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\* Moderator.....Rev. William Evans, Kansas City, Missouri  
 \* Assistant Moderator.....Rev. Dale Skiles, West Plains, Missouri  
 \* Clerk.....Rev. Bill Van Winkle, Berkely, Missouri  
 Assistant Clerk.....Rev. Frank Guinta, Cape Girardeau, Missouri

THE GENERAL BOARD

Cave Springs Assn.....Richard Robinson.....2 Yr. 1980  
 Central Western.....Charlie Hoover.....2 Yr. 1980  
 Indian Creek.....Rev. Cecil Campbell.....2 Yr. 1980  
 Greater Kansas City.....Charles Kennedy.....2 Yr. 1980  
 Laclede County.....Joe Fulkerson.....2 Yr. 1980  
 Liberty Assn.....Jim Hays.....2 Yr. 1980  
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 Southeast Assn.....Rev. Joe Braddy.....2 Yr. 1980  
 Mission Assn.....Rev. Max Courtney.....1 Yr. 1979  
 Niangua Assn.....Rev. Frank Linton.....1 Yr. 1979  
 Bootheel Assn.....Rev. Denzil Durbin.....1 Yr. 1979  
 St. Louis District.....Rev. Robert Sharry.....1 Yr. 1979  
 Northeast Assn.....Rev. Fletcher Riley.....1 Yr. 1979  
 Northwest Assn.....Rev. Vernon Maggart.....1 Yr. 1979

HOME MISSION BOARD

Rev. Glenn Rehkop.....5 Yr. 1983  
 Rev. Don Lombard.....4 Yr. 1982  
 Rev. Tom Owens.....3 Yr. 1981  
 \* Rev. Cliff Bowman.....2 Yr. 1980  
 Rev. Lawrence Thompson.....1 Yr. 1979

YOUTH CAMP BOARD

\* Rev. Lynn Wood.....5 Yr. 1983  
 Rev. Charles Miller.....4 Yr. 1982  
 Rev. Steve Burton.....3 Yr. 1981  
 Rev. James Stovall.....2 Yr. 1980  
 Rev. Ken Goff.....1 Yr. 1979

# SUNDAY SCHOOL AND CTS BOARD

Rev.Earl Ames.....	5 Yr. 1983
Rev.Roger Harwell.....	4 Yr. 1982
* Rev.Kent Tallent.....	3 Yr. 1981
Mr.Richard Pointer.....	2 Yr. 1980
Rev.Edwin Bowden.....	1 Yr. 1979

# CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD

Rev.Andy Lay.....	5 Yr. 1983
Rev.Russell Spurgeon.....	4 Yr. 1982
Rev.Howard Bowers.....	3 Yr. 1981
Rev.Dennis Bowman.....	2 Yr. 1980
Dr.James Davis.....	1 Yr. 1979

# N.A.E. COMMISSIONS

Rev.Don Lombard.....	Evangelism & Home Missions
Rev.Russell Spurgeon.....	Social Action
Rev.Andy Lay.....	Stewardship
Rev.Edwin Bowden.....	Evangelical Churchman
Rev.Clarence Burton.....	General Board Member

# \*\* RETIREMENT HOME COMMITTEE

Rev.Andy Lay.....	5 Yr. 1983
Mr.Don Ruble.....	4 Yr. 1982
Mr.Jim Hays.....	3 Yr. 1981
Rev.Jim McCallister.....	2 Yr. 1980
Mr.Lee Evans.....	1 Yr. 1979

Master's Men Representative.....	Mr.Gary Sutton
Hillsdale Representative.....	Rev.Andy Lay

\* Members of the Executive Committee of the General Board

\*\* This committee will become a committee of the General Board and that beginning of 1979 the retiring member be elected by the General Board and that the officers of this committee be listed with the other State officers in the State minutes.

## MINISTERS WHO REGISTERED

Rev. Earl Ames	Rev. William Evans	Rev. Cletus Nichols
Rev. Edwin Bains	Rev. Len Gardner	Rev. Harold Wayne Parsons
Rev. James Barker	Rev. Frank Giunta	Rev. Glenn Rehkop
Rev. David Bates	Rev. Ken Goff	Rev. Richard Robinson
Rev. Harry Beatty	Rev. Ronald E. Graham	Rev. Robert R. Sharry
Rev. Don Bieberdorf	Rev. Don Hanna	Rev. Dale Skiles
Rev. Wesley Bigelow	Rev. Roger Harwell	Rev. N. R. Smith
Rev. Leroy Blankenship	Rev. Charles Horton	Rev. Russel Spurgeon
Rev. Dana Booth	Rev. David Huett	Rev. Dale Statler
Rev. Edwin Bowden	Rev. David A. Kirby	Rev. James C. Stovall
Rev. Howard Bowers	Rev. Andy W. Lay	Rev. Don Strausey
Rev. Cliff Bowman	Rev. Lester Lemons	Rev. Keith Tallent
Rev. Joe B. Braddy	Rev. Guy Leonard	Rev. R. Kent Tallent
Rev. Troy C. Burney	Rev. Donald W. Lombard	Rev. Grover Terry
Rev. C. H. Burton	Rev. Dan Martin	Rev. Lawrence Thompson
Rev. Cecil H. Campbell	Rev. O. D. Matthews	Rev. Morris Tucker
Rev. Max Courtney	Rev. Jim Mertz	Rev. Don Umfleet
Rev. Mike Creech	Rev. Charles Miller	Rev. Bill Van Winkle
Rev. James T. Davis	Rev. James McAllister	Rev. Wayne Wagner
Rev. Ken Dodson	Rev. David McCutcheon	Rev. Lynn Wood
Rev. Denzil Durbin	Rev. Tom Owens	

## DELEGATES WHO REGISTERED

Leola Ames	Gertie Hellen	Christine Pinkley
Edna Archambo	Chesley Hill	Carl G. Pinkston
Geneva Barker	Alice Hoover	Ethel Pirtle
Terry Baine	Charlie Hoover	Blauche Pogue
Marilyn Bates	Norma Horton	Jerry Ramsey
Lucille Beatty	Carl Hollis	Don Ruble
Olivia Beenrau	Mildred Hovis	Leo J. Ruble
Glenda Bigelow	Charlene Keesling	Mary Ruble
Shirley Bowden	Jack D. Keesling	Sharon Ruble
Frances Bowman	Leamon L. Killian	Hazel Scott
Betty Bowers	Mildred Killian	Tammie Ann Sharry
Jeannie Bowman	Carolyn LaChance	Garry D. Sloan
Patsy Braddy	Hubert G. Long	Ollie Smith
Betty Booth	Mrs. Cleo Leonard	Juanita Skaggs
Vivian Burton	Carolyn Sue Lombard	Elaine Spurgeon
Mrs. Jewell Campbell	Barbara Matthews	Emma Stovall
Bernice Cantrell	Stella Matthews	Louise Strauser
Virgil Cantrell	Imalea Miller	Kay Tallent
Ted Cluck	Myrtle Miller	Kathy Thebeau
Carla Creech	Gladys Montgomery	D. E. Tinsley
Peggy Davis	Woody Montgomery	Dewey C. Tripp
Paula Dodson	Mary Ruth Moon	Helen Tripp
Lois Dunham	Betsy Moser	Norma Tripp
Charles L. Edwards	Dorothy Mosier	Hester Tucker
Braxine Evans	Homer Mosier	Maxine Wagner
Brenda Evans	Helen McAllister	Glenda Ward
Lucille Gardner	Edith McCormack	Thomas Ward
Paul Graham	Hilda Nichols	Mrs. Robert Warthan
Mrs. Kenneth Goff	Allen Oegonia	Blanche Wisehart
Essie Hamilton	Mary Ann Owens	Virgil Wisehart
Hank Heberie	Oletha Parsons	

# VISITORS WHO REGISTERED

Dede Agnew  
 Linda M. Agnew  
 Lana Allison  
 Larry Allison  
 Lee Ann Ames  
 Betty Archambo  
 Charles Archambo  
 Marc Archambo  
 Christi Bailey  
 Debbie Bailey  
 Peggy Bailey  
 Onra Barker  
 Ray Barker  
 Alice Barr  
 Frank Baton  
 Ruth Bayless  
 Matt Biebendorf  
 Audrey Bigelow  
 Brenda Blankenship  
 Ginger Bollinger  
 Greg Bowers  
 Pam Bowers  
 Shirley Bowers  
 Audrey Boyd  
 Austin Boyd  
 A. E. Boatwright  
 Cathy Brawley  
 Cindy Brawley  
 James Bridgeman  
 Gene Burcham  
 Minnie Burcham  
 Edna Burns  
 Jack Burns  
 Juanita Burso  
 Alan D. Chapman  
 La Donna Chapman  
 Rita Chronister  
 Karl A. Clevis  
 Teresa Cluck  
 Tracy Cluck  
 Wanda Cluck  
 Cathy Cockrune  
 Gay Cook  
 David Costnec  
 Ed Crouch  
 Shirley Crutchfield  
 Betty Deibel  
 Cindy Dement  
 Dennis Dement  
 Pearl Denton  
 David R. De Priest  
 George De Priest  
 Marilyn De Priest  
 Hallie Dittmer  
 Robert Douglas  
 Kirk Durbin

Katie Eaton  
 Joyce F. Ely  
 Rick Ely  
 Lee Evans  
 Mary Fletcher  
 Edith Forshee  
 Nedra Francis  
 Vicky Franklin  
 Annia Lea Friscott  
 Tony J. Gale  
 Mrs. Tony J. Gale  
 Gary Gerstenschlager  
 Brenda Goad  
 Ruth Goad  
 Marie Graham  
 Mrs. Paul Graham  
 Elsie Gray  
 Hillard Gray  
 Marge Gray  
 Tammy Gray  
 Grace Haire  
 Bernice Halbrook  
 Pansy L. Hale  
 Raymond Hale  
 Daisy Harper  
 Wayne Hayes  
 Mae Hill  
 Betty Hogan  
 Roger L. Hogan  
 Mrs. Roberta Hooss  
 Stan Hooss  
 Dorothy Hovis  
 Norma Hovis  
 Roger Hovis  
 Gene Howell  
 Ruth Howell  
 Wanda Huett  
 Larna Huff  
 Jessie Hufford  
 John Hufford  
 Esta Hughes  
 Sammy Jacobs  
 A. Jenkerson  
 Jean Jerkerson  
 Cheryl Johnson  
 Mrs. Jack Johnson  
 Flo Johnson  
 Matt Johnson  
 Missey Johnson  
 Gary Joplin  
 Jimmy Keel  
 Charles Kennedy  
 Emma King  
 John A. King  
 Linda S. King  
 Marie Kotyh

John LaChance  
 Isabelle Leftridge  
 Beverly Leirer  
 David L. Leirer  
 Brenda Leonard  
 Gail Leonard  
 Nick Leonard  
 Maxine Long  
 Clella Malloy  
 Hazel Marler  
 Gary Matthews  
 George W. Matthews  
 Joyce Meadow  
 Kevin Melvael  
 Mrs. Doris Milburn  
 Marvin Milburn  
 Rachel Milburn  
 Eunice A. Miller  
 Pauline Miller  
 Vivian J. Miller  
 Juanita Molwrin  
 James R. Montgomery  
 Jami Montgomery  
 Karen S. Montgomery  
 Keith Montgomery  
 Sandra Morris  
 Sue Morris  
 Jerry Moser  
 Deana Moser  
 J.J. Moser  
 Ruth Moser  
 Donald L. Moss  
 Eva M. Moss  
 Carol Muese  
 Henry W. Murray  
 Eugene Muse  
 Louise Muse  
 Dale McCurry  
 Marge McCurry  
 Lester McGrant  
 Betty McGuire  
 Laurela Les McGuire  
 Peggy McGuire  
 Leua McKinnon  
 Marty McWilburn  
 Mrs. Marty McWilburn  
 Allen D. Naylor  
 Virgie Neeley  
 Donna Nelson  
 Imogene Parker  
 Archie Parrish  
 Darlene Parrish  
 Diani Pattengill  
 Kenny Petty  
 Shelia Petty

# VISITORS WHO REGISTERED-(Continued)

Jan Pieper  
 Debbie Pigg  
 Russ Pigg  
 David Pinkston  
 Darrell E. Pinkston  
 Dorothy Pinkston  
 Fred Pinkston  
 Mrs. Fred Pinkston  
 Leon Pinkston  
 Nat Prather  
 Cheri Ragsdale  
 Elwood Ragsdale  
 Jamra Ragsdale  
 Wanda Ragsdale  
 Betty Reeves  
 Ginny Reeves  
 Robert R. Reeves  
 Reed Resinger  
 Bryan Richardson  
 Lindell Richardson  
 William Rinehart  
 Pudd Ritter  
 Glen Rogers  
 Mrs. Glen Rogers  
 Anita Ruble  
 Paul Ruble

Paule Tinsley  
 B. Turley  
 Alice Tallent  
 Lillie Tallent  
 Iva Treaster  
 Norman Tallend  
 Gloria Umfleet  
 Thelma Voyles  
 Peggy Vines  
 Mary White  
 Richard White  
 Susan White  
 Howard White  
 Judy Weddle  
 Shirley Wilkson  
 Marian Wilson  
 Virginia Watkins  
 Gene Willfong  
 Jyrell Wagnen  
 Bob Wortham  
 Jo Ann Wood  
 Gary Wilson

## SPECIAL VISITORS

Margaret Scott  
 Mr. and Mrs. Bob Shannon  
 Kim Sharry  
 Marion Sherrill  
 Pearl Sirclum  
 John Smith  
 Sandy Smith  
 Elaine Sprodlin  
 Debbie Stacy  
 Irene Stamm  
 Judy Stamm  
 Debbie Stegall  
 Howard Stegall  
 Eudora Stephens  
 Kristy Stephens  
 Mrs. Paula Stephens  
 Tim Stephens  
 Earl Stiver  
 Katherine Stiver  
 Gale Stone  
 Henry Stevens  
 Mrs. Henry Stevens  
 Joe Stone  
 Paul Stud  
 Ed Swerigan  
 Donna Swerigan  
 Lula Treeland  
 Edwin Tripp  
 Oscar Teaster  
 Blanche Tucker  
 Bailey Thompson  
 Alberts Turley

Rev. Ronald Creech  
 Don Elkins  
 Rev. Malcolm Eudaley  
 Rev. Leroy Forlines  
 Rev. Bill Fulcher  
 Glenda Fulcher  
 Rev. Herman Hersey  
 Don McLain  
 Jim McLain  
 Mary McLain  
 Olena McLain  
 Rev. James E. Raper  
 Mrs. James Raper  
 Charolette Tallent  
 Rev. Roy Thomas  
 Rev. Jack L. Williams

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MISSOURI STATE ASSOCIATION  
OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

When convened with the Fellowship Free Will Baptist Church and the Flat River Field House of Flat River, Missouri.

TUESDAY, 7:30 p.m. JUNE 6, 1978

The sixty-fifth session of the Missouri State Association of Free Will Baptists convened on Tuesday night at 7:30 p.m. June 6, 1978 at the Flat River Field House, Flat River, Missouri. The service was opened by the congregational song, "Amazing Grace," led by Rev. Andy Lay.

The session was convened by the clerk, Rev. James Mertz. The theme of the convention being: "THE WORD OF THE LORD IS RIGHT," PSALMS 33:4

The Rev. Joe Braddy, pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Fredericktown, Missouri, officially welcomed the State Convention to the Flat River area. The response was given by Dr. N.R. Smith of Joplin, Missouri. Rev. Andy Lay then led the congregation in singing "When We All Get To Heaven."

Rev. Bill Evans gave the Moderator's Message taken from St. John 4:26. An offering for the expenses of the State Convention was received. Special music was presented by the Girl's Ensemble of the Fellowship Free Will Baptist Church, Flat River. Rev. Leroy Forlines, professor at the Free Will Baptist Bible College, delivered the Keynote Message, "The Word Of The Lord Is Right-Theologically."

At the conclusion of the message, the moderator asked the clerk to read the appointment of committees. The session was dismissed by the congregation singing the chorus-"The B\_I\_B\_L\_E."



Wednesday, 9:00 A.M., June 7, 1978

Convention was opened by the devotion given by Rev. Denzil Durbin from Matthew 4.

The report of the Credentials Committee was given. M/S/C to receive the report, the letters, and seat the delegates. Visitors were then recognized by the Moderator.

The report of the General Board was read. M/S/C to receive the report and consider it item by item:

Item #1: Read as information

Item #2: M/S/C to table proposed amendments, (A) and (B), until Thursday morning.

Item #3: M/S/C to table until Wednesday afternoon.

Item #4: M/S/C to consider this item in the Sunday School and C.T.S. Board report.

Item #5: M/S/C to adopt as amended... (1) "We recommend that out-of-state and non-Free Will Baptist speakers to the State Association receive \$100.00, motel expense, meals, and 15¢ per mile traveling expense." (2) "We recommend that the Wednesday night offering be divided among all Missouri missionaries, Home and Foreign, whose accounts are presently in the red."

The Budget Committee report to the General Board was read and considered item by item:

Item #1: adopted

Item #2: adopted

Item #3: adopted

Items #4, 5, 6: M/S/C to table until Thursday morning.

The report of the Promotional Secretary was given by Rev. Clarence Burton. The Cooperative monies received, of \$139,638.23, was well above the proposed budget of \$130,000. M/S/C to receive this report and adopt the budget as amended... "that the Promotional Secretary is free to set up seminars and that his salary is not to be brought up on the floor for business." M/S/C to give a standing vote of appreciation for the outstanding work of Rev. Clarence Burton.

The report from the Free Will Baptist Children's Home in Greenville, Tennessee, was given by Rev. James Earl Raper, Director.

Business session was adjourned until the afternoon and was dismissed in prayer.

Wednesday, 11:00 A.M., June 7, 1978

The service was opened with prayer with Rev. Ken Dodson presiding. Following the congregational singing, Sis. Leonard rendered the special music. The morning message, entitled "The Word of the Lord is Right-Practically", was delivered by Rev. Leroy Forlines, from the Bible College. The service was dismissed in prayer.

Wednesday, 1:30 P.M., June 7, 1978

Session was convened by an instrumental by Rev. Herman Hersey.  
Rev. Dan Martin, Cuba, Missouri, brought the afternoon devotion from  
II Peter 3:17-18. Prayer was led by Rev. Keith Tallent.

M/S/C to remove from the table Item III of the General Board report. M/S/C to adopt the proposals of this committee (Retirement and Nursing Home), the recommendations of the General Board, and to give them authorization to enter into an agreement to purchase land, hire a promotional man, and get legal and architectural advice on the final stages of their plans. A standing vote on this item was requested.

The report of the Proposed Budget was read by Rev. N.R. Smith.  
M/S/C to adopt the following proposed budget showing the following changes:

Proposed Budget

\$145,000.00

<u>Last</u> <u>Year</u>	<u>Proposed</u> <u>Per cent</u>	<u>Budget</u> <u>Item</u>	<u>Amount</u>
20%	18.50%	Missouri State Home Missions	\$26,829.00
18.5%	16.00%	Promotional Department	23,200.00
4.5%	4.50%	General Fund	6,525.00
5.25%	5.50%	Missouri State Youth Camp	7,975.00
2.0%	2.00%	Christian Board of Education - MBI	2,900.00
2.0%	2.00%	Sunday School and C.T.S.	2,900.00
	5.00%	Pastor's Retirement	7,250.00
	5.00%	Nursing and Retirement Committee	7,250.00
13%	11.00%	Foreign Missions	15,950.00
9%	8.00%	Free Will Baptist Bible College	11,600.00
7%	6.00%	Executive Department	8,700.00
6.5%	6.00%	National Home Missions	8,700.00
2.5%	2.00%	National C.T.S.	2,900.00
2.5%	2.00%	Retirement and Insurance	2,900.00
.25%	.25%	Layman's Board	362.50
.25%	.25%	Theological Commission	362.50
7%	6.00%	Hillsdale College	8,700.00
Total Proposed Budget			\$145,000.00

The report of the State Home Missions was given by Rev. Lawrence Thompson and Rev. Cliff Bowman. M/S/C to receive the report and adopt the budget.

The report from the Hillsdale College was given by Rev. Bailey Thompson. The state of Missouri had (24) students enrolled this year and Missouri churches gave \$15,101.04 in gifts to the school from July, 1977 to March, 1978.

The report from the National Board of Retirement and Insurance was given by Rev. Herman Hersey, Director.

Rev. Ronald Creech gave the report from the Free Will Baptist Bible College of Nashville, Tennessee. He strongly encouraged the completion of the "Missouri Project."

The report from the National Layman's Board was given by Bro. Elkins.

The Report from the Sunday School and C.T.S. Board of Missouri was given by Rev. Kent Tallent. M/S/C to receive the report, adopt the budget and deal with Item # IV from the General Board report. M/S/C to adopt Item IV as amended... "and recommend that we abide by the final decision of the National Association."

Rev. Roy Thomas gave the report representing the National Home Mission Board as their new director. He reported greetings from (35) couples on the field and thanked Missourians for the \$17,588.78 in gifts received so far this year. He reported that Rev. Bob Shockey sent regards and appreciation for cards and prayers during his sickness. Tryman Messer is to join the staff as of July 1, 1978.

The report from the State Youth Camp Board was given by Rev. Lynn Wood. M/S/C to receive the report and adopt the budget.

Rev. Andy Lay gave the report from the Christian Education Board. M/S/C to receive the report and adopt the budget.

The report from the Lebanon Bible and Bookstore was given by Rev. Edwin Bowden, Manager. M/S/C to receive the report and adopt the budget.

Appreciation was then expressed by the Moderator to his assistant Rev. Dale Skiles, for his great help. M/S/C to adjourn until Thursday morning, 9:00 A.M. Dismissed in prayer.

WEDNESDAY, 7:30 p.m., JUNE 7, 1978

Rev. Andy Lay opened the service, leading the congregation in singing, "To God Be The Glory" followed by Dr. N.R. Smith leading in prayer. Rev. Edwin Bowden presided over the service.

Bill Fulcher, Free Will Baptist missionary, spoke representing the Foreign Mission Board and expressed gratitude for the support from Missouri. The congregation was then led in singing, "Jesus Saves," by Rev. Andy Lay.

Rev. Lawrence Thompson, on behalf of the State Home Mission Board introduced the Home and Foreign missionaries and presented a plaque to the South Fremont Free Will Baptist Church of Springfield, Missouri for the highest per capita giving for 1977-1978. It was received by the Pastor Wayne Wagner. The plaque for the largest gift donated to the Perpetual Loan Fund and the plaque for the largest gift to State Home Missions were both presented to the Olivet Free Will Baptist Church of Marshall, Missouri. They were accepted by the Pastor Cliff Bowman.

An offering was received for all the missionaries from Missouri who had deficit accounts, to be divided equally. Special music was presented by David Bates from the Farmington Church.

Rev. Edwin Bowden, presiding, called for special prayer, by request, for Sis. Stovall's father who was in intensive care at a Popular Bluff hospital.

Rev. James McAllister, pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Farmington, delivered a challenging message on the theme, "The Word Of The Lord Is Right-Exclusively," taking as his text I Peter 1:18-25. The session was dismissed in prayer by Rev. Bill Van Winkle.

Thursday, 9:00, June 8, 1978

Session was opened by congregational singing, led by Rev. Keith Tallent, "All Hail the Power". Rev. Grover Terry, St. Louis, Missouri, brought the morning devotion from II Timothy 4.

A report from the State Woman's auxiliary was given by Shirley Bowden.

M/S/C to remove from the table items 4, 5, and 6 of the Budget Committee Report to the General Board. Voted the adoption of all three.

The Registration Committee report was read with the following totals: 62 state ministers; 89 delegates; 250 visitors; and 16 special visitors. Total registration was 417.

Rev. Lynn Wood brought greetings and report from the National C.T.S. Department in the absence of Rev. Malcom Fry, Director.

The report from the National Executive Office was given by Jack Williams. M/S/C to commend Brother Williams for his work in Contact Magazine.

The Resolutions Committee report was read. M/S/C to receive the report and adopt, item by item.

Item #1: M/S/C to adopt

Item #2: M/S/C to adopt the following amendment...  
"the word clerk be changed to Promotional Secretary to write Representative Volkmer"

Item #3: M/S/C to adopt with the following amendment...  
"that the resolution read--the authoritative, inerrant and infallible Word of God."

Item #4: M/S/C to adopt.

Item #5: M/S/C to adopt.

Item #6: M/S/C to refer to Youth Camp Board.

Item #7: M/S/C to adopt.

Item #8: M/S/C to adopt.

M/S/C to give Rev. Bob Shockey a standing vote of appreciation as retiring director of National Home Missions and that the Promotional Secretary write a letter expressing our prayers for his new job. A special prayer was then said in behalf of Rev. Shockey.

The Placement Committee report was given. M/S/C to go to Berkeley, Missouri for the 1979 State Association and consider Lebanon, Missouri for 1980.

Report of the National Sunday School Department was given by Dr. Roger Reeds.

M/S/C that all churches will receive a copy of the report from the Resolutions Committee.

In the absence of Malcom Eudaly, the Moderator gave a report from World Vision International stating that 38 Free Will Baptist Churches in Missouri have participated in the "Love-Loaf" program.

M/S/C to set June 7, 1979, the close of the 1979 State Association as the completion target goal for the Missouri Project for the Free Will Baptist Bible College.

Obituary Committee was read and adopted stating the death of (99) members from (9) associations during the past year. The congregation stood for a moment of prayer to their memory.

Thursday, 11:00 A.M. June 8, 1978

The service was opened with the congregation singing "The Banner of The Cross", led by Rev. Keith Tallent. Doctor N. R. Smith, from the First Free Will Baptist Church in Joplin, presided over the service. Reverend Bob Sharry then led in prayer. We were blessed next by the Special Music of a ladies trio, from the First Church, Flat River. We were then thrilled by the message entitled, "The Word Of The Lord Is Right--Scientifically", brought so ably by Doctor James Davis, taking his text from Psalms 8. The service closed in prayer.

#### Following the Service

M/S/C to remove from the table-Item II of the General Board Report:

Proposal (A): M/S/C to adopt

Proposal (B): M/S/C to adopt with the following amendment..."that it shall read-provided such action is called by a chairman of a board or committee..."

The nominating Committee report was read. M/S/C to adopt item by item.

A closing challenge was presented by Moderator Bill Evans in behalf of the missionary Jim McClain. He strongly encouraged giving to their account which was in need of \$10,000 before the end of the summer.

M/S/C to give a standing vote of thanks to Moderator, Bill Evans, and Clerk, Jim Mertz. The session was dismissed in prayer by Earl Ames.

## COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES REPORT

We the Committee on Committees recommend the following Committees to serve during this session of the Missouri State Association:

### NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Lawrence Thompson, Chairman  
Howard Bowers  
Jim McAllister  
Don Lombard  
Kent Tallent

### RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

Max Courtney, Chairman  
Cecil Campbell  
Andy Lay  
James Davis  
Robert Sherry

### OBITUARY COMMITTEE

Danny Martin, Chairman  
Virgil Cantrell  
Earl Ames  
Archie Parrish  
James Barker

### CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Harry Beatty, Chairman  
Virgil Wisehart  
James Stovall  
Guy Leonard  
Charles Miller

Respectfully submitted,

Dale Skiles, Chairman  
N.R. Smith  
Roger Harwell  
Glen Rehkop  
Charles Hoover

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE REPORT

We, the Credentials Committee, submit the following report: Fourteen (14) associations reported. The following associations are to have delegates named today by their moderator:

Greater Kansas City, Bootheel District, Northeast District, Northwest District, Central Western District, Indian Creek District.

The Cave Springs Association is \$32.00 short on its dues to the State Association.

We recommend that all associations reporting be received and their delegates, along with those chosen today, be seated. We further recommend that the Cave Springs Association remit to the state treasurer the amount of \$32.00.

Please note that the dues to the State Association are \$5.00 per church in each District.

The reporting associations are as follows:

Cave Springs, Southeast, Mission, St. Francois, Liberty, St. Louis, Iacledé, Greater Kansas City, Bootheel, Northeast, Northwest, Central Western, Indian Creek, & Niangua (Late)

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Harry Beatty, chairman  
Rev. James Stovall  
Rev. Charles L. Miller  
Rev. Guy Leonard  
Bro. Viril Wisehart



## GENERAL BOARD REPORT

The General Board met twice during the past year: June 9, 1977 at Springfield, Missouri and November 1, 1977 at Lebanon, Missouri. The Executive Committee met September 20, 1977 at the Youth Camp. The following business was transacted:

1. Elected the following men to the Executive Committee: Reverend Joe Braddy, Reverend Lynn Wood, Reverend Max Courtney, Reverend Andy Lay.
2. The Book Store Manager directed to purchase insurance from Ely James Company.
3. Voted to enter into a three year lease agreement to purchase a new cash register for the Book Store.
4. Authorized the Book Store to charge a 1% service charge on all past due accounts with a minimum of 50¢ per month charge.
5. Letter drafted and sent to Executive Department of National Association to clear up apparent misunderstandings resulting from an over charge by the Convention Hotel in Detroit of \$2.00 per room per day.
6. Directed the Retirement and Nursing Home Committee to continue their feasibility study and report back to the General Board.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

### I. REPORT FROM THE PROMOTIONAL SECRETARY

- A. There was discussion as to the "alleged" letter condemning Anita Bryant, from a "Reverend Lewis." It was reported that this man could not be found and that any connection to the Free Will Baptists could not be found. The letter of explanation, written by the Promotional Secretary to the Executive Secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention was then examined. The letter was printed in full in the Baptist magazine, "Word and Way."
- B. After writing Billy Melvin concerning the rumors of the NAE condoning homosexuality, the Promotional Secretary received a reply from Brother Melvin stating that the NAE stood in condemnation of homosexuality as a sin as it is taught in the Scriptures.

11. We recommend that the following proposals be adopted:

A. Addition to By-Law # 22

The Executive Committee shall be the governing board of the Lebanon Bible and Book Store and shall establish policy for the operation of the store. The Executive Committee shall have the power to employ and supervise the work of the Book Store Manager. The Book Store Manager shall employ and supervise the other store employees.

B. By-Law #41 (Would require the renumbering of succeeding By-Laws)

All committees and standing boards shall be permitted to take official votes on any item of business within the scope of their work by mail or by telephone conference call, provided such action is called by a chairman of a board or committee and has been proposed by at least 2 members of the board or committee.

111. Retirement Center/Nursing Home Committee Report

MISSOURI STATE ASSOCIATION  
OF  
FREE WILL BAPTISTS

RETIREMENT CENTER/NURSING HOME COMMITTEE REPORT

1. The year of 1977-1978 was an eventful and progressive year for the Retirement Center/Nursing Home Committee. The committee has had several meetings trying to discern the best direction to recommend to the State Association to take and the desires of the membership at large. After much research and contact with the many F.W.B. Churches across the state most people wanted to know just what specifically the Association had in mind. Several committee members have met with Architects and a banker friend to seek wisdom into such a bold adventure. With this background the committee met March 14, 1978 at the State Office in Lebanon and drafted the following guidelines and recommendations for the State meeting. Some of the proposed guidelines have been verified with professionals in the respective fields since the March meeting and are reflected in this draft.
  - A. The committee recommends to the State Association the creation of a retirement village with a nursing home in the future for the following reasons:
    - (1) A nursing home would tend to minister to a local area only, whereas a retirement village would have more benefit for the entire state.
    - (2) The initial cost of a nursing home is much greater than a retirement village.
    - (3) There is risk in buying an existing nursing home already in operation (why is it for sale?).

- (4) A nursing home requires a technical staff which would be more difficult to obtain.
- (5) There are more government regulations on nursing homes.
- (6) A nursing home would not be filled with F.W.B. for a long time. whereas a retirement village could be entirely F.W.B. from the beginning.
- (7) We anticipate difficulty securing a qualified administrator.

B. The Retirement Village master plan proposed includes a nursing home for future development.

C. Location: The Lebanon area is recommended for the following reasons:

- (1) It is close to the State F.W.B. Office and Book Store.
- (2) It is close to the F.W.B. Youth Camp.
- (3) It is the center of the F.W.B. population in the state.
- (4) It is more rural and typically preferred by F.W.B. culturally.
- (5) Cost of development would be cheaper than in the large metropolitan areas.

D. Needs that the F.W.B. Retirement Village will attempt to meet:

- (1) A place for F.W.B. Christian workers and laymen to retire.
- (2) A Retirement Village with F.W.B. distinction.
- (3) Meet the needs of a number of retirees at present and rapid growing future.
- (4) A need for lower cost living:
  - (a) Lower initial investment, a smaller home.
  - (b) Little or no maintenance.
  - (c) Mostly self contained community environment.
  - (d) Less travel expense.
- (5) Provide specialized ministries to senior citizens.

II. The committee scheduled future work to be implemented and investigated for inclusion in this report based on the following guidelines:

A. Meeting with real estate people in Lebanon area to verify land cost and location factors meeting the following Land Specifications:

- (1) 50 acres or more wooded with some open tracts.
- (2) One quarter mile plus road frontage on hard surface road.
- (3) Minimum of 40 acres rolling gently, 20 acres may be more severe.
- (4) Maximum 10 miles from the city limits of Lebanon, Mo.
- (5) Not necessary tillable or improved by house or out buildings.
- (6) Near by utilities preferable (waste disposal, water,

- phone, and electric)  
(7) Running water creek or lake would be nice.  
(8) Stay within the \$50,000 ceiling.

\* The committee (Andy Lay, Don Ruble, Russel B. Spurgeon and Clarence Burton) have met with a local real estate and have found very nice property in the \$33,500 to \$56,000 range.

B. Met with a local banker to review the financial feasibility of the plan here-in presented.

\* Reverend Andy Lay and Reverend Clarence Burton have met with a banker and have reported that the plan is feasible.

C. Met with an Architect/Engineer to get estimates of professional fees and time schedules.

\* Don Ruble has discussed this project with a couple of Architects and estimates the following:

(The general program was acceptable and professional fees would range from 4% to 6% of the construction cost and the timetables have been reviewed and/or adjusted based upon these meetings.)

### III. The Proposed Program

A. Buy property and raise money (6 months - June/78 to January/79)

- (1) Money for down payment and professional fees.
- (2) Raise money for putting a promotional man on the field for 3 months.

B. Prepare professional work (3 months - January/79 to April/79)

- (1) Legal
- (2) Financial for construction
- (3) Architectural/Engineering plans
- (4) P.R. and building sales

C. Construction (9 months - April/79 to January/80)

- (1) Utility hook-ups
- (2) Roads
- (3) Community building
- (4) Two 4-plex buildings (8 apartments)

D. Occupancy - earliest date possible would be January - 1980.

### IV. Cost factor estimates:

A. Land purchase \$50,000 for 60 plus/minus acres

- (1) (10,000) down payment - (1,000 committee funding and 9,000 fund raising project)
- (2) \$40,000 financed by yearly renewable notes, to be paid off within 3 years from gifts solicited by the P.R. man

B. Promotional man for the 3 months, salary and expense - \$3,000 to \$5,000.

C. Professional staff - \$18,000

- (1) Legal fees - \$3,000
- (2) Financial assistance (bank officer)
- (3) Architect/Engineer fee \$15,000 for Master Plan and first unit plans.

D. Construction Budget Phase I \$200,000

(1) Road and building utilities 20,000

(2) Community Building 20,000

(3) Two Quad-plexes 160,000

Total \$200,000

E. Selling cost to retiree - \$25,000 plus a minimal maintenance service charge of a possible \$15.00 per month. This charge will vary based on services provided.

V. Future Phase

A. Review feedback and analyze plans for next phase.

B. Contract for additional A/E services if needed.

C. Secure construction loan for next phase.

D. Sell next units prior to construction.

E. Build next phase.

F. Start over at V.A. and repeat process.

VI. Nursing home:

A. The future of a Nursing Home will need to be reviewed in the future and a search into the needs and ability to support such a venture and the ability to provide or hire qualified Nursing Home Staff. With the increasing control and regulations enforced and proposed and possible problems with getting Medi-care, the financial burden could be very heavy.

B. This venture needs a great deal of prayer, wisdom and God's help to bring the kind of people up front to put it together.

VII. Conclusion:

A. These reports and the proposed program are presented to the State Association for a positive action.

B. The committee is at the services to review, search and answer any questions the membership may have.

C. The committee needs direction on what action is to be taken. The committee wishes to thank all those brothers, sisters, and outside businessmen who have had input into the conclusions and report.

Retirement Center/Nursing Home Committee

James Barker, Chairman

Andy Lay, Secretary

Harry Beatty

N.R. Smith

Donald L. Ruble

Russel B. Spurgeon, Special Advisor

\*The General Board reviewed these recommendations and recommend the State Association officially adopt them.

- IV. We, the Sunday School and C.T.S. Board, request that the General Board Draw up a resolution to be submitted to the State Association for the approval to be presented to the National Association regarding the National youth Conference guidelines under Roman numeral I (dress code), Section B, parts 1 and 2 which are as follows:

Part 1: The boys shall groom their hair so as to follow the natural hairlines without covering the ears or extending to the eyes or collar.

Part 2: Hair styles for girls should not be in accord with male fashions.

We recommend the elimination of these two items or the enforcing of these two rules not only for the youth participants, but also for the Pastors, Youth Directors, Contest Judges, accompanists, and directors of events on a State and National level, and that we will abide by the final decision of the National Association.

V. Offering Designation

1. We recommend that the guest speaker receive \$100.00, Motel expenses, meals, and 15¢ per mile traveling expenses.
2. We recommend the Wednesday night offering be divided among all Missouri missionaries, Home and Foreign, who accounts

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REPORT OF AUDITING/BUDGET COMMITTEE

1. We recommend a budget of \$145,000.
2. We recommend the salary of the Promotional Secretary to be raised to \$200.00 per week and that it be retroactive to April 1.
3. We recommend the promotional Secretary be enrolled in the Oklahoma Group Health Insurance Plan.
4. We recommend that the Bookstore manager and Promotional Secretary have the same Retirement Program as the Pastor.
5. We recommend that \$2,000 be withdrawn from United Savings and used for the Pastor's Retirement Program.
6. We recommend that 5% of the Co-operative Fund be designated to supplement of churches and/or pastor's contribution to the Retirement Program of the National Association of Free Will Baptist. The supplement will be paid according to the following terms:
  - (1) The church shall support the Missouri State Free Will Baptist Co-operative Fund Plan with a minimum of 10% general, undesignated income.
  - (2) The church shall deposit a minimum of \$180.00 per six months to the pastor's account or \$90.00 by church and \$90.00 by pastor.

- (3) Shortly after January 1 and July 1 of each year (beginning January 1, 1979) the Promotional Office shall send \$90.00 to the account of every pastor who, during the previous six months, meets the minimum requirements set forth in numbers 1 and 2 above.
- (4) It is understood that the State's supplementary contribution of \$90.00 every six months shall go to the employer's Tax Sheltered portion of the Pastor's Retirement Program.
- (5) We recommend that the Executive committee have the authorization to define the rules of this retirement program.

The Audit Committee has examined the books of the Boards of the Missouri State Association of Free Will Baptists and have found that they present fairly the financial position of each board as of March 31, 1978.

The Audit/Budget Committee

Joe Braddy  
N.R. Smith  
Robert Sharpy

## NAE REPORT

Eight Missouri Free Will Baptists attended the NAE annual convention at Minneapolis in March. We were among about 20 Free Will Baptists at the convention.

We were impressed with the convention's spirit and the fact that NAE continues to speak to the issues of the day in a practical way. We were pleased that NAE has recently doubled their staff in Washington D.C. which monitors issues of evangelical concern and lobby in our interests.

Our State representative's on the NAE commission unanimously agreed that our participation is profitable both from the standpoint of our gaining new insight and understanding of evangelical issues and current methodology, as well as making an input into formulating NAE'S positions and policies.

We were proud that a fellow Free Will Baptist, Dr. Billy Melvin, was honored at the convention for 10 years of service as Executive Director. Another Free Will Baptist, Jerry Ballard, was appointed Director of NAE'S World Relief Commission.

We would encourage other pastors and laymen to become involved in NAE by attending the annual convention, subscribing to NAE publication, joining NAE as individual members, leading our churches into local church membership, and contributing to NAE projects.

NAE is currently building a half million dollar building in Wheaton, Illinois to be known as the Evangelical Center. About \$200,000 is still needed for this project. We urge our churches to contribute toward the \$1,000 goal we set last year.

Clarence Burton, General Board  
R.B. Spurgeon, Social Action Commission  
Edwin Bowden, Evangelical Churchmen  
Don Lombard, Evangelism, Home Mission Commission  
Andy Lay, Stewardship Commission



## REPORT OF THE OBITUARY COMMITTEE

We rejoice in the promotion to glory of some of our members during this past year. Though we sorrow at their absence from among us, it is not a sorrowing as those who have no hope. We believe that their absence from the body means their presence with the Lord. In that we rejoice.

Those taken from our churches this past year are:

C.M. (Bud) Amsden  
Lucille Askin  
Victoria Blankenship  
Helen Barnett  
Lyal Bates  
Lloyd Blevins  
Clyde Boyd  
Bob Brayboy  
Opan Bronner  
Ada Brendlinger  
Mae Brown  
Lecretta Buch  
Harry Bush  
Frank Byington  
Grace Campbell  
Worth Campbell  
Clara Cantrell  
Bob Chilton  
Fred Cockman  
Ella Crase  
Sarah Davidson  
Lela Dean  
Charles Dettmer  
Bill Dettmer  
Effie Dorris  
Artis Fields  
Earl Fortner  
Ray Fulkerson  
Melvin Garter  
Anna George  
Robert George  
Pearl Gibbons  
Velma Vestal Green  
Vester Griffin  
Effie Hammonds  
Mrs. Jim Harding, SR.  
Arlie Hayes  
Laverne Hayes  
Delia Henson  
Cleve Highttower  
Vera Hoover  
Deliah Hooverton  
Jane Huddle  
Danill Huddleston  
Robert Louis Huffman  
Hazel Hurst  
Dennis Ivey  
Willie Jackson

Adams James  
Faye James  
Jessie Johnson  
Willie Johnson  
Laverne Jones  
Margie Lawler  
Delbert Lawson  
Mark Martin  
Charley McCulley  
Dorse McDonald  
Rhoder McVey  
Anna Miller  
Roland Miller  
William Miller  
Carey Mitchell  
Orville Morton  
Charley Muckey  
Effie Mundon  
Nellie Nelson  
Rads Picnney  
Evelyn Pinnell  
Clyde Postlewait  
W.L. Powell  
Clevie Price  
Lois Price  
Pazetta Reager  
Scotty Reed  
Edna Reeves  
Lawrence ReVelle  
Lola Richards  
Frank Robinson  
Etter Rogers  
Bill Rollins  
Nick Ross  
Sylvia Sevits  
Viola Shorter  
Elmer Stegall  
Guy Stevens  
Amy Stubblefield  
Don Thomas  
Rev. Albert Tucker  
Sanford Turner  
Grace Warner  
Mason Watson  
Evelyn Wells  
Harold Wilfong  
Mercedes Williams  
Irene Winch  
Marvin Woods  
Jeannie Wright  
Merl Wright

We ask that all stand for a prayer of thanksgiving-in memory of  
our departed loved ones!

Respectfully submitted,  
Rev. Danny Martin, Chairman.

## REPORT OF THE RESOLUTION COMMITTEE

We, the resolution committee have met, and propose the following resolutions for your consideration:

### I. Whereas,

The beer and liquor industries are intensifying their advertising methods and are gearing them to appeal especially to the younger generation; and whereas,

There seems to be a trend to nationalize the condoning of social drinking, even among many of the members of some of the leading denominations; and whereas,

There is a drive by the liquor industry to pressure State Legislatures to make it legal for persons eighteen years of age and in some cases even younger persons, to purchase and legally, openly drink beverage alcohol; and whereas,

Medical science recognizes alcohol as a dangerous, depressing, addictive drug; and whereas,

T. V. Programming has the effect of conditioning the minds of people, even Christians to an acceptance of, and the use of beverage alcohol; Therefore be it resolved:

1. That we go on record and actively oppose the use of all alcoholic beverages in any amount, or for any occasion.

2. That we urge our Ministers and other leaders of our Churches to openly oppose the use of all alcoholic beverages in any amount, and for any occasion, and urge them to take Biblical steps in their respective churches to discipline those of their membership who violate their covenant and so use these intoxicants.

3. That we urge our churches to provide training for the Youth attending their training programs to provide sound Biblical training on the evils of the use of intoxicating beverages.

### II. Whereas,

Feminist groups and other supporters of the Equal Rights Amendment are pressing for an extension of the time for ratification from 1979 until March 22, 1986; and whereas,

Yesterdays defeat of the Equal Rights Amendment in the Illinois Legislature will intensify the efforts of these feminist groups to extend the ratification time; and whereas,

The Sub-Committee chaired by Representative, Harold L. Volkmer, Democrat of Hannibal, MO, has voted to recommend the extension of ratification time to March 22, 1986; and whereas,

The full committee will, in the next few days, be acting upon this matter, and the pressure to extend will be brought to bear in the fullest extent for passage; Therefore be it resolved,

1. That our Missouri State Association instruct Promotional Secretary to write Representative Volkmer, informing him that Missouri Free Will Baptist are opposed to any extension of the E.R.A. ratification time.

2. That we urge each of our members to write Mr. Volkmer individually expressing their opposition to an extension of ratification time.

3. That we send a form letter to all our Missouri Churches informing them of this matter and of our request.

4. That we send a report to the media and pray they will publicize our stand on this matter.

III. Whereas, we live in times when many are questioning the inspiration and infallibility of the Bible. much of the preaching from pulpits across our land and on the air waves are so void of scriptural truths, leaving people with many unanswered questions and further frustrations. Be it resolved that we the Missouri State Association of Free Will Baptist's re-affirm our historical stand, that the authoritative inerrant, infallible Word of God is our rule of faith and practice. That the preaching from our pulpits be scriptural in text, scriptural in content, preached according to context, for the salvation of the lost and edifying of the saints.

IV. Whereas, Drug Abuse is wide spread and a growing menace to society by destroying the lives of thousands of people every year.

And whereas, considerable dialogue has taken place inside government circles concerning the legalization of marijuana.

Be it resolved That we urge our pastors and lay leaders of our churches to acquaint themselves with the symptoms of drug abuse and educate themselves as to how best to deal with this ever growing problem.

Be it further resolved That we go on record as opposing the legalization of marijuana and communicate this information to the Senators of our State.

V. Whereas, This association has gone on record as standing opposed to homosexuality; and whereas,

Other forms of sexual sins are ever more prevalent in our society, namely adultery and lust; Be it therefore resolved:

That we be alerted to the attitudes softening that takes place even in Christian hearts when we do not adequately curtail our T. V. viewing and books and magazine reading to eliminate suggestive material or material openly endorsing sinful life styles.

#### VI. Youth Camp

Whereas: Many, if not most, of the cabin sponsors at our Youth Camp do not have a clear understanding of their duties.

And whereas: There is little personal one-on-one contact between campers and sponsors, in the majority of cases.

Be it resolved: 1. That the Youth Camp board be encouraged to conduct counselor training sessions on either Sunday afternoon or Monday morning for all adults staying at the Youth Camp.  
2. That the Camp board consider publishing a handbook for workers at the Youth Camp.  
3. That the Camp board reconsider the possibility of having more weeks of camp with less campers each week so more personal attention can be given each camper.

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VII. T.V.

Whereas: An abundance of T. V. programming is filled with illicit sex, drinking, drug use, and violence,

And whereas: The Bible teaches that not only they which do such things are an abomination to the Lord, but also they which take pleasure in others who do them (Romans 1:32)

Be it therefore resolved: That we urge our constituency to be carefully selective of the T. V. Programs we allow to be aired in our homes, and that we use our influence to pressure the networks, local stations, and sponsors into eliminating such programming.

VIII. Resolution. A special vote of thanks be given to: The St. Francis Association, The Fellowship Church, Pastor Grant Severance and Rev. Mike Creech, for their hospitality and the good way they have hosted this Association.

The Resolutions Committee:

Max Courtney, Chairman  
Andy Lay  
Cecil Campbell  
James Davis  
Robert Sharpy

## MISSOURI STATE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION REPORT

The theme for the annual convention was "ABOUNDING IN JESUS" I Corinthians 15:58. The total membership for the Missouri Woman's Auxiliary Convention for the year 1977-1978 was 582. The total giving for the year was \$16,391.07. The total registration for the convention was 135, with 8 officers registered. Seven districts and 4 locals were reported. A new district was admitted this year, The Greater Ozark District. The Woman's Auxiliary State projects for 1978-1978 are as follows: Foreign Missions: \$2,000.00 for Charolette Tallent. This will be known as "Help Charolette Use Her Tallents." National Home Missions: \$2,000.00 for the Mark Vandivorts, this will be known as "Vehicle for the Vandivorts." Missouri State Home Mission Loan Fund: \$2,000.00

The Woman's Auxiliary voted to encourage each woman to write her congressman asking him to vote no on the passage for the extension of the Equal Rights Amendment for another 7 years.

We would like to thank the Missouri State Association for the Woman's Auxiliary report being printed in the digest of reports. We would like to thank Betty Reeves and Janet Bailey for all the work they did in making arrangements for the Woman's Auxiliary Banquet.

## MISSOURI STATE WOMEN'S AUXILIARY REPORT 1978

The Missouri State Woman's Auxiliary Convention opened at 9:30 a.m., Tuesday June 6, 1978 in the Fellowship Free Will Baptist Church, Flat River, Missouri. The convention opened with singing "Jesus Is All The World To Me," directed by Alice Tallent and accompanied by Wanda Ragsdale at the piano and Jo Ann Thomas at the organ. Prayer was by Peggy Davis.

Welcome was given by Darlene Parrish and the response was by Francis Bowman. Another song was sung, "Jesus Is The Sweetest Name I Know", which was the theme song of the convention.

A skit was presented entitled, "Last Look At Calvary". The cast included, Yvonne Huett, Betty Reeves, Bonnie Maxwell, Dora Fry, and Katie Eaton.

Shirley Bowden read the credentials committee report. Motion carried to accept the report and seat the delegates. A new district was then voted into the convention, the Greater Ozark District.

Helen McAllister appointed the following committees:

Credentials: Shirley Bowden, Jeanie Bowman, and Vivan Burton.

Appreciation: Hilda Nichols, Yvonne Huett, Jo Ann Rand.

Registration: Jo Ann Wood, Betty Reeves.

Finance: Blanche Wisehart, Carol Willoughby, Anna Breshears, Chris Pinkley, and Carolyn Lombard.

Recognition of visitors: Mrs. Doris Raper representing the Children's Home in Greenville, Tennessee accompanied by three children, Lana Slagle, Sam Jacobs, and Tammy Jacobs. A letter from the Bob Francis family, National Home Missionaries to Minnesota was read. A letter from Cleo Purcell was also read. Dismissed in prayer by Lucille Beatty. Recessed and visit the exhibit area.

We reconvened at 11 o'clock hour by singing, "Follow On". Prayer was led by Harry Beatty. Another congregation hymn was sung, "My Jesus I Love Thee" after which the State Auxiliary Choir, under the direction of Alice Tallent sang "Jesus, Be The Lord Of All". The message was brought by Rev. Roy Thomas, director of the National Home Mission Department. Dismissed in prayer by Lee Evans.

### AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon session was opened by singing, "Can The World See Jesus In You?" Prayer was by Peggy Junita. Special music was brought by Wanda Huett. Appanal discussion was then led by Shirley Bowden, with Audrey Bigelow discussing the Christian Business Woman, Lill Tallent discussing the Christian Mother, and Barbara Wilfong, discussing the Christian Teacher.

The business session was called to order by Vice President, Jo Ann Wood. The following reports were read and approved: Registration Committee, and Appreciation Committee. The resolutions were read and approved. The following women were elected to represent the convention at the National Association Woman's Convention: Wanda Ragsdale, Lucille Beatty, Jewel Campbell, Sandy Smith, Edith McCormick, Betty Reeves, Darlene Parrish, Jo Ann Wood, Blanche Pogue, Tommy Sharry, Peggy Junita, Patsy Braddy, Alice Hoover, Daisy Harper, and Paula Dodson. Two alternates are Kathy Bowman and Sharon Ruble. A nomination committee was elected as follows: Missions District: Dora Fry, Greater Kansas City, Audrey Bigelow, St. Francis, Sandy Smith; Indian Creek, Jewell Campbell; Greater Ozark, Jo Ann Rand; St. Louis, Miriam Wilhite; Central Western, Alice Hoover; and North East, Kaye Tallent. These women will be responsible for getting a slate of officers for the coming year. After discussion a motion was made and second that the treasurer be given the authority to make up the difference of the Auxiliary Banquet ticket money if there is a large deficit. The money would be taken from the treasury.

The Retreat plans were given by Brenda Evans. The dates are September 11-12 at the Free Will Baptist Youth Camp, near Niangua, Missouri. The theme for the retreat will be "Lord Change Me" and the guest speaker will be Dr. Mary Ruth Wisehart. A motion was made and second that the executive committee look into the possibility of changing the dates of the retreat to another time of the year. The report would then be brought back to the next State Convention. Announcements were made and the session was dismissed in prayer by Sandy Smith. The State Auxiliary Banquet convened at 5:00 p.m. at the High School Cafeteria. The guest speaker for the banquet was Charollette Tallent, missionary appointee to France.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

##### Registration:

We the registration committee wish to make the following report: 75 Visitors, 26 standing delegates and 34 elected delegates, making a total registered of 135. m/s/c Submitted by Jo Ann Wood and Betty Reeves.

##### Appreciation:

We, the appreciation committee wish to submit the following:

1. Thank you to the women of Monett Auxiliary who spent many hours making 800 favors for the WNAC Fellowship Dinner for the National Meeting in Kansas City.
2. Thank you to the Auxiliary women for the Greater Kansas City District who have volunteered to help with the registration, hospitality, ticket selling, working in the WNAC booth, and WNAC Banquet details.
3. Thanks to the Fellowship Free Will Baptist Church for hosting the Woman's State Convention.
4. Thanks to Brenda Evans for her faithful work in making preparation for the National Woman's Convention in Kansas City.
5. Thanks to all who worked in preparing for the State Woman's Auxiliary convention.  
/s/Hilda Nichols, Jo Ann Rand, and Yvonne Huett.



#### Credentials:

We, the credentials committee, have examined the reports and have found them to be in order. We have also received a letter from the Grater Ozark District petitioning the state to be received as members./s/Shirley Bowden, Vivian Burton, and Jeanie Bowman.

#### Finance:

We, the finance committee, have examined the State Treasurer's report and find it to be in order. We recommend that this report along with the auditors report be accepted. We recommend the following honoriums be given: State President \$25.00, State Secretary and Gem Editor \$50.00, and State Treasurer \$50.00; /s/Blanche Wischert, Carol Willoughby, Ann Breshears, Chris Pinkley, and Carolyn Lombard. The above officers, then requested that these honoriums be given to the National Expense project. /s/

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

We, the executive committee of the Missouri State Woman's Auxiliary convention of the Free Will Baptist, make the following recommendations for your consideration:

1. We recommend that we entertain the Foreign, National, and State missionaries as well as the special singing guests during the evening banquet.
2. We recommend that the morning offering be divided between National Home Missions and Charolette Tallent.
3. We recommend that an honorium of \$100.00 be given to Charolette Tallent.
4. We recommend that \$2,000.00 be given to Charolette Tallent with the project to be entitled "Help Charolette Use Her Talents."
5. We recommend that we adopt the Mark Vandivort Family and that the amount to be raised shall be \$2,000.00 for a Vehicle for the Vandivorts.
6. We recommend that \$2,000.00 be given to the State Home Mission Fund. Money needs to be to to the State Treasurer by March 25, 1979.
7. We recommend that 500 Constitution and By-Laws be printed. Approximate cost \$100.00.
8. We further recommend that the fee for the Retreat be \$7.00 (1 day \$2.00, overnight \$5.00) and the entire retreat \$7.00.
9. We recommend that we pay the Nursery workers for their services during the Auxiliary Banquet.

## FINANCIAL COMMITTEE REPORT:

### Pinkertons on Wheels

Beacon Auxiliary.....	111.66
Berean Auxiliary.....	26.47
Berkley Auxiliary.....	27.07
Bethel Auxiliary, Festus.....	14.77
Bethel Auxiliary, West Plains.....	25.00
Cape Girardeau Auxiliary.....	10.00
Central Auxiliary.....	72.75
Farmington Auxiliary.....	370.50
Fellowship Auxiliary.....	97.06
Fredericktown Auxiliary.....	173.63
Grace Auxiliary.....	14.55
Greater Kansas City District.....	29.98
Hannon Auxiliary.....	30.00
Hazel Creek Auxiliary.....	15.00
Kirksville Auxiliary.....	54.53
Lebanon Auxiliary.....	39.92
Macedonia Auxiliary.....	450.00
Merl's Chapel Auxiliary.....	20.00
Mountain Grove Auxiliary.....	10.00
Martinstown Auxiliary.....	5.00
Myrtle Auxiliary.....	50.00
O'Fallon Auxiliary.....	25.00
Olivet Auxiliary.....	100.00
Purdy Auxiliary.....	10.00
St. Louis District.....	10.08
South Side Auxiliary.....	47.07
Thayer Auxiliary.....	120.00
Trinity Auxiliary.....	3.85
VictoryAuxiliary.....	33.67
Waynesville Auxiliary.....	16.08
Willow Springs Auxiliary.....	6.33
Total Receipts.....	\$2,019.97

### FRANCISES TO THE FIELD

Beacon.....	98.04
Berean Auxiliary.....	26.46
Berkley Auxiliary.....	27.07
Bethel Auxiliary, Festus.....	88.04
Bethel Auxiliary, West Plains.....	25.00
Cape Girardeau Auxiliary.....	10.00
Central Auxiliary.....	72.75
Cuba Auxiliary.....	10.00
Faith, Hope, and Charity Auxiliary, Monett.....	25.00
Farmington Auxiliary.....	255.17
Fredericktown Auxiliary.....	173.63
Grace Auxiliary.....	14.55
Hannon Auxiliary.....	25.00
Hazel Creek Auxiliary.....	15.00
Greater Kansas City District.....	29.98
Kirksville Auxiliary.....	30.53
Lebanon Auxiliary.....	39.92
Martinstown Auxiliary.....	5.00
Myrtle Auxiliary.....	100.00
Oak Hill Auxiliary.....	9.22

Olivet Auxiliary, Marshall.....	100.00
O'Fallon Auxiliary.....	25.00
Purdy Auxiliary.....	10.00
St. Louis District.....	10.08
South Side Auxiliary.....	28.97
Trinity Auxiliary.....	3.86
Victory Auxiliary.....	33.66
Waynesville Auxiliary.....	51.75
Willow Springs Auxiliary.....	6.33
Total Receipts.....	\$1,350.01

#### MISSOURI STATE HOME MISSION LOAN FUND:

Beacon Auxiliary.....	242.03
Berean Auxiliary.....	26.47
Berkeley Auxiliary.....	27.08
Bethel Auxiliary, Festus.....	14.76
Bethel Auxiliary, West Plains.....	525.00
Cabool Auxiliary.....	10.00
Cape Girardeau Auxiliary.....	10.00
Central Auxiliary.....	36.50
Faith, Hope, and Charity Auxiliary Monett.....	26.00
Farmington Auxiliary.....	64.01
Fellowship Auxiliary.....	33.41
Fredericktown Auxiliary.....	50.00
Grace Auxiliary.....	14.54
Grant Avenue Auxiliary.....	15.00
Hartville Auxiliary.....	25.00
Houston Auxiliary.....	15.00
Greater Kansas City District.....	29.98
Lebanon Auxiliary.....	20.00
Mountain Grove Auxiliary.....	29.75
Myrtle Auxiliary.....	50.00
Northeast Missouri District.....	30.00
O'Fallon Auxiliary.....	25.00
Olivet Auxiliary, Marshall.....	100.00
South Side Auxiliary.....	28.97
St. Louis District.....	10.07
Thayer Auxiliary.....	7.16
Trinity Auxiliary.....	3.86
Viburnum Auxiliary.....	10.00
Victory Auxiliary.....	28.67
Waynesville Auxiliary.....	20.00
Willow Springs Auxiliary.....	32.94
Total Receipts.....	\$1,561.20

#### KANSAS CITY, MO. WNAC CONVENTION

Beacon Auxiliary.....	36.00
Berkeley Auxiliary.....	36.00
Bethel Auxiliary, Festus.....	9.00
Bethel Auxiliary, West Plains.....	33.00
Cape Girardeau Auxiliary.....	10.00
Columbia Auxiliary.....	15.00
Cuba Auxiliary.....	30.00
Fellowship Auxiliary.....	75.00
Fredericktown Auxiliary.....	42.00
Grace Auxiliary.....	36.00
Hannon Auxiliary.....	30.00
Hazel Creek Auxiliary.....	21.00
Indian Creek District.....	50.00
Kirksville Auxiliary.....	42.00
Myrtle Auxiliary.....	30.00

New Harmony Auxiliary.....	\$18.00
New Life Auxiliary, Monett.....	18.00
Oak Hill Auxiliary.....	30.00
Olivet Auxiliary, Marshall.....	45.00
O'Fallon Auxiliary.....	66.00
St. Francis District.....	21.06
Thayer Auxiliary.....	33.00
Trinity Auxiliary.....	30.00
Viburnum Auxiliary.....	30.00
Victory Auxiliary.....	36.00
Waynesville Auxiliary.....	24.00
Willow Springs Auxiliary.....	35
Total Receipts.....	\$845.41

#### HANNAS' HANDY HELPERS

Balance Forward May 1, 1977.....	\$2,390.49
Bethel Auxiliary, West Plains.....	15.00
Berkley Auxiliary.....	100.00
Houston Auxiliary.....	20.00
Merl's Auxiliary.....	10.00
Mountain Grove Auxiliary.....	10.00
South Side Auxiliary.....	39.00
Waynesville Auxiliary.....	10.00
Total Receipts.....	\$2,594.49

## Report Of The Promotional Secretary

Greetings in the name of our Lord:

The Lord has blessed and we are thankful! May I say with the apostle Paul, "Now unto him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us" (Ephesians 3:20) The cooperative budget for this year was \$130,000. As you will note in my report it was exceeded rather abundantly above the goal. May the Lord bless every church and pastor that shared in this equitable support for the cause of Christ through the ministries of Free Will Baptists.

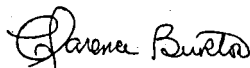
Someone has asked, What has caused cooperative giving to increase? The simple and direct answer would be, the Lord. He has done this through three things. First, more churches are adopting this fair plan of support. Secondly, as the tithe and offerings increase in the local church, it results in a little larger contribution for this plan. Thirdly, some churches that have been supporting with less than 10% are now going all the way. It is my prayer that every church will support this unified plan with full support and share in the blessings together.

I believe Missouri is working under the leadership of the Holy Spirit and doing a good work for the Lord. However, I feel there are some things that can be done under the sweet leadership of the Holy Spirit that will enhance our labor for Christ. First, a seminar for the young pastors and preachers in our state. (These young men want and need some help and guidance because of the pressure and problems in the pastorate.) I believe it is our responsibility to help them. Secondly, a Study-Relationship Seminar for the moderators of District Associations and chairmans of the State Boards. When the moderators understand the needs of our state and national ministries it will enable them to be more able to help on the district level. The expense incurred can be provided through the working balance of the promotional department and the general fund. The benefit will more than compensate for the cost. I feel these two things will result in more souls being saved and a steady increase for the entire labor of the Missouri State Association.

Remember the work of this department in your prayers. I feel as every pastor, I want to encourage in the areas for which I should but I don't want to over-step into an area for which I do not belong. If I may be of any help in the local church or in the District Association please let me know. Surely this is the desire of each one of us- we want to see souls saved and the cause of Christ increase each year.

Thank you for your kindness in so many ways.

In Christ,

  
Clarence Burton

COOPERATIVE DISBURSEMENTS-----April 1, 1977 - March 31, 1978

20.00%	Missouri State Home Missions-----	\$27,927.69
16.25%	Promotional Department-----	22,691.22
4.50%	General Fund-----	6,283.67
5.25%	Youth Camp-----	7,331.08
2.00%	Christian Board of Education MBI-----	2,792.73
2.00%	Gem-----	2,792.73
2.00%	Sunday School & CTS-----	2,792.72

\$72,611.84

13.00%	Foreign Missions-----	\$18,152.99
9.00%	Free Will Baptist Bible College-----	12,567.48
7.00%	Executive Department-----	9,774.68
6.50%	National Home Missions & Church Ext.--	9,076.52
2.50%	National CTS-----	3,490.91
2.50%	Retirement & Insurance-----	3,490.91
.25%	Layman's Board-----	349.05
.25%	Theological Commission-----	349.05

\$57,251.59

7.00% Hillsdale Free Will Baptist College---

\$ 9,774.80

Total Disbursed-----

\$139,638.23

## COOPERATIVE GIVING BY INDIVIDUAL CHURCHES

April 1, 1977 - March 31, 1978

Alton-----	\$ 848.74	Martinstown-----	\$ 100.00
Aulsbury Chapel-----	1,133.99	Merl's Chapel-----	622.89
Bailey Chapel-----	287.00	Mill Creek-----	811.52
Beacon-----	3,608.78	Mine La Motte-----	218.38
Belton-----	2,210.00	Moberly-----	170.53
Berean-----	844.66	Monett-----	2,961.42
Berkeley-----	5,346.13	Mtn. Grove, First-----	4,347.95
Bethel-----	3,072.00	Mt. Pisgah-----	600.00
Black Oak-----	100.00	Mtn Valley-----	815.92
Buffalo-----	1,545.87	Mt. Vernon-----	319.49
Byrd-----	361.86	Myrtle-----	1,251.74
Cabool-----	741.34	New Harmony-----	82.68
Calvary, Conway-----	1,718.00	New Home-----	117.47
Calvary Fellowship-----	1,195.96	New Life-----	258.10
Cape Girardeau-----	1,478.84	New Rock Springs-----	575.00
Cartersville-----	258.02	Number One-----	444.33
Central-----	2,490.00	Oak Hill, St. Clair-----	1,976.48
Community-----	466.53	O'Fallon-----	2,389.42
Copper Mines-----	1,340.00	Old Bethel-----	80.00
Cuba-----	618.96	Olivet-----	2,225.00
De Soto-----	5,105.00	Oskaloosa-----	393.99
Dexter-----	295.86	Parkview-----	600.00
El Dorado, First-----	60.00	Pleasant Grove (Cope)-----	183.95
Eastern Gate-----	365.87	Pleasant Hill-----	305.61
Faith-----	1,674.17	Pleasant Home-----	504.82
Faith, Fair Grove-----	568.44	Pleasant Ridge-----	367.08
Farmington-----	9,857.99	Poplar Bluff-----	378.57
Fellowship-----	600.00	Purdy-----	1,111.07
Flat River, First-----	3,673.27	Richwoods-----	540.95
Fordland-----	906.93	Rock Chapel-----	1,133.71
Fourth-----	4,242.50	Royal Oak-----	225.00
Fredericktown, First-----	2,932.40	Sedalia-----	660.35
Freeman Chapel-----	927.17	Shell Knob - New Prospect-----	47.16
Gateway-----	537.00	Shiloh-----	195.47
Grace-----	7,168.04	South Fremont-----	69.00
Granby-----	216.44	South Side-----	3,342.82
Grant Avenue-----	2,287.33	Springfield, First-----	159.00
Hannon-----	1,773.00	Thayer-----	1,403.23
Happy Home-----	568.14	Trinity-----	975.00
Hartville-----	1,167.11	Twin Oaks-----	1,250.00
Hickory Grove-----	143.81	Union-----	240.00
Hopewell-----	916.10	Union Grove-----	612.00
Houston-----	1,452.07	Union Light-----	216.93
Hurryville-----	1,010.42	Verdella-----	1,228.93
Jones Chapel-----	1,611.61	Viburnum-----	210.00
Joplin-----	3,110.12	Walnut Grove-----	324.19
Jones Family-----	1,329.12	Waynesville-----	968.50
Kansas City, First-----	860.69	Wayside-----	233.00
Kingsway-----	436.32	West Plains, First-----	2,908.75
Kirksville, First-----	724.29	Willow Springs-----	2,067.53
Laclede Co. Association-----	42.00	Wolf Creek-----	1,203.41
Leadington-----	2,794.52	Bobbie Ross-----	6.00
Lebanon, First-----	3,240.53		
Liberty-----	548.00		
Low Ground-----	137.30		
Macedonia SS-----	147.39		
Malden-----	956.59		
Marshfield-----	1,148.37		
		Total -----	\$139,638.23

# DESIGNATED MONIES

## RECEIVED AND DISBURSED

April 1, 1977 - March 31, 1978

Free Will Baptist Children's Home, Greenville, TN.----	\$ 154.22
Free Will Baptist Youth Camp-----	762.14
Free Will Baptist Bible College-----	799.87
Hillsdale Free Will Baptist College-----	1,833.15
Bob Carr-----	50.48

### MISSOURI STATE HOME MISSIONS

General Fund-----	\$ 508.91
Poplar Bluff-----	231.00
Tom Owens-----	60.00
Rolla-----	270.00
Perpetual Loan Fund-----	50.00
David Kirby - Moberly-----	221.08
Total-----	\$1,340.99

### NATIONAL HOME MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION

General Fund-----	\$ 131.86
Bob Francis-----	3,008.26
Leland Horton-----	565.00
Larry Powell-----	60.00
Mark Vandivort-----	1,549.77
Vergel Maness-----	196.71
Rolla-----	90.00
J. D. Norris-----	5.00
Total-----	\$5,606.60

### FOREIGN MISSIONS

General Fund-----	\$2,751.45
Call-A-Thon-----	100.00
Dale Bishop-----	53.00
Allan Crowson-----	24.50
Ernie Deeds-----	28.03
Walter Ellison-----	21.50
Howard Filkins-----	1,006.62
Bill Fulcher-----	373.94
Joe Haas-----	439.80
Carlisle Hanna-----	34.50
Steve Lytle-----	926.50
Jim McLain-----	496.02
Archie Mayhew-----	125.45
Dr. Laverne Miley-----	301.52
Lynn Miley-----	210.00
Clint Morgan-----	752.06
Lonnie Palmer-----	255.00
Eddie Payne-----	25.00
Jerry Pinkerton-----	2,003.60
Bobby Poole-----	595.00
Lonnie Sparks-----	75.00
Charlotte Tallent-----	1,008.39
Dennis Teague-----	67.50
Jerry Webb-----	31.50
Sam Wilkinson-----	70.78
Mabel Willey-----	180.00
Total-----	\$11,956.66



# RE CAP OF ALL MONIES

PROMOTIONAL DEPARTMENT	RECEIVED	DISBURSED	BALANCE
Included Balance forwarded	\$31,516.10	\$26,926.96	\$9,890.15
GENERAL FUND			
Including balance forwarded	10,129.86	4,441.56	5,688.30
Total-----			\$15,578.45
Deposited With United Savings-----			6,000.00
Interest-----			462.93
Total-----			\$22,041.38

## BALANCE SHEET

Cash in all accounts-----	\$22,041.38
Office equipment and furniture-----	825.00
Liabilities-----	--o--
Total Assets-----	\$22,866.38

## MONIES RECEIVED FOR SPECIAL FUND - National Association 1978

April 1, 1977 - March 31, 1978

Indian Creek Association-----	\$651.00
St. Francis Association-----	500.00
Northeast Association-----	44.66
Mission Association-----	615.00
St. Louis Association-----	360.00
Central Western Association-----	270.00
The Singing Jones Family-----	100.00
Niangua Association-----	25.00
Southeast Association-----	400.00

Total-----	\$2,965.66
Interest-----	74.41
Total-----	\$3,040.07

## MONIES RECEIVED FOR SPECIAL FUND AFTER March 31, 1978

Cave Springs Association-----	\$425.00
Northeast Association-----	105.34
Niangua Association-----	100.00
Greater Kansas City Association-----	600.00
Central Western Association-----	72.20
Mission Association-----	58.75
Total recieved as of May 22, 1978-----	\$4,401.36

PROMOTIONAL DEPARTMENT  
April 1, 1977 - March 31, 1978

Balance Forwarded-----\$ 5,301.01

RECEIPTS:

Cooperative - Prom Dept. & GEM-----	\$24,871.63
Gem transfer & Subs-----	6,298.97
Gifts - Revival-----	160.00
Refund for Furnace Repair-----	65.50
Refund for Travel-----	70.00
Refund for Nat'l Leadership Reg. Fee-----	50.00

Total Receipts-----\$31,516.10

Total Receipts plus Balance Forwarded-----\$36,817.11

DISBURSEMENTS:

Salary-----	\$ 9,620.00
Travel-----	2,092.60
Housing & Utilities-----	3,000.00
Retirement & Insurance-----	912.00
*Social Security-----	900.00
Office Utilities-----	284.66
Office Rent-----	880.00
Expense to Nat'l & State Association-----	350.00
Office Equipment & Repair-(Typewriter)-----	511.40
Remodeling Office-----	3,004.62
Christmas Gift-----	250.00
Telephone-----	197.11
Postage, Xerox & Office Supplies-----	74.58
Gem Printing & Mailing-----	4,180.50
Petty Cash & Insurance-----	25.00
Office Furniture-----	270.00
National Leadership Reg. Fee-----	50.00
Travel & Expense to Leadership Conference-----	145.00
NAE Travel & Lodging Expense-----	150.00
Misc.-----	29.49

Total Disbursements-----\$26,926.96

Balance-----\$ 9,890.15

\*Did not draw full amount for year 1976-77

Note: It should be noted that it was adopted at the last Missouri State Association that the Gem allocation & expense be transferred to the promotional department. Therefore there is the expense and the receipts of the Gem reflected in this report.

# GENERAL FUND

April 1, 1977 - March 31, 1978

Balance Forwarded-----\$ 2,924.60

## RECEIPTS:

Cooperative Receipts-----	\$ 6,283.67
Minute Monies-----	459.00
Designated Gifts-----	40.00
Offering - State Association-----	367.59
NAE Refund-----	55.00

Total Receipts-----\$ 7,205.26

Total Receipts plus Balance Forwarded-----\$10,129.86

## DISBURSEMENTS:

Travel & Meals - General Bd. Executive Comm. & Auditing Committee-----	\$ 1,152.65
Telephone-----	419.35
Nursing Home Committee Expense-----	498.83
Missionary Bobby Poole ( Offering State Assn. )	170.64
Folding Chairs-----	78.50
S. P. Gas-----	32.22
Postage & Copies-----	174.55
State Association Expense (Badges, Programs, Digest of Reports, Rent of Auditorium-----	474.13
Office Supplies-----	146.77
NAE Representative Reg. 5x\$50.00-----	250.00
District Rep. Fee to Nat'l Assn.-----	245.00
Delegate Expense to Nat'l Assn. 6x\$50.00----	300.00
NAE, MO State Representation Contribution---	425.00
Petty Cash-----	40.00
Miscellaneous -----	33.92

Total Disbursements-----\$ 4,441.56

Balance-----\$ 5,688.30

# PROPOSED BUDGET FOR PROMOTIONAL DEPARTMENT

April 1, 1978 - March 31, 1979

Balance Forwarded-----\$ 9,890.00

## RECEIPTS:

\*Cooperative (16.00%)-----\$145,000.00-----\$23,200.00  
Gem Subs-----3,600.00

\$26,800.00

Total-----\$36,690.15

## DISBURSEMENTS:

Salary-----\$10,400.00  
Travel-----2,400.00  
Housing & Utilities-----3,000.00  
Retirement & Insurance-----1,692.00  
Social Security-----430.00  
Office Utilities-----350.00  
Office Rent-----780.00  
Expense to Nat'l. & State Association-----300.00  
Telephone-----300.00  
Postage & Xerox-----100.00  
Office Supplies-----150.00  
Gem Printing-----5,574.00  
Nat'l. Assn. - Leadership Registration-----50.00  
Travel & Expense - Leadership Meeting-----150.00  
NAE Travel & Lodging-----200.00  
Misc.-----50.00

Total Disbursements-----\$25,926.00

Working Balance-----\$10,864.15

Total-----\$36,690.15

\* The Promotional Department & the Gem is proposing to operate on 16.00%. The Gem gave up .50% last year. Considering this year and last year it will amount to 2.75% that may go to other departments. As cooperative receipts increase, the percentage for this department should decrease.

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR GENERAL FUND  
April 1, 1978 - March 31, 1979

Balance Forwarded-----	\$ 5,688.30
Cooperative Receipts-----	\$ 6,525.00
Money for Minutes-----	(Churches x \$5.00)----- 625.00
Offering, State Assn. (Tuesday Evening)-----	180.00
	\$ 7,330.00
Total-----	\$13,018.30

DISBURSEMENTS:

Travel & Meals (General Board, Ex. Comm., Auditing Committee)-----	\$1,200.00
Nursing Home - Retirement Center Committee----	801.65
Telephone-----	300.00
State Programs, Badges & Digest of Reports----	450.00
Honorarium-----	300.00
Delegate Expense to Nat'l. Assn. (6 x \$50.00)-----	300.00
District Assn. Fee to Nat'l. Assn. (\$35+14x\$15)-----	245.00
NAE Delegates (5 x \$50.00)-----	250.00
Office Supplies-----	150.00
NAE MO State Representation Fee-----	425.00
Postage & Copies-----	200.00
Petty Cash-----	50.00
Clerk Salary (2 yrs.)-----	1,000.00
Secretary of State (Missouri Inc. Fee)-----	1.00
State Minutes (2 yrs.)-----	1,000.00
Office Equipment-----	250.00
Total Disbursements-----	\$ 6,922.65
Working Balance-----	\$ 6,095.65
Total-----	\$13,018.30



## Lebanon Bible and Book Store

303 West Commercial  
Lebanon, Missouri 65536  
Phone 532-9516



### GREETINGS IN THE NAME OF THE LORD!

We praise the Lord for His blessings this year and look forward to all of the good things He has in store for us in the future.

Several changes occurred at the Lebanon Bible and Book Store this year. The growing number and amount of past due accounts made it necessary for the store to begin a service charge on past due accounts beginning in January. The amount of the accounts receivable due at the end of January was reduced by 51% over last January. While the accounts receivable balance at the end of March is about the same as last year, the balances are more current.

One of the largest steps for the bookstore was the addition of an NCR 250-7100 electronic cash register. While it is an expensive, complex piece of equipment, it is paying for itself in the labor saved in handling bookkeeping. In addition to this feature, it's sales history will become an invaluable tool in helping inventory control. We are pleased that there have been no problems with the equipment and clerical errors have been kept to a minimum. Although there was an initial investment in time and training in changing over to this new system, we know that every transaction in the future will receive dividends from that investment. One of the key benefits of this system is the value of having staff available to meet the needs of the customer, rather than being monopolized by bookkeeping.

This priority is in keeping with our purpose: to serve Missouri Free Will Baptists and the Christian community with the finest in Bibles, Christian books, music, teaching aids, gifts, and church supplies. We believe that our ministry is helping to fulfill the commission of Ephesians 4:12, "equipping the saints for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ." The excellent Christian literature available today makes it possible for every believer to have the knowledge to face the challenge before him. As the number of Free Will Baptist publications increase, their use helps make our denominational identity more secure.

I would like to challenge you to consider your involvement in the ministry of Christian literature. A particular Christian book at the right time may be the way the Lord can use you to minister to someone else's needs, or your own. Are the teachers in your church "equipped" with the kind of study helps and teaching aids to make them most effective? Have you read the latest Free Will Baptist publications?

Your continued support and prayers for this ministry is appreciated.

In His service,

*Edwin Bowden*

Edwin Bowden  
Manager

LEBANON BIBLE AND BOOK STORE  
 RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR 1977-1978

BEGINNING BALANCE, April 1, 1977		1,223.24
Receipts	144,116.37	
Redeposit of Returned Checks	159.48	
From State Office	100.00	
Transferred from Savings Account	<u>1,240.30</u>	<u>145,616.15</u>
TOTAL AVAILABLE FOR DISBURSEMENT		146,839.39
DISBURSEMENTS		
Resale Purchases	55,339.09	
Sunday School Literature	40,317.73	
Freight	1,032.78	
Postage	1,670.00	
United Parcel Service	2,593.80	
Supplies	2,450.04	
Office Supplies	255.95	
Utilities	1,269.54	
Telephone	810.42	
Advertising	3,292.10	
Building Payment	2,400.00	
Building Maintenance and Repair	868.94	
Insurance (Building, Contents, Liability)	1,941.00	
Equipment	1,360.00	
Equipment Rental	229.88	
Equipment Lease-Purchase (Cash Register)	495.69	
Equipment Maintenance	218.10	
Wages	18,340.72	
Bonus	1,155.12	
Payroll Taxes	4,906.30	
Employee Insurance	733.92	
Mileage	401.25	
Convention, Seminar Expenses	672.61	
Booksellers Associations Dues	110.00	
Property Taxes	550.72	
Sales Tax	1,502.93	
Bankamericard Discount	26.51	
Returned Checks	159.48	
Refunds	220.18	
To Savings Account	<u>100.00</u>	<u>145,424.80</u>
BALANCE ON HAND, March 31, 1978		1,414.59

# PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT

<b>SALES</b>		
Cash Sales	48,711.06	
Charge Sales	26,162.41	
Sunday School Literature	54,310.13	
Vacation Bible School Literature	8,874.80	
Postage	4,813.26	
Service Charges	<u>47.46</u>	142,919.12
<b>COST OF SALES</b>		
Beginning Inventory	47,696.10	
Purchases	94,476.63	
Total Cost of Merchandise	<u>142,172.73</u>	
Less Ending Inventory	<u>46,778.96</u>	
Net Cost of Sales	95,393.77	
Freight	1,032.78	
Supplies	<u>2,450.04</u>	98,876.59
<b>GROSS PROFIT ON SALES</b>		44,042.53
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>		
Postage and UPS	4,263.80	
Utilities and Telephone	2,079.96	
Advertising	3,292.10	
Maintenance and Repair	1,087.04	
Wages and Bonus	19,495.84	
Payroll Taxes	4,906.30	
Depreciation (note 1)	1,382.41	
Insurance	1,941.00	
Interest	1,129.85	
Bad Debt Expense	194.62	
Miscellaneous	<u>2,997.76</u>	42,770.68
<b>NET PROFIT</b>		1,271.85



# CHANGES IN WORKING CAPITAL

	<u>ASSETS</u>		Increase (Decrease)
	Beginning	Ending	
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Bank Balance	1,223.24	1,414.59	191.35
Cash on Hand	50.00	100.00	50.00
Accounts Receivable, less allowance for doubtful accounts	4,479.89	4,681.93	202.04
Inventory (Net)	47,696.10	46,778.96	(917.14)
Savings Account	<u>1,095.13</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>(1,095.13)</u>
	54,544.36	52,975.48	(1,568.88)
<b>FIXED ASSETS (at cost)</b>			
Building	18,500.00	18,500.00	-0-
Fixtures and Equipment	6,724.15	7,928.95	1,204.80
Register (lease-purchase)	<u>-0-</u>	<u>4,796.38</u>	<u>4,796.38</u>
	25,224.15	31,225.33	6,001.18
Less Accumulated Depreciation (note 1)	<u>-0-</u>	<u>1,382.41</u>	<u>1,382.41</u>
	25,224.15	29,842.92	4,618.77
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	79,768.51	82,818.40	3,049.89
	<u>LIABILITIES</u>		
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Accounts Payable	18,260.85	17,080.66	(1,180.19)
Payroll Taxes	386.11	381.04	(5.07)
Sales Tax	<u>231.93</u>	<u>319.89</u>	<u>87.96</u>
	18,878.89	17,781.59	(1,097.30)
<b>LONG TERM LIABILITIES</b>			
Mortgage (note 2)	12,637.69	11,196.60	(1,441.09)
Lease-Purchase (note 3)	<u>-0-</u>	<u>4,471.63</u>	<u>4,471.63</u>
	12,637.69	15,668.23	3,030.54
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<u>31,516.58</u>	<u>33,449.82</u>	<u>1,933.24</u>
<b>OPERATING FUNDS BALANCE</b>	48,251.93	49,368.58	1,116.65

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### (1) DEPRECIATION POLICIES

Prior to the 1977-1978 year, the building, fixtures, and equipment of the Lebanon Bible and Book Store were not depreciated. Beginning with April 1, 1977 the property and equipment were depreciated on a straight-line basis using the following estimated useful lives:

Store Building	40 years
Fixtures and Equipment	8 years

### (2) LONG TERM DEBT

The Lebanon Bible and Book Store building is mortgaged on an 8% real estate mortgage note dated January 24, 1972, due in monthly installments of \$200.00.

### (3) LEASE PURCHASE AGREEMENT

The Lebanon Bible and Book Store has a non-cancellable lease-purchase agreement for a NCR 250-7100 cash register, due in 36 monthly payments beginning January 31, 1978.

# LEBANON BIBLE AND BOOK STORE

## PROPOSED BUDGET

1978-1979

### INCOME

Bookstore Sales	89,000.00	
Sunday School Literature Sales	56,000.00	
Vacation Bible School Literature Sales	10,000.00	
Postage Sales	<u>5,000.00</u>	160,000.00

### DISBURSEMENTS

Resale Purchases	62,000.00	
Sunday School Literature	42,000.00	
Freight	1,800.00	
Postage	2,000.00	
United Parcel Service	3,000.00	
Supplies	2,000.00	
Office Supplies	600.00	
Utilities	2,000.00	
Telephone	1,000.00	
Advertising	3,500.00	
Building Payment	2,400.00	
Building Maintenance and Repair	2,000.00	
Insurance (Building, Contents, Liability)	2,000.00	
Equipment	3,000.00	
Equipment Rental	200.00	
Equipment Lease-Purchase	2,000.00	
Equipment Maintenance and Repair	800.00	
Wages	20,400.00	
Bonus	1,600.00	
Payroll Taxes	1,300.00	
Employee Insurance	900.00	
Mileage	500.00	
Booksellers Association Dues	200.00	
Convention, Seminar Expense	800.00	
Property Taxes	600.00	
Miscellaneous	<u>1,400.00</u>	160,000.00

REPORT OF MISSOURI FREE WILL BAPTIST HOME MISSIONS

Greetings Brethren:

"Oh Lord our Lord, how excellent is thy name in all the earth! who hast set thy glory above the heavens." Ps1.3-1. We praise the Lord for his goodness toward us throughout another year. Many blessings have come from his bountiful hand. To follow is a brief report of the progress of our State Home Mission program for the year 1977-1978.

Our newest work began on January 1, 1978 at Moberly, Missouri. Brother and Sister David Kirby and son are our missionary family. Brother Kirby has led this new work to approximately forty in attendance. They have purchased three acres of choice land which will be the home of this new congregation. Plans are in the making now for a first unit building to be erected. This program will be financed by our Perpetual Loan Fund as funds are available. These folks are presently meeting in the Seventh Day Adventist Church.

Brother and Sister Dana Booth and their two daughters moved to Rolla on March 1st to undertake the work there. In the past three months they have been able to gather a congregation of twenty plus. They are presently meeting in the Nazarene Church for Sunday night and mid week services and Sunday School and morning worship services are held in the parsonage which sits next door to the church. The Nazarene folks will be moving to their new building sometime before September 1st and then the Free Will Baptist will have full use of the premises.

The Wayside Free Will Baptist Church was organized in Willow Springs, Missouri on September 29th with twenty one charter members. Brother Ralph Cook was elected as their pastor and since that time this new congregation has purchased several acres of choice property facing highway 63 and have begun construction of a new first unit building financed by our Perpetual Loan Fund.

The work at Poplar Bluff is under the leadership of Brother and Sister Denzil Durbin. There have been folks saved and joined the mission there recently. We are expecting some great things to take place there this year.

Brother and Sister Frank Guinta and Karen moved to Cape Girardeau in August of 1977 to lead the work there. Since that time they have shown a real growth numerically and spiritually. They have shown financial stability and have had a record attendance of 162. Many folk have been saved during this time.

At Sedalia Brother and Sister James Stovall and Gala have continued to gather a congregation. Much hard work has certainly changed the appearance of their building. Several have been saved and become involved in the work. This work is a strong supporter of the Cooperative Program and Missions as are each of our mission works.

We are undergoing a change of leadership at the Mission in Kansas City. Numerically they are in the teens but financially they are strong for a small group.

We thank every supporter of the Missouri State Home Mission program and we covet your continued prayers and financial support as we plan our work and work our plan this coming year.

MISSOURI STATE HOME MISSION BOARD OF FREE WILL BAPTIST, INC.  
STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1978  
GENERAL FUND - CHECKING ACCOUNT

Cash balance March 31, 1977

2,697.38

Receipts

Cooperative fund	28,548.63
Undesignated	11,460.80
Return on Salaries	23,430.00
Designated Giving	
Union	615.00
Moberly	2,748.85
Poplar Bluff	897.91
Rolla	954.76
Potosi	550.00
Sedalia	300.00
Stockton	1,773.00
Independence	250.00

Miscellaneous

Eastern Gate Repayment of loan	1,960.04
K. C. First Church	150.00
Sale of Aurora Church property	10,000.00

83,638.99

83,638.99

86,336.37

Disbursements

K. C. First Church	9,733.00
Cape Girardeau	8,726.60
Poplar Bluff	9,200.00
Malden	2,700.00
Union	9,450.00
Rolla	6,810.04
Independence	1,750.00
Moberly	10,121.93
Potosi	500.00
Sedalia	2,400.00
Stockton	1,773.00
Dexter	1,000.00
Bonds & Coupons First Church	8,132.50
Aurora	608.82
Loan First Church	2,000.00
Bookkeeping	1,200.00
Telephones	849.10
Milage-Board & Missionaries	3,838.94
Motels, Meals, Office Supplies	839.72

81,633.65

81,633.65

4,702.72

Working balance in General Fund March 31, 1978

MISSOURI STATE HOME MISSION BOARD OF FREE WILL BAPTIST, INC.  
STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1978

	<u>LOAN FUND</u>	
Cash balance March 31, 1977		3,795.82
<u>Receipts</u>		
Bethel	80.00	
Berean-Loan Repayment & Interest	447.15	
Eastern Gate Repayment of Loan and Interest	8,884.40	
National Home Missions	43.75	
Missouri State Women's Aux.	2,952.86	
Olivet	1,000.00	
Interest	679.93	
So. East Mo. Dist. Assoc.	100.00	
New Life	207.60	
Oak Hill	261.50	
Harmony Qtly. Mtg.	50.00	
Lee & Virginia Bunton	100.00	
Victory	109.95	
West Plains	305.00	
Total	<u>15,222.14</u>	<u>15,222.14</u>
Balance on Hand March 31, 1978		<u>19,017.96</u>

	<u>SAVINGS ACCOUNT</u>	
Balance		6.57

MISSOURI STATE HOME MISSION BOARD OF FREE WILL BAPTIST, INC.  
BALANCE SHEET FOR 1977-1978

Current Assets

Cash in Bank (checking account)	4,702.72	
Cash in Bank (savings account)	6.57	
Cash in Bank (loan fund)	<u>19,017.96</u>	
Total	<u>23,727.25</u>	23,727.25

Other Assets    Loans & Interest

Sedalia - (loan fund)	10,882.00	<u>10,882.00</u>
		<u>34,609.25</u>

Equipment

Adding machine	50.00	
Printing calculator	<u>95.00</u>	
	<u>145.00</u>	145.00

Board Appraisal of Property under our supervision

	<u>Valued</u>	<u>Liabilities</u>	<u>Equity</u>	
Independence	64,000.00	36,800.00	27,200.00	
Moberly	10,000.00	9,000.00	1,000.00	
Cape Girardeau	75,000.00	26,800.00	48,200.00	
Kansas City Trust	75,000.00	16,000.00	59,000.00	
Union	35,000.00	26,400.00	8,600.00	
Poplar Bluff	12,000.00	5,600.00	6,400.00	
Sedalia	<u>15,000.00</u>	<u>10,500.00</u>	<u>4,500.00</u>	
	<u>286,000.00</u>	<u>131,100.00</u>	<u>154,900.00</u>	154,900.00

Total Assets				189,654.25
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MISSOURI STATE HOME MISSION BOARD OF FREE WILL BAPTIST, INC.

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR YEAR 1978-79 GENERAL FUND

Balance in GERAL Fund March 31, 1978		4,702.72
<u>Anticipated Income</u>		
Cooperative Fund (18% of 145,000.00)	26,825.00	
Designated giving	<u>53,000.00</u>	
Total anticipated income	79,825.00	<u>79,825.00</u>
		84,527.72
<u>Anticipated Expenses</u>		
Salaries - Missionaries	40,000.00	
Housing Allowances	15,000.00	
Board Expenses	5,000.00	
Bookkeeping	1,500.00	
Misc. designated	7,500.00	
New Work	<u>12,500.00</u>	
Total Expenses	81,500.00	81,500.00
Working Balance		<u>3,027.72</u>
		84,527.72



MISSOURI STATE HOME MISSION BOARD OF FREE WILL BAPTIST, INC.

ITEMIZED ACCOUNT OF DESIGNATED GIFTS FROM INDIVIDUALS AND ORGANIZATIONS 1977-78

Beacon	134.36	Lebanon	479.00
Berea	259.83	Macadonia	175.00
Berkeley	198.00	Martinstown	43.70
Bethel-Festus	119.17	Merle's Chapel	7.58
Byrd	68.50	Mt. Vernon	100.00
Cabool	7.00	Moberly	87.83
Calvary Fellowship	25.00	Mo. State Wom. Aux.	181.28
Cape Girardeau	56.45	Mtn. Grove	5.00
Cartersville	30.00	Myrtle	349.36
Central	118.60	New Harmony	94.00
Columbia	14.18	Oak Hill	601.39
De Soto	950.00	O'Fallon	204.86
Farmington	94.00	Olivet	2,825.00
Fellowship	298.41	Pleasant Ridge	16.61
Flat River	735.28	Purdy	41.00
Fourth	557.34	Rock Chapel	675.00
Gospels Light	57.11	Sedalia	496.13
Grace	832.00	So. Fremont	1,374.50
Hannon	1,822.00	South Side	20.00
Hazel Creek	167.69	St. Fran. Dist. Home Miss.	130.00
Houston	544.51	St. Fran. Co. Qlty. Mtg.	280.00
Hurrys ville	90.00	Thayer	531.86
Joplin	247.00	Union Light	96.00
Kansas City First	26.00	Verdella	10.00
Kingsway	116.18	Viburnum	15.00
Kirksville	93.24	Victory	471.04
		West Plains	770.00

This report does not include Cooperative Fund giving.

A very special "THANK YOU" from your State Home Mission Board for your cooperation in making this a record breaking year for State Home Missions.

MISSOURI STATE HOME MISSION BOARD OF FREE WILL BAPTIST, INC.

Giving by Association: Year ending March 31, 1978

Southeast	5,619.09
Greater Kansas City	4,378.84
Mission	2,945.93
Cave Springs	2,261.33
Indian Creek	714.58
Central Western	1,576.00
Liberty	479.00
Northeast	398.85

## REPORT OF MISSOURI STATE FREE WILL BAPTIST YOUTH CAMP

The Missouri State Youth Camp Board once again has been blessed of God in our camp sessions. The three weeks of camp were attended by approximately 1000 campers plus workers. The following dates are set for this years camp: Elementary camp, June 11-16; Junior High, June 18-23; and Teen camp, June 25-30. The price for each camper this year has remained the same, \$15.00, in spite of spiraling costs. We trust that many of our churches will underwrite the added costs by including the Youth Camp in their monthly giving.

There are several commendments that should be noted the past year. The top ten churches in designated giving to the Youth Camp are, Myrtle, Hannon, Oskaloosa, Rock Chapel, Grace, Hazel Creek, Mountain Grove, New Home, and New Rock Springs. Thanks to these churches and all who support our Youth Camp faithfully. Thanks to Sister Francis Bowman for her help in the lawn mower project. She went over her goal of \$550.00. Thanks to Reverend & Mrs. Bud Arnold for the outstanding job they are doing as Superintendent of Camp.

Other areas of improvement include the completion of Evangelist and Directors quarters; very needed boys' rest room facility; thanks to James Stoval we have four new portable class rooms (we will have sixteen classes rather than eight). We have established a cash and carry account with a wholesale supplier to keep grocery costs at a minimum.

Another improvement we feel was made in securing men from our own state to write the camp curriculum. We are deeply indebted to Rev. Jim McAllister, Rev. R.B. Spurgeon, and Rev. David Huett for writing our curriculum this year.

The camp is being used a little more presently for which we are grateful. The National Home Missions Department is having their annual retreat at our camp in May. The seminars twice a year by the Board of Christian Education meets at camp, too. We are presently renting the camp to Webster Baptist Association for a week and the Bible Missionary Church for a week during the summer. The State Women's Auxiliary Annual Retreat also meets at the Youth Camp. Some of our individual churches and associations are taking advantage of Youth Camp facilities for 2 and 3 day camps.

In our last meeting, the board discussed plans for a multi-purpose building. Estimated costs seemed to make the possibility prohibitive at the present time. We are asking for an increase in cooperative giving because of the loan we will need to make to complete the boys' rest room.

Please remember your Youth Camp Board in prayer and include the Camp in your regular giving. We feel an investment in camp is an investment in out youth. Youth Camp has been the means of helping salvage many a boy and girl that otherwise might have gone astray.

We are here to serve you.

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The Youth Camp Board  
Lynn Wood, Chairman  
Charles Miller, Sec.-Treas.  
Ken Goff  
James Stovall  
Steve Burton

MISSOURI STATE FREE WILL BAPTIST YOUTH CAMP  
FINANCIAL REPORT April 1, 1977-March 31, 1978

BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD April 1, 1977

\$ 5,149.63

RECEIPTS

Missouri Cooperative  
Women's Auxiliary

7,509.66  
417.51

ASSOCIATIONS

Cave Springs.....	\$ 379.14
Central Western.....	500.00
Greater Kansas City.....	390.00
Indian Creek.....	0.00
Laclede County.....	0.00
Liberty.....	345.00
Mission.....	942.14
Niangua.....	0.00
Northeast.....	145.00
Northwest.....	0.00
St. Francois County.....	385.00
Madison County.....	220.00
St. Louis District.....	425.00

TOTAL

\$ 3,731.28

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CAMP OPERATION

Individual Gifts.....	\$ 260.00
Registration.....	14,154.30
Camp Rental.....	1,217.65
Concession Sales.....	2,878.36
Refunds.....	453.70
Other Receipts.....	114.80

TOTAL

\$19,078.81

19,078.81

TOTAL RECEIPTS

\$35,886.89

DISBURSEMENTS

Concessions.....	\$ 2,442.92
Food & Kitchen Supplies.....	6,114.36
Building & Maintenance.....	7,466.99
Utilities.....	3,612.76
Honorarium & Board Travel.....	1,165.76
Camp Superintendent.....	3,950.00
Secretary-Treasurer.....	300.00
Insurance.....	2,873.15
Printing & Office Supplies.....	1,026.50
Equipment Purchases.....	541.00
Kitchen Staff.....	1,090.00
Miscellaneous.....	669.37
Returned Checks.....	10.00

TOTAL DISBURSED

\$31,262.81

\$31,262.81

FUND BALANCE MARCH 31, 1978

4,624.08

MISSOURI STATE FREE WILL BAPTIST YOUTH CAMP  
BALANCE SHEET MARCH 31, 1978

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CURRENT ASSETS

State Bank of DeSoto, Missouri	\$ 2,251.50
Citizen's Bank of Marshfield, Missouri	2,372.58
<u>CASH ASSETS</u>	<u>\$ 4,624.08</u>

FIXED ASSETS

Land & Buildings	\$275,000.00
<u>TOTAL ASSETS</u>	<u>\$279,624.08</u>

LIABILITIES

<u>TOTAL ASSETS March 31, 1978</u>	0.00
	<u>\$279,624.08</u>

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PROPOSED BUDGET APRIL 1, 1978 - MARCH 31, 1979

<u>BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD</u>	\$ 4,624.08
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RECEIPTS

Missouri Cooperative (5½% of proposed budget).....	7,975.00
Receipts From Associations.....	5,000.00
Individual Gifts.....	1,000.00
Registration.....	17,700.00
Camp Rental.....	1,200.00
Concession Sales.....	4,000.00
Proposed Building Loan (Boys' Rest Room).....	4,500.00
<u>TOTAL RECEIPTS</u>	<u>41,375.00</u>
<u>TOTAL CASH AVAILABLE</u>	<u>45,999.08</u>

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EXPENDITURES

Camp Superintendent.....	\$ 5,000.00
Concessions.....	3,000.00
Food & Kitchen Supplies.....	7,000.00
Building & Maintenance.....	16,500.00
Utilities.....	4,500.00
Insurance.....	3,000.00
Honorariums & Board Travel.....	1,400.00
Secretary-Treasurer.....	400.00
Printing & Office Supplies.....	1,000.00
Equipment Purchases.....	2,000.00
Kitchen Staff.....	1,200.00
Miscellaneous.....	999.08
<u>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>\$ 45,999.08</u>

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<u>PROPOSED BALANCE MARCH 31, 1979</u>	0.00
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MISSOURI STATE FREE WILL BAPTIST YOUTH CAMP  
GIFTS BY CHURCHES

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Beacon, Raytown.....	\$ 25.00
Berean, Independence.....	50.00
Central, Kansas City.....	50.00
Cuba.....	110.00
DeSoto.....	120.00
Faith.....	110.00
Fourth.....	120.00
Grace.....	145.00
First, Flat River.....	50.00
First, Fredericktown.....	120.00
Hazel Creek.....	145.00
Hannon.....	180.00
Olivet, Marshall.....	150.00
First, Kansas City.....	90.00
First, Mountain Grove.....	145.00
Macedonia Sunday School.....	110.00
Myrtle.....	234.14
New Home.....	130.00
New Life.....	120.00
New Rock Springs.....	130.00
O'Fallon.....	25.00
Union.....	115.00
Rock Chapel.....	160.00
Willow Springs.....	110.00
Verdella.....	120.00
Thayer.....	120.00
Oak Hill.....	20.00
Parkview, Desloge.....	60.00
Mountain Valley.....	42.14
Copper Mines.....	100.00
Oskaloosa.....	175.00
Stockton Mission.....	25.00
First, West Plains.....	25.00
South Fremont.....	25.00
Sedalia Mission.....	25.00
First, Farmington.....	25.00
Bethel, Festus.....	25.00
First, Lebanon.....	200.00
	<u>\$3,731.28</u>

Missouri Sunday School and C. T. S. Board

Report to the State

June 5, 1978

Missouri State Association  
Flat River, Missouri  
Report to the State

Greetings in the Name of Christ,

Once again we close out another year which we felt was very beneficial. We would first of all like to thank the State Association for the 0.25% increase which we received from the Cooperative Plan this year for our board.

Our board started the year with a full membership but at this report we are down to three (3) members. Rev. Dale Smith resigned in January of 1978 to accept a pastorate in the state of Oklahoma. Rev. Ted Wilbanks tendered his resignation on May 6, 1978, to accept a pastorate in the state of California. We hope and pray that the men elected by the state this year will be able to fulfill their terms so that we as a board may be able to reach our goals.

Our Sunday School spring enlargement campaign had to be canceled because of non-support. We hope to in the coming year to compile a good statistical report so that we as a State may know where we have been and in which direction we are headed.

Our state C. T. S. competition was the biggest ever. We had a total of 110 entries with a total participation of over 225 young people. This year our board was able to help in paying some of the expenses of our entries to the National Association Youth Competition.

May God Bless you at this State Meeting.

Sunday School and C. T. S. Board

Jerry Norris  
Richard Pointer  
Kent Tallent, Chairman

# MISSOURI SUNDAY SCHOOL & CTS BOARD

## Financial Report

April 1, 1977 to March 31, 1978

Balance Brought Forward April 1, 1977

307.94

### Receipts

Cooperative Fund	2,806.52
State CTS Competition	420.00
Offering at State Association	79.82
Miscellaneous	21.59
State Contest	<u>75.00</u>
	3,402.93

3,402.93

3,710.87

### Disbursements

Mileage	696.88
Telephone	289.14
Food and Lodging	222.50
Printing	51.58
Postage	18.48
State Youth Meeting	150.00
State Competition	455.34
Trophies	98.69
Stop Watches	53.72
Record Books	46.10
Seminars	<u>112.19</u>

Total Disbursements

2,194.62

2,194.62

Balance March 31, 1978

1,516.25



Missouri Sunday School & CTS Board

Proposed Budget 1978-79

Balance as of April 1, 1978 1,516.25

Projected Income		
Cooperative Fund	2,900.00	
State Competition & Seminars	600.00	
Offerings	<u>150.00</u>	
	3,650.00	<u>3,650.00</u>
		5,166.25

Projected Expenses		
Travel	800.00	
Phone	300.00	
Food & Lodging	300.00	
Printing & Postage	100.00	
State Meeting	200.00	
Competitive Activities	1,200.00	
Seminars	<u>600.00</u>	
	3,500.00	<u>3,500.00</u>

Projected Balance as of March 31, 1979 1,666.25

Respectfully submitted,

Missouri State Sunday School & CTS Board

Jerry Norris  
Richard Pointer  
Kent Tallent, Chairman

## BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION REPORT

The statement of purpose for your State Board of Christian Education says we are to "Promote quality academic Christian training with practical application, which supplements the ministries of Free Will Baptist churches in the Missouri State Association." This past year we have attempted to do that through several channels:

1) Missouri Bible Institutes. We conducted institutes in the following areas: St. Louis, Lead Belt, West Plains, Central Western Association. A total of 14 different courses were taught with students completing 142 hours of course work.

2) One night Seminars on Charismatic Confusion were conducted by Dr. Robert Picirilli in Flat River, Joplin, Kansas City, and St. Louis. Approximately 250 people attended these meetings.

3) Two night Family Life Seminars were conducted by Rev. Jesse Webb in Flat River, Mtn. Grove, Monett, Kansas City, Kirksville, and St. Louis. Approximately 450 people attended these sessions.

4) Ministers-Laymen Retreat was held at the Youth Camp in the fall. Dr. John Broger taught 10 hours on Biblical Problem Solving (Nouthetic Counseling). 57 enrolled at the three-day seminar.

The evaluation forms returned to us at these various functions indicate that our people are overwhelmingly appreciative of these ministries and are eager for more such opportunities.

Included in our planning for the 1978-79 year are:

1) More Bible Institutes are being considered for the following areas: Central Western Association, El Dorado Springs, Cave Springs, St. Louis, Fredericktown, and Kansas City.

2) Other seminars and workshops will be planned this year as the need demands.

We are anxious to provide such opportunities, especially in areas of the state where we have not yet been. If you would like us to come to your area for any type of ministry, please contact a member of our Board.

Thanks to all who supported our efforts this past year, especially our teachers and coordinators. We are looking forward to another good year in Christian education.

Your Board of Christian Education,

Andy Lay, Chairman  
Dennis Bowman, Secretary/Treasurer  
Howard Bowers  
James Davis  
R. B. Spurgeon

MISSOURI CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD  
OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS  
FINANCIAL REPORT

April 1, 1977 - March 31, 1978

INCOME

Beginning Balance April 1, 1977 . . . . .	\$ 598.60	
Student Fees. . . . .	1,787.70	
Seminar Income. . . . .	1,073.30	
Investment Income . . . . .	252.01	
Co-op . . . . .	2,845.83	
TOTAL . . . . .		\$6,557.44

EXPENDITURES

Board Expense . . . . .	\$ 743.22	
Office Expense. . . . .	210.24	
Personnel Salaries. . . . .	2,420.00	
Personnel Travel. . . . .	1,022.56	
Etc. Expense Seminars . . . . .	358.00	
Texts and Materials . . . . .	447.43	
Printing. . . . .	25.52	
Returned Checks . . . . .	40.90	
Refunds . . . . .	3.00	
Investment Interest Left in Investment Account. . . . .	252.01	
TOTAL. . . . .		\$5,522.88
CASH ON HAND . . . . .		\$1,034.56

MISSOURI CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD  
OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS  
BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS

Cash on Hand . . . . .	\$1,034.56	
Office Equipment . . . . .	40.00	
Investment (Board of Retirement & Ins. Of FWB) . . . . .	<u>3,237.01</u>	
TOTAL . . . . .		\$4,311.57

LIABILITIES

Lebanon Bible & Book Store . . . . .	\$ 20.80	
Salary and Mileage . . . . .	818.25	
Herald Office Equipment . . . . .	<u>6.88</u>	
TOTAL . . . . .		\$ 845.93

FUND BALANCE (Assets over Liabilities). . . . . \$3,465.64

MISSOURI CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD  
OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS  
BUDGET 1978-79

INCOME

Co-op (2% of \$145,000) . . . . .	\$2,900.00	
Student Fees MBI . . . . .	2,000.00	
Seminars . . . . .	1,200.00	
Book Sales . . . . .	<u>500.00</u>	
TOTAL. . . . .		\$6,600.00

EXPENDITURES

Board Expense. . . . .	\$ 750.00	
Office Expense . . . . .	300.00	
Personal Salaries. . . . .	3,500.00	
Institute Travel . . . . .	700.00	
Texts and Materials . . . . .	500.00	
Promotional. . . . .	500.00	
Retreat Expense. . . . .	<u>350.00</u>	
TOTAL. . . . .		\$6,600.00

MISSOURI STATE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION  
OF

FREE WILL BAPTIST

MAY 1, 1977 - APRIL 30, 1978

BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD MAY 1, 1977..... \$ 808.43

RECEIPTS

MEMBERSHIP FEES (582 Members) ..... 727.50

HOME MISSIONS

National Home Missions .....	\$ 537.00
State Missions.....	250.49
Special Projects.....	\$ 4,608.96
Bill Adkisson .....	20.00
Robert Helms.....	20.00
Leland Horton .....	57.08
Virgil Maness .....	73.56
Karel Smith .....	34.00
Mark Vandivort .....	105.00
Mark Vandivort, Memorial, Mrs. Clara Cantrell	15.00
Mark Vandivort, Memorial, Mrs. Jane Huddle	15.00
David Kirby .....	100.00
Dale Smith, Rolla Mission .....	265.00
Rolla Mission .....	75.00
Kansas City 1st. Mission.....	58.60
Piano Fund, Rolla Mission .....	13.00
1977-1978 Mo.St.Project/Francis To The Field	1,350.01
1977-1978 Mo.St.Proj/Mo.St.Home Miss.Loan Fund	1,561.20
1977-1978 Mo.St.Proj/Kan.City,Mo., Nat'l Conv.	846.41

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Foreign Missions .....	579.78
Special Projects.....	4,187.76
1976-1977 Mo.St.Project/Hanna's Handy Helpers	204.00
1976-77 Proj.Bal. 2390.49. Proj.Total \$ 2594.49	
1977-1978 Mo.St.Project/Pinkerton's On Wheels	2,019.97
Jerry Pinkerton, Mo.St.Convention Offering	261.22
Project 5000.....	20.00
Jim McLain.....	100.00
Jim McLain, Washing .....	313.20
Mr. and Mrs. Jim McLain, Personal.....	20.00
Olena McLain.....	60.00
Dale Bishop .....	48.00

## FOREIGN MISSIONS CONT.

Bill Fulcher .....	308.05
Glenda Fulcher, Mo.St.Retreat offering.....	198.55
Howard Filkins .....	149.72
Jerry Webb.....	60.00
Steve Lytle.....	20.00
Steve and Judy Lytle, Pink and blue shower..	81.00
Jim Sturgill.....	5.00
Jerry Gibbs .....	60.05
Lynn Miley .....	47.50
Dr. LaVerne Miley .....	12.50
Ernie Deeds .....	10.00
Lonnie Sparks .....	9.00
Charlotte Tallent .....	5.00
Fatsy Van Hook .....	175.00

## BIBLE COLLEGES

General Fund	65.58
Free Will Baptist Bible College.....	174.58
Hillsdale Free Will Baptist College.....	
Special Projects	
Free Will Baptist Bible College, Library Fund .....	21.00
Student Loan Fund	
Free Will Baptist Bible College .....	276.67

## CHILDREN'S HOMES

Alabama, General Fund .....	150.00
So. Carolina, General Fund .....	500.00
Tennessee, General Fund .....	913.55
Christmas Gifts .....	72.41
Jimmy Blackwell .....	90.00
Jeffrey Jacobs .....	62.00
Cameron Slagle .....	50.00
Cameron Slagle, Gift .....	10.00
Lana Slagle .....	20.00

## YOUTH CAMPS OR PROJECTS

General Fund .....	30.00
Special Needs .....	191.27
Mower .....	30.00

WNAC, GENERAL FUND (EMPHASIS) .....	748.98
COLABORER .....	392.10
RETIREMENT AND INSURANCE .....	5.57

## OTHER SPECIAL RECEIPTS

Provision Closet .....	61.75
Tithes .....	429.31
Registration Fees, Retreat .....	652.50
Mo.St.Convention Banquet Tickets .....	395.00
Mission District/1977 Mo.St.Convention .....	45.00
Blanche Wisehart, Memo Debit .....	1.00

TOTAL RECEIPTS .....	16,391.07
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MISSOURI STATE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION  
OF  
FREE WILL BAPTIST

DISBURSED

MEMBERSHIP FEES, 582 members ..... \$ 582.00

HOME MISSIONS

National Home Missions ..... 537.00  
State Missions ..... 260.49  
Special Projects ..... 3,762.55

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Foreign Missions ..... 579.78  
Special Projects ..... 4,187.76

BIBLE COLLEGES

General Fund ..... 240.16  
Special Projects ..... 21.00  
Student Loan ..... 276.67

WNAC, GENERAL FUND (EMPHASIS MONTH) ..... 748.98

COLABORER ..... 392.40

RETIREMENT AND INSURANCE ..... 5.57

PROVISION CLOSET ..... 61.76

CHILDREN'S HOMES

Alabama, General Fund ..... 150.00  
So. Carolina, General Fund ..... 600.00  
Tennessee, General Fund ..... 913.55  
Special Projects ..... 304.41

YOUTH CAMPS OR PROJECTS

General fund ..... 30.00  
Special projects ..... 221.27

MISSION DISTRICT/1977 Mo.St. Convention ..... 45.00

BANK OF THAYER, DEBIT ..... 1.00

MISSOURI ST. WOMAN'S AUX. CONV. EXPENSES & SUPPLIES

The Print Shop ..... 47.84  
Whitley Office Supply ..... 2.84  
Pape, Supplies ..... 37.44

## DISBURSEMENTS CONT.

WNAC, Supplies .....	5.90
Chas. Miller, Telephone Call .....	2.53
Shirley Bowden, Telephone Calls .....	2.74
Grant Ave. FWB Church, Building Rental .....	25.00
Grant Ave. FWB Youth Group .....	75.00
Chicken Mary's, Mo. St. Convention Banquet .....	394.00
Shirley Bowden, Misc. ....	2.13
Mo. St. Youth Camp, Insurance .....	41.30
Doris Arnold, Retreat .....	125.00
Shirley Bowden, Retreat .....	6.76
Young's Market, Food, Retreat .....	139.80
Hiland Dairy, Dairy Products, Retreat .....	8.76
Glenda Fulcher, Honorarium, .....	150.00
Jerry Pinkerton, Honorarium .....	100.00
FWB Children's Home, Tennessee, Honorarium .....	100.00
Shirley Bowden, Honorarium .....	50.00
Sandy Smith, Honorarium .....	25.00
Blanche Wisheart, Honorarium .....	50.00
 TOTAL DISBURSED .....	 \$ 15,313.39
TOTAL BALANCE APRIL 30, 1978 .....	\$ 1,886.11

BLANCHE WISEHART  
TREASURER.



MISSOURI STATE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION  
OF  
FREE WILL BAPTIST

ACCOUNTS OF DISTRICTS & AUXILIARY GIVINGS

GREATER K.C. DIST.....	\$ 2,314.93	ST. FRANCOIS DIST.....	\$ 2,061.29
Beacon Aux.....	1,119.73	Cape Girardeau Aux....	70.12
Berean Aux.....	140.71	Farlington AAux.....	791.75
Central Aux.....	248.15	Fellowship Aux.....	491.18
Olivet Aux., Marshall	463.75	Fredericktown Aux....	1490.01
Victory Aux.....	252.65	Oak Hill Aux.....	51.67
Greater K.C. Dist....	89.94	Viburnum Aux.....	142.50
		St. Francois Dist.....	21.06
INDIAN CREEK DIST.....	\$ 2,599.58		
Faith, Hope & Charity	86.75	ST. LOUIS DIST.....	\$ 2,293.18
Cartersville Aux.....	30.00	Berkeley Aux.....	474.30
Jones Chapel Aux.....	21.77	Bethel Aux., Festus...	308.14
Joplin Aux.....	153.89	Fourth Aux.....	397.89
Macadonia Aux.....	2,061.67	Grace Aux.....	245.78
Merl's Chapel Aux....	106.67	O'Fallon Aux.....	426.55
New Life Aux., Monett.	33.25	Southside Aux.....	288.91
Purdy Aux.....	55.50	Trinity Aux.....	63.15
Indian Creek Dist....	50.00	St. Louis Dist.....	88.46
MISSION DIST.....	1,984.80		
Cabool Aux.....	159.50	NORTHEAST MO. DIST.....	\$ 1,041.63
Grant Ave Aux.....	363.98	Columbia Aux.....	50.39
Hartville Aux.....	82.50	Hazel Creek Aux.....	210.41
Houston Aux.....	168.25	Kirkville Aux.....	409.82
Lebanon Aux.....	359.47	Martinstown Aux.....	66.25
Mountain Grove Aux...	416.13	New Harmony Aux.....	146.75
New Life Aux., Licking	41.77	Northeast Mo. Dist....	30.00
Waynesville Aux.....	260.49	Northeast Mo. Ass'n...	128.01
Willow Springs Aux...	244.21		
Missions Dist.....	3.50	LOCAL AUXILIARIES	
CENTRAL WESTERN DIST...	\$ 103.75	Bethel Aux., West Flains	\$ 889.35
Hannon Aux.....	20.00	Cuba Aux.....	137.16
Oskaloosa Aux.....	11.25	Myrtle Aux.....	718.67
Verdella Aux.....	12.50	Thayer Aux.....	419.46
Central Western Dist.	60.00	Hannon Aux. (Direct)..	290.00
		Verdella Aux. (Direct)	10.00
		New Life Aux., Monett(Direct)	18.00
TOTAL AMOUNT RECEIVED FROM DISTRICTS AND AUXILIARIES.....	\$ 14,881.80		
1977 Mo. St. Convention Offering, Jerry Pinkerton.....	261.22		
1977 Mo. St. Convention Banquet Tickets.....	396.00		
1977 Mo. St. Woman's Aux Retreat Offering, Glenda Fulcher.....	198.55		
1977 Mo. St. Woman's Aux Retreat, Registration Fees.....	652.50		
Blanche Wisheart, Debit Memo.....	1.00		
TOTAL RECEIPTS.....	\$ 16,391.07		

MISSOURI STATE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION  
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"1978 KANSAS CITY MISSOURI WNAC NATIONAL CONVENTION"  
ACCOUNT OF DESIGNATED GIFTS

Beacon Aux.....	\$ 36.00
Berkeley Aux.....	36.00
Bethel Aux., Festus.....	9.00
Bethel Aux., West Plains.....	33.00
Cape Girardeau Aux.....	10.00
Columbia Aux.....	15.00
Cuba Aux.....	30.00
Fellowship Aux.....	75.00
Fredericktown Aux.....	42.00
Grace Aux.....	36.00
Hannon Aux.....	30.00
Hazel Creek Aux.....	21.00
Indian Creek Dist.....	50.00
Kirksville Aux.....	42.00
Myrtle Aux.....	30.00
New Harmony Aux.....	18.00
New Life Aux., Monett.....	18.00
Oak Hill Aux.....	30.00
Olivet Aux., Marshall.....	45.00
O'Fallon Aux.....	66.00
St. Francois Dist.....	21.06
Thayer Aux.....	33.00
Trinity Aux.....	30.00
Viburnum Aux.....	30.00
Victory Aux.....	36.00
Waynesville Aux.....	24.00
Willow Springs Aux.....	.35
TOTAL RECEIPTS.....	\$ 846.41

MISSOURI STATE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION  
OF  
FREE WILL BAPTIST

"NATIONAL HOME MISSION LOAN FUND"  
ACCOUNT OF DESIGNATED GIFTS

Beacon Aux.....	\$ 242.03
Berean Aux.....	26.47
Berkley Aux.....	27.08
Bethel Aux., Festus.....	14.76
Bethel Aux., West Plains.....	525.00
Cabool Aux.....	10.00
Cape Girardeau Aux.....	10.00
Central Aux.....	36.50
Faith, Hope & Charity Aux., Monett	26.00
Farmington Aux.....	64.01
Fellowship Aux.....	33.41
Fredericktown Aux.....	50.00
Grace Aux.....	14.54
Grant Ave. Aux.....	15.00
Greater Kansas City Dist.....	29.98
Hartville Aux.....	25.00
Houston Aux.....	15.00
Lebanon Aux.....	20.00
Mountain Grove Aux.....	29.75
Myrtle Aux.....	50.00
Northeast Mo. Dist.....	30.00
O'Fallon Aux.....	25.00
Olivet Aux., Marshall.....	100.00
Southside Aux.....	28.97
St. Louis Dist.....	10.07
Thayer Aux.....	7.16
Trinity Aux.....	3.86
Viburnum Aux.....	10.00
Victory Aux.....	28.67
Waynesville Aux.....	20.00
Willow Springs Aux.....	32.94
TOTAL RECEIPTS.....	1,561.20

MISSOURI STATE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION  
OF  
FREE WILL BAPTIST

"FRANCIS TO THE FIELD"  
ACCOUNT OF DESIGNATED GIFTS

Beacon Aux.....	98.04
Berean Aux.....	26.46
Berkeley Aux.....	27.07
Bethel Aux., Festus.....	88.04
Bethel Aux., West Plains.....	25.00
Cape Girardeau Aux.....	10.00
Central Aux.....	72.75
Cuba Aux.....	10.00
Faith, Hope & Charity, Monett..	25.00
Farlington Aux.....	255.17
Fredericktown Aux.....	173.63
Grace Aux.....	14.55
Hannon Aux.....	25.00
Hazel Creek Aux.....	15.00
Greater Kansas City Dist.....	29.98
Kirksville Aux.....	30.53
Lebanon Aux.....	39.92
Martinstown Aux.....	5.00
Myrtle Aux.....	100.00
Oak Hill Aux.....	9.22
Olivet Aux., Marshall.....	100.00
O'Fallon Aux.....	25.00
Purdy Aux.....	10.00
St. Louis Dist.....	10.08
Southside Aux.....	28.97
Trinity Aux.....	3.86
Victory Aux.....	33.66
Waynesville Aux.....	51.75
Willow Springs Aux.....	6.33
TOTAL RECEIPTS.....	1,350.01

MISSOURI STATE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION  
OF  
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"LINKERTON'S ON WHEELS"  
ACCOUNT OF DESIGNATED GIFTS

Beacon Aux.....	111.66
Berean Aux.....	25.47
Berkeley Aux.....	27.07
Bethel Aux., Festus.....	14.77
Bethel Aux., West Plains.....	25.00
Cape Girardeau Aux.....	10.00
Central Aux.....	72.75
Farminston Aux.....	370.50
Fellowship Aux.....	97.06
Fredericktown Aux.....	173.63
Grace Aux.....	14.55
Greater Kansas City Dist.....	29.98
Hannon Aux.....	30.00
Hazel Creek Aux.....	15.00
Kirkville Aux.....	54.53
Lebanon Aux.....	39.92
Macadonia Aux.....	450.00
Martinstown Aux.....	5.00
Merl's Chapel Aux.....	20.00
Mountain Grove Aux.....	10.00
Nurtle Aux.....	50.00
O'Fallon Aux.....	25.00
Olivet Aux., Marshall.....	100.00
Purdy Aux.....	10.00
St. Louis Dist.....	10.08
Southside Aux.....	47.07
Thayer Aux.....	120.00
Trinity Aux.....	3.25
Victory Aux.....	33.67
Waverlyville Aux.....	16.08
Willow Springs Aux.....	6.33
TOTAL RECEIPTS.....	2019.97

MISSOURI STATE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION  
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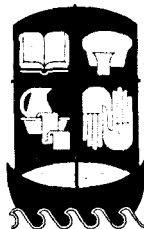
"HAMMA'S HANDY HELPERS"  
1976-1977  
ACCOUNT OF DESIGNATED GIFTS

Balance forward May 1, 1977.....	2,390.49
Bethel Aux., West Plains.....	15.00
Berkeley Aux.....	100.00
Houston Aux.....	20.00
Merl's Chapel Aux.....	10.00
Mountain Grove Aux.....	10.00
Southside Aux.....	39.00
Waynesville Aux.....	10.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS.....	2,594.49

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

# National Association of Free Will Baptists

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PERSONAL GREETINGS TO THE MISSOURI STATE ASSOCIATION  
Meeting June 6-8, 1978

- \* ENCOURAGING REPORTS--During recent months I have been pleased to receive encouraging reports of how Free Will Baptists are forging ahead in Missouri.

The manner in which you have rallied to the support of Clarence Burton, your executive secretary, exemplifies an earnest effort to strengthen your work for God. I commend your enlarged vision. It is obvious that the churches in Missouri are becoming more aggressive in their stewardship commitment and worldwide outreach. Your venture in cooperation demonstrates the value of combining your resources and energies into a central thrust.

- \* COOPERATION--The purpose of joining forces in a cooperative endeavor is that we can do more by working together than working independently....Mutual cooperation is the foundation for our district, state and national work. It is the keystone that binds us together in our common mission for Christ.

The Church is the company of called-out believers whose chief concern is the welfare and interest of the kingdom of God. As a community of believers our common goal is to work together in a program of united action to extend the kingdom. We rejoice together that God's kingdom work is being advanced through approximately 2,500 churches nationwide, working in conjunction with each other.

- \* NATIONAL OUTREACH--God's blessings continue to be evident upon our national outreach. Almost 1,000 choice young people are being trained in our educational institutions. The surging interest in Christian education is reflected in the growing number of Bible institutes that are springing up....Growing churches are demanding larger, well-trained staffs to implement Christian day schools and other church ministries. Free Will Baptist Bible College in Nashville is laying plans for a graduate program to intensify this training program.

Increasing numbers of young people are committing their lives to the service of Christ. Having trained in our institutions, they are going out to mission fields around the world. During the past 12 months Free Will Baptists have commissioned 12 foreign missionaries. Another 11 home missionaries have been sent to establish more gospel churches in America.

The organization of Joy Clubs for senior adults reflects an awakening concern for this segment of people. The expansion of Christian book and literature production is adding to the spiritual development of our denomination.

Recent innovations in our Master's Men program have sparked a new interest among laymen in our denominational work. State senators have been elected to promote enthusiasm for the laymen's program within their own states.


The quickening pace of progress coupled with a growing spirit of oneness and spiritual maturity creates a keen sense of anticipation of ever greater blessing in the days ahead. So it is with a deep sense of gratitude that we praise you for your support in prayer, finances and personal interest. This has enabled us to achieve new plateaus of progress.

I call special attention to three specific ministries of the Executive Office.

- \* DENOMINATIONAL MAGAZINE--This 32-page national publication continues to receive positive response across the denomination. Monthly contents are filled with inspirational articles, discussions of controversial issues, family-oriented articles and denominational news. The enlarged magazine provides more articles, better news coverage and a deeper probing of contemporary issues than any other denominational publication. Pick up literature at the display table, or write Jack Williams, Editor, CONTACT, P. O. Box 1088, Nashville, Tennessee 37202, for specific information on how you can obtain or promote our national publication.
- \* NATIONAL CONVENTION--The highlight of our denominational year is the convening of representatives from almost 2,500 churches in 40 states as well as from 9 foreign countries....This international conclave, for which the Executive Office is directly responsible for planning and promoting, provides opportunities for fellowship, inspiration and challenge to world missions....Business sessions provide a forum for discussing issues and establishing policies designed to strengthen our fellowship. This is why every church ought to send its pastor and a lay delegate to participate in the annual convention which meets July 16-20, 1978, in Kansas City, Missouri.
- \* COOPERATIVE PLAN--The Cooperative Plan is a chain of stewardship which links the local church with the state and national ministries. This chain is more than money; it is composed of the links of faith, vision, concern for souls and personal involvement....It is the chain that binds the churches to state, national and foreign missions....It provides a link with every phase of denominational service....The chain grows stronger each time a church adopts this plan. An increase of gifts will enable us to strengthen our unified effort to fulfill a worldwide responsibility.

I request your continued prayers in my endeavors to lead our beloved denominational work forward in a spirit of total dedication to Jesus Christ our Lord. Continue to pray for revival and a greater thrust in soul winning.

Yours in Christ,

  
Rufus Coffey  
Executive Secretary

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General Fund Report  
TO THE BRETHREN OF THE MISSOURI STATE ASSOCIATION  
From Free Will Baptist Bible College

Dear Missouri Friends:

Providing you a report of the year's work at your Free Will Baptist Bible College is always a privilege. The 1977-78 year has been one filled with many wonderful days of spiritual blessing on the students and faculty. The student revival, missions retreat, Christian workers assignment days, special services by ensembles, drama, and choir, and the day of prayer have all been days that made lifetime impressions on our students.

While you are in your meeting here, vacationing students from the college are serving all over the world. Some are mission interns on our mission stations. Others are interning as musicians or preachers in local churches. Still others are involved in Vacation Bible Schools, youth camps, or in various youth groups in their local churches. Free Will Baptist Bible College is vitally interested in keeping qualified workers in the vineyard until Jesus comes.

The gifts from your state were appreciated. Our records for the fiscal year June 1976 - May 1977 show the general fund received \$10,184.60 (36%) from churches, \$5,474.50 (19%) from individuals, \$1,192.08 (4%) from associational gifts, and \$11,584.53 (41%) from cooperative giving.

Gifts for the past five years from all our people are as follows:

<u>1972-73</u>	<u>1973-74</u>	<u>1974-75</u>	<u>1975-76</u>	<u>1976-77</u>
\$248,470.68	\$257,167.22	\$297,231.15	\$314,667.87	\$349,621.24


Missouri's gifts to the General Fund during the past five years were:

<u>1972-73</u>	<u>1973-74</u>	<u>1974-75</u>	<u>1975-76</u>	<u>1976-77</u>
\$16,883.14	\$11,753.13	\$12,994.03	\$14,149.54	\$21,058.58

Names of students from your state are listed in this report along with other vital statistics of interest to you.

Missouri is being asked for \$20,000.00 in general fund gifts this coming fiscal year, June 1978-May 1979. Your state's monthly gifts should be \$1,666.67 in order to meet this amount.

Sincerely yours,

  
Paul G. Kettelman  
Director of Public Relations

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# REGISTRATION REPORT

1977-78

Enrollment . . . . .	First Semester . . . . .	562
Additional Enrollment . . . . .	Second Semester . . . . .	60
Total Enrollment . . . . .	First & Second Semesters . . . . .	622
Summer 1977 Enrollment Not Already Counted . . . . .		18
Total Yearly Enrollment, 1977-78 . . . . .		640

## BREAKDOWN OF TOTAL ENROLLMENT

Alabama . . . . .	60	Kentucky . . . . .	7	Pennsylvania . . . . .	1
Arizona . . . . .	1	Maine . . . . .	1	South Carolina . . . . .	22
Arkansas . . . . .	20	Maryland . . . . .	6	South Dakota . . . . .	1
California . . . . .	2	Michigan . . . . .	36	Tennessee . . . . .	105
Florida . . . . .	26	Minnesota . . . . .	2	Texas . . . . .	10
Georgia . . . . .	31	Mississippi . . . . .	21	Virginia . . . . .	25
Hawaii . . . . .	3	Missouri . . . . .	26	West Virginia . . . . .	15
Illinois . . . . .	30	North Carolina . . . . .	117	Wyoming . . . . .	2
Indiana . . . . .	23	Ohio . . . . .	30	Foreign . . . . .	8
Iowa . . . . .	5	Oklahoma . . . . .	4		

Male . . . . .	356	Ministerial . . . . .	192
Female . . . . .	284	Missionary . . . . .	33
New . . . . .	249	Single . . . . .	438
Returning . . . . .	391	Married . . . . .	202

Free Will Baptist . . . . . 619  
Other . . . . . 21

Freshmen . . . . .	232	Juniors . . . . .	126
Sophomores . . . . .	157	Seniors . . . . .	71

Special Students . . . . . 54

## TOTAL ENROLLMENTS FROM 1967 - 1978

1966-67	430	1970-71	471	1974-75	614
1967-68	467	1971-72	534	1975-76	615
1968-69	456	1972-73	595	1976-77	619
1969-70	480	1973-74	637	1977-78	640

June 1977 - April 1978

States	1977-78 Quota	% of Quota Given by Apr. 30, 1978	Gifts June 1976- Apr. 1977	Gifts June 1977- Apr. 1978	Increase or (Decrease)
Alabama	\$ 33,000.00	91%	\$ 29,409.80	\$ 29,965.25	\$ 555.45
*Arizona	1,000.00	119%	638.42	1,195.48	557.06
*Arkansas	12,000.00	104%	9,971.96	12,450.79	2,478.83
California	3,500.00	50%	3,642.66	1,757.20	(1,885.46)
Colorado	900.00	31%	520.65	276.40	(244.25)
Florida	16,000.00	63%	14,087.09	10,160.59	(3,926.50)
Georgia	28,000.00	87%	25,619.68	24,258.16	(1,361.52)
Hawaii	400.00	21%	300.00	82.95	(217.05)
Idaho	300.00	86%	183.40	257.15	73.75
Illinois	13,000.00	71%	11,885.95	9,181.31	(2,704.64)
Indiana	5,000.00	40%	2,034.31	1,981.31	(53.00)
Iowa	750.00	75%	601.03	562.61	(38.42)
Kansas	1,200.00	35%	1,012.65	414.80	(597.85)
Kentucky	13,000.00	59%	10,822.95	7,676.20	(3,146.75)
Maryland	450.00	84%	275.89	378.04	102.15
Michigan	14,000.00	77%	10,882.49	10,769.32	(113.17)
*Mississippi	14,000.00	102%	12,917.12	14,283.38	1,366.26
Missouri	22,000.00	79%	18,928.97	17,388.95	(1,540.02)
New Hampshire	100.00	2%	-0-	2.00	2.00
New Mexico	200.00	31%	153.88	62.34	(91.54)
North Carolina	50,000.00	99%	48,602.17	49,901.69	1,299.52
Ohio	10,000.00	84%	8,497.35	8,365.95	(131.40)
Oklahoma	18,500.00	60%	11,014.85	11,035.95	21.10
*South Carolina	25,000.00	103%	21,761.42	25,761.42	4,000.00
Tennessee	46,000.00	87%	36,765.32	40,161.62	3,396.30
Texas	8,000.00	77%	5,048.27	6,134.30	1,086.03
Virginia	13,000.00	72%	10,010.23	9,398.73	(611.50)
Washington	600.00	65%	460.09	387.96	(72.13)
West Virginia	8,500.00	90%	7,126.35	7,687.48	561.13
Wyoming	800.00	5%	739.34	40.00	(699.34)
WNAC	2,500.00	26%	830.93	658.90	(172.03)
*Other Gifts	18,300.00	115%	14,966.45	21,029.35	6,062.90
TOTALS	\$380,000.00	85%	\$319,711.67	\$323,667.58	\$3,955.91

Your state should have given 92% to be on schedule.

General Fund gifts for April 1978 were \$25,823.89.

Last year's April gifts were \$31,910.01.

\*Congratulations to these states for exceeding their goal!

# MISSOURI STUDENTS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Home City</u>	<u>Home Church</u>
Gary Adkisson	Newark, Ohio	Mission Ch., Newark, OH
Ken Bailey	Viburnum	Viburnum
Christi Lynn Barr	Eureka	Berkeley
Brenda Davidson	Mountain Grove	Willow Springs
Edward R. Dean	Kansas City	Victory
Ken Dodson	Ironton	Old Reyno, Ark.
John England	Myrtle	Myrtle
Jan E. Felts	Springfield	Grant Avenue
Tony Gale	DeSoto	First, DeSoto
Richard Greenup	Columbia	Columbia
Wayne Hale	Flat River	Fellowship
Dallas L. Henderson	Barnhart	Bethel
Alvin G. Hook	Lee's Summit	Beacon
Cynthia Hook	Lee's Summit	Beacon
John R. McClure	Cassville	Merl's Chapel
David McGowan	Mountain Grove	Mountain Valley
Sandra McGowan	Mountain Grove	Mountain Valley
Randall L. Miller	Viburnum	Viburnum
Donald Moss	DeSoto	First, DeSoto
Cynthia Nichols	Viburnum	Viburnum
Debbie Sinning	Mountain Grove	Willow Springs
Ted Stephens	Festus	Bethel
Mark S. Tallent	St. Louis	South Side
Jeffrey A. Turnbough	Viburnum	Viburnum
Pam Turnbough	St. Louis	South Side
Gary Underwood	Williamsville	Richmond Chapel Gen. Bapt.



# Hillsdale Free Will Baptist College

Box 6343 • Moore, Oklahoma 73160

April 18, 1978

## REPORT TO THE MISSOURI STATE ASSOCIATION

The excellence of any educational institution will be graded according to its graduates' ability to perform. Hillsdale graduates are beginning to reveal the quality of preparation in academics and service.

Students like Sheila Cawvey from West Plains who transferred from Hillsdale to the University of Missouri have found the quality of Hillsdale's academic preparation to be excellent. She and others are able to continue their academic program without letup and with no loss of credit hours.

Other graduates, like Richard Robinson at Thayer, are taking their places as pastors of local churches and are doing excellent jobs of shepherding the flocks God has given them. Our missionary program is also welcoming Hillsdale graduates who are joining the effort to reach all nations for Christ.

Other Hillsdale graduates are taking their places in the local church, and are serving excellently. You will find them as Sunday School teachers, children church workers, bus captains, song leaders, and in virtually every other position in the church. They are concerned about doing the will of God and are helping their churches fulfill the plan of God.

The newest buildings on Hillsdale's campus are two two-storied dorms with a total of 16 one-bedroom apartments--Randall Hall and Palmer Hall. Designed for married students, like other buildings on Hillsdale's campus, they will be utilized as multi-purpose buildings. They will provide overflow space for single dorm students, and they will serve as storm shelter for all on-campus personnel.

In March, 1978, we were able to connect onto Moore's sewer, and we anticipate the lagoons being drained and landscaped this summer. This plus a large waterline across campus, have added to expenses for the school year. As a result, a special need exists for our general fund.

One hundred seventy-two students enrolled during the fall of 1977. An additional 27 enrolled in January for a total enrollment of 199. Early applications received at Hillsdale indicate our freshman class should almost double this fall over last fall.

Students from Missouri are:

Mary Benham, Farmington  
Cristy Butler, Independence  
Cindy Cook, Independence  
James Crossgrove, Kirksville  
Melinda Dean, Mountain Grove  
David Filkins, Kirksville  
Kevin Francis, Farmington  
Joe Govreau, Farmington

Glennnda Hood, Thayer  
Darlynn Huett, Imperial  
Eddie Ikemeier, Farmington  
Johnny Kruger, Farmington  
Don Lindsey, Lebanon  
Judith Lister, St. Louis  
Sheri Luter, St. Louis  
Gregory McAllister, Farmington

James Metcalf, Flat River  
Steven Reeves, El Dorado Springs  
Allen Smith, Liberal  
Lynn Smith, Liberal  
Rose Sponsler, Kirksville  
Allen Stringer, Union  
Bill Whitelock, St. Charles  
Christy Williams, Kirksville

These students have made definite contributions to Hillsdale. We trust the training they have received is helping in their service in the local church.

We appreciate the concern expressed by Missouri over the past year. According to our records, Missouri gave \$15,101.04 from July 1977 through March 1978. Do continue to pray, particularly for Hillsdale students that each would develop into the mature disciple God desires. Also, may God continue to bless you as you continue to support Hillsdale financially. The financial need is great just now because of the extra expenses of the sewer changeover and the new waterline. As these needs are met, the future opens on a whole new potential for growth.



## HOME MISSION BOARD

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

POST OFFICE BOX 1088 • NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE 37202 • PHONE 615 361-1010

Dear Friends in Missouri

Missionaries, chaplains, board members, and office staff send our warmest greetings.

### OUR PLACES:

We are thankful for our missionaries who are serving in 24 states. To the right is a list of cities where we are working.

### OUR PRAISES:

1977 was a successful year. Twelve new couples went to the field, and income soared to \$702,578.44. Your state of Missouri gave \$54,142.43 toward your quota of \$25,000.00. Our entire family thanks you for what you have given. Your state quota for 1978 is \$35,000.00. We challenge you to reach it again!

### OUR PROBLEM:

Although this is the greatest time in history for building churches, thousands of cities across America are without Free Will Baptist churches. In America churches are dying at the rate of one every hour. Palestine where Christ and the Apostles preached is now a foreign mission field because the homeland was neglected. Will that be the story of America?

### OUR PRAYER:

May God give Free Will Baptists a vision of our country and then send qualified, Spirit-filled men into the growing cities to establish churches.

### OUR PROMISE:

Our faith is in God and our Free Will Baptist people. Both have been faithful to Home Missions. On the back of this letter are ways you can help get "a missionary in every state for a church in every city."

In His service,

*Roy Thomas*

Roy Thomas, Associate Director

### CITIES WHERE WE HAVE HOME MISSIONARIES:

Newark, Ohio  
Guadalajara, Mexico  
Pocatello, Idaho  
Ponca City, Oklahoma  
Billings, Montana  
Christiansted, St. Croix  
Temple, Texas  
Enid, Oklahoma  
Salem, Oregon  
St. Paul, Minnesota  
Jackson, Mississippi  
Wheeling, West Virginia  
Northglenn, Colorado  
Lebanon, Tennessee  
Evansville, Indiana  
Kankakee, Illinois  
Des Moines, Iowa  
San Diego, California  
Daytona Beach, Florida  
Wilmington, Delaware  
Greenwood, Mississippi  
Tallahassee, Florida  
Enterprise, Alabama  
McAllen, Texas  
Memphis, Tennessee  
Greenwood, South Carolina  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana  
Canton, Ohio  
Shawnee Mission, Kansas  
Milan, Illinois  
Greeley, Colorado  
Flagstaff, Arizona  
Monterrey, Mexico  
Dalton, Georgia

Chaplains are serving in:

Germany  
Alaska  
Minnesota  
Alabama



### HOW YOU CAN HELP!

- \* Set a goal for your church for its Home missionary giving this year and lead them to reach it.
- \* Schedule a missionary conference and challenge your people with the faith promise plan.
- \* Put Home Missions in your church budget.
- \* Give your Vacation Bible School offerings.
- \* Have a "missionary of the week" report each Wednesday night. Assign a different missionary each week to someone in your church, asking them to give a report, lead in prayer, and receive an offering.
- \* Encourage Woman's Auxiliaries, Master's Men, Sunday School, and CTS classes to adopt special projects such as Money for Mormon Country, (property fund for Home Missions project in Pocatello, Idaho where Harley Bennett is pastor.)
- \* Schedule missionaries in your church when they are itinerating in your area.
- \* Give a generous offering on Home Missions Sunday, November 19, 1978.
- \* Get prayer cards and maps of missionaries and encourage your people to pray for their success.
- \* Help us with our Joint Projects. Every state could start a church this year. Most district associations could start a church this year. Some local churches could start a church this year.
- \* Have a Home Missions Rally in your church this year.
- \* Pray for laborers for the 10 states, 26 capitals, hundreds of counties, and thousands of cities where we do not have any Free Will Baptist churches.
- \* Give the Whole Offering on any Sunday and receive a beautiful genuine Buffalo-grain leather Study Bible FREE!
- \* Honor a departed loved one by making a living Memorial Gift.



# RANDALL HOUSE PUBLICATIONS

June 6, 1978

To: MISSOURI STATE ASSOCIATION

Greetings in Jesus name.

Dr. Roger Reeds and the Sunday School Department staff wish for you a very profitable meeting of the State Association.

We trust that 1977 was a profitable year for Free Will Baptist churches and that your Sunday school enrollment of 10,430 was increased considerably. A number of other states have had good success with the new ATTACK enrollment concept. This plan will help you to double your enrollment by 1980.

The Fall enlargement campaign is entitled OUTREACH TO THE UNREACHED and will begin the first Sunday in October and continue through the last Sunday of that month. You are encouraged to participate.

Since our last letter to you we have released some new book and booklet titles. They are A Survey Of The Old Testament; Questions From The Text Of The Old Testament and Questions From The Text Of The New Testament all by Dr. Stanley Outlaw; Attack and related enrollment materials, Now That You're Saved by Richard Kennedy, and How To Start A Bible Institute by H. D. Harrison.

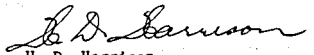
Our curriculum materials and other Randall House Publications continue to enjoy a wider distribution. Thanks for the part your faithfulness has played in this ministry.

The purchase of curriculum materials from the Sunday School Department by the Lebanon Bible & Book House amounted to \$38,590.15 in 1977. This represents an increase of \$110.47. General merchandise purchases for this same period totaled \$4,211.14. This reflects a decrease of \$875.50.

We desire to be of service to you in the area of printing. Let us bid on your needs.

Sincerely in Christ,

FREE WILL BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

  
H. D. Harrison  
Director of Sales and Promotion

HDH/hm

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NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE 37217

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# CHURCH TRAINING SERVICE

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

DR. MALCOLM C. FRY, general director



P.O. Box 1088

Nashville, Tennessee 37202

June 6, 1978

TO: The Moderator, Clerk, Delegates and Visitors  
Missouri State Association of Free Will Baptists  
Convening June 6-8, 1978

May our Lord grant you His best and may His presence be sensed as never before during your associational meeting.

We appreciate so much the churches in Missouri who faithfully use our material and support the CTS program. We prayerfully challenge the churches in your association without a CTS program to write for sample material as we would like to be of "service" to all the Free Will Baptist churches in your state.

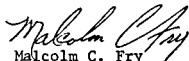
The aim of Christian education is to "disciple"--to develop learning (Sunday school) and maturing (CTS) followers of the Lord Jesus Christ. As an airplane needs two wings, so does a church need Sunday school and CTS to insure a balanced ministry of Christian education.

The Lord Jesus created a fellowship for learning and growth. He chose the twelve, says Mark, "to be with him" (Mark 3:14). As their teacher, He poured into their minds the distilled wisdom of the kingdom. But He never intended this learning to be an *end* in itself. He therefore sent His trainees out to "practice what He had preached." Learning and group fellowship are preludes to action, not to more groupiness and endless training.

The above stresses our desire, or goal, this year. We want to help our Free Will Baptist churches to reach out, introduce people to Christ, teach them "to observe" His commands, equip them to function as His disciples. That's why our curriculum is need-centered as well as Bible-based.

Pray for the added responsibility of your CTS Department in planning and sponsoring the National Youth Conference. This year's theme is "Conquest and Crown," taken from 2 Timothy 2:5--"And if a man also strive for masteries, yet is he not crowned, except he strive lawfully." The keynote speaker is former major league baseball pitcher Al Worthington. Please circle Sunday, July 9, on your calendar as NYC '78 Day of Prayer.

Yours for more disciples,

  
Malcolm C. Fry  
General Director

MCF/nc

BOARD OF RETIREMENT AND INSURANCE  
P. O. Box 1088  
Nashville, Tennessee 37202

June 6-8, 1978

TO: Missouri State Association  
of Free Will Baptists

Dear Missouri Free Will Baptists:

The check was for \$9,843.57. With rejoicing and thanksgiving in my heart, I sent it to one of our retired pastors. He had recently retired and needed this to provide housing for his later years.

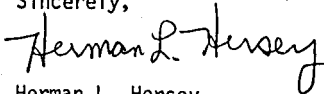
I think of other pastors who have retired who have not been as fortunate as this brother. They have not had anything provided by their church for their future years.

We thank God for the good response our ministry has had. Many churches are regularly supporting the pastor in our retirement program. We need every church in Missouri contributing on behalf of their pastors.

We thank the Missouri people for your gifts to our general fund in the amount of \$3,922.30. Your quota for 1978 is \$3,500.00. Gifts to our general fund are most important, for with this money, we pay the expenses of operating the plan. This means that the pastors and missionaries get full benefit from retirement deposits.

With your help, this pleasant experience of writing a check for \$9,843.57, or a similar amount, can be repeated over and over again as pastors retire and have need of the fund.

Sincerely,



Herman L. Hersey  
Director

HLH/kr

MISSOURI STATE ASSOCIATION

FLAT RIVER, MISSOURI

JUNE 6-8, 1978

GREETINGS TO MISSOURI FREE WILL BAPTISTS:

YOUR MISSIONARIES EXPRESS HEARTFELT THANKS for your prayers and support. Along with General Director Rolla Smith, Harold Critcher, Don Robirds and the entire office staff, I want to thank you for enabling us to reach more of this world's people in the lands beyond our shores.

(THE YEAR 1977 was the best yet in the history of the Free Will Baptist Foreign Missions Department. Total income for the year came to \$1,411,424.49. This is indeed a tremendous accomplishment for Free Will Baptists. YOUR FAITHFUL GIFTS MADE THIS POSSIBLE.)

FAITH PROMISE RESPONSE also reached an all-time high last year. Those recorded as a result of my personal itinerary totaled \$13,086.70 MONTHLY. Of this amount more than \$8,000.00 promised monthly was new support. This makes an annual total of \$157,040.00 in faith promises. AGAIN GLORY AND PRAISE TO OUR WONDERFUL LORD.

YOUR STATE GIFTS to Foreign Missions over the past four years reflect the following:

<u>1974</u>	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>	<u>1977</u>	<u>1978 thru March</u>
\$75,703.93	\$93,084.67	\$110,219.12	\$115,380.62	\$27,741.88

(YOU EXCEEDED your 1977 quota of \$110,000.00 by \$5,380.62. You are to be commended for a job well done. Your state quota for 1978 is \$140,000.00.)

LAST YEAR 15 STATES surpassed their quotas. Four did so by more than \$10,000.00. These states are: Alabama, Arkansas, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Missouri, New Mexico, Northwest Association, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas and Virgin Islands.

AVERAGE MONTHLY GIVING FOR 1977 totaled \$117,618.77. The proposed budget for 1978 calls for \$1,685,600.00. Think of it! Over a million and a half dollars. AN AVERAGE MONTHLY INCOME OF \$140,466.67 will be necessary to reach this record budget.

FOUR MORE APPOINTEES graduated from Missionary Internship in May, and are now on their deputational ministry. They are: Mike and Deleen Cousineau, and Dennis and Trena Owen. Each of these couples will need their monthly support underwritten and at least \$20,000.00 accumulated in their account before being approved for departure. WE COVET YOUR PRAYERS AND SUPPORT.

STILL OTHER APPOINTEES are currently engaged in deputation and hope to enter language school later this year. This group includes: Arilla Wode (Ivory Coast), Charolette Tallent (France), and Jim and Karen Cowart (Brazil).

THIRTEEN SUMMER MISSIONARIES departed in May for a 10-week stay at several of our regular fields. The following left the last of May and will return the latter part of July: Richard and Teresa Bowden - Oklahoma (Panama), Melinda Kay Dudley - Oklahoma (Ivory Coast), Tina Van Winkle - Oklahoma (Brazil), John Metcalf - Oklahoma (Brazil), Deryl Hodgins - Alabama (Ivory Coast), Richard Greenup - Missouri (France), Terry Bailey - Tennessee (Brazil), Danny Cooper - West Virginia (Brazil), Martha Osterkamp - Michigan (Ivory Coast), Donnie McDonald - Tennessee (France), Ernie Lewis - Illinois (France) and Barbara Barnes - Indiana (Ivory Coast).

While our reports usually reflect much about the financial response from across our denomination and the need for more funds, not to be overlooked are the hundreds of decisions recorded each year for missionary and full-time service, rededications, full surrender and salvation. If the ministry of our department is limited to a mere fund raising it cannot expect to have lasting results among our pastors and people.

(EVEN THOUGH WE REJOICE IN THE GIFTS ALREADY RECORDED, the rapidly rising costs and spiraling inflation overseas presents an ever pressing need for additional funds. We are asking our people to join with us in an even greater effort than ever before to meet these needs and thereby accomplish the task before us.)

(When the Bible basis for sharing Christ around the world is set forth in the missionary conference, the Holy Spirit begins to do His work of convicting and convincing the saints to follow Biblical commands to make Christ known "among all nations" and "to every creature.")

(To this end we remain committed. To this end we strive to enlist more pastors and churches. To this end we seek for a fresh anointing from God to fulfill His mandate and to send forth the glad tidings of salvation to the ends of the earth.)

Gratefully yours,

*Henry Van Kluyve* *Oct 26:16-18*  
Henry Van Kluyve  
Director of Deputation  
Free Will Baptist Foreign Missions Department

P.S. OUR BUDGET FOR 1978 IS \$1,685,600.00.

WE'RE COUNTING ON YOU!

MASTER'S MEN  
National Association of Free Will Baptists  
P. O. Box 17306  
Nashville, Tennessee 37217  
Phone 615-361-1221

June, 1978

TO: Missouri State Association of Free Will Baptists

GREETINGS - On behalf of the National Layman's Board I want to take this opportunity to express our appreciation for your support of the Master's Men work.

MASTER'S MEN PROJECT REPORT - Tool Shed: \$1,027.84 was spent in 1977. Jerry Pinkerton, missionary to Ivory Coast, received tools including a chain saw, a small Honda generator, and an air compressor. Joe Haas, missionary to France, received \$221 worth of tools which he has already used to build a pulpit. Book Shelf: 209 books were sent to our missionaries in 1977. Several chapters support these two projects. We are looking forward to doing even more for our missionaries in 1978-- thanks to our local Master's Men chapters and interested churches.

HIGHLIGHT - Relocation of the Master's Men office from my home to the Sunday School Department's building which was made possible by the Sunday School Department. We praise the Lord for our new office.

COOP SUPPORT - We appreciate your financial support during 1977. We received a total of \$322.98 from Missouri. Total Coop giving for 1977 was \$4,518.65.

GOALS FOR 1978 - We have two basic goals that we would like to see fulfilled:

Enlist Men to Serve: We want to encourage more men to become active in their local churches by establishing new Master's Men chapters.

Train and Inspire Men to Serve: We want to help our men become aware of their responsibilities in the home, church, and community. In order to bring about this awareness, we have selected the following monthly program emphases:

January - Pastor Relationship

February - Home

March - Prayer

April - Missions

May - Stewardship

June - Benevolence

July - Citizenship

August - Education

September - Personal Relations

October - Evangelism

November - Christian Full-Time Service

December - Bible Study

ACTIVATING MEN - Our goal of activating men to serve the Master, Jesus Christ, is becoming a reality. However, we realize that we have just begun the task. We solicit your prayers and continued support of the Master's Men work.

Yours in The Master's Service,

  
LOYD C. OLSAN  
General Director

MISSOURI MASTER'S MEN STATE SENATOR:

Robert B. Allen  
214 Oakborough, R#2  
O'Fallon MO 63366

## BY-LAWS

### Name

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

### Purpose

2.) The Object of this Association shall be the bringing together of the Free Will Baptists of the State of Missouri in one annual gathering that we may become better acquainted with one another, the upholding of the Free Will Baptists Churches of Missouri, and a world-wide outreach of souls.

### Membership

3.) The Association shall be composed of the members of the various local affiliated Associations.

4.) Any organized Quarterly Meeting, Yearly Meeting, or Ass. 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.

### Officers

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

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

7.) The moderator shall be the principal executive officer of the Association and he shall sign, with the Clerk or any other people 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. The duties of the moderator shall include presiding at the meetings of the State Association, the General Board, and the Executive Committee; to call special meetings of the General Board or Executive Committee when the conditions of by-law 43 are fulfilled; to appoint such committees as are created without provision for their selection; to set the time and place for the meetings of the General Board and Executive Committee; and in general, to fulfill whatever responsibilities may be commensurate with his office or delegated to him by the body or General Board.

8.) 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.

9.) 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.

10.) 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 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) 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; and (e) in the absence of the Clerk, or in the event of his death, inability, or refusal to act, the Assistant Clerk shall perform the duties of the Clerk and, when so acting, shall have all the power of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the Clerk. The Assistant Clerk shall perform such duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the Clerk or by the General Board.

11.) No officer shall serve the same office more than three consecutive years.

## Boards

12.) All standing boards shall be composed of five (5) members, exclusive of the General Board. Standing Boards include the Board of Christian Education, the Home Mission Board, the Sunday School and Church Training Service Board, the Youth Camp Board and the General Board.

13.) 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 and funds and property entrusted to said Boards.

## Election

14.) 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, and 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.

15.) The personnel of the General Board shall be composed of the officers of the State Association; the chairmen 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.

16.) 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 being Chairman of the Board of which he is an elected member.

17.) 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.

18.) All Board members elected to fill a vacancy shall be elected for the unexpired term of his predecessor in office.

19.) Any member of the standing board of the State Association who does not put forth any interest in or function on said board for the period of one year, shall have his office declared vacant and a new member be elected by this Association to fill his unexpired term of office.

## Duties

20.) 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 except in cases where this responsibility shall be expressly delegated by the General Board or by these by-laws to some other officer, agent or Board of the Association. He shall make an annual financial report to the Association.

21.) The General Board shall have power to fill any 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 work to each session.

22.) An Executive Committee, consisting of seven members of the General Board, shall be composed of the Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk of the State Association, and four other members to be elected annually by the General Board, 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 annual sessions of the Missouri State Association. The Executive Committee shall be the governing Board of the Lebanon Bible and Bookstore and shall establish policy for the operation of the store. The Executive Committee shall have the power to employ and supervise the work of the Bookstore manager. The Bookstore manager shall employ and supervise the other store employees.

23.) A majority of the number of the 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.

24.) An act of the majority of the Board members present at a meeting at which a quorum is present, shall be an act of the General Board.

25.) 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.

26.) 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.

27.) Any person or agent elected or appointed by the General Board may be removed by the General Board whenever in its judgement 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 persons so removed.

28.) By resolution of the General Board the Board members may be paid their expenses, if any, of attendance of 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 therefore.

29.) 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."  
**Committees**

30.) The Moderator shall appoint a committee on committees consisting of five members who shall appoint all committees with the exclusion of the Auditing Committee who shall be appointed by the General Board. The first appointed shall serve a term of one year, the second, a term of two years and the third, a term of three years; thereafter, each shall be appointed for a term of three years. Members of standing boards, with exception of General Board, are not eligible to serve on the Auditing Committee. Their duties are to audit all state books and serve as Budget Committee.

31.) All resolutions and reports shall bear the name of all the members of the committee who favor them; and if the names be not a majority of all members of such committee, than the clerk shall not read the resolutions or report.  
**Representation**

32.) The standing delegates of this Association shall be all ordained Free Will Baptist ministers and their companions, all ordained deacons, and Associational Clerks, provided they are members in good standing in some Free Will Baptist Church belonging to this State Association.

33.) The number of elected delegates to the State Association shall be seven 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.) This Association may correspond by messenger or otherwise with other religious bodies.

#### **Voting**

35.) Those entitled to vote at any annual or special meeting of this State Association, shall be the elected delegates and the standing delegates as defined in By-Law 32 and 33, and each elected delegate or standing delegate shall be entitled to one vote.

36.) A majority vote shall be final upon all subjects except to amend the By-Laws receive Quarterly Meetings or Associations, and the changing of the members of the committees appointed by the Moderator, then it shall require a



two-thirds majority.

#### Meetings

37.) The sessions of the Association shall convene on Tuesday evening at 7:30 P.M. following the first Sunday in June each year.

38.) The membership of the State Association may designate any place, either within or without the State of Missouri 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 the meeting shall be the principal office of the corporation in the State of Missouri.

39.) 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.

40.) 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 Meeting, and local churches affiliated with the Association.

41.) All committees and standing boards shall be permitted to take official votes on any item of business within the scope of their work by mail or by telephone conference call, provided such action is called by a chairman of a board or committee and has been proposed by at least 2 members of the board or committee.

42.) 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.

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

44.) Special meetings of the General Board or the Executive Committee shall be called when necessary by the Moderator, with the written consent of three other members of the Executive Committee. Special meetings of the General Board shall also be called upon the written request of one-fourth of its members. Special meetings of the Executive Committee shall also be called upon the written request of a majority of its members.

45.) 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.

46.) Unless otherwise provided by law, whenever any notice is required to be given to any member of 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 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.

### **Discipline**

47.) 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.

### **Fiscal Policy**

48.) The fiscal year of the Association shall begin on the first day of April and end on the thirty-first day of March in each year.

49.) 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.

50.) 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.

51.) 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.

52.) 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 the assets of the Association.

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 salaries of employees shall be fixed from time to time by the General Board.

### **Standing Rules**

55.) 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 superseded by some rule of this organization.

56.) The Clerk or Assistant Clerk, or 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 Chairman to open the floor for nominations and carry out the election of a Moderator Pro-Tem.

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

58.) Anyone desiring to speak shall rise and say "Brother Moderator" but shall speak no further until he or she is recognized by the Moderator.

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

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

61.) No one shall leave the Association when in a business session without the consent of the Moderator.

62.) 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.

63.) All business coming before this Association shall be decided by secret ballot when there is any opposition or objection to open vote.

### **Amendments**

64.) These By-Laws may be amended at any regular session by a two-thirds majority vote after the proposed amendment had laid on the table one day.

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