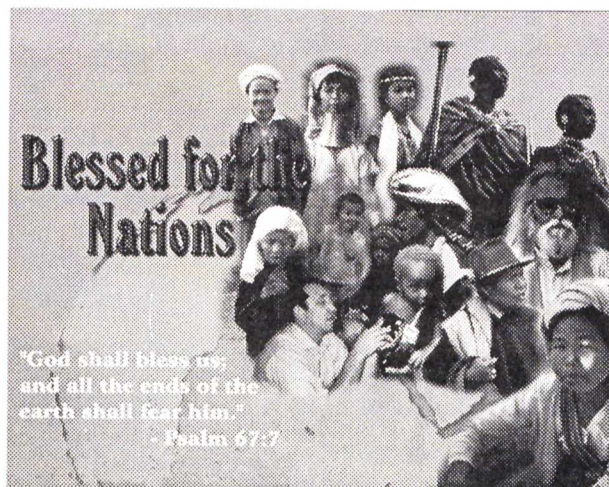




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1st Annual Bass and Crappie Fishing Tournament FWBBC Fund Raiser



We are one month closer to our fishing tournament! On May 22, 2004, the Missouri Alumni Association of Free Will Baptist Bible College, will be hosting a fishing tournament to be held on Truman Lake. The location will be the Long Shoal Marina (660-438-2841), located 8 ½ miles just west of Warsaw, MO on Hwy. 7. The entry fee is \$50.00 per boat, based on a two-man team. Cash prizes will be awarded for first, second, and third place winners for the largest stringer of Largemouth Bass and for the largest stringer of Crappie. We will also have drawings for free give-a-ways. Awards

will be based on the total revenue from all entry fees. 1st place winners receive a 10 % payback per team. 2nd place winners receive a 5 % payback per team, and 3rd place winners receive a 2.5 % payback per team. The Angler with the largest Largemouth Bass will receive \$50. The Angler with the largest Crappie will also receive \$50. The proceeds after awards will go to the renovation of Ennis Hall – The National Alumni Project of Free Will Baptist Bible College. To register your group or to request brochure, please contact Ken Simpson (816)353-7449, Greg Smith (417)581-0784, Joe Wilson (417) 664-2302. Applications are available upon request.

Rules for the Tournament:

1. No Fishing within 50 yards of a public dock, marina, gas pumps, or another contestant that is anchored or tied up.
2. No iced fish will be weighed.
3. Crappie must be at least 9 inches long with a limit of 15
4. Bass must be at least 15 inches long with a limit of 5
5. Any bait or method of fishing may be used.
6. Dead fish being weighed will receive a .5 - pound penalty.
7. Late penalty. Anglers not at designated check-in site (Long Shoal Marina) at 1 p.m. will be penalized ½ pound for every five minutes late.
8. All anglers must meet at 7:00 a.m. at the marina, but may drive to another location to put their boat in the water. (For example: Berry Bend Boat Dock). Anglers are reminded to return to Long Shoal Marina at 1:00 p.m. or be penalized for every 5 minutes late.

Pastor to Pastor: The Pastor's Professional Life

The First Free Will Baptist Church of Lebanon will be hosting this informative simulcast for pastors and leaders. It will be held on Thursday, April 22nd from 10:30 a.m. to noon.

Pastoral work takes a certain skill set. Yet beyond seminary, how do you maintain your professional skills? Join H.B. London ("pastor to pastors"), Dr. Larry Mercer, and a panel of experts as they help you develop your skills as a ministry professional.

For more information, call (417) 532-6728 or check the church website at www.fclebanon.org

Churches Seeking A Pastor

Myrtle Free Will Baptist Church

Myrtle, MO

Contact: David Sorrell - 417- 938-4353

Dale Huddle - 870-966-4001

Hannon Free Will Baptist Church

Liberal, Missouri

Contact: Charlie Hoover - 417-843-5125

South Fremont Free Will Baptist Church

Springfield, MO

Contact: Richard Pointer - 417-865-8117

Pleasant Home Free Will Baptist Church

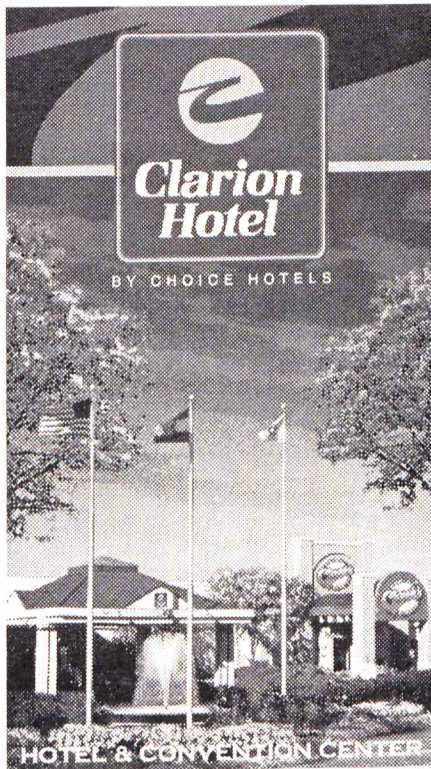
Mountain Grove

Contact: Henry Macamber - 417-948-2402

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Hotel Information 2004 State Meeting

Missouri Free Will Baptists will meet at the Clarion Hotel in Springfield for the 91st annual session June 7 - 9, 2004. All meetings will be held at the Clarion hotel.



\$59.95 + tax
1- 4 people

When you register, you must tell them you are with Missouri Free Will Baptists and reserve by May 23.

3333 South Glenstone
Springfield, MO 65804
417-883-6550
Toll Free: 800-756-7318
www.clarionhotel-spfld.com



2004 PROGRAM MISSOURI STATE MEETING

Theme: "Founded, Faithful, Focused"

Heb. 12:1,2

Clarion Hotel, Springfield, MO

Monday, June 7, 2004

9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Missouri WAC

1:30 p.m.

General Board Meeting

7:30 p.m. Evening Worship

Rev. Gene Crewse

"Founded in the Past"

Tuesday, June 8, 2004

9:30 - 10:30 a.m.

C. E. Bd. Workshop

11:00 a.m. Worship Service

Dr. Charles Shepson

1:30 p.m.

Business Session

7:30 p.m. Evening Worship

Melvin Hass

"Faithful in the Present- In Sanctification"

Wednesday, June 9, 2004

9:00 a.m. Devotion

Rev. Kenny Simpson

Till adjournment

Business Session

11:00 a.m. Worship

Rev. Steve Reeves

"Faithful in the Present - In Service"

Afternoon Business

7:30 p.m. Evening Worship

Rev. Bill Evans

"Focused on the Future"

McClures Close Mission Account

Excerpt from McClure News Letter

...Let us say thank you again for your faithful support of us, and the Lord's ministry this year. Last year we asked for your help to reach a goal of \$5,000 in paying off some outstanding mission related debts. As usual, you not helped to meet this goal, but to surpass it. We received a total of \$6,532.62. When we first went to Mexico twenty-one years ago, we asked God to give us partners in this work. His answer far outweighed our greatest expectations. Many of you have been with us through thick and thin. You have prayed fervently for our prayer requests. You have given sacrificially and faithfully. We can only say thank you and ask God to richly bless you in return.

Now we come to a new era in our partnership. This is the hardest part of all. While there still remains some outstanding debt, we have decided to close out our mission account and take care of the remainder ourselves, as God provides. **We are asking you to discontinue your support to us, and to prayerfully consider sending those gifts to another missionary.** We are confident of your faithfulness to God and His leading. And, we know that, if you are only half as much of a blessing to them as you have been to us through the years they will be truly blessed.

John and Paula McClure

COUNTRY CHAPLAIN

Goat On Your Car!

By J. Mark Vandivort

Helping milk our goats was one of my farm chores. As an eight year old, I was extremely thankful that they only had two teats rather than four like our dairy cows. But that ""goat smell"" was something I wasn't thankful for! It sure wasn't like the goats at the county fair.

Also, Daddy's goats didn't have much respect for fences. They pretty much went where their "goat brains" decided they wanted to go.

A family in our church was one of the first in our neighborhood to purchase a new car after World War II. One Sunday morning after church Mother and Daddy invited them home with us for "dinner" (noon meal). Their new car looked so pretty and shiny pulled up alongside Dad's 1932 Chevrolet sedan. I just couldn't keep my eyes off that new car! After carefully looking it over, I thought how exciting it would be if we had one just like it.

However, the chance to eat a piece of Mother's fried chicken and homemade hot rolls enticed my attention away from that beautiful new car. That is, until one of our guests looked out the window and excitedly exclaimed, "There is a goat on our car!" Sure enough, one of our goats was triumphantly standing on the new car's shiny (formerly scratch free) metal top. Daddy quickly chased the goat away and apologized profusely to our dinner guests. However, I don't remember that family ever again coming home with us after church.

The Bible records a very important goat story in Leviticus, chapter 16. God gave Moses instructions for certain animals to be slaughtered as an "atoning sacrifice" for the sins of the people. By lottery, one goat was selected as a "scapegoat." After the priest placed his hands on it and confessed the sins of the people, the goat was sent away into the wilderness. The "scapegoat" symbolized the removal of Israel's sins. This spiritual object lesson was repeated every year.

These rituals pointed toward Jesus Christ's atoning sacrifice on the cross (Compare Isaiah chapter 53).

Many hundreds of years later Jesus said to his disciples, "The Passover celebration begins in two days, and I, the Son of Man, will be betrayed and crucified" (Matthew 26:2, New Living Translation). Jesus was proclaiming both His humanity and deity with the title, "Son of Man" (Daniel 7:13-14).

After Jesus' death and resurrection the Bible declared, "..... Christ died only once as a sacrifice to take away the sins of many people." (Hebrews 9:28, NLT).

"..... Be reconciled to God! For God made Christ, who never sinned, to be the offering for our sins, so that we could be made right with God through Christ" (2 Corinthians 5:20-21, NLT).

(Noble Free Press, PO 298, Noble, OK 73068-0298, 3/5/04)

Turnbough Update

Thank you for praying for my meeting with the lawyer, architect and the city's lawyer. The day before it was supposed to happen, the city lawyer called and postponed the meeting till the next day. We met on Friday morning. Our lawyer presented a very convincing case, in a very positive and ethical manner, to the city's lawyer. If he (the city's lawyer) was telling the truth (I have no reason to believe that he was not, other than the bad experiences we have had with this city administration in the past), he told us that: (a) he agrees with us, and (b) he will tell the mayor and city administration officials the same.

Now, we wait to see what the mayor and city administration officials say. If they say they are in agreement with us, our architect will return to talk to the city architect to make sure he is willing to cooperate with us in a civil manner. If our architect senses the city architect is not going to cooperate, or if the mayor and city officials say no, and they are going to proceed with the appeal, we may abandon our plans to build on this property and seek punitive damages.

I honestly do not ask you to pray that this goes one way or the other, but rather that we will have a clear sense of which way we should go, along with peace and open doors to head in that direction. . .

Here for HIS glory, Jeff and Susan Turnbough

Pinkerton News

Warm-make that HOT, humid greetings from Abidjan. These past two weeks have been a physical/emotional drain...Dr. Kenneth and Rejane Eagleton came to say their final goodbyes & pack up.

We went north to Bouna..it was first time FWB females have crossed this line. Jerry and Carol were the drivers for the two trucks as Kenneth didn't have his license. We obtained legal papers and headed upcountry...not much traffic. Seeing heavy guns at the various stops wasn't comforting, but no lasting hassles. Went to Doropo where they had prepared a delicious meal. A pastor sent his child in town to buy Cokes for us...an expense he really couldn't afford, but it was his way of showing appreciation, so we drank the lukewarm liquid with smiles and thankful hearts.

Serious sorting/tossing (there's always someone to benefit)/packing began Wed-ending Saturday. It was hard work physically—and emotionally. We stayed at the Bible Institute..we always had water, but only electricity at night for fans (goodie!). A local farmer shared lettuce and cukes from his garden...meals were prepared for us with loving care..dear folks sharing what they had to share..it was precious. We heard many encouraging reports for which we thank the Lord. Keep praying. The Lord is answering and guarding His Flock...in one village 40 are waiting to be baptized!!

Back across rebel lines and to Abidjan for final packing. Dr. Kenneth and Rejane flew out last night for 18+ hours of flights before arriving in Brazil...We pray God's rich blessings on their new place of service....but seriously we wished to keep them here in the IC. They've certainly touched many lives here—including ours.

Thanks for your continued love and support.

Jerry & Carol Pinkerton

SPECIAL INSURANCE NOTICE-- PLEASE READ WITH CAUTION!

The Youth Camp insurance carrier is Church Mutual Insurance Company. The insurance coverage provided by the camp is called Excess Insurance. The following is a brief description of coverage provided by Church Mutual.

1. Coverage is (ONLY) for accidents. There is no coverage for charges due to sickness.
2. Should an accident occur, all charges must be submitted to the camper's (PERSONAL/PRIVATE) insurance carrier first.
 - A. If the personal/private insurance carrier has a deductible, Camp Insurance will pay the deductible, not exceeding its own limits.
 - B. If a balance exists after the personal/private insurance carrier has paid to its limits, Camp Insurance will pay the unpaid balance, (not to exceed Church Mutual insurance limits).
 - C. If there is (NO) personal/private insurance, Camp Insurance shall serve as primary carrier and pay up to its limits.

3. Please keep in mind, any coverage by Camp Insurance shall be for accidents only. There are no benefits for any kind of sickness.

PLEASE NOTE -- THE INSURANCE COVERAGE PROVIDED BY MISSOURI STATE F.W.B. YOUTH CAMP IS VERY EXPENSIVE AND LIKE MOST INSURANCE CARRIERS, THEY ARE VERY STRICT REGARDING INFORMATION SUBMITTED TO THEM, THEREFORE, FAILURE OR REFUSAL ON YOUR PART TO SUPPLY ANY NEEDED INFORMATION WILL AUTOMATICALLY MAKE YOU RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY AND ALL OF THE UNPAID BALANCE.

4. Since all claims must be submitted to your insurance carrier first, it is necessary that you submit the name, address, and phone number of your insurance provider on the line provided below. If you have no personal insurance provider, please indicate on the appropriate line.

Name of Personal Insurance Provider: _____

Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Policy #: _____

Please check on line provided below, if you have no personal/private insurance coverage: _____

The Youth Camp Board would like to thank you for your cooperation regarding this very important insurance issue.

PRE-REGISTRATION FORM

2004 SESSION

CAMP NIANGUA FREE WILL BAPTIST YOUTH CAMP
7627 STATE HWY. M NIANGUA, MO 65713
PHONE: (417) 473-6444

DATE: _____ Please print name/address legibly

NAME: _____ AGE: _____ SEX: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____ FRIEND: _____

CHURCH: _____ F.W.B. yes _____ no _____

If not F.W.B., what F.W.B. church have you come with? _____

Have you been treated by a physician within the past 6 months? _____

Brief nature of treatment? _____

Are you taking medication now? _____ Do you have it with you? _____

Are you allergic to any medicine? _____ What medicine? _____

Do you have allergies to weeds, pollen, insects, etc? _____

Please list what you are allergic to: _____

All medication must be dispensed by the Camp Medical Attendant and stored at the First Aid Center. Your medication will be dispensed according to the directions on the bottle or prescription. This is done to insure the safety of your child as well as the safety of others. Your cooperation is imperative!

EMERGENCY MEDICAL ATTENTION! In the event of a medical emergency, a Youth Camp Representative will try to contact the parents of the camper. There are, however, times when this is not possible. For this reason, you are (REQUIRED) TO FILL OUT, IN FULL, THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL STATEMENT ON THE FOLLOWING PAGE. NO CHILD CAN BE REGISTERED AT CAMP WITHOUT THIS INFORMATION.

PLEASE NOTE: We are required by law to collect the following information regarding racial/ethnic identification. Please check one! American Indian or Alaskan Native: _____ Asian or Pacific Islander: _____ Black: _____ Hispanic: _____ White: _____

NO CHILD CAN BE ADMITTED TO CAMP WITHOUT THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION AND PERMISSION GIVEN BY PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN!

EMERGENCY MEDICAL STATEMENT: "I _____

(Parent/Legal guardian), by my signature below, hereby authorize the Youth Camp Board, or their representative(s) to authorize such emergency treatment necessary to maintain the life or health of my child whose name appears upon this form. I am signing this statement in the presence of a witness, and by my signature, I authorize the attending physician and/or hospital staff to treat my child for any injury or condition that would threaten his/her life or well being."

Father or Legal Guardian of Camper: _____

Mother or Legal Guardian of Camper: _____

"I _____ do hereby swear that I have seen the parents or legal guardians of this camper read the above EMERGENCY MEDICAL STATEMENT. I have personal knowledge that the person/s who have signed this EMERGENCY MEDICAL STATEMENT are indeed the parents or legal guardians of this camper. I do hereby further swear that I have personally witnessed the person, whose signature/s appear above, place their signature/s upon this form. I further swear that I am an adult and of sound mind."

WITNESS: _____

Please list below the following information:

Family Physician's Name: _____

Physician's Phone Number (with area code): _____

Please list below, names and numbers where you may be reached in case of an emergency:

1. _____ Phone: _____

2. _____ Phone: _____

3. _____ Phone: _____

CHILDREN MAY MAKE PHONE CALLS FROM CAMP, PROVIDING THEIR SPONSOR IS WITH THEM AT ALL TIMES. ONLY COLLECT OR CREDIT CARD CALLS ARE PERMITTED.

ALSO, CHILDREN MAY RECEIVE IN-COMING CALLS BUT MOST OF THE TIME IT IS DIFFICULT TO FIND THE CHILD QUICKLY, THEREFORE IT IS SUGGESTED, WHEN YOU CALL, LEAVE A MESSAGE FOR YOUR CHILD AND THEY WILL GET BACK WITH YOU AT THEIR EARLIEST OPPORTUNITY.

Should your child have to leave the campgrounds before the scheduled departure, due to sickness, etc. it will be your responsibility to make arrangements to pick them up.

PLEASE NOTE THE CAMP DRESS CODE IS AS FOLLOWS:

1. CLASS & ACTIVITY TIME: Girls & women may wear dresses, skirts or split skirts that cover the knees, or full-length jeans or slacks. Shirts, blouses or sweaters must be full length & cover the shoulder. No spaghetti strap, tank-tops, etc.

2. WORSHIP TIME: Girls & women may wear dresses or skirts that cover the knees. Shirts, blouses or sweaters must be full length & cover the shoulder. No spaghetti strap, tank-tops, etc.

1. CLASS & ACTIVITY TIME: Boys & men may wear full-length slacks or jeans. Shirts are to be full length and cover the shoulder. No fish net, tank-tops/muscle shirts, etc.

2. WORSHIP TIME: Boys & men may wear full-length slacks or jeans. Shirts are to be full length and cover the shoulder. No fish net, tank-tops/muscle shirts, etc.

SWEAT PANTS ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE FOR ANYONE TO WEAR AT CAMP!

We suggest all garments worn at camp be "loose fitting." Please bring only the apparel that is acceptable by the above standards.

IT IS STRONGLY SUGGESTED THAT EVERYONE SHOWER & WEAR CLEAN CLOTHES TO EACH WORSHIP SERVICE.

By placing your signature upon the following line, you are making a promise to abide by the rules of the Youth Camp to the best of your ability. No one can be registered as a camper without signing!

"I _____ have read carefully the rules

and regulations of the Youth Camp and do hereby PROMISE to keep these rules and regulations to the best of my ability. I also understand that disciplinary action may be taken against me should I break them."

SIGNATURE OF CAMPER: _____

THE YOUTH CAMP BOARD

Rev. Ronnie Blanks, Chairman.....Phone: (417) 256-5693
Rev. Russell McDaris, Sec./Trea.Phone: (417) 362-3637
Rev. Gary Parker.....Phone: (417) 235-3968
Rev. Jimmy Kiser.....Phone: (816) 891-8399
Bro. Bob Thebeau.....Phone: (314) 586-3084

STATEMENT FROM THE BOARD: We look forward to serving you, to the best of our ability. We want to provide a safe, Christian atmosphere for all that attend the Missouri State Free Will Baptist Youth Camp. To do this, we must have the full cooperation of everyone. We pray souls will be saved and every saved soul, will grow in the grace and knowledge of Jesus Christ, WHOSE CAMP THIS IS!



Dotson Named Berea Ministries Director

The Missions Committee of Berea Ministries is pleased to announce that Chris Dotson has been named their new director. His appointment was made on December 13th at the 2003 Annual Committee Meeting and Missions Conference. While Howard Munsey will remain Berea's corporate president, Bro. Dotson will assume oversight of the day to day ministry operation.

Dotson pastors Peace Free Will Baptist Church in Morristown, Tennessee, where he has served for the last 13 years. He is a graduate of Carson-Newman College and holds a Master of Ministry degree from Bob Jones University Seminary.

On his appointment Munsey comments: "Bro. Dotson is a longtime friend and supporter of the work, whose credentials qualify him to lead the ministry to great heights of service and achievement. His proven ability has been revealed through his work in helping establish Harvest Free Will Baptist Child Care Ministries in Duffield, Virginia, as well as his mastery as pastor of Peace Church in Morristown."

Since 1971 Berea Ministries has been under the direction of Bro. Munsey, and has been a significant tool in the Master's hand to reach beneath the borders of the United States to a people who are hungry for the gospel of Christ. While the ministry's purpose is similar to other missions organizations, Berea's method is different.

They work diligently to train nationals to win their own people to Christ. They fortify their ministers by providing training opportunities and assisting with salary supplements, building materials, supplies and equipment. Their goal is to aid pastors to plant churches which will then multiply themselves and extend the witness of the Lord into all areas of Mexico.

You may correspond with Berea Ministries by writing to P.O. Box 57, Morristown, TN 37815 or by calling (423) 318-2202

FWWBC NEWS

Scholarships assist Bible College Students

Free Will Baptist Bible College lists nearly 90 scholarships, ranging from \$100 to \$6,000, in its 2004 catalog. Coupled with state and federal aid, they can bring the cost of a Christian education within the reach of nearly anyone. Three premier scholarships are especially noteworthy:

Presidential Honors Scholarship: This is a \$6,000 per year award, given to up to four students per year. Students must have an ACT of 32 or higher and a high school grade point average of at least 3.75.

Dean's Honors Scholarship: As many as four students per year may receive this \$3,000 award. Candidates must have an ACT of 29 or higher and a high school g.p.a. of at least 3.50.

Legacy Scholarship: Children of all full-time senior pastors of Free Will Baptist churches are candidates for this annual award of \$2,500.

Other requirements may apply. For full information, contact:

The Financial Aid Office
Free Will Baptist Bible College
3606 West End Avenue
Nashville, Tennessee 37205
Phone: 1-800-76-FWBBC
e-mail fao@fwbbc.edu

Bible College Selling Grand Piano

Free Will Baptist Bible College, Nashville, TN, has a 7-foot black grand piano (Kawai RX-6) for sale. It is a year and half old and has been covered and stored in a temperature-controlled room. It is valued at \$42,000, now available for \$35,000 (or best offer). Contact Tom Sass (615-844-5230), tom-s@fwbbc.edu.

Foundation Funds FWBBC Ministry Studies Center

Free Will Baptist Bible College has received a second grant of \$25,000 from the Chatlos Foundation of Longwood, Florida. The funds are helping the college establish a Biblical and Ministry Studies resource center in Welch Library.

The first \$25,000 came from Chatlos in August 2002. The second was received February 2004.

Rev. Terry Forrest, the college's Pastoral Training Coordinator, says: "The Chatlos grant has placed in our hands much needed technology and materials for the honing of the skills of our students. It has placed at students' disposal the latest and best research materials in the field. In addition, a portion of the grant has underwritten our efforts to specifically target prospective ministerial students and recruit them to help to fill the growing need for pastors."

Mr. Forrest has been busy identifying about 150 young men across the denomination who have been called to preach. He visits them personally, encourages them to pursue training, and helps them find ways to underwrite the cost of that training.

FWBBC President Matthew Pinson says, "We are so grateful for the funding we have received from the Chatlos Foundation for our Biblical and Ministry Studies resource center. This grant, and the ministerial students it supports, will help us build on our commitment to producing dedicated pastors for local churches."

Missouri CTS Bible and Arts Competition

May 7 & 8, 2004

Boys and Girls Club of Springfield

1410 N. Fremont, Springfield, MO

Registrations and fees: See fee schedule on attached official registration form. Must be postmarked by April 13, 2004. Send registration and fees to Youth Ministry Board, P.O. Box 23808, Overland Park, KS 66283. Coaches will receive registration confirmation by email or mail (if email not available) prior to competition.

Questions concerning competition? Contact Board Chair, Mark Braisher at 913-814-0712.

Projected Schedule:

Friday –

Competition — 8:00 to 9:30 p.m.

Saturday –

Competition — 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Awards Ceremony – 3:00 p.m.

Final schedule and details will be based on actual entries and will be available at competition.

Nachos, hotdogs, popcorn, candy, and soft drinks will be available at the Boys and Girls Club concession stand. The WAC of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Springfield will run the concession stand.

Directions to Boys and Girls Club of Springfield:

From Hwy. 65 and Interstate 44, go south on Hwy. 65 to Division Street. Go west on Division to Fremont. Go south on Fremont to Boys and Girls Club at 1410 N. Fremont.

Coming from the south take Hwy. 60 to Hwy. 65, north to

The following hotels are blocking a limited number of rooms for CTS Competition. You must request the special rate for Free Will Baptist Churches and reserve by April 24.

La Quinta Inn

1610 E. Evergreen, Springfield, MO
417-520-8800

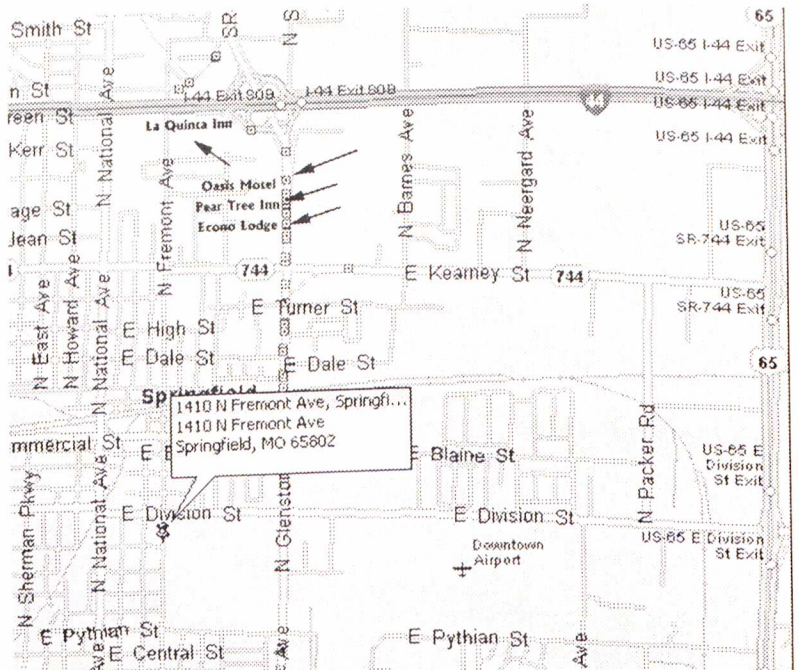
2 Queen Beds - \$49.99 per room
(Double Suite) 2 Queen Beds with
a hide a bed sofa, refrigerator - \$59.99 per room
All rooms come with a continental breakfast.

Oasis

2610 N. Glenstone, Springfield, MO
417-866-5253

2 Double Beds - \$44.95 per room
Continental Breakfast

* In order to eliminate some taxes the room must be charged to church and a tax exempt letter must be presented to the hotel.



Pear Tree Inn

2745 N. Glenstone, Springfield, MO
417-869-0001

2 Double Beds - \$66.99 per room
Continental Breakfast

Econo Lodge - Springfield

I 44 & 13 HWY
2808 N. Kansas Expwy, Springfield, MO
417-869-5600

2 Double Beds - \$40.00 per room
Continental Breakfast

Would You Like to Help?

Missouri Free Will Baptists will be hosting the National Association of Free Will Baptists Convention July 18-22, 2004. Ushers play an important part in helping the convention carry out its many functions in an orderly manner. If you would like to be an usher during the 2004 convention, contact Rev. Alan Kinder at:
3200 Blue Ridge Ext., Grandview, MO 64030 or phone 816/942-1200.

National Youth Conference Competition Registration Form

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

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

Exhibition Category

- E.X1 Comedy
- E.X2 Clowning
- E.X3 Sign Language
- E.X4 Song Writing
- E.X5 Praise Band

COMPETITION FEES

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

District-State-National

20

Year

Record code numbers from left column here →

-
Age Code Competition Code

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

Name of Church

City

State

E-Mail Address (for coach, pastor or church)

Pastor's Name

Pastor's phone number

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Name of director (or coach)

Director's phone number

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Name of Association

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Complete the following information for each participant in this entry:

1. Name ☐ M ☐ F

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Phone Birthday Current Grade

2. Name ☐ M ☐ F

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14. Name ☐ M ☐ F

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City St. Zip

Phone Birthday Current Grade

For groups larger than 14, 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.

Signature of Participant or Director (Coach)

Please Note: The Gem will no longer print the worship attendance averages due to the limited and inconsistent participation of our churches.

CHURCH NEEDS YOUTH MINISTER

CUBA FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH located in Cuba Missouri (about 1 hr. from St. Louis) is looking for a **Full-Time Teen Minister/ Worship Leader and/or Outreach Director**. This is one position comprising of at least two of the three mentioned areas with the primary emphasis on Teen Ministry. Salary comparable. Interested candidates should contact Pastor Mike Schultz, Cuba FWB Church @ 573-885-3543 or revmrs@fidnet.com. Position must be filled immediately and are trusting God to send the right individual.



News From the Dodsons

Excerpt from Newsletter

God has blessed us with several new converts; please help us pray for Maria, Andrea, Titiana and Alex, to name a few. Lift them up daily in your prayers. Some are fighting hard against old habits and sins. Some are fighting with family just to get to come to church.

At the writing of this newsletter, we are making great plans. On the first of February we will be having our baptismal at the beach. We are looking forward to this service. Then on February 8th, we are having "Don't Break My Heart Sunday." The ladies' WAC group is planning to make lots of visits and phone calls the day before. After they finish visiting, they all plan to go out to supper together. This group of ladies just had a Kids' Night Out and raised enough to purchase a new stove for the cafeteria.

School is still running smoothly. We still need more students. Please help us pray that we will have more students next year and that the right teachers will be available.

Thank you for your prayers and for your support. Without you all this work would not be possible.

Your Missionaries, Ken and Paula Dodson

A rejected opportunity
to give is a
lost opportunity to receive.

A CALL FOR THEOLOGICAL PAPERS

The 2004 Theological Symposium will be held October 25-26 on the campus of Free Will Baptist Bible College, Nashville, Tennessee. All who wish to submit a paper are encouraged to do so.

Papers should be 10-15 pages in length, double spaced, and should be related to the Bible, theology, Christianity and culture, or some related topic. You may submit your paper by August 1, 2004, to:

Matt Pinson
3606 West End Avenue
Nashville, TN 37205

E-mail: president@fwbbc.edu

The symposium is sponsored by the Commission for Theological Integrity of the National Association of Free Will Baptists

Financial Report February 2004

Cooperative Disbursements February 2004 \$38,743.80

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17.00% Executive Office 6,586.45
3.00% General Fund 1,162.31
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Buffalo 1st \$100.00
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Calvary Chapel \$1,277.76
Calvary Fellowship \$662.00
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Christ Chapel \$275.60
Clifton \$49.76
Columbia \$520.80

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Crossroads Wentzville \$473.00
Cuba \$410.00
DeSoto 1st \$960.00
Faith & Hope Aurora \$41.13
Faith & Hope Willow Springs \$81.60
Faith Chapel \$296.45
Farmington 1st \$2,135.69
Fellowship \$1,200.00
Fourth \$217.32
Fredericktown 1st \$158.00
Freeman Chapel \$297.90
Gospel Light \$100.00
Grace \$1,034.32
Green Hills Lebanon \$442.65
Green Hills Kirksville \$110.39
Hannibal \$683.00
Hannon \$760.00
Harmony \$344.73
Harvest \$149.70
Hickory Grove \$167.00
Hopewell \$200.00
Houston 1st \$296.55
Hurricane \$535.52
Jackson \$160.68
Jordan \$135.00
Kings Way \$198.51
Koshkonong \$117.00
Lead Hill \$208.54
Leadington \$496.69
Lebanon 1st \$864.56
Liberty \$157.00
Lone Star \$58.00
Macedonia Niangua \$134.53
Meris Chapel \$112.00
Mill Creek \$358.17
Mine LaMotte \$86.20
Monett 1st \$566.35
Mt. Pisgah \$445.00
Mt. Zion Gower \$82.50
Mtn. Grove 1st \$1,270.96
Neosho \$237.50
New Hope \$229.08
New Life Licking \$289.09
North Five \$36.33
Number One \$152.95

O' Fallon 1st	\$1,237.00
Oak Grove Mtn. Grove	\$136.82
Oak Hill	\$349.00
Olivet	\$370.00
Overland	\$95.00
Ozark 1st	\$1,578.37
Palabras De Vida Eterna	\$65.00
Parkview	\$351.12
Pleasant Hill	\$145.35
Pleasant Home	\$132.90
Pleasant Ridge Urbana	\$68.00
Potosi 1st	\$102.13
Republic	\$100.00
Republic	\$100.00
Rock Chapel	\$281.06
Rolla 1st	\$530.00
Royal Oak	\$52.00
Salem	\$30.00
Seymour	\$400.00
Springfield 1st	\$968.93
Stockton	\$606.53
Thayer	\$1,277.00
Trinity	\$628.01
Union Grove	\$413.00
Union Light	\$92.00
United	\$1,523.10
Unity	\$260.00
Verdella	\$535.67
Victory Alton	\$568.50
Victory KC	\$560.73
Waynesville 1st	\$245.72
Willow Springs Mtn. Grove	\$267.01
Wolf Creek	\$457.77
Total	\$38,743.80

Show-Me P'lan

Alsop, M.	\$360.00
Baldwin, J.	\$30.00
Barker, J.	\$15.00
Belton	\$165.00
Berean	\$30.00
Berry, R.	\$15.00
Bethel El Dorado	\$442.02
Black Oak	\$60.00
Brown, J.	\$15.00
Buffalo 1st	\$60.00
Burns, J.	\$110.00
Buxton, G.	\$30.00
Cabool 1st	\$105.00
Calvary Chapel	\$105.00
Calvary Fellowship	\$6,407.50
Cartee, J.	\$15.00
Central	\$150.00
Chrisman, M.	\$30.00
Copper Mines	\$150.00
Copper Mines Teens & Jr.	\$30.00
Copper Mines Young Adult	\$15.00
Cornerstone	\$355.75
Cuba	\$94.50
Darnell, W.	\$15.00
DeSoto 1st	\$552.50
DeSoto Auditorium Class	\$30.00
Faith	\$20.00
Faith & Hope Willow Springs	\$120.00
Farmington 1st	\$825.00
Fellowship	\$730.00
Fourth	\$75.00
Fredericktown 1st	\$60.00
Freeman Chapel	\$540.00
Gospel Light	\$1,000.00
Grace	\$426.00
Graham, S.	\$30.00
Green Hills Lebanon	\$30.00
Greenfield	\$180.00
Hannon	\$1,320.00
Happy Hill	\$60.00
Happy Hill	\$60.00
Harvest	\$30.00
Houston 1st	\$610.00
Hurryville	\$500.00
Hurryville Sr. Adult Class	\$15.00
Jackson	\$35.00
Jones Chapel	\$300.00
Jordan Jefferson City	\$30.00
Leadington	\$195.00

Lebanon 1st	\$250.00
Macedonia Purdy	\$7,000.00
Malloy, A.	\$20.00
Merls Chapel	\$25.00
Mill Creek	\$140.00
Mill Creek CWF	\$15.00
Mill Creek Young Adult Class	\$15.00
Mine La Motte	\$75.00
MO Cooperative Plan	\$1,162.31
MO WAC	\$745.53
Monett 1st	\$30.00
Mountain Grove 1st	\$690.00
Mouser, J.	\$60.00
Mt. Pisgah	\$75.00
Mt. Zion Gower	\$30.00
Neosho 1st	\$315.00
New Home Hartville	\$210.00
New Hope	\$150.00
New Life Licking	\$95.65
New Life Monett	\$450.00
New Testament	\$15.00
Noel, D.	\$15.00
Number One	\$60.00
O' Fallon 1st	\$55.00
Oak Grove Houston	\$30.00
Oak Hill	\$20.00
Olivet	\$30.00
Palabras de Vida Eterna	\$15.00
Parker, G.	\$15.00
Parkview	\$320.22
Pinkerton, J.	\$45.00
Pleasant Grove	\$270.00
Pleasant Hill	\$45.00
Pleasant Home	\$300.00
Pleasant Ridge Urbana	\$50.00
Purdy	\$690.00
Richwoods	\$60.00
Rock Chapel	\$195.00
Rock Springs	\$54.90
Rogers, B.	\$15.00
Rolla 1st	\$30.00
Royal Oak	\$120.00
Ruble, N.	\$45.00
Springfield 1st	\$1,045.00
Starnes, A.	\$60.00
Stockton	\$223.75
Thayer	\$255.00
Trinity	\$234.81
Union Light	\$150.00
United	\$347.97
Unity	\$75.00
Verdella	\$710.67
Victory Alton	\$45.00
Victory KC	\$90.00
Walker, H.	\$10.00
Walnut Grove	\$15.00
Waynesville 1st	\$333.50
White, R.	\$30.00
Willow Springs 1st	\$150.00
Willow Springs Mtn. Grove	\$70.00
Total	\$34,472.58

Foreign Missions

Belton	\$40.00
Calvary Fellowship	\$610.00
Cape Girardeau	\$140.00
Central	\$80.00
Chapman, A.	\$20.00
Cuba	\$18.90
Farmington 1st	\$7.50
Greenfield Women's Auxiliary	\$300.00
Hickory Grove	\$66.41
Houston	\$105.00
Lewis, D.	\$20.00
Matthews, A.	\$15.00
Minor, K.	\$10.00
Mountain Grove 1st	\$30.00
New Testament	\$35.00
O' Fallon 1st	\$20.00
Pleasant Home	\$10.00
Rolla 1st	\$268.00
Thayer	\$10.00
Verdella	\$127.13
Waynesville 1st	\$175.00
Total	\$2,107.94

Nat'l Home Missions

Belton	\$15.00
Calvary Fellowship	\$6,018.00
Central	\$50.00
Cuba	\$56.70
Desoto 1st	\$190.00
Farmington 1st	\$375.00
Fourth	\$50.00
Fredericktown 1st	\$10.00
Gospel Light	\$160.00
Grace	\$47.00
Hannon	\$532.00
Houston 1st	\$85.00
Jackson	\$41.66
Jordan	\$20.00
King, B.	\$10.00
Macedonia Purdy	\$7,000.00
Monett 1st	\$5.00
Mt. Pisgah	\$25.00
Mtn. Grove 1st	\$55.00
Neosho 1st	\$100.00
New Home Hartville	\$10.00
New Life Monett	\$150.00
New Testament	\$75.00
O' Fallon 1st	\$57.50
Oak Hill	\$50.00
Rader, J.	\$20.00
Richwoods 1st	\$78.00
Rock Chapel	\$68.00
Ruble, N.	\$10.00
Thayer	\$135.00
Thebeau, B.	\$5.00
Trinity	\$31.40
Union Light	\$96.00
United	\$150.00
Unity	\$50.00
Verdella	\$10.00
Victory KC	\$75.00
West Plains 1st	\$20.00
Wolf Creek	\$75.00
Total	\$16,011.26

State Home Missions

Baldwin, J.	\$20.00
DeSoto 1st	\$90.00
Fellowship	\$100.00
Gospel Light	\$160.00
Grace	\$55.00
Lebanon Bible & Book Store	\$540.00
Neosho	\$50.00
New Testament	\$50.00
Niangua	\$67.00
O' Fallon 1st	\$57.50
Ozark 1st	\$10.00
Palabras De Vida Eterna	\$100.00
Pleasant Ridge Urbana	\$20.00
Republic	\$25.00
Republic	\$105.00
Rolla 1st	\$268.00
Thayer	\$105.00
Trinity	\$31.40
United	\$25.00
Unity	\$75.00
Waynesville 1st	\$50.00
White, R.	\$10.00
Total	\$2,013.90

Youth Camp

Lebanon Bible & Bookstore	540.00
New Home- Hartville	10.00
St. Louis Association	78.12
Thayer	50.00
Cornerstone	25.00
Rolla 1st	20.00
New Life- Monett	502.56
Hannon	50.00
Hannon(for Laundry Room)	187.25
Jones Chapel	100.00
DeSoto 1st	55.00
Trinity	9.00
Mt. Pisgah	15.00
Willow Springs- Mtn. Grove	10.00
West Plains 1st	25.00

Ozark 1st	10.00
Buffalo 1st	50.00
Total	\$1,736.93

Camp Development Fund

Rock Chapel	\$40.00
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C. E. Board

Lebanon Bible & Book Store	140.00
Total	\$140.00

Senior Adult Ministries

Lebanon Bible & Book Store	140.00
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Youth Ministries Board

Lebanon Bible & Book Store	140.00
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Free Will Baptist Bible College

Farmington 1st	150.00
Thayer	50.00
Ruble, N.	15.00
DeSoto 1st	40.00
Oak Hill	10.00
Verdella	107.13
Total	\$372.13

Hillsdale Free Will Baptist College

Farmington 1st	150.00
Monett 1st	100.00
Thayer	50.00
Hannon	100.00
Oak Hill	10.00
Total	\$410.00

Trula Cronk Home for Children

New Life- Monett	502.56
Hannon	100.00
DeSoto 1st	55.00
M. Nossor	25.00
Stephens, T.	10.00
Belton	35.00
Unity	20.00
New Hope	30.00
Total	\$777.56

Women Nationally Active for Christ

Ruble, J.	\$10.00
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Vergel Maness

Grace	100.00
Gospel Light	80.00
Total	\$180.00

Victor Torrez	
United Youth Group	\$200.00

Richard Standley

Chapman, A.	\$10.00
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Brian Brinkhoff

Unity	12.50
New Testament	10.00
Total	\$22.50

Liberty Free Will Baptist Church

Unity	12.50
MO WAC- Special Projects	15.35
Total	\$27.85

George Lemelin

Jackson	\$3.34
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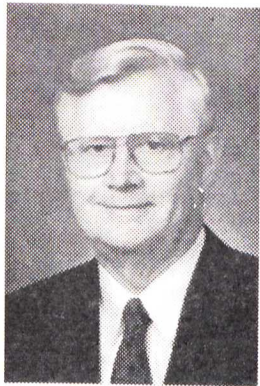
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Verdella	\$267.83
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Morgan Wood

Belton	\$25.00
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2004 Senior Adult Retreat



Speaker
Rev. David Joslin

Rev. David Joslin resides in Conway, Arkansas. He retired in 2002 as executive director of the Arkansas State Association of Free Will Baptists. He is a writer, conference speaker, and historian.

Stonecroft Conference Center

May 10-14, 2004

Cost:

Double	\$60.00
Triple	55.00
Quad	50.00

Please Print:

Registration Form

Name _____ Home Phone () _____
Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Church _____

**Please send registration form and a
\$10 non-refundable deposit to:**

Senior Adult Ministries Board
2040 Osage St.
Lebanon, MO 65536

Please respond by: May 1, 2004

We would like to attend (Please check one)

_____ Session I - May 10 - 12 _____ No Preference
_____ Session II - May 12 - 14

Staying with: _____



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