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# MINUTES

Of The

# MISSOURI BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

1958 Annual Session Held In  
The City Hall, West Plains, Mo.



ELD. O. A. Robinson, Moderator  
R. P. Mitchell, Assistant  
C. H. Burgess, Clerk  
Melvin Scott, Assistant



1959 Session To Be Held At  
Chambers Park Church, St. Louis, Mo.  
On Thursday and Friday Before The First  
Sunday in November. Time 10:00 A. M.



Annual Sermon — — — Jurl Mitchell  
Alternate — — — — Joe Brandon

**MINUTES OF THE WORK OF THE MESSENGERS  
of the Churches Comprising the  
MISSOURI BAPTIST STATE ASSOCIATION**

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

1. Association Called to Order.
2. Introductory Sermon.
3. Committee on Enrollment.
4. Permanent Organization.
5. Appointment of Committees.  
State Missions.  
Interstate and Foreign Missions.  
Education.  
Literature and Publications  
Orphans Home  
Baptist Training Service  
Ladies Auxiliary Work.  
Finance Committee.  
Resolution.
6. Miscellaneous Business.
7. Report of Treasury and Old Missionary Committee.
8. Report of New Missionary Committee.
9. Adjournment.

Year	Church	Clerk	Moderator	Sermon By
1928	-- Potosi	A. H. Dorman	M. M. Hamlin	Ben M. Bogard
1929	-- Sullivan	A. H. Dorman	W. A. Gilbert	W. E. Counts
1930	-- Antioch	A. H. Dorman	C. D. Crites	C. D. Crites
1931	-- White Oak Grove	A. H. Dorman	C. D. Crites	A. Studyvin
1932	-- Mt. Enon	A. H. Dorman	C. D. Crites	Ben F. Nall
1933	-- Oak Grove	E. S. Ray	C. D. Crites	C. W. Penrod
1934	-- Potosi	E. S. Ray	M. B. Hubbard	M. L. Winter
1935	-- Sullivan	E. S. Ray	M. B. Hubbard	M. B. Hubbard
1936	-- Mt. Pleasant	C. A. Darst	M. B. Hubbard	A. D. Bennett
1937	-- Mt. Ararat	C. A. Darst	L. H. Owens	L. H. Owens
1938	-- Independence	W. S. Gordon	L. H. Owens	C. A. Darst
1939	-- White Oak Grove	W. S. Gordon	L. H. Owens	H. F. Gunn
1940	-- Bethel	W. S. Gordon	L. H. Owens	Sol Gibson
1941	-- Mt. Pleasant	W. S. Gordon	H. F. Gunn	G. E. Jones
1942	-- Independence	W. S. Gordon	C. D. Barton	W. S. Gordon
1943	-- Potosi	W. S. Gordon	C. D. Barton	Geo. Hawthorne
1944	-- Mt. Zion	W. S. Gordon	L. H. Owens	H. W. Darst
1945	-- Independence	W. S. Gordon	C. A. Darst	E. C. Endicott
1946	-- 1st. Galena, Kan.	W. S. Gordon	C. A. Darst	F. E. Gimlin
1947	-- Kewanee	W. S. Gordon	C. A. Darst	J. F. McClain
1948	-- Independence	W. S. Gordon	C. A. Darst	G. W. Fox
1949	-- Galena, Kan.	W. S. Gordon	C. A. Darst	R. A. Brand
1950	-- Bethel	W. S. Gordon	C. A. Darst	Chas. McClain
1951	-- Potosi	G. W. Fox	C. A. Darst	E. C. Endicott
1952	-- Ellington	G. W. Fox	C. A. Darst	J. F. McClain
1953	-- Chambers Park	W. R. Speer	C. A. Darst	W. R. Speer
1954	-- Bethel	W. R. Speer	C. A. Darst	E. V. Davis
1955	-- Neelyville	W. R. Speer	C. A. Darst	H. C. Pape
1956	-- Potosi	E. Shults	W. R. Speer	R. E. Jordan
1957	-- Cave Springs	E. Shults	O. A. Robinson	H. M. Dry
1958	-- West Plains	Cecil Burgess	O. A. Robinson	Cecil Burgess

STATEMENT OF PRINCIPALS OR ARTICLES  
OF AGREEMENT

Section 1. This body when convened shall be known as the Missouri State Association of Landmark Missionary Baptist Churches.

Section 2. The object of this association is to encourage cooperation and Christian activity among the churches: to promote interest in, and encourage missions on a New Testament basis among all people, to stimulate interest in Christian Literature, and to provide a medium through which the churches may cooperate in these enterprises.

Section 3. This Association, when assembled shall be composed of messengers duly elected by Baptist Churches that are in sympathy with its doctrines, purpose and work, and of such messengers only. Each church shall be entitled to three messengers, chosen from her own membership.

Section 4. Any church desiring to cooperate with the Association shall send by her messengers or by letter, a petitionary letter, accompanied with satisfactory testimonials of her regularity, order and orthodoxy. All churches must be received by majority vote. This Association holds the right to withdraw the fellowship from any church she may deem heretodox or disorderly.

Section 5. We believe the Bible to be an all-sufficient rule of faith and practice. There are articles of faith found in different manuals written by Missionary Baptist which are generally believed by our churches.

Section 6. By a Baptist Church in these principles is meant a body of baptised believers in Jesus Christ covenanted together in the faith and fellowship of the gospel and who hold and teach among other tenets the full essential Diety of Jesus Christ, the full inspiration and authority of the Bible as the written word of God, the absolute necessity of spiritual regeneration, salvation by Grace through faith in the atoning blood of Jesus Christ, scriptural baptism, and a membership in orderly orthodox Baptist Church as essential to commune at the Lord's table.

Section 7. (1.) The officers of the association shall consist of a Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk and Assistant Clerk to be elected at each annual meeting by nomination and acclamation.

(2.) The duties of the officers shall be such as usually devolve on such officers of a deliberate body. Said officers shall not hold office more than two (2) years in succession.

(3.) The Clerk shall act as treasurer of the Association and shall hold all monev belonging to the Association and pay it out only on direction of the Association.

Section 8. For the purpose of service and information, there shall be a State Missionary Committee composed of one committeeman from each co-operating church in this Association. Each committeeman shall be duly elected for this work by the church in which he holds membership. The committee shall organize by electing a chairman and clerk. Ten committeemen shall constitute a quorum.

The duties of this committee shall be:

(1.) Report annually to the messengers, all finances received and disbursed Also the work of the missionaries for the year by giving totals of days on the field -professions of faith-additions to the churches and churches organized.

(2.) After hearing the report of the Mission Treasurer, the old committee shall recommend the number of Missionaries to be put on the field, and make any other recommendation deemed necessary for the ensuing year.

(3.) Should the necessity arise, the chairman shall call the committee together in special meeting to fill any vacancies among the missionaries which might occur between association meetings.

This committee shall have no control whatsoever over the churches or missionaries, but keep the churches informed of the needs of the field and of the missionaries, and serve the churches as they may direct.

At Associational meetings, men who have been or may be indorsed annually by their respective churches shall be nominated and selected by the messengers for State Mission Work, and a secretary-treasurer shall be elected also.

Section 9. This Association shall convene annually on such date, and at such place as the messengers of the cooperative churches may determine when assembled.

Section 10. As an Association of Missionary Baptist Churches, we do hereby declare our entire condemnation of conventionism with all that it is and stands for today.

Section 11. This statement of principles may be changed or amended at any annual meeting by a two-thirds vote of the messengers present and voting, providing notice of proposed change be presented on the first day of the annual meeting, amendment to be voted upon the second day.

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#### RULES OF DECORUM

1. The Moderator shall preside at all sessions, decide all points, and maintain order.
2. Every session of the Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.
3. Each member wishing to speak shall rise and address the Moderator and shall speak respectfully.
4. All officers of this Association shall be members of this body.
5. Each day's proceedings shall be recorded by the clerk and be read whenever called for by the body.
6. All questions shall be decided by a majority vote except a change in our articles of cooperation, which must be by a two-thirds majority.
7. In case of necessity, the Missionary Committee shall have power to change the place of meeting for any annual session.
8. The Articles of Faith of The Missouri State Baptist Association are to be read at the beginning of each annual session.

## ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. The Bible is a divinely inspired Book, a perfect rule of Faith and practice for Missionary Baptists, a supreme standard by which we are to be directed and by which all men shall be judged.
2. There is one God who is Holy, all-wise, the Creator of Heaven, the earth and the human race, the Supreme ruler of the universe, and that in the unit of the Godhead there are three persons --the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
3. That God created man in the state of holiness, but by voluntary transgression man fell from that state, in consequence of which all mankind are now sinners.
4. We believe in the virgin birth of Jesus Christ, that He was God manifested in the flesh, yet without sin, the perfect One who was crucified for the sins of the world, was buried and after three days and nights arose for our justification.
5. Salvation is wholly by grace through faith without any admixture of works.
6. We believe in the personal work of the Holy Spirit.
7. That the blessing of salvation comes through the preaching of the gospel which leads man to repent toward God and to have faith in Jesus Christ.
8. That the Bible teaches the personality of Satan.
9. That by man's own inherent depravity and by his voluntary and final rejection of the gospel in this life he will be eternally condemned in hell.
10. When one is born again, he has eternal life, for in the new birth the soul receives the nature of God and cannot sin, therefore the believer cannot be lost, for he is kept by the power of God.
11. That every saved person is to walk circumspectly in this world, to be just in his dealings, honor and obey the law of civil government, except when such law opposes the will of our Lord Jesus Christ.
12. That the first day of the week is the Lord's Day and is to be kept sacred to religious purposes.
13. The establishment of a visible church on the earth during His personal ministry on earth.
14. The perpetuity of Missionary Baptist Churches from Christ's day on earth until His second coming.
15. That the great commission as recorded in Matthew 28:19-20 was given to the local church.
16. That (water) baptism (immersion) is to be administered (to believers) only and in Scriptural capacity.
17. That baptism to be valid must be administered by the authority of a true scriptural Missionary Baptist Church, and that a so called Baptist Church which knowingly accepts alien baptism is not a scriptural church and its ordinances are not valid.
18. That the Lord's Supper as a church ordinance is to be administered to her members only and in scriptural church capacity.
19. That all churches of this Association ever be held as equal units as to their rights and privileges in their associated capacities.

20. That all scriptural association assemblies and their committees are servants of the churches creating them.

21. That we oppose open communion, alien baptism, union meetings and pulpit affiliation.

22. That the scriptural offices of the church are bishops (pastors) and deacons, and that such men are to meet the high standard set forth in the books of Titus and First Timothy.

23. That we brand as unbaptistic the reception of members from sister churches by statement, and the drawing out of members of a sister church for the purpose of organization without that church's consent.

24. The personal, bodily and imminent return of Christ.

25. That when Christ comes the deceased saints shall be resurrected and the living saints shall be translated and both together shall be caught up in the air to meet the Lord; this is the first resurrection.

26. That Christ shall come with His saints to earth where He shall reign from His throne in Jerusalem for a literal thousand-year reign on earth.

27. That at the close of the millennial reign, the wicked dead shall be resurrected and judged at the Great White Throne.

28. The reality of Heaven, involving Divine assurance of eternal happiness for the redeemed of God, and the reality of hell, involving everlasting punishment of the incorrigible wicked.

29. That any church seeking fellowship with this Association must be in harmony with this Declaration of Faith.

Approved by the Missouri State Association October 30, 1957.

#### MINUTES OF THE MISSOURI BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the thirty first annual session of the messengers of Missionary Baptist Churches of Missouri. State Association which met at West Plains, Missouri October 30-31, 1958 by invitation of the Liberty Association.

Services were opened with singing led by Eld. Charles Ray with Sister W. S. Gordon at the piano. First song, "Wonderful Story of Love". Prayer by Eld. Ralph Brand of Mississippi and then a second song, "Glory to His Name".

Elder Juri Mitchell was asked to give the devotional. Bro. Mitchell read Rev. 1:1-10 as a scriptural reading with verse 18 as text. Brother J. Rayfield led in prayer. The Moderator recognized Eld. E. C. Endicott to give the welcome. Bro. Endicott introduced: Mr. Martin editor of the local paper, Mr. Ford representing the mayor, Mr. Moor the prosecuting attorney, and Presiding Judge Bufford Scaggs. A welcome was given by these men. Eld. E. F. Gibson gave the response. Two other songs were sang, "There Shall be Showers of Blessings and "Leaning on The Everlasting Arm." The Moderator, Eld. O. A. Robinson asked Eld. J. H. Gibson to introduce the one to bring the annual message. Elder Cecil Burgess pastor of the Sikeston Missionary Baptist Church, Sikeston Missouri. Bro. Burgess had for a subject, "Christ Like," with text found in James 1:16-25. Prayer was led by Eld. E. F. Gibson. Elder Noel Meade was asked to extend the hand of appreciation to Brother Burgess for the good message.

The Enrollment Committee gave a report of 40 churches present, 91 messengers, and 8 churches represented by letter.

The congregation was asked to stand and at the sound of the gavel, the Moderator declared the thirty first session of the Missouri State Baptist Association in session for business.

Motion and second to go into permanent organization. Motion carried.

Elder O. A. Robinson elected Moderator--Eld. R. P. Mitchell assistant.

Elder Cecil Burgess elected Clerk--Eld. Melvin Scott assistant.

Motion and second to hear from the mediatorial committee. Carried. Moderator asked Bro. Burnett to give report on the work of the committee. The mediatorial committee presented the following resolution and moved its adoption. The Moderator read the resolution as follows:

#### RESOLUTION

Whereas, the withdrawal of fellowship by a single church of an association of churches from a relative church is un-baptistic and destructive of associational fellowship and co-operation; and

Whereas, Calvary Baptist Church and Faith Baptist Church withdrew fellowship from Bethany Baptist Church before counseling with the churches of the Missouri Baptist Association; and

Whereas, Calvary and Faith Baptist Churches declined a request for a conference by and with the Mediatorial Committee appointed by the Missouri Baptist Association a year ago at Sullivan, Missouri to effect reconciliation between Calvary and Faith Baptist Churches, and Bethany Baptist Church.

That Calvary Baptist Church and Faith Baptist Church be dismissed from the fellowship of the Missouri Baptist Association until they are reconciled to Bethany Baptist Church.

Remarks by; Bro. E. F. Gibson, Bro. Burnett, Bro. E. C. Endicott.

Motion and second to adjourn until 2:00 P. M. Motion carried.

Announcements and dismissed with prayer Bro. W. B. Duncan leading.

#### THURSDAY AFTERNOON

Opening song, "Blessed Assurance", led by Bro. E. F. Gibson with Sister Juanita Blunte at the piano. Opening prayer led by Bro. Mason.

Devotional given by Eld. W. H. Newman with scripture reading found in I Thes. 1:1-10.

Recognition of out of state visitors were; Bro. Ralph Brand of Mississippi Bro. Charlie Cooley, Bro. Woodrow Hudson, Mobile, Bro. J. V. Fox from Idaho, and Bro. and Sister Guss from Kansas.

Business on Resolution resumed at this time.

Motion and second to limit each speaker to 5 minutes and vote on the resolution at 3:00 o'clock. Motion carried.

Remarks continued by; Bro. Pape, Bro. Darst, Bro. Shults, Bro. Newman, Bro. Meade, Bro. Mullin and Bro. Ford.

Motion and second to vote by individual church. Motion carried.

Resolution was adopted by a vote of 58 to 21.

Report on Revolving Loan Fund given. Motion to adopt. Motion carried. Clerk's annual report given. Motion to adopt. Motion carried.

Motion and second to elect committee on Revolving Loan Fund. Motion carried. Motion and second that we retain the same committee and replace the one that has moved away. Motion carried. Eld. Cecil Burgess was elected to replace Bro. Henson.

Report given on State Paper. Motion to accept report. Carried.

Motion and second to elect editor of paper. Motion carried.

Eld. E. F. Gibson was elected editor with Eld. W. S. Gordon elected as his assistant.

Motion and second to hear from the Missionary Committee. Carried. Talks on previous years work given by both missionaries.

Missionary report given by Bro. E. F. Gibson and Missionary report given by Bro. Elmer Shults. Motion to adopt. Remarks given by both missionaries. A letter of appreciation was read by Bro. Shine pertaining to the good work that Bro. Shults has been doing at Springfield. Report on missions carried.

Motion and second to reconsider the salary part of the Missionary Committee report and carry over until first thing the next day. Carried.

Motion and second to recess until 7:00 P. M. Motion carried. Announcements were made and then we were dismissed by prayer by Eld. W.C. Henson.

#### THURSDAY EVENING 7:00 P. M.

Moderator calls evening services to order. Opening song led by Bro. Cooley with Sister Melvin Scott at the piano. Opening song; "When I See The Blood". Opening prayer by Bro. Hudson. Second song; "I Will Sing the Wonderous Story". Third song, "Send the Light".

Devotional given by Eld. Joe Holland scripture reading taken from Heb. 11:1 subject on Faith.

Report given on Christian Education. Motion and second to adopt. Remarks given by; Eld. Ralph Brand and Eld. W. S. Gordon. Report adopted.

Motion and second to release mediatorial committee and give them a rising vote of appreciation for their untiring efforts. Carried.

Report given on Baptist Training Servile. Motion and second to adopt. Remarks by Bro. W. H. Newman. Motion carried.

Motion and second to go into preaching hour. Motion carried. Elder Freeman Gibson was chosen to bring the evening message. His subject, "Why Did Jesus Die". Scripture reading taken from John 12:20-26. Elder R. P. Mitchell gave Bro. Gibson the hand of appreciation for this wonderful message.

The song, "Take My Hand Precious Lord", was led by Bro. Cooley and an offering was taken for Southeastern Baptist College. Offering amounted to 60.22.

Motion and second to adjourn until 9:30 A.M. next day. Motion carried. During announcements, Bro. Brand expressed his appreciation for the offering and extended to all an invitation to visit the college. Closing prayer led by Eld. C. A. Darst.

#### FRIDAY MORNING

Opening song led by Eld. J. H. Gibson with Sister Williams at the piano. Opening song was "Leaning On The Everlasting Arm". A second song was, "Heavenly Sunlight". Opening prayer led by Elder M. M. Henson.

Devotional given by Elder R. R. Brown, scripture reading found in II Timothy 4:1-8.

Moderator recognized other visitors which were Bro. W. J. Burgess and Bro. Craig Branham.

The report on State Missions was given. Motion and second to adopt. Remarks by Bro. C. A. Darst. Motion carried.

Business taken up on reconsidering financial problem on Missionary committee report. Motion and second that secretary treasurer and editor of paper take 75 dollars per month from paper treasury and add it to 325 dollars from missions treasury to make up his salary. Remarks by Eld. O. A. Robinson



Report given on Mission Treasury. Motion and second to amend motion and designate 75 dollars as gift for expense. Amendment to motion carried and motion carried and motion on reconsideration carried.

Motion and second to pay missionary salary as recommended by the recommendation committee. Motion carried.

Election of missionaries was the next order of business. Bro. Elmer Shults was elected as missionary and Bro. Freeman Gibson was elected as missionary and editor of the state paper.

Motion and second that we enter the reading of our Articles of Faith at each annual session as section number 8 of our Rules of Decorum. Motion carried.

The report on the State W. M. A. was given next. Motion and second to adopt. Remarks were by Sister Endicott. Motion carried.

Bro. Ken McMillen gave report on finance, reporting 170 dollars and 60 cents collected for clerk hire and minute fund.

The report was given on Inter-State and Foreign Missions by Eld. W. S. Gordon. Motion and second to adopt. Remarks by Eld. W. J. Burgess and Bro. Craig Branham. Motion carried.

Motion and second to relinquish the preaching hour in order to finish with business before noon. Motion carried.

Report on Literature and Publications given by Eld. J. H. Gibson. Motion and second to adopt this report. Motion Carried.

Eld. Ray Therman read a resolution from Cain Creek Missionary Baptist Church in regard to using pictures of movie stars on our literature. Motion and second to adopt resolution. Remarks by Eld. Ray Therman, Eld. O. A. Robinson, Eld. J. H. Gibson, Eld. E. C. Endicott, Eld. W. S. Gordon, Eld. Jurl Mitchell. Motion carried.

Enrollment Committee gave a report of 39 churches represented by messengers. 92 messengers present, and 11 churches represented by letter only. Making a total of 50 churches represented.

New Missionary Committee report given by Eld. Ray Thurman. Motion and second to adopt. Motion carried.

Invitation to go to Chambers Park for next annual session. Invitation accepted.

Elder Jurl Mitchell was elected to bring the next annual message with Elder Joe Brandon as the alternate.

Report on resolutions was given by Sister Melvin Scott. Motion and second to adopt. An amendment to the motion was made to publish this report on resolutions in the local paper and that Bro. Endicott was to have this job done. Amendment carried and also motion carried.

Report on Revolving Loan Fund given. Motion and second to accept. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report on Revolving Loan Fund given. Motion and second to accept, motion carried. Motion and second that Chairman use his signature on Revolving Loan checks along with the Treasurer's. Motion carried.

Motion and second to have the same number of minutes printed as last year. Motion carried.

Motion and second to take up offering for paper. . . Motion carried. Offering taken up with closing song.

Motion and second that we adjourn until next year. Motion carried.

Closing song, "Stepping In The Light", led by Bro. J. H. Gibson with Sister Williams at the piano. Closing prayer led by Brother Craig Branham.

## CLERKS ANNUAL REPORT

Balance at last State Association .....	\$116.59
<i>Deposits</i>	
November 16, 1957 .....	\$282.00
Grand Total .....	\$398.59
<i>Disbursements</i>	
Clerks Salary .....	\$75.00
Jefferson County Record (Minutes) .....	\$160.00
Postage and Supplies .....	\$16.82
Total Disbursements .....	\$251.82
Balance in Treasure .....	\$146.77

Humbly Submitted  
Eld. Elmer Shults

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF MISSOURI MISSIONARY BAPTIST

<b>Receipts:</b>	
Subscriptions and offerings .....	\$3,032.80
<b>Expenses:</b>	
Printing .....	\$1,800.00
Postage .....	92.51
Supplies .....	111.23
Editor .....	1200.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b> .....	<b>\$3,203.16</b>
Deficit .....	\$170.94

The paper's equipment consists of an addressing machine, one Underwood typewriter, one Royal typewriter for cutting stencils, stencil file cabinet, Polaroid camera, a typewriter itable, a large number of cuts and copies of all past issues of the paper.

Expense for camera .....	\$129.88
<b>Receipts:</b>	
Chambers Park .....	100.00
Washington County Association .....	29.88
<b>TOTAL</b> .....	<b>\$129.88</b>

E. F. Gibson,  
Editor and Business Manager

## REPORT ON B. T. S.

We your committee on B. T. S. wish to submit the following:

We wish to place before the churches of the M. B. S. A. the importance

of this training service. We believe that when our Lord commissioned the church, to teach them that all things whatsoever I have commanded you, He expects us to carry out this part of our training program. We believe this to be one of the ways to indoctrinate our people as our Lord did when He was here in person. Therefore let us fulfill our part of this great work by full cooperation with our sister churches until our Lord's return.

Humbly Submitted

W. H. Newman and J. L. Britton

### CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Recognize the need for education in every vocation in life, we therefore recommend to our people to support our own institutions of higher learning, namely Southeastern College, Laurel, Mississippi, Conway College, Conway, Arkansas, Jacksonville College, Jacksonville, Texas, and the North American Theological Seminary, Jacksonville, Texas.

We further recommend to our churches to: (1) Remember our schools in your daily prayers, (2) Encourage our boys and girls to attend our own schools where they can receive the highest type of literary training in the most pleasing spiritual atmosphere, and (3) give your financial means in regular and liberal support of our own institutions of higher learning.

Humbly Submitted

Ralph Brand and Jurl Mitchell

### LADIES AUXILIARY

We, your committee wish to submit the following report.

We believe that women have a very definite place in God's work. We feel that our churches should take a greater interest in the auxiliary.

The ladies efforts in the auxiliary is one of the many ways in which we may help in the Lord's service. Dispensing of tracts, visitation, and raising funds necessary to church expense are only a part of the work of the auxiliary.

As we labor, we see the need of the field before us because the harvest is white, but the laborers are few. We wish to recommend to our churches that they encourage the work of the auxiliary and that more women seek to organize them in our churches.

Mrs. E. C. Endicott and Mrs. Thurman

### LITERATURE AND PUBLICATIONS

The basis of all Christian Literature is the Bible. Other publications are to be helps in our Bible study.

Some publications that we recommend are; The Gleaner, The Advancer, and The Golden Words.

We hold that every home represented in the Missouri Baptist Association should be a subscriber to our state paper, The Missouri Missionary Baptist. We recommend that the pastors of the churches put our paper before the

churches, urging the entire membership to subscribe and to renew the subscriptions promptly on expiration.

The North American Baptist Association publishes study course books that we urge the churches to use in their education program, maintaining frequent and regular study courses.

J. H. Gibson and Cecil Burgess

### FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Antioch, Oxly .....	\$4.00	Naylor .....	2.00
Antioch, Ellington .....	5.00	Maple View .....	5.00
Antioch, St. Louis .....	5.00	Mt. Zion, Poplar Bluff .....	5.00
Bunker Hill .....	2.00	New Providence .....	2.00
Brenton Creek .....	3.00	North Side .....	3.00
Bethlehem .....	3.00	Oak Hill .....	5.00
Bethesda .....	5.00	Ohlman .....	10.00
Bates Creek .....	5.00	Providence .....	5.00
Bethany .....	3.00	Pond Creek .....	5.00
Cane Creek .....	3.00	Stoney Point .....	7.00
Emmanuel, Poplar Bluff .....	2.00	<b>Springfield</b> .....	5.00
First Ruble .....	2.00	Sky Line .....	2.00
First Middlebrook .....	3.00	Spring Valley .....	1.00
Friendship, Harviel .....	3.00	Sprngfield .....	5.00
First Matthews .....	10.00	<b>Shady Grove</b> .....	5.00
Gethsemane, Hillsboro .....	5.00	Sikeston .....	5.00
Independence .....	5.00	Temple .....	5.00
Immanuel, Kansas .....	3.00	<b>West Plains</b> .....	2.00
Kewanee .....	3.00	Walnut Grove .....	3.00
Lower Doe Run .....	5.00	West Doniphan .....	2.00
Landmark, DeSoto .....	5.00	Zelma .....	3.00
Mt. Zion, Ellington .....	3.00	Little Bethel .....	3.00
Moselle .....	2.00		

### STATE MISSIONS

State Missions is the main object and purpose of the existence of the Missouri Baptist State Association. For this purpose, this association was organized, and unless we fulfill this purpose, we have no right to exist.

As we look upon our past work, we can see definite visible results from State Mission efforts. Churches have been established, souls have been saved, and Churches and Christians confirmed.

Now, as we embark upon a new year, we have the same God with his spiritual and material resources. Thus we should, by faith, launch out into the deep. May we urge all to do our best to stand behind our State Work and Workers with our prayers and finances.

C. A. Darst and Charles Ray

Indian Creek	56-62	500.00		10.00	85.23		6.00	21.25		27.02	21.21	60.22	777.94
		1750.00	34.56	60.73	54.42		6.00	59.13	86.00	28.18	271.74	72.70	2610.16
Kewance	109-112											Radio 36.40	
Lower Doe Run	45-47	480.00	106.21		214.46		18.00	40.00		63.65	37.60		1200.77
Landmark, DeSoto	83-83	2450.00	137.30	137.30	93.24		10.00	605.50	51.01	60.00	188.06	75.45	3807.86
Little Bethel	37-38	740.00	60.00	60.00	70.00		10.00		50.00		154.20	64.99	1305.25
Mt. Zion, Ellington	35-38	2695.00	151.34	151.34	151.34	35.80	26.00	1714.77			166.44	67.36	5219.39
Moselle	33-34	1480.00	169.55	149.24	179.24	87.55	15.06	284.51	69.16	26.34	141.94	57.22	2664.89
Mapleview	51-52	925.00	22.45	26.66	61.15	240.77	15.00	142.16				66.83	1500.52
Mt. Zion, Poplar Bluff	117-79	2030.00	229.03	234.03	318.60	123.50	5.00	269.15	40.37	40.00	750.82	109.14	4219.64
Naylor	90-88	825.00	29.64	29.64	69.30	88.00	17.00		10.00		195.42	54.83	1318.83
New Providence	56-52	542.14	137.55	78.79	223.93		8.00				136.93	29.69	1157.03
Northside	44-58	1920.00	43.15	30.84	75.61		16.00	264.97	87.58		324.94	69.09	2914.18
Oak Hill	35-35	480.00	30.00	20.00	70.00	142.00	18.00		21.00		64.00	41.80	886.80
Ohlman	27-30	120.00	210.00	179.98	78.19	129.00	25.00		60.00	155.82	50.00	96.00	1164.71
Providence	118-132	501.75	12.00	27.00	60.02	192.90	5.00		71.79		219.72	51.63	1107.15
Pond Creek	63-68	520.00	15.20	30.00	176.63		12.00		30.00		483.30	81.93	1349.16
Point Pleasant	35-32	240.00		30.00	85.00	60.00	10.00	262.00	50.00	60.00		120.00	685.00
Stony Point	42-49	638.22	60.00	70.00	168.09	67.67	7.00				105.80	61.00	1212.79
Springdale	15-25	255.00	93.75	93.75	177.65		15.00	2392.76		15.00	410.54	38.37	3491.82
Springhill	106-102	1590.00	156.40	155.39	379.13	88.25	25.00	492.47		26.00	351.34	101.25	3422.73
Sky Line	16-15	264.00		30.65	30.65	9.00	8.00				22.80	21.50	390.50
Spring Valley	30-49	1187.84	69.07	69.00	376.72		11.00	4716.93	12.00	77.60	424.71	137.17	7082.04
Springfield	17-17	323.90	83.58	99.89	83.51		5.00	234.01			30.42	26.16	889.47
Shady Grove	33-42		145.16	25.00	66.90		5.00		25.00		600.06	49.61	916.63
Sikeston	126-108	3394.18	86.19	157.66	66.28	98.22	40.00	553.60	78.57	312.00	249.52	125.11	5227.60
Temple	69-69	1560.00	156.61	130.51	234.91		5.00	8585.85				274.97	11033.10
West Plains	12-10	425.00	17.88	17.88	17.88		11.00	282.22		12.00	114.20	17.82	1065.88
Walnut Grove	121-114	740.00	60.00	60.00	150.00		3.00	219.27	13.00	20.00	105.35	85.92	1456.54
West Doniphan	22-27	335.14	17.50	22.17	88.65	96.50	2.00	75.63			100.15	44.55	769.78
Zalma	40-35	760.00	30.25	30.24	91.50	100.00	8.00				257.85	76.53	1380.87

Churches	Membership 1957-1958	Pastor's Salary	Interstate and Foreign Missions	State Missions	District Missions	Visiting Ministers and Help in Meetings	Minute Fund and Clerk Hire	Building and Repairs	Benevolence	Christian Education	Incidentals	Paid for S.S. and B. T.S. Supplies	State Paper	TOTALS
Antioch, Oxly	145-138	1095.00	\$73.66	\$71.38	\$143.80	90.00	\$16.00	\$ 729.15	\$220.21	\$	\$ 104.65	\$	\$2543.85	
Antioch, Ellington	45-44	240.00	78.59	50.00	50.00		20.00	58.09	16.65		52.07	25.65	30.00	620.96
Antioch, St. Louis	30-28	635.00	268.61	105.33	197.68	86.05	10.00	900.00			170.00	61.65		2434.32
Bethasda	32-34	1325.00	132.88	132.88	265.78		20.00	30.20			206.74	73.96		2187.45
Bethlehem	56-61									12.99	35.00	39.00		609.49
Brenton Creek	164-169	3120.00	120.00	409.20	208.00		12.00	67.50	10.00		935.70	110.80		4893.20
Bunker Hill	24-31	1460.00	115.88	36.65	97.59		3.00		28.00		24.00	44.51		1804.46
Bates Creek	29-29	187.00		55.07	55.07		10.00		5.00		73.80	18.52		404.46
Bethany	175-174	5200.00	536.69	796.60	795.60	187.00	6.00	15313.54	90.00	287.81	1505.50	494.12		25211.26
Chambers Park	106-122	5200.00	1884.54	1296.38	187.12	691.91	30.00	2845.74	30.02	602.87	3629.72	409.02	363.69	17492.47
													Loan Fund	
													147.20	
Cane Creek	46-46	1579.00	90.00	150.00	310.00	110.00	16.00	667.00	18.00	40.00	234.28	59.07	65.00	3338.91
Emmanuel, Poplar Bluff	18-18	505.57	58.93	58.93	58.93	56.38	5.00	427.73	33.82			39.00		1244.30
First, Ruble	32-29	190.90	7.00	8.50	10.50		14.00				18.70	35.98		284.58
First, Bourbon	100-102	3395.00	306.88	102.32	102.32	143.08	8.00	708.09	46.95	123.91	779.09	181.94	36.00	6454.54
													Radio	
													513.96	
First, Middle Brook	21-24	610.00	116.46	63.52	21.50	123.00	3.00	1024.00		24.63	87.35	79.95	12.00	2162.41
Friendship, Harviell	50-59	1024.13	39.11	65.20	157.51		3.00			26.54	255.80	49.46		1662.75
First, Matthews	160-146	1145.00	16.40	45.70	8.20	100.00	10.00	430.00	75.70		381.71	101.85		2324.56
Gethsemane	35-34	1140.00	75.25	194.91	233.13	169.35	15.00	2695.40			305.86	175.09	93.60	5107.59
Independence	126-131	1405.00	43.76	89.07	89.07	110.00	30.00	487.97	12.00	12.00	303.69	67.16		2649.62
Immanuel, Kansas	36-26	1050.00	39.62	219.20		197.95	8.00	4620.00				75.11	22.52	6249.69
													Loan Fund	

## INTERSTATE AND STATE MISSIONS

We your committee submit the following report:

The Great Commission is our Divine order of preaching the Gospel as churches. The interstate and foreign work as supported by churches of the N. A. B. A. is scriptural and should be supported by our prayers and means. More churches are needed at home and abroad for much distitution is noted in both the home land and upon foreign soil.

The urgent need is more support of our Inter State Missionaries. Also the Brazil Seminary is almost assured and will mean education for young Brazilians in the faith once for all delivered to the saints.

The churches need to support the national revolving loan fund so the new churches can erect suitable places of worship.

W. S. Gordon and E. C. Endicott

## REVOLVING LOAN FUND

Gethsemane, Hillsboro .....	\$634.25
Immanuel, Kansas City .....	22.52
Chambers Park, St. Louis .....	147.94
Landmark, DeSoto .....	7.08
Ohlman, Bunker .....	11.91
<b>TOTAL COLLECTED .....</b>	<b>\$823.70</b>
Brought Forward .....	\$5,803.71
Outstanding on original loan to Gethsemane .....	\$2,000.00
<b>GRAND TOTAL .....</b>	<b>\$8,627.41</b>
New loan to Gethsemane, Hillsboro, Mo. ....	\$6,500.00
Balance on hand to date .....	\$2,127.41

Clarence E. Crawford

## REPORT OF REVOLVING LOAN FUND COMMITTEE

Three members of the Revolving Loan Fund committee met at Gethsemane Church in Hillsboro Aug. 22, 1958. Meeting called to order and organization was as follows: Eld. C. A. Darst, Moderator and Eld. N. J. Gibson, Clerk Prayer by Bro. E. F. Gibson. Treasurers report read by Bro. Crawford. Request for loan from Gethsemane Church read by E. F. Gibson. Rules of the Revolving Loan Fund read. Motion and second that we make a loan of \$4,500.00 to Gethsemane Church. Said loan to be added to present loan and that they comply with the rules governing loans. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Crawford.

Elder C. A. Darst, Moderator

Elder N. J. Gibson, Clerk

Three members of the Revolving Loan Fund committee met at Gethsemane church in Hillsboro Sept. 11, 1958 for the purpose of closing the loan to Gethsemane Church. Meeting called to order by moderator and prayer led

by Eld. W. S. Gordon. Motion and second that Gethsemane Church pay a minimum of \$50.00 per month with the remaining balance due Dec. 1, 1963. Motion carried. The loan fund committee then moved to the office of Attorney Nixon for a meeting which had been previously arranged by Eld. E. F. Gibson. Members of the committee along with the trustees of Gethsemane Church signed, after examining, the necessary legal papers which had been prepared by Attorney Nixon for the closing of the loan.

Elder C. A. Darst, Moderator  
Elder N. J. Gibson, Clerk

Meeting of the loan committee met at West Plains, Mo., October 31, 1958. Called to order by moderator. Organization as follows:

Elder C. A. Darst — Moderator — — Elder R. P. Mitchell — Assistant  
Elder N. J. Gibson, — Clerk — — — Elder Cecil Burgess — Assistant

Motion and second that Bro. Crawford be retained as treasurer for the loan fund. Motion carried. Motion and second that we recommend to the association that the time of the beginning of payment for Gethsemane Church on their loan be set up to the first part of December 1959. Carried. Motion and second that we request that Bro. Gibson keep before the churches the need of support of the revolving loan fund as he goes on the field. Motion carried. Adjourned in prayer.

Eld. C. A. Darst  
Eld. N. J. Gibson

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## ANNUAL REPORT OF MISSIONARY

Elmer Shults

This is my report since going on the Mission field May 15, 1958.

Sermons preached 52. Revivals 2. Additions to churches 4. Hospital visits 4. Churches visited 22. Fields investigated 3. Associations attended 6. Fifth Sunday Meetings 2. Miles traveled 7,862. Collected on the Field \$43.85 which was turned over to the treasurer. Received from Secretary of Missions \$1,650. Paid in full.

Your prayers and support has been appreciated very much.

Prayerful Submitted  
Eld. Elmer Shults

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## MISSIONS AND SECRETARY'S REPORT.....

E. F. Gibson

From December 1957 to April 1958, I was engaged mostly in activities of a promotional nature. I visited a large number of churches and associational gatherings. Along with this, there were 125 sermons preached, 1 conversion 3 baptisms, 1 surrender to the ministry, and about 30,000 miles traveled.

In April I opened a mission at Viburnum, but the apparent interest was not rooted deeply. The time for the establishment of a permanent work there was not ripe at that time, and it might not be for a while, depending on the lead situation.



In July, I returned to Hillsboro to help the church there, which had been established the year before as a state mission. The church was eager to progress, so we commenced the completion of the building program. It is nearly finished, lacking only some painting and varnishing on the inside and the stone veneer on the two sides outside. This property will have a valuation of more than \$15,000 when completed. The loan service can be credited for the material progress of the church. Words cannot describe the value of this service. It is a must to our mission endeavors and every church in the association should make monthly offerings to it. We hope to have other churches established soon, and when they are established, they will need financial assistance to build and they will have to build to grow.

Sixty-one churches of the association contributed to state missions last year; also one mission, one district association, in fifth Sunday meeting capacity, and four individuals.

#### FINANCIAL REPORT FOR YEAR ENDING OCT. 31, 1958

Received from Secretary-treasurer Dec. 1, 1957 .....	\$565.30
Received from churches and individuals .....	\$6,357.27
Total receipts .....	\$6,922.57
Disbursements:	
J. C. South (4 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> months) .....	\$1350.00
Elmer Shults (5 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> months) .....	\$1650.00
E. F. Gibson .....	\$3850.00
Total Disbursements .....	\$6,850.00
Balance October 28, 1958 .....	\$72.57

#### INCIDENTAL FUND

Receipts:	
From former treasurer .....	\$312.35
First Baptist, Chambers Park .....	\$10.00
First Baptist, Middlebrook .....	\$10.17
Viburnum Mission .....	\$38.93
Washington County B. T. S. ....	\$10.36
Black River Electric Co-op (membership refund) .....	\$5.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS .....	\$386.81
Disbursements:	
Material and building repair (Viburnum Mission) .....	86.80
Equipment for Mission .....	\$67.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS .....	\$153.88
BALANCE October 28, 1958 .....	\$232.93

#### REPORT ON ENROLLMENT COMMITTEE

We your committee on enrollment wish to report 39 churches represented by messengers, 92 messengers present, 9 churches represented by letter. A total of 50 churches being represented.

Your Committee  
Ray Thurman and Jimmy Ford

## FIRST MISSIONARY COMMITTEE

The old committee called to order by the Moderator, Eld. O. A. Robinson. Prayer led by Bro. Nash Akins. Eld. N. J. Gibson was elected moderator with Elder J. H. Gibson assistant. Elder Ray Thurman was elected as Clerk with Elder Noel Meade as assistant.

Churches answering roll call were: Antioch, Oxly, Antioch, St. Louis, Brenton Creek, Bethlehem, Bethesda, Bethany, Chambers Park, Cane Creek, First Middlebrook, Friendship, Harviel, Gethsemane, Independance, Immanuel, Kewanee, Landmark, Little Bethel, Mt. Zion, Ellington, Mt. Zion Poplar Bluff Oak Hill, Ohlman, Stoney Point, Springhill, Springfield, Shady Grove, Temple, West Plains, Walnut Grove. Several invitations were given for the next meeting. Gethsemane was chosen by the body.

Motion and second to meet with Gethsemane Church at Hillsboro, Mo. Tuesday before the second Sunday in Feb. at 10:30 A. M. Motion carried.

Motion and second and carried to adjourn. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. C. W. Wilson.

## MISSIONARY COMMITTEE REPORT

January 6, 1958

The Missionary Committee of the Missouri Missionary Association met with The Bethesda Missionary Baptist Church, Flat River, Mo. on Jan. 6th 1958. The meeting was opened by the Moderator Eld. O. A. Robinson at 10:00 A. M. Eld. E. F. Gibson led the singing with Sister Mason at the piano.

Song: "I am Thine O'Lord." Prayer by Eld. C. W. Wilson Song: "Trust and O'Be" Eld. Cecil Burgess led the Devotional, readings Acts. 20:23-32 Subject "Responsibility and Opportunity" of Missionary Baptist.

Churches answering the roll call were: Friendship, Harviell, Shady Grove, Bethesda, Chambers Park, Stoney Point, Sikeston, White Oak Grove, Pond Creek, Temple, Brenton Creek, Matthews, Kewanee, Little Bethel, 1st Middle Brook, Macedonia, Faith, Bethel, Springsdale, Gethsemane, Springhill, Mt. Zion Ellington, Cane creek, Walnut Grove. Twenty (23) churches being present.

The clerk read the invitation from the Shady and West Plains Missionary Baptist Churches to meet with them at West Plains, Mo. for the 1958 session of the Missouri Missionary Baptist Association. Motion and second to accept their invitation for the 1958 session. Motion carried.

Motion and second to set the time for the 1958 Session Oct. 30-31 Thursday and Friday before the First Sunday in November. Motion carried.

Motion and second to wait until the next regular meeting of the Missionary Committee to determine what to do about selecting another Missionary since Bro. Newman has not accepted the Mission work. Motion carried.

Bro. J. C. South was asked to give his report on what work he had done since taking the field. Bro. E. F. Gibson then gave his report on his work both as Missionary and the report on the State paper. Motion and second to accept the missions report. Motion carried.

Motion and second to take an offering to help Bro. J. C. South to make a trip to Jacksonville, Texas as a trustee of the Siminary. Carried.

Invitations for the next Committee Meeting were: Bethel, Sikeston, Mt. Zion, Ellington. The Sikeston Missionary Baptist Church was selected.

Motion and second the Committee meet on April 15th at 10:00 A.M. Carried.

Motion and second to have song service and Devotional and preaching in the Morning and Business meeting in the afternoon. Motion carried.

Motion and second to select someone to preach at the next meeting, highest to preach next highest to be alternate. Motion carried

Eld. E. C. Endicott elected with Eld. J. C. Smith, alternate.

Motion and second to adopt the Editor's Report. Carried.

Motion and Second to adjourn; Carried.

Song: "I'll Go Where You Want Me To Go" Bro. South stated he would turn the offering over to the Seminary in the name of the churches of Missouri Amount of offerings, \$24.55.

Dismissed in prayer and thanks for the noonday meal was offered by Eld. Melvin Scott. The noon meal was provided by the Ladies of the "Bethesda Baptist Church which was truly appreciated.

Eld. O. A. Robinson, Moderator

Eld. Elmer Shults, Clerk

### MISSIONARY COMMITTEE REPORT

April 15, 1958

The Missionary Committee of the Missouri Missionary Baptist Association met with The Sikeston Missionary Baptist Church at Sikeston, Mo. on April 15, 1958. Eld. O. A. Robinson the Moderator opened the meeting calling on Eld. E. F. Gibson to lead the singing and Sister J. E. Mason to play the piano. Song: "In That Home of The Soul" Song: "At Calvary". Prayer by Eld. Ralph Gibson. Song "Footsteps of Jesus". Brother Robinson called on, Eld. J. E. Mason to lead the devotional scripture reading Isa. 6:1-8 after this good devotional the Moderator called for nominations for someone to preach at the Eleven O'clock hour. Nominations: Eld. Fred Burnett and Eld. N. J. Gibson. Eld. Fred Burnett elected. Eld. Cecil Burgess gave a hearty welcome to every one. Eld. W. S. Gordon was asked to respond. Song: "Take My Life And Let It Be." Prayer by Eld. W. H. Newman. Bro. Burnett took the stand to bring the morning message. Reading, Mark 14:35-42 Subject: "The Will Of God." While the congregation stood and sang: "His Seal Is On My Soul" the hand of appreciation was extended to Bro. Burnett for the outstanding message and to Bro. Mason for the good devotional.

Motion and second to go into the selection of a place to meet next quarter, motion carried. Bro. W. S. Gordon extended an invitation to meet with the Chambers Park Missionary Baptist of St. Louis, Mo. Motion to accept the invitation, motion carried. Motion and second to meet with Chambers Park at 10:00 A.M. July 1st. Motion carried.

Motion and second to select some one to preach at the morning service on July 1st. Motion carried. Nominations were: Eld. W. H. Newman and Eld. Cecil Burgess. Bro. Burgess was elected with Bro. Newman as Alternate. Motion and second to hear Bro. E. F. Gibson's report as Secretary and Treasurer of Missions. Motion carried. Motion and second to adopt the report Motion carried. Bro. Burgess made announcement concerning the lunch hour. Motion and second to adjourn until 1:15 P.M. Motion carried. Eld. N. J. Gibson dismissed in prayer and also asked the Blessing on the noon meal. The ladies served a very good dinner which was enjoyed by all.

### AFTERNOON SERVICE

Services opened with Eld. R. W. Gibson leading the singing; Sister W. S. Gordon at the piano. Song: "Bring Them In" prayer by: Eld. Noel Edwards Eld. N. J. Gibson brought the devotional reading, Luke 10:38-42. Subject "Needful Things". Eld. E. F. Gibson led in prayer. The Moderator called for the transaction of business.

Churches answering the roll call were: Bethesda, Chambers Park, Maple View, Friendship, Cain Creek, Mt. Zion, Poplar Bluff, Little Bethel, Temple, Bethel, St. Clair, Kewanee, Sikeston, White Oak Grove, Spring Hill, Mt. Zion Ellington. Call for reading of previous minutes. Minutes read by the clerk, Eld. Elmer Shults. Motion and second to adopt the minutes as read. Motion carried. Reading of correspondence was called for. The clerk read a letter from Bro. J. C. South stating he was resigning from the Mission field. Motion and second to accept his resignation. Motion carried. Motion and second to go into the selection of a Missionary. Motion carried. Eld. Elmer Shults was nominated and unanimously elected. Motion and second to give Bro. Shults as much time as needed to make a decision. Motion carried. Motion and second to reconsider the time of our next meeting, because of daylight saving time in St. Louis. Motion carried. Motion and second to meet at 10:30 A.M. Motion carried.

Bro. E. F. Gibson gave his report on the State Paper. Motion and second to adopt. Carried. Motion and second to adjourn to meet with Chambers Park Church July 1, 1958. Motion carried. Song: "When We All Get To Heaven". Dismissed in prayer by Eld. J. H. Gibson.

Eld. O. A. Robinson, Moderator  
Eld. Elmer Shults, Clerk

### MISSIONARY COMMITTEE REPORT

July 1, 1958

The Missionary Committee of the Churches composing the "Missouri Missionary Baptist Association" met with the Chambers Park Missionary Baptist Church in St. Louis, Mo. July 1, 1958 at 10:00 o'clock. Eld. O. A. Robinson the Moderator called the meeting to order. Bro. Elmer Shults led the singing with Sister W. S. Gordon at the piano, songs: "Break Thou The Bread of Life" and "Have, Thine Own Way Lord". Prayer by Elder W. S. Gordon. Elder J. L. Britton was selected to bring the devotional; Bro. Britton called on Bro. Ken McMillen to lead in prayer. Bro. Britton read Matt. 28:18-20 for a scripture reading them: "Missions". Song: "We'll Work Till Jesus Comes." Since Elder Cecil Burgess, the one who was selected to bring the message was absent, Elder W. H. Newman the alternate took the stand to bring the message. Reading 2 Tim. 1:8-14. Prayer by Elder E. F. Gibson. Text: Verse 12. Subject: "Knowledge". While the congregation stood and sang "Jesus Paid It All", the hand of appreciation was given to Eld. Britton for a good devotional and to Eld. W. H. Newman for the good message. The Moderator called on the Pastor of the church, Bro. Gordon for announcements; Bro. Gordon welcomed all to the church and stated that lunch would be served at the church.

Motion and second to recess until 1:00 o'clock. Motion carried.

Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Jimmie Ford.

### 1:00 O'CLOCK BUSINESS SESSION

Services called to order by the Moderator Bro. Robinson. Eld. E. F. Gibson led the singing with Sister McMillen at the piano. Song: "Praise Him" Praise Him!". Eld. Jimmie Ford led the devotional, reading Psalms 25:1-11 Subject: "Prayer". Bro. Roy Essmyer led in prayer. The Moderator called for the roll call of the churches; Churches answered as follows: Bethesda, Gethsemane, Bethel, St. Clair, Temple, Cain Creek, Antioch, Mt. Zion, Poplar Bluff, Naylor, Little Bethel, Breaton Creek, Spring Dale, Faith, Chambers Park, Springhill, Mt. Zion Ellington. Fifteen churches represented at the committee meetings. The Moderator called for reports.

Eld. E. F. Gibson gave his report as treasurer of missions. Motion and second this report be adopted as read. Motion carried. Eld. Elmer Shults made his report of work done thus far as State Missionary. Motion and second to adopt, carried. Eld. E. F. Gibson gave his report on the State Paper. Motion and second to adopt, remarks, Eld. E. F. Gibson. Motion carried.

Motion and second to adjourn to meet at the State Association or at the request of the chair. Remarks: E. F. Gibson. Motion carried.

Dismissed in prayer by Bro. W. H. Pogue.

Eld. O. A. Robinson, Moderator

Eld. Elmer Shults, Clerk

### MISSIONARY COMMITTEE REPORT

October 29, 1958

The Missionary Committee of the churches composing the Missouri Missionary Baptist Association met at the West Plains Missionary Baptist Church, West Plains, Mo., October 29, 1958 at 1:30 P.M.

Eld. O. A. Robinson called the meeting to order. Elder Noel Gibson led the singing with Sister Ken McMillen at the piano. Song: "When We All Get To Heaven,.. Prayer by Elder S. F. Burnett. Song: "Heavenly Sunlight". Brother Kenneth Ford led the devotional. Bro. Ford read as a lesson Acts 1:1-9. Prayer by Bro. Ford.

Roll call of Churches: Springdale, Friendship, Cane Creek, Bethel, St. Clair Chambers Park, Bethany, Temple, Gethsemane, Shady Grove, Stoney Point, First Middlebrook, Oak Hill, Antioch St. Louis, Bethesda, Brenton Creek, Antioch Oxly, Springhill, Mt. Zion Ellington.

Previous minutes read and approved. Motion and second to hear from our missionaries. Motion carried. Eld. E. F. Gibson gave his report as Secretary-Treasurer of Missions. Motion and second to adopt his report as Secretary by Bro. Gibson. Motion carried. Elder Elmer Shults gave his report Motion and second to adopt. Remarks by Bro. Shults. Motion carried.

#### Recommendations:

Motion and second that we, the missionary committee, recommend that the association elect a man as editor of our state paper and this man also be promotional secretary and treasurer of missions, with a salary of 400 dollars per month. We further recommend the election of one full time missionary with salary of 300 dollars per month and that the missionary committee be empowered to elect another missionary if funds become available. Motion and second to adopt. Motion to amend that the missionaries salary be raised to 350 dollars per month. Amendment carried. Motion as amended carried.

Motion and second that the missionary committee meet quarterly. Motion carried. Motion and second to adjourn. Carried. Dismissed in prayer by Elder J. L. Britton.

### RESOLUTION

Let it be resolved that this association express its disapproval of the use of movie star pictures or any other pictures except those of our own N. A. B. A. workers on the covers of our B. T. S. and Sunday School quarterlies. Let it be further resolved that we authorize our clerk to inform our Editor of Publications of this action. Adopted at the annual 1958 session of Missouri Missionary Baptist.

## RESOLUTION COMMITTEE

Be it resolved that we, the messengers and workers of the Missouri Baptist State Association, express our thanks to the churches of the Liberty Baptist Association for the invitation to meet with them.

Be it further resolved that we express our thanks to the town of West Plains, the county of Howell, and the Liberty Baptist Association for their untiring efforts during this Associational Meeting.

Mrs. Melvin Scott and Mrs. Joe Wilkerson

## CHURCHES AND PASTORS

Anioch, Oxly, Mo. — Dale Blount — Oxly, Mo.  
 Antioch, Ellington, Mo. — G. W. Hawthorne — Ellington, Mo.  
 Antioch, St. Louis, Mo. — C. O. Thornehill — DeSoto, Mo.  
 Bethesda, Flat River, Mo. — James E. Mason — Leadwood, Mo.  
 Bethlehem, Doniphan, Mo. — W. C. Henson — Doniphan, Mo.  
 Brenton Creek, Potosi, Mo. — J. L. Britton — Potosi, Mo.  
 Bunker Hill, Potosi, Mo. — C. E. Gibson — Potosi, Mo.  
 Bates Creek, Potosi, Mo. — Luther Jarvis — Frankclay, Mo.  
 Bethany, St. Louis, Mo. — C. A. Darst — 7144 Manette Dr., St. Louis 20, Mo.  
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 Friendship, Harviell, Mo. — None  
 First Matthews, Matthews, Mo. — None  
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 Independence, Neelyville, Mo. — B. F. McMillan — Neelyville, Mo.  
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 Shady Grove, Leota, Mo. — None  
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