

*1979 Minutes*  
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*Illinois State Association*  
*of*  
*Free Will Baptists*



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# **MINUTES OF THE 1979 ILLINOIS STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS**

**March 23, 1979 Friday Morning Services**

**Congregational Song: "Jesus Saves"**

**Prayer by Bill Foster**

**Associational meeting called to order by the clerk Ed Shrum. Moderators comments - Rev. John Hollis, Moderator, used Hebrews 6:1-3 for his message.**

**All standing delegates were recognized by the moderator. Appointment of committee on committees: James Walker, Chairman; Ivan Ryan, and David Burgess.**

**The statistical reports of the different districts were given. Delegate, Karen Duglas, from the Kankakee Church was presented along with the delegates from the five (5) districts, to be seated.**

**Motion sustained to receive the reports and seat the delegates.**

**The moderator gave charge to the delegates.**

## **REPORT NO. 1**

### **Report of the State CTS Board**

**February 6, 1979**

**Board Members: Carl Hinz, Chairman, Mike McClintock, Treasurer, Randall Steelman, Secretary, Rex Tucker, and James Stancil.**

**The board met three times during the past calendar year. The meetings were primarily for organizing the State CTS Competition. The State CTS Competition was held the 28th and 29th of April, 1978, at the Bethel Free Will Baptist Church, South Roxana, Illinois. Items accomplished at the meetings were:**

- 1. Selecting judges for the competition.**
- 2. Selecting speakers for the preaching services.**
- 3. Determining the registration fees for the competition.**
- 4. Coordinating with the Bethel Ladies Auxiliary in providing the meals for the contestants.**
- 5. Determining sleeping areas at the Bethel Church.**
- 6. Promoting the sale of CTS caps and patches.**
- 7. Completing an inventory of CTS caps and patches.**
- 8. Approval of expenses for the competition and board members. These expenses include telephone calls, travel expenses, medals, speakers, judges, food, babysitting,**

custodial care, each contestant to receive \$5.00 for going to the National, and planned payments to Wood River Bank for loan on CTS caps and patches.

Respectfully submitted,  
Randall Steelman  
Secretary, State CTS Board

**ILLINOIS STATE ASSOCIATION  
FREE WILL BAPTIST  
C.T.S BOARD**

**CHECKS**

National Association	\$2.59
1st National Bank of Wood River	18.82
Free Will Baptist Bible College	514.65
Randall Steelman	6.85
Danzer Office Supply	7.88
Carl Hinz	14.00
Bethel Free Will Baptist Aux.	200.00
Bethel Free Will Baptist Aux.	300.00
Craig Woodiel	15.00
National Association of FWB CTS	190.00
Carl Hinz	13.36
Rebecca Pugh	10.00
Helen Emerick	15.00
Larry Nix	15.00
Larry Clyatt	20.00
Cory Adams	15.00
1st National Bank of Wood River	218.82
National Association	5.00
National Association	248.35
Hazel Dell	15.00
Granite City	15.00
Ina	55.00
1st Free Will Johnston City	115.00
Mascoutah	15.00
Bakerville	45.00
Decatur	15.00
Butterfield	60.00
Arnold View	30.00
Bethel Free Will Baptist Aux.	40.00
Bethel Free Will Baptist Church	20.00
Bethel Free Will Baptist Youth Group	15.00

Gary and Joyce Portell	10.00
Bethel Free Will Baptist	140.00
1st National Bank of Wood River	355.61
1st National Bank of Wood River	208.00
Totals Checks	* \$2,998.93

### DEPOSITS

1-27-78	\$101.48
1-27-78	39.40
4-17-78	46.24
4-17-78	107.61
4-17-78	87.99
5-01-78	32.00
5-01-78	42.10
5-01-78	657.00
6-09-78	15.00
6-09-78	520.00
6-09-78	203.00
7-03-78	103.37
7-03-78	66.55
8-17-78	58.00
8-17-78	86.16
8-17-78	220.00
11-30-78	84.39
11-30-78	130.37
11-30-78	80.06
Total	\$2680.72

Balance brought forward January 1, 1978. . . . . \$665.33  
 There were nineteen (19) deposits totalling. . \$2680.72  
 There were thirty-five (35) checks. . . . . \$2998.93  
 Balance as of December 31, 1978. . . . . \$347.12

At the end of 1977, we had outstanding debts of \$1,455.46. We have managed to pay all but \$200.00 of this debt. The remaining will be paid when the note next comes due.

\*(Includes \$15.00 return check.)

Respectfully submitted  
 Michael C. McClintock, Treasurer  
 C.T.S. Board

Motion sustained to accept the report and the recommendations noted in minutes of executive board meeting February 6, 1979.

Motion sustained to adopt the program as printed.

Motion sustained to approve the minutes of the 1978 meeting. Moderator recognized Bill Foster of the National C.T.S. and Sunday School Department.

Moderator recognized Jack Williams of the National Executive Office.

Moderator recognized Lloyd Olson of the National "Masters' Men" office.

#### REPORT NO. 2

#### Committee on Committees Report

We the committee on committees recommend the following:

##### Credentials —

1. William Mishler
2. James Butcher
3. James O'Dell

##### Business —

1. Larry Clyatt
2. Dan McEvers
3. Randall Steelman

##### Nominating —

1. Carl Hinz
2. Bill Maynard
3. Gene Norris

##### Literature —

1. Gwyn Pugh
2. Gaylen Warren
3. Robert Robinson

##### Memorial —

1. Peggy Clyatt
2. Karen Douglas
3. Becky Raymer

##### Temperance —

1. Rebecca Pugh
2. Vicki Hollis
3. Jane Norris

First person on committee to be chairman.

Signed:

Jim Walker

David L. Burgess

Ivan Ryan

Motion sustained to receive the report.

#### FRIDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Congregational song: "Follow On"

Prayer by Doyle Hollis  
 Congregational Song: "All That Thrills My Soul Is Jesus."  
 Special by Kay Penn: "Whatever It Takes"  
 Message: Dr. Charles Thigpen brought the message using II. Tim. 2:2  
 Prayer of dismissal for lunch by David Burgess  
 -Lunch-

### FRIDAY AFTERNOON SERVICES

Worship service  
 Congregational songs: "Where He Leadeth Me" and "Tell Us The Story Of Jesus."  
 Specials by a group from Peoples Free Will Baptist Church of Chicago.  
 Message: Rev. James McAllister brought the message using II. Tim. 2:2  
 Moderator recognized - Dr. Charles Thigpen to represent the Free Will Baptist Bible College.  
 Moderator recognized James McAllister to represent the National Home Missions Department.

### REPORT NO. 3

### TREASURER'S REPORT

#### Illinoist State Association of Free Will Baptists Foreign Missions Board

Calendar Year 1978.....

Balance brought forward from December 31, 1977	\$241.04
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#### RECEIPTS:

Illinois State Association Co-op Program	\$333.24
Total receipts plus balance brought forward	\$574.28

#### DISBURSEMENTS:

Telephone calls (and conferences) (Paid to Bethel FWB Church)	\$40.96
Rev. Jim Walker - Telephone calls and postage, etc.	15.89
Total disbursements for the year of 1978	\$56.85
Balance in the Johnston City State Bank Dec. 31, 1978	\$517.43

Respectfully submitted,  
 William J. Mishler, Treasurer

### ANNUAL REPORT OF FOREIGN MISSION BOARD

December 31, 1977 - December 31, 1978

December 24 - The State Foreign Mission Board sponsored a

CALL-A-THON to help the Hersey's account out of the red. Almost \$3400 was received from ten churches that responded.

Special mention is appropriate for the response of some. Johnston City gave \$1000.00 - Mt. Vernon \$641.00 - Pleasant View \$500.00 - Nason \$200.00. The State Board gave \$300.00 along with six other churches' offerings brought us to the total on CALL-A-THON Sunday.

Illinois quota for foreign missions in 1978 was \$70,000.00. Total giving for 1978 was \$60,261.47. We missed our quota by \$9,738.53.

Our total giving for 1977 was \$62,287.00.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jim Walker - Chairman

Motion sustained to receive the report.

#### REPORT NO. 4

### ANNUAL REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD Minutes of the State Executive Board Organization: March 4, 1978

The Executive Board was organized with: Larry Montgomery as chairman; John Hollis, vice-chairman; Ed Shrum, secretary; The following were designated as chairman of the various boards: Carl Hinz, C.T.S.; Larry Clyatt, Home Missions; Jim Walker, Foreign Missions; Everett Martin, Laymans; David Turner, Christian Education. The board members from the five districts are: East Central, Jessie Meade; South Central, Ivan Ryan; West Central, Glenn Poston; North Central, Bill Cathey; Northern, James Butcher. It was decided to meet at Bethel May 16, 1978 at 7:00 p.m.

The meetings to be, May, August, November, and February.

#### II Meeting of the Executive Board: May 16, 1978

Meeting called to order by the Moderator Rev. Larry Montgomery. The devotional was given by Larry Clyatt using Heb. 11:27. Prayer by Rev. Clyatt.

Rev. Glenn Poston is moving to Tennessee vacating his position on the Executive Board. Rev. Melvin Knott was elected to serve out his term. Motion sustained that Jessie Meade serve on the Executive Board representing the East

Central District.

Minutes are read and approved. Treasurers' report was given and approved. Motion sustained to pay mileage to the Board members for each meeting they drive to for the year. Motion sustained to pay Bill Cathey \$25.00 for each Board meeting he attends due to his physical condition, above his mileage.

Motion sustained that Book Store Advisory Board Members need not be members of the Executive Board.

Nominations for Book Store Advisory Board - James O'Dell and Gene Norris.

Motion sustained that nominations cease and proceed to elect.

Bros. O'Dell and Norris were elected.

#### Board Reports:

Laymans - None

Foreign Missions - Motion sustained to receive report.

Home Missions - Motion sustained to receive report.

Christian Education Board - Report in Mail (attached)

C.T.S. - Motion sustained to receive report and adopt treasurer report, and act upon item by item.

1) Motion sustained for James Stanchil to replace Doyle Pruitt.

2) Motion sustained for State Association to add \$65.00 to C.T.S. contestants expense to National Association.

Motion sustained to send one copy of study course and key to answering questions to each district.

Motion sustained to give Gilbert Kins, John Hollis, Albert Bays, and Melvin Knott cards of Good Standing.

The C.T.S. Board is using S.C. Electric typewriter.

Motion sustained to Elect Art Norris to the Laymans Board to replace Glen Parker since Bro. Parker is a minister. Next meeting Aug. 15th at Blue Point.

Motion sustained to adjourn. Prayer by Everett Martin.

#### III Meeting of the Executive Board: Aug. 15, 1978

Devotion by Jim Summerson Titus 2:1. Prayer by Jim Summerson. Gary Portell serving for Melvin Knott. Minutes read and sustained. Treasurers report May Rec. \$9,160.41; June \$7,830.96; July \$4,286.83.

#### Board Reports:

C.T.S. - None

Home Missions - Hollis and Summerson gave oral reports and was approved.

Treas. - Report approved.

Foreign Missions - Report received and Treas. report adopted.

C.E.B. - Report received no treas. report.

Laymans - None

Bookstore Advisory Board - Oral report.

East Central Nomination to represent East Central Donavan Maxwell to replace Jessie Meade.

Resignation of Larry Montgomery accepted after letter read. John Hollis now moderator. Program Committee - check with clerk to see whether you are on the committee. (People on the committee are James Butcher, Melvin Knott, Ivan Ryan, Jessie Meade, and Bill Cathey). Next meeting will be Nov. 21st at Milan, Ill. 7:00 p.m. Nomination Jim Summerson elected by acclamation for asst. moderator. Closed in prayer by Bill Cathey.

#### IV Meeting of the Executive Board: Nov. 21, 1978

Meeting called to order by the moderator John Hollis.

Devotions were given by Bill Cathey using Ps. 92:1 "Giving Thanks". Prayer by Bill Cathey.

Board members present: John Hollis, Jim Summerson, David Turner, Larry Clyatt, Bill Cathey, Carl Hinz, and David Shores, James O'Dell was visiting.

#### Board Reports:

Treasurer's Report - Motion sustained to receive the report.  
Home Mission Report - Motion sustained to receive the report.

C.T.S. Report - Motion sustained to receive the report.  
Motion sustained to grant request of C.T.S. Board to have charge of Friday evening services at State Meeting March 23.

Christian Ed. Board Report: David Turner gave oral report.  
Motion sustained to receive report.

Christian Supply Center Board report - Motion sustained to receive the report. Request further information concerning the renting of building at the new shopping mall and give further consideration at out February meeting.

State Association Planning Committee report: (Mar. 23-24) at Decatur. Details to be worked out by next meeting.

The following requests were granted:

1) Northern District-Cards of Good Standing - Wayne Meade and Larry Nix.

2) West Central - Ordination credentials to be issued to Gary Portell

3) South Central - Recognition of Ordination to be sent to Tommy Street: Ministerial License to be sent to Keith Fletcher. (Remind clerk to print tests of study course for state wide ministers.

Next meeting to be held February 6, 1979 at 7:00 p.m. at Decatur. Minutes taken by David Shores, clerk pro-tem.

#### V Meeting of the Executive Board February 6, 1979

Meeting called to order by the Moderator John Hollis. Devotion was given by Jim Summerson using II Tim. 3. Prayer by Jim Summerson. Roll Call: John Hollis, Ed Shrum, David Shores, Ivan Ryan, James Butcher (absent) Larry Clyatt (absent), Jim Summerson, Everett Martin, James Walker (absent), Carl Hinz, Bill Cathey, David Turner, Donovan Maxwell, Melvin Knott, Gene Norris Proxy for Larry Clyatt.

Minutes read and approved.

Book Store Advisory Board looking into other areas to locate the Book Store. No further information on the shopping mall.

Planning Committee Report - Motion sustained to accept program as planned. Motion sustained to issue Dan McEvers papers to replace the one lost. Motion sustained to permit Tag Kilgore to tape services at the state meeting Mar. 23 & 24. Motion sustained for CTS Board to have charge of the Friday evening services.

Treasurers Report - Motion sustained to receive the report.

The Moderator appointed M. Knott, B. Cathey, and D. Turner to audit all Treasurer Books. The auditing committee stated that they found all treasurer books to be in order. Motion sustained to accept the report. Home Mission Board Report. Motion sustained to receive the report. Foreign Mission Board Report. Motion sustained to receive the report. CTS Board Report - CTS Board requested that the State Association pay the registration fee and give each contestant \$10.00 that go to the National Competition. Motion sustained to receive the report and grant the request. C.E.B.

Report - Motion sustained to receive the report. Motion sustained not to print the names of the people that owe money to the C.E.B. Motion sustained for editor of Newsletter to print article that there is money in the C. E. Board Treasury for Bible College Students to borrow to help pay tuition. Laymans Board Report - Motion sustained to receive report. Store Advisory Board Report - Motion sustained to receive the report. Motion sustained to issue Illinois Credentials to Randy Greenwood and David Burgess of the West Central Quarterly. Motion sustained to have Quarterlys use New Report forms to State Association.

List of property owned by State Association:

- 1 Manual Olympia Typewriter
- 1 Roneo 865 Mimeograph machine and stand (2 drums)
- 2 Typing Tables
- 1 Martin Yale Folder
- 1 Collator
- 1 Small Sorter
- Misc. Mimeograph Materials
- 1 Adler Electric Typewriter
- 1 Brief Case
- Stamps & Stationery
- 1 Sharp Calculator
- 1 Bible Bowl Kit
- 1 Electric Typewriter Portable
- 1 Manual Typewriter

Motion sustained to adjourn. Prayer by Carl Hinz.

Motion sustained to receive the report and approve action taken by the Executive Board. Partial business committee report - Oral Report. No action taken.

REPORT NO. 5

**ANNUAL REPORT  
ILLINOIS HOME MISSION BOARD  
1978**

The members of your Illinois Home Mission Board are: Larry Ciyatt, Chairman; Wallace Malone, Secretary Treasurer; Jesse Meade, Gene Norris and Galen Warren. We are grateful for the privilege to serve and yet mindful of the responsibility.

Again this year our chief concern has been centered around our two state missionaries and their missions: Rev. John Hollis in Kankakee, Ill.; and Rev. Jim Summerson in Milan, Ill. 1978 saw both of these works organized into regular Free Will Baptist churches.

The Milan, Ill. work was organized into Faith Free Will Baptist Church on February 26th. The Board was privileged to be present and to participate in the service. Thirty six (36) charter members were received. During 1978 the church reported twenty seven (27) conversions and twenty (20) baptisms.

September 10th was the date for the Kankakee, Ill. work to be organized into Unity Free Will Baptist Church. Again the Board was privileged to be present and to participate in the service. Unity received twenty five (25) charter members. Twelve (12) conversions and ten (10) baptisms were reported by the church during 1978.

In addition to their organization, the Faith Church purchased property through a bond issue, and the Unity Church did more remodeling to their building during the year. Both have lovely places in which to worship.

Another common denominator between our two missionaries in 1978 was that they both became the parents of sons. The Hollis's became parents on July 26th when Johnny Dow II was born. James Leslie joined two sisters in the Summerson family on October 31st. Congratulations.

In other activities during the year, the board served in an advisory capacity to a group seeking to start a church in Mounds, Ill. The group discontinued their efforts in the summer. The board also met with the congregation of the First Church in Moline, Ill. in a similar capacity.

At times during the year finances faltered. However, God was faithful and used you, our Free Will Baptist people, to see us through. May God bless your faithfulness. Let's continue to start churches for Jesus through out our state.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry D. Clyatt  
Chairman

Financial Report in Home Missions Jan. 1, 1978 - Jan. 1, 1979	
Balance Jan. 1, 1978	\$1,656.43
Deposits	\$17,629.80

Total to be accounted for	\$19,286.23
Total paid out 1978	\$17,538.65
Balance checking Soy Capitol Bank 1-1-1979	\$1,747.58
Savings Account Soy Capitol Bank 1-1-1979	\$18.41

Wallace Malone Treas.

Motion sustained to accept report and adopt treasurers report.

# REPORT NO. 6

## CHRISTIAN BOOK CENTRE'

### (Financial Statement for 1978)

Balance January 1, 1978.....	\$ 3,548.67
Receipts & Deposits:	
Sunday School Material Sales.....	\$18,324.82
Bookstore Cash Sales.....	12,040.59
Received on accounts.....	2,604.39
Loan from Sunday School Alliance.....	1,000.00
Refund from Insurance Company.....	32.00
Total Receipts.....	\$34,001.80
Total to be accounted for.....	\$37,550.47

## Disbursements:

National Sunday School Department..	\$13,550.22
Miscellaneous Publishers.....	4,997.44
Salaries.....	4,838.00
Riverside Bible Book House.....	3,279.82
Rent.....	1,950.00
Zondervan Publishing Company.....	1,664.69
Cicero Bible Press.....	1,208.30
Equipment.....	1,202.63
Freight.....	865.24
Miscellaneous Expense.....	782.26
Utilities.....	676.89
Paid on Loan from S. S. Alliance....	650.00
Advertising.....	316.13
Supplies.....	261.01
Texaco (Terry's Gasoline Expense).....	150.00
Illinois Dept. of Revenue	
(1977 Sales Tax).....	78.79

Total Disbursements.....	\$36,471.42
Balance December 31, 1978.....	\$ 1,079.05

Respectfully Submitted,

Motion sustained to receive report.

REPORT NO. 7

**TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE REPORT**

We the Temperance Committee recommend that:

1. We Free Will Baptist leaders obtain information and educate our people on the subjects of abortion, homosexuality, and pornography.

2. We continue to uphold the biblical standards of modesty and sexual distinction in dress and appearance. We feel church leaders should maintain a Godly example, especially to the youth.

Vickie Hollis  
Jane Norris  
Rebecca Pugh

Motion sustained to receive report.

REPORT NO. 8

**LITERATURE COMMITTEE**

We the Literature Committee upon deliberation and discussion conclude that no additional recommendations be made at this time but that everyone be reminded of the 1977 & 78 literature committee recommendations.

Gwyn Pugh  
Robert Robinson  
Galen Warren

Motion sustained to accept the report. Motion sustained to recess until 9:30 Saturday morning.

Prayer by Rev. James O'Dell.

**SATURDAY MORNING SERVICES**

**MARCH 24, 1979**

Congregational song: "My Saviour's Love"

Saturday business session called to order by the clerk.

Final report of C.T.S. Board.

Cost for each person to attend the state level competition as follows: Ages 6 through 24 \$5.00; Ages 25 and up \$2.00. To cover expenses. Motion sustained to receive the final report.

Partial nominating committee report.

The nominating committee recommends the following people to serve on different boards and members at large.

Home missions - Larry Clyatt, 1984.

C.T.S. - Rex Tucker - 1984

Foreign Mission - Billy Maynard - 1982

Christian Education - David Burgess - 1982

Laymans Board - Denzil Cockrum - 1982

Five members at large:

Northern District - James Butcher

East Central - Donovan Maxwell

South Central - Ivan Ryan

West Central - Loyd Crain

North Central - Jim Summerson

General Board member at large - Wallace Malone, 2 year term.

Motion sustained to receive the partial nominating committee report and act upon nominee by nominee.

All was elected as nominated.

#### REPORT NO. 9

### CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD TREASURER'S REPORT

March 10 - December 31, 1978

Note: The Sunday School Board and Christian Education Board was combined on March 10, 1978 and I was elected treasurer.

#### Receipts:

- 3-10-78 David Shores - Co-op fund (Dec.) - \$202.95
- 3-10-78 David Shores - Co-op fund - Jan. & Feb. - \$286.96
- 3-26-78 Bessie Elliott Ch. from Dan - Loan payment - 50.00
- 3-30-78 - S. S. Board - transfer account - 568.55
- 3-30-78 Ch. Ed. Board - transfer account - Mr. Wall - 2224.07
- 4-13-78 David Shores - Co-op fund - March - 234.64
- 5-09-78 Tami Helms - Loan payment - 50.00
- 5-18-78 Tami Helms - Payment on loan - 300.00
- 5-19-78 David Shores - April Co-op - 275.66
- 6-06-78 Larry Stevens - Payment on loan - 100.00
- 6-19-78 David Shores - May Co-op - 177.46
- 7-12-78 David Shores - June Co-op - 229.75
- 8-14-78 David Shores - July Co-op - 154.65
- 9-18-78 David Shores - August Co-op - 225.05
- 9-22-78 Benton Community Bank Interest on loan - 13.75

9-22-78 Sold books from study course - 5.00  
10-21-78 Dan Elliott - payment on loan - 50.00  
10-21-78 David Shores - Co-op fund for Sept. - 347.66  
10-25-78 Mike Rhodes - payment on loan - 50.00  
11-04-78 Johnnie Clayton - Loan payment for Gary - 84.67  
11-13-78 Mike Rhodes - payment on loan - 50.00  
11-13-78 Rex Maynard - payment on loan - 100.00  
11-13-78 Larry Stevens - payment on loan - 20.00  
11-21-78 David Shores - Co-op fund for Oct. - 213.50  
12-11-78 Mike Rhodes - payment on loan - 50.00  
12-29-78 David Shores - November Co-op fund - 250.03

From the above, the following was deposited in checking account at Bank of Illinois in Mt. Vernon:

April 3, 1978 - \$332.53

May 6, 1978 - \$234.64

Total in checking - \$567.17

Remainder deposited in Savings Account at Bank of Illinois.

Total in savings as shown in passbook Dec. 31, 1978 - \$5,747.18

Interest not recorded - \$157.91

12-31-78 Balance - \$5,905.09

Expenditures from checkbook account:

3-31-78 to James O'Dell for mileage - \$4.80

3-31-78 to Bruce Wall - mileage & postage - 19.04

3-31-78 to Lloyd Crain - mileage - 14.00

3-31-78 George Waggoner, postage, phone calls - 14.19

7-27-78 James O'Dell - mileage - 5.80

7-27-78 David Turner - mileage - 46.00

7-27-78 Postmaster for stamps - 15.00

9-09-78 Christian Supply Centre - Books for study courses - 82.75

Total expenditures - 201.58

Total in checking (from other page) - \$567.17

Expenditures in checking (above) - 201.58

12-31-78 Checkbook balance - \$365.59

Note: The Home Missions Board owes Christian Education Board \$1000.00. There is also a \$500 savings account in Benton Community Bank.

George W. Waggoner, Treas.

Motion sustained to receive the report.

# **TREASURER'S REPORT** January 1 through December 31, 1978

Church	CO-OP Newsletter Designated			
Alexander	500.00	500.00	-0-	-0-
Arnold View	6181.83	3951.07	60.00	2170.76
Bakerville	4077.34	2847.34	-0-	1230.00
Bear Point	4294.74	948.89	-0-	3345.85
Benton	5617.71	600.00	-0-	5017.71
Bethel	7301.01	1614.19	40.00	5646.82
Blue Point	7954.78	600.00	60.00	7294.78
Butterfield	4136.77	-0-	60.00	4076.77
Decatur	236.00	-0-	36.00	200.00
Faith (Milan)	670.02	240.00	-0-	430.02
Granite City	1194.34	94.08	-0-	1100.26
Harmony (W. City)	360.00	-0-	60.00	300.00
Harmony (W.F.)	1267.37	923.00	40.00	304.37
Hazel Dell	7418.26	383.93	60.00	6974.33
Ina	9521.05	2909.81	-0-	6611.24
Johnston City	11,063.43	5236.00	120.00	5707.43
Liberty	1721.39	1661.39	60.00	-0-
Mascoutah	90.00	50.00	-0-	40.00
Moline	473.00	-0-	-0-	473.00
Mt. Vernon	6129.42	3795.92	45.00	2288.50
Nason	1147.96	811.67	50.00	286.29
New Hope	627.83	567.83	60.00	-0-
Oak Grove	93.18	-0-	-0-	93.18
Oak Valley	663.00	319.00	44.00	300.00
Pleasant View	3963.35	1246.98	-0-	2716.37
Rescue	1225.04	638.85	-0-	586.19
Rock Springs	920.69	550.20	-0-	370.49
Salem	601.29	573.29	28.00	-0-
Springfield	656.00	401.00	18.00	237.00
Unity (Kankakee)	551.41	-0-	-0-	551.41
Waltonville	4833.65	1319.95	60.00	3453.70
Webb's Prairie	1279.37	852.69	60.00	366.68
East Central Dist.	150.00	-0-	-0-	150.00
Sunday School All.	200.00	-0-	-0-	200.00
Illinois Foreign				
Mission Board	300.00	-0-	-0-	300.00

Totals	97,421.23	33,637.08	961.00	62,823.15
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### CO-OP SUMMARY

45 per cent National Association - 15,136.67  
21 per cent Illinois Home Mission Board - 7,063.78  
15 per cent General Fund - 5,045.58  
8 per cent Christian Education Board - 2,690.98  
3 per cent Northern Illinois Youth Camp Board - 1,009.11  
3 per cent Sunday School Alliance - 1,009.11  
3 per cent Church Training Service Board - 1,009.11  
1 per cent Laymen's Board - 336.37  
1 per cent Illinois Foreign Mission Board - 336.37  
Total - 33,637.08

### DESIGNATED GIFTS

Free Will Baptist's Bible College - 3415.43  
Ella Rae Jones Missionary Account - 2116.43  
Free Will Baptist Home for Children - 610.00  
Illinois Home Mission Board: 9306.67  
John Hollis Account - 3743.01  
Jim Summerson Account - 4992.91  
General Fund - 570.75  
National Home Missions: \$5521.22  
General Fund - 1754.02  
Robert Helms Account - 2036.78  
Robert Shockey Account - 50.00  
Frank Cousineau Account - 235.00  
Jesse Dunn Account - 35.00  
Bobby Francis Account - 548.75  
Horton Account - 16.00  
Glen Poston Account - 244.23  
Karel Smith Account - 601.44

National Foreign Mission Board: \$41,759.99

Banks - 1158.55  
Bryan - 253.63  
Callaway - 824.15  
Caton - 121.89  
Coffey - 10.00  
Cousineau (Mike) - 424.25  
Crowson - 2143.26

Deeds - 253.61  
Dickens - 287.43  
Eagleton - 1457.08  
Ellison - 650.39  
Filkins - 80.00  
Franks - 175.00  
Fulcher - 1078.03  
Gibbs - 1064.25  
Haas - 359.00  
Hanna - 437.50  
Hersey - 10,536.92  
Lewis - 598.90  
Lytle - 121.00  
Mayhew - 108.00  
McLain - 2261.50  
Miley (Laverne) - 1126.08  
Miley (Lynn) - 2158.53  
Morgan - 4222.29  
Moser - 10.00  
Owens - 100.00  
Pinkerton - 1543.15  
Poole - 310.00  
Smith (Alice) - 50.00  
Sparks - 30.00  
Tallent - 117.00  
Teague - 4524.21  
Waid - 5.00  
Webb - 437.50  
Willey (Mabel) - 402.50  
Call-A-Thon - 230.00  
General Fund - 1999.39  
National Board of Retirement and Insurance - 93.41  
Total - \$62,823.15

### GENERAL FUND REPORT

Balance on hand, January 1, 1978: \$685.75

Received during the year:

Co-op - 5045.58

Newsletter - 961.00

District Meeting Dues:

North Central - 90.00  
Northern Illinois - 135.00  
West Central - 165.00  
East Central - 120.00  
Church Delegate Dues:  
Arnold View - 5.00  
Decatur - 5.00  
Rock Springs - 5.00  
West Central District (Reports) - .80  
Offering received at State Convention - 48.19  
Total to be accounted for - 7266.32

**Paid out during the year:**

Mileage and misc. expenses:  
James O'Dell - 37.00  
Bill Cathey - 137.60  
James Butcher - 137.40  
Jim Walker - 52.20  
Wallace Malone - 153.21  
Bethel Church - 20.12  
David Shores - 50.40  
Ed Shrum - 20.46.  
Larry Montgomery - 83.70  
Carl Hinz - 49.40  
Ivan Ryan - 116.80  
David Turner - 102.40  
Larry Clyatt - 78.20  
John Hollis - 236.69  
Gene Norris (Newsletter Exp.) - 530.69  
Gene Norris (Salary) - 935.00  
David Shores (Salary) - 435.00  
Ed Shrum (Salary) - 200.00  
Jack Williams (Honorarium) - 50.00  
Roger Reeds (Honorarium) - 50.00  
Secretary of State (Fee for Non-profit organization) - 8.00  
Martin Printing Company (Minutes and By-Laws,  
Letterheads) - 142.60  
Thomas Printing Co. (Paper) - 246.70  
Johnson the Florist (Funeral) - 20.00  
U.S.P.S. (Postage for clerk, treasurer, newsletter permit)  
- 111.00  
Young's Office Supply - 10.74

George Waggoner (Flowers for Mrs. Lester Breese) - 8.09  
A. C. Hengst Office Equip. Co. - 143.69  
Christian Film Interstate - 41.25  
C. T. S. Board (Contestant fees for National Youth Conference) - 520.00  
National Association (Registration Fees) - 110.00  
Tri-State Addressing Machine Co. - 54.56  
William Mishler (Taxes for Lot in Benton) - 46.92  
R. P. Barth Insurance Co. (Bond for treasurers) - 154.51  
National Association (Fees for Leadership Conference) - 90.00  
Balance on hand, December 31, 1978 - \$2,081.99  
Respectfully submitted,  
David G. Shores, Treasurer

Motion sustained to receive the report.

**REPORT NO. 11**

**REPORT OF THE MEMORIAL COMMITTEE**

We the Memorial recommend we observe a moment of silent prayer in memory of our deceased members.

**DECEASED:**

Ava McKemie  
June Robbins  
Lore Edwards

Peggy Clyatt  
Karen Douglas  
Becky Raymer

Prayer by John Hollis.

Motion sustained to receive the report.

**REPORT NO. 12**

**CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE REPORT**

We recommend the following ministers, from their respective District Associations, be given cards of good standing:

Northern Illinois Association  
Edward E. Maynard (No credentials)

James G. Stancill  
D. K. Elkins  
John D. Hollis  
Billy J. Maynard

### **South Central Association**

Everett Beaty  
Larry D. Clyatt  
Jimmie Hicks  
Randy Jones  
C. J. Ketteyman  
William J. Mishler  
Gene Norris  
Ivan Ryan  
Tommy Street  
Guy E. Terry

### **West Central**

Geraldine Lewis  
Arnold D. McKee  
Albert Bays  
Cloy Myers  
Howard Flota  
Melvin L. Knott  
Raymond Capps  
Bobbie Morton  
Loyd Crain  
Melvin Oathout  
Gary Portell  
James M. Walker, Jr.  
James O'Dell  
Cletis H. Reed  
Jesse W. Allen  
David L. Burgess  
Gwyn L. Pugh

### **North Central**

Norman Clem  
Daniel McEvers  
Otis Smith  
Ken Rogers

W. E. Cathey  
Wallace Malone  
Jim Summerson

### East Central

John Hiltibidal  
Ella Mae Hiltibidal  
Tag Kilgore  
Clifford Hicks  
George Waggoner  
Jesse Meade  
James Taylor  
Donavan Maxwell  
George Capps  
Edward Wheeler  
Byford Campbell  
David Shores  
Clifford Donoho  
James Boggs

William J. Mishler  
James Butcher  
James O'Dell

Motion sustained to receive the report and issue cards of good standing to the ministers listed.

Delegates to national nominations:

Ron Edmond  
Ed Shrum  
Paul Moore  
Mike McClintock  
Vickie Hollis

Signed,  
Carl Hinz  
Gene Norris  
Billy Maynard

Motion sustained for nominations cease and proceed to elect. All elected.

Motion sustained for moderator to appoint replacements if any not present at national. Motion sustained to recess business session until 2:00 p.m.

### WORSHIP SERVICE

Congregational Songs: "To God Be The Glory" and "I Will Pilot Thee"

Special by Rev. & Mrs. Larry Clyatt "No Other Friend"  
Message by Dr. Thigpen.  
Prayer by Wallace Malone.  
- Lunch -

### **SATURDAY AFTERNOON SERVICES**

Worship

Congregational songs: "Victory in Jesus" and "Footsteps of Jesus"

Special by Vickie Hollis "One Day"

Message by Rev. James McAllister

### **REPORT NO. 13**

#### **BUSINESS COMMITTEE**

1. We recommend a rising vote of thanks be given the First Free Will Baptist Church of Decatur for its hospitality in hosting our associational meeting.

2. We recommend a rising vote of appreciation be given our guest speakers, state officers and program committee for their labor of love during the past year and this associational meeting.

3. We recommend the following Co-op allocations:

45 per cent - National Association

21 per cent - Illinois Home Mission Board

15 per cent - General Board

8 per cent - Christian Education Board

3 per cent - Northern Illinois Youth Camp

3 per cent - Sunday School Alliance

3 per cent - C. T. S. Board

1 per cent - Layman's Board

1 per cent - Illinois Foreign Mission Board

4. Whereas the North Central District has taken the initiative to produce copies of our ministerial study course; we recommend that our member districts purchase copies of the same from the North Central District at a cost of \$15.00.

5. We recommend that a gift of \$100.00 be given Bro. Bill Cathey for his work in producing copies of our ministerial study course.

6. We recommend that the association accept the invitation

of the church in Moline, Ill., to host the 1980 meeting.

7. We recommend that \$30.00 be given each of our national delegates to help with expenses.

Signed,  
Larry Clyatt  
Dan McEvers  
Randall Steelman

Motion sustained to receive the report and act upon item by item.

All seven (7) items were accepted as recommended.

#### Final Nominating Committee Report:

The nominating committee recommends the following to serve as officers for the coming year.

John Hollis - Moderator  
James O'Dell - Asst. Moderator  
Ed Shrum - Clerk  
Gail Matthews - Asst. Clerk  
David Shores - Treasurer

Signed,  
Carl Hinz  
Gene Norris  
Billy Maynard

Motion sustained to receive the report and elect as nominated.

Motion sustained to adjourn.

Prayer by Ivan Ryan.

#### REPORT NO. 14

#### PROGRAM PERSONALITES

##### Speakers:

Dr. Charles Thigpen, Academic Dean and Professor at Free Will Baptist Bible College for many years, and is president - elect. Dr. Thigpen is to assume the presidency on June 1, 1979.

Rev. Jim McAllister, Pastor of First Free Will Baptist Church in Farmington, Missouri. He is noted for his fine leadership ability, and capable financial management in the local church. He has served a speaker in many conferences and associational meetings. He is chairman of the National Home Mission Board.

Rev. Lynn Miley, Foreign Missionary to Ivory Coast, West Africa, and is home on furlough. He is the son of Dr. and Mrs. LaVerne Miley.

**Music:**

Rev. Larry Clyatt, Music Director for the State Association; pastor of the Ina Free Will Baptist Church; chairman of the Illinois Home Mission Board.

**MEMBER DISTRICT ASSOCIATIONS**

**Northern Illinois District**

Butterfield (Aurora)  
Faith (Island Lake)  
First Church of Elgin (Elgin)  
Highland (Joliet)  
Immanuel (Joliet)  
Peoples' (Chicago)  
Peoples' (Cicero)  
Roberts Road (Island Lake)  
Unity (Kankakee - Mission)

**North Central District**

Faith (Milan)  
First Church of Colona (Green Rock - Colona)  
First Church of Decatur (Decatur)  
First Church of Moline (Moline)  
First Church of Peoria (Peoria)  
First Church of Springfield (Springfield)

**East Central District**

Bakerville (Rural Mt. Vernon)  
Blue Point (Rural Cisne)  
First Church of Mt. Vernon (Mt. Vernon)  
Friendship (Mt. Vernon)  
Hoit's Addition (Mt. Vernon)  
Oak Valley (Rural Geff)  
Pleasant View (Walnut Hill)  
Salem (Rural Wayne City)

**South Central District**

Alexander (Rural Olive Branch)

Arnold View (Rural Creal Springs)  
First Church of Benton (Benton)  
Harmony (Rural West Frankfort)  
Ina (Ina)  
Johnston City (Johnston City)  
Mt. Olive (Rural Benton)  
New Hope (Rural Ina)  
Webb's Prairie (Rural Ewing)

**West Central District**

Bear Point (Rural Sesser)  
Bethel (South Roxana)  
First of Granite City (Granite City)  
Harmony (West City)  
Hazel Dell (Rural Sesser)  
Mascoutah (Mascoutah)  
Nason (Nason)  
Oak Grove (Scheller)  
Rescue (Rural Whittington)  
Rock Springs (Rural Thebes)  
Waltonville (Waltonville)