

**MINUTES**

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**Missouri State Association**

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**Free Will Baptists**

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**1963**

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**PROCEEDINGS OF THE  
FIFTIETH ANNUAL SESSION**

**CONVENED AT  
KIRKSVILLE, MISSOURI**

MINUTES OF THE 50TH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE MISSOURI  
STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS WHEN

Convened with the First Free Will Baptist Church of  
Kirksville, Missouri and in the Kirk Aud. in  
Kirksville, Missouri  
August, 1963

OFFICERS

Moderator ..... Rev. O. T. Allred, Monett, Mo.  
Assistant Moderator ..... Rev. O. T. Dixon, Mtn. Grove, Mo.  
Clerk ..... Rev. C. R. (Bud) Hill, Monett, Mo.  
Treasurer ..... Rev. Harry Beatty, St. Louis, Mo.

THE GENERAL BOARD

Cave Springs Ass'n ..... Rev. Davie Combs ..... 1 Yr. 1964  
Central Wes. Mo. Ass'n ..... Rev. Glen Rehkop ..... 1 Yr. 1964  
Laclede County Ass'n ..... Rev. Bill Eden ..... 1 Yr. 1964  
Indian Creek Ass'n ..... Rev. Robert Duck ..... 1 Yr. 1964  
Liberty Ass'n ..... Rev. Dale Jones ..... 1 Yr. 1964  
Mission Ass'n ..... Edwin Wade ..... 2 Yrs. 1965  
Niangua Ass'n ..... Rev. Len Gardner ..... 2 Yrs. 1965  
North East Mo. Ass'n ..... Bro. Howard Filkins ..... 2 Yrs. 1965  
South East Mo. Ass'n ..... Rev. R. B. Spurgeon ..... 2 Yrs. 1965  
North West Mo. Ass'n ..... Mr. Milford House ..... 2 Yrs. 1965

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Rev. Leland Horton ..... 1 Yr. 1964  
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Rev. Lester Jones ..... 3 Yrs. 1966  
Rev. Robt. Wilfong ..... 4 Yrs. 1967  
Rev. W. H. Bostic ..... 5 Yrs. 1968

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Rev. William Reeves ..... 1 Yr. 1964  
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Rev. Teddy Davis ..... 3 Yrs. 1966  
Rev. C. H. Burton ..... 4 Yrs. 1967  
Rev. Woodrow Matthews ..... 5 Yrs. 1968

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Rev. Eugene Workman ..... 1964

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Rev. Tharold Edwards.....	1966
Rev. Henry Long.....	1967
Rev. Frank Giunta.....	1968

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Mr. Hubert Harral.....	1 Yr. 1964
Rev. A. L. McFarland.....	2 Yrs. 1965
Rev. James Earl Raper.....	3 Yrs. 1966
Mr. Lawrence Combs.....	4 Yrs. 1967
Rev. Jess Webb.....	5 Yrs. 1968

## MINISTERS

Rev. James Lee Reed .....	Myrtle, Mo.
Rev. Albert McFarland .....	St. Louis, Mo.
Rev. W. H. Bostic.....	Thayer, Mo.
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Rev. Lester Jones .....	408 N. Marion, Kirksville, Mo.
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Rev. Edwin Wade.....	315 S. Main, Mt. Grove, Mo.
Rev. C. H. Burton .....	Fredericktown, Mo.
Rev. O. T. Dixon.....	305 E. Sunshine, Springfield, Mo.
Rev. Harry Beatty.....	3100 Mt. Pleasant, St. Louis 11, Mo.
Rev. Jesse Webb .....	400 W. Chestnut, Desloge, Mo.
Rev. James Earl Raper .....	601 Buckley St., Flat River, Mo.
Rev. Woodrow Matthews.....	7920 Harris, Kansas City, Mo.
Rev. Bud Hill .....	107 W. Sycamore St., Monett, Mo.
Rev. Glen Rehkop.....	3025 Jaudon, Avondale, Mo.
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Rev. O. T. Allred .....	904 5th St., Monett, Mo.
Rev. Harold W. Parsons .....	614 Marshall St., Fredericktown, Mo.
Rev. Bob Wilfong .....	Leadington, Mo.
Rev. Mildred Gilliam .....	Greentop, Mo.
Rev. William Hill .....	931 E. Woodruff, Hazel Park, Mich.
Rev. James McCully .....	Monett, Mo.
Rev. James McAllister .....	Kansas City, Mo.
Rev. R. B. Spurgeon .....	Bridgeton, Mo.

Rev. James Barker .....	Farmington, Mo.
Rev. Bill Eden .....	Lebanon, Mo.
Rev. Ted Davis .....	Rt. #2, Joplin, Mo.
Rev. Gene Rogers .....	Mt. Grove, Mo.
Rev. R. Luther Sanders .....	Waipahu, Hawaii
Rev. Cliff Bowman .....	Marshfield, Mo.
Rev. Tharold Edwards .....	Springfield, Mo.
Rev. Glen Jones .....	Lebanon, Mo.
Rev. William Reeves .....	Niangua, Mo.
Rev. Dale Jones .....	Lebanon, Mo.
Rev. Mrs. Alice Dickey ...	9125 Old Santa Fe Trail, Kansas City, Mo.
Rev. Harry Asher .....	9917 Dennison, Overland, Mo.
Rev. Mark Vandivort .....	Nashville, Tenn.
Rev. Mary E. Wellbaum .....	Highland, Kan.

### MINISTER'S WIVES

Mrs. Donna Wade	Mrs. Edith Crooks
Mrs. Rosalee Reed	Mrs. Jane Norris
Mrs. Bill Eden	Mrs. Evelyn Rehkop
Mrs. Ruth Rubble	Mrs. Dottie Asher
Mrs. Gene Rogers	Mrs. Blanche Matthews
Mrs. Elaine Spurgeon	Mrs. C. H. Burton
Mrs. Faye Hilton	Mrs. James Earl Raper
Mrs. W. K. Weston	Mrs. Everett Hellard
Mrs. Julia Hill	Mrs. Ted Davis
Mrs. Lucille Beatty	Mrs. O. T. Dixon
Mrs. Jereleen Wilfong	Mrs. Carol Mowry
Mrs. Helen Sanders	Mrs. Tharold Edwards
Mrs. Hilda Nichols	Mrs. James Barker

### ASSOCIATION CLERK

Ethel Thompson

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Mr. Orlie Phillips	Mr. Wendell Sevitts
Mr. Woody Montgomery	Mr. Howard Filkins
Mr. Homer Mosier	Mr. Herby Whitworth
Mr. Herman Miley	Mr. Boyd Filkins
Mr. Ernest Thomas	Mr. Lloyd Cory
Mr. Gail Byers	Mr. Oral Buchanan

### LOCAL CHURCH DELEGATES

Effie Ruble .....	Sunnyview Church, Lebanon
John Filkins .....	Hazel Creek Church, Kirksville

Roselee McCully.....	First Church, Monett
Forrest Hediger.....	First Church, Kirksville
Fletcher Riley .....	Hazel Creek, Kirksville
Mrs. Vallie M. Grout .....	First Church, Kansas City
Mrs. Maizie Sevits .....	Hazel Creek, Kirksville
Mrs. Emma Bebout .....	First Church, Fredericktown
Miss Linda Rogers .....	Mine La Motte Church, Mine LaMotte
Mrs. Fern Kelsey .....	New Harmony Church, Greentop
Hazel Hutsell .....	First Church, Mt. Grove

### ELECTED DELEGATES

Jean Williams	Mrs. Lola Freeman
Mrs. Bernice Cantrell	Miss Everyl Hellard
Mr. Virgil Cantrell	Mrs. Leona Knapp
Mrs. Fern Kelsey	Leona Thompson
Sheron Rogers	Mrs. Orlie Phillips
Mrs. Lizzie Filkins	Irvin Lindquist
Mrs. Glades Montgomery	Miss Charolotte Tallent
Lola Filkins	Dorothy Mosier
Mrs. Oral Buchanan	Iva Daniels
Mrs. Edith Whitworth	Cleo Knaak
Edna Carder	Eula Howard

### VISITORS

Dan Gilliam	Oren Taylor	Anice Taylor
Rudy Riley	Rickey Riley	Gladys Riley
Donnie Riley	Gregory Riley	Annabelle Riley
Grace Lay	Steven Rogers	Mrs. Herman Craig
Eva Pearl Sponsler	Brenda Sanders	Lola Sevits
Charles Sevits	Mrs. Lola Sevits	Dennis Bowman
Elizabeth Sponsler	Lavina Sponsler	Mrs. Faith Hiatt
Mary Filkins	Lila Hiatt	Connie Gramlig
Herman Craig	Linda Kelly	Richard Barker
Mrs. Laura Glaspie	Terry Filkins	Jewel Spurgeon
Wanda Riley	Jayne Riley	Brice Riley
Stella Gates	Ora Gates	Velma Wellman
Kendell Sevits	Howard Western	Robin Wilfong
Jo Ellen Wilfong	Donald Jones	Mrs. Donald Jones
Laura Ann Davis	Mrs. Robert Jones	Mrs. Esther Hediger
Mr. Bryan Novinger	Jessie Peterson	Ernest Lee Thompson
Maude Elsea	Mrs. Dwane Mathews	David Hellard
Allie Peterson	Anna Vincent	Forest Jacobs
Ruth Jacobs	Rita Mullenix	Mrs. Elfie Dare
Mrs. Alma Scriven	Sammia Adkins	Randy Rehkop
David White	Beverly Rehkop	Tim Hill
Jack Hill	Joan Filkins	Luanne Williams
Mrs. Bryan Novinger	Sandra Arnold	Garry Matthews
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Mrs. Grace Toney	Sheila Raper	Mrs. Eva Elliot

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Connie Middleton  
David Matthews  
Lola Brown  
Carl Whitney  
Mr. A. E. Dare  
Leo Cantrell  
Earl Sponsler  
Mr. Dewayne White  
Dollie Horton  
Ginny Lyons  
Phillip Fry  
Kevin Norris  
Mrs. Erma James  
Mabel Montgomery  
Mrs. Lene Milley  
Vivian James  
Jim Pope  
Roberta Dabney

Kathy Raper  
Meredith Lea Wilfong  
Neva Thomas  
Billy White  
Virgie Lindquist  
June Thomas  
Sammie Cantrell  
Steven Riley  
Elizabeth Sponsler  
Ethel Newcomer  
Louise Thomas  
Russel Wellman  
Mrs. Phillip Fry  
Deborah Hill  
Ronald James  
Linda Hiatt  
Gary Taylor  
Oscar Western  
Bonnie Pope  
Angela Johnson

Mike Burton  
Randy Wilfong  
Joyce Thomas  
Irene Cory  
Iva Whitney  
Leonard Thomas  
Ricky Cantrell  
Mrs. Dora Sponsler  
Annabelle White  
Bernice Thomas  
Vivian Myers  
Becky Hill  
Harold Myers  
Mrs. H. D. Archer  
Mrs. Ann Johnson  
Bill Moots  
Norma Montgomery  
Randy Pope  
Joy Johnson  
Debbie Johnson

MINUTES OF THE 50TH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE MISSOURI  
STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST

When Convened with the First Free Will Baptist

Church of Kirksville, Missouri

August, 1963

TUESDAY NIGHT, 7:30 P.M. - AUGUST 20, 1963

Rev. E. Hellard, pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Farmington, led the congregation in singing, "Tis So Sweet To Trust In Jesus" and "Blessed Assurance". Rev. O. T. Allred, the pastor of the Granby Free Will Baptist Church led the Association in prayer. The congregation then sang, "He's A Wonderful Saviour To Me". The clerk of the Association, Rev. Bud Hill, called the 50th session of the Missouri State Association to order by reading from the 133rd Division of Psalms. Rev. Lester Jones, pastor of the Host Church, extended greetings from the City of Kirksville and the Church. Rev. Woodrow Matthews, pastor of the Beacon Free Will Baptist Church of Kansas City gave the response. The Moderator, Rev. O. T. Allred, then spoke a few words concerning this year's Association. The Moderator then appointed the Committee on Committees. This committee is: Rev. Glen Rehkop, Rev. W. H. Bostic, Rev. J. E. Raper, Rev. H. E. Hill and Rev. Cletus Nichols.

The speaker of the evening, Rev. William J. Hill, pastor of the Hazel Park Free Will Baptist Church, Hazel Park, Michigan, was introduced. Rev. Hill used as his scripture reading, Isaiah 1:2-5b and Isaiah 6, entire chapter. He spoke on these four points: Confession of Sin, Cleansing of Sin, Compassion for the Lost and Commission to go to the Lost. He stressed the matter of our duty to God and what kind of person that we are. He stated what the three persons that are in each of us. The

one I think I am; the one others think I am; and the one that God knows that I am.

The benediction of the service is by Rev. John Mark Vandivort of the National Home Mission Department.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21, 1963 - 9:00 A.M.

The convention began the activities of the morning by the congregation singing, "I Am Thine O Lord" and "Love Lifted Me" with Rev. C. H. Burton, pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Fredericktown, leading and Rev. James McAllister at the piano. Bro. Edwin Wade, a member of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Mt. Grove, brought to us a devotional from Psalms 77:28. He pointed out to each of us that we as Christians need to draw near to God and if we do, we can see the plight of those round about us. Then because of this we will be willing to take them the message of salvation. Bro. Wade led the congregation in prayer at the close of his devotion.

Report of the General Board concerning the letters from the various Associations. These letters were examined and found to be in order.

Motion made, seconded, and carried that the letters be accepted and the delegates from the Associations be received and seated.

The telegram from Rev. Homer E. Willis, Promotional Secretary of the National Home Mission Department, was read. It stated, "Greetings to your State Association. Regret I cannot attend. My prayers are with you." Homer E. Willis.

Motion made, seconded and carried that the reading of the By-Laws of the State Association be omitted.

The service was then turned over to Rev. John Mark Vandivort, the Field Director of our National Home Mission Department, who spoke concerning our work as a whole. He used as his scripture Acts 1:8. He said that we as Free Will Baptist should be witnesses of the precious Gospel of Our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. He then proceeded to tell of the work in Hawaii and the plan for buying land. He related to us also concerning the various other fields of labor, such as, Washington D. C., Denver and Alaska. He challenged us with an article from the book, "Triumph of Missions In The Local Church" which was an example of what our churches could do if we got under the burden of missions.

The report of the Committee on Committees was read.

Motion made, seconded and carried that this report be adopted. (See Reports)

Motion made, seconded and carried that we receive the letter from the South East Missouri Association and seat the delegates.

Motion made, seconded and carried that we adjourn until the call of the Chair.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21, 1963 - 7:30 P.M.

The congregation was led in singing by Rev. C. H. Burton and Sis. Gene Rogers at the piano, singing, "I Am Thine O Lord". Rev. R. B. Spurgeon, pastor of the Trinity Free Will Baptist Church in Bridgeton,

Missouri, led in prayer. The congregation then sang "Leaning On The Everlasting Arm" and "When The Roll Is Called Up Yonder".

Bro. Gordan Beatty than sang a solo, "Let Me Be Worthly".

The announcements were then made by the Moderator, Rev. O. T. Allred.

Rev. James McAllister, pastor of the Central Free Will Baptist Church of Kansas City, Missouri, brought the devotional thought from Acts 2:42-47; Romans 12:4-5 and I Corinthians 10:17. He stated that the Free Will Baptists need to have a greater unified front. United in three ways: First, in Principle; secondly, in Financial Matters and thirdly, in Fundamental Doctrines of the Bible.

The service was turned over to the speaker of the evening, Rev. A. L. McFarland, pastor of the Southside Free Will Baptist Church of St. Louis, Missouri. He used as his scripture Jeremiah 30:23-24 and Jeremiah 31:1-7. His text was Jeremiah 31:7, "O Lord, save thy people." He spoke concerning things hindering the church. These are as follows: Worldly conformity, spiritual apathy, sordid selfishness, sectarian divisions, and becoming confused in what they believe. He said that we need to have an earnest longing for revival.

At the conclusion of the message an invitation was given. Invitational song, "I Can Hear My Saviour Calling". Two fine young ministers responded to the invitation for greater consecration.

The two young men at the end of an altar prayer gave their personal testimony.

The service was dismissed in prayer by Rev. O. T. Dixon, pastor of Grant Avenue Free Will Baptist Church in Springfield, Missouri.

#### THURSDAY, AUGUST 22, 1963 - 9:00 A.M.

The service was opened with the singing of the hymn, "Love Lifted Me" led by Rev. C. H. Burton. The Moderator, Rev. O. T. Allred, presided over the meeting and then turned the services over to Rev. Robert Wilfong, pastor of the Leadington Free Will Baptist Church, Leadington, Missouri, who led us in our devotional thought. He spoke from the book of Kings. He said that we need to be men and live for the Lord Jesus Christ and be the witness that we should. We need to have a greater burden for the lost. He then led in prayer.

The Moderator then called for corresponding messengers. The letter from the National Foreign Mission Department was read. (See Reports)

Motion made, seconded and carried that acknowledgement be made of this letter and greetings from both Boards, Foreign and Home.

There was no report from the committee concerning the changing of the dates of the State Association, therefore the committee was dissolved.

Report of the Statistician was read.

Motion made, seconded and carried that we receive this report. (See Reports)

The complete report of the General Board was read. (See Reports)

Motion made, seconded and carried that we receive this report and to consider the report item by item.

Item No. 1 - Motion made, seconded and carried to amend by adding, "in 1964". Item No. 1 then was adopted.



Item No. 2 - Motion made, seconded and carried to adopt.

Due to the fact that the report of the allocations from the General Board were not ready, time was given to Rev. H. Harrison of the National Sunday School Department to present us with information concerning the Department.

Item No. 3 - Motion made, seconded and carried to adopt. Rev. R. B. Spurgeon was asked to give a brief explanation of said budget.

Time was given to Rev. Carl Johnson, Missionary appointee to Alaska, to speak to us concerning his work.

Report of the Youth Camp Board. (See Reports)

Motion made, seconded and carried to adopt report.

Report of the State Treasurer and State Promotional Secretary called for. Rev. Harry Beatty gave a report that he was not ready. The report was put off until afternoon session.

The Publication's Committee report was read. (See Reports)

Motion made, seconded and carried to adopt the report as read.

Motion made, second and carried to adjourn until the call of the Chair at 1:30 P.M. in the afternoon.

Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Harry Asher, pastor of the Overland Free Will Baptist Church of Overland, Missouri.

#### THURSDAY, AUGUST 22, 1963 - 11:00 A.M.

Worship service was opened with the congregation standing and singing, "O How I Love Jesus" led by Rev. C. H. Burton and Rev. Jim McAllister at the piano. Rev. Max Courtney, pastor of the Fourth Free Will Baptist Church of St. Louis, Missouri, led in prayer. The congregation, led by Rev. Burton then sang, "Amazing Grace". Special song was then rendered by Sis. White who sang, "What A Day That Will Be" and then another special number was given by Rev. A. L. McFarland, "God Leads Us Along".

Rev. Gene Rogers, pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Mt. Grove, Missouri, was the morning speaker and he used as his scripture I Chronicles 12:32. He spoke to us about some of the facts concerning the second coming of Jesus. He asked if we are really looking and expecting it. People are saying by their actions that Jesus is not coming and that the Gospel has failed. He also said that many are running the Christian race without a vital, real relationship with Christ. He closed by stating that our task today is to endure the suffering of today.

Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Bud Hill, pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Monett, Missouri.

#### THURSDAY, AUGUST 22, 1963 - 1:30 P.M.

Rev. Glen Rehkop, pastor of the Victory Free Will Baptist Church of Kansas City, Missouri, led the congregation in singing "Showers of Blessings". A special number in song was given by Sis. Velma Wellman. The devotional thought for the afternoon was given by the Assistant Moderator, Rev. O. T. Dixon. He used for his scripture thought Luke 4:14. He stated that the only hope for the world is Jesus. He then led the con-

gregation in prayer.

The report of the State Treasurer and Promotional Secretary was read. (See Reports)

Motion made, second and carried to receive the report and commend Rev. Beatty for his service.

Report of the Obituary Committee. (See Reports)

Motion made, seconded and carried that we adopt the report.

The congregation was asked to stand for a moment of silent prayer, then we were led in audible prayer by Rev. William Reeves, pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Marshfield, Missouri.

Report of the Temperance Committee was called for and read. (See Reports)

Motion made, seconded and carried that we adopt the report.

The report of the Mission Committee was read. (See Reports)

Motion made, seconded and carried that we adopt the report.

Report of the Placement Committee called for and read. (See Reports)

Motion made, seconded and carried that we adopt the report.

The Resolution Committee's report was read. (See Reports)

Motion made, seconded and carried to receive the report for consideration and that we dispose of said report item by item.

Item No. 1 - Adopted

Item No. 2 - Adopted

Item No. 3 - Adopted

Item No. 4 - Adopted

Item No. 5 - Adopted

Item No. 6 - Motion made to amend to read, "That this be placed in the hands of the General Board to be handled as deemed necessary." Seconded and carried.

Motion with the amendment is adopted.

Item No. 7 - Adopted

The congregation is then led in song by Rev. O. T. Dixon. The song used is "When The Roll Is Called Up Yonder."

Item No. 8 - Adopted

Item No. 9 - Adopted

Item No. 10 - Motion made and seconded that we adopt this time and thank the committee for their fine work on this report. Adopted.

The resignation of Rev. Dale Jones from the Superannuation Board was read. Motion made, seconded and carried that we accept the resignation.

Rev. O. T. Dixon gave a talk concerning the convening of next year's Session.

The report of the State Home Mission Board was given. Motion made, seconded and carried that we receive the report for consideration. The request to incorporate was made by this Board, with the report. The reason why this was needed was asked and answered. Motion made, seconded and carried that their request be granted.

The Sunday School and League Board gave a report concerning their work. This was given by Rev. A. L. McFarland. An urge for each Church to respond with an annual report to this Board was made. Motion made, seconded and carried to accept report. (See Reports)

An oral report was given by Rev. Bud Hill, Editor, about the State paper, "The Free Will Baptist Gem." The churches of the state were urged

to go on the Church Family Plan and the single issue price was raised from one dollar and twenty-five cents to one dollar and fifty cents beginning October, 1963. Be sure to have material in the "Gem" office in St. Louis by the 24th of each month. Bro. Hill then announced that Sis. Peggy Davis would be the Woman's Auxiliary Editor for the coming year.

Motion made, seconded and carried to receive the oral report.

Two questions were asked concerning the matter of the subscription rate of the "Gem". The first was, How many families are required for a church to come under the heading of the Church Family Plan? The answer was that there is no certain number. However there must be more than one.

Second question, Why the raise in the single subscription? The price was lowered because of a special during our fifty year of State Association. This was lowered for one year.

A report was given by Rev. O. T. Dixon concerning a study commission on the program arrangement of the State Association.

Motion made, seconded and carried to elect a five man study commission to work with the Executive Board of the Woman's Auxiliary and the Sunday School and League Board concerning the program arrangement of the State Association.

Nominations were called for. Those nominated were: Rev. James E. Barker, Sis. Lucille Beatty, Rev. A. L. McFarland, declined, State Association Moderator, Rev. R. B. Spurgeon, declined, Rev. C. Nichols, declined, Rev. Frank Giunta and Sis. Vivian Burton. Since there were only five names left, the motion was made, seconded and carried that these five be elected.

Report of the Nominating Committee was read. (See Reports)

Motion made, seconded and carried to receive the report and to dispose of the items one by one. All the officers recommended by this committee were elected as read.

Motion made, seconded and carried to retain the same Statistician for the coming year. This is Sis. Leona Thompson.

The Delegates to the National Association that is to meet in Kansas City, Missouri in July of 1964 were elected. They are: Margret Dixon, Lucille Beatty, Gene Williams, Hubert Harrell and John Filkins.

Motion made, seconded and carried that we welcome into our state the following new ministers: Rev. E. Hellard, pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Farmington, Rev. Gene Rogers, pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Mt. Grove, Rev. Leland Horton, pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Kirksville and Rev. Gene Norris, pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Flat River.

Motion made, seconded and carried to omit the reading of the minutes.

Motion made, seconded and carried to adjourn.

Prayer of benediction was led by Rev. O. T. Dixon.

## COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEE REPORT

We, the Committee on Committees, wish to recommend the following persons to serve:

### NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Clarence Burton, Ch.  
Harry Beatty  
Edwin Wade  
Harvey E. Hill  
Cletus Nichols

### RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

Woodrow Matthews  
Albert McFarland  
Gene Rogers  
Frank Giunto  
W. H. Bostic

### PLACEMENT COMMITTEE

Rev. Max Courtney  
Mrs. O. T. Dixon  
Bernice Cantrell

### SPECIAL MUSIC

Sis. Doris Raper  
Sis. Mildred Gilliam  
Sis. Hazel Hutsell

### MISSIONS COMMITTEE

J. E. Raper  
Teddy Davis  
Bob Wilfong  
Lester Jones  
Everett Hellard

### PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE

Gene Norris, Ch.  
Harry Asher  
Howard Filkins  
James McAllister  
Gene Workman

### TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE

Jesse Webb  
Tommy Carlson  
Leland Horton  
John Filkins  
James McCully

### OBITUARY COMMITTEE

Mrs. Alice Dickey  
Mrs. Lizzie Filkins  
Mrs. Clarence Burton  
Mrs. Blanche Matthews  
Miss Leona Thompson

Signed: Glenn Rehkop, Ch.  
W. H. Bostic  
Cletus Nichols  
Harvey E. Hill  
James Raper

## NATIONAL FOREIGN MISSIONS REPORT

Dear Christian Friends:

Greetings from the Foreign Missions Department of the National Association of Free Will Baptists. Through the years, the Free Will Baptists of Missouri have shared with us in our Foreign Missionary ministry. You have given to us your sons, daughters, prayers and money.

There is the staggering number of more than a billion souls who have not heard the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. The unreached fields are a challenge and demands the courage and consecration of men and women to make Christ known to these multitudes.

There have been twelve new missionaries appointed to foreign service

this year. We must have the prayers and support of our Free Will Baptists if we are to continue this advance. Your missionaries are depending on you to supply the means to reach the multitudes with the message of salvation.

The Free Will Baptists of Missouri gave \$19,482.37 last year to Foreign Missions. You are commended for exceeding your quota of \$18,500. Your quota for this year, 1963, is \$21,500 and for the first seven months of this year you have given \$11,346.44. I believe that you will rejoice again with us in reaching your quota for this year.

I will make my appeal in the words of the Apostle Paul, "Brethren, pray for us," and request that your State Convention take time to remember our missionaries in special prayer. Thank you so much for your concern and desire to share with us in this ministry.

Sincerely in Christ,

J. Reford Wilson

### THE GENERAL BOARD REPORT

We, the General Board, recommend the following:

Item 1 that the body elect a steering committee to have charge of the planning for the National Association to be held in Kansas City in 1964. We further recommend that this committee be composed of five members consisting of: Rev. Woodrow Matthews, Chairman; Rev. Glen Rehkop, Rev. Jim McAllister, State Moderator, State Assistant Moderator.

Item 2 that after hearing the first hand report of Bro. Don Jones concerning the Nogales, Ariz. Mission Inc., we recommend that our people withhold their support of this work under its present management.

Item 3 that the proposed allocations accepted by the General Board be accepted by the body.

### THIS YEAR'S CO-OPERATIVE GOAL:

55% Co-op. Fund Received & Disbursed to National ..... \$12,650.00

45% Co-op. Fund Received & Disbursed to State ..... \$10,350.00

Total Co-operative Goal..... \$23,000.00

### BREAKDOWN OF THE 45% STATE ALLOTMENT:

1. Promotional Department .....	20%
2. State Home Mission .....	8½%
3. General Fund .....	7%
4. Free Will Baptist Gem .....	4½%
5. Youth Camp .....	4%
6. Superannuation .....	1%
7. Book Store .....	0%
8. Sunday School & League Board ....	0%
	<u>45%</u>

# AN ITEMIZED PROPOSED BUDGET BY EACH BOARD

## Promotional Department

### Proposed Income:

1. Co-operative Fund (20%) .....	\$4600.00	
2. Contributions & Offerings .....	546.73	
	<u>\$5146.73</u>	\$5146.73

### Disbursements:

1. Promotional Secretary's Salary .....	\$3900.00	
2. Travel Expense .....	900.00	
	<u>\$4800.00</u>	\$4800.00

Total Profit ..... \$ 346.73

## State Home Mission

### Proposed Income:

1. Co-operative Fund (8½%) .....	\$1955.00	
2. Other .....	2502.50	
	<u>\$4457.50</u>	\$4457.50

### Disbursements:

1. Loans .....	\$3000.00	
2. Mileage .....	500.00	
3. Postage and Supplies .....	27.50	
4. Organizational Work .....	2382.97	
	<u>\$5910.47</u>	\$5910.47

Total Deficit ..... \$1452.97

## General Fund

### Proposed Income:

1. Co-operative Fund (7%) .....	\$1610.00	
2. Minute money from local Associations....	165.00	
3. Offerings from churches .....	13.43	
	<u>\$1788.43</u>	\$1788.43

### Disbursements:

1. General Bd. Travel Expense .....	\$ 111.00	
2. Postage and Supplies .....	81.29	
3. Programs and badges .....	86.72	
4. Telephone .....	200.00	
5. Utilities at Headquarters .....	181.99	
6. Missouri State Minutes .....	277.30	
7. Nat'l. Ass'n Delegate fees .....	75.00	
8. Sinking Fund, payments to retire bonds on headquarter's bldg. ....	1512.00	
	<u>\$2525.30</u>	\$2525.30

Total Deficit ..... \$ 736.87

Free Will Baptist Gem

Proposed Income:

1. Co-operative Fund ( $4\frac{1}{2}\%$ ) .....	\$1035.00	
2. Subscriptions .....	1700.00	
	<u>\$2735.00</u>	\$2735.00

Disbursements:

1. Editor .....	\$ 540.00	
2. Printing Expense .....	2000.00	
3. Cuts and Supplies .....	200.00	
4. Postage .....	40.00	
	<u>\$2780.00</u>	\$2780.00

Total Deficit .....\$ 45.00

Free Will Baptist Youth Camp

Proposed Income:

1. Co-operative Fund (4%) .....	\$ 920.00	
2. Free Will Offerings .....	700.00	
3. Registration of Campers .....	3200.00	
4. Refreshment Stand .....	1200.00	
5. Renting of Camp .....	320.00	
6. Amount for Improvement .....	1000.00	
	<u>\$7340.00</u>	\$7340.00

Disbursements:

1. Utilities .....	\$ 465.00	
2. Groceries .....	1670.00	
3. Supplies for Refreshment Stand .....	925.00	
4. Insurance .....	425.00	
5. Kitchen Help (Cook & Helper) .....	200.00	
6. Labor on Improvements .....	300.00	
7. Material for Improvements .....	250.00	
8. Labor-Preparing camp for session .....	250.00	
9. Mileage, Board & Personnel .....	446.00	
10. Paper plates, cups, etc. ....	210.00	
11. Restroom supplies .....	58.00	
12. Crier .....	79.00	
13. Postage .....	30.00	
14. Printing (programs, cards, etc.) .....	52.00	
15. Locker rent .....	12.00	
16. Amount paid caretaker during session, (rented and regular) .....	325.00	
17. Literature (Bible School, etc.) .....	50.00	
18. Repairs and labor .....	250.00	
19. Incidentals .....	100.00	
20. Am't. to be paid on outstanding bills ....	473.00	

### Superannuation

#### Proposed Income:

1. Co-operative Fund (1%) .....	\$ 230.00	
2. Other .....	00.00	
	<u>\$ 230.00</u>	\$ 230.00

#### Disbursements:

Christmas Gifts .....	\$ 200.00	<u>\$ 200.00</u>
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Total Profit .....\$ 30.00

### Book Store

#### Proposed Income:

1. Co-operative Fund .....	\$	
2. Books and Supplies Sales .....	4500.00	
	<u>\$4500.00</u>	\$4500.00

#### Disbursements:

1. Purchases for resale .....	\$3000.00	
2. Missouri 2% sales tax .....	40.00	
3. License .....	12.52	
4. Postage and Shipping Supplies .....	150.00	
5. Office Supplies & Miscellaneous .....	154.50	
6. Salary for Store Attendant .....	500.00	
	<u>\$3857.02</u>	<u>\$3857.02</u>

Total Profit .....\$ 642.98

### Sunday School & League Board

#### Proposed Income:

1. Co-operative Fund .....	\$	
2. Other .....	223.72	
	<u>\$ 223.72</u>	\$ 223.72

#### Disbursements:

1. Office Supplies .....	\$ 28.90	
2. Mileage .....	30.40	
3. Sword Drill Awards.....	17.45	
4. Workshop Honorarium .....	10.00	
5. Secretarial Help .....	10.00	
	<u>\$ 96.75</u>	<u>\$ 96.75</u>

Total Profit .....\$ 126.97



# Totals

Total Co-op Allotment to State .....	\$10,350.00
Total Other Income .....	16,071.38
	<u>\$26,421.38</u>
Total Disbursements.....	27,869.49
Total Deficit .....	\$ 1,448.11

Churches Support Your State Co-operative Plan!

## FINANCIAL REPORT MISSOURI STATE YOUTH CAMP OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS Niangua, Missouri

REPORT FOR 1962-63  
July 31, 1962 to June 30, 1963)

Brought Forward July, 1962 .....\$ 328.51

### Receipts:

State Cooperative Fund .....	\$ 940.51
Free Will Offerings .....	629.24
Renting of Camp .....	320.00
Registration (Meals, Tuition & Insurance) ..	3,269.00
Refreshment Stand .....	1,148.54
Amount for Improvements (New well) .....	<u>906.14</u>

Total Receipts & Balance Forward .....\$7,542.55

### Expenditures:

Utilities .....	\$ 464.72
Groceries .....	1,569.92
Caretaker (Regular & Rented) .....	326.50
Labor & Material (Camp Preparation, Flag Pole, Electrical Supplies, Painting & Calking Swimming Pool, etc.) .....	409.00
Insurance .....	414.85
Refreshment Stand .....	823.11
Restroom Supplies .....	60.00
Mileage (Board Members & Camp Personnel) ..	445.98
Postage .....	30.00
Camp Crier .....	78.27
Incidentals (Safety Deposit Box, Advertise- ment in Phone Book, Goods for Shower Curtains, etc.) .....	91.40
Kitchen Help (Cook & Helper) .....	200.00
Locker Rent .....	12.00
Printing (Programs, Cards, etc.) .....	51.90
Supplies (Gas, Oil, Drugs, Laundry, Repair on Mower, 2 New Stools, 2 Sink Fittings, etc.) .....	392.56

Adding Machine .....	98.72
Kitchen Supplies .....	200.25
Benevolent (Mrs. Paul Williams - Hospital & Memorial) .....	50.00
Change & Refunds .....	131.68
Amount Paid on Outstanding Bills:	
L. L. Day Lumber Company.....	393.23
M.F.A. Grocery.....	144.03
New Well (Drilling & New Pump) .....	901.87
 Total Expenditures .....	<u>\$7,289.99</u>
 Balance June 30, 1963 .....	\$ 252.56

#### Outstanding Bills:

New Well .....	\$ 268.27
L. L. Day.....	<u>205.00</u>
 Total .....	 \$ 473.27

### REPORT OF PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE

1. Whereas the sale of literature is the only means of support for our Sunday School Department, we recommend that all our Sunday Schools use Free Will Baptist Sunday School Literature published by the National Sunday School Board.
2. Whereas the National League Department is launching out into a "Youth Emphasis Program", we recommend that each church pray for its success and leadership. We further recommend that our leagues use material published by the National League Board and that they subscribe to the League Pointer, use the devotional magazine "Depth" and support the League Board with 10% of their League offerings.
3. We recommend that each pastor stress loyalty to true Free Will Baptist Literature in every phase of our work.
4. We recommend that each pastor send a list of his members names and addresses to the Foreign and Home Mission Boards in order to insure their receiving "Heartbeat" and "Mission-grams."
5. We recommend that our Churches and people patronize our Missouri State Free Will Baptist Bookstore, 3100 Mt. Pleasant, St. Louis, Missouri, to secure proper books that are true to the Bible and Free Will Baptist Doctrine. We further recommend that our Bookstore make provisions whereby Bible Schools supplies, etc. may be purchased.
6. We recommend that every church adopt the Church Family Plan for the Free Will Baptist Gem and Contact and that a special effort be made by every church and pastor to have the Gem in every Free Will Baptist Home in Missouri.

Gene Norris  
Howard E. Filkins  
James McAllister  
Eugene Workman  
Harry R. Asher

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## REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

"Our God, our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come,  
Be thou our guide while life shall last, and our eternal home."

With rejoicing and thanksgiving to God, we bring this report to the Fiftieth session of our Missouri State Association.

**PROMOTION:** Again this year, many miles have been traveled in the interest of Missouri denominational work. In addition to preaching and promoting the work within sixty various churches, I also attended eleven district quarterly meetings, six yearly meetings, the Missouri State Association and the National Association of Free Will Baptists. I also operated our Free Will Baptist Book Store, and set up book stands at these various district meetings attended.

I worked with the Missouri Home Mission Board and co-operated with them in the establishment of three new church organizations. I helped in three other church dedication services, and held two revivals.

Of the one hundred and forty churches affiliated with the Missouri State Association, approximately 45%, or sixty three churches, as listed in the annual report submitted to this session, participated in the Missouri Co-operative Plan of giving, with contributions given through the Missouri State Headquarters. Approximately 13 1/2%, or nineteen churches, gave through the Missouri Co-operative Plan for the first time this year. The total co-operative receipts were about the same as last year, however, these participating churches set a good pattern for the remainder of our churches to follow.

### TREASURER'S REPORT, AUGUST 1, 1962 - JULY 31, 1963

Co-operative Funds Received .....	\$17,992.79
Disbursed: \$17,992.79	
55% - National Association of Free Will Baptists .....	9,896.03
20% - Promotional Department .....	3,598.56
9% - Missouri State Home Missions .....	1,619.37
5% - Free Will Baptist Gem .....	899.64
5% - Missouri Free Will Baptist Youth Camp .....	899.64
5% - Missouri General Fund .....	899.64
1% - Missouri Superannuation .....	179.91

### MISSOURI PROMOTIONAL DEPARTMENT

Balance forwarded, July 31, 1962 .....	\$2,063.36
Received:	
20% of Co-operative Receipts .....	3,598.56
Contributions and Offerings .....	<u>546.73</u>
Total .....	\$6,208.65

Disbursed:

Salary (52 weeks) .....	\$3,900.00
Travel Expense .....	588.66
City of St. Louis (real estate tax on Hdqt's Building) ...	169.39
Interest on Mortgage (until final bonds were sold, January 1, 1963 .....	345.50

Total Disbursed ..... \$5,003.55

Balance July 31, 1963 ..... \$1,205.10

BOOK STORE RECEIPTS

Balance forwarded, July 31, 1962 ..... \$ 528.01

Received:

Bibles, Books and Supplies ..... 4,275.12

Disbursed:

Books and Supplies ..... 3,175.46

License ..... 12.22

State Sales Tax - 2% ..... 12.43

Sinking Fund Account (on maturing bonds and interest) .. 1,224.00

Total Disbursed ..... \$4,424.11

Balance July 31, 1963 ..... \$ 379.02

EXECUTIVE CHURCH BONDS MATURITY AND INTEREST PAYMENTS

Total Bonds Issued .....\$18,000.00

Bond #1 Matured and Cashed ..... 250.00

Unmatured Bonds.....\$17,750.00

Payments made to Bond Fund Account, on maturity  
and interest:

December 28, 1961 - November 30, 1962 -

11 payments @ \$90.00 each ..... 990.00

December 31, 1962 - July 31, 1963 -

8 payments @ \$108.00 each ..... 864.00

Total payments on maturity and interest .....\$ 1,854.00

## FREE WILL BAPTIST GEM FUND

Received .....	\$2,513.06
Co-operative Fund.....	\$ 899.64
Subscriptions .....	1,613.42
Disbursed .....	\$2,840.53
Editor of Gem .....	\$ 540.00
Printing of Gem .....	2,059.22
Cuts and Supplies .....	200.20
Postage .....	41.11
Deficit Forwarded July 31, 1962 .....	\$ 232.80*
Deficit July 31, 1963 .....	327.47*
Total Deficit July 31, 1963.....	\$ 560.27*

## DESIGNATED GIFTS

Foreign Missions .....	Received and Disbursed .....	\$ 415.25
National Home Missions ..	Received and Disbursed .....	156.81
Missouri Home Missions ..	Received and Disbursed .....	305.60
Missouri Youth Camp .....	Received and Disbursed .....	14.93
Tennessee Childrens Home	Received and Disbursed .....	249.88
National League Board....	Received and Disbursed .....	24.28
Laverne Miley's Fund ....	Received and Disbursed .....	50.00
Jimmy Aldridge Fund .....	Received and Disbursed .....	149.88
Ernie Deeds Fund.....	Received and Disbursed .....	11.70
Dave Franks Fund.....	Received and Disbursed .....	75.00
Total Received and Disbursed .....		\$1,453.33

## GENERAL FUND

Received .....	\$1,171.94
Minute Money from Local Associations .....	164.81
Offerings from Churches .....	13.43
Telephone (Re-imbusement) .....	94.06
5% of Co-operative Receipts .....	899.64
Total Received .....	\$1,171.94
Deficit forwarded July 31, 1962 .....	\$43.11*

Disbursed:

General Board Travel Expense .....	\$ 111.00
Postage and Supplies .....	81.29
Programs and Badges .....	86.72
Telephone .....	293.17
Headquarters Office (Fuel, Lights and Water) .....	181.99
Missouri State Minutes .....	277.30
National Association Delegates Fees.....	75.00
Legal, (Final lawyer fees, incorporate Mo. State Assoc.)	25.00
Missouri 2% State Sales Tax .....	28.96

Total Disbursed .....\$1,203.54

Deficit July 31, 1963 ..... \$31.60\*

MISSOURI STATE HEADQUARTERS ASSETS

Cash on hand in Book Store Account.....	\$ 379.02
Inventory of stock July 31, 1963 .....	2,648.44
Accounts Receivable .....	57.06
Office Equipment .....	200.00
Credits on Accounts payable.....	27.84
Property, including improvements, desk and cabinets .....	15,824.00

Total Assets ..... \$19,136.36

\* - designates a deficit account

STATE OF MISSOURI FREE WILL BAPTIST  
CO-OPERATIVE GIVING BY INDIVIDUAL CHURCHES  
August 1, 1962 - July 31, 1963

Name of Church	Amount Received
1. Alton .....	\$ 32.00
2. Aulsbury Chapel .....	337.00
3. Beacon .....	901.63
4. Black Oak .....	16.00
5. Carterville .....	184.20
6. Copper Mines.....	422.18
7. Cuba .....	124.58
8. Desloge .....	224.49
9. Eureka Springs .....	21.22
10. Faith and Hope .....	44.22
11. Farmington .....	615.26
12. Fellowship, Flat River .....	900.00
13. Fredericktown .....	1,124.42
14. Grant Avenue, Springfield .....	543.18
15. Hannon .....	240.00
16. Hickory Grove .....	182.99

17. Houston .....	258.24
18. Hurryville .....	146.37
19. Jefferson City, First .....	19.41
20. Kirksville .....	510.00
21. Liberty, of Harmony Quarterly Meeting .....	27.01
22. Laclede Quarterly Meeting .....	14.04
23. Leadington .....	193.85
24. Lynn Street .....	7.00
25. Macedonia, of Indian Creek Association .....	261.49
26. Macedonia, of Liberty Association .....	25.00
27. Martinstown .....	25.00
28. Merls Chapel .....	296.90
29. Mill Creek Church and Sunday School .....	282.35
30. Mine LaMotte .....	118.53
31. Monett .....	990.91
32. Mt. Valley .....	238.38
33. Mt. Pisgah .....	15.00
34. Myrtle .....	363.09
35. Niangua Quarterly Meeting .....	21.00
36. Oak Grove .....	15.00
37. Oak Hill .....	7.00
38. Olivett .....	120.54
39. Pleasant Hill, Cave Springs Association .....	53.00
40. Pleasant Home, Mission Association .....	104.85
41. Pleasant Ridge, Niangua Association .....	14.73
42. Rock Chapel .....	43.14
43. First Church, Springfield .....	182.90
44. Third Church, St. Louis .....	36.68
45. Fourth Church, St. Louis .....	206.09
46. South Side, St. Louis .....	635.10
47. Sunnyview .....	3.00
48. Thayer .....	465.37
49. Twin Oak .....	228.68
50. Union Chapel, F.W.B. League, Gladds .....	85.00
51. Union Light .....	18.64
52. Verdella .....	1,472.97
53. Viburnum .....	123.80
54. Victory .....	936.58
55. Walnut Grove .....	8.75
56. West Plains .....	396.61

These Churches are giving through the St. Louis  
District Quarterly Meeting:

57. Berkeley, First .....	1,413.40
58. Festus .....	372.43
59. Faith .....	300.48
60. Meramec Heights .....	24.52
61. Overland .....	698.80
62. Richwoods .....	287.79

Mrs. C. E. Henderson .....	10.00
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Total Co-operative Giving, State of Missouri  
August 1, 1962 - July 31, 1963 ..... \$17,992.79

Rev. Harry Beatty,  
Promotional Secretary

### OBITUARY COMMITTEE REPORT

We, your Obituary Committee, make the following report:

Upon examining the letters we find that 90 souls have been called from this life. One of these was a faithful minister, Rev. Paul Williams, who devoted much time to denominational work as well as pastor.

We suggest that we stand in reverence and beled in prayer by Bro. Wm. Reeves.

Signed: Alice Dickey  
Leona Thompson  
Lizzie Filkins  
Blanche Matthews  
Vivian Burton

### REPORT OF THE MISSIONS COMMITTEE

We, your Missions Committee recommend:

1. That, whereas, both the National Foreign Mission Board and the National Home Missions Board have made available films, filmstrips, and slides of our mission works, we re-emphasize the need for the use of these materials by our churches.

2. That our churches be more responsive to missionary itineraries through this coming year and take full advantage of every opportunity to become acquainted with our missionaries, fields, opportunities, and needs.

3. Since our co-operative giving does not cover all of the needs of our missionaries around the world, that special additional offerings to our State, National, and Foreign missions works be given frequently.

4. Since there is a need for urgency in the matter of land in Hawaii, that opportunity be given as this report is adopted, for individual and or church commitment for the purchase of said land.

Signed: Everett Hellard  
Teddy Davis  
Lester Jones  
Bob Wilfong



# STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION OF

	Cave Spring	C. W. Missouri	Indian Creek	Laclede County	Liber
No. of Associations reporting.....					
No. Local Associations July 1, 1962 .....					
Associations rec'd July 1, 1962 - June 30, 1963..					
No. Associations Disbanded .....					
Total No. Associations June 30, 1963 .....					
No. Churches reporting .....	22	9	9		3
No. Churches July 1, 1962 .....	23	12	10		
Churches Received July 1, 1962 - June 30, 1963 ..	None	2	None		
No. Churches disbanded .....	None		1		
Total No. Churches June 30, 1963 .....	23	12	9		
State of Religion .....	Good	Good	Good		
No. Churches without pastor.....	None	1	1		
Membership July 1, 1962 .....	1,654	641	815		
Members Received July 1, 1962 - June 30, 1963 ..	105	52	56		
No. Baptized .....	62	21	25		
No. Dismissed by Letter .....	38	12	12		
No. Excluded .....	None		1		
No. Deceased .....	15	3	3		
Resident Members .....	1,126	285	568		
Non-Resident Members .....	547	193	265		
Total Membership June 30, 1963 .....	1,712	478	833		377
No. Tithers .....	6		155		
No. Prayer Meetings .....	12	9	9		
Condition of Prayer Meetings .....	Good	Good	Good	Good	
No. of Leagues .....	7	6	7		
Condition of Leagues .....	Fair	Good	Fair		
League Membership .....	118	140	169		
No. Auxiliaries or Home Missions .....	4	6	4		
Condition of Auxiliaries or Home Missions .....	Fair	Good	Good		
Membership of Auxiliaries or Home Missions .....	34	90	66		
No. of Sunday Schools .....	22	9	9		
Condition of Sunday Schools .....	Fair	Good	Good	Good	
Total Enrollment Sunday Schools .....	1,094	583	621		
No. Sunday School officers .....	60	51	39		
No. Sunday School Teachers .....	110	57	59		
No. Ordained Ministers .....	27	7	23		8
No. Licensed Ministers .....	3	1	6		2
No. Ordained Deacons .....	61	24	28		6
Value of Church Property .....	\$109,550.00	\$166,000.00	\$137,500.00		1,941
Amount Paid Pastor .....	15,904.85	11,321.83	16,128.48		715
Amount for Evangelistic Work .....	1,603.45	1,561.93	1,420.36	\$237.26	874
Amount for Building and Repair .....	7,472.85	3,188.29	8,478.67		602
Amount for Incidentals .....	2,923.34	4,388.86	3,627.92		240
Amount for Missions .....		1,477.67	1,014.72		
Home .....	99.75	1,018.13	434.54		363
Foreign .....	464.08	359.54	540.18		90
Amount for Education .....					
Amount for Superannuation .....	43.00				
Amount for Orphanage .....	35.00				
Amount for Youth Camp .....	68.00	348.00	125.98		70
Amount for Co-operative Fund .....	1,156.59	3,424.03	1,412.90		1467
Amount for Unified Fund .....	20.00				
Amount for Headquarters Fund .....	25.00				
Amount for Budget .....			39.00		
Amount for Minutes .....	89.80		45.00	5.00	15
Amount for S. S. & League Literature .....	2,045.49	1,340.19	1,538.51	206.76	355
Amount for State General Fund.....			75.00		
Amount for Bible College .....	110.00				
Amount for National Association .....					
Amount for League Board .....	18.43				

# CATIONS OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Liberty	Mission	Niangua	Northeast Missouri	Northwest Missouri	Southeast Missouri	State Total
						10
						10
						None
						None
3	8	22	6	4	28	10
		25	6		26	117
		None	None		5	109
		None	None		None	7
		25	6		31	1
Good	Good	Good	Good	Good	Good	113
		1	1	1	1	6
600	1,934	590	420	153	2,367	8,174
69	131	45	9	1	327	795
28	39	25	6	1	206	413
19	41	7	13		64	206
	None	None	None		4	5
6	22	9	5	4	15	82
481	1,522	351	273	69	2,516	7,191
162	465	268	142	84	596	2,722
77	810	1,987	415	153	3,112	11,306
	78	5	15	1	211	471
	9	2	5		31	77
	Good	Good	Good		Good	Good
	8	1	1		21	51
	Good	Good	Good		Fair	Good
	400		24		1,020	1,871
	3	None	4		16	37
	Good		Good		Good	Good
	75		79		285	629
	22	6	6	3	31	108
Good	Good	Good	Good	Good	Good	Good
307	1,302	282	272	63	3,161	7,685
34	109	18	35	10	239	595
14	134	30	31	13	228	676
8	11	42	9	2	44	181
2	13	8	4	2	21	52
6	84	15	14	9	93	340
14,941.00	\$214,900.00	\$19,500.00	\$97,500.00	\$18,000.00	\$1,167,800.00	\$1,997,691.00
1,715.05	24,666.93	3,266.20	7,868.00	585.00	70,493.55	159,949.89
874.99	2,087.26	367.08	432.69		3,477.43	12,062.45
602.84	14,377.80	1,713.50	363.65		22,063.09	58,240.79
1,240.40	5,967.31	885.81	2,824.06	472.81	40,896.95	64,227.46
	3,630.64	41.05	1,239.88	38.88	11,978.80	19,420.64
363.65			73.36		2,798.77	4,788.20
90.00			517.87		9,180.03	11,151.70
					1,564.18	1,564.18
					43.00	43.00
	200.61		26.84		182.78	445.23
70.00	12.98		13.43		588.07	1,280.82
467.00	1,501.39	54.36	434.70		9,478.16	17,874.77
	7.95		40.22			20.00
			20.55		610.00	683.17
00	15.00	118.50			120.00	95.55
76	355.02	3454.04	673.54	144.39	7,418.51	442.80
		368.70	13.43			17,545.15
	302.80		222.92		555.20	13.43
	10.00					1,265.92
	60.00					10.00
						78.43

## PLACEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

In light of the fact that no District Association has made a formal request for the next State Association, be it known that the Grant Avenue Free Will Baptist Church, 1060 South Grant, Springfield, Missouri, requests the opportunity to host the next association of 1964.

This is to be considered an informal request subject to approval by the official boards of the Mission District Association of which the Grant Avenue Church is a member.

Signed: O. T. Dixon

We recommend that this request be granted.

Signed: Rev. Max Courtney, Ch.  
Margaret Dixon  
Bernice Cantrell

## RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

1. That we give a standing vote of appreciation to the North East Association for their fine hospitality in hosting this Fiftieth Anniversary session of the Missouri State Association, and to those who graciously have opened their homes to provide sleeping facilities for visiting ministers, delegates and their families.

2. Be it resolved that the Executive Committee of the Missouri State Association, pastors, and the host Association or churches in the area of the sitting of the sessions of our Missouri State Association, highly advertise and publicize each sitting of our Missouri State Association.

3. Be it resolved that all District Association letters to the Missouri State Association be in the hands of our Missouri State Association Clerk one week prior to the sitting of our Missouri State Association.

4. Inasmuch as the National Association of Free Will Baptists will convene in Kansas City, Missouri in July of 1964, be it resolved that our entire Missouri State Association co-operate in every way with the Steering Committee in entertaining this National meeting.

5. Whereas our total State program needs the support of all of our local churches, be it resolved that 100% of our churches generously support our State Co-operative plan of giving systematically.

6. Whereas proposals are presented and discussed in and through our State Government that definitely attack our religious convictions, be it resolved that this be placed in the hands of the General Board to elect a representative to be present at such State legislative meetings with a statement from our State Association expressing our opposition to the passing of such proposals that would be contrary to our religious convictions.

Addition to Article 6:

We further recommend that Free Will Baptists throughout our State individually voice their opposition to their respective State representatives to the passing of such bills that would be detrimental to the cause of Christ.

7. Be it resolved that each standing board get into the hands of the Executive Committee a copy of their proposed budget on Monday before the State Association convenes on Tuesday.

8. Be it resolved that this body go on record as opposed to the proposed tax revision by our present administration.

9. Be it resolved that there be a general revision of our State Association programs to include those things that would be more conducive to create more spiritual services in our State Association.

10. Whereas questions have arisen relative to monies received into our State Promotional work, be it resolved that all monies earmarked Unified Fund, and Budget Fund, be deposited to the account of the Co-operative Fund.

Woodrow Matthews  
Frank Giunto  
Albert L. McFarland  
Gene Rogers  
W. H. Bostic

#### FINANCIAL REPORT OF SUNDAY SCHOOL AND LEAGUE BOARD 1962-1963

##### Receipts:

Balance brought forward (from 1962) .....	\$172.62
Income (Contributions, 1963) .....	<u>223.72</u>
Total .....	\$396.34

##### Disbursements:

Office Supplies .....	\$ 28.90
Mileage .....	30.40
Sword Drill Awards .....	17.45
Workshop Honorariums.....	10.00
Secretarial Help .....	<u>10.00</u>

Total .....

	\$ 96.75
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Total Receipts .....

	\$396.34
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Total Disbursements .....

	<u>96.75</u>
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Balance on hand .....

	\$299.59
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#### STATISTICAL STATEMENT SUNDAY SCHOOL AND LEAGUE BOARD

Number of churches reporting .....	69
Sunday School enrollment .....	6022
Sunday School average attendance .....	4719
League enrollment .....	1703

League average attendance ..... 1262  
 Contributions (36 churches and 1 league rally) ..... \$223.72

James Raper  
 Hubert Harral

## REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Moderator ..... O. T. Allred  
 Assistant Moderator ..... O. T. Dixon  
 Clerk ..... Chesley R. Hill

## MEMBERS FOR GENERAL BOARD

Mission Association ..... Edwin Wade  
 Niangua Association ..... Rev. Len Gardner  
 Northeast Association ... (The Northeast Missouri Yearly Association has  
 submitted for nomination to the General Board,  
 Bro. Howard Filkins. The Nominating Commit-  
 tee is not submitting a nomination.)  
 Northwest Association ..... Mr. Milford House  
 Southeast Association ..... Rev. R. B. Spurgeon  
 Indian Creek Association  
 (Unexpired term of Rev. James McCully, 1 yr.).... Rev. Robert Duck

## MEMBERS FOR HOME MISSIONS BOARD

Leland Horton (Unexpired term of Rev. Tommy Day) ..... 1 year  
 W. H. Bostic ..... 5 years

## MEMBERS FOR YOUTH CAMP BOARD

Gene Rogers (Unexpired term of Rev. Paul Williams) ..... 2 years  
 Teddy Davis (Unexpired term of Rev. Harvey Hill) ..... 3 years  
 Woodrow Matthews ..... 5 years

## MEMBERS FOR SUPERANNUATION BOARD

Frank Giunto ..... 5 years  
 Eugene Workman (Unexpired term of Dale Jones) ..... 1 year

## MEMBER FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL AND LEAGUE BOARD

Jess Webb ..... 5 years

Signed: C. W. Burton  
 Cletus Nichols  
 Edwin Wade  
 Harvey E. Hill  
 Harry Beatty

## 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 upholding of the Free Will Baptist Churches of Missouri and 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. Section 1. OFFICERS:

The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Secretary and Treasurer, who shall be elected annually at the close of each session and hold their office until their successors are elected.

### Section 2. BOARDS:

- A. All standing boards shall be composed of five members, exclusive of the General Board. Standing Boards include the Home Missions Board, The Sunday School and League Board, The Youth Camp Board, The Superannuation Board and the General Board.
- B. The personnel of each of the foregoing, exclusive of the General Board shall be elected as follows: The first named for a term of one year, the second for a term of two years, the third for a term of three years, the fourth for a term of four years, and the fifth for a term of five years.
- C. The personnel of the General Board shall be composed of the general officers of the State Association and the Chairman of all standing boards. They shall be elected by the State body, one member from each affiliated association whose term of office shall be two years and so constituted that the expiration date of the term of office of half of these shall expire one year and the other half the following year. This shall be determined by alphabetical order.
- D. The General Board shall have power to act in behalf of, and for the State Association from one regular session to another, and shall have power to elect such officers as may be necessary to carry out the plans and undertakings of the State Association.
- E. The General Board shall have power to fill irregular vacancies that may occur in its own body and shall also have power to fill any irregular vacancies that may occur in any department of work between sessions of the State Association. It shall be the duty of this

Board to make written reports of all its works to each annual session of the Association.

F. An Executive Committee consisting of seven members shall be elected by the General Board from among its membership, whose duty it shall be to act on all matters coming within the scope of the work of the Board when said General Board is not in session. It shall also plan and execute the program for the Missouri State Association.

G. The duties of the various standing boards shall be to plan a program and supervise its operation in their respective fields, and to receive, hold, manage, use or convey any funds and property entrusted to said Boards.

Each standing board shall prepare a budget of its proposed financial expenditures at the beginning of each Associational year (August 1 - July 31) and present the same for approval by the State Association.

H. No person shall fill more than one office at the same time except as he may become a member of the General Board by virtue of his office. No person shall serve on more than one standing board at the same time, except as he may become a member of the General Board by virtue of being Chairman of the Board of which he is an elected member.

5. This Association shall not usurp any authority over the Quarterly Meetings, or Association 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 or 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 the letters are read he shall seat the delegates.

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 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.

## BY-LAWS

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- ✓ 3. The Association shall be composed of the members of the various local affiliated Associations.
- ✓ 4. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, Assistant Moderator and Clerk, who shall be elected annually at the close of each session and hold their office until their successors are elected.
- ✓ 5. All standing boards shall be composed of five members, exclusive of the General Board. Standing Boards include the Home Missions Board, the Sunday School and League Board, the Youth Camp Board, the Super-annuation Board and the General Board.
- ✓ 6. The personnel of each of the foregoing, exclusive of the General Board, shall be elected as follows: The first named for a term of one year, the second for a term of two years, the third for a term of three years, the fourth for a term of four years, and the fifth for a term of five years, and thereafter each shall be elected for a term of five years.
- ✓ 7. The personnel of the General Board shall be composed of the officers of the State Association; the chairman of all standing Boards and one member from each affiliated Association to be elected by the State Body whose term of office shall be two years and so constituted that the expiration date of the term of office of half of these, shall expire one year and the other half the following year. This shall be determined by alphabetical order of the name of the affiliated Association.
- ✓ 8. The General Board shall have power to act in behalf of, and for the State Association from one regular session to another, and shall have power to elect such officers as may be necessary to carry out the plans and undertakings of the State Association. The General Board shall have the right to employ a Promotional Secretary who shall serve as Treasurer of the Association and be responsible for handling all monies of the Association. He shall be bonded for an amount in excess of the monies he shall be handling. In addition, the Promotional Secretary shall manage the Association's Book Store and in general promote the work of the Association and the Cause of Christ. He shall make an annual financial report to the Association.
9. The General Board shall have power to fill irregular vacancies that may occur in its own body and shall also have power to fill any irregular



vacancies that may occur in any department of work between sessions of the State Association. It shall be the duty of this Board to make written reports of all its works to each annual session of the Association.

✓ 10. An Executive Committee consisting of seven members shall be elected by the General Board from among its membership, whose duty it shall be to act on all matters coming within the scope of the work of the Board when said Board is not in session. It shall also plan and execute the program for the Missouri State Association.

✓ 11. The duties of the various standing boards shall be to plan a program and supervise its operation in their respective fields, and to receive, hold, manage, use or convey any funds and property entrusted to said Boards.

Each standing board shall prepare a budget of its proposed financial expenditures at the beginning of each Associational year (August 1 - July 31) and present the same for approval by the State Association.

✓ 12. No person shall fill more than one office at the same time except as he may become a member of the General Board by virtue of his office. No person shall serve on more than one standing board at the same time, except as he may become a member of the General Board by virtue of being Chairman of the Board of which he is an elected member.

✓ 13. The State 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.

✓ 14. Seven or more ordained ministers or deacons from two or more affiliated Associations belonging to the State Association, shall constitute a quorum to transact business.

✓ 15. 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.

✓ 16. 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 delegates present.

✓ 17. These By-Laws may be amended at any regular body by a two-thirds majority vote of all the delegates present, after the proposed amendment has laid on the table one day.

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

✓ 19. All business, except routine, shall be brought before the body by committee, but should any committee refuse or fail to present to this body,

- any business given it by any delegate of this Association, then such business may be presented to the body by any delegate, but cannot be discussed unless by a majority vote of this body.
20. No one shall speak more than five minutes or more than twice, on the same subject without the consent of the Moderator.
21. Any delegate 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.
22. No one shall leave the Association when in a business session without the consent of the Moderator.
23. Anyone desiring to speak shall arise and say "Brother Moderator," but shall speak no further until he or she is recognized by the Moderator.
24. 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.
25. The officers of this body shall submit, at every annual session, a report of the work done for this Association.
26. The Clerk shall keep an accurate record of all business transactions; shall superintend the printing of the minutes and shall receive an honorarium of an amount agreed upon by this body.
27. This Association may correspond by messenger or otherwise with other religious bodies.
28. All resolutions and reports shall bear the names of all the members of the committee who favor them; and if the names by not a majority of all members of such committee, then the clerk shall not read the resolutions or report.
29. The Moderator shall appoint a committee or committees consisting of five members who shall appoint all Committees.
30. Those entitled to vote at any annual or special meeting of this State Association, shall be the elected delegates and standing delegates as defined in Sections 33 and 34, and each elected delegate or standing delegate shall be entitled to one vote.
31. All business coming before this Association shall be decided by secret ballot when there is any opposition or objection to open vote.
32. A majority vote shall be final upon all subjects except to amend the By-Laws, receive Quarterly Meeting or Associations, and the changing of the members of the committees appointed by the Moderator, then it shall require a two-thirds majority.

- ✓ 33. The number of elected 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.
- ✓ 34. 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.
- ✓ 35. The membership of the State Association may designate any place, either within or without the State of meeting for any annual meeting. Any special meeting may be called by the General Board. A waiver of notice signed by all members entitled to vote at a meeting may designate any place, either within or without the State of Missouri, unless otherwise prescribed by statute, as the place for the holding of such meeting. If no designation is made, or if a special meeting be otherwise called, the place of meeting shall be the principal office of the corporation in the State of Missouri.
- ✓ 36. Special meetings of the Association, for any purpose or purposes, unless otherwise prescribed by Statute, may be called by the General Board, and shall be called by the Moderator at the request of not less than fifty percent of all the delegate members duly elected by local Associations, Quarterly Meetings and local Churches affiliated with the Association.
- ✓ 37. Special meetings of the General Board may be called by or at the request of the Moderator or any two Board Members. The person or persons authorized to call special meetings of the General Board may fix the place for holding any special meeting of the General Board called by them.
- ✓ 38. Notice of any special meeting shall be given at least fifteen days previously thereto by written notice delivered personally or mailed to each Board member at his business address, or by telegram. If mailed, such notice shall be deemed to be delivered when deposited in the United States mail so addressed, with postage thereon prepaid. If notice be given by telegram, such notice shall be deemed to be delivered when the telegram is delivered to the telegraph company. Any Board member may waive notice of any meeting. The attendance of a Board member at a meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting, except where a Board member attends a meeting for the express purpose of objecting to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not lawfully called or convened.
- ✓ 39. A majority of the number of General Board members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the General Board, but if less than such majority is present at a meeting, a majority of the Board members present may adjourn the meeting from time to time without further notice.

- ✓ 40. The act of the majority of the Board members present at a meeting at which a quorum is present, shall be the act of the General Board.
- ✓ 41. Any vacancy occurring in the General Board may be filled by the affirmative vote of a majority of the remaining Board members though less than a quorum of the General Board, unless otherwise provided by law.
- ✓ 42. All Board members elected to fill a vacancy shall be elected for the unexpired term of his predecessor in office.
- ✓ 43. By resolution of the General Board the Board members may be paid their expenses, if any, of attendance at each meeting of the General Board. No such payment shall preclude any Board member from serving the Association in any other capacity and receiving compensation therefor.
- ✓ 44. A Board member of the Association who is present at a meeting of the General Board at which action on any Association matter is taken, shall be presumed to have assented to the action taken unless his dissent shall be entered in the minutes of the meeting.
- ✓ 45. Any person or agent elected or appointed by the General Board may be removed by the General Board whenever in its judgment the best interests of the Association would be served thereby, but such removal shall be without prejudice to the contract rights, if any, of the person so removed.
- ✓ 46. The Moderator shall be the principal executive officer of the Association and he shall sign, with the Clerk or any other proper officer or agent of the Association thereunto authorized by the General Board, any deeds, mortgages, bonds, contracts, or other instruments which the General Board has authorized to be executed, except in cases where the signing and execution thereof shall be expressly delegated by the General Board or by these By-Laws to some other officer or agent of the Association, or shall be required by law to be otherwise signed or executed; and in general, shall perform all duties incident to the office of Moderator and such other duties as may be prescribed by the General Board from time to time.
- ✓ 47. In the absence of the Moderator or in the event of his death, inability or refusal to act, the Assistant Moderator shall perform the duties of the Moderator, and when so acting, shall have all the powers of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the Moderator. The Assistant Moderator shall perform such duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the Moderator or by the General Board.
- ✓ 48. The Clerk shall: (a) keep the minutes of the Association and of the General Board meetings in one or more books provided for the purpose; (b) see that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of these By-Laws or as required by law; (c) be custodian of the Association records and of the seal of the Association and see that the seal of the Association is affixed to all documents the execution of which on behalf of the Association under its seal is duly authorized; (d) have general charge

of the books of the Association; and (e) in general, perform all duties incident to the office of Clerk and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the Moderator or by the General Board.

- ✓ 49. The salaries of employees shall be fixed from time to time by the General Board.
- ✓ 50. The General Board may authorize any officer or officers, agent or agents, to enter into any contract or execute and deliver any instrument in the name of and on behalf of the Association, and such authority may be general or confined to specific instances.
- ✓ 51. No loans shall be contracted on behalf of the Association and no evidences of indebtedness shall be issued in its name unless authorized by a resolution.
- ✓ 52. All checks, drafts or other orders for the payment of money, notes or other evidences of indebtedness issued in the name of the Association, shall be signed by such officer, or officers, agent or agents, of the Association and in such manner as shall from time to time be determined by resolution of the General Board.
- ✓ 53. All funds of the corporation not otherwise employed shall be deposited from time to time to the credit of the Association in such banks, trust companies or other depositories as the General Board may select.
- ✓ 54. The fiscal year of the Association shall begin on the first (1st) day of August and end on the thirty-first (31st) day of July in each year.
- ✓ 55. The General Board shall provide an Association seal which shall be circular in form and shall have inscribed thereon the name of the corporation and the state of incorporation and the words, "Corporate Seal."
- ✓ 56. Unless otherwise provided by law, whenever any notice is required to be given to any member or Board member of the Association under the provisions of these By-Laws or under the provisions of the articles of incorporation, a waiver thereof in writing, signed by the person or persons entitled to such notice whether before or after the time stated therein, shall be deemed equivalent to the giving of such notice.
- ✓ 57. The meetings of the State Association and General Board shall be governed by the rules of parliamentary law as set forth in Robert's Rules of Order, except in the case of those rules which are superceded by some rule of this organization.
- ✓ 58. In the event the necessity arises from war, or pestilence, or any cause which prevents a regular meeting of the State Association, whether such a condition is of a local or general condition, then the General Board shall be privileged to call and act with full authority in all matters pertaining to the general welfare of the State Association, providing whatever transaction passed shall be by two-thirds vote of the members present, and

providing that such transactions shall not conflict with the purpose and edicts of the by-laws of the State Association.

59. No officer shall serve the same office more than three consecutive years. However, this does not apply to the presently elected officers.

60. The General Board of the Association shall be authorized by a majority vote of the voting delegates of the State Association, to sell, lease, exchange, mortgage, pledge or otherwise dispose of all, or substantially all of the property and assets of the Association.

61. The General Board by a majority vote of the voting delegates of the State Association, shall be authorized to create or to increase any bonded indebtedness of the Association.

62. The sessions of this Association shall convene on Tuesday evening at 7:30 P.M. following the third Sunday in August each year.

## WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION

### STATE OFFICERS

President .....	Lucille Beatty
Vice President .....	Ava Hellard
Secretary-Treasurer .....	Hazel Hutsell
Assistant Secretary .....	Leona Thompson
Corresponding Secretary .....	Ruth Wilfong
Youth Chairman .....	Doris Raper
Study Course Chairman .....	Jean Williams
Stewardship Prayer Chairman .....	Geraldine Edwards
Personal Service Chairman .....	Iva Treaster
Editor .....	Peggy Davis

## WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION

The Woman's Auxiliary Convention was called to order with congregational singing led by Mrs. O. T. Dixon. We sang "Jesus Saves" and "Stand Up For Jesus". Prayer was led by Sis. Hazel Hutsell. A devotional was given by Sis. Jane Norris of First Free Will Baptist Church of Fredericktown, Mo., using the scripture Titus 3:8, and challenging us to be Faithful Servants.

The president, Mrs. Lucille Beatty, gave recognition of the delegates, visitors and other Auxiliary members, and then appointed the committees. Mrs. Beatty then introduced the Youth Chairman, Mrs. James Earl Raper, who had charge of the Youth Portion. Mrs. Raper challenged us by using Eccls. 12:1, "Remember thy Creator in the days of thy youth."

A check in the amount of \$5.00 was presented to the GTA essay winner, Steven Riley, of the Hazel Creek Church. A check in the amount of

\$5.00 was presented to the YPA essay winner, Imogene Burns of the Meramec Heights Church. Recognition was given to Eva Sponsler who won 2nd at the National Convention as the Missouri entry in the GTA essay contest. Recognition was also given to Debbie Carter of the Beacon Church for being the winner in the state GTA declamation contest.

Connie Middleton, YPA contestant from First Free Will Baptist Church in Mountain Grove, presented her declamation.

Brenda Sanders of Hawaii gave a reading and a very interesting report about the Hawaiian Islands and her work there.

Mrs. O. T. Dixon led the congregation in singing "To the East, To the West" and "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms". Prayer was led by Bro. Everett Hellard. Rev. and Mrs. Everett Hellard sang "I've Discovered the Way of Gladness".

Mrs. Luther Sanders, our missionary to Hawaii, gave her testimony using the scripture John 14:15-23, and the reading "One Solitary Life". Mrs. Sanders stated "Our success is as we come to know Jesus, and make Him known. For He said, 'If I be lifted up, I will draw all men to me'."

For his message, Rev. Luther Sanders used Rev. 3:8, "Behold I set before you an open door." Bro. Sanders told of the many problems and closed doors in Hawaii, and how God had opened the doors for them.

After prayer by Sis. Lucille Beatty, a mission offering for the work in Hawaii was received in the amount of \$128.02 plus a pledge of 100 sq. feet of land.

Bro. O. T. Allred, Moderator, made the announcements and appointed committees. The benediction was given by Bro. Gene Workman.

## AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon session was opened with the congregation singing "Oh, How I Love Jesus", led by Mrs. O. T. Dixon.

The devotional was given by Rev. Mildred Gilliam of Greentop, Mo. Rev. Everett Hellard sang "Oh, Love of God".

The theme for the day, "Measures of Success", was continued as the 'Challenge Through Measures' was presented by the officers and introduced by the president, Sis. Lucille Beatty.

Sis. Hazel Hutsell, Secretary-Treasurer, using Prov. 11:1, challenged us, through the measure of money and records, to be good stewards by keeping our money and records pleasing unto the Lord. Sis. Ava Hellard for Sis. Oletha Parsons, Vice President, used Mark 16:15 to challenge us to let our life be as a measuring cup, and measure up to God's standard. Sis. Leona Thompson, Assistant Secretary, used a measuring tape to challenge our Auxiliaries to measure our success through the Standard of Achievement, Study and Prayer. Sis. Jerry Wilfong for Sis. Ruth Wilfong, Corresponding Secretary, used a yard stick for comparing our measure, the Achievement Chart, and its importance. Sis. Doris Raper, Youth Chairman, used Phil. 4:13, and the four sizes of measuring spoons for comparing the four youth groups which are sponsored by the Woman's Auxiliary. Sis. Jean Williams, Study Course Chairman, using the weight, challenged us to study and to prepare study courses that would not be weighed and found wanting.

Mrs. Lucille Beatty presided over the business session.  
The credentials committee report was read and approved.  
The registration committee report was read and approved.  
The finance committee report was read and approved.  
The appreciation committee report was read and accepted.  
The treasurer's report was read and approved by a motion and second.  
The executive meeting minutes were read and resolutions approved as read in its entirety.

Delegates to the 1964 W.N.A.C. meeting to be held in Kansas City, Mo., were appointed as follows: Mrs. Edna Carder, Mrs. Elaine Spurgeon, Mrs. Clarence Burton, Mrs. Ava Hellard, Mrs. Jerry Wilfong, Mrs. Doris Raper, Mrs. Margaret Dixon, Mrs. Geraldine Edwards, Mrs. Jane Norris, Mrs. Mary Hillard.

A motion was made and seconded to give the Secretary power to add names to replace any of the above named who can not attend the convention.

A suggestion and request was made to send used materials, cards, literature, etc., to Brazil to be used by the missionaries in the childrens work there.

The minutes were read and approved.

Rev. Luther Sanders prayed the benediction.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### FINANCE

We, the Finance Committee, have examined the treasurer's books and find them in order at this date.

Signed: Hazel Hutsell  
Elaine Spurgeon  
Vivian Burton

### REGISTRATION

We, the Registration Committee, report that 47 delegates and 11 local officers were registered for the State Convention, representing six districts. Also present were 27 visitors and Bro. and Mrs. Luther Sanders and Brenda from Hawaii.

Signed: Ava Hellard  
Geneva Barker  
Jewell Spurgeon

### CREDENTIALS

We, the Credentials Committee, have examined the Standard of Achievement charts and find the following A-1 Auxiliaries: Berkley, Kirksville, First Free Will Baptist Church of Flat River, Beacon, South Side (St. Louis), Grant Avenue. There were six A-2's and one B-1.



ducted at the Youth Camp in June. The winners to be given time to perform at the State Woman's Auxiliary meeting.

4. That we pay \$25.00 toward the expense of the Declamation Contestant to the National Convention and give an award of \$5.00 to both the Essay and Declamation winners.

5. We recommend that we give Rev. and Mrs. Luther Sanders an honorarium of \$50.00 plus the missionary offering.

6. We recommend that we pay our proportionate part of our minutes.

7. We recommend that we conduct a State workshop at Grant Avenue Free Will Baptist Church in Springfield, Mo., on Tuesday, April 21, 1964, having an all day service.

8. We recommend that we elect Mrs. Eunice Edwards to the office of State Field worker, and that we pay her 6¢ per mile as travel expense toward the promotion of new Auxiliaries.

We have examined the convention dues and find them correct for the following: St. Louis District, North East District, Central Western District, Bethel, Grant Avenue of Springfield, Thayer, Mountain Grove, Indian Creek Association.

Signed: Leona Thompson  
Velma Wellman  
Alice Dickey

### APPRECIATION

We, the Appreciation Committee, wish to express our gratitude -

1. To the President and all the officers of the Mo. State Woman's Auxiliary for their faithfulness in this past year and the program planning.

2. To Rev. and Mrs. Luther Sanders for the challenge presented to us.

3. To Miss Brenda Sanders for the reading, Miss Connie Middleton for her declamation.

4. To Rev. and Mrs. Everett Hellard for special music.

5. To the Auxiliaries of the Northeast Mo. District Convention for the planning beforehand and the hospitality extended to us.

Signed: Jerry Wilfong  
Bernice Cantrell

### RESOLUTIONS

1. We recommend that we accept Mrs. Lester Jones' resignation, and that we give Mrs. Jones an honorarium of \$50.00 for her services as editor of the Woman's Page in the Gem.

2. We recommend that our corresponding Secretary be responsible for securing the names and address of ALL local officers and sending them to the State Secretary and Treasurer's office and keeping a compiled list in the Secretary-Treasurer's office. (Hazel Hutsell, 534 W. North St., Mtn. Grove, Mo. 65711)

3. We recommend that our GTA and YPA declamation contest be con-

9. We recommend that we adopt the Land Rush in Hawaii as our State project for 1963-64, setting for our goal, the amount of \$1,000.00.

10. We recommend that we accept Mrs. Oletha Parson's resignation, and elect Mrs. Ava Hellard to fill the unexpired term of office.

11. We recommend that we accept Mrs. Grover Terry's resignation and elect Mrs. Therold Edwards to fill her unexpired term of office.

12. We recommend that Mrs. Teddy Davis be elected as Editor of the Woman's page of the Free Will Baptist Gem.

TREASURER'S REPORT OF  
MISSOURI STATE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION  
(July 1, 1962 to July 1, 1963)

Balance brought forward July 1, 1962 .....\$ 138.29

Received:

Foreign Missions .....	\$ 419.32
National Foreign Mission project .....	62.18
State Foreign Mission project - Uruguay ..	601.81
State Home Missions .....	81.71
National Home Missions .....	231.97
CERF .....	10.65
Migrate Workers .....	5.00
Student Loan Fund .....	50.16
Co-Laborer .....	160.66
Tithes .....	88.30
WNAC .....	8.35
Youth Camp .....	5.00
Representation Dues .....	<u>108.20</u>

Total Received ..... \$1,833.31

Receipts plus forward balance .....\$1,971.60

Disbursements ..... 1,771.86

Balance brought forward July 1, 1963 .....\$ 199.74

Disbursed:

Foreign Missions .....	\$ 360.65
National Foreign Mission project .....	62.18
State Foreign Mission project - Uruguay ..	601.81
National Home Missions .....	231.97
State Home Missions .....	81.71
Student Loan Fund .....	50.16
Co-Laborer .....	160.66
WNAC .....	8.35
Representation Dues .....	31.50
State Association for Minutes .....	24.60
CERF .....	10.65
Youth Camp .....	5.00

Migrate Workers .....	5.00
Declamation Award - Vivian Mason .....	5.00
Essay Award - Eva Sponslar .....	5.00
Rev. Mrs. Eunice Edwards (honorarium)...	25.00
Rev. and Mrs. Dan Cronk (honorarium - including Foreign Missions offering) ...	83.67
Convention expense.....	9.86
Supplies and postage .....	9.09

Total disbursements ..... \$1,771.86

Respectfully Submitted,

Hazel Hutsell, Treasurer

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# REPORT OF THE TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE

We, the Temperance Committee, recommend the following:

1. We stand behind the 1962 Temperance Committee and urge the yearly conference, quarterly meeting, local churches and laity to recognize and put into practice the recommendations submitted that we as Free Will Baptist take an uncompromised stand for righteous, holy and separated living. That we walk a separated life that distinguished us from the world; that we abstain from all appearances of evil and that all we do shall glorify the name of Christ.

II Corinthians 6:17-"Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you".

I Thessalonians 5:22-Abstain from all appearance of evil."

I Corinthians 10:31-"whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God."

2. Inasmuch as there is an alarming tendency on the part of both Ministry and Laity to become lax in our attitude of what we once considered wrong, may our attitude become Christ-like toward the following: (1) Alcoholic beverages; (2) Dancing; (3) Card playing; (4) Movies; (5) Tobacco; (6) Observance of the Lord's Day as a day of worship; (7) Immodest dress; (8) Television; (9) All things that hinder our Christian testimony.

James 4:17-"Therefore to him that knoweth to do good, and doeth it not, to him it is sin."

3. That our churches study and observe our Church Covenant. That our members give themselves to Bible reading and prayer, faithful attendance to the house of God for all services including Sunday night services, prayer meetings, business meeting, Association meetings and supporting the work for a world-wide outreach of souls with their tithes and offerings.

4. That our churches support the work of the Christian Civic Foundation in connection with the liquor traffic.

5. Due to the flood of pornographic and communistic literature found on our news stands, we recommend that we as individuals, churches, quarterly meetings, yearly and state association write to our State Legislators urging the passing of laws to ban the sale of such literature.

We present this for prayerful consideration.

Signed: R.W. Jess Webb  
Rev. Leland Horton  
James McCully  
J. O. Filkins  
Rev. Tommy Carlson

REPORT OF THE MISSOURI STATE HOME MISSION BOARD  
TO THE MISSOURI STATE ASSOCIATION CONVENED AT  
KIRKSVILLE, MISSOURI - AUGUST 20-22, 1963

Your State Home Mission Board met five times during the past year to transact business necessary to the operation of the Board.

Three of the meetings were in connection with the organization of new churches.

On January 10, 1963, the Olivet Church was organized in Marshall, Mo. with sixteen members. Brother James D. Elmore is presently the pastor. With a loan of \$1,000.00 from the State Home Mission Board, the church is in a building program and expect to hold services in their own building this next Sunday, August 24. This church adopted the State Association Co-operative plan of support.

On May 3, 1963 the organizational service of the First Church of Jefferson City, Mo. was held. Brother Earl Irish was elected as pastor, ten members were listed that night, and the Constitution and By-Laws adopted by the church included the State Co-operative Program.

The Central Church of Kansas City was organized on May 23, 1963. This church is supporting our State Co-operative Program. Brother James MacAllister is the full time pastor. They are purchasing a church building and growing rapidly.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Balance on Hand, August 3, 1962 \$1,901.45

RECEIVED

Missouri Co-Operative Fund	\$1,619.37
Designated through state office	305.60
Gifts-Brotherhood for Church Extension	405.00
Missouri Woman's Auxiliary Convention	123.06
Gifts	76.49
James MacAllister-Hazel Creek Revival	90.00
Interest-Cuba Church Bonds	135.00
Beacon Church on Account	439.00
Victory Church on Account	510.00
Grace Church on Account	200.00
Olivet Church on Account	20.00
Neosho Church on Account	40.00
TOTAL RECEIVED	<u>3,963.52</u>

TOTAL ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR \$5,864.97

## DISBURSED

Salary-James MacAllister	\$1,700.00
Mileage-James MacAllister	26.94
Salary-James D. Elmore	125.00
Mileage, Board Members	442.56
Loan-Olivet Church, Marshall	1,000.00
Postage and Supplies	14.50
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	<u>3,309.00</u>
BALANCE, LOAN FUND	2,146.00
BALANCE, GENERAL FUND	409.97
	<u>\$5,864.97</u>

## ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

(Including Interest for year September 1963 thru August 1964)

Beacon Church - \$25.00 per month	\$1,942.50
Victory Church - \$55.00 per month	969.41
Olivet Church - \$10.00 per month	1,046.50
Grace Church - payments begin Sept. 1963	2,105.25
Neosho Church	3,596.25
Cuba Church, Interest on \$1,500.00 Bonds	90.00

Since the financial responsibility of the State Home Mission Board is becoming greater each year, we ask that the State Association grant us permission to incorporate.

## MISSOURI STATE SUPERANNUATION BOARD OF FREE WILL BAPTIST

Financial Statement from Aug. 1, 1962 to July 31, 1963

Cash on hand upon receipt of account and records from Rev. Elmer Turnbough, Dec. 6, 1962----- \$506.01

Received from Mo. Co-op Plan	August	21.94
	September	8.51
	October	18.90
	November	11.96
	December	9.02
	January	20.36
	February	11.91
	March	8.37
	April	25.02
	May	13.67
	June	8.32
	July	21.93

Total Received	\$179.91
TOTAL	<u>\$685.92</u>

Disbursements: Christmas gifts:

December 15, 1962	Rev. James F. Miller	25.00
	Rev. E. E. Winfree	25.00
	Rev. H. C. Crase	25.00
	Rev. B.F. Brown	25.00

Total Disbursements..... 100.00

Balance in American State Bank, Flat River..... \$585.92

Balance in Bank..... 585.92

Church building bonds..... 1000.00

Interest coupons (unclaimed)..... 90.00

Total Assets..... \$1675.92

Rev. James Barker (acting Sec. & Treas.)  
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