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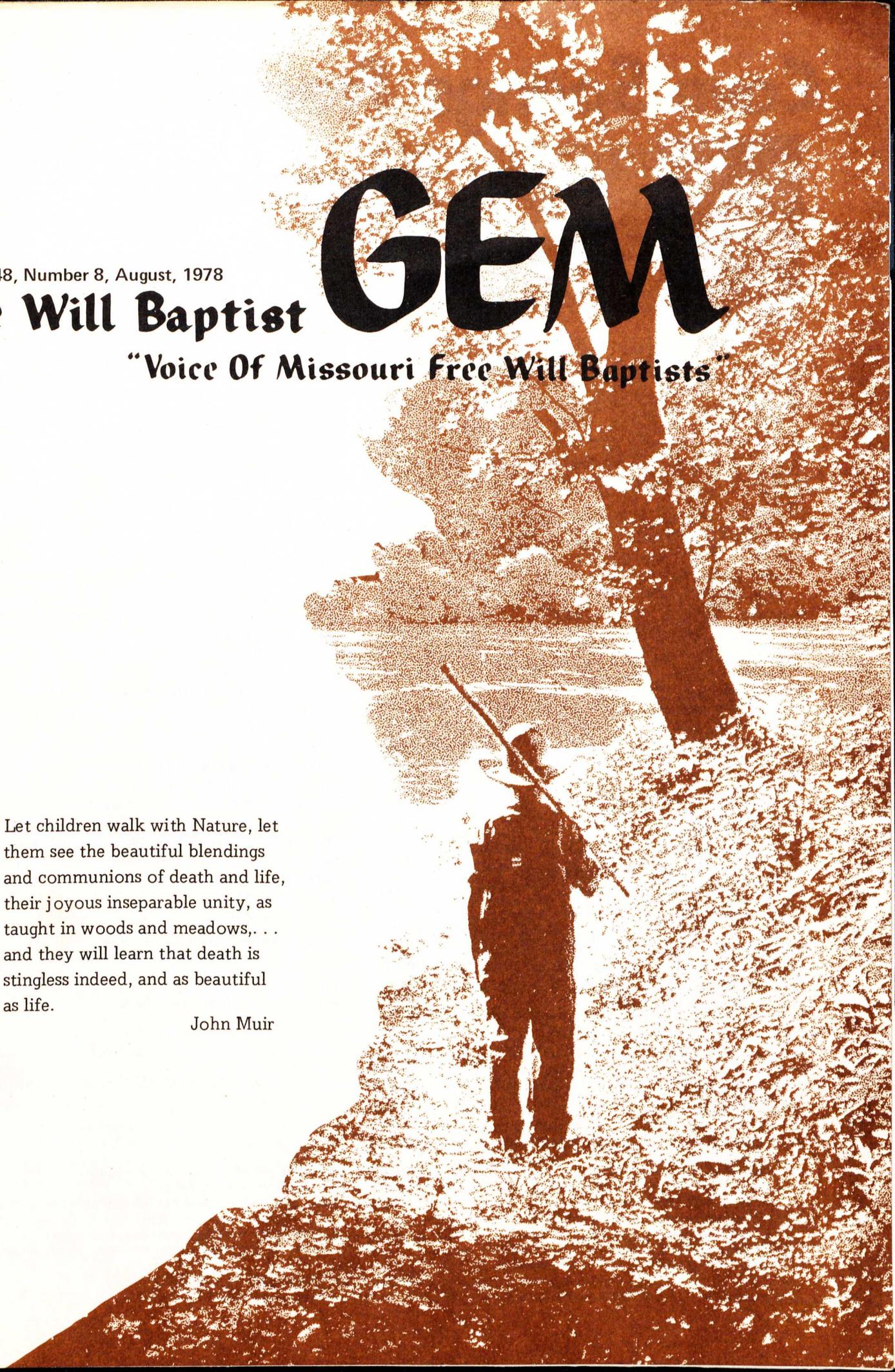
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"Voice Of Missouri Free Will Baptists"

Let children walk with Nature, let them see the beautiful blendings and communions of death and life, their joyous inseparable unity, as taught in woods and meadows, . . . and they will learn that death is stingless indeed, and as beautiful as life.

John Muir



Cave Springs Free Will Baptist Youth Association



by Donna Barton

The Cave Springs Free Will Baptist Youth Association was organized to bring the youth from each surrounding church into harmony with one another through the worship and fellowship of God.

The Youth Association has its regular services, youth rallies, on every fifth Sunday afternoon which is usually a total of four meetings a year. The social is held on the Friday night before the fifth Sunday rally.

For our Sunday afternoon rallies, we have singing provided by two area churches and a devotion by another. The speaker for Sunday afternoon is chosen during the previous youth rally.

The Friday night social is headed off by a short business meeting which usually consists of the choosing of three delegates to the quarterly meeting, a speaker for the next rally, and the appointing of any committees. After the business meeting, we have a social hour. During this time the young, as well as the old, join in for good Christian fun. The social was started in order to get the youth acquainted with each other and to give them an opportunity to fellowship with other young Christians.

During the past year of youth rallies, our attendance for these meetings have been: May, 1977—63; July, 1977—54; October, 1977—85; January, 1978—93; and April, 1978—156. Attendance at the socials for the past year have been: May, 1977—32; July, 1977—28; October, 1977—44; January, 1978—cancelled due to bad weather; and April, 1978—86. There has been a steady increase in the attendance at the rallies and we hope and pray that we will continue to see the Youth Association grow in attendance and we hope to see it have an even greater growth spiritually.

The Cave Springs Free Will Baptist Quarterly Meeting has given the Youth Association the privilege to be represented at the quarterly meetings with three delegates. We do not have the power of voting delegates, but we do give a report each time on our previous youth rally. The best thing about being able to give these reports is the nod of satisfaction and glimpse of pride that the older members of the association give when they hear that the youth of today, of our association, are still willing to take a stand for God. But the most important thing is knowing that you're one of the youth that is taking that stand.

The Youth Association will be holding its fifth youth revival this year. Our first revival was held at Alton in 1974; Thayer hosted the next revival in 1975; and Faith Chapel at West Plains was the place of the third youth revival in 1976. In 1977 we had a brush arbor revival located between Alton and Thayer. This year the youth revival will be held at the Garfield Free Will Baptist Church with Rev. Gary Mitchener as the evangelist. These services will begin Monday, July 31, at 7:30 p.m., following our July 30 youth rally.

During our April youth rally, officers for the coming year were elected. The officers for the year are Mike Parrott, President; Allen Sanders, Vice President; Donna Barton, Secretary/Treasurer.

It has been both a privilege and a blessing to be able to serve God through my work with the Youth Association. I just hope and pray that this year's work with the association will turn out even better than last year's.

About the writer: Donna Barton is very actively involved with the youth activities in the Cave Springs District Association. Through her efforts and leadership the youth of that area have enjoyed some very fruitful labor in fellowship and service for the Lord. Donna is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Oren Barton.

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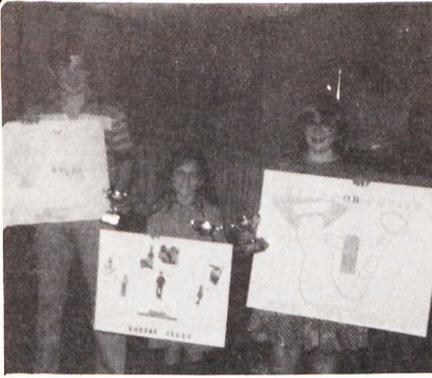
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Left to right:
Sam Cogley
Amy Dirk
Paula Talbert



Left to right:
Leona Crossgrove
Terri McBee
Paula Talbert

Contest Winners for Northeast Association

The Temperance Committee of the Northeast Missouri Association has put some lasting effect in their recommendations the last two years. A poster contest and essay contest have been instigated. The subject matter for both is drugs, alcohol, or tobacco. The poster contest has divisions for primary, junior, junior high, and senior high while the essay contest has junior, junior high, and senior high divisions. Local churches may enter one contestant in each division at the district level.

Last year the district had entries in three divisions—all from the Hazel Creek Church—with trophies being given to Kevin Sevits and Micheal Chrisman in the poster contest and to Angela Morton in the essay contest.

This year there were nine entries for the poster contest and five entries for the essay contest. In the poster contest the following were awarded trophies:

- Primary: Amy Dirk, Christian Workers Church
- Junior: Paula Talbert, New Harmony Church
- Junior High: Sam Cogley, Martinstown Church

In the essay contest the following were winners:

- Junior: Paula Talbert, New Harmony Church
- Junior High: Terri McBee, New Harmony Church
- Senior High; Leona Crossgrove, Low Ground Church

Honorable mention went to Julie Dirk, Beth Dirk, Sheila Sizemore, Jonathan Pierce, Paul Crossgrove, Sam Cogley, and Wanda Estes for their entries.

Trophies were awarded to these young people at the fifth Sunday meeting which was held at the Kirksville Free Will Baptist Church in January.

Those serving on the committee have been: Mrs. Ivan Peterson, Rev. Glynn Campbell, Mrs. Mona Chrisman, Mrs. Erma James, and Mrs. Maizie Sevits.

Submitted by Mrs. Maizie Sevits
R. R. 2, Kirksville, MO 63501

Jim's Victory over Defeat

Jim was a young Christian teenager, popular in school, and active in all of its programs. He had a clean character and was on the honor roll at school.

Some of his friends persuaded him to go to a party with them one night. Jim didn't realize what he was getting into. Since his friends weren't Christians, they thought it would be fun to show Jim what drugs could do for him. They said it would make him peppy, wouldn't hurt his studies, wasn't habit forming, and he could quit any time he wanted to. Everybody else was doing it. If he didn't take it, he would be a square. They also said he would make lots of money selling it.

He first started out smoking Marijuana and after so long that didn't give a big enough thrill so he went on to the big kick, heroin, to acid, to LSD. By this time Jim had a big problem. He had been trying to hide this from his parents all the time but Jim forgot the Scripture in the Bible which said, "Be sure your sin will find you out" (Deuteronomy 32:23). He could no longer hide it from his parents because his grades began to drop and he had headaches, dizziness, nausea, vomiting, pains in the joints, high blood pressure, diarrhea, chills and sweating, stomach cramps, aches and pains throughout the entire body system, and spitting blood like a tuberculosis victim. Jim's parents, heartbroken, went to the pastor of the church for advice. They believed, "Through God all things are possible." They all prayed for guidance and that God would help them in their decision. They knew it would be a hard struggle and a long one but they were determined to have victory over defeat. They claimed the promise found in James 1:5. Jim went to a special hospital for drug addicts and began sweating it out. The withdrawal is one of the most painful of human sufferings. Jim was one of the lucky ones because he had Christian parents and a church that were praying for him. Because of this Jim had victory over defeat.

Are you trying to get away from the stress and strains of life? Can you not hold up to the problems and heartaches of this world? Take your problems to the Lord Jesus Christ and drink of the fountain of life and you will never have a hangover or regrets as Jim did.

Written by Paula Talbert
New Harmony Church
Winner in Junior Division
Temperance Contest

Essay division
Northeast Missouri District Contest

Who Cares? Your Young Temptations

Yes, you really have it made. You're young, with everything that anyone would dare to ask for. You have one of the best families in the world, but what have they given you? Only you know that the way they act is only a cover-up for your friends, and even half of theirs. Only you know what goes on all through the week. When no one is there to see what happens. How you come home from school only to find your mother with a cigarette in one hand and a drink in the other ready to take that last pill to get out of the dumps before your father comes home. And your father? Well, maybe he's in the car on his way home just about to die for that drink that he knows his wife will have waiting when he walks in the house. You try to tell yourself that there's nothing wrong with that because everybody's doing it, and the fact that this isn't even your dad doesn't really matter because your dad was just the same before your parents separated. And now, if it weren't for the simple fact that you knew different, it really wouldn't matter because he acts just like your father. The simple fact that you are on your own is nothing new to you because it's always been that way. You're free to do as you please at nights because your parents are out all hours of the night in some lost and forgotten night club. As for your mornings? Nothing to it because they have to get rid of the hangover from the night before. So it's always shift for yourself, and who cares? Who cares if you're the most rotten person in town? Who cares if you get hurt? But even though you have it rough, maybe you should take a look at them. What a waste of time it must be to sit around with nothing to do but drink, smoke, and hope. Not to mention the waste of money that could have been used for something worthwhile. And what about the feelings that have to go along . . . the horrible headaches when you just have to make yourself get up the next afternoon, the aching if you don't hit the pill the minute it's time, and the fear of not being able to get the junk, which leads to what? Murder in order to have the money? Suicide to end your useless life? Even they must ask the question, who cares? The answer is Jesus Christ. He is the one who cares! In the beginning, they know these things are wrong, and even so we know that Jesus cares. In Romans 6:23 it very plainly states, "For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." If Christ didn't care, then why would He give us life just by our believing in Him? Only by believing in Him, and being faithful to Him, and only through Him can we receive eternal life for in Acts 4:12 is the words, "For there

is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby, we must be saved." So think about it the next time you're feeling down and don't say, "WHO CARES?"

Written by Leona Crossgrove
Lowground Church
Winner in Senior High Division
Temperance Contest, Essay Division
Northeast Missouri, District Contest

Jane's Puff of Death

Jane was ten years old and both of her parents smoked. So she thought smoking must be all right. But her first taste of tobacco didn't seem very pleasing. She thought maybe it hadn't tasted good because it had come from her father's dirty ash tray. So she tried another taste of a cigarette (a cleaner one this time). It didn't seem to taste as bad as the other one (but the better taste had just been imagined). She had hoped it would taste better because smoking made her feel grown up.

As Jane grew older she began stealing cigarettes from her parents and bumming them off friends. Then she began buying them with her allowance. She hid the fact of her smoking from her parents until she was a junior in High School. At that age her parents just figured she was old enough to make her own decisions. They didn't tell her of the harmful effects of tobacco.

They didn't tell her that the use of tobacco may cause lung cancer because it leaves a tarry substance in the lungs and that the use of it may also cause a temporary rise in blood pressure that could last anywhere from fifteen to forty-five minutes. When used to excess, tobacco also reduces appetite and digestion.

Tobacco also contains a harmful drug called nicotine which is highly poisonous when it is used in its pure state.

The smoke of burning tobacco can also be harmful. It can cause irritation to the eyes and also the inhalation of the smoke can cause a temporary "lift" to the nerves.

Tobacco is also habit-forming. Tobacco is the slave driver of man. No matter what advertisements say about good taste and the settling of nerves, there is nothing to it. Tobacco doesn't settle nerves.

George Washington Carver once said that, if God had intended for the nose to be a chimney, He would have turned the nostrils up. The Bible says in 1 Corinthians 10:31, "Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God."

Other menaces are—smoking is filthy. Smokers breath, teeth, and fingers, are evidence of the filthy

habit. Even the clothes of the smoker gradually take on a tobacco smell.

Smoking is dangerous. Many fires are caused by smoking. Matches and smoking are the largest single causes of fire. Cigarettes which have not been put out completely, have caused millions of dollars of damage in forest fires. Homes have been burned down because of cigarettes catching mattresses and other items catching on fire.

Every year more than 600,000 Americans die of heart disease. Cigarettes caused 30%. Also, cigarettes and the smoking of other tobacco products cause a higher rate of cerebral strokes.

Our government spends 65 million dollars of our tax money to promote the growing and sale of

tobacco. Cigarette manufacturing companies also spend lots of money on advertisements.

Many people today are like Jane. They don't follow the right path and they don't know the Lord as their personal Saviour. But, they do follow the path of sin.

Jane learned of the dangers of smoking, but she didn't take heed. As a result of her smoking, she developed lung cancer and died like many other users of tobacco.

Written by Terri McBee
New Harmony Church
Winner of Junior High Division
Temperance Contest, Essay Division
Northeast Missouri District Contest

From the Desk of the Promotional Secretary

by Clarence Burton



Inasmuch as the space is needed to put more material relative to the Missouri State Association, I will make my report brief. June was a very important month for Missouri Free Will Baptists inasmuch as two important events took place—The State Association and three weeks of Youth Encampment. (I have a report on the youth encampment in this issue of the *Gem*.) The last week in June I had the privilege of being with Reverend and Mrs. Bob Francis and Becky and Gary Page. (Gary is a summer missionary working with the Francis family. Bobby was attending youth camp in Missouri.) It was a blessing to be with this family and with Tom and Sue Blubaugh and their children, David and Vince. (Tom was promoted to direct a four-state district in that area with Preferred Risk Insurance.) What a blessing this family will be as they labor with the Free Will Baptist Church. Reverend and Mrs. Francis are natives of Missouri with a burden on their hearts to establish a strong work in Minnesota for the Lord. I believe that, by the grace of God, they will. Let's continue to remember them in prayer.

The response to cooperative giving for the first three months of this state association year has been fine. We thank God for this and for every pastor and lay person who is helping in this equitable plan of support for the Lord's work. *We can meet our goal this year of \$145,000 for cooperative giving, as every church does its part and shares in this plan that supports our state and national ministries.* The Missouri State Association only expects and asks for the same thing every pastor expects and asks of the members of the local church. Every member should

share in his or her equitable responsibility of the church; every church should share in its equitable responsibility of the state and national ministries. May the Lord bless us as we labor together for His glory!

Please continue to remember this ministry in your prayers. We recognize our complete inability to do this work in our own strength and wisdom. We must have the leadership and strength of the Lord. Will you remember this labor as you do the labor of the local church in your daily and weekly prayers. Thanks again for every act of Christian kindness.

Please make all checks payable to and mail to Missouri State Association, P. O. Box 991, Lebanon, Missouri 65536.

FALL ENLARGEMENT CAMPAIGN

OUTREACH TO THE UNREACHED is an enlargement campaign designed to inform, inspire, and stimulate an active lay participation. The materials are simply written, colorful, relatively inexpensive, and easy to use.

The campaign will organize competition on the basis of average Sunday school attendance during the Spring Quarter, 1978 (March, April, May) as follows:

Division	A	over 500	average
Division	B	400-500	average
Division	C	300-399	average
Division	D	200-299	average
Division	E	150-199	average
Division	F	100-149	average
Division	G	50-99	average
Division	H	under 49	average

This enlargement campaign will begin on Sunday, October 1, 1978, and continue through Sunday, October 29, 1978. Sunday schools which experience the greatest percentage of gain over the thirteen weeks average attendance for March, April, May, 1978, will be declared winners and recognized with appropriate awards denoting first and second place.

The present size of your Sunday school does not prevent you from being eligible to win in your division. Campaign materials are available from the Sunday School Department. The deadline for entering the campaign is September 30, 1978. PLEASE ORDER YOUR MATERIALS EARLY.



Rev. and Mrs. Glen Rehtop
Grace Church, Arnold, Mo.

2nd.



Rev. and Mrs. Charles Miller
DeSoto Church,
DeSoto, Mo.

4th.

1st.

Rev. and Mrs. James McAllister
First Church, Farmington, Mo.



3rd.

Rev. and Mrs. Bill Van Winkle
Berkeley Church,
Berkeley, Mo.



Top 4 in Cooperative Giving



Home Missions Awards

Rev. Grover Terry



Girls Coral Group, Fellowship Church



Rev. and Mrs. David Bates
Farmington Church



Mr. and Mrs. Leman Killian
The Mosiers' and Montgomery's

STATE ASSOCIATION

Ladies Trio First Church, Flat River



A Layman's Reflections of the NAE Convention of 1978

by Don Ruble

This was the second convention I had the privilege to attend or should I say opportunity. Both years God has provided opportunity to attend when I needed the spiritual uplifting the most.

"NAE Convention"—how does one start to share what it is or all that happened on such a brief encounter (3 days)?

NAE represents some 32,000 churches and more than 3.5 million people. The convention was held at the Radisson South Hotel in Minneapolis, February 21-23. The weather was cold with less snow than Missouri, but the people were warm and friendly, and they demonstrated the love of Christ in their lives.

One question asked by both church and friends was, "Why go? You are not a minister." Well I can only reply why my wife and I went and believe maybe why you should go.

The evangelical world is big, bigger than most laypersons may believe. Many denominations are departing from the inerrancy of the Bible; however, the NAE requires a statement of faith which all members and voting delegates must sign to participate. The association has many branches which minister throughout the world with the gospel of Christ and relief to disaster stricken areas.

The convention itself has commissions which conduct the business and future planning of the association, workshops sponsored by each commission, exhibits by Christian colleges and seminaries, book publishers, and service ministries of all kinds to name a few.

The heart of the convention was the workshops and the evening services with outstanding preachers and speakers. Each meeting and evening service was blessed by singing—and choirs.

The workshops consisted of nine to ten different subjects starting at 8:00 a.m. each morning and 3:15 p.m. in the afternoon. I had the privilege to attend the Evangelical Churchmen Commission, subject—"Mobilizing Churchmen for Ministry. The speaker was Rev. Forrest Schwalm. This workshop was for both pastors and laymen. Every member should be interested and willing to help the church decide

what kind of Church it will be. Church life involves worship, education, local outreach, worldwide missions, fellowship and social to name a few. A church must have goals, both short and long range. However, to just have goals without methods, directions, plans and guidelines nothing will be accomplished. Rev. Schwalm gave an outline on how to take your goals, (mission & purpose) and apply 3 levels. Level 1—SUBJECTIVE (experience, involving people). Level 2—INTELLECTUAL—what is your church goal or purpose, where are you, where are you going? Determination of methods, "Do It," and evaluation time (how are we doing?). Level 3—MECHANICAL (Tools) Books, retreats, tapes and brainstorming, etc. All goals must be S—A—M—M; S—Significant, A—Achievable, M—Measureable, M—Manageable—enough people have worked with it (own it) to make the goal(s) work. The mission of church evaluation and mobilizing church people is in part "To foster Christian fellowship in an atmosphere of Love and Acceptance; to enable all believers to develop and exercise their spiritual gifts."

The other workshop was "Evangelizing and Disciplining through Biblical Counseling." The speaker was Dr. John Broger. This part of the program was a refinement of the "Competent to Counsel" course. The new program developed is "Self Confrontation" on how to solve our own problems.

Every life has needs—some are slow to let the needs and problems come out. Since we can only teach others what we know ourselves, it becomes necessary to have developed our own Christian growth so we can more effectively help others in life domineering problems. The use and study of "Self Confrontation" is used personally and attacks the problems, not the person. If we are to uphold and minister effectively to our brothers and sisters, should we not make ourselves available to such Christian growth opportunities?

The evening services were held each night with the public invited. The singing was performed by two great choirs and a folk group. The outstanding speakers were Dr. Oswald C. J. Hoffmann—Lutheran Hour radio broadcast; Bishop Festo Kivengere—Church of Uganda; and Mrs. Gladys M. Hunt—author of several Christian books. The keynote Scripture was taken from Micah 6:8. "He hath shewed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the LORD require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?"

In total, this is only a small portion of what one could experience—three days and evenings packed with caring, loving, and concerned fellow laymen and pastors throughout the world. The fellowship, preaching, and learning experience cannot be topped anywhere.

I hope and pray that these reflections will give some ideas on church and Christian growth opportunities and encourage other pastors and lay people to attend the next NAE convention.

Donald L. Ruble, layman of
Trinity Baptist Church, Bridgeton

About the writer: Donald Ruble is an active layman in the Trinity Baptist Church. He is presently serving on the Retirement Center Committee elected by the Missouri State Association.

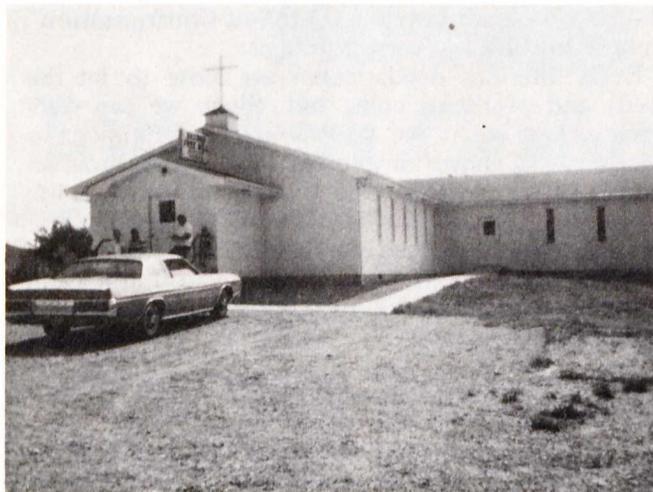
CHURCHES PEOPLE AND EVENTS

Rolla Mission Reports

Rev. Dana Booth, missionary pastor at the Rolla Mission, reports a very fine month for June. The last Sunday showed an attendance of 37 in the morning services with an offering of \$228.00. This was a record for attendance and offering.

The wonderful thing that happened was four people made profession of faith at the evening service. Then on Wednesday evening of the same week a lady was saved in her home.

The Rolla Mission has adopted the Cooperative Plan of Support as have the other missions.



Report from Second Church

The Second Free Will Baptist Church which relocated on S Curve, south of Lebanon, Missouri, dedicated its new building on July 10, 1977. Church reporter, Janette Armstrong, writes that thirty-four people have united with the church since moving to its new location. The average attendance for June, 1978 was 85.

Rev. Joe Fulkerson was recently elected to serve as pastor of the church.

The First Free Will Baptist Church in Kirksville Reports

A singspiration service in honor of Reverend and Mrs. Glynn Campbell was held at the First Church in Kirksville, Missouri. The pastor and his family were also honored with an ice cream social. The Camp-

bells recently resigned the First Church in Kirksville and accepted the pastorate of the Myrtle Free Will Baptist Church.

The church at Kirksville honored the men and boys of the church with a breakfast. The meal was prepared by the Woman's Auxiliary: Lila Thompson, Ethel Thompson, Lottie Campbell, Lelo and Elaine Bragg, Neva Thomas, Bernice Thomas, Joyce Matthews, Faith Hiatt, Velma Wellman, and Irene Peterson. The men and boys present were Elmer and Emanuel Bragg, Buck Dare, Jeff Morelock, Ivan Peterson, Alvin and O. G. Johnson, Russell Wellman, Don and Stephen Green, Gary and Chad Matthews, Steve and Richard Western, Ernest Thomas, Carl Hiatt, Ricky Grey, Ernie Thompson, Brian and Brent and Bryce Thompson, and Reverend Glynn Campbell.

O'Fallon News

Fourteen students were honored at the First Free Will Baptist Church of O'Fallon on June 4, 1978. A reception was held immediately following the evening service for the following High school Seniors: Karen Jackson, Mike Bowman, Becky McCulley, Dianne Murray, Curtis Snider, Mitch Hill, Wesley Nettles, Paulette Miller, Carol Gremminger, Dean Gremminger, Terry Cobb, Toni Yeakey, Grant Yeakey, and Laurie Henthorne. A book was given to each graduate from the church.

Also on May 7 the church honored Mrs. Carolyn Lombard who graduated from Missouri Baptist College with a degree in Elementary and Secondary Education. A reception was held in the church fellowship hall and a love offering was given to her from the church. Carolyn is also a graduate of our Free Will Baptist Bible College in Nashville, Tennessee.

Sunday School Seminar Planned

The Missouri State Sunday School and CTS Board will be sponsoring a Sunday School Seminar with Dr. Roger Reeds on September 30, 1978. The seminar will be held at the First Free Will Baptist Church, Farmington, Missouri. The session is planned for the morning with an emphasis for all Sunday school workers. A complete agenda will be forthcoming in the September *Gem*.

Wonderful Youth Camp Sessions for 1978

"It seems that the youth camp sessions at Niangua, Missouri, get better and better," someone said. That seems to express the feeling of many.

Over 1,000 attended the youth camp sessions this year. There were a total of 225 decisions recorded for the three weeks sessions. There were some who made a commitment of their lives for "full-time" Christian service.

The Lord has blessed, is blessing, and will continue to bless this youth ministry as it is used for His glory.

COOPERATIVE DISBURSEMENTS

June 1978

18.50% Missouri State Home Missions	\$2,677.60
16.00% Promotional Department & Gem	2,315.76
4.50% General Fund	651.31
5.50% Youth Camp	796.04
2.00% Christian Board of Education—MBI	289.47
2.00% Sunday School & CTS	289.47
5.00% Retirement Program	723.68
5.00% Senior Citizens Retirement Center	723.68
Total	\$8,467.01
6.00% Hillsdale Free Will Baptist College	868.42
11.00% Foreign Missions	1,592.09
8.00% Free Will Baptist Bible College	1,157.89
6.00% Executive Department	868.41
6.00% National Home Missions	868.41
2.00% CTS	289.47
2.00% Retirement & Insurance	289.47
.25% Laymen's Board	36.18
.25% Theological Commission	36.18
Total	\$5,138.10
Total Disbursements	\$14,473.53

"O give thanks unto the LORD; call upon his name: make known his deeds among the people" (Psalm 105:1).

We are thankful to the Lord for the response that blesses so many through a unified effort in giving. Continue to remember this ministry in your daily prayers.

COOPERATIVE RECEIPTS

June 1978

Monett	\$ 288.85
Farmington	1,034.20
Moberly	62.59
Way Side, Willow Springs	85.00
Myrtle	106.81
Mt. Pisgah	60.00
Parkview	113.43
Bailey Chapel, Niangua Assn.	27.00
Viburnum	30.00
Belton	119.69
West Plains, First	249.00
Purdy	102.00
Olivet	200.00
Hannon	142.00
Pleasant Hill	32.57
Eastern Gate	183.78
Shiloh	21.49
Verdella	99.32
Malden	66.87
Faith, Lemay	55.00
Cabool	90.73
South Side	217.50
Kingsway	33.69
Buffalo	64.79
Buffalo	83.98
Grace	773.00
Cape Girardeau	165.00
Rock Chapel	202.21
Fordland	123.40
DeSoto	400.00
Fourth Mission (April-May)	110.00
Beacon	211.08
Poplar Bluff	50.00
Mountain Grove, First	435.35
Victory, Alton	147.00
Hurryville	100.00
Hurryville	90.00
Flat River, First	359.90
Hartville	143.98
New Rock Springs	90.00
Kirkville, First	149.53
Lebanon, First	166.00
Royal Oak	26.00
Pleasant Ridge, Alton	31.00
Mt. Zion, Thayer	33.41

Cabool	87.05
Joplin	258.40
Mt. Vernon	117.20
Oak Hill, St. Clair	186.12
Happy Home	57.39
Way Side	78.00
Mine La Motte	21.64
Copper Mines	120.00
South Fremont	19.00
Berkeley	429.76
Marshfield	94.37
Byrd	28.77
Oskaloosa	63.66
Cuba	47.24
Twin Oaks	500.00
Thayer	152.47
El Dorado, First	5.00
O'Fallon	299.50
Fourth	333.00
Leadington	265.23
Wolf Creek	85.10
Black Oak	10.00
Way Side	83.00
Hannon	118.00
Bethel	180.00
Union	60.00
Macedonia Sunday school	12.00
Fredericktown, First	195.88
Lebanon	263.00
Richwoods	158.65
Mt. Zion, Thayer	29.69
Willow Springs	176.25
Union Light	139.65
Eastern Gate	138.57
Monett	91.19
Freeman Chapel	248.25
Sedalia	75.31
Belton	134.38
Hickory Grove	53.53
Parkview	111.94
Flat River, First	502.98
New Rock Springs	70.00
Farmington	955.28
Old Bethel	20.00
Pleasant Grove (Cope)	19.93
Total Receipts	\$14,473.53

MISSOURI DESIGNATED GIVING

June 1978

MISSOURI STATE YOUTH CAMP

Mt. Pisgah	\$ 5.00
Olivet	10.00
Faith, Lemay	10.00
Mountain Grove	10.00
Oak Hill	10.00
Clark & Clobel Deeds	37.50
Thayer	10.00
Fourth	10.00
Total	\$102.50

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Monett	\$365.02
Charolette Tallent	\$30.00
Dennis Teague	87.52
General Fund	247.50
West Plains, First	\$60.00
General Fund	\$50.00
Howard Filkins	10.00
Mt. Zion, Gower	\$140.00
Larry Insoe	\$20.00
Lynn Miley	20.00
Jim McLain	20.00
Bobby Poole	20.00
Steve Lytle	20.00
Jerry Pinkerton	20.00
Howard Filkins	20.00

Olivet	\$95.00
Bobby Poole	\$40.00
Mabel Willey	20.00
Jerry Pinkerton	10.00
Lynn Miley	10.00
Howard Filkins	5.00
Lonnie Sparks	5.00
Jim McLain	5.00
Faith	\$3.00
Charolette Tallent	\$3.00
South Side	\$133.00
Charolette Tallent	\$133.00
Kingsway	\$33.69
Joe Haas	\$33.69
Mountain Grove, First	\$150.00
General Fund	\$150.00
Kirksville, First	\$68.00
Jim McLain	\$57.00
Jerry Pinkerton	11.00
Lebanon, First	\$294.91
Charolette Tallent	\$229.91
Clint Morgan	32.50
Jerry Pinkerton	32.50
Indian Creek Association	\$240.00
Jim McLain	\$120.00
Clint Morgan	120.00
Oak Hill	\$9.00
Jerry Pinkerton	\$9.00
Niangua	\$40.00
General Fund	\$40.00
Thayer	\$17.00
Dale Bishop	\$2.00
Patsy VanHook	2.00
Jerry Pinkerton	7.00
General Fund	6.00
Black Oak	\$42.70
Tom Hughes	\$42.70
Bethel	\$72.03
Jim Cowart	\$58.53
Charolette Tallent	5.00
Jerry Pinkerton	8.50
Fourth	\$137.00
Charolette Tallent	\$16.00
Steve Lytle	86.00
Bill Fulcher	25.00
Jerry Pinkerton	10.00
Hannon	\$59.00
Jerry Pinkerton	\$25.00
Bill Fulcher	14.00
Steve Lytle	10.00
Howard Filkins	10.00
Hickory Grove	\$29.78
Steve Lytle	\$29.78
Total	\$.1,989.13

NATIONAL HOME MISSIONS

Monett	\$312.00
Larry Powell	\$30.00
Bob Francis	255.00
General Fund	27.00
Mt. Pisgah	\$25.00
Mark Vandivort	\$25.00
Hugh Cunningham (Faith)	\$10.00
Bob Francis	\$10.00
South Side	\$62.00
Bob Francis	\$62.00
Clark & Clobell Deeds	\$20.00
Mark Vandivort	\$20.00
Mountain Grove, First	\$10.00
Mark Vandivort	\$10.00
Kirksville, First	\$10.00
Mark Vandivort	\$10.00
Indian Creek Association	\$120.00
Bob Francis	\$120.00
Oak Hill	\$21.77
Bob Francis	\$21.77
Thayer	\$9.00
Mark Vandivort	\$9.00
Clark & Clobell Deeds	\$20.00
Leland Horton	\$20.00

Wolf Creek	\$10.00
Mark Vandivort	\$10.00
Bethel	\$20.00
Bob Francis	\$20.00
Lebanon	\$10.00
Bob Francis	\$10.00
Fourth	\$17.00
Vergel Maness	\$12.00
Bob Francis	5.00
Olivet	\$55.00
Leland Horton	\$25.00
Mark Vandivort	25.00
Vergel Maness	5.00
Total	\$731.77

MISSOURI STATE HOME MISSIONS

Monett	\$7.00
Rolla	\$7.00
Lebanon, First	\$4.00
General Fund	\$4.00
Indian Creek Association	\$120.00
Rolla	\$120.00
Thayer	\$12.00
Kirby	\$7.00
Owens	3.00
General Fund	2.00
Bethel	\$5.00
Total	\$148.00

FREE WILL BAPTIST BIBLE COLLEGE

Bethel (MO Project)	\$26.07
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HILLSDALE FREE WILL BAPTIST COLLEGE

Monett	\$58.97
Mountain Grove, First	30.00
Total	\$88.97

Fordland Church for Jack Dinwiddie	\$10.00
Hopewell Gift to Fair Grove Church	\$50.00

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MISSOURI STATE HOME MISSIONS GIVING
JUNE 5 through JULY 5, 1978

Oak Hill	\$ 8.00
Hannon	504.00
Moberly	29.07
Olivet	250.00
DeSoto	100.00
Berean	10.00
Grace	30.00
Flat River, First	56.55
Myrtle	70.54
South Fremont	94.00
Union Light	24.00
Fellowship	15.00
Joplin	25.00
Sedalia	50.21
Fourth	43.55
Monett	7.00
Victory	60.05
Lebanon	4.00
Indian Creek Association	120.00
Thayer	12.00
Bethel	5.00
Cooperative Receipts	2,283.90
Total	\$3,801.87

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MISSOURI STATE HOME MISSIONS GIVING
MAY 5 through JUNE 5, 1978

Olivet	\$ 250.00
DeSoto	100.00
Joplin	50.00
Cape Girardeau	10.00
Flat River, First	69.00
Grace	5.00
Myrtle	64.01
South Fremont	162.00
Fellowship	30.00
Central	18.23
Mo. State Woman's Auxiliary	116.59
Farmington	20.00
Fourth	26.76
West Plains	70.00
Lebanon	2.00
Beacon	10.00
New Harmony	22.64
Thayer	9.00
Bethel	18.75
Cooperative Receipts	2,766.19
Total	\$3,820.17

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The Jim McLain Family writes: "This year has passed very quickly. It doesn't seem possible that one year ago we were packing and storing things. Now as time for departure draws near we find ourselves facing the same things—packing things, wondering if Japan has changed, wondering if we have changed. Pray for us as we make these adjustments. After months of seeing our account in the red our last balance was black. Thank you for what you have done to help. We plan to leave for Japan the latter part of August, but our departure may be delayed. The monthly support is good but the needed cash in our account is far below what we need. Pray for us that this need will be supplied."



Points for Pastors

by Jim McAllister

The Sunday school is probably the greatest tool for everything in your entire church program. By now you know that I believe in a strong church program that meets the need and touches the life of every group in the church.

The full church program will include a reaching ministry (Evangelism); a training ministry (follow-up, CTS, Woman's Auxiliary, etc.); the youth ministry (teen program, bus ministry, children's church, nursery, and Christian Day School), and the worship ministry (music, preaching, ushers).

The Sunday school involves itself in every one of these areas. For example: *Evangelism*. If teachers are properly trained, the Sunday school classroom can become an evangelistic tool. Several Sundays each year some of our teachers report people saved in the class. Teachers and students go out to invite new members and thus have an opportunity to win souls. *Follow-up*. You can have an advanced follow-up for those who have already taken the initial program (one-on-one). The entire class can now go into an in-depth study of the basics of Christian growth or doctrine. *Youth Ministry*. A good departmentalized Sunday school can be the means of reaching young people at every age. Entertainment can be planned and carried out; evangelism can be promoted; indoctrination can become a major part of the youth program; thus bringing the young people into the church. There would be no need for the *Bus Ministry* without the Sunday school. *Children's Church* simply complements the Sunday school, and the *Christian Day School* is an extension of the Bible teaching ministry of the Sunday school. *Music* can be taught in Sunday school; ushering and other *worship services* can be taught them.

The Sunday school is your best means of reaching your community. Build a good Sunday school and you will be building a good church. Don't separate the two. The Sunday school is another arm, but important arm of the church.

Woman's Page



Shirley Bowden, editor

WOMEN'S RETREAT 1978

LORD, CHANGE ME

Colossians 3:2, 3—"Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth. For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God."

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

- 9:30 Registration
10:00 "Everybody Sing"
What's-Her-Name?
10:30 "What Happens When You Meet You?"—
Mary Ruth Wisheart
11:30 I'd Like a Piece of Pie, Please
12:00 Lunch
- 1:30 "Everybody Sing"
2:00 Everybody's Somebody—
MINNY TWENTY—Hope Van Winkle
MERTIE THIRTY—Helen McAllister
FANNIE FORTY—Jean Williams
PHYLLIS FIFTY—Frances Bowman
SELMA SIXTY—to One Hundred
Lucille Beatty
SALLY SINGLE—Mary Ruth Wisheart
- 3:30 On Your Own
- 5:30 Dinner
- 7:00 "Calvary Covers It All"
7:30 "Depression: I'm in the Pits"
Mary Ruth Wisheart
9:00 I'm Here Because I'm Here . . .
11:00 Good Night Ladies

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

- 6:45 Good Morning
7:30 Breakfast
9:00 "Everybody Sing"
"I'm Glad I'm a Woman"
9:45 "Are You Bitter or Sweet?"
Mary Ruth Wisheart
10:45 Dear Lord, Change Me . . .
11:15 Lunch
12:00 Homeward Bound
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RETREAT REMARKS

Retreat will be held September 11, 12, 1978, at the Missouri State Youth Camp near Niangua, Missouri. The program entitled "Lord, Change Me" is under the direction of Mrs. Brenda Evans. The guest speaker this year will be Dr. Mary Ruth Wisheart, a teacher from the Free Will Baptist Bible College. She is an excellent speaker, and will challenge your hearts.

The cost for the retreat will be as follows: For the entire retreat \$7.00 (one day is \$2.00; overnight is \$5.00).

This year the project for the retreat will go to purchasing books for the Library at the Free Will Baptist Bible College in Nashville, Tennessee. Mrs. Francis Bowman will be in charge of the project this year. It has been suggested that each auxiliary try and bring \$50.00 to the retreat. Wrap the check as you would a gift, making the check payable to Missouri State Woman's Auxiliary, and noted on the check that it will be for "books."

Inasmuch as there is a shortage of *dish towels* at youth camp, it has been suggested that the ladies answer the roll call with a towel for youth camp.

Make plans now to attend the entire retreat.