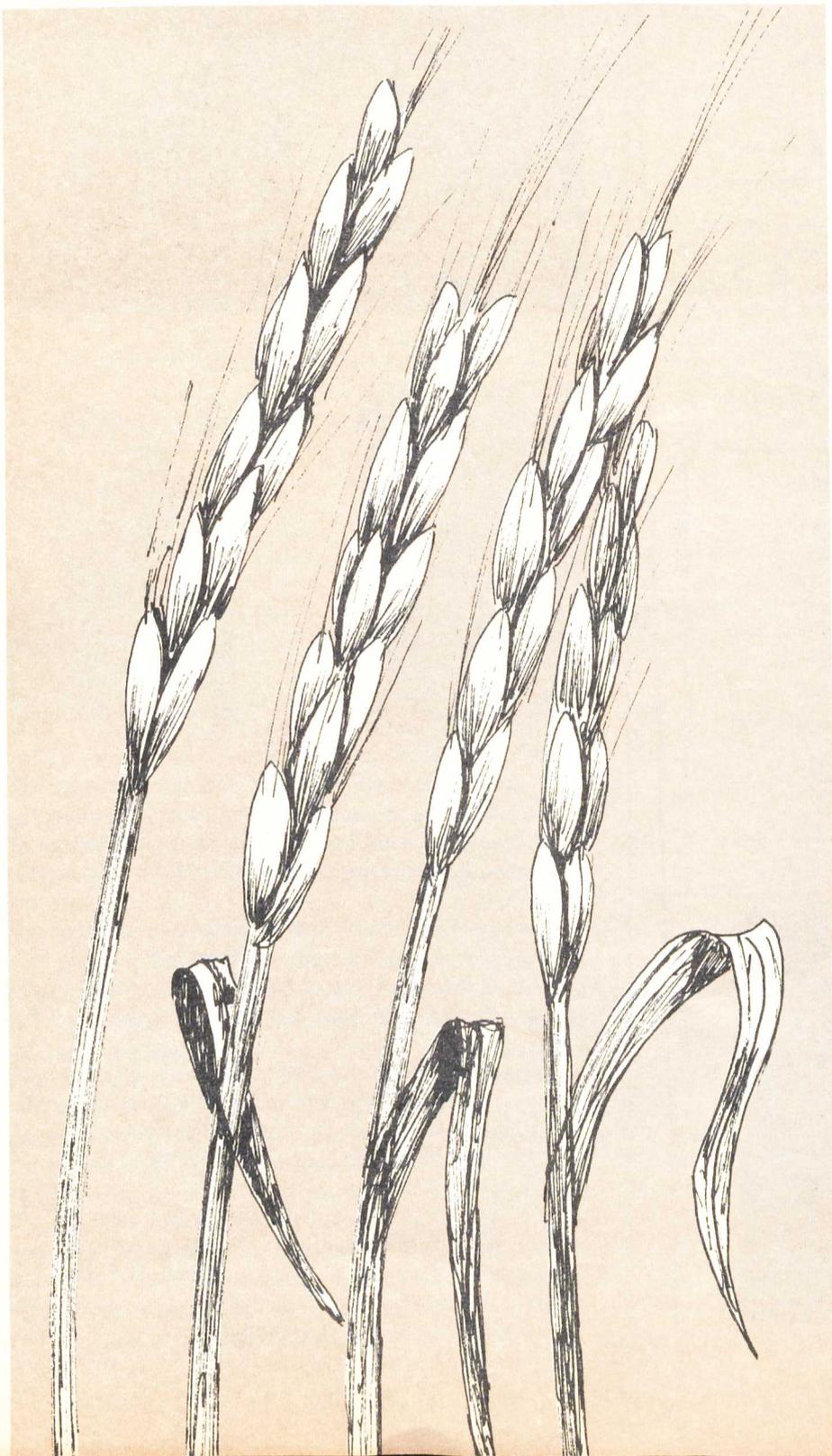


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JULY, 1969



Then saith he unto
his disciples, The
harvest truly is plenteous
but the labourers are few;

Pray ye therefore the
the Lord of the
harvest, that he will
send forth labourers
into his harvest.
Matthew 9:37,38

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Bud Hill



From the Moderator

Rev. Woodrow Matthews
7920 Harris Street
Raytown, Missouri

“And they shall come from the east, and from the west, and from the north, and from the south . . .” Luke 13:29.

While the above scripture may deal more directly with man's salvation and eternal reward, I feel it is somewhat descriptive of Missouri Free Will Baptists as they gather for the annual session of the Missouri State Association, August 19-21.

The Free Will Baptist Church, Leadington, Missouri, will host the convention this year. The pastor, Reverend Frank Guinta, has extended a cordial welcome from the people of the church and other Free Will Baptists of the Lead Belt Area.

The state meetings have been a source of edification for many years. Surely, this session will not be an exception. All affiliated associations are urged to send delegates; also, the individual church may be represented by lay-delegates according to membership.

Since the association is being held within the bounds of one of the stronger associations of the state, there is a possibility of a record-breaking attendance. So make your plans to attend the 56th Annual Session of the Missouri State Association of Free Will Baptists.



FLAT RIVER, MISSOURI

Missouri State

Meeting

Rev. Robert L. Shockey



Rev. Lawrence Thompson



The Missouri State Association will meet August 19-21 at the First Free Will Baptist Church in Leadington, Missouri (note: Leadington may not be on your map, but it adjoins Flat River, Missouri). The General Board will meet at 2 p.m. Monday, August 18th. The association proper begins Monday night with a 7:30 p.m. service, and continues through Thursday noon.

The theme of the association will be "The Church Involved." The speakers will be Mr. Lynn Frazier, a layman from the Cape Girardeau Church, bringing the keynote message Tuesday night, "The Church Involved in Total Utilization."

The Wednesday morning message will be, "The Church Involved in Patriotism." The speaker will be Billy Melvin. The Wednesday night missions message, "The Church Involved in Missions," will be delivered by Rev. Bob Shockey of the National Home Missions Department. Rev. Lawrence Thompson, pastor of the Victory Free Will Baptist Church in Kansas City, will deliver the message Thursday morning, "The Church Involved in Stewardship."

We hope you will plan to attend.

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GLEANINGS



FROM THE FIELDS

'69 Senior Breakfast
Held at the First Free
Will Baptist Church

The annual senior breakfast was held for the 1969 seniors of Mountain Grove High School at the First Free Will Baptist Church, sponsored by the church with the Woman's auxiliary in charge.

Mrs. Bonnie Maxwell was the mistress of ceremony. Special guests were Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Hicks, principal, and Dr. Charles Foster, superintendent of Mountain Grove High School.

Opening prayer was by Hazel Hutsell, the church quartet—Lynn Hurtt, Betty Dale, Max Walker, Sonny Walker—sang "He Is My All and All," "He is Everything," and "He Touched Me."

Guest speaker for the morning was Rev. George Bryant, former senior and church member. Rev. Luther Gibson presented each senior with a Bible, closing the breakfast with prayer.

Seniors were as follows: Paulette Holforth, Carol Hagon, Sherry Middleton, Kathy Griffen, Billy Griffen, Cris Dale Cabool. Ann Burns, Lee Johnson, Larry Colson, Dane Spurgen, Ben Cantrell, Deliah Mason of Memphis, Tennessee. Harold Elliott, Terry Short, Barbara Postlewaite—McCarty, Beverly Hutsell—Schnur.

The dining hall was decorated with the school colors of maroon and gray draped down the wall flowing to the floor with '68-'69 Seniors. Place settings were recognized by pictured senior with cap and name underneath. Programs were pictured caps with maroon and gray.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AVERAGES FOR 1969

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May
Farmington	160	150	161	163	
Southside, St. Louis			126		
Trinity, St. Louis	149	145	142	149	149
Kirksville	136	135	144	158	146
Grant Ave., Springfield	174	184	184	176	169
Viburnum Church	38	36	46		
Mine La Motte	29	24	26	42	
KoshKonong	51	51	55	66	
Desloge	90				101
Hannon	58		53	56	57
Leadington	146	140	180	178	
Copper Mines	75	82	81		
Fourth Ch., St. Louis	108	116	144		137
West Plains	133		138	142	137
First, Lebanon	129		118	164	
Sunnyview, Lebanon	46		42	55	58
Desoto	56	48	58	77	67
Thayer	111	101	116	137	
Overland	154	202	226		
Salem	26		40	41	43
Willow Springs, Mtn. Grove	85	76	92		
Twin Oaks Church	39				
Fellowship Church	253	251	251	252	
Richwoods Church	44	34	40		
Berkeley Church	367	350	387		
Central Church K.C.	140	159	177	156	168
First, Springfield	204		205	206	
Hazel Creek	35				
Parkview			101	102	
Twin City Festus	56	41	54	40	45

PASTOR RESIGNS

Reverend Bud Hill has resigned the Grant Avenue Free Will Baptist Church, Springfield, and will be moving to Mountain Grove, Missouri the last of July. He will assume the position as a teacher of special education in the public school system in Mountain Grove the last of August.

God has richly blessed the Lone Star Church, so we want to share the blessings with you and give God all the glory and praise.

Our Church now has a new furnace, classrooms in the basement, new hardwood floors in the auditorium and carpeting on our stage. But most of all we thank the Lord for souls that have been saved.

We have many young people and juniors who can hardly wait for camp. Speaking of young people, they outnumber our adults! It's a challenge to our pastor and teachers. We ask your prayers that God will lead and direct in their lives.

We also want to thank the men of our church who are so faithfully working in their spare time to finish our girls' cabin before camp begins.

We know if we keep seeking His will He will continue to bless us. God bless each one of you is our prayer.

Barbara Draper,
Corresponding Secretary
Seth Draper, Pastor

Oskaloosa Free Will Baptist Church, Missouri, had a song service May 14.

The song service was opened by the congregation singing "Heaven's Jubilee."

Prayer was by Brother Finis Johnson.

Congregation song: "Hold to God's Unchanging Hand."

Trio—Loretta Smith, Patsy McQuire, Martha Cooper: "Just Jesus and Me."

Solo by Rev. Glenn Murray: "Follow Me."

Duet by Rev. Murray and wife: "I Need No Mansions Here Below."

Male Quartet—Rev. Bob, Keith Dickey Reed, and Sam Smith: "When He Blessed My Soul." "I Want To Know More About My Lord."

Quartet—Glenda Beaman, Sam and Loretta Smith, Keith Dickey: "A Little Talk With Jesus," "Bearing the Cross to Win the Crown," "The Jericho Road," "Jesus Hold My Hand," "I'm Camping in Canaan," "Prepare to Meet Thy God."

Double Trio—Sue Eden, Rev. Bob and Keith Dickey, Dorothy Dickey, Reed and Sam Smith: "I'm Too Near Home."

Solo: "The Rose That Never Fades," by Rev. Finis Johnson.

Congregation Song: "When the Roll is Called Up Yonder I'll Be There," "Softly and Tenderly."

Dismissal prayer was by Rev. Keith Dickey. All retired to dining room for refreshments.

The song service meets each third Friday evening at 8:00.

In His service,
Laphema E. Herrell, Reporter

Moore, Oklahoma—Mr. Richard Terry, Lee's Summit, Missouri, was one of the six students honored during the Commencement exercises of Oklahoma Bible College May 30.

Mr. Terry received the honor of Best-All-Around Boy, an annual award which is presented to a boy and a girl selected by the student body for their excellence in all phases of campus life. Mr. Terry is a member of the Central Church in Kansas City. Miss Gloria Followwill, Arlington, Texas, was chosen Best All-Around Girl.

Don Rehkop, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Rehkop, 1403 E. Chestnut, Desloge, has been named to the Dean's List at Nashville Free Will Baptist Bible College, Nashville, Tennessee.

Don has attended the Bible College since January, 1968, and has achieved placement on the Dean's List for the third consecutive semester. Don is working for a B.A. degree with a major in Bible and Christian education, and plans to be a minister. He has been a Christian for only 19 months and is a member of Fellowship Free Will Baptist Church, 601 Buckley, Flat River, Missouri.

Peggy Bailey,
Corresponding Secretary

Dear Fellow Laborers in Christ:

Labor not for the meat which perisheth, but for that meat which endureth unto everlasting life, which the Son of man shall give unto you; for him hath God the father sealed. (John 6:27).

The Lord has been with Central in a marvelous way during the month of May. On May 3, the men of the church cooked dinner for the women and a great time of Christian fellowship was enjoyed. Brother and Sister John McAllister were guests.

From May 5-11, Rev. Bobby Jackson of Greenville, North Carolina, was our evangelist for revival. The church was blessed and strengthened in the Lord and six decisions were made for Christ. Rev. Jackson also sang some of his recently recorded songs, which were very inspirational. Rev. Jackson has a very unique way of presenting the Word of God and anyone having the opportunity to hear him will be greatly enriched in their Christian life.

We wish to extend our thanks to Victory Church for the hospitality May 17 where the Kansas City area quarterly association was held.

Central started a Sunday School drive four months ago to increase attendance, which ended May 18 with the largest number for any one Sunday of 255. Although the drive was for the glory of God and the cause of Christ, a lovely family Bible was given to the family bringing the most people during the time. Brother Dwight Hoyt brought a total of 60, Brother Bill Jackson, 67, and Brother Bud Thatcher, 71. Brother Thatcher was presented with the beautiful Bible May 25.

May 18 was homecoming day at Central, our sixth anniversary. Brother Paul Ussery and family of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, who formerly attended here and are now starting a Free Will Baptist work in Cedar Rapids, were visitors. Also visiting us were Brother Roy Sparks and family and Brother Lavone Moser and family of Warrensburg, Missouri, where they also are starting a Free Will Baptist work. Following the morning services, we had lunch in the fellowship hall. In the afternoon a singspiration was held with congregational singing and special numbers by various groups from our church and visiting area churches.

The following members were added to the Fisherman's Fleet this month: Brother Lennie Jackson, Sister Mona Hoyt, Brother Lee Sherrill, Sister Cledith Sherrill, Sister Elaine Ledford, Brother Bud Thatcher, Brother Ken Goff and Sister Mary Williams.

Our pastor, Rev. James McAllister, was at Fourth Church in St. Louis, Missouri, for a revival May 19-25. Brother Ken Goff, one of our licensed ministers, delivered the message while our pastor was away. He preaches with great sincerity and concern for the cause of Christ.

Be of good courage, and he shall strengthen your heart, all ye that hope in the Lord (Psalm 31:24).

Corresponding Secretary
Mary Williams

GLEANINGS CON'T.

Fourth Free Will Baptist Church

Greetings in Jesus' Name,

I thought that the news of our wonderful revival that we enjoyed May 19-25, 1969 would be welcomed by our *Gem* readers.

There is so much talk about God being dead these days, that we here at Fourth would like the world to know that we know he lives.

On Saturday night, before revival, the church had an all night prayer meeting. There were Christians at the altar every minute through the night, from 6 until 8.

Yes, we prayed for revival, one such as the church had never before experienced. We here at Fourth are a praying people. We have the faith to believe that God was, that God is, and that God will always be present in the hearts of those who know and love Him.

Our prayers went up to the portals of glory, and God heard our prayers, and sent the fires of revival down upon us.

Reverend James McAllister, pastor of Central Free Will Baptist Church in Kansas City, was our evangelist. Brother Jim, as we came to know him, preached the Word as the Lord laid it upon his heart. Not iced, or sweetened up with honey, but the gospel, as is.

Souls were saved in every service. People were hungry for the word. Unsaved came forward and accepted Christ as personal Savior.

"Blessed are they that hear the word of God and keep it" (Luke 11:28).

God is the same today, as he was back in II Chronicles 7:14, when He told Solomon to humble himself, and seek his face and pray ." A most familiar verse of scripture to a Christian. His blessings unto all that put their trust in Him is so vast that mere man could not begin to number.

"Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him." (I Chronicles 2:9).

We, along with our pastor, Reverend Johnnie Land, do truly thank God from the very depths of our being, for a most victorious revival.

Twenty-three souls were saved, six were re-dedications. Eleven came forward and presented themselves for church membership following baptism.

The meeting is over, but we feel that revival will continue, as long as people continue to see God's face and pray.

We ask all our praying *Gem* readers to continue to pray for us here at Fourth. God has ordained the church as a soul-saving station, and we as a dedicated people pray that souls will continue to come and be born again, accepting our Christ as their personal Savior.

May God bless all our Free Will Baptists churches everywhere.

Leamon L. Killian
Corresponding Secretary

Cooperative Receipts May 1969

First FWB, West Plains	Apr.	\$ 62.00
Parkview	Apr.	98.75
Jones Chapel	Apr.	10.00
Salem	Apr.	20.00
Desoto	Apr.	46.70
Viburnum	Apr.	48.28
Waynesville	Mar.—Apr.	163.25
Mt. Grove	Apr.	197.20
Fourth FWB Ch.	Apr.	149.78
Granby	Apr.	20.07
New Harmony S.S.	Apr.	7.65
Belton	Apr.	51.85
Beacon	Apr.	136.65
Victory	Apr.	142.30
Grant Avenue	Apr.	128.00
Berkley	Apr.	276.85
Pleasant Ridge	Apr.	13.70
Merl's Chapel	Apr.	25.54
Cope	Apr.	16.34
Carterville	Apr.	17.96
Garfield	Apr.	21.70
Sunnyview	Apr.	12.71
Hannon	Apr.	52.50
Olivett	Apr.	69.03
Verdella		109.57
Centrall	Apr.	120.00
Farmington	Apr.	152.32
Rock Chapel	Apr.—May	53.94
Copper Mines		45.00
Leadington		161.00
Thayer	Apr.	51.76
Hickory Grove	May	22.50
Mine La Motte		11.60
Kirksville		30.00
Monett	Apr.	120.92
St. Joseph	May	15.90
Beacon	May	123.43
South Side	May	157.00
Fellowship	May	50.00
Parkview	May	120.46
Garfield	May	21.09
Mt. Grove	May	217.82
Lebanon	May	250.00
Central		120.00
First FWB, West Plains	May	70.00
Willow Springs	May	44.53
		<u>\$3,857.65</u>
52.00% National Association		\$2,005.98
1.00% Mo. CTS / S.S.		38.58
1.00% Mo. Superannuation		38.58
3.75% Gem		144.66
4.00% Youth Camp		154.30
8.25% General Fund		318.26
14.00% Promotional Dept.		540.07
16.00% Mo. Missions		617.22
100% Total Disbursed		<u>\$3,857.65</u>
National Association Entertainment funds received May		
Monett Church: In Indian Creek Assn.		\$100.00
Jones Chapel		36.00
Pleasant Grove		6.00
Carterville		19.80
New Rock Springs in Mission Assn.		25.00
Trinity in St. Louis Dist.		30.00
Faith		30.00
North East Assn.		100.00
Beacon in Kansas City		40.00
Capegirardeau Church in Madison dist.		20.00
This Month		<u>\$406.80</u>
Total to Date		\$1,116.80

The Harvest Truly is Plenteous

This statement of Christ's was made on the heels of an era in His ministry which involved much healing, casting out the devils, and the raising from death of Jairus's daughter.

He had suffered much persecution and criticism from the Pharisees, who questioned that this power was of the devil (verse 36). But when He saw the multitude, He was moved with compassion. It was not for temporal needs that He had pitied the blind, lame and sick, but rather for a spiritual need. He was concerned because of their ignorance and lack of vision for which they would perish. It was compassion for these souls that brought Him from Heaven to earth and to the Cross.

This same condition prevails today. Spiritual needs are just as great. The most Christ-like compassion we experience is that for lost souls.

Our hearts grieve over the physical needs of the under-privileged, the war orphans, but our chief concern which would please our Lord most should be for lost souls.

It is not our place to condemn sinners, regardless of how fallen they are. They are condemned already. Our emotions should be one of pity and a yearning to help them to know Christ's saving grace. Notice verse 29. Those who came to Christ were dealt with according to their faith. Notice also, how unwearied Christ was in doing good. He had no sooner dismissed the two blind men than he was confronted with the dumb one possessed with a devil. Through these works He performed, the multitude wondered. A few believed, but many marvelled.

Christ's great concern was that the harvest was plenteous, but the laborers few. There was much good to be done, but few to do it. No doubt these people desired good preaching, but good preachers were limited. It is a blessed sight to see people hungry for good preaching, desirous of greater communion with Christ. These people were anxious, leaving their homes and jobs to follow Him, seeking to know more of Him.

Although many times Christ charged them to keep His works secret prior to His crucifixion, He later lifted this charge. The charge could have been issued for various

reasons: (1) To set an example of humility. In doing good we must not seek praise for self, rather for the glory of God. It must be more our endeavor to be useful than to be considered so by men. (2) He could have desired secrecy for His own preservation. The more He was proclaimed, the more jealous the rulers of the Jews became over His growing popularity among the people. (3) Neither did He want His followers attempting to set up a temporal kingdom for His reign on earth (John 6-15). Be as it may, this charge was lifted. Just before His ascension, His final command was, "Go ye . . . teach ALL nations (Matthew 28:19-20).

After His resurrection, the climax of His ministry, His Spiritual kingdom was set up and ready to be published to all nations. The prerequisites to missionary activity are concern, hunger and zeal. John 4:35—Lift up your eyes and look. Look—at the conditions that prevail in our world today. Look—at the restlessness and discontentment among the peoples of all classes.

Are you aware that we are living in a society that is disturbed and demon-possessed? No doubt this twentieth century will go down in history as the century of revolution. There is constantly another uprising or revolution springing up daily, and most of them are of a violent nature. With all the wars, crime, rioting and rebelling that are going on, we are conscious that there is something drastically wrong with the human race. As I listened to a T.V. report on "How to protect ourselves against missile attacks," I was keenly aware of the fear that has gripped the hearts of intelligent men of our government. None are sure of the course to take in order to improve conditions. Science has given us elements for security, yet we are insecure. Materially, we have everything to bring happiness, yet we are unhappy and are witnessing more suicides than ever in history. Yes, I look, and I see the urgency of the hour for soul-winning. I look—and I see that the only secure place is in complete surrender to Christ. If we have dying faith, why not exercise living faith? If God is able in death so is He in life. Those among us who have loved ones who do not know Christ had better become more concerned about their spiritual welfare. "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest that He will send forth laborers." (Matthew 9-38).

"And He went out into a mountain to pray, and continued all night in prayer." Such an example challenges us to pray. How long has it been since you've wept over unsaved loved ones? We must have supernatural power to be a victorious Christian. This is possible only through contact with God in prayer.

James said, "Ye have not because ye ask not." Nothing is too insignificant to pray about. Whatever the need, talk to God about it. Christian women, what would you say to God if you expressed your heart's desire to Him? Would it be for a new home, a new car, money, beautiful clothes or anything of a material nature? Or does your heart desire a closer communion with Him, power in prayer, wisdom and a more fruitful spiritual life. "Labor not for the meat which perisheth but for that meat which endureth unto everlasting life which the Son of Man shall give unto you" (John 6-27).

Missionary Giving From Missouri

MISSOURI HOME MISSIONS GIVING

South Side FWB Church, St. Louis	23.04
Mrs. Phillip Fry, Mtn. Grove	2.00
Mrs. Alyene Collier, Springfield	15.00
Youth for Christ, Marquard	25.00
First FWB Church, DeSoto	40.00
Columbia FWB Church	15.00
Pleasant Ridge FWB Church, Urbana	10.00
Beacon FWB Home Blds. Class, Raytown	15.00
Mrs. Pearl Denton, Farmington	5.00
First FWB Church, Fredericktown	20.00
New Home FWB Church, Hartville	30.00
Mr. and Mrs. Vencie Long, Hartville	5.00
Mr. Leslie Hansen, St. Louis	5.75
Overland FWB Church	25.00
Mr. L. R. Riggs, Jennings	200.00
Central FWB Church, Kansas City	7.66
Mrs. Lucy Postlewaite, Mtn. Grove	5.00
FWB Church Ladies Auxiliary, Fredericktown	15.00
Festus FWB Church	4.00
First FWB Church, Mtn. Grove	29.00
Mr. and Mrs. Vernon E. Long, Festus	10.00
Mr. Ronald Barr, Arnold, Missouri	5.00
Cooperative Plan	332.16
Leadington FWB Church	23.00
First FWB Church, Monett	27.00
First FWB Church, Joplin	29.62
Kirkville FWB Church	2.00
Victory FWB Church, Avondale	24.03
Rev. J. E. Corey, Maywood	1.00
Fellowship FWB Church, Flat River	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. Walden Robinson, Farmington	15.00
	975.26



MISSOURI FOREIGN MISSIONS GIVING

Month of May 1969

Cooperative Plan	324.23
New Harmony S.S., Greentop	51.72
Lloyd Aldridge, Grandview	11.00
Pleasant Ridge Young People, Alton	5.22
Otho McCormack, Springfield	2.00
Parkview FWB Church, Desloge	50.00
Chester Wright, St. Louis	400.00
David Daffron, West Plains	5.00
George Martin, Springfield	5.00
Jones Chapel Church, Stark City	21.84

Floyd E. Green, Lee's Summit	15.00
First FWB Church, De Soto	14.31
Columbia FWB Church	26.94
Mr. Ed Freeland, Fredericktown	20.00
Kenneth Stilwell, Kirksville	14.00
Mrs. Laurine Maxwell, Cabool	2.00
Master's Men, Thayer, Mo.	5.00
FWB Church, Berkeley	147.50
W. Porter Clark, Belton	5.00
Houston FWB Church	10.00
Rev. T.O. Hutchison, Neoshoo	1.00
First FWB Church, Fredericktown	40.00
YPA—First FWB Church, West Plains	100.00
Mrs. Louvita Spears, West Plains	15.00
Oak Grove Church, Norwood	99.91
Fellowship Class, FWB Church, Farmington	13.00
New Harmony S.S., Greentop	49.90
Cape Church, Hartville	142.51
Harold Kelsey, Greentop	10.00
Verdella FWB Church, Liberal	10.00
Marie Hanna Aux. Trinity FWB Church, St. Ann	8.00
Hannon FWB Church, Liberal	26.25
Alton FWB Aux.	5.00
CTS—Helpers Group, Trinity FWB, Bridgeton	19.00
Central FWB Church, Kansas City	50.57
Alton FWB Church	12.00
Girls Prayer Band, FWB Church, Kirksville	6.40
Reverend and Mrs. Lester C. Jones, Marshall	5.00
Milford House, Gower	5.00
First FWB Church, Mtn. Grove	60.25
First FWB Church, Springfield	46.55
First FWB Church, Monett	20.00
Ronald E. Barr, Arnold	5.00
Woman's Auxiliary, First FWB, Kansas City	19.00
Betty Barnes, Fredericktown	3.50
David Buie, St. Louis	10.00
Parkview FWB Church, Desloge	62.50
Cuba FWB Church	3.00
Leadington FWB Church	14.00
New Rock Springs Church, Cabool	15.00
Mr. Phillip Fry, Mtn. Grove	12.00
Wolf Creek Church, Mansfield	33.37
Archie Cooper, Kirksville	10.00
W.L. Evans, Springfield	10.00
Eli F. Stephens, St. Louis	20.00
Dale Crossgrove, Novinger	5.00
Low Ground FWB Church, Novinger	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Fortney	5.00
Victory FWB Church	39.03
Kirkville FWB Church	57.43
Hickory Grove FWB Ch. S.S. Harrisonville	12.31
Leadington FWB Church	25.00
Pleasant Home Church, Mtn. Grove	9.25
Fellowship FWB Church, Flat River	225.00
Valentine Arnold, Florissant	50.00
Oak Grove FWB Church, Cabool	18.00
Beacon FWB Church, Raytown	35.00
Anonymous	14.00
WNAC	774.25
	\$3,353.93

MISSIONARIES

CARLISLE AND MARIE HANNA



Soon after his conversion, Carlisle Hanna recognized that God had a work for Him to do. Not until a year later, however, while in Free Will Baptist Bible College did he yield himself for service in India. "Since that time," he relates, "I have been happy in my service for the Lord. There is a deep abiding peace that I find as I follow Jesus Christ day by day."

Marie Wright accepted Christ at the age of 13 and knew even then that the Lord wanted her as a missionary. Two years later while praying, she recalls, "I told the Lord if He were calling me as a missionary I would go. Immediately it was as plain as if a voice in the room spoke, 'I want you in India.'"

Complete dedication to God's will, coupled with an abiding conviction that India was His choice for them, led

the Hannas to apply for missionary service. Appointed in 1951, they sailed in October, 1952, with infant daughter Sheila Marie.

Heartbreak came in 1953 with the death of Sheila on March 17, but even in this God was continuing to refine His servants for the ministry of patience and understanding which enables them to win many to Christ.

Living in Sonapurhat, Carlisle and Marie maintain hostel ministries among boys and girls attending nearby schools. Preaching points in surrounding villages afford additional opportunities to tell of Christ.

Carlisle was born August 3, 1929; Marie, April 6, 1928; Brenda Kay, June 18, 1954; Donald Timothy, October 24, 1956; and Mark David, July 4, 1960..

Missouri State Woman's Auxiliary Convention

Leadington, Missouri August 19, 1969

Theme: "Weeping Brings Rejoicing"

Tuesday Morning

9:30 Convention Hymn "Bring Them In"
 Devotional Mrs. Marie Hanna
 Special Music Farmington Girls Quartet
 Welcome Mrs. Pat Morris
 Response Mrs. Elaine Spurgeon
 Recognition of Delegates and
 appointment of committees Mrs. Joanne King
 Thoughts on Soul Winning Mrs. Eunice Edwards
 Congregation Sings "Lord Lay Some Soul Upon My Heart"

11:00 Worship in Song "Bringing In The Sheaves"
 Special Music Leadington Ladies' Trio
 Message Brother Carlisle Hanna
 Missions Offering
 Adjourn Session

Tuesday Afternoon

1:30 Chorus Time Mrs. Peggy Giunta
 Special Music Mountain Grove Junior Auxiliary
 Devotional Mrs. Louise Vandivort
 Missions Emphasis Mrs. Peggy Davis
 Business Session
 Report of Committees

Music Director: Mrs. Peggy Giunta
 Organist: Mrs. Jo Ann Thomas
 Pianist: Mrs. Anna Mae McFarland



Woman's Auxiliary

Installation of Woman's Auxiliary Officers held at Fellowship

The regular *Co-Laborer* meeting for the woman's auxiliary was held Monday, May 12, at Fellowship Free Will Baptist Church, Flat River, Missouri.

Mrs. Mary Grieshaber gave a very interesting program on, "Are You Making Your House a Home?" A short business meeting was held with Circle Chairmen Mrs. Mildren Hildebrand and Mrs. Florence Burcham reporting. Mrs. Betty Reeves, missions chairman, encouraged all to attend the Missionary Conference held May 18-21. It was unanimously voted to accept Mrs. Geneva Walker, the pastor's wife, as a new member.

Following the business meeting, a very impressive installation of officers was held by Mrs. Eunice Edwards of Desloge, Missouri. The theme was about the colors of the Rainbow and how they collaborated with her office. Each officer wore a different color of material draped around her as a "sari" and carried a gold chain necklace. As she stepped out she joined one continuous chain. This signified how they should work together and how they were joined together with Christ Jesus.

Officers installed were Mrs. Wanda Ragsdale, president; Mrs. Mary Grieshaber, vice-president; Mrs. Edith Brooks, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. Peggy Bailey, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Florence Burcham, missions chairman; Mrs. Betty Reeves, study course chairman; Mrs. Janet Bailey, program prayer chairman; and Mrs. Della Getz, personal service chairman. The new circle chairmen are Mrs. Ollie Smith and Mrs. Ruth Goad.

Peggy Bailey
Corresponding Secretary

The April meeting of the Alton Free Will Baptist Woman's Auxiliary was held April 14, with nine members present.

The meeting opened with a song, "Jesus Saves." We were led in prayer by Sister Lula Foster.

The *Co-Laborer* lesson was entitled, "Today's Woman in Africa." Topics were read and lesson discussed.

Business meeting opened with President Barbara James reading Proverbs 3:56.

Officers reports were given. April 26 was the date set for rummage and bake sale.

The auxiliary sent \$26 to the Cousineaus' account. We were happy to have Brother and Sister Cousineau visit our church recently. The auxiliary has pledged \$5 a month to their account.

We were dismissed with altar prayer.

The auxiliary met May 12 with nine members present. Sister Eileen Gonterman and Sister Forest surprised each member with a corsage they had made for us. Sister Eileen read Proverbs 31:10,31. Sister Forest read a poem. Prayer was led by Sister Wheeler. The Program Chairman took charge of the program. The lesson was "A House or a Home?" She read Luke 10:38,42. Topics were read by different ones. The business meeting opened with prayer by Sister Forest. Officers reports were given. A letter was read from missionaries Bill and Joy Jones. We dismissed with altar prayer.

Refreshments were served, prepared by Sister Eileen Gonterman and Sister Lois Forest.

Mildred Wallace,
Secretary

The Fourth Free Will Baptist Church's Woman's Auxiliary met May 26. We had good attendance. It was a real blessing to everyone.

Our revival had ended the night before, and we were still enjoying the blessings from that. Brother McAllister certainly delivered God's messages in a way that thrilled our hearts. God can do great things through a willing servant. I feel that this revival will have an impact on our auxiliary. I'm sure that we will have a greater incentive and determination to serve God in any way that we can.

I don't know of a better way for women to have a part in God's work than through the woman's auxiliary. Our main goal should be to see souls saved throughout the world. Through the auxiliaries each woman doing a little bit will add up, and the women's total efforts will be of great value to our missionaries. We must never forget that prayer is the greatest.

We elected officers for the coming year. We covet your prayers that ours will be an auxiliary that God will be pleased with.

Nellie Whillhite,
Corresponding Secretary

The Woman's Auxiliary of the First Free Will Baptist Church of West Plains, Missouri, met June 2 with 11 members and three visitors present.

Our new officers took charge of the meeting. Opening song, "Bringing in the Sheaves" followed the prayer by Effie Lou Moss.

The new Program Prayer Chairman, Evelyn Daffron, gave us an interesting lesson from our *Co-Laborer* book with helps from other books.

Officers present gave the following reports: the secretary-treasurer report was accepted. The Personal Service Chairman reported of a Bridal Shower and serving food two days when there was a death.

We decided to help furnish and fix a kitchen in our basement for our new church project.

We selected the Frank Cousineaus as foreign missionaries to help, and sent them \$10 for this month.

Plans were made for our vacation Bible school to begin July 7th. Our V.B.S. committee was selected as follows: Ella Mae Stephen, Eudene Adkisson, Betty Roberison and Elaine Skiles.

Due to another bridal shower, our business was closed at 8 o'clock.

It was voted to order some new manuals for our new members. We are happy to say we were an A-1 auxiliary this past year. Continue to pray for us.

Corresponding secretary,
Hattie Sims

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Free Will Baptist Church of Oskaloosa, Missouri, met for their regular monthly meeting May 14 with eight members present.

After an opening hymn, "Break Thou the Bread of Life," Sister Wilma Smith led in prayer.

President Sue Eden read Luke 10:38-42 and John 6:1-13 for scripture reading.

Last year's officers were retained again this year. It was voted to send \$10 to the two girls graduating at the children's home. We also voted to meet at church and tear bandages June 5 for missionaries in clinic work.

We enjoyed discussing the lesson, "Home and Children."

We are not doing great things, but we want to be at the foot of the Cross, willing that God can use us.

A circle of prayer dismissed our group.

Corresponding Secretary,
Laphema Herrell

The Myrtle Free Will Baptist Woman's Auxiliary met Monday evening June 2 for our first meeting of the new year with seven members present.

The meeting was called to order by President Gloria Carlson. Roll call was answered by members telling of some quality we admired in our fathers, since June is Father's Day month. Some very good answers were given.

After opening prayer by Mamie Crase, reports were given and accepted. Old business included discussion about the auxiliary's getting behind the movement to try to help get T.V. programs cleaned up so people can watch T.V. without embarrassment. We are one 100 per cent behind this movement.

Some of our upcoming projects are to send packages to boys in service, to send \$15 to the Billows to keep a student in summer semester, and also to send \$25 to the

Bible college in Nashville, Tennessee.

Program Chairman Bernice Cantrell took charge and presented the *Co-Laborer* lesson, "A missionary Looks at Animism." Topics were given by Rosalee Reed, Gloria Carlson, and Edna Hall. Some good talks were given on each topic. It is so hard for us to visualize people anywhere in the world today and not believing in a living God. It makes us humbly bow our heads and thank our dear Lord that we can feel and know that we do have a living God.

Corresponding Secretary,
Mamie Crase

The Berkeley Free Will Baptist Woman's Auxiliary's monthly meeting was June 4, with 21 present. The meeting opened with prayer and reading of the minutes of last month.

Reports were given and discussed.

We organized an auxiliary for the young mothers of the church, the Glenda Fulcher Circle. We also had a money shower for Glenda Fulcher. We had \$177 to send.

Since our lesson was on Africa, Mrs. Gusta Barks told us who was serving as missionaries, and Eva June Melache presented the program to us, which we enjoyed very much. We also had a special in song.

We thank the Lord for His many blessings.

Verna Smith,
Corresponding Secretary

The woman's auxiliary met for their May meeting in the educational building of the First Free Will Baptist Church recently.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. Bonnie Maxwell. A hymn and a devotional followed.

Roll call was answered by 20 members, one guest and six junior auxiliary members. Hazel Hutsell presented prayer cards to each member and also read a letter from Missionary, Dave Franks.

A district meeting will be held May 26 in Lebanon. Reverend and Mrs. Gage, missionaries to Africa, will be guest speakers. All auxiliary members are urged to attend.

The lesson was on the history of the Woman's Auxiliary of Mountain Grove's Free Will Baptist Church given by Mrs. Parsons. The closing prayer was by Mrs. Ruth Sheppard.

The installation of new officers was held after the meeting. Mrs. Bonnie Maxwell gave charges to the following: President, Delores Phelps; Vice President, Joe Hurtt; Secretary, Jane Hutsell; Treasurer, Hazel Hutsell; Corresponding Secretary, Jewell Spurgeon; Program-Prayer, Ruth Dowsey; Mission, Muriel Hutsell; Study Course, Mrs. Luther Gibson; Historian, Grace Royster; Personal Service, Eula Perry; Social, Elgin Upshaw; Song Director, Janell Maxwell; Pianist, Marie Micham; Junior Auxiliary Director, Frankie Kemper; Circle Chairmen, Louann Baker for Lela Mae, Mrs. Madison for Mary Martha, Ann Altis for Emma Ruth.

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HARRY BEATTY

Sunday morning May 4, I delivered the message in Desloge Parkview Church. Pastor Harley Brown baptised eight persons Sunday afternoon who were saved in their revival recently. Sunday evening we enjoyed another good service with Pastor Charles Miller, and Desoto Church; I also delivered the evening sermon there. Their new place of worship is nice and they are laboring earnestly to win souls for the Lord.

Thursday May 8, First Mission Quarterly meeting convened with Mt. Pisgah Church. More than 20 churches were represented in this session. Ministers preaching sermons were Morton, Smith, Winn, Bob King, Smyers, and George Bryant. Two young ministers ordained in this session were Jimmy Hulse and Freddy Wood. Time was given for our Missouri Cooperative Program. About 50 percent of their churches contribute to this plan regularly. Mt. Pisgah recently veneered the interior of their church sanctuary. Reverend Bill Price is their pastor. Pastor James Franklin and Monett church hosted the Indian Creek Quarterly meeting Saturday, May 10. The attendance was light, but the services were inspirational. Rev. Alton Lovelace delivered the principle message. Monett church consistantly supports Missouri State Cooperative Program. I was privileged to supply the pulpit for Pastor Loyd Jeffery Sunday morning May 11. in Merl's Chapel church. Pastor Jeffery accompanied a member of one of the church families to the hospital, who was seriously ill.

The annual meeting of the Kansas City Association assembled at 2:30 p.m. May 17, with Victory church. The devotional and business meeting were followed with a sermon by Messenger Vernon Maggard. The ladies prepared and served a delicious supper in the church basement. The business session was continued in the evening, and was followed with a sermon by Rev. James McAllister. All of these churches support the Cooperative Plan.

Sunday morning May 18, I delivered the sermon in our Platt County Free Will Baptist mission in the Royal Oak Division west of Mace Road and N.W. 73rd. Street, on Langley Road. Rev. Ralph Cook launched this work in March, and it is progressing. They are now having 30 to 50 in attendance. *Gem* readers having people in this section of Kansas City, please send their names to Pastor Ralph Cook, Rt. 27, Box 299b, Parkville, Missouri 64152.

Sunday evening I delivered the sermon in our Columbia Free Will Baptist mission. Pastor Vandivort and the mission group continue to move forward, and propose to go into a building project as soon as possible. Our cooperative receipts are below the anticipated monthly average. Brethren, lets rally and reach this goal in June and July.

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