



**MINUTES**

**OF THE**

**Forty-Fifth Annual Session**

**OF**

**MISSOURI STATE ASSOCIATION**

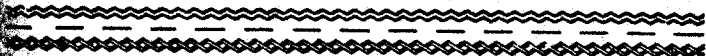
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OFFICERS

Moderator .....	Rev. O. T. Allred, Monett, Mo.
Assistant .....	Rev. O. T. Dixon, Mountain Grove, Mo.
Clerk-Treas. ....	Rev. Albert Halbrook, Mine La Motte, Mo.
Statistician .....	Miss. Leona Thompson, Greentop, Mo.

EXECUTIVE AND HOME MISSION BOARD

Rev. O. T. Dixon, Mountain Grove, Mo. ....	1959
Rev. Harry Beatty, Thayer, Mo. ....	1960
John Bough, Stockton, Mo. ....	1961
Rev. Rolla Smith, Flat River, Mo. ....	1962
Rev. Wm. Buster, Rt. 2, Kirksville, Mo. ....	1963

SUPERANNUATION BOARD

Rev. Dale Jones, Lebanon, Mo. ....	1959
Rev. John Long, Desloge, Mo. ....	1960
Rev. Lloyd Jeffreys, Monett, Mo. ....	1961
Rev. Henry Long, Springfield, Mo. ....	1962
Rev. Glenn Rehkop, Fredericktown, Mo. ....	1963

YOUTH ENCAMPMENT BOARD

Rev. Wm. Reeves, Niangua, Mo. ....	1959
Rev. Paul Williams, Joplin, Mo. ....	1960
Rev. Harvey Hill, Berkley City, Mo. ....	1962
Rev. Chesley Hill, Myrtle, Mo. ....	1962
Rev. Woodrow Matthews, Kirksville, Mo. ....	1963

The next annual session of this association will be held at the place selected by the State Executive Board from submitted invitations, beginning on Tuesday night following the third Sunday in August, 1959, with Rev. James Davis, Leadington, Mo., delivering the introductory message, and Rev. R. Luther Sanders, Monett, Mo., as the alternate.

# Proceedings

TUESDAY 7:30 P. M.

The Missouri State Association met in its 45th annual session at the Youth Camp Grounds, Niangua, Missouri, August 18-21, 1958.

The meeting was called to order with congregational singing led by Rev. Glenn Rehkop with Miss Louise Underwood as pianist.

Devotional period was led by Rev. Henry Long, pastor of First Church, Springfield, Mo. Prayer by Rev. Arthur Billows. A duet "There is Power in the Blood" was sung by Rev. & Mrs. Billows. Scripture reading was read by Rev. Long from Isaiah 54:1-5.

The association was called into session by the clerk, Rev. Albert Halbrook. The welcome address was given by Rev. Wm. Reeves, and the response by Rev. Woodrow Matthews. The clerk then presented the moderator, Rev. O. T. Allred, Monett, Mo.

Following the moderator's message, Rev. Dale Jones, Lebanon, Mo., pastor of the Liberty Church, was presented. Rev. Jones delivered the introductory message, reading for the scripture text Hebrews 4:12; with subject, "Power of the Gospel". Rev. Jones spoke of four things we should do the Bible way.

At the close of the Message, the moderator called the congregation to prayer with the ministers gathering around the altar, and Rev. James Davis leading in prayer. A special prayer was offered for Sister Archer who was in a Springfield hospital.

Words of greeting were expressed by Rev. & Sis. Carlisle Hanna, missionaries on furlough from India, and Rev. W. S. Mooneyham, National Executive Secretary, Nashville, Tennessee.

Benediction by Rev. H. C. Beasley.

WEDNESDAY 9:00 A. M.

Services were called to order by the moderator with congregational singing led by Rev. Glenn Rehkop.

Devotion were conducted by Rev. Ben Scott, pastor of the Fredericktown Church, Fredericktown, Mo., with scripture reading from Romans 13:7-14 followed with prayer.

Motion was made and sustained that all the letters be read

and considered collectively unless otherwise requested. Letters from Mission, Cave Spring, Northeast, Southeast, Central Western, Northwest Mo., and Northeast Kans., Liberty, Indian Creek and Niangua.

Motion was sustained that letters be received, delegates seated, and recommendations included in letters be referred to the proper committees.

Motion was sustained that each association appoint delegates to fill vacancies of absentee delegates from their respective association.

The following visitors were recognized: Rev. Wm. Mishler, promotional secretary of National Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn., Rev. W. S. Mooneyham, executive secretary, Nashville, Tenn., Rev. and Mrs. Arthur Billows, home missionaries to Mexico, Mrs. Eunice Edwards, executive secretary of W. N. A. C., and Rev. and Mrs. Carlisle Hanna, missionaries on furlough from India.

The By-Laws of the Missouri State Association were read by the assistant clerk, Rev. Paul Williams.

The moderator called for the election of officers. Prayer was led by Rev. John Rogers in behalf of the election.

Rev. W. S. Mooneyham was requested to moderate the election of the following officers:

Moderator—Rev. O. T. Allred, Monett, Mo.

Assistant moderator—Rev. O. T. Dixon, Mtn. Grove, Mo.

Clerk-treasurer—Rev. Albert Halbrook, Mine La Motte, Mo.

The moderator appointed the following as a committee on committees to assist him in appointing other committees: Revs. Woodrow Matthews, James Davis, Keith Johnson, R. B. Spurgeon, and Harvey Hill.

A letter of appreciation from the National Association to the Missouri State Association for the entertainment of the 1958 session of the National Association which met in St. Louis, July 7-10, was read.

Letters of greeting were read from the National Home Mission Board and the Foreign Mission Board.

A financial report from the Steering Committee of the Missouri State Association to provide for the 1958 session of the National Association was read by the secretary, Rev. John Rogers. This report was accepted and a standing vote of appreciation was given to the committee for their splendid service.

A recess was declared. Benediction by Rev. James Barker.

### WEDNESDAY 11 O'CLOCK

This service was conducted by the Missouri State Women's Auxiliary Convention. (see report of Auxiliary Convention in these minutes)

Following the morning message by Rev. Hanna, the moderator called for the reading of the report of the committee on committees. Motion sustained to receive report. (see committee reports)

### WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

The Missouri State Women's Auxiliary Convention was in charge of this session. (see report of Auxiliary Convention)

### WEDNESDAY 7:30 P. M.

Congregational singing was led by Rev. Bud Hill with Janice Roller as pianist. Prayer by Rev. Elmer Turnbough.

Rev. W. S. Mooneyham expressed commendation to the Steering Committee and the Missouri State Association for their entertainment of the National Association.

The pulpit committee reported Rev. W. S. Mooneyham to preach at 11 o'clock, Thursday morning and Rev. Wm. Mishler to preach Thursday evening.

Item no. 1 of the Missions Committee report was read and received by motion. (see reports) In compliance with this item an offering was received for the Hannas and the Billows to be divided equally. The amount of offering was (\$164.00) one hundred and sixty-four dollars.

Rev. Leland Horton from the Union Association was recognized.

The Frances quartet from Mtn. Grove, Mo. sang two numbers.

Rev. Arthur Billows, missionary appointee to Mexico, delivered the evening message, reading I Cor. 1:18-25 for the scripture lesson and using "We Preach Christ" as the subject-text.

At the close of the message seven came forward dedicating their lives to the service of the Master. The ordained ministers gathered in the altar and a prayer of dedication was prayed by Rev. O. T. Dixon, followed by testimonies from those who dedicated their lives.

Benediction by Rev. Roger Reeds.

### THURSDAY 9:00 A. M.

Congregational singing led by Rev. H. C. Beasley with Louise Underwood as pianist.

Devotions were conducted by Rev. O. D. Matthews with scripture reading from I Cor. 13, followed with prayer.

The report of the Executive Board was read and accepted and recommendation referred to the Business Committee. (see reports)

The report of the Youth Camp Board read and accepted. (see reports)

The statistician report was read and accepted.

The clerk-treasurer's report was read and accepted and the clerk commended for his work. (see treasurer's financial report)

The report of the promotional secretary of Youth Camp was received as information.

A partial report of the Business Committee was read with motion made and sustained to consider item by item. (see reports for items)

Item no. 1—Motion made and sustained that this item be placed on the table in conformity to Article 9 of the Constitution, and the clerk publish the proposed change in the church paper.

Item no. 2—Motion made and sustained to place on the table according to specification of the Constitution and the clerk to publish in the church paper.

Item no. 3—adopted.

Item no. 4—adopted.

Item no. 5—referred back to the Business Committee.

Item no. 6—adopted.

Item no. 7—adopted.

Item no. 8—adopted.

In view of Item no. 4 of the Business Committee, which stated that a person may not serve on two standing boards simultaneously, and inasmuch as he was a member of both the Youth Camp Board and the Sunday School and League Board, Rev. R. B. Spurgeon tendered his resignation on the Youth Camp Board. His resignation was received by motion and a standing vote of appreciation was given to him for his service.

Benediction by Rev. James McCully.

#### THURSDAY 11 O'CLOCK

Congregational singing led by Rev. Roger Reeds with Rev. Carlisle Hanna as pianist. Prayer by Rev. C. B. Dees. Special numbers rendered by Rev. Reeds.

Rev. W. S. Mooneyham delivered the message with Rev. 2:1-7 as the text, and "The Churches' Need" as the subject. At the close of the message a portion of the congregation assembled in the altar for prayer led by Rev. Harry Beatty.

Benediction by Rev. Finis Johnson.

THURSDAY 1:30 P. M.

Congregational singing led by Rev. Roger Reeds with Louise Underwood as pianist. Prayer by Rev. Lester Jones. The moderator read for the scripture lesson, Psalms 133.

The report of the Publication Committee was read and received to be adopted item by item. (see reports in the minutes)

Item no. 1—adopted.

Item no. 2—adopted.

Item no. 3—adopted.

Motion made and sustained that each association furnish the State Clerk with the date of its yearly meeting and that it be published in the minutes, and in the Gem just prior to the date of the meeting.

The Mission Committee report was read and received to be adopted item by item.

Item no. 2—adopted.

Item no. 3—adopted.

Item no. 4—adopted.

Item no. 5—adopted.

Item no. 6—adopted.

Item no. 7—adopted.

The Nominating Committee report was read and adopted. (see reports)

Five delegates were elected from the floor as follows to represent the State Association to the National Association: Mrs. Rolla Smith, Mrs. James Barker, Mrs. Mariam Willhite, Mrs. H. C. Beasley, and Mrs. C. B. Dees.

The Obituary Report was read and received, and in compliance to this item the congregation was called to silent prayer, after which Rev. O. T. Allred led in audible prayer in memory of the departed members of the Missouri State Association of the past year.

The Sunday School and League Report was received as information.

The final report of the Business Committee was considered.

Item no. 5 of the Business Committee was brought back to the body, read, and adopted.

Item no. 9—adopted.

Item no. 10—adopted.

A congregational hymn was sung.

The report of the Location Committee was read and received with the amendment that any local association desiring to entertain the 1959 session of the Missouri State Association should notify the State Executive Board within three months.

The Temperance Committee Report was read and all items were adopted collectively with an amendment to item 4. (see reports)

Motion made and sustained that all the committees' reports of this present session be printed in the Gem.

Rev. James Davis, pastor of the Leadington Church, Leadington, Mo., was elected to deliver the introductory message for the 1959 session of the Missouri State Association, with Rev. R. Luther, pastor of the Monett Church, Monett, Mo., as the alternate.

Rev. W. S. Mooneyham gave explanation concerning the election of delegates from churches to associations.

Motion made and sustained that the association comply with Item 5 of the Business Committee and Article 16 of the By-Laws.

Motion sustained that last sentences of Article 7 of the Constitution be deleted. This was table.

After corrections the minutes were accepted as read.

Motion sustained that we adjourn until next session with adjournment to take effect at close of Thursday evening services.

A praise service was led by Rev. James Davis.

Services were dismissed until evening services.

#### THURSDAY 7:30 P. M.

Services came to order with congregational singing led by Rev. Roger Reeds. Prayer by Brother Charlie Franklin. Special numbers were rendered by Beth Smith and David Latimer.

Rev. Lester Jones explained the buying of bonds as a means of financing the Beacon Church.

Special numbers were sung by Rev. Carlisle Hanna and Rev. Roger Reeds, followed by a congregation hymn.

Rev. Wm. Mishler, Nashville, Tenn., delivered the evening message using I Cor. 13:5 as his text. At the close of the message a hymn was sung and the congregation engaged in a fellowship handshake.

Benediction by Rev. O. T. Dixon.

#### REGISTRATION

#### MINISTERS

O. D. Matthews, Mill Creek; E. E. Vestal, Grovesprings; Archie Burress, Rt. 2, Liberal; C. B. Dees, Desloge; Bud Hill, Myrtle; Keith Johnson, West Plains; Clarence Broyles, Lebanon; Jewel Tannehill, Kaiser; H. J. Freeman, Manes; John Mace, Springfield; Robert E. Williams, Box 93, Granby; D. Selph Jones, Alderich; Austin Wright, 738 Scenic, Springfield;



*Grover*

Fred Wynn, 717 Darell St., Mtn. Grove; ~~Grover Terry, 2029 N. Nettleton, >Springfield~~; Cliff Bowman, Box 31, Waynesville; James W. McAllister, 828 W. 40th, Kansas City; Glen Jones, Lebanon; Mary Wester, R. R. 3, Marsfield; F. D. Johnson, 286 N. Monral, Lebanon; Cleo Covington, Waynesville; C. E. Butte, Climax Springs; V. K. Hasting, Mtn. Grove; James F. Miller, Rt. 3, Farmington; Eddie Pearce, Competition; John D. Long, Desloge; Paul D. Williams, 2147 Princeton, Joplin; J. E. Corey, May Wood; Mary Wellbaum, Highland, Kansas; Mrs. H. E. Mikel, Greentop; ~~Lester Jones, 7928 Northern, Kansas City~~; ~~Frank Linton, 3062 Chestnut, Springfield~~; Roger C. Reeds, 3020 Mt. Pleasant, St. Louis; Harvey E. Hill, 8914 Springdale, Berkeley; Elmer Turnbough, 6750 Glades, St. Louis; Woodrow Matthews, 502 W. Elizabeth, Kirksville; Glenn Rehkop, Fredericktown; James McCully, 1003 Frisco, Monett; James T. Davis, Leadington; James Barker, Rt. 2, Farmington; Carlisle Hanna, Sonapurkat W. Beagal, India; ~~Henry Long, Springfield~~; Ben Scott, 103 W. Murta, Fredericktown; Lester Hilton, 1629 S. New, Springfield; O. T. Allred, 904 5th, Monett; Richard Larswell, Aurora; Don Hill, 405 Normandy, Nashville, Tenn.; Evert Marsh, Mt. Vernon; Homer Smith, Mtn. Grove; Don Rogers, Lebanon; Elmer D. Russell, 735 Osage, Kansas City, Kansas; Dale Jones, Lebanon; O. T. Dixon, Mtn. Grove; R. B. Spurgeon, 518 Wabash, Kansas City; John Rogers, 2612 Minnesota, St. Louis; Alice Dickey, 5504 Appleton, Kansas City 33; Arthur Billows, Nashville, Tenn.; H. C. Beasley, Flat River; Albert Halbrook, Mine La Motte; James Reed, Myrtle; Wm. Buster, Kirksville; Luther Sanders, 206 Euclid, Monett; Rolla D. Smith, 601 Buckley, Flat River; Harry Beatty, Thayer; William Mishler, 3801 Richland Ave., Nashville, Tenn.; W. K. Weston, Sunset Dr., Monett; W. S. Mooneyham, 3801 Richland Ave., Nashville, Tenn.

## DELEGATES

Wallace Peterson, Louis Dickson, Lulu McCoy, Mary Elliot, Homer Mosier, Mary Lou Howard, John Filkins, Deany Hall, Ova Linder, Ancel Alexander, Ben Grims, Mrs. John Bough, Ida Grims, Medie Stevens, Carl Lee Taunehill, Mrs. C. A. Heard, Carolyn Tannehill, Virginia McCoy, Charles Franklin, Lucy Carpenter, Kay Elliott, Sade Miller, Miss Dolly Pohnert, Minnie Brewer, Marie Myers, Bertha Wolf, Elba McDaniel, Norman Virtue, Jewell Spurgeon, W. M. Eden, Mrs. Bob Johnson, Viola Draper, Doyle Royster, Rosa Biggs, J. E. Waterman, Jose Bury, Ben Pohnert, Virgie Jackson, Mary Sue Eden, Lois Hightower, David George, Earl Vest, Gertrude Vest, Leona Knapp, John Knapp, Mrs. Mary Filkins, Helen Wade, Mrs. Marion Wilson, Mary Lou Howard, Ruth Hickman, Lucille Sell, Minnie Price,

Mrs. John Hickman, Shelby Smith, Mrs. J. A. Young, Donna Wade, Lucy Ray, A. E. Agee, Eunice Hubbs, Margaret Wantland, Verda Jones, Hazel Elliott, Bernice Cantrell, Wanda Draper, Frank David, Frank Briggs, Orville Boyd, Thelma Hix, Jane Downing, Nellie Percival, Fredia Hale, Mrs. Oscar Sheppard, Oscar Sheppard, Mrs. Leslie Eaton, Robert Hesslemyer, Iva Treaster, Geneva Barks, Sylvia Robertson, Dorothy Robertson, Hiram Dann, Gussie Hamblin, Bessie Kirkpatrick, Nancy Henson, Miriam Willhite, Louise Underwood, Miss Judy Pogue, Franky Burcham, Wayne Truelove, Ernest Patton, Joan Grindstaff, Sharon Barker, Elizabeth Patton, Agnes James, Emma Bebout, Sandra DeMasters, Minnie Hunt, Roy Nichols, Mrs. Roy Nichols, Marilyn Brittenham, Alice Hoover, Wilma Smith, Sue Terry, Ed Bagivell, Tina Mason, William Evans, Alene Dodson, Ray Dodson, Faye Hensley, Vallie Grout, Ralph Dees, N. G. Henson, Elba Harbinson, Leona Thompson, Lena Johnson, Raymond Wells, Mary Burcham, Mrs. Floyd Scott, Mrs. Ruth Wilfong, John A. Grider, Otto Draper.

### DEACONS

Charlie Hoover, Reed Smith, John Cameron, Will Gates, Homer Mosier, John Bough, Carley Franklin, George H. Spor, Woodrow Montgomery, Ben Pohnert, W. O. Wester, Calvin Price, John Hickman, J. A. Young, Frank David, W. I. Jemes, Arthur Hartley, Leslie Eaton, Harry H. Filkins, Frank Lindsey, Elmer Ellington, Ray Dotson, B. P. Hensley, J. K. Stevens.

### MINISTERS' COMPANIONS

Myrtle Corneilson, Grace Royster, Stella Matthews, Mrs. William Mishler, Helen McAllister, Patsy Burress, Mrs. Ollie Butts, Mrs. W. K. Weston, Mrs. Bud Hill, Mrs. Kieth Johnson, Mrs. Ben Scott, Nellie Broyles, Ruby Tannehill, Mrs. D. Selph Jones, Mrs. Trula Johnson, Mrs. Helen McAllister, Mrs. Charley Findley, Mrs. James F. Miller, Mrs. Effie Pearce, Mrs. H. C. Beasley, Mrs. John Long, Mrs. Opal Williams, Mrs. J. E. Corey, Mrs. W. W. Butts, Mrs. Ruby Linton, Mrs. Gladys Turnbough, Mrs. Blanche Matthews, Mrs. James Davis, Mrs. Geneva Barker, Mrs. Marie Hanna, Mrs. Henry Long, Mrs. H. E. Mikel, Mrs. George W. Scott, Mrs. Homer Smith, Mrs. O. T. Dixon, Mrs. Russell Spurgeon, Mrs. Arthur Billows, Mrs. Albert Halbrook, Mrs. James Reed, Mrs. Luther Sanders, Mrs. Rolla Smith, Mrs. Harry Beatty, Mrs. Roger Reeds, Laura Ford.

### ASSOCIATIONAL CLERKS

Mrs. Mickey Cummins.

## VISITORS

Garry Draper, Wallace Peterson, Karen Matthews, Dixie Matthews, Dennis Matthews, Glora Matthews, Rodger Matthews, Raye Barr, Carole Corneilson, JoAnn Corneilson, Sharon Corneilson, Beverly Corneilson, Donna Jenkins, Patsy Tabors, Reta Kay Peterson, Phillip Peterson, Wallace Peterson, Johanna Eckker, Joyce Davis, Mirtie Elliott, Elaina Whitson, W. L. Powell, Opal Lierheimer, Paul Leirheimer, C. A. Heard, James Cameron, Ruth Sheppard, Woodrow Montgomery, Ada Cameron, Korlene Cameron, Pearl Dublin, W. J. Dublin, Chester DeAmmond, Sam Johnston, Linda Mills, Eva Elliott, Glen Hunt, Larry McGrael, Paula Williams, May Rades, Danny Turnage, Vickie Ruth Turnage, James Williams, Perky Stout, Jerry Downing, Mrs. Arthur Hartley, Sallie Wilks, Ruth Linton, Wayne Veach, Jeffrey Turnbough, Marvin Mills, Garry Matthews, David Lierheimer, Russell Willman, Alma Scriven, Ray Turnage, Mrs. Ray Turnage, Randy Joe Scott, Richard Barker, Brenda Kay Hanna, Donald Hanna, Georgia Glenn, Kaye Glenn, Frank Lindsey, Sharon Sells, Mrs. Wayne Veach, Ava McFarland, Gloria Hultgun, Henry Cooper, Mrs. Henry Cooper, Mrs. Elmer Billington, Janice Smith, Barbara Raney, Mary Johnson, Lynda Dixon, Karen Hensley, Deanna Hensley, Carol Spurgeon, Jean Spurgeon, Beverly Barton, Patricia Jinkerson, Mrs. Eunice Edwards, N. C. Hanson, Mrs. Jeff McCully, Sharron Carlson, Janice Roller, Roselle McCully, Brenda Sanders, Linda Smith, Beth Smith, Mrs. Jewell Maberry, John Grider, Timothy Reeds, Kathleen Reeds, Leroy Beatty, R. Hyde, Mary Barr.

## Committee Reports

### COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

We, the Committee on Committees, respectfully submit the following Committees:

Business Committee—Ben Scott, R. B. Spurgeon, Bud Hill, James McCully and O. T. Dixon.

Pulpit Committee—Wm. Reeves, Billy Hensley, Iva Treaster, Velma Wellman, and Mrs. W. K. Weston.

Nominating Committee—James Davis, Luther Sanders, Harry Beatty, Glen Rehkop, and Alice Hoover.

Mission Committee—Woodrow Matthews, Rolla Smith, Harvey Hill, Helen Sanders, and Barbara Johnson.

Temperance Committee—Elmer Turnbough, Jack Knapp, Ben Pohnert, Mrs. Paul Williams, and Alice Dickey.

Placement Committee—John Filkins, Braxine Evans, Bernice Cantrell, Mrs. O. T. Dixon, and Will Gates.

Publication Committee—Roger Reeds, Wm. Buster, Dale Jones, Christina Halbrook, and Alta Mikel.

Obituary Committee—James Miller, Lester Hilton, Charley Finley, Beverly Barton, and Janice Roller.

Signed:

Rev. Woodrow Matthews

Rev. R. B. Spurgeon

Rev. Keith Johnson

Rev. Harvey E. Hill

Rev. James Davis

### LOCATION COMMITTEE

We, your Location Committee, have received two or three tentative invitations for the State Association to meet with them next year.

Since the change in entertainment was passed this a. m., we recommend that those who are considering inviting the State Association take it up with their quarterly meeting or Executive Board and make an official invitation to the State Executive Board within three months. (That is, three months from date of this Association.)

Your Committee on Placement,

J. O. Filkins, chairman

Braxine Evans, Bernice Cantrell, Mrs. O.T. Dixon, Will Gates

### OBITUARY COMMITTEE

We, your Obituary Committee, find by examining the letters, that God, in his infinite love and wisdom, has called from our midst ninety-four of our loving members, one being the late Rev. Billy Rogers, well-known minister from the Cave Springs Association. With great heart felt sympathy for these fine families, we feel we should honor them by a moment of silent prayer, closed by the moderator. Our loss is heaven's gain.

Signed:

Jas. F. Miller, Rev. Carley Findley, Rev. Lester Hilton, Beverli Barton, Janice Roller

### NOMINATING COMMITTEE

We, the Nominating Committee, respectfully submit the following nominations:

Executive Board: 5 year term—Rev. William Buster

Superannuation Board: 5 year term—Rev. Glen Rehkop

Youth Encampment Board: 5 year term—Woodrow Matthews, Chesley Hill (for a 4 year term).

Sunday School-League Board. 3 year term—R. Luther Sanders

State Statistician: —Miss. Leona Thompson

Five Delegates at large to National Association: To be elected from the floor. (Those elected were:—Mrs. Rolla Smith, Mrs. James Barker, Mrs. Marion Willhite, Mrs. H. C. Beasley, and Mrs. C. B. Dees)

Signed:

James Davis, Harry Beatty, Alice Hoover, Glenn Rehkop

### PUBLICATION COMMITTEE

1. It is appalling that only thirty-eight of our Missouri churches are purchasing their Sunday School literature from the National Sunday School Board in light of the fact that both the National and Missouri State Association have endorsed the Sunday School Board's literature program. We highly recommend this literature to every church in our State and suggest that each local association do the same. Any information can be obtained from Rev. Wm. Mishler, 3801 Richland, Nashville, Tenn.

2. Since there are some eighty churches that are not using the "Every Family Church Plan" to send the Free Will Baptist Gem into the homes of their members, we recommend that these churches adopt the plan, not only the Free Will Baptist Gem, but also for our National Publication Contact.

3. We recommend that each church join in a drive in their own locale to "Clean up" the literature that is being sold in neighborhood drug stores, confectionaries, grocery stores, etc. Most of this literature is vulgar and degenerating, and yet, is being absorbed by the youth of our lands. It is high time that we as a church raised our voice against this evil.

Signed:

Roger C. Reeds, Christina Halbrook, Alta Mikel, Wm. Buster, Dale Jones

### TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE

We, your Committee on Temperance, submit the following report:

We recommend:

1. That we strive for a higher standard of Christian conduct, one under the anointing and leadership of the Holy Spirit in all services.

2. That we abstain from conformity to the world in such things as the patronizing of business places dealing with alcoholic beverages, engaging in questionable forms of amusements, and we admonish the Free Will Baptist people to be modest in dress as becomes a Christian.

3. We also recommend that our Christian practices demon-

strate temperance and moderation both to the saved and unsaved in our social relationship.

4. We suggest that if there are ministers or members in the Missouri State Association who use tobacco or have any unclean habits, that they pray seriously about this matter, and since these habits weaken their testimony that they be willing to give up the same.

Signed:

Rev. Elmer Turnbough, Rev. Alice Dickey, Dea. Ben Pohnert, John Knapp, Mrs. Paul Williams

### MISSIONS COMMITTEE

1. We recommend that an offering be taken tonight to be divided equally between the Hannas and the Billows to be used to get them on their respective fields.

2. We recommend that missionary conferences be sponsored by local churches or associations as a stimulus to our missionary program.

3. Whereas November has been designated a national home missions month and whereas April has been designated foreign missions month by the National Association, we recommend that all our churches give a special offering for missions during these months.

4. We recommend that our preachers support the special project to build the Shepherds Station in Africa.

5. We recommend that every church support missions regularly and systematically in addition to that given through the co-operative plan.

6. We recommend that every pastor acquaint himself with the home and foreign missions' families and their respective fields. We further recommend that the people be kept up-to-date on our missionary personnel, their fields, and needs in order that they can pray and give more intelligently.

7. We recommend that regular emphasis be given our missionary program through missionary messages by the pastors and through special prayer meeting on behalf of missions.

Signed:

Rev. Woodrow Matthews, Rev. Rolla Smith, Rev. Harvey Hill, Mrs. Luther Sanders, Barbara Johnson

### BUSINESS COMMITTEE

We, your Business Committee, submit the following report:

1. We recommend that Article 4 of the Constitution be changed to read as follows:

The officers of this Association shall be a moderator, an assistant moderator, and a clerk-treasurer, said officers shall

be elected at the close of each session and hold office until their successors are elected and qualified.

2. We recommend that Article 9 of the Constitution be changed to read as follows:

This constitution may be amended at any regular body by a two thirds majority vote of all the members present, after the proposed amendment has laid on the table for one day.

3. We recommend that the money received from the entertainment committee for the National Association be turned in to the General Fund with the understanding that should late bills be received by that committee that they be paid out of same fund.

4. We recommend that no person serve simultaneously on two standing boards.

5. In compliance with the request from the Southeast Yearly Meeting, we recommend that By-Law Number 16 be changed to read as follows: Five delegates from each affiliated local association, or yearly meeting; one delegate from each church plus one delegate for each fifty members or larger fraction there-of. Each church which represents must be a member of a local association or yearly meeting holding membership in this body.

6. We recommend that each church give a minimum of 10% of its total income to the State Co-operative Fund to be allocated the same as last year.

7. Inasmuch as it has become increasingly difficult to secure a suitable place for the meeting of the State Association, we recommend that entertainment of the State Association be placed on a basis similar to that of the National Association, in that all who attend would be responsible for their meals, but the church or association entertaining the State Association furnish bedding facilities as far as possible.

8. We recommend that a standing vote of thanks be given to the Youth Camp Board for their efforts in entertaining this session of the State Association; also to Bro. Ray Turnage for services as dietician, to the cooks and kitchen help, and to the State Executive Board.

9. We recommend that the following recommendation from the Missions Board be adopted as we have at the present time numerous opportunities to organize new churches in the State of Missouri: We recommend that instead of electing one home mission team each year that the board of Home Missions be granted the permission to operate on a similar basis to that of the National Missions Boards in selecting men for given fields, supervising their work, and getting their support underwritten.

10. We recommend that the present editor of the Gem be retained for one year under the same terms as last year.

We further recommend that the contract with the General Baptist Press be renewed for the coming year.

Signed: Ben Scott, R. B. Spurgeon, Bud Hill, James McCully, O. T. Dixon.

### REPORT OF STATE SUPERANNUATION BOARD

Balance brought forward .....	\$200.23
Money received from Aug. 14, '57 to Aug. 4, '58 .....	472.95

Total receipts .....	\$673.18
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#### Disbursements as follows:

Christmas checks, December 10, 1957 .....	\$100.00
Rev. B. F. Brown .....	\$25.00
Rev. H. C. Crase .....	25.00
Rev. Elmer Hodges .....	25.00
Rev. Geo. Scott, Sr. ....	25.00

Total disbursements .....	\$100.00
Balance on hand, August 4, 1958 .....	\$573.20

Signed: John D. Long, Secretary-Treasurer

### REPORT OF THE STATE EXECUTIVE BOARD

The Home Mission Board met September 5, 1957 at 4110 E. 10th St., Kansas City, Mo. Rev. Paul Williams was elected to represent the board in the investigation of incorporating the Missouri State Association, and also to work with our Home Mission's director, Rev. Lester Jones, investigating the probability of the Broadway Plan of finance for new churches.

At 7:30 P. M. we proceeded to the Armourdale Neighbor Center, 743 Osage Avenue, Kansas City, Kansas, and organized the New Hope Church with seventeen charter members. Devotional was given by Rev. Alice Dickey, using Psalm 1. The organization message was delivered by Rev. O. T. Dixon. His subject was "The Church" with text from I Peter 2:5.

The Bible was presented by Rev. O. T. Dixon; the Articles of Faith by Rev. Paul Williams; the Church Covenant by Rev. Harry Beatty; and the consecration prayer was offered by Bro. Joe Cockrell. The Constitution and By-Laws were read by Rev. Lester Jones and adopted by the church; thus pledging support to the State Cooperative Program. Rev. Rolla Smith directed the entire organizational meeting. Rev. James McAllister was elected as pastor.

Our State Home Missions team have assisted all the new works in Kansas City, while in full charge of the Beacon Church.

Harry Beatty, Sec.-Treas.



# STATE SUNDAY SCHOOL AND LEAGUE FINANCIAL REPORT

Balance on hand August 23, 1957 .....	\$199.38
Receipts up to August 21, 1958 .....	211.35

Total .....	\$410.73
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## Expenses:

Two phone calls to St. Louis .....	\$ 7.40
Sword Drill winners (Sylvia Brooks) .....	25.00
Form letters .....	4.00
Stamps, envelopes and secretary help .....	11.25
Sunday School speaker .....	40.00
League speaker .....	40.00
State Entertainment Fund .....	80.00

Total .....	\$207.65
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Balance in treasury .....	\$203.08
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Russell B. Spurgeon, Sec.-Treas.

# FINANCIAL REPORT OF EXECUTIVE BOARD TREASURER

Harry Beatty, Secretary-Treasurer

General Fund: August 19, 1957 to August 19, 1958

Balance brought forward .....	\$ 68.18
Co-operative receipts .....	3531.16
State Auxiliary Convention .....	69.89
Reimbursed tent rent .....	30.00

Total .....	\$3749.23
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## Disbursements:

Mission Board travel .....	\$108.00
Telephone .....	26.93
Tent .....	80.00

\$214.93

\$3534.30

## Home Mission Loan Fund:

Brought forward, 8/19, 1957 .....	\$3352.57
Received from Grant Ave., Church .....	700.00

\$4052.57

**Loan to Churches:**

Beacon Church, 1/5, 1958 .....	\$1500.00
Victory Church, 1/14, 1958 .....	1500.00
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	\$3000.00

\$1052.57

**Balance brought forward 8/19, 1957:**

Gem Fund .....	\$567.57
Gem deficit .....	260.44

307.13

Total in all funds .....	<hr/>	\$4894.00
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**YOUTH CAMP FINANCIAL REPORT**

August 1, 1957 to August 1, 1958

Brought forward from 1956-57 .....	\$1071.80
Received from offering and pledges .....	2347.88
Received from Dollar-A-Month Club .....	423.00
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Total .....	\$3842.68

**Expenditures:**

Marshfield Bank .....	\$1000.00
State Home Missions Board .....	1256.89
Interest .....	175.00
Lumber Company .....	238.25
Four acres of ground .....	100.00
Missionary Insurance .....	48.15
Camp Insurance property .....	42.00
Road grading .....	125.00
Labor .....	215.38
Expense of Crier pamphlet .....	73.00
Expense for phone, electric, gas, printing, postage, mileage and Miscellaneous items .....	359.92
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	\$3633.59

Balance .....	\$209.09
Received on pool walk pledge .....	45.00

**Received in Camp Session:**

Board and Insurance .....	\$204.50
Cold drink stand .....	712.83

Placques .....	32.00
Money unrecorded .....	204.86
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	\$2974.19
Expenses .....	2639.42
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	\$334.77
Balance in treasury .....	\$588.86
	Rev. Wm. Reeves, treasurer

## STATE TREASURER'S REPORT

(July 1, 1957 to July 1, 1958)

### Co-operative Fund

Amount received .....	\$15,660.90
Amount disbursed (as follows) .....	15,660.90
National Co-operative Fund .....	\$9,556.25
State Home Missions .....	3,365.56
Free Will Baptist Gem .....	822.96
Youth Camp .....	703.18
State General .....	783.01
State Superannuation .....	429.91

### Mission Fund

Amount received .....	\$856.72
Amount disbursed (as follows) .....	856.72
Foreign Missions .....	\$599.76
National Home Missions .....	256.96

### Foreign Missions

Amount received .....	\$1598.89
Amount disbursed .....	1598.89

### F. W. B. Bible College

Amount received .....	\$209.50
Amount disbursed .....	209.50

### College Kitchen

Amount received .....	\$29.49
Amount disbursed .....	29.49

### Tennessee Orphanage

Amount received .....	\$261.07
Amount disbursed .....	261.07

### National Home Missions

Amount received .....	\$689.47
Amount disbursed .....	689.47

### State Home Missions

Amount received .....	\$26.93
Amount disbursed .....	26.93

### Youth Camp

Amount received .....	\$105.91
Amount disbursed .....	105.91

### State Entertainment

Amount received .....	\$674.89
Amount disbursed .....	456.39
Balance .....	\$218.50

### Bicycle Fund

Amount received .....	\$3.39
Amount disbursed .....	3.39

### African Fund

Amount received .....	\$43.00
Amount disbursed .....	43.00

### Hanna Fund

Amount received .....	\$70.00
Amount disbursed .....	70.00

### F. W. B. Gem Fund

Amount received from Co-operative Fund .....	\$ 822.96
Amount received from subscriptions .....	1184.58
Amount received from supplies and books .....	141.33
Amount received from Rev. Harry Beatty .....	131.43
Total receipts .....	\$2280.30

### Amount disbursed:

Editor .....	\$ 720.00
Printing Gem .....	1559.15
Mailing .....	38.85
Supplies .....	32.68
Cuts .....	15.91
Printing Expiration Cards .....	13.75
Printing Statements .....	5.40

Total disbursements .....	\$2385.74
Deficit .....	\$ 105.44

### General Fund

Received from Co-operative Fund .....	\$ 783.01
Balance from 1957 State Entertainment Fund .....	218.50
Minute money and gifts .....	94.71
Youth Camp Loans .....	1256.89
From Rev. Harry Beatty .....	218.57
Total receipts .....	\$2571.68

# Disbursements:

Printing of Minutes .....	\$105.20
Clerk's Fee .....	300.00
Supplies, mailing, programs, ribbons .....	48.86
To Rev. Lester Jones (itinerary work) .....	106.97
National Association dues .....	60.00
Gem expense .....	105.44

Total disbursements .....	\$726.47
Balance on hand in General Fund, July 1, 1958 .....	\$1845.21
Grand total receipts .....	\$23,801.28
Grand total disbursements .....	21,956.07
Balance in all funds .....	\$ 1845.21

Rev. Albert Hallbrook, Clerk-Treasurer  
(New Era Bank, Fredericktown, Mo.)

## SUNDAY SCHOOL AND LEAGUE REPORTS

Church:	Pastor:	S. Enrollment	S. Average	League Enrollment	League Average	Offering
Niangua .....	Don Rogers .....	45		25	\$	
Hickory Grove .....	Ralph Cook .....	60	40	30	12	
Pleasant Hill .....	Marion Allsman .....					1.00
Wagoner .....	James McCully .....	36	30	14	20	5.00
Hannan .....	James McCully .....	59	57			10.00
New Hope .....	James McAllister .....	55	38	32	25	
Greenfield .....	Lowell Martin .....	15	10			2.00
Thayer .....	Harry Beatty .....	85	78	59	36	7.50
Grant Ave. ....	Grover Terry .....	102	57			2.00
Twin Oak .....	Truman Huffman .....	60	60	40	32	2.00
Farmington .....	James Barker .....	87	66	50	28	2.00
New Home .....	Carl Postlewaite .....		50		30	5.00
Parkview .....	John Long .....	175	110	61	42	6.00
Pleasant Grove .....	Charlie Findley .....	40	30			3.00
Mine La Motte .....	Albert Halbrook .....	65	38			5.00
Aulsberry Chapel .....	J. F. Miller .....	66	52		31	2.00
Neosho .....	Lester Nutting .....	58	40	25	20	
Rock Chapel .....	Frank Linton .....	60	45	30	20	5.00
Mtn. Valley .....	Homer Smith .....		47		25	2.00

No. One .....	Carl Fosllewaite	60	50	60	50	2.50
New Rock Springs .....	Fred Wynn .....		39			10.00
Berkley .....	Harvey Hill .....	205	172	113	50	5.00
Kirksville .....	W. Matthews .....	160	103	50	31	15.00
New Harmony .....	Mildred Gilliam ..	80	57	24	20	5.00
Copper Mines .....	Glen Rehkop .....	116	100	39	33	5.00
Macedonia .....	Selph Jones .....	25	16			5.00
Norman .....	E. E. Simpson .....	40	40			
Hazelcreek .....	William Buster ..		43	22	17	4.50
Low Ground .....						4.50
Jewell .....						4.50
Flat River .....	H. C. Beasley .....	198	145	68	40	2.00
South Side .....	Roger Reeds .....	223	153	51	47	5.00
Mtn. Grove .....	O. T. Dixon .....	345	274	175	125	10.00
Faith and Hope .....	Floyd Roberts .....	50	40	40	32	1.00
First (Springfield) .....	Henry Long .....	200	155	36	30	5.00
Bethel (West Plains) .....	Kieth Johnson .....	60	50	52	35	
Lone Star .....	Lester Hilton .....	64	45			5.00
Fredericktown .....	Ben Scott .....	225	170	55	40	
Hurryville .....	Irvin Mills .....	76	60	35	28	5.00
Madison Co. S. S. Con. ..						15.00
Central Wn. Lg. Con. ....						16.85
Mt. Olivet .....	Lester Hilton .....	83	43			4.00
Garfield .....	Davie Combs .....	82	49	41	25	
Victory .....	R. B. Spurgeon ..	52	33	30	25	
Fellowship .....	Rolla Smith .....	281	193	94	60	5.00
Carterville .....	Kenneth Turner ..	43	37			
Faith—St. Louis .....	Loy Smith .....	78	46	25	30	
Overland .....	Harry Asher .....	100	75	67	41	5.00
Myrtle .....	Chesley Hill .....	67	53	45	38	
Third—St. Louis .....	John Rogers .....	145	139	47	37	3.00
Joplin .....	Paul Williams .....	90	69	21	17	2.00
Merls Chapel .....	O. T. Allred .....	60	45	20	15	2.00
Monett .....	Luther Sanders .....	129	106	45	36	5.00
Leadington .....	James Davis .....	263	121	75	34	

# STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE FREE WILL BAPTIST

Statistician—Leona Thompson

Address—Greentop, Mo.

Cave Spring

C. W. Missouri

Indian Creek

	Cave Spring	C. W. Missouri	Indian Creek
No. Associations reporting .....			
No. Local Associations July 1, 1957 .....			
Associations rec'd. July 1, '57- June 30, '58 .....			
No. Associations disbanded .....			
Total No. Ass'ns June 30, 1958 .....			
No. Churches reporting .....	22	11	11
No. Churches July 1, 1957 .....	25	9	12
Churches rec'd July 1, '57- June 30, '58 .....	1	2	
No. Churches disbanded .....	0	0	
Total No. Churches June 30, 1958 .....	26	11	12
State of religion .....	good	Good	Good
No. Churches without pastor .....		2	
Membership July 1, 1957 .....	1497	293	973
Members rec'd July 1, '57-June 30,'58 .....	58	98	113
No. Baptized .....	38	55	35
No. Dismissed by letter .....	21	14	17
No. Excluded .....	2	0	1
No. Deceased .....	15	1	14
Resident Members .....	1023	356	691
Non-Resident Members .....	494	156	375
Total Membership June 30, 1958 .....	1517	513	1076
No. Tithers .....	13	12	
No. Prayer Meetings .....	8	6	11
Condition of Prayer Meetings .....	Fair	Good	Good
No. of Leagues .....	4	8	8
Condition of Leagues .....	Good	Good	Good
League Membership .....	143	181	168
No. Auxiliaries or Home Missions .....	3	5	6
Condition of Auxiliaries or Home Missions .....	Good	Good	Good
Membership of Auxiliaries or Home Missions .....	55	61	107
No. of Sunday Schools .....	20	11	11
Condition of Sunday Schools .....	Good	Good	Good
Total Enrollment of Sunday Schools .....		523	692
No. Sunday School officers .....	56	64	35
No. Sunday School Teachers .....	92	56	73
No. Ordained Ministers .....	21	16	24
No. Licensed Ministers .....	5	1	4
No. Ordained Deacons .....	62	30	37
Value of Church Property .....	\$48,000.00	\$67,300.00	\$125,000.00
Amount Paid Pastor .....	10,165.56	11,696.24	
Amount for Evangelistic Work .....	1,226.77	1,602.95	1,625.00
Amount for Building and Repair .....	4,832.24	8,440.36	3,640.00
Amount for Incidentals .....	1,591.71	3,939.04	2,289.00
Amount for Missions .....	424.33	1,370.61	416.00
Home .....	329.50	1,054.79	112.00
Foreign .....	94.84	315.82	177.00
Amount for Education .....	513.25	336.31	402.00
Amount for Superannuation .....	none	none	5.00
Amount for Orphanage .....	64.40	83.79	25.00
Amount for Youth Camp .....	20.00	567.31	94.00
Amount for Co-operative Fund .....	596.62	1,571.49	1,195.00
Amount for Unified Fund .....	10.00	none	
Amount for Headquarters Fund .....	32.30	15.00	
Amount for Budget .....	none	59.25	49.00
Amount for Minutes .....	74.48	67.15	6.00
Amount for .....			35.00

# ASSOCIATIONS OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Laclede County	Liberty	Mission	Niangua	Northeast Missouri	Northwest Missouri	Southeast Missouri	State Total
10	11	22	4	8	3	26	10
10	11	24	5	8	6	25	10
none	1	0	1	none	none	2	none
none	none	0	0	none	none	0	none
10	12	24	6	8	6	27	10
Good	Good	Good	Good	Good	Good	Good	Good
776	557	1508	207	438	6	2644	9
23	77	97	7	45	none	256	8893
20	29	68	1	19	none	126	774
6	21	38	3	9	1	89	391
none	0	3	0	none	none	17	219
7	5	13	3	6	2	20	23
518	416	1212	125	339	74	2155	86
789	218	339	95	122	48	353	5909
10	634	1551	216	461	271	2508	2471
7	11	47	2	16	1	244	9387
Good	Good	Good	Good	Good	none	27	354
none	2	8	3	3	none	21	56
none	Good	Good	Good	Good	none	Good	Good
none	60	443	4	85	none	1006	54
none	4	3	4	4	2	14	Good
none	Good	Good	Good	Good	Good	Good	2086
none	71	69	4	57	26	251	41
8	12	22	4	8	3	27	Good
Good	Very Good	Good	Good	Good	Good	Good	697
296	693	1103	112	437	2938	6799	126
21	35	77	13	39	12	130	Good
24	44	71	13	47	14	204	6799
19	20	31	4	7	5	36	482
33	3	12	1	4	1	7	638
0,500.00	28	60	6	19	7	84	183
2,944.68	\$49,807.25	\$125,000.00	7,000.00	\$96,700.00	\$21,500.00	\$694,600.00	33
384.40	10,609.91	16,630.00	820.87	7,198.94	331.97	48,746.67	366
838.77	889.37	1,699.00	272.60	1,338.19	none	3,811.84	109,194.84
162.12	6,097.63	5,683.00	100.00	1,305.38	15.00	68,478.26	12,840.12
105.00	2,518.54	1,297.00	226.99	1,093.24	463.43	31,025.41	99,430.64
45.00	67.43	30.00	40.00	76.13	278.07	2,767.57	44,606.48
60.00	1,600.40	284.43	16.01	115.35	173.71	1,227.44	2,767.57
10.00	132.67	299.00	1.00	528.62	none	2,118.23	4,982.62
10.00	531.21	1,044.00	1.00	1,210.13	50.68	1,376.46	3,726.18
	7.97			233.20	none	3.36	5,480.05
	50.39		1.00	138.08	none	230.13	249.53
	73.54		19.23	92.41	25.00	791.43	602.80
	608.14	2,012.07	32.91	492.90	none	10,990.30	1,692.92
	50.30		9.60	312.50		100.00	15,460.36
	24.00			42.50			60.30
50.00	63.00	109.00	40.00		5.00	212.00	493.40
							174.75
							435.83
							35.00



## ASSOCIATIONAL DATES

### MISSION ASSOCIATION

Thursday evening before the second Sunday in August.

### CENTRAL WESTERN ASSOCIATION

Tuesday evening before the second Sunday in August.

### LIBERTY ASSOCIATION

Tuesday morning before the first Sunday in August.

### NORTHEAST ASSOCIATION

Thursday evening before the fourth Sunday in July.

### INDIAN CREEK ASSOCIATION

Tuesday evening before the second Sunday in August.

### NORTHWEST MISSOURI AND NORTHEAST KANSAS

Thursday evening before the second Sunday in August.

### NIANGUA ASSOCIATION

Thursday evening at 3 o'clock before the second Sunday in August.

### LACLEDE ASSOCIATION

Thursday before the third Sunday in August.

### CAVE SPRING ASSOCIATION

Thursday and Friday before the fourth Sunday in July.

### SOUTHEAST ASSOCIATION

Thursday evening before the second Sunday in August.

## WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION

The Mo. State Woman's Auxiliary Convention met at the Youth Camp August 19, 1958. Service opened with congregational singing directed by Velma Wellman. Pianist, Elaine Spurgeon. Margaret Dixon, Vice-President took charge introducing the Theme for the day—"Possessing our Possessions." Prayer by Mrs. Eunice Edwards. Vice-President welcomed all present and seated all auxiliary members as delegates. Vice-President appointed the following committees: Nominating—Myrtle Reeds, Mrs. Will Gates, Nina Faye Hensley, Mary Filking, Alice Dickey, Oma Scott, Bernice Cantrell. Finance—Genelle Scott, Helen McAllister, Opal Williams. Appreciation—Elaine Spurgeon, Lola Long, Peggy Davis. Credentials—Leona Thompson, Velma Wellman, Braxine Evans, Eunice Edwards. Resolutions—the Executive Committee. Lucille Beaty, Youth Chairman took charge introducing Miss Judy Pogue from Fredericktown who gave a Declamation. Miss Pogue was pre-

mented with a \$5 gift for her efforts and was declared the winner to represent our state in the National Convention in 1959. Rev. Carlisle Hanna, Missionary on furlough from India, was presented as the morning speaker. Rev. Hanna mentioned many possessions which we as individuals have to enjoy and the land which we as Free Will Baptists have to posses.

Time granted to the State Moderator for reading of committee on Committees report. Benediction Rev. Rolla Smith.

### Afternoon Session

Service opened with congregational singing. Devotional given by Mrs. Arthur Billows, one of our Home Missionaries to Old Mexico, followed by prayer. Digest of reports by Secretary. Youth Auxiliary reports given by Youth Chairman.

Treasurer's report read and received.

Credentials committee report read and accepted.

Finance committee report read and accepted.

Appreciation committee report read and received.

Report of Registration committee read and received.

Resolutions committee report received for discussion.

Items 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9 adopted.

Nominating Committee report received with one change—Youth Chairman nominee from the floor—Peggy Davis.

Delegates elected from the floor to go to National Convention.

Personal testimonies given by Rev. Arthur Billows and Sister Marie Hanna. Gifts were then presented to Rev. and Mrs. Billows and Rev. and Mrs. Hanna.

Mrs. Eunice Edwards introduced the new W. N. A. C. project.

The Study Course Chairman conducted a panel discussion, asking questions to the State Officers concerning their phase of work.

Installation Service conducted by Eunice Edwards. Prayer of Dedication led by Lucille Beatty. Benediction by Margaret Dixon.

# Committee Reports

## REGISTRATION

Ministers .....	27
Delegates .....	102
Total .....	129

Signed: by the Committee

## FINANCE

We have examined the treasurer's book and find it correct.

Signed: by the Committee

## CREDENTIALS

We, the Credentials Committee, have examined the reports and found the Convention dues correct from: Mtn. Grove, Indian Creek Association, Beacon K. C., New Hope K. C. K., Springfield First, Victory K. C., Hannon, Grant Ave., Myrtle, South East District, North East District, First K. C.

After examining the Standard of Achievement Charts we report the following: Monett—A-1, Mtn. Grove—A-1, Fellowship—A-1, G. T. A. Fellowship—B-1, Hazel Creek—B-1, Grant Ave.—B-1, Thayer—B-1.

Signed: by the Committee

## APPRECIATION

1. We wish to extend our thanks for the faithful service of our worthy President and all State Officers this year.

2. Our appreciation to our Vice President for taking charge during the illness of our President.

3. Our deepest appreciation to our Missionary, Rev. Carlisle Hanna, for inspiring our hearts with a challenging message this morning.

4. Our appreciation and thanks to the women of this district for their loyal hospitality in serving this convention.

5. We appreciate the presence of Sister Eunice Edwards our W. N. A. C. Executive Secretary at our Convention.

Signed: by the Committee

## NOMINATING

Delegates to National Convention:

Peggy Davis, Genelle Scott, Agness Smith, Lucille Beatty, Braxine Evans, Elaine Spurgeon, Gussie Hamblen, Myrtle Reeds, Virginia Beasley, Margaret Dixon.

Officers:

President—Myrtle Jones.

Vice-President—Margaret Dixon.

Secretary-Treasurer—Genelle Scott.  
Assistant Secretary—Leona Thompson.  
Corresponding Secretary—Joann Thomas.  
Youth Chairman—Lucille Beatty.  
Study Course—Agnes Smith.  
Stewardship-Prayer—Elaine Spurgeon.  
Personal Service—Braxine Evans.

Signed: by the Committee

### RESOLUTIONS

Be it resolved:

1. That this body send flowers to our State President, Mrs. Jones, who is in the hospital.

2. Inasmuch as the W. N. A. C. has adopted the project of raising \$10,000 to be used for building missionary residences in Japan, we recommend that our State Convention accept our allocation of \$1,000 which will be approximately \$2.35 per member.

3. That this convention present Rev. and Mrs. Carlisle Hanna with a portable Sewing Machine.

4. Since the W. N. A. C officers are elected for a period of 2 years be it resolved that our State officers be elected for the same period.

5. That we have a State Workshop again this year.

6. That we pay our proportionate cost of the minutes.

7. Since there was not a G. T. A declamation contestant at the convention and in order for Missouri to have a representative in the W. N. A. C. Declamation be it resolved that all G. T. A. sponsors be urged to get a contestant from her Auxiliary and send the name to the State Youth Chairman. Furthermore be it resolved that the State Youth Chairman arrange to have a G. T. A. declamation run-off either at the State Workshop or the State Youth Camp in June.

8. That we pay \$30 toward the expense of each declamation contestant to the National Convention.

9. That we give Rev. and Mrs. Arthur Billows a gift of \$25 toward equipment to be used in their work.

Signed: by the Committee

# **TREASURER'S REPORT OF MISSOURI STATE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION**

Balance Brought Forward ..... \$ 177.02

**Received:**

Foreign Missions .....	\$ 157.63
National Home Missions.....	107.73
Tithes .....	114.62
Co-Laborer Fund .....	125.22
Student Loan .....	220.73
Dues .....	106.47
State Home Missions .....	69.89
W.N.A.C. entertainment .....	30.00
G. T. A. Visual Aid .....	10.00
Y. P. A. Bicycles .....	15.00
African Project .....	998.31
Japan Project .....	23.00

Total ..... \$1978.60

Total received and brought forward ..... \$2155.62

Total Disbursed ..... \$1895.79

Balance in Treasury July 1st 1958 ..... \$ 259.83

Signed by Genelle Scott, Sec.-Treas.

**Disbursed:**

Foreign Missions .....	\$157.63
National Home Missions .....	107.73
Co-Laborer Fund .....	125.22
Student Loan .....	220.73
State Home Missions .....	69.89
G. T. A. Visual Aid .....	10.00
Y. P. A. Bicycles .....	15.00
African Project .....	998.31
Supplies .....	5.24
W. S. Mooneyham (speaker at last state meeting) .....	10.00
Declamation Contestants .....	10.00
Myrtle Jones (honorarium) .....	10.00
Genelle Scott (honorarium) .....	10.00
Workshop expense .....	63.75
Bank exchange charge .....	.29
Expense on W. .N. A. C. ....	12.00
Dues .....	47.00
Japan Project .....	23.00

Total ..... \$1895.79

## CONSTITUTION

1. This Association shall be called the Missouri State Association of Free Will Baptists.

2. The object of this Association shall be for the bringing together of the Free Will Baptists of the State of Missouri in one great annual gathering, so they can get better acquainted with each other, and for the upbuilding of the Free Will Baptist Churches of Missouri for the salvation of souls.

3. The Association shall be composed of duly elected delegates elected by the bodies holding membership in this body.

4. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, an Assistant Moderator, and a Secretary/Treasurer, said officers shall be elected annually at the beginning of each session and hold their office until their successors are elected and qualified; a board of trustees of five members whose terms of office shall be as follows: One for one (1) year, one for two (2) years, one for three (3) years, one for four (4) years, and one for five (5) years; and at the expiration of these terms, one is to be elected for a term of five years who shall hold office until his successors are elected; and further, if any vacancy occur between sessions of the Association, the Board shall fill such vacancy or vacancies until the next Association; who shall perform the following duties: First, shall be the legal corporation of the Association with the corporate name of the Board of Trustees of the Missouri State Association of Free Will Baptists; to be a Board of Missions and Church Extension, to secure, hold, use and convey money, homes or lands for the propagation of the gospel in connection with the Free Will Baptist denomination. Second, to receive, hold, manage, use, control, or convey any property entrusted to the Association for and in accordance with the donor's purpose. Said Board of Trustees shall also compose the Home Mission Board. They may be chosen from ministers, deacons, or delegates.

5. This Association shall not usurp any authority over the Quarterly Meetings, or Associations that shall be under its supervision, but shall be an advisory body to help them.

6. Seven or more ordained ministers or deacons from two or more bodies, belonging to this Association shall constitute a quorum to transact business.

7. The Clerk or Assistant Clerk, and in their absence the senior minister in age, shall call the Association to order for business, and call the Moderator or Assistant Moderator to the chair, and if neither Moderator nor Assistant Moderator is

present, then the senior minister in age shall act as Moderator. On taking his chair, the Moderator shall call for the reading of the letters from the different bodies composing this Association, and after letters are read he shall seat the delegates. After the delegates are seated, the election of officers shall be in order.

8. Any organized Quarterly Meeting, Yearly Meeting or Association of Free Will Baptists may unite with this body at any regular session, through a letter or delegates by a two-thirds vote of all members present.

9. This Constitution may be added to, amended or changed at any regular session of this body by a two-thirds vote of all members present, after written notice of the contemplated change has been published in the official paper three months previous to the session at which such change is to take place.

### BY-LAWS

1. All business meetings shall be opened by singing, reading a portion of God's Word and prayer, and shall be closed with prayer.

2. All business, except routine, shall be brought before the body by committees, but should any committee refuse or fail to present to this body any business given it by any member of this Association, then such business may be presented to the body by any member, but cannot be discussed unless by a vote of this body.

3. No one shall speak more than five minutes or more than twice on the same subject without the consent of the Moderator.

4. Any member of this body can appeal from the decision of the Moderator to the Association, and by a majority vote thereon, the objection shall be sustained or rejected.

5. No one shall leave the Association without the consent of the Moderator.

6. Anyone desiring to speak shall arise and say, "Brother Moderator," but shall speak no further until he or she is recognized by the Moderator.

7. The Moderator shall stop all discussions when not carried on in a Christian spirit, or when he thinks it is likely to lead to discord or division.

8. The officers of this body shall submit, at every annual session, a report of the work done for this Association.

9. The Secretary-Treasurer shall keep an accurate record of all business transactions; be responsible for all funds received and disbursed; shall superintend the printing of the minutes and shall receive an honorarium of one hundred twenty (120.00) dollars per year.

10. This Association may correspond by messenger or otherwise with other religious bodies.

11. All officers of this Association shall be nominated from the floor and elected by standing vote unless otherwise requested or ordered by the body.

12. All resolutions and reports shall bear the names of all the members of the committee who favor them; and if the names be not a majority of all members of such committee, then the Clerk shall not read the resolution or report.

13. All committees shall be appointed by the Moderator, with the assistance of a committee on committees, which shall be appointed by the Moderator.

14. All business coming before this Association shall be decided by secret ballot when there is any opposition or objection.

15. A majority of all votes shall be final upon all subjects except to amend the Constitution, receive Quarterly Meetings or Associations, and the changing of the members of the committees appointed by the Moderator; then it shall require a two-thirds majority.

16. The number of delegates to the State Association shall be one delegate for the Association and in addition, one delegate for every fifty resident members or major fraction thereof.

17. The standing delegates to this Association shall be all ordained ministers and their companions, provided the companion is a member in good standing in some Free Will Baptist Church belonging to this State Association, all ordained deacons; and Associational Clerks.

18. The sessions of this Association shall convene on Tuesday night following the third Sunday in August each year.

19. These By-Laws may be amended or changed at any regular session of this Association.



## PROPOSED CHANGES OF CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS MISSOURI STATE ASSOCIATION

1. We recommend that Article 4 of the Constitution be changed to read as follows:

The officers of this Association shall be a moderator, an assistant moderator, and a clerk-treasurer, said officers shall be elected at the close of each session and hold office until their successors are elected and qualified:

Note: The phrase "at the close" replaces the phrase "in the beginning" as it now reads in the Constitution.

2. We recommend that Article 9 of the Constitution be changed to read as follows:

This Constitution may be amended at any regular body by a two-thirds majority vote of all the members present, after the proposed amendment has laid on the table for one day.

Note: The article now reads: This Constitution may be added to, amended or changed at any regular session of this body by a two-thirds vote of all members present, after written notice of the contemplated change has been published in the official paper three months previous to the session at which such change is to take place.

3. In compliance with the request from the Southeast Yearly Meeting, we recommend that By-Law Number 16 be changed to read as follows:

The number of delegates to the State Association shall be five delegates from each affiliated local association or yearly meeting; one delegate from each church plus one delegate for each fifty members or larger fraction thereof. Each church which represents must be a member of a local association or yearly Meeting holding membership in this body.

Note: The Constitution now reads: The number of delegates to the State Association shall be one delegate for the Association and in addition, one delegate for every fifty resident members or major fraction thereof.

This proposed change was made and sustained on the floor:  
That last sentence of Article 7 of Constitution be deleted.

Note: The sentence reads: After the delegates are seated, the election of officers shall be in order. This proposed change was made necessary in view of the fact that proposed change of Article 4 calls for the election of officers at the close of the session instead of at the beginning.