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of
Free Will Baptists*



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March 27-28, 1981

- Friday Morning -

Congregational song: "He Keeps Me Singing" and "Stand Up, Stand Up For Jesus" directed by Joe Postlewaits.

Prayer by Rev. Paul Kettelman.

Associational meeting called to order by the clerk, Ed Shrum. The theme for the meeting is Psalm 119:36, "Incline my heart unto Thy testimonies, and not to covetousness."

Moderator's comments by Rev. John Hollis.

All standing delegates were recognized by the moderator. Motion sustained that the program be adopted, and the moderator be permitted to make necessary changes.

Appointment of Committee on Committees: Joey Murphy, chairman; Bill Fulcher, and Jim Summerson.

Motion sustained to receive the reports (District associations and their delegates, and church delegates) and seat the delegates.

The Moderator gave the charge to the delegates.

The Moderator recognized Rev. Paul Kettelman who represented the Free Will Baptist Bible College.

Dr. Melvin Worthington of the National Executive Office was recognized and gave a report from his office.

Rev. James Earl Raper was recognized, and he gave a report of the Free Will Baptist Childrens' Home in Greeneville, Tennessee.

- Worship Service -

Congregational Song: "I Am Resolved."

Prayer by Rev. David Burgess.

Congregational Song: "Leaning On The Everlasting Arms."

Offering for Missionaries Steve and Judy Lytle. Offeratory prayer by Rev. Archie Mayhew.

Congregational Song: "Glory To His Name."

Message: Dr. Melvin Worthington using the text, Psalm 119:33-35.

Benediction and Thanks for the noon meal: Rev. James Lugo.

- Friday Afternoon -

Congregational Song: "Send A Great Revival."

Prayer by Rev. Loyd Crain.

Congregational Song: "At Calvary."

Special Music: Rev. John Gibbs singing "I'm Standing On The Solid Rock."

Message: Rev. John Gibbs from the text, Matthew 5:1-12.

- Business Session -

The Moderator recognized Rev. Steve Lytle for a report of the National Foreign Mission Board.

Prayer by Moderator John Hollis.

REPORT NO. 1

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

Credentials: Larry Clyatt, Owen Ganey, and David Burgess.

Nominating: Wallace Malone, Ivan Ryan, and Kelly Douglas.

Memorial: Zelda Shelton, Karen Douglas, and Irene McEvers.

Business: William T. Mishler, Everett Martin, and Cliff Donoho.

Literature: James Lugo, Gene Norris, and Grant Bruce.

Temperance: Archie Mayhew, Byford Campbell, and Dan McEvers.

The first person named on each committee will serve as chairman.

Signed by the committee

REPORT NO. 2

**REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE
ILLINOIS STATE ASSOCIATION OF
FREE WILL BAPTISTS**

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING, MARCH 29, 1980:

The Executive Board was organized with John Hollis, chairman; David Burgess, vice-chairman; Ed Shrum, clerk; Larry Clyatt, Home Missions Board chairman; Ken Elkins representing the Northern District; Joey Murphy of the East Central District; Ivan Ryan of the South Central District; Everett Martin, West Central District; Ken Rogers, North Central District; David Shores, treasurer. There were not enough members of the C.T.S. Board, the Christian Education Board, the Layman's Board, and the Foreign Missions Board to properly organize so the chairman of each board could serve on the Executive Board. It was voted to meet at the First Free Will Baptist Church of Decatur on May 2, 1980 at 7:30 p.m.

May 2, 1980:

Devotions were given by Rev. David Burgess using Hebrews 12:1-2. He also lead in prayer.

Meeting was called to order by Moderator John Hollis. The roll call was as follows: John Hollis (present), David Burgess (present), David Shores (present), Ed Shrum (present), Randall Steelman (present), Larry Clyatt (present), Ken Elkins (present), Ivan Ryan (present), Everett Martin (present), Ken Rogers (absent), William Mishler (present), Arthur Norris (present), Joey Murphy (present), David Turner (absent).

Minutes of the March 7, 1980 meeting were read and approved . . . Minutes of the Organizational Meeting of March 29, 1980 read and approved . . . Treasurer's report adopted . . . Christian Supply Centre advisory board's oral report received . . . No representative present to report for the Christian Education Board . . . Motion sustained to adopt the report of the C.T.S. Board . . . Report of the Foreign Mission Board adopted . . . Report of the Home Mission Board received . . . Layman's Board report received . . . William Fulcher was recognized as a member of the credentials committee while the State Association was in annual session. We suggested that the ministers reports of Cloy Meyers, Guy Terry, and Geraldine Lewis be included with the reports as presented at the State Association, March 28-29, 1980. Motion sustained that this request be granted (adopted).

Motion sustained to issue Rev. Ernie Lewis State Association credentials.

Motion sustained that in keeping with the request from the Illinois State Association meeting held March 28, 29, that this Board review all the minister's reports sent to this Association. We recommend that the following ministers reports be returned to the District Association from which they were issued: Thomas A. Skinner (East Central District), Eddie Wheeler (East Central District), and Geraldine Lewis (West Central District). We request that these cards of good standing not be granted on the basis of the statement in Article XII, Section 3 of the Constitution and By-Laws of the Illinois State Association of Free Will Baptists, and that we interpret No. 2 of Article XII, Section 3 to include those who are pastoring and are involved with churches of groups that hold beliefs that are repugnant to Free Will Baptist doctrine (as stated in Article XII, Section 3). Motion sustained that reports be returned to these respective District Associations, and cards of good standing not be issued to Thomas A. Skinner, Eddie Wheeler, and Geraldine Lewis.

Motion sustained to issue cards of good standing to the following: Dewey Merritt, John Hiltibidal, Byford Campbell, Joey B. Murphy, Donovan E. Maxwell, Clifford Hicks, Tag Kilgore, George Waggoner, James Taylor, David G. Shores, George Capps James E. Boggs, Otis Lee Smith, Jr., Ken Rogers, David Turner, Wallace Malone, Daniel McEvers, Jim Summer-son, Cloy Meyers, Guy E. Terry, Gary Portell, George Greenwood, Jesse W. Allen, Albert Bays, Luther Hudson, Arnold D. McKee, Steven R. Eubanks, James O'Dell, William Fulcher, Melvin L. Knott, Howard Flota, Melvin Oathout, Cletis Reed, Loyd Crain, J. Reford Wilson, D. Ken Elkins, Leo

Potete, Billy A Melvin, Jessie E. Meade, James O. Butcher, Albert L. Tiner, Gerald R. Musgrave, John D. Hollis, Gilbert King, Billy J. Maynard, Irene Sullivan, Sherman Sullivan, Gene Norris, William Mishler, Jimmie Hicks, Larry D. Clyatt, Bob R. Stone, Ernie L. Lewis, Deon Walker, Tommy Street, Ivan Ryan, C. J. Ketteman, Everett Beaty (all of whom are ordained); and to these licensed ministers: Ellamae Hiltibidal, Norman H. Clem, Steve Rich, Fred Harder, Clifford D. Donoho, Randy Jones, and Alan Minton. The name of Alan Minton was removed at the October 31, 1981 meeting due to his not being a member of a church that is a member of the Illinois State Association of Free Will Baptists.

It was requested that the State Association meet at the new campgrounds in March, 1981....Motion sustained that David Shores remain as treasurer of the State Association, and set up a separate account for promotional funds with its own treasurer. The promotional secretary is to be paid from this fund....Motion sustained that Joey Murphy be treasurer of the Promotional Fund....Motion sustained that the executive committee of the Executive Board be charged with the responsibility of drawing up guidelines for the Promotional Secretary and report to the Executive Board...Motion sustained to meet August 22, 1980, at 7:30 p.m....Motion sustained to meet at Decatur....Motion sustained to adjourn....Prayer by Rev. David Shores.

MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD AUGUST 22, 1980

Meeting called to order by the Assistant Moderator, Rev. David Burgess....Prayer by Rev. Wallace Malone.... Devotional by Rev. William Fulcher using Psalm 96 as a text.

Those present at the roll call are as follows: David Burgess, John Hollis, David Shores, Ed Shrum, Randal Steelman, Arthur Norris, Everett Martin, Joey Murphy, William Fulcher, and William Mishler, Members absent were David Turner, Larry Clyatt, Ken Elkins, Ivan Ryan, and Ken Rogers....Motion sustained to seat proxies: Gene Norris for Ivan Ryan, and Wallace Malone for Larry Clyatt....Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Motion sustained that the South Central District investigate Alan Minton and Everett Beaty as to their qualifications for cards of good standing.

Treasurer's report adopted....Promotional Secretary's oral report received....Motion sustained to accept the Home Mission Board report....Foreign Mission Board report received....C.T.S. Board report received....Report of the Christian Education Board received....Report of the Layman's Board was received and the treasurer's report adopted....Motion sustained to issue Credentials and cards of good standing to Randy Jones, Owen

Ganey, and Cliff Donoho....Motion sustained to issue a card of good standing to David Burgess.

Motion sustained to receive report of the Executive Committee on duties of the Promotional Secretary....Motion sustained that the moderator appoint a committee of three (3) to counsel with Rex Tucker about his relationship with the C.T.S. Board concerning his actions.If his response is negative that he be removed from the C.T.S. Board. The moderator appointed Randal Steelman, co-ordinator, David Burgess, and Wallace Malone....Motion sustained that the mailing permit fee be paid out of the General Fund....Motion sustained that the Association purchase a typewriter for the editor of the Newsletter....Motion sustained to sell old Olympia typewriter to Gene Norris for \$35.00....Motion sustained that the Executive Board recommend that each District elect their own representative to the Executive Board....Motion sustained to adjourn.

MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OCTOBER 31, 1980

Meeting called to order by the moderator, Rev. John Hollis.... Devotional by Rev. David Burgess using Matthew 5:6 as his text....Members present were John Hollis, David Burgess, David Shores, Ed Shrum, Joey Murphy, Randal Steelman, Everett Martin, William Fulcher, Larry Clyatt, Ivan Ryan, and David Turner. Members absent were Arthur Norris and Ken Elkins....Paul Moore was seated as proxy for Arthur Norris.... Minutes were read and accepted ... Treasurer's report adopted....Received report of the Promotional Secretary.... Treasurer's report of the Promotional Fund adopted....Home Mission Board report received....Received report of the Foreign Mission Board....C.T.S. Board report received....Motion sustained for the moderator to appoint a committee to investigate the feasibility of appointing the Nominating Committee prior to the State Association meeting in March. This committee to report at the next Executive Board meeting. Appointed to this committee were David Burgess, chairman; Joey Murphy, and Larry Clyatt.

A previously appointed committee consisting of Randall Steelman, David Burgess, and Wallace Malone gave the report regarding Rex Tucker's standing with the C.T.S. Board. His attitude was good, but is not active with any church. Motion sustained that Rex Tucker be given an opportunity to resign as a member of the Illinois C.T.S. Board by the next Executive Board meeting; if not, he will be released from said board.

Christian Education Board report received....Received Layman's Board report....Christian Supply Centre advisory board report (oral) received....Motion sustained that the Christian Supply Centre advisory board make a long range feasibility

study and report back to the Executive Board....Motion sustained to loan the Christian Supply Centre \$1500.00 from the General Fund.

Motion sustained that the moderator attend the National Leadership Conference along with the promotional secretary December 16-18, 1980, and that their expenses be paid....Motion sustained to receive the oral report of the planning committee... Motion sustained that the South Central District notify Alan Minton to return his card of good standing, and the clerk remove his name from the list of minsters....Motion sustained that Everett Beaty's card of good standing be left as is....Motion sustained that James Lugo be issued proper papers....Motion sustained that Association purchase Label Printer....Motion sustained to meet February 6, 1981 at the new campgrounds.... Motion sustained to adjourn....Prayer by Bill Fulcher.

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING FEBRUARY 6, 1981

Meeting called to order by the moderator, Rev. John Hollis. Prayer given by Rev. Wallace Malone....Members present were John Hollis, David Burgess, David Shores, Ed Shrum, Randal Steelman, Arthur Norris, David Turner, Larry Clyatt, Ken Elkins, Ivan Ryan, Everett Martin, Joey Murphy...William Mishler was received as proxy for Bill Fulcher....Devotional by Joey Murphy using Matthew 7:24 as text....Minutes read and approved.

The treasurer's report was adopted....The following Board reports were received: Home Mission Board, Foreign Mission Board, C.T.S. Board, Chrisitan EducationBoard, Christian Supply Centre Advisory Board (also to consider the request regarding Co-op money)....Motion sustained that the Christian Supply Centre be subsidized through Co-op allocations....The report of the Promotional Secretary was received.

Motion sustained to present the following allocations to the State Association: 40% - National Association of Free Will Baptists; 20½% - Illinois Home Mission Board; 17% - Promotional Fund; 10% - General Fund; 4% - Christian Education Board; 3% - Christian Supply Centre; 3% - Northern Illinois Youth Camp Board; 2% - Church Training Service Board; ½% - Layman's Board which brings the total to 100%.

Report of the committee to investigate the feasibiliby of appointing the nominating committee and nominations being made prior to the State Associational meeting was given: Motion sustained that the Executive Board recommend that the following change be made to Article II (Committees) of the By-Laws of the Illinois State Association of Free Will Baptists by adding, "Section 4. Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee, consisting of three (3) members, shall be elected

from the floor for one year, study the potential nominees, and then present those nominees at the next annual meeting."

The matter of Rex Tucker was discussed and agreed that he is released from the C.T.S. Board due to the motion made at the October 31, 1980 meeting. Mr. Tucker did not respond to the letter that was sent to him. Joe Postlewaite was elected to the C.T.S. Board to replace Rex Tucker....Auditing Committee report: We have examined the financial records of the following accounts and have found them to be in order - Promotional Fund, Christian Supply Centre, C.T.S. Board, Home Mission Board, and State Treasurer. The records of the Layman's Board, Foreign Mission Board, and Christian Education Board were not available and we recommend they be audited at the State Association (signed by Ivan Ryan, Joey Murphy and Ken Elkins). Motion sustained to receive this report....Inventory of property owned by the State Association include 1 Adler electric typewriter, 1 brief case, 1 Bible Bowl board, 1 Smith-Corona electric typewriter, 1 addressograph class 1700, 1 cabinet with 6 trays, 5 cabinet trays, 1 IBM Selectric II typewriter, 1 Sharp calculator Model EL 1057, 1 Martin Yale folding machine model C.V., 1 typing table, 1 Bates electric stapler, 1 Reneo 865 mimeograph with stand and two drums, miscellaneous mimeograph material, small scales, tracing board, 1 label printer.... Motion sustained to adjourn....Prayer by Rev. John Hollis. REPORT NO.3

HOME MISSION BOARD ANNUAL REPORT

The members of your Illinois Home Mission Board are Larry Clyatt, chairman; Wallace Malone, secretary-treasurer; Gene Norris, Galen Warren, and Jim Summerson. We are grateful for the privilege to serve, yet mindful of the responsibility.

Most of our work during 1980 has been related to fulfilling that part of our constitutional duties which states, "... and assist in keeping established churches open." In January 1980 we granted the request of the First Free Will Baptist Church in Granite City, Illinois, to help them secure and support a full time pastor. Since June 1980 we have been assisting said church and its pastor, Rev. Owen Ganey. Reports of progress are coming from that work.

1981 finds us ready to open another Free Will Baptist Church in Illinois. Contacts were begun in December 1980, but the details were not worked out until January 1981 concerning the appointment of veteran home missionary, Rev. John Hollis, to begin a church in Effingham, Illinois. Pray for this endeavor, and, if possible, have Bro. Hollis in your church. Services should begin in Effingham, Illinois, this spring.

Don't forget Illinois Home Missions. With all of us working together we can start more churches to reach more people before Jesus comes.

Larry D. Clyatt, chairman

REPORT OF THE ILLINOIS HOME MISSION BOARD
January 1, 1980—January 1, 1981
FINANCIAL REPORT

Balance on Hand 1/1/80 \$ 6,405.08

RECEIPTS

Illinois State Association Co-op	\$7,449.22
Butterfield FWB Church	240.00
Benton First FWB Church	235.90
Faith FWB Church	45.00
Johnston City FWB Church	170.00
Bear Point FWB Church	423.20
Hazel Dell FWB Church	196.50
Ina FWB Church	90.00
Mt. Vernon FWB Church	163.32
Pleasant View FWB Church	20.00
Arnold View FWB Church	110.00
Rock Springs FWB Church	33.00
Liberty FWB Church	10.00

TOTAL RECEIPTS AND DEPOSITS \$ 9,186.14

PAYMENTS

Rev. John Hollis	\$ 127.70
Rev. James Summerson	67.50
Illinois Christian Education Board	1,000.00
Granite City FWB Church	5,800.00
Transferred from Checking Account ...	100.00
to Savings Account	
Services (mileage paid to members traveling to meetings, telephone calls, safety deposit box, stamps, etc.)	<u>444.09</u>

TOTAL PAYMENTS \$ 7,539.29

Checking Account Balance 1/1/80 \$6,405.08

Plus Receipts 9,186.14

\$15,591.22

TOTAL TO BE ACCOUNTED FOR .. \$ 7,539.29

Less Payments

Checking Account Balance 1/1/81 \$ 8,051.93

Savings Account Balance 1/1/81 \$ 124.18

Wallace Malone
Treasurer

Motion sustained to receive the Illinois Home Mission Board report and adopt the board's treasurer's report.

Moderator recognized Rev. John Gibbs of the National Home Missions Department for a report.

The moderator recognized Loyd Olson of the National Layman's Board who gave a report.

REPORT NO. 4

ANNUAL REPORT OF FOREIGN MISSION BOARD

Our state quota for Foreign Missions as set by the National Association Foreign Mission Board for 1980 was \$73,000. The amount given by our churches and gifts from individuals was \$59,122.01 for the year. We were \$13,877.99 under our quota. However, considering the economic conditions of our state and country, our churches and individual members are to be commended for their generous giving to our Foreign Missions program.

Our state quota for 1981 is the same as last year, \$73,000.00.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance brought forward from December 31, 1979 . \$ 593.75

Receipts: Illinois Co-op Program:

January and February	\$ 28.51
March	27.54
April	12.44
May	16.31
June	15.92
July	18.70
August	15.91
September	22.66
October	13.31
November	14.18
December	<u>13.22</u>

Total Receipts for 1980 \$ 198.70

Receipts Plus Balance Brought Forward \$ 792.45

No Disbursements for the year.

Balance in Johnston City State Bank

as of December 31, 1980 \$ 792.45

Respectfully submitted:

Bill Fulcher (1983)

Billy Maynard (1982)

William J. Mishler (1981), Sec.-Treasurer

Motion sustained to receive the report and adopt the treasurer's report of the Illinois Foreign Mission Board.

REPORT NO. 5

ILLINOIS CHURCH TRAINING SERVICE BOARD

1 This last year the CTS Board has:

- Conducted the Illinois State CTS competitive activities at Bethel Free Will Baptist Church, South Roxana, Illinois. The number of contestants was considerably less than the previous year, presumably because the national competition was in California. No contestants went from Illinois to the national competition.
- Offered assistance to churches wanting to establish a CTS or improve their CTS programs. No churches requested assistance during 1980.

2. Plans for 1981 are:
 - a. Conduct competitive activities on either May 8-9 at the Hazel Dell Free Will Baptist Church, Sesser, Illinois. Plans are for an increased attendance for this year's activities.
 - b. Continue to offer assistance to churches wanting to either establish a CTS program or improve an existing program.
3. Pray for the CTS Board that the Lord's name may be glorified in all the activities of the Board and our church's youth as they compete.

Randal Steelman, Chairman

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance of account, January 1, 1980\$ 999.91

Disbursements:

Check number 244 . . . Randy Settle (mileage) . . . \$	37.50
245. . . Randall House Publications (CTS Supplies)	8.50
246. . . Randy Steelman (CTS Mat.)	14.07
247. . . Bethel Woman's Auxiliary	400.00
(Prepare and furnish food)	
248. . . Bethel Youth Group (cleaning)	40.00
249. . . Kelly Douglas (telephone)	7.44
250 . . . Randall Steelman (telephone)	11.57
251 . . . Mike McClintock (telephone)	73.01
252 . . . Randall House Publications	<u>215.44</u>
(State Competition Mat.)	

Total Disbursements\$ 807.53

RECEIPTS: Nine deposits totaling 1,096.32

(Co-op and Youth Rally Registration)

Balance of Account, December 31, 1980\$1,288.70

Michael C. McClintock, Treasurer

Motion sustained to receive the report and adopt the treasurer's report of the CTS Board.

Motion sustained to adjourn until 9:30 a.m. Saturday, March 28, 1981.

Prayer by Kelly Douglas.

- SATURDAY MORNING -

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

Prayer: Rev. Jim Summerson.

Delegates seated who were not present on Friday, March 27.

Meeting called to order by the clerk.

REPORT NO. 6

PARTIAL REPORT OF THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE

The Business Committee, at the request of the moderator, was asked to audit the treasurer's records of the Christian Education Board and the Foreign Mission Board. After examining the books of the Christian Education Board and the records of the Foreign Mission Board, we find the same to be in order and all monies accounted for.

Clifford Donoho, Everett Martin, Bill Mishler, Committee.

Motion sustained to receive the partial report of the Business Committee.

REPORT NO. 7

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD

Income (Summary)

Co-op Fund	\$ 1,760.77
Student Loan (Interest and Principal Repayment)	1,245.00
Interest earned on deposits	1,227.46
Repayment of Home Mission's loan	<u>1,000.00</u>
Total Income	\$ 5,233.23

Balance in Savings as of 1-1-80	\$11,689.32
Balance in Checking as of 1-1-80	<u>1,253.93</u>
Total on hand as of 1-1-80	\$12,943.25
Total to be accounted for	\$18,176.48
Total Expenditures listed below	\$11,899.97
Balance	\$ 6,276.51
Plus voided check (lost)	2.00
Balance of all funds as of 12-31-80	\$ 6,278.51
(Of this amount, \$471.07 is in checking and \$5,807.44 is in pass book savings)	
Balance in checking as of 1-1-80	\$ 1,253.93

Income deposited in checking:

From students and former students \$	690.00
From Co-op Fund	1,212.78
Home Mission's repayment	1,000.00
Transferred from savings account ...	7,150.00
Interest earned on savings accounts	<u>1,062.33</u>
Total	\$11,115.11
Plus voided check (lost)	<u>2.00</u>
Checking total income and balance	\$12,371.04

Expenditures:

Loan to Home Missions	\$ 1,000.00
Loans to students	10,750.00
Mileage to attend meetings	128.50
Supplies and telephone calls	<u>21.97</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>\$11,899.97</u>
December 31, 1980 checkbook balance	\$ 471.07

Detailed Savings Accounts as of January 1, 1980:

Certificate of Deposit (Bank of Illinois)	\$10,000.00
Passbook Savings (Bank of Illinois) .	1,189.32
Benton Community Bank (certificate)	<u>500.00</u>
Total Forward	\$11,689.32

Transactions: (Passbook Savings)

Balance passbook savings as of 1-1-80 \$	1,189.32
Deposit from Co-op	547.99

Deposit from C. D. Certificate (to checkbook)	5,000.00
Deposit from student payments (Principal and Interest)	555.00
Deposited from Benton Bank (C.D.)	513.75
Interest on Passbook Savings	151.38
Total	\$ 7,957.44
Transferred from Passbook to Checking	2,150.00
Balance in Savings as of December 31, 1980 ...	\$ 5,807.44

George W. Waggoner, Treasurer

Motion sustained to receive this report.

REPORT NO. 8

ILLINOIS LAYMAN'S BOARD

The board met at my house in West Frankfort on Saturday, May 3, 1980. Bro. Art Norris was elected to be our chairman. It was also decided at this meeting to send a check for \$200.00 to the National Layman's Board so they could purchase a telephone answering service thich they needed. We also elected to set a date as soon as possible to meet with churches of Kankakee and Peoria to help them organize Master's Men chapters.

On Saturday, May 31, 1980, the members of the board drove to Kankakee for a 2:00 p.m. meeting to help them organize a Master's Men chapter. From Kankee we drove to Peoria for a 7:00 p.m. meeting to help that church organize. We were certainly blessed as we met with the men of these churches and helped them organize and challenged them to be about their Master's work.

Through telephone conversations the baord decided to sponsor a work day at our new campground. We set a date of November 15, 1980 to be a day of clean up and any other type of work that was needed to prepare our camp ground for use. We met at the camp ground on Friday night and had a time of work, and then had supper and a time of fellowship. We then had prayers and devotionals. Some of the men spent the night at the camp. On Saturday breakfast was served and then the work began. The men had dinner and the work continued until early evening.

The Board is planning on sponsoring another work day to be held in early spring.

FINANCIAL REPORT

BUSINESS TRANSACTIONS	DEBITS	CREDITS
Balance brought forward, January 1, 1980		\$ 822.64
Co-op Fund check deposited Jan. 28, 1980		34.61
Co-op Fund check deposited April 14 ...		28.51
Co-op Fund check deposited May 2 ...		27.54
Gift to Nationa Layman's Board \$	200.00	
Co-op Fund check deposited May 30 ...		12.44

Travel expenses, May 31, 1980	10.80	
Travel expenses, June 1, 1980	101.85	
Co-op Fund check deposited June 27		16.31
Co-op Fund check deposited July 25 .. .		15.92
Co-op Fund check deposited August 22 ..		18.70
Co-op Fund check deposited September 29		15.91
Co-op Fund check deposited October 24 .		22.66
Food for Layman's Work Day, Nov. 15 .	100.00	
Co-op Fund check deposited Nov. 21		13.31
Co-op Fund check deposited Dec. 26 ..		14.18
Totals	\$ 412.65	\$1,042.73
Balance, December 31, 1980		\$ 630.08

Paul Moore, Secretary-Treasurer

Motion sustained to receive the report.

Moderator recognized Roger Reeds with a report from the National Sunday School and CTS Department.

The Moderator recognized Herman Hersey who gave a report from the National Board of Retirement and Insurance.

REPORT NO. 9

CHRISTIAN SUPPLY CENTRE'

Balance brought forward, January 1, 1980 \$ 1,682.59

Receipts and Deposits:

Business	\$22,098.71	
Sunday School and CTS	23,655.52	
Vacation Bible School	3,597.37	
Loans	5,000.00	
Totals		54,351.60

Total to be accounted for \$56,034.19

Disbursements:

Randall House Publications	\$18,300.76
Standard Publications	3,846.87
Riverside Bible and Book House	3,754.86
Spring Arbor Distributors	1,869.84
Cicero Bible Press	1,062.59
Gospelrama	513.91
Broadman Press	615.18
David C. Cook	374.73
Thomas Nelson Publishers	256.58
Benson Publishers	330.14
Swanson	367.29
Christian Publications, Inc.	553.19
Baker Book House	805.20
Child Evangelism Fellowship	267.69
Zondervan	738.86
Sword of the Lord Publishers	141.91
Warner Press	256.77
Cross Publishers	148.90
Clarence Larkin, Inc.	125.50

National Association of

Free Will Baptists	153.16	
Free Will Baptist Bible College	100.00	
Other Publishers and Suppliers	1,408.47	
	<u>\$35,992.40</u>	
Salaries	7,773.15	
Rent	3,300.00	
C.I.P.S. (utility)	1,274.28	
General Telephone Company	709.51	
Office Supplies, etc.	254.14	
Advertising	416.65	
Postage	319.63	
Freight	399.16	
Miscellaneous Expense	<u>216.13</u>	
	\$14,662.65	
Benton Community Bank	1,634.82	
Illinois Department of Revenue	339.23	
SCD Rea and Sons Insurance		104.00
	<u>\$ 2,092.05</u>	

Total Disbursements \$52,747.10
Balance Brought Forward, December 31, 1980 ... \$ 3,287.09

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

REPORT NO. 10

STATE PROMOTIONAL SECRETARY

Since I became Promotional Secretary in June, 1980, my work has primarily consisted of visiting churches and district meetings. During this seven month period, my wife and I drove 6,964 miles, visited 35 churches and 4 district meetings, and conducted 3 revival meetings. In December our state moderator, John Hollis, and I attended the Leadership Conference in Nashville, Tennessee.

I also attended one session of the Franklin County Quarterly Meeting of Free Will Baptists, and I plan to attend the Freedom Quarterly Meeting of Free Will Baptists some time in the near future. Both of these quarterly meetings are located in Southern Illinois. There is a group of Separate Baptists in the central part of our state and an association of Congregational Christian Churches in southeast Illinois with whom I hope to establish fellowship. Both of these associations are similar in belief to Free Will Baptists.

My work also includes publishing the *Illinois Newsletter* each month. We are in the process of updating the entire mailing list and converting from the old process of using the Addressograph to using a new computer typed label system. Brother Randy Eubanks of Decatur is doing the work on this project. He and his wife typed the entire list of names, entered those names into the computer, and sent the labels, ready to

use, to me. I appreciate the hours of labor they have given.

It is my intention to keep our Illinois family informed through the *Newsletter*, but our pastors and clerks must get the information to me for publication. Please note that all news and announcements must be mailed to me by the 15th of the month to insure publication in the next edition.

Please pray for this ministry.

David Shores, Promotional Secretary

SUMMARY OF THE PROMOTIONAL FUND

Beginning Balance, June 1, 1980	\$2,554.99
(Co-op \$2,328.99, Newsletter \$226.00)	
Received during the year	<u>6,540.74</u>
Total Amount Accountable For	\$9,095.73

Summary of Receipts:

Percentage from Co-op	\$3,977.58
For Newsletter	558.66
Anonymous	30.00
Bakerville	25.00
Bethel	167.00
Blue Point	114.00
Butterfield	100.00
Decature First,	60.00
Harmony, West Frankfort	20.00
Johnston City, First	90.00
Johnston City, Gospel Mission	20.00
Moore, Emma	1.00
Mt. Vernon, First	25.00
Oak Grove	20.00
Oak Valley	25.00
Oakland Community Church	12.50
People's Church, Justice	50.00
Pettypool, Ella	10.00
Rock Springs	22.00
Rockford, North Second St.	50.00
Shores, Pat and David	940.00
South Central Quarterly	60.00
VanHoorebeke, Edna	5.00
VanHoorebeke, Robin	5.00
Webb's Prairie	53.00
West Central Quarterly	50.00
Paid Out During the Year	\$8,425.50
Less Amount To Change Account to Interest	
Bearing Account	<u>3,075.08</u>
Actual Amount Paid Out to Be Accountable For ..	\$5,350.42
Bro. David Shores, Salary	\$3,875.00
Bro. David Shores, Mileage	
(6,964 Mi. @ 15¢ per Mi.)	1,044.60
Bank Check Charge, Security Bank ..	13.39

Postage and Returns for Newsletter and Correspondence	160.76	
Illinois Bell (Calls on Typewriter and Paper Order)	18.07	
Mishek's (Paper and Stencils)	168.22	
Martin Printing (Paper)	28.27	
Stephen R. Eubanks (labels and postage)	42.11	
King City Federal Savings and Loan .	3,075.07	
Total Accountable For		\$9,095.73
Less Amount Not Deposited Until Jan. 2, 1981 ...		<u>670.23</u>
Net Funds Paid Out		\$8,425.50
Check to King City Federal, Interest Account (checking)		<u>670.73</u>
Balance on hand, January 2, 1981		\$3,745.31
Motion sustained to receive the Promotional Secretary's report.		
Motion sustained to receive the Promotional Fund treasurer's report.		

REPORT NO. 11

TREASURER'S REPORT

Church	Received	Co-op Plan	Newsletter	Designated
Alexander	1,250.00	1,250.00	-0-	-0-
Arnold View	4,865.34	3,709.63	55.00	1,100.71
Bakerville	5,367.69	3,248.83	-0-	2,118.86
Bear Point	7,288.65	2,621.02	-0-	4,667.63
Benton, First	6,328.90	715.00	-0-	5,613.90
Bethel	4,770.09	2,139.50	-0-	2,630.59
Blue Point	7,270.01	950.00	60.00	6,260.01
Butterfield	4,249.76	-0-	65.00	4,184.76
Decatur, First	2,418.69	2,202.69	21.00	195.00
Faith, Island Lake .	70.00	-0-	-0-	70.00
Faith, Milan	1,488.08	240.00	28.31	1,219.77
Granite City, First .	700.23	190.35	25.35	484.53
Harmony, West City	320.00	-0-	45.00	275.00
Harmony, W. F.	2,760.76	2,352.00	75.00	333.76
Hazel Dell	8,354.19	600.00	60.00	7,694.19
Ina, First	11,800.01	3,002.26	50.00	8,747.75
Johnston City, First	13,069.35	6,000.00	120.00	6,949.35
Liberty	201.57	191.57	10.00	-0-
Mt. Vernon, First ...	4,054.80	1,105.80	65.00	2,884.00
Nason	1,351.04	276.83	45.00	1,029.21
New Hope	616.83	556.83	60.00	-0-
Oak Grove	155.00	112.00	43.00	-0-
Oak Valley	1,371.95	633.00	4.00	734.95
People's, Chicago ..	2,004.10	-0-	-0-	2,004.10
People's Justice	25.00	-0-	-0-	25.00
Pleasant View	4,020.44	1,753.89	-0-	2,266.55
Rescue	545.57	242.96	-0-	302.61

Rockford, N. 2nd St.	192.75	102.79	-0-	-0-
Rock Springs	931.88	606.69	-0-	325.19
Salem	383.85	367.85	16.00	-0-
Springfield	509.32	509.32	-0-	-0-
Unity	1,088.43	-0-	-0-	1,088.43
Waltonville, First ..	6,578.10	2,582.00	15.00	3,981.10
Webb's Prairie	2,405.33	1,388.46	25.00	991.87
East Central District	90.00	-0-	-0-	90.00
West Central District	50.00	-0-	-0-	50.00
Cash Offering at the				
1980 State Association	204.05	-0-	-0-	204.05
TOTALS	\$109,151.76	\$39,741.23	\$887.66	\$68,522.87

SUMMARY OF CO-OP ALLOCATIONS

40% National Association of

Free Will Baptists \$15,896.51

18% Illinois Home Missions Board . 7,153.41

17% Promotional Fund 6,756.01

12% General Fund 4,768.95

4% Christian Education Board 1,589.65

3% Sunday School Alliance 1,192.24

3% Northern Illinois Youth

Camp Board 1,192.24

2% Church Training Service Board 794.82

½% Layman's Board 198.70

½% Illinois Foreign Missions

Board 198.70

TOTAL **\$39,741.23**

REPORT OF THE GENERAL FUND

Balance on hand, January 1, 1980 \$ 2,939.48

Received during the year:

Co-op \$4,768.95

Uncashed check (93.76) plus audit diff. 97.76

Cash offering at State Assoc. (refresh.) 15.00

District Dues:

North Central District 105.00

Northern Illinois District 150.00

West Central District 165.00

East Central District 120.00

South Central District 135.00

South Central District (for 1979) 135.00

First Church (Benton) for typewriter 35.00

Total to be accounted for **\$ 8,666.19**

Paid out during the year:

Travel expenses, telephone, misc:

Ivan Ryan 96.50

Jim Summerson 115.00

Lloyd Crain 10.00

David Shores	304.62
David Turner	52.50
William Mishler	117.00
John Hollis	609.04
Ed Shrum	85.13
Randall Steelman	85.78
Donovan Maxwell	31.80
Kenn Elkins	48.90
Everett Martin	58.80
Joey Murphy	108.30
David Burgess	15.00
Capitol Office Machine Co. (typewriter)	535.50
R. P. Barth Insurance (security bond)	154.50
Delegates to National Convention:	
Everett Martin	50.00
Blanche Martin	50.00
Ron Edmonds	50.00
Jane Norris	50.00
Eunice Malone	50.00
Wallace Malone (expenses to	
National Convention)	285.00
Cisne State Bank (checks)	35.52
Secretary of State (corporation fee) ..	5.00
Martin Printing (1979 minutes,	
supplies)	262.65
David Shores, (treasurer's salary) .	435.00
Ed Shrum (clerk's salary)	200.00
Rolla Smith (honorarium)	150.00
Fred Hersey (honorarium)	150.00
Herman Hersey (honorarium)	150.00
Moline, First (food)	40.00
Stardust Motel (speakers lodging, 1980)	212.82
Young's Office Supply (paper, supplies)	18.25
Bethel Church (reimbursement for printing,	
telephone, etc.)	31.05
National Association (registration fee)	110.00
U. S. P. S. (Postage, mailing permit) .	209.15
Faber Flora Greenhouse (flowers for funeral:	
Thompson, Spurgeon, Lombard)	52.00
Christian Supply Centre' (Loan)	1,500.00
Steven R. Eubanks (label printer) ...	275.00
Total Disbursements	<u>\$6,801.32</u>
Balance on hand, December 31, 1980	\$1,864.67

SUMMARY OF DESIGNATED GIFTS

Ella Rae Jones Mission Account	\$ 2,019.59
Free Will Baptist Bible College	5,073.39
Illinois Home Missions Board	752.28
Free Will Baptist Home for Children	1,419.22

Lyle Wilder Mission Account (CMU)	100.00
National Retirement and Insurance	50.00
Sunday School Alliance	199.39
Free Will Baptist Home Missions	15,945.32
Free Will Baptist Foreign Missions	42,963.68
Total	\$68,522.87

Respectfully submitted: David Shores, treasurer

Motion sustained to adopt the treasurer's report.

- WORSHIP SERVICE -

Congregational Song: "Tell Me The Story of Jesus."

Prayer: Rev. Billy Maynard.

Congregational Song: "Standing On the Promises."

Message: Dr. Melvin Worthington using Psalms 119:33-38.

Prayer: Rev. Leon McBride

- SATURDAY AFTERNOON WORSHIP SERVICE -

Congregational Song: "When The Roll Is Called Up Yonder."

Prayer: Rev. Jimmy Hicks.

Congregational Song: "Faith Is The Victory."

Offering for Steve and Judy Lytle, offeratory prayer:
Rev. Ernie Lewis.

Special Music: "Precious Memories" and "Learning To Lean
On Jesus" by Rev. John Gibbs.

Message: Rev. John Gibbs using Matt. 5:7-11; Acts 16:33; and
I Peter 3:16.

- BUSINESS SESSION -

REPORT NO. 12

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Item 1. We recommend the following ordained ministers for cards of good standing. James Lugo, David L. Burgess, Melvin Oathout, Cletis Reed, Melvin Knott, George Waggoner, Loyd Crain, Gary Portell, Howard Flota, Owen Ganey, Cloy Meyers, Albert Bays, Bill Fulcher, Luther Hudson, James O'Dell, James Taylor, David Shores, John Hiltibidal, Clifford Hicks, William Hager, Joey Murphy, George Capps, Byford Campbell, James Boggs, William Adcock, Dewey Merritt, Larry Shaw, Irene Sullivan, Sherman Sullivan, Randy Jones, Larry Clyatt, William Mishler, Everett Beaty, Ivan Ryan, Gene Norris, Don Umfleet, Jimmie Hicks, Bob Stone, C. J. Kettelman, Ernie Lewis, Wallace Malone, James Summerson, Elmer Turnbough, Daniel McEvers, Otis Smith, Jr., David Turner, Harold Whitsell.

Item 2. We recommend the following licensed ministers for a card of good standing: Norman Clem, Ellamae Hiltibidal.

Item 3. Whereas the reports of the Northern District are unavailable to this committee, we recommend that the reports be resubmitted and acted upon by the Executive Board.

Committee: Larry Clyatt, Owen Ganey, David L. Burgess

Motion sustained to receive the report of the Credentials Committee and act upon it item by item.

Item 1 — Motion sustained to adopt.

Item 2 — Motion sustained to adopt.

Item 3 — Motion sustained to adopt.

REPORT NO. 13

TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE

We, the Temperance Committee, do exhort Free Will Baptists of Illinois to give great attention and discipline to a regular and daily devotional time with the Lord, both as individuals and as families.

The Temperance Committee further recommends this devotional discipline be a basic and necessary for performance of Christian principles of life and conduct solidly founded in the Bible. Let us assert ourselves anew to holy and moral practices and the rejection of sinful, immoral excesses in such contemporary issues as abortion, adultery and fornication, homosexuality, pornography and sex education in public schools.

Committee: Byford Campbell, Dan McEvers

Motion sustained to adopt report of the Temperance Committee.

REPORT NO. 14

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

We the Nominating Committee place in nomination the following:

Foreign Mission Board	William Mishler
Layman's Board	Arthur Norris
Church Training Service Board	Randall Steelman
Christian Education Board	Loyd Crain
Home Mission Board	Ivan Ryan
National General Board	Wallace Malone
Treasurer	David Shores
Assistant Clerk	Ed Shrum
Clerk	Gene Norris
Assistant Moderator	James Butcher
Moderator	David Burgess

Committee: Wallace Malone, Ivan Ryan, Kelly Douglas

Motion sustained to receive the report of the Nominating Committee and elect one at a time.

Nominations were called for from the floor for each of the positions. There were no other nominations. All were elected as nominated.

Motion sustained that we give Bro. John Hollis a standing vote of thanks for his job as moderator the past years.

REPORT NO. 15

MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

We the Memorial Committee recommend that we stand for a

moment of silent prayer in memory of Beth Kessler of Oak Grove, Herman Foster of Bethel, and Mildred Day of Faith (Milan).

Committee: Zelda Shelton, Karen Douglas, Irene McEvers

Motion sustained to receive the report of the Memorial Committee, and stand for a moment of silent prayer.

Prayer by Rev. John Hollis.

REPORT NO. 16

LITERATURE COMMITTEE

We, the Literature Committee, offer the following:

Item 1. We commend Randall House Publications for the quality and content of the literature currently being published and distributed to our Free Will Baptist churches.

Item 2. We encourage and recommend that all of our member churches use literature produced by Randall House Publications.

Item 3. We encourage our Free Will Baptist families to become more engaged in the reading of Christian materials. We recommend the Christian Supply Centre' as a source for the purchase of these materials.

Item 4. We recommend participation in the current Bible reading program as sponsored by the Board of Christian Education.

Committee: Gene Norris, Grant Bruce, Jim Lugo, chairman

Motion sustained to adopt the Literature Committee's report.

REPORT NO. 17

BUSINESS COMMITTEE

Item 1. We recommend a rising vote of thanks be given the South Central District Association for its hospitality in hosting the Illinois State Association, and especially to the ladies who prepared and served the delicious meals. We further recommend that our clerk write a letter of thanks to the Illinois Free Will Baptist Sunday School Alliance for the use of the new camp facilities, and that we make a contribution of \$100.00 to help pay for utilities used.

Item 2. We recommend our clerk send letters of thanks to our guest speakers expressing our appreciation for their messages to us, and for their work in our National Association. We further recommend that a rising vote of thanks be given to our state officers and program committee for their work and preparation of the program of this session.

Item 3. In view of the fact that we have not received any invitation from churches of district associations to host the 1982 session of our State Association, we recommend that we ask the Illinois Free Will Baptist Sunday School Alliance for permission to meet at the Youth Camp at Ewing, Illinois.

We further recommend that the program committee of the State Association be responsible for making preparation for food and lodging of those attending.

Item 4. We recommend that we give \$50.00 each to our elected delegates to the National Association, and that the Association pay the expenses of the National Association General Board member from our state. We further recommend that the State Promotional Secretary be paid his expenses to the National Association from the fund that is set up for his salary and expenses.

Item 5. After reviewing the work of the State Foreign Mission Board, and noting that its scope of work is limited because of lack of finance and personnel, we recommend this Board be disbanded. We further recommend that the present Home Mission Board be called "The Board of Missions," and that they be responsible for promoting both the Home and Foreign Missions work in our state, and that the monies now in the Foreign Mission fund be transferred to the Board of Missions.

Item 6. We recommend the following Co-op allocations:

- 40% National Association of Free Will Baptists
- 20½% Illinois Home Missions
- 17% Promotional Fund
- 10% General Fund
- 4% Board of Christian Education
- 3% Christian Supply Centre'
- 3% Illinois Youth Camp (Northern)
- 2% Church Training Service Board
- ½% Layman's Board

Item 7. We recommend the following changes be made in our Constitution and By-Laws. In the Constitution: Article X Executive Board, Section 2 to read "the chairman of each of the four standing boards."

Article XI, Section 1 to read "The following four standing boards shall function in designated areas of work, subject to the approval of the State Association. The Board of Missions; Church Training Service Board; Christian Education Board; and Layman's Board.

Section 2. "Each of the above named boards except the Board of Missions . . ." "... The Board of Missions shall be composed of five members, . . ." That sections 9 and 10 be incorporated as one and become Section 9 to read, "The Board of Missions shall develop . . ." "... This Board shall also attempt . . ." The other sections to be numbered as follows: Section 10, 11, 12.

Item 8. We recommend that all boards and organizations receiving monies from the Cooperative Program of the Illinois State Association make an annual treasurer's report to this body.

Committee: William Mishler, Clifford Donoho, Everett Martin
Motion sustained to receive the final report of the Business

Committee and act upon it item by item.

Motion sustained to adopt item 1.

Motion sustained to adopt item 2.

Motion sustained to adopt item 3.

Motion sustained to adopt item 4.

Motion sustained to table item 5 until the 1982 meeting.

Motion sustained to adopt item 6.

Motion sustained to table item 7 until the 1982 meeting.

Motion sustained to adopt item 8.

Motion sustained to remove from the table the proposed change of By-Laws that was tabled on Friday.

Motion sustained to change the By-Laws to read as follows: The By-Laws of the Illinois State Association of Free Will Baptists have added to it: "Section 4. Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee, consisting of three (3) members, shall be elected from the floor for one year, study the potential nominees, and then present those nominees at the next annual meeting."

The floor was opened for nominations to serve on the Nominating Committee for the annual meeting in 1982. Those nominated were: Wallace Malone, George Waggoner, and David Shores. Motion sustained that nominations cease and we proceed to elect. These three were elected.

The following resolution was presented to the body:

Whereas, we are a distinctive denomination of "Baptists," and

Whereas, we are many years behind in recognition (merger 1910) among people in many of our most populated areas (U.S.), and

Whereas, we need to establish our name, and

Whereas, so many church groups today are liberal, as well as teaching contrary to Bible doctrine, and

Whereas, our beloved Free Will Baptist Association stands firm on Bible doctrine, Bible preaching, and Bible believing, and

Whereas we feel if we begin to compromise to gain members we are in error,

Let it be resolved: We stand in opposition to any move by individual or church that would delete Free Will Baptist from the church name in any form.

Motion sustained to adopt the resolution.

Delegates to the National Association: Mrs. Melvin Knott, Mrs. Owen Ganey, Mrs. Ernie Lewis, Paul Moore, Larry Jones, and Art Norris (alternate).

Motion sustained nominations cease and we proceed to elect the delegates to the National Association. All were elected.

Motion sustained to accept the resignation of David Shores as treasurer.

Floor was opened for nominations for treasurer. Joey Murphy was nominated.

Motion sustained nominations cease and we proceed to elect. Joey Murphy was elected.

Motion sustained that the Promotional Secretary be authorized to sign checks if for some reason the treasurer would be unable to do so.

Motion sustained to accept Joey Murphy's resignation as Executive Board member from the East Central District.

Floor was opened for nominations to fill this vacancy on the Executive Board. Rev. William Adcock was nominated.

Motion sustained for nominations to cease and we proceed to elect William Adcock.

Motion sustained that the following men represent their districts on the Executive Board: Ernie Lewis (South Central), William Adcock (East Central), Owen Ganey (West Central), Ken Elkins (Northern), David Turner (North Central).

Motion sustained that Jack Kettman be featured on next year's program.

Motion sustained that the treasurer's books be audited by the Executive Committee before being turned over to Joey Murphy.

A standing vote of appreciation was given to the ladies for an outstanding job of cooking and serving the meals.

Motion sustained to adjourn.

Prayer by Rev. C. J. Kettman.

John Hollis, Moderator

Ed Shrum, Clerk