

1974 Minutes
of the
Illinois State Association
of
Free Will Baptists



MINUTES OF
Canaan District Association
Southern Illinois Yearly Meeting

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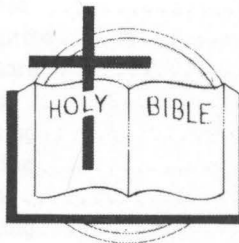


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**MINUTES OF THE 1974 ILLINOIS STATE
ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS
FRIDAY MORNING, JUNE 28, 1974**

Congregational Songs "At Calvary" and "Love Lifted Me"

Prayer: Rev. William Mishler

Moderator's Message: Let's Go Back To The Fundamentals, using Romans 12:1-2 as a text. The Moderator's message consisted of six points. Lets Go Back:

1. to the Great Simple Bible Preaching.
2. to Preaching that puts Jesus First.
3. to a great Heart-Felt Music Ministry in our churches.
4. to door to door Evangelism.
5. to developing some Holy Spirit Filled Bible Believing, Godly living leadership.
6. to leading our people in total commitment.

The meeting was called to order by the Clerk and a welcome extended to those present.

All standing delegates were recognized by the Moderator.

The Moderator appointed the following committees:

Committee on Committees: Gene Norris, Larry Clyatt, Bernice Maynard.

Credentials Committee: James Summerson, Galen Warren, Guy Terry.

The statcal report of the different districts was given. Motion sustained to receive report and seat the delegates.

The Moderator recognized the following messagers from the National Association of Free Will Baptists:

Jonathan Thigpen — C.T.S. Cept.

Bob Schockey — Home Missions

William Foster — Sunday School Dept.

Rufus Coffey — Executive Secretary

REPORT NO. 1

ILLINOIS STATE WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

Report from the Women's Auxiliary was given. Motion sustained to receive report as information.

President: Ellamae Hiltibidal Secretary: Janet K. Hollis
Delegate names: Jean Maynard, Chairman; Joyce Walker, Eddie Hollis, Peggy Clyatt, Ellamae Hiltibidal, Others to be appointed by Jean Maynard.

Number Auxiliaries reporting 20 Number Districts 3

Enrollment at beginning of convention year 266

Present enrollment 243

Attendance at general meeting 163

Number visitors 36

Attendance at group meetings 27

Officers: Ellamae Hiltibidal, President; Peggy Clyatt, Vice President; Janet Hollis, Secretary; Joyce Walker, Treasurer; Geraldine Lewis, Field Worker

1. Mrs. Jean Maynard was appointed chairman of our delegation committee. Those delegates appointed at our State meeting are: Joyce Walker, Eddie Hollis, Peggy Clyatt, Ellamae Hiltibidal, Jean Maynard, Chairman. Others to be appointed by Sister Maynard.
2. Mrs. Peggy Clyatt was appointed to serve on the National Nominating Committee for Illinois State.
3. A dedication ceremony was held for the Mission Cabin at the May 9, 1974 Illinois State meeting. All women attending the meeting rode a bus to the cabin where prayer was held. Mrs. Hiltibidal read a poem she wrote about the cabin and all women toured the cabin which has been furnished by the Illinois Auxiliaries.
4. Resolutions passed at the State meeting are listed below:
 - a. We resolve to let the executive board have the authority to take care of the insurance on furnishings, raising the coverage on building, maintenance and utilities of Mission cabin.
 - b. We resolve to have the State project for the coming year would be offerings given toward the purchase of a car for the Teagues while they are in France.
 - c. We resolve to have the morning offering to be divided: \$50.00 to Teagues account and \$22.00 love offering to Teagues.
 - d. We resolve to give love offerings to men that helped on mission cabin: Bernard Street - \$20.00, Tim & Bill Hayes - \$10.00, John Hiltibidal - \$20.00. Thank you notes to be sent to Geraldine Lewis, Bill Harness, Vera Baumgartner.
 - e. We resolve to have the executive board members to send a proxy to the executive meetings when said members

are unable to attend.

5. Guest speakers at our State meeting were Bro. Dennis and Carol Teague. Sis. Carol spoke on the likenesses and differences between French women and American women. Bro. Dennis spoke on reasons for sending missionaries to France-a Roman Catholic nation.
6. Sis. Vickie Hollis, wife of Bro. John Hollis - home missionaries in Kankakee, reported on the Kankakee work thanked various churches and people for their faithful support.

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY FINANCIAL REPORT

Balance May 10, 1973 \$992.32

RECEIPTS:

Offering at 1973 State Meeting	\$30.70	
Darleen Melvin	20.00	
Offering at retreat	23.91	
Northern Ill. District	221.40	
Loyal Workers District	2,425.64	
Lydia's Helpers District	2,019.50	
		4,741.15
		5,733.47

DISBURSEMENTS:

HOME MISSIONS

Pre-Thanksgiving general fund	\$188.88	
Wennings	474.31	
Ill. Missions general fund	251.48	
Hollis-Kankakee	381.04	
Warren-Springfield	12.37	
		1,308.08

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Pre-Easter offering gen. fund	\$180.73	
Hersey-Japan	544.37	
Haas-France	10.00	
Miley-Africa	10.00	
Wilder-Bolivia	18.37	
Children's Hospital-Vietnam	20.00	
		738.47

BIBLE COLLEGE

General Fund	263.58	
Student Loan Fund	18.37	
		281.95

WNAC GENERAL FUND (Emphasis Month)

CoLaborer Offerings	391.28	
Membership dues - 1973	165.75	557.03

MISSION CABIN IN BENTON

Insurance	46.00	
Labor & Material	1,237.86	1,283.86
Children Homes		369.08
Youth Camp		267.71

State Activities

Nursery attendants - 1973	15.00	
Speaker - Darleen Melvin	20.00	
Tickets for WNAC banquet	12.00	
Programs - Gene Norris	3.00	50.00
		4,901.18
		832.29

TOTAL IN ACCOUNTS

Mission Cabin Fund	452.33
General Fund	173.80
Retreat Fund	23.91
Membership fee - 1974 - 243 active members	182.25

\$832.29

REPORT NO. 2**Committee on Committees Report**

A partial report of the Committee on Committees was given. The motion was sustained to receive the report.

We recommend the following individuals serve on the following committees:

Business Committee: James O'Dell, Chairman; John Hollis, Bill Blackburn

Nominating Committee: Robert Helms, Chairman; Danny Gray, Dixon Roberts

Signed: Larry Clyatt, Bertis Maynard, Gene Norris

REPORT NO. 3**REPORT OF THE STATE EXECUTIVE BOARD****ORGANIZATION MEETING OF THE STATE EXECUTIVE BOARD, June 23, 1973**

Executive Board was organized with William Mishler, Chairman; Robert Helms, Vice Chairman; Larry Cook, Secretary. The following were designated as Chairman of the various other boards after their organization:

James O'Dell	Sunday School
Carl Hinz (acting)	Church Training Service
Jim Walker	Foreign Missions
Arthur Norris	Christian Education
Everett Martin	Laymen's Board
Larry Clyatt	Home Missions

Motion was sustained to pay George Ritter and Larry Cook \$62.50 each for services as State Association Clerk during the past year.

FIRST MEETING: September 11, 1973

The meeting was called to order by Moderator William Mishler with opening devotion and prayer by Jim Summerson. The devotion was taken from Phil. 3.

Motion sustained to accept Galen Warren as proxy for Jim Walker.

Board Reports:

Sunday School, motion sustained to accept and adopt treasurer's report. There was a request to fill the unexpired term of Jerry Norris. Motion sustained to elect David Turner to fill the remainder of Jerry Norris' term. C.T.S., motion sustained to receive report and adopt treasurer's report.

Foreign Missions, motion sustained to receive report and adopt treasurer's report. Also, a recommendation was included concerning the presence of a Japanese couple in Illinois from Dec. 14-31. They are to be in the local churches.

Christian Education, oral report.

Layman's , no report.

Home Missions, motion sustained to receive report and adopt treasurer's report.

Book Store, motion sustained to receive the report and discuss the following recommendations:

1. That the vacancy left by George Ritter be filled. Motion sustained to elect Bill Blackburn to fill this vacancy.
2. That the advisory board assume management and that Mrs. Terry remain as clerk. Motion sustained to give the advisory board the power to assume management and to allow Mrs. Terry to remain as sales and shipping clerk.

Report of Promotional Secretary:

Motion sustained to receive report and consider recommendations.

Motion sustained to set the fee at \$7.50 for the Pastors and Workers Conference.

Motion sustained to grant the request from the South Central Quarterly to withdraw from the Illinois Yearly and to allow direct representation to the State Association as a District Association.

Motion sustained to grant the request from the Northern Ill. Quarterly to withdraw from the Illinois Yearly and to allow direct representation to the State Association as a District Association.

Motion sustained to grant the request from the East Central Quarterly to withdraw from the Canaan District and to allow direct representation to the State Association as a District Association.

Motion sustained to grant a card of Good Standing to Lester Breeze.

Motion sustained to grant a new Exhorter's License to Ellamae Hiltibidal.

Motion sustained for the State Association to loan the Bookstore \$1,000.00.

Item: Clerk is to inform the following of their membership in an inactive church: Lester Breeze, Melvin Oathout, George Capps.

Motion sustained to adjourn—closing prayer by David Shores.

SECOND MEETING: Dec. 11, 1973

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator William Mishler with the opening devotion and prayer by Leslie Elliott. The devotion was taken from I John 2:3.

Motion sustained to accept Guy Terry as proxy for Wm. Blackburn and Robert Harrison as proxy for Robert Helms.

Motion sustained to pay mileage for those driving to the meeting. Motion sustained to raise the allowance for mileage to 10c a mile.

Board Reports:

Sunday School, Motion sustained to receive report and adopt the treasurer's report.

C.T.S., Motion sustained to receive report and adopt the treasurer's report.

Foreign Missions, Motion sustained to receive report.

Home Missions, Motion sustained to receive report, adopt treasurer's report and to consider the request.

Motion made by James Walker and seconded by George Waggoner. That, since the Wilson Avenue Free Will Baptist Church of Peoria, Ill. has made final payment on their church property mortgage to the State Home Mission Board - of the Ill. State Association of Free Will Baptists, (Holder of said Mortgage) and since the church is now a regularly organized church, the Executive Board, acting as Trustees for said State Assoc. (Article X Section 1.8 of Constitution) recommend that the below described property be deeded to the above named church:

Lot 44 in Highland Addition, A subd. of part of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 27, T. 9N., R. 8E. of the 4th P.M.; situate, lying and being in the County of Peoria, and State of Illinois.

We further authorize the Moderator and Clerk of Said State Assoc. to execute the transferring of title (Deed) of Property to the above named church, along with any other legal matters involved. Motion carried.

Christian Ed., no report.

Layman's Board, oral report.

Promotional Sect., Motion sustained to receive report and consider the recommendations:

1. Motion sustained to move the addressing machine to Gene Norris' home as requested.
2. Motion sustained to grant the request concerning the

creation of a petty cash fund for the mailing of the newsletter. \$35 is to be sent each month to Gene Norris.

3. Motion sustained to give the following honorariums to the respective National Boards:

\$30 National C.T.S. Board

\$50 National Layman's Board

Bookstore, Motion sustained to receive report.

Motion sustained to send the Moderator and Promotional Secretary to the Annual Promotional meeting and to pay all expenses.

Motion sustained to send a copy of the Dec. 11 Bookstore report to each Board member.

Motion made and seconded to join the NAE as an Association. This motion did not carry.

Motion sustained to increase the mileage of the Prom. Sec. to 10c a mile.

Motion sustained that the insurance committee be released and that a letter be sent to each church clerk to encourage churches to pay hospital insurance for pastors.

Motion sustained to authorize treasurer to secure bonds on the following:

State Treasurer

Home Missions Treasurer

Christian Ed. Treasurer

Two Bookstore Managers

These bonds would amount to \$5,000 for each one.

Motion sustained to adopt State Treasurer's report.

Motion sustained to call a special meeting of the Executive Board the 2nd Tuesday of January to discuss the office of the of the Prom. Sec. and the editor of the Newsletter.

Motion sustained to adjourn. Prayer by Everett Martin.

SPECIAL MEETING, Jan. 8, 1974

The meeting was opened with prayer.

Motion sustained to accept Guy Terry as proxy for James O'Dell and Karel Smith as proxy for James Walker.

Motion sustained to pay mileage for those members driving to the meeting.

The resignation of Bro. Gene Norris as Promotional Secretary was read.

Motion sustained to accept the resignation of Bro. Norris as Promotional Secretary.

Motion sustained to retain Bro. Norris as editor of the Newsletter at a salary of \$85 per month.

Motion sustained that the Executive Board establish the following regulations for the publication of the Newsletter.

1. The editor be responsible for publishing news received on or by the 5th of each month.
2. The Newsletter be mailed on or before the 12th of each month.
3. It is further understood that the editor shall edit all news received and publication of same shall be at his discretion.

Motion sustained to pay the Newsletter editor on or by the 20th of each month.

Motion sustained that the Bookstore committee be permitted to remove the partition wall between the two north rooms of the Administration building.

Motion sustained to issue Ordination Credentials to Bro. Gary Carsten and Bro. David Tracy.

Motion sustained to grant Cards of Good Standing to Bro. Cletis Reed and Bro. Nicholas Hollis.

Motion sustained to adjourn.

THIRD MEETING: March 12, 1974

The meeting was called to order by Moderator William Mishler with the opening prayer by James O'Dell.

Motion sustained to accept Bro. Gene Norris as proxy for Robet Helms.

Motion sustained to pay the mileage of the members driving to the meeting.

Board Reports:

Sunday School, Motion sustained to receive the report and adopt the treasurer's report.

C.T.S., Motion sustained to receive the report.

Home Missions, Motion sustained to receive report and to adopt the treasurer's report.

Christian Ed., Motion sustained to receive the report.

Layman's, No. report.

Bookstore Advisory, Motion sustained to receive report.

Foreign Missions, Motion sustained to receive report.

An informational report was made by Bro. Gene Norris concerning the work of the Prom. Sect.

Motion sustained to receive and grant the requests of the North Central Quarterly.

1. That Ordination papers be issued to the following: Rev. Don Matthews, Rev. Dale Barnett, Rev. Bill Cathy.
2. That the North Central Quarterly be permitted to represent themselves as a member district of the State Association.

Motion sustained to issue Ordination papers to Bro. Edward Wheeler as requested by the East Central Quarterly.

Motion sustained to issue Ordination papers to Bro. Gerald Musgraves as requested by the Northern Quarterly.

Motion sustained to allow the West Central Quarterly to be represented as a member district of the State Association.

Motion sustained that the Moderator appoint a program and constitutional committee to plan a program for the State Assoc. and make needed corrections in the Constitution and By-Laws.

Committee: Wm. Mishler
Larry Cook
Gene Norris

Jim Summerson
Larry Clyatt

Motion sustained to adjourn.

A time was set aside for prayer concerns and praise items.

FOURTH MEETING: June 11, 1974

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator William Mishler with the opening prayer by Wallace Malone.

Motion sustained to accept Robert Harrison as proxy for Robert Helms.

Motion sustained to approve the program for the State Association.

Motion sustained that the words "and, or yearly meeting" be struck from the Constitution and By-Laws.

Motion sustained to send the Constitution and By-Laws changes to the State Assoc. for approval.

Board Reports:

Layman's Board, Motion sustained to receive the report.
Christian Ed., Motion sustained to receive report and adopt treasurer's report.

C.T.S., Motion sustained to receive report and adopt treasurer's report.

Foreign Missions, Motion sustained to receive report and adopt treasurer's report.

Home Missions, Motion sustained to receive report and adopt treasurer's report.

Motion sustained to adopt State Treasurer's report.

Motion sustained that the State Treasurer's report be audited and presented to the State Association. Auditing committee included: George Waggoner, Carl Hinz, and Leslie Elliott.

Motion sustained to appoint two persons to audit the books of the Standing Committees and Bookstore Advisory Board.

Motion sustained to receive the reports of the auditing committees of the Standing Boards and Treasury Report and Advisory Board of the Bookstore.

Motion sustained to adopt the Bookstore Report.

Motion sustained that the Executive Board recommend to the State Assoc. that the \$1,000 loaned to the Bookstore be given to it.

We recommend the following Co-op Allocations:

- National Assoc. (45 per cent)
- Ill. Home Missions (20 per cent)
- General Fund (15 per cent)
- Sunday School Alliance (8 per cent)
- Christian Ed. (6 per cent)
- Sunday School (2 per cent)
- C.T.S. (2 per cent)
- Foreign Missions (1 per cent)
- Layman's Board (1 per cent)

Motion sustained to cut the General Fund to 15 per cent giving 1 per cent to the C.T.S. Board and 1 per cent to the Layman's Board with the stipulation that we can re-allocate to the General Fund.

Motion sustained to recommend that Art. 6 Sec. 1 of the Constitution be changed to read \$15.00 instead of \$5.00.

Motion sustained that the State reimburse the Chairman of the Layman's Board \$15.00 for expenses.

Motion sustained that Art. 1 Sec. 1 of the By-Laws be changed to read the third Friday instead of the fourth Friday.

Motion sustained to grant the request of the East Central Quarterly to issue Exhorter's License to Bro. Jim Taylor.

Motion sustained to reimburse Bro. Mishler for expenses incurred in paying the taxes of property in Benton.

Motion sustained that the Executive Board approve the redemption of Lots 4, 5, 6, Blk. 4 in the Orchard View Addition which had been sold for taxes that originally belong to the old Franklin Quarterly Meeting.

Motion sustained that the Executive Board grant the Bookstore Advisory Board the power to give the Terry's \$200.00 for the expenses to the National Association.

Motion sustained that those attending the State Association provide their own lunch on Friday and Saturday.

Motion sustained to adjourn.

The following are suggested changes which need to be made in the Constitution and By-Laws of the Illinois State Association of the Free Will Baptists:

Article X., Section 2 Page 5

Number, Tenure and Qualifications. The members composing the Executive Board shall be the moderator, assistant moderator, clerk, and the treasurer of the State Association; the chairman of each of the six standing boards; and one member from each of the member district association. The member of each district association shall be chosen annually.

Article XII, Section 1 Page 9

Ministers. This State Association recognizes the right of any district association which compose this body to license and ordain ministers, and will issue minister's certificates upon request of said body. Remainder of section same.

Section 4 Page 10

A minister who has ordination credentials from another Free Will Baptist body other than this State Association who joins a church that is a member of this Association will be issued a

Recognition or Certificate of Ordination upon proper request by his church and his district association and will be issued a card of good standing for the remainder of the Assoc. year.

Article III, Section 2 Page 12

Authority. This Association shall not ~~usurp~~ any authority over the district associations that shall be under its supervision.

Section 5 Page 13

Delete the sentence beginning with "The publication may"

Article I, Section 5 Page 12

The word "Two" should be changed to the word Three.

Recommend that Art. 6, Sec. 1 of the Constitution be changed to read \$15.00 instead of \$5.00.

That Art. 1, Sec. 1 of the By-Laws be changed to read the third Friday instead of the fourth Friday.

The following is the approved amendment of Article IV, Page 1:

The State Association shall be composed of two or more district associations which are composed of two or more local churches. District Associations may be received into this body upon application by a majority vote of this body when in session for business.

Respectfully Submitted,
Larry Cook, Clerk

Motion was sustained to receive report and to consider the requests.

REPORT NO. 4

REPORT OF THE FOREIGN MISSIONS BOARD

On June 23, 1973, the Foreign Mission Board met during the State Meeting for the purpose of forming the new Board. Jim

Walker was elected Chairman; Galen Warren the Secretary-Treasurer and Larry Montgomery the third member.

On July 18, 1973, the Board held a phone conference to discuss the possibility of getting a Japanese couple who attended the California Christian College to visit the churches throughout Illinois during the Christmas vacation. Jim Walker was to write the College President, Mr. Wade Jernigan, concerning this.

On August 21, 1973, a phone conference was held to plan a schedule for the Japanese couple during the Christmas vacation. It was agreed that Larry Montgomery would have them in the Chicago area from December 15 to December 21, then in the Decatur-Springfield area on the 23rd, Moline on the 24th. Gene Norris would have them in Southern Illinois from the 26th to the 30th, Jim Walker on the 31st and they would then go back to California. If they decided to fly from California, the Board agreed to use the money in the Treasury (\$374.24) to buy their plane tickets.

On October 16, 1973, a phone conference was held to see how the Board members and the State Promotional man, Rev. Gene Norris, were progressing in getting meetings arranged with the churches in their areas, this work to be concluded as soon as possible, and the results mailed to the Chairman, Rev. Jim Walker. The only change in schedule was to try to have them in the Moline area on December 22 and not schedule them for the 24th & 25th.

Since Rev. Reford Wilson asked that the Japanese couple be sent to Nashville from St. Louis and from there that they be sent to Oklahoma Bible College, the Board held a phone conference in January to discuss how to pay this extra expense. After talking with Bro. Jernigan the Board discovered they lacked enough funds in the Treasury to pay the couple's round trip ticket to Illinois and back. It was agreed the Board would buy their tickets to Illinois then withhold enough from the offerings from the churches to buy their tickets back to California. At this meeting, called to discuss this additional expense, it was agreed to pay it from

the offerings to the Japanese couple and send the balance back to them.

Financial Report of Illinois Foreign Mission Board

Started Year 1974	\$331.43
Cooperative Deposits	262.78
Church Offerings for Japanese Couple	547.61
Refund from Japanese plane fare	44.00
Total Checking Account	\$1,185.82

Expenses for Year 1974:

Larry Montgomery (stamps, poster expense)	10.45
Jim Walker (phone conferences, phone calls & postage)	139.30
Galen Warren (phone calls)	4.84
Cash for Japanese Couple	230.79
Bank Service Charges	1.60
Japanese Plane Tickets	683.62
Hotel Expenses at Benton for Japanese Couple	34.65
Total Expenses	1,105.25
Bank Balance To Date	\$80.57

Submitted by Galen Warren
Secretary-Treasurer

Motion was sustained to receive report and adopt financial report.

Recess was declared by the Moderator. Prayer by Bro. Bill Blackburn.

FRIDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Rev. Robert Helms presiding.

Congregational Song: "I Will Sing The Wonderous Story."

Prayer: Rev. John Hollis

Congregational Song: "Standing On The Promises."

Message: Bro. Rufus Coffey, Executive Secretary of the National Association. Text: II Corinthians 4:18, Prayer.

Dismissal prayer and blessing on the noon meal was given by Rev. Gene Norris.

Friday Afternoon Business Session

Congregational Songs: "To The Work" and "Power In The Blood."

Devotions by Rev. James O'Dell from Hebrews 12:1, 2, Prayer.

REPORT NO. 5

REPORT OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD

The State Sunday School Board met in conference a total of four times during the past year. The purpose of these meetings was to formulate and report on the results of two State-wide Sunday School Enlargement Campaigns. The Fall Campaign was conducted during the month of October 1973 and the Spring Campaign was conducted during the month of March 1974. In both these Campaigns the Church and Sunday School having the greatest percentage of increase above 10 per cent was awarded a set of Pulpit Commentaries.

The results of the Fall Campaign are as follows: Division "A" (150 and up) no churches qualified. Division "B" (110-149): **FIRST PLACE** - First Church of Elgin, 19.56 per cent increase. **SECOND PLACE** - Arnold View, 14.29 per cent increase. Division "C" (50-99): **FIRST PLACE** - First Church of Des Plaines, 94 per cent increase. **SECOND PLACE** - First Church of Granite City, 38.45 per cent increase. **THIRD PLACE** - Bear Point, 29.29 per cent increase. Division "D" (49 and under): **FIRST PLACE** - Oak Hill, 50 per cent increase. **SECOND PLACE** - Hoit's Addition, 26.92 per cent increase. **THIRD PLACE** - Oak Grove, 26.45 per cent increase. The Church winning the Commentaries for having the highest percentage of increase was the Des Plaines Church. The average percentage of increase for all 25 Churches reporting back at the end of the campaign was 24.45 per cent.

The results of the Spring Enlargement Campaign are as follows: Division "A" (150 and up): **FIRST PLACE** - Immanuel Church, 52 per cent increase. **SECOND PLACE** - First Church of Elgin, 40.62 per cent increase. **THIRD PLACE** - Blue Point, 26.47 per cent increase. Division "B"

(100-149): FIRST PLACE - Hazel Dell, 33.46 per cent increase. Division "C" (50-99): FIRST PLACE - Liberty, 62.5 per cent increase. SECOND PLACE - Bakerville, 11.72 per cent increase. Division "D" (49 and under): FIRST PLACE - Mascoutah, 72.86 per cent increase. SECOND PLACE - Hoit's Addition, 60.71 per cent increase. THIRD PLACE - Oak Grove. 17.84 per cent increase. The church winning the set of Commentaries for the highest percentage of increase was the Mascoutah Church. The average percentage of increase for the 14 churches reporting at the close of the Campaign was 40.7 per cent - A NEW RECORD!!!

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR JUNE 1973 - MAY 1974

Balance June 1, 1973		\$288.81
Received from Cooperative Plan		479.30
Total to be accounted for		768.11
Disbursements:		
Plagues	\$440.85	
Postage	13.31	
Telephone	20.66	
Pulpit Commentaries	250.00	
Total Disbursements		724.82
Balance May 31, 1974		\$43.29
(Balance due Christian Supply Centre' for Commentaries	\$89.00	

Respectfully Submitted,
State Sunday School Board
James O'Dell, Chairman

Motion was sustained to receive report and adopt treasurer's report.

REPORT NO. 6

REPORT OF THE HOME MISSION'S BOARD

This report concerns the action taken by the Home Mission Board during the year June, 1973 through May, 1974. It is given in addition to the Board's financial statement given by its secretary-treasurer, Wallace Malone. The Home Mission Board is composed of Larry Clyatt, Chairman; Wallace

Malone, Secretary-Treasurer; William Buster, Wayne Martin and Jesse Meade.

The board's chief concern during this past year has been the work of its full time, joint project missionary, John Hollis. During June of last year Bro. Hollis's choice of Kankakee, Ill. was approved by the board as his place of service. Last summer Bro. Hollis did extensive itinerate work in our churches throughout the state. The board wishes to express its deep appreciation for the prayers and financial support that has come as results of those services. Bro. Hollis also attended the National Association and worked in our state youth camps last year.

The Hollis's moved to Kankakee in September, 1973 to begin their work. They held their first services on September 3, 1973, in a municipal center. Progress of the work has been slow but yet stable.

Bro. Hollis went through a period of poor health in February, 1974, but now has been released by doctors to a regular schedule. It was during this time that the board met in Kankakee with Bro. Hollis and came away much encouraged about the future of the work.

In April of this year the mission voted to rent a building for its services, with which it could become more identified as a church. Services were first held there on May 5, 1974. The work does now seem to be progressing but there is still much work to be done. Do pray for the Kankakee work.

Throughout the past year the board has paid the rent and utilities of Springfield Church's pastor, Bro. Galen Warren, and is continuing to do so at the present time. During this time the church has purchased property and constructed its own church building which was dedicated May 26, 1974. We thank God for the success of this church.

Last October the board arranged a state wide itinerate for Home Missionary Leland Horton, as he was on his way to Des Moines, Iowa.

In February of this year the board received a request from the Mascoutah, Ill. mission to be investigated and organized into a church. This was done on February 12 and March 10 respectively.

We feel this has been a good year for Illinois Home Missions for which we praise the Lord. Do remember your Home Mission Board and its responsibilities when you pray.

Respectfully Submitted,
Larry D. Clyatt, Chairman

Home Mission Board Financial Report

Balance on Hand (Checking Acct.) June 1, 1973	\$5,858.05
Receipts:	
Illinois State Assoc. Co-op	5255.77
Benton First (Payment on Loan)	600.00
Pleasant View	248.81
Arnold View	603.45
Bethel	364.07
Bear Point	926.70
Decatur	178.45
Harmony West City	90.00
Johnston City	334.00
Oak Hill	61.00
Springfield	120.00
Immanuel	870.34
Decatur Woman's Aux.	55.00
Butterfield	180.00
Hazel Dell	697.94
Rocks Springs	43.00
Joint Service Camp Gr. (John Hollis in charge)	42.95
Benton First	6.00
Elgin	35.00
Rescue	78.44
Roberts Road	31.47
Nason	69.29
Ina	79.49
Liberty	48.38
WNAC, Nashville, Tenn.	12.37

So. Central Qtly. Mtg.	100.00
Waltonville	190.00
Kankakee Mission	25.00
Clarence Buster	50.00
Hazel Lewis	5.00
Roberta Baine	10.00
Margaret Legender	5.00
Jainey Horegthy	12.00
Claude Hampleman	100.00
Roy Clemons	10.00
Arthur Norris	18.00
Luther Hudson	20.00
Mike Hicks	20.00
W. M. Buster	10.00
John Hollis	5.00
Cash Gifts	31.00
Total Receipts	\$11,621.47
Payments:	
Rev. Galen Warren (Rent Springfield)	\$1,320.00
Rev. Galen Warren (Utilities Sprfld.)	484.90
Total	1,804.90
Rev. John Hollis: Salary & Housing	9,505.00
Expense Nat'l. Assoc. Macon, Ga.	100.00
Rent Supplement Civic Center	385.00
Moving Expense from Nashville, Tenn.	96.20
Kankakee Daily Journal (Advertisement)	104.30
Automobile Expense Allowance	120.00
Total Kankakee Project	10,310.50
Mileage pd. to members attending mtg.	113.15
Telephone Services (including Conferences)	145.90
Hanes & Esseck Co. (Ledger & Pens)	5.59
U.S. Post Office (Stamps)	8.00
Joyce Jaco (preparing Mission Report 72-73)	10.00
Wedmeur Co. (filing cabinets, etc.)	58.61
Soy Capitol Bank (Safety dept. box)	6.00
So. Central Qtly. Mtg. (designated)	100.00
Mascoutah Mission (designated)	110.00
Total Payments	\$12,672.65

Checking Balance 6-1-73	\$5,858.05
Plus Receipts & Deposits	11,621.47
Total to be accounted for	17,479.52
Less Payments	12,672.65
Balance on Hand, Soy Capitol Bank, 6-1-74	\$4,806.87

Church Bond Horghton Heights FWB	1,000.00
Savings Account plus interest	1,604.50
Note Benton First, Balance on loan	1,500.00

Respectfully yours in Jesus,
Wallace Malone, Sect.-Treas.

Motion was sustained to receive this report and to adopt the treasurer's report.

The Moderator recognized the following:

Rev. John Hollis - Illinois Home Missionary working in Kankakee and he reports that the work is progressing.

Rev. Galen Warren - Pastor of Springfield Church. He reports having just moved into their new building and that the work is growing.

Rev. Nick Hollis - Pastor at Mascoutah. He reports that they are in the midst of a building program.

REPORT NO. 7

REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

We, the Credentials Committee recommend the following ministers to the Illinois State Association of Free Will Baptists for cards of good standing:

Ordained

Charles L. Rhodes
John D. Hollis
Dale J. Barnett
Howard Flota
Donald R. Johnson
Cloy Myers

Donald E. Mathews
Robert R. Helms
Jim Summerson
Jerry Reid
Clinton Potter
Jessie E. Meade

Albert Bays
Loyd Crain
Charles R. Downen
Geraldine Lewis
Wayne Martin
Archie L. Wright
Leslie C. Elliott
Edward A. Wheeler
Harold L. Whitsell
Melvin Oathout
Carlos J. Suttle
Jim Walker
Wilford E. Cathey
Nicholas D. Hollis
Wallace Malone
James O'Dell
Karel J. Smith
Vivian Dunning
Galen Warren
T. E. Marlowe
James Coulson
Gerald R. Musgrave
David Shores
George Capps
James O. Butcher
Gary Carstens
Wm. J. Mishler
Larry C. Cook

Guy E. Terry
W. Stanley Monneyham
John W. Hiltibidal
Shermon Sullivan
Claude Hampleman
George W. Waggoner
David Turner
Bob Stone
Mitchell Dutton
Gene Norris
Gilbert King
Byford Campbell
Lester W. Breeze
Everett Beaty
Larry M. Montgomery
James E. Boggs
Pauline Osborne
Major Wilson Baily
Danny G. Gray
Jack Edwards
Raymond Capps
Jimmy Hicks
Larrie Shaw
Billy A. Melvin
George E. Ritter
Clifford Hicks
Larry D. Clyatt
Irene Sullivan

Licensed

Daniel E. McEvers
Ellamae Hiltibidal

Norman H. Clem
James Taylor

Signed:

Jim Summerson
Guy E. Terry
Galen Warren

Motion was sustained to receive the report and to grant credentials to the above named ministers.

REPORT NO. 8

REPORT OF THE LAYMAN'S BOARD

During the past year we have organized the one new charter with 24 members.

We as a board had one meeting. We worked with the State Promotional Secretary in planning the Pastor's and Worker's Conference last November.

We hope to have a State Wide Master's Men Rally some time in the Fall.

Everett Martin, Chairman

Neal Selcer, Sec.-Treas.

Robert Laur

Motion was sustained to receive the report as information.

REPORT NO. 9

PARTIAL REPORT OF BUSINESS COMMITTEE

Motion sustained to receive report and adopt item by item.

Item 1: That the proposed changes in the Constitution and By-Laws be accepted by the body and tabled until Saturday in compliance with the Constitution and By-Laws.

Motion sustained to adopt Item 1.

Item 2: That the proposed allocations for the Co-operative Plan be adopted with the stipulation that the increases proposed for the C.T.S. and Layman's Board may be re-allocated to the General Fund by the Executive Board if and when deemed necessary.

Motion sustained to adopt Item 2.

Item 3: That the State Association send an appropriate wreath to express our gratitude for the work of Bro. Bill Buster in the State and as an expression of our sympathy for his family.

Motion sustained to adopt Item 3.

Signed:

James O'Dell, Chairman

John Hollis

Bill Blackburn

REPORT NO. 10

FINAL REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

Memorial Committee: Mabel Kettelman, Eddie Hollis, Blanche Horn

Temperance Committee: C. J. Kettelman, Carl Hinz, Wiley Ryan

Literature Committee: Nick Hollis, Jean Maynard, Jerry Reid

Motion sustained to receive report.

Moderator recognized Bro. Lynn Miley as a messenger from the National Foreign Missions Department.

Motion sustained to receive his report as information.

FRIDAY NIGHT, YOUTH SERVICE

The afternoon and evening youth service was conducted by Bro. Carl Hinz. Bro. Jonathan Thigpen was the guest speaker and a pizza supper was given for all contestants.

Sword Drill: First place winner was Jackie Blecher, Decatur FWB. Second place winner was David Malone, Bethel FWB.

Bible Bowl: First place - Bethel FWB, Mary Lincoln, Warren Buster, John Martin. Second Place - Pleasant View FWB, Debbie Skeet, Shannon Hayes, Patty Hiltibidal, Kenneth Mann

Tic Tac Toe: First place - Johnston City FWB, Sarah Blades, John Blades, Ralph Calp, Donna Snedden. Second place - Hazel Dell FWB, Christy Harris, Stephanie LeVault, Toni LeVault, Richard Helms.

Music & Arts: Herald Declamations First place - Valerie Johnson, Liberty. Second place - Deanette Russell, Decatur. Adventurer - First place - Carla Merruman, Decatur. Arts - David Malone, Bethel. Music - Keith Fletcher, Johnston City.

Signed,
Carl Hinz

SATURDAY MORNING, June 29

Congregational Song: "There Shall Be Showers of Blessing"

Devotion and prayer was given by Bro. Bob Shockey. Text was Col.1:1-14.

Moderator recognized Bro. Bob Shockey who gave a report from the National Home Missions.

REPORT NO. 11

REPORT OF THE C.T.S. BOARD

The board met three times during this past year and the following was acted upon:

- 1. The board helped in the organization of C.T.S. at the Benton Free Will Baptist Church and the Granite City Free Will Baptist Church.**
- 2. Hazel Dell Free Will Baptist Church regrouped their C.T.S.**
- 3. Oak Hill is wanting help in getting C.T.S. started in the near future.**
- 4. The board assisted in competitive activities during the district meeting of the South Central Qty. and the West Central Qty.**
- 5. The board voted to pay the entrance fees for the contestants.**
- 6. A letter and leaflet was mailed to each church in the state regarding the Friday youth activities of the State Association.**
 - a. 2:15 competitive activities begin**
 - b. 5:00 pizza supper for contestants, sponsors, parents and pastors**
 - c. 7:00 awards will be given, Granite City Youth special music, and Jon Thigpen from the National C.T.S. Office will be the guest speaker.**
- 7. \$117.30 was given to the Board in this manner:**
 - a. "that the balance of funds in the treasury be divided equally among C.T.S. contestants competing at the National Assoc. from this yearly meeting, after all bills and fees are paid.**

STATE C.T.S. BOARD FINANCIAL REPORT

Balance on Hand Ina State Bank		\$180.99
Receipts (1 per cent from Co-op)		
September	49.50	
	56.00	
	15.10	
October	22.82	
November	26.28	
December	---	
January	16.95	
February	20.98	
March	22.38	
April	25.57	
May	23.14	
Receipts (Transfers)		
December Ina Bank	180.99	
May Illinois Yearly	117.30	
Total Receipts		\$598.24

The receipts from Co-op and transfers were put in Johnston City State Bank.

Disbursements		
CTS Board Metals	\$115.20	
B & B Printing	9.00	
Postmaster	8.00	
Total Disbursements		132.20
TOTAL BALANCE IN BANK JUNE 11		\$466.04

Respectfully Submitted,
Carl Hinz, Chairman
Bertie Mishler, Sect.-Treas.
Everett Beaty, Member

Motion was sustained to receive report and to adopt treasurer's report.

REPORT NO. 12

REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE

We, the Auditing Committee, have examined the treasurer's reports and statements, checking account and bank statement, and find the report correct and in order. Balances

in the General Fund as of April 30, 1974, is \$1,831.84. All other receipts have been properly disbursed.

Signed:
George W. Waggoner
Carl Hinz
Leslie Elliott

Motion sustained to adopt the report.

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR YEAR

May 1, 1973 – April 30, 1974

Church	Received	Co-op	Newsletter	Designated
Arnold View	2,968.57	1,011.85	60.00	1,896.72
Bakerville	2,090.73	1,257.73	18.00	815.00
Bear Point	5,415.05	1,905.34	55.00	3,454.71
Benton	1,879.47	1,338.40	15.00	526.07
Bethel	8,700.73	4,641.40	65.00	3,994.33
Blue Point	2,227.55	697.00	65.00	1,465.55
Butterfield	3,311.26		180.00	3,131.26
Decatur	2,585.70	1,559.13	36.00	990.57
Elgin	1,257.65	1,099.65		158.00
Granite City	56.58	56.58		
Harmony (W.C.)	449.65		56.65	393.00
Harmony (W.F.)	1,309.33	948.00	50.00	311.33
Hazel Dell	2,888.85	250.05	60.00	2,578.80
Ina	6,113.03	1,319.54		4,793.49
Johnston City	7,605.24	2,810.00	120.00	4,675.24
Liberty	1,065.17	1,005.17	60.00	
Mascoutah	264.12	264.12		
Mt. Olive	10.00		10.00	
Mt. Vernon	1,159.08	1,119.08	40.00	
Nason	455.29	76.15	27.50	351.64
New Hope	424.46	354.46	70.00	
Oak Grove	10.00		10.00	
Oak Hill	394.60	323.60	10.00	61.00
Oak Valley	679.54	272.07	72.47	335.00
Pleasant View	1,159.00	887.00	12.00	260.00
Rescue	591.31	354.84	45.00	191.47
Rockford	441.05	441.05		

Rock Springs	985.25	364.95	9.00	611.30
Salem	301.29	272.29	24.00	5.00
Springfield	781.67	475.58	24.00	282.09
Union Grove	553.00	45.00	15.00	493.00
Waltonville	2,383.33	649.84	60.00	1,673.49
Webb's Prairie	646.00	479.00	60.00	107.00
So. Central				
Qtrly. Mtg.	75.00			75.00
Arthur Norris	178.00			178.00
Emma Moore	10.00			10.00
Mike Hicks	20.00			20.00
Guy Terry	2.51			2.51
Robert Helms	10.00			10.00
Nat'l CTS Office	6.30			6.30
Nat'l Home Missions	12.37			12.37
Ill. Yrly. Meeting	115.00			115.00
Canaan District	120.00			120.00
TOTALS	61,712.73	26,278.87	1,329.62	34,104.24

CO-OP DISBURSEMENTS

Nat'l Assn. of F.W.B. (45%)	11,825.51
Illinois Home Missions (20%)	5,255.78
General Fund (17%)	4,467.42
Sunday School Alliance (08%)	2,102.30
Christian Education Bd. (06%)	1,576.72
Sunday School Board (02%)	525.58
C.T.S. Board (01%)	262.78
Illinois Foreign Missions Bd. (01%)	262.78

TOTAL 26,278.87

DESIGNATED GIFT DISBURSEMENTS

Free Will Baptist Service	35.00
Free Will Baptist Bible College	4,478.08
Free Will Baptist Home for Children	408.27
Ella Rae Jones	1,415.38
General Fund	253.81
Illinois Home Missions	3,885.96

General Fund	301.44	
Hollis Account	3,362.15	
Warren Account	12.37	
Mascoutah Mission	110.00	
So. Central Qtrly. Mission Fund	100.00	
Sunday School Alliance		50.00
Board of National Retirement		50.00
Illinois Foreign Mission Board (Uchikoshi Acct.)		231.00
National Home Mission Board		4,705.12
General Fund	1,020.52	
Wenning Account	2,671.57	
Horton Account	197.63	
McDaniels Account	180.00	
Northern Lights	376.00	
Karel Smith Account	219.40	
Bobby Clyatt Account	40.00	
National Foreign Mission Board		18,591.62
General Fund	2,129.88	
Hersey	6,219.61	
Dr. Miley	1,259.07	
Lynn Miley	40.00	
Call-A-Thon	472.11	
Sturgill	366.80	
Eagleton	1,033.27	
Deeds	331.00	
Sparks	297.50	
Cousineau	584.01	
Banks	1,191.18	
McLain	1,532.31	
Gibbs	289.50	
Poole	65.00	
Caton	325.00	
Hanna	12.00	
Pinkerton	1,356.75	
Haas	242.00	
Palmer	41.80	

Cronk	286.00
Calvery	11.00
Willey, Jr.	76.54
Dormitory	25.55
Brazil Institute	10.00
Teague	100.00

TOTAL 34,104.24

REPORT OF GENERAL FUND TREASURER

Balance on Hand, May 1, 1973 2,050.80

Received during year:

Co-operative Program 4,467.42

Newsletter Fund 1,329.62

Designated gifts and dues from
district associations 253.81

Total 6,050.85

Total to be accounted for 8,101.65

Total disbursements 6,269.81

Balance on Hand, April 30, 1974 1,831.84

DISBURSEMENTS

Wallace Malone, expenses to National Association

General Board Member 153.44

David Shores, Treasurer's Salary 360.00

Larry Cook, ½ year Clerk's Salary 62.50

George Ritter, ½ year Clerk's Salary 62.50

A.C. Hengst Office Equipment Company, Supplies

for Administrative Office and Newsletter 71.04

Christian Supply Center, Church Directory

for Clerk 2.00

Christian Supply Centre, Loan 1,000.00

Southern Illinois Lumber Company, Ledger

sheets for treasurer's book, printing 13.95

Christian Supply, bulletins for State Ass'n. 5.00

Gray-Plaza Motel, room for Charles Thigpen 23.10

Charles Thigpen, speaker at State Association 60.00

Delegates to National Association 150.00

Blanche Martin 30.00

Barbara Russell	30.00	
Kenneth Orr	30.00	
Bertie Mishler	30.00	
Lillian Hamaker	30.00	
Youth Fees to National Association		49.00
Expenses for youth competition at National Ass'n.		220.00
Myrna Key, Declamation	20.00	
Annette Hamaker, Declamation	20.00	
Dennett Russell, Sword Drill	20.00	
Johnston City Church, Tic-Tac-Toe	80.00	
Robert's Road Church, Bible Bowl	80.00	
U.S. Post Office, postage for Clerk, Treasurer and Executive Board members		55.54
Lela Terry, Salary for Book Store Manager		187.50
Guy Terry, reimbursement for door strip and postage		2.38
Martin Printing & Album Co., printing of 1973 Minutes, letterheads and envelopes		329.70
General Telephone, expenses for Book Store		58.78
Butler Paper Company, paper for Newsletter		120.75
Ken Lane, speaker at Pastor's Conference		50.00
Malcom Fry, speaker at Pastor's Conference		30.00
Bank of Benton, checks		6.47
Secretary of State of Illinois, registration fees for State Association		3.00
Joe Martin Insurance Company, security bond for treasurer		50.00
Herrin Office Supply, supplies for Newsletter		81.27
WKE Advertising Company, supplies for Newsletter		14.00
Gene Norris		2,614.94
Salary	1,580.00	
Mileage expenses	276.58	
Expenses to National Ass'n.	125.00	
Motel expenses	14.70	
Advance for bulk mailing of Newsletter	35.00	
Expenses to Promotional Secretary's Meeting	32.50	
Reimbursement for Newsletter		

postage, folding	321.56	
Vacation Pay, back pay for 1971-72 and 1972-73	220.00	
Reimbursement for expenses at Pastor's Conference	9.60	
Registration Fees for National Association		35.00
West Franfort Church and Office Supply, supplies for Newsletter		11.48
Tri-State Addressing Machine Company, addressing plates		45.34
Expenses for Executive Board Members, mileage to meetings, telephone expense, postage		341.13
Jim Walker	36.40	
Ronnie Malone	11.40	
Jim Summerson	132.30	
Larry Cook	49.70	
George Ritter	8.38	
David Shores	14.90	
Lloyd Crain	25.00	
Galen Warren	14.75	
Carl Hinz	6.10	
Everett Martin	24.40	
Danny Gray	5.40	
George Waggoner	5.20	
William Mishler	7.20	

TOTALS 6,269.81

Respectfully submitted,
David G. Shores, Treasurer

Motion sustained to adopt the State Treasurer's Report.

REPORT NO. 14

NOMINATING COMMITTEE'S PARTIAL REPORT

We, the Nominating Committee, recommend the following names to fill the offices for the following year:

Home Missions Board - Larry Clyatt (1979)

Gary Carstens (fill term of Wm. Buster)

C.T.S. Board - Mike McClintock (1977)

Ted Thompson (fill term of Bertie Mishler)

Sunday School Board - James O'Dell (1977)
Foreign Missions Board - Jim Walker (1977)
Christian Education Board - Art Norris (1977)
Layman's Board - Bob Harrison (1977)

Motion sustained to receive report and place in nomination the above names.

Motion sustained to elect the above names.

REPORT NO. 15

REPORT OF MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

We, the Memorial Committee recommend that we stand for a moment of silent prayer in memory of our deceased brothers and sisters. Then being led in prayer by Br. Wallace Malone.

Signed:

Mabel Ketterman

Eddie Hollis

Motion sustained to receive report and a moment of silent prayer was held.

Moderator recognized Bro. Paul Ketterman from the F.W.B. Bible College.

REPORT NO. 16

REPORT OF THE LITERATURE COMMITTEE

We, the Literature Committee, submit the following recommendations:

1. That all Illinois Free Will Baptist Churches use literature published by the Free Will Baptist Sunday School and Church Training Service Dept.
2. That Sunday School literature, Teacher Training materials, and other supplies be ordered from the Christian Supply Centre.
3. That each church begin a library as it seems feasible. We recommend use of the Church Library Plan of the Christian Supply Centre.

4. That each church encourage subscription for each church family to denominational publications: Contact, Depth, Heartbeat, Mission-Grams, and Free Will Baptist College Bulletin.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rev. Nicholas D. Hollis
Jean Maynard.

Motion sustained to receive report.

Moderator recognized Bro. Bill Foster from the National Sunday School Department.

Recess declared by the Moderator.

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Bro. Robert Helms presiding.

Congregational Song: "Trust and Obey"

Special Song by Bro. & Sis. Clyatt: "He's Always There"

Message: Bro. Rufus Coffey, Executive Secretary of the National Association. Text: Phil. 4:1-9.

Prayer and dismissal for noon meal by Bro. Larry Cook.

Saturday Afternoon Business Session, June 29

Congregational Song: "Tis So Sweet To Trust In Jesus"

Moderator recognized Bro. Rufus Coffey who is the Executive Secretary of the National Association. A report was given.

Motion sustained to receive the report as information.

REPORT NO. 17

REPORT OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD BIBLE COLLEGE LOAN FUND REPORT TO STATE ASSOC. FOR YEAR 1974

INCOME:

Income State Assoc. Coop	\$1576.72
Loan Repayment	645.00
Interest	198.71
TOTAL INCOME	\$2420.43

LOANS: (4)

Christian Supply Centre	1500.00
Don Ezell	500.00
Steve Futrell	500.00
Don Ezell	800.00
TOTAL LOANS	\$3300.00

BALANCE 6-1-74 \$5967.21

Checking Acct.	\$1300.83
Saving cert. Benton Bank	500.00
Saving cert. Wood River Bank	2000.00
Saving cert. Wood River Bank	2166.38
TOTAL BREAK DOWN OF BALANCE	\$5967.21

Motion sustained to receive report and adopt financial report.

Moderator recognized Bro. Jonathan Thigpen representing the National C.T.S. Board. A report was given.

Motion sustained to receive the report as information.

REPORT NO. 18

REPORT OF THE TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE

1. WE, the Temperance Committee, recommend the clerk of the State Assoc. write a letter to the Park Director of the DuQuion Fair and Springfield Fair opposing the selling of liquor and gambling. And that a letter to be sent to the Governor.
2. We recommend that the name of this committee be changed to public morals committee whereas this committee could act in a broader area.
3. We recommend that the local churches write a letter to the Park Director's of the Springfield Fair and DuQuoin Fair opposing the selling of liquor.

Signed:
C. J. Kettelman
Carl Hinz

Motion to add the following amendment to Item 1 that it include gambling and that a letter be sent to the Governor.

Motion sustained to amend Item 3 to include gambling.

Motion sustained to adopt the items with the amended items.

REPORT NO. 19

FINAL REPORT OF BUSINESS COMMITTEE

We, the Business Committee, Recommend:

- I. That the Ministers Annual Report be changed to read -"Name of Church you are now pastoring and-or an ACTIVE member of: ." And that the following questions be added to the report: "Has this report been approved by your District Meeting? "
- II. That the State Association contact the Sunday School Alliance in regard to transferring the camp property to the State Assoc.

Signed:

James O'Dell, Chairman

John D. Hollis

Bill Blackburn

Motion sustained to receive report and adopt item by item.

Item I Motion sustained to adopt Item 1.

Item II Motion sustained to adopt Item II.

Moderator recognized Kenneth Orr to give report of the 1973 National Association.

Motion sustained to remove the amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws from the table.

Motion Sustained to adopt the amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws. These changes are listed in the Executive Board Minutes.

REPORT NO. 20

FINAL REPORT OF CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE

We, the Credentials Committee, recommend that Bro. C. J. Kettelman and Bernice Goddard be granted cards of good standing.

We also recommend that Bro. George Ritter be given a letter of Recommendation to the Arkansas Free Will Baptists. We further recommend that this body give Bro. and Sister Ritter a standing vote of thanks for their contribution to the State of Illinois.

Signed:

Jim Summerson

Galen Warren

Guy Terry

Motion sustained to express thanks to the Women's Auxillary of the First F.W.B. Church of Benton for the noon meals.

Motion sustained to send the following as delegates to the National Association:

Jean Maynard

Lela Terry

Vicki Hollis

Eunice Malone

Jane Norris

REPORT NO. 21

PARTIAL REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Nominations were made from the floor for the following:

West Central Dist.

Loyd Crain

South Central Dist.

Danny Gray

Northern Dist.

James Butcher

North Central Dist.

Don Mathews

East Central Dist.

Leslie Elliott

Motion sustained to cease nominations and elect by acclamations.

Motion sustained to give each C.T.S. contestant to the National Association \$20.000 each.

Motion sustained to give each delegate to the National Association \$30.00 each.

REPORT NO. 22

FINAL REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

We, the Nominating Committee recommend the following to fill the offices for the coming year:

Moderator - William Mishler

Asst. Moderator - Robert Helms

Clerk - Larry Cook

Asst. Clerk - John Hollis

Treasurer - David Shores

Robert Helms, Chairman

Danny Gray

Dixon Roberts

Motion sustained to receive report and consider nominations.

Motion sustained to cease nominations and proceed to elect. The above names were elected to the offices.

Motion sustained to adjourn.

On Friday there were 18 registered ministers, 21 registered delegates and 36 registered visitors.

On Saturday no ministers registered, 19 registered delegates and 57 visitors.