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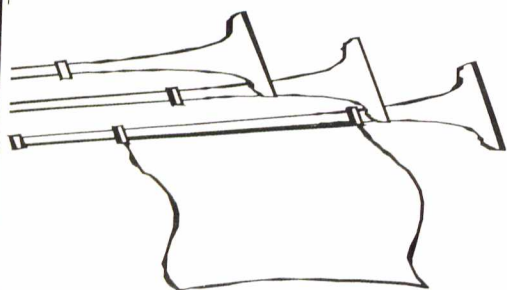
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*Joy to the world.....  
the Lord is come!*

# From The Editor

## *Jesus is the reason for the season, Keep Christ in Christmas*

You've seen the billboards and signs that express these sentiments every year about this time. We use these slogans in our church bulletins and signs as a reminder to our people and those who would pass by our church. We want them to remember that Christmas is more than the commercialized "buy-fest" that it has become in our day.

Annually we decry the fact that "Christmas" seems to start earlier and earlier. At least that is what you would think from visiting the local Walmart. It is just a bit disturbing to see Halloween on one aisle, Thanksgiving farther down the same aisle and Christmas on the next. But in spite of our aggravation, the trend seems to continue.

While the marketplace wants to make sure we remember Christmas early enough to do all our shopping, there are those who want to make sure that Christmas does not exist at all in our public schools and government offices. Their efforts seem to bear fruit each year as some near area of our public life is stripped of all red and green and babies in mangers.

"Happy Holidays" have replaced "Merry Christmas" in an effort not to offend anyone lest they not buy the offered goods. I was interested to see that the afore mentioned Walmart has changed their policy back this year. It is acceptable to be merry about "Christmas" again in their stores.

I must confess that I derive a bit of misplaced pleasure in railing against all this bahhumbuggery. You see, in all their effort to remove Christ from this most religious holiday, the world is simply drawing attention to Him. And while we try to put Him back in His rightful place, we need to remember what suddenly dawned on me recently.

I was driving down the highway and saw a billboard that said, "Keep Christ In Christmas." I was struck by the fact that there is no way we can really take Him out. Christmas is about God manifesting himself among man for the express purpose of revealing His overwhelming love for us all. We did not invite Him. He did not check with the local office of the ACLU to see of it would be okay to come. He did not analyze how His coming would impact winter shopping habits of the general public. He did not have to ask for permission, it is His world and He can come anytime and in any fashion that pleases Him. And that is just what He did. He can just when we needed Him most and brought that which we most needed.

Nothing we can do will change that truth. We can ignore it, we can attempt to legislate it out of existence, we can refuse it, but we cannot change it. Christmas is Christ and Christ is Christmas. Every gift that is bought, every light that is lit, every tree that is trimmed, every carol that is sung are testimonies to God's great gift whether we mean it that way or not. Every action we take during this Christmas season that is prompted because of the season is mute admission that Christ is come and He really is the reason for the season.

I do still like to see the signs. Maybe they make a few people stop and think about Christ. But the best way to remind people is not with slogans, but with actions reflecting the first great gift. The absolute best way to keep Christ in Christmas is to lead someone to Him for the life changing gift He came to bring.

We should take comfort that no matter how secular our world becomes, it does not change the truth of Christ.



# Missouri Show-Me Missions



## Panamanian Leaders Meet

Greetings,

September 28-29 2006 marked a milestone in the history of the Panamanian FWB churches. 43 leaders from all of our FWB churches and missions met at the newly acquired FWB Seminary Property in Chame, Panama to enjoy two days of teaching, fellowship and challenge from various speakers.

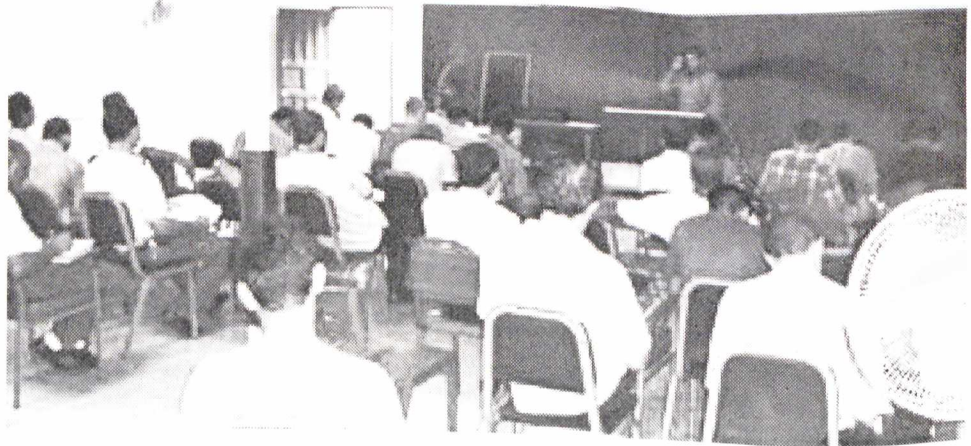
On Saturday afternoon, Missionary Stanley Bunch taught on the topic of the development of small groups and the cell model for church growth. Rolando Delgado, pastor of the First FWB Church taught on the importance of a well organized education model for church growth. Daniel Dorati challenged us on Saturday night during a moving time of worship, prayer and encouragement. On Sunday morning, Don Barger, a New Tribes Missionary with over 30 years experience of working among the Guayami Indians of Panama challenged the leaders toward a greater missionary vision. NTM has over 90 churches among the Guayami tribes as a result of the NTM efforts.

Among those attending were several young men who anticipate being students in the Seminary which will be established on the property. We thank God for the young people He is calling.

This is the first time in the history of FWB that we have met in a facility that is now owned by Free Will Baptists. God is so good and faithful.

Thanks to all of you for your prayers and support.

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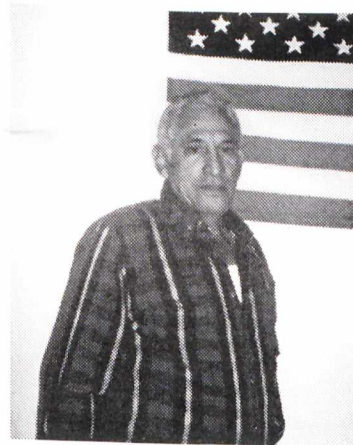
# *Iglesia Bautista Libre*

## *Albedrio Palabras*

### *De Vida Eterna*

When God led us to help Bro. Bud Bivens and his wife Ruth at the Hispanic mission church began by the Indian Creek Association of F.W.B. we never dreamed how our lives would be so much entwined in the lives of the Hispanic people. God has given Bro. Bivens the desires of his heart by allowing him to return to Mexico to continue his ministry there. Bro. Fermin Ortega, his wife Clara and family have become very close friends as they have come here from Reynosa Mexico to pastor our church. He is very involved in the lives of the people and truly has a pastor's heart.

On August 18, 2006 one of our members, Roderico Rodas Valladares, became a citizen of the United States of America. He has been a legal worker in our country for 21 years, returning to Guatemala to visit his wife and five children every couple of years. In many of the countries south of our border it is very difficult to provide for a family of this size. He has made a great sacrifice to provide for the needs of his loved ones. On the day Roderico received his Certificate of Naturalization, 56 people from 25 different countries became citizens also.



Roderico Rodas Valladares

We are very proud of him for taking this step. Now he anticipates the day when he can reunite with his family by making requests to bring them to the US as well. Please remember Roderico and his family in your prayers.

There is so much opportunity for relationship ministry in a church where English is rarely spoken. We go with them to the doctor. We help them read their mail. We help them fill out forms. The people are so gracious and have so much to offer as friends. My wife, Leah, and I have become God parents to little

Lupita. She is so full of energy, she can't sit still for a whole service. We have helped our people purchase property and followed the purchase by dedicating the property to God. We celebrate birthdays and anniversaries together. By doing all of these things, we come to know the people better and learn new customs and cultural differences.



Pastor Fermin with Abraham Mariano Garcia and Maria Leticia Gonzalez Morroquin

We held our first wedding on August 26, 2006. Abraham Mariano Garcia and Maria Leticia Gonzalez Morroquin were united in marriage in a traditional Hispanic service. Coins were given to the husband, who vowed to trust God to provide the needs of his family. He passed the coins to his new wife, who vowed to use what her husband placed in her hand to take care of the needs of the household. As they knelt before the altar a "lazo" was placed around their necks. It is a rope in a figure eight shape that symbolizes unity and the binding together of two hearts. Bro. Fermin pronounced the new couple man and wife and stated, "You may kiss your bride." Leticia was so timid she backed away almost to the edge of the church and only through persuasion would allow Abraham to kiss her in front of the congregation.

Life is so fun when you are living for God. On September 17, 2006, my wife and I began a new children's church program in the trailer behind our church. We only had four children in our first service, but are looking forward to the potential that is here for us to reach these young hearts. Sure, it's hard work at times. But, what an opportunity. "Sweeter gets the journey everyday. Serving Jesus really pays. I get happy in a heavenly way. Sweeter gets the journey everyday." Keep us in your prayers.

Bro. D. Scott McCully

# The Turnboughs in Spain

Dear Friends in Missouri,

Another Leadership Matters Course (LMC) has now come and gone, this time in St. Albain, France. This was the first time for a LMC in the country of France. There were twenty-six participants and fifteen trainers from thirteen different places of service. Nationalities included British, Dutch, Finnish, French, German, Swiss, Romanian, South African, Guatemalan, and North American.

Once again God used this very unique training course to bless and encourage a very diverse group of Christian leaders. An added blessing of this particular LMC was that, several French leaders participated, and we pray they will be instrumental in assisting the introduction of LMC into the Francophone world.

A personal blessing was that, counting both trainers and participants, there were THIRTEEN Free Will Baptist workers participating! Please continue to pray for the ministry of LMC. FWBIM is in partnership with six other Evangelical mission organizations to help offer this training. With close to 2,000 leaders from around the world who have taken the training in English, our goal is to soon offer LMC in French, Spanish and Mandarin Chinese.

In these days our field council in Spain is hosting Steve Lytle (Director of Field Operations and member of the Executive Committee of the International Fellowship of Free Will Baptists), Gerardo Acevedo

(Pastor from Uruguay and another member of the IFOFWB Executive Committee), James and Anita Forlines, and Larry and Wanda Powell. Please pray for the Executive Committee (also composed of local pastor José Manuel Parrón) as they meet here this week to make preparations for the IFOFWB Conference next October. Pray for the Forlines and the Powells as they visit Spain for the first time.

Pray for safety of travel for twenty-four FWBIM workers meeting on the border of Spain and France for a joint retreat this weekend. In addition to workers from Spain and France, there will be workers from Central Asia, the General Director, the Director of Field Operations, the

Regional Director of Restricted Access Countries and the Regional Director for Europe.

The Villalba Church is in the process of negotiating (again!) with local city officials concerning the permission to build. The subject of the negotiations is whether the church will have to pay taxes or not, which could be in excess of \$15,000. Please take a moment to pray about this. We are so close to having permission!



Leadership Matters Course attendees

Here for HIS glory,  
Jeff & Susan Turnbough

P.S. Thanks so very much for your faithful gifts to the Show-Me Plan! You are a VERY significant part of keeping us in Spain.

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# Abidjan Investment Report

Monday Greetings..

We were at 2nd church yesterday. It is located in an area called Abobo, a highly populated section of Abidjan, There were around 60 present for the morning worship. There are 5-7 in a baptismal class.

Jerry gave them the lovely communion set your shared. They are most grateful, and should be sending a note of appreciation. (See box below) Thank you for showing your love in this way. Pastor Assebian (orange shirt, holding the gold set wanted the leaders of the group to also be in the photo.

This photo is of the 3rd Church parsonage-in another area of Abidjan called Angre. The tin roof on the parsonage was completed today..also the pouring of the foundation for the church building.

Men are making more blocks for the church building. The frame with a piece of wire on it sifts the sand..making blocks is a long, hard process.

The smaller building out back will be Pastor Samuel's study. Sunday School rooms will be built on the wall behind where Jerry stood taking the photo.

Please Thank everyone for their prayers and generous financial helps making this possible.

Trusting this finds you, the Family, all at the Office and all over MO doing well...

Jerry and Carol Pinkerton.



*The Council of the Free Baptist church of abobo (Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire), thank you for your support that you bring to them. Indeed, we received on behalf of Pasteur & Mrs. Jerry, the ustensils for the hold of the Saint Last Supper. God bless you and sustains you in your ministry.*

Eglise Evangélique Baptiste Libre d'Abobo

# The McDonalds in Japan

Dear friends,

Christmas greetings from our home in Tokyo to yours there in Missouri. Isn't it nice to know that the birth of Christ was for ALL of our neighbors and friends? Unfortunately, most of our Japanese friends don't know that.

Christmas is not a holiday in Japan. Kids go to school. Men and women go to work. Stores, businesses and factories are all business as usual. The everyday noises of the world's largest city sound very lonely to us on Christmas Day. The birthday of the King of Kings goes by each year unnoticed. This is made especially obvious by the fact that the emperor's birthday, Dec. 23, is a national holiday. Like many things in Japan, though, Christmas is full of contradictions. The trappings of Christmas are easy enough to find. Santa makes his appearance, bringing each child one gift (only one-- wouldn't that be a welcome relief on the budget?) on Christmas Eve. Also, most families have adopted the European custom of eating a Christmas cake after supper on Christmas Eve.

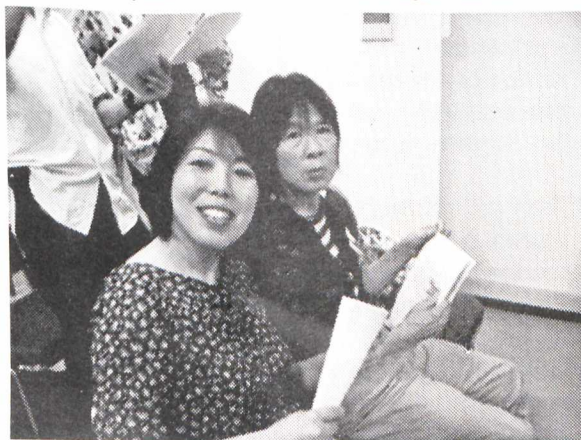
Christians in Japan take every opportunity during the Christmas season to share the message of Christ's birth. This year, the church in which we serve, Good News Chapel, will be having several Christmas activities. These will include a special Sunday School outreach, a Gospel Choir workshop and concert, and parties for the children and adults attending English conversation classes. Please pray with us that the Holy Spirit will use these efforts to bring people to Christ.

Thank you for all that you do to help us share Christ here in this needy land!

The McDonalds



Worship, S.S. Hour at Good News Chapel Church



Mrs. Kinoshita attending her first Gospel Music Workshop Good News Chapel Church

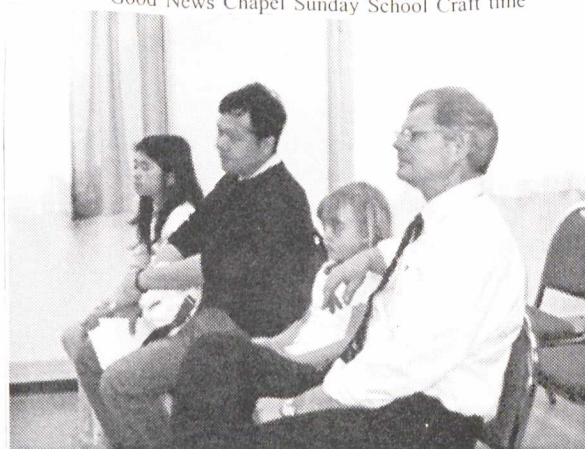


Good News Chapel Sunday School Craft time

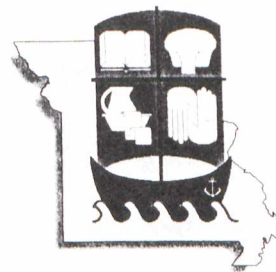


Mr. Nakamura and daughter, Akane, attend S.S. with Donnie and Caroline,

Good New Chapel church group fellowship time after worship hour



# Missouri FWB Life



## It Started With The Fountain.....

It had to be replaced. The pump no longer pumped and the cooler no longer cooled, so we purchased a new drinking fountain for the church.

It wasn't long after that a couple ladies in the church announced they were expecting (a child). We joked that it was the water from the new fountain and

God has blessed our church with many new faces for which we are thankful. If children are truly the church of tomorrow, then tomorrow is looking pretty good. We thank God for these precious gifts.



Children's Dedication Service, Victory Free Will Baptist Church, Alton, MO

thought no more of it. Soon, however, the joke got a little more attention when several others announced they were pregnant, including one in her forties that had pretty much given up on the prospect of ever being able to have a child. When all was said and done, ten babies were born in a relatively short period of time.

Many were reluctant to drink from the water fountain for fear of what might happen 9 months later. It seemed like baby showers had just become part of our regular Sunday service.

For now, it seems the epidemic is over, but the impact of that outbreak is still being felt. Our services at Victory are now much livelier. There's crying, raising of hands, shouting, and even some dancing...and that's just from the babies.

A Children's Dedication service was held on August 20, 2006. A total of 11 children were dedicated that day. I began the service with a reference to 1 Samuel, chapter 1, where the Bible says that Hannah recognized an answered prayer for a child and kept her promise to give the child back to God. We too are blessed when God "gives us a child" and we should commit to bringing them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.

Of all the things that we can give our children, nothing is as important as teaching them about Jesus Christ. The greatest gift we can offer them is the gift of salvation. We can't save them, but we can show them the way.

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# Lessons from the Bristlecone Pine

By J. Mark Vandivort

One of the bristlecone pines of California's White Mountains is over 4,000 years old. The tree's age was determined by counting the number of growth rings in a bore sample taken from the tree's trunk (according to an internet article). While hiking in those mountains you might take little notice of a small scraggly tree with a few whorls of short, green needles on some of its branches.

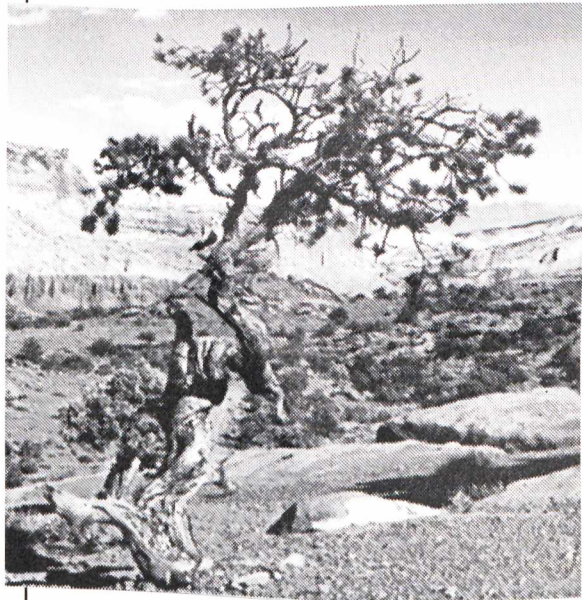
Bristlecone pines can be found at 9,500 to 11,500 feet elevations where the annual precipitation is less than 12 inches. Their habitat of thin, limestone, dolomite soil provides very few nutrients. In a very harsh environment they grow with a strategy of survival.

The bristlecone pine's extraordinary resilience reminds me that the Bible provides a strategy of survival for people who decide to follow Jesus Christ.

Lesson one: The highly resinous wood of the bristlecone presents a formidable barrier to insects, bacteria and fungi. The Apostle Paul wrote, "Put on God's whole armor – the armor of a heavy-armed soldier, which God supplies – that you may be able successfully to stand up against [all] the strategies and deceits of the devil." (Ephesians 6:11, Amplified Bible) It will serve you well to thoroughly study this subject in Ephesians chapter 6.

Lesson two: The bristlecone lets most of itself die so that a small part of it can live. Paul advised Christians to "put to death" in one's personal life such things as sexual vice, sensual appetites, covetousness, anger, filthy language, and lying.

Let the new person created within you through faith in Jesus Christ be ever renewed and remoulded. Jesus' Holy Spirit can enable your behavior to be marked by tenderness and patience. Such a heart



will also be controlled by an attitude of forgiveness, love, and peace. (see Colossians chapter 3)

Lesson three: The very old, or hoary, bristlecone can generate cones with seeds that have the possibility of reproducing. That reminds me of Paul's mandate, "And the things that you have heard from me among many witnesses, commit these to faithful men who will be able to teach others also" (2 Timothy 2:2, NKJ).

Lesson four: Not all bristlecones are old. Some are young seedlings struggling to survive. My youth group leader taught me as a young boy: "Let no one despise your youth, but be an example to the believers in word, in conduct, in love, in spirit, in faith, in purity." (1 Timothy 4:12, NKJ) That Bible verse continues to be a very helpful, moral compass. And I am thankful.

Lessons from the bristlecone pine can help you persevere in your faith. And God's Holy Spirit will enable you to influence others to follow Jesus Christ.

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# Jones Family "Coming Home Concert" Response Great

Back in September of this year the Jones Family had its usual Labor Day Weekend Family Reunion (Orville J. and Della Jones Family). This year was a little different. The Saturday night before Labor Day we hosted a JONES FAMILY COMING HOME CONCERT at the First Free Will Baptist Church Family Life Center.

We had no idea we still had so many friends in the Lebanon area. We were pleasantly surprised to see the building nearly filled to capacity and we had a great time (I'm still smiling). Apparently there were lots of other folks that had a good time, too. They are still talking about it (mostly good stuff). I still get phone calls, e-mails and hear stories about people being blessed by the evening's music and testimonies. It's great to see how God uses good Gospel music and the fellowship of friends to bring honor to Himself.

For the concert evening, we brought back, on Compact Disc, all the old records (and some newer) the family has made over the past 40 years. All the music is from the original recordings and the audio quality has been enhanced for the CD format. Lots of folks purchased CDs during the concert and many have asked for them since, so we'd like you to know they are still available by mail (from John's music room) or at the Lebanon Bible and Bookstore (Dennis loves to sell stuff) for those that didn't get to attend or would like to have additional copies for holiday gifts.

I am constantly amazed by how God uses willing and faithful people to do His work. I'm grateful to Him for how He has used me and my whole family to spread the good news of the Gospel to people far and wide over my lifetime.

God bless,

John D. Jones

"It Started With The Fountain..."  
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The dedication message focused on three ways that we, as parents, can influence our children for the cause of Christ:

1) Live it ourselves. The average child spends 83% of his/her time in the home, 16% in school, and only 1%

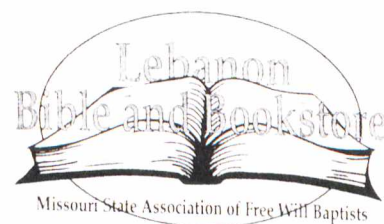
in church. What children see at home, they see often, and it influences their lives. We can't expect the church, with only 1% of a child's time, to do for us what we are responsible to do. We must consistently set a good example for our children.

2) Start when they are young. Studies show that 1/2 of all that your child knows at age 18, they learned by age 3. We must start early before bad habits and false teachings get imbedded. If a child doesn't accept the Lord by age 14, the chances of him/her doing so drop drastically. Barna research polls report that children ages 5-13 have a 32% probability of being saved. That drops to just 4% for teens age 14-18. We only have one shot at raising our children, let's do it right. Teach them about Jesus...and start early.

3) Be consistent. Whether by words or actions, we can't just teach something once and expect it to be remembered years later. We learn by repetition. Continue to teach and live it...over and over.

The service was closed with vows taken by the parents and a prayer of dedication. We ask that you pray for these young families and for all parents faithfully trying to raise their children in a Christian home. Oh, and if you are looking for ideas for church growth, you may want to try a new drinking fountain.

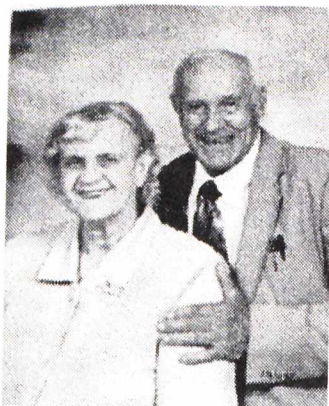
-Jason Roberts



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# Rev. Truman Huffman to Glory



Rev Truman and Amylee Huffman

"There was a man sent from God...." These are the words that the Holy Spirit used to introduce us to John the Baptist. John would be the forerunner for the soon coming Messiah; as recorded in John 1:7,8 "The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all men through him might believe. 8. He was not that Light, but was sent to bear witness of that Light." John did his job and did it well as the forerunner for Jesus,

Since that time, there have been many that this same verse 6 of John 1 can be ascribed to as "...a man sent from God" Men who have been faithful to the work; men who kept their garments clean; men who "preached the word in season and out of season."; men whose life shined bright as a reflection of the true "Light".

Such a one has come and is now gone in Truman Huffman. Bro. Truman was born on February 2, 1922 in Mine-La-Motte, MO. And passed away on October 26, 2006 at his home in Fredericktown, MO. He was a faithful husband to his loving wife, Amylee, who passed away just a few months earlier on July 18. Truman and Amylee had six children, 18 grandchildren, 21 great grandchildren and 1 great grandchild.

This man who was "sent from God" pastored five different churches in Madison County over a fifty eight year span. Most of his ministry was spent at Twin Oak FWB Church; where as pastor; the church grew and expanded as souls were added to the church. He was a Pastor, Evangelist of many revival campaigns of which the term "An Old Fashioned Preacher" applied.

Thirteen other men God called to preach who directly or indirectly were affected by this man's ministry. The hundreds of souls saved — thousands of messages preached — many funerals conducted — visits made can only be added up by the God of heaven as to the affect this "man sent from God" had on people.

He was dependable in the Southeast District Association to lead or lend a helping hand. He never sought the glory or fame. Although his body had worn down you would find him at Youth Camp or any other work of God doing what he could.

Bro. Truman had a personality that the old song "Brighten The Corner Where You Are" would have been a living testimony. He could be as hard on sin as any preacher who ever preached; yet so gentle and kind that the young and the old loved to be around him.

His children and grandchildren gathered around his bedside as he was breathing his last breaths of life. They prayed for him and with him — a final favorite song was sung "I'm Going Home" Then Truman gave his family one last smile as he took his last earthly breath and went home to be with the Lord.

At his funeral service, many came to bid farewell and remember this "man sent from God." The testimonies were as many as the tears that were shed. Bro. Raymond Michaels brought the message that needed to be preached. Then, Truman's son-in-law, Bob Thebeau, gave a poem that ended with a final line "But for the most encouraging words you can get today to comfort your hearts on just how Truman would feel — here he is to sing for us one more time the old hymn "Zion's Hill."

A recording Of Bro. Truman singing this song was played and indeed he that was sent to bear witness of that Light, one last time brought us into the presence of Almighty God.

-Bob Thebeau



## The Show-Me Plan Works!

Join the plan today at your church

# National FWB News



## 600-Plus Attend 'Night to Remember'

NASHVILLE, TN — More than 600 Free Will Baptist Bible College alumni gathered at The Factory in Franklin, Tennessee, on Saturday night, November 4, for a first-of-its-kind unscripted evening called A Night to Remember.

Event organizer Bob Bass told attendees, "Tonight is about one thing — relationships. We came here tonight because back through the years we all were at a place where relationships mattered."

The casual, laughter-filled alumni represented students from every decade from the 1940s to the 2000s. Silver-haired alumni in their 80s rubbed shoulders with energetic alumni in their mid-20s for four hours Saturday evening.

President Matt Pinson said, "A Night to Remember was a great evening of reconnecting with friends I hadn't seen in years and alumni from different generations — and connecting for the first time with many alumni from years gone by. The food was fabulous. The fellowship with old friends was even better."

The event came across exactly as advertised online and in ONE Magazine — no appeals for money, no pressure by officials for support during upcoming relocation efforts, no formal program, and everything was free.

Tom Sass, vice president for financial affairs at FWBBC, said, "This may have been the largest gathering of Free Will Baptist Bible College alumni in the history of the school."

The evening began with attendees arriving in waves between 4:30 p.m. and 6:00 p.m., slapping stick-on name tags to lapels, and getting reacquainted with the people who had influenced their lives the most. After a 6:00 p.m. meal, the happy crowd sitting at rounds of eight in the mega-structure that was at one time a stove manufacturing company, began raising the noise level, swapping stories, and catching up on what had happened since graduation.

Dr. Neil Gilliland, director of member care at Free Will Baptist International Missions and one of numerous alumni present, thanked the alumni for coming, recognized the sponsors, and said, "The rest of the program is you. No sermons. No offerings. This is all about you. Enjoy the evening with your friends."

Alumni from 16 states were on hand. They came from as far away as Florida and New Jersey, from Virginia and Oklahoma, from Michigan and Alabama. Everybody was at ease, and nobody brought an agenda.

Maurilio Amorim, alumni sponsor and founder of the A-Group in Nashville, praised Board of Trustee member Bob Bass for his vision to make the Night to Remember possible. "I have the gift of encouragement," Maurilio said with a straight face, "so when Bob told me his plans for this evening, I told him 'Don't do it! It will never work!' But it did work, and we are all here."

One unexpected highlight involved dozens of eight-foot tables surrounding the tri-level dining areas, and covered with pictures of every freshman class at FWBBC since 1942. As alumni arrived and picked up name tags, they invariably spent time browsing the tables searching for that special class they started with at FWBBC back in....

The Night to Remember became what Bob Bass envisioned three years earlier when he began making plans — an extended homecoming for FWBBC.

Bass said, "I rented this place over a year ago, long before there was land for sale or a relocation plan on the table. I wanted it to be a time of healing and reconnecting with friends."

A Night to Remember was sponsored entirely by interested alumni. It was open to alumni, faculty, staff, and Board of Trustee members who have been affiliated with FWBBC since 1942.

Russell Cooper, assistant director for institutional advancement at FWBBC said, "This is the event of the year."

# Financial Report

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## Coop Disbursements

October 2006.....	\$58,180.29
19.00% St HM.....	\$11,054.26
17.00% Exec. Office.....	\$9,890.63
3.00% Gen. Fund.....	\$1,745.41
8.50% Youth Camp.....	\$4,945.32
2.50% Youth Min. ....	\$1,454.51
2.50% CE.....	\$1,454.51
2.50% Senior Adult .....	\$1,454.51
9.00% Mo Retmt.....	\$5,236.23
3.00% ShowMe Plan.....	\$1,745.41
33.00% .....	\$19,199.50
National Ministries	
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$58,180.29</b>

## Coop Giving

Bethel- Marshfield .....	\$1,264.62
Black Oak .....	\$485.58
Byrd .....	\$259.00
Cabool 1st .....	\$272.72
Calvary Chapel .....	\$488.07
Cape Girardeau 1st .....	\$1,180.39
Carthage .....	\$1,050.00
Central .....	\$926.50
Christ Chapel .....	\$548.00
Clifton .....	\$42.85
Copper Mines .....	\$574.98
Cornerstone .....	\$643.65
Crossroads- Wentzville .....	\$825.00
Cuba .....	\$396.00
DeSoto 1st .....	\$1,500.00
Farmington 1st .....	\$2,640.31
Fellowship- Park Hills .....	\$1,500.00
Fordland .....	\$578.00
Fourth .....	\$161.99
Fredericktown 1st .....	\$350.00
Freeman Chapel .....	\$443.34
Grace .....	\$1,403.11
Grant Ave. ....	\$1,021.27
Hannibal.....	\$750.00
Hannon .....	\$1,839.00
Harmony .....	\$435.92
Hartville .....	\$1,097.00
Harvest - Raymore .....	\$252.30
Hazel Creek .....	\$430.88
Hopewell .....	\$504.00
Houston 1st .....	\$410.61
Hurryville .....	\$633.90
Jackson .....	\$139.50
Joplin 1st .....	\$1,237.68
Kings Way .....	\$380.50
Koshkonong .....	\$179.00
Lead Hill .....	\$239.83
Leadington .....	\$437.68
Lebanon 1st .....	\$2546.7
Macedonia- Niangua .....	\$125.17
Marshfield .....	\$172.18
Merls Chapel .....	\$185.70
Mill Creek .....	\$626.34
Mine La Motte .....	\$97.51
Mt. Pisgah .....	\$562.00
Myrtle .....	\$274.67
Neosho 1st .....	\$645.05
New Hope.....	\$299.00
New Life- Licking .....	\$332.43
Number One .....	\$141.96
Oak Grove- Mtn. Grove .....	\$171.20
Oak Hill .....	\$320.00
O'Fallon 1st .....	\$1,883.60
Olivet .....	\$413.00
Oskaloosa .....	\$350.00
Overland .....	\$80.00
Park Hills 1st .....	\$1,291.21
Parkview .....	\$421.47
Pleasant Home .....	\$560.06
Pleasant Ridge- Urbana .....	\$118.00
Plesant Hill .....	\$108.53
Potosi 1st .....	\$124.95
Rejoice .....	\$522.12
Republic .....	\$355.77
Richwoods 1st .....	\$1,133.00
Rock Chapel .....	\$355.16
Rolla 1st .....	\$241.00
Seymour .....	\$442.00
Smyrna .....	\$81.00
South Fremont .....	\$500.00
Southern Hills .....	\$817.20
Springfield 1st .....	\$1,675.45
Stockton .....	\$192.63
Stonebridge.....	\$135.00
Thayer .....	\$1,427.00
Trinity .....	\$695.79
Union .....	\$60.00
Union Grove .....	\$678.00
Union Light .....	\$185.00
United .....	\$1,482.27
Unity .....	\$450.00
Verdella .....	\$676.06
Viburnum .....	\$467.00
Victory- Alton .....	\$606.04
Victory- KC .....	\$493.04
Waynesville 1st .....	\$668.22
Willow Springs .....	\$398.18
Willow Springs 1st .....	\$105.30
Wolf Creek .....	\$718.22
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$58,180.29</b>

## Show-Me Giving

Baldwin, Jack .....	\$50.00
Barker, James .....	\$15.00
Beacon .....	\$227.00
Belton .....	\$265.00
Berean .....	\$30.00
Berry, Roberta .....	\$15.00
Bethel- Festus .....	\$45.00
Black Oak .....	\$60.00
Bourbon .....	\$30.00
Brown, Angela .....	\$15.00
Burns, Jack .....	\$60.00
Cabool 1st.....	\$120.00
Calvary Chapel .....	\$105.00
Central .....	\$115.00
Chrisman, Mona .....	\$30.00
Copper Mines .....	\$180.00

Copper Mines .....	\$45.00
Cornerstone .....	\$496.77
Cuba .....	\$105.00
DeSoto 1st .....	\$732.50
Donor .....	\$20.00
Eastern Gate .....	\$15.00
Faith & Hope- WS .....	\$30.00
Farmington 1st .....	\$675.00
Fellowship- Park Hills .....	\$885.39
Fordland .....	\$250.00
Fourth .....	\$69.00
Fourth .....	\$18.00
Fredericktown 1st .....	\$150.00
Freeman Chapel .....	\$720.00
Gospel Light .....	\$1,100.00
Grace .....	\$402.00
Grant Ave. ....	\$285.00
Hannibal.....	\$30.00
Hannon .....	\$1,839.00
Happy Hill .....	\$60.00
Happy Hill .....	\$60.00
Hartville .....	\$240.00
Harvest - Raymore .....	\$50.00
Hazel Creek .....	\$287.26
Hopewell .....	\$30.00
Houston 1st .....	\$235.00
Hurryville .....	\$533.50
Jackson .....	\$35.00
Joplin 1st .....	\$275.57
Leadington .....	\$180.00
Lebanon 1st .....	\$150.00
Lebanon 1st .....	\$150.00
Macedonia- Purdy .....	\$1,000.00
Maggart, Roxanne .....	\$100.00
Merls Chapel .....	\$25.00
Mill Creek .....	\$140.00
Mill Creek Young Adult .....	\$15.00
Mine La Motte .....	\$75.00
MO WAC .....	\$605.55
Monett 1st.....	\$15.00
Mt. Pisgah.....	\$105.00
Mt. Zion- Thayer .....	\$30.00
Myrtle .....	\$75.00
Neosho 1st .....	\$165.00
New Home- Hartville .....	\$210.00
New Hope .....	\$150.00
New Life- Licking .....	\$73.00
New Life- Monett .....	\$400.00
Number One .....	\$60.00
Oak Grove - Houston .....	\$30.00
O'Fallon 1st .....	\$193.75
Olivet .....	\$60.00
One Accord .....	\$466.00
Park Hills 1st .....	\$387.36
Parkview .....	\$309.00
Pinkerton, Jerry .....	\$45.00
Pleasant Grove .....	\$270.00
Pleasant Home .....	\$900.00
Pleasant Ridge- Urbana .....	\$50.00
Plesant Hill .....	\$45.00
Porter Chapel .....	\$478.98
Rejoice .....	\$75.00
Rock Chapel .....	\$225.00
Rolla 1st .....	\$30.00
South Fremont .....	\$60.00
Southeast MO Assoc. ....	\$90.00

Southern Hills .....	\$230.00
Springfield 1st .....	\$530.00
Stockton .....	\$51.00
Stonebridge.....	\$15.00
Thayer .....	\$745.00
Trinity .....	\$450.00
Union Light .....	\$225.00
United .....	\$300.00
Unity .....	\$75.00
Verdella .....	\$821.06
Viburnum .....	\$85.00
Victory- KC .....	\$315.00
Walnut Grove .....	\$15.00
Waynesville 1st .....	\$403.77
West Plains 1st .....	\$420.00
Willow Springs .....	\$75.00
Willow Springs 1st .....	\$20.00
CO-OP .....	\$1,745.41
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$24,995.87</b>

## State Home Missions

Berean .....	\$15.00
DeSoto 1st .....	\$110.00
Fellowship- Park Hills .....	\$125.00
Fordland.....	\$10.00
Gospel Light .....	\$160.00
Grace .....	\$40.00
Grant Ave. ....	\$51.07
Greater Spfg Assoc. ....	\$1,239.66
Book Store .....	\$540.00
Macedonia- Purdy .....	\$100.00
Myrtle .....	\$85.00
Neosho 1st .....	\$25.00
O'Fallon 1st .....	\$163.75
Pleasant Ridge- Urbana .....	\$20.00
Republic .....	\$25.00
Southeast MO Assoc. ....	\$150.00
Thayer .....	\$50.00
United .....	\$25.00
Unity .....	\$70.00
Waynesville 1st .....	\$50.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$3,054.48</b>

## International Missions

Alvin Dryer .....	\$10.00
Belton .....	\$115.00
Copper Mines .....	\$100.00
Cuba .....	\$42.00
DeSoto 1st .....	\$65.00
Faith & Hope- WS .....	\$15.00
Farmington 1st .....	\$170.00
Grace .....	\$200.00
Grant Ave. ....	\$15.00
Greater Spgf Assoc. ....	\$1,239.67
Hartville .....	\$35.00
Houston 1st .....	\$55.00
Matthew, Alta .....	\$15.00
Neosho 1st .....	\$328.01
Olivet .....	\$70.00
Pleasant Home .....	\$26.45
Rolla 1st .....	\$333.50
South Fremont .....	\$212.00
Springfield 1st .....	\$240.00
St. Louis District WAC .....	\$451.00
Thayer .....	\$10.00
Verdella .....	\$467.35
Waynesville 1st .....	\$70.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$4,284.98</b>

## National Home Missions

Beacon .....	\$15.00
Belton .....	\$30.00
Carthage .....	\$30.00
Central .....	\$220.00
Copper Mines .....	\$55.00
Cuba .....	\$63.00
DeSoto 1st .....	\$255.00
Farmington 1st .....	\$769.00
Fellowship- Park Hills ....	\$341.11
Fordland .....	\$95.00
Fourth .....	\$50.00
Fredericktown 1st .....	\$30.00
Gospel Light .....	\$160.00
Grace .....	\$125.00
Grant Ave. ....	\$76.06
Greater Spgf Assoc. ....	\$1,239.67
Hartville .....	\$30.00
Houston 1st .....	\$65.00
Jackson .....	\$45.00
Jerry Rader .....	\$20.00
Mt. Pisgah .....	\$30.00
Neosho 1st .....	\$50.00
New Life- Monett .....	\$100.00
Oak Hill .....	\$100.00
O'Fallon 1st .....	\$163.75
Olivet .....	\$20.00
One Accord .....	\$110.00
Park Hills 1st .....	\$424.12
Rock Chapel .....	\$77.40
Rolla 1st .....	\$343.50
South Fremont .....	\$248.00
Springfield 1st .....	\$500.00
Thayer .....	\$125.00
Trinity .....	\$40.00
Union .....	\$45.00
Union Light .....	\$96.00
United .....	\$155.00
Unity .....	\$90.00
Verdella .....	\$10.00
Victory- KC .....	\$15.00
Waynesville 1st .....	\$130.00
West Plains 1st .....	\$135.00
Willow Springs .....	\$17.66
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$6,739.27</b>

## Designated Giving

### Berea Ministries

Hartville .....	\$150.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$150.00</b>

### Brazil Project

Verdella .....	\$264.53
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$264.53</b>

### Trula Cronk Home for Children

Hartville .....	\$50.00
Myrtle .....	\$32.00
New Life-Monett .....	\$376.30
Belton .....	\$25.00
Willow Springs .....	\$20.00
Desoto 1st .....	\$65.00
Unity .....	\$20.00
Union Light .....	\$20.00
Hannon .....	\$200.00
Grace .....	\$31.00
New Hope .....	\$50.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$889.30</b>

### C. E. Board

Book Store .....	\$140.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$140.00</b>

## Free Will Baptist Bible Collge.

Desoto 1st .....	\$40.00
Hopewell .....	\$10.00
Thayer .....	\$50.00
Fellowship-Park Hills .....	\$10.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$110.00</b>

### Hillsdale

Farmington 1st .....	\$100.00
Joplin 1st .....	\$130.29
Thayer .....	\$50.00
Southern Hills- KS .....	\$70.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$350.29</b>

### Indian Bible College

Desoto 1st .....	\$10.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$10.00</b>

### Senior Adult Board

Bookstore .....	\$140.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$140.00</b>

### Missouri Retirement

Bookstore .....	\$200.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$200.00</b>

### Urban Impact

Verdella .....	\$348.03
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$348.03</b>

## Youth Camp

Cornerstone .....	\$25.00
Hartville .....	\$10.00
Hazel Creek .....	\$95.75
New Life-Monett .....	\$376.30
Berean .....	\$15.00
Rock Chapel .....	\$90.00
Rolla 1st .....	\$20.00
Willow Springs .....	\$75.00
Desoto 1st .....	\$55.00
Book Store .....	\$540.00
Thayer .....	\$50.00
Mt. Pisgah .....	\$15.00
Verdella .....	\$10.00
Union .....	\$30.00
Bethel- Festus .....	\$20.00
Trinity .....	\$9.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$1,436.05</b>

## Youth Camp Development

Myrtle .....	\$40.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$40.00</b>

## Youth Ministries Board

Bookstore .....	\$140.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$140.00</b>

## YWAM

Belton .....	\$25.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$25.00</b>

**Total October Giving: \$105,342.65**

## Available Churches

The following churches are looking for a pastor. If your church is available, please let us know in the Gem office and we will gladly list your contact information. If your church is listed and finds a pastor, please let us know to remove your listing.

**Faith Church**  
Lemay, MO.  
Contact:  
Lillian Moore  
314-544-7193

**Parkway Church**  
Sedalia, MO  
Contact:  
Audrey Bigelow  
660-826-3880  
660-475-0375

**Rock Chapel Church**  
Norwood, MO  
Contact:  
Shelby Moore  
417-746-4743  
Shelby Housley  
417-746-4751

**Mine La Motte Church**  
Fredericktown, MO  
Contact:  
Robert Warner  
573-783-5358

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