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# MINUTES OF THE TWENTY FOURTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ILLINOIS STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

# MARCH 21-22, 1986

The Twenty-Fourth State Association met at the First Free Will Baptist Church of Decatur with 34 ministers, 45 delegates and 44 visitors registering for the meeting.

# -Friday Morning-

The meeting was called to order by the moderator Bro. Daryl Ellis and the congregation was led in the song "He Keeps Me Singing", with prayer by Bro. James Butcher. A welcome was given by the host pastor, Bro. Wallace Malone.

Bro. Max Courtney gave a devotion from Eph. 3:7-9 The Three Factors of Fellowship: Point 1 Forbidden Fellowship. He closed in prayer.

# -Business Session-

Meeting called to order by the moderator Bro. Daryl Ellis. The clerk gave information concerning the change of date of the State Association. Upon request of the Executive Board written confirmation was received from 4 of 6 Districts and verbal confirmation was received from 1 District to change the date of the State meeting from March 28 & 29 to March 21 & 22.

The chair then recognized the standing delegates, and those visitors that were in attendance.

Motion sustained to adopt the program allowing the moderator to make needed changes.

Motion sustained to seat the delegates.

Motion sustained to seat the following lay delegates representing directly from their church: Robert Fitzpatrick, Elgin; Gene Petty, Crossroads; Barbara Molnar, Butterfield; Ellen Cockrum, Decatur.

# **REPORT NO. 1**

# **REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES**

We the Committee on Committees recommend the following people serve on the committees listed below:

Credentials: Cliff Donoho, Reford Wilson, David Potete.

Business: Jerry Presley, James Butcher, David Malone.

Temperance: Wallace Malone, Billy Maynard, Gene Petty.

Literature: David Mishler, Marlin Manning, Dennis Maynard.

Memorial: Violet Crain, Lola Barrett, Kay Penn.

Motion sustained to receive the report and to place these on the respective committees.

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# REPORT NO. 2 REPORT OF THE STATE TREASURER

# **1985 RECEIPTS**

Church	Total	Co-op Plan	Newsletter	Designated
Alexander	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 0	\$ 0
Arnold View	7.632.29	5,131.42	60.00	2,440.87
Bakerville	7,086.95	4,086.95	0	3,000.00
Bear Point	10,121.65	4,143.83	0	5,977.82
Benton	5,487.00	780.00	0	4,707.00
Bethel	8,089.06	2,050.00	0	6,039.06
Blue Point	3,685.52	600.00	0	3,085.52
Butterfield	5,247.50	0	112.50	5,135.00
Calvary	2,410.07	600.00	0	1,597.37
Crossroads	8,688.97	120.00	0	8,568.97
Decatur	9,667.70	5,879.82	39.00	3,748.88
Granite City	966.05	186.05	0	780.00
Green Rock	317.97	0	0	317.97
Harmony(W.C	.) 439.06	0	55.00	384.06
Harmony(W.F		2,494.18	60.00	586.98
Hazel Dell	6,639.33	116.62	50.00	6,472.71
Immanuel	2,139.19	1,039.14	30.00	1,070.05
Ina	27,178.00	5,830.00	0	21,348.00
Johnston City	17,253.90	6,784.00	130.00	10,339.90
Liberty	· 0	0	0	0
Mascoutah	995.96	0	0	995.96
Moline	0	0	0	0
Mt. Olive	0	0	0	0
Mt. Vernon	3,030.45	0	0	3,030.45
Nason	1,518.35	0	65.00	1,453.35
New Hope	1,050.72	990.72	60.00	0
Niantic	0	0	0	0
Oak Grove	632.52	572.52	60.00	0
Oak Valley	600.00	0		540.00
People's (Chi.)	500.00	0	0	500.00
People's (Just.		0	-	0
Peoria	0	0	•	0
Pleasant View	6,490.41	2,170.01	0	4,320.40
Rescue	96.72	88.72	-	8.00
Rockford	0	0		0
Rock Springs	976.75	717.70		259.05
Salem	1,585.83	651.48		814.35
Springfield	0	0	•	0
Unity	636.15	0	•	636.15
Waltonville	10,421.12	3,116.67		7,239.45
Webb's Prairie	3,697.65	1,577.00	60.00	2.060.65

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Church	Total	Co-op Plan	Newsletter	Designated
N. IL Quart.	555.13	0	0	555.13
Individuals	4,394.38	0	0	4,394.38
Totals	\$164,573.51	\$51,139.53	\$1,026.50	\$112,407.48

# SUMMARY OF CO-OP ALLOCATIONS

	1984	1985
National Assn. of Free Will Baptists	\$17,366.34	\$11,037.89
IL Board of Missions	10,388.43	10,227.92
IL State Assn. Promotional Fund	6,925.61	7,670.94
IL State Assn. General Fund	4,699.55	4,858.21
Sunday School & Christian Ed. Board	2,720.80	2,812.67
Christian Supply Centre	1,484.06	1,534.18
C.T.S. Board	1,484.06	1,534.18
Northern IL Youth Camp	1,484.06	511.41
Laymen's Board	494.67	511.41
Jerry Presley Benevolent Fund	2,456.87	1,747.00
Camp Board	0	8,693.72
	\$49,504.45	\$51,139.53

# SUMMARY OF DESIGNATED GIFTS

	1984	1985
Free Will Baptist Bible College	\$ 6,303.10	\$ 4,656.80
National Home Mission Board	16,015.66	13,579.01
National Foreign Mission Board	44,637.67	55,961.14
IL Board of Missions	29,611.44	31,018.56
Free Will Baptist Home for Children	1,410.31	898.31
Camp Board	1,381.12	1,128.91
Ella Rae Jones Account	40.00	0
Gospel Missionary Union	3,580.00	1,610.00
World Relief	594.00	533.00
Nat'l. Board of Retirement & Insurance	e 275.00	0
Calvary F.W.B. Church Pew Fund	438.40	267.00
Crossroads F.W.B. Church Bldg. Fund	1,058.31	1,694.75
Jerry Presley Benevolent Fund	506.42	325.00
Christian Supply Centre	200.00	200.00
Adult Camp Board	0	100.00
National Assn. Executive Office	0	200.00
Rex Maynard	0	50.00
Randall House Publications	0	185.00
	\$106,041.43	\$112,407.48

<b>REPORT OF THE GENE</b>	RAL FUND	
BALANCE ON HAND AT JANUAR		\$ 1,476.60
RECEIPTS:		
Со-ор	\$ 4,858.21	
Dues from churches and districts	640.00	
Interest earned on checking account		
TOTAL RECEIPTS		5,802.70
		\$ 7,279.30
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Board members expenses to meetings	\$ 2,216.60	
Office supplies & postage	474.52	
Clerk's salary (Byford Campbell)	275.00	
Treasurer's salary (Michael Johnston)	480.00	
Moderator's honorarium (Loyd Crain)		
1985 State Assn. Meeting expenses	300.00 g 432.03	
Printing minites of State Assn. Meeting Delegate expenses to National Assn.	g 432.03 375.00	
National Assn. fees	460.00	
Leadership Conference expenses	497.08	
C.T.S. Board	865.00	
Corporate fee and bank service charge		
Premium for Treasurer's bond	134.66	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		6,624.89
BALANCE ON HAND AT DECEMI	3FR 31 1985	\$ 654.41
REPORT OF THE PROMO	TIONAL FU	• ••••••
BALANCE OF HAND AT JANUAR		\$ 69.11
RECEIPTS:	,	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
Со-ор	\$ 7,670.94	
Designated gifts	1,026.50	
TOTAL RECEIPTS:		8,697.44
		\$ 8,766.55
DISBURSEMENTS:		• •,••••••
Promotional Secretary's salary	\$ 7,411.25	
Newsletter postage	1,206.49	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		8,617.74
BALANCE ON HAND AT DECEMI	BER 31, 1985	\$ 148.81
<b>REPORT OF THE JERRY PRESLE</b>	Y BENEVOL	ENT FUND
BALANCE ON HAND AT JANUAR	RY 1, 1985	\$ 2,963.29
RECEIPTS:		
Designated gifts from co-op	\$ 1,747.00	
Other designated gifts	325.00	
Interest earned	109.10	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		2,181.10
		\$ 5,144.39

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DISBURSEMENTS: Hospital bills paid for Jerry Presley Remaining co-op sent to Nat'l. Assn. 2,165.26	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	 5,144.39
BALANCE ON HAND AT DECEMBER 31, 1985 SUMMARY OF GIFTS IN 1985:	\$ 0
Arnold View	\$ 338.37
Bakerville	240.16
Bear Point	371.58
Bethel	50.00
Blue Point	40.00
Crossroads	8.00
Decatur	100.00
Harmony (West Frankfort)	225.00
Hazel Dell	6.66
Immanuel	24.70
Ina	369.60
Oak Grove	56.12
Pleasant View	147.81
Webb's Prairie	94.00
	\$ 2,072.00

Respectfully submitted, Michael Johnston, Treasurer

# **REPORT NO. 3**

# **REPORT OF THE PROMOTIONAL SECRETARY**

There are two projects which were adopted by our National Association which we hope to implement in Illinois. The first is a soul-winning, church growth campaign called Project 90. It will be successful if we can increase our denominational membership by 50,000 and begin 100 new churches by the year 1990. Each State Association, each district, and each church can help in this project by working and praying. The goal is an increase of 20 in each church in the next five years. Details of Project 90 will be given later.

Project number two is sponsored by the Foreign Missions Board and is closely related to our past. As we review what God has done for us the past 50 years, we want to celebrate together and praise Him! As we praise Him for the past, we look forward to an advance in the future. This program will be called The Advance Celebration and we will try to raise \$1,000,000 across our denomination. The money will be used for new equipment, new buildings, new literature and new missionaries. Our state will have to set its own goal, and determine how and when the funds will be raised. As Project 90 is extended for 5 years, this Advance Celebration will cover the next 3 years. These are exciting projects and worthy of our best. Each church will be given full particulars in the near future.

Several good things have happened in our State Association this past year. Only seven churches had a pastoral change, making 1985 our best year in recent memory, showing a stabilization in this area. Recent years have shown an average of about 50% change in pastoral leadership. A committee was appointed this past year to study the reasons pastors stay for such short periods of time at their churches. That survey is now completed and a report will be given at this associational meeting.

Also, our giving was up again this year by about 5% to a new high of over \$164,500. Even though the Co-op giving was up by about \$1,600, it is still sad to see that many of our churches do not help in any way. Twelve churches gave nothing at all, and only 24 gave to the Co-op program. As in the past, let me remind you that all our state programs are funded through co-operative giving and if your church does not give this way, it contributes nothing to our state work. An example of this was the matter we cleared up for Brother Jerry Presley's medical bill. Only those churches who designated their co-op money to go into that fund actually helped with the project. Many people expressed their desire to help, but nothing was done unless done as a group. Co-operation usually gets the job done well, and quickly.

There has been some discussion about forming some new quarterly meetings. Most of the discussion centers on convenience: location, distance, etc. In one area, four churches are located within ten miles of one another yet they belong to three different quarterly meetings. In each case they must travel a maximum of over 100 miles at times to attend their conference. So, maybe it is time for them to think about reorganization.

In my last report I said that co-operation is the key word for success in the Lord's work in Illinois. That is still true. The theme of this year's program could not have come at a better time, nor is a theme more suited for this state association. Fellowship has been lacking in some areas of our association and, at times, our disagreements on policy have overshadowed our agreement on doctrine, our differing views on practice have hampered our fellowship in Christ. Perhaps this meeting will help us see the value of Christian fellowship more clearly.

In closing, let me thank you again for the privilege to serve in this office. Besides attending quarterly meetings, editing the Newsletter, talking with pastors and church members, I have tried to establish some fellowship with some Illinois believers who are not Free Will Baptists. Also, we have several churches

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(15 or 16) Free Will Baptist churches in Illinois who have no fellowship with this State Association. I have attended some of their meetings and preached in some of the churches. Some day I hope we can meet with them on a regular basis. Meanwhile, let us remember the words of our Free Will Baptist Church Covenant and count it, "our chief business in life to extend the influence of Christ in society, constantly praying and toiling that the kingdom of God may come, and His will be done on earth as it is in heaven."

David Shores, Promotional Secretary

# **REPORT OF THE PROMOTIONAL DIRECTOR**

The chair recognized Dr. Melvin Worthington from the National Executive Office.

### REPORT NO. 4 REPORT OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AND SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD

To the Illinois State Association, 1986 Members: H. Wallace Malone, chairman Byford Campbell, Treasurer Gene Parton, member Don Hanna, member Kenny Pell, member

The Christian Education Board met three times during the past year.

One at close of the 1984-85 State Association to organize.

Second at Camp Hope during Camp time.

Third at Ina, Illinois, December 17, 1985.

At the meeting in August, 1985 the board discussed the idea of sponsoring Sunday School Revivals in three areas, one in the Chicago area, one Central, and one in the Southern part of the State. However, this was tabled. The board decided the first step would be to get information from the various Sunday Schools; so a questionaire was sent to fifty churches. Rev. Gene Parton was asked to prepare the mailing and he received twenty questionaires back. We were asking for enrollment, average attendance, do they use Free Will Baptist literature? Do they have six point grading system? Do you participate in the national enlargement campaign Sunday School? Would you be interested in a state wide campaign? Would you be interested in a teacher training program? Would you be interested in a Sunday School revival?

The statistics show that the Sunday School enrollment at the last quarter of 1985 - twenty churches reporting.

Sunday School enrollment ...... 1829

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Average attendance 1608 = Average 80.4
30% showed an increase over 1984
25% showed a decrease
45% remained same
Do you use Free Will Baptist literature
Do you use the six point grading system 10% yes
Do you participate in National enlargement
campaign 40% yes
Would you be interested in a state wide

The board met again at Ina, at the home of Byford Campbell, Don Hanna was our treasurer, resigning but did remain a member of the board. Bro. Hanna will be moving soon and he and the board felt that someone else on the board should be selected. Bro. Byford Campbell was selected and is now serving as treasurer.

Reporting - H. Wallace Malone, chairman

# STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AND SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD

Outstanding loans as of December 31, 1985 were \$41946.82		
Tunsial interest due of December 21, 1965 were \$2055, 52		
Unpaid interest due as of December 31, 1985 was \$3055.53		
Amount of interest received in 1985 was \$685.54		
Amount received on principle of loans was \$3580.36		
Three loans were paid in full during 1985 totaling \$1467.96		
Loans granted in 1985:		
Todd Maxwell \$750 and \$500		
Brenda McElyea		
Scott Robbins		
Christian Supply Centre		
Shannon McClintlock		
Shaimon McChildock		
Shannon McClintlock 1000		
Krista McClintlock		
Debbie Burkepile 1000		
Thomas Bryan Hollingsead 500		
Robin Barker 1000		
Robert Rollins 1000		
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Totaling \$14250.00		
Paid out for books:		
Lisa Orr \$ 74.25		
LaDonna Steelman		
Kelly Jones		
Carl Miller		

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Krista McClintlock	138.75
Totaling	\$432.30
Balance on hand in checking account Dec. 31, 1985	\$1364.35

# REPORT NO. 5 BOARD OF MISSIONS REPORT

The Board of Missions met 7 times during the past year (1985).

The Mission Church in Effingham continues to grow under the leadership of Missionary Hollis and his family.

They have their building almost completed (probably will be by State Assn. time). Their congregation is growing, souls are being saved, people in the community are being reached through the various ministries of the church, and spiritual leadership is being developed within the membership. Their plans are to become self-supporting within the next few months.

The Mission Church in Salem has shown a remarkable growth since it's beginning in June of 1984. Under the leadership of Missionary Donoho and his family, they have become a very active congregation . . . and through their outreach ministries, souls are being saved and people in the community are being reached with the Gospel message.

They are presently worshipping in rented facilities, which are very commodious. Plans are for a new location in the future with more parking space, which is now very limited at the present facilities.

Both of our Missionary Pastors, under the leadership of the Holy Spirit, have been able to motivate their congregations to become involved in the local church, district and state activities. They are to be commended for their faithfulness, and the sacrifices they and their people are making to establish these mission works for the Glory of God and the salvation of souls in these areas.

In July of 1985 the Board of Missions purchased the property that Missionary Donoho and his family have been renting since going to Salem. The property was put up for sale, and offered to Missionary Donoho by the owner to purchase, but he declined, and the same was offered to the Mission Board for \$35,000. The property was appraised at \$50,000., with the rent previously paid by Missionary Donoho to go as the down payment. The loan was secured from the Community State Bank of Salem at 11.5 percent interest.

The Board now rents the property to Missionary Donoho and his family for \$373.25 per month (They were paying \$400.) which is the amount of payment on the property. There has been an agreement drawn up between parties and signed by all involved.

The Board of Missions sponsored a Walk-A-Thon for Missions among the churches of our state in September of 1985. Fourteen churches participated, and \$7,110.45 was raised for Home and Foreign Missions. Awards to winning churches and individuals will be honored and given at this State Association.

The churches and people of our state are to be commended for their faithfulness in supporting our mission work, both home and foreign. (The results financially are listed below)... But far more important are the spiritual results in the salvation of souls, and the spiritual maturity of those making up these mission churches, and those reached by our missionaries abroad ... these cannot be counted in dollars and cents.

Our State Mission giving for 1985 amounts to the following.

. . Foreign Missions, \$87,641.42 . . . To Home Missions \$52,791.52 . . . Making a total of \$140,432.94.

The Board of Missions is hoping and praying that finances will permit, and the Good Lord will furnish the personnel, to open up at least one new field in 1986. Please help us pray about this matter.

### **BOARD OF MISSIONS REPORT**

Dispursements:
National Home Missions \$24,470.00
Missionaries Hospitalization Ins. Premiums 4,220.30
Missionaries Monthly Supplement Expense 6,000.00
Missionaries Social Security 1,440.00
Missionaries Retirement Fund
Missionaries Itinerary Expense
(Mileage, Long Dist. Calls, etc.)
First Church of Moline Assistance 1,600,00
Board of Missions Expenses
(Travel, Office Supplies, Postage, etc.)
First Church of Springfield Assistance
Service Charge-Johnston City State Bank 3.00
Crossroads Mission Church (Building Fund) 430.00
Calvary Mission Church (Pew Fund) 100.00
Calvary Mission Church (For Bus from
Baton Rouge, La.)
Community State Bank of Salem
(Closing cost on Property) 256.00
State Farm Insurance
(Premium on Salem Property) 175.00
Calvary Mission Church
(Expense for Evangelist)
Illinois State Assn. Treasurer

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(Monies collected from Walk-A-Thon)	3,641.50
Total Disbursements	
FINANCIAL REPORT - January 1 - December 31, Balance brought forward from December 31, 1984.	
Receipts:	•
Designated Gifts from churches & individuals	\$30,298.53
Illinois State Assn. Co-op Program	. 10,227.92
Gifts to Foreign Missions	4,712.35
Crossroads Mission Church (Building Fund)	, 430.00
Calvary Mission Church (Pew Fund)	100.00
Interest on NOW Checking Account	373.70
Total Receipts for 1985	\$46,142.50
Total Accountable including balance forward	\$50,700.57
Total Disbursements for 1985	. 45,377.90
Balance in Johnston City Bank as of	
December 31, 1985	
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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS** 

The chair recognized Bro. Cliff Donoho as a representative from the National Missions Board. Bro. Jim Vallance from the National Masters Men. Bro. Jim also shared a moment concerning the work of Radio & Television Commission.

Respectfully submitted, Jerry Presley, chairman, 1985 Board Members: Grady Runyon, 1986 J. Reford Wilson, 1987

John Postlewaite, 1988

Sec.-Treas. William J. Mishler, 1989

### REPORT NO. 6 REPORT OF THE CAMP BOARD CAMP BOARD REPORT 1985

The newly formed Camp Board met eight times in 1985 to conduct its business. Grant Bruce was elected chairman and Ernie Lewis was elected Secretary-Treasurer. Work for the year involved conducting programs and retreats, budgeting expenses, making improvements to the physical plant, and maintaining the upkeep on the campgrounds.

The Youth Camp was conducted for four weeks in June & July by Director Larry Cook and many able workers. We appreciate the willingness of those who volunteer for this ministry. The First Annual Youth Camp Reunion took place on September 28th with a good crowd attending. The theme was "A Special Tribute to the Sunday School Alliance", our forerunners in the camping ministry. A Thanksgiving Youth Retreat was held November 29th & 30th with Bro. Garnett Reid from Free Will Baptist Bible College as the special speaker. Many young people gathered for that weekend.

We encountered several financial setbacks throughout the year, but the Lord always provided for the needs. An undetected water leak on the property cost several hundred dollars in loss and repair. The insurance premiums for the camp more than doubled to nearly \$5,000 per year. A search for a better company found no relief in premiums, but more coverage was gained.

The Board made many improvements to the facilities throughout the year. These included: a teaching shelter, a fence for the lagoon, a new freezer, a steam table in the kitchen, a cabinet for the P.A. and songbooks, vents for residence & camp dryers, gutters over auditorium entries, and State of Illinois recommended improvements such as a vent in the kitchen restroom. Needed maintenance and repairs were done to aid conditioners, coolers, electrical circuits, drain lines from residence, and maintenance equipment.

Our Camp Planning Committee is in the process of organizing this year's Youth Camp. The dates have been set as follows:

Senior High Camp - June 15-20

Junior High Camp - June 22-27

3rd & 4th Grade - June 29-July 3

5th & 6th Grade - July 6-11

Workers will be needed for all aspects of the camping ministry for the coming year. Please make yourself available for one or more of these weeks. Director Larry Cook or one of the assistant directors will be looking for your support.

The Camp Board is in great need of obtaining a new Manager/Caretaker. We appreciate the work of Bro. Rex Maynard, who served as our previous Manager/Caretaker. If you know anyone who is interested or have a recommendation, please see a Camp Board member for an application.

The chair recognized Bro. Paul Ketterman from the Free Will Baptist Bible College at Nashville.

Respectfully submitted, Chairman, Grant Bruce, 1986 Curtis Fowler, 1987 Keith Fletcher, 1988 Lee Penn, 1989 Secretary-Treasurer Ernie Lewis, 1990

# CAMP BOARD FINANCIAL REPORT

Balance on Hand as of January 1, 1985 \$	4,262.15
Received in 1985:	
State Association Co-op \$	7,890.01
Individual Church Gifts	1,320.53

Rentals 1,427.50
Interest on Account
Youth Camp 1985
Youth Camp Reunion Offering 293.00
Development Project Donations 594.78
Thanksgiving Youth Retreat 305.23
Concessions
Insurance Premium Refund 170.00
Used Equipment Sales 75.84
Total Receipts
\$26,659.01 Disbursed in 1985:
Electrical Usage \$ 3,586.34
Water Bills
Water Dills   700.33     Talenhone Charges   256.63
Telephone Charges
Propane Gas Consumption
Youth Camp Expenditures
Youth Camp Reunion Expenses 293.00
Thanksgiving Youth Retreat 320.63
Insurance Premiums 4,946.60
Campground Improvements 3,185.25
Upkeep and Repairs 518.29
Hardware and Supplies 493.83
Miscellaneous Expenses 295.97
Total Disbursements \$24,620.29
Balance on hand as of December 31, 1985 \$ 2,038.72
*SPECIAL ACCOUNT:
Balance as of January 1, 1985 \$12,512.20
Interest Accrued
Balance as of December 31, 1985 \$13,015.53
*Special Account was designated offering for the installation of
a swimming facility at Camp Hope.
Respectfully submitted,
Ernie Lewis,
Secretary-Treasurer, Camp Board — Recess —
— <b>NCLCSS</b> —
-Friday Morning Worship Service-
Hymn: Glory Be His Name
Prayer: Shannon Speak
Special: I Know A Man Who Can by David Malone

Hymn: Oh How I Love Jesus Special: Just Talk to Jesus by Cliff Donoho Message was brought by Bro. Loyd Crain from I John 1:3-7, "The Power of Fellowship".

Prayer: Byford Campbell

-Recess-

-Friday Afternoon Session-

Hymn: Whosoever Meanth Me

Devotion & prayer: Bro. Max Courtney from Eph. 3:14-19 Three Factors of Fellowship: Point 2 A Familiar Fellowship

# **REPORT NO. 7 REPORT OF THE CHURCH TRAINING SERVICE**

Motion made and seconded that the State Association pay the registration fee for the contestants participating in the National competition.

Motion sustained to table until tomorrow.

# **1985 CTS BOARD REPORT**

The 1985 CTS Competition Activities finished up the year with another exceptional turnout. There were a total of twenty churches involved. Our state had more competitors at the National Competition than any other state.

As you well know, growth like this is a blessing but at the same time, painful. It is our prayer that CTS Competition glorify Christ, remain competitive, and be handled as fairly and Christ-like as possible. We the CTS Board covet your prayers as plans are made for this years activities.

The Decatur church is to be commended on it's fine hospitality and work. We also want to thank any and all who helped in any way.

The dates for the 1986 CTS Competition are May 16 & 17 at the Decatur church.

The CTS Board recommends the following item for the State Association: That the State Association pay the registration fee for contestants participating in the National Competition.

Respectfully submitted, David Mishler, chairman, 1988 Kelly Douglas, 1990 Tim Hayes, 1989 Mike McClintock, 1987 Scott McPeak, 1986

# LIST OF WINNERS BY CHURCH

Arnold View Bible Bowl Art Graphics Rhonda Parton

Herald

Art Painting Herald Rhonda Parton Art Photography Ambassador Dean Jones Bear Point Art Graphics Crusader Joev Wilson **Bethel** Instrumental Solo Adventurer Tobi Tiller Vocal Solo Adventurer Jessica Matthews Vocal Solo Crusader Krista McClintock Vocal Ensemble Duet Herald Vocal Ensemble Trio Herald Vocal Ensemble Ouartet Adventurer Vocal Ensemble Ouintet Learner Vocal Ensemble Quintet Adventurer Chorale Division Ì Chorale Division IV Choir Division IV Butterfield Instrumental Solo Herald **Tammy Fulton** Instrumental Solo Crusader Mark Joyner Instrumental Ensemble Duet Combination Instrumental Ensemble Trio Combination Instrumental Ensemble Quintet Combination Art Graphics Learner David Caton Art Sculpture Crusader Donnie Medlin Vocal Solo Learner Christin Joyner Vocal Ensemble Duet Combination Vocal Ensemble Trio Learner Vocal Ensemble Quartet Combination Vocal Ensemble Ouintet Combination Vocal Ensemble Sextet Combination

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**Decatur** Bible Memorization Grade 1 Jacqueline Rasar Instrumental Solo Elizabeth Rasar

Learner

# ILLINOIS STATE CTS BOARD 1985 ANNUAL REPORT

CHECKING ACCOUNT: Opening Balance \$81.27
Expenditures:
May 3 David Mishler - mileage \$ 71.25
Decatur FWB-CTS Comp. meals
May 11 Edie Somppi-CTS Comp. Judge
Jack Somppi-CTS Comp. Judge 50.00
Diane Jenkins-CTS Comp. Judge
Linda Mayberry-CTS Comp. Judge 75.00
Decatur FWB-Comp. meals
Ernie Lewis-Honorarium
May 17 Sports Style Graphics-Ribbons
Randall House Publications-Medals
June 21 NYC-Registration
July 12 Bethel FWB-30 Contestants 300.00
Decatur FWB-20 Contestants
Peoples of Justice-6 Contestants
Immanuel FWB-3 Contestants
Johnston City-3 Contestants
Granite City-1 Contestant
Hazel Dell-6 Contestants
Arnold View-4 Contestants
Butterfield FWB-14 Contestants
Liberty FWB-4 Contestants 40.00
Bear Point FWB-1 Contestant
Mt. Vernon-4 Contestants 40.00
July 15 1st FWB, Johnston City-paper & supplies 39.50
David Mishler-mileage 49.75
Mike McClintock-mileage 51.00
Nov. 8 Kelly Douglas-mileage
David Mishler-mileage 32.40
Mike McClintock-mileage 58.20
TOTAL Expenditures \$3,261.79
Deposits:
May 6 April Co-op \$ 124.79
May 17 State Registration 1,135.00

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June 21 May Co-op 8   July 5 NYC Registration 8   July 15 Savings Withdrawal 8   June Co-op 1   Nov. 12 Sept. Co-op 1   TOTAL Deposits \$3,2	65.00 00.00 18.41 94.64
Closing Balance \$	45.64
SAVINGS ACCOUNT: Opening Balance \$ 50	04.63
Deposits: 5   Feb. 28 Jan. & Feb. Co-op. 12   Arp. 1 March Co-op 14   May 2 April Co-op 14   Sept. 6 August Co-op. 14   July Co-op 14   Nov. 2 Oct. Co-op. 12   Interest for 1985. 51,0   TOTAL Deposits \$1,0	08.78 31.72 06.26 76.40 05.73 35.50
Withdrawals: July 15 Transfer to Checking	
Closing Balance \$ 71	16.93

### **REPORT NO. 8**

# **REPORT OF THE PRESBYTERY COMMITTEE**

The committee appointed to study the feasibility of a presbytery in the Illinois State Association of Free Will Baptists reports the following:

1. We recommend the formation of a presbytery.

2. We recommend the purpose of the presbytery be as follows:

a. Promote fellowship, understanding and cooperation

b. Promote state and national ministries.

c. Plan programs beneficial to pastoral work

3. We recommend that during the first year of which this presbytery is formed, the presbytery of this State Association shall be composed of all ordained ministers who currently hold a card of good standing. During following years it shall be composed of those ministers who are approved by the presbytery the previous year.

4. We recommend the executive committee be asked to serve as a steering committee for the presbytery until the presbytery is

organized and it's officers are elected.

5. We recommend that this organizational meeting be held before October 1, 1986.

Because this State Association recognizes the independence and local autonomy of individual churches and the right of district associations to license and ordain ministers, we further recommend the following:

Delete sections 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 from Article 12 of our State Constitution and substitute the following:

#### Ministers

This State Association recognizes the right of any district association which composes this body, to license and ordain ministers according to Part IV, Chapter II of "A Treatise of the Faith and Practices of the Original Free Will Baptists."

A minority report was given by Bro. Billy Maynard following the reading of the Presbytery Committee report.

A motion was made and seconded to receive the minority report but the motion was defeated.

Motion sustained to divide the Presbytery Committee report into two parts: Section 1 containing parts 1-5 and Section 2 containing the Constitutional amendment.

Motion was made and seconded to adopt the Committee's recommendations in Section 1 of the report.

Motion made to amend part 3 of Section 1 by replacing the last sentence "During following years it shall be composed of those ministers who are approved by the presbytery the previous year" with: The Presbytery will consist of in the future all ministers that are in good standing with the Illinois State Association of Free Will Baptist.

Motion made and seconded to amend the amendment by replacing the words, "that are in good standing with the Illinois State Association of Free Will Baptist" with the words; that are in good standing with their District Association.

Motion sustained to table Section 1 and deal with Section 2.

Motion sustained to place Section 2 on the table until tomorrow.

# **REPORT NO. 9**

# PARTIAL REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee recommends the following: Camp Board - Grant Bruce Christian Ed. & S.S. - Don Nix Mike Russell to replace Don Hanna David Turner to replace Kenny Pell Mission's Board - Loyd Crain CTS Board - Scott McPeak Mike Thomas to replace Tim Hayes Layman's Board - Paul Moore

The chair recognized Bro. Don Robirds from the National Foreign Missions Department. Then Bro. Edwin Wade from Hillsdale Free Will Baptist Bible College was recognized.

# REPORT NO. 10 PARTIAL REPORT OF THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE

The Business Committee recommends that Article 2 Section 1 of the Bylaws be amended by deleting the word, and, following the word clerk and following the word body add and when hosted by the local church that one member be from that church.

Motion sustained to table until tomorrow's session.

### REPORT NO. 11 REPORT OF THE TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE

We the Temperance committee recommend the following:

1. That we as a State Association voice strongly against the method used to advertise beer, wine and liquor and that we en courage our preachers to be vocal in exposing this menace.

Motion sustained to adopt Item 1.

2. That we strongly oppose abortion and any tax money used to finance this. Motion sustained to adopt Item 2.

3. We also oppose our tax dollars being used to promote any form of pornography and encourage local churches and pastors to fight it. Motion sustained to adopt Item 3.

4. That this State Association send a letter fo commendation to Mr. Donald Wildmon and that we support the great work he is doing. Motion sustained to adopt Item 4.

5. That we as an Association take a firm stand against all forms of rock music and much of the so-called country and western music. Motion sustained to adopt Item 5.

# **REPORT NO. 12**

# **REPORT OF THE LITERATURE COMMITTEE**

We recommend that the churches of the Illinois State Association make use of the literature available to estalish new Christians in their faith. In addition it is recommended that each church without a library consider establishing one to make Christian books available to its people and that gospel literature for soul-winning and discipleship be available for distribution. And any material needed for our churches can be purchased from Randall House in Nashville, Tn. We encourage our churches to contact Randall House and work with them in any way possible.

Motion sustained to adopt the Literature report.

Motion sustained to deal with the tabled Constitutional amendment from the minutes of the 1985 State Association meeting on Saturday.

The chair recognized Bro. Herman Hersey from the National Board of Retirement. The chair then called attention to the report of the Free Will Baptist Children's Home in Greenville, TN.

#### REPORT NO. 13 REPORT OF THE LAYMANS BOARD FINANCIAL REPORT YEARLY REPORT

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Business Transactions	Income	Expend.
Balance brought forward January 1, 1985	665.46	
Deposited co-op check 1-7-85	34.22	
Deposited co-op check 2-15-85	48.42	
Deposited co-op check 3-8-85	36.26	
Deposited co-op check 4-11-85	43.91	
Deposited co-op check 5-6-85	41.60	
Deposited co-op check 6-7-85	29.44	
Check to Eldon Schmidt for travel 6-15-85		26.80
Check to Paul Moore for travel 6-15-85		24.00
Deposited co-op check 7-15-85	39.47	
Deposited co-op check 8-8-85	58.80	
Check to Eldon Schmidt for travel 8-17-85		26.00
Check to Paul Moore for travel 8-17-85		24.00
Deposited co-op check 9-19-85	35.42	
Deposited co-op check 10-4-85	31.55	
Check to Paul Moore for stamps 10-5-85		9.90
Check to Camp Hope for use of camp 10-2	5-85	100.00
Check to Martins Catering for food 10-26-		200.00
Deposited offering taken at retreat 11-4-85		200.00
Deposited co-op check 11-8-85	68.58	
Check to Master's Men Department 11-10-		250.00
Deposited co-op check 12-6-85	30.68	250.00
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TOTALS	<u>1233.81</u>	<u>660.70</u>
Balance December 31, 1985	573.11	

The first few months of the year were uneventful as we had no invitations to go to any of our churches and talk to them about the Master's Men program.

June 15th, brother Eldon and I drove to the church at Salem and met with the men of the church. Eldon brought a devotional and then I presented the Master's Men program to them. After the program the men voted to form a Master's Men chapter and we helped them get organized.

We had several telephone conversations concerning our fall Master's Men retreat. We met Saturday Night August 17th, and made our final plans.

The months of September and October were busy months getting everything in order for the fourth annual Master's Men retreat.

Our fourth annual Master's Men retreat was held Friday and Saturday, October 25th and 26th. The theme was walking in the footsteps of JESUS. Wayne Patton brought a message on faith, Bob Harrison brought a message on love, and Mike Russell brought a message on prayer. We were all blessed as we fellowshipped together around GODS word and the time of recreation.

Even though the Spirit of GOD was with us during the meeting, we were disappointed with our attendance which was only 18 men this year. We discussed ways to get more involvement for the new year and we will be trying some of them in the near future.

Sunday, November 3rd Brother Eldon went to the Decatur church where he brought the morning message.

We need more of our churches in Master's Men and would welcome the chance to talk to you about this vital work.

Paul Moore, Secretary-Treasurer

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# BANQUET

The banquet was well attended and Sis. Kay Penn shared a medley of songs followed by the message by Bro. David Shores on the topic "Purpose of Fellowship" from Acts 2:41-47. The message was followed by a piano solo by Bro. Herman Hersey.

# -Friday Evening Business Session-

Hymn: Revive Us Again!

The chair recognized Bro. Howard Flota concerning the Illinois Adult Camp Meeting.

The Board of Missions acknowledged the presentation of awards for the 1985 Missions Walk-A-Thon. Arnold View, Mt. Vernon, Hazel Dell, and Decatur each raised over \$1,000. Bro. Jim Orr from a mission work in Paducah, Ky. stood and shared something of the work and his personal testimony.

# **REPORT NO. 14**

# PARTIAL REPORT OF THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE

We recommend the following:

Item 1: That a vote of thanks be given to the 1st Free Will Baptist church and pastor for their hospitality in hosting the State meeting. Motion sustained to adopt.

Item 2: That an honorarium of \$100 be given to our moderator Bro. Daryl Ellis with a deep felt thanks for a job well done. Motion sustained to adopt.

Item 3: That an honorarium of \$50 be given to each speaker. Motion sustained to adopt.

Item 4: That \$75 be given to each delegate to the National Association toward his or her expenses. Motion sustained to adopt.

Item 5: That the expenses of the General Board member to the National Association be paid.

Motion sustained to accept the recommendations of the Executive Board to hold the 1987 State Association at Crossroads Free Will Baptist Church.

Motion made and seconded to open the floor for nominations for delegates to the National Association. The following were given in nomination: Ernie Taylor, Cleo Leonard, Kelly Douglas, David Malone, and Mike Johnston,

Motion sustained to close nominations.

Motion sustained to elect the above five (5) as delegates to the 1986 National Association.

Motion sustained to allow the moderator of our State Association to fill any vacancies concerning delegates to the National.

Motion sustained to adopt the recommendations of the Executive Board concerning allocations of co-op for 1986.

National Association	
Missions	
Promotional Fund 16%	
Camp Board 17%	
General Fund	
Sunday School & Christian Education 5.5%	
CTS 4%	
Laymans	
Bookstore Indebtedness Fund 2%	

Motion sustained to take from the table the recommendation of the CTS Board. Motion was lost.

The chair recognized Bro. Billy Melvin the chairman of the Christian Leaders for Responsible Television to share information concerning the move to improve the quality of T.V.

Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Leon McBride.

# -Saturday Morning, March 22, 1986-

Hymn: "Send The Light"

Prayer: Bro. Lee Penn

Devotion was brought by Bro. Max Courtney the Three Factors of Fellowship: Point 3 Faithful Fellowship from 2 Cor. 13:13-14.

-Business Session-

Motion made and seconded to remove from the table Section 2 of the Presbytery committee report.

Motion made and seconded to substitute the following motion for Section 2:

Rewrite Section 1 to read as follows:

Section 1, Ministers. This State Association recognizes the right of local churches or District Associations which compose this body to license and ordain ministers, and will issue license and ordination credentials for whom 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 or illegal drugs, (4) is not a woman, and (5) meets all the qualifications as stated in Section 2 of this Article, parts 1, 2, and 3.

# Section 2, Qualifications

1. Must not take part in practices repugnant to the Free Will Baptist doctrine as such:

a. Sanctification 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 the Treatise.

2. Must be a consistent tither.

3. Must be strictly honest in speech and financial matters.

Make Section 4, Section 3 and omit the words, "and will be issued a card of good standing for the remainder of the Associational year."

Make Section 5, Section 4 and omit the words "and will be issued a card of good standing for the remainder of the Associational year."

In Article 5, Section 1, A.1, omit the words "having a current ministerial card of good standing."

Motion sustained for previous question.

Substitute motion was lost.

Motion concerning Section 2 of the Presbytery was lost.

Motion made and seconded to take from the table the motion tabled from the 1985 State Association.

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Motion sustained to call for the previous question,

Motion concerning the tabled item lost.

Motion sustained to bring from the table Section 1 of the Presbytery Committee report.

Motion sustained to amend the amendment with the following: "all ministers that are in good standing with their District Association."

Motion made and seconded to accept Section 1 of the Presbytery Committee report.

Motion sustained for the call of previous question.

Motion to accept Section 1 was lost.

Motion sustained to remove from the table the item in the Partial report of the Business committee concerning an amendment to Art. 2, Section 1 of the Bylaws.

Motion sustained to amend the amendment by striking out when hosted by the local church and add one member be from the hosting body.

Motion sustained to amend Article 2, Section 1 of the Bylaws by deleting the word, and, following the word clerk, and following the word body add "and one member from the hosting body."

Motion made and seconded to adopt the recommendation from the South Central District: Be it resolved that any board such as Missions Board, who make major decisions such as starting a new mission or purchasing property, must be approved by the body of which they are representing before any such decision.

Motion sustained to refer the resolution to the Executive Board and that Board take under consideration the concern of the body over large expenditures of boards and return to the 1987 State Association with some recommendations concerning this matter.

### REPORT NO. 15 REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD MARCH 23, 1985

The Executive Board met following the conclusion of business and the date for the first meeting was set for May 3, 1985 at 7:30 p.m. The place for the meeting is the Crossroads FWB Church at Effingham.

The Executive Board will be composed of the following members:

Moderator: Daryl Ellis Assistant: David Potete Clerk: Larry Cook Assistant: Clifford Donoho Treasurer: Mike Johnson Prom, Sec.: David Shores

District Representatives: South Central: Ken Doggett Northern: Billy Maynard Fox River: James Butcher North Central: David Turner East Central: Loyd Crain West Central: Geraldine Lewis

Board Members:

Layman's: Eldon Schmidt Missions: Jerry Presley S.S. & Chr. Ed.: Wallace Malone Camp Board: Grant Bruce CTS: David Mishler

The following boards and their organization:

Layman's Board: Eldon Schmidt, Chr., 1987; Paul Moore, Sec., 1986; Denzil Cockrum, 1988.

Missions Board: Jerry Presley, Chr., 1990; Bill Mishler, Sec., 1989; John Postlewaite, 1988; Reford Wilson, 1987; Grady Runyon, 1986.

Camp Board: Grant Bruce, Chr., 1986; Ernie Lewis, Sec., 1990; Keith Fletcher, 1988; Lee Penn, 1989; Curtis Folwer, 1987.

S.S. & C.E. Board: Wallace Malone, Chr., 1987; Don Hanna, Sec., 1990; Gene Parton, 1989; Kenny Pell, 1988; Billy Maynard, 1986.

CTS Board: David Mishler, Chr., 1988; Randall Steelman, Sec., 1986; Kelly Douglas, 1990; Tim Hayes, 1989; Mike Mc-Clintock, 1987.

# MAY 3, 1985, 7:30 P.M., CROSSROADS FWB CHURCH

Meeting was called to order by the moderator.

Devotions by Rev. Jerry Presley, 2 Kings 2 "What Will Ye Leave Behind"

Prayer: Rev. Ernie Lewis with prayer requests received from all areas of the state work.

Roll call was taken with the following present: Daryl Ellis, David Potete, Larry Cook, Clifford Donoho, Mike Johnston, David Shores, Ken Doggett, Geraldine Lewis, David Turner, Jerry Presley, Grant Bruce, David Mishler, and James Butcher, Loyd Crain, Wallace Malone were absent.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Treasurer's report was given and approved as written.

Motion sustained to channel the remaining monies in the Jerry Presley fund back into the Co-op Program.

Motion sustained to set the proxies, Bro. Don Hanna for Wallace Malone, Bro. George Waggoner for Loyd Crain.

Reports were given by the following: State Promotional Secretary, Sunday School & Christian Education Board, CTS, Missions, Camp Board, Christian Supply Centre, Committee on Feasibility of Presbytery Board.

Motion sustained to appoint 3 members to a Task Force to study short term pastorates, lack of leadership in our churches, the issue of church growth, lack of support of the Co-op program, and other revelant problems.

Following were nominated for this committee: David Shores, Loyd Crain, and George Waggoner.

Motion sustained to cease nominations and proceed to elect.

Motion sustained that mileage and other expenses of this committee be funded according to state procedure.

Motion sustained to approve the minister's reports and issue cards of good standing to: James O'Dell, Daryl Ellis, and Gary Potete.

Motion sustained that the members of this board from each district serve as members of the program committee.

Motion sustained to recommend Bro. Wallace Malone as the representative from Illinois to the General Board of the National Association of Free Will Baptist. Motion sustained that Bro. David Shores be an alternate recommendation to the General Board.

Motion sustained that the Bookstore Advisory Board draw up guidelines and submit to this body at the next meeting.

Motion sustained that we meet on September 6 at 7:30 p.m. at Crossroads FWB Church.

Motion sustained to adjourn. Prayer: Bro. Grant Bruce.

# SEPTEMBER 6, 1985, 7:30 P.M. CROSSROADS FWB CHURCH

Meeting was called to order by the moderator.

Devotions by Bro. David Shores from John 17:1-11 with an emphasis on v. 11 dealing with fellowship.

Prayer by Bro. Shores.

Roll call was taken with all present except Bro. David Turner.

• Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved by consent.

Treasurer's report was given and approved as read by consent.

Reports were given by the following and recommendations considered: Promotional Secretary, CTS Board.

Motion sustained to open the floor for nominations to fill a vacancy on the CTS Board and Bro. Scott McPeak and Mike Russell were nominated.

Motion sustained to close nominations and Bro. Scott Mc-Peak was elected to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Bro. Randall Steelman.

Sunday School and Christian Education Board.

Motion made and seconded to raise the interest on Student Loans to 6% but was defeated.

Motion sustained to open the floor for nominations to fill a vacancy on the S.S. & Chr. Ed. Board with Dennis Maynard and Byford Campbell nominated.

Motion sustained to close nominations and Bro. Byford Campbell was elected to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Bro. Billy Maynard, who has accepted the position of Northern Quarterly representative to the Executive Board.

Layman's Board

Mission's Board

Camp Board: Motion sustained to ask the Camp Board to proceed with obtaining the insurance for the camp grounds and property that deem advisable.

Christian Supply Centre

Special Committees

Program Committee: Motion sustained to approach each quarterly meeting to seek approval of said quarterly for changing the date of the State Meeting in 1986 from March 28 & 29 to March 21 & 22 due to the fact that it falls on the Easter weekend.

Presbytery Feasibility Committee

State Task Force: Motion sustained to send the questionaires to each Pastor and have them to distribute to the church members.

Bookstore Advisory Committee

Old Business

Motion sustained to seat Bro. Billy Maynard as the representative to the Executive Board from the Northern Quarterly.

Motion sustained that Bro. Charles Bowers be issued a card of Good Standing.

Motion sustained to reject the request for a card of Good Standing for Bro. Rany Jones on the grounds of not following the Constitution and By-laws Art. 12, Sec. 3 concerning tithing.

Motion sustained to issue an ordination certificate to Bro. Joe Houseright.

Motion sustained to request from the South Central clerk a minister's report from Bro. Houseright before issueing a card of

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Good Standing.

Motion sustained to receive the letter from the South Central Quarterly and act upon it item by item.

Item 1. Motion sustained that we issue a certificate of recognition of Ordination to Bro. Randy Fosse. And that a minister's report be received before acting on the request for a card of Good Standing.

Item 2. Motion was made to license Bro. Carl Miller to preach for one year. The motion lost.

Item 3. Motion sustained to renew the exhorter's license to Bro. Paul D. Leffler.

Item 4. Motion made that Bro. Alan Minton be ordained to the full work of the ministry. Motion lost.

Motion made that a letter be sent to the South Central Quarterly informing them that they are in violation of our State Constitution and By-laws Art. 12, Sec. 1 by sending a request for ordination of a man involved in a dual marriage. Motion was seconded.

An amendment was made and seconded that if the South Central Quarterly meeting does not comply with the State Constitution and By-laws that the State withdraw fellowship from them. The amendment lost and the original motion was sustained.

Motion was made and seconded to accept the letter from the Northern Illinois Quarterly and its recommendation requesting the resignation of Sis. Geraldine Lewis from the Executive Board. The motion was defeated. A roll call vote was requested and the motion lost with 4 yea 4 nay and 6 abstaining.

Motion sustained to meet November 15, 1985 at the Crossroads FWB Church at 7:30 p.m.

Prayer by David Mishler

### SPECIAL MEETING, OCTOBER 4, 1985 CROSSROADS FWB CHURCH

Meeting called to order by the moderator Bro. Daryl Ellis. Devotion Pro. 22:29.

Prayer by Bro. Loyd Crain.

Roll call was taken with the following members present: Daryl Ellis, Larry Cook, Mike Johnston, David Shores, Ken Doggett, David Turner, Loyd Crain, Billy Maynard, Eldon Schmidt, Jerry Presley, Grant Bruce, David Mishler. Those absent were David Potete, Clifford Donoho, Geraldine Lewis, James Butcher, and Wallace Malone. Bro. Rex Maynard was present also.

Motion sustained to seat Bro. Byford Campbell as Proxy for Bro. Clifford Donoho. David Potete, Wallace Malone, and Geraldine Lewis notified the board of their inability to attend.

An oral report was given by the chairman of the Bookstore Advisory Board, Bro. Jerry Presley.

Then a report was given by Bro. Ken Doggett concerning action and recommendations from Advisory Board.

Motion sustained to cease operation of the bookstore as soon as possible.

Motion sustained to close by October 12 and that Rex Maynard be paid two weeks severance pay from that date.

Motion sustained that the Bookstore Advisory Board be charged with the details of closing out the bookstore.

Motion made that the state borrow from the Christian Education and Sunday School board the monies needed to pay off the indebtedness of the bookstore after sale of merchandise and that the state pay this board the National co-op monies plus the current allocation of the Christian Supply Centre until the debt is paid off.

Amendment was sustained to delete the words National coop monies.

The motion with the amendment was sustained.

Motion sustained that a letter be sent to all churches to notify them of the need to order winter quarter literature from Randall House and that a letter of commendation be included for the honest endeavors of Bro. Rex Maynard as bookstore manager and that he was in no way responsible for its failure and that he worked under the supervision of a bookstore advisory committee appointed by the Executive Board.

Motion sustained to adjourn.

Prayer by Mike Johnston.

# NOVEMBER 15, 1985 CROSSROADS FWB CHURCH

Devotion by Bro. Mike Johnston from Dan. 4.

Prayer by Bro. Tim Hayes.

Roll Call was taken with 14 members, 3 Proxies, and 1 visitor attending.

Motion sustained to seat Bro. Guy Leonard and Tim Hayes, Paul Moore as Proxies for Geraldine Lewis, Clifford Donoho and Eldon Schmidt.

Minutes were read and approved by consent.

Treasurer's report was given and approved by general consent.

Standing Board Reports: Promotional Secretary CTS

Chr. Education & S.S.

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Layman's

Missions

Camp Board

Motion sustained to request the Camp Board to report back to the Executive Board the results of a study of the expense for a swimming facility to be built at Camp Hope.

Bookstore Advisory Committee

The minutes from the Special October 4th meeting were read and verbal reports from Bro. Jerry Presley and Ken Doggett were given.

Presbytery Feasibility Committee

A report was given and a minority report was also read.

Old Business

Motion sustained to grant a card of Good Standing to Bro. Randy Fosse

Motion sustained to grant the issue of Liscense and a card of good standing to Bro. Carl Miller.

Motion sustained to ask that Bro. Joe Houseright comply with the Constitution and By-laws concerning tithing or the request for a card of good standing be rejected.

**New Business** 

Motion sustained that the moderator, clerk, and Promotional Secretary be sent to the Leadership Conference in Nashville, as is generally accepted.

A report was read concerning the progress of the Program Committee of the 1986 State meeting.

Motion sustained to grant a card of good standing to Bro. David Potete.

Motion sustained to grant a card of Good Standing to Bro. Billy Maynard.

A letter was read from the South Central Quarterly meeting containing the following resolution to be presented to the State Association: "Be it resolved that any board such as Missions Board, who make major decisions such as starting a new mission or purchasing property, must be approved by the body of which they are representing before any such decision."

Next meeting will be February 7, 1986 at the Crossroads FWB Church.

Motion sustained to adjourn. Prayer by Bro. John Hollis.

### FEBRUARY 7, 1986 CROSSROADS FWB CHURCH

The Executive Board meeting was called to order by the moderator Bro. Daryl Ellis.

Bro. Jerry Presley led in a chorus to open the meeting.

Roll call was taken with the following members in attendance: Daryl Ellis, David Potete, Larry Cook, Clifford Donoho, Mike Johnston, David Shores, David Turner, Loyd Crain, Eldon Schmidt, Jerry Presley, Wallace Malone, Grant Bruce, David Mishler.

Motion was sustained to seat the following proxies: Bill Mishler for Ken Doggett, Guy Leonard for Geraldine Lewis, and John Hollis for Billy Maynard.

Minutes were read and approved by general consent.

Treasurer's report was given and approved.

The following standing boards made reports:

Promotional Secretary

Church Training Service

Sunday School & Christian Education

Laymans

Missions

Camp

Bookstore Advisory Committee

Motion was sustained to recess.

A report was given concerning the building of a swimming pool at Camp Hope. And a motion was sustained that the Camp Board look into the feasibility of building a lake at Camp Hope.

Motion sustained to endorse the endeavors and persistence of the Sunday School and Christian Ed. Board to attempt to collect those student loans that are overdue.

Motion sustained to accept the reports of the auditing committees that the following treasurer's books have been examined and found to be in order: State Treasurer, CTS, Camp, Laymans, Missions, Sunday School & Christian Education.

Motion sustained to recommend to the State Association the following Co-op allocations:

National Association	
Missions	
Promotional Fund	16%
Camp Board	
General Fund.	
Sunday School & Christian Ed	
CTS	
Laymans	
Bookstore Indebtedness Fund	
Motion sustained to recommend	to the State Association
that the 1987 State Association be at th	ne Crossroads FWB Chur-

ch in Effingham, IL.

Motion sustained to recognize the endorsing of the change

of the date of the 1986 State Association after the approval of a majority of the Quarterly Meetings.

Motion sustained to adjourn.

Prayer by Bro. Daryl Ellis.

# **REPORT NO. 16 REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE**

We recommend the following ministers receive cards of good standing: South Central - C.J. Ketteman, Deon Walker, Steve Utley, Bob Stone, David Shores, Gene Parton, Leon Mc-Bride, Paul Leffler, Randall Fosse, Ken Doggett, Max Courtney, Raymond Capps, William Mishler, James Boggs, Charles Bowers. Fox River - James Butcher, Billy Melvin, Dock Caton, Reford Wilson, Fred Harder, North Central - Norman Clem, Wallace Malone, Dan McEvers, David Turner, Otis Smith, Harold Whitsell. Northern Quarterly - Billy Maynard, Kenneth Pell, David Potete. West Central - Billy Fasig, Jesse Allen, Louie Hanna, Jimmy Hicks, Clifford Hicks, Cloy Meyers, Cory Adams, Gary Portel, Mike Russell, Randall Steelman, Floyd Hartley, Jerry Presley, Albert Bays, Daryl Ellis, Larry Cook, Guy Leonard, Melvin Oathout, East Central - Scott McPeak, John Hiltibidal, Keith Fletcher, John Hollis, Lovd Crain, George Waggoner, Byford Campbell, John Postlewaite, George Capps, Ernie Lewis, Howard Flota and Clifford Donoho.

Motion sustained to adopt the report.

# **REPORT NO. 17**

# PARTIAL REPORT OF THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE

Motion sustained to adopt Item 7 "We recommend that this State Association adopt the Project 90 program and implement this plan over the next five (5) years. That promotion and coordination of the program be carried out by the Promotional Secrtary."

Motion sustained to adopt Item 8 "We recommend that this State Association adopt the Foreign Mission's project 'Advance Celebration' for the next three (3) years. And our attempt to help raise \$1,000,000 across the denomination. We recommend a goal of \$45,000 for Illinois. The fund raising and publication is to be administered by the Illinois Board of Misions."

Motion sustained to adopt Item 9 "We recommend the following slate of men be placed on the Executive Board: South Central - Bob Stone, West Central - David Malone, Fox River -James Butcher, East Central - Tim Hayes, Northern IL - Billy Maynard, North Central - Dan McEvers.

Motion sustained to adopt Item 10 "We recommend a standing ovation be given to Rev. William Mishler and Mrs. Birdie Mishler upon their 50th wedding anniversary.

# REPORT NO. 18 PARTIAL REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE We recommend the following serve in the stated positions:

Assistant Moderator - David Potete

Clerk - Larry Cook

Assistant Clerk - Clifford Donoho

Treasurer - Mike Johnston

Motion sustained to close nominations and proceed to elect. Motion sustained to elect the above slate of officers.

# **REPORT NO. 19 REPORT OF THE MEMORIAL COMMITTEE**

We, the Memorial committee wish to express our appreciation to the memory of those of our district meetings that have out-raced us in the walk of life and have gone on to be with the Lord. Many of them have left testimonies that will live on as long as we who knew them live. We offer sympathy and condolences to their families and churches. In Memoriam: Ivan Maxwell, Don Smith, Marie Parkinson, Ed Uselton, Paul Genesio, Ralph Irvin, Edgar Johnston, Essie Hamilton and Wilda Lipe. (A complete list of names was not available, we ask God to bring to our minds those that were a living testimony to us.) We ask that this Association stand and have a moment of silent prayer dedicated to their memory. After the moment of silence, we ask Bro. Byford Campbell to close in prayer.

Motion sustained to adopt the recommendations of the Memorial Committee.

# -Worship Service, Saturday Morning-

Hymn: Leaning On Jesus

Special: Marsha Merold & Mary Decico sang "Wonderful Peace"

Hymn: To God Be The Glory

Special: David Mishler sang "Beulah Land, Sweet Beulah Land"

Message was brought by Bro. Billy Melvin from I John 1:3-7 on the topic "The Person of Fellowship"

# **REPORT NO. 20**

### **PARTIAL REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE** We recommend Bro. Loyd Crain as Moderator.

Motion sustained that nomination cease and elect by acclamation.

Motion sustained to open the floor for nominations to fill

the vacancy on the Missions Board created by the election of Bro. Crain as moderator. Bro. Guy Leonard was nominated. Motion sustained to cease nominations and proceed to elect.

Motion sustained to elect Bro. Guy Leonard to the Missions Board.

Motion sustained to give \$100 to the Decatur church for hosting the State Association.

Motion sustained to adjourn. Prayer: Bro. Howard Flota.

> Respectfully submitted. Larry Cook, State Clerk