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MINUTES

Of The Fifty-Third Annual Session Of The BAPTIST MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION OF MISSOURI

1980 Annual Session Held With The
BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH
Sikeston, Missouri
October 27th-28th

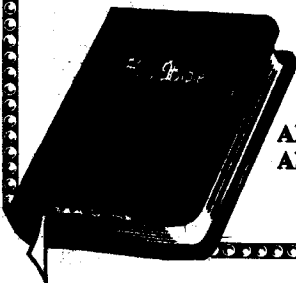
PRESIDENT Eld. Jack Courtney
VICE-PRESIDENT Eld. M. M. Henson
RECORDING SECRETARY Eld. Dale G. Fish
ASSISTANT RECORDING SECRETARY Eld. Jerome Cooper

1981

Semi-Annual Meeting will be held with the
MOSELLE BAPTIST CHURCH
Union, Missouri
On the third Tuesday of May at 10:00 A.M.

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Annual meeting will be held with the
ZION BAPTIST CHURCH
3485 Baumgartner Road
St. Louis, Missouri
On Monday and Tuesday before
First Sunday in November, 1981—2:00 P.M.



ANNUAL MESSAGE Eld. Jerome Cooper
ALTERNATE Eld. 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. Jordon
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, III.	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
1973	Friendship, III.	O.A. Robinson	D.G. Fish	Leon Harvey

HISTORICAL TABLE (Continued)

Year	Church	President	Secretary	Sermon
1974	Trinity	O. A. Robinson	Richard Britt	W. H. Newman
1975	Bethany	G. W. Fox	Richard Britt	H. W. Darst
1976	Lighthouse	G. W. Fox	Dale G. Fish	J. E. Mason
1977	Bethel, Potosi	C. R. Curtman	Dale G. Fish	Richard Britt
1978	Independence, Neelyville	W. H. Newman	Richard Britt	O. A. Robinson
1979	Bethany, St. Louis	W. H. Newman	Richard Britt	B. M. Riddle
1980	Bethel, Sikeston	Jack Courtney	Dale G. Fish	Jack Courtney

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

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 man is a free moral agent and is therefore totally accountable to God for his character, conduct, and response to the preaching of the Word.

8. 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.

9. That the Bible teaches the personality of Satan.

10. 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.

11. 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.

12. 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.

13. That the first day of the week is the Lord's day and is to be kept sacred to religious purposes.

14. The establishment of a visible church on earth during His personal ministry on earth.

15. The perpetuity of Missionary Baptist Churches from Christ's day on earth until His second coming.

16. That the Great Commission as recorded in Matthew 28:19-20 was given to the local church.

17. That water baptism (Immersion) is to be administered to believers only and in Scriptural church capacity.

18. 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.

19. That the Lord's Supper as a church ordinance is to be administered to her members only and in Scriptural church capacity.

20. That all churches of this Association ever be held as equal units as to their rights and privileges in their associated capacities.

21. That all Scriptural association assemblies and their committees are servants of the churches creating them.

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

23. 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.

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.

STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES OF COOPERATION OF THE BAPTIST MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION OF MISSOURI

Article I — Name

The name of this cooperative work is Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri.

Article II — Purpose

The purpose of this Association is to encourage cooperative Christian activity among the churches, to promote missions on the New Testament basis, to stimulate interest in Christian education and Christian literature, to initiate any other work in harmony with the Master's will for His churches, and to provide a medium through which the churches may cooperate in these enterprises.

Article III — Membership

Section 1. This Association is composed of Missionary Baptist Churches which are in sympathy with its doctrines, purpose and work, and which are Scriptural in origin, doctrine, and practice as defined in our Declaration of Faith.

Section 2. Any church desiring to cooperate in 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 shall 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 identifying with this Association either by messenger or letter for two consecutive years shall be considered as having terminated her membership in this Association.

Article IV — Meetings

Section 1. Messengers of the churches in this Association shall hold annual and semi-annual sessions.

Section 2. Each church in this Association is entitled to three messengers chosen from her membership, whose qualifications shall be determined by the churches electing them.

Article V — Officers

Section 1. The officers of this Association shall be president, a vice-president, a recording secretary, an assistant recording secretary, and any other officers which the messengers may choose to elect. These officers shall be elected at each annual session by nomination and acclamation and shall not hold the same office more than two consecutive years.

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 minute fund and secretary hire and shall disburse it as the Association directs.

Article VI — Standing Committee

Section 1. Each standing committee shall be elected on a staggered basis.

Section 2. No one shall serve on more than one standing committee at the same time.

Section 3. No one shall succeed himself on a standing committee.

Section 4. No one who is an employee of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri may serve on a committee under whose supervision he may come.

Section 5. Each standing committee shall organize annually with such officers as it deems necessary.

Article VII — Other Committees

Section 1. A nominating committee of three, whose duty shall be to present nominations for the standing committees at the annual session, shall be elected at the semi-annual session. This committee shall give due consideration to the various sections of our Association. The chair shall call for other nominations from the floor in each case.

Section 2. The president shall name committees on finance and enrollment.

Article VIII — Missions

Section 1. A committee of five shall be elected to serve as a Special Missions Committee, whose duties shall be: (1) To seek out qualified, interested men for the work; (2) To receive from the churches recommendations of men for the same; (3) To hear from interested men their desire to be considered for the missions work; (4) To make an investigation of each person so presented to it before recommending him to the messenger body or to the Missionary Committee as qualified for the work, a response from the prospective missionary to the initial investigative questionnaire being in the committee's hands with sufficient time to complete an adequate, equitable investigation; and (5) To work with the secretary-treasurer of missions as advisors in the area of state missions.

Section 2. The above provisions do not preclude nominations from the floor, but each nominee must comply with provision number four above before election.

Section 3. The missionaries and the secretary-treasurer of missions shall be nominated and elected at any session of the Association for an indefinite period. An unsalaried assistant secretary-treasurer of missions shall be elected annually.

Section 4. No newly elected missionary personnel shall go on salary until a letter of endorsement or recommendation from the church in which they hold membership is in the hands of the Special Missions Committee.

Section 5. For the purpose of service and information, there shall be a Missionary Committee composed of one committeeman from each church, duly elected by the church in which he holds membership. The officers of this committee shall be a chairman and a clerk. Fifteen committeemen shall constitute a quorum.

The duties of this committee shall be: (1) To meet between sessions at the call of the chairman (two week's notice of the proposed meeting being given) to fill vacancies on the missions staff, and to resolve urgent problems relating to missions; (2) To serve the churches as they may direct; (3) To attend to all necessary business not otherwise provided for; and (4) To report their work at each regular session.

Article IX — Publications

Section 1. There shall be a committee of three elected by the messengers to be known as The Missouri Baptist Publications Committee which shall be responsible for the publication of THE MISSOURI MISSIONARY BAPTIST.

Section 2. An editor and an assistant editor shall be elected annually, the editor's salary being determined by the messengers.

Section 3. The editor shall also serve as business manager of THE MISSOURI MISSIONARY BAPTIST and shall annually give a complete financial report.

Article X — Mobile Unit

The messengers shall elect a Mobile Unit Committee of three to supervise the relocation, use and care of the mobile unit in the interest of the Association.

Article XI — Revolving Loan Fund

Section 1. The messengers shall elect a committee of five to administer a Revolving Loan Fund.

Section 2. The purpose of the Revolving Loan Fund is to give financial aid to state missions projects.

Section 3. This committee shall be incorporated under the not-for-profit laws of the State of Missouri.

Article XII — Encampments and Youth Work

Section 1. The messengers shall elect an encampment committee of five, known as The Baptist Training Service Assembly of Missouri, who shall be incorporated under the not-for-profit laws of the State of Missouri.

Section 2. This committee shall hold and maintain all property related to this department's functions, and shall supervise all this department's activities and personnel.

Article XIII — Women's Missionary Auxiliary

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

Section 2. The purpose of this department is to encourage and aid in the organization of local and district W.M.A.'s and Youth Auxiliaries in the churches of this Association and to encourage a spirit of cooperation and helpfulness in all phases of Christian work.

Section 3. 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 shall be the guideline for the work of this department.

Article XIV — Insurance

Section 1. For the purpose of obtaining insurance for missions personnel and other full-time Christian workers who desire to cooperate, a committee of three shall be selected to supervise the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri Insurance Group.

Section 2. The messengers shall elect a treasurer and an assistant treasurer for an indefinite time who shall be responsible to this committee.

Article XV — Amendments

Section 1. This Statement of Principles may be amended at any annual or semi-annual session by a two-thirds majority vote of the messengers present and voting, provided that notice of the proposed amendment be presented in writing in a prior meeting of the same or a previous session.

Section 2. The By-Laws of this Association which accompany this Statement of Principles may be changed in any session by a majority vote.

BY-LAWS OF THE BAPTIST MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION OF MISSOURI

I—GENERAL

1. Unless otherwise provided for all questions shall be decided by a majority vote.
2. The presiding officer shall decide all points of order and shall maintain order. Any messenger may appeal the chair's decision to the messenger body.
3. Each messenger desiring to speak shall rise, address the chair, and after recognition speak respectfully.
4. All officers and all standing committee members shall be members of churches of this Association.
5. Standing committee members, the secretary-treasurer of missions, the editor, the youth director, and the camp superintendent shall be reimbursed for necessary expenses incurred in performance of their duties. The mileage rate shall be fifteen cents per mile.

II—MEETINGS

1. The annual session shall convene on Monday at 2:00 P.M. and on Tuesday at 9:30 A.M. before the first Sunday in November.
2. The semi-annual session shall convene on the third Tuesday in May at 10:00 A.M.
3. The program for the semi-annual session, except for business, shall be prepared by the president of the Association, the secretary-treasurer of missions, and the pastor of the host church.
4. An Annual Missions Symposium shall be held on Friday and Saturday before the 4th Sunday in March, and the Secretary-Treasurer of Missions shall prepare the program.

III—MISSIONS

1. The messengers at the annual session shall set the salaries of the missions staff and shall recommend to the churches any incidentals which may be necessary to the advancement of missions work; such as (a) office help and (b) assistance in locating and relocating missionaries on the field.

2. The missionaries shall consult with the Secretary-Treasurer of Missions and the Special Missions Committee in the selection of a field of service, or change of field. Consultation shall also be sought concerning the best method of beginning a work in a selected field and in determining the possibility of establishing a permanent work.

3. The missionaries shall report all funds received in the course of their work to the secretary-treasurer of missions. All allowances, gratuities, and stipulated offerings given by a church or a group of churches to the missionary personnel for, or in connection with, services performed shall be taken into account and the salary paid by the Association shall be adjusted accordingly.

4. The missionaries shall submit a written monthly report to the secretary-treasurer of missions, who shall report both their work and his through The MISSOURI MISSIONARY BAPTIST. These reports shall include all absences from the field, including revivals and vacations. All missionary personnel shall give a written annual report and shall also be prepared to give an oral report at any other meeting of the messengers or of the Missionary Committee.

5. All missionary personnel shall have two weeks of paid vacation and all Missionaries' and wives' expense will be paid to the Annual meeting of the Baptist Missionary Association of America and all meetings of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri.

6. All missionary personnel shall be granted the privilege of two weeks revival time (two Sundays) away from the missions field with full pay plus any compensation given directly to him by the church involved.

7. \$350 per month of the salary of the missionary personnel and the editor shall be designated as housing and utility allowance; \$165 per week salary plus hospital insurance shall be paid; and \$20 per week shall be designated for Social Security to be paid at whatever interval the missionary desires.

8. Each missionary shall be expected to lead the mission congregation of which he is missionary-pastor, upon organization into a New Testament church, to adopt a systematic, graduated method of paying a pastor's salary (in addition to their regular missions offerings).

Suggested plan: Begin with \$10 per month and increase that amount by \$10 per month until a full salary is reached. This amount shall be sent monthly to the secretary-treasurer of missions.

9. For disabled missionary personnel full salary shall continue for three weeks, after which time the Special Missions Committee shall review the case and salary adjustments shall be made to reflect any disability income.

10. The assistant secretary-treasurer of missions shall receive and disburse funds in the event of disability or a vacancy in the office of secretary-treasurer of missions.

11. The secretary-treasurer of missions' duties shall include (1) endeavoring to visit each church in this Association at least once per year, (2) receiving all missions funds and disbursing them as directed by the messengers, and making a complete financial report at the annual session, and (3) counseling with and assisting the missionaries in promoting and enlarging our missions endeavors.

12. That we begin a Missions' Out-Reach Program for the purpose of aiding self-support missionaries, with funds for building rental, utilities, and incidental needs required in starting a new mission work.

13. That any person desiring to participate in this program must meet the requirements for a missionary as set forth in Article 8 of our Statement of Principles of Cooperation.

14. That funds for building rental and utilities shall not exceed \$250 per month.

15. That funds for incidentals shall not exceed \$25 per month.

16. That funds be supplied for not more than a period of six months.

17. That the Editor publish monthly financial reports of Missions and The Missouri Missionary Baptist in the paper.

18. That the secretary-treasurer be permitted to solicit special offerings for missions from the churches as the need arises, thus eliminating special emphasis each year.

19. That one per cent of all general funds received for missions be designated as incidental funds to be used for publishing tracts and purchasing materials for missions use.

IV—REVOLVING LOAN FUND

1. The committee may, at the direction of the messenger body or the missionary committee, buy and hold title to property for future missions development.

2. The committee shall work with the Special Missions Committee, the Secretary-Treasurer of Missions, and the missionary in locating and purchasing property in a chosen field for a state missions project.

3. The committee shall also work with the Special Missions Committee, the Secretary-Treasurer of Missions, and the missionary in planning, financing and erecting a first-unit type of building on the chosen property.

Due consideration should be given to the possibility of using the mobile missions unit on the property until such time as the first-unit building may be put into use.

The following points should be carefully considered in the planning, financing and erecting of a first-unit building:

- A. It should be of sufficient size to allow the mission to begin and grow toward self-sufficiency.
- B. It should be a type of construction (steel, modular, pre-fab, shell, etc.) so as to be of maximum attractiveness without binding the mission under a crippling, long-term debt. It should also be built so as to enhance its salability.
- C. It should be situated on the property and constructed in a manner that would not hinder any future permanent construction.

4. The mission congregation which is using Revolving Loan Fund assets shall be expected, from the beginning, to contribute 10% of all regular offerings to the Revolving Loan Fund on a monthly basis until the total indebtedness for property and the first-unit building is paid. The mission congregation is encouraged when possible, to make extra indebtedness payments above the 10%. There shall be no interest charged to the mission congregation for the use of Revolving Loan Fund money.

5. For the purpose of clarification, a congregation shall be considered a "state missions project" even after it is organized into a New Testament church, so long as it is indebted to the Revolving Loan Fund.

6. Upon full retirement of the indebtedness to the Revolving Loan Fund, the committee shall transfer the title to the property and building to the church.

7. Two signatures shall be required on each check on funds paid out by this committee.

8. Local associations affiliated with the B.M.A. of Missouri may apply for loans from the Revolving Loan Fund for local missions projects. Such applications shall be considered by the committee and a recommendation brought to the messenger body or the missionary committee for approval.

Such loans shall be considered temporary financing, to be repaid at the earliest convenience. No interest shall be charged on such loans.

Such loans shall be guaranteed by a first deed of trust, except in the event that the messenger body or the missionary committee approve the acceptance of a second deed of trust.

V—ENCAMPMENTS AND YOUTH WORK

1. The messengers shall elect the following annually: (a) camp superintendent, (b) youth director, (c) assistant youth director, and (d) encampment treasurer.

2. The Encampment Committee, camp superintendent, and youth director shall make plans for the annual encampment which shall begin on the last Tuesday of July.

3. The camp superintendent shall supervise the overall activities of the encampment as directed by the Encampment Committee and if possible shall render such aid as the youth director may request.

4. The youth director shall promote the youth work among the churches, plan and supervise student retreats, and edit a youth column in THE MISSOURI MISSIONARY BAPTIST.

5. The Spring Youth Retreat shall be held Saturday, extending into the afternoon, before the third Sunday in May. The Fall Youth Retreat shall be held Friday and Saturday before the fourth Sunday in September. The minimum age for the Youth Retreat is 14 years old except where younger children of necessity attend and they must be accompanied by parents who are in attendance.

All programs of student retreats shall be approved by the Encampment Committee.

6. The Encampment Committee shall approve all use of the camp grounds.

7. The Encampment Committee treasurer shall maintain a separate fund for the Youth Director's use as money is needed.

VI—THE MISSOURI MISSIONARY BAPTIST

1. The subscription price of the paper shall be \$3 per year.
2. Senior citizens (those over 65) shall be given a free subscription to the paper.
3. All past, present, and future editors shall have a life-time subscription to the paper.
4. The paper shall be published on the first and third Thursday of each month except during the week of the National Association.
5. The editor shall be allowed to solicit funds for the paper at any time he deems it necessary.
6. The editor shall keep on file three (3) copies of each issue of the Missouri Missionary Baptist for a period of one year. One copy of each issue shall be kept in permanent file.
7. The editor shall be allowed to hire clerical help at the rate of \$2.50 per hour for a maximum of 20 hours per month as funds are available.

STANDING COMMITTEES

SPECIAL MISSIONS COMMITTEE

Dale Blount	1981
O. A. Robinson	1982
M. M. Henson	1983
W. H. Newman	1984
Don Hoffman	1985

MISSOURI MISSIONARY BAPTIST PUBLICATION COMMITTEE

W. F. Miller	1981
George DeClue	1982
William Fulcher	1983

REVOLVING LOAN FUND COMMITTEE

Earl Johnston	1981
J. E. Mason	1982
Kenneth Gibson	1983
Joe Wilkerson	1984
Clarence Crawford	1985

BAPTIST TRAINING SERVICE ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE

Richard Britt	1981
S. P. Chitwood	1982
G. W. Fox	1983
Noel Meade	1984
Danny Hoffman	1985

INSURANCE COMMITTEE

Wayne Gibson	1981
Clint Colburn	1982
Archey Medley	1983

MOBILE UNIT COMMITTEE

Jim Tollison	1981
Johnny Beardsley	1982
J. E. Brown	1983

MISSIONARY COMMITTEE

S. P. Chitwood	Chairman
J. E. Brown	Assistant Chairman
Don Hoffman	Clerk
Richard Britt	Assistant clerk

**NAMES AND ADDRESSES
OF CLERKS AND TREASURERS
OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

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REVOLVING LOAN FUND COMMITTEE CLERK

Kenneth Gibson
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SPECIAL MISSIONS COMMITTEE CLERK

Dale Blount
Bunker, Missouri 63629

**PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
SEMI-ANNUAL SESSION
When Convened With
Stony Point Baptist Church
Mineral Point, Missouri
May 20, 1980**

10:00 A.M.

The services were opened by singing "Lily of the Valley" led by Bro. Jesse Thomas and Sis. Fox at the piano. Prayer by Bro. James Mason. The congregation then sang, "Just Over in the Gloryland".

Bro. W. H. Newman, moderator, recognized the host pastor, Bro. Earl Brown, who extended a welcome to the association.

Bro. Everett Smith led in a devotional message using Nehemiah 1:4.

The program was "Facing the Challenge".

"Investigation", Nehemiah 2:12-17, (a) He diagnosed the situation, (B) He surveyed the ruins, (C) He envisioned the magnitude of the task was given by Bro. Kenneth Neal.

"Cooperation", Nehemiah 2:17-20, (A) United in prayer, (B) United in purpose, (C) United in prospect was given by Bro. Kenneth Gibson.

"Determination", Nehemiah 2:17b-18, (A) Recognized by Nehemiah, (B) Visualized by the people, (C) Finalized by expended energies was given by Bro. B. M. Ridlen.

Bro. Jerome Cooper was introduced by Bro. Newman to bring the morning message. Bro. Jesse Thomas led the congregation in singing "To the Work" with Sis. Fox at the piano. We were led in prayer by Bro. Noel Meade. Bro. Cooper read Nehemiah 8:1-6 and after leading in prayer brought the message.

Bro. Jesse Thomas led the invitation song "Kneel at the Cross".

Bro. Jack Courtney extended the hand of appreciation to Bro. Smith and Bro. Cooper for the devotional and sermon.

Motion and second to dismiss for noon meal and to reconvene at 1:00 P.M. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Don Hoffman.

1:00 P.M.

Afternoon services commenced by Bro. Jesse Thomas leading and Sis. Debbie Brewer at the piano, "Here Am I Send Me". Led in prayer by Bro. Earl Owens.

Bro. Earl Brown continued the program by bringing the topic "Elimination" (A) Enemies' ridicule, (B) Fear, (C) Council.

Bro. W. H. Newman, moderator, called the association into business. Bro. M. M. Henson led in prayer.

A petitionary letter was read from the Christ Way Missionary Baptist Church. Motion and second that we seat her messengers. Motion carried.

A petitionary letter was read from LaForge Missionary Baptist Church. Motion and second they be re-instated. Motion carried.

Bro. M. M. Henson, on behalf of the association, welcomed those messengers present.

Bro. H. W. Darst gave semi-annual report as Secretary-Treasurer of Missions. Motion and second to adopt. Motion carried.

Bro. A. C. Medley gave his report as missionary. Motion and second to accept. Spoken to by Bro. Medley and Bro. Courtney. Carried.

Bro. Wayne Simmons gave his semi-annual missionary report. Motion and second to adopt. Motion carried.

Bro. Johnny Beardsley gave his semi-annual missionary report. Motion and second we adopt. Spoken to be Bro. Beardsley and Bro. Fox. Motion carried.

Bro. H. W. Darst gave his semi-annual report as editor of the "Missouri Missionary Baptist" paper. Motion and second to adopt. Motion carried.

Motion and second that the Secretary-Treasurer of Missions and the Special Missions Committee, prior to our next annual session, visit the field of each missionary, so as to be able to bring an informal joint report to the messengers from the churches as to the status of the mission work on each field. Three of the five men on the Special Missions Committee shall constitute a quorum for the visits to the missions points. Their report shall include a recommendation as to the continuance of each mission project, as well as any other recommendations relative to the on going of each mission project.

Motion and second to replace Bro. Thompson and Bro. Daughhetee on the Mobile Unit Committee. Carried. Earl Brown was elected to the 1980 term and John Beardsley to the 1982 term.

Motion and second to authorize the Mobile Unit Committee to elect their treasurer and funds be transferred to him. Carried.

Bro. Britt gave the Encampment Committee report. Motion and second to adopt. Motion carried. Bro. Glenn Fox and Bro. Don Adams were nominated to fill the unexpired term of Bro. Ralph Chilton in 1983. Bro. Fox was elected.

The tabled motion on whether to extend the encampment one day was voted on and the motion lost.

Motion and second that our Encampment Committee make a study of the Youth Retreat and try to determine a better time such as during school breaks and present this to the annual meeting. Carried.

Motion and second to elect nominating committee. Carried. Bro. Dale Fish, Bro. J. E. Mason, and Bro. Jerome Cooper were nominated and elected.

Bro. Fred Vogel gave a report of the work with The Victory Children's Home.

Motion and second Bro. Charles Ray's ordination papers revoked by Shiloh Church be turned over to Breton Creek Church. Carried.

Bro. Earl Brown led in prayer preceeding the offering for State Missions and the "Missouri Missionary Baptist" paper.

Motion and second to recommend the funds held by Detherage Mission be turned over to the missions' treasurer and held for designated purpose. Carried.

Motion and second to adjourn. Carried. Dismissed in prayer.

SEMI-ANNUAL REPORTS

Petitionary Letters

To the churches of the B.M.A. of Missouri convened at Stony Point Baptist Church, Potosi, Missouri.

We, the Christ Way Missionary Baptist Church, 2846 Englewood Terr., Independence, Missouri voted to petition fellowship in the B.M.A. of

Missouri. We were organized into a New Testament Church, March 29, 1980, as an arm from the Faith Missionary Baptist Church of Independence, Missouri and are in agreement with the doctrine and principles of the B.M.A. of Missouri.

We send as messengers to sit in deliberation with you Bro. Marvin Fitzgerald, Bro. Glenn Rose, and Elder Everet Smith. Bro. Everet Smith is designated as Missionary Committeeman.

Done by order of the church in business meeting, May 8, 1980.
Eld. Everet Smith, Moderator
Sis. Helen Blalock, Clerk

Dear Brethren,

We, the LaForge Missionary Baptist Church at R. R. 1, New Madrid, Missouri, wish to petition the state association, to be reinstated in the association.

We have been without a pastor for several years and haven't been reported in the state work.

Yours in Christ,
LaForge Missionary Baptist Church
William Tollison, Pastor
Bessie Fowler, Clerk

SECRETARY-TREASURER MISSIONS REPORT
Semi-annual Session
May 20, 1980

Messengers of the Churches
B.M.A. of Missouri

Christian Greetings:

At this semi-annual meeting of the B.M.A. of Missouri, 1980, I am pleased to give an accounting of my stewardship as a servant of the churches, and the responsibility as Secretary-treasurer of State Mission. The monthly report is the better plan, because it keeps the churches closer in tact with the financial status of the receipts, as well as the disbursements and the balance at hand.

As members of the Lord's churches, you have shared in this responsibility through your prayers, assistance, patience, and understanding. Your regular contributions and your increased support have made it possible to pay salaries and take care of other expenses, for which I am indeed grateful. Your words of encouragement have served as a stimulus in the mission endeavors.

Other than my travels to fifty-eight churches and associational meetings, I have made many hospital visits, witnessed several professions of faith, assisted in the organization of one church, performed one marriage ceremony, conducted one funeral service and assisted in another, and made a number of contacts in behalf of the cause.

The Annual Missions Symposium, conducted at the Zion Baptist Church, St. Louis County, proved to be a highlight of our many activities of our state work. Churches and individuals contributed \$3,243.55 during the Missions Symposium, which exceeded our expectation. The attendance was exception-

ally good. Every speaker proved himself equal to the task. Thank the Lord for the wonderful response. My thanks also to Pastor E. F. Gibson and Zion Baptist Church as host to the Seventh Annual Missions Symposium, March 21 and 22, 1980. Thanks also for the wonderful meal the host church provided.

Brethren, as we labor for the blessed Lord, may we be challenged to a greater efficiency in such a noble cause. May we acknowledge the fact, "That the harvest truly is plenteous and the laborers are few". And too, may all of us fully yield ourselves to the leadership of the spirit in every avenue of christian service, and pray that we will have grace to serve Him acceptably.

In conclusion, I heartily recommend that we give a free-will offering for the cause when the reports are completed, dividing it equally between State Missions and "The Missouri Missionary Baptist." Thank you.

Your servant,
Secretary-treasurer of the
B.M.A. of Missouri
H. W. Darst

SEMI-ANNUAL MISSIONARY REPORT A. C. Medley

Greetings in the name of Christ:

We would like to call your attention to Psalms 96:3, "Declare his glory among the heathen, his wonders among all people".

It is with a very burdened heart that we submit this report. However, we are grateful to God, of having the blessing of working for the cause of Christ in Lebanon.

At the beginning of the associational year last November, we were hopeful of being able to organize, or at least thinking seriously of organizing into a church. We feel there has been several things that has affected this objective. There is presently one of our families moving to another field to work. Bro. Virgil Comer has accepted a church in Las Cruces, New Mexico. We know the will of God must be done. The economic situation has affected the work also. Two families were driving considerable distance to attend, therefore, they were not able to attend on Sunday night and Wednesday services. Without doubt the opposing forces of Satan has also prevailed.

We have continued with our regular services. The spirit of God has prevailed in all of our services. As we have already said, the work has not been progressive, but we have continued to sow the good seed of the "Word of God". It has found lodging in the hearts of many. Recently there have been several that have asked questions, about associational work, and the doctrine and principles of the B.M.A. of Missouri.

We have to the best of our ability, upheld, and defended the true teachings of the B.M.A. work.

We will not be submitting a separate statistical report. We have done considerable witnessing, traveled several thousand miles, taught many lessons, numerous hospital visits, nursing home visits, as a result of visiting in a nursing home, one precious soul was saved. We assisted in one funeral. We have preached almost every message at the mission, with the exception, of several of our preacher brethren visiting in the services. We had two week-end revivals. Last November, Bro. John Davis preached for us. This last April Bro. Jack Capps preached for us.

After much prayerful consideration, Saturday, May the 10th, we

informed the Liberty District Association we felt we could no longer work with the Detherage Mission. We will be giving a separate oral report on the work at Detherage.

In closing, we cannot find words to express our gratitude to the B.M.A. of Missouri for their loyal and prayerful support while here in Lebanon. Our prayer is that we shall be able to continue as a servant of the churches of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri. We love you all. Please pray for us as we seek to do God's will in whatever field he chooses for us.

May God bless you is our prayer.

Your missionaries,
Bro. and Sis. Medley

SEMI-ANNUAL MISSIONARY REPORT

To the Churches of the B.M.A. of Missouri: Christian greetings.

We are continuing at the present with the work with New Prospect Mission. Things are not too bright there now as other members have left leaving my family, along with a married daughter and her husband. Another young couple attend regularly on one Sunday service a week. The offerings have dropped off some the last month since others have left. New Prosepect Mission is now assuming \$165 per month of the missionary's housing, but if the offerings do not hold up, we may have to decrease that eventually.

We need to see some doors opened to us in order to see any further growth. Seemingly, any effort put forth at the present is in vain. However, God knows all things and we pray in His time the right doors will open and great victories can be seen. Too, the Lord knows just how much longer that our patience can hold out.

It has been my privilege to have been some encouragement and aid to Christ Way Church. I am still continuing teaching Baptist Doctrine at their Thursday night services each week. The Lord has been blessing the Christ Way Church with a recent profession of faith and three additions by baptism. Bro. Smith, their pastor, is now ordained and baptized these three for his first baptism service. In their earlier beginning this year I baptized one for them.

Pray for us and pray for the Lord to open doors. I feel powerless to do anything.

Thanks for your support and prayers, also for your words of encouragement along.

Yours in Christ,
W. A. Simmons

SEMI-ANNUAL MISSIONARY REPORT

II Timothy 1:1-4.

Dear Sister Churches,

This report will cover from October 28, 1979 to May 20, 1980. Although, we felt that we had not done a great deal over the last six month period, after looking over our statistical report, we had second thoughts.

Over this six month period, we have preached some one hundred and thirteen sermons, taught twenty-four Bible lessons and taught seven three hour classes at the Southeast Missouri Bible School.

We have attended some fourteen state and local associational meetings and various services not counting revivals and the such like. We held some twenty-three nursing home services and made fifteen hospital visits. And, attended four funerals.

We held one revival and assisted in another and saw four souls saved in this period. We made some one hundred and thirty-four specific visits in behalf of the work. This number does not reflect the numerous personal evangelistic talks we have held with people we meet daily and in areas outside of Malden.

Our average attendance for this period has been thirty-one, with a high of forty-one. We have had several new visitors in our services and former members have been back to visit, but none so far have stuck.

Probably our greatest burden at Lighthouse is our financial one. Our monthly offerings averaged \$948.80 and our average expenditure was \$929.75. So far in May, we are \$285 in the hole.

We earnestly plead for the churches to pray for us and support us by being excited about the work at Malden. Although, it has been slow and at times very discouraging, we feel that progress has been made. It is our desire to be off of the support of the associated work within the next year. Please pray and help us acheive this goal.

Humbly submitted,
Your Missionary,
J. W. Beardsley

SEMI-ANNUAL EDITOR'S REPORT
of the Missouri Missionary Baptist
May 20, 1980

Messengers of the churches
B.M.A. of Missouri

Christian Greetings:

The Missouri Missionary Baptist continues to serve as a medium of communication in the cause of Christ. I feel like it is a valuable asset in our mission endeavors, thus serving as a tool in all our Missions Outreach.

Thank you for your awareness of the need in supporting The Missouri Missionary Baptist. A goodly number of churches have increased their support. This is also true with individuals. There were those who visioned the need; therefore, they did something about it. May this tribe increase.

The rising cost of printing the paper, as well as mailing the paper has been called to the attention of all through The Missouri Missionary Baptist. Thank you for your prayers and for your response.

My personal thanks to Mrs. Darst for her able assistance in helping with the paper, and for your good-will, and words of commendation. Pray for the work, and may we pray earnestly in solemnizing our efforts for greater advancement in our Mission Outreach.

Your servant,
H. W. Darst, Editor of The Missouri
Missionary Baptist

**SEMI-ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATUS
of the B.M.A. of Missouri
as of May 1, 1980**

Missions	\$7,070.74
Paper	300.38
Incidental	30.05
Camera	<u>157.62</u>
Total	\$7,548.79

BAPTIST TRAINING SERVICE ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE

Met May 20th Stony Point Baptist Church with the following present: Brethren Fox, Meade, Asberry, Britt, Tollison and Rick Blair, visitor. Led in prayer by Bro. Rick Blair. Bro. Elvie Asberry was elected moderator pro-tem. Bro. Britt elected secretary.

Encampment recreation time was discussed. Motion and second Bro. Tollison schedule recreation time according to the allotted time. Carried.

Motion and second to hire Bro. Marley to continue mowing the campground as in the past and increase to \$105 per mowing. Carried.

Motion and second to set July 12 and 26th as work days. Carried.

Motion and second to send letter of appreciation to Chambers Park for donation of tractor to the campground. Carried.

Motion and second to have Bro. Marley be in charge of the campground tractor if he will accept responsibility. Carried.

Motion and second to ask Bro. Kenneth Gibson to be Music Director.

Bro. Jack Courtney was nominated and elected as Camp Evangelist. Carried.

Motion and second that Bro. Fox and Bro. Britt make a preliminary draft of the Encampment program to be approved by the rest of the committee. Carried.

Bro. Jim Tollison was appointed to be in charge of the camping area during the encampment.

Motion and second to allow Meramec Association to use the campground subject to observing camp rules and dress code and carrying their own liability insurance and to employ full-time caretaker who is familiar with the camp facilities. Carried.

Motion and second if possible to employ the same cooks as last year. Carried.

Motion and second to authorize Bro. Asberry to spend what is necessary to repair tractor and get it to designated place. Carried.

Motion and second to dismiss. Carried. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Noel Meade.

PROCEEDINGS
of the
FIFTY-THIRD ANNUAL SESSION
of the
B.M.A. of Missouri
When Convened With
Bethel Baptist Church
Sikeston, Missouri
October 27-28, 1980

Monday Afternoon—2:00 P.M.

The 53rd Annual meeting of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri was opened by the congregation singing "Amazing Grace", led by Bro. M. M. Henson with Sis. Juanita Blount at the Piano. Following prayer by Bro. R. P. Mitchell, Bro. Henson led "Blest Be the Tie".

Bro. Jerome Cooper brought a devotional message using Romans 11:33-36 for his text.

Bro. W. H. Newman, entertaining pastor, extended a welcome to the association on behalf of Bethel Baptist Church.

The president, Bro. W. H. Newman, declared at the sound of the gavel, the 53rd annual session of the B.M.A. of Missouri in session to do business.

Bro. Newman called for permanent organization.

Nominations were called for a president. Bro. Jack Courtney and Bro. M. M. Henson were nominated. Bro. Courtney was elected.

Nominations were called for vice-president. Bro. M. M. Henson and Bro. O. A. Robinson were nominated. Bro. M. M. Henson was elected.

Nominations were called for a recording secretary. Bro. Dale Fish and Bro. Jerome Cooper were nominated. Bro. Fish was elected.

Nominations were called for an assistant recording secretary. Bro. Cooper was nominated and elected.

Bro. W. H. Newman turned the office of president to Bro. Jack Courtney.

Bro. Courtney gave the new officers the opportunity to speak concerning the offices elected to.

Motion and second that the moderator appoint two to fill temporary vacancies on nominating committee. Spoken to by Bro. M. M. Henson and Bro. Mike Quillman. Bro. Noel Meade and Bro. Earl Brown were appointed to serve.

Bro. Courtney recognized Bro. H. W. Darst for the mission's report. He then called Bro. Johnny Beardsley and Bro. Wayne Simmons to be prepared.

Bro. Darst gave his report as Secretary-Treasurer of Missions and his financial report for the B.M.A. of Missouri Missions and the "Missouri Missionary Baptist" paper. Motion and second that the report of Secretary-Treasurer of Missions be adopted. Motion carried.

Bro. Darst recognized Bro. Wayne Simmons, missionary-pastor of New Prospect Mission, for his report as State Missionary on a part time basis at Independence, Missouri. Motion and second to adopt this report. Motion carried.

Bro. Johnny Beardsley was recognized for his report as State Missionary with Lighthouse Baptist Church at Malden. Motion and second to adopt this report. Motion carried.

Motion and second that the funds designated from the Detherage Mission go into the general missions' fund. Motion carried.

Bro. Courtney appointed the W.M.A. Committee and the Resolutions Committee. Sis. Juanita Blount and Sis. H. W. Darst were appointed to the W.M.A. Committee. Bro. E. F. Gibson, Bro. William Fulcher and Bro. Elvie Asberry were appointed to the Resolutions Committee.

Bro. Courtney recognized Bro. John Duggar, President of the B.M.A. of America Seminary, Jacksonville, Texas to speak concerning the school.

Bro. Courtney called for a report of the Missionary Committee. There was no report, since the committee had not met since the last annual session.

Bro. Courtney called for the report of the Special Missions Committee. Bro. O. A. Robinson, chairman, recognized Bro. Dale Blount, clerk, to give the report of the committee. Motion and second to adopt this report. Spoken to by Bro. Richard Britt, Bro. G. W. Fox, Bro. Dale Blount, Bro. G. W. Fox, portion of report was reread by Bro. Blount, Bro. O. A. Robinson, Bro. Clarence Crawford, Bro. Johnny Beardsley, Bro. Dale Blount, Bro. B. M. Ridlen, Bro. Johnny Beardsley, Bro. O. A. Robinson, and Bro. M. M. Henson.

Motion and second that we table this recommendation concerning the loan to Lighthouse until after the recommendations for the Revolving Loan Fund is brought before the body. Motion to table carried.

Motion to adopt report excluding the recommendation for loan to Lighthouse was discussed. Spoken to by Bro. Kenneth Neal, Bro. Blount reread portion of report concerning Bro. Simmons being put back on full time salary and work. Motion carried.

Bro. Robinson reported one application was received for mission work this week, but nothing has been done yet.

Bro. Don Hoffman was nominated for Special Missions Committee for term expiring in 1985. Bro. Hoffman was elected.

Bro. R. B. Hoshaw, President of Central Baptist College of Conway, Arkansas, was recognized to speak.

Bro. Courtney called for the report of the Mobile unit Committee. Bro. Johnny Beardsley was recognized to give this report. Motion and second to adopt this report. Motion carried.

Nominations committee recommended Bro. Gary Brewer for the Mobile Unit Committee, term expiring 1983. Bro. Brewer was elected.

Bro. Richard Britt was recognized to give the Recording Secretary's Report for 1979-1980. Motion and second to adopt this report. Spoken to by Bro. Richard Britt. Motion carried.

A committee to look into having new letter forms printed was to be appointed. This committee is to be Bro. Dale Fish, Recording Secretary and Bro. Richard Britt.

Bro. Mike Quillman expressed his and Kennett Missionary Baptist's appreciation for the use of the Mobile Unit. He also spoke on the work at Kennett.

Bro. George Reddin, Assistant Director of the Harvest Gleaner Hour, was recognized to speak in behalf of the radio work.

Bro. Andy Schacklin, President of the National Brotherhood, was recognized to speak. He requested that the men meet at 6 P.M. to decide on organizing a state brotherhood.

Motion and second that we recess until 7:00 P.M.

Announcements were called for and given.

Dismissal prayer was led by Bro. M. M. Henson.

7:00 P.M.

The evening services began with Bro. G. W. Fox leading "The Lily of the Valley" with Sis. Fox at the piano.

Bro. M. M. Henson, vice-president, called on Bro. George Reddin to lead in prayer.

Bro. Fox led the songs, "When the Roll is called up Yonder", "Love Lifted Me", and "Footprints of Jesus". Following prayer led by Bro. Gene Hankins, Bro. Fox led "Glory to His Name".

Sis. Sheila Beardsley sang "He Did it All For Me" as she accompanied herself at the piano.

Next, the Beardsley family came singing "Jesus is the Rock Hewn out of the Mountain", "He Restoreth My Soul", and "What a Beautiful Day for the Lord to Come Again".

Bro. Henson asked Sis. Debbie Barker to come sing. She sang "The Trophy of His Love".

Bro. Henson asked Bro. G. W. Fox to introduce the annual speaker, Bro. Jack Courtney.

Bro. Courtney used Matthew 9:35-38 for his text. His subject for the message was "The Lord of the Harvest".

Bro. Fox led the song "Just As I Am" as Bro. Courtney extended an invitation.

Bro. Henson asked Bro. E. F. Gibson to extend the hand of appreciation for the message to Bro. Courtney, in behalf of the association.

Motion and second to amend our By-laws, changing Missionaries' salaries to \$350 per month, housing and utilities allowance; \$165 per week salary plus hospital insurance; and \$20 per week designated for Social Security, to be paid at whatever interval missionary decides.

Bro. Jack Courtney was recognized to present proposed changes to the By-laws. The following proposal was made:

III—Missions

2. The missionaries shall consult with the Secretary-Treasurer of Missions and the Special Missions Committee in the selection of a field of service, or change of field. Consultation shall also be sought concerning the best method of beginning a work in a selected field and in determining the possibility of establishing a permanent work.

Sections 2-17 to become Sections 3-18 respectively.

7. (which will become Section 8) Each missionary shall be expected to lead the mission congregation of which he is missionary-pastor, upon organization into a New Testament church, to adopt a systematic, graduated method of paying a pastor's salary (in addition to their regular missions offerings).

Suggested Plan: Begin with \$10 per month and increase that amount by \$10 per month until a full salary is reached. This amount shall be sent monthly to the Secretary-Treasurer of Missions.

IV—Revolving Loan Fund

1. The committee may, at the direction of the messenger body or the missionary committee, buy and hold title to property for future missions development.

2. The committee shall work with the Special Missions Committee, the Secretary-Treasurer of Missions, and the missionary in locating and purchasing property in a chosen field for a state missions project.

3. The committee shall also work with the Special Missions Committee, the Secretary-Treasurer of Missions, and the missionary in planning, financing and erecting a first-unit type of building on the chosen property.

Due consideration should be given to the possibility of using the mobile missions unit on the property until such time as the first-unit building may be put into use.

The following points should be carefully considered in the planning, financing and erecting of a first-unit building:

A. It should be of sufficient size to allow the mission to begin and grow toward self-sufficiency.

B. It should be a type of construction (steel, modular, pre-fab, shell, etc.) so as to be of maximum attractiveness without binding the mission under a crippling, long-term debt. It should also be built so as to enhance its salability.

C. It should be situated on the property and constructed in a manner that would not hinder any future permanent construction.

4. The mission congregation shall be expected, from the beginning, to contribute 10% of all regular offerings to the Revolving Loan Fund on a monthly basis until the total indebtedness for property and the first-unit building is paid. The mission congregation is encouraged, when possible, to make extra indebtedness payments above the 10%. There shall be no interest charged to the mission congregation for the use of Revolving Loan Fund money.

5. For the purpose of clarification, a congregation shall be considered a "state missions project" even after it is organized into a New Testament church, so long as it is indebted to the Revolving Loan Fund.

6. Upon full retirement of the indebtedness to the Revolving Loan Fund, the committee shall transfer the title to the property and building to the church.

7. Two signatures shall be required on each check on funds paid out by this committee.

8. Local associations affiliated with the B.M.A. of Missouri may apply for loans from the Revolving Loan Fund for local missions projects. Such applications shall be considered by the committee and a recommendation brought to the messenger body or the missionary committee for approval.

Such loans shall be considered temporary financing, to be repaid at the earliest convenience. No interest shall be charged on such loans.

Such loans shall be guaranteed by a first deed of trust, except in the event that the messenger body or the missionary committee approved the acceptance of a second deed of trust.

Motion and second to add new section to Missions as Section 2. Motion carried.

Motion and second to adopt change to section 7 (will be section 8). Spoken to by Bro. Jack Courtney, Bro. Noel Meade, Bro. George DeClue, Bro. Jack Courtney, Bro. Noel Meade, Bro. George DeClue, Bro. Jack Courtney, and Bro. Noel Meade. Motion carried.

Motion and second to adopt Article IV as revised. (Will replace old Article IV). Spoken to by Bro. Jack Courtney, Bro. Clarence Crawford, Bro.

Jack Courtney, Bro. Clarence Crawford, Bro. Jack Courtney, Bro. G. W. Fox, and Bro. Jack Courtney.

Motion and second to amend #4 of Article IV to read "congregation which is using Revolving Loan Fund assets". Spoken to by Bro. D. F. Magruder, Bro. G. W. Fox. Motion carried with opposition noted.

Further discussion of original motion, as amended, by Bro. B. M. Ridlen, Bro. Jack Courtney, Bro. Clarence Crawford, and Bro. Jack Courtney. Motion carried unanimously.

Bro. Henson called for the tabled recommendation from the Special Missions Committee to be read. Bro. Dale Blount read the recommendation concerning giving a loan to Lighthouse Baptist Church.

Motion and second to adopt this recommendation. Spoken to by Bro. Noel Meade, Bro. Clarence Crawford, Bro. G. W. Fox, Bro. Johnny Beardsley, Bro. Lawson Herrington, Bro. Mike Quillman, Bro. Jack Courtney, Bro. A. C. Medley, Bro. G. W. Fox, Bro. Clarence Crawford, Bro. Lawson Herrington, Bro. O. A. Robinson, and Bro. G. W. Fox.

Motion and second that we amend this recommendation of the Special Missions Committee "We accept their offer to pay \$350 per month on the loan". Spoken to by Bro. Johnny Beardsley. Amendment carried with opposition noted.

Discussion on motion as amended with the following speaking: Bro. Joe Wilkerson, Bro. Jack Courtney, Bro. Dale Blount, Bro. O. A. Robinson, Bro. William Fulcher, Bro. Joe Wilkerson, Bro. Jack Courtney, Bro. Joe Wilkerson, Bro. Mike Quillman, Bro. Dale Blount, Bro. Noel Meade, and Bro. B. M. Ridlen.

Motion and second for previous question. Motion carried.

Motion as amended carried with opposition noted.

Motion and second that the entire loan to Lighthouse, Malden be interest free and that previous interest paid be applied to the principle of the loan. Spoken to by Bro. Clarence Crawford and Bro. Jack Courtney. Motion carried.

Bro. Henson recognized Bro. Leroy Best, director of the Victory Children's Home, to speak concerning the home.

Bro. T. O. Tollett from the Baptist Publications Department of the B.M.A. of America was recognized to speak on the publications ministries.

Bro. M. M. Henson asked to be recognized, to present the work on Brazilian literature and the Brazilian missions.

Motion and second that we have preaching tomorrow at 11:00 A.M. Motion carried. Bro. O. A. Robinson and Bro. Johnny Beardsley were nominated. Bro. Robinson was elected.

Motion and second that we make it unanimous for Bro. Robinson. Carried.

Motion and second that we adjourn until 9:30 tomorrow.

Bro. Henson recognized visitors, Brethern Ralph Cottrell and John Steelman.

Announcements were called for.

Motion to adjourn carried.

Bro. Ralph Cottrell led the dismissal prayer.

CHURCH	MEMBERSHIP 1979-1980	Pastor's Salary	Interstate & Foreign Missions	State Missions	District Missions	Help in Meetings
Amity	27- 26	\$ 2,195.00	\$ 542.16	\$ 442.16	\$ 724.35	\$ 300.00
Antioch, Ellington	27- 18	None	240.00	325.00	420.00	690.00
Antioch, Oxy	59- 70	5,300.00	603.41	578.41	769.51	150.00
Bates Creek	55- 55	2,650.00	583.00	450.00	814.59	475.00
Bethany	113-117	13,975.00	1,344.05	3,196.00	1,988.22	719.01
Bethel, Potosi	35- 31	2,650.00	120.00	2,041.84	2,011.86	300.00
Bethel, Sikeston	72- 68	10,650.00	413.62	220.00	341.83	63.67
Bethesda	49	2,680.00	388.74	720.00	611.00	150.00
Black Creek	69- 67	1,340.01	152.07	152.07	160.36	545.35
Black River	28- 25	1,720.00	23.30	23.30	23.30	120.00
Bretton Creek	115-117	9,360.00	620.00	2,527.82	2,629.76	450.00
Briar	43- 35	4,175.00	303.23	454.64	314.51	175.00
Cape	44- 47	7,500.00	288.62	288.60	832.25	None
Cave Springs	25- 27	2,190.00	240.00	240.00	240.00	75.00
Charity	19- 19	None	None	None	1,810.00	25.00
Christ Way	0- 39	1,710.00	603.27	125.71	222.62	None
Current River	12- 13	3,240.00	None	None	None	35.00
Emmanuel, Poplar Bluff	14- 13	2,600.00	465.99	232.98	None	None
Emmanuel, Sikeston	230-224	11,559.08	765.93	765.93	1,021.24	560.00
First, Chambers Park	93	12,055.00	6,615.92	5,051.79	3,149.89	759.00
First, Matthews	195-191	4,700.00	600.00	260.00	950.00	986.08
First, Neelyville	55- 55	2,650.00	60.00	100.00	120.00	None
Gethsemane	49- 41	890.00	226.22	603.38	479.91	150.00
Grandview	73- 67	3,325.00	785.32	454.88	404.88	175.00
Independence	107-113	3,195.00	548.76	472.70	397.68	133.00
Kennett	26- 35	None	98.76	None	600.00	1,165.00
Kewanee	90- 95	10,700.00	612.84	594.86	1,250.07	525.00
Laforge	18- 23	885.00	120.00	10.00	110.00	300.00
Lighthouse	52- 33	None	86.52	86.52	86.52	20.00
Little Bethel	21- 25	1,525.00	120.00	120.00	120.00	None
Mission Ridge	21- 23	1,300.00	60.00	75.00	120.00	None
Moselle	69- 73	3,940.00	730.00	923.00	None	285.00
Mt. Carmel	52	3,120.00	138.32	138.32	137.63	431.26
Mt. Olive	42- 39	3,950.00	549.57	273.57	242.40	1,025.00
Mt. Zion, Ellington	58- 52	9,100.00	135.53	501.68	351.57	350.00
Mt. Zion, Poplar Bluff	111-105	9,360.00	3,484.92	2,874.16	2,685.45	None
Naylor	34- 34	2,700.00	None	120.96	120.96	140.00
New Hope	17- 21	1,720.00	120.00	120.00	None	200.00
Northside	88- 92	7,630.00	192.00	280.00	300.00	100.00
Ohlman	49- 59	6,120.00	1,077.08	3,456.58	785.13	290.00
Palmer Heights	55- 55	12,480.87	1,003.75	1,028.75	978.75	500.00
Parkview, Arnold	69- 72	3,455.00	124.18	2,267.50	274.08	480.45
Parkview, Rolla	31- 32	1,050.00	1,480.00	None	None	None
Pleasant Grove	29- 29	2,340.00	100.00	100.00	150.00	None
Pleasant View	38- 42	4,015.00	169.73	270.23	205.81	None
Providence	115	5,000.00	180.00	180.00	180.00	1,010.00
Springhill	41	1,320.00	578.25	578.25	142.35	1,045.00
Stony Point	110-113	12,350.00	630.54	630.54	1,201.12	75.00
Temple	110-113	5,474.70	898.31	673.31	783.23	731.00
Trinity	132-129	13,250.00	2,739.17	1,720.08	1,062.49	686.03
Walnut Grove	86- 63	4,727.50	453.40	503.40	453.40	436.43
West Doniphan	43- 47	2,120.00	222.76	202.77	202.77	390.00
Zalma	10- 12	2,200.00	879.25	620.95	1,041.92	None
Zion	129-125	13,992.96	595.00	785.00	819.79	100.00

CHURCHES NOT REPRESENTING

Cane Creek
Loyalty
Faith, St. Charles
Galilean
Landmark, DeSoto

Buildings & Repairs	Benevolence	Christian Education	Literature & Publications	The Missouri Baptist	Revolving Loan Fund	Encampment	Miscellaneous	Total Paid Out
\$ None	\$ 355.50	\$ 25.00	\$ 548.06	\$ 63.00	\$ None	\$100.00	\$ 801.64	\$ 6,096.87
None	304.02	None	121.53	120.00	None	None	205.01	2,425.56
5,596.40	860.41	180.00	583.69	60.00	None	None	2,343.10	17,123.93
801.76	612.88	None	230.35	None	None	50.00	1,433.38	8,220.96
9,972.47	1,689.92	966.27	1,066.89	180.00	120.00	290.00	12,330.34	47,838.34
213.14	670.16	None	296.52	170.00	240.00	60.00	1,296.91	10,070.43
11,740.47	95.04	100.00	394.24	None	25.00	None	1,103.37	25,202.19
3,842.04	455.26	179.95	421.19	60.00	None	55.00	1,556.94	11,120.12
2,137.98	52.50	None	151.47	None	None	None	629.00	5,620.81
200.00	165.00	None	135.97	None	None	25.00	841.52	3,277.39
None	430.00	None	364.15	360.00	60.00	110.00	8,114.92	25,026.65
1,578.11	204.92	None	416.07	120.00	18.26	75.00	3,349.02	11,183.76
8,676.23	145.00	75.00	258.42	None	None	None	6,005.15	24,069.27
722.51	None	15.00	99.28	10.00	None	None	133.04	3,964.83
6,600.00	61.25	None	71.40	20.00	700.00	None	1,166.01	10,453.66
7,375.36	140.96	None	442.97	36.00	None	None	1,179.38	11,836.27
None	None	None	68.01	None	None	None	None	3,343.01
None	116.00	None	85.47	54.00	None	None	606.54	4,160.98
12,895.82	750.00	196.07	544.48	60.00	None	None	3,643.81	32,799.46
12,350.41	2,045.95	1,480.92	891.55	311.00	181.75	500.00	8,448.42	53,841.60
8,972.33	4,012.55	343.34	296.64	70.00	None	115.00	4,712.50	26,018.44
1,114.60	None	None	290.42	None	None	15.00	794.20	5,264.22
4,915.35	151.47	50.00	360.37	None	55.00	25.00	3,576.47	11,483.17
4,028.13	403.89	404.88	356.67	None	None	86.96	2,523.59	13,052.30
328.63	141.21	66.10	304.58	60.00	None	110.00	1,644.46	7,522.12
730.60	553.18	None	270.67	None	None	45.00	1,303.48	4,766.49
14,024.15	258.70	148.00	442.69	48.00	None	60.00	1,793.88	30,591.19
None	25.00	None	105.00	None	None	None	1,802.10	3,357.10
639.50	298.00	616.20	616.20	41.20	1,483.30	10.00	154.99	4,139.03
556.84	261.13	None	151.20	None	None	85.00	993.48	4,167.65
646.17	104.73	None	177.16	10.00	None	None	180.48	2,733.54
22,468.95	277.75	None	415.00	None	None	None	None	29,204.70
853.14	331.80	None	None	520.00	None	None	1,988.21	7,947.43
2,266.65	150.77	86.34	421.69	60.00	60.00	16.62	2,250.49	11,353.10
2,057.57	7.50	None	415.49	72.00	None	120.00	2,067.67	15,234.05
292.66	516.60	26.00	986.95	360.00	120.71	215.00	12,211.40	33,133.85
188.14	42.51	None	148.21	None	None	None	950.59	4,411.37
633.12	326.50	120.00	84.75	None	None	25.00	308.89	3,833.26
2,277.99	346.00	None	461.11	120.00	192.00	216.00	2,940.25	15,692.35
2,638.21	2,197.17	570.00	882.57	180.00	120.00	125.00	3,550.42	21,342.94
3,442.42	160.00	216.00	273.92	60.00	24.00	170.00	2,281.67	22,620.13
1,163.12	67.86	99.08	700.61	121.10	1,175.49	99.10	3,228.73	13,355.38
8,063.28	510.00	None	104.85	None	None	None	1,855.97	13,064.10
954.58	None	None	1,159.60	25.00	None	25.00	697.00	4,551.10
6.65	29.21	None	113.56	25.00	None	None	1,532.63	6,367.82
4,650.96	486.05	60.00	290.99	10.00	None	30.00	1,185.65	13,262.65
415.45	35.00	None	174.75	120.00	60.00	None	2,050.95	6,580.00
3,242.65	1,092.86	499.97	787.59	120.00	None	432.58	4,745.80	25,808.65
5,912.38	661.80	118.89	401.19	180.00	None	120.00	2,824.43	18,779.29
15,558.57	157.50	792.14	676.01	300.91	137.66	182.96	11,818.99	49,082.51
3,257.02	125.00	None	257.47	60.00	None	171.30	2,804.58	13,369.50
248.74	283.94	None	597.66	30.00	None	7.00	1,359.33	5,664.97
140.00	115.00	100.00	174.85	336.13	None	86.00	302.90	6,145.56
14,981.71	None	None	639.76	110.00	None	25.00	6,731.27	38,810.49

TUESDAY, 9:30 A.M.

Bro. E. F. Gibson led the congregation in opening hymn, "Draw Me Nearer". Bro. Don Hoffman led in opening prayer.

The congregation sang "Rescue the Perishing".

Bro. Denver Page brought the devotional, using Matthew 14:22-31 as his text.

Bro. Courtney called for the Revolving Loan Fund Committee report.

It was reported that Bro. Ralph Brand called giving his regards for the association and the meeting. It was also reported that Bro. Melvin Meade sent his regards.

Motion and second that we ask our clerk to send words of greeting to Bro. Melvin Meade. Motion carried.

Special prayer was offered at this time for our missionaries. Bro. S. P. Chitwood led in this prayer.

Bro. Jim Tollison stood to ask for information concerning the time that the association meets.

Motion and second that the annual meeting be Friday, 2:00 P.M. and Saturday, 9:30 A.M. before the first Sunday in November. Spoken to by Bro. Dale Blount, Bro. Jim Tollison, Bro. Ralph McGuire, Bro. William Fulcher, and Bro. D. F. Magruder. Motion lost.

Motion and second that we recess for lunch at 11:30. Motion carried with opposition noted.

Bro. L. E. Johnston, chairman, recognized Bro. Dale Fish for Revolving Loan Fund report.

Motion and second to adopt report of Revolving Loan Fund Committee. Motion carried.

Bro. Johnston recognized Bro. Clarence Crawford for the Revolving Loan Fund treasurer's report. Motion and second to adopt Revolving Loan Fund treasurer's report. Spoken to by Bro. Jim Tollison, Bro. A. C. Medley, and Bro. Clarence Crawford. Motion carried.

The nominations committee recommended Bro. Jack Courtney for the Revolving Loan Fund Committee, term expiring 1985. Bro. Clarence Crawford was also nominated. Bro. Crawford was elected.

Motion and second that our clerk be asked to send a note of appreciation to Bro. Southwick for his assistance with the Shiloh property. Motion carried.

Motion and second that we ask the Revolving Loan Fund Committee to come up with a plan that our Secretary-Treasurer of Missions can promote among each of our churches to support this fund. Spoken to by Bro. Clarence Crawford, and Bro. Jack Courtney. Motion carried.

Bro. Courtney called for the report of the Youth Director. Bro. Tollison gave an oral report only.

Motion and second that Bro. Crawford continue as treasurer of the Revolving Loan Fund. Motion carried.

Bro. Dale Blount brought a change to the by-laws. Section V, Article 5: "the spring Youth Retreat shall be held Thursday night, all day Friday and all day Saturday before the second Sunday in June. The fall Youth Retreat shall be held the Saturday before the first Sunday in October". Motion and second to adopt this change. Spoken to by Bro. Jim Tollison, Bro. Dale Blount, Bro. O. A. Robinson, Bro. G. W. Fox, Bro. Dale Blount, Bro. Jim Tollison, Bro. M. M. Henson, Bro. Dale Blount, and Bro. Don Crawford.

Motion and second that this matter be referred to the Encampment Committee, for them to report back at the afternoon session. Spoken to by Bro. Richard Britt, Bro. Dale Blount, and Bro. M. M. Henson. Motion carried with opposition noted.

A request that the officers of the Missionary Committee be listed on page with the standing committees was made.

Bro. Courtney called for the report of the Encampment Committee. Bro. S. P. Chitwood, chairman, recognized Bro. Richard Britt, clerk, for this report.

Motion and second that we adopt the clerk's report of the encampment trustees. Spoken to by Bro. S. P. Chitwood. Motion carried.

Bro. G. W. Fox was recognized for the encampment treasurer's report. Motion and second that this report be adopted. Spoken to by Bro. G. W. Fox. Motion carried.

Prior to the 11 o'clock message, Bro. E. F. Gibson led the song "The Solid Rock".

Bro. G. W. Fox led in prayer.

Sis. Sheila Beardsley sang "Amazing Grace" as she played the piano. The congregation joined in on the last verse.

Bro. O. A. Robinson, pastor of Bethany Baptist Church, came to bring the message. He used II Corinthians 7:1-16 as his text, making special note of verse 11. His subject was "Yea, what vehement desire".

Bro. Jack Courtney expressed appreciation for the message to Bro. O. A. Robinson, in behalf of the association.

The nominating committee nominated Bro. Danny Hoffman to fill the term expiring in 1985 for the Encampment Committee. Bro. Hoffman was elected.

Motion and second to reconvene at 1:00 P.M.

Announcements were given.

Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Jim Tollison.

1:00 P.M.

The service began with Bro. E. F. Gibson leading the song "He Lives" with Sis. Juanita Blount at the piano.

For the devotional, Bro. Courtney asked that three people stand and quote their favorite verse. Bro. Dale Blount, Bro. A. C. Medley and Bro. H. W. Darst gave their favorite verses.

Prayer was led by Bro. Johnny Beardsley.

Nominations were called for Youth Director. Bro. Jim Tollison and Bro. Gary Brewer were nominated. Bro. Jim Tollison was elected.

Bro. Gary Brewer was nominated and elected for Assistant Youth Director.

Nominations were called for camp superintendent. Bro. G. W. Fox was nominated and elected.

Nominations were called for Encampment Treasurer. Bro. G. W. Fox was nominated and elected.

Motion and second that we give a standing vote of appreciation to Bro. G. W. Fox for his work with the encampment.

Sis. Juanita Blount came to give the report for the W.M.A. Motion and second that we adopt this report. Spoken to by Sis. H. W. Darst. Motion carried.

Sis. W. H. Newman, a member of Bethel Baptist Church, came to give the Finance Committee report. She reported that 48 churches gave a total of \$910.

Motion and second that our Secretary-Treasurer seek out some kind of interest bearing account, in which the funds will be readily available, in which to deposit the major part of our mission funds. Motion carried.

The Enrollment Committee report was given. Motion and second to adopt. Carried.

The organization of the Missionary Committee report was given by Bro. Don Hoffman. Motion and second to adopt. Carried.

Invitations for the Semi-annual meeting were given. Moselle and Gethsemane invited the association to meet with them. Moselle was chosen for the meeting place.

An invitation from Zion Baptist Church for the annual meeting in 1981 was accepted.

Stony Point Baptist Church invited the association to meet with them for the annual Missions Symposium. The association accepted this invitation.

Nominations were called for an annual speaker. Bro. Jerome Cooper, Bro. W. H. Newman, and Bro. Mike Quillman were nominated. Motion and second that the second highest be the alternate. Bro. Jerome Cooper was elected as the speaker and Bro. W. H. Newman was elected as the alternate.

Bro. Courtney called for the vote of appreciation to Bro. G. W. Fox. Bro. Fox was recognized to express his thanks.

Bro. Richard Britt gave the report of Encampment trustees, concerning the time of meeting for the retreat. Motion and second to adopt. Spoken to by Bro. Dale Blount and Bro. Jim Tollison. Motion carried with opposition noted.

Motion and second that a committee of three (3) be appointed (not of the encampment committee) to review and update the Encampment Dress Code, giving special consideration to proper dress for recreation and for service times. That this committee send their recommendations to all the churches of this association at least 60 days before the midterm meeting of the association. And that the dress code be considered and voted on at the midterm meeting in May. Spoken to by Bro. Don Hoffman, Bro. M. M. Henson, Bro. Elvie Asberry, and Bro. Richard Britt.

Motion and second to amend this motion to read "a committee of five (5). Motion carried. Motion as amended carried.

Bro. R. P. Mitchell, chairman of the Publications Committee, came to give this committee report. Motion and second that this report be adopted. Spoken to by Bro. R. P. Mitchell, Bro. Johnny Beardsley, Bro. Dale Blount, and Bro. Lawson Herrington. Motion carried.

Nominating committee nominated Bro. William Fulcher for Publications Committee, term expiring 1983. Bro. Fulcher was elected.

Bro. H. W. Darst came to give his report as Editor of the "Missouri Missionary Baptist" paper. He led in prayer as he began his report.

Motion and second that the editor's report be adopted. Spoken to by Bro. S. P. Chitwood, and Bro. H. W. Darst. Motion carried.

Nominations for editor of "Missouri Missionary Baptist" paper were called for. Bro. H. W. Darst was nominated and elected.

Nominations for assistant editor were called for. Bro. B. M. Ridlen was nominated and elected.

Motion and second that the editor's salary remain the same percentage portion as it has been ($\frac{1}{4}$ of salary and benefits to come from the "Missouri Missionary Baptist").

Nominations for assistant Secretary-Treasurer were called for. Bro. B. M. Ridlen was nominated and elected.

Motion and second that the clerk hire be set at \$250. Motion carried.

Motion and second that the B.M.A. of Missouri recognize the newly organized State Brotherhood. Motion carried.

Bro. Gene Hankins was recognized to give report of the State Brotherhood. Motion and second to adopt this report. Motion carried.

Bro. Dale Blount came to give the report on the Special Missions Committee organization. Motion and second to adopt. Motion carried.

Motion and second that we go on record as recognizing the need of other missionaries and that we consider the election of others when we have men who are available. Motion carried.

Bro. Elvie Asterry was recognized to give the Resolutions Committee report. Motion and second to adopt this report. Motion carried.

Discussion was brought up on By-laws. Section III, Article 3. Those speaking on this were Bro. Johnny Beardsley, Bro. Don Hoffman, Bro. Johnny Beardsley, Bro. M. M. Henson, Bro. Jack Courtney, Bro. Dale Blount, Bro. Johnny Beardsley, Bro. O. A. Robinson, Bro. G. W. Fox, Bro. Jim Tollison, and Bro. H. W. Darst.

Motion and second that we approve the interpretation that our moderator has given. (President's interpretation is: **All** funds received by a missionary shall be **reported**. Any necessary expenses may be deducted and the balance sent in to the Secretary-Treasurer of Missions. If the balance is kept by the missionary, that amount, on the basis of the report sent in to the Secretary-Treasurer of Missions, shall be deducted from the next salary check.

Any offering specifically designated as "love-offering" shall be reported, does not have to be sent in to the Secretary-Treasurer of Missions, and shall not be deducted from the missionary's salary.) Spoken to by Bro. M. M. Henson, Bro. Don Hoffman, Bro. Dean Hawley, Bro. Johnny Beardsley, Bro. Jim Tollison, Bro. G. W. Fox, Bro. Lawson Herrington, Bro. M. M. Henson, Bro. Dale Blount, Bro. Dean Hawley, Bro. William Fulcher, Bro. Mike Quillman, Bro. G. W. Fox, and Bro. Johnny Beardsley. Motion carried.

Motion and second to add to the By-laws, Section III, Article 4, "and all meetings of the B.M.A. of Missouri". Spoken to by Bro. Jim Tollison. Motion carried.

Motion and second that we request that the devotionals in our Sunday School book be put back on the page with the lesson instead of on the page in the front of the book, where we can not find it. (This request is to go to the B.M.A.A. Publications Committee via Bro. O. A. Robinson, who is a member of this committee.) Motion carried.

Report of the Revolving Loan Fund organization was received by common consent.

Motion and second that we adjourn. Motion carried.

Bro. Earl Brown led the dismissal prayer.

ANNUAL REPORTS

SECRETARY-TREASURER MISSIONS ANNUAL REPORT October 27 and 28, 1980

Messengers of the Churches
B.M.A. of Missouri

Christian Greetings:

At this fifty-third annual session of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri, I am pleased to give an accounting of my stewardship as a servant of the churches. The task of Secretary-Treasurer is not one of leisure, but one of great responsibility and labor.

As to the missions contributions, you have responded well to the hour of need. The grand total receipts over last year reflect an increase of \$7,935.59. This is very gratifying. We should rejoice and be glad. I'm sure that we are in position, because of the richness of His grace, to generate a greater degree of love and appreciation for those who labor untringly in the work for souls, and in the Missions Outreach.

Our annual Missions Symposium has proved itself to be a high light and a challenge to our churches in State Missions. Let us pray that the God of all grace will move us, for His honor and His glory. Even now, let us begin to search our own hearts that the spirit of momentum may drive us to great heights in the kingdom's work. A goal of \$5,000 is within our reach. Do we not have a wonderful God? He is able to do great things for His people when they give full allegiance to Him.

I have visited some 80 churches, associations, and other meetings in the interest of the work. For all of this, I graciously thank you for your prayers, open doors to your homes, and a deepening interest in the work. Truly, may we join hearts and hands in exalting a wonderful Saviour, and assist in promoting a noble cause.

How wonderful! The good Lord has given me the blessed opportunity of witnessing seven professions of faith during this period of time, and to be engaged in other activities in glorifying His name.

Whenever I think of the fact "that the fields are white unto harvest," I cannot help but think of praying earnestly that the Lord would open the door to a "Volunteer Summer Mission" project. This, of course, would call for a sacrifice. But our God is able to supply the need if we but trust Him.

Brethren, may our prayers be directed also to the end that we will allow the Spirit of God to reign supremely in our midst, and ask God to aid us in visioning the assignment of Matthew 28:18-20, and Acts 1:8.

In Jesus' Name,
H. W. Darst

**FINANCIAL REPORT
OF THE
B.M.A. OF MISSOURI
October 1, 1979 - September 30, 1980
H. W. Darst - Secretary - Treasurer and Editor**

Receipts:	
Missions	\$54,593.56
Paper	7,611.67
Incidental	65.00
Designated Funds	750.82
Detherage Balance	<u>2,781.36</u>
Grand Total Receipts	\$65,802.41
Balance brought forward 10-1-79	<u>3,452.47</u>
Total Available	\$69,254.88
Total Disbursements	56,715.90
Balance on hand 10-1-80	\$12,538.98
In Savings Account - United Missouri Bank, Arnold	<u>2,781.36</u>
Grand Total Available	\$15,320.34
 The Above Balance Includes	
Missions	\$12,250.73
Paper	129.32
Incidental	1.31
Camera	157.62
Detherage Balance in Savings	<u>2,781.36</u>
Balance Total	\$15,320.34

ANNUAL MISSIONARY REPORT

To the Churches of the B.M.A. of Missouri: Christian Greetings:

The past associational year has been a very slow year as far as reporting progress as I would like to give you.

As you know, the messenger body gave me the authorization to go on part-time missionary status last year. We didn't feel that the field merited full-time support. This plan went into effect the last of the year, after I found other employment.

The attendance at New Prospect Mission has averaged below the ten mark for several months now. The offerings are still running sufficient to meet our present budget. The mission group is now contributing \$175 per month toward my \$350 housing allowance. The B.M.A. of Kansas City still contributes \$50 per month on it also. In addition, our mission group gives 5% of our regular offerings to state missions. The National Association and Kansas City local is contributed to on the same percentage. The active membership is at the present five. A young couple started attending morning services over a year ago and have attended regularly since. Also, they contribute weekly to the mission with liberal amount as far as non members is concerned. They seem to enjoy the services very much and are absorbing what we are preaching to them. I baptized two this past year.

It was my privilege to assist the Christ Way Church of Independence in establishing that work this past year. The church there was organized into a church in March and petitioned fellowship in the B.M.A. of Missouri at the semi-annual meeting. Bro. Everett Smith continues to lead this church. New Prospect Mission is now an arm extended from the Christ Way Church.

Some consideration has been given toward the idea of relocating and establishing another mission point since the present mission effort in the Grandview area is not getting the response from the area that we should. I have two interested families in the North Kansas City, Liberty, Missouri area. Another area is under possible consideration. Our main concern is to seek the Lord's direction in staying where we are, or entering into a new field. Your prayers and advice is sought at this point.

Due to my other employment, our attending of several of the associational related meetings was decreased. I have worked the field accordingly and will leave the results to the Lord.

Thank you for your prayers and continued support.

In His service,

W. A. Simmons

ANNUAL MISSIONARY REPORT

This report is from May 14, 1980 through Octobr 26, 1980. This year has not been a year of success in the number of members gained. However, our attendance has maintained a consistnt 30 to 35. A few Sundays, we have had over 40 in Sunday School. This year in membership was earmarked by losses more than gain. We received 7 members and dismissed 12, which is not a good ratio. The church, along with the missionary pastor, has been concerned about this and have made an effort to see that it ceases.

With this loss in members, we were very concerned about our finances. However, God has graciously provided. Bethel Baptist Church sent us \$50 a month for three months, which helped considerably; for this we are appreciative. In the last 4 months, though we have been able to maintain a plus balance and our treasurer informed us that we are about a month ahead on our bills by having a bank balance of about \$900, for which we praise God and thank the people at Lighthouse for their sacrificial giving. I feel, if we had 35 more people as dedicated as these 35, we could be almost self-supporting.

Our statistical report for this period is as follows. I preached 86 sermons; held nursing home services, attended 18 associational centered activities, helped Bro. Quillman at Kennett on the building 6 days, worked on the church at Lighthouse 5 days, taught 22 lessons, held 1 revival and aided in 1, made 9 hospital visits some consuming a full day and part of a night, held 3 funerals, 4 counseling sessions and made some 99 visits not counting spontaneous visits. This period, we have only had one saved and no additions to the church which is a great burden to me.

Bro. Quillman, at Kennett, and myself have agreed, that if there are no serious complaint that we would like to interchange one day a week for a while and assist one another in doing visitation in each respective field.

The church has begun to assume my salary at the beginning of \$5 a week. Next business meeting, it will be proposed that we begin increasing this by \$5 a month along with a quarterly re-evaluation of our missions giving of which we hope to increase by 1% until we are giving 10% of our total offerings. At the present, we are at 6%.

Johnny Beardsley

SPECIAL MISSIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

May 20, 1980

Special Missionary Committee met at Stony Point Baptist Church. Meeting was called to order by Bro. Robinson. Prayer by Bro. M. M. Henson. Bro. Medley discussed with the committee a new field near Herman, Missouri, and the possibility of starting a work there. Closing prayer by Bro. Blount.

July 31, 1980

Special Missionary Committee met at our state encampment. We made our plans to visit the two mission fields. We agreed to split the committee to made these visits. Bro. Robinson, Bro. Darst and Bro. Henson would visit Bro. Simmons and his mission. Bro. Blount, Bro. Ridlen, Bro. Newman and Bro. Darst would visit Bro. Beardsley and Lighthouse Church.

October 27, 1980

Special Missions Committee was called to order by Bro. O. A. Robinson. Prayer by Bro. W. H. Newman.

Committee discussed with Bro. Simmons about his mission field and his plans for the future.

Motion and second passed the recommendation presented to the committee by Bro. Robinson be accepted. (Recommendation: Missionary Wayne Simmons As a result of our findings upon our visit to the mission field where Bro. Simmons works, and based upon the fact that not much progress has been made during his labors on that field:

A. We commend Bro. Simmons for his faithfulness and sacrifice toward the work there.

B. We recommend:

1. That Bro. Simmons be put back on full salary, at such a time as he, in counsel with the Special Missions Committee, shall decide upon a mission site that he feels would be a good prospect for a future church.
2. That while carrying on regular services at New Prospect Mission, he begin a search for another mission point in another area, that might prove more conducive to a more productive work.)

Motion and second that we the committee recommend that a loan be made to Lighthouse Church from present funds of the Revolving Loan Fund to pay off present commercial loan. Motion carried.

Motion and second that we the committee commend Bro. Beardsley for the work he had done at Malden, and that he continue with the work there. Motion carried.

Closing prayer led by Bro. Henson.

MOBILE UNIT COMMITTEE REPORT

5/31/80	beginning balance	\$2,559.08
6/14/80	paid Sears for air conditioner	1,218.74
6/14/80	paid Don Hoffman	100.00
6/20/80	paid John Beardsley mileage	7.50
6/20/80	deposit	10.00
6/25/80	bought certificate of deposit	1,000.00

7/23/80	deposit	10.00
7/25/80	sale of one old air-conditioner	100.00
10/ 8/80	deposit	30.00
	Balance in checking account	\$382.84
	Balance on certificate of deposit 9/1/80	\$1,015.00

**RECORDING SECRETARY'S REPORT
1979-1980**

Balance beginning October 29, 1979	\$ 146.10
Received from Finance Committee	942.00
Received after the association	
Gethsemene	10.00
Little Bethel	15.00
Loyalty	10.00
Current River	10.00
Total Funds Available	\$1,133.10

Disbursements:

Piedmont Printing Company	\$544.40
Clerk Hire	250.00
Postage	18.90
Envelopes, stencil and paper for letter forms	1.25
Total Disbursements	\$814.55
Balance turned over to new clerk	\$ 318.55

I recommend printing 800 minutes.

Due to the depletion of letter forms, I recommend that a committee be appointed by moderator, including the Recording Secretary, to revise old letter forms and print new ones.

Richard Britt
Recording Secretary

**REVOLVING LOAN FUND COMMITTEE REPORT
October 30, 1979
Bethany Baptist Church**

Bro. J. E. Mason called meeting to meet with Bro. A. C. Medley concerning the legal paper work for the Shiloh Church building.

Motion that we accept Bro. Medley's assistance in having the Shiloh building officially appraised and in contacting a potential buyer for the building with the understanding that he will report his findings to this committee for our action. Carried.

Motion and second that we adjourn.

J. E. Mason, Chairman
Dale G. Fish, Clerk

**July 30, 1980
Garwood, Missouri**

Meeting was opened with Bro. Kenny Gibson leading in prayer.
Motion and second that we hear Bro. Mike Quillman. Carried.

Bro. Quillman asked for \$6,000 for Kennett church building.

Motion and second that we loan the \$6,000 to Kennett according to the constitution and if a state missionary needs the funds that they try to get the funds to repay the loan. Motion carried.

Motion and second that we adjourn. Carried.

Kenny Gibson
Joe Wilkerson
Dale Fish, Clerk
J. E. Mason, Moderator

October 28, 1980

Meeting began with prayer by Bro. Joe Wilkerson.

Asked Bro. Crawford to report the latest status of the Shiloh building.

We asked Bro. Johnston to call the Pulaski County Realty for additional information.

Motion and second that we offer to sell the Shiloh building for \$40,000 cash, or for \$45,000 with 20% down and at 10% interest, carrying the first deed of trust.

Motion and second to adjourn.

Closed in prayer by Bro. Clarence Crawford.

Bro. Earl Johnston, Moderator
Bro. Dale G. Fish, Clerk

MISSOURI MISSIONARY BAPTIST LOAN ASSOCIATION
Route 1, Belgrade, Missouri 63622

Old Balance October 1, 1979.....\$40,077.85

Receipts:

Chambers Park	\$ 169.25	
Bethel, Potosi	120.00	
Mt. Zion, Poplar Bluff	130.71	
Palmer Heights	24.00	
Mt. Olive	60.00	
Ohlman	120.00	
Springhill	70.00	
Gethsemane	55.00	
Breton Creek	60.00	
Northside	256.00	
Friendship	60.00	
Parkview (payment of loan minus \$14.61 interest)	1,033.80	
Lighthouse (payment on loan minus \$564.87 int.)	1,403.30	
Trinity	137.66	
Briar	33.26	
Bethel, Sikeston	25.00	
Bethany	120.00	
Interest, pass book savings account #115 816 ...	1,145.25	
Interest, money market certificate #900951	1,232.85	
Refund on Shiloh insurance	41.00	
Received	6,311.08	6,311.08
Total received and carried forward		\$46,388.93

Transferred to checking account:

For money market certificate, November, 1979	\$20,000.00	
For Shiloh Bond Sinking Fund, November, 1979	10,650.00	
To cover bills received, July, 10, 1980	163.01	
To cover bills received, July 26, 1980	500.00	
To cover bills received, August 2, 1980	5.00	
	<u>\$31,534.01</u>	31,534.01

Balance carried forward, September 30, 1980 \$14,854.92

Funds available:

Belgrade State Bank account #2657	14,854.91
Belgrade State Bank checking account #15 342 7	156.60
First National Bank, St. Robert Acct. #208035	656.25
Northland Bank Money Market cert. #900951	20,000.00
Total	<u>\$35,667.76</u>
Outstanding: 2nd deed trust, Lighthouse	11,876.42
Total assets	<u>\$47,544.18</u>
Plus equity in Shiloh property	

Paid out:

11/79	Northland Bank, money market certificate #900951	\$20,000.00
11/79	1st National Bank, St. Robert, sinking fund, Shiloh bonds	10,350.00
11/15	Miller Agency, Shiloh property appraisal	53.00
12/10	Add. Pulaski County Journal, bond recall	6.00
12/10	C. E. Crawford, telephone bill	11.57
12/30	Detherage Mission, Shiloh utility bills	60.14
12/30	Walter Southwick, winterize Shiloh property	49.02
3/06	A. C. Medley, Shiloh utility bills	72.62
4/24	J. C. Kirkpatrick, file change of address	1.00
5/20	Parkview, refund overpayment on loan	101.34
5/20	A. C. Medley, Shiloh utilities	40.00
6/28	Pulaski County Abstract Co., run title	39.93
7/07	H. W. Darst, Detherage Mission Fund, Shiloh utilities	20.00
7/28	Federal Kemper Insurance Company, Shiloh insurance	435.00
7/28	Laclede Electric Cooperative, Shiloh utilities	15.40
8/12	Laclede Electric Cooperative, Shiloh utilities	29.40
8/16	L. E. Johnston, mileage, Shiloh business	39.00
8/16	C. E. Crawford, \$15 mileage, \$11 recording fee, and \$20 paid to Northlan Bank, overdraft	46.00
9/06	Laclede Electric Cooperative, Shiloh security light	14.00
10/09	Laclede Electric Cooperative, Shiloh security light	14.00
		<u>\$31,392.42</u>
Total to other securing Shiloh property		20,102.34
		<u>\$11,290.08</u>

Balance:		
1st National Bank, St. Robert	.....	\$656.25
Belgrade State Bank, checking acct.	.....	156.60
		<u>\$812.85</u>
		812.85
Cost to date securing Shiloh property	.....	\$10,477.23
First National Bank, St. Robert		
Deposit, 11-13-79, Missouri Missionary Baptist Loan Association		
Account #20 803 5	.....	\$10,350.00
Received from Shiloh account sinking fund	.....	811.50
		<u>\$11,161.50</u>
Paid out redeeming bonds and interest certificates.	.....	10,505.25
Balance	.....	\$ 656.25

Note: one \$100 bond is outstanding.

Clarence E. Crawford, Treasurer

ENCAMPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

June 10, 1980

Bro. Britt and Bro. Fox met at Malden and made a preliminary draft for the Encampment program.

July 31, 1980

Meeting called to order by president, Bro. Sterling Chitwood.

Motion and second to pay camp evangelist \$200. Motion carried.

Motion to grant Ohlman request to use camp for Fellowship Meeting.

Motion carried.

Motion to propose guidelines for campers to be proposed as an addition to camp rules. Motion carried.

Another meeting called for at Fall Retreat.

Motion and second to dismiss. Carried.

Bro. Sterling Chitwood, Moderator

Bro. Elvie Asberry, Clerk pro-tem

October 28, 1980

All members present.

Led in prayer by Bro. Asberry.

Minutes of last meeting read approved.

Treasurer's report given by Bro. Fox.

Motion and second to thank Bro. John Marley for winterizing the camp-ground this year. Carried.

Motion and second to adjourn. Carried.

Bro. Sterling Chitwood, Moderator

Bro. Richard Britt, Clerk

ENCAMPMENT TREASURER'S REPORT
Glenn W. Fox, Treasurer

Church	General Fund	Youth in the Harvest	Food Fund	Total
Antioch, Oxly	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00	\$	\$ 20.00
Bates Creek	50.00			50.00
Bethany	120.00	60.00	170.00	350.00
Bethel, Potosi	60.00	60.00	40.00	160.00
Bethel, Sikeston			26.02	26.02
Bethesda	22.30		50.00	72.30
Bethlehem			20.00	20.00
Black River			25.00	25.00
Breton Creek	55.00	55.00	50.00	160.00
Briar			75.00	75.00
1st, Chambers Park	175.00	125.00	188.40	488.40
1st, Matthews	75.00		50.00	125.00
1st, Neelyville			15.00	15.00
Friendship, Mo.	5.00		20.00	25.00
Friendship, Ill.			50.00	50.00
Gethsemane			25.00	25.00
Independence	65.00		41.36	106.36
Kewanee	60.00	24.00		84.00
Little Bethel	60.00		25.00	85.00
Loyalty		18.00		18.00
Moselle	79.81		25.00	104.81
Mt. Olive			14.88	14.88
Mt. Zion, Ellington	120.00		25.00	145.00
Mt. Zion, P. B.	130.00		95.00	225.00
Northside	208.00	26.00		234.00
Ohlman	60.00		50.00	110.00
Palmer Heights	100.00		50.00	150.00
Parkview, Arnold	98.88		*10.00	130.00
Pleasant Grove			25.00	25.00
Pleasant View		36.00		36.00
Providence			30.00	30.00
Skyling	413.22			413.22
Stony Point	432.58			432.58
Temple	120.00		*10.00	130.00
Trinity	159.72		36.76	196.48
Walnut Grove	72.47		91.30	163.77
West Doniphan	7.00			7.00
Zalma	77.00			77.00
Zion	25.00			25.00
Logan Creek YITH	60.00	20.00		80.00
Cane Creek Dist. YITH	180.00			180.00
Dividends	502.09	75.11		577.20
Camp Offerings	228.84			228.84

Surplus and Returns	17.20	70.42	147.49	235.11
Ken McMillen, Memory of Mary	500.00			500.00
New Prospect Mission	30.00		20.00	50.00
Concession Stand	247.22			247.22
Insurance	131.71			131.77
Charles Livesay			10.00	10.00
Mike Quillman			20.00	20.00
John Beardsley			20.00	20.00
Cane Creek Dist. W.M.A.			45.00	45.00
New Hope			25.00	25.00
Amity			100.00	100.00
Total Received	4,748.04	589.53	1,721.21	7,058.78
Brought Forward	8,076.82	1,359.54	545.27	9,981.63
Available	12,824.86	1,949.07	2,266.48	17,040.41
Paid Out	3,105.22	472.66	1,578.63	5,156.51
Balance	9,719.64	1,476.41	687.85	11,883.90

MINUTE FUND, 1980

Amity	\$20.00
Antioch, Ellington	25.00
Antioch, Oxly	15.00
Bates Creek	25.00
Bethany	20.00
Bethel, Potosi	25.00
Bethel, Sikeston	25.00
Bethesda	15.00
Bethlehem	15.00
Black Creek	10.00
Black River	15.00
Breton Creek	25.00
Briar	15.00
Cape	25.00
Cave Springs	10.00
Emmanuel, Poplar Bluff	15.00
Emmanuel, Sikeston	15.00
First, Chambers Park	50.00
First, Matthews	25.00
First, Neelyville	15.00
Gethsemane	20.00
Grandview	20.00
Independence	20.00
Kewanee	15.00
Little Bethel	15.00
Moselle	15.00
Mt. Olive	15.00
Mt. Zion, Ellington	5.00
Mt. Zion, Poplar Bluff	30.00
Naylor	10.00
New Hope	15.00
Northside	25.00

Ohlman	20.00
Parkview	15.00
Pleasant Grove	25.00
Providence	20.00
Springhill	15.00
Stony Point	25.00
Temple	15.00
Trinity	25.00
Walnut Grove	20.00
West Doniphan	10.00
Zalma	15.00
Zion, St. Louis	5.00
Christ Way, Kansas City	20.00
New Prospect Mission Kansas City	15.00
LaForge	25.00
Mt. Carmel	25.00

Glenda Newman
Pauline Crawford, Finance Committee

MISSIONARY COMMITTEE REPORT

Bro. S. P. Chitwood, assistant chairman, called the meeting to order.
 We were led in prayer by Bro. Ralph McGuire.
 Chairman called for election of officers. Those elected were:
 Chairman: S. P. Chitwood
 Assistant chairman: Earl Brown
 Clerk: Don Hoffman
 Assistant clerk: Richard Britt
 Motion and second to adjourn.
 Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Dale Blount.

ENCAMPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee met along with Bro. Tollison to discuss changing of the Youth Retreat.

Organization:
 Bro. Chitwood, President
 Bro. Britt, Clerk
 Bro. Meade, Vice President
 Bro. Fox, Assistant clerk
 Bro. Glenn Fox was elected for committee treasurer.
 Motion and second Spring Retreat be Saturday before the 3rd Sunday of May extending into the afternoon. Carried.
 Motion and second Bro. Britt contact Bro. Harold Leythen to find out dates available he could be camp evangelist. Carried.
 Motion and second to dismiss. Carried.
 Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Meade.

Bro. Chitwood, Moderator
Bro. Britt, Clerk

PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

We, your committee on publications, met with the Editor, Bro. H. W. Darst and discussed different phases of our state paper, "The Missouri Missionary Baptist", and find it to be fiscally and doctrinally sound. However, we make no recommendations, but place the matter before the messenger body for further consideration.

R. P. Mitchell
W. F. Miller
George DeClue

ANNUAL EDITOR'S REPORT OF THE MISSOURI MISSIONARY BAPTIST October 27 - 28, 1980

Messengers of the Churches
B.M.A. of Missouri

Christian Greetings:

"Rejoice in the Lord alway: and again I say, Rejoice", said Paul to the Philippians.

Then in Psalms 68:11, "The Lord gave the word: great was the company of those that published it".

As Editor of "The Missouri Missionary Baptist", I come with gratitude in my heart because of being permitted to serve in this capacity. My wife has graciously assisted in this sphere of service. From our hearts, to yours, "Thank you".

The cost of printing and mailing "The Missouri Missionary Baptist" has increased tremendously. In fact, the average cost for the twelve month period was \$653.12.

Some articles promised for the paper never did reach the Editor. Thanks to those who did contribute articles. They blessed the hearts of the readers, and gave encouragement. We can encourage, rather than discourage.

Last year, at this period of time, the paper fund was in the red by the amount of \$36.46. This year the paper fund had a balance on hand of \$129.32. Thank you. Your love for the work speaks for itself.

Brethren, let us be considerate of one another, and tender hearted, and provoke unto good works. After all, the cause of Christ is bigger than I, or even you. We owe it to ourselves to do better. The preacher made a strong admonition when he said, "Suffer not thy mouth to cause thy flesh to sin; ..." Ecclesiastes 5:6.

My personal thanks are extended to the many readers for words, notes, and letters of commendation. Such expressions lift one up. They bring joy to one's heart. To each of you, I say, "Thanks". My appreciation is also extended in behalf of your prayers for the cause. When the needs were knocking at the door, you helped to supply. Don't forget those who labor for you in the Lord.

Conclusion: As members of the Lord's churches, you have shared in the work through your prayers, assistance, patience, and understanding. Your regular contributions for missions and for the paper have made it possible to pay salaries, and take care of other expenses. For this, I am indeed grateful.

In fact, all of us should be very grateful. Also, let me say, "The many kind expressions have been very encouraging. Thank you."

In Jesus' Love,
H. W. Darst

W. M. A. REPORT

Our role as women today should be the same as in biblical times. Our motto should be our guide for our daily living found in II Peter 1:5-7.

W.M.A. (1) Is a Helper, (2) Is a Source of Intensified Bible Study, (3) Is an Opportunity to Grow in Evangelism, (4) Is an Opportunity to Learn More About Missions, (5) Is an Outreach in Benevolence, (6) Is a Sponsor of Youth Auxiliaries.

W.M.A. is a time of close christian fellowship.

Humbly submitted,
Mrs. Dale Blount
Mrs. H. W. Darst

STATE BROTHERHOOD REPORT

Meeting opened by singing "At the Cross" led by Bro. Jerry Park with Sis. Dale Fish at the piano. Prayer by Bro. Asberry.

Bro. Andy Schalchlin explained purpose of meeting.

Motion and second to establish a state brotherhood.

Officers were elected as follows:

President: Bro. Elvie Asberry

Vice-president: Bro. Jim Tollison

Secretary: Bro. Gene Hankins

Treasurer: Bro. Don Crawford

Bro. G. W. Fox, Bro. E. F. Gibson, and Bro. Dale Blount were elected as the advisory council.

Motion and second that we support the national project.

Bro. George DeClue was nominated and elected as Galilean promoter.

Motion and second to ask State Association to recognize the Brotherhood.

Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Page.

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

Believing the government is ordained of God, Be it resolved that we encourage participation in our election process, and vote according to what we believe to be the will of God.

Be it resolved that we appreciate Stony Point, Bethel Missionary Baptist, and Zion Missionary Baptist Churches for hosting the yearly association meetings.

We further thank those in the various capacities who devote the time and energies to the cause of Christ.

E. F. Gibson
William Fulcher
Elvie Asberry

CHURCHES REPRESENTING, 1980

Church, City, Phone

Pastor, Address, Phone

Clerk, Address

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No pastor at present

Ardella Chitwood, Rt. 2, Box 102, Ellington, Mo. 63638

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BRETON CREEK, POTOSI, 438-5984

Jim Tollison, Star Route 287, Potosi, Mo. 63664, 438-2504

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