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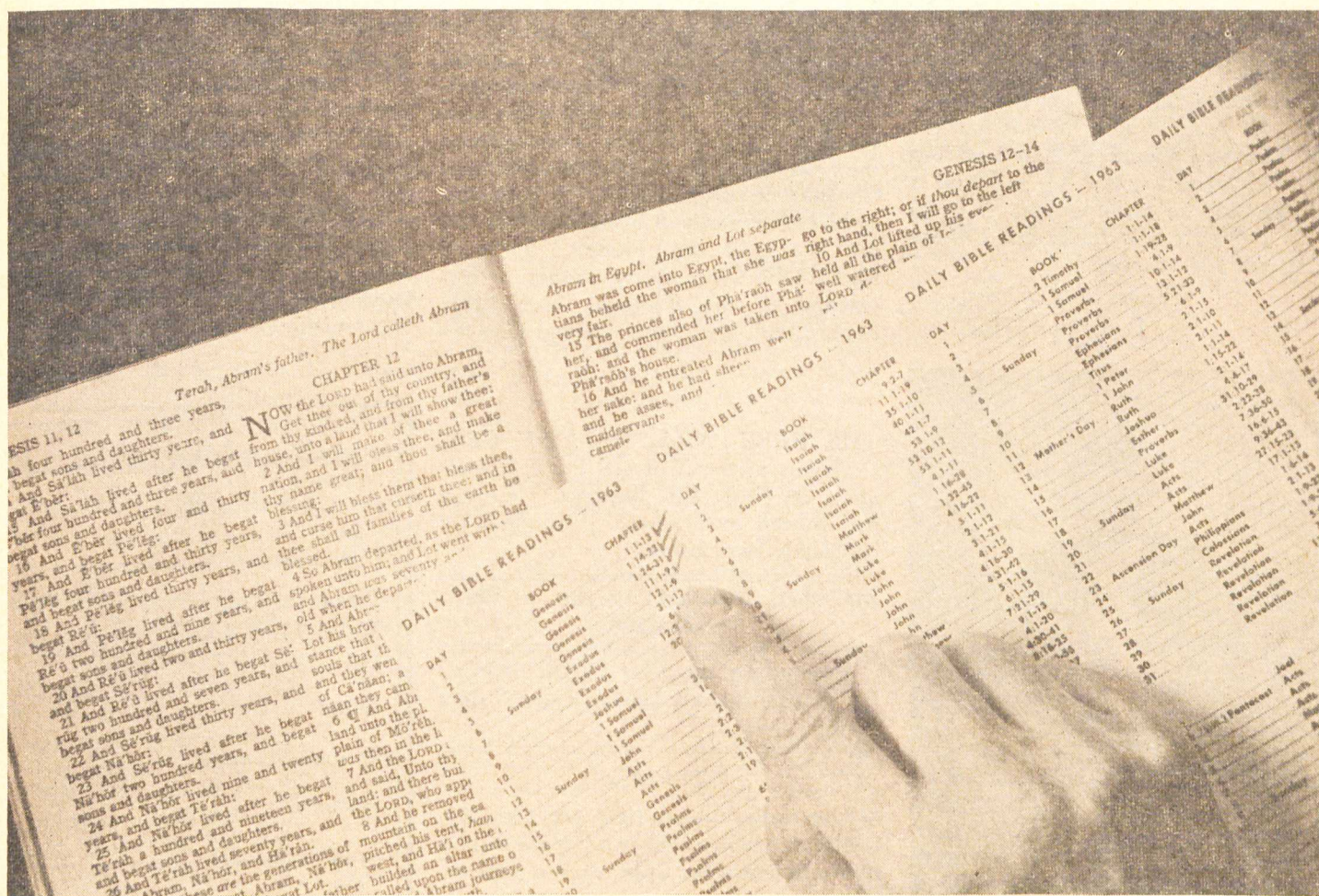
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## EDITOR'S LETTER

Dear Reader,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the members of our state Association for your confidence in electing me the editor for this year. This is a new endeavor for me and I desire the prayers of each and every person. I feel that with everyone's co-operation we can make this the best Free Will Baptist state paper that is published. If you have any suggestions on how to improve the paper I would like to hear them. Also, if this is to be a state paper we will have to have news from our many Missouri Churches.

Another item that I would like to discuss with you at this time is the matter of the Church Family Plan. At our State Association in August, the Resolutions Committee and the Publications Committee recommended that since this will be the Golden Anniversary of our state that 100% of our churches adopt the family plan for the "Gem." So far we have sixty-five churches that are on the family plan. If your church is not on the plan and you would like to find out about it, please write to me and I will explain the plan to you. Let us all do our part and make our Fiftieth Anniversary a success.

Yours for Christ,  
Rev. Bud Hill



Rev. Bud Hill  
3100 Mt. Pleasant  
St. Louis, Mo.

## THE PROMOTIONAL SECRETARY'S CORNER

During September I went into four different districts doing promotional work. Twin Oak and Mine La Motte Churches in Madison Co., which are regular supporters of the cooperative program. New Rock Springs and New Hope in the Mission Association, and Niangua fifth Sunday meeting held at Buffalo, each of their seven churches represented by person, and gave me the honor of bringing the introductory sermon. Also, they were very attentive to the promotional program. I attended the closing service of the LaClede Co. fifth Sunday meeting, held with Sunnyview Church, which was the communion service. They also gave time for the cooperative program, and I brought the message for this service. The churches in this section are congenial toward the program. I have discovered that some of our churches send their money direct to the National Cooperative Department. In this procedure our six state departments do not share in the money. 55% of MISSOURI Cooperative money is forwarded to the National cooperative department, and there divided into the



Bro. Beatty

seven departments sharing in the cooperative receipts. The 45% remaining in the state is allocated according to the percentage set by Missouri state association, to six state departments. The cooperative receipts for Sept. were below normal. The following bonds are available, \$250.00 Nos. 33, 40, 44, 45, 47, 49, 50, 52, 54, 55, 57, 58, 60, 61, 63, 64, also one \$500.00 No. 59, and one \$100.00 No. 35. Please keep me informed as to date and place of your local quarterly meeting.

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# SERMON OF THE MONTH

Preached at the Missouri State Association

## "Unto The Uttermost"

By Rev. J. Reford Wilson

National Director of the Foreign Mission  
Department

I would like to commend the Missouri State Association of Free Will Baptists for its support of our foreign missionary program. You exceeded your quota last year and your missionary vision and burden is indicated by your increased support of our missionary work during this current year. Not only have you given to us your dollars but you have also given to us your sons and daughters. Your state has the distinction of giving to our foreign mission department our first medical doctor, Dr. Laverne Miley of Kirksville, Missouri. Of course, some years ago one of your daughters, Marie Hanna, went with her husband to serve in North India. This lovely host church has also given to us one of its own daughters, Glenda Fulcher, who is serving with her husband in Uruguay. The Lord is answering your prayers and is thrusting forth laborers from your very midst.

I commend the program committee for the theme selected for this convention. The other speakers have thrilled and challenged our hearts with their messages "Go Tell In Jerusalem" and "Go Tell in Judea and Samaria." Now it is my privilege to speak the message of my heart, "Go Tell To The Uttermost."

Psalm 2:8 "Ask of me, and I shall give thee the heathen for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession." Acts 1:8 "But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you; and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." Hebrews 7:25 "Wherefore he is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by Him, seeing He ever liveth to make intercession for them." In these three passages of scripture we have possessing the uttermost by witnessing to the



Rev. J. Reford Wilson

uttermost for saving the uttermost.

Someone has asked, does our program include a mission to the moon? Our country is spending millions for missiles and comparatively our churches are spending pennies for pagans. The space language, the astronaut's signal, is indeed Biblical—everything is "GO."

To Isaiah, God said go. To Jonah, God said go to Nineveh. To the son, the father said go work today. As the women came in the early morning to the sepulcher, the angel said, I know that you seek Jesus which was crucified, He is not here: for He is risen, as He said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay. And go quickly. As the women went to tell the disciples Jesus met them and said go tell my brethren. When Jesus met the disciples in Galilee, He said "Go ye therefore and teach all nations." When the apostles were arrested and thrown into prison the angel brought them out and said go, stand and speak all the words of this life. When Phil-

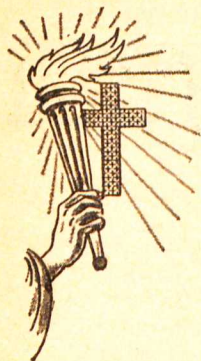
ip was engaged in a successful revival in Samaria, the Lord directed him to Gaza and the Spirit said go near and join thyself to this chariot. To Saul of Tarsus stricken down on the Damascus road, the Lord said "Arise and go into the city." To the prejudiced mind of Peter a vision was given and men came to invite him to the house of Cornelius, the Spirit said to him "Go with them." Go, Go, Go! The command has not been changed.

The missionary interest is greater among Free Will Baptists than it has ever been. The pastor and people who will not participate in world evangelism has no right to exist as a church because the church does exist to carry out the commands of Christ. The church is commanded by Christ but challenged by the world. We are confronted with a Going, Growing and Groaning.  
A GOING WORLD—

Sixty years ago men were still traveling at the same speed which Moses traveled. Just last week the pilot of the X-15 traveled five times the speed of sound. When John Glenn left Cape Canaveral in 26 minutes he was over the Continent of Africa. Now we have Telstar transmitting live telecast from Europe to the United States. I heard a report some weeks ago that we may soon be wearing telephones like we wear wrist watches. It is no longer a matter of transportation or communication but rather simple obedience to the command of our Lord Jesus Christ. This world is on a merry-go-round. It is a spinning, speeding, and sinning world. It is like the gambler at the roulette wheel not knowing where it is going to stop. THE CHURCH DOES KNOW WHERE IT IS GOING AND MUST GIVE TO THE WORLD A SENSE OF DIRECTION.

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# Woman's Auxiliary



Sis. L. Beatty

## THE STATE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY PRESIDENT SPEAKS:

I would like very much this morning to sit down and have a heart to heart conversation with each of you and glean from you any contribution you could make to our Woman's Auxiliary work. Since that is an impossibility, I will be scanning the Woman's page each month for bits of news from all of you that are engaged in the work that is so dear to my heart. It is with a keen sense of responsibility that I accept this office and I shall endeavor to serve you as State President to the best of my ability. Let me state that our state work is wholly dependent upon our local Auxiliaries. Do not be indifferent to the influence of women in our world today. Whether they be Christian or non-Christian the strength of influence remains exactly the same, therefore it is so important that Christian women direct all their influence toward the betterment of our world, which can

only come about through evangelization and enlistment. When we recognize our own utter weakness and place our faith and confidence in God we find the glories of life are virtually limitless.

This year, I trust, will be one of progress and I shall do all I possibly can to make it so. The officers whom you have elected to serve you this year will work as a team to stimulate the interest throughout the state. If, at any time, you have need of help from any state officer, feel free to call upon her.

Thank You,  
Lucille Beatty

Mrs. Lester Jones, Editor  
State Woman's Auxiliary News  
3100 Mt. Pleasant St.  
St. Louis, Missouri  
Dear Mrs. Jones:

Through the past years, while serving as State President, I have been privileged to enjoy the fine cooperation that the dedicated women of this state gave under the hand of Christ.

Words are inadequate to express the warm feeling that my soul possesses through the rich experiences during my presidency of the Woman's State Convention.

In removing myself from further service in this capacity, I want to make it perfectly clear that even though my activities are of such that this was necessary, I still will be able to serve with the new officers when and

wherever I might be of help to this, God's great work.

Love and Prayers,  
Margaret Dixon, Former  
State President Woman's  
State Auxiliary Convention

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## FROM BERKELEY:

The Women's Auxiliary of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Berkeley met May 7th for their monthly meeting with thirteen members present.

The meeting was called to order by our new president, Sister Plummer. Opening prayer by Sister Lewis and our opening song was "Take My Life And Let It Be."

We discussed plans for buying some decorative plates, these plates will have a picture of our church on the front and the Church's history on the back. Our ladies plan to sell these plates as a money raising project.

We planned a baby shower for our missionary in Uruguay, Glenda Fulcher and since personal gifts cannot be sent, each lady will donate the amount she would spend for a gift and the money will be sent to the Fulcher's account.

Reports were given by the various committees.

Lesson Topics were presented by: Sister Skiles, Sister Lewis, Sister Western, and Sister Combs. We were then dismissed with prayer by Sister Clark.

Mary Barker, Cor.-Sec.

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## Minutes of the State Woman's Auxiliary

The Missouri State Auxiliary Convention met at the Berkeley City, Free Will Baptist Church August 22, 1962, with President Margaret Dixon presiding. The service was opened with congregational singing of hymn, "Send the Light," directed by Jo Ann Harriel of Mountain Grove with Linda Dixon as organist and Mrs. Bea Spurgeon as pianist. The devotional was rendered by Mrs. Erma Lee Hogan using the scripture John 20:21 and introducing the theme for the day, "Even so, Send I you."

The President's remarks based on II Cor. 10:16, presented a challenge to all auxiliary members. Mrs. Wayne Parsons, vice president, assisted the president in seating of delegates and recognition of all visitors and auxiliary members. Mrs. Dixon appointed all committees and introduced the youth chairman, Mrs. James Raper, who was in charge of "Youth Speaks." Honorable mention was made of the winner of the essay contest, Eva Sponsler of Kirksville, Mo. Leroy Beatty sang "I Am Satisfied With Jesus," after which Vivian Mason, First Church Kansas City, Mo., our declamation contest winner presented her declamation. Misses Linda and Donna Plummer of Berkeley City Church sang a duet "Tell Me His Name Again." A reading, "The Little Black Sheep," was given by Miss Linda Dixon. Mrs. Jo Ann Harriel sang "The Ninety and Nine," accompanied by Mrs. Ben Spurgeon at the organ. Miss Vivian Mason climaxed Youth Speaks with a solo "Teach Me To Wait."

Congregational singing "I Love To Tell The Story" was followed with a chorus sing, directed by Mrs. Harriel. A Missionary offering of \$58.67 was received for Rev. and Mrs. Dan Cronk.

The 11 o'clock service was opened with a solo "Even So, Send I You," by Mrs. James Raper. Rev. Reford Wilson, director of Foreign Missions, introduced to us the Rev. Daniel Cronk, who brought a very dynamic message. "God is dead" says the communist, Dan Cronk says "It is not new, the theory 'God is dead' was felt by the disciples at the crucifixion. But, hope was revived the morning of the resurrection and was born anew in the hearts of all people, including the heathen, when they receive Christ as their Saviour."

"Have thine own way," was sung by Jo Ann Harriel and Bro. O. T. Allred, moderator, made the announcements and appointed committees. Benediction.

### AUXILIARY REPORTS (Continued from page 4)

#### FROM THAYER:

The Women's Auxiliary of Thayer Free Will Baptist Church met at the church on Tuesday evening Aug. 14 with 14 members present.

Opening song, "Bringing In The Sheaves," was sung by the group. Prayer by Elsie Warel. Officers reports were given.

The program "The Christian Woman: God's Stewardess" was given by Charline Janes, Clara Allen, Elsie Warel, Gay Combs. Meeting closed with prayer by Sister Bostic.

Refreshments were served in the church basement by Clara Allen, Netie Bennett, Ina Bennett and Ruby Brewer.

Ruby Brewer, Cor.-Sec.

#### FROM WEST PLAINS:

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Bethel Free Will Baptist Church met at the church for their regular meeting September 3, 1962.

The service was opened by singing, "Sweet Hour of Prayer." The President, Sister Combs read from Jeremiah, followed by prayer by Gracie Stevens.

The minutes were read and approved. The Auxiliary voted to send \$5.00 to The Student Loan Fund and \$10.00 to Brother Carl Davis at Elizabeth, Ark. Bro. Davis had the misfortune of losing his home by fire.

We had two ladies unite with our Auxiliary. There was one visitor present. Lesson Topics were given by Eudine Atkinson, Pat Lewis, Mrs. Greoegy, Lillian Brooks, Ella James, Hattie Simo, Ruby Blankenship, Beulah Gilliom, Effie Lou Moss and Gracie Stevens.

We all resolved to read our Bible more. We were dismissed in prayer by Effie Lou Moss.

Ruby Blankenship, Cor.-Sec.

#### FROM PHILLIPSBURG:

The Ladies' Circle of the Liberty Free Will Baptist Church met Monday evening August 6 at the church. Opening prayer by Naomi Hefton, followed by the song "Trust and Obey."

The devotional leader read the ser-

mon "Addition To The Christian Life," by Rev. Albert McFarland from the July issue of the Free Will Baptist Gem.

During the business session the secretary's report was read and approved. The Circle voted to send \$15.00 to the Home Mission Board for Alaska in response to the urgent need reported in the July Gem. May God richly bless these missionary families in their work and supply their need, we will remember them in our prayers.

The Circle voted to have built-in cabinets built in the church basement and to paint all the interior of the basement (at this writing the work in the basement is almost completed). It was voted to quilt the quilt top given to the church by Mrs. Edith Moye for the "Lord's Acre Sale." The treasurer's report was read and approved. The dues were received. Dismissed in prayer by Mrs. Virginia Knight.

On August 20th a refrigerator and a gas stove were purchased for the church basement.

#### FROM LEBANON:

The Hanna Circle met in the home of Mrs. Esther Sutton with seven members and three visitors present. The President, Dorothy Mosier presided at the business session. Esther Sutton read the minutes of the last meeting, and they were approved as read.

Devotions were led by Gladys Montgomery, scripture reading was from St. Mark 8th chapter. A Cross was set up with rays beaming from the Cross as each member gave her part, helping us to better bear our cross as we learn the meaning of the beatitudes. Prayer was offered by Georgia Mays. Song: "Blessed Assurance" was sung by the group. A Circle Prayer closed the service with each one offering prayer for the progress of our new pastor and family and the growth of the church, "Blest Be The Tie" was sung. The hostess Esther Sutton served Devil's Food cake and Ice Cream, coffee and punch to the following: Ephel Beard, Mrs. Dave Walters, Gladys Bennett, Eunice Barber, Georgia Mays, Hazel Embry, Henrietta Garrett, Dorothy Mosier and Gladys Montgomery.

The next meeting will be with Eunice Barber, 279 Polk St. Sept. 11th, 7:30 P. M.

Gladys Montgomery, Cor.-Sec.

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# The Worth of a Family Altar

Miss Eva Pearl Sponsler

A man once had a dream about a visit from a citizen of Mars. The man from Mars wanted to find out about what he called our secret weapon, the family altar. He asked, "What is a family altar?"

A family altar isn't something one can go out and buy. One has to make a family altar. Two tools that are needed for a family altar are **God's Word** and **prayer**. Many families use singing or devotional booklets in their worship. An essential part of the family altar is people. Using these tools a person must make his own family altar.

A family altar helps to unify the family. By having a family altar, a time is created in which all of the family have their minds focused on one main idea. Having one main goal, that of worshipping the Lord together, tends to draw the family closer to each other.

When the family gathers for their family altar, it provides a way to help solve one another's problems. Also, the problems they have as a family can be prayed about and often solved.

When a member of the family is unsaved, the Christian members of the family would enjoy seeing that person saved. The worship of the family, during the family altar, is a good witness to the unsaved members of the family. The family altar could be the means of making the whole family a Christian family.

Probably the most important thing a family altar does for the family is the training it gives to the child. The Bible says, "Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old, he will not depart from it." (Proverbs 22: 6) A child spends most of his time in the home, especially his early life. For this reason the training a child gets through the family altar is very important. It may mean the difference between the child living a good life or a bad life.

A family altar can often be a blessing to visitors if it is shared with them. Children many times have friends over to spend the night. A next door neighbor once attended family worship at the home of her girl friend. She made



Miss Eva Pearl Sponsler

the remark that she wished her father and mother would have a family altar. The girl and her mother later became Christians because of this experience. Sharing the family altar is a good way to witness for Christ.

A criminal, who had been in and out of prison for escape, forgery, burglary, and auto larceny, and who has had only eleven months of freedom in fifteen years, studied the men in prison to try to find why children go wrong. Not one of these men he studied had been raised in a home where there was a family altar. The children of today will be the men and women of tomorrow. In order to have a world that is fit to live in these children need to be reared so that they will make good men and women, not criminals.

A good way to curb juvenile delinquency would be to have more family altars. Children imitate their parents. If the parents try to teach the children about Christ and live Christian lives, the children will be apt to be the same way, instead of being delinquents. "He who guides the youth guides the future."

All young married couples should start their homes by having a family altar. If this were done there would be a lower divorce rate. A young married couple whose marriage was on the brink of divorce, went to their pastor with the hope that he would be

able to help them save their marriage. The pastor asked if they had a family altar. When he learned that they did not, he suggested that they go home and start one. The couple followed their pastor's advice and their marriage was saved.

No mother and father in their right minds would think of starving their children physically. Just as important to the children as food for their physical growth is the food for their spiritual growth. A child needs a well balanced diet with three meals daily in order to have proper physical growth. A child also needs a well balanced diet of spiritual food. If a child has a diet consisting of nothing but sweets he will not grow properly. Neither will a child with nothing but church and Sunday School for a spiritual diet grow properly. A family altar is needed in order to have the right kind of a spiritual diet.

Family altars make stronger churches. Statistics show that only 35% of the church going people have family worship at home. It should be a goal in every church to start more family altars.

The Bible says in Deuteronomy 6:6-7, "And those words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart and thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou liest down, and when thou risest up." In order to fulfill this commandment a family altar is a must.

A family altar is very important because it unifies the family, helps solve problems, is a witness to unsaved members of the family, provides good training for the children, can be a blessing to visitors, makes better men and women of tomorrow, helps save marriages, provides spiritual food, and makes stronger churches. Those who want to help guide the future right, with the aid of a family altar, should begin to do so immediately.

This essay was written by 16 year old Eva Pearl Sponsler, from the Hazel Creek Free Will Baptist Church, Kirksville, Mo.

This essay received first place in the Y. P. A. essay contest for the state of Missouri.



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## AUXILIARY REPORTS

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## FROM PHILLIPSBURG

Monday night August 6 the Young People of the church met at the church and had a weiner roast. Volley ball was enjoyed by the group. There were 27 present.

The Young People's meeting is something new in our church, first meeting was in July. The pastor and wife, Rev. and Mrs. Ronald Clifford are sponsors of the Youth Group.

Sunday night August 5 one of the

young men Rev. Sam King brought an inspiring message. Another young man, Jim O'dell from our church has been called to the ministry. We thank God for the young people of our church and we ask the prayers of God's people that they will grow in grace and prosper in God's work.

Monday night September 1 a volley ball game will be played between the Youth Group at Liberty and the First Free Will Baptist Church of Lebanon.

### Officers Credit Missionaries For Crime Reduction Among Indians

Daggett, Calif. (CNS)—Law enforcement officers in this area say they credit the efforts of Protestant home missionaries for a 90 per cent reduction in crime among the Indian population. A judge in the nearby town of Yermo has stated that the crime rate among the Indians has been reduced sharply since two Assemblies of God workers have been working among them.

The two home mission workers, Rev. and Mrs. Raymond F. Myers, came to the area six years ago to take over a Navajo Indian mission which had less than 50 converts. In that time they have had over 420 converts and have had to build a new church to accomodate their growing congregation.

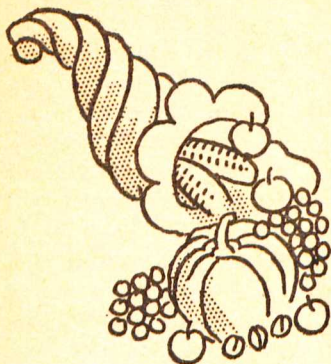
Many of the converts are railroad workers who are in the area only for short periods of time. Others are civilian workers on nearby military bases and come originally from reservations in Arizona and New Mexico. The Indians often return to the reservations and win their families and friends to their faith. One returned to the Tuba City, Ariz., reservation and became a tribal police officer who carries his Bible in the patrol wagon.

The Assemblies of God have more than 160 missionaries working among American Indians. (8-23-62)

### "Calling all Young People!!!"

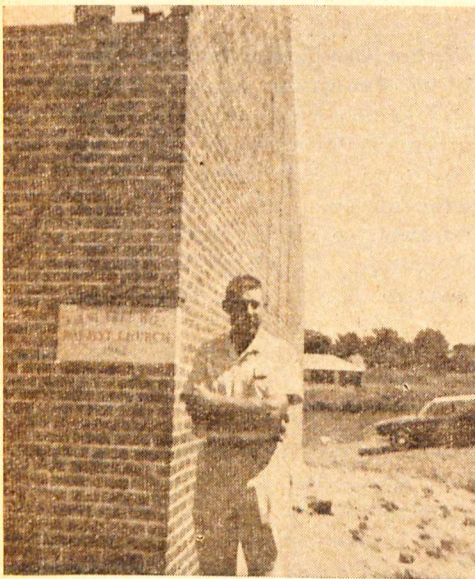
How would you like to have a column of your own in the Gem? This column would be used to publish material that the Young People of our Free Will Baptist churches would write. Or maybe you have a question that has been troubling you that you want answered. If you would like a column, write to Rev. Bud Hill, 3100 Mt. Pleasant, St. Louis 11, Mo. I would like to see how many young people are interested.





# GLEANINGS

## FROM THE FIELD



### Cornerstone Laid

The First Free Will Baptist Church of Kansas City held a cornerstone laying service on August 26, 1962. This service was held at their new building located at 9125 Old Santa Fe Road.

The church also gave their pastor, Sis. Alice Dickey, a vote of confidence at their regular monthly business meeting September 5, 1962.

### Pastoral Change

Rev. David S. Jones recently resigned the Liberty Free Will Baptist Church to attend school in Chicago, Ill. The church has called as its pastor for the coming year the Rev. Ronald Clifford.

### New Church

A new Free Will Baptist Church is being started in Topeka, Kansas under the auspices of our National Home Mission Board. If there are any of our people that you know of that live in Topeka, please send their names to: Rev. Robt. Sharry, 1828 Pennsylvania, Topeka, Kansas.

The Sharrys have also requested that we remember their work in prayer.

### Missourian Comes Home

Rev. Dale Skiles, former pastor of the Riverview Free Will Baptist Church in Bettendorf, Iowa, has accepted the Mill Creek Free Will Baptist Church in Myrtle, Missouri. Rev. Skiles is a former member of the First Free Will Baptist Church in Berkeley, Missouri.

### Unusual Revival Spirit Prevails

The Rev. W. S. Mooneyham, Moderator of the National Association and Editor of Evangelical Action magazine, was guest speaker at the North-East Missouri Association in July, which convened with the First Free Will Baptist church of Kirksville.

An unusual revival spirit prevailed throughout the Association. There were numerous commitments to Christ. Some for rededication of life, some for restoration of fellowship with Christ and some for conversion.

Rev. Lester Jones was re-elected Moderator of the North-East Association; Rev. Cletus Nichols as Assistant Moderator and Mrs. Ethel Thompson Associational Clerk.

On Saturday night preceding the Fifth Sunday meeting and while convened in the Quarterly Youth Rally of the Association, plans were formulated for a Youth Bible Conference during the Thanksgiving vacation while the youth are out of school. This Conference will begin on Thanksgiving day with an all day service and proceed through the week end.

### Quarterly Meeting Meets

The St. Louis Quarterly Meeting will meet at the Fourth Free Will Baptist Church October 27, 1962. The morning service will begin at 9:30 A. M. with Rev. Pinky Askren. The morning message will be brought by Rev. Johnny Land, pastor of the Grace Free Will Baptist Church.

The officers of the Quarterly meeting are, Moderator: Rev. Floyd Arnold, Assistant Moderator: Rev. Bud Hill and Clerk: Rev. Max Courtney.

### Revival in Arkansas

Rev. Harry Asher recently spoke as the evangelist at a revival meeting at the Old Reyno Free Will Baptist Church at Reyno, Arkansas. God blessed in this revival with twenty five decisions for Christ. An average attendance of 145 was had at the services. Good singing was enjoyed each night as well as good preaching. Rev. Robert Francis, a former member of the Third Free Will Baptist Church is the pastor at Old Reyno.

God blessed the pastor and the evangelist as they carried out the great commission of "Go ye therefore." As a result of going the pastor on the last night of the revival took twelve new members into the church and the following Sunday afternoon baptized eight of these new members. Bro. Asher said that he thought that the success of the revival was due to much prayer and then the carrying out of the great commission. Bro. Asher is the pastor of the Overland Free Will Baptist Church in St. Louis, Missouri.

### Dedication Service

The Grace Free Will Baptist Church will dedicate their new church building October 21, 1962. Rev. Harry Beatty will preach the dedication sermon. Rev. Johnny Land is the pastor.

### Fishermen's Campaign At Berkeley Church

A new Sunday School contest involving Sunday School teachers and departmental superintendents will get under way beginning with the new quarter in October. Each Sunday School teacher and departmental superintendent will be given a name of a fish and each will become "Fishers of Men" during this contest. Points will be given for various ways of increasing Sunday School attendance. The teacher or superintendent having the most points at the close of the contest will win a nice prize. Further details about this Fishermen's Campaign will be given at a later date.



### Former Missourian Accepts Call

Rev. Lawrence Thompson, the pastor of the Free Will Baptist Church in Sesser, Ill., has accepted the call to the Riverview Free Will Baptist Church in Bettendorf, Iowa. Bro. Thompson in his time at the Sesser Church has seen a new church built. The Lord has blessed his time there with very much success.

### New Publication

The group of Free Will Baptists in North Carolina that stayed with our National Association is starting their own state paper called, "Free Will Baptist Witness." Their office will be located in Garner, North Carolina and the editor is Rev. R. Eugene Waddell. If you would like to receive this paper write to Bro. Waddell at 302 Main Street, Garner, North Carolina.

### STATEMENT BY DR. RISLEY REGARDING SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR NATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL WEEK

There are 300,000 Sunday Schools in America with three million Sunday School teachers. These Sunday School teachers are the greatest core of volunteer workers we have in our nation today for good.

The greatest single difference between Europe and America today is the Sunday School.

Every boy and girl should have the privilege of Sunday School training. Those who have not had this opportunity have missed the influence of one of the greatest character building agencies in the world.

There is a greater consciousness of the importance of Sunday School today than ever before in its 180 years of history. We are proud to say that Sunday School enrollment in America has increased in the past 10 years but we must do better in the decade ahead.

Clate A. Risley  
Executive Secretary  
National S. S. Association  
175 North Franklin  
Chicago 6, Illinois

### Northside Church Calls Pastor

The Rev. Frank Giunta who has been pastoring in Tennessee has been called to assume the pastorate of the Northside Free Will Baptist Church in St. Louis. This church just recently purchased property on North Broadway. If you know of anyone living in this section of the city please let the church know their name and address.

### Revival At New Home

The Rev. Lavern Jones recently conducted a revival at the New Home Church located near Hartville, Mo. The revival began on October 8th. There was good congregational singing and special numbers each night. The results of this revival had not reached the "Gem" office at this issue of the paper.

### Church Has Rally Day

The First Free Will Baptist Church of Berkeley, Missouri, enjoyed one of the greatest days in the history of the church on Sunday, September 16th, when they held their annual Rally Day. This day was also designated as "Pastor Appreciation Day" since the Rev. Harvey E. Hill had completed seven years with the church. The members of the church showed their appreciation for Brother Hill's faithful devotion and service by trying to "pack all the pews." All Sunday School records were broken when 440 attended services on this day. The day's activities included special music and singing by the Lester Band from Radio Station KSTL, messages by the pastor and the young ministers of the church and an old-fashioned basket dinner in the Fellowship Hall of the church. God certainly has blessed the church since it moved into the new auditorium which seats 600 people and is valued at approximately \$200,000.00. Your prayers are requested for the Berkeley Church as they continue to labor for the Lord.

### Christmas Bible Reading

For the fourth successive year, the American Bible Society is calling on Christians everywhere to make the reading aloud of the Christmas Message from the Bible a part of the Christmas Eve observance in every home.

"When we sit down together as members of a family, quietly and expectantly, on that night of all nights, and listen again to the beautiful words of the Bible that tell of the birth of Jesus, our Lord and Saviour, the real meaning of Christmas comes home to us as it does in no other way," suggests Dr. Arthur P. Whitney, Executive Secretary of the Bible Society. "In moments like these, Christ is re-born in our hearts, and the gift wrapping and the ornaments and the bright lights and the tinsel can never again

obscure from us the living presence of Him whose birth we celebrate."

To help local churches enlist the participation of members and friends in this Nationwide Reading of the Christmas Message, and to help them make sure that the message itself is in the hands of all who wish to read it, the Bible Society offers to supply copies of its Christmas Scripture Portion, "Unto You... A Saviour," for only \$3 per hundred. These small, colorful booklets, attractively printed in large, clear type, are reprints of the Christmas message from the Gospel of Luke. They are available in either the King James or the Revised Standard Version and can be ordered from the American Bible Society, 450 Park Avenue, New York 22, N. Y. A sample copy will be sent free to anyone on request.

During the past three years, over eight million Christmas Portions have been distributed.

For the first time this year an attractively illustrated Christmas Scripture leaflet is being made available in Spanish. In the new Reina-Valera Revised version, with three full-color illustrations, the leaflet is a reprint of Luke 2:1-40. Copies of this Spanish Christmas Scripture leaflet can be ordered from the Bible Society for \$2 a hundred. A single copy is free.

The Society urges churches to make sure that these Christmas Scriptures get into the hands of people who are sick, or lonely, or forgotten. "The Christmas message can bring very special joy to an elderly person in a nursing home, a sick child in a hospital or someone in jail," Dr. Whitney says. "When people who are shut in or shut away receive one of these Christmas Scriptures from our hands, they are reminded that our loving Father sent His Son into the world to claim them for His own. They know, too, by our act of kindness, that the Christian Church has not forgotten them, but remembers them with love and concern."

Any hospital, nursing home, jail or other institution desiring the Christmas Scriptures, but unable to afford them or to find a local church or individual to donate them, is invited to write to the Bible Society. The Scriptures will be provided without charge in such cases, so far as the Society's limited budget permits.

American Bible Society



## "UNTO THE UTTERMOST"

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### A GROWING WORLD—

In the days of Jesus the population was 300 million but now it is twice that in China alone. By 1800 the population had increased to one billion souls and by 1900 the population had increased to two billion. These are not simply dry statistics but each one of these is a soul destined for eternity. In the past sixty years our world has added 850 million to its population and it is predicted that by the year 2000 there will be six billion souls on the earth. It is predicted that 1/6 of these, one billion, will be living in India which is already overwhelmed with the task of feeding and educating its millions.

The Kingdom of God must expand to meet the need of this growing world. The glory of the Lord must cover the earth as waters cover the sea. Free Will Baptists must have even a greater outreach in the preaching of the gospel. We have expanded this past year by opening two new fields in Panama and Uruguay. The growing country of Brazil remains a constant challenge to our missionary force. Sao Paulo is the fastest growing city in Latin America. Brazil is just 10 per cent smaller than all of our 50 states and touches every country in South America except two. Our missionary work in Brazil is a strategic area for the preaching of the gospel of Jesus Christ in South America. Our missionary staff has doubled in the past five years but what are 42 adult missionaries for a denomination the size of ours? Our giving has also increased but what is \$1.08 per member per year to compare with the income of our Free Will Baptists?

### A GROANING WORLD—

This is a groaning world politically. There is the rising tide of nationalism and Jesus spoke of these things prevailing during the end time. "Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles, until times of the Gentiles be fulfilled" (Luke 21:24). After more than 2000 years of being dispersed, Israel has now become a recognized nation among the nations. Jesus spoke a parable, "Behold the fig tree; when they now shoot forth you see and know of your own selves that summer is now nigh at hand." (Luke 21:29,30)

The fig tree, Israel, has budded and in the past ten years at least 26 African nations have gained their independence. National creates its problems for the missionary. He cannot ally himself closely with political rulers yet neither can he completely separate himself.

Communism since 1917 has gained 1/3 of the world's population and 1/4 of the land area. Satan has found this system the most effective in hindering the missionary advance. Communism tries to identify Christianity with the West, the imperialist. They picture Europe and democracy as growing old and feeble.

This is a groaning world socially. The church has not faced its social problems as squarely as it ought. We do not preach a social gospel but we preach a gospel which changes and influences a society in which we live. Free Will Baptists must reach each strata of society with the preaching of the Word. In my pastorate I felt that the woman in silk should feel as welcome as the woman in print and the man in kakis should find spiritual satisfaction in our services as well as the man in the tailored suit. Every soul has spiritual needs which must be met by the church to make that person a better citizen for the society in which he lives.

Our missionaries must be able to cope with the social problems which they find in a heathen and pagan society. The church has brought literacy and education with one million learning to read each week. With this ministry the church must provide literature to satisfy the hungry minds of

the people to whom they minister.

I remember my visit to our mission field in Cuba some years ago. I remember seeing the painted walls of some of the thatched roofed houses and I asked the missionary about these improvements. I was told that as the people visited the mission station and saw the painted buildings of our property that they returned to their homes with the desire to make their buildings look better. The people of other lands are seeing magazines, listening to radios and some even seeing television. They see the better living conditions of people in other countries and they are asking why? Why can't we have these things now? The African, Indian and Mexican has a desire for these things the same as we have. Old crust of tradition are being broken—a new Asia, a new Africa and a new India is appearing. The white man is no longer a "god."

In many places the American missionary is no longer welcome. Such opposition, however, does not justify our disobedience to the command of our Christ.

I shall never forget the last interview our board of foreign missions had with Dr. Miley. The interview had been concluded and a time of prayer fellowship had been enjoyed. Dr. Miley said, "There is one thing I would like to have clearly understood between me and the board and the other missionary personnel. Though I am a medical doctor, my chief objective in going to my mission field is the winning of souls to Jesus Christ."

This is a groaning world spiritually.

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## Your Representative in Africa . . .



*"To Preach  
the gospel in  
the regions  
beyond  
you. . ."*

—II Cor. 10:16

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# EVERY CHURCH FAMILY PLAN

## OUR GOAL: 2,000 SUBSCRIPTIONS

The Every Church Family Plan is the best plan ever used by Free Will Baptists to keep their membership informed. It is currently being used by the Gem and our national magazine Contact. The plan is simple. The church clerk makes out a list of the names and addresses of all the families in the church. (Be sure each home is represented on the list.) This is sent to the Gem editor and he adds the names to the mailing list of the Gem. As the Gems are sent out the editor bills the church for the amount of copies sent out to their members. Names may be added or dropped at any time. The plan remains in effect until the church requests that it be discontinued. It does not expire. By using this plan every family in every church that subscribes to the plan will be informed of denominational activities. This is the best plan for your church. Why not use it? Here is a list of the churches who are currently active in the Every Church Family Plan:

Fellowship ..... Rev. James Earl Raper  
 Amity .....  
 Black Oak .....  
 New Lebanon ..... Rev. Glen Jones  
 Leadington ..... Rev. Robert Wilfong  
 Copper Mines ..... Rev. Willard Darnell  
 Myrtle .....  
 Kirksville ..... Rev. Lester Jones  
 Overland ..... Rev. Harry Asher  
 Berkeley ..... Rev. Harvey Hill  
 Farmington ..... Rev. James Barker  
 Verdella ..... Rev. Winfred Davis  
 Richwoods ..... Rev. Gaylord Huckaba  
 Old Bethel ..... Rev. Clarence Burcham  
 Mt. Zion ..... Rev. Ralph Cook  
 South Side ..... Rev. Al McFarland  
 Thayer ..... Rev. W. H. Bostic  
 Carterville ..... Rev. Wm. Beazley  
 Fredericktown ..... Rev. C. H. Burton  
 Pleasant Grove ..... Rev. Tommy Carlson  
 Martinstown ..... Rev. Kermit Crooks  
 Hannon ..... Rev. Junior Ussery  
 First, Flat River .....  
 Alton ..... Rev. Millard Ehrhardt  
 Third, St. Louis ..... Rev. R. B. Spurgeon  
 Salem ..... Rev. Robt. Linville  
 First, Waynesville ..... Rev. Cliff Bowman  
 Grace, Arnold ..... Rev. John Land  
 Faith & Hope ..... Rev. A. A. Hogue  
 Skyline ..... Rev. E. J. Wilson  
 Union ..... Rev. Ezra Butts  
 First Church, Aurora ..... Rev. Edward Climer  
 Springfield ..... Rev. Henry Long

Neosho ..... Rev. Robert Duck  
 Mine La Motte ..... Rev. Albert Halbrook  
 Union Light ..... Rev. O. D. Matthews  
 Bethel ..... Rev. Davie Combs  
 Mt. Pisgah ..... Rev. Fred Wynn  
 Fourth, St. Louis ..... Rev. Max Courtney  
 Twin Oaks ..... Rev. Truman Huffman  
 Victory ..... Rev. Glen Rehkop  
 Mill Creek ..... Rev. Lloyd Durbin  
 Beacon ..... Rev. Woodrow Matthews  
 First, Kansas City ..... Rev. Alice Dickey  
 New Hope ..... Rev. James McAllister  
 Merl's Chapel ..... Rev. O. T. Allred  
 Oskaloosa ..... Rev. O. J. Mackey  
 Jones Chapel .....  
 Pleasant Ridge ..... Rev. M. K. Cline  
 New Harmony ..... Rev. Mildred Gilliam  
 Grant Ave ..... Rev. Grover Terry  
 Monett ..... Rev. Tommy Day  
 Aulsberry Chapel ..... Rev. Dean Burpo  
 Lebanon ..... Rev. Dale Jones  
 Mountain Valley ..... Rev. Homer Smith  
 Liberty ..... Rev. Ronald Clifford  
 Desloge ..... Rev. Elmer Turnbough  
 Meremac Heights ..... Rev. Bud Hill  
 Mendota Mission ..... Rev. Alta Mikel  
 Festus ..... Rev. Chester Weir  
 Little Vine Church ..... Rev. Robert Carlson  
 Pleasant Hill Church ..... Rev. J. W. King  
 Macedonia Church ..... Rev. Selph Jones  
 First Church, Greenfield ..... Rev. Lowell Martin  
 Hickory Grove ..... Rev. Ralph Cook  
 Northside ..... Rev. Frank Giunta

(Editor's Note: If your Church has changed pastors please let me know.)

### Church Leader Calls For Curbs On Teen-Age Drinking In New York

Merchantville, N. J. (CNS)—A New Jersey church leader has charged that the current New York state laws which allow 18-year-olds to buy liquor contribute substantially to teen-age delinquency in states that border on New York. To correct the situation, Rev. Samuel A. Jeanes, general secretary of the Lord's Day Alliance of New Jersey, called on New York's Governor Nelson Rockefeller to support measures which would raise the minimum age for drinking in that state to 21. Forty-eight other states have set 21 as the minimum age for buying liquor.

Jeanes accused the New York governor of delaying action on the measure until December 15, a few weeks after the gubernatorial election date. The minister also said that the measure which is now under study in New York is reportedly being handled by a legislative committee which is "loaded with persons close to and friendly to the liquor industry." One committee member, he said, represents the liquor industry as a public relations man and another is a lawyer who has a distiller as a client.

In citing the menace of the legalized drinking by teen-agers, the minister said that 21 deaths and many injuries attributed to teen-age drinking

in New York have occurred on New Jersey highways. Roadblock checks by police in New Jersey have discovered that as many as 93 per cent of youths returning from New York admitted drinking there. Connecticut and Pennsylvania have had similar experiences, the minister said.

In urging the New York governor to take action now, Jeanes recalled that Rockefeller had been able to make up his mind quickly on hundreds of subjects at home and abroad. He called for the state leader to use the potentially high moral influence of his office now in behalf of the youth of America. (8-23-62)



## Letters from our Readers

Dear Bro. Bud,

I would like to announce that on May 2, 1962 we organized a Free Will Baptist Sunday School and Mission in Belton, Missouri. We held our first service on May 13, 1962 in the home of Rev. Junior Ussery, then God opened up the way for a meeting place. We were able to obtain the American Legion Hall. We hope and pray that the group will be able to organize into a full fledged church. We covet your prayers for us in this work here for the Lord.

Our first service we had nineteen and last Sunday, September 2, 1962 we had our record breaking crowd of thirty-nine. We praise God for this and for all His blessings that He has given us in this work.

Yours for Christ,  
Rev. Junior Ussery.

Dear Bro. Bud,

At your request during the yearly meeting that all churches send in their

news, we wish to contribute a few items from the Mill Creek Free Will Baptist Church.

During the summer our Sunday School enjoyed a trip to the zoo and our annual Sunday School picnic was held at City Lake with an ice cream social. Our League is planning a hayride for the near future. The men and boys of the church are working hard at putting in a new driveway. The Highway Department has constructed a new bridge below our church and have made some changes in the highway, so we have had to move our driveway to the other side of the church.

Our Young Adult Class met one evening last week and went on visitation. The Lord blessed this effort with 3 new pupils in Sunday School. We hope and pray others will respond. We feel that the Lord is blessing our church and hope to grow spiritually first and also in number.

Yours in Christ,  
Mrs. Janice Durbin.

### "UNTO THE UTTERMOST"

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Communism says there is no God. Islam with 425 million says Allah is god and Mohammed is his prophet. Hinduism says there are 300 million gods. Romanism exalts the Virgin Mary. The church must declare that Jesus is the only Saviour, the only way to Heaven.

There are many stories from our mission fields which could illustrate the spiritual groaning of the heathen. One of the most touching stories which I have read is that of an African mother who died and the witch doctor determined that it was the infant baby boy who had caused the death. The baby boy was bound and laid on the mother's grave to be devoured by the wild animals. The baby boy had a sister who loved him dearly and she could not go to sleep that night, thinking of her baby brother on her mother's grave. She waited until everyone in the village was sound asleep. With all the courage she could muster, she slipped quietly to the grave and lifted her baby brother close to her bosom. She ran from the village down the trail. If only she could reach the mis-

sionary's home before anyone awakened in the village to discover what she had done. She ran through the night, stopping only long enough to catch her breath. Early the next morning she found refuge among Christian believers.

Some weeks ago you may have seen on television worshippers crawling on hands and knees to worship at a sacred shrine. After crawling for miles some of these worshippers came to the shrine with hands and knees bleeding. These souls are groaning spiritually desiring that their burden of sin be lifted.

The groaning of souls is heard loudly in Hong Kong by those refugees having fled from Communist China. But listen! There is the sound of groaning souls even nearer home. Hear the groaning of those Cuban refugees as they come to our country. Thousands of them have come to Miami to find freedom. Just last week in telephone conversation with Mrs. Willey, she told me of a young boy sitting in her home who had eaten no meat for seven months. They had given him meat for his dinner and it had made him sick. The report is that hundreds of children are dying in Cuba because

of malnutrition. Families are being separated and pastors are being forced to flee from their churches.

These prevailing conditions of our world demand that we do our utmost to tell to the uttermost that Jesus lives. Our missionary program must GO. Give us your sons and daughters who will tell the story of Jesus Christ. Give us men and women who will give their dollars for the spreading of the gospel. We must have individuals and churches who will undergird our missionary program with their praying and their giving.

Jesus came to the home of Mary and Martha whose hearts were filled with sorrow because of the death of Lazarus. Jesus groaned in the spirit and was troubled. Give us Free Will Baptists who will love as Jesus loved. Give us those who will groan in compassion for a lost world.

We can possess the uttermost by witnessing to the uttermost that Jesus saves.

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### Teen Musical Group Plans 'Show-Biz' Evangelistic Tour Of America

Wheaton, Ill. (CNS)—A teen musical group composed of 30 college students from across the nation plans a year-long "show business" type evangelistic tour of one hundred American cities within the next year.

The group, which was found by Thurlow Spurr, former music director of Youth for Christ International, will present its first concert in Chicago's McCormick Place on Saturday, September 29, before leaving on a nationwide tour. The group uses modern arrangements, different lyrics for religious music plus dramatic staging for its concerts which are geared to appeal to contemporary tastes.

"Our purpose in using a show business approach to an evangelistic effort is to capture the heart and mind of today's teen-ager in the language he understands best," Spurr says. "We are convinced that the teen-agers of our nation can change the world for Christ."

Fully equipped, this instrumental and choral group travels with its own bus and a truck and trailer loaded with costumes, lighting equipment and stage setting. Last year they gave concerts in 50 cities from Miami, Fla., to the World's Fair in Seattle, Wash. (8-23-62)



## Christmas Scripture Portions

People who want their Christmas greetings this year to be especially meaningful and in the true spirit of the Nativity are being encouraged by the American Bible Society to enclose a Christmas Scripture Portion in every envelope.

The Portions are colorful, attractive little 48-page booklets, about 2 inches by 4 1/2 inches in size. Because they weigh only about half an ounce, their use in most cases requires no more postage than is needed for a greeting card alone. They are reprints, in large clear type, of the Christmas message from the Gospel of Luke. The title on the cover is "Unto You... A Saviour."

The price of the Christmas Portions is only 3c each in any quantity, thanks to the Bible Society's policy of distributing its Scriptures at cost. They are available in either the King James or the Revised Standard Version and can be ordered from the American Bible Society, 450 Park Avenue, New York 22, New York. The Society offers to send a sample copy of the Christmas Scripture Portion to anyone on request.

## Evangelical Welfare Agency Finds Homes For Over 100 Children In Past Year

Chicago, Ill. (CNS)—During the past year the Evangelical Child Welfare Agency of Chicago placed 48 children for adoption and found foster homes for 75 additional children. This agency, which is an affiliate of the National Association of Evangelicals, has been in operation for ten years and in that time has placed a total of 450 for adoption and arranged for foster care of 950 children referred to it by the courts.

"Through this agency we are able to provide a distinct service to our evangelical constituency," said the Rev. Herbert Lockyer, executive director of the agency. "By means of our facilities we are able to place foster children from the courts and others through adoption in Christian homes with a wholesome environment. Also our provision of services for unwed mothers makes it possible for them to receive sympathetic help in a critical time of their lives."

## SUNDAY SCHOOL AVERAGES FOR 1962—1963

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
First Church, Springfield												
Victory, Kansas City .....	62	85	85	79	73							
Mt. Pisgah .....												
Copper Mines .....	57	92	87	87	89	89	103	101				
Fellowship, Flat River ....	165	192	209	209	195	201	197	188				
Leadington .....	39	45	38	43	39	42	40	44				
Farmington .....	74	92		96	97	86	93	88				
Fourth, St. Louis .....	72	79	86	74	73	77	66					
Mill Creek .....	29	46	48	53	55	43	55	56				
Berkeley City .....	185	212	202	254	216	237	213	226	264			
Richwoods .....	40	61	53	60	62	67	62	60				
Hannon .....												
Joplin .....	78	94	75	89	78	74	89					
Kirkville .....	63	82	86	91	85	81	86					
Grant Ave., Springfield ..	108	126	124	143	121	131		128				
Hazel Creek .....	35	53	52	47	55	58	58					
Twin Oak .....	43	53	58	60	59							
South Side Church .....	110						168	199				
New Hope, Kansas City	78	95	107	139	93	97	96					
Mine La Motte .....	16	28	34	38	31	43	34	31				
First Church, Waynesville			32									
First Church Kansas City												
First Church Lebanon ....	58	73	74	77	83	67	76	70				
Overland Church .....	88	139	140	155	150	138	126	136				
Neosho .....	64	60										
First Ch., Mtn. Grove ....	245	298	296	364	329	307	338					
Myrtle .....	41	63	58	63	62	75						
Festus .....												
Bethel, West Plains .....	108	128	138	153	145	136		130				
Desloge .....	102	122	114	122	121	112	111	116				
First Ch., Fredericktown	133	166	166	180	165							
Thayer .....	85	117	115	122	108	109	110	104				
Meramec Heights .....	27	28	35	40	34	39	40	35	38			
Skyline Armourdale Ch.	70	88	107									
First Church Monett .....	108	120	123	123	118							
Faith, Lemay .....	70	95	113	113	107	104						
Union Light .....							104	123				
First Church, Flat River ..							149					
Belton F. W. B. Mission ..					17	18	18	21				
Liberty, Phillipsburg .....								109				
New Home Church .....	50	57	53	60	53	67	65					
Grace-Arnold .....									102			

(Editor's Note: There are some of the churches that have not sent their average in for quite awhile. Let's get our chart up-to-date, send your average in.)

The agency provides services for approximately 60 unwed mothers annually, Mr. Lockyer said. All counseling and child placement by the ECWA are under the direction of Mr.

Gordon Jaeck, chairman of the sociology department at Wheaton College. He is assisted by a case worker and two staff assistants. (8-23-62)





# THE MISSION FIELD

## Response To Emergency Appeal Good NASHVILLE, Tenn.—

A heartwarming response to an emergency appeal made recently by the Foreign Mission Department of the National Association of Free Will Baptists in behalf of its Ivory Coast mission is indicated by tally of funds received to date.

The emergency situation was created last month when the Rev. and Mrs. Bill Jones were robbed of more than \$800 while on a mission shopping trip in Abidjan, capitol of the Ivory Coast, Africa. Mrs. Jones, field director in the Ivory Coast, had just secured the money from a local bank. The funds represented two thirds of the month's budget for the Coast.

Response to date virtually assures complete recovery of the loss.

General director, Reford Wilson, in expressing the department's gratefulness for this response, said, "Our people have once again proven they can be counted on in time of need. I am certain that the hearts of Bill and Joy are filled with thanksgiving because of this heartwarming response."

## Next Month Is National Home Mission's Month

Next month has been designated as a time of special emphasis—National Home Missions. Your National Home Mission Board is working in ten fields and is presently responsible for 28 missionaries and their families. God is blessing this work and many are being saved in Mexico, Hawaii, Alaska, and pioneer areas in other states, especially in Colorado, Iowa, Washington, Kansas, New Hampshire, and the District of Columbia.

This work is worthy of your support. The Home Mission budget for 1962 is \$100,000.00 and we dare not raise less. Prepare to make a generous offering next month for the cause of National Home Missions. Offering envelopes and other materials will be

mailed to you free on request. Write to the Home Missions Department, 3801 Richland Avenue, Nashville 5, Tennessee. When writing for materials please state the amount you can prayerfully use.

Today Free Will Baptists are rightly proud of the outstanding men and women who are serving on the National Home Mission fields. We feel they are some of the choice and best "soldiers." Remember them in prayer as you prepare to give your **Thanksgiving Offering**.

The Home Mission Field is all of North America—from the Arctic Circle to Central America—from the Hawaiian Islands to Nova Scotia. Our goal for November is to receive \$20,000.00, which is desperately needed at this time if we are to enlarge our ministry.

Some of the states which have recently been added to membership in the National Association, as a result of the work of Home Missions are: New Hampshire, Washington, Idaho, Colorado, Alaska, Hawaii, Iowa, Kansas, District of Columbia, and the churches in Mexico. New work is under way in New Brunswick (Canada) and Cheyenne, Wyoming.

## National Home Mission Offerings

### MISSOURI—

Farmington F. W. B. Church	\$ 122.83
South Side F. W. B. Church, St. Louis	30.30
Mack Owens, from Mo.	265.08
First F. W. B. Church, Fredericktown	20.00
Mary Martha Circle, Mtn. Grove	5.00
Finis Sorrell, Myrtle	1.00
Faith F. W. B. Church, St. Louis	15.35
Twin Oak F. W. B. League, Fredericktown	10.00
R. M. Shaner, Bonne Terre	23.10
N. Rock Springs, Mtn. Grove	20.04
Co-op, Hqts.	302.37

Fourth F. W. B. Church, St. Louis	9.00
Southside F. W. B. League, St. Louis	15.00
First F. W. B. C., Festus	3.00
Meramec F. W. B. Church, Valley Park	10.40
Central Western Mo. Ass'n, Raytown	59.45
Liberty F. W. B. Church Circle, Phillipsburg	15.00
Indiana Creek Ass'n., Cassville	25.50
Macy Gregory, Hartville	5.00
Rev. Mack Owens	354.09
Grant Ave., F. W. B. Aux., Springfield	10.00
F. W. B. Church, Berkeley	9.20
Mrs. Ralph Shrum, Monnett	6.00
Beacon F. W. B. C., G. T. A.'s, Raytown	4.00
Mr. and Mrs. Gene W. Veninga, Affton	5.00
Berkeley F. W. B. League	5.00
Myrtle F. W. B. Church, Thayer	5.00
Fourth F. W. B. Church, St. Louis	2.00
Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Shaner, Bonne Terre	4.55
W. N. A. C.	32.75
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## Foreign Mission Offerings

### MISSOURI—August, 1962

Merl's Chapel Church	\$ 20.00
Wolf Creek Church	5.00
Farmington F. W. B. Church	286.60
Parkview F. W. B. Church	20.00
South Side F. W. B. Church	241.40
Ettie Mae Logsdon	5.00
Anonymous	5.00
F. W. B. Church, Fredericktown	40.00
Son Light Mission Con.	25.95
Six Year Old Boys S. S. Class, St. Louis	5.00
Cooperative Plan of Support	604.74



Oak Grove S. S. Class .....	15.00
Martha Coffman, Leona Holt, & Oma Scott .....	3.00
Fellowship F. W. B. Church Grant Avenue F. W. B. League .....	135.00
North Rock Springs F. W. B. Church .....	10.00
Mrs. Jane Downing .....	10.00
Mrs. John F. Summers .....	50.00
Willow Springs Church .....	6.00
Master's Men, St. Louis .....	13.11
First Church, Festus .....	8.80
Central Western Missouri Association .....	2.00
F. W. B. Church, Berkeley .....	59.45
Indian Creek Ass'n. ....	75.00
First Church, Lebanon .....	25.50
Kirksville F. W. B. Church .....	25.00
Beacon F. W. B. Church ....	8.51
Lester Barks .....	16.00
Macedonia F. W. B. Church .....	5.00
D. V. B. S., Happy Ridge Church .....	10.00
Pat Boyd .....	5.00
John Schlebaum .....	41.00
Beulah Midyett .....	56.00
Myrtle F. W. B. Church ....	17.50
New Harmony Church .....	100.00
Aulsbury Chapel Church ....	68.65
First F. W. B. Church, Mountain Grove .....	5.00
Mr. & Mrs. James A. Britton .....	30.00
Missouri State Women's Auxiliary .....	83.67
W. N. A. C. ....	234.13
	<b>\$2,387.01</b>

**FROM MYRTLE:**

The Women's Auxiliary of The Myrtle Free Will Baptist Church met Sept. 4th with nine members and two visitors present.

The meeting was opened with singing and prayer by Sister Mary Ruth Wisheart.

The meeting was called to order by our president Sister Geneva Sorrell.

The minutes and treasury report was read by our secretary and treasurer Mary Alice Wisheart and the report was approved as read.

Our lesson was on "Prayer." Those giving Topics were Sisters Ora Wisheart, Lillie Sorrell, Mamie Crase, Mary Ruth Wisheart, Oro Clark, Mary Alice Wisheart, Dorris Brown and Bernice Cantrell. The lesson was enjoyed by all.

We voted to send clothing to CERF in Miami, Florida. We sent 100 lbs. of clothing. Our meeting was closed with prayer by Sister Marjorie Underwood. Ora Clark, Cor.-Sec.

TOGETHER WE WILL

SHARE

## Remember The Two Big Weeks In October

### An Open Letter To Free Will Baptists

Can Free Will Baptists successfully raise \$100,000 in two weeks? This question has come to my own mind several times in recent days. We have never done it before. What right do I have to think that we can do it now? Perhaps no right, but because the need is so great—I know this—we must try. And we must put into this effort our very best. A lot depends on it.

Free Will Baptists have enjoyed an ever expanding ministry in recent years for which we are thankful, but as a result of our growth we are now confronted with the pressing need of a new building in which to house the various departments of our National Association. Our present facilities—a two-story dwelling and garage building—in use for the last nine years, has now fulfilled its purpose.

Last year the National Association voted to approve the construction of a new building at the cost of \$125,000. At the present time, one year later, we do not have anywhere near this amount of money. Obviously, something had to be done. But what? And then the idea was advanced, "Let's raise \$100,000 in two weeks." A bold move indeed, but just what is needed if we are to meet the demands of our rapidly developing denominational ministries.

Will you accept this challenge? I am sure that many of you share with me the desire that Free Will Baptists advance to the glory of God and the salvation of souls. Ask the Holy Spirit to guide you and let us hear from you soon. Our success is dependent of your personal response.

Yours for a great advance,  
Billy A. Melvin

Help Us To Help Others  
October 14-28, 1962

Total Given and Pledged To Date  
**\$4,367.47**

—Clip and mail today—

### Here Is A Share In The Free Will Baptist Future

God being my Helper, you can count on me for \_\_\_\_\_ shares (\$50.00 each) in 1962. I will pay as indicated.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ per month Name \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ now, \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

by \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ enclosed Church \_\_\_\_\_

(This may be pasted to a post card.)



### NAE Sponsor Preaching Contest As Part Of Its Bible Emphasis

Wheaton, Ill. (CNS)—As a concluding effort in its year-long program to "Return the Bible to the Heart of the Nation" the National Association of Evangelicals is sponsoring an expository preaching contest. The competition is open to any minister, missionary or chaplain who may enter an expository sermon which he has preached to a congregation between July 1, 1962 and January 27, 1963.

"We hope that many pastors across the nation will participate in the contest," Dr. Robert A. Cook, NAE president, said in announcing the event. "This emphasis on the expository method of biblical preaching will give thousands of congregations across the country a chance to become personally involved with the Bible as it is preached from many pulpits."

In defining "expository preaching," the NAE president stated that all sermons entered should be based on a "definite passage of Scripture with the goal of explaining and applying the content in that passage to some problem of contemporary life." Each individual entrant may select his own passage and subject.

The first prize winner in the contest will receive a new edition of the 36-volume set of *The Speaker's Bible* through the courtesy of Baker Book House, Grand Rapids, Mich., plus a \$25.00 cash award. The next nine winners will each get a cash award of \$25 and all ten of the top sermons will be published in a book by Baker Book House. The winners will be announced at the NAE convention April 22-26, 1963, in Buffalo, N. Y.

A panel of five judges representing some of the nation's top authorities on expository preaching will select the best sermons. On the panel will be Dr. Merrill C. Tenney, dean of the graduate school at Wheaton College, Wheaton, Ill.; Dr. Andrew W. Blackwood, Sr., professor emeritus of homiletics at Princeton Theological Seminary and noted author, Philadelphia, Pa.; Mr. Herman Baker of Baker Book House, Grand Rapids, Mich.; Dr. Neil Winegarden, president of Buffalo Bible Institute, Buffalo, N. Y., and Dr. James D. Robertson, professor of preaching at Asbury Seminary, Wilmore, Ky.

Each contestant will be allowed to

enter only one original sermon of not more than 3,000 words in length. Official contest rules and entry blank may be obtained by writing to Expository Preaching Contest, NAE, Box 28, Wheaton, Ill. (8-23-62)

### American Youth Worker Calls Helsinki Festival 'Massive, Calculated Propaganda Spectacular'

Helsinki, Finland (CNS)—An American youth worker here for the recently Communist-sponsored world youth festival termed the event a "massive, calculated propaganda spectacular."

Dave Breese, director of Chicago-land Youth for Christ who covered the festival as a correspondent for Church News Service, described it as a "masterpiece of planning and logistics which was geared to produce a series of psychological shock waves" on the 14,000 young people who were brought here from all parts of the world for the event.

"Bright colors, dramatic staging, massed crowd enthusiasm and controlled discussion groups were all used to convey the impression of an irresistible Red tide sweeping the whole world," Breese said. He said he felt that the Reds' primary purpose of the \$25 million political show was to make an impression on the thousands of delegates from the uncommitted nations rather than on the world at large.

All of the delegations from over a hundred countries were under strict control of hard-core Communist leaders, Breese observed. Delegates were given little opportunity to mingle with Finns or other national groups apart from closely supervised activities, he said.

Attendance at the scores of simultaneous meetings was controlled by the leaders of national groups issuing tickets to sessions which they thought would be best for certain delegates. Finnish Communist "goon squads" were used to keep order and to prevent delegates out of satellite countries from defecting to the West. Despite this close guard, however, it was reported that 14 East German youths did defect.

Reaction of the festival delegates to the distribution of Scripture portions given out by the American-based Pocket Testament League was varied,

Breese reported. Some received them gladly while others—like a young Bulgarian—tore them up and stamped them in the ground. One young Finnish girl who was helping with the Scripture distribution was manhandled by a "goon squad." The PTL team reported that advance arrangements which they had made were disregarded by city authorities in deference to Communist pressures.

"Because the basic Communist philosophy is based on a lie the Reds are terror-stricken at any form of alternative truth," Breese said. "The Reds are not only opposed to Christianity, but are against anything which does not specifically agree with them. They even destroyed some literature from other countries for the simple reason that it did not carry their line."

"The advantage of truth," he said, "is that it can compete freely in the marketplace of ideas and asks no special consideration."

The appearance of the famed German churchman who is one of the presidents of the World Council of Churches, Dr. Martin Niemoller, at the festival was particularly disconcerting, Breese said. Niemoller hailed the youth festival as an excellent place to work for world peace and told one group that he would work with anyone for world peace because it was in the "spirit of the living Christ to do so."

Reaction of the Finns themselves to the Red-sponsored affair was remarkably cool, according to Breese. All who could left the city on vacation, but thousands of young people gathered to demonstrate against the Reds. Breese was twice caught in tear gas which the police used to break up the crowds. (8-23-62)

### New Import Regulations In Congo

Leopoldville, Congo (MNS)—New regulations have gone into effect in the Congo requiring that import licenses be obtained for each item entering the country, no matter how small. Here is how it affects missionaries. If a missionary family (or anyone else) gets a package containing a dress, a shirt and a toy, for instance, they must pay fees and secure a separate license for each item. This is apart from the duty which may be levied. Persons desiring to send packages to the Congo should contact the missionary for instructions.