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**MINUTES OF THE TWENTY SECOND ANNUAL MEETING
OF THE ILLINOIS STATE ASSOCIATION
OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS**

MARCH 23-24, 1984

There were 42 ministers, 31 lay delegates and 55 members and visitors registered for the meeting.

- Friday Morning -

Congregational Song: "Stand up for Jesus"

Prayer: Rev. Clifford Hicks

Congregational Song: "O How I Love Jesus"

Meeting called to order by the clerk, Byford Campbell.

Introductory remarks by the Moderator, Loyd Crain.

Recognition of all visitors and standing delegates.

Motion sustained to adopt the program and permit the moderator to make program changes as the need arises.

Appointment of the committee on committees; William Adcock, Chairman; William Mishler, Larry Cook.

A letter from the Fox River District was read requesting membership for the newly organized Fox River District Association of Free Will Baptists and recognition of their reports and delegates.

Motion sustained to accept the Fox River District Association of Free Will Baptists into membership to the Illinois State Association of Free Will Baptists.

Motion sustained to seat delegates from North Central District whose names were omitted in their letter.

Motion sustained to seat Glen Potete from Northern Illinois District whose name was left off their letter.

Motion sustained to receive the reports (Districts Associations and their delegates, and church delegates) and seat the delegates.

A motion and second to receive petition from Sunday School Alliance.

Discussion and report from committee concerning this petition.

Motion and second to ammend the previous motion. Carried.

Discussion and motion to ammend the ammendment to lay on the table. Some discussion and other motions offered. Moderator declared entire motion and discussion to be out of order.

Recess:

- Worship Service -

Congregational Song: "Revive Us Again"

Prayer: Rev. Billy Maynard

Message: Rev. Ronald Creech, Director of Development of the Bible College; Text: Gen. 1:1, Subject "God"

REPORT NO. 1
REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

Credentials Committee: Jerry Presley, J. Reford Wilson, Ernie Lewis

Temperance Committee: Bob Laur, Floyd Hartley, Howard Flota

Memorial Committee: Clifford Hicks, Thelma Webb, Roberta Bain

Business Committee: Wallace Malone, Darrell Ellis, Gene Parton

Literature Committee: John Hollis, Leo Potete, Kelly Douglas

Motion sustained to receive the report of Committee on Committees and these persons be placed on the respective committees.

REPORT NO. 2
REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO STUDY ARTICLE XII OF THE CONSTITUTION:

We, the committee to study Article XII of the Constitution, failed to an agreement on what changes would improve these requirements and qualifications for ministers.

Committee: George Waggoner, David Potete, Ken Doggett

Motion sustained to receive this report

Prayer: Rev. Tommy Street

Lunch

- Friday Afternoon Worship Service -

Congregational Song: "I Love to tell the Story"

Prayer: Rev. Wallace Malone

Congregational Song: "At Calvary"

Message: Rev. Ronald Creech - Text 12:13-14, Subject: "Duty"

Business Session

The following recommendation is presented by the Sunday School Alliance Board of Trustees by action at the regular meeting on August 18, 1983.

The motion was made to petition the Illinois State Association of Free Will Baptists at their meeting in 1984 to take over duties and obligations of the Illinois Free Will Baptist Sunday School Alliance through a Sunday School Board with the promise of the Sunday School Alliance giving all Real and Personal property to the State Association, and thereafter

dissolving the non-profit organization of the Sunday School Alliance. This motion received a second and carried.

Motion sustained that the petition from the Illinois Free Will Baptist Sunday School Alliance be accepted, also that this body accept all Real and Personal properties, including all monies now on hand, together with all responsibilities and encumbrances which the Illinois Free Will Baptist Sunday School Alliance now has. (It is understood that the Illinois Free Will Baptist Sunday School Alliance will furnish a warranty Deed to all Real properties, the same to be made to the Illinois State Association of Free Will Baptists.)

Motion sustained to accept the following resolution:

In order to comply with the intent of the action taken by this body to accept the recommendation of the Sunday School Alliance, I move that we allow our moderator to appoint a committee of five persons to:

- (1) Set in order the legalities of transferring the Real and Personal property of the Sunday School Alliance to this Association, and
- (2) Set up the description of the duties of a Sunday School Board to oversee the work of the youth Camp and maintain the Camp facilities, and
- (3) Draw up the necessary changes in our Constitution necessitated by our acquisition of the property of the Sunday School Alliance, and
- (4) That this Committee be instructed to work in co-operation with the State Executive Board and the present Sunday School Alliance officers and Board of trustees, and
- (5) That this committee be instructed to have their work completed and ready to report to this body at the Friday morning business session of our 1985 meeting, and
- (6) That each church be notified of the report and a copy be sent to each church and pastor at LEAST one month before the 1985 session of the State Association, and
- (7) That the Sunday School Alliance continue to function, as is until the 1985 session of the State Association, at which time the new program will be implemented.

Assistant moderator Bro. Henry Potter recognized the following visitors allowing them time to represent the various departments: Bro. James Earl Raper, of the Children's home in Greenville, Tennessee; Bro. John Hollis of National Home Missions department; Bro. Dennis Owen of Nation Foreign Missions department; Bro. Bill Foster of National Sunday School Department; Bro. Jim Vallance of Layman's Board department; Bro. Melvin Worthington of Executive department; Bro. Larry Cook of Illinois Youth Camp.

REPORT NO. 3

REPORT OF THE LITERATURE COMMITTEE

We would recommend our Churches in this state association to use Free Will Baptist literature. If your church has quit using our material in a certain area, we encourage you to re-evaluate the literature available. If you have a complaint or suggestion, please let our Sunday School department and/or book store know. A specific book we can recommend, a discipleship book, "Disciples are made not Born." We encourage our people to trade with our Book store when possible.

Committee: John Hollis, Kelly Douglas, Leo Potete

Motion sustained to receive the report of the Literature Committee.

REPORT NO. 4

REPORT OF THE MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

We the memorial committee recommend that we stand for a moment of silent prayer and that Bro. Wallace Malone close with a prayer for those who have passed from our ranks the past year.

Committee: Clifford Hicks, Thelma Webb, Roberta Bain

Moderator recognized Bro. Ronald Creech from the Bible College.

Moderator recognized Bro. Melvin Worthington from the Executive department of Bible College.

REPORT NO. 5

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

OF ILLINOIS STATE ASSOCIATION

OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

OF THE ILLINOIS STATE ASSOCIATION

OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

Organizational meeting. The Executive Board met following the annual session of March 26, 1983 to transact the following business: Election of officers - Loyd Crain, Chairman; Gene Norris, assistant Chairman; Byford Campbell, clerk; Wallace Malone, chairman of Christian Education Board; William Adcock; Arthur Norris, chairman of Layman's Board; Clifford Donoho, chairman of Mission Board; Ernie Lewis, South Central District; John Hollis, East Central District; Ed Shrum, West Central District; Ken Elkins, Northern District; David Turner, North central District; Ken Doggett, assistant clerk; David Shores, Promotional Secretary; Joey Murphy, Treasurer.

The Associational Boards were organized as follows:

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD: Wallace Malone, Chairman; Don Hannah, secretary; Billy Maynard.

LAYMAN'S BOARD: Arthur Norris, chairman; Paul

Moore, secretary and treasurer; Denzil Cochrum.

CHURCH TRAINING SERVICE BOARD: William Adcock, chairman; Randall Steelman, secretary; Mike McClintock; Jimmie Hawkins; Kelly Douglas.

MISSION BOARD: Clifford Donoho, chairman; Ivan Ryan, treasurer; Archie Mayhew; Jerry Presley; Reford Wilson.

Meeting was adjourned with May 6th, 1983 set as next meeting date at Cross Roads church in Effingham at 7:30 p.m.

**MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD
OF THE ILLINOIS STATE ASSOCIATION
OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS
MEETING AT EFFINGHAM
ON MAY 6TH, 1983**

Members present: Loyd Crain, Gene Norris, Byford Campbell, Joey Murphy, William Adcock, Wallace Malone, Art Norris, Clifford Donoho, Ernie Lewis, Ed Shrum, John Hollis, Ken Elkins, David Shores.

Devotion was given by Rev. Ed Shrum.

Motion sustained to approve minutes as read. Report of Mission Board given by Rev. Clifford Donoho, reporting the tendering of resignation of Rev. Archie Mayhew resulting from Bro. Mayhew moving from state. Rev. John Hollis reported upon the work in Effingham and progress on the new church building there. Motion sustained to receive this report.

Motion sustained to receive the resignation of Rev. Archie Mayhew from the mission board.

Motion sustained to receive the report of CTS Board given by Wm. Adcock, Ch.

Motion sustained to receive the report of Layman's Board given by Bro. Art Norris, Ch.

Motion sustained to receive the report of Christian Education Board given by Rev. Wallace Malone, ch.

Motion sustained to receive the report of Christian Supply Centre' given by Rev. Gene Norris.

Report of promotional secretary given by Bro. David Shores. Reporting several churches without pastors, Bro. Shores reports sixty seven pastors looking for a church to pastor. Bro. Shores suggested we get rid of some old equipment that is not useable or being used. Addressograph, Teletype, broken slide projector, etc. Motion sustained to receive this report and authorize Bro. Shores to dispose of equipment.

Motion sustained to accept the report of Bro. Murphy, treas. - as given.

Motion sustained to grant request of South Central District and issue certificate of license to Paul Leffler.

Motion sustained to ask Christian Education Board to check

on the availability of books for study course and report back to the board their finding and recommendations.

Motion sustained to recognize Bro. James Butcher representing four churches (Faith, Butterfield, Elgin, Roberts Road) requesting a committee to help them organize another District Association.

Motion sustained to acknowledge a letter from the Northern District sent by Rev. Ken Elkins, Moderator, stating these churches were in good standing in that district. Committee appointed to assist these four churches were: Loyd Crain, State Moderator; Gene Norris, Assistant State Moderator; Byford Campbell, State clerk; Joey Murphy, State treasurer; David Shores, State Promotional Secretary.

Motion sustained to instruct clerk to write Bro. Alan Minton advising him we cannot issue him license according to Article XII of the constitution.

Motion and second to discontinue meal allowance to Exec. Board members when on the road to meetings. Vote: yes 3, No. 4, abstained 4. Meal allowance to be continued.

Motion sustained to elect Rev. William Mishler to the mission Board to replace Rev. Archie Mayhew. Term expires in 1984.

Motion sustained to pay mileage expense for Rev. James Butcher to the Executive Board meeting.

Motion sustained to elect Rev. Gene Norris to replace Rev. Archie Mayhew on the committee to study the Article XII of constitution.

Motion to meet at Decatur church on August 19th, 1983, 7:30 p.m., motion carried.

Motion sustained to adjourn. Prayer by Rev. Joey Murphy. Donuts and coffee were furnished by the Cross Roads Church.

MEETING AUGUST 19TH, 1983, AT DECATUR

Members present were: Loyd Crain, Gene Norris, Byford Campbell, Ken Doggett, Joey Murphy, William Adcock, Wallace Malone, Clifford Donoho, Ed Shrum, Ken Elkins, David Turner, David Shores.

The opening prayer was offered by Rev. Gene Norris with devotions given by Rev. Wallace Malone from sixth ch. Matt.

The minutes of previous meeting were approved as read.

Motion sustained to seat Bro. Denzil Cockrum as proxy for Bro. Art Norris and Bro. Mark Shores as proxy for Bro. John Hollis.

A report of CTS Board was given by Chairman Wm. Adcock, reporting 69 young people attending the national youth conference from the State of Illinois. Motion sustained to receive this report.

Motion sustained to receive report of Board of Missions. The work at crossroads church in Effingham averaged 61 in Sunday School in July.

Motion sustained to receive the layman's report.

Motion sustained to receive the promotional secretary report.

Motion sustained to receive treasurer report.

Rev. Joey Murphy submitted his resignation as treasurer of the state Association effective Aug. 31, 1983. Motion sustained to accept his resignation.

Rev. Joey Murphy submitted his resignation as committee member of the Christian Supply Centre' advisory board effective Aug. 19, 1983. Motion sustained to accept his resignation.

Nominations received to the Christian Supply Centre' board were Ken Doggett and Jerry Presley. *NOTE:* (two vacancies on the board by virtue of Ivan Ryan leaving the state.) Motion sustained to close nominations and elect these two by acclamation.

Bro. Gene Norris tendered a verbal resignation to the Christian Supply Centre' advisory board. By reason of the other two members being newly appointed to this board. Bro. Norris agreed to serve until the Executive board meeting again in Nov., 1983. Motion sustained to accept this resignation effective Nov. 11, 1983.

Motion sustained to elect Mike Johnston as treasurer of the Illinois State Association.

Motion sustained to pay Bro. Joey Murphy \$480.00 for his services as treasurer.

A committee to audit the treasurer's books was appointed, those appointed are David Shores, William Mishler, and Loyd Crain.

Motion sustained to receive the report of Christian Education Board.

MSC to grant certificate of ordination to Jay Corwin Adams.

MSC to grant certificate of license to Bro. Randall Steelman upon request of the West Central District.

MSC to elect Daryl Ellis to the Board of Missions. (This appointment to fill the vacancy of Bro. Ivan Ryan.)

MSC to accept invitation to meet at the Bethel Church for the next Executive board meeting Nov. 11, 1983, 7:30 p.m.

MSC to give Bro. Joey Murphy a rising vote of thanks for his services as treasurer.

MSC to adjourn. Prayer by Chairman Loyd Crain.

Rev. Loyd Crain, Rev. Gene Norris, Rev. Byford Campbell, Rev. David Shores, Bro. Mike Johnston being a committee ap-

pointed by the State Executive Board to meet in an organizational meeting with the following churches (Butterfield, Elgin, Roberts Road, Faith) met on September 23rd, 1983 at Elgin Free Will Baptist Church, meeting with delegates from the Butterfield Free Will Baptist Church, Elgin Free Will Baptist Church, and the Roberts Road Free Will Baptist Church for the purpose of organizing a district to be known as the Fox River District Association of Free Will Baptists.

The delegates registering were: Butterfield: Pastor Rev. Reford Wilson, Bro. John Molnar, Bro. John Jackson, Bro. Bob Hindricks, Bro. Larry Joyner, Deacon Bro. Tom Slamons, Rev. Dock Caton.

Elgin: Sister Libby Deskins, Sister Millie Varneu, Sister Lois Butcher, Pastor Rev. James O. Butcher.

Roberts Road: Pastor Rev. Paul Ackerman.

Promotional Secretary Rev. David Shores served as moderator of the meeting, Rev. Gene Norris (Assist. Mod. of State Assn.) brought the message using Eph. 6:10-11, and presented the Bible Rev. Byford Campbell (State clerk) read the proposed constitution and by-laws, presented them for a vote of acceptance. Bro. Mike Johnston prayed the dedicatory prayer.

Officers were elected, Bro. Reford Wilson, Moderator, Bro. James Butcher, assistant moderator, Bro. Dock Caton, clerk, Sister Libby Deskins, assistant clerk, Bro. John Molnar, treasurer. Nominating committee: Paul Ackerman, Libby Deskins, Larry Joyner.

The next meeting of the Fox River District set for Oct. 22nd, 1983, at the Butterfield Church at 9:30 a.m.

MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

DEC. 2ND, 1983

AT BETHEL CHURCH

Roll Call - those present were: Loyd Crain, Byford Campbell. Ken Doggett, Mike Johnston, William Adcock, Arthur Norris, Clifford Donoho, Ernie Lewis, John Hollis, David Turner, David Shores. Prayer by Bro. David Turner. Devotion by Bro. Daryl Ellis, Pastor of Bethel Church using Prov. Ch. 30.

The minutes of the previous meeting read by clerk and declared approved as read.

Bro. Larry Cook was nominated to fill vacancy on the Christian Supply Centre' advisory committee to replace Bro. Gene Norris. Bro. Cook was elected.

MSC to seat Bro. Don Hannah as proxy for Wallace Malone.

MSC to receive the report of CTS Board.

MSC to receive the report of the Layman's Board.

MSC to receive the report of Board of Missions.

MSC to receive the treasurer report.

MSC to receive the report of the promotional secretary.

Bro. Rex Maynard was introduced as the new manager of the Christian Supply Centre' and he gave a report on the Centre' MSC to receive this report.

Bros. Henry Potter and Ken Doggett were nominated as Assist. Moderator to fill the unexpired term of Gene Norris. Bro. Potter was elected.

MSC to sponsor Bros. David Shores, Loyd Crain and Wallace Malone to leadership conference in Nashville.

Motion sustained to accept credentials of Bro. Joey Murphy, which were voluntarily surrendered when Bro. Murphy left the denomination. A letter of acknowledgement to be sent to Bro. Murphy and copy to the Harmony Church of West Frankfort.

Motion sustained to honor the request of the South Central District requesting ratification of credentials of Bro. Gene Parton and issuance of card of Good Standing.

Discussion was held as to proper acceptance of the newly formed Fox River District to the State Association, while all were in favor of their acceptance it was decided because of Article IV of constitution, it was proper to send a letter asking the Fox River District to send a formal letter to be presented to the entire body of Illinois State Association in March, 1984, when convened at Camp Hope with the hearty recommendation of the Executive Board, and to invite their appointed representative, Bro. James Butcher to sit in upon the next Executive Board meeting in Feb., 1984. Motion sustained to this effect.

MSC next meeting to be held at the Cross Roads Church in Effingham Feb. 17, 1984.

Motion sustained to adjourn.

Prayer by Bro. William Mishler.

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

FEB. 17, 1984, AT EFFINGHAM

Roll call - present: Loyd Crain, Henry Potter, Byford Campbell, Ken Doggett, Mike Johnston, William Adcock, Wallace Malone, Jerry Presley, Ernie Lewis, John Hollis, David Turner.

Opening prayer by Bro. Wallace Malone.

Devotion by Bro. John Hollis (Jn. 10-10) subject; Life and our concern about life.

The minutes of previous meeting were read and approved as read.

MSC to seat Bro. David Potete as proxy for Ken Elkins.

MSC to seat Bro. Paul Moore as proxy for Art Norris.

Auditing committee appointed: Ken Doggett, Ernie Lewis and Henry Potter.

MSC to receive report of promotional secretary as given in writing to clerk in absence of Bro. Shores.

MSC to receive CTS report, outlining CTS competition activities planned this year.

MSC to allocate \$150.00 to CTS board to purchase Bible Bowl competition light kit.

MSC to accept Christian Education Board report.

A motion was made to allow C.E. Board to reimburse students for first semester book expenses entering a Free Will Baptist college if the following conditions were met.

1. Must be on the honor roll of their school at least once during their senior year.
2. Must attend a college affiliated with the National Association of Free Will Baptists.
3. Must submit receipts for their books to the Christian Education Board.

MSC to ammend the former motion asking the C.E. Board to clarify the second item in the conditions, "What constitutes a college to be affiliated with the Free Will Baptist." (National)

MSC to accept the Layman's report.

MSC that the interest rate on new student loans be increased to five (5%) effective Feb. 17, 1984.

MSC to accept Board of Missions report.

MSC to accept the treasurer report.

MSC to accept the auditing committee reports, treasurer's books of Layman's Board, Board of Mission, Christian Ed. Board, and State treasurer were audited.

MSC to elect Bro. Ken Doggett to replace Gene Norris on special committee to study Article XII of constitution.

MSC to recommend the following allocations of Co-op funds, to the State assembly:

Nation Association	40%	Church Training Service	3%
Board of Missions	21%	Northern Ill. Youth Camp	3%
Promotional Fund	14%	Layman's Board	1%
General Fund	9.5%	Christian Supply Cen.	3%
Christian Education Bd.	5.5%		

MSC to grant request of S. Central District and issue certificate of license to Greg Davis.

MSC to elect as a committee, Ernie Lewis, Geo. Waggoner, and Loyd Crain to study necessary details of proposed merger

of Sunday School Alliance and State Assoc. properties and Boards.

MSC to accept report of Christian Supply Centre'.

MSC to adjourn.

Prayer by Rev. David Potete.

Motion sustained to adopt the report of the Executive Board.

REPORT NO. 6

REPORT OF STATE PROMOTIONAL SECRETARY

The year began with a Pastor's Breakfast at Ina where several men and women met together to make plans for a missions conference and to set in motion a plan to help ease the deficit accounts of missionaries James O'Dell, Fred Hersey and Dennis Owen. The final result was rewarding as the churches of our state raised about \$10,000 for this special project.

There were 21 pastoral changes during the year, and at the present time there are five churches needing a pastor. Pray for the church at Bradley (Unity) which has been without a pastor since October, 1982. The new church at Effingham (Crossroads) is doing well and will need our continued prayers and support. The people of Illinois are to be commended for helping this new church pay off the indebtedness of the \$13,000 down payment for their new building.

I visited 12 quarterly meetings last year including the newly formed Fox River District located in the Aurora-Elgin area. Also, the State Moderator, Loyd Crain, and I visited the Southern Illinois Yearly Conference which is made up of churches not affiliated with our State Association. I also spoke at the Franklin-Freedom Quarterly Youth Rally.

Two of our pastors left the Free Will Baptists to become members of other denominations, and one church (Friendship) disbanded in 1983. The church property was sold and a portion of the money was given to Camp Hope.

The Illinois Newsletter mailing list is completely computerized and can be corrected each month before Newsletter mailing. Please try to keep your mailing address current. The U.S. Postal Service charges a 25¢ fee for correcting your address for you, so please try to get your change in as early as possible. We now have about 1600 families receiving the Newsletter each month.

I personally appreciate the churches which continue to be faithful in giving to our denominational work. We gained about \$18,000 in total gifts this year. It is the first year we passed the \$150,000 mark. Our Co-op gifts were also up this year. We would encourage all churches to adopt this plan of support.

In closing, let me thank you for allowing me to serve in this office. It is always a blessing to see what the Lord is doing through His people in the state. Also, I want to welcome new pastors to our state . . . Gene Parton (Arnold View), Larry Cook (Bear Point), Tom Street (Mt. Vernon). J. D. Mitchell (Pleasant View), Karel Smith (Niantic) and Wayne Whittaker (Moline).

God bless you as we work for His glory.

David Shores

Motion sustained to adopt this report.

Moton sustained to elect: Ed Shrum of West Central District, John Hollis of East Central District, Ken Doggett of South Central District, David Turner of North Central District, David Potete of Northern Illinois District, James Butcher of Fox River District, as representative of their respective Districts on the Executive Board.

Prayer: Moderator Loyd Crain.

Adjourn until Saturday Morning.

SATURDAY MORNING, MARCH 24, 1984

BUSINESS SESSION:

Congregational Song: "Stand Up for Jesus"

Prayer: Bro. Don Hanna

Congregational Song: "Tis so Sweet to Trust in Jesus"

Moderator in consultation with Committee on Committees, appointed Ken Doggett, Chairman, Ernie Lewis, William Mishler, Jerry Presley, and Daryl Ellis as a committee to study the Sunday School Alliance resolution.

REPORT NO. 7

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Board of Mission - William Mishler (1989), Larry Cook (1988)

Christian Education Board - Wallace Malone (1987)

Church Training Service Board - Tim Hayes (1989)

Layman's Board - Eldon Schmidt (1987)

Treasurer - Mike Johnston

Clerk - Byford Campbell

Assistant Clerk - James Boggs

Moderator - Loyd Crain

Assistant Moderator - Henry Potter

Committee - Wallace Malone, John Hollis, David Shores

Motion sustained to receive the report

Motion sustained to elect the nominees to their respective offices.

REPORT NO. 8
REPORT OF MISSIONS BOARD
MISSIONS BOARD REPORT

The Mission Board met seven times during the past year, and had one Telephone Conference. The business of the Board consisted mostly of requests that came from the present work on the field.

The work in Effingham, under the leadership of Missionary John Hollis and family, is progressing real well. The purchase of a very commodious building and two and one-half acres of land last February (1983) has proved to be a great blessing. An extensive remodeling program on the building has provided classrooms, restrooms, an auditorium that will seat one hundred people and kitchen facilities in a larger area of the building that will later be converted into an Auditorium that will seat at least two hundred.

This purchase was financed by a loan of \$13,000.00 from the National Board of Retirement and Insurance, and gifts from our churches and people. This was used as the down-payment on the almost \$80,000.00 purchase price for the property. This loan balance now is about \$1,600.00, and plans are to have loan paid off by May 1, 1984. Payments on balance of purchase price will begin then.

Missionary Hollis and congregation are to be commended for their faithfulness in building this work. The Crossroads Free Will Baptist Church is a soul-winning church. Missionary Hollis will further inform us about the work during this Association.

The Board is still assisting the First Church in Moline, IL. They have just recently called a Pastor . . . Rev. Wayne Whitaker. The church reports an increase in attendance, offerings, and souls being saved. Assistance to the church will only be for a short time.

Rev. and Mrs. Clifford Donoho have made application to the Mission Board, requesting to begin work in Salem, Illinois. More information will be given during this Association.

Our thanks go to our churches and people who so faithfully support our Mission work and Missionaries. God has given our churches and people a new vision for missions, as you will see in the financial report. Our needs have been met.

Missions giving from our churches and people in 1983 was . . . \$67,475.64 to Foreign Missions. An increase of about \$2,800.00 over last year . . . To Home Missions \$46,599.77. An increase of about \$10,400.00 over last year.

We are looking toward 1984 with anticipation of expanding our Mission work at home and abroad.

Respectfully submitted, Wm. J. Mishler, Sec., Treas.

Board Members: Clifford Donoho, Chairman
 J. Reford Wilson
 Daryl Ellis
 Jerry Presley
 William J. Mishler

MISSIONS BOARD REPORT

Itemized Receipts:

Arnold View	\$ 241.26
Bakerville	1,065.00
Bear Point	941.99
Benton-First	238.94
Bethel	188.00
Blue Point	1,101.58
Butterfield	443.05
Crossroads	3,450.00
Decatur-First	180.00
Harmony-West City	100.00
Harmony-West Frankfort	420.00
Hazel Dell	1,327.88
Immanuel	30.00
Ina	955.00
Johnston City-First	715.00
Mt. Vernon-First	145.00
People's- Chicago	1,160.00
People's-Justice	25.00
Pleasant View	1,165.00
Rock Springs	146.00
Salem	290.73
Unity	180.00
Waltonville	1,450.92
Webb's Prairie	322.00
Total from Churches	\$16,282.35
Co-op	9,648.82
N.O.W. Interest on Checking	392.29
Transfer from Saving Acct. (closed out)	1,010.68
Loan from Nat'l. Bd. of Retirement & Insurance	13,000.00
Gifts - Crossroads Land Fund - Bldg. Renovation	3,139.73
Total Receipts	\$43,473.87

Disbursements from General Fund:

National Home Missions	\$14,860.00
Insurance (Missionary)	1,982.32
Expense Fund (Missionary Suplmt.)	2,000.00
Social Security (Missionary)	480.00
Bd. of Retirement & Ins. on Loan	4,782.27

Crossroads (Mission) Pmt. on Prop.	14,232.00
Board Services (Travel, L.D. Calls)	
Mailing and Office Expense	770.33
First Church Moline (Assistance)	2,350.00
Land Fund Account	615.00
Expense to Nat'l. Assn. (Missionary)	250.00
Total Disbursements	\$42,321.92

FINANCIAL REPORT
JANUARY 1, - DECEMBER 31, 1983

General Fund . . .	
Balance brought forward from December 31, 1982 ..	\$6,074.79
Receipts:	
Illinois Co-op Plan.....	\$9,648.82
Designated Gifts, etc.	19,422.08
N.O.W. Interest Ck. Acct.	392.29
Transferred-Savings Acct.....	1,010.68
Loan Bd. Retirement & Ins.	13,000.00
TOTAL Receipts for 1983.....	\$43,473.87
TOTAL Accountable Including Balance	49,548.66
TOTAL Disbursements for 1983	42,321.92
BALANCE in Bank of Egypt Marion, Illinois	
December 31, 1983.....	\$7,226.74

Board Members	
Clifford Donoho, Chm.....	1988
J. Reford Wilson	1987
Daryl Ellis	1986
Jerry Presley	1985
Wm. J. Mishler, Sec.	1984

Motion sustained to adopt the missions Board report.

REPORT NO. 9
REPORT OF ILLINOIS LAYMAN'S BOARD

The year 1983 started off great for the Layman's Board. We visited three churches during the month of January and organized all three churches.

Tuesday night January 11, Brother Art Norris and I drove to the Pittsburg church and presented the Master's Men program and helped them organize.

Saturday night January 15, Brother Art Norris and I drove to the Hazel Dell church and presented the Master's Men program to them and they organized at a later date. They prepared a supper for us and we had a good time of fellowship together.

Sunday night January 23, Brother Art Norris and I drove to the Cross Roads church and presented the Master's Men program to them and helped them organize. We had a good time of fellowship over refreshments after the service.

The only other activities we had during the year was our second annual Master's Men retreat held at Camp Hope September 9th and 10th. We were disappointed with the attendance which was 24 but those who attended were certainly blessed. The Friday night message was brought by Roland McBride from the Johnston City church. The Saturday morning message was brought by Kelly Douglas from the Unity Church at Bradley. The last message was to be given by Bob Harrison who took sick and couldn't come, so we persuaded Jim Valancee, our national director, to bring that message. We had a great time of fellowship together. The messages, the food, and the fellowship were excellent.

Paul Moore, Sec.-Treasurer

FINANCIAL REPORT YEARLY REPORT

Business Transactions	Debits	Credit
Balance brought forward January 1, 1983		339.14
Deposit co-op check 1-3-83		15.79
Check to Art Norris for mileage 1-15-83	6.75	
Check to Paul Moore for mileage 1-23-83	37.50	
Deposited co-op check 4-4-83		64.01
Deposited co-op check 5-2-83		20.33
Deposited co-op check 6-6-83		17.27
Check to Paul Moore for stamps 7-7-83	12.00	
Deposited co-op check 7-11-83		22.61
Deposited co-op check 8-1-83		20.33
Deposited co-op check 8-26-83		20.68
Check to Camp Hope for retreat 9-10-83	100.00	
Check to Bob Martin		
for food at retreat 9-10-83	200.00	
Check to Jim Valancee		
mileage to retreat 9-10-83	100.00	
Deposited money received from		
retreat 9-16-83		155.00
Deposited co-op check 10-11-83		17.01
Deposited co-op check 10-28-83		21.25
Deposited co-op check 12-5-83		18.57
TOTALS	456.25	731.99
BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 1983		275.74

Motion sustained to adopt the Layman's Board report.

REPORT NO. 10 CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD REPORT

The Christian Education Board made two loans in August of 1983 and one loan in January of 1984. Loans approved were: Gregory Smith - \$1,000; Brian Gallis - \$1,000 and Robert Robbins - \$750.00.

The Christian Education Board met in Session on February 1, 1983, in the home of Billy Maynard in Chicago.

WE RECOMMEND THE FOLLOWING:

That the Christian Education Board purchase the books for students entering a Free Will Baptist College for the first semester.

The following conditions must be met:

1. Must be on the Honor Roll of their school at least once during their Senior year.
2. Must attend a college affiliated with the National Association of Free Will Baptist.
3. Must submit receipts for their books to the Christian Education Board.

We also recommend we raise the interest on student loans to 5%.

Respectively submitted,
Wallace Malone, Chairman
Don Hanna, Treasurer
Billy Maynard, Member

1983 - 1984 ACCOUNT FOR CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD ILLINOIS STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

Beginning Balance - April 1983	\$5,121.51
Interest on checking account	405.55
Co-op Funds	2,996.18
Received on Accounts	3,295.70
TOTAL	\$11,818.94
Expenses	85.43
Don Hanna	10.50
Wallace Malone	54.00
Billy Maynard	20.93
Loans	\$2,750.00
Gregory Smith	1,000.00
Brian Gallis	1,000.00
Robert Robbins	750.00
TOTAL in checking account February 3, 1984	\$8,983.51

Motion sustained to receive the Christian Education Board report.

Motion and second to adopt the recommendation to pay for the purchase of books as outlined in the C.E. Bd. report.

Motion sustained to ammend the motion to, delete the condition requiring students to be on the Honor Roll.

Main motion carried as ammended.

Motion sustained to allow the interest rate to be increased to five (5) percent on all new loans.

Recess:

Saturday Morning Worship:

Congregational Song: "When we all get to Heaven"

Prayer: Rev. Henry Potter

Special music by Bible College Quartet

Message: Dr Stanley Outlaw from Gen. 32:24-32
"Wrestling with God"

Prayer: Rev. Ken Doggett

Lunch

- Saturday Afternoon -

Worship;

Congregational Song: "I will Hasten"

Prayer: Rev. Loyd Crain

Special music by Bible College Quartet

Message by Dr. Stanley Outlaw from Dan. 1:8, "Standing for God"

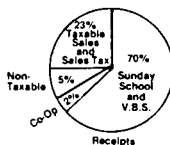
Business Session

REPORT NO. 11

CHRISTIAN SUPPLY CENTRE'

1983 REPORT

RECEIPTS



Taxable sales.....	\$12,279.10
Sales Tax collected.....	605.90
Non-Taxable sales.....	3,010.72
Sunday School/VBS.....	40,766.24
Co-Op.....	1,272.64
Check returned.....	22.64
Total Receipts.....	\$57,957.01

DISBURSEMENTS

Randall (Sunday School).....	\$25,787.19 (45%)
Standard (VBS).....	2,966.46 (5%)
Other Suppliers.....	12,315.41 (21%)
Rent, Utilities, Insurance.....	4,116.45 (7%)
Supplies.....	151.65 (.2%)
Wages.....	8,163.37 (14%)

Freight	701.10 (1.1%)
Sales Tax	608.17 (1%)
Advertising, Postage, Petty Cash, Gift	1,904.16 (3.3%)
Loan Payment	800.00 (1.4%)
Total Disbursements	\$57,513.96
Balance 1/1/83	\$865.98
1983 Receipts	57,957.98
Balance 12/31/83	\$1,309.03
DISBURSEMENTS	57,513.96
	\$58,822.99 \$58,822.99

Motion sustained to accept the report.

Rex Maynard was hired as Manager on November 7, 1983.

On December 28, a burst sprinkler system pipe damaged \$7,812.08 worth of merchandise. Insurance did not cover this water damage.

As of December 31, 1983, the Christian Supply Centre' had no outstanding loans.

(NOTE: On January 10, 1984, a loan for \$2,500.00 was procured from the Benton Community Bank.)

REPORT NO. 12 CTS BOARD REPORT FOR 1983 TO THE ILLINOIS STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

The activities of the CTS Board for the year primarily consisted of organizing and conducting the Illinois State CTS Competitive Activities and Music and Arts Festival and offering assistance to those churches wanting to establish a CTS program.

The following is noted concerning the 1983 Competitive Activities:

A total of eleven churches were involved in the 1983 Competitive Activities. This is the most number of churches ever involved in Illinois CTS Activities.

Activities for 1984 will also include organizing the competitive activities for 1984. The 1984 activities will be conducted at the Bethel Free Will Baptist Church at South Roxana on May 11th and 12th.

The CTS Board recommends the following items for the State Association: 1. That the Illinois State Association pay the registration entry fee for contestants participating in the national competition.

2. That the Illinois State Association share in the cost of purchasing a new Bible Bowl competition light board. The ap-

proximate cost of this item is between \$200 and \$300 and is beyond the CTS Board's projected budget.

Respectfully submitted,
Bill Adcock
Chairman
Illinois CTS Board

WINNER'S LIST
1983 ILLINOIS CTS
COMPETITIVE ACTIVITIES MAY 13-14
FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
DECATUR, ILLINOIS
Bible Memorization

Grade 1	First	Decatur.....	Tonya Stephenson
Grade 2	Third	Bethel	Danny Wells
	First	Decatur.....	Corey Penn
	Second	Granite City.....	Jeanna Steelman
Grade 3	First	Decatur	Jeremy Raymer

Sword Drill

Grade 4	Second	Granite City	John Steelman
	First	Hazel Dell	Michael Galloway
Grade 5	First	Arnold View	Brad Ryan
Grade 6	First	Hazel Dell.....	Amy Galloway

Tic Tac Toe

Second	Hazel Dell, Leigh Anne Woodland, Renee Woodland Christy Galloway		
Third	Ina..... Eric Wolf, Jon Cook Vickie Sweetin, Missy Sweetin		
First	Johnston City.. Colette Clendenin, Dianne Rogers Stacy Phillips, Stephanie Brock		

Bible Bowl

First	Arnold View.....	Kelly Jones, Lisa Orr
Second	Johnston City	David Blades, Patty Rogers Scott McBride, Mary Beth Snedden

Oral Communications

Declamation Herald	*63.0
Granite City	Diana Steelman
Poetry Ambassador	*63.7
Decatur	Julie Medlock

Keyboard Solo

Learner	*55.0	Decatur	Jeremy Raymer
Adventurer	*57.7	Johnston City.....	Penny Leigh
Herald	*62.7	Johnston City	Melissa Strunk
Crusader	*56.0	Bethel.....	Shannon McClintock
Ambassador	*54.3	Blue Point.....	Vicki Gifford

Instrumental Solo

Herald *54.3 Decatur Amy Merriman

Vocal Solo

Learner *61.3 Decatur Jeremy Raymer

Adventurer *61.7 Blue Point Wendy Nix

*61.7 Decatur Travis Penn

Herald *62.0 Granite City Diana Steelman

Crusader *61.3 Waltonville..... Kevin Edwards

Ambassador *61.7 Bethel Sarah Malone

Vocal Ensemble

Duet

Learner *60.0 Decatur Jeanna Skelley, Wendy Skelley

Adventurer *60.7 Bethel Brent Wells, Craig Portell

Herald *56.3 Bethel Joann Hollingshead, Denise McClintock

Crusader *61.3 Bethel Shannon McClintock, Krista McClintock

Ambassador *58.0 Johnston City .. Elaine Blades, Lance Crain

Combination *64.0 Bethel ... Bryan Hollingshead, Rusty Hannis

Trio

Adventurer *64.0 Blue Point Wendy Nix, Jodi Rodgers,

Michelle Laughlin

Herald *58.3 Johnston City Melissa Strunk

Colette Clendenin, Stacy Phillips

Crusader *60.3 Bethel ... Sarah Malone, Bryan Hollingshead

Rusty Hannis

Quartet

Learner *62.7 Bethel Jessica Matthews, Danny Wells

Julie Futrell, Tyler Federle

Adventurer *61.0 Decatur Melissa Maxwell, Jeremy Green

Travis Penn, Kim Rine

Herald *54.7 Bethel Denise McClintock, Troy Arnoldi

Joann Hollingshead, Darren Portell

Crusader *59.0 Bethel.. Sharon McClintock, Kelley Malone

Kerri Pratt, Krista McClintock

Combination *62.0 Bethel .. Sarah Malone, Bryan Hollingshead

Kelley Malone, Rusty Hannis

Quintet

Learner *63.6 Bethel Jessica Matthews, Danny Wells

Julie Futrell, Tyler Federle, Michael Hollingshead

Herald *58.0 Bethel ... Denise McClintock, Troy Arnoldi

Darren Port, Joann Hollingshead, Clark Ann Gray

Crusader *58.0 Bethel .. Matt Hodge, Shannon McClintock

Rusty Hannis, Krista McClintock, Keri Pratt

Combination *60.0 Bethel Sarah Malone, Kim Stegal,

Krista McClintock, Kelley Malone, Shannon McClintock

Sextet

- Herald *55.0 Decatur . . Amy Merriman, Melissa Medlock
Tim Russell, Kelley Broxid, Belissa Medlock,
Ricky Xeiteme
- Crusader *60.0 Johnston City. Scott McBride, Gary Doggett
David Blades, Matt Crain
Lance Crain, Mark Doggett
- Combination *59.3 Bethel Sarah Malone, Kelley Malone
Shannon McClintock, Bryan Hollingshead
Rusty Hannis, Brad Wells

Chorale

- Division I *64.3 Bethel
Jessica Matthews, Julie Futrell, Michael Hollingshead, Danny
Wells, Tyler Federle, Jason Foutch, Michael McClintock, Craig
Portell, Brent Wells
- Division II *61.0 Bethel
Denise McClintock, Krista McClintock, Clark Ann Gray, Tina
Smith, Michelle Gallas, Kelley Malone, Joann Hollingshead,
Kerri Pratt, Darren Portell, Troy Arnoldi, Steven Gray, Rusty
Hannis, Matt Hodge, Shannon McClintock
- Division III *61.7 Bethel
Sarah Malone, Kim Stegall, Shannon McClintock, Krista Mc-
Clintock, Kerri Pratt, Michelle Gallas, Kelley Malone, Bryan
Hollingshead, Rusty Hannis, Matt Hodge, Brad Wells
- Division IV *61.0 Decatur
Amy Merriman, Melissa Medlock, Belissa Medlock, Kelly
Broxid, Judy Justice, Traci Broxid, Angela Medlock, Paul
Newingham, Ricky Krietemeyer, Todd Maxwell, Kim Rine,
Travis Penn, Julie Medlock, Tim Russell

Choir

- Division IV *64.7 Bethel
Michael Hollingshead, Julie Futrell, Jessica Matthews, Michael
McClintock, Craig Portell, Brent Wells, Danny Wells, Tyler
Federle, Jason Foutch, Denise McClintock, Troy Arnoldi,
Darren Portell, Joann Hollingshead, Steven Gray, Clark Ann
Gray, Tina Gray, Krista McClintock, Kelley Malone, Shannon
McClintock, Michelle Gallas, Kerri Pratt, Rusty Hannis, Matt
Hodge, Sarah Malone, Kim Stegall, Bryan Hollingshead, Brad
Wells

Art

- Learner *63.0 Decatur Elizabeth Raymer

Photography

- Crusader *67.0 Bethel Kelly Malone

**ILLINOIS STATE ASSOCIATION
OF FREE WILL BAPTIST
C.T.S. BOARD
1983 FINANCIAL REPORT**

Checking Account balance January 1, 1983		\$73.36
Checks:		
296 Jim Hawkins	Mileage	45.00
297 R. Steelman	Mileage	33.00
298 Decatur Church	Food State Comp.	250.00
1 Paul Pierson	Judge	25.00
2 Wayne Coker	Judge	25.00
3 Susan McMillan	Judge	25.00
4 Decatur Church	Food State Comp.	189.78
5 Decatur Church	Host Church	100.00
6 W. Malone	Food	9.19
7 Gilbert Pixley	Speaker State	150.00
8 Bill Adcock	Mileage	55.50
9 N.Y.C.	Registration Natl.	525.00
10 N.Y.C.	Registration Natl.	205.00
101 Decatur Church	20 Contestants	200.00
102 Johnston Church	13 Contestants	130.00
103 Waltonville	1 Contestant	10.00
104 Granite City	1 Contestant	10.00
105 Arnoldview	3 Contestants	30.00
106 Hazel Dell	2 Contestants	20.00
107 Bethel	28 Contestants	280.00
108 Randall House	Medals and etc.	710.60
109 N.Y.C.	Registration Natl.	10.00
110 Kim Stegall	Registration Natl.	10.00
111 Kelly Douglas	Mileage	42.00
112 Bill Adcock	Mileage	24.00
113 R. Steelman	Mileage	24.00
Total of Checks		<u>3,138.07</u>
Charge for checks		3.24
Total deductions		<u>3,141.31</u>
Deposits:		
From savings account		10.00
From savings account		500.00
Refund from food expenses State		8.06
Offering State Comp.		81.91
Registration State Comp.		848.00
From Savings account		140.00
From State Association (Regist.)		740.00
From Savings account		700.00
From Savings account		90.00

Total additions	3,117.97
Resulting balance in checking account December 31, 1984	\$50.02
Savings account balance January 1, 1983	\$914.85
Co-op Jan., Feb. and March	324.08
Co-op April	122.00
Co-op May	103.64
Co-op June	135.65
Co-op July	121.95
Co-op Aug., Sept., Oct., and Nov.	465.09
Total of deposits	1,272.41
Interest earned for 1983	37.85
Total of all deposits	1,310.26
Withdrawals	1,440.00
(all withdrawals were deposited to the checking account to pay bills)	
Balance of Savings account December 31, 1983	<u>\$785.11</u>
Checking account balance	50.02
Savings account balance	<u>785.11</u>
Total funds available for use of C.T.S. Board	\$835.13

The C.T.S. Board would like to thank the people of the State of Illinois for their continued support of the co-op program, and the support the C.T.S. Board is given at the State Competition.

Yours in Christ,
Michael C. McClintock
Treasurer C.T.S. Board

Motion sustained to receive the CTS Board report and adopt the recommendations.

REPORT NO. 13 REPORT OF STATE TREASURER 1983 RECEIPTS

Church	Total	Co-op Plan	Newsletter	Designated
Alexander	\$1,300.00	\$1,000.00	\$0	\$1,300.00
Arnold View	7,372.34	4,639.91	60.00	2,672.43
Bakerville	5,904.11	3,339.11	0	2,565.00
Bear Point	9,398.57	3,471.22	0	5,927.35
Benton	5,063.44	780.00	0	4,283.44
Bethel	5,412.03	1,200.00	0	4,212.03
Blue Point	3,875.60	550.00	0	3,325.60
Butterfield	5,417.54	0	149.50	5,268.04
Crossroads	4,669.72	0	0	4,669.72
Decatur	5,368.04	2,478.98	32.00	2,857.06
Freedom	505.25	0	0	505.25
Friendship	2,033.62	0	0	2,033.62

	Total	Co-op Plan	Newsletter	Designated
Granite City	626.70	221.70	0	405.00
Harmony (W.C.)	525.00	0	50.00	475.00
Harmony (W.F.)	3,193.44	0	70.00	3,123.44
Hazel Dell	6,856.31	166.65	55.00	6,634.66
Immanuel	106.40	76.40	0	30.00
Ina	26,085.60	4,218.00	0	21,867.60
Johnston City	16,816.75	6,621.00	120.00	10,075.75
Liberty	988.00	988.00	0	0
Mascoutah	1,799.27	1,799.27	0	0
Mt. Olive	20.00	0	20.00	0
Mt. Vernon	4,916.31	3,310.31	60.00	1,546.00
Nason	516.44	0	25.00	491.44
New Hope	972.19	917.19	55.00	0
Oak Grove	752.08	752.08	0	0
Oak Valley	803.00	43.00	65.00	695.00
People's (Chicago)	3,229.34	0	0	3,229.34
People's (Justice)	470.00	0	0	470.00
Peoria	92.08	92.08	0	0
Pleasant View	8,325.74	2,530.19	50.00	5,745.55
Rescue	979.12	452.49	0	526.63
Rockford	513.72	513.72	0	0
Rock Springs	1,616.75	940.30	0	676.45
Salem	1,601.05	674.30	140.00	786.75
Springfield	381.58	381.58	0	0
Unity	491.30	0	0	491.30
Waltonville	9,103.70	3,304.53	60.00	5,739.17
Webb's Prairie	3,563.39	1,600.35	60.00	1,903.04
East Central Quart.	250.50	0	0	250.50
South Central Quart.	500.00	0	0	500.00
Illinois Youth Rally	150.00	0	0	150.00
Helen Campbell	5.00	5.00	0	0
TOTALS	152,571.02	47,067.36	1,071.50	104,432.16

SUMMARY OF CO-OP ALLOCATIONS

National Association (40%)	\$18,826.96
Board of Missions (20.5%)	9,648.82
Promotional Fund (14%)	6,589.42
General Fund (10%)	4,706.71
Christian Education Board (6%)	2,824.06
Christian Supply Centre' (3%)	1,412.02
C.T.S. Board (3%)	1,412.02

Northern Illinois Youth Camp (3%)	1,412.02
Laymen's Board (0.5%)	235.33
TOTALS	\$47,067.36

SUMMARY OF DESIGNATED GIFTS

Free Will Baptist Bible College	\$7,784.83
National Home Missions	19,925.21
National Foreign Missions	48,173.50
Illinois Board of Missions	16,282.35
Free Will Baptist Home for Children	1,692.00
Sunday School Alliance	5,666.37
Ella Rae Jones Account	585.00
Gospel Missionary Union (Lyle Wilder)	1,560.00
World Relief	348.00
Board of Retirement and Insurance	176.94
Alexander F.W.B. Church Building Fund	1,145.00
Crossroads F.W.B. Church Land Fund	729.50
Master's Men	31.46
Camp Meeting Board	332.00
	<u>\$104,432.16</u>

REPORT OF THE GENERAL FUND

Balance on Hand at January 1, 1983 \$2,199.18

Received in 1983:

Co-op	\$4,706.71
District Dues:	
West Central Quarterly	165.00
East Central Quarterly	120.00
North Central Quarterly	120.00
South Central Quarterly	135.00
Dues from Arnold View F.W.B. Church	5.00
Return of National Delegate Dues	100.00
Interest on Checking Account	495.80
Total Receipts	<u>5,847.51</u>
	\$8,046.69

Disbursed in 1983:

Board Member's Expenses to Meetings	\$1,428.82
Office Supplies and Postage	248.20
Treasurer's Salary (Joey Murphy)	960.00
Clerk's Salary (Byford Campbell)	275.00
Honorarium for Moderator	100.00
Expenses of 1983 State Meeting	234.40
National Direct Delegate Fees	300.00
Fees to National Association	450.00
Printing of Minutes	297.48
C.T.S. Board	740.00

Board Member's Fee to National Association	97.50
Corporate Fee	5.00
Insurance Premium for Treasurer's Bond	154.51
Leadership Conference Expenses	302.49
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	5,593.40
Balance on Hand at December 31, 1983	\$2,453.29

Respectfully Submitted,
Michael Johnston, Treasurer

REPORT OF THE PROMOTIONAL FUND

Balance on Hand at January 1, 1983	\$2,899.86
Received in 1983:	
State Co-op	\$6,589.42
Designated for Newsletter	1,071.50
Interest on Checking Account	88.70
TOTAL RECEIPTS	<u>7,749.62</u>
Disbursed in 1983:	\$10,649.48

Promotional Secretary's Salary (David Shores)	\$7,865.00
Newsletter Postage	940.17
Newsletter Supplies	367.63
Office Equipment Repairs	45.00
National Association Expenses	123.90
Bank Service Charges	50.45
Error on 1982 Report	120.75
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	9,512.90
Balance on Hand at December 31, 1983	\$1,136.58

Respectfully Submitted,
Michael Johnston, Treasurer

Motion sustained to adopt the treasurer report.

REPORT NO. 14

REPORT OF TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE

We your Committee on Temperance, make the following report:

Since our church covenant demands total abstinence from the use and sale of alcoholic beverages, there can be no temperate use of them; therefore, we recommend:

First, that we abide by our church covenant and practice and promote total abstinence.

Second, that we commend our brethern who are living consistently in accord with all phases of our church covenant and exhort all to do so;

Third, that our Christian practices demonstrate temperance in our social relationships with both the saved and the unsaved, thus giving temperance its rightful position among the Christian graces listed by the Apostle Paul (Gal. 5:23) as fruits of the

Spirit and by Peter (II Peter 1:6) as a virtue needed to be added to our faith.

Fourth, We recommend that we, as Free Will Baptists, oppose all bills or laws by voice or letter to our legislators promoting the cause of the liquor industry.

Committee: Howard Flota, Floyd Hartley, Bob Laur.

REPORT NO. 15

REPORT OF THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE

The Business Committee makes the following recommendations:

Item 1, We recommend that our clerk write a letter of appreciation to the Illinois Free Will Baptist Sunday School Alliance for the use of these facilities and that we make a contribution of \$100.00 toward the cost of utilities.

Item 2. We recommend a rising vote of thanks be given to Nason and Ina Free Will Baptist Women Auxiliaries for the fine work in providing meals for this meeting.

Item 3. We recommend that the State Association pay Nason and Ina Auxiliaries for the meals eaten by our guests from Free Will Baptist Bible College and other National Offices.

Item 4. We recommend that the treasurer be paid \$160.00 (in addition to his salary in 1984) for his 4 months of service in 1983.

Item 5. We recommend that a \$150.00 honorarium be paid to Rev. Ronald Creech and a \$100.00 honorarium to paid to Dr. Stanley Outlaw.

Item 6. We recommend that \$100.00 honorarium be paid to our moderator, Loyd Crain.

Item 7. We recommend that this State Association give \$75.00 per delegate toward the expenses our elected delegates to the National Association. We further recommend that this Association pay the expenses of the National Association General Board Member from Illinois. We further recommend that the expenses of the State Promotional Secretary be paid to the National Association from the fund set up for his salary and expenses.

Item 8. We recommend that allocations from Co-op money be as follows:

National Association	40%
Board of Missions	21%
Promotional Fund	14%
General Fund	9.5%
Christian Ed. Bd.	5.5%
Church Training Service Be.	3%
Nth. Ill. Youth Camp	3%
Layman's Board	1%

Christian Supply Centre'

3%

Item 9. Whereas, one of our pastors, Brother Jerry Presley, was enrolled in the medical insurance program administered by our National Board of Retirement and Insurance, and

Whereas Brother Presley was regular, consistant and on time with his insurance premium payments, and

Whereas Brother Presley incurred considerable expense because of heart by-pass surgery, and

Whereas the insurance Company which underwrites our National Insurance program has not compensated Brother Presley,

Be it resolved that this Illinois State Association of Free will Baptists contact our National Board of Retirement and Insurance and request that this expense be paid - either by the underwriting company or by funds held in deposit by our National Board of Insurance and that a copy of this resolution be sent to our Executive Secretary.

We also request that our Executive Secretary's office do everything in their power to see this matter settled.

As an item of information, the Business committee appreciates the concern of our Brethern from the Northern Illinois Quarterly conference and we have given our attention to their resolution concerning the believer and his attitude toward wine, namely, "Be it resolved that according to the word of God that fermented wine is not permitted to be used by Christians and Jesus Christ did not make or drink fermented wine."

In our judgment the Free Will Baptist Church covenant adequately covers the issue and no floor action needs to be taken.

Committee: Wallace Malone, Gene Parton, Daryl Ellis.

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

Motions were sustained to adopt each of the nine (9) items as recommended by the Business Committee.

Motion sustained adopting a resolution stating: "This Illinois State Association of Free Will Baptists go on record stating we do not believe Jesus Christ made or drank fermented wine."

Motion sustained to lay on the table constitutional changes until the Friday session of 1985 State Association. The changes would make the following articles read:

ARTICLE V, Paragraph A. Standing delegates as follows:

1. (to read) All ordained ministers in good standing in a local church which is a member of this State Association.

ARTICLE XII (rewrite)

Section 1. Ministers. This State Association recognizes the

right of District Associations which compose this body to license and ordain ministers, and will issue ministers' license and ordination credentials upon request of said bodies provided that the individual for whom the request is made, (1) is not a homosexual, (2) is not involved in a dual marriage, (3) does not use tobacco or intoxicating beverages in any form, (4) is not a woman, and (5) meets all the qualifications as stated in parts (2), (3), (4) of section 3 of this article.

Section 2. Qualifications. (1) Must not take part in practices repugnant to the Free Will Baptist Doctrine such as:

(a) Santification as a second definite work of grace. (b) Oneness rather than the trinity. (c) Unknown tongues as commonly recognized. (d) Positional eternal security rather than provisional eternal security as taught by the scriptures and recognized by our treaty.

(2) Must be a consistant tither. (3) Must be strictly honest in speech and financial matters.

Section 3. 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 of certificate of ordination upon prpoer request by his church and his District if said minister meets all qualifications in this article and is not otherwise exempted by any exception in this article.

(Section 5 becomes Section 4)

Section 4. A minister who has been ordained in another denomination will, not less than one year after he has joined a church that is a member of this Association, be issued a recognition of certificate of ordination upon proper request of his church, the quarterlymeeting, and the District Association or yearly meeting, if said minister meets all qualifications stated in this article and is not otherwise exempted by any exception in this article.

REPORT NO. 16

REPORT OF CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

We the credentials committee recommend the following ministers receive their card of good standing:

South Central District: Ernie Lewis, Charles Bowers, Paul D. Leffler, C. J. Kettelman, Bob R. Stone, Randy Jones, Ken Doggett, Gene Parton, David Shores, James E. Boggs, William H. Potter, William J. Mishler, Irene Sullivan, Sherman Sullivan, Deon Walker.

Fox River District: James O. Butcher, J. Reford Wilson, Billy A. Melvin, Dock Caton, Paul Ackerman.

East Central District: Dewy Merritt, John W. Hiltibidal, Clifford L. Hicks, Byford Campbell. George Capps, Clifford

D. Donoho, Loyd Crain, Tommy Street, George W. Waggoner, John D. Hollis.

North Central District: Daniel McEvers, Karel J. Smith, H. Wallace Malone, Don Hanna, David Turner, L. Wayne Whitaker, Otis L. Smith, Jr., Norman H. Clem, Owen Ganey.

Northern District: Samuel Perry, Edward E. Maynard, David K. Potete, Billy Maynard, Ken Elkins, Leo Potete.

West Central District: Cloy Meyers, J. Luther Hudson, Floyd Hartley, Jerry Presley, Cory Adams. Albert Bays, Larry C. Cook, James O'Dell, Jimmie Hicks, Daryl W. Ellis, Gary Portell, Howard Flota, Melvin Oathout, Cletis H. Reed, Geraldine Lewis, William Adcock, Michael G. Russell, Jesse W. Allen, Randall Steelman.

Committee: Jerry Presley, Ernie Lewis, J. Reford Wilson

**REPORT NO. 17
REPORT OF
NORTHERN ILLINOIS QUARTERLY
YOUTH CAMP**

Balance on Hand at January 1, 1983	\$237.75
Received in 1983:	
Co-op	\$1,412.02
Campers Fees	920.00
Donation (<i>Vern Shaw</i>)	81.87
Donation (<i>Leo Potete</i>)	300.00
Loan (from People's F.W.B. of Justice)	750.00
Concession Profit	109.73
TOTAL RECEIPTS	<u>3,573.62</u>
	\$3,811.37

Disbursed in 1983:	
Sunday School Alliance	\$160.00
David Turner (<i>cook and nurse</i>)	300.00
Leo Potete (<i>evangelist</i>)	300.00
Earnie Lewis (<i>teacher</i>)	100.00
Camp Hope	270.80
Loan Repayment	750.00
Gasoline	281.89
Food	874.45
Swimming Pool Rental (<i>2 nights</i>)	60.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	3,097.14

Balance on Hand December 31, 1983	\$714.23
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Respectfully Submitted,

Rick Potete, Treasurer

Delegates elected to National Association Meeting were:

Mike Johnston, Kathy Donoho, Kelly Douglas, Ed Shrum,

and Bob Irwin.

Motion sustained to meet at Camp Hope for the 1985 Associational Meeting.

Motion sustained to adjourn.

Prayer by Rev. David Turner.

Byford Campbell
Executive Secretary