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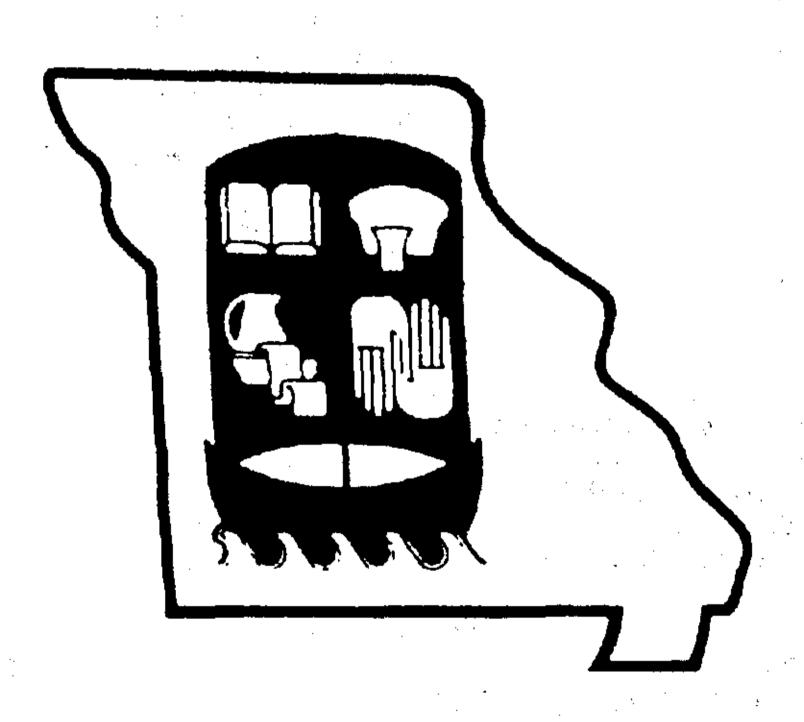
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Rev. Kevin Trimble Rev. Melvin Worthington

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Donna Brown
Jim Brown
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Amanda Bunch
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Marietta Chastain
Rachel Chew
Nancy Christopher
Neil Christopher

Al Brown

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Judith Cochran
Norma Cochran
Sharon Combs
Marvin Cook
Sue Cook
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Stephanie Howell
Shirley Jackson
Jennifer Jones
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Rhonda Jones
John Jones
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Proceedings of the Missouri State Association of Free Will Baptists

Theme: "Christian Loyalty"

Scripture: Hebrews 10:25, 26

When convened at the Kenneth E. Cowan Civic Center 500 East Elm Lebanon, Missouri

Monday Evening, June 8, 1998

Rev. Ken Dodson, Moderator, Presiding

The evening service began with Sis. Frances Simpson singing "He Lives in Me". The congregation was led in singing "Majesty" and "He brought Me Out" by Rev. David Bates. Rev. Wayne Phillips led in prayer. The Welcome was given by Rev. Gary Parker and Rev. Ken Reiter followed with the response.

Rev. Richard Robinson, Clerk, convened the Association reading Judges 1:1-3, followed by congregational singing. Three uplifting songs were performed by "Freely Given". An offering was received while convention pianist Ann Poletti played. Rev. David Bates sang the solo "He'll Do It Again".

Rev. Dodson introduced Rev. Gene Howell who delivered the introductory message entitled "Loyalty to Christ" using Mark 12:28-30 as his text. An invitation was given, and the service was concluded in prayer by Rev. David Bates.

The Moderator appointed the Committee on Committees.

Tuesday Morning, June 9, 1998

Rev. Jerry Norris, Presiding

A Workshop on Church Growth was presented by Dr. Curtis Linton and sponsored by the Christian Education Board.

Tuesday morning worship began with Rev. David Bates leading the congregation in singing "Trust and Obey". Rev. Melvin Moon led in an opening prayer followed by another congregational hymn. Special music was provided by Rev. Curt Gwartney singing "Come Living Water".

Rev. Jerry Norris introduced Dr. Curtis Linton who delivered the morning message entitled "I Don't Want My Head in the Devil's Trophy Case" using Habakkuk 3:17 as his text. An invitation was given, and Rev. Jerry Norris dismissed in prayer.

Tuesday Afternoon, June 9, 1998

Rev. Ken Dodson, Moderator, Presiding

The services were opened with the congregation singing "Because He Lives" led by Rev. Jim Williams, and prayer was offered by Rev. Gary Fry.

The report of the Credentials Committee was read by the Clerk. MSC to receive the report and to seat the delegates.

Rev. Ken Dodson presented the Moderator's message, entitled "Loyalty in Prayer" using Jeremiah 17:1-5 as his text.

Rev. Nathan Ruble, our Executive Secretary, presented the report of the Executive Office. MSC to receive the report and adopt the 1999 Proposed Cooperative Budget of \$410,000.00.

Rev. Frank Guinta gave an informational report on the Free Will Baptist Foundation.

The Moderator called for the report of the General Board. The Clerk read the report. MSC to receive the report and vote on it item by item. MSC to adopt Item #1. MSC to adopt Item #2. (See following pages for the full report of the General Board.)

Mr. Warren Livingston presented the report of the Lebanon Bible and Bookstore. MSC to receive and adopt the report.

Rev. Alton Loveless presented an informational report from Randall House Publications.

Rev. Dale Skiles presented the report from the Missouri State Mission Department. MSC to receive and adopt the report. The Clerk read the recommendation of the Nominating Committee: Rev. Clarence Burton to be re-elected. MSC to elect.

Rev. Trymon Messer presented an informational report from the National Home Missions Department.

Pres. Carl Cheshier presented an informational report and extended greetings from Hillsdale Free Will Baptist College in Moore, Oklahoma.

Rev. Bill Evans presented an informational report from the National Association Board of Retirement.

The Tuesday afternoon business session was closed in prayer by Rev. Rick Dablemont.

Tuesday Evening, June 9, 1998

Rev. Curt Gwartney, Presiding

The evening service began with Sis. Amy O'Dell singing "Exalt the Name" followed by an opening prayer offered by Rev. Wayne Phillips. Rev. Gary Fry led the congregation in singing "Great is the Lord" and "How Majestic is Your Name".

The ensemble from the First Free Will Baptist Church of Mountain Grove sang "Soon and Very Soon", "Son of God Divine", and "We Shall Behold Him". The congregation worshiped in giving. Bro. Ray Bradley rendered the special song "Embrace the Cross".

Rev. Curt Gwartney introduced Rev. Carl Cheshier who delivered the evening message, entitled "Loyalty to the Church" using Exodus, chapter 3, as his text. An invitation was given, and the services were dismissed.

Wednesday Morning, June 10, 1998

Rev. Ken Dodson, Moderator, Presiding

Rev. Jim Williams led the congregation in singing "Victory in Jesus", followed by Rev. Vernon Long leading in prayer. Rev. Craig Bodenschatz presented a devotional, entitled "God's Alarm Clock" using Romans 13:10 as his text.

Rev. Ronnie Blanks presented the report from the Youth Camp Board. MSC to receive and adopt the report. The Clerk read the recommendation of the Nominating Committee: Rev. Jimmy Kiser to be elected. MSC to elect.

Dr. Melvin Worthington extended greetings from the National Executive Office and gave a brief report.

Rev. Jerry Norris presented the report of the Christian Education Board and presented the 1998 Roll Call Sunday churches of the year awards. MSC to receive and adopt the report. The Clerk read the recommendations of the Nominating Committee. Rev. Dennis Bowman was elected to serve term ending in 2003 on the Christian Education Board. MSC to elect.

Rev. Glenn Murray presented the report of the Senior Adult Ministries Board. MSC to receive and adopt the report. The Clerk read the recommendation of the Nominating Committee: Rev. Charles Miller to be re-elected. MSC to elect.

Rev. Tim Campbell presented an informational report and extended greetings from Free Will Baptist Bible College in Nashville, Tennessee.

Rev. Curt Gwartney presented the report of the Youth Ministries Board. MSC to receive and adopt the report. The Clerk read the recommendation of the Nominating Committee: Rev. Gene Howell to be reelected to the Youth Ministries Board. MSC to elect.

Rev. Cody Freeman presented the report of the Show-Me Plan. MSC to receive and adopt the report.

Rev. Stan Bunch and Rev. Steve Lytle presented an informational report on the Foreign Mission program.

Rev. Clarence Burton presented the report of the Stewardship Commission. MSC to receive and adopt the report.

Rev. Kevin Trimble presented an informational report from the Free Will Baptist Family Ministries, Inc., in Greeneville, Tennessee.

The Clerk read the report of the Obituary Committee. MSC to receive and adopt the report after a moment of standing, silent prayer in memory and honor of those who have gone to be with the Lord.

The Moderator called for the report of the Resolutions Committee and the report was read by the Clerk. MSC to receive the report and adopt the items. (See Resolutions Committee report.)

The Moderator called for the remainder of the recommendations from the Nominating Committee. The nominations were read by the Clerk. MSC to elect those recommended by the Nominating Committee.

The following persons were nominated from the floor to serve as state delegates to the 1998 National Association: Marvin E. Cook, Diana Anderson, Sharon Parker, Becky Gwartney, and Louise McCully.

Rev. Nathan Ruble, Executive Secretary, presented the report of the Placement Committee. MSC to receive the report and to hold the Eightysixth session of the Missouri State Association of Free Will Baptists at Lebanon, Missouri.

MSC to give Rev. Ken Dodson a vote of thanks for his service as moderator.

The business of the Eighty-fifth session of the Missouri State Association of Free Will Baptist was dismissed in prayer.

Wednesday Evening, June 10, 1998

Rev. Roger Harwell, Presiding

The Choir of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Ozark presented the special music. Bro. Jim Williams led the congregation in singing "We Have Come into His House". Rev. Roger Harwell opened in prayer.

Presentation of Certificates of Achievement for courses taken through the extension program from Hillsdale College was given by Rev. Rick Dablemont and Rev. Ken Dodson to Kathy Smart and Greg Quinlin.

The congregation sang "Heaven's Jubilee" followed by a special song, "I Bowed on my Knees and Cried Holy" by Sis. Mary Peterson. Stanley Jones gave the offeratorial prayer, and an offering was received. Following the offering, Rev. David Huett sang "It is Well with my Soul". Gina Shelton, David Brawley, and Stephanie Brawley sang "I Am Redeemed" and "Shoutin' Time".

The evening message entitled "Loyalty to the Christless" was presented by Rev. Alvin Hook using Joshua 5:13-15 as his text. An invitation was given, and the service was dismissed by singing "Amazing Grace".

Report of the Committee on Committees

We, the Committee on Committees, recommend the following committees to serve during this Eighty-Fourth session of the Missouri State Association:

Nominating Committee

Rev. Clarence Burton, Chairman

Rev. R. E. Helsley

Rev. Frank Webster

Rev. Wes Reider

Rev. John Postlewaite

Credentials Committee

Rev. Cody Freeman, Chairman

Rev. Roger Harwell

Rev. Rick Dement

Rev. Gene Crewse

Rev. Hugh Stoggsdill

Prayerfully Submitted,

Rev. Glenn Murray, Chairman

Rev. Vernon Long

Rev. Ronnie Blanks

Rev. Gene Howell

Rev. Milan Ruble

Resolutions Committee

Rev. Gary Mitchener, Chairman

Rev. Gary Tune

Rev. Don Walker

Rev. Gary Parker

Rev. Bob Epperson

Obituary Committee

Rev. Glenn Rehkop, Chairman

Rev. Howard Anderson

Rev. Ken Haney

Rev. Melvin Moon

Rev. Don Richmann

Report of the Credentials Committee

We, the Credentials Committee, have examined the letters from the following District Associations and have found them to be in order. We recommend that the letters be received and the delegates be seated.

> Bootheel Central Western Greater Kansas City Greater Springfield Indian Creek Laclede County Liberty Mid-Rivers Mission Northeast South Central Southeast St. Francois St. Louis

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Submitted, Respectfully

Rev. Cody Freeman, Chairman Rev. Roger Harwell Rev. Rick Dement

Rev. Gene Crewse

Rev. Hugh Stogsdill

Report of the Nominating Committee

We, the Nominating Committee, recommend the following persons to serve in the respective offices of the Missouri State Association of Free Will Baptist:

Moderator	. Rev. Rick Dablemont
Assistant Moderator	
Clerk	
Assistant Clerk	. Rev. Rick Dement
Christian Education Board	.Rev. Dennis Bowman
	(Term expires in 2003)
Home Missions Board	Rev. Clarence Burton
	(Term expires in 2003)
Senior Adult Ministries Board	•
	(Term expires in 2003)
Youth Camp Board	•
	(Term expires in 2003)
Youth Ministries Board	•
	(Term expires in 2003)
Historical Commission	•
•	(Term expires in 2001)
Hillsdale Trustee	
	(Term expires in 2001)
Christian Civic Foundation	Rev. Lynn Davenport
	(Term expires in 1999)
National Association Board Member	
	(Term expires in 1999)

Prayerfully Submitted,

Rev. Clarence Burton, Chairman

Rev. R. E. Helsley

Rev. Frank Webster

Rev. Wes Reider

Rev. John Postlewaite

The General Board Report to Missouri State Association of Free Will Baptist

June 8, 1998

- #1 Recommend the adoption of the Planning Commission Report:
 - A. We recommend that a moratorium be placed on Churches or Associations building cabins at the Youth Camp.
 - B. We recommend that the Youth Camp board seek to obtain title to all the buildings located on Camp property. Churches or Associations which donate their cabin to the Camp will continue to be given preference in the use of the cabin during Camp sessions. Churches or Associations which do not wish to donate their cabins will be paid a fair price which will not exceed the cost that was incurred in building the cabin.
 - C. We recommend that the Youth Camp Board do a self study of the present camp property. The study is to evaluate the needs and estimated cost of updating the present facilities to meet present and future needs of Missouri Free Will Baptists. The results of this self study is to be reported to the General Board when it meets in November 1998.
- #2 Recommend to adopt the 1999 proposed cooperative budget of \$410,000.00 and disbursements.

Richard Robinson, Clerk

Report of the Resolution Committee

Resolution #1

Whereas, the ACLU is in disagreement with the Conservative Christian movement, and whereas the ACLU is exerting its influence to remove a Christian symbol from the city logo of Republic, Missouri, and whereas an ACLU victory would hinder the cause of Christ in that community; therefore

Be it resolved, the Missouri State Association of Free Will Baptists send a letter to the Aldermen of Republic, Missouri, to encourage them to stand firm against the pressures of the ACLU. Be it further resolved, That our people be encouraged to support the efforts of the city fathers with their encouragement and their finances for the defense fund.

Resolution #2

Be it resolved, That we give a standing vote of thanks to all those who worked to make this meeting a success.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rev. Gary Mitchener

Rev. Gary Tune

Rev. Don Walker 🕟

Rev. Gary Parker

Rev. Bob Epperson

Report of the Obituary Committee

We, the Obituary Committee, have looked over the reports from the Associations and find them to be in order. We make a motion that this State Association have a standing, silent moment of prayer in memory of those who have gone on to their final reward.

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Louise Baker **Ted Doran** Calvin A. Jones Ola Mae Barton Helen Lindsey **Beatrice Goss** Godfrey Herzog Ruby McCauther Audney Blair Cynthia Coatney **Gufford Herzog Edith Mcedree Emory Coble** Alma Overstreet Luella Higgs Roy Crawford Gladys Holman Mona Parker **Junior Daffron Cecil James** Elaine Skiba

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Dave O'Neal Iona Baker Theo Bough Madge Sawyer Geneva Collins

Greater Kansas City

Delbert Carter J. E. Williams

Greater Springfield

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Doris Griffin

Edmond Pierce

Liberty

Dorothy Crain Verda Helms Helen Helton Stanley Helton Eleanor James
Frankie Letterman
William Letterman
Paul Pulley

George Reeves Hershal Stigall Vera Walton

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Iva Bennett
Kenneth Borders
Mildred Bradley
Effie Brown
Biddie Carter

Rev. Arvis Dixon
Troy Dixon
Bobby Floyd
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Thelma Hutsell
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Vance Keith

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Tom Mayberry

Bernice Cash

Zelma Mayberry

Eunice Edwards

Opal Wells

St. Louis

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Respectfully Submitted,

Rev. Glenn Rehkop, Chairman

Rev. Howard Anderson

Rev. Ken Haney

Rev. Melvin Moon

Rev. Don Richmann

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June, 1998

Ps 145:10 All thy works shall praise thee, O LORD; and thy saints shall bless thee.

Cooperative giving for 1997 totaled \$464,453.81. This was a 6.9 per-cent increase over the 1996 receipts which totaled \$432,323.28. The State Office received and disbursed \$960,981.70 in 1997. Missouri churches are to be commended for their faithfulness, and God is to be praise for His provision.

Rev. Tom Malone and Rev. Rob Morgan were the speakers for the March Minister's Retreat which was held at Stonecroft Conference Center. The retreat was co-hosted by the Executive Office and the Christian Education Board. Each year the attendance has increased, and ministers are encouraged to make plans to attend the 1999 retreat which will meet March 22 - 24, 1999. Rev. Rob Morgan will be the speaker.

Those who attended the Pastor/Layman's Retreat and All Boards Meeting in September, heard Rick Dablemont, Ronnie Blanks, Ken Dodson, and Jim Williams share the Word of God. The 1999 retreat will be held at the Youth Camp September 14, 1999. I want to thank the Youth Camp Board for continuing to share in the expense of hosting the retreat. Brother Dale Skiles is to be commended for organizing the annual golf tournament during the retreat.

The General Board approved the purchase of approximately 22 acres of land located at Table Rock Lake. A dedication service was held at the property during the Minister's Retreat in March.

Brotherhood Insurance Group serves many of the Missouri Free Will Baptist Churches. In 1997, the company returned \$7,300.00 to the State Association. This was made possible because of the low percentage of claims that were made by our churches. The General Board voted to disburse the funds equally between the Youth Camp, State Home Missions, and the Show-Me Plan.

The Show-Me Plan Committee has done a good job, and they are to be commended for their work. Each Church and individual is encouraged to participate in this cooperative effort to underwrite the Foreign Missionaries from Missouri.

Thank you for your prayerful support.

Sincerely in Christ,

Nathan Ruble

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PROPOSED COOPERATIVE BUDGET

January 1, 1999 - December 31, 1999

18.50%	Missouri State Home Missions	\$75,850.00
17.50%	Executive Department & Gem	71,750.00
	General Board	12,300.00
.50%	Show-Me Plan Committee	2,050.00
8.50%	Youth Camp	34,850.00
2.50%	Christian Education	10,250.00
2.50%	Senior Adult Ministries	10,250.00
2.50%	Youth Ministries	10,250.00
9.00%	Missouri State Retirement Program	36,900.00

30.50% (Co-op will be sent undesignated)

National Ministries, FWBBC, Hillsdale, CCC \$125,050.00

Executive Department to receive

Foreign Missions

FWBBC (FFBBC and Hillsdale receive equal allocation)

Hillsdale

Home Missions

Retirement & Insurance

Master's Men

FWB Foundation

Theological Commission

Historical Commission

Radio & T.V. Commission

Music Commission

California Christian College to receive 1%

5.00% (Conference Center		\$20,500.00
TOTAL		· . <u>.</u> .	\$410,000.00

Lebanon Bible & Bookstore

15.00% Stewardship Commission	\$2,700.00
21.00% Missouri State Home Missions	3,780.00
17.50% Executive Department & Gem	3,150.00
3.00% General Fund	540.00
13.00% Youth Camp	2,340.00
7.00% Christian Education	1,260.00
7.00% Senior Adult Ministries	1,260.00
7.00%Youth Ministries	1,260.00
9.50% Missouri State Retirement	1,710.00
TOTAL	649,000,00

TOTAL \$18,000.00

1997 Co-op Receipts

	<u>1996</u>	1997	amount of increase or decrease ()
		The second secon	or decrease ()
Alton	\$900.00	\$900.00	.00
Aulsbury Chapel	.00	_	\$1,248.64
Bailey - Alton	\$2,098.83	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	\$408.68
Bailey Chapel	\$1,450.00	\$1,915.00	\$465.00
Beacon	\$1,750.00	\$300.00	(\$1,450.00)
Belton	\$3,826.10	\$3,505.68	
Berean	\$250.00	\$200.00	(\$320.42)
Bethel-El Dorado Spr.	\$868.81	\$809.51	(\$50.00
Bethel - Northview	\$1,273.76	\$1,563.71	(\$59.30)
Black Oak	\$2,479.17	\$2,758.03	\$289.95
Blue Springs	\$1,394.88	\$458.30	
Bourbon	\$933.04		(\$936.58)
Byrd	\$633.34	\$917.38	(\$15.66)
Cabool	\$3,116.31	\$698.80	\$65.46
Calvary Chapel	\$5,534.08	\$3,385.44	\$269.13
Calvary Fellowship	00.	\$6,810.48	\$1,276.40
Cape Girardeau		\$2,371.17	\$2,371.17
Carthage	\$3,453.17	\$1,640.00	(\$1,813.17)
Central-Grandview	\$4,081.85	\$3,260.30	(\$821.55)
Chapel of the Ozarks	\$11,337.65	\$11,443.35	\$105.70
Clifton S.SThayer	\$795.08	\$633.96	(\$161.12)
Copper Mines	\$860.93	\$589.93	(\$271.00)
	\$3,830.05	\$3,992.11	\$162.06
Cornerstone- Joplin	.00.	\$167.60	\$167.60
Crossroads-Richland	\$1,833.08	\$3,063.94	\$1,230.86
Crossroads-Wentzville	\$2,314.45	\$4,552.22	\$2,237.77
Cuba	\$6,249.77	\$6,985.67	\$735.90
DeSoto 1st	\$12,465.00	\$14,000.00	\$1,535.00
Faith-Oak Grove	\$1,312.43	\$670.00	(\$642.43)
Faith & Hope-Aurora	\$749.30	\$859.00	\$109.70
Faith & Hope-Wil. Sp.	\$1,399.63	\$1,058.15	(\$341.48)
Farmington	\$25,776.92	. \$29,823.69	\$4,046.77
Fellowship - Park Hills	.00	\$4,800.00	\$4,800.00
Fordland	\$6,268.65	\$6,739.49	\$470.84
Fourth	\$2,847.24	\$2,888.68	\$41.44
Fredericktown 1st	\$3,387.00	\$3,446.00	\$59.00
Freeman Chapel	\$3,764.41	\$4,367.70	\$603.29
Friendship	\$4,639.92	\$5,291.51	\$651.59
Grace	\$12,608.00	\$11,475.00	(\$1,133.00)
Grant Avenue	\$11,234.70	\$11,286.13	\$51.43
Greeenfield	\$904.00	\$555.00	(\$349.00)
Hannibal	\$566.00	\$2,146.00	\$1,580.00
Hannon	\$7,832.86	\$8,825.01	•
Happy Home	\$1,376.87	\$938.82	\$992.15
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Harmony	\$5,719.00	\$6,249.00	\$530.00
Hartville	\$7,231.91	\$6,997.09	\$530.00
Hazel Creek	\$2,247.84	\$2,344.78	(\$234.82)
Heritage	\$1,139.00	\$1,503.50	\$96.94
Hickory Grove	\$189.00	\$1,505.50	\$364.50
Hopewell	\$2,354.00	\$2,394.00	\$6.00
Houston 1st	\$3,603.03	_ •	\$40.00
Hurryville	\$5,015.53	\$4,290.73 \$5.504.48	\$687.70
Jackson	.00	\$5,594.48 \$102.25	\$578.95
Jones Chapel	\$2,508.48	\$103.25 \$3.164.04	\$103.25
Joplin 1st	\$6,266.96	\$3,164.04 \$6,888.04	\$655.56
Kingsway	\$2,598.67	\$6,888.94	\$621.98
Kirksville	\$2,023.58	\$2,618.00	\$19.33
Koshkonong	\$1,755.55	\$286.20	(\$1,737.38)
Lead Hill	\$2,158.59	\$1,520.48	(\$235.07)
Leadington		\$2,686.79	\$528.20
Lebanon	\$2,654.40	\$0.00	(\$2,654.40)
Lebanon 1st	\$2,561.40	\$3,708.45	\$1,147.05
Lone Star	\$7,092.41	\$8,439.84	\$1,347.43
Macedonia - Niangua	\$636.75	\$631.43	(\$5.32)
Marshfield	\$244.31	\$582.26	\$337.95
	\$3,443.91	\$1,621.80	(\$1,822.11)
Merls Chapel	\$2,449.75	\$2,324.00	(\$125.75)
Mill Creek	\$3,631.88	\$3,720.49	\$88.61
Mine La Motte	\$529.23	\$565.20	\$35.97
Monett 1st	\$6,494.06	\$6,385.58	(\$108.48)
Mtn. Grove 1st	\$16,643.08	\$20,020.29	\$3,377.21
Mt. Pisgah	\$2,749.00	\$3,287.00	\$538.00
Mt. Zion-Gower	\$595.70	\$762.79	\$167.09
Myrtle	\$2,649.56	\$2,441.58	(\$207.98)
Myrtle Inman	\$10.00	.00	(\$10.00)
N. Ruble	\$30.00	.00	(\$30.00)
Neosho 1st	\$1,235.00	\$1,140.00	(\$95.00)
New Harmony	\$295.87	\$239.08	(\$56.79)
New Home-Falcon	\$560.64	\$816.27	\$255.63
New Hope-Fred.	\$600.00	\$600.00	.00
New Life-Licking	\$4,290.15	\$4,367.00	\$76.85
New Rock Spr.	\$1,815.00	\$1,926.00	\$111.00
Niangua	\$180.00	\$994.00	\$814.00
North Five	\$1,564.29	\$1,221.44	(\$342.85)
Number One	\$601.95	\$1,058.74	\$456.79
Oak Grove - Houston	\$65.00	\$0.00	
Oak Hill-Fred.	\$1,083.35	\$707.93	(\$65.00)
Oak Hill-Union	\$5,618.17	\$6,818.82	(\$375.42)
O'Fallon 1st	\$8,102.28	\$9,573.33	\$1,200.65
Old Bethel	.00	\$9,373.33 \$223.47	\$1,471.05
Olivet	\$1,000.00		\$223.47
Oskaloosa	\$540.37	\$1,000.00 \$1,004.11	.00.
Overland	\$1,121.00	\$1,094.11 \$1,461.50	\$553.74
Ozark 1st	\$7,817.49	\$1,461.50 \$13.409.91	\$340.50
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Park Hills 1st	\$7,458.01	\$7,905.85	\$447.84
Parkview	\$5,817.84	\$4,322.57	(\$1,495.27)
Parkway-Sedalia	\$1,860.00	.00	(\$1,860.00)
Pleasant Hill-Thayer	\$1,497.32	\$1,722.03	\$224.71
Pleasant Home-Mt Gr	\$3,069.40	\$3,395.75	\$326.35
Pleasant Ridge-Urb.	\$991.00	\$993.00	\$2.00
Potosi	\$1,876.33	\$1,940.63	\$64.30
Republic	\$1,914.34	\$1,714.48	(\$199.86)
Richwoods	\$1,827.00	\$1,942.00	\$115.00
Riverview, Ia	\$3,237.18	.00	(\$3,237.18)
Rock Chapel	\$4,235.70	\$4,273.38	\$37.68
Rolla 1st	\$935.28	\$1,415.68	\$480.40
Royal Oak-Alton	\$1,113.00	\$1,274.00	\$161.00
Seymour	\$1,502.00	\$2,138.00	\$636.00
Smyrna	\$2,245.00	\$1,265.00	(\$980.00)
South Fremont	\$5,460.00	\$3,897.00	(\$1,563.00)
Southside	\$623.51	\$1,357.50	\$733.99
Springfield 1st	\$10,843.87	\$12,587.55	\$1,743.68
St. Francois Assn.	\$139.99	\$161.00	\$21.01
Stockton	\$1,910.01	\$1,596.57	(\$313.44)
Terrill Road	\$2,025.33	\$956.00	(\$1,069.33)
Thayer	\$10,767.00	\$11,320.00	\$553.00
Trinity	\$11,682.55	\$12,549.66	\$867.11
Twin Oak	\$4,145.90	\$4,437.74	\$291.84
Tyrone	\$303.70	\$267.00	(\$36.70)
Union-Success	\$240.00	\$240.00	\$0.00
Union Grove	\$3,105.00	\$3,819.00	\$714.00
Union Light-Marq	\$1,131.45	\$1,166.50	\$35.05
United	\$9,864.31	\$12,637.68	\$2,773.37
Unity	\$4,584.00	\$4,665.00	\$81.00
Verdella	\$4,691.50	\$6,172.02	\$1,480.52
Victory-Alton	\$2,291.10	\$2,582.43	\$291.33
Victory-K.C.	\$6,310.08	\$5,239.07	(\$1,071.01)
Victory Hill-Mfld.	\$579.63	\$561.89	(\$17.74)
Waynesville	\$3,831.77	\$3,411.94	(\$419.83)
West Plains 1st	\$6,917.75	\$6,794.37	(\$123.38)
Wilderness	\$2,278.67	\$2,793.09	\$514.42
Willow SprMt. Gr.	\$2,499.20	\$2,666.27	\$167.07
Wolf Creek	\$4,403.14	\$4,445.76	\$42.62
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Total	\$432,323.28	\$464,453.81	
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Designated Gifts 1997

Missouri State Home Missions - Rec'd & Disb	\$24,987.00
Missouri State Youth Camp - Rec'd & Disb	6,817.09
Missouri Retirement Program - Rec'd & Disb	1,710.00
Christian Education Board - Rec'd & Disb	450.00
Youth Ministries Board - Rec'd & Disb	456.50
Senior Adult Ministries Board - Rec'd & Disb	1,133.85
Stewardship Commission - Rec'd & Disb	6,300.00
Executive Department (see report)	15,409.87
General Fund (see report)	25,344.72
Show-Me Plan - Rec'd & Disb.	252,902.00
Foreign Missions - Rec'd & Disb	58,695.20
National Home Missions - Rec'd & Disb	66,981.10
Free Will Baptist Bible College - Rec'd & Disb	6,359.44
National Executive Office - Rec'd & Disb	26.00
Together Way Four Special Days- Rec'd & Disb	4,200.00
Board of Retirement & Ins Rec'd & Disb	4.00
Hillsdale Free Will Baptist College - Rec'd & Disb	7,449.32
California Christian College - Rec'd & Disb	996.62
Children's Home, Greenville, Tn Rec'd & Disb	3,924.57
John McClure - Rec'd & Disb	3,601.35
World Vision - Rec'd & Disb	80.00
World Relief - Rec'd & Disb	110.00
Steve Smith - Rec'd & Disb	634.50
Cornerstone FWB Church, Joplin - Rec'd & Disb	3,726.56
New Hope in Panama	4,088.55
FWBBC Golf Tournament	140.00
Total	\$496,527.74

Executive Department & Gem

January 1, 1997 December 31, 1997

Balance Forward			\$46,852.42
Receipts:			. ;
Cooperative	• • •	\$81,279.42	' ·
Gem Subscriptions		6,754.53	
Designated		2,913.50	
Refunds	,	707.80	·
Interest		1,592.04	
Ministers Retreat Registration	· .	3,442.00	•
Total		96,689.29	
Receipts + Bal Fwd			\$143,541.71
Disbursements:		· :	
Salary - Executive Secretary		\$18,014.57	
Retirement (Bd. Ret. & Ins.)		2,475.00	
Salary - Office Secretary		6,113.75	
Housing & Utilities		10,800.00	·
Health Insurance		2222.79	
Life Insurance		579.00	
Gem Printing & Mailing		19,806.98	,
Travel & Promotion		3,416.40	
Telephone & Postage		775.53	
Social Security			
Auto Payments, Insurance, License	. 1 · 2	5,712.18	•
Promotion - Calendars, etc.		370.31	
Office Supplies		399.47	
Expenses - Nat'l Convention, State Assn	, & Leadership	1,021.50	
IRS Withholding	•	4,196.51	
Stonecroft Conference Center - Minister	s Retreat	4,678.50	
Preacher/Layman's Retreat	·	852.28	*
Miscellaneous		47.72	
Total Disbursements		\$85,482.52	: · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Working Balance		:	\$58,059.19
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Executive Department & Gem Proposed Budget

	January 1, 1999	December 31, 1999	
Prope	ng Balance 1997 osed income 1998 osed expenses 1998	\$81,600.00 86,253.68	\$58,059.19
Proposed Balance Fo	rward	-4,653.68	<u>-4.653.68</u> \$53,405.51
Dagaines			
Receipts:	0/ 410 000>		
Cooperative (17.5 Gem Subscriptions	% x 410,000)		Property of the second
Designated		-	
Interest	·.	-	
Minister's Retreat		1,600.00	
Total		4,000.00	
10.44		\$87,350.00	
Receipts + Bal Fwd	•		
Disbursements:			
Salary - Executive Se			
Retirement (Bd. Ret.		·	
Salary - Office Secre		•	
Housing & Utilities		9,360.00	
Health Insurance	4	•	
Gem Printing & Mail	ling	2,000.00 19,600.00	
Utilities			
Travel & Promotion		3,500.00	
All Boards - Preacher	r/Layman Retreat	800.00	
Auto Payments, Insur		5,000.00	
Telephone and Postag	ge	800.00	·
Social Security	•	4,000.00	
Office & Conference	Room Supplies	400.00	
Expenses - Nat'l Con	vention, State Assn., &	Leadership 1,400.00	
Christmas Gifts - Ex.	Secy & Office Secy	450.00	:
IRS Withholding	and the second	750.00	
Life Insurance		597.00	
Minister's Retreat		5,000.00	
Mission Allowance		1,200.00	
Miscellaneous	· ·	300.00	
Total Disbursements	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
Working Balance		. · .	\$50,420.10

General Fund

January 1, 1997	December 31, 1997
Delegation of the second of th	\$18,875.63
Balance Forward	\$10,073.03
Receipts:	\$14,916.74
Cooperative District Assoc. Rep Contributions	5,400.00
Designated	563.00
Offerings Rec'd at State Convention	701.42
Refunds (Bookstore for Bldg. Insur. & misc.)	2,699.05
Payment on Youth Camp Loan	5,000.00
2004 National Convention Receipts	2,281.25
Brotherhood Insurance	7,300.00
New Hope in Panama	1,400.00
Total Receipts	\$40,261.46
Total Receipts + Bal Fwd	\$59,137.09
Disbursements:	
Travel & Meals (Gen. Bd., Ex. Comm., Planning	&_
Historical Comm.)	\$4,648.05
Clerk Salary & Office Expense	577.50
State Minutes	1,447.33
Nat'l Assoc, Rep Fee	4,500.00
Delegate & Gen. Bd Gratituty-Nat'l Assoc.	200.00
State Convention Expense	2,302.36
Office Supplies, Digest of Reports, Badges, Cover	
Utilities	985.93
Postage & Permit Fee	485.87
Telephone	969.69
Insurance - State Office & Bookstore	3,228.00
Secretary of State	15.00
Flowers	403.00
Flag Contract	20.00
Leadership Conference	319.68
Office Equipment	2,427.49
Youth Camp (Brotherhood Ins. Contribution)	2,433.33
Show-Me Plan (Brotherhood Ins. Contribution)	2,433.33
State Home Missions (Brotherhood Ins. Contribu	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Miscellaneous (film & develop., bathroom suppli	
Free Will Baptist Foundation - 2004 Nat'l Conv.	·
Funds Transferred to Maintenance Fund	4,000.00
Funds Transferred to Panama Hope	1,400.00
Loan to Youth Camp	5,000.00
Conference Room Supplies	179.67
Takat Diahamanan	£4431305
Total Disbursements	\$44,317.95
Working Balance	\$14,819.14

General Fund

Proposed Budget January 1, 1999 - December 31, 1999

Ending balance 1997 Proposed income 1998	\$20,780.00
Proposed expenses 1998	<u>-19,265.00</u>
	+1,515.00 <u>+1.515.00</u>
Balance Forward	\$16,334.14
Receipts:	010 200 00
Cooperative (3.00% X \$410,000)	\$12,300.00
District Assns Rep Contributions	5,400.00
Offerings Rec'd at State Convention	500.00
Designated	1,000.00
Total Receipts	\$19,200.00
Total Receipts + Bal Fwd	
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Travel & Meals (Gen Bd, Ex Comm, Plann	ing Comm.
Audit Comm & Historical	
State Minutes	1,400.00
Clerk Salary & Office Expense	600.00
Nat'l Assoc. Rep Fee	4,500.00
Guest Speaker St. Convention (Honorarium	•
State Convention Expense	2,000.00
Office Supplies	700.00
Utilities	1,000.00
Postage	500.00
Telephone	600.00
Building Insurance	1,500.00
Secretary of State	15.00
Janitorial Supplies	200.00
Digest of Reports, Badges, Holders, Etc	350.00
Delegate & General Bd. Gratuity - Nat'l Asse	
Misc.	350.00
Total Disbursements	\$19,190.00
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Working Balance	\$16,344.14

Conference Center Fund

January 1, 1997 December 31, 1997

COMMERCE BANK - Lebanon, MO

Balance Forward

\$15,386.20

Receipts:

Cooperative Transfer from Trust Account

\$7,620.83 150,000.00

Interest

626.76

Total

158,247.59

Receipts + Bal Fwd

\$173,633.79

Disbursements:

Bass Realty - Escrow on 201/2 acres

5,000.00

Commerce Bank - Hogan Land Title Co.

144,003.00 119.08

Hogan Land & Title Co. Bass Realty - Escrow on 11/2

1,000.00

Hogan Land & Title Co.

12,624.72

Total Disbursements

\$162,746.80

Working Balance

\$10,886.99

FREE WILL BAPTIST FOUNDATION

Balance FWD

\$226,336.83

Receipts:

Cooperative Receipts

\$15,601.85

Interest

14,397.27

Total Receipts

\$29,999.12

Total Receipts + Bal Fwd

\$256,335.95

Disbursements:

Transfer to Checking - Commerce Bank \$150,000.00

Working Balance

\$106,335.95

Retirement Fund

Free Will Baptist Foundation

January 1, 1997 - December 31, 1997

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Balance Fwd.		\$89,767.66
Receipts:		
Cooperative	\$41,801.82	6 ,
Lebanon Bible & Bookstore	1,710.00	
Interest	5,030.58	
	•	
Total	\$48,542.40	•
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Receipts + Balance Fwd.		\$138,310.06
Disbursements:		•
Participants Accounts	\$17,875.00	
Error Correction - Foundation	350.54	
Participants Accounts	19,250.00	e de la companya del la companya de
Total Disbursements	\$37,475.54	
Working Balance		\$100,834.52
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New Hope In Panama

January 1, 1997 - December 31, 1997

Receipts:

Parkway Church	\$400.00
Harmony Church	1,000.00
West Plains 1st	COE 72
West Plains 1st VBS	256.57
Youth Camp Offerings	2.026.20
Willow Springs, Mtn. Gr.	5,026.30 6.00
Neosho 1 st	193.95

Total receipts: \$5,488.55

Balance Fwd. \$5,488.55

Show-Me Plan Committee Fund

Receipts:

Cooperative \$1,316.20

Total Receipts \$1,316.20

Disbursements:

Postage \$7.30

Committee Meeting 571.24

Total Disbursements \$578.54

Working Balance \$760.60

Maintenance Fund

Receipts:

Transferred from General Fund \$4,000.00

Total Receipts \$4,000.00

Disbursements:

Dennis Elmore - (New Heat Pump Unit) \$1,400.00

Total Disbursements \$1,140.00

Working Balance \$2,860.00

2004 Nat'l Convention Fund

January 1, 1997 - December 31, 1997

		\$7643.00
Receipts:		
Central Western	150.00	
Greater Springfield District	\$300.00	
Greater Kansas City	300.00	
Laclede	375.00	
Liberty	375.00	
Northwest	75.00	
Mid-Rivers	150.00	
St. François District	675.00	
St. Louis	175.00	
Interest	750.68	
Total Receipts	\$3,031.93	
Total Receipts + Bal. Fwd.		\$10,674.93
Disbursements:	.00	
Balance Fwd.		\$10,674.93

Funds to host the 2004 National Convention are deposited with the Free Will Baptist Foundation.

Listed below are the Associations and the amo	ount contributed through	1997.
Bootheel	\$75.00	
Cave Springs	1,155.00	
Central Western	150.00	
Greater Springfield	825.00	
Greater Kansas City	300.00	
Indian Creek	1,175.00*	
Laclede	375.00	
Liberty	904.75	
Mid-Rivers	225.00	
Mission	•	
Niangua	150.00	1
Northeast	300.00	
Northwest	75.00	
South Central	525.00*	
Southeast	775.00*	
St. François	675.00	
St. Louis	175.00	
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^{*}Associations which have reached or exceeded their goals.

Recap of All Monies

1997

Executive Dept. & Gem Includes Bal Fwd	Received I \$143,541.71	Disbursed Bal \$85,482.52	ance \$58,059.19
General Fund Includes Bal Fwd	\$59,137.09	\$44,317.95	\$14,819.14
Maintenance Fund Includes Bal. Fwd	\$4,000.00	\$1,140.00	\$2,860.00
Show-Me Committee Includes Bal. Fwd	\$1339.14	\$578.54	\$760.60
Panama Hope Includes Bal. Fwd	\$5,488.55	.00	\$5,488.55
·	Bala	ince	
Cash In All Accounts		·· ·	\$81,987.48
Office Equipment			\$60,000.00
State Office & Bookstore Bui	lding		\$250,000.00
Total Assets	•		\$391,987.48
Liabilities			0.00
Assets Less Liabilities	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		\$391,987.48
Balance Forwarded from '96			\$71,638.89
Total Receipts (Cooperative	& Designated)	\$960,984.55	
Total - Bal Fwd + Receipts	· .	·	\$1,032,623.44
Disbursements			\$950,635.66
Balance			\$81,987.48

A SUMMARY OF MISSOURI GIVING

Gifts to:		
Missouri State Ministries		;
Executive Office	\$96,689.29	
General Fund	40,261.46	•
Show-Me Committee	1,342.14	
State Home Mission	124,850.76	•
Youth Camp	49,186.82	
Youth Ministries	12,067.86	
C.E. Board	12,061.36	
Senior Adult Ministries	12,745.36	
Stewardship Commission	6,300.00	
MO Retirement Program	43,510.00	
	•	\$399,015.05*
National Ministries		
Executive Office	\$63,134.82	
Foreign Missions	413,667.01	
FWBBC	41,615.91	
Home Missions	117,905.76	. •
Retirement & Insurance	8,782.29	
Master's Men	9,568.05	
Commission for Theogical Integrit		
WNAC	10,995.98	
FWB Foundation	3,762.58	·
Historical Commission	313.55	
Radio & TV Commission	313.51	
Music Commission	313.54	
		\$670,686.55
Other Ministries:	•	
Hillsdale FWB College	\$7,449.32**	•
California Christian College	996.62**	
Trula Cronk Home for Children -		
John McClure	3,601.35**	-
World Vision	80.00**	
World Relief	110.00**	
Steve Smith	634.50**	
	4,088.55**	
Cornerstone Church - Joplin	· ·	
FWBBC Golf Tournament	140.00**	
New Hope in Panama	4,088.55**	ድባድ ስባሪ 47
Total Civina		\$25.036.46
Total Giving		\$1,094,738.06

Missouri Christian Education Board of Aree Will Baptists

Virtually all of our funds are allocated to seven specific projects. First, we are happy to sponsor Rev. Curtis Linton, pastor of the Cornerstone Church near Tulsa, OK, at this year's conference. He is sharing church growth principles and preaching.

Second, we are always seeking to expand and upgrade our Lending Library. We have added six new series to the library this year. These series can be used as a Sunday School elective, Wednesday night program, etc. If you have a suggestion for a possible purchase of a specific series, please give the information to one of our board members. Board Member, Melvin Moon, is primarily responsible for the library.

Third, we were happy to work with the State Executive Department in a joint project regarding a Minister's Retreat March 23-25, at Stonecroft Conference Center. The speakers this past year were Carl Cheshier and James Forlines. The speaker this coming March 22-24, will be Rob Morgan, pastor of the Donelson Church in Nashville. He will be speaking primarily on "Pastoral Leadership." Plan to attend.

Fourth, we are assisting, through equipment purchase, scholarships, and shared expenses, the External Studies program which meets at Cuba, Mountain Grove (Gary Fry), Park Hills (Ken Dodson), and St. Louis (Craig Jones). We have been providing two minister's scholarships up to \$160.00 each based on need. This past year we expanded into the Mountain Grove and Park Hills, and added one scholarship. This year we introduced MBI into the St. Louis area. Scholarship recipients will be determined by the faculty. The External Studies Program continues to develop at a tremendous pace. Rev. Rick Dablemont, is both the ESP Administrator and teaches at the Cuba Institute.

Fifth, we continue to be the data gathering agency for Roll Call Sunday. Board Member, Gary Fry, is assuming responsibility for Roll Call Sunday.

Sixth, we have produced the C. E. News on a quarterly basis. This paper contains several items including: a spotlight church, promotional ideas, suggestions on leadership and finances, and Christian education helps. We include a sermon by one of our men with a "how I prepare" segment. The current issue is available here at this meeting.

Seventh, we continue to provide a scholarship to deserving college students at Hillsdale College and Free Will Baptist Bible College. These scholarships are determined by the college administration.

Finally, we are here to serve you. If there is something that you feel that we can do to help you in your ministry, please share it with one of our board members.

Jerry L. Norris Chairman Roger Hogan, Treasurer Melvin Moon, Secretary Gary Fry Dennis Bowman

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MISSOURI CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD

1997 FINANCIAL STATEMENT

CASH ON HAND- January 1, 1997 ACTUAL CASH ON HAND ACCOUNT RECEIVABLE		\$22,005.77 \$22,005.77 65.00
RECEIPTS: Cooperative Program Interest Income-checking Tuition Income	\$11,752.70 413.73 6,267.80	
		· .
TOTAL INCOME FOR 1997		\$18.434.23
TOTAL CASH FOR 1997		\$40,440.00
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Assets	\$ 983.85	
Board Expense	1,349.84	
Office Expense	378.42	*
Bookkeeping Expense	300.00	
Roll Call Sunday Expense	356.01	:
College Tuition Scholarship	1,800.00	
State Meeting Expense	· .	
Instructional Institute Expense	11,788.00	
Minister's Retreat Expense	1,000.00	
Seminar Expense	850.00	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS FOR 199	7	\$ <u>18,806.12</u>
TOTAL CASH ON HAND-December	31,1997	\$21,633.88

PROPOSED 1998 BUDGET

ACTIVE CLOSING BALANCE 1997		\$21,633.88
RECEIPTS:		
COOPERATIVE PROGRAM	\$10,250.00	
INTEREST ON CD	250.00	
INTEREST INCOME (CKG)	400.00	
VIDEO INCOME-LENDING	200.00	
TUITION INCOME	<u>6,300.00</u>	•
(EXTERNAL STUDIES)		
		* ,
TOTAL RECEIPTS		\$17,400.00
TOTAL MONEY FOR 1998		\$39,033.88
EXPENDITURES:		
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BOARD EXPENSES	1,500.00	
VIDEO PURCHASES	2,000.00	
ROLL CALL SUNDAY	400.00	
PROMOTIONAL EXPENSES	1,000.00	
INSTRUCTORS HONORARIUM	IS 12,000.00	
BIBLE COLLEGE STUDENT	2 700 00	
FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE	2,700.00	
FWBBC 7 900.00		
HILLSDALE 900.00		
CCC 900.00	450.00	
MISC. EXPENSE	<u>450.00</u>	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	·	\$20,050.00
PROPOSED BALANCE FOR 1998		\$18,983.88

MISSOURI CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD

1997 ASSETS

CASH ON HAND CD (National Board of Retirement)		•
Interest on CD for 1997		270.56
TOTAL	\$	26,282.14
Set of Leadership Desta		
Set of Leadership Books 3 Hardback Notebooks	•	50.00
Lesson Packets, Guides, & Cassettes		
Competent to Counsel		
Cassettes "Clergy Stress"		35.00
Video Series "After You Say I Do"		40.00
Video "Zig Ziggler-Motivational		300.00
Video-Seven Laws of the Teacher		300.00
250 Blank Tapes	•	354.00
Office Supplies	•	75.00 50.00
Tape Duplicator		50.00 395.00
Video- "Teens in Crisis Relationships"		146.45
Creation Science Books	•	89.00
Video "Loving Lasting Relationships"		329.95
Video-Church Growth Institute-		347,73
Towns of Teacher Training		252,05
3 drawer file cabinet		67.32
Video-Christian Life Resource		325.00
Devotional Study Video (1-92)	•	66.00
Deacon Ministry That Works (5-92)		186.95
FWB Bible College Tape (7-92)		5.00
Video-"The Hurried Family" (7-92)		349.95
Video-"Raising Kids Alone" (7-92)		107.71
Dallas Christian Video Series (1993)		349.95
Priority I Video:	the second of the second of the second	214.90
Marriage for Lovers Only		
Parenting: An Attitude of the He	art	
Mark Braisher Tape	•	40.00
Christian Life Resources (3-94)		369.00
Priority One (6-94)		149.95
Lebanon Bible Books Store (6-94)		79.95

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Lay Renewal Ministries (6-94)	
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Christian Counseling (7-94) 217.00	
Farmington FWB 289.40	
Melvin Moon(1-95) 349.95	
Bring Up Kids Without Tearing	
Finding Peace in a Troubled World	
Video Series (3-7-95) 200.00	
Video-Fast Forward (7-95)	
Video-Developing Leaders Around You (7-95) 280.62	
Video-Five Levels of Leadership	
Video The abunch in a Changing World (7.05)	
Video-The church in a Changing World (7-95) 189.33 Video-Today's Pastors	,
CCEF: (7-95)	
Marriage & Family Counseling 363.00	
Heaven's Gates & Hell's Flames(2-20-96) 25.00	
The Madesto Miracle (2-20-96) (Reallity Ministries)	
(Reallity Ministries)	
Man in the Mirror (4-9-96)	
Loving Lasting Relationships (4-9-96)	
Church Growth Inst. M-096-05384 (6-19-96) 246.35	
From Harrison Bridge Road Presb. Church (HBRPC)	•
Principles of Counseling (7-18-96)	
Princ. of Counseling Teacher's 26.00	
Principles of Counsleing manual 22.00	
Christ and Your Family 45.00	
Counseling Role Plays 96.00	
Life on the Edge Video (9-4-96) 170.00	
Parenting Adolescents (9-4-96) 140.00	
97-1 "A MAN & HIS WORD (CK 324) 249.95	,
97-2 "CRISIS CARE VIDEO SERIES" (CK 335) 309.00	
97-3 "KEEPING THE PROMISE VIDEO SERIES" (CK 343) 134.95	
97-4 ""RAISING KIDS WHO TURN OUT RIGHT" (CK 354) 89.95	
TOTAL 9,370.69	
TOTAL ASSETS FOR 1997 \$35,652.83	<i>:</i> :

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LENDING EIBRARY

Below is the current list of the videos available through the Lending Library, which is operated through the Lebanon Bible & Book Store:

Marriage & Family

- "After You Say 'I Do'." by Tim & Beverly LaHaye, H. Norman Wright, & Larry Burkett
- "Loving, Lasting Relationships" by Gary Smalley & John Trent
- "Building Your Mate's Self Esteem" by Dennis & Barbara Rainey
- "Marriage, For Lovers Only" by Priority One
- "The Hurried Family"
- "Teens in Crises Relations"
- "How to Raise the Strong-Willed Child" by James Dobson
- "Parenting" by Priority One
- "Family Fears" by Jack & Jerry Schreur
- "Raising Positive Kids in a Negative World" by Zig Ziglar
- "Raising Kids Alone"
- "Bring Up Kids Without Tearing Them Down" by Dr. Kevin Leman
- "An Ounce of Prevention" by Gary Richmond
- "A Man & His Word" by Dr. Adrian Rogers (New)
- "Raising Kids Who Turn Out Right" by Dr. Tim Kimmel (New)
- "Keeping the Promise" (New)

Christian Education

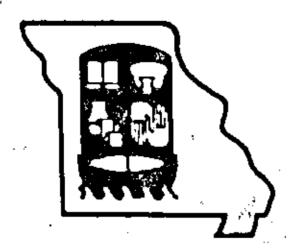
- "Towns on Teaching" by Dr. Elmer Towns
- "The Seven Laws of the Teacher" by Dr. Howard Hendricks
- "Giftrak" by Dr. Larry Gilbert
- "How to Overcome Sunday School Growth Barriers" by Dr. Ken Hemphill (Audio)

Evangelism

- "Good News is For Sharing" by Dr. Leighton Ford
- "Your Church in a Changing Culture" by George Barna
- "Finding Them, Keeping Them" by McIntosh & Martin (Audio)
- "Heaven's Gates and Hell's Flames" by Reality Ministry
- "The Miracle in Modesto" by Reality Ministry

General

- "Living Your Potential" by Zig Ziglar
- "Aids" by Moody Adams
- "Free Will Baptist Doctrines" by Dr. Robert Picirilli
- "A Counseling Series" by The Minirth/Meier Clinic
- "Neuthetic Counseling"
- "A Deacon's Ministry That Works" by Dr. Herb Pederson
- "Peace in a Troubled Wrold" by Max Lucado
- "Clergy Stress" an audio Seminar
- Three Financial Videos by Larry Burkett
- "Leadership" by Dr. John Maxwell
- "Know Thy Self" Leadership audio series by Paul J. Meyer
- Creation Science Books
- "Crises Care" (New)
- * Most of the video series' have from three to five tapes each, with several 30 to 45 minutes sessions. They also have reproducible sheets that you can use for a handout in a class.
- * We also have some sets on loan from various churches and individuals. Among them are How to Lead and Manage the Local Church, Financial Principles by John Maxwell.



4534 McCullough · Springfield, Missouri 65804
Rev. Dale Skiles, Treasurer

Greetings from the Missouri State Home Mission Board in the lovely and matchless name of Jesus Christ our Lord. "Wherefore God also hath highly exalted Him, and given Him a name which is above every name." To Him be all praise and glory now and forever. Amen.

This past year, 1997, has been a good year for State Home Missions. The Lord has showered down His blessings, both materially and spiritually, upon the various mission works in our state.

We want, from the bottom of our hearts, to thank each church, Quarterly Meeting, District Association, Youth Groups, Woman's Auxiliary, and each individual who have so generously supported State Home Missions this past year. We realize that we owe the success of State Home Missions, first of all to Christ, and then to you who so faithfully support us.

We presently have 10 missions churches under our supervision and direction: Hannibal, Moberly, Sedalia, Stockton, Poplar Bluff, Ozark, Wentzville, Jackson, Columbia, and Cornerstone at Joplin. We appreciate, so much, the faithful mission pastors and their wives and their people who are laboring in these various areas of our state.

We are happy to report that we have begun two new missions this past year. Under the capable leadership of Vernon and Ada Long, a new mission has been established in Jackson, Missouri. And, Steve and Linda Reeves have moved to Columbia to re-open the work there. Please pray for these new mission works.

We have begun to phase out the salaries of some of our oldest mission works. And, we anticipate that they will become self-supporting within a year.

We ask that you continue to put State Home Missions in your yearly church budget, include us in your mission conferences, and support us through designated giving.

Again, thank you, so much, for your prayers and your financial support. And, please, continue to pray that we, as a board, will kow the will of God, and be willing to follow His will as we establish new mission works in Missouri.

In Christ and for State Home Missions,

Rev. Dale Skiles, General Director

Rev. Cliff Bowman, chairman

Rev. Clarence Burton, member

Rev. Cody Freeman, member

Rev. Roger Harwell, member



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STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS JANUARY 1, 1997 - DECEMBER 31, 1997 GENERAL FUND - CHECKING ACCOUNT

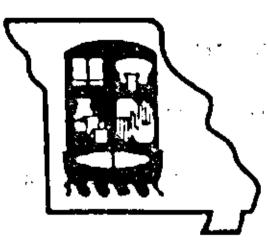
GEN	ERAL FOND - CHEX	DRING ACCOUNT
CASH BALANCE - JANUARY 1, 19	97	\$ 7,251.14
RECEIPTS		
COOPERATIVE RECEIPTS UNDESIGNATED DESIGNATED RETURNED SALARY RETURNED INSURANCE	\$ 83,663.54 22,979.26 15,947.55 49,368.94 2,633.34	
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 174,592.63	<u>\$ 174,592.63</u>
TOTAL CASH BALANCE PLUS RECE	EIPTS	\$ 181,843.77
DISBURSEMENTS		
SALARY HOUSING INSURANCE TELEPHONE MILEAGE BOOKKEEPING OFFICE SUPPLY BOARD EXPENSE NATIONAL HOME MISSIONS DIRECTOR EXPENSE SOCIAL SECURITY MISSIONS RETREAT CHECK PRINTING ADCERTISMENT MOTEL & MEALS DEEDS OF TRUST STOP PAYMENT ON CHECK POSTAGE SECRETARY OF STATE	\$ 82,600.00 58,575.00 8,866.00 368.96 5,747.93 3,850.00 79.38 1,950.00 1,300.00 2,400.00 350.00 639.46 53.96 394.64 311.07 403.17 16.00 108.00 30.00	
MOVING EXP. (VERNON LONG SHOW ME PLAN GIFT MISCELLANEOUS	188.00 1,570.10 150.00 35.00	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$ 169,986.67	\$ 169,986.67
BALANCE IN GENERAL FUND DEC	EMBER 31, 1997	\$ 11,857.10



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STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS JANUARY 1, 1997 - DECEMBER 31, 1997 PERPETUAL LOAN FUND

CASH BALANCE JANUARY 1, 1997		\$ 155,254.38
RECEIPTS		
POPLAR BLUFF LOAN PAYMENT WENTZVILLE LOAN PAYMENT INTEREST EARNED OZARK LOAN PAYMENT OAK GROVE LOAN PAYMENT HANNIBAL LOAN PAYMENT SEDALIA (SALE OF PROPERTY) OZARK (ROOF PAYMENT) OZARK (SALARY) STOCKTON (SALARY) OZARK (INSURANCE) MOBERLY LOAN PAYMENT RENT (WENTZVILLE)	\$ 7,488.48 1,099.73 2,640.19 5,430.93 15,240.10 200.00 14,817.00 2,400.00 2,500.00 796.21 221.00 749.51 500.00	
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 54,083.15	\$ 54,083.15
TOTAL RECEIPTS PLUS BALANCE		\$ 209,337.53
DISBURSEMENTS		
SUN SECURITY BANK (MOBERLY) BLUE SPRINGS (LOAN) SEDALIA (PROPERTY SALE) SUN SECURITY BANK (SEDALIA) SUN SECURITY BANK (APPRAISAL) JACKSON (LOAN) STEPHEN H. HOLT CALVARY FELLOWSHIP (PEWS) SUN SECURITY BANK (WENTZVILLE)	\$ 5,453.55 113,515.00 2,500.00 12,217.00 1,500.00 57,500.00 518.46 3,500.00 1,653.43	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$198,357.44	\$ 198,357.44
BALANCE IN LOAN FUND DECEMBER 31, 1	.997	\$ 10,980.09



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BALANCE SHEET, JANUARY 1, 1997 - DECEMBER 31, 1997

CURRENT	ASSETS
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TOTAL		\$ 346,291.92	\$ 346,291.92
OTHER ASSETS			i i
OAK GROVE BLUE SPRINGS COLUMBIA JACKSON SUPERVISED PROPERTY	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	\$ 115,000.00 113,515.00 50,000.00 61,000.00 2,171,950.00	
TOTAL	. • '	\$2,511,465.00	\$2,511,465.00
EQUIPMENT & SUPPLIES	•	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
TOTAL ASSETS			\$2,859,256.92
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PROPERTIES UNDER BOARD	SUPERVISION		
PROPERTIES UNDER BOARD	SUPERVISION VALUED	LIABILITIES	EQUITY
CARTHAGE \$ MOBERLY POPLAR BLUFF HANNIBAL SEDALIA WENTZVILLE OZARK BLUE SPRINGS OAK GROVE CORNERSTONE REPUBLIC JACKSON		\$ 44,632.39 33,974.46 31,425.72 49,853.51 83,430.33 134,135.12 205,753.71 202,556.59 115,000.00 62,199.32 0 61,000.00	\$ 87,867.61 48,275.54 93,574.28 59,646.49 107,269.67 165,864.88 151,246.29 47,443.41 135,000.00 2,800.68 160,000.00 89,000.00
CARTHAGE \$ MOBERLY POPLAR BLUFF HANNIBAL SEDALIA WENTZVILLE OZARK BLUE SPRINGS OAK GROVE CORNERSTONE REPUBLIC JACKSON TOTALS \$	VALUED 132,500.00 82,250.00 125,000.00 109,700.00 190,700.00 300,000.00 357,000.00 250,000.00 250,000.00 65,000.00 160,000.00	\$ 44,632.39 33,974.46 31,425.72 49,853.51 83,430.33 134,135.12 205,753.71 202,556.59 115,000.00 62,199.32 0 61,000.00 \$ 1,023,961.15	\$ 87,867.61 48,275.54 93,574.28 59,646.49 107,269.67 165,864.88 151,246.29 47,443.41 135,000.00 2,800.68 160,000.00
CARTHAGE \$ MOBERLY POPLAR BLUFF HANNIBAL SEDALIA WENTZVILLE OZARK BLUE SPRINGS OAK GROVE CORNERSTONE REPUBLIC JACKSON	VALUED 132,500.00 82,250.00 125,000.00 109,700.00 190,700.00 300,000.00 250,000.00 250,000.00 65,000.00 160,000.00 150,000.00	\$ 44,632.39 33,974.46 31,425.72 49,853.51 83,430.33 134,135.12 205,753.71 202,556.59 115,000.00 62,199.32 0 61,000.00	\$ 87,867.61 48,275.54 93,574.28 59,646.49 107,269.67 165,864.88 151,246.29 47,443.41 135,000.00 2,800.68 160,000.00 89,000.00



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PROPOSED BUDGET - 1999

CLOSING BALANCE 1997		\$ 11,857.10
PROPOSED INCOME 1998 PROPOSED EXPENSES	\$ 205,150.00 210,150.00 -5,000.00	\$ -5,000.00
PROJECTED CLOSING BALANCE 1998		\$ 6,857.10
•	•	•
PROJECTED BEGINNING BALANCE 1999		\$ 6,857.10
ANTICIPATED INCOME 1999	·	
COOPERATIVE RECEIPTS RETURNED SALARY DESIGNATED GIVING UNDESIGNATED GIVING.	\$ 75,850.00 85,000.00 35,000.00 30,000.00	
TOTAAL ANTICIPATED INCOME	\$ 230,850.00	\$ 230,850.00
TOTAL ANTICIPATED INCOME DILIS D	ROJECTED BEGINNING BALANCE	\$ 237,707.10
ANTICIPATED EXPENSES 1999		
÷	\$ 99,600.00 67,200.00 13,800.00 5,500.00 5,000.00 3,000.00 5,000.00 400.00 2,000.00 400.00 50.00 35,000.00	
ANTICIPATED EXPENSES 1999 SALARY HOUSING INSURANCE MILEAGE BOOKKEEPING BOARD EXPENSE DIRECTOR EXPENSE TELEPHONE SOCIAL SECURITY MISSION RETREAT PRINTING & ADVERTISING MISCELLANEOUS	\$ 99,600.00 67,200.00 13,800.00 5,500.00 5,000.00 3,000.00 5,000.00 400.00 2,000.00 400.00 50.00	\$ 227,450.00



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Greetings to all Missouri Free Will Baptists

It is our pleasure to welcome you to Lebanon for the annual session of The Missouri State Association Meeting. We look forward to serving you during this special time and we hope that each one of you will come by and visit at the Bookstore while you are here in Lebanon.

1997 was another record year for the Bookstore with total sales of \$469,404.51. This is an increase of \$15,442.03 over the previous year. Of this \$18,000.00 was given Missouri Co-OP to support Free Will Ministries throughout the state. We thank God that we are able to support our work in this way. Complete financial details are given on the following pages.

Your support and prayers are vital in helping us to share a good report like this. We thank the Free Will Baptist Churches in Missouri for all your support during the past year.

We hope that you have an enjoyable stay while you are here in Lebanon. If we can help you in any way please let us know. Also come by and see our newly remodeled Bookstore while you are here and get acquainted with our staff. God bless you as you labor for Ilim.

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PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT 1997 LEBANON BIBLE AND BOOKSTORE

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SALES Bookstore Sales Sunday School Literature Sales VBS Literature Sales Postage and Handling Charges	277.925.75 164,233.47 17,193.89 10,051.40
Net Sales	469,404.51
COST OF SALES Beginning Inventory Purchases Total Cost of Merchandise Less Ending Inventory Net Cost of Sales Freight Supplies	502.057.17 211,932.87 290,124.30 1,391.34 4,114.51 295,630.15
GROSS PROFIT	173,774 36
OPERATING EXPENSES Postage and UPS Utilities and Telephone Advertising Maintenance and Repair Wages and Bonus Payroll Taxes Depreciation Insurance Miscellaneous	7,690 32 8,753.25 15,969.85 2,386.20 47,729 58 15,541.06 850 32
NET PROFIT	53,911.59
Less Missouri Co-OP	18,000.00
NET TOTAL	<u>35,911.59</u>
Beginning Accounts Receivable Ending Accounts Receivable	19.749 44 12,593 81
Beginning Accounts Payable Ending Accounts Payable	13,129.68 18,667 67

Lebanon Bible and Bookstore

1997 Record of Receipts and Disbursements

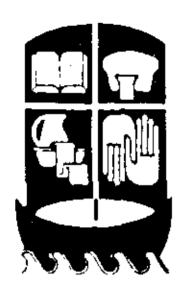
Beginning Balance		75,667 14
Receipts Redeposit Returned Checks	484,073.82 1,163.25	
Total Receipts		485,237.07
Total Available for Disbursement	•	560,904 21
Dichurcomente	,	
Disbursements Resale Purchases	189,483.14	
	120,188 97	
•	1,391.84	
Postage	3,600.00	
UPS	4,090 32	
Supplies	3,789 41	·
Office Supplies	325.60	•
Utilities	4,303 66	
Telephone	4.749 94	
Advertising	15,969.85 2,386.20	
Bldg Maintenance and Repair Missouri Co-OP	18,000 00	
Building Insurance	2,017 50	V 2
Equipment	426.00	·
Equipment Rental	1,166 63	
Equipment Maintenance	158.00	
	43,897 48	
Bonus	3,832.10	
Payroll Taxes	15,541.06	
Employee Insurance	6,657 38	
Mileage Convention Cominan Eva	554.30 794 02	
Convention, Seminar Exp. Booksellers Assoc. Dues	687 00	
Property Taxes	3,379.31	
Sales Taxes	16,333 41	
Returned Checks	1,581.75	
Bank Card Charges	1,039.32	
Refunds	299.93	
Retirement	1,400.00	
Miscellaneous	2,873 02	
Total Disbursements		470,917 14
Balance on Hand		89,987.07

LEBANON BIBLE AND BOOKSTORE CHANGES IN WORKING CAPITAL

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ASSETS	Begi	nning	Ending	Increase	
				(Decrease)	**;}
Bank Balance	•	75,667.14	89,987.07	14,319.93	
Cash on Hand		200.00	200.00	-0-	
Accounts Receivable		19,749.44	12,593.81	1,844.37	;:
Inventory		207,967.52	211,932.87	3,965.35	<i>i</i> 1
		294,584.10	314,713.75	20,129.65	, i ·
FIXED ASSETS			• • .		;
Fixtures and Equipme	ent	38,692.27	39,118.27	426.00	•
Less Accumulated De		35,495.20	36,345.52	850.32	
:	•	297,781.17	317,486.50	19,705.33	• ;
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LIABILITIES			:		
	•	13 100 60	10.445.45	6.637.00	1:1
Accounts Payable		13,129.68	18,667.67	5,537.99	
Payroll Tax		1,608.73	1,557.69	(5104)	
Sales Tax		<u>2,930.11</u>	<u>2,755.81</u>	(174.30)	_
		280,112.65	294,505.33	14,392.68	<i>:</i> •

LEBANON BIBLE AND BOOKSTORE PROPOSED BUDGET 1999

Balance Brought Forward Proposed Income Less Expenses Ending Balance		•	89,987.07 465,000.00 443,700.00 106,287.07
Bookstore Sales	255,000.00	+ 1	
Sunday School Literature Sales	180,000.00		
VBS Sales	20,000.00		
Shipping and Handling	10,000.00	•	465,000.00
Expenses	182 000 00		
Resale Purchases	182,000.00		
Sunday School Literature	122,000.00	:	
Freight Postage	3,400 00		
UPS	4,200.00		•
Supplies	3.000.00	•	
Utilities	4,500.00		
Telephone			
•	15,000.00		•
Missouri Co-OP	18,000 00		
Building Maintenance and Repair	1,500.00		
Wages and Bonus	60,500.00		•
Payroll Tax	4,800.00		
Insurance	8,600.00		
Retirement	1,400 00		
Convention Expense	1,200.00	: . -	
Transportation	1,200.00		
Property Tax	3,400 00		
Miscellaneous	3,000.00		443,700.00
Net Profit			21,300.00
			21,000.00



Senior Adult Ministries Board

Missouri State Association of Free Will Baptist
P.O. Box 991 Lebanon, MO 65536

GREETINGS FROM THE SENIOR ADULT MINISTRIES BOARD

On May 19-23, 1997, the Senior Adult Board sponsored the 10th Senior Adult Retreat at beautiful Stonecroft Conference Center at Hollister, Missouri. This was the first attempt at a two session retreat. The Rev. Reggie Saddler was our speaker and special singing was provided by Rev. Saddler and his family. The Saddler family was a real joy to hear as they sang and also to visit with. We were very blessed as they performed songs of the gospel chart as well as those Brother Reggie had written. Bro. Reggie also brought tears, joy and shouting with his preaching. God Bless his ministry.

The retreat was an attempt to get all of the patrons into the Conference Center for room and meals. We had 152 for session #1 and 105 for session #2. This gave us a total of 257 for the retreat. This is up from the one session type of retreat. The retreat for 1998 will also be a 2 session retreat, scheduled for May 18-22, 1998.

The Senior Adult Retreats are open to all Free Will Baptists 55 years and older. Also all pastors and their wives are welcome to attend.

We are seeing new faces each year. If you have never attended one of these retreats, we encourage you to try one.

One bit of advice, as soon as you receive your registration in the mail, do not delay. Get it in the mail as soon as possible. Rooms are still limited in each session and rooms are given out on a first come first serve basis. This is the only fair way to do it. There are 67 rooms in each session.

We as a Board would like to thank you for allowing us to serve you. Also to say thanks to all the Churches who support us by their giving to the COOP plan. YOU make it possible. GOD BLESS.

Rev. Glenn Murray, Chairman

Rev. Charlie Miller, Vice Chairman

Rev. Gene Crewse, Secretary

- Rev. Gary Sheets, Tres.

Rev. R.E. Helsley, Memb.



Senior Adult Ministries Board

Missouri State Association of Free Will Baptist P.O. Box 991 Lebanon, MO 65536

FINANCIAL STATEMENT JANUARY 1, 1997 - DECEMBER 31, 1997

BAL. FWD FROM 1996	\$18,947.30
RECEIPTS	
COOP \$11,611.36	
DESIGNATED 1,134.00	
CHECKING I.T. 229.00	
RETREAT 10,833.00	
RETREAT CASH	
REDEPOSIT 400.00	
TOTAL \$24,207.36	21,207.36 TOTAL W/CAP.\$\$43,154.66
DISBURSEMENTS MILEAGE \$ 943.20 MEALS 312.51 PHONE 52.02 POSTAGE 200.00 PRINTING 132.35 BOOKKEEPING (CPA) 140.00	
SECT. OF STATE 15.00 TRES. COMP. 370.00 HONORARIUMS 2,200.00 STUNECROFT 16,944.00 RETREAT CASH 400.00 REFUNDS 140.00 BOOKING FEE (98) 670.00 ROOM DEPT. (98) 2,680.00 OFFICE SUPPLIES 986.93 MISCELLANEOUS 9.90	TYPAL DISB \$25 205 01
TOTAL \$25,295.91	TOTAL DISB. \$25,295.91 BAL. FWD. \$17,858.75



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FOR 1999

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS

Senior Adult Ministries Board

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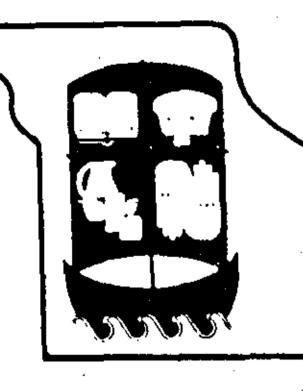
1999 PROPOSED BUDGET

1997 CLOSING BALANCE	\$17,858.75
1998 PROPOSED RECEIPTS	19,450.00 \$37,308.75
1998 PROPOSED CLOSING BAL.	23,070.00 \$14,238.75
THE THE COLL CLOCK CALL.	
BALANCE FORWARD	\$14,238.75
1999 PROJECTED RECEIPTS	
CCOP \$10,250.00 DESIGNATED 450.00 CK. INTREST 230.00	
RETREAT 10,000.00 TOTAL \$20,930.00	20,930.00
1011III	WORKING BAL. \$35,168.00
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DISBURSEMENTS	
MILEAGE & MEALS \$ 1,500.00 RETREAT 20,000.00	
DIST.SIMINARS 1,000.00 CPA 150.00	
PRINTING & POSTAGE 400.00 PHONE 300.00 OFFICE SUPPLIES 350.00	
BOOKKEEPING 370.00 STEWARDSHIP COMM.	

1,000.00

\$25,070.00

\$25,070.00 1999 CLOSING BAL. \$10,098.75



Clarence Burton, Stewardship

Missouri State Association of Free Will Baptists

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June 1998

Report to the Missouri State Association

Greetings in the Wonderful Name of Jesus!

I will say with the Psalmist, O give thanks unto the Lord for He is good: for His mercy endureth forever.

The Lord continues to bless this ministry. However, my work with it has been limited, inasmuch as I began working with the United Free Will Baptist Church in West Plains, the latter part of May 1997.)

The Lord blessed, with seven Trusts, with the Stewardship Commission, paying the full amount for one of our missionary families, from Missouri. (They designated the 10% of their Trust to the Missouri State Association). I thought that was commendable.

Occasionally, I am told about this type of ministry, in other denominations, which has given funds to greatly enhance their ministry. This is encouraging.

May I remind us that the purpose of this ministry is to, help the locat church, then the State Ministries, and from there the National Ministries.

Please continue to remember Brother Jim Williams and I in your prayers, as we continue under the leadership of the Lord

Sincerely in Christ.

Financial Report January 1, 1997 to December 31, 1997 Bal Fwd **49**,977.25 Receipts: Bookstore (State Assn) \$6,300.00 C.D. s Berkeley 6,395.12 Interest 56.59 Total **\$12,751.71** Total + Bal Fwd Disbursements: Salary 2,300.00 Trusts 1,250.00 Travel -1,804.59State Assn Ex 250.00 Misc (Cks. stamps, dep box 346.33 Ser chg, tele etc Total \$5,950.92 Working Balance \$16,778.04 Proposed Budget 1999 Beginning Balance \$17,778.04 Receipts: Bookstore (State Assn) \$2,700.00 Berkeley C.D.'s 6,400.00 Interest 200.00 \$9,300.00 \$27,078.00 Disbursements: Salary \$4;000.00 Trusts 1,200.00 Travel 1,200.00 \$6,500.00 Misc 100.00 Working Balance \$20,578.00

the Ministries

It is such a joy to serve Free Will Baptist churches, our young people and our youth workers on the Youth Ministries Board. The Lord continues to bless the efforts of this board!

Our tenth annual State Youth Conference was November 21-22, 1997. Approximately 340 young people and youth workers attended. Barry St. Clair was to have been the speaker, but was unable to attend due to his wife's sudden illness. In his stead, two other men "filled in" for Barry. Jonathan Adams (Barry's assistant) spoke on Friday night and Keith Naylor spoke on Saturday. Both men challenged our young people to have "eXtreme Faith"! FFH did an excellent job providing the music for worship. The Lord really used them! In spite of obstacles, it was a great weekend!

This year's State Youth Conference will be November 20-21 at Windermere! Our speaker will be Tom Tufts! We heard him at last year's National Youth Conference in Cincinnati. He was incredible! FFH will return to provide the music. I'm sure your young people and youth workers will want to attend. See the Gem for details.

The 1998 Missouri State CTS Competition was the largest ever with 185 entries from 21 churches. Missouri will be well represented at the National Youth Conference in Tulsa, OK this July. We still want to see more churches participating in the future. The Calvary Fellowship Church in Fenton did a wonderful Job in hosting the event. (They also had the most entries with 41!) "Thank you" to Pastor Jerry Norris, Youth Pastor Tim Lewis and the congregation for their invitation and hospitality.

We held another Regional Youth Worker's and Children's Ministry Workshop last October. The Carthage FWB Church and Pastor Jim Williams hosted it. The event was co-sponsored by the Indian Creek Association. Jeff Nichols taught the Children's Ministry workshops while Curt Gwartney taught the workshops for those in Youth Ministry. Again, we received a very positive response from all who attended. If this sounds like something the workers in your area could use, please let us know.

We ask for your continued prayer for the ministry God has given us as a Board. Please support this ministry by encouraging your Youth Workers and young people to participate with us. Our goal is to be of service to all of our churches.

Sincerely, Curt Gwartney, Chairman David Brawley, Treasurer Howard Anderson Lynn Davenport Gene Howell

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Missouri Youth Ministries Board

FINANCIAL REPORT PERIOD COVERING JANUARY 1, 1997 - DECEMBER 31,1997

BALANCE DECEMBER	31,1996 -	\$13,625.93	
INCOME		and the second of the second o	
Cooperative Receipts	\$11,611.36	· · · · ·	
CTS Fees	2,876.00	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	
Designated Interest	846.98		•
T-Shirt Sales	· 1,140.62		
Youth Conference	11,704.00		7
Carry over from '96 Co-	op 810.54		
Carry over from YC Fees	96 2,869.00		
TOTAL INCOME		\$31.858.50	. • .
TOTAL INCOME & BA	LANCE FWD.		\$45,484.43
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Board Expenses			
Food &Lodging	<i>\$ 764.78</i>		
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Postage	Mileage 151.94	3,121.77	
Printing -			
Supplies	2.022.00		· ·
Telephone	2,033.00 583.97		•
retephone	303.97		
CTS Competition	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		•
Facility Rental	\$900.00		
Judges	1,247.50		
NYC- Fees	920.00		
Publicity	195.24		
Supplies	59.40		
Trophies	366.00	• • •	
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Regional Workshops	\$1,484.91		
Youth Conference			
Facility Rental	\$12,335.50		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
Publicity	388.00		.
, Speaker Exp	4,490.65		
Supplies	525.09		
T-Shirts	1,538.00		
TOTAL EXPENSES	1,000,00		\$31,155,75
Ending Balance - Dec. 3	1.1997	\$14,328.68	
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Missouri Youth Ministries Board 1999 Proposed Budget

Balance, December 31, 1997		\$14,328.68
Proposed 1999 Income		\$ 25,850.00
Proposed 1998 Disbursements		\$ 25,850.00
Projected Closing Balance		\$ 14,328.68
INCOME		
Cooperative Receipts	\$ 10,250.00	
CTS Fees	3,000.00	
Designated,,,Interest	500.00	
YC Fees	11,000.00	Au .
T-Shirt Sales	<u>\$ 1,100.00</u>	
Total income	\$ 25,850.00	\$25,850.00
DISBURSEMENTS		
Board Expenses		
Food & Lodging	\$500.00	
Mileage	2,000.00	
Postage	150.00	
Supplies	300.00	
Telephone	500.00	
Total board expenses	\$3,450.00	\$3,450.00
Competition		
Facility Rental	\$1000.00	
Judges	2,000.00	
NYC Fees	1,100.00	
Publicity	300.00	
Supplies	200.00	*
Trophies	<i>500.00</i>	•
Total competition expenses	\$5,100.00	\$5,100.00
Youth Conference Expenses		
Facility Rental	\$10,500.00	
Publicity	500.00	
Speaker Expenses	2,700.00	•
Supplies	450.00	
Video Rentals	50.00	•
T-Shirts	<u>1.600.00</u>	•
Total youth conference exps	s. \$15,800.00	\$15,800.00
Regional Workshop		
Speaker Fee	\$ 1000.00	
Supplies	<u>500.00</u>	
Total regional workshop ex	ps. \$ 1500.00	\$1500.00
Total disbursements	•	\$ 25,850.00
Balance December 31, 199	9	\$ 14,328.68

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FREE WILL BAPTIST YOUTH CAMP

Board Members
Rev. Ron Blanks
Rev. Russell Mc Daris
Rev. Gary Parker
Rev. Ken Reiter
Rev. Bob Thebeau

Grace, mercy and peace be extended to our brothers and sisters, in Christ, of the Missouri State Association. Greetings from your Missouri State Free Will Baptist Youth Camp Board.

Praise the Lord for the moving of His Spirit during our 1997 camp session. We were privileged to witness 53 young people receive the Lord as their personal Saviour, 76 rededicated their lives to the Lord and 3 answered special callings of service to the Master. When the final count was made our young people gave \$3,026.30 to missions. These funds were designated for our Panama Project, which will be used to build the "New Hope Church" located near Panama City in the country of Panama.

We also are thankful that the new boys bath house has been paid off ending all our camp indebtedness. Thank you for your support of this project.

During the past year we also made improvements to our water system and the superintendents house has been remodeled. We plan to have a new intercom system installed by the coming camp session. This system will signal when activities begin and end. It also will greatly help in getting messages to sponsors and campers.

One change has been made in our 1998 camp schedule. We will have one combined teen camp this year. The dates of this camp session will be June 21-26. For pre-teen camp Group I will meet July 26-31 and Group II will come August 2-7.

Each of you are urged to pray for, support and attend your Missouri State Youth Camp. Also pray for your camp board as we make plans for the coming camp sessions. Ask the Lord to once again visit us with His Spirit. We trust that, when the coming camp session is completed, we will have witnessed many young people accepting the Lord as their Saviour and going forth the serve Him in their local churches.

Camp Board Members
Ron Blanks, chairman
Russell McDaris, secretary treasurer
Gary Parker
Bob Thebeau
Ken Reiter

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Annual Financial Summary
Camp Mianqua Free Will Baptist Youth Camp
January 1, 1997 thru December 31, 1997

Balance Brought Porward: {1/1	/97)	\$ 10,727.41
Receipts: Interest & Ind.	\$ 8,179.97	
Church & Asso.	\$ 6,123.82	
Coop	\$ 38,438.62	
Aur. & Book Store	\$ 1,792.21	
Reimb. & Returns	\$ 5,939.85	
Registration	\$ 40,121.75	,
Snack Center	\$ 10,517.47	
Tapes & Recreation	\$ 1,036.80	
Amerivision	\$ 1,860.07	•
kentals	\$ 14,559.00	
Missions	\$ 3,026.30	•
Craft & Laundry	\$ 1,409.00	
	-	
Loans	\$ 5,000.00	
Total Receipts:		\$ 138,004.86
Total Working Balance:		\$ 148,732.27
Disbursements:		
Salaries	\$ 22,679.00	
Benefits	\$ 8,462.15	
Fed\State Taxes ●	\$ 6,450.83	
Kileage	\$ 0.00	
Telephone	\$ 1,436.16	:
Electric	\$ 7,942.94	,
Propane	\$ 349.59	
Bld/Haint & Sup.	\$ 10,100.00	
Reimbursements	\$ 794.11	
First And	\$ 152,30	•
Kitchen (Food)	\$ 13,107.72	
Kitchen (Supplies)	\$ 1,691.53	
Snack Center	\$ 7,020.04	
Loan Payments	\$ 10,145.43	
Craft & Laundry	\$ 947.09	• • •
Missions	\$ 3,026.30	• ,
Play Cr & Pool	\$ 1,925.10	
Fuel & Oil	\$ 961.60	
Lyuip Pur & Rep	\$ 4,577.62	•
Insurance	\$ 8,577.00	
	\$ 0.00	
Summer Help Drint (Doct C Lit	\$ 0.00 \$ 1.611.20	
Print/Post & Lit	\$ 1,513.30	
Account & Supplies	\$ 2,361.00	
Board Expense	\$ 2,303.91	
Well Repair	4 3,095.10	the second
House Remodeling	\$ 12,651.12	
Misc.	\$ 2,163.08	
Potal Disbursements:		\$ 134,434.02
inding Balance As Of 12/31/97		\$ 14,298.25
Contains Taxes Deducted From	Wages.	•

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FREE WILL BAPTIST YOUTH CAMP

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Rev. Russell McDaris
Rev. Bary Parker
Rev. Ken Reiter

Rev. Bob Thebeau

Camp Niangua Free Will Baptist Youth Camp Proposed Budget for Period, January 1, Thru December 31, 1999

Closing Balance 1997 (Actual) \$ 14,298.25 Receipts for 1998 (Proposed) \$115,800.00 Disbursements 1998 (Proposed) \$119,113.00 Ending Balance 1998 (Proposed) \$ 10,985.25 Beginning Balance 1999 (Proposed) \$ 10,985.25

Receipts:		
Interest & Ind.	\$	1,500.00
Church & Asso.	Ş	7,000.00
Соор	\$	34,850.00
Aux. & Book Store	\$	2,500.00
Reimb. & Returns	\$	2,000.00
Registration	\$	40,000.00
Snack Center	\$	10,000.00
Tapes & Recreation	\$	800.00
Rentals	\$	15,000.00
Nissions	\$	1,300.00
Craft & Laundry	Ş	1,500.00
AmeriVision (LifeLine)	\$	2,000.00

Total Receipts:	\$ 118,450.00
Total Working Balance:	\$ 129,435.25
Disbursements:	
Salaries	\$ 25,020.00
Benefits	\$ 7,500.00
• Fed/State Taxes	\$ 7,000.00
Kileage	\$ 250.00
Telephone	\$ 1,700.00
Electric	\$ 8,500.00
Propane	\$ 7,000.00 \$ 250.00 \$ 1,700.00 \$ 8,500.00 \$ 500.00 \$ 15,000.00 \$ 600.00 \$ 250.00
Bld/Haint/Sup.	\$ 15,000.00
Reinb.	\$ 600.00
Pirst Aid ,	\$ 250.00
Kitchen (Food)	\$ 15,000.00
Kitchen (Supplies)	
Snack Center	\$ 2,000.00 \$ 7,000.00
Craft & Laundry	\$ 1,000.00
Missions	\$ 1,000.00 \$ 1,300.00
Play Gr. & Pool	\$ 2,500.00
Puel & Oil	\$ 1,300.00
Equip. Pur. & Rep.	\$ 2,500.00 \$ 1,300.00 \$ 6,000.00
Insurance	
Print/Post/Lit.	\$ 9,000.00 \$ 1,600.00
Account & Supplies	\$ 2,500.00
Board Expense	\$ 3,000.00
Summer Help	\$ 1,000.00
•	
Nisc.	\$ 1,000,00

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* Contains some taxes deducted from salaries

Total Disbursement:

Proposed Ending Balance:

Free Will Baptist

1,715.25

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MISSOURI STATE WOMEN ACTIVE FOR CHRIST CONVENTION

Theme: "Reflecting His Love" Scripture: 1 John 3:11

Monday Morning, June 8, 1998

The meeting was opened with the congregational song "We Have Come Into His House" led by Anita Haney. The welcome was given by Anita Haney and the response by Maureen Hocker. Special music was given by Kim McIntire and Cindy Strange.

The President, Shirley Jackson, introduced Brenda Bunch, missionary to Panama, who gave the morning devotion. Brenda used the theme "Reflecting His Love" and told of the love she has seen in the Christians in Panama and Cuba. Brenda also told of the great needs of the "New Hope" church in Panama. They are providing meals several times a week to children who would otherwise go hungry. She finished her devotion with the reading "The House That Is My Heart".

MSC to seat the delegates. Standing delegates are: all Local Presidents, all District Officers and all State officers. There will be a maximum of three (3) elected delegates from each Local and five (5) from each District.

The following committees were appointed by the President: Finance, Registration, Credentials, and Appreciation.

Greetings were given by the following missionaries: Steve and Judy Lytle (Panama); Dr. Mary Ruth Wisehart (WNAC Executive Secretary/Treasurer); Kevin Tremble (Family Ministries); Rev. Dale Cochran (Hannibal, MO). The session was dismissed by President Shirley Jackson with instructions for committees to meet during break time.

Morning Worship Service

The worship service was begun by the congregation singing the song "Majesty" led by Anita Haney. Rev. Milan Ruble, pastor of Verdella Church, led in prayer. The congregation sung "Oh How He Loves You and Me". The offering was taken with the State Officers as ushers followed by special music by Jessica Boddie, Kimberly McIntire and Cindy Strange.

President, Shirley Jackson, introduced the speaker, Brother Stan Bunch, missionary to Panama. He asked for prayers for the churches in Panama as they make the transition in having all Panamanian leaders and our missionaries under their leadership rather than the other way around. He used the verse 1 John 3:11 and told that a reflection is not an originator of what we see. Love does not originate in us, we are the mirrors and we reflect the love of Christ. Love is not tolerance, indulgence, attraction, or feelings. Philippians 2:8 shows that Christ was willing to serve even unto death. It is not enough for us to say we love God or sing praises to Him, but we must be willing to demonstrate our love for Christ by

loving even the unlovable. This love must be love without prejudice, preference, or indifference.

Announcements were give by President, Shirley Jackson. The meeting was dismissed for the lunch hour.

Afternoon Business Session

The meeting was opened with President, Shirley Jackson reading resolution #4. MSC to send \$500 contribution to the Retirement Gift Fund for Sister Wisehart. Anita Haney led the congregation in a song.

President, Shirley Jackson introduced those wishing to bring greetings from State or National groups: Steve and Linda Reeves, missionaries to Columbia MO brought greetings and told of the progress of the work in Columbia. Bro. Brian Brinkoff from Cornerstone F.W.B. Church in the Joplin area gave greetings. Sister Peggy Rider brought greetings from the church in Wentzville, MO. She told that the church there is self supporting now. She asked for prayers for her health. Sister Debbie Beck brought greetings from Moberly, MO and told of the increase in gang activity in the area.

President, Shirley Jackson read a letter of greeting from missionary Carol Pinkerton in Africa followed by a letter of greeting from missionary Ginger Harrison, currently in language school in Canada, read by Secretary, Kay Reiter.

The executive board presented a skit. Pictures were shown of great Ladies of the past who were responsible for the advancement of our Missionary work, Denomination, and WNAC. Each member of the executive board spoke as if they were one of these women speaking from the past and telling what happened during their life that influenced our Denomination and its work.

The business session was called to order by President, Shirley Jackson. The Missouri WNAC College Scholarship was presented by Vice President, Judy Ruble. \$500 was given to Joanna Rhodes and \$500 to Dedre Moyers.

The financial report was given by Treasurer, Reva Baker. MSC to receive this report.

The executive committee recommendations were given by Secretary, Kay Reiter. MSC to vote on these item by item and all passed.

- #1. We recommend that the 1999 State Mission projects be as follows:
 - a. Missouri Show Me Plan \$3000
 - b. Howard Gwartney Sr. (Church Missions Builders) \$3000
 - c. Steve and Linda Reeves (Columbia, MO) \$3000
 - d. WNAC \$1000
- #2. The morning offering and a \$200 honorarium be given to Stan and Brenda Bunch.

#3. That all District and Local WAC be encouraged to promote Missouri State Home Missions in February.

Credentials Committee Report

We, the Credentials Committee, have examined the secretary's reports and find them to be in order.

Respectfully submitted,
Kay Reiter, Chairperson
Lois Taylor
Sharon Parker
MSC to receive the report.

Finance Committee Report

We, the Finance Committee, have examined the treasurer's books and find them to be in order. We commend Reva for her work in taking excellent care of the monies sent in by our women.

Respectfully submitted,
Reva Baker, Chairperson
Betty Reeves
Sue Cook
Lois Shannon
MSC to receive the report.

Registration Committee Report

We, the Registration Committee, submit the following report:

30 standing delegates 27 elected delegates

55 visitors (including 4 foreign missionaries) for a total of 112 registered.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Ruble, Chairperson

Margaret Gill

Phyllis Maple

MSC to receive the report.

Appreciation Committee Report

We, the Appreciation Committee, wish to submit the following report: We want to thank our pianist Ann Poletti, our song leader, Anita Haney, and our special music, Jessica Boddie, Kimberly McIntire and Cindy Strange. Our appreciation and love to Steve and Brenda Bunch. We were blessed by the messages they shared with us. Thanks to all our

missionaries who gave greeting from their fields of service. Special thanks, with much appreciation to Judy Ruble, Anita Haney, and all the Ladies who had a part in preparing for this year's WNAC Missouri State Meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Diana Anderson, Chairperson Jean Bowman Peggy Rider

MSC to receive the report.

The following ladies were appointed as a Nominating Committee to meet at the State Retreat at Stonecroft for the purpose of nominating State Officers for the year 1999.

- 1. St. Louis District Peggy Rider
- 2. St. Francois District-Betty Reeves
- 3. Indian Creek District Lita Ford
- 4. Mission District Nicki Hopkins
- 5. Northeast District Gladys Riley
- 6. Central Western District Marcella Ruble
- 7. Greater Springfield District Patty Davis
- 8. Cave Springs Area Eula Payne
- 9. Kansas City Area Jean Williams

Betty Reeves will serve as chairperson

The following (15) ladies were selected as delegates to represent Missouri at the National Convention of Women Nationally Active for Christ in Tulsa, Oklahoma July 14, 1998:

- 1. Diana Anderson
- 2. Louise McCully
- 3. Phyllis Maple
- Becky Gwartney
- 5. Reva Baker
- 6. Linda Hall
- 7. Frieda Hays
- 8. Jean Bowman -
- 9. Sue Cook
- 10. Judy Ruble
- 11. Maureen Hocker
- 12. Sharon Parker
- 13. Janice Turner
- 14. Jean Williams
- 15. Lita Ford

Alternate: Betty Robinson

President Shirley Jackson read a letter from Cathy Grant who was to be the speaker at the State Retreat. Cathy wrote that she has a serious problem in her family and cannot come to retreat. Shirley asked for prayers for Cathy and also for the executive board as they find another speaker and finalize plans for the retreat.

Announcements were given by President, Shirley Jackson.

Registration forms for the retreat are to reach Judy Ruble on June 22. Retreat will be at Stonecroft Conference Center August 14-15, 1998.

Reva Baker will be the Missouri member of the national nominating committee.

The convention was dismissed with an altar of prayer remembering the family of Marie Hanna on her entering into Heaven.

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Dear Friends and Supporters of Hillsdale,

Last year we talked about unleashing the Power of Partnership, doing together what we could not do individually. The results have been tremendous: We completed over \$150,000 in campus renovations, paid back the \$104,000 we had to borrow to start the school year, operated in the black, and paid \$30,500 on past indebtedness. Thank God for his provision through your partnership! Partnership, with God's blessings, works!

However, as good as last year was, the 1998/99 school year must be better. We must continue to raise the level, to unleash the Power of Partnership. To do this we must have an increase in enrollment (goal: 200), in gift income (goal: \$600,000), and in *Have a Heart* gifts (goal: \$250,000). Lofty goals, but attainable when we work TOGETHER.

What can we do to make it happen? We, as a college family, will continue to fulfill our purpose – to train young men and women to be the best they can be for Christ and impact the world for righteousness. We will also continue to work hard and be good stewards of what you give us. We ask you to continue raising your level of support individually, or as a church, by placing Hillsdale in your budget (a number of churches have designated 5% of their budget to Hillsdale), and by being a part of the special offerings (Christmas and Have a Heart). We want our alumni to join the Alumni Association, and our friends and alumni to join the Sports Booster Club, the Advisory Council, and/or the President's Club. We want YOU to be a part of the exciting things God is doing on the campus of Hillsdale Free Will Baptist College.

To those of you who have stood with us in the past, I thank you and ask for your continued and expanded partnership. For those considering getting on board, I encourage you to do so NOW, at a level you can afford. I am excited about the 1998/99 school year and the future of the College. God has blessed in the past, and with your partnership He will continue to bless in the future.

In Christ,

Carl Cheshier President

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Greetings:

Free Will Baptist Bible College is on the move! In our programs, in our commitment to ministry and in the relocation of our campus, we are on the move! And I am constantly seeing new areas of ministry opening for our students to serve "Christ and His Church."

Free Will Baptist Bible College is still committed to its founding principles.

- -Every graduate still receives a major in Bible.
- Every student is involved in weekly Christian service.
- -God's Word is still preeminent in all we do.

You can be sure that your college is still committed to God and to His Word.

FWBBC is also committed to academic excellence. The work here will demand your best efforts, if you succeed. But your labor will be well rewarded. Here are a few things you need to know:

- —Your studies will be transferable because the college holds dual accreditation in both the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) and the Accrediting Association of Bible Colleges (AABC).
- —Those who complete our Teacher Education program will be certified by the Tennessee Department of Education.
- —A Department of Education official recently commented, "You have one of the best faculties in the state."
- -We are recognized by the Federal government to train veterans and others.
- -Qualifying students have access to Title IV financial aid.
- —Our graduates are in high demand, many with from three to five job offers before graduation.

Thank you for your faithful prayer support as well as your financial support. Tomorrow's leaders are attending FWBBC today. Send us your students.

With gratitude,

Dro. 1 am

Tom Malone President

THE MISSION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST BIBLE COLLEGE IS TO EQUIPMEN AND WOMEN, THROUGH BIBLE-BASED EDUCATION, TO SERVE CHRIST AND HIS CHURCH.



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Greetings from the Executive Office:

The 1998 Denominational Digest gives a snapshot of the services provided by the agencies of the National Association of Free Will Baptists, Inc. Please take time to peruse these pages, prepared especially for you.

The 1997 Free Will Baptist Leadership Conference will meet December 7-8, 1998 at the Regal Maxwell House

Hotel in Nashville, Tennessee. We encourage state/district leaders and interested pastors to attend.

We encourage local church, district and state association clerks to take the time necessary to fill out the National Association's reporting forms—501, 502, 503 and 504. These forms are carefully designed to report denominational data which enables us to compile an accurate statistical table. The reporting forms are supplied at no cost and may be ordered from the Executive Office.

The International Fellowship of Free Will Baptist Churches, Inc., is scheduled to meet October 12-16, 1998, in Uruguay.

The Free Will Baptist Hymn Book: Rejoice may be ordered from Randall House. It is in three colors in round or shaped note editions. The Rejoice Hymnal for the Church at Worship, available in both shaped and round note editions in two colors, is distributed by Tempo Music Publications, Inc., 3773 West 95th Street, Leawood, Kansas 66206.

The Treatise of the Faith and Practices of the National Association of Free Will Baptists, Inc., has been revised and

reprinted. The Treatise may be ordered from Randall House Publications.

The Together Way Plan gifts for the Executive Office ministry in 1997 to

The Together Way Plan gifts for the Executive Office ministry in 1997 totaled \$322,152.32. Of this amount, \$221,226.99 was Cooperative and \$100,925.33 Designated. The 1997 Executive Office budget totaled \$366,000. The office had a budget shortfall of \$43,847.68 in 1997. Thank you for your systematic and sacrificial support of the Executive Office ministry.

The Rest of the Family Offering totaled \$9,047.76 in 1997. After expenses, the balance was disbursed to participating national agencies. September 27, 1998, has been designated as Rest of the Family Sunday. We encourage

you to give generously in this offering.

Contact provides inspiration, information and insight regarding denominational life. Subscriptions are \$12 per year. We offer a life-time subscription for \$500. Life-time subscribers receive a leather-bound copy of The Free Will Baptist Hymn Book: Rejoice (1988). A limited number are available, so subscribe today. We encourage churches to subscribe for their pastor or minister of music. Specify round or shaped note edition. Complimentary copies of Contact are provided during the school year for students at Free Will Baptist Bible College, Hillsdale Free Will Baptist College, California Christian College and Southeastern Free Will Baptist College.

Capital Stewardship/Victory Campaign contributions through December 1997 totaled \$307,620.33.

Gifts for national ministries in 1997 totaled \$9,999,703.05. Together Way Plan gifts totaled \$3,217,745.48 in 1997. Of this amount, \$442,453.17 was Cooperative, and \$2,775,292.31 Designated. Per capita giving was \$49.72; our goal was \$45.00.

The Together Way Plan stewardship notebook and brochure, Stewards On Task, may be ordered at no charge from the Executive Office.

The Theme for the national convention in Tulsa, Oklahoma, is BELIEF BEHAVES. Speakers include: Lloyd Locklear (MI), Randy Wilson (OK), David Taylor (AZ), Edwin Hayes (OH), Eugene Waddell (TN), George Lynn (AR), J. L. Gore (MS) and Thurmon Murphy (TX).

We appreciate the systematic and sacrificial support you gave the agencies of the National Association of Free Will Baptists in 1997. We rejoice in God's faithfulness through you.

Rejoicing and Resting in the Redeemer, Your Servant,

Melvin Worthington, Th.D., Ed.D., CMP Executive Secretary

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Greetings:

1997 continued to open doors to the unknown. Retirement as a welcomed friend or dreaded enemy moved closer for each of us.

We helped 15 participants with some form of retirement settlement during 1997. Others increased their level of contribution. We had 66 new participants to join us.

As a result, the office has been busier than ever with over 11,000 transactions within the retirement accounts alone. That is more than double the activity just four years ago. Retirement assets have grown from 9.3 million dollars to just over 17 million during those four years.

Earnings have certainly encouraged a lot of that increase. Consider the returns over the past five years.

Annualized Return	is for Plan 1
1993 -	6.61%
1994 -	3.52%
1995 -	21.83%
1996 -	12.34%
1997 -	15.56%

In 1998 we expect more uncertainty but commit to you our efforts in providing the best service and cooperation for the purpose of helping with your retirement needs. In that effort we depend on:

- 1. The wisdom and blessings from the Lord;
- The addition of new participants;
- 3. The good will, cooperation and union with local churches, State Associations and other Free Will Baptist units to fund retirement planning for their employees.

Please remember us in your prayers. Remember your pastor and other employees in your financial provision for retirement.

Sincerely,

William W! Evans

Director



June 1998

Missouri State Association of Free Will Baptists
Clerk Richard Robinson
2301 Connecticut
Joplin MO 64804

Dear Fellow-helpers:

What a joy it is for me to commend you as "senders." While we thank the Lord for those who are serving in the "regions beyond," their ministry abroad would not be possible apart from the prayer and financial support of God's people stateside.

In 1997 Missouri ranked number four across the denomination in giving to foreign missions with gifts totaling \$413,667.01. We praise God for your continued faithfulness!

Missouri churches which gave over \$10,000 in 1997 were:

\$19,520.51
18,230.06
16,773.12
16,694.92
16,061.94
15,541.34
15,535.83
10,495.00
10,362.94
10,233.39

We are grateful that Missouri and seven other states have adopted a state plan of support for their missionaries. Following this example, other states are considering such a plan.

April 25 is the date for our annual World Missions Offering to be received in 1999. Please circle this date on your church calendar. We are asking pastors across the denomination to challenge their congregations afresh with the responsibility of fulfilling the Great Commission. This offering, which is the first of four annual Together Way offerings, undergirds Support Services for our missionaries.

Appreciative of your labor of love in the Lord,

Fred Warner

Director of Stateside Ministries

Home Missions Department of the National Association of Free Will Baptists

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June 1998

Greetings from the National Home Missions Department to the Missouri State Association. I pray that your meeting will be a time of spiritual refreshing and great fellowship with unity and harmony as you conduct God's business as it relates to your state.

1997 was a great year for Home Missions. 10 new missionary families were approved:

Chris and Jan Clay, Indianapolis, IN
Jerry and Julie Barron, San Luis, Mexico
Mark and Susan Wheatley, Louisville, KY
Tim and Robyn Osborn, Memphis, TN
Paul and Patricia Collins, Harrisonburg, VA

Keith and Sheila Perkins, Cincinnati, OH Ron and Janice Wallace, Fairbanks, AK Kerry and Janet Gandy, Maumelle, AR Stephen and Susie Robinson, Flagstaff, AZ Carlos Rubio, Hispanic Ministries

Thank you for your prayers and gifts to National Home Missions and our home missionaries. Last year *Missouri* gave \$117,905.76 for which we are extremely grateful. Your state has also given \$49,288.97 this year (as of May 28th). Listed below are the top ten churches giving in 1997:

Macedonia FWB Church	\$9,795.28	Lee Neill
DeSoto First FWB Church	7,813.43	Bob Thebeau
Fellowship FWB Church	3,109.53	Wayne Phillips
Hartville First FWB Church	2,605.00	Melvin Moon
Thayer FWB Church	2,589.38	Lance Rogers
United FWB Church	2,424.41	Glenn Murray
Mountain Grove FWB Church	1,920.00	Gary Fry
Grace FWB Church	1,910.00	Glen Rehkop
Grant Avenue FWB Church	1,773.55	David Huett
Park Hills FWB Church	1,753.21	Ken Dodson

In His service,

Trymon Messer General Director

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P.S. Remember the Benjamin Randall Offering this year on November 22nd!



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Greetings:

What value is one rain drop?

Not much alone, but joined by others they water the earth, fill up the rivers and streams and sustain our lives.

It is the same way with the Foundation. No one person has done it all but many people, churches and ministries have joined together to accomplish this work.

The Foundation manages funds for churches and individuals as interest bearings deposits. Those agreements producing income for either present or future projects to the churches or individuals who deposit them.

Some funds managed as deferred gifts made by individuals to support various ministries after death. These agreements provide a very good return to the donors throughout life. These type arrangements provide a significant tax deduction now, management of assets and income throughout life, and a generous gift later to the ministry or ministries of choice.

Other Endowment funds are managed as immediate gifts now, providing a 100% tax deduction now, but direct that the principal is to be invested providing an income stream to ministry. Endowments can be personalized to reflect individual wishes or additions in any amount may be added to our general endowment agreements.

Together our generous members faithfully give to meet ministry needs. Thank you for your interest, participation and prays for our "supplying" ministry.

Sincerely,

William W. Evans

Director



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We praise the Lord for allowing your Free Will Baptist Sunday School and Church Training Department--Randall House Publications--to celebrate 35 years of operation this year. We thank the Lord for a denomination with the foresight to permit our existence.

We praise the Lord for the privilege to report an increase in sales. Our prices are reasonable and our student books alone average about \$.50 less than most of our competitors. The sales volume increase permits us to hold our prices down and gives us the opportunity to continue to improve our technology enabling better design, color, and graphics. We were able to give up-to-date details to our curriculum and to add a number of new products. The Primary and Junior curriculums have new writers and formats. We are re-designing LifeQuest, Lifeline Devotional Calendar/Journal, Focus, Nursery-Preschool Teaching Pictures, and Primary-Junior Teaching Pictures.

In improving our products, we never sway from staying true to Scripture and Free Will Baptist doctrine. On the other hand, our competitors are not Free Will Baptist and many support the National Council of Churches if they use the International Lesson Series.

We appreciate the Free Will Baptist churches that support their Sunday School and Church Training Department. We appreciate the fact that other denominations are ordering more and more of our products as we continue to use the King James Version of the Bible. Our Spanish sales are up, and we praise the Lord for the opportunity to reach out into our cross-cultural world.

We are appreciative for the 12 years of faithful service of Dr. Irvin Hyman, and for the four years of faithful service given by Rev. James Forlines. We pray God will continue to bless them in their fields of service. We are pleased to have added to our staff as adult editor, Rev. David Kilgore. We have also added a new bi-lingual employee.

We are happy to announce the publishing of two new books: A Free Will Baptist Handbook by Matt Pinson, and an autobiography of Mrs. Mabel Willey written with the aid of Dr. Mary Ruth Wisehart and printed in both English and Spanish.

We ask you to pray for us as we endeavor to fulfill the Great Commission of our Lord and the commission of our denomination. I am grateful for our staff of dedicated employees who are committed to this end.

May God bless you all as you teach and reach!

Your brother and friend, Alton Loveless, General Director



Trula Cronk Home for Children
The Stanley Foster Care Program
P.A.T.H. Shelters
The Oaks
Family Conference Center & Camp
Heart Stone Farm

June 1998

Dear Friend in Christ,

God has blessed Free Will Baptist Family Ministries in so many ways throughout the past year. In trials and in successes, we know that God is in control.

I am pleased to announce that God has allowed us to just purchase an additional house to provide a home for eight young ladies. The addition of this home will allow the care of more children, as God has given us the privilege of "Changing America's Families... One Child at a Time." In addition to the new home, we have begun construction for the New P.A.T.H. Shelters which will provide home to 24 more children.

I would like to challenge you to share the love of Christ with abused children by becoming a financial partner with this ministry. Your gift will enable others to know the love of a caring family. You may even send your donations in honor of someone else who may be dear to you. You may designate your gifts to any aspect of the ministry, such as one of the divisions, scholarships for our children, medical expenses, etc.

If you are a pastor, another way that you could help this ministry is by including us in your monthly budget, holding poundings for us, and by providing the names and addresses of each of your church members to us so that we can send them our newsletter. "The HOME News" is an outlet which tells a continuing story of God's blessings on this worthwhile cause.

If you are not a pastor, but you know of family members or friends who would be interested in hearing about our children, just send us their names and addresses. We'll make sure they are put on our mailing list.

Please pray for our children and our staff. We sincerely believe that prayer is our strongest weapon that we have in this spiritual battle for the souls of these children.

In His Service,

Rev. Kevin Trimble

Assistant Executive Director

Women Nationally Active for Christ

of the National Association of Free Will Baptists, Inc.

1998

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Greetings from Women Nationally Active for Christ.

Theme for 1998. Living Sacrifices: the Stewardship of Life.

Change! The year promises to be one of transition and change for WNAC. The Executive Committee will present a nominee for executive secretary-treasurer at the convention in July. With every such transtion comes change. We look forward to new ideas, new challenges and new life in WNAC.

Membership. Our 1997 reports show 7,138 dues paying members from 660 local groups, 20 state conventions, five district conventions and two local groups. Reports also showed 15 Actionette groups with 93 members from 7 states.

Co-Laborer magazine has about 11,000 subscriptions. We encourage all Free Will Baptist women to subscribe to the magazine. It has helpful articles, news of women's groups, a page for teens, suggestions for programs and helps for officers of local groups.

Retreats. The Glorieta Retreat registered 129 women who enjoyed it so much that they asked for a return to Glorieta. The retreat there is set for September 24-26, 1999. The Ridgecrest Retreat is set for September 24-26, 1998.

Student Funds. WNAC continues to maintain the Memorial Student Loan Fund for Free Will Baptist Bible College students and the Foreign Student Scholarship Fund for students on our mission fields.

Young Women. Patty McCullough and Charity VanWinkle are working on materials for Young Women. Active for Christ (formerly Actionettes). We hope to have them published by the July convention.

Giving. In 1997 women gave through WNAC \$124,253.50, including dues, to the general fund.

Designated funds to missions and mission objectives amounted to \$315,458.99. The Provision Closet for Home and Foreign Missionaries is fully stocked by Free Will Baptist women. In 1996 goods valued at \$44,600 were received in the Closet.

New Groups and Subscribers. In 1997 we had 42 requests from new of reorganizing groups. We've been encouraged in the first six weeks of 1998 by 7 requests and several new subscribers.

Praise God for Free Will Baptist women and for His blessings on the work of WNAC.

Mar√R Wisehart

Executive Secretary-Treasurer

Laborers Together with God. 1 Corinthians 3.9

1998 MISSOURI ROLL CALL SUNDAY REPORT

Presented by your Missouri Board of Christian Education:

Jerry L. Norris

Roger Hogan

Gary Fry

Melvin Moon

Dennis Bowman

MISSOURI BOARD OF

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION 1998 ROLL CALL SUNDAY REPORT

Dear Missouri Free Will Baptists:

We want to thank the 177 churches and their pastors, superintendents, clerks and secretaries who reported a 1998 Roll Call Sunday attendance of 13.153. This represented a considerable 16 % decrease from the 1997 Roll Call figures. Of course, 1997 Roll Call figures represented a record attendance.

The churches were divided into categories based on their 1997 Roll Call Sunday Attendance. We are honoring the churches with the largest growth in their Roll Call Sunday attendance from 1997 to 1998 in each category:

1998 Missouri Roll Call Sunday Churches

Category	Roll Call Church	Pastor	1997	1998	Growth
1 - 49	Tyrone, Houston	Marvin Cravens	8	22	175%
50 - 74	Crossroads, Wentzville	Wesley Rider	72	145	101%
75 - 99	New Life, Licking	Max Courtney	87	122	40%
100 - 149	Hartville	Melvin Moon	135	255	89%
150 - 199	West Plains First	Ronnie Blanks	156	196	26%
200 & Up	United Church, West Plains	Glen Murray	420	758	80%

Missouri churches reported a total of 31 souls saved on Roll Call Sunday. This is a marked increase from last year's total.

We did not ask for two pieces of information for which we usually ask. In order to keep our data base as up-to-date as possible, when we ask for 1999 Roll Call Sunday figures we will ask for 1997 average Sunday School attendance in addition to 1998 average Sunday School attendance.

- May the Lord bless each of you. If your Missouri Board of Christian Education can be of any service feel free to ask. We are elected to serve our Missouri churches.

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`ana Cirardaau 1st	252	492		446	00	200/	
ape Girardeau 1st	253	182	69	115	96	-20%	0
ast Prairie	32	37	38	38	38	0%	0
leritage	40	40	49	49	49	0%	0
iberty	18	11	23	23	23	0%	0
Scott City First	35	35	38	27	27	0%	0
TOTALS	378	305	202	252	233	-29%	. 0
CAVE SPRINGS							
Alton	58	43	43	43	44	2%	0
Bailey Chapel	42	36	27	44	36	 	0
Byrd	38	37	41	41	57	39%	0
Cave Springs			,	37	27	-27%	0
Clifton	59	41	38	60	48	 	0
Cotton Creek	35	30	46	30	45	 	0
Faith Chapel	31	39	39	88	60	↓	0
Garfield	19	19	20	20	21	5%	0
Koshkonong	27	22	36	54	57	6%	0
Liberty	9	17	17	43	34	-21%	0
Lingo	9	15	15	36	29	-19%	O
Mt. Zion	33	31	33	33	47	42%	С
Myrtle	30	41	35	68	40	-41%	C
Norman	32	25	25	25	30	20%	C
Piney	14	11	11	20	19	-5%	C
Pleasant Hill	26	39	46	. 58	22	-62%	C
Pleasant Ridge	10	12	12	11	11	0%	(
Royal Oak	22	21	17	14	16	14%	
Shiloh	20	24	24	24	19	-21%	(
Smyrna	41	42	50	28	35	25%	. (
Thayer	196	212	259	317	280	-12%	(
United	345	416	310	420	758	80%	10
Victory	44	57	57	57	. 57	7 0%	(
Walnut Grove	24	23	25	25	18	-28%	(
West Plains	192	153	172	156	196	26%	, (
Wilderness	49	46	46	124	119	9 -4%	, (
	1,362	1,452	1,444	1,792	2,12	5 19%	5 1

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	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	Growth	1998
CENTRAL WEST							
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Bethel	66	80	79	97	76	-22%	0
Greenfield First	20	21	20	20	20	0%	0
Hannon	113	102	124	161	98	-39%	0
Hickory Grove	8	6	8	8	8	0%	0
Oskaloosa	14	22	20	20	18	-10%	0
Stockton	20	18	24	36	52	44%	0
Verdella	60	80	85	127	103	-19%	0
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TOTALS	307	329	360	469	<u> </u>	-20%	0
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Beacon	178	163	128	190	190	48%	0
Belton	86	86	72	75	64	-15%	0
Berean	11	11	11	11	24	118%	0
Blue Springs	72	72	28	63	44	-62%	0
Central	108		95	95	95	0%	0
Faith	40	40	83	137	137	0%	0
Harmony	139	72	81	114	97	-15%	0
Heartland			97	97	83	-42%	0
Olivet	150	131	137	172	101	-41%	0
Parkway	 	58	123	123	57	-54%	ő
Victory	123	114	90	90	90	0%	0
TOTALS	772	909	945	1167	962	-18%	6 0
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	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	Growth	1998
GREATER SPRING	FIELD	-					
Calvary Chapel	114	114	138	265	185	-30%	0
Eastern Gate	103	60	37	37	46	24%	0
Fordland	84	89	95	124	77	-38%	0
Friendship	75	182	148	148	178	20%	0
Grant Avenue	154	154	171	200	164	-18%	0
Kings Way		47	45	45	45	0%	0
Lebanon First	128	137	53	202	223	10%	0
Marshfield	52	64	60	60	60	0%	0
North Five		51	36	53	52	-2%	0
Ozark First	63	112	107	223	223	0%	0
Republic	45	45	73	69	26	-62%	0
South Fremont	98	103	95	92	92	0%	0
Springfield	38	41	29	33	33	0%	0
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TOTALS	954	1,199	1,042	1,585	1,425	-10%	0
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INDIAN CREEK							
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Carthage	102	98	80	182	95	-48%	1
Chapel of the Ozark	48	28	22	45	21	-53%	0
Community				31	31	0%	` `
Cornerstone				,	16		
Faith & Hope	16	25	19	20	20	0%	0
Jones Chapel	62	67	57	65	67	3%	0
Joplin First	89	106	115	130	128	-2%	0
Macedonia	145	120	119	183	152	-17%	0
Merl's Chapel	69	46	20	60	60	0%	0
Monett First	209	196	189	130	88	-34%	0
Neosho First	126	85	125	134	97	-28%	0
New Life	18	19	22	30	30	0%	0
New Testament	38	22	22	76	42	-45%	0
Pleasant Grove	22	20	21	27	23	-15%	0
Purdy First	69	69	104	94	50	-37%	0
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TOTALS	1013	901	915	1207	91	1 -25%	, 1
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Cross Roads	93	93	92	136	136	0%	0
Happy Hill	54	54	54	60	32	-47%	0
_ebanon			1	96	66	-31%	
Mission	38	38	38	38	38	0%	0
New Home	7	7	7	7	7	0%	0
Sunnyview	42	32	23	42	32	-24%	0
TOTALS	234	224	214	283	247	-13%	0
LIBERTY							
Amity				130	52	-60%	<u> </u>
Bethel			:	40	40		ļ
Black Oak	08	66	76	81	88	 -	<u> </u>
Calvary	70	68	71	92	62	 	}
Faith	24	14	14	14	22	. ·	}
Gardner	28	28	28	<u> </u>	 	·	+
Liberty	64	83	65		99		
Macedonia	28	16	10		18	. •	
Mt. Zion Cuba	115	71	71	95	 _	<u>. </u>	-}
New Bethel	35	 	37	}	 		 -
Niangua	61	50	50	 	 	<u> </u>	- 4
Old Liberty	14	 	13	 	17	. •	. •
Springfield First	208		197	 			-
Unity	70	43	70	90	54	-40%	<u> </u>
TOTALS	797	664	702	993	823	3 -17%	
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MID-RIVERS							
Hannibal	68	70	91	102	2 10	2 0%	6
Crossroads	140	125	67	7 72	14	5 1019	6
O'Fallon First	87	7 109	120	161	1 14	1 -129	6
St. Peters	7!	5 101	- 	 	3 9	6 0%	6
TOTALS	370	0 40!	37	5 43	1 48	4 129	6

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Big Creek	36	40	30	30	30	0%	0
Cabool	88	88	92	67	46	-31%	0
Faith & Hope	10	10	15	61	84	38%	0
Happy Home	31	31	31	31	58	87%	0
Harmony	36	- 40	18	20	25	25%	0
Hartville	138	161	231	135	255	89%	0
Houston First	79	77	79	100	74	-26%	0
Lead Hill	21	29	105	100	133	6%	1
Lone Star	21	40	40	40	40	0%	0
Mountain Grove 1st	289	248	268	365	331	-9%	0
Mountain Valley	37	40	40	40	40	0%	0
Mt. Pisgah	74	74	87	87	87	0%	0
New Home	35	32	70	42	42	-40%	0
New Life	114	114	94	87	122	40%	0
New Rock Springs	38	38	76	55	59	7%	0
Oak Grove (Texas)	18	18	13	13	22	69%	0
Oak Grove (Wright)	58	90	90	55	22	-60%	0
Number One	34	34	27	27	43	59%	5
Pleasant Grove	28	26	26	26	18	31%	1
Pleasant Hill	20	24	25	25	25	0%	0
Pleasant Home	53	53	68	92	59	-36%	0
Rock Chapel	93	72	52	52	48	-8%	0
Salem	93	72	35	51	- 51	0%	0
Seymour	24	28	73	83	83	0%	0
Springfield	38	42	42	42	42	2 0%	0
Trinity	50	50	44	52	46	-12%	0
Tyrone	9	15	8	8	22	175%	0
Union	26	23	23	27	15	-44%	0
Union Chapel	13	3 13	13	13	1:	3 0%	0
Union Grove	75	5 59	79	148	11	-25%	O
Victory Hill	46	3 28	3 28	3 28	2	3 0%	5 C
Willow Springs	63	3 73	96	3 76	104	4 37%	b C
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Wolf Creek	5	7 60	5	5 80	70	-13%	o C
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Bailey Chapel	85	63	60	70	43	-39%	
Buffalo	85	63	60	60	78	0%	0
Cedar Ridge	75	82	82	82	82	0%	0
Hopewell	42	54	75	80	43	-46%	0
New Prospect	8	8	8	8	8	0%	0
Pleasant Ridge	49	49	49	49	49	0%	0
TOTALS	344	256	274	349	285	-18%	0
NORTHEAST							
Connelsville	13	22	13	33	33	0%	0
Hazel Creek	103	91	84	144	77	-47%	0
Kirksville First	34	46	35	48	53	10%	0
New Harmony	26	25	25	16	16	-36%	0
Temill Road	111	70	85	72	72	-15%	0
TOTALS	287	254	242	313	251	-20%	0
NORTHWEST							
Freeman Chapel	50	70	75	105	70	-33%	0
Mt. Zion	22	16	16	25	9	-64%	0
TOTALS	72	86	91	130	79	-39%	0
SOUTH CENTRAL							
Bourbon	40	37	89	50	42	2 -16%	6 0
Cuba	155	204	228	247	169	-32%	6 0
DeSoto First	239	242	240	328	243	-26%	6 0
Oak Hill	74	120	103	103	103	3 0%	6 C
Potosi First	55	44	117	118	118	3 0%	6 C
Rolla First	29	3 45	60	58	3	3 -34%	6 0
Waynesville First	54	66	73	73	3 40	-45%	6 0
TOTALS	646	758	910	977	7 75	3 -239	6 (

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SOUTHEAST							
Bismarck	31	21	23	50	50	0%	
Copper Mines	31	46	68	95	61	-36%	(
Fredericktown First	76	48	50	62	56	-10%	
Mill Creek	65	56	67	102	95	-7%	
Mine La Motte	30	{ ·- · - · - 	57	62	62	0%	}_
New Hope	42	 	61	86	86	0%	
Oak Hill	37	36	35	35	35		.
Old Bethel	23	23	19	19	28	47%	.
Twin Oaks	77	79	64	93	84	-10%	
Union Light	55	<u> </u>		54	54		
TOTALS	467	441	498	658	611	-7%	
Aulsbury Chapel Bethel	25 79		 	75 92	77 67		
Farmington First	506	· 		392	438		
Fellowship	350			251	260	- 	_}-
	219	- 	 	232	175		
Park Hills First		1					· :
Park Hills First Gospel Light	144	220	180	227	151	-33%	>
Gospel Light			 	227 212			
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Gospel Light Hurryville	144	7 89 7 85	151 76	212	143 74	-33%	0
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Gospel Light Hurryville Leadington Parkview	144 87 67 52	89 85 2 55 3 72	151 76 101 72	212 78 145	143 74 117	-33% -3% -19% 2 0%	, o
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Calvary Fellowship	467	364	363	399	311	-22%	
Faith	30	30	30	30	30	0%	
Fourth	70	62	- 136	97	62	-36%	
Grace	190	197	197	189	172	-9%	
Overland	59	59	31	90	90	0%	
Southside	49	49	49	23	: 43	87%	-
Trinity	126	125	111	137	152	11%	
TOTALS	991	886	917	965	860	-11%	
GRAND TOTALS	8,994	12,775	13,119	15,701	13,153	-16%	3

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TOP 30 CHURCHES IN 1998 ROLL CALL SUNDAY ATTENDANCE			
Place	Church	Pastor	Att.
	United Church, West Plains	Glen Murray	758
2	First Church, Farmington	Roger Hogan	438
3	First Church, Mountain Grove	Gary Fry	331
4	Calvary Fellowship, Fenton	Jerry Norris	311
5	Thayer Church	Cody Freeman	280
6	Fellowship, Park Hills	Wayne Phillips	260
7	Hartville Church	Melvin Moon	255
8	First Church, DeSoto	Bob Thebeau	243
9	First Church, Lebanon	Ken Haney	· 223
10	First Church, West Plains	Ronnie Blanks	, 196
11	First Church, Springfield	Gene Howell	192
12	Calvary Chapel, Buffalo	Doug Earls	185
13	Friendship Church, Branson	Dale Kester	178
14	First Church, Park Hills	Ken Dodson	175
15	Grace Church, Amold	Glenn Rehkop	172
16	First Church, Cuba	Rick Dablemont	169
17	Grant Avenue, Springfield	David Huett	164
18	Macedonia, Purdy	Lee Neill	152
	Trinity Church, Bridgeton	Lynn Davenport	152
20	Gospel Light, Bonne Terre	Larry Allison	151
21	Crossroads, Wentzville	Wesley Rider	145
22	Hurryville, Park Hills	Ronnie Graham	143
23	First Church, O'Fallon	Rick Dement	141
24	Lead Hill,	John Williams	133
25	First Church, Joplin	Richard Robinson	128
26	Nw Life, Licking	Max Courtney	122
27	Wildemess	Wayne Lunyou	119
28	Parview, Desloge	Charles Miller	117
29	Union Grove, Norwood	Zachary Williams	111
30	Willow Springs, Mtn Grove	Howard Anderson	104
TOP FIVE IN NUMBER SAVED ON ROLL CALL SUNDAY			
Place	Church	Pastor	No.
1	United Church, West Plains	Glen Murray	10
2	Number One, Huggins	Larry Shelley	5
3	Faith Church, Fair Grove	Gerald Dame	3
	Hannibal Church	Dale Cochran	3
5	Calvary Fellowship, Fenton	Jerry Norris	2

Missouri State Association

of

Free Will Baptists

By-Laws

BY-LAWS

NAME

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

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 worldwide 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 Association of Free Will Baptists may unite with this body at any regular session, through a letter or delegates by a two-thirds vote of all delegates present.

OFFICERS

- 5. The officers of this Association shall be 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 there unto 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 Moderator shall include presiding at the meetings of the State Association, the General Board, and the Executive Committee when the conditions of By-Law 44 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 that 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 and 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 other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the Moderator or by the General Board.
- 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.
- 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 Missions Board, the Senior Adult Ministries Board, the Youth Ministries Board, the Youth Camp Board, and the General Board.
- 13. The duties of the various standing boards shall be to:
 - a. Plan and supervise both short and long-range programs of ministry.
 - b. Manage as good stewards all funds and properties entrusted to its care.
 - c. Annually submit a detailed budget for approval by the State Association. The budget shall include:
 - (1) Projected income along with expected sources of income.
 - (2) Projects planned and the cost of said projects.
 - (3) Maintenance along with its cost.
 - (4) Work in harmony with and toward the common vision of the entire State Association.
- 14. No board shall initiate any litigation in pursuit of its ministry. Neither shall any board enter into any litigation in the pursuit of its ministry except as required because suit has been initiated against the board. The only exception is that which the State Association may authorize when the State Association is not in session.
- 15. The personnel of each of the foregoing, exclusive of the General Board, shall be elected as follows: The first named for a term of one year, the second for a term of two years, the third for a term of three years, and thereafter each shall be elected for a term of five years.
- 16. The personnel of the General Board shall be composed of the officers of the State Association, the chairman of all standing boards, and one member from each affiliated Association, to be elected by the state body, whose term of office shall be two years and so constituted that the expiration date of the term of office of half of these shall expire one year and the other half the following year. This shall be determined by alphabetical order of the names of the affiliated Association.
- 17. 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 which he is an elected member.
- 18. Any vacancy occurring in the General Board may be filled by the affirmative vote of a majority of the remaining board members through less than a quorum of the General Board, unless otherwise provided by law.

- 19. All board members elected to till a vacancy shall be elected for the unexpired term of his predecessor in office.
- 20 Any member of the standing boards 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.

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- 21. 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 an Executive Secretary who shall serve as treasurer 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.
- 22. The General Board shall have the 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.
- 23. 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 by the General Board; two members to be elected for a two year term and two members to be elected for a one year term and then two members to be elected each year thereafter, 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 Book Store and shall establish policy for the operation of the Book Store Manager. The Book Store manager shall employ and supervise the other employees. The Executive Committee shall serve as the Budget Committee.
- 24. 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 a majority is present at a meeting, a majority of the Board members present may adjourn the meeting from time to time without further notice.
- 25. An act of the majority of the Board members present at a meeting of the General Board at which a quorum is present shall be an act of the General Board.
- 26. 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.
- 27. 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 or on behalf of the Association and such authority may be general or confined to specific instances.
- 28. Any person or agent elected or appointed by the General Board may be removed by the General Board whenever in its judgment the best interests of the Association would be served thereby, but such removal shall be without prejudice to the contract rights, if any, of the persons so removed.
- 29. 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.

30. 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

- 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 the exception of the General Board, are not eligible to serve on the Auditing Committee. Their duties are to audit all state books.
- 32. 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, then the clerk shall not read the resolutions or report.

REPRESENTATION

- 33. The standing delegates of this Association shall be all ordained Free Will Baptist ministers and their companion, all ordained deacons, and Associational Clerks, provided they are members in good standing in some Free Will Baptist Church in this State Association.
- 34. The number of elected delegates to the State Association shall be seven delegated from each affiliated local association or yearly meeting, one delegate from each church, plus one delegate for fifty members or larger fraction thereof. Each church which represents must be a member of a local association or a yearly meeting holding membership in this body.
- 35. This Association may correspond by messenger or otherwise with other religious bodies.

VOTING

- 36. 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 By-Laws 33-34, and each elected delegate or standing delegate shall be entitled to one vote.
- 37. 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

- 38. The sessions of the Association shall convene on Monday evening at 7:30, following the first Sunday, in June beginning 1987.
- 39. 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 stature, as the place for 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 principle office of the corporation of the State of Missouri.
- 40. 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.

- 41. Special meetings of the Association for any purpose or purposes, unless otherwise prescribed by statute, may be called by the General Board, and shall be called by the Moderator at the request of not less than fifty percent of all the delegate members duly elected by local Associations, Quarterly Meetings and local churches affiliated with the Association.
- 42. 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 two members of the board or committee.
- 43. 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.
- 44. All business meetings shall be opened by singing, reading a portion from God's Word, and prayer, and shall be closed with prayer.
- 45. 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 written request of one-forth of its members. Special meetings of the Executive Committee shall also be called upon written request of a majority of its members.
- 46. 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 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.
- 47. Unless otherwise provided by law, whenever any notice is required to be given to any member or Board member of the Association under the provisions of these By-Laws or under the provisions of the articles of incorporation, a waiver thereof in writing, signed by the person or persons entitled to such notice whether before or after writing, signed by the person or persons entitled to such notice whether before or after the item stated therein shall be deemed equivalent to the giving of such notice.

DISCIPLINE

- 48. The State Association shall not usurp any authority over the Quarterly Meetings or Associations that shall be a under its supervision, but shall be an advisory body to help them.
- 49. The fiscal year of the Association shall begin on the first day of January, and end on the 31st day of December each year.
- 50. All checks, drafts, or other orders for the payment of money notes other evidences of indebtedness issued in the name of the Association, shall be signed by such officer or officers, agent or agents or the Association and in such manners as shall from time to time be determined by resolution of the General Board.
- 51. No loans shall be contracted, and no evidence of indebtedness shall be issued for which the State Association shall be legally or morally responsible except as approved by the Missouri State Association of Free Will Baptists white in session, or by the General Board while in session.
- 52. 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.

- 53. 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, of the property and the assets of the Association.
- 54. 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.
- 55. The salaries of employees shall be fixed from time to time by the General Board.
- 56. The meetings of the State Association and the 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.
- 57. 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.
- 58. 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.
- 59. Anyone desiring to speak shall rise and say "Brother Moderator" but shall speak no further until he or she is recognized by the Moderator.
- 60. No one shall speak more than five minutes, or more than twice, on the same subject without the consent of the Moderator.
- 61. 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.
- 62. No one shall leave the Association when in a business session without the consent of the moderator.
- 63. The moderator shall stop all discussion when not carried on in a Christian spirit, or when he thinks it is likely to lead to discord or division.
- 64. All business coming before this Association shall be decided by secret ballet when there is any opposition or objection to open vote.

AMENDMENTS

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