

Address

City St. Zip

Phone Birthday Grade just completed

2. Name

Address

City St. Zip

Phone Birthday Grade just completed

3. Name

Address

City St. Zip

Phone Birthday Grade just completed

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11. Name

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City St. Zip

Phone Birthday Grade just completed

12. Name

Address

City St. Zip

Phone Birthday Grade just completed

For groups larger than 12, please use two forms to record additional information.

PARTICIPANT'S PLEDGE (to be signed by the individual participant or by the director (coach) of a group)

I certify that the information on this form is correct and that I (or each group member) meet the requirements for competition indicated above as stated in the Guidelines for Competitive Activities, and I promise to conduct myself (or group) in a manner becoming to a Christian and representative of my church, district, and state.

PLEASE USE A SEPARATE FORM FOR EACH ENTRY!

Mail to:

Missouri Youth Ministries Bd.
% Mark Braisher
P.O. Box 23808
Overland Park, KS 66283

Signature of Participant or Director (Coach)

Please Print Plainly



Missions Moment - MEN

by Curt Holland

We have all heard the familiar phrase, "We're looking for a few good men!" Missourians have always been proud of the great men that call Missouri home! They have been as diverse and important as George Washington Carver, the slave-born agricultural chemist and educator, to President Harry S. Truman. More well known men of Missouri today are our United States Attorney General, John Ashcroft or the Ram's quarterback, Curt Warner or the Chief's running back, Priest Holmes.

Even in the apostle Paul's day, he was looking for a few good men! He challenged Timothy to seek out those men (and women) who would not only be faithful, but be able to reach and disciple others as well. My life verse is 2 Timothy 2:2, "And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also." In the 80's, when I was pastoring the Verdella Church, the Lord led me to memorize the book of 2 Timothy. I then taught the faithful men principles to some young men. It was one of the greatest challenges to my faith and I hope it was for those that I tried to disciple.

In 1997, when we returned for our second term of missionary service in Brazil, "I was looking for a few good men!" The Lord blessed our search and He began to save and transform special men for His glory. God used our leadership to help prepare and train these men for leadership responsibilities at the Sao Jose FWB Church. In January 2003, I returned to Brazil for two weeks. I had the joy of praying for the new church board and ministry leaders at the Sao Jose Church. During our term, I sought to train pastor

Osmir based on the principles of 2 Timothy 2:2. Thankfully, by the Lord's grace, Osmir is continuing to lead the Sao Jose based on these same principles.

The United States has risen on the strength of leadership, vision, integrity and character of President Bush during the past 18 months. The principle of 2 Timothy 2:2 calls for the same type of vision, leadership, integrity and character in our church planting endeavors. Credibility, stability, leadership and endurance should come from men. It must come from men, especially in a male dominant Latin culture. Men reach men and women. Women reach women and children. Men must form the base and foundation of any long lasting indigenous church plant.

Leadership begets leadership. When we develop our leaders, they in turn will produce leaders and followers. When we develop followers, they will only develop followers and never leaders. We need to train and pray that the Lord would use our sons and daughters. We need to commit our best, brightest and boldest teens and young adults to the Lord's service. We need to prepare them to take short-term mission trips to Chicago, Houston, LA, and Mexico. We need to encourage them to be involved in E-TEAM and other ministry-related ministries in our denomination.

I made a decision to reach men and their families during our church-planting ministry with the Sao Jose Church. Today men are leading men and discipling young men who have no fathers and no role model in their lives. Join me in prayer for more men from Missouri that will impact our world! Please continue to pray for the men that God is using around the world to disciple men, women and children in our Free Will Baptist Churches!

McDONALDS News

The Tokyo church planting team is enjoying encouraging response and a growing little body of believers for worship at the Good News Chapel. Christmas outreaches were very well attended, giving us many contacts to follow up and befriend for the gospel.

In addition to the church outreaches, we were able to open our home to 13 unsaved adults in our neighborhood who study English with Donnie. We enjoyed an evening Christmas party of food and games on Dec. 19 (our 22nd wedding anniversary!) and sent them each home with a book of selected Bible passages. Pray that the Lord will give them seeking hearts.

Please pray for the couples' Valentine Tea on Feb. 15 at Good News Chapel. We're praying for 15-20 young couples, all now within the sphere of the team's influence, to attend. Most of these couples are unsaved parents of small children. Plans include coffee and dessert and a 1-1/2 hour program of music and testimonies. The response among this particular age group has led us to think about future seminars and outreaches relating to family, marriage and parenting.

On the weekend of March 7-9 we are participating as a sponsoring church in a Gospel Choir Workshop and Concert. Japanese are currently very interested in black gospel music (think Sister Act/Brooklyn Tabernacle Choir) and classes are springing up all over the country in secular music studios. The March workshop and concert will be conducted by a former professional musician turned Conservative Baptist missionary. We're praying for a choir of 70 people, made up of believers and unbelievers. What a wonderful opportunity to explain the truths of the gospel and the reason for this genre of music! We hope several of our friends, neighbors, and English students will participate and be drawn to the Lord through the weekend outreach.

Thank you for your prayers, support and encouragement as we work together to push back the darkness and let the one true Light shine through!

The McDonalds

PINKERTONS HANGING ON



(Following are two e-mails from the Pinkertons which will give you some idea of their status.)

Hanging from the LaLa Limbo rope grabbing onto the frayed knot...we continue to hold on as we swing back & forth like a busy yo-yo.

We had thought the first part of this term would be working with ten Institute Students-potential FWB Pastors.. a frayed knot!

We had thought the second part would be working with the newly formed 3rd FWB Church assisting Pastor Samuel in Abidjan..a frayed knot!

We had thought returning to the Ivory Coast this Feb would be a possibility...a frayed knot!

Lord willing, tomorrow 29th, we'll head to Nashville & meet with Mission Officials...Still praying to return to Africa, but now due to increasing troubles -even in Abidjan - should we be allowed to return it will be not Feb —but later! Just how much later, we know not.

Thank you for your faithful prayers for the African Believers. Thank you

for remembering us & our White Family. We will let you know what's going on when we find out.

As you see, there are many frayed knots around. Our confidence is in the ONE holding this frayed knot yo yo.. We continue to trust and hope in HIM.

Perhaps we'll have more information soon—just feel like you're swinging along with us and wanted to let you know how much we appreciate your company...aren't frayed knot yo yos fun?.... Well, maybe not fun, but we know HE is in control. Were trying to be faithful servants working for HIM as we swing along.

Jerry & Carol Pinkerton

Greetings...

We continue to swing from A Frayed Knot. Two weeks ago we were fairly

certain we'd be back "home" in Abidjan by the end of Feb 03.. Missionaries that had left when we did were returning...a treaty had been signed by the rebels and the President of IC. It was beginning to look quite positive....A Frayed Knot.

However, even before we got to Nashville to talk with Mission Leaders, the e-mails from Abidjan twisted the knot a bit tighter: the returned miss'ys were packing their bags for another departure; a hundred thousand Africans were on the streets opposing the signed treaty; French citizens were insulted & harrassed as they made their way to the airport with helicopters overhead offering some protection... Abidjan has become the hot spot.

Our talks with Mission Leaders were positive & even encouraging...For those who desire to return to Africa April will no longer be the deadline for decision making. If the African Situation calms down it is still possible we can return.

Thank you for your prayers.. thanks for hanging along with us on this Frayed Knot. We're setting up more services trying to remain busy about Our Father's Business regardless of where we find ourselves... Thanks so much for your loyal support.

Jerry & Carol Pinkerton

THE TURNBOUGH REPORT

Greetings,

We are excited that teammates TIM, KRISTI and ALEJANDRO JOHNSON introduced us to a NEW missionary to Spain today: ANA! Mother and baby are doing great. PTL!

After church on Sunday, SIX COLOMBIANS that we study the Bible with on Friday evenings asked to speak to me. They were concerned that they "did not do well" on the little review quiz I gave them last Friday on what we had studied the previous week. After I left the study, they stayed up until three in the morning talking about this —they wanted to make sure that I know that they all take the Bible study very seriously and they all want to follow Jesus, but that they need to learn more. Wow! I told them that on the one hand I was sorry for causing them to be concerned, but on the other hand I was glad that they are concerned —that shows that God is working in their hearts. PTL!

One of the architects called this week to say that he wants to get together this week to give us his bid for building the Villalba Church building. If we have understood correctly, the legal agreement we presented to the town council went before the government commission this last week. As soon as we have more news about these matters we'll let you know! Please pray.

You probably already know that our son, MATTHEW his wife BROOKE, along with JOSH & CHRISTI SMITH and CHUCK STEWART were approved last month by our board to come to Spain for a short term of service. They are raising support NOW. Since Matthew grew up in Spain, he is kind of a foreigner in the USA and needs people, churches, and States to ADOPT him. We are very thankful that they WANT to come to Spain for God's glory! Please pray that God will impress His people to encourage them all by committing to pray for and support them.

Here for HIS glory,
Jeff and Susan Turnbough
jeffturnbough@wanadoo.es

FAVORABLE REVIEW FOR FORLINES' LATEST BOOK

Leroy Forlines' latest book, *The Quest For Truth: Answering Life's Inescapable Questions* (published by Randall House), was favorably reviewed in the December 2002 issue of the *Journal of the Evangelical Theological Society*.

Reviewer Louis Igou Hodges, of Columbia Biblical Seminary, said, "Forlines has presented to the Christian community an excellent practical presentation and defense of the classical non-Wesleyan Arminianism that is rarely represented in the systematic theology sections of academic and church libraries, a challenge for Calvinistic writers to answer, and an example of the necessary and fruitful wedding of doctrine and life directed toward the zealous ministry of the gospel toward the lost."

Worship Service Averages October 2002- January 2003

<u>Churches:</u>	<u>Oct.</u>	<u>Nov.</u>	<u>Dec.</u>	<u>Jan.</u>
Belton		35	44	37
Buffalo 1 st	140	125	134	
Cabool	48	39	41	41
Calvary Chapel	268	300	264	277
Calvary Fellowship	372	348	358	374
Cape Girardeau	60	65		58
Copper Mines	61	58	55	
Columbia	53	56	54	54
Crossroads- Wentzville	69	71	66	
De Soto	221	208	230	211
Green Hills	25	24	28	20
Hannon	127		137	126
Harmony - Parkville	85		72	
Hartville	198		194	201
Hopewell	32		31	
Houston	63	65	60	54
Hurryville	93	93	97	85
Joplin 1 st	107	113	107	
Kingsway	35		35	33
Lebanon FWB	50	53	53	56
Macedonia- Purdy	151	155	165	164
Mill Creek	90	89	96	93
Mt. Pisgah	60	66		
Myrtle			28	33
New Life - Licking	50	59		
Oak Hill- Union	64	67	57	59
O'Fallon 1 st	146	151	150	
Ozark 1 st	178	167	167	163
Pleasant Hill	27	28	25	
Richwoods 1 st	42	52		
Rock Chapel	47	48	57	48
Rolla 1 st	36	36	30	39
Springfield 1 st	107	104	102	
Sunnyview	48	53		
Terrill Road	59	65	69	
Thayer	143	145	147	152
Trinity	79	53	85	
Union Grove	126	116	118	119
United	640	569	667	586
Victory- KC	91	101	104	102
Willow Springs-Mtn. Grove			66	

This is only a partial listing. There are 187 FWB Churches in Missouri. Each church is encouraged to send in their worship averages.

Memorandum !

TO: MISSOURI PASTORS, FREE WILL
BAPTIST COLLEGES AND ALL WOMAN'S
AUXILIARY OFFICERS AND MEMBERS

FROM: MISSOURI WOMEN ACTIVE FOR
CHRIST SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

RE: MISSOURI WOMEN ACTIVE FOR
CHRIST SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

The Missouri Women Active for Christ has established a scholarship fund to assist young Christian women who attend Free Will Baptist colleges. Listed below is the criteria for qualification.

1. The applicant must be a female student.
2. The applicant must enroll as a "full-time" student.
3. The applicant must be a resident of Missouri and a member of a Missouri Free Will Baptist church.
4. The applicant must have already made application to a Free Will Baptist college.
5. The application should be forwarded to the president of the Missouri Women Active for Christ.
6. The scholarship Committee will evaluate the applications and award the scholarship.
7. Scholarship funds will be placed in the student's name at the Free Will Baptist college specified by the student who is selected.
8. Students who are awarded the scholarship will be eligible the second year for approximately one-half of the first year's award. Students must reapply for second year.
9. Deadline for receiving the application for consideration is May 15.

If there are young ladies in your congregation who would qualify for this scholarship, please share this information with them, and make a copy of the application on the adjoining page for them.

Thank you for helping us assist deserving young women who wish to receive their education at one of our Free Will Baptist colleges.

Missouri State Women Active for Christ
President, Shirley Jackson



Missouri Women Active For Christ

** Scholarship Application



Personal And Academic Information:

Name _____
Last First Middle
Address _____
Street or P.O. Box City State Zip
Telephone (____) _____ Social Security Number _____
Parents' Name _____
High School _____ Date of Graduation _____
Church Membership _____ How Long? _____
Pastor's Name _____ Address _____
Date of Birth _____ Birthplace _____
Probable College Major or Academic Interests _____
High School Grade Point Average _____ ACT _____ SAT _____
Class Rank _____ In a Class of _____ Students
Other Colleges Attended _____

Activities and Awards: List all awards, activities and any leadership positions held in high school and church community. Use another attachment if necessary:

References: Please identify three individuals who will be submitting letters of recommendation. These should include your church pastor, a member of the Woman's Auxiliary or another church member, and one person familiar with you outside of church activities (School Principal, Teacher, etc.):

Name _____ Position _____
Address _____ Phone _____
Name _____ Position _____
Address _____ Phone _____
Name _____ Position _____
Address _____ Phone _____

** Along with this application, please include:

1. An official transcript of work completed at least through the first semester of the Senior year in high school and any transcripts from colleges attended.
2. A typed essay explaining your interest in this college, your spiritual commitment, your plans for the future and the contributions you anticipate you can make in your college and church communities.
3. A recent photograph of yourself.

Today's Date _____ Applicant's Signature _____

PLEASE MAIL APPLICATIONS TO:

Shirley Jackson, 428 Kimberly Ln., Saint Peters, MO 63376

This and That

Special Promotion!!!

To make it possible for everyone to attend church next Sunday, we are going to have a special "No Excuse Sunday." Cots will be placed in the foyer for those who say, "Sunday is my only day to sleep in." Murine will be available for those with tired eyes... from watching television too late on Saturday night. We will have steel helmets for those who say, "The roof would cave in if I ever came to church." Blankets will be provided for those who think the church is too cold, and fans for those who think the church is too hot. We will have hearing aids for those who say, "The Pastor speaks too softly," and cotton for those who say he preaches too loudly. Score cards will be available for those who wish to list the hypocrites present. Some relatives will be in attendance for those who like to go visiting on Sunday. There will be 100 TV dinners for those who cannot go to church and cook dinner also. One section will be devoted to trees and grass for those who like to seek God in nature. Finally, the sanctuary will be decorated with both Christmas poinsettias and Easter lilies for those who have never seen the church without them...

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Satisfaction

One dare not couch down in the tent of satisfaction more than one night. In the morning, he must fold his tent and search for new achievements.

**"The true value of money
is not in its possession, but in its use."**

Aesop

Financial Report

January 2003

Cooperative Disbursements

January 2003 \$80,203.80

18.50%MO Home Missions	\$14,837.70
17.00%Executive Office	13,634.65
3.00%General Fund	2,406.11
50%Show-Me Plan	401.02
8.50%Youth Camp Board	6,817.32
3.00%Youth Camp Restricted	2,406.11
2.00%Youth Ministries Board	1,604.08
2.00%Christian Ed Bd	1,604.08
2.00%Senior Adult Min Bd	1,604.08
9.00%MO Retirement	7,218.34
31.50%	25,264.20
National Ministries, Hillsdale and California Christian College	
Foreign Missions Board	
National Home Missions Board	
Same Allocation	
Free Will Baptist Bible College	
Hillsdale Free Will Bapt College	
Executive Department	
Layman's Board	
Radio & TV Commission	
Theological Commission	
Historical Commission	
Board of Retirement & Insurance	
1.00% California Christian College	

3.00%MO Show-Me Plan 2,406.11
Total \$80,203.80

The Co-op allocation for National Ministries is undesignated this year, with FWBBC and Hillsdale receiving an equal amount. California Christian College will continue to receive 1%.

Co-op

Alton	\$200.00
Amity	\$163.99
Aulsbury Chapel	\$205.54
Bailey	\$211.00
Bailey Chapel	\$181.00
Beacon	\$841.00
Belton	\$340.36
Berean	\$80.00
Bethel- El Dorado Springs	\$495.50
Black Oak	\$487.72
Buffalo 1st	\$100.00
Byrd	\$102.00
Cabool 1st	\$267.08
Cabool 1st	\$360.21
Calvary Chapel	\$1,487.84
Carthage	\$295.00
Christ Chapel	\$571.04
Clifton	\$59.39
Columbia	\$566.68
Copper Mines	\$470.58
Cornerstone	\$537.59
Crossroads- Lebanon	\$2,053.00
Crossroads- Wentzville	\$1,417.00
Cuba	\$556.00
De Soto 1st	\$1,590.00
Faith & Hope- Aurora	\$270.15
Faith & Hope- Aurora	\$65.56
Faith & Hope- Willow Springs	\$108.11
Farmington 1st	\$3,714.81

Fellowship	\$2,700.00
Fordland	\$786.96
Fourth	\$335.10
Fredericktown 1st	\$231.00
Freeman Chapel	\$543.10
Gospel Light	\$100.00
Grace	\$1,529.00
Green Hills- Kirksville	\$106.52
Greenfield	\$319.00
Hannibal	\$563.00
Hannon	\$1,190.00
Harmony	\$593.00
Hartville	\$1,526.00
Hazel Creek	\$768.70
Hopewell	\$369.00
Houston 1st	\$348.02
Hurryville	\$618.70
Jackson	\$213.48
Joplin 1st	\$842.29
Kings way	\$256.39
Koshkonong	\$106.00
Lead Hill	\$255.57
Leadington	\$390.68
Lebanon	\$294.43
Lebanon 1st	\$1,081.96
Lebanon FWB	\$471.38
Liberty-Nevada	\$75.00
Lone Star	\$57.00
Macedonia- Niangua	\$101.65
Marshfield	\$194.00
Merls Chapel	\$143.00
Mill Creek	\$630.21
Mine La Motte	\$106.86
Monett 1st	\$699.80
Monett 1st	\$527.62
Mountain Grove 1st	\$2,040.00
Mt. Pisgah	\$440.00
Mt. Zion- Gower	\$62.00
Myrtle	\$300.34
Myrtle	\$287.98
Neosho 1st	\$95.00
Neosho 1st	\$95.00
New Harmony	\$6,400.00
New Hope	\$70.00
New Life- Licking	\$458.76
Niangua	\$268.61
Niangua	\$203.85
North Five	\$29.92
Number One	\$247.96
Number One	\$195.16
O' Fallon 1st	\$1,738.00
Oak Grove- Mtn. Grove	\$248.17
Oak Hill	\$535.00
Olivet	\$530.00
Overland	\$110.00
Ozark 1st	\$1,728.90
Palabras De Vida Eterna	\$47.50
Park Hills 1st	\$736.77
Parkview	\$574.13
Pleasant Hill	\$138.81
Pleasant Ridge	\$124.00
Potosi 1st	\$169.69
Republic	\$100.00
Richwoods	\$612.00
Rock Chapel	\$375.71
Rolla 1st	\$359.00
Royal Oak	\$85.00
Salem	\$90.00
Seymour	\$584.00
Smyrna	\$134.00
South Fremont	\$530.00

Southern Hills	\$594.00
Springfield 1st	\$1,436.51
Stockton	\$299.90
Terrill Road	\$50.00
Thayer	\$1,213.00
Trinity	\$1,103.58
Twin Oak	\$1,393.00
Union Grove	\$399.00
Union Light	\$185.00
United	\$1,943.87
Unity	\$600.00
Verdella	\$757.16
Viburnum	\$756.30
Victory- Alton	\$683.31
Victory- KC	\$7,864.85
West Plains 1st	\$874.00
West Plains 1st	\$704.00
Westport	\$75.00
Wilderness	\$845.53
Willow Springs-Mtn. Grove	\$346.79
Wolf Creek	\$461.17
Total	\$80,203.80

Show-Me Plan

Barker, Rev. J.	\$15.00
Barker, Rev. J.	\$15.00
Beacon	\$759.00
Belton	\$165.00
Berean	\$30.00
Berry, R.	\$15.00
Bethel - El Dorado Springs	\$545.51
Bethel - Festus	\$45.00
Black Oak	\$60.00
Boothel District Association	\$260.00
Brown, J.	\$15.00
Buffalo 1st	\$60.00
Burns, J.	\$60.00
Buxton, G.	\$30.00
Cabool	\$105.00
Cabool	\$105.00
Calvary Chapel - Buffalo	\$105.00
Calvary Fellowship	\$1,582.00
Cartee, J.	\$15.00
Carthage	\$1,005.46
Carthage Aux.	\$250.00
Chapel of the Ozarks	\$747.05
Columbia	\$75.00
Cooperative Fund	\$2,406.11
Copper Mines	\$63.32
Copper Mines	\$150.00
Copper Mines - Teen & Jr. Cl	\$30.00
Copper Mines - Yg. Adult Class	\$15.00
Cornerstone - Mtn. Grove	\$304.75
Cross Roads - Lebanon	\$240.00
Cuba	\$143.00
Darnell, W.	\$15.00
DeSoto 1st	\$552.50
DeSoto 1st - Auditorium Class	\$30.00
Faith & Hope - W.S.	\$120.00
Farmington 1st	\$740.00
Fellowship	\$1,209.39
Fordland	\$250.00
Fourth	\$75.00
Fourth	\$45.00
Fredericktown 1st	\$90.00
Freeman Chapel	\$540.00
Garrett, R.	\$15.00
Gospel Light	\$1,000.00
Grace	\$1,046.50
Graham, S.	\$50.00
Grant Ave.	\$320.00
Greenfield	\$180.00
Hannibal - WAC	\$30.00
Hannon	\$5,340.00
Happy Hill	\$60.00
Happy Hill	\$60.00
Harmony - Parkville	\$49.90
Hartville	\$240.00
Hazel Creek	\$512.47
Houston 1st	\$434.00
Hurryville	\$500.00
Hurryville Sr. Adult S.S. Class	\$15.00
Indian Creek Assn.	\$195.47
Indian Creek Aux.	\$100.15
Indian Ck Bowling Fund Raiser	\$267.50
Jackson	\$40.00

Jones Chapel	\$210.00
Joplin 1st	\$611.72
Joplin 1st	\$75.00
Leadington	\$195.00
Lebanon 1st	\$150.00
Lebanon F.W.B.	\$30.00
Lebanon F.W.B.	\$30.00
Macedonia - Purdy	\$5,372.62
Macedonia - Purdy	\$1,000.00
Maggart, D.	\$45.00
Matthews, G.	\$90.00
Merl's Chapel	\$327.00
Merl's Chapel	\$200.00
Mill Creek	\$140.00
Mill Creek C. W. F.	\$15.00
Mill Creek Young Adult S.S.C.	\$15.00
Mine La Motte	\$75.00
Missouri State Women Active For Christ	\$839.14
Monett 1st	\$621.53
Monett 1st	\$55.00
Monett 1st	\$45.00
Monett 1st Ladies Aux.	\$50.00
Mountain Grove 1st	\$680.00
Mouser, J.	\$60.00
Mt. Pisgah	\$75.00
Mt. Zion - Thayer	\$30.00
Myrtle	\$75.00
Myrtle	\$75.00
Neosho 1st	\$1,010.00
Neosho 1st	\$180.00
Neosho Aux.	\$875.00
New Home - Hartville	\$210.00
New Hope - Fredericktown	\$105.00
New Life - Licking	\$175.06
New Life - Monett	\$2,155.23
New Life - Monett	\$75.00
New Testament	\$15.00
New Testament	\$15.00
Niangua	\$30.00
Noel, D.	\$15.00
Number One	\$60.00
Oak Grove - Houston	\$30.00
Oak Hill - Union	\$20.00
O'Fallon 1st	\$93.00
Olivet	\$30.00
Ozark 1st	\$30.00
Palabras De Vida Eterna	\$20.00
Park Hills 1st	\$221.04
Parker, G.	\$15.00
Parker, G.	\$15.00
Parkview - Desloge	\$360.15
Pinkerton, J.	\$45.00
Pleasant Grove - Anderson	\$1,250.00
Pleasant Grove - Anderson	\$135.00
Pleasant Hill	\$45.00
Pleasant Ridge - Urbana	\$50.00
Pouge, R.	\$15.00
Purdy	\$1,337.50
Purdy	\$345.00
Reiter, Ken	\$30.00
Richwoods	\$52.50
Rock Chapel	\$210.00
Rolla 1st	\$30.00
Royal Oak	\$120.00
Ruble N.	\$45.00
South Fremont	\$75.00
Southeast MO Assn.	\$90.00
Southern Hills	\$90.00
Springfield 1st	\$545.00
Stockton	\$59.50
Thayer	\$405.00
Trinity	\$495.00
Union Light	\$150.00
United - West Plains	\$300.00
Unity	\$75.00
Verdella	\$1,107.16
Viburnum	\$150.00
Victory - K.C.	\$1,674.00
Walnut Grove	\$15.00
Westport	\$30.00
White, R.	\$15.00
Wilderness	\$225.47
Willow Springs - Mtn. Grove	\$70.00
Willow Springs 1st	\$150.00
Total	\$49,911.70

Foreign Missions

Belton	\$20.00
Calvary Fellowship	\$385.00
Carthage	\$154.00
Carthage Aux.	\$166.66
Chapel of the Ozarks	\$498.02
Chapman, A.	\$20.00
Cuba	\$28.60
Faith & Hope - Aurora	\$270.15
Faith & Hope - Aurora	\$65.57
Farmington 1st	\$37.50
Fordland	\$10.00
Grace	\$30.00
Grant Ave.	\$31.00
Houston 1st	\$60.00
Indian Creek Assn.	\$123.63
Indian Creek Aux.	\$66.77
Indian Creek Bowling	\$178.33
Joplin 1st	\$407.81
Joplin 1st	\$50.00
Macedonia - Purdy	\$2,248.41
Matthew, A.	\$15.00
Merl's Chapel	\$218.00
Minor, K.	\$10.00
Monett 1st	\$414.34
Monett 1st Ladies Aux.	\$33.34
Neosho 1st	\$583.34
Neosho Aux.	\$583.33
New Life - Monett	\$1,436.82
New Testament	\$80.00
New Testament	\$80.00
O'Fallon 1st	\$25.00
Pleasant Grove - Anderson	\$833.33
Pleasant Ridge Auxiliary	\$25.00
Purdy	\$661.66
Rock Chapel	\$10.00
South Fremont	\$25.00
Southern Hills	\$300.00
Thayer	\$10.00
Trinity	\$306.97
Victory - K.C.	\$181.10
Total	\$10,683.68

Nat'l Home Missions

Beacon	\$55.00
Belton	\$15.00
Calvary Fellowship	\$3,666.00
Carthage	\$5.00
Columbia	\$25.00
Cuba	\$85.80
De Soto 1st	\$430.00
Farmington 1st	\$384.00
Fordland	\$30.00
Fourth	\$50.00
Fourth	\$50.00
Fredericktown	\$15.00
Gospel Light	\$240.00
Grace	\$32.00
Grant Avenue	\$12.00
Hannon	\$3,213.00
Houston 1st	\$45.00
Huffman, T.	\$10.00
Jackson	\$81.00
Joplin 1st	\$20.00
King, B.	\$5.00
Liberty- Nevada	\$5.00
Macedonia- Purdy	\$200.00
Macedonia- Purdy	\$600.00
Monett 1st	\$5.00
Monett 1st	\$5.00
Mountain Grove 1st	\$60.00
Mt. Pisgah	\$25.00
Neosho 1st	\$100.00
Neosho 1st	\$100.00
New Home- Hartville	\$10.00
New Life-Monett	\$50.00
New Testament	\$160.00
New Testament	\$140.00
Oak Hill	\$330.00
O'Fallon 1st	\$98.00
Palabras De Vida Eterna	\$50.00
Park Hills	\$168.68
Rader, J.	\$20.00
Richwoods	\$54.12
Rock Chapel	\$61.00

Ruble, N.	\$15.00
South Fremont	\$65.00
Thayer	\$185.00
Thebeau, B.	\$5.00
Trinity	\$255.18
Union Light	\$96.00
United	\$150.00
Unity	\$50.00
Verdella	\$10.00
Victory- KC	\$450.00
Walnut Grove	\$20.00
West Plains 1st	\$30.00
Westport	\$15.00
Wolf Creek	\$75.00
Total	\$12,131.78

State Home Missions

Berean	\$15.00
Bethel- Festus	\$30.00
Copper Mines	\$75.00
De Soto 1st	\$90.00
De Soto 1st Children's Church	\$100.00
Faith Chapel	\$110.00
Fellowship	\$225.00
Fordland	\$10.00
Gospel Light	\$80.00
Grace	\$70.00
Hannibal WAC	\$36.00
Lebanon Bible & Book	\$330.00
Macedonia-Purdy	\$500.00
Mountain Grove 1st	\$25.00
Myrtle	\$84.00
Myrtle	\$101.00
Niangua	\$67.10
O' Fallon 1st	\$98.00
Ozark 1st	\$10.00
Pleasant Ridge	\$20.00
Republic	\$25.00
Southeast MO Assn.	\$90.00
Thayer	\$85.00
Trinity	\$55.18
United	\$25.00
White, R.	\$10.00
Total	\$2,366.28

Youth Camp

Cabool	10.00
Hartville	10.00
Mountain Grove 1st	10.00
Park Hills 1st	39.98
Niangua	20.00
Mt. Pisgah	15.00
DeSoto 1st	55.00
Lebanon Bible & Book Store	180.00
Rolla 1st	20.00
Cornerstone	25.00
New Home- Hartville	10.00
Trinity	9.00
New Life-Monett	252.10
Ozark 1st	10.00
Thayer	50.00
Hannon	50.00
Willow Springs- Mtn. Grove	10.00
Verdella	10.00
Jones Chapel	100.00
West Plains 1st	25.00
Berean	15.00
Buffalo 1st	50.00
Cabool	10.00
Niangua	20.00
Total	\$1,006.08

Camp Development Fund

Fourth	260.00
Myrtle	35.00
Rock Chapel	100.00
Houston 1st	100.00
Myrtle	30.00
Total	\$525.00

Free Will Baptist Bible College

Myrtle(Paul Ketteman Fund)	100.00
Farmington 1st	152.84
De Soto 1st	40.00

Ruble, N.	15.00
Thayer	50.00
Verdella	151.43
Hannon(Paul Ketteman Fund)	300.00
Oak Hill	10.00
Total	\$644.10

Hillsdale Free Will Baptist College

Neosho 1st	50.00
Grant Avenue	2.00
Farmington 1st	172.16
Monett	100.00
Thayer	50.00
Hannon	100.00
Jones Chapel	75.00
Neosho 1st	50.00
Oak Hill	10.00
Monett	100.00
Total	\$709.16

Southeastern FWB College

Liberty- Nevada	\$5.00
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C. E. Board

Lebanon Bible & Bookstore	\$130.00
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Senior Adult Ministries

Lebanon Bible & Book Store	\$130.00
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Youth Ministries Board

Lebanon Bible & Book Store	\$130.00
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Trula Cronk Home for Children

Pleasant Ridge Auxilliary	35.00
Myrtle	17.00
Stephens, T.	10.00
Nosser, M.	25.00
Farmington 1st	50.00
DeSoto 1st	55.00
Unity	20.00
New Life-Monett	252.10
Belton	50.00
Hannon	100.00
New Hope	30.00
Total	\$644.10

Rev. John McClure

Carthage	15.00
Mountain Grove 1st	25.00
Purdy 1st	20.00
Chapman, A.	10.00
Farmington 1st	5.00
Purdy 1st	20.00
Grace	15.00
Total	\$110.00

Vergel Maness

Myrtle	104.00
Grace	100.00
Gospel Light	80.00
Myrtle	80.00
Total	\$364.00

Women Nationally Active for Christ

Ruble, J.	\$5.00
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Brian Brinkhoff

Carthage	1,200.00
New Testament	10.00
New Testament	10.00
Total	\$1,220.00

Richard Stanley

Chapman, A.	\$10.00
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Victor Torrez

United Youth Group	\$400.00
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Berea Ministries

Hartville	\$150.00
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