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MINUTES

**OF THE
BAPTIST MISSIONARY
ASSOCIATION OF MISSOURI**

**1972 Annual Session Held With The
BETHANY BAPTIST CHURCH
St. Louis, Missouri
October 30-31, 1972**

**PRESIDENT – C. A. Darst
VICE PRESIDENT – O. A. Robinson
RECORDING SECRETARY – D. G. Fish
ASSISTANT – Elmer Shults**

**1973
Semi-Annual Meeting Will Be Held With The
LOGANS CREEK ASSOCIATION
Garwood, Missouri
On the third Tuesday of May at 10:00 A. M. – 1973
Annual Meeting Will Be Held With The
FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH
Caseyville, Illinois
On Monday and Tuesday Before The
First Sunday in November, 1973 – 2:00 P. M.**

**ANNUAL MESSAGE Leon Harvey
ALTERNATE W. H. Newman**

HISTORICAL TABLE

Year	Church	President	Secretary	Sermon
1928	Potosi	M. M. Hamlin	A. H. Dorman	Ben M. Bogard
1929	Sullivan	W. A. Gilbert	A. H. Dorman	W. E. Counts
1930	Antioch	C. D. Crites	A. H. Dorman	C. D. Crites
1931	White Oak Grove	C. D. Crites	A. H. Dorman	A. Studyvin
1932	Mt. Enon	C. D. Crites	A. H. Dorman	Ben F. Nall
1933	Oak Grove	C. D. Crites	E. S. Ray	C. W. Penrod
1934	Potosi	M. B. Hubbard	E. S. Ray	M. L. Winter
1935	Sullivan	M. B. Hubbard	E. S. Ray	M. B. Hubbard
1936	Mt. Pleasant	M. B. Hubbard	C. A. Darst	A. D. Bennett
1937	Mt. Arrat	L. H. Owens	C. A. Darst	L. H. Owens
1938	Independence	L. H. Owens	W. S. Gordon	C. A. Darst
1939	White Oak Grove	L. H. Owens	W. S. Gordon	H. F. Gunn
1940	Bethel	L. H. Owens	W. S. Gordon	Sol Gibson
1941	Mt. Pleasant	H. F. Gunn	W. S. Gordon	G. E. Jones
1942	Independence	C. D. Barton	W. S. Gordon	W. S. Gordon
1943	Potosi	C. D. Barton	W. S. Gordon	G. W. Hawthorne
1944	Mt. Zion	L. H. Owens	W. S. Gordon	H. W. Darst
1945	Independence	C. A. Darst	W. S. Gordon	E. C. Endicott
1946	Galena, Kansas	C. A. Darst	W. S. Gordon	F. E. Gimlin
1947	Kewanee	C. A. Darst	W. S. Gordon	J. F. McClain
1948	Independence	C. A. Darst	W. S. Gordon	G. W. Fox
1949	Galena, Kansas	C. A. Darst	W. S. Gordon	R. A. Brand
1950	Bethel	C. A. Darst	W. S. Gordon	Charles McClain
1951	Potosi	C. A. Darst	G. W. Fox	E. C. Endicott
1952	Ellington	C. A. Darst	G. W. Fox	J. F. McClain
1953	Chambers Park	C. A. Darst	W. R. Speer	W. R. Speer
1954	Bethel	C. A. Darst	W. R. Speer	E. V. Davis
1955	Neelyville	C. A. Darst	W. R. Speer	H. C. Pape
1956	Potosi	W. R. Speer	Elmer Shults	R. E. Jordan
1957	Cave Springs	O. A. Robinson	Elmer Shults	H. M. Dry
1958	West Plains	O. A. Robinson	Cecil Burgess	Cecil Burgess
1959	Chambers Park	R. P. Mitchell	Elmer Shults	Jurl Mitchell
1960	Immanuel	R. P. Mitchell	Elmer Shults	C. A. Darst
1961	Ellington	G. W. Fox	N. J. Gibson	G. W. Fox
1962	Van Buren	G. W. Fox	G. W. Hawthorne	Noel Meade
1963	West Plains	E. F. Gibson	G. W. Hawthorne	G. W. Fox
1964	Bethel, Potosi	E. F. Gibson	Elmer Shults	R. P. Mitchell
1965	Mt. Zion	C. A. Darst	Elmer Shults	Harold Condray
1966	Independence	C. A. Darst	Charles Ray	C. A. Darst
1967	Northside	G. W. Fox	Charles Ray	Elmer Shults
1968	Friendship, Ill.	G. W. Fox	Jack R. Courtney	Jack R. Courtney
1969	Palmer Heights	R. P. Mitchell	Jack R. Courtney	Ronald Fields
1970	Chambers Park	O. A. Robinson	N. J. Gibson	Thomas Foster
1971	Emmanuel	O. A. Robinson	N. J. Gibson	Donald Hoffman
1972	Bethany	C. A. Darst	D. G. Fish	J. A. Brandon

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Association called to order
 2. Committee on Enrollment
 3. Permanent Organization
 4. Business
 5. Annual Message in Evening Service
 6. Committee Reports
 - State Missions (Sec.-Treas.; Missionaries;
Special Missions Committee)
 - Mobile Unit Committee
 - Revolving Loan Fund Committee
 - Youth Director and Encampment Trustees
 - W.M.A. (Appointed by President)
 - Enrollment (Appointed by President)
 - Finance (Appointed by President)
 - Resolutions
 - MISSOURI MISSIONARY BAPTIST (By
Editor and Publications Committee)
- Representatives of B.M.A. of America or other states shall be given opportunity to speak at the discretion of the President.
7. Miscellaneous Business
 8. Adjournment

RULES OF DECORUM

1. The President 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 President 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 recording secretary 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. The Articles of Faith of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri are to be read at the beginning of each annual session.

STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES OR ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT

Article I – Name

This Association shall be known as the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri.

Article II – Object

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.

Article III – Membership

Section 1. This Association is composed of regular Missionary Baptist churches that are in sympathy with its doctrines, purpose, and work. By regular Missionary Baptist churches is meant churches which are Scriptural in origin, doctrine and practice as defined in our Declaration of Faith. The annual and semi-annual sessions of this Association are held by messengers elected by churches composing this Association. Each church in this Association is entitled to three messengers chosen from her own membership, the qualifications of said messengers being determined by the church electing them.

Section 2. Any church desiring to cooperate with this Association shall send a petitionary letter, accompanied with satisfactory testimony of her regularity, order, orthodoxy, and willingness to work in harmony with the principles of this Association. All churches must be received by a majority vote. This Association reserves the right to withdraw fellowship from any church she may deem heterodox or disorderly.

Section 3. Any church not representing to this Association by messenger or by letter for two (2) consecutive years shall be considered as having severed fellowship with this Association.

Article IV – Officers

Section 1. The officers of this Association shall consist of a President, Vice President, Recording Secretary, Assistant Recording Secretary, who shall not hold office more than two years in succession, and any other officers which may be deemed advisable. These officers shall be elected at each annual meeting by nomination and acclamation.

Section 2. The duties of the officers shall be such as usually devolve on such officers of a deliberative body.

Section 3. The Recording Secretary shall hold all money which is designated for minutes fund and secretary hire, and pay it out only on direction of the Association.

Section 4. All permanent committees shall be elected on a staggered basis.

Section 5. No individual shall serve on more than one standing committee at the same time.

Article V – Missions

Section 1. The missionaries shall be elected by the messengers by nomination and acclamation, after hearing the recommendations of the special missions committee, for an indefinite period at any session of the Association, or any special called meeting.

Section 2. A committee of five (5) shall be elected to serve as a special missions committee, whose duties shall be: (1) To seek out and recommend qualified and interested men for state mission work; (2) To receive recommendations from the churches of men for the state missions work and investigate same before recommendation of any person to the messenger body for missionary; (3) To work with the Secretary-Treasurer of Missions as advisors in the state missions work.

Section 3. The messengers shall at any of the meetings be empowered to set the salaries of the missionaries, and to recommend to the churches such incidentals as may be necessary to advance the missions work in the bounds of this Association.

Section 4. The missionaries shall forward all money received in the course of their work to the Secretary-Treasurer of Missions so that full records for contributing churches may be maintained. Love offerings or other designated offerings shall then be sent to the missionaries by the Secretary-Treasurer according to the wishes of the church making the contribution.

The missionaries shall be given opportunity to make oral reports of the progress of their work at all meetings. The missionaries shall also submit a monthly written report to the Secretary-Treasurer of Missions, giving the spiritual, numerical and financial progress of their work.

Section 5. The missionaries shall have a two-week paid vacation, and shall have the privilege of attending any of the meetings endorsed by this Association.

Section 6. There shall be a Secretary-Treasurer of Missions elected by nomination and acclamation of the messengers for an indefinite period in any regular or called meeting of the association. His duties shall be: (1) To receive all mission funds and disburse them as directed by the messengers, and to make report of said funds at all association meetings; (2) To promote missions among the churches of this association; (3) To work with the special missions committee in advising and helping the missionaries already on the field, and in expanding the work of missions in the State of Missouri; (4) To serve as editor and business manager of the Missouri Missionary Baptist.

Section 7. There shall be a committee of three (3) elected by the messengers to be known as The Missouri Baptist Publications Committee. The messengers shall annually determine the number of issues to be published during the following year, upon recommendation of the editor and publications committee.

Section 8. The salary of the Secretary-Treasurer shall be set by the messengers at any regular meeting of the association. Three-fourths of the determined salary shall be paid from the missions fund and one-fourth from the paper fund.

Section 9. The Secretary-Treasurer shall be paid for actual mileage travelled in his own car in his work.

Section 10. There shall be an assistant Secretary-Treasurer elected by the messengers.

Section 11. The messengers may, at their discretion, set aside the combined office of Secretary-Treasurer and Editor and make whatever arrangements may seem best to them under the prevailing circumstances.

Article VI – Mobile Unit

Section 1. The Association shall elect a Mobile Unit Committee of three (3) to supervise the relocation, use and care of the Mobile Unit in the interest of the Association.

Section 2. One member of this committee shall be designated as Chairman and one as Treasurer.

Section 3. The Association shall maintain a fund to care for the expense incurred in relocating the Mobile Unit, which includes a re-imbusement for the committee's travel expense.

Article VII – Revolving Loan Fund

Section 1. This Association shall maintain a Revolving Loan Fund with a committee of five (5) to administer said funds in aiding the missionaries in organizing churches in the bounds of this association.

Section 2. The Association shall organize the committee by electing a Chairman, Clerk, and a Treasurer.

Section 3. The following rules shall govern the use of the Revolving Loan Fund:

(1) The committee may, at its discretion, buy and hold title to property for use by missions being conducted under the direction of the missionaries, until such time as a church is organized and is able to assume the necessary legal obligations pertaining to the loan.

(2) Any church receiving a loan from this fund shall make monthly payments and pay said loan in five years.

(3) A loan to any church shall be limited to seventy-five percent of the value of the property as appraised by the committee, which loan shall be secured by first deed of trust.

(4) The rate of interest shall be four percent per annum.

(5) The committee shall require an abstract of title and an attorney's opinion or a certificate of title.

(6) Any church receiving a loan shall have a resolution drawn up authorizing the trustees of the church to sign the deed of trust and the resolution; the resolution shall be approved by the church and recorded with deed of trust.

(7) The committee shall require two (2) signatures on each check on funds paid out.

(8) This committee shall be incorporated under the not-for-profit laws of Missouri.

Article VIII – Meetings

Section 1. The messengers of this Association shall meet in an annual meeting and one semi-annual mission meeting to transact business for the Association. All questions shall be decided by majority vote of the messengers voting, except as otherwise stated in this Statement.

Section 2. The annual meeting shall convene on Monday afternoon at 2:00 P.M. and on Tuesday at 9:30 A.M. before the first Sunday in November.

Section 3. The semi-annual meeting shall convene on the third Tuesday of the month of May at 10:00 A.M.

Section 4. There shall be a Program Committee of three (3) composed of the Association President, the host Pastor, and the Secretary-Treasurer of Missions to prepare the program, except business, for the semi-annual meeting.

Section 5. Special meetings may be called by the President, providing the purpose is stated and two weeks notice is given.

Article IX — Youth Work

Section 1. For the purpose of correlating and promoting our Youth Work in the State of Missouri, there shall be a youth department to be called Baptist Training Service Assembly of Missouri. A committee of five (5) shall be elected on a staggered basis to direct as authorized by this Association the activities of this department and to hold all real property related to this department's function. This committee shall organize by electing from its number all necessary officers, including a camp superintendent.

Section 2. There shall be a State Youth Director, who shall be annually elected at the Association, to actively publicize the Baptist Training Service Assembly of Missouri, and that he be in complete charge of a standing column in the "Missouri Missionary Baptist," and that this column be entitled "Youth in the Harvest." Said state Youth Director shall be advised by the Association to solicit monthly offerings from the cooperating churches of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri to financially support the Youth Department. The state Youth Director shall be paid seven (7) cents per mile while travelling in behalf of the Department as funds are available. All postage, envelopes, stationery, etc. shall be paid from this department fund. Said Youth Director shall annually report all finances received and disbursed and all work accomplished in behalf of the Baptist Training Service Assembly of Missouri.

Section 3. There shall also be an assistant annually elected by the Association, who shall faithfully assist and cooperate with the state Youth Director.

Article X — Women's Missionary Auxiliary

Section 1. There shall be a department called the Women's Missionary Auxiliary of the Baptist Association of Missouri.

Section 2. The purpose of the State W.M.A. is to encourage a spirit of Christian cooperation and true helpfulness along all lines of Christian work, taking our local church enterprises and extending a helping hand to all the work of the churches. Also, to encourage and aid in every possible way the organization of local W.M.A.'s and Youth Auxiliaries in every church affiliated with the State Association of churches.

Section 3. As a guideline to the work of the State Auxiliary, the body of messengers shall adopt the General Statement of Principles for State Auxiliaries as outlined in the Manual for the Women's Missionary Auxiliaries of the Baptist Missionary Association of America.

Article XI — Amendments

This statement of principles may be changed or amended at any annual or semi-annual meeting by a two-thirds vote of the messengers present and voting, providing notice of proposed change be presented at any session of either the annual or semi-annual meeting to be voted upon at a subsequent session or meeting.

OUR DECLARATION OF FAITH

Baptists should know the ground on which they stand and be able to give a reason for their faith. We are admonished to "earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints." The following is a brief declaration of that faith.

We believe:

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 God-head 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. 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. In the personal work of the Holy Spirit.

7. That the blessing of salvation comes through the preaching of the gospel which leads men to repent toward God and 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 to 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, and to 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 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 church 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 her 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 standards set forth in the books of Titus and First Timothy.

23. That we brand as un-baptistic 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 the 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.

Approved by the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri, October 30, 1957.

MISSIONS RESOLUTIONS

1. That twenty-five percent of the salary of the missionaries and secretary-treasurer be designated as housing and utility allowance, retroactive to the first of this year, in order that they may claim income deductions allowed by the IRS.

2. That the missionaries and missions churches who plan to use the Revolving Loan Fund in their building projects be requested to consult with the Special Missions Committee or the Revolving Loan Fund Committee before purchasing property.

3. That we cooperate with the missionaries in "Tell Campaigns" (or evangelistic campaigns) at a date that will not conflict with other such campaigns or general meetings and that fifty dollars be allowed from the incidental fund for each campaign for advertising.

4. That each missionary try to lead the church of which he is pastor to adopt a systematic, graduated method of payment of her pastor's salary (in addition to the regular missions offerings) as soon as possible after the construction of a house of worship, with the aim of the church's becoming self-supporting as soon as possible.

5. That tracts be printed for the use of our missionaries and others to be paid from the incidental fund and churches be requested to give special offerings for this purpose. The tracts are to be supervised by the Secretary-Treasurer of Missions.

6. That the Special Emphasis for state missions be set for April, May, and June next year; and that we request the churches and pastors cooperate in missions conferences or rallies in the various sections of the state. The Secretary-Treasurer of Missions is to be given the responsibility of setting up the programs.

7. That these recommendations continue in force until changed by the messenger body, and that these recommendations be carried in the minutes until changed.

STANDING COMMITTEES

SPECIAL MISSIONS COMMITTEE

- W. H. Newman1977
Ralph Chilton1976
Joe Wilkerson1975
O. A. Robinson1974
Lawson Herrington1973

MOBIL UNIT COMMITTEE

- E. F. Gibson1975
C. A. Darst1974
Clint Colburn1973

MISSOURI BAPTIST PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE

- Thomas Foster1975
Dewey Parrish1974
Dale Blount1973

REVOLVING LOAN FUND COMMITTEE

- Noel Meade1977
Elmer Shults1976
Joe Brandon1975
Clarence Crawford1974
Claude Wilhelm1973

BAPTIST TRAINING SERVICE ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE

- G. W. Fox1977
John Marley1976
S. P. Chitwood, Jr.1975
Kenney Gibson1974
Joy Rayfield1973

MINUTES
SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING
BAPTIST MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION OF MISSOURI
Mt. Olive Baptist Church, Salem, Mo.

MAY 18, 1972

The Semi-annual meeting was opened by the moderator, O. A. Robinson. Alan Henson led the singing. Song: "He is Able to Deliver Thee.", prayer by Bro. Clarence Crawford. Songs "Blessed Assurance" and "Tis So Sweet To Trust in Jesus."

The devotional was given by Bro. Leon Harvey using scripture reading and comments from II Timothy 3:16-17 preceded by introduction by Bro. O. A. Robinson and prayer by Bro. Harvey.

Bro. Harold Condray, host pastor, was introduced by the president. He extended a welcome on behalf of the church and introduced the mayor of Salem, who extended a welcome from the city.

The response was by Bro. Tom Foster.

Bro. E. F. Gibson spoke on the subject: "The Untouched Regions of Missouri." He read Luke 24:49 as a basis for remarks.

Bro. W. H. Newman gave topic "How to Grow a Mission Minded Church." Scripture reading was from John, chapter 20 beginning with verse 19. Prayer by Bro. Newman. Song: "Jesus Saves".

Prayer by Bro. Rayburn Pennington. Solo "He Looked Beyond My Faults" by Marilyn Thurman. Message, "God's Priorities" by Bro. Dale Blount using scripture I Corinthians 10:26-33. Prayer by Bro. Blount.

After remarks by Bro. Robinson, Bro. Harold Condray gave information concerning places to eat. We were dismissed in prayer by Bro. Alan Henson.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON

Services were opened by singing "Draw Me Nearer" led by Bro. Richard Britt. Prayer by Bro. Ed Allen. Song "When We All Get to Heaven." Special song by Walnut Grove trio.

Devotional given by Bro. Carlos Skelton from II Timothy 1:6. Prayer by Bro. Skelton.

Bro. Dale Tipton spoke on subject "The Layman and Missions" from Matthew 28:19-20. Prayer by Bro. Tipton.

Special song was rendered by Sis. Juanita Mayes.

The subject "Women and Missions" was given by Sis. Marie Darst.

The Revolving Loan Fund and Missions was discussed by H. W. Darst reading Nehemiah 4:4-6 and Bro. Clarence Crawford reading Ecclesiastes 9:10.

Mt. Zion quartette sang "Let the Lower Lights be Burning."

Eld. Elmer Shults read Acts 1:1-9 and discussed the subject "The Second Coming and Missions".

The Walnut Grove trio sang "Sheltered in the Arms of God".

At this time Bro. G. W. Fox led in a discussion with several pastors from each local association in the state concerning missions problems.

BUSINESS MEETING

Prayer led by Bro. Ron Fields.

The roll call was given with 30 churches represented by messengers. There were three petitionary letters read by Recording Secretary. These churches were Twin Springs, Mission Ridge and Mt. Olive.

Motion and second that these churches be accepted into our fellowship and their messengers be seated. Carried.

The messengers of these churches were requested to come forward. The hand of fellowship was extended them by Bro. M. M. Henson at the request of the President.

The missionaries were requested to come forward for their reports.

M. M. Henson gave his report. Motion carried to adopt his report.

H. W. Darst gave report which was adopted.

Harold Condray's report was given and adopted.

Encampment Trustee's report was given by G. W. Fox and adopted.

W. H. Newman gave report of Special Missions Committee including a recommendation of Bro. Ray Thurman for state missionary.

Motion carried that the report be adopted and Bro. Thurman's name be placed in nomination.

Motion that Bro. Thurman be elected as state missionary. Carried.

Revolving Loan Fund Committee report given by Bro. Clarence Crawford which included a recommendation that the month of August be set aside for special emphasis on on the Revolving Loan Fund. The report was adopted.

Motion and second to adjourn to meet at Bethany in the annual meeting unless called into special meeting by the President. Announcements were called for and President commended those who had a part in the meeting. Motion to adjourn carried.

Dismissed in prayer by Bro. C. A. Darst.

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BAPTIST MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION OF MISSOURI
Bethany Baptist Church, St. Louis Co., Mo.

OCTOBER 30 & 31, 1972

MONDAY AFTERNOON 2:00 P. M.

President O. A. Robinson began the services with Bro. Elva Asberry leading the singing, accompanied by Bro. Eugene Kreher at the piano. Song, "I Am Thine, Oh Lord". Prayer by Bro. John Shine and song, "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms". Bro. R. J. Brewer gave the devotional, reading from Job 14:11-15. Prayer by Bro. Brewer. Bro. C. A. Darst, the host pastor, was recognized to welcome the messengers and visitors. The response was given by Bro. M. M. Henson.

President Robinson announced that at the sound of the gavel the forty-fifth annual session would be officially opened for business. He requested

that the congregation stand. Prayer was led by Bro. N. J. Gibson, following the sound of the gavel. Our Declaration of Faith was read by Bro. Dale G. Fish.

The enrollment committee reported 31 churches represented by messengers; 18 by letter only, and two new churches brought petitionary letters.

Bro. Elva Asberry led the song, "I Love to Tell the Story".

Petitionary letter from First Missionary Baptist Church of Peoria, Ill. was read. Motion and second that we receive the letter. Carried.

Petitionary letter from Amity Missionary Baptist Church of Doniphan, Mo. was read. Motion and second that we receive the letter.

President Robinson asked the messengers of the new churches to come forward, and asked Bro. C. A. Darst to give them the hand of fellowship and welcome them into the association.

Bro. J. W. Duggar was recognized as a visitor at this time.

Permanent organization was entered into and the following officers were elected: C. A. Darst, President; O. A. Robinson, Vice-president; Dale G. Fish, Recording Secretary; Elmer Shults, Assistant Recording Secretary.

Motion and second that we give outgoing President and Recording Secretary a standing vote of appreciation. Carried.

Recording Secretary's report for 1971-1972 was given by Bro. N. J. Gibson. Motion and second to adopt the report. Spoken to by Bro. Gibson. Report was adopted.

Motion and second that we hear from our Secretary-Treasurer of Missions and our Missionaries. Carried.

Bro. M. M. Henson was recognized and read his report, including his financial report. Motion and second to adopt report. Spoken to by Bro. Henson. Request, by Bro. Elmer Shults, that each resolution in the report be considered separately.

Resolution No. 1 read and adopted.

Resolution No. 2 read, spoken to by Bro. Elmer Shults, and adopted.

Resolution No. 3 read and adopted.

Resolution No. 4 read and adopted.

Resolution No. 5 read, spoken to by Bro. Donald Hoffman. Motion and second to amend resolution to include that the tracts are to be supervised by the Secretary-Treasurer of Missions. Spoken to by Bro. Clarence Crawford, Bro. M. M. Henson, and Bro. Dale Blount. Adopted. The resolution was adopted as amended.

Resolution No. 6 read and spoken to by Bro. Donald Hoffman. Motion and second to amend to give the Secretary-Treasurer of Missions the responsibility of setting up the programs. Amendment adopted. The resolution was adopted as amended.

Resolution No. 7 read and spoken to by Bro. Donald Hoffman. Motion and second to amend resolution that these recommendations be carried in the minutes until changed. Spoken to by Bro. Kenneth Gibson. Amendment adopted. Resolution read as amended and spoken to by Bro. O. A. Robinson. Adopted as amended.

Secretary-Treasurer's report adopted in full.

Bro. H. W. Darst gave his report. Motion and second to adopt. Spoken to by Bro. H. W. Darst and Bro. M. M. Henson. Adopted.

Motion and second to omit Bro. Harold Condray's report at this time and that this report be held until tomorrow. Carried.

Motion and second to hear report of Special Missions Committee. Carried. Call for the clerk to read minutes of meetings; read by Recording-Secretary of the Association. Spoken to by Bro. O. A. Robinson, Bro. Don Hoffman, Bro. Elmer Shults, and Bro. G. W. Fox. Motion and second to table the report until the committee will bring recommendations which will explain whether this is a current recommendation. Carried.

A partial report of the enrollment committee was given at this time.

Motion and second to hear the report of the Editor of the Missouri Missionary Baptist. Carried. The report was called for and was read by Bro. M. M. Henson. Motion and second to adopt the report. Spoken to by Bro. M. M. Henson and adopted.

Report of Youth Director was called for. Bro. Ron Fields gave his report. Motion and second to adopt this report. Spoken to by Bro. Ron Fields and Bro. John Shine. Adopted.

Motion and second to recess until 7:00 P. M. Motion carried after announcements were made.

Dismissed in prayer by Bro. J. W. Duggar.

MONDAY EVENING

The evening service began with songs, "He Keeps Me Singing" and "I Am Thine, O Lord", led by Bro. N. J. Gibson, accompanied by Bro. Alan Henson at the piano.

Bro. G. W. Fox brought the devotional, reading Job 16:19 and commenting.

Bro. Phillip Misenheimer, National Youth Director, called to come forward and speak on the A.B.S. work.

Bro. J. W. Duggar was asked to come and speak about the Gleaner and the missions program of the Baptist Missionary Association of America.

Song, "Higher Ground", led by Bro. N. J. Gibson, with Bro. Alan Henson at the piano.

Bro. Paul Pritchard led in prayer.

Bro. Harlan Thurman introduced Bro. Joe Brandon to bring the annual message, He read Joshua 4:1-7 and led in prayer. Using verse 6 as his text, his subject was "What Mean Ye By These Stones?"

Bro. O. A. Robinson extended the hand of appreciation to Bro. Brandon in behalf of the congregation.

Bro. Ralph Chilton was recognized to give report of the Special Missions Committee. The report contained the recommendation of Bro. Alan Henson and Bro. Ray Thurman to be elected as missionaries. Motion and second to adopt the report. Bro. Leon Harvey, Bro. G. W. Fox, Bro. Richard Britt, and Bro. O. A. Robinson spoke to the motion. Adopted.

Motion and second to elect two missionaries. Carried.

Nomination of missionaries called for with Bro. Alan Henson and Bro. Ray Thurman being nominated.

Motion and second that we table the election of the missionaries until the morning session. Carried.

Call for nominations for Youth Director. Bro. Ron Fields was elected. Bro. Randy Curtman was elected as Assistant Youth Director.

Call for the Publication Committee report. Bro. Dewey Parrish came forward and gave report. Motion and second to adopt. Bro. Dale Blount spoke to the report. Adopted.

A special offering was taken for the Missouri Missionary Baptist. Following prayer led by Bro. M. M. Henson, Bro. N. J. Gibson led "Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone?" and Bro. Alan Henson was at the piano, as deacons from Bethany took the offering.

Nomination called for Publications Committee to fill vacancy created by the expiration of Bro. Thomas Foster's term. Bro. Foster was re-elected to serve until 1975.

Bro. W. H. Newman, whose term expired, was re-elected to the Special Missions Committee to a term ending 1977.

The Revolving Loan Committee report was called for. Clerk's report was given by Bro. Elmer Shults. Motion and second to adopt minutes. Adopted. Financial report given by Bro. Clarence Crawford. Motion and second to adopt report. Report spoken to by Bro. Crawford, Bro. M. M. Henson, Bro. John Shine, Bro. G. W. Fox, and Bro. J. W. Duggar. Adopted.

The vacancy on the Revolving Loan Fund Committee, created by the expiration of the term of Bro. Ed. Stephenson, who has moved from the state, was filled by the election of Bro. Noel Meade to a term which expires in 1977. Organization of the committee is as follows:

Chairman – Bro. Elmer Shults
 Treasurer – Bro. Clarence Crawford
 Clerk – Bro. Noel Meade

Motion and second to elect someone to preach tomorrow at 11:00 A. M. Carried. Bro. Paul Pritchard elected.

Motion and second to adjourn until 9:30 A. M., carried after announcements.

Closing prayer led by Bro. Phillip Misenheimer.

TUESDAY MORNING

Services opened with Bro. Elmer Shults leading "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" and "Higher Ground", accompanied by Sis. Wilma Fox at the piano. Prayer by Bro. Donald Hoffman.

Bro. Basil Raper was given time to give his testimony for Christ.

Bro. Harold Condray was asked to come and give his report as Missionary at this time. Motion and second to adopt report. Report spoken to by Bro. Condray. Adopted.

Baptist Training Service Assembly Committee report called for. Given by Bro. Kenneth Gibson, clerk. Motion and second to adopt. Spoken to by Bro. G. W. Fox, and Bro. Kenneth Gibson. Adopted.

Motion and second that the trustees make the decision about the number

of days to have camp. Carried.

Baptist Training Service Assembly Committee treasurer's report was called for. Given by Bro. G. W. Fox. Spoken to by Bro. G. W. Fox, Bro. Joy Rayfield, and Bro. Noel Meade. Adopted.

Bro. G. W. Fox was re-elected to fill the vacancy of his expired term on the Baptist Training Service Assembly Committee for a new term ending in 1977.

Motion and second that we leave the decision of whether to let other groups use the camp grounds in the hands of the committee. Spoken to by Bro. Kenneth Gibson, Bro. G. W. Fox, Bro. Joy Rayfield, and Bro. Clarence Crawford. Carried.

Motion and second that the trustees draw up guidelines for use of the camp grounds. Carried.

Mobil Unit Committee report called for. Bro. Ralph Chilton gave the report. Motion and second to adopt. Spoken to by Bro. G. W. Fox, Bro. O. A. Robinson, Bro. Elmer Shults, Bro. Clarence Crawford, Bro. Elva Asberry, Bro. Ed Wilson, and Bro. Ralph Chilton. Adopted.

Bro. O. A. Robinson was given the floor to discuss the work of the Special Missions Committee.

Motion and second that the Missionaries who are elected be subject to endorsement from their church. Motion to amend: That this motion be amended that this endorsement be in the hands of the Secretary-Treasurer of Missions. Amendment adopted. Motion adopted as amended.

At this time, nominations for Missionaries were called from the table and other nominations were made. The names of Bro. Alan Henson and Bro. Ray Thurman were the nominations from the table, with Bro. Carlos Skelton and Bro. Wayne Simmons being nominated from the floor. Bro. Alan Henson and Bro. Ray Thurman were elected as Missionaries.

Motion and second that election of Missionaries be unanimous. Carried.

Motion and second to reconsider motion to elect two Missionaries. Spoken to by Bro. G. W. Fox, Bro. Don Hoffman, and Bro. John Shine. Carried.

Motion and second to elect three Missionaries. Carried.

Nominations for the election of a third Missionary called for. Bro. Wayne Simmons and Bro. Carlos Skelton were nominated. Bro. Simmons was elected as Missionary.

Motion and second to make the election of our third Missionary unanimous. Carried.

Bro. M. M. Henson was given the floor to discuss questions concerning missions and missionaries.

Motion and second that the Special Missionary Committee draw up a set of guide lines to be presented at the next associational meeting. Spoken to by Bro. M. M. Henson, Bro. G. W. Fox, Bro. H. W. Darst, Bro. Alan Henson, Bro. Joy Rayfield, Bro. Harold Condray, and Bro. O. A. Robinson. Carried.

Bro. Elmer Shults led a congregation song, "My Faith Looks Up To Thee", and was accompanied by Sis. Wilma Fox at the piano. Bro. Dale Blount led the congregation in prayer.

At this time, Bro. Paul Pritchard came to bring the morning message and

read Matthew 5:13. Prayer was led by Bro. M. M. Henson. Bro. Pritchard brought a good message, using "Ye are the salt of the earth" as his subject.

Bro. Richard Britt expressed our appreciation to Bro. Pritchard for the message.

The W. M. A. report was called for and given by Sis. H. W. Darst. Motion and second to adopt the report. Spoken to by Sis. Darst. Adopted.

The Finance Committee report was called for and given by Sis. Pauline Crawford. The report was adopted.

Motion and second to print 800 minutes and pay our Recording-Secretary \$125. Motion and second to amend this motion: That we pay our Recording-Secretary \$150. Amendment adopted. Motion as amended adopted.

A call for invitations for the next annual meeting, with Palmer Heights, Springfield and Friendship, Caseyville, Ill. giving invitations for the next meeting. Friendship, Caseyville was chosen to host the 1973 annual session.

Invitations for the semi-annual meeting were received from Mt. Carmel, Ellsinore, and from the Logans Creek Association to meet at Garwood at the camp grounds. The Logans Creek Association was chosen to host the 1973 semi-annual meeting at Garwood.

Nominations for the annual speaker was called for. Bro. Leon Harvey was elected as the annual speaker and Bro. W. H. Newman was elected as the alternate.

Motion and second to make the election of these brethren unanimous. Carried.

The Resolutions Committee report was given by Bro. N. J. Gibson. Motion and second to adopt this report. Adopted.

Motion and second that we have a pastor's retreat to be held in the spring of 1973 which shall be open to all who care to attend. Said program shall be supervised and planned by the camp trustees and moderated by the President of the B.M.A. of Missouri. Spoken to by Bro. Ron Fields. Carried.

Motion and second to put all money from the minute fund in the excess of \$100 after the expenses are paid in the Missouri Missionary Baptist Fund. Carried.

Motion and second that salaries and working conditions of missionaries and Secretary-Treasurer remain the same. Spoken to by Bro. Harold Condray. Carried.

The final report of the Enrollment Committee showed 39 churches represented by messenger, 18 churches represented by letter only, and two churches by petitionary letter for a total of 59 churches being represented and 107 messengers present. Motion and second to adopt this report. Adopted.

Motion and second to set aside a column in the Missouri Missionary Baptist and elect an editor for promoting soul-winning. Carried. Bro. Carlos Skelton was elected as editor of the column.

Motion and second to adjourn. Carried.

Closing song, "Amazing Grace", led by Bro. Elva Asberry with Sis. Wilma Fox at the piano. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. E. F. Gibson.

REPORTS GIVEN AT SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING
PETITIONARY LETTERS

Dear Brethren:

We at Mt. Olive voted May 10 to petition fellowship with the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri.

We are sincerely appreciative of the help we have received from the Association and will be happy to lend our support in any way that we can.

As most of you know, we are a new church, only being organized since March 10, and are looking forward to beginning the building of our church soon.

Yours in Christ,
Mt. Olive Landmark Missionary
Baptist Church

To the churches of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri when in session at Salem on May 16, 1972.

We, the Mission Ridge Missionary Baptist Church, desire membership in the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri, and herewith so petition.

The church is associating with the Washington County Association.

Done by order of the church.

Eld. C. R. Curtman, Missionary Pastor
Mrs. Judith Curtman, Clerk

Dear Brethren:

We are sending this petition of request for fellowship in the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri in your cooperative endeavors to carry out the great Commission of our Lord.

The Twin Springs Missionary Baptist Church was organized December 3, 1971 by the Briar Baptist Church, assisted by ordained help of fourteen churches cooperating in the Cane Creek Baptist Association. The organization was the result of a mission in the Eastwood area sponsored by the Briar Church and conducted by Bro. Gene Grubb, a member of Briar.

We did at the time of the organization adopt the "Confession of Faith" and the Church Covenant as found in Cobb's New Church Manual.

At the first business meeting of the Church at the Briar Church, immediately following the organization we elected Bro. Gene Grubb as our pastor and voted to petition fellowship in the Cane Creek Baptist Association, the B.M.A. of Missouri and the B.M.A. of America.

If accepted into your fellowship we will to the extent of our ability endeavor to cooperate with you in carrying out the Commission.

We send our messengers Bro. Gene Grubb, Bro. Joe Blunk, Bro. David Grubb, and as alternate Sis. Velma Dowdy. We also voted in the absence of any of these that any member present may act in the absence of a messenger.

Done by order of the church May 14, 1972.

Jeanette Grubb, Church Clerk
Eugene Grubb, Moderator

MID-YEAR REPORT OF SECRETARY-TREASURER

I have been serving as secretary-treasurer of missions and editor of the Missouri Missionary Baptist for a little more than seven months. I appreciate the cooperation of all of our people.

The balance in the treasury for missions on April 30th was \$5,720. This represents a gain of \$2,167.39 during the last year. We also had a balance for the Missouri Missionary Baptist of \$322.79

I have visited a large number of our churches. I also worked for a while with the Twin Springs Mission, which was organized into a church on December 3, 1971. Bro. Eugene Grubb is pastor of this growing young church.

I hope the messengers will be led of the Lord in selecting other missionaries and that all of our churches will learn what a blessing it is to grow in the grace of giving to missions.

I request your prayers that I may have wisdom from above to make the right decisions when problems arise.

Respectfully,
M. M. Henson

MISSIONARY REPORT

Christian Greetings: The following is a digest of my report from the beginning of the New Associational Year through May 14, 1972:

Churches visited .....	.3
Hospital visits .....	.14
Messages delivered .....	.73
Lessons taught .....	.29
Association Meetings attended .....	.5
G. M. A. and W. M. A. Meetings attended .....	.9
Seminars attended .....	.2
Bible or Mission Conferences attended .....	.3
B. T. S. or Youth Meetings attended .....	.10
Funerals attended .....	.3
Revivals conducted .....	.2
Professions of Faith .....	.13
Additions to churches .....	.20
Number Baptized .....	.9
Church Organizations assisted in .....	.1
College Chapel Services conducted .....	.1

PARKVIEW'S STEWARDSHIP

The average attendance in Sunday School for the past six Sundays has been 40.1, Training Service 23, and Midweek Service 21. March 26, we had a New Record in Sunday School of 64 and 69 for the Worship Hour. For the same period of time the financial contributions averaged \$89.93.

The membership has increased to 41. Since the beginning of the New Associational Year, we have baptized 9 into the fellowship of the church and received seven by letter. We observe that the membership has more than quadrupled since the organization. Although, we cannot say that all have been

fully yielded to the Lord. A question though, what has been the rate of increase in your membership?

The W. M. A., the G. M. A., the Sunbeams and the Galileans are actively engaged in the promotion of the church's program, "Going and making disciples." A number in the latter three groups have been saved and added to the fellowship of the church, for which we are very grateful.

Missions of various phases are supported by the church. The church has recently doubled her contributions to State Missions per month.

THE LOAN

The amount borrowed from the Revolving Loan Fund is presently being paid back at the rate of \$100 per month, plus interest. We were fortunate to be able to pay back the \$4,000 that was borrowed so as to secure the payment on the furniture when it arrived. Thus, we are very grateful for the churches and individuals that rallied to make it possible.

REVIVALS

In addition to my work with Parkview, I assisted in two revivals, one with the Shiloh Baptist Church and Pastor Chilton, and the other was with the Highland Park Baptist Church and Pastor Brand, Hattiesburg, Mississippi. In these revivals, the Lord blessed with the salvation of souls and additions to the churches. The love offering of \$50 from the Shiloh Church was greatly appreciated. At the same time, the church paid \$100 special to State Missions. I am also humbly grateful to the Highland Park Baptist Church for their contribution of \$175 for my services and expense.

FURTHER WORD AS TO PARKVIEW'S STEWARDSHIP

Sunday, May 14, we had 59 in Sunday School, 64 for the preaching hour, 27 for Training Service, 29 for the evening preaching hour, and we baptized three during the service.

MANIFEST A CONTINUED INTEREST

Pray with us that the Parkview Baptist Church will continue to win souls, maintain an inviting program in harmony with the teachings of the Word of God, and also pray that each family, and yea, each member, will become more greatly burdened for souls.

Your servant,
H. W. Darst

Christian Greetings:

God is good to us, and I count it a privilege given by our precious Saviour to be able to serve Christ in helping a few to come to know Him in a free pardon of sin.

The past six months of our mission work has been centered around strengthening the Mission in Doctrinal beliefs and in teaching them the responsibilities of being a part of a New Testament Church.

During the winter months, we spent some time studying Dr. Cobb's Church Manual endeavoring to teach the members the practices of a New Testament Church. They responded very well and expressed a desire to learn

	Membership 1971 - 72	Pastor's Salary	Interstate & Foreign Missions	State Missions	District Missions	Help In Meetings	Building
Amity	0- 21	\$ 25.00	None	None	None	None	\$
Antioch	25- 26	600.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 125.00	None	
Bates Creek	67- 56	900.00	35.00	140.00	320.00	\$115.00	
Bethany	158-161	8,200.00	519.45	1,123.86	694.58	245.83	
Bethel, Potosi	29- 34	1,710.00	85.00	625.84	625.89	255.00	
Bethel, Sikeston	43- 49	1,325.00	None	91.00	None	85.00	10
Bethesda	37- 35	1,800.00	330.00	145.00	60.00	233.50	
Bethlehem	54- 42	1,200.00	240.00	180.00	60.00	300.00	
Black Creek	67- 62	527.19	321.00	321.00	281.00	337.00	
Black River	46	920.00	161.16	161.16	120.51	232.00	
Breton Creek *	119-122	4,680.00	315.00	1,041.05	981.11	165.00	3
Briar	43- 30	1,464.00	168.75	237.85	217.89	315.00	
Cane Creek	61- 64	2,885.00	630.62	745.94	240.32	140.00	
Cape	31- 44	5,160.00	403.38	339.47	328.72	100.00	9
Current River	20- 21	1,229.00	310.00	420.00	77.35	222.00	5
Elmwood	100-100	2,350.00	890.53	445.26	445.27	35.00	1
Emmanuel, P.B.	11- 11	1,560.00	125.55	108.54	108.55	None	
Emmanuel, Sikeston	144-162	5,334.00	822.26	495.19	1,559.20	906.98	4
Faith	55- 64	5,150.00	642.50	420.00	548.82	70.00	1
First, Chambers Park	123-123	8,580.00	5,582.33	5,758.88	7,010.94	664.00	5
First, Macomb, Ill.	27- 25	358.00	47.50	65.00	None	30.00	
First, Matthews	124-136	3,180.00	201.30	100.65	None	364.20	6
First, Middlebrook	27- 29	600.00	183.12	91.56	None	None	
First, Neelyville	40- 34	1,075.00	157.65	190.26	317.34	182.06	8
First, Peoria, Ill.	0- 4	None	28.00	None	None	20.00	
Fontaine Lane	36- 54	None	874.20	835.64	4,875.00	165.00	1
Friendship, Ill.	170-171	4,320.00	354.11	354.10	629.30	347.69	8
Friendship	71- 71	1,325.00	83.18	104.95	28.17	165.00	
Getsemane	92-109	960.50	182.74	523.39	632.28	175.00	6
Independence	133-132	2,280.00	175.16	358.80	261.80	177.38	1
Kewanee	130-145	1,776.90	141.12	156.21	126.70	226.00	
Little Bethel	56	1,000.00	134.22	159.25	268.46	340.00	
Loyalty	74- 69	2,452.00	602.00	557.00	983.00	100.00	3
Mapleview	31- 24	125.00	23.83	105.00	15.00	100.00	
Mission Ridge	4- 13	None	314.48	324.48	1,033.17	None	
Mt. Carmel	102-122	1,760.00	441.68	441.68	879.15	563.97	4
Mt. Olive	15	None	None	35.00	None	250.00	2
Mt. Zion Ellington	42- 40	3,640.00	111.97	373.38	261.42	None	1
Mt. Zion, P. B.	131-138	6,710.00	1,140.56	1,934.20	1,194.63	403.72	1
Naylor	67- 74	510.00	33.60	28.60	28.00	None	
New Hope	25- 28	1,450.00	370.13	304.13	304.13	130.00	6
Northside	106-108	6,500.00	113.52	58.54	49.55	165.00	5
Ohlman	60- 48	1,440.00	142.68	572.58	134.37	130.00	
Palmer Heights	69- 74	3,180.00	403.96	435.24	435.27	280.69	9
Parkview	27- 54	None	395.38	436.97	241.95	100.00	2
Pleasant Grove	35	780.00	None	20.00	20.00	40.00	7
Pleasant View	40- 47	1,165.00	20.00	120.00	75.00	250.00	9
Pond Creek	64- 64	780.00	None	10.00	60.00	50.00	
Providence*	94- 89	1,620.00	25.00	108.56	85.00	240.00	1
Shiloh	49- 59	5,524.54	81.59	62.50	350.00	125.00	5
Skyline	9- 9	345.00	None	43.85	43.85	None	
Springhill	82- 82	1,200.00	155.31	155.31	361.18	283.05	9
Stony Point*	100- 98	1,300.00	144.74	134.74	264.71	300.00	
Temple	109-112	4,385.00	443.03	352.88	453.75	290.00	
Trinity	140-129	7,020.00	1,377.79	855.84	1,429.42	233.16	1
Valley Park	52	1,260.00	20.92	20.92	41.84	None	
Walnut Grove	115-116	5,037.00	520.00	576.05	125.00	140.00	1
West Oniphon	56- 52	1,572.62	174.47	179.49	353.98	201.20	
Zalma	16- 16	1,300.00	124.29	178.54	213.06	100.00	
Zion	96- 98	7,487.00	740.00	652.12	1,195.21	236.00	4

* Received after Association

& Repair	Benevolence	Christian Education	Literature and Publications	Missouri Baptist	Revolving Loan Fund	Encampment	Miscellaneous	Total
103.67	None	None	\$ 9.80	None	None	None	\$ 90.00	\$ 228.47
None	\$ 67.00	\$ 55.00	49.86	\$ 48.00	None	\$ 100.00	86.11	1,250.97
533.04	209.02	None	158.38	None	\$ 117.00	None	543.28	3,170.72
437.04	78.57	120.00	770.07	220.00	60.00	575.91	3,371.07	24,444.38
548.17	119.90	None	132.93	120.00	120.00	114.75	466.63	5,024.11
381.43	194.95	None	100.66	None	None	None	None	12,178.04
482.76	69.96	None	102.80	85.00	None	70.00	10.23	3,389.25
742.28	70.90	73.15	127.64	30.00	None	60.00	699.40	5,783.37
None	None	None	None	None	None	124.45	462.25	2,373.89
221.16	None	16.20	148.30	None	None	None	502.21	2,482.70
357.22	30.90	None	180.99	240.00	60.00	260.00	2,379.22	14,290.49
193.71	None	None	147.03	51.00	None	110.00	120.00	3,025.34
None	15.45	230.00	92.61	60.00	90.00	304.00	273.36	5,607.18
901.14	230.00	None	158.50	25.00	97.00	70.00	1,000.04	8,813.25
587.18	10.00	None	41.44	30.00	None	350.00	90.00	3,366.97
200.00	49.96	132.71	367.84	None	None	None	866.13	5,586.74
281.95	7.80	None	45.79	24.00	None	18.90	197.94	2,479.02
126.12	287.57	429.40	398.47	60.00	None	None	189.55	17,496.83
900.00	95.00	333.00	414.43	None	None	None	7,415.14	16,098.89
395.95	179.36	442.00	1,199.38	501.00	337.10	1,279.00	5,090.10	42,520.04
364.07	46.00	None	153.77	33.00	None	5.00	484.64	1,586.98
282.88	119.60	60.00	239.18	None	None	None	1,062.16	11,609.97
34.00	160.00	None	136.89	9.00	None	None	488.99	1,703.56
357.61	35.50	None	127.38	None	None	18.85	1,324.53	4,286.18
749.63	36.05	None	100.72	None	None	None	260.68	1,195.08
389.03	1,410.00	200.00	849.59	20.00	120.00	520.68	2,098.87	13,858.31
949.20	508.91	189.40	422.42	None	None	235.00	798.11	17,048.24
13.50	24.00	4.00	None	36.00	None	15.00	534.18	2,332.95
945.33	328.70	None	436.85	215.63	24.00	520.00	444.28	11,188.70
700.00	None	75.00	212.57	60.00	None	201.15	399.21	5,901.07
150.00	79.56	None	291.27	39.67	None	None	851.55	3,838.92
274.89	18.00	38.00	131.00	None	None	229.00	1,007.20	3,451.22
186.00	507.00	None	270.00	20.65	47.74	223.64	None	9,017.03
None	1,005.00	24.15	40.82	None	None	None	383.66	1,822.46
162.47	None	None	44.40	None	None	None	210.00	2,154.00
443.60	None	None	539.34	75.00	None	380.75	None	5,525.17
525.00	None	None	42.05	35.00	None	7.00	46.27	2,940.42
935.69	None	None	197.95	72.00	None	120.00	890.37	6,702.78
110.12	149.60	None	461.59	270.00	202.07	556.65	3,115.52	16,248.66
None	None	None	137.39	None	15.00	21.00	895.03	1,668.62
509.27	137.49	10.00	131.73	70.00	None	177.06	393.13	4,087.07
343.98	None	None	434.74	19.63	None	101.40	460.82	13,847.18
None	None	None	144.66	120.00	21.00	185.00	713.29	3,604.58
915.00	99.21	66.73	275.85	36.00	24.00	270.00	1,595.06	8,017.01
253.00	20.50	None	418.46	None	5,676.62	32.60	1,418.80	10,872.46
740.00	None	None	36.00	None	None	None	56.00	1,692.00
929.05	38.64	None	278.84	42.54	None	5.00	622.30	3,536.37
60.00	40.00	None	54.65	None	None	None	130.00	1,184.81
922.60	None	None	96.08	None	None	10.00	327.75	3,534.99
182.44	185.80	111.97	230.38	81.59	5,222.02	43.04	1,584.05	18,784.92
None	33.00	None	24.80	5.00	None	100.00	41.00	636.50
914.78	None	None	84.84	55.00	None	155.00	697.83	3,969.47
27.95	164.65	115.00	275.06	60.00	None	78.17	677.91	3,542.93
172.26	112.20	None	213.26	60.00	45.72	120.00	1,080.88	9,728.98
253.00	93.99	538.60	890.20	180.00	66.22	658.81	4,116.43	27,713.46
None	None	None	49.06	10.00	None	None	3,174.57	4,577.31
225.79	99.48	60.00	334.59	None	None	359.81	204.03	8,971.75
26.99	None	None	225.34	21.00	None	53.41	1,348.24	4,156.74
None	None	None	82.81	81.98	None	188.33	211.92	2,480.93
767.00	9.00	None	207.24	118.26	153.26	692.26	2,153.66	18,411.01

the proceedings and work of a church. I feel we are fortunate to have the fine families we have to build a work here that we pray will bring glory to Christ in helping many lost to be saved.

Our radio program that is underwritten by the First Church of Chambers Park has been one of the best means of presenting the Gospel to thousands in this area. We continue to receive word of the good being done.

March 10 was the happy occasion of seeing the mission organized into a church. Many prayers have been answered and surely the Lord has answered prayer here too. Twenty-one of Ohlman's members here in Salem went into the new Mt. Olive Landmark Missionary Baptist Church.

Thanks to the cheerful giving of members of Mt. Olive and offerings from some churches and individuals we were able to raise \$2500 to buy the four acres for a church site one and one-half miles South of the city. It is paid for and ready to begin construction of a permanent building.

Plans for the building are nearing completion and we are looking forward to breaking ground in the near future for the building. We request your prayers as we undertake the large task of erecting this building that God will lead us through.

I remain

Searching for Souls
Harold Condray

REVOLVING LOAN COMMITTEE

The Revolving Loan Fund Committee met at the Mid-Year Associational Meeting of the B.M.A. of Missouri at Salem, Missouri with four members being present. Brethren Claude Wilhelm, Clarence Crawford, Joe Brandon, and Elmer Shults. A motion and second was made to recommend to the churches to set aside the month of August to give special offerings to the Revolving Loan Fund. Motion carried.

Motion and second to adjourn. Carried.

Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Clarence Crawford.

May 31, 1972
Anchorage, Alaska

Dear Churches,

This letter is in answer to your call for me to serve as your state missionary. For two weeks I have been praying about this matter and as much as I would like to work with all the churches there and enjoy the close fellowship of co-workers, I must decline. I would like for you to know why I cannot come at this time. There is a small mission in Eloy, Ariz. without a preacher or anyone to help them. The Lord just will not remove this burden from my heart. I know there are many who can serve as state missionaries and are better qualified than I but who is going to serve these small missions who need help. We have small churches in Alaska, missions in Ohio and Arizona and many other places while so many of our churches have two or three preachers. Why? I hope you will understand that if I could do what I would want I would be there next month but I must try and do

what the Lord leads me to, I hope you will pray for us as we leave here that in some small way we can further the Lord's work.

Yours in Christ,
Ray Thurman

REPORTS GIVEN AT ANNUAL MEETING

PETITIONARY LETTERS

To the churches of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri.

Dear Brethren:

We, the Amity Missionary Baptist Church, having been scripturally organized by the churches of the Cane Creek Baptist Association on September 12, 1972; and being in sympathy with the doctrines, purpose, and work of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri do hereby petition for membership.

We were received into membership of the Cane Creek Baptist Association on September 28, 1972.

Done by order of the church.

Moderator: Elder W. C. Henson

Church Clerk: Melba Lee Gann

Dear Brothers in Christ:

We are a newly organized church as of August 26, 1972. An arm was extended to us by the First Missionary Baptist Church of Macomb, Illinois. We had our dedication service for the mission on January 30, 1971, and our first church service on January 31, 1971.

We have voted to petition the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri for membership. We have in conference, duly adopted the Statement of Principles of Co-operation, and we are ready to work in harmony and in fellowship with all other churches having adopted the same. If you need any additional information just write to:

First Missionary Baptist Church
c/o Mrs. Catherine Neisler
209 Meadows Ave.
East Peoria, Illinois 61611

Yours in Christ,
First Missionary Baptist Church
Church Clerk
Catherine Neisler

RECORDING SECRETARY'S REPORT 1971-1972

Balance carried forward, Nov. 1, 1971	\$314.44	
Received from Finance Committee	473.50	
Received from Current River Church after Assn.	5.00	
Received from Zion Church after Association	5.00	
BALANCE	<u>797.94</u>	\$797.94
Disbursements		
Kiely Printing Company, 800 minutes	\$294.15	
Postage	23.69	
Secretary's Salary	125.00	
	<u>\$442.84</u>	
Paid M. M. Henson for Mo. Missionary Baptist paper ..	255.10	
Total disbursed	<u>\$697.94</u>	\$697.94
Balance October 30, 1972, paid to present Secretary		\$100.00

N. J. Gibson, Recording Secretary

REPORT OF SECRETARY-TREASURER OF MISSIONS

This has been our very best year for state missions. Our offerings increased by more than forty-eight percent over last year. The missions receipts from October 1, 1970 to September 30, 1971 was \$19,315.03. The receipts from October 1, 1971 to September 30, 1972 was \$28,667.86 for an increase of \$9,352.83. Thanks to our churches for this fine record.

I have witnessed four professions of faith in services in which I was preaching and many others in services in which I participated. I have participated in the organization of three churches, have traveled approximately 16,000 miles as your secretary-treasurer, and have been on the field almost constantly promoting and helping in the missions work.

I pray that we will have several more good, sound, progressive missionaries on the field during this coming year.

I offer the following recommendations for your consideration:

(1) That twenty-five percent of the salary of the missionaries and secretary-treasurer be designated as housing and utility allowance, retroactive to the first of this year, in order that they may claim income deductions allowed by the IRS.

(2) That the missionaries and missions churches who plan to use the Revolving Loan Fund in their building projects be requested to consult with the Special Missions Committee or the Revolving Loan Fund Committee before purchasing property.

(3) That we cooperate with the missionaries in "Tell Campaigns" (or evangelistic campaigns) at a date that will not conflict with other such campaigns or general meetings and that fifty dollars be allowed from the incidental fund for each campaign for advertising.

(4) That each missionary try to lead the church of which he is pastor to adopt a systematic, graduated method of payment of her pastor's salary (in addition to the regular missions offerings) as soon as possible after the

construction of a house of worship, with the aim of the church's becoming self-supporting as soon as possible.

(5) That tracts be printed for the use of our missionaries and others to be paid from the incidental fund and churches be requested to give special offerings for this purpose.

(6) That the Special Emphasis for state missions be set for April, May, and June next year; and that we request the churches and pastors cooperate in missions conferences or rallies in the various sections of the state.

(7) That these recommendations continue in force until changed by the messenger body.

Your servant in Christ,
M. M. Henson

MISSIONS FINANCIAL REPORT

Balance on October 1, 1971	\$ 4,815.51
Receipts	28,667.86
Disbursements	24,152.67
Balance on September 30, 1972	\$ 9,330.70

INCIDENTAL FUND

Balance on October 1, 1971	\$191.24
Receipts	125.00
Disbursements	52.69
Balance on September 30, 1972	\$263.55

SALEM RADIO

Balance on October 1, 1972	\$ 90.00
Receipts	655.83
Disbursements	405.00
Balance on September 30, 1972	\$340.83

Total of all funds on hand on September 30, 1972.....\$9,935.08

Itemized reports may be found each month during the year in The Missouri Missionary Baptist.

Respectfully submitted,
M. M. Henson

MISSIONARY REPORTS

Christian Greetings: The following is a digest of my report through October 21, 1972:

Churches visited	6
Hospital visits	58
Messages delivered	149
Lessons taught	54
Associational Meetings attended	7
G. M. A. and W. M. A. Meetings attended	15
Seminars attended	2
Bible or Mission Conferences attended	3
B. T. S. or Youth Meetings attended	15
Funerals attended or assisted with	6
Weddings performed	2
Revivals conducted	2
Professions of faith	25
Additions to churches	33
Number baptized	20
Church organizations assisted in	1
College Chapel services conducted	1

PARKVIEW'S STEWARDSHIP

The average attendance in Sunday School for the past six Sundays has been 51.1, Training Service 29, Midweek attendance 30.3, and the average Sunday School offering for the same period of time was \$133.60. We would also have you to rejoice with us in a new record of 73, October 15 in Sunday School, and 78 for the morning Worship hour, but that new record in Sunday School skidded to 40 the following Sunday. Yet, we were made to rejoice as one came rededicating her life to the Lord.

During the six-week period mentioned above, the church received six by baptism, one by letter, and there was one profession of faith.

At the present time, the membership is 54. Of this number, twenty has been received the past year by baptism and 10 by letter.

The various Auxiliaries of the church, namely the W. M. A., the G. A.'s, the Sunbeams, and the Galileans continue to prove to be a blessing to the church's progress. Pray for the workers with these various groups that they may be able to indoctrinate and plant the spirit of missions in each heart and life.

We must mention our Vacation Bible School. We had an average attendance of 79 and nine professions of faith. Some of these graciously followed their Lord in baptism and are making good members of the church. I would be very ungrateful if I failed to commend the workers for their faithfulness in this venture.

We cannot say that every member is as faithful to the program of the church as he or she could be, but we do acknowledge that Parkview has some of the salt of the earth in her organization. Praise ye the Lord.

REVIVALS

It was my pleasure to assist in two revivals the past year, the Highland Park Baptist Church and Pastor Brand, Hattiesburg, Mississippi, and the Shiloh Baptist Church and Pastor Chilton, Dixon, Missouri. In passing, let me say that the Lord blessed beyond measure in these efforts.

THE FUTURE

Every Baptist church should anticipate a great future. With this objective

in mind, and with the potential at hand, every member of the local church should so coordinate his or her efforts as to overcome every mountain of obstruction. The patience and prayers of the brethren in other areas are also needed.

The farsightedness of any church or mission, with a desire and a will to do, cannot be outdistanced by Satan and other enemies of the truth. With such a vision in mind, the Parkview Baptist Church has voted to step up State Missions by \$100 per month beginning November first, and hoping as achievements will permit to increase the same within a reasonable length of time, thus reaching forward to a full-time work. For, all of us should recognize, the work of growing and stabilizing a church is, in reality, a bigger task than erecting a sanctuary.

The church is also presently paying back \$100 per month on the loan in addition to the interest. Other phases of the work are also supported.

Pray for the Parkview work and every Mission endeavor.

Your servant,
H. W. Darst

The following is my report for the eleven months of the Associational year in which I served as Missionary.

God has been really good and gracious to us in giving us the opportunity to witness to lost souls, see many come to Christ because he saw fit to put us in the ministry.

We have passed through many different experiences. There have been times when we were spiritually on the mountain tops, then other times we were down in the valley and it seemed that our efforts were in vain, yet by faith God led us through because "He brought me up also out of an horrible pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a rock, and established my goings".

The largest amount of time was spent in the mission work at Salem. It was a joy to lead the mission there to the place where they became strong enough as a congregation to organize into a New Testament Church. Much hard labor, thousands of dollars, many prayers resulted in a church being established and surely we must thank God. He said, "So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth, it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please and it shall prosper in the thing where to I sent it."

Upon organization of a church in Salem, we led the church to purchase a fine four acre building site just one and one-half miles south of the city limits near the fastest growing area of the city.

The church was able to pay cash for the property and as we left Salem, she had already built up a building fund of approximately \$1,300.00

After moving to Ellsinore, I spent much time in the Piedmont area, in view of beginning a work there.

At the time of my resignation as missionary, we had reached near twenty souls who had promised to assist in the work there, however, due to my resigning as missionary I did not feel it wise to begin services there. I briefly considered Charleston and Dexter as possible fields of labor. I assisted in the organization of a New Testament Church in Peoria, Ill. I also assisted in the Faith Mission in East Moline, Ill. by baptizing some candidates into

the church, witnessing souls receiving Christ and others dedicated themselves to God.

I have had the privilege of preaching one hundred seventy one sermons in churches, hospitals, on the streets, in the jails, in nursing homes, on the air and in the open air.

I directed two funerals taught sixty-six Bible lessons, visited eight hospitals in two states, performed four weddings, visited thirty churches, witnessed the salvation of forty-eight souls, saw sixty-nine children of God rededicate themselves to God's service.

I set in council at the organization of four churches, baptized five, directed forty-four radio broadcasts, and fourteen nursing home services.

I had the privilege of witnessing to over 655 souls in four states. I did not keep count of pieces of literature and Bibles after they passed 2,500. We traveled over 29,000 miles in behalf of the Mission work. I had the joy of seeing one young man surrender to preach at the close of a service.

Having returned to pastoring, I ask that you pray for us as we pray God's direction upon you. I remain

Searching for Souls
Harold Condray

SPECIAL MISSIONS COMMITTEE

May 12, 1972

Special Missions Committee met at Gethsemane, Hillsboro. All members of the committee present. Opened with prayer by Bro. Chilton. Letter from Bro. Ron Fields recommending Bro. Richard Britt was read. Bro. Newman and Bro. Robinson reported that they were contacted by Bro. Tony Henderson who stated that he was interested and available for work in Missouri. The name of Bro. Ray Thurman was placed in consideration by Bro. Newman. After consideration, motion was made to recommend Bro. Ray Thurman to the Association. Motion carried unanimously. After further consideration it was decided that no other recommendations be made at this time. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Harrington.

September 6, 1972

Committee met at Hillsboro with all members present. Bro. Newman stated that the committee had been invited to meet with the Mt. Olive Church at Salem, Saturday, September 9, 1972 at 1:00 P. M. Motion and second that the committee ask Bro. Harold Condray to meet with us to discuss his status as missionary. Motion carried. Motion and second that the invitation to meet with Mt. Olive Church be accepted. Motion carried. Motion and second to adjourn. Motion carried.

September 9, 1972

Committee met with Mt. Olive Church, Salem, Missouri at 1:00 P. M. Bro. Newman opened meeting by asking for statement of problem by the church. Bro. Wilson stated that the church has called Bro. Alan Henson as pastor and requested that he be placed on Missions field to aid the church. After discussion with the church concerning this problem, motion and second was made that this committee meet with Bro. Alan Henson. Motion carried.

September 14, 1972

Committee met at Chambers Park, all members present. Opened with prayer by Bro. Harrington. Bro. Alan Henson met with committee and stated that he felt definitely called to mission work and that he also felt led to the Salem work. After discussion with Bro. Henson, motion and second was made that we recommend Bro. Henson as missionary to the Association. Motion carried. Motion and second to adjourn. Motion carried. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Wilkerson.

October 30, 1972

The following is the report of the Special Missions Committee. After due consideration of each of these brethren, we recommend Bro. Alan Henson and Bro. Ray Thurman as state missionaries.

Report adopted unanimously.

October 30, 1972

Committee met at Bethany Baptist Church at 8:30 P. M. with Bro. Leon Harvey. Bro. Harvey wished to place the name of Bro. Carlos Skelton for consideration by this committee. Bro. Skelton was asked to meet with this committee at this time. Bro. Skelton stated that he is burdened for the mission field. Bro. Skelton stated that he could not answer at this time whether or not he could accept job as missionary. Bro. Skelton stated that he will be able to give an answer to this committee by morning. Motion to adjourn until 9:15 October 31. Motion carried. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Harrington.

October 31, 1972

Committee met at Bethany Baptist Church at 9:15 A. M. Motion and second that this committee recommend Bro. Carlos Skelton to the association as qualified on the basis of the information that we have but with the stipulation that we have not had time to make a complete investigation. Motion carried.

Bro. Wayne Simmons met with this committee and stated that he is ready to begin Missouri work. Motion and second that Bro. Wayne Simmons be recommended to the messenger body. Motion carried.

Motion and second we adjourn. Motion carried. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Wilkerson.

Bro. W. H. Newman, Chairman
Bro. Ralph Chilton, Clerk

THE MISSOURI MISSIONARY BAPTIST

Words are inadequate to express my appreciation for your cooperation with me as your editor. I have made errors but all of our people have been very considerate.

Last year at this time we had a deficit. At the present time we have a small balance.

Our circulation has increased by approximately five hundred during the past year. At the present time we are printing two thousand five hundred copies of the paper. The printing cost at present is eighty dollars per issue

plus \$1.50 for each picture (This does not include the pictures which are rerun from issue to issue).

I recommend that twenty-three issues be published during the coming year.

M. M. Henson, Editor

FINANCIAL REPORT OF MISSOURI MISSIONARY BAPTIST

Deficit on October 1, 1971	\$23.09
Receipts during the year	4,978.90
Disbursements	4,842.51
Balance on September 30, 1972	\$113.30

Itemized reports may be found each month during the year in The Missouri Missionary Baptist.

Respectfully,
M. M. Henson

REPORT OF YOUTH DIRECTOR

The work of the Youth Director during the past year consisted of arranging and conducting a Spring and Fall Student Retreat. These retreats proved to be a real blessing and inspiration to the 57 and 47 who attended these two retreats. It is hoped that with better planning, publicity, and weather, the attendance will increase. I have traveled 616 miles this past year in promoting our State Encampment and youth work in general. These were all trips to scheduled associational meetings. The financial report of this department is as follows:

Balance on hand, November 1, 1971	\$19.09
Received from Bethany	36.31
Received from Bethlehem	10.00
Received from Cape	4.00
Received from Spring Retreat Food Fund	62.28
TOTAL	\$131.68

Paid Out:

Bible for 1971 encampment	\$19.95
Stamps, envelopes, and paper	8.12
Telephone	12.95
Bible for 1972 Encampment	22.85
Mileage, 616 miles at 7c per mile	43.12
Total Paid Out	\$106.99
Balance on hand October 30, 1972	\$24.69

PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

October 30, 1972

A motion carried to recommend that our churches be encouraged to

contribute regular monthly support to the Missouri Missionary Baptist, and that we begin with a special offering tonight. Also, that we set aside the last week in November for special emphasis.

A motion was made that our editor be reimbursed for any phone calls made in order to complete or verify a news item. The motion carried.

We were dismissed with prayer by Bro. M. M. Henson following the vote to adjourn.

Bro. Dale Blount, President
Bro. Dewey Parrish, Secretary

REVOLVING LOAN FUND COMMITTEE REPORT

In a telephone conference on November 7, 1971, The Revolving Loan Fund Committee did by motion and second elect Eld. Elmer Shults, the recording secretary and Bro. Clarence Crawford, the treasurer and authorized them to sign all necessary papers (deeds, notes, deeds of trust) provided by the Parkview Baptist Church of Arnold, Missouri and hold same for the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri until the loan is paid in full.

The Revolving Loan Fund Committee met at the Northland Bank at the Northland Shopping Center on April 1, 1972 at 9:30 A. M.

Bro. Clarence Crawford and Eld. Elmer Shults, by the authority of the rest of the committee signed the necessary papers on the Parkview Baptist Church of Arnold, Missouri. We signed the Warranty Deed for the church and the church gave the Loan Committee a "First Deed of Trust" to hold for the Association.

The balance of payment owed by the Parkview Baptist Church at this date April 1, 1972 is \$17,514.50

The Revolving Loan Fund Committee met at the Mid-Year Association meeting at Salem, Missouri on May 16, 1972. With four members of the committee being present, Brethren: Claude Wilhelm, Chairman; Elmer Shults, Recording Secretary; Clarence Crawford, Treasurer; and Joe Brandon.

After some discussion, a motion and second was made to recommend to the churches to set aside the month of August to give special offerings to the Revolving Loan Fund. Motion carried.

Motion and second to adjourn. Carried. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Clarence Crawford.

Eld. Claude Wilhelm, Chairman
Eld. Elmer Shults, Recording Secretary

MISSOURI MISSIONARY BAPTIST LOAN ASSOCIATION

Balance October 12, 1971	\$7,383.03
Receipts:	
Fontaine Lane	\$120.00
Palmer Heights	24.00
Zion, St. Louis	48.26
Gethsemane W. M. A.	24.00
Bethel, Potosi	120.00
Breton Creek	60.00

Trinity	66.22	
Mt. Zion, Poplar Bluff	242.15	
Parkview (Repayment on loan) (\$625.50 Int.) ...	5,576.62	
Chambers Park (\$60 thru "200 club")	337.10	
Cane Creek	90.00	
Bethany	55.00	
West Doniphan	5.00	
Antioch, Ellington	14.00	
Cape	107.00	
Loyalty	47.74	
Ohlman	15.00	
Temple	45.72	
Shiloh	60.46	
Ron Fields "200 Club"	10.00	
Claude Wilhelm "200 Club"	10.00	
Joy Rayfield "200 Club"	10.00	
John R. Shine "200 Club"	10.00	
Kenneth McMillen "200 Club"	20.00	
Harold Condray "200 Club"	10.00	
Interest, Northland Savings Acct. 115 816 8	418.83	
		7,562.10
Total Funds Available		\$14,945.13
Proof of Funds:		
Northland Bank Savings Acct. No. 115 816 8	\$14,686.25	
Northland Bank Checking Acct. No. 137752 11	268.88	14,955.13
Outstanding to Parkview		16,691.45
Total Assets		\$31,646.58

Clarence E. Crawford, Treasurer

BAPTIST TRAINING SERVICE COMMITTEE REPORT

November 2, 1971, Sikeston, Missouri. Meeting opened with prayer. Officers elected were as follows: Chairman, S. P. Chitwood, Jr.; Treasurer, G. W. Fox; and Clerk, K. E. Gibson.

December 11, 1971, Garwood, Missouri. Meeting opened by prayer and called to order by chairman. Motion and second that we proceed with plans to construct the tabernacle. Carried. Discussion as to size and type of tabernacle followed.

January 29, 1972, Garwood, Missouri. Meeting opened by prayer and called to order by chairman. Date for encampment set for July 25, 26, and 27. Bids were considered for tabernacle. The size of tabernacle that seemed most suitable was 50 feet by 80 feet.

March 18, 1972, Poplar Bluff, Missouri. Meeting opened with prayer and called to order by chairman. Motion and second Brethren Fox, Gibson, and Chitwood make up program for encampment. Carried. Motion and second Brother Rayfield seek out two men and two women to be in charge of the boys and girls dorms respectively. Motion and second that Brother Marley seek out six monitors for the encampment. Carried. The contract for construction of the tabernacle was let to the Corning Construction Company.

June 1972, Garwood, Missouri. Meeting called to order by chairman and opened with prayer. Brother Ed Stephenson was selected to be camp evangelist and Brother Gerald Orr as camp music director. Brother Ron Fields

was selected to be a camp talent scout. Motion and second to pay Brother Stephenson \$100. Carried. Motion and second to pay Brother Orr \$100 plus ten cents per mile traveling expense since he would be coming from out of state. (Brother Orr was unable to attend.) Motion and second to pay the head cook \$90. Carried. The head cook selected was Mrs. Teal. Motion and second that July 7 & 8 and 14 & 15 be work days at the camp grounds. Carried. Motion and second that we ask Brother Meade to be in charge of wiring the tabernacle. Carried.

July 27, 1972, Garwood, Missouri. Meeting called to order by chairman and opened with prayer. Motion and second that we accept a loan offer for money to pay for the completion of the tabernacle if the loan is necessary. Carried. Motion and second that the camp dates for next year be July 24, 25, 26, 1973. Carried. Motion and second that we ask the messenger body of the B.M.A. of Missouri for advise concerning a four day camp for next year. Carried.

Kenneth Gibson, Clerk

ENCAMPMENT FUND REPORT

Since a detailed monthly report has been given through the Missouri Missionary Baptist, I will give here only the present condition of the treasury.

General Fund, September 30, 1972	\$3,384.94
Received in October	309.33
TOTAL	\$3,694.27
Paid Out in October	9.81
Present balance	\$3,684.46
Food Fund Balance	109.80
TOTAL	\$3,794.26
Tabernacle Fund, September 30, Deficit	\$1,667.67
Received in October	50.00
	\$1,617.67
Paid Out in October	2.95
Total Tabernacle Deficit	\$1,620.62
Total Funds on Hand	\$2,173.64
On deposit, Bank of Poplar Bluff	2,173.64
The cost of Tabernacle to date	\$8,985.51
We owe the Bank	\$3,400.00

Glenn W. Fox, Treasurer

MISSIONS MOBILE UNIT REPORT

NOVEMBER 1, 1971 – OCTOBER 31, 1972

Beginning Balance	\$2,080.11
Receipts:	
Breton Creek Church	60.00
Chambers Park Church	120.00
Current River Churches	65.00

Mt. Zion Church, Poplar Bluff	10.00
Little Bethel Church	25.00
Trinity Church	5.00
TOTAL RECEIVED	\$285.00
Receipts plus beginning balance	\$2,365.11
Disbursements:	
M F A Insurance Company	93.20
Balance on October 31, 1972	\$2,271.91

Edgar F. Gibson, Treasurer

W. M. A. REPORT

The W. M. A. of the B.M.A. of Missouri will be three years old next February 28. This work is a strength to the district and local W. M. A.'s of the state in their work for the Lord.

The state project the first 2 years was the Parkview Baptist Church. There is now a pew in the Parkview Baptist Church, bearing the name plate of the State W. M. A. as a memorial to their concern for missions.

The current project is the Tabernacle Fund for the Baptist Youth Retreat.

We would also urge support of the National W. M. A. project which is 50% for the youth auxiliary department and 50% for E. L. M. concentrating on the Vacation Bible School literature.

We now have 20 churches participating in the State W. M. A.

Mrs. H. W. Darst
Mrs. Glenn W. Fox
Lelia Hulvey

FINANCE REPORT — October, 1972

Trinity	\$15.00
Mt. Zion, P. B.	20.00
Pleasant View	5.00
Naylor Baptist	5.00
Emmanuel, Sikeston	10.00
Little Bethel	8.00
Elmwood Baptist	15.00
First Baptist, Matthew	10.00
Bethany	10.00
First Baptist, Neelyville	5.00
Friendship, Harviell	5.00
Amity	5.00
Mt. Carmel	15.00
Black River	5.00
Pond Creek	8.00
Temple	5.00
Bethesda	10.00
Pleasant Grove	5.00
Mapleview	5.00
Faith	25.00

Kewanee	7.50
Gethsemane	15.00
West Doniphan	6.00
North Side	5.00
Briar	5.00
Emmanuel, P. B.	8.00
Zalma	5.00
First Baptist, Macomb, Ill.	5.00
Parkview	10.00
Shiloh	10.00
First Baptist, Chambers Park	20.00
Mt. Zion, Ellington	5.00
Antioch	15.00
Skyline	3.00
Loyalty	10.00
Walnut Grove	10.00
Independence	5.00
Cape Missionary Baptist	10.00
Current River	5.00
First Baptist, Middlebrook	10.00
Ohlman	5.00
Bethlehem	10.00
Bates Creek	15.00
Springhill	5.00
New Hope	10.00
Cane Creek	10.00
Mt. Olive	5.00
Fontaine Lane	15.00
Bethel Baptist, Potosi	20.00
Mission Ridge	5.00
Black Creek	10.00
Bethel Baptist, Sikeston	25.00
Zion Baptist	5.00
* Breton Creek Baptist	15.00
* Stony Point	25.00
* Providence	10.00
TOTAL	\$545.50

* Received after Association

Glenda Newman
Pauline Crawford

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE REPORT

Be it resolved that we commend the officers and committees for their service to the association.

Be it also resolved that we express our thanks to the host church and pastor.

Be it further resolved that we recommend that as we return to our respective fields of labor that we be more yielded to the will and use of our God in carrying out the great task of Missionary Baptist.

N. J. Gibson
H. R. Thurman

ENROLLMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

39 churches represented by messengers. 18 churches represented by letter only. 2 petitionary letters. Total churches representing in 1972 - 59. Total messengers - 107.

Pauline Crawford
Glenda Newman

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