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MINUTES

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

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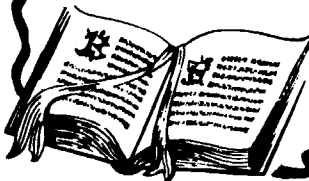
Annual Session held with the
BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH
Sikeston, Missouri
October 24 and 25

PRESIDENT Eld. E. F. Gibson
VICE-PRESIDENT Eld. Ron Fields
RECORDING SECRETARY Eld. Dale G. Fish
ASSISTANT RECORDING SECRETARY Eld. Jerome Cooper

1984

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

Annual meeting will be held with the
BETHANY BAPTIST CHURCH
St. Louis, Missouri
On Monday and Tuesday after
Fourth Sunday in October, 1984—2:00 P.M.



ANNUAL MESSAGE Eld. Don Hoffman
ALTERNATE Eld. Noel Meade

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 | JurI 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 |
| 1981 | Zion, St. Louis | Jack Courtney | Dale G. Fish | Jerome Cooper |
| 1982 | Chambers Pk., St. Louis | E. F. Gibson | Dale G. Fish | Kenneth Gibson |
| 1983 | Bethel, Sikeston | E. F. Gibson | 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)
 - Revolving Loan Fund Committee
 - Youth Director and Encampment Trustees
 - W.M.A. (Appointed by President)
 - Brotherhood (Appointed by President)
 - Enrollment (Appointed by President)
 - Finance (Appointed by President)
 - MISSOURI MISSIONARY BAPTIST (By Editor and Publications Committee)
 - Resolutions
 - 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.

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 a President, a Vice-President, a Recording Secretary, and an Assistant Recording Secretary.

Section 2. The President and Vice-President shall be elected at each Semi-annual session by nomination and acclamation, to assume office at the next annual session. These officers shall not hold office more than two consecutive years.

Section 3. The recording secretary and the assistant recording secretary, and any other officers which the messengers may choose to elect; shall be elected at each annual session by nomination and acclamation.

Section 4. The duties of the officers shall be such as usually devolve on such officers of a deliberative body.

Section 5. 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; (5) To work with the secretary-treasurer of missions as advisors in the area of state missions; (6) To bring a recommendation on salary and

benefits for all missionary personnel for consideration by the messengers in annual or semi-annual session; and (7) To visit each mission point at least once each year and bring to the messenger meeting a recommendation concerning the continuation of the mission point.

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 weeks 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 — 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 XI — 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 XII — 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 XIII — Brotherhood

Section 1. There shall be a department called the Brotherhood 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 Brotherhoods and Galilean youth groups in the churches of this association and to promote a spirit of cooperation and helpfulness in all phases of Christian work.

Section 3. The Constitution of the Brotherhood of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri shall be the guideline for this department.

Article XIV — Amendments

Section 1. This Statement of Principles or Our Declaration of Faith 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 twenty-five 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. after the Fourth Sunday in October.

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. The salary of the Secretary-Treasurer of Missions shall be \$100 per month. The salary of the missionaries shall be: \$230 weekly salary; \$500 per month housing and utilities allowance; hospitalization insurance; \$20 per week 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 duties of the Secretary-Treasurer shall be to receive and disburse all mission funds as directed by the messengers, and to report these funds monthly through the Missouri Missionary Baptist and at the semi-annual and annual meetings. He shall also perform other duties as prescribed in our by-laws.

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.

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.

9. The messengers shall elect annually a Revolving Loan Fund treasurer and assistant treasurer.

V—ENCAMPMENTS AND YOUTH WORK

1. The messengers shall elect the following annually: (a) camp superintendent, (b) youth director, (c) assistant youth director, (d) encampment treasurer, and (e) assistant 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 Friday and Saturday, before the third Sunday in May. The Fall Youth Retreat shall be held Friday and Saturday before the third 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 \$4 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.

Camp Rules

BAPTIST TRAINING SERVICE ASSEMBLY OF MISSOURI

We recognize our camp grounds as a place where we may come to have religious services, to enjoy Christian fellowship, and to have wholesome recreation. In the light of these aims, we feel that all who attend should do so in view of honoring and respecting the name of God and our Lord Jesus Christ. If we share this aim, the following rules should not be too severe, and shall serve to guide us in our fellowship while on the camp grounds:

1. All minors who are in attendance should have a sponsor or a supervisor.

2. All who shall attend shall refrain from the use of tobacco while on the camp grounds.

3. All manner of dress must be that which becometh Christians. Shorts and indecent dress of male and female are not such as becometh Christians. Modesty of dress must prevail.

4. Everyone shall assemble under the tabernacle when such services are called, and shall remain unless permission is secured to leave. (Workers are not under this restriction.)

5. No one is to be absent from class except in case of illness, and then only by permission.

6. When bed time has been signaled, no one shall be allowed out of the dorms without the permission of the one in charge. Whenever the sleep-time signal is given, the supervisor's order shall be respected.

7. No camper or couple shall depart from the immediate assembly or recreation area to a remote section of the camp grounds.

8. Conduct on the grounds and in dorms must be according to Christian standards.

9. The trustees shall be empowered to enforce said rules or shall empower others to assist.

10. The trustees shall be empowered to expel anyone from the camp grounds, after proper counseling fails, who deliberately and willingly breaks the above rules or to expel whoever they feel is not fit to remain on the camp grounds.

11. This association shall direct the trustees to supply each church of the association with copies of these rules in advance of any encampment date.

DRESS CODE

Realizing that our campground is a place for worship and Christian fellowship, and realizing that modesty in dress should always be prevalent in the life of a Christian, we recommend the following:

DRESS CODE FOR MEN

1. No short pants or tank-top shirts worn.
2. That neatness of dress prevail at all time. Shirt tails tucked in pants, shirts fully buttoned except for top or collar button.

DRESS CODE OF WOMEN

3. For ladies and girls that there be no shorts, halters, or midriff blouses worn.

4. That slacks and jeans not be permitted except at specific times designated by the Encampment Committee. All slacks and jeans must be full length.

5. That dresses worn should be at least knee length; if split-tailed, the split be no longer than four inches.

Dresses must not be sun-back or string-type shoulder straps. NOTE: Our camp rules suggest that all who attend should do so in view of respecting the name of God and our Lord Jesus Christ. Let each camper see that his dress complies with this spirit.

CAMP RULES: Adopted by the B.M.A. of Missouri, May 19, 1970

DRESS CODE: Adopted by the B.M.A. of Missouri, May 19, 1981

Standing Committees

SPECIAL MISSIONS COMMITTEE

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| W. H. Newman | 1984 |
| Wayne Gibson | 1985 |
| B. M. Ridlen | 1986 |
| Ron Fields | 1987 |
| Jack Courtney | 1988 |

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| Wayne Simmons | 1984 |
| Gary Brewer | 1985 |
| Jerome Cooper | 1986 |

REVOLVING LOAN FUND COMMITTEE

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| Joe Wilkerson | 1984 |
| Clarence Crawford | 1985 |
| D. F. Magruder | 1986 |
| Earl Johnston | 1987 |
| E. F. Gibson | 1988 |

BAPTIST TRAINING SERVICE ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE

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| Noel Meade | 1984 |
| Danny Hoffman | 1985 |
| Elva Asberry | 1986 |
| Mike Quillman | 1987 |
| Dale G. Fish | 1988 |

MISSIONARY COMMITTEE

S. P. Chitwood Chairman
O. A. Robinson Assistant Chairman
Don Hoffman Clerk
Kenny Gibson Assistant Clerk

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CLERKS AND TREASURERS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

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Gary Brewer
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**PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
SEMI-ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE
B.M.A. OF MISSOURI
When Convened With
Bethany Missionary Baptist Church
St. Louis, Missouri**

**May 17, 1983
10:00 A.M.**

The service began with the congregation singing "When the Roll is Called Up Yonder", led by Bro. Richard Britt and piano accompaniment by Sis. Judy Fish.

Bro. E. F. Gibson, President of the BMA of Missouri, read Psalm 11:1-7 for our devotional. Bro. Tom Foster then led us in prayer.

Bro. O. A. Robinson, the host pastor, was recognized to welcome us to Bethany Missionary Baptist Church.

Bro. Gibson declared the mid-year meeting of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri in session to transact any business that might come before us. He then asked the messengers to identify themselves and be recognized by standing.

The proposed amendment to Statement of Principles, Article VIII—Missions, Section 1, to add sub-part 6 was called from the table, then read by the clerk. It reads: To bring a recommendation of salary and benefits for all missionary personnel for consideration by the messengers in annual or semi-annual session. Motion to amend Statement of Principles carried.

Bro. Gibson recognized our Secretary-Treasurer of Missions, Bro. H. W. Darst for his report. Bro. Darst asked our state missionaries, Bro. Eddie Marsh, Bro. O. C. McMasters, and Bro. Wayne Simmons to come also.

Bro. Darst gave his report as Secretary-Treasurer of Missions and his financial report for both missions and also the "Missouri Missionary Baptist" paper. Motion and second that this report be adopted. Motion carried.

Bro. Eddie Marsh came for his report as missionary at Bowling Green, Kentucky. Motion and second this report be adopted. Motion carried.

Bro. O. C. McMasters, missionary at Wentzville, Missouri gave his report.

Motion and second that Bro. McMaster's report be adopted. Motion carried.

Missionary, Bro. Wayne Simmons, at Christway Baptist Church, Independence, Missouri came to give his report. Motion and second that Bro. Simmons' report be adopted. Motion carried.

Bro. Gibson recognized Bro. H. W. Darst for his report as Editor of "The Missouri Missionary Baptist" paper. Motion and second this report be adopted. Motion carried.

Bro. Gibson called for the Special Missions Committee report. Bro. W. H. Newman, committee chairman, recognized the committee's clerk, Bro. Ron Fields to give the report. Motion and second that the Special Missions Committee report be adopted. Spoken to by Bro. Charles Evans, Bro. Fields reread the motion in the report pertaining to the committee's recommendation of Bro. Fulcher as qualified. Motion to adopt the report carried with opposition noted.

Bro. O. A. Robinson was recognized to note that Bro. Ron Fields should be listed as the Special Missions Committee clerk on page 12 of the 1982 minutes.

Bro. Gibson recognized Bro. Clarence Crawford to give his report as Revolving Loan Fund Treasurer. Motion and second this report be adopted. Spoken to by Bro. Clarence Crawford, Motion carried.

Motion and second that we honor this request and the action of the Revolving Loan Fund Committee regarding the loan for pews for Twin Oaks. Motion carried.

At the call for the Encampment Committee report, the chairman of this committee, Bro. Mike Quillman, recognized Bro. Elva Asberry, their clerk, to give their report. Motion and second this report be adopted. Motion carried.

Bro. G. W. Fox was recognized to give his report as Encampment Treasurer. Motion and second to adopt this report. Spoken to by Bro. Fox. Motion carried.

Motion and second that we amend Camp Rules, DRESS CODE FOR WOMEN, 4. "That slacks and jeans be permitted for recreation only, (and a set time for recreation be designated). ALL slacks and jeans MUST be knee length or longer." Spoken to by Bro. Dale Blount, Bro. Kenneth Gibson, Bro. Noel Meade, Bro. Jack Courtney, motion reread by clerk, and Bro. Johnny Beardsley. (Lost to substitute motion.)

Motion and second that we change the wording where it says "knee length or longer" to say "full length". Spoken to by Bro. Dale Blount, Bro. G. W. Fox, Bro. Dale Blount, and Bro. Jack Courtney. (This is a motion to amend previous motion.) Motion to amend carried. (Original motion and this motion lost to substitute motion.)

Motion and second that we amend the proposed change to include work days, and arriving and leaving campground. Spoken to by Bro. G. W. Fox, Bro. Jack Courtney, and Bro. Don Hoffman. (Lost to substitute motion.)

Substitute motion that the Encampment Committee be asked to submit at our annual meeting a revision of the Dress Code, as the churches supply an input to their desires. Spoken to by Bro. Dale Blount, Bro. Kenny Gibson, Bro. G. W. Fox, and Bro. Jack Courtney. Substitute lost.

Discussion continued on motion to amend to include "workdays..." Spoken to by Bro. Noel Meade, Bro. G. W. Fox, Bro. Dale Blount, Bro. Jim Tollison, Bro. Elva Asberry, Bro. Jack Courtney, Bro. Noel Meade, Bro. Jim Tollison, Bro. Jack Courtney, Bro. Dale Blount, proposed change and amendment reread by clerk, Bro. Mike Quillman, Bro. Tom Foster, and Sis. Louise Gibson. (Lost to substitute motion.)

Substitute Amendment: Motion and second that #4, DRESS CODE FOR WOMEN, be changed to read "That slacks and jeans not be permitted except at specific times designated by the Encampment Committee. All slacks and jeans must be full length." Spoken to by Bro. Jack Courtney, Bro. Don Crawford, Bro. Dale Blount, Sis. Wayne Gibson, Bro. Jack Courtney, Bro. Dale Blount, Bro. Elva Asberry, Bro. Denver Page, and Bro. Noel Meade. Substitute motion to amend carried.

Motion and second that we amend the By-laws of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri, Article V—Encampments and Youth Work, Section 5, "The Spring Youth Retreat shall be held Friday and Saturday before the 3rd Sunday in May. The Fall Youth Retreat shall be held Friday and Saturday before the 3rd 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. Motion carried.

Bro. Gibson called for nominations for the nominating committee. Bro. W. H. Newman, Bro. Mike Quillman, Bro. Gary Brewer, and Bro. Jack Courtney were nominated. Bro. Newman, Bro. Quillman and Bro. Brewer were elected.

Bro. Gibson called for nominations for President of the association. Bro. E. F. Gibson was nominated and elected unanimously. (Vote taken by clerk.)

Bro. Gibson called for nominations for Vice-President of the association. Bro. Ron Fields was nominated and elected.

Motion and second that we adjourn. Motion carried.

Bro. Richard Britt, with accompaniment by Sis. Judy Fish, led as we sang "When We All Get to Heaven", as our closing song.

Bro. Gibson called for announcements. Bro. Jack Courtney announced the "Conference on Revival", which was to begin immediately after the association adjourned. Bro. Melvin Meade, BMA Missionary to the Phillipines was recognized, and other announcements were made.

We were dismissed in prayer by Bro. Elmer Shultz.

SEMI-ANNUAL REPORTS

SECRETARY-TREASURER REPORT

Of The BMA Of Missouri

To the messengers of the churches of the BMA of Missouri
Christian Greetings:

Thank you for the privilege of giving this report. It covers a period from October 30, 1982, through April 30, 1983. In fact, my reports have been reflected in the issues of "The Missouri Missionary Baptist."

My travels have taken me to fifty-five churches and Associational assemblies in the time given above, and it will also be reflected that I delivered 42 messages, of the which time was given to Promotional deliveries.

The **Missions Symposium** proved to be a challenge to our churches and people. The goal was set at \$7,000. It was exceeded by \$485.35 including the office equipment and paper fund. Thank the Lord for the sweet spirit of cooperation. Remember, that the scripture says, "**We are laborers together with God.**"

Brethren, have we reached the point of saturation in the Cause? I think not. As we look about us, we observe the multitudes that are steeped in sin, thus without Christ and a hope.

We will not do what we should do in missions, unless we "**Think missions**". We must meditate on missions. As we do that, missions will certainly become a greater burden of our hearts. Hear Paul as he sensed fully an obligation which he could not by-pass. "**Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is, that they might be saved.**" It was a heavenly desire, fully taking on the responsibility for the sake of others.

There are certain laws of sowing and reaping that must be dealt with. Read Jeremiah 4:3, "**Break up your fallow ground, and sow, but not among thorns.**"

The first law is the preparation of the ground. It is useless to sow seed on hard lumpy ground. A nice seedbed should be made ready for the seed to be sown. So is the heart of man softened by the preaching of the gospel and the work of the Holy Spirit. Ecclesiastes 11:6 says, "**In the morning sow thy seed**

and in the evening withhold not thine hand." If the Word is not proclaimed, there certainly would be no salvation of souls.

The seed must be watered. "They that sow in tears shall reap in joy. He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him" (Psalm 126). When seed is planted in a well prepared seed bed, it must be watered before it can germinate and come forth. Sincere tears of concern are spoken of in many places in the scripture.

Cultivation is necessary for the best yield during harvest. Since Satan plants seeds of doubt, you must guard against any and all obstructions.

"O Lord, though our iniquities testify against us, do thou lit for thy name's sake: for our backslidings are many; we have sinned against thee." (Jeremiah 14:7).

Who will help in the harvest? Jesus said, "The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few; pray ye therefore the Lord of harvest, that he will send forth laborers into his harvest," (Matthew 9:37, 38).

Some of the saddest words found in the Bible are: "The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved." (Jeremiah 8:20).

Your Servant,
H. W. Darst

**SEMI-ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT
of the**

BMA OF MISSOURI

**H. W. Darst—Secretary-Treasurer, Editor
October 1, 1982—April 30, 1983**

BALANCE IN CHECKING—October 1, 1982

| | |
|-------------------|---------------|
| Missions | \$4,138.12 |
| Paper | 245.93 |
| Incidental | 35.59 |
| Camera Fund | <u>157.62</u> |

TOTAL IN CHECKING ACCOUNT—October 1, 1982 \$4,577.27

RECEIPTS:

MISSIONS

| | |
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| Receipts | \$36,300.07 |
| Balance brought forward | 4,138.13 |
| Transferred from Savings | 3,673.52 |
| Transferred for Money Market Certificate | <u>9,827.06</u> |

(Note: a Penalty of \$172.94 for early withdrawal which was necessary to pay salaries.)

TOTAL AVAILABLE \$53,938.78

DISBURSEMENTS: 42,072.10

Bal. on hand May 1, 1983 \$11,866.68

Less mileage for Bro. Ridlen from Missions 55.00

Adjusted Balance \$11,811.68

PAPER

| | |
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| Receipts | \$6,710.23 |
| Balance brought forward | <u>245.93</u> |

TOTAL AVAILABLE \$6,956.16

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| DISBURSEMENTS | 6,332.96 |
| Bal. on hand May 1, 1983 | 623.20 |
| Transferred to Paper Fund | 55.00 |
| Adjusted Balance | \$ 678.20 |
| INCIDENTAL | |
| Receipts | \$35.00 |
| Balance brought forward | <u>35.59</u> |
| TOTAL AVAILABLE | \$70.59 |
| DISBURSEMENTS | <u>53.77</u> |
| Balance on hand May 1, 1983 | \$16.82 |
| CAMERA FUND | |
| Receipts | None |
| Balance brought forward | <u>\$157.62</u> |
| TOTAL AVAILABLE | \$157.62 |
| DISBURSEMENTS | <u>157.62</u> |
| Balance on hand May 1, 1983 | None |
| TYPEWRITER | |
| Receipts | \$99.16 |
| Balance brought forward | <u>None</u> |
| TOTAL AVAILABLE | \$99.16 |
| DISBURSEMENTS | <u>None</u> |
| Balance on hand May 1, 1983 | \$99.16 |
| DESIGNATED | |
| Receipts | \$2,057.55 |
| Balance brought forward | <u>None</u> |
| TOTAL AVAILABLE | \$2,057.55 |
| DISBURSEMENTS | <u>2,057.55</u> |
| Balance on hand May 1, 1983 | None |
| FUNDS AVAILABLE | |
| MISSIONS | \$11,811.68 |
| PAPER | 678.20 |
| INCIDENTAL | 16.82 |
| DESIGNATED TYPEWRITER | <u>99.16</u> |
| GRAND TOTAL ALL FUNDS AVAILABLE | \$12,605.86 |

NOTE: Receipts for the Semi-Annual period were: \$45,202.01
 Disbursements for the same period of time: \$50,674.00
 \$5,471.99 more than was received was disbursed—Thanks to having
 funds in Savings and Money Market Certificate.

Your Servant in Christ
 H. W. Darst

MISSIONARY REPORT

Greetings from Bowling Green,

As we prepare this report it is with joy and anticipation. We are told in Ephesians 3:20 that our Lord "is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us."

As we reflect on the year past we are reminded of that truth as well as another that reminds us that "The Lord has done great things for us, for which we are glad."

It is hard to believe that it has been 12 months since we came before you to be approved as missionary in Bowling Green, Kentucky. We feel as if we have now come full circle. And what an exciting, challenging year it has been.

Since our report in November, we have seen blessings galore. In December we finalized the purchase of our land. January and February were months of planning and research as we sought to choose building plans and to receive bids. There have been times of disappointment. And times of great JOY. In March, we saw our largest Sunday School attendance with 60 and 62 for preaching service. Our attendance is staying in the 40's most of the time.

In the last two months, we have had three additions by baptism and two ladies have presented themselves for membership by letter. I have been able to make 41 contacts not including 22 hospital visits.

The most exciting part of our ministry is to see our people catch the vision of doing more for our Lord. Then seeing them reach out to their families and neighbors.

It is a great joy to serve you and we ask your continued prayers.

Respectfully,
Bro. Eddie Marsh

MISSIONARY REPORT

Greetings from Wentzville,

We appreciate your prayers and your support. Concerning the mission we're still having between 10 and 20 on Sunday morning and around 10 to 15 on Sunday evening and Wednesday evening. We have two young ladies that have been visiting on Sunday evening and Wednesday evening. You pray for these.

Also, we've had this last Wednesday evening, Sunday morning, and Sunday evening a young mother and her two daughters visit the service. We're thankful for this. We still need a song leader and piano player.

As for the building, we have all the carpet laid in the basement. Bro. John Armstrong works at 9191 West Florissant in St. Louis. He has had enough carpet given to him to carpet three classrooms and the nursery. Also, the hallway. Also, the stairs. We only had to buy a 12x47 piece of carpet. This went on the side of the hall where our fellowship will be. We have the carpet laid. Also, we have the walls made that rolls back against the outside wall. We can have four classrooms. Also, we can have a fellowship hall that is about 12x47. We have some trim work to do yet. Also, we have the porch to fix, the slab of concrete to pour, the walks to pour, also the back slab to pour, and the steeple to put on the building.

We say again we appreciate your prayers and your support. Come see us when you can.

The McMasters

MISSIONARY REPORT

To the churches of the BMA of Missouri:

Since the annual meeting, the average attendance in our services has remained stable in the mid to upper twenties. There are frequent visitors from the community of the church, so we are blessed with opportunities to witness to many people.

We have not seen anyone saved in this period, nor baptized any, but

we've had four additions by letter. Our present membership is 27. Several have been dropped in the past two years for non-fellowship with the church.

Financially, the church is doing fairly well, averaging a little more than \$400 per week. The property indebtedness stands now about \$39,000. We were able to pay an additional \$3,000 on the principal a couple months ago. Presently the church is contributing \$100 a week toward my salary. This is reviewed each quarter. Christway Church continues to support missions and other departments and phases of the work.

The Christway Church will need my help for some time yet. It will probably be a while before the church can support a pastor full-time. Because of this, I have been working on a plan, that hopefully will relieve the association some of the strain of my support. Plans are to be able to make some major changes by the annual meeting this fall. These ideas have been referred to the Special Missions Committee. This involves something I'm looking ahead on with a desire to provide at least partial support for ourselves.

Pray for us. Thank you for your support and encouragement.

Yours in Christ,
Wayne Simmons

EDITOR'S REPORT
for the
Missouri Missionary Baptist

To the messengers of the churches of the BMA of Missouri:
Christian Greetings:

Thank you for giving me the pleasure to serve you (the churches) as Editor of "The Missouri Missionary Baptist" for another period of time.

What you have done to promote the paper is truly appreciated. The Publications Committee has given great assistance in raising funds for the paper and office equipment. Thank you so much. You have wrought well. Keep up the good work. Will you?

In our associated work, we are called upon to exert our energies so as to induce others to see the value of laboring for the Cause of Christ. After all, "We are laborers together with God".

The State WMA in their annual session, February 26, 1983, voted to have 1/3 of their project, "The Missouri Missionary Baptist". Thank you, ladies, for your interest in your own state paper. You may send your offerings to the State WMA treasurer, Sis. Louise Gibson.

I want you to know that a goodly number of churches and individuals have given liberally to the support of the paper. This is greatly appreciated.

For the months of December, January, February, and March, it took an average of \$922.24 per month for the paper disbursements.

Brethren, we need a quickened interest in every phase of the work. How about "Missions"? Yes. How about the "Paper"? Yes. How about the "Revolving Loan Fund"? Yes.

In readiness of heart and body, we should give ourselves wholly in reaching the multitudes about us. For His sake, we must thrust out farther from the shore and let down the net for a drought.

As soldiers of the cross, we need to put on the whole armour of God and stay in the race.

Also my personal thanks to Mrs. Darst for her assistance.

Sincerely,
H. W. Darst

SPECIAL MISSIONS COMMITTEE

November 12, 1982

All members of the committee and Secretary-Treasurer of State Missions, H. W. Darst, met with Pastor Johnny Beardsley and five members of Lighthouse Church, Malden. Formal notification was given of the action taken by the association in the annual session: "That we suspend the by-laws regarding the repayment of loans in relation to the Lighthouse Church and that we give them the option of not paying the 10 percent during this associational year and that we send the word by the Special Missions Committee."

Motion that if the church receives the recommendation that the committee recommend to the church that they try to raise the salary of the pastor. Carried.

Motion to adjourn.

March 26, 1983

The committee met at the Missions Symposium at Wentzville. Bro. Fields elected Moderator Pro-tem. The committee reviewed the application for missionary sent by Bro. William Fulcher.

Motion that "Before this committee makes a recommendation that this committee meet with Bro. Fulcher and his wife and discuss all facts of this application."

Motion to adjourn.

April 8, 1983, Cape Girardeau

All members of the committee met with Bro. and Sis. Fulcher.

Motion to meet at 9:00 A.M. May 17th at Bethany.

Motion to adjourn to meet at that time.

Moderator, W. H. Newman
Clerk, Ron Fields

May 17, 1983

Prayer by Bro. Wayne Gibson.

Motion to recommend Bro. Fulcher as qualified to serve as missionary.

Carried.

Met with Bro. Wayne Simmons who shared his plans concerning his phase out of missions support.

Motion to recommend accepting Bro. Simmons plans for phase out of his missionary status. Carried.

W. H. Newman, Moderator
Ron Fields, Clerk

MISSOURI MISSIONARY BAPTIST LOAN ASSOCIATION

220 High St., Belgrade, MO 63622

Report for April

| | | |
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| Old Balance, April 1, 1983 | \$ | 202.02 |
| Receipts | | |
| Briar (April 1 and 30) | \$ | 24.35 |
| Bethel, Potosi | | 10.00 |
| Roscoe Polittee, New Hope Property | | 17,175.00 |
| Christway | | 10.00 |
| Trinity | | 69.48 |
| Meyer Road | | 104.80 |

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| Bethel, Sikeston | 5.00 | |
| Bates Creek | 10.00 | |
| Chambers Park | 23.00 | |
| Breton Creek | 5.00 | |
| St. Robert Church of God, rent | 150.00 | |
| Parkview | 19.12 | |
| Ohlman (\$83.84 for Meyer Road) | 113.84 | |
| Friendship | 5.00 | |
| Gethsemane | 5.00 | |
| Total | \$17,729.59 | \$17,729.59 |
| Balance | | \$17,931.61 |
| Paid out: | | |
| D. F. Magruder (Mileage) | 55.00 | |
| Earl Johnston (Mileage) | 25.00 | |
| Kenneth Gibson (Mileage) | 35.00 | |
| Clarence Crawford (Mileage) | 20.00 | |
| Washington County Association RLF | 5,617.00 | |
| Wentzville Lumber Company (Meyer Road) | 567.02 | |
| Meyer Road (designated by Ohlman) | 83.84 | |
| Total | \$ 6,402.86 | \$ 6,402.86 |
| Balance April 20, 1983 | | \$11,528.75 |
| Clarence E. Crawford, Treasurer | | |

ENCAMPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

November 6, 1982, Garwood, Missouri

All trustees present. Prayer by Elva Asberry. Discussion on new buildings layout.

Motion to aline the two buildings for campers. Carried.

Nominations for camp evangelist. Gerald Mitchell and Wayman Holt nominated. After prayer, Bro. Holt was elected.

Motion to make call unanimous. Carried.

Motion to call Bro. Mitchell if Bro. Holt can not come. Carried.

Motion to hire same cooks as last year. Carried.

Motion to adjourn. Carried.

Dismissed in prayer by Dan Hoffman.

May 17, 1983, Bethany Baptist Church

Meeting called to order by president, Bro. Quillman.

Motion to allow the Meramec Association use the camp grounds. Motion carried.

Elva T. Asberry, Clerk
Trustees present,
President, Bro. Mike Quillman
Vice-president, Bro. Noel Meade
Clerk, Bro. Elva Asberry
Treasurer, Bro. Glenn Fox

ENCAMPMENT FUND

May 19, 1983

General Fund

| | |
|-------------------------|------------|
| Beginning Balance | \$4,714.90 |
| Received | 1,192.60 |
| Available | 5,907.50 |

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|---|------------|-------------------|
| Paid out | 4,631.11 | |
| Balance on Hand | 1,276.39 | \$1,276.39 |
| Youth in the Harvest | | |
| Beginning Balance | \$1,447.95 | |
| Received | 179.34 | |
| Available | 1,627.29 | |
| Paid out | 460.29 | |
| Balance on hand | 1,167.00 | \$1,167.00 |
| Food Fund | | |
| Beginning Balance | \$1,358.21 | |
| Received | 55.76 | |
| Balance on hand | 1,413.97 | \$1,413.97 |
| Piano Fund | | |
| Received | 100.00 | \$ 100.00 |
| Total Funds on hand | | \$3,957.36 |
| Location of Funds | | |
| Southern Missouri Savings and Loan-BTSA | | \$2,269.97 |
| Southern Missouri Savings and Loan-Youth in the Harvest | | 1,695.60 |
| | | <u>\$3,965.57</u> |
| Deficit-Bank of Poplar Bluff, checking | | 8.21 |
| | | <u>\$3,957.36</u> |

PROCEEDINGS
of the
FIFTY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION
of the
B.M.A. of Missouri
When Convened With
Bethel Baptist Church
Slkeston, Missouri
October 24-25, 1983

Monday Afternoon—2:00 P.M.

The 56th Annual Meeting of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri was opened by the congregation singing "Dwelling in Beulah Land" led by Bro. Elva Asberry, with Sis. Lisha Evans playing the piano. Following prayer by Bro. Denver Page, Bro. Asberry led "To God Be the Glory".

Bro. E. F. Gibson, our moderator, recognized Bro. O. C. McMasters to deliver our devotional. He used Romans 12:1-2 as his scripture to consider "A Living Sacrifice".

Bro. W. H. Newman, pastor of the entertaining church was recognized to give the welcome.

A partial report from the Enrollment Committee was given by Bro. Jerome Cooper. 32 churches were represented by messenger; 83 messengers were present; 19 churches were represented by letter only; and 1 petitionary letter was received from the Wildwood Missionary Baptist Church.

Having asked the messengers to stand, Bro. Gibson declared the session open for business at the sound of the gavel. Bro. S. P. Chitwood led in prayer.

Motion and second that the Wildwood Baptist Church be received, her messengers seated, and they be given the appropriate welcome. Motion carried.

| CHURCH | MEMBERSHIP 1962 - 1963 | Pastor's Salary | Radio and TV | Intrate & Foreign Missions | State Missions | District Missions | Help in Meetings |
|------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| Amity | 29-30 | \$ 3,275.00 | \$ 360.00 | \$ 573.72 | \$ 573.72 | \$1,247.43 | \$1278.00 |
| Antioch, Ellington | 18-24 | 4,650.00 | None | 240.00 | 300.00 | 420.00 | 240.00 |
| Antioch, Oxly | 74-78 | 7,600.00 | 459.00 | 193.73 | 415.38 | 785.46 | 315.00 |
| Bates Creek | 67-65 | 3,396.66 | 275.00 | 630.00 | 540.00 | 910.00 | None |
| Bethany | 139-144 | 17,023.78 | 120.00 | 4,619.89 | 5,263.51 | 2,920.10 | 100.00 |
| Bethel, Potosi | 29-14 | 2,490.00 | 240.00 | 120.00 | 2,146.43 | 2,148.45 | 75.00 |
| Bethel, Sikeston | 77-87 | 14,355.31 | None | 641.56 | 641.62 | 641.70 | 575.00 |
| Bethlehem | 35-33 | 4,400.00 | 60.00 | 150.00 | 235.00 | 75.00 | None |
| Black River | 28-27 | 1,120.00 | None | None | None | None | None |
| Breton Creek | 97-99 | 9,400.00 | None | 2,022.85 | 3,053.11 | 2,615.63 | None |
| Briar | 34-40 | 4,680.00 | 180.00 | 506.86 | 556.86 | 531.86 | 395.00 |
| Cane Creek | 48-47 | 3,680.00 | 545.35 | 519.92 | 89.05 | 109.73 | 1,334.05 |
| Cape | 37-35 | 4,000.00 | None | 168.70 | 163.70 | 327.39 | None |
| Cave Springs | 25-24 | 2,600.00 | None | 240.00 | 240.00 | 240.00 | None |
| Chambers Park | 101-108 | 15,990.00 | 2,322.57 | 5,156.23 | 4,473.10 | 2,830.73 | 250.00 |
| Christway | 25-30 | 5,102.07 | 120.00 | 852.42 | 732.56 | 732.56 | 55.00 |
| Current River | 28-36 | 4,060.00 | None | 147.31 | 152.31 | 73.66 | None |
| Delmo | 25-31 | 2,400.00 | None | 240.00 | 120.00 | 120.00 | 495.00 |
| Emmanuel, Poplar Bluff | 14-13 | 2,600.00 | None | 355.34 | 177.67 | 25.00 | None |
| Emmanuel, Sikeston | 240-228 | 12,476.00 | 370.90 | 159.58 | 159.58 | 179.58 | 500.00 |
| Faith | 199-207 | 7,412.67 | None | 844.92 | 570.08 | 1,654.64 | None |
| First, Joplin | 80-72 | 14,630.00 | None | 1,394.34 | 424.00 | 214.00 | 309.65 |
| First, Matthews | 138-148 | 4,200.00 | None | 240.00 | 60.00 | 214.00 | 200.00 |
| First, Middlebrook | 30-35 | 1,275.00 | 298.90 | 388.24 | 259.17 | 259.17 | 75.00 |
| First, Neelyville | 62-59 | 2,450.00 | 120.00 | 120.00 | 180.00 | 240.00 | 167.20 |
| First, Peoria, IL | 8-15 | None | 100.00 | 359.00 | None | None | 75.00 |
| Friendship, Caseyville | 109-112 | 10,300.00 | 326.04 | 479.73 | 506.38 | 239.86 | 704.05 |
| Friendship, Harviell | 37-36 | 1,620.00 | 135.00 | 222.85 | 222.84 | 496.71 | 283.00 |
| Gethsemane | 36-46 | 2,000.00 | 353.41 | 425.48 | 1,564.68 | 1,301.55 | 1,350.00 |
| Grandview | 71 | | | | | | |
| Independence | 113-113 | 5,200.00 | None | 323.76 | 323.78 | 323.80 | 619.00 |
| Kewanee | 144-172 | 12,700.00 | 37.00 | 2,074.21 | 1,150.48 | 1,577.20 | 550.00 |
| Lighthouse | 29-28 | 1,630.00 | 180.11 | 140.11 | 140.11 | 140.11 | 10.00 |
| Little Bethel | 25-17 | 2,805.00 | None | 120.00 | 120.00 | 120.00 | None |
| Moselle | 72-71 | 7,195.00 | 120.00 | 439.18 | 439.18 | 439.18 | None |
| Mt. Carmel | 49-49 | 4,160.00 | None | 594.95 | 594.86 | 595.02 | None |
| Mt. Olive | 30-31 | 5,200.00 | 25.00 | None | None | None | None |
| Mt. Zion, Ellington | 44-48 | 11,980.00 | None | 164.35 | 538.82 | 286.94 | 375.00 |
| Mt. Zion, Poplar Bluff | 104-102 | 10,400.00 | 4,551.95 | 2,686.71 | 3,868.85 | 2,788.33 | 604.00 |
| Naylor | 43-42 | 2,700.00 | None | 75.95 | 140.19 | 140.19 | None |
| Northside | 93-74 | 16,900.00 | 216.00 | 216.00 | 204.00 | 312.00 | 280.00 |
| Ohlman | 53-58 | 7,150.00 | None | 1,764.26 | 4,963.02 | None | 585.00 |
| Palmer Heights | 53-47 | 12,595.90 | 190.00 | 638.74 | 638.74 | None | None |
| Parkview | 71-39 | 4,680.00 | 625.44 | 869.35 | 3,024.90 | 1,396.82 | 70.00 |
| Pleasant Grove | 24-21 | 2,543.00 | 60.00 | 200.00 | 200.00 | 300.00 | None |
| Pleasant View | 22-23 | 545.00 | None | 124.54 | 194.56 | 128.63 | None |
| Providence | 108-105 | 6,885.00 | 235.00 | 240.00 | 240.00 | 270.00 | None |
| Springhill | 30-34 | 3,720.00 | 496.60 | 511.60 | 257.90 | 192.90 | 35.00 |
| Stony Point | 98-83 | 5,200.00 | 1,500.00 | 977.58 | 1,686.71 | 2,401.64 | 643.00 |
| Temple | 121-120 | 10,443.70 | 160.00 | 2,116.55 | 1,097.49 | 1,175.74 | 320.00 |
| Trinity | 146-140 | 18,590.00 | 1,878.34 | 4,069.40 | 1,069.97 | 952.97 | 653.52 |
| Twin Oaks | 43-53 | None | None | 241.67 | 140.00 | 1,550.00 | 580.00 |
| Walnut Grove | 81-79 | 5,765.00 | 180.00 | 684.72 | 684.72 | 684.72 | None |
| West Doniphan | 29-30 | 1,880.00 | 60.00 | 269.37 | 269.37 | 269.37 | 275.00 |
| Wildwood | 165-143 | 17,339.97 | 300.00 | 3,830.82 | None | 3,855.82 | None |
| Zalma | 18-16 | 2,700.00 | 727.95 | 687.51 | 887.51 | 1,618.19 | 275.00 |
| Zion | 120-117 | 17,733.00 | None | 548.00 | 990.00 | 890.00 | 400.00 |

| Buildings & Repairs | Benevolence | Christian Education | Literature & Publications | The Missouri Baptist | Revolving Loan Fund | Encampment | Miscellaneous | Total Paid Out |
|---------------------|-------------|---------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|------------|---------------|----------------|
| \$ 1,622.69 | \$ 779.35 | \$ 25.00 | \$ 441.83 | \$ 86.00 | \$ None | \$ 75.00 | \$ 2,869.76 | \$ 13,207.50 |
| None | 423.12 | None | 123.54 | 275.00 | None | 75.00 | 514.02 | 7,260.68 |
| 498.46 | 126.66 | 190.00 | 690.87 | 75.00 | None | 33.16 | 1,211.63 | 12,594.35 |
| 494.99 | 921.94 | None | 243.73 | 50.00 | 96.00 | None | 1,959.83 | 9,462.15 |
| 17,483.38 | 1,360.82 | 480.00 | 1,298.59 | 300.00 | 120.00 | 360.00 | 16,038.04 | 67,488.20 |
| 1,277.00 | 580.00 | None | 196.06 | 240.00 | 120.00 | 90.00 | 540.00 | 10,262.94 |
| 12,870.30 | 676.18 | 50.20 | 484.12 | 54.16 | 89.10 | 212.00 | 237.80 | 31,529.05 |
| 137.71 | 446.69 | None | 247.56 | 25.00 | None | 70.00 | 1,550.09 | 7,397.05 |
| None | 30.00 | None | 120.94 | None | None | 25.00 | 191.76 | 1,487.70 |
| 5,799.91 | 225.00 | None | 622.80 | 410.00 | 60.00 | 60.00 | 9,464.16 | 33,733.46 |
| 509.56 | 388.73 | 25.00 | 451.16 | 150.00 | 144.95 | 80.25 | 2,224.79 | 10,825.02 |
| None | 112.27 | None | 218.55 | None | None | None | 1,500.22 | 8,109.14 |
| 13,670.00 | 470.00 | None | 294.66 | None | None | None | 6,937.63 | 26,032.08 |
| 1,011.75 | None | None | 220.22 | None | None | None | None | 4,551.97 |
| 23,816.75 | 2,603.16 | 1,607.00 | 3,618.04 | 600.00 | 272.76 | 450.00 | 15,922.41 | 79,912.75 |
| 11,263.38 | 285.00 | 607.08 | 982.19 | 149.00 | 110.00 | 174.16 | 2,478.46 | 23,643.88 |
| 8,140.70 | 100.00 | None | 210.69 | 60.00 | None | 38.60 | 2,929.10 | 15,912.37 |
| 274.19 | 118.00 | None | 240.94 | None | None | None | 58.94 | 4,067.07 |
| 24.00 | 16.00 | None | 154.00 | 60.00 | None | 10.00 | 976.46 | 4,398.47 |
| 32,548.78 | 229.19 | 84.00 | 631.08 | None | None | None | 4,618.83 | 53,906.28 |
| 14,351.51 | None | None | 1,342.11 | None | None | 100.00 | 8,580.96 | 37,934.49 |
| 390.95 | 1,115.78 | 175.00 | 331.50 | 120.00 | None | 323.00 | 2,665.56 | 22,607.78 |
| 241.51 | 1,425.64 | 315.39 | 250.30 | 50.00 | None | None | 1,230.45 | 8,463.29 |
| 5,501.96 | None | 71.00 | 271.28 | 174.00 | None | None | 975.52 | 9,549.24 |
| 624.21 | 127.00 | 99.95 | 344.23 | None | None | None | 1,214.72 | 5,687.31 |
| 8,569.31 | 776.63 | None | 243.00 | 36.00 | None | None | 2,107.18 | 12,266.12 |
| 5,993.10 | 221.30 | 87.00 | 332.51 | 120.00 | 60.00 | 40.40 | 6,185.61 | 25,595.98 |
| 319.89 | 232.58 | 132.00 | 189.96 | 36.00 | None | 45.00 | 1,046.73 | 4,982.56 |
| 7,924.01 | 677.73 | 205.00 | 1,101.82 | 232.12 | 120.00 | 148.84 | 1,461.87 | 18,866.51 |
| None | 209.96 | 36.00 | 272.87 | 60.00 | None | 110.00 | 1,970.57 | 9,449.74 |
| 37,145.67 | 151.46 | 24.00 | 1,049.52 | 48.00 | None | 75.00 | 5,288.40 | 61,870.94 |
| 1,080.87 | None | 140.11 | None | None | None | None | 5,733.69 | 9,124.89 |
| 1,972.12 | 169.47 | None | 134.08 | None | None | 120.00 | 988.63 | 7,280.22 |
| 3,361.67 | 15.00 | 120.00 | 260.55 | None | None | None | 3,436.97 | 14,203.61 |
| 395.90 | 415.85 | None | 558.01 | 230.00 | None | None | 3,446.56 | 10,396.29 |
| 2,516.76 | 62.00 | None | 202.00 | 30.00 | 75.00 | 30.00 | 81.24 | 8,050.00 |
| 617.04 | None | None | 407.56 | 72.00 | None | None | 2,530.78 | 17,092.49 |
| 1,923.31 | 1,143.00 | 442.00 | 1,201.17 | 530.00 | 202.52 | 212.68 | 11,219.68 | 41,774.20 |
| 89.24 | 322.51 | None | 212.79 | None | None | None | 946.23 | 4,627.10 |
| 1,503.81 | 35.00 | 2,217.13 | 472.70 | 168.00 | 212.00 | 108.00 | 501.00 | 25,345.64 |
| 3,007.83 | 1,037.39 | 785.00 | 1,435.20 | 380.00 | 2,228.65 | 130.00 | 9,957.88 | 33,424.23 |
| 5,591.73 | 125.50 | None | 291.86 | 30.00 | 60.00 | 40.00 | 2,251.73 | 22,454.20 |
| 1,895.55 | 338.30 | 394.46 | 835.55 | 469.47 | 448.93 | 249.47 | 6,841.84 | 22,140.08 |
| 435.00 | None | None | 143.00 | 30.00 | None | 25.00 | 914.00 | 4,772.00 |
| 9.45 | 12.00 | None | 57.60 | 24.00 | None | 35.00 | 1,082.65 | 2,213.43 |
| 2,785.00 | 409.64 | None | 235.80 | None | None | None | 1,590.39 | 13,095.40 |
| 218.59 | 805.40 | 89.28 | 184.72 | 120.00 | None | None | 4,320.81 | 10,952.80 |
| 2,654.43 | 1,272.55 | 983.59 | 1,308.67 | 183.05 | None | 346.27 | 3,530.93 | 22,018.60 |
| 3,619.83 | 706.00 | 159.15 | 520.13 | 250.29 | 448.32 | 170.00 | 1,736.36 | 22,923.56 |
| 14,764.68 | 223.00 | 2,371.44 | 1,742.39 | 381.17 | 762.36 | 190.59 | 16,843.60 | 64,493.43 |
| 801.98 | 245.16 | None | 550.36 | None | 300.00 | 75.00 | 1,663.60 | 6,172.77 |
| 1,487.51 | 489.10 | 30.00 | 550.90 | 135.00 | None | 246.33 | 3,489.49 | 14,426.59 |
| 214.72 | 100.00 | None | 639.14 | 24.00 | None | None | 2,370.15 | 6,371.12 |
| 53,867.71 | 185.35 | 540.00 | 1,748.21 | None | 600.00 | 314.00 | 24,530.84 | 107,112.72 |
| 1,534.99 | 50.00 | None | 179.37 | 218.18 | 115.61 | 310.00 | 943.10 | 10,247.41 |
| 13,777.60 | None | None | 307.12 | 240.00 | None | 60.00 | 4,746.72 | 39,692.44 |

The welcome was extended by Dale Fish to the messengers from Wildwood.

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

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

Due to the absence of Bro. Mike Quillman and Bro. Gary Brewer, nominations were called for two men to serve on the nominating committee with Bro. W. H. Newman. Bro. Jack Courtney and Bro. Waymond Brown were nominated and elected.

Bro. Gibson recognized Bro. Jim Barr and Bro. Larry Silvey as visitors.

At the call for the Missionary Committee Report, Bro. S. P. Chitwood reported that the committee did not need to meet this year. Therefore, they did not have a report.

Bro. Gibson recognized Bro. H. W. Darst for the Missions Report. Bro. Darst then introduced our State Missionaries before beginning his report. He then read II Thessalonians 3:5 to begin his report. Motion and second that the Secretary-Treasurer's report be adopted. Spoken to by Bro. Darst. Motion carried.

Bro. O. C. McMasters, State Missionary working at Wentzville, Missouri came for his report. Motion and second this report be adopted. Motion carried.

State Missionary with Christway Baptist Church, Bro. Wayne Simmons, came for his report. Motion and second this report be adopted. Motion carried.

Bro. Eddie Marsh, State Missionary working with New Life Mission in Bowling Green, Kentucky came for his report. Motion and second this report be adopted. Motion carried.

Bro. Ron Fields was recognized for the report on salaries from the Special Missions Committee. Motion and second this report be adopted. Motion carried.

The nominating committee recommended Bro. Jack Courtney be placed on the Special Missions Committee, term expiring 1988. Motion and second that Bro. Courtney stand as a nominee. Motion carried. Bro. Courtney was elected.

Nominations were called for an assistant secretary-treasurer of missions. Bro. E. F. Gibson and Bro. Don Hoffman were nominated. Bro. Gibson was elected.

Bro. Larry Silvey, Editor of Publications, BMA of America, was recognized to speak concerning the Publications Department.

The Recording Secretary's Report was given by the secretary. Motion and second to adopt this report. Spoken to by Bro. Dale Fish, Bro. Jack Courtney, Bro. O. A. Robinson, and Bro. G. W. Fox.

Motion and second to amend this report to include on the letter forms a place for the names of active and available licensed and ordained ministers, and that this be included in our minutes. Spoken to by Bro. G. W. Fox, and Bro. Kenny Gibson. Amendment carried. Motion to adopt report as amended carried.

Motion and second that we receive an offering for the BMA of America Publication Department. Carried.

Bro. Gibson called for Bro. Asberry accompanied by Sis. Lisha Evans to lead in a song as we took this offering. Bro. Russell Chitwood led in prayer.

Bro. Chitwood and Bro. George DeClue took the offering as we sang "Glory to His Name". The offering totaled \$137.08.

Bro. Gibson recognized Bro. Sam Gamblin for an amendment to the Statement of Principles of Cooperation of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri as follows: Add Article XIII—Brotherhood. Section 1. There shall be a department called the Brotherhood 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 Brotherhoods and Galilean Youth Groups in the churches of this association, and to promote a spirit of cooperation and helpfulness in all phases of christian work. Section 3. The constitution of the Brotherhood of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri shall be the guideline for this department. Article XIII shall become Article XIV. Spoken to by Bro. Gamblin. This amendment was tabled until a later session.

Motion and second that we hear the Revolving Loan Fund Report. Motion carried.

Bro. Kenny Gibson, chairman of the Revolving Loan Fund Committee recognized Bro. Clarence Crawford, committee clerk for their report. Motion and second to adopt. Motion carried.

Nominations were called for a treasurer of the Revolving Loan Fund. Bro. Clarence Crawford was nominated and elected.

Nominations were called for an assistant treasurer. Bro. Joe Wilkerson was nominated and elected.

Bro. Clarence Crawford was recognized for his report as Revolving Loan Fund Treasurer. Motion and second this report be adopted. Spoken to by Bro. Crawford. Motion carried.

The nominating committee recommended Bro. E. F. Gibson be placed on the Revolving Loan Fund Committee, term expiring 1988. Motion and second Bro. Gibson stand as a nominee. Bro. Ron Fields, our vice-president, called for additional nominations and took the vote. Bro. Gibson was elected.

Discussion was brought forth concerning Lighthouse Missionary Baptist loan situation. Lighthouse will begin paying at least 10% of their offerings on the loan next month. (November, 1983) Bro. George DeClue, pastor, is optimistic about the church.

Motion and second that we amend Statement of Principles: Article VIII Missions, Section 1 - add (7) to read as follows: 7. To visit each mission point at least once each year and bring to the messenger meeting a recommendation concerning the continuation of the mission point. Spoken to by Bro. Jack Courtney, Bro. O. A. Robinson, Bro. S. P. Chitwood, Bro. B. M. Ridlen, Bro. Don Hoffman, Bro. Karl McNew, Bro. Johnny Beardsley, Bro. Jack Courtney, Bro. Clarence Crawford, Bro. G. W. Fox, Bro. Johnny Beardsley, Bro. Mark McEuen, and Bro. G. W. Fox. Motion tabled until tomorrow's session.

Motion and second that we adjourn until 7 P.M. tonight. Announcements were given. Motion carried.

Bro. Asberry, accompanied by Sis. Evans, led as we sang "The Glory Land Way" as our dismissal song.

Bro. Sam Gamblin led the dismissal prayer.

Monday Evening—7:00 P.M.

The service began with Bro. Elva Asberry leading "I Am Thine, Oh Lord" with Sis. Lisha Evans at the piano.

Bro. O. D. Tuberville led the opening prayer.

Bro. Gibson recognized Bro. Jim Barr for our devotional. Bro. Barr used John 9:4 as his text and the subject "Jesus Knew What He was to do".

Bro. Gibson recognized Bro. R. B. Hoshaw, President of Central Baptist College to speak about the school.

Bro. Gibson recognized Bro. Phillip Bryan, President of the BMA of America Theological Seminary, to tell us about the seminary.

Bro. Gibson called on Bro. W. H. Newman to introduce the Beardsley Family, members of Bethel, to sing for us. After this, the youth from Bethel sang. Sis. Debby Barks sang "Thank You Lord For All You've Done for Me" followed by her daughter Erica singing "Amazing Grace".

Bro. Gibson introduced Bro. Jack Courtney to bring our annual message. Bro. Courtney used Romans 13:11-14 on the subject "A Call to Spiritual Awakening". Following the reading of his text he led us in prayer. Bro. Courtney closed his message with prayer.

Bro. O. A. Robinson extended the hand of appreciation to Bro. Courtney for his message.

A petitionary letter from Cane Creek Baptist Church was read at this time. Motion and second that they be reinstated. Motion carried.

Motion and second that we have preaching at the 11 o'clock hour tomorrow. Motion carried.

Nominations were called for a speaker. Bro. Clyde Prichard, Bro. Noel Meade, and Bro. R. B. Hoshaw were nominated. Bro. R. B. Hoshaw was elected.

Motion and second that we be adjourned until 9:30 tomorrow. Announcements were called for. Motion to adjourn was carried.

Bro. Clarence Crawford led in the dismissal prayer.

Tuesday Morning—9:30 A.M.

The service began with Bro. Elva Asberry leading the congregation in singing "Love Lifted Me" with Sis. Lisha Evans at the piano.

Bro. Gibson read from Psalm 133. Bro. Ken McMillan led in prayer.

The amendments to the Statement of Principles of Cooperation were called for from the table. The recording secretary read these amendments. Amendment to add Article XIII carried unanimously.

Amendment to Article VIII, section 1, new subsection 7 carried with opposition noted.

Motion and second that the Recording Secretary receive \$250 for preparing the minutes. Carried.

Bro. Gibson recognized Bro. Elva Asberry, Encampment Committee Clerk to present their report. Motion and second to adopt this report. Spoken to by Bro. Elva Asberry. Motion carried.

Nominations were called for a Youth Director. Bro. Jerome Cooper was nominated and elected.

Nominations were called for an assistant Youth Director. Bro. Mike Quillman was nominated and elected.

Nominations were called for a camp superintendent. Bro. Glenn Fox was nominated and elected.

Nominations were called for an Encampment Treasurer. Bro. Glenn Fox was nominated and elected.

Bro. Gibson recognized Bro. Sam Gamblin for the Brotherhood Report.

Motion and second this report be adopted. Motion carried.

Nominations were called for an assistant camp treasurer. Bro. Danny Hoffman was nominated and elected.

Bro. Gibson recognized Sis. Ruth Gibson for the W.M.A. Report. Motion and second this report be adopted. Spoken to by Sis. Ruth Gibson and Sis. Marie Darst. Motion carried.

Bro. Gibson recognized Bro. William Fulcher to give the Publication Committee Report. Motion and second that this report be adopted. Spoken to by Bro. Fulcher, Bro. O. A. Robinson, Bro. Johnny Beardsley, Bro. Fulcher, Bro. Clarence Crawford, and Bro. Don Hoffman. Motion carried.

Motion and second that we increase the subscription rate to \$4 per year from \$3 per year. Spoken to by Bro. Don Adams, and Bro. Johnny Beardsley. Motion carried.

Bro. Gibson recognized Bro. H. W. Darst for his report as Editor of the "Missouri Missionary Baptist" paper. Motion and second the Editor's report be adopted. Spoken to by Bro. H. W. Darst. Motion carried.

The nominating committee recommended Bro. Jerome Cooper to be on the Publications Committee, term expiring 1986. Motion and second that the name of Jerome Cooper stand as a nominee. Motion carried. Bro. Cooper was elected.

The nominating committee recommended Bro. Dale Fish to be on the Encampment Committee. Motion and second that Bro. Fish be accepted as a nominee. Motion carried. Bro. Fish was elected.

Bro. Don Hoffman was recognized for the organization report of the Missionary Committee. Motion and second this report be adopted. Motion carried.

Motion and second that the clerk note that we received communication from the Harvest Gleaner Hour and the Ministers Benevolent Society. Motion carried.

Bro. Gibson asked Bro. Asberry and Sis. Evans to come and lead us as we sang "Where We'll Never Grow Old". Bro. H. M. Pennington led in prayer.

The invitation from Temple, Belgrade to host the semi-annual meeting in May was accepted.

The invitation from Bethany, St. Louis to host the annual meeting in 1984 was accepted.

Nominations were called for an annual speaker. Bro. Noel Meade, Bro. Waymond Brown, Bro. Don Hoffman, and Bro. Jerome Cooper were nominated. Bro. Don Hoffman was elected. Bro. Noel Meade was elected as the alternate speaker.

The invitation from Bethel, Sikeston to host the Missions Symposium was accepted.

Bro. Dwight Scott from the Victory Children's Home, Oklahoma was recognized to present the work of the home. He began by quoting Psalm 27:10.

Bro. Jerry Kidd, BMA of America Missions Department, was recognized to speak.

Bro. Asberry, accompanied by Sis. Evans came to lead us in singing "Fairest Lord Jesus" as we prepared for the preaching hour.

Bro. Karl McNew led us in prayer.

A ladies trio from Bethel sang "He Touched Me", "Sheltered in the Arms of God" and "Lovest Thou Me".

Bro. Gibson introduced Bro. R. B. Hoshaw to bring the message. Bro. Hoshaw read Revelation 1:7-20 as his text and then led in prayer. His subject was "No Child of God is Isolated".

Bro. Jerome Cooper extended the hand of appreciation for the message.

The Special Missions Report was called for. Bro. W. H. Newman, committee chairman, recognized Bro. Ron Fields, committee clerk, to present their report. Motion and second that the Special Missions report be adopted. Spoken to by Bro. Ron Fields, Bro. Glenn Fox, and the recommendations were reread by Bro. Fields. (Tabled by motion to adjourn).

Motion and second to adjourn until 1:30 P.M. Motion carried.

Bro. O. C. McMasters led in the dismissal prayer.

Tuesday Afternoon—1:30 P.M.

The service began with Bro. Elva Asberry leading the congregation in singing "Victory in Jesus" with Sis. Judy Fish at the piano. Bro. John McPheeters led in prayer.

Bro. Gibson called for Bro. Fields to reread the report of the Special Missions Committee before continuing discussion on this report. Spoken to by Bro. H. W. Darst, Bro. Don F. Magruder, Bro. G. W. Fox, Bro. Waymond Brown, #11 reread by Bro. Fields, Bro. G. W. Fox, Bro. Ron Fields, Bro. Elva Asberry, Bro. Don F. Magruder, Bro. Ron Fields, Bro. Jack Courtney, Bro. G. W. Fox, Bro. Wayne Gibson, Bro. Ron Fields, and Bro. O. A. Robinson.

Motion to adopt the Special Missions Report. Carried.

Nominations were called for Editor of "Missouri Missionary Baptist" paper. Bro. B. M. Ridlen, and Bro. H. W. Darst were nominated. Bro. Darst was elected.

Nominations were called for an assistant editor. Bro. Don Hoffman was nominated and elected.

Motion and second that the editor's salary be ¼ of the total compensations that the secretary-treasurer and editor has been drawing. Spoken to by Bro. G. W. Fox, Bro. Jack Courtney, Bro. Johnny Beardsley, Bro. H. W. Darst, Bro. Karl McNew, Bro. Denver Page, Bro. Jack Courtney, Bro. G. W. Fox, Bro. Jack Courtney, Bro. G. W. Fox, Bro. Karl McNew, and Bro. Clarence Crawford.

Substitute motion and second that the editor's salary be \$450 per month. Motion carried.

Motion and second that the new editor's salary rate take effect February 1, 1984. Motion carried.

Bro. G. W. Fox was recognized for his report as Encampment Treasurer. Motion and second the treasurer's report be adopted. Spoken to by Bro. G. W. Fox. Motion carried.

Bro. Gibson recognized Bro. Jerome Cooper for the Enrollment Committee Report. Motion and second to adopt. Motion carried.

The Finance Committee report was given by the association recording secretary for Sis. Glenda Newman and Sis. Gelena Tippy. Motion and second to adopt. Motion carried.

The Encampment Committee organization was given by Bro. Elva Asberry. Motion and second to adopt. Carried.

The Revolving Loan Committee organization was given by Bro. Clarence Crawford. Motion and second to adopt. Carried.

Bro. J. E. Brown was recognized to give the Resolution Report. Motion second to adopt. Carried.

The new pastors in the association were introduced at this time. They were: Bro. Jim Watson, Moselle; Bro. Terry Sharp, Walnut Grove; Bro. Bill Young, Amity; Bro. Waymond Brown, Wildwood; and Bro. Mark McEuen, Breton Creek.

Motion and second that our missionaries and secretary-treasurer of missions stand at the front while we give them the hand of appreciation. Carried.

Bro. Asberry, accompanied by Sis. Evans, led as we sang "Amazing Grace" and "Oh How I Love Jesus".

Motion and second that we adjourn.

Announcements were called for.

Motion to adjourn carried.

Bro. Jim Barr led in the benediction.

ANNUAL REPORTS PETITIONARY LETTER

Wildwood Baptist Church, 6702 Highway 21, Barnhart, Missouri.
Pastor: Waymond B. Brown; Messengers: Dave Wright, Waymond Brown, and Wayne Riebold.

ANNUAL REPORT OF SECRETARY-TREASURER of Missions October 24, 1983

To the messengers of the churches of the B.M.A. of Missouri:
Christian Greetings:

I am pleased to give an accounting of my stewardship as a servant of the churches, and the responsibility as Secretary-Treasurer of State Missions.

The monthly report is, I think, the better plan, as compared to the quarterly reports, because it keeps the churches better informed about the financial status of the receipts, as well as the disbursements and the balance on hand at the end of each month.

The **Annual Missions Symposium**, again, proved to be a highlight in our **Missions Outreach**. The Spirit of God certainly manifested Himself during the entire meeting. We were made to rejoice. Our goal of \$7,000 was exceeded by \$360.35 which included special offerings for the "Missouri Missionary Baptist". May we be challenged to the amount of \$10,000 this year. As I observe that amount, it seems to be reasonable. Let us pray and rejoice in the avenue of Christian Service.

It is amazing what God can do with a few who are fully yielded to His will. The Bible says, "**Submit yourselves to Him**". The Lord's direction opens up the way for a full-pledged vision of the work. My, how we need, not a divided vision, but one with the fullness of His love, one that would challenge others to accept Christ as a personal Saviour, and promote Christian discipleship.

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.**" May we yield ourselves fully to the leadership of the Spirit, and pray that we may have grace to serve our Lord acceptably.

Again, I'd like to stress the "**Volunteer Summer Missions**" project. It should be of concern to every church. Such a project could be of great value in opening up other **Mission** endeavors. The basis for such a project may be

found in the By-Laws of our State Minutes. Much prayer should be given to such an endeavor. It certainly would call for a sacrifice, but God is able to supply every need.

Brethren, there is another point of interest that should be of concern to our churches and people. That is the financial status of our work. May I speak frankly at this point. Our receipts for the year (for missions), October 1, 1982 through September 30, 1983, were \$58,689.18. The missions disbursements for the same period of time were \$71,223.05. The figures show that we spent \$12,533.87 more for missions during the year than was received. That is monthly average of \$1,044.48 more spent each month than was received during the year.

We thank God for the money that was in Savings and the Money Market Certificate that kept us going through the year, but the surplus has been used. The amount in Missions at the beginning of the new associational year is \$5,049.84.

I feel that the **Conference on Revival**, sponsored by the churches of the BMA of Missouri, last May, was a great blessing to those who attended. The conference resulted in **Monthly-Prayer-for Revival Meetings** among the pastors and preachers in the St. Louis area. Those prayer meetings have been a strength to me.

Brethren, let us pray earnestly for a greater compassion for lost souls. The assignment was of the Lord as we read in Matthew 28:18-20, and Acts 1:8.

My travels, in the work, have taken me among sixty-four churches and assemblies, as well as hospital visits, and other points of interest for the work.

Thank you for your prayers, hospitality, and financial support.
The fact remains, "If we spend more, we must receive more."

Your Servant,
H. W. Darst,
Secretary-Treasurer

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT
of the
B.M.A. of Missouri
October 1, 1982 to September 30, 1983
H. W. Darst, Secretary-Treasurer and Editor

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|-------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Balance on hand October 1, 1982 | | |
| Missions | \$17,811.65 | \$17,811.65 |
| Includes: Checking Account ... | \$ 4,138.13 | |
| Savings Account | 3,673.52 | |
| Money Market | 10,000.00 | |
| Paper | 245.93 | |
| Incidental | 35.59 | |
| Camera Fund | 157.62 | |
| Total on hand October 1, 1982 | \$18,250.79 | \$18,250.79 |
| Receipts: | | |
| Missions | \$58,689.18 | |
| Paper | 10,725.13 | |
| Incidental Fund | 65.00 | |
| Typewriter | 99.16 | |

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| Designated Funds | 2,240.88 | |
| Total receipts | \$71,819.35 | \$71,819.35 |
| Total Available | | \$90,070.14 |
| Disbursements: | | |
| Missions | \$71,223.05 | |
| Missions-penalty for early withdrawal of money Market Certificate | 172.94 | |
| Paper | 10,945.54 | |
| Incidental | 53.77 | |
| Camera Fund | 157.62 | |
| Designated Fund | 2,240.88 | |
| Total disbursements | \$84,793.80 | \$84,793.80 |
| Balance on hand October 1, 1983 | | \$ 5,276.34 |
| Note: \$55 was transferred from missions to the paper fund-travel funds for B. M. Ridlen. | | |

TOTAL ALL FUNDS AVAILABLE

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|-----------------------|------------|
| Missions | \$5,049.84 |
| Paper | 80.52 |
| Incidental | 46.82 |
| Typewriter Fund | 99.16 |
| Balance on hand | \$5,276.34 |

Location of funds—United Jefferson Bank of Jefferson County, Arnold, Missouri.

NOTE: The Missions Receipts were \$58,689.18. The Missions disbursements were \$71,223.05. Making a total of \$12,533.87 more spent for missions the past year than was received.

Your Servant,
H. W. Darst

MISSIONARY REPORT

There have been many activities this year in Wentzville. We hope and pray things will continue to go well in the Lord's work. This year, we have had five additions by statement and one profession of faith. Many people have come and visited our services. Some are still coming and some have gone elsewhere.

Our offerings have averaged around \$1,000 per month. At the present time, we are sending 10% to the Revolving Loan Fund, 10% to Missions. This is divided four ways, ¼ going to local missions, ¼ going to state missions, ¼ going to interstate and foreign and ¼ going to Central Baptist College. We have started the pastor's salary at \$10 per month and will increase this \$10 per month as long as we are able or until the salary reaches self-support for her pastor.

The mission is considering having the insurance premium sent to us. This will just about double what we've been giving in the Revolving Loan Fund.

As for the building, we have the basement complete. We have the auditorium complete with the exception of the baptistry. We have all the carpet laid. We have the porches poured, the walk poured in the front of the building out to the driveway. We have graveled the parking lot up to the building. The mission has paid for the porches and the walk and the gravel.

This amounted to around \$1,500. We have to build the porch in the front of the building and this will complete the building.

Pray for us as we work for the Lord another year in Wentzville.
The McMasters

MISSIONARY REPORT

To the churches of the BMA of Missouri:
Christian Greetings:

Since the semi-annual meeting there has been blessings on the Christway Church. Then other things have caused some discouragements that we have had to cope with.

One family quit the church in June to become seekers of something else. This family is of BMA background from Texas and have been BMA Baptists for quite some time. They were faithful in attendance and financial support of the church. Their membership is still at Christway while they attend services at Glenview.

This summer the church has had five additions by letter. Another young man nineteen years old was saved in August and has been added by baptism. He is growing in the Lord and is faithful to attend all our services.

The average attendance runs between 20 to 30 for each service. Several visitors frequent our services. We are blessed with a good group of young people and they bring other youth with them from among their friends. The services have been spiritual and interest is being shown.

The offerings average about \$400 a week. The indebtedness on the property stands at about \$36,000 at the present. In addition to supporting many phases and departments of the work, the church is now assuming \$110 per week of my salary. They have a quarterly salary review.

We are studying possibilities of utilizing our building facilities. A possible remodeling program will begin in the spring.

Just a word on the phase out program outlined at the semi-annual meeting; although it has not come to a rapid development, things are looking favorable that in two month maximum the phase out program will show signs of working as planned and as we hoped for. We will keep you informed on this.

Pray for the work and that God's will may be done in our lives. We appreciate your prayers and respect. May God bless each of you.

In Christ,
Wayne Simmons

MISSIONARY REPORT

Greetings to the churches of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri.

The past year has been one of growing and learning. It has been one of excitement and enjoyment. There have been so many things to learn and experience.

When we arrived in Bowling Green, there were many things that we wanted to see accomplished. By God's grace, many of them have been.

December 23rd of 1982, we signed the final paper to purchase 3.84 acres of land. By God's generosity toward us and the help of many of you, we were able to pay cash.

We have had a high attendance of 62 in Sunday School at least twice. There have been four additions by baptism and two others by statements. This gives us a present membership of 40.

We thank you so much for your letters, cards, and words of love and encouragement. They are a tremendous source of strength to us.

One of our goals for the next year is to build a building. Although we continue to face obstacles in our effort to start construction, perhaps by this time next year we can be well on our way to having our own place of worship.

Thanks again for your love and support. It is a pleasure to serve as your missionary.

Eddie Marsh

SPECIAL MISSIONS COMMITTEE

Met October 24, 1983 at Bethel Baptist Church. Brethren Ron Fields, E. F. Gibson, W. H. Newman, Bill Ridlen present.

Motion and second that we table the matter of salaries until we meet with the missionaries. Motion carried.

W. H. Newman, Chairman
Ron Fields, Clerk

RECORDING SECRETARY'S REPORT 1982-1983

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| Balance from 1981-82 minute fund | \$ | 100.00 | |
| Received: | | | |
| Finance Committee | \$1,022.00 | | |
| Received after the Association from | | | |
| Antioch, Oxy | 15.00 | | |
| Twin Oaks, Kennett | <u>15.00</u> | | |
| Total received | \$1,052.00 | <u>1,052.00</u> | |
| Total Funds Available | | \$1,152.00 | |
| Disbursements | | | |
| Piedmont Printing Company (675 minutes) ... | \$ 613.15 | | |
| Secretary hire | 250.00 | | |
| Postage | 17.63 | | |
| BMA of Missouri Revolving Loan Fund | <u>171.22</u> | | |
| Total Disbursed | \$1,052.00 | <u>\$1,052.00</u> | |
| Ending Balance October 24, 1983 | | \$ 100.00 | |

Recommendations:

That we print approximately 75 more minutes than the total number requested on the letter forms.

That we print 1,000 letter forms.

That we add the State Brotherhood to the Order of Business, No. 6 Committee Reports after the W.M.A. Report.

That all minute money in excess of \$100 after the minutes and letter forms have been printed be given to the BMA of Missouri Revolving Loan Fund.

That we include on the letter forms a place for the name and address of active and available licensed and ordained ministers.

Dale G. Fish,
Recording Secretary

REVOLVING LOAN FUND
Missouri Missionary Baptist Loan Association
Committee Meetings

Organization meeting November 2, 1982 at Chambers Park, St. Louis County.

Kenny Gibson, Chairman; Clerk Clarence Crawford. Dismissed in prayer by Joe Wilkerson.

November 13, 1982 at Shiloh property Hwy. 28, Dixon, Missouri Route. Meeting opened with prayer. After meeting with three of the group renting the property, a motion was duly carried that we lower their rent to \$150 per month for the next six months and give them the option of making up the five months back rent by painting the outside of the building with a good grade of paint and installing guttering around the building. Meeting closed with prayer.

Kenneth Gibson, Chairman
 Clarence Crawford, Clerk

April 2, 1983 at Joachim Savings and Loan, DeSoto, Missouri.

Committee met to sign papers selling New Hope property to Roscoe H Politte for the sum of \$17,500.

All members were present except Kenneth Gibson who had met and signed the papers on April 1, 1983.

Clarence Crawford,
 Treasurer and Clerk

March 26, 1983 at Meyer Road Mission, Wentzville, Missouri

Joe Wilkerson led in prayer. Clarence Crawford reported on progress of paper work in sale of New Hope property.

Motion duly carried that the papers be put in the hands of Attorney Wegge of DeSoto, Missouri to be brought to completion.

Motion duly carried that we loan money to Twin Oaks of Kennett, Missouri to purchase their pews. Pending approval of the messengers of the Missouri State Association.

Meeting adjourned with prayer by Earl Johnston.

Kenneth Gibson, Chairman
 Clarence Crawford, Clerk

MISSOURI MISSIONARY BAPTIST LOAN ASSOCIATION
1982-1983 Annual Report

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|---------------------------------------|----|--------|--------|
| Old Balance, September 16, 1982 | \$ | | 667.70 |
| Receipts: | | | |
| Trinity | \$ | 762.36 | |
| Mt. Olive | | 75.00 | |
| Friendship | | 40.00 | |
| Christway | | 130.00 | |
| Bethel, Sikeston | | 85.10 | |
| Bethany | | 120.00 | |
| Zalma | | 128.66 | |
| Breton Creek | | 65.00 | |
| Palmer Heights | | 50.00 | |
| Mt. Zion, Poplar Bluff | | 338.52 | |

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| Gethsemane | 60.00 | |
| Briar | 144.95 | |
| Bethel, Potosi | 120.00 | |
| Parkview | 230.16 | |
| Chambers Park | 272.76 | |
| Temple | 347.22 | |
| Ohlman | 1,121.49 | |
| Bates Creek | <u>90.00</u> | |
| Total | \$ 4,181.22 | \$ 4,181.22 |
| Receipts from other sources: | | |
| Meyer Road, payment on loan | 1,743.93 | |
| BMA of St. Louis | 4,683.34 | |
| Lighthouse, payment on loan | 720.00 | |
| Twin Oaks, payment on loan | 300.00 | |
| New Hope, property sale | 17,375.00 | |
| BMA of Missouri, clerk fund | 475.51 | |
| Minnie Hunt, 200 Club | 80.00 | |
| Clarence Crawford, bank charge | 7.50 | |
| Laclede Electric Coop., dividend | 5.86 | |
| St. Robert Church of God, Shiloh rent | 1,900.00 | |
| Bank interest | <u>207.46</u> | |
| Total received | \$ 27,498.60 | \$ 27,498.60 |
| Total received and carried forward | | \$ 32,347.52 |
| Paid out: | | |
| Mileage expense for RLF Committee | 425.00 | |
| Harold Condray, Bond #76 | 100.00 | |
| L. E. Johnston ins., New Hope 3 months | 180.00 | |
| Farmers ins. group, Meyer Road | 1,577.70 | |
| Meyer Road, designated from Ohlman | 429.07 | |
| F. F. Kirchner, Inc., brick for Meyer Road | 1,155.23 | |
| Meyer Road, reimbursed grading and guttering | 877.17 | |
| Fred Weber, gravel for Meyer Road | 570.41 | |
| Wentzville Lumber, Meyer Road | 6,113.28 | |
| Miller Agency, Shiloh insurance | 406.00 | |
| Justice Realty, New Hope appraisal | 100.00 | |
| Washington Co. Association RLF, ½ New Hope sale | 5,617.00 | |
| Twin Oaks, loan | 6,000.00 | |
| Bank charge | 7.50 | |
| Hunt concrete, Meyer Road | <u>728.20</u> | |
| Total paid out | \$ 24,286.56 | \$ 24,286.56 |
| New Balance, October 1, 1983 | | \$ 8,060.96 |
| Proof of funds | | |
| Belgrade Bank, Savings Acct. 2657 | 7,532.70 | |
| Belgrade Bank, Checking Acct. 15 342 | <u>558.16</u> | |
| Total | \$ 8,090.86 | \$ 8,090.86 |
| Outstanding, loans and property | | |
| Twin Oaks | 5,700.00 | |
| Lighthouse | 32,890.00 | |

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| Meyer Road | 52,591.59 | |
| Shiloh Property ? | 60,000.00 | |
| Total | \$151,181.59 | \$151,181.59 |
| Total assets | | \$159,272.45 |

Clarence E. Crawford,
Treasurer

ENCAMPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

June 11, 1983, camp grounds, Garwood, Missouri

All trustees present. Prayer by Elva Asberry. Purpose of meeting to prepare program for and attend to other matters of camp.

After program was prepared, other business was conducted.

Motion to purchase as many new mercury lights as are needed. Motion carried.

Motion to run ad in paper to plea for funds for camp improvements. Motion carried.

Motion to run another ad in paper and ask churches to bring as many "Favorite Songs and Hymns" song books that they can to their next Youth in the Harvest meeting, or to bring to camp, or to give them to any trustee. Motion carried.

Motion to set July 15-16, 22-23 and 25 as workdays at camp. Motion carried.

Motion to put a plea in paper also for additional food fund money. Motion carried.

Motion to pay Bro. Waymon Holt \$300, our camp evangelist. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn. Carried.

Mike Quillman, Chairman
Elva Asberry, Clerk

July 28, 1983, campground, Garwood, Missouri

Prayer by Bro. Noel Meade.

Motion to ask Sis. Thelma Teel and her helpers to cook next year. Motion carried.

Motion to set Saturday, September 10, 1983 as workday at camp. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn. Carried.

Dismissed in prayer by Elva Asberry.

Mike Quillman, Chairman
Elva T. Asberry, Clerk

October 25, 1983, Bethel Baptist Church, Sikeston, Missouri

Called to order by Vice-Chairman, Noel Meade. Prayer by Bro. Jerome Cooper. Purpose of meeting to organize.

Chairman, Mike Quillman; Assistant Chairman, Noel Meade; Clerk, Elva Asberry; Treasurer, Dan Hoffman.

Motion to adjourn. Carried.

Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Dale Fish.

Noel Meade, Vice-Chairman
Elva Asberry, Clerk

BROTHERHOOD REPORT

A well organized active Brotherhood is of untold value to the men of a church by creating more unity, a greater zeal, stronger fellowship and greater opportunities to serve God.

Two ends which need to be kept in view are fellowship and church growth. We gain strength for our daily lives by closer fellowship with our brethren and as an auxiliary of the church. The more we seek to strengthen the church, the more we will be strengthened.

Our Brotherhood Manual, "Molding the Master's Men" by L. H. Raney, has many suggestions as well as information necessary to organize a local or District Brotherhood. We encourage each of our brothers to secure a copy of this book.

The officers of the Brotherhood are available to help in any way possible. Please contact any of us for any information you may need.

Sam Gamblin, President
Don Crawford, Vice-president
Van Widger, Secretary-Treasurer
George Cizek,
Assistant Secretary-Treasurer
Elva Asberry, Galilean Promotor

W.M.A. REPORT

In our associational work, the need for a great revival is being realized more every day. We believe this revival can only be realized if we each find our place of service and begin to serve in that place. The W.M.A. serves today as an ever present reminder that each lady in every church has a very definite place of service and that place must be filled by Godly women. We believe the W.M.A. is a means by which women—real women, can find a place of service that will not usurp the authority of the local church but will promote that authority and will also promote a spirit of revival among the Lord's churches.

The women in W.M.A. believe, practice, and promote a work of missions, Bible study, evangelism, benevolence, christian education, and youth work in the Lord's churches.

We continue to encourage each lady in the BMA work to make use of our W.M.A. magazine, "The Focus" and the several study books that our Baptist Publishing House has published.

Our prayer remains that God will continue to use Godly women in his churches to tell lost people of their need of Jesus Christ as their personal Saviour, in view of His soon return, and the great amount of unconcern we see around us today. Revelation 22:20 "... Even so, come, Lord Jesus."

Mrs. Marie Darst
Mrs. Ruth Gibson

PUBLICATION COMMITTEE REPORT

We heartily recommend our publication "The Missouri Missionary Baptist" to our people. We encourage your prayerful and financial support to the paper.

It is noted that we presently have a balance in the paper fund of \$80.52. We, the publication committee, recommend to the messenger body that they

give consideration to raising the yearly subscription to the paper from \$3 to \$4 to help offset the increased printing costs, which has increased \$72 per month more than it was.

In addition, we recommend the setting of December as special emphasis month for "The Missouri Missionary Baptist".

The Publications Committee

William Fulcher

Wayne Simmons

Gary Brewer

EDITOR'S REPORT

of

"The Missouri Missionary Baptist"

October 1, 1982 through September 30, 1983

Messengers of the churches of the BMA of Missouri

Christian Greetings:

Thanks so very much for your prayers, spirit of cooperation, your news items, your writings, and your financial support for "The Missouri Missionary Baptist". That's encouraging.

The Publications Committee gave special assistance in encouraging extra offerings for the paper during the Missions Symposium. The amount raised during that special emphasis was \$834.34. At that time some forty new subscribers were added to the list. That list was also increased as churches sent in special offerings and a list of names to receive the paper. Thanks to the churches and pastors for that good spirit.

As shown in the Annual Financial Statement, the total receipts for the paper fund were \$10,725.13. The disbursements were \$10,945.12. That is an average of \$912.12 per month disbursed for the paper. There is a balance of \$80.52 to begin the new associational year.

A total of 1,904 copies were mailed out for the last issue. However, that varies from issue to issue as new subscriptions come and **others are dropped because of no return address.**

My desire is that our paper would have a wider range of circulation. It does go into thirty-two states, including Missouri.

Thanks to Mrs. Darst for her able assistance in preparing the material for the paper and helping to get it into the mail.

Sincerely,

H. W. Darst

Note: The association received communication from the Harvest Gleaner Hour and the Ministers Benevolent Society.

SPECIAL MISSIONS COMMITTEE

Jack Courtney, Ron Fields, Wayne Gibson, W. H. Newman, B. M. Ridlen met with missionaries Darst, Marsh, McMasters, and Simmons. Discussed with them the matter of salaries.

Missionary personnel excused.

Committee reorganized with W. H. Newman elected chairman and Ron Fields, clerk.

Adjourned to meet at 6:00 P.M.

Committee met at 6:00 P.M. with all members present.

Status of mission finances discussed. Bro. Darst invited to meet with the committee.

Motion and second to adjourn to meet again at the call of the chair.

Committee met at 9:00 A.M. October 25 with four members present. Prayer by Bro. Courtney.

Motion and second the following recommendations and By-Laws changes be presented to the messengers in view of our extreme financial situation as already reported.

1. That the office of Secretary-Treasurer of missions and editor be separated, allowing each office to stand on its own.
2. That the change be effective February 1, 1984.
3. That the following be amendments to the By-laws:

Section III Missions

#7 (page 9) The salary of the Secretary-Treasurer of missions shall be \$100 per month The salary of the missionaries shall be: \$230 weekly salary; \$500 per month housing and utilities allowance; hospitalization insurance; \$20 per week Social Security to be paid at whatever interval the missionary desires.

Section III Missions

#11 (page 9) The duties of the Secretary-Treasurer shall be to receive and disburse all mission funds as directed by the messengers, and to report these funds monthly through the "Missouri Missionary Baptist" and at the semi-annual and annual meetings. He shall also perform other duties as prescribed in our by-laws.

ENCAMPMENT TREASURER'S REPORT
October 23, 1982—October 25, 1983

| Church | General | Youth In Harvest | Food | Total |
|------------------------------------|---------|------------------|----------|----------|
| Amity, Doniphan | \$ | \$ | \$ 75.00 | \$ 75.00 |
| Antioch, Ellington | 8.16 | | 75.00 | 83.16 |
| Antioch, Oxly | | | 25.00 | 25.00 |
| Bethany, St. Louis | 125.00 | 65.00 | 240.00 | 430.00 |
| Bethel, Potosi | 60.00 | | 30.00 | 90.00 |
| Bethel, Sikeston | 30.00 | | 75.00 | 105.00 |
| Bethesda, Flat River | 35.00 | | 65.00 | 100.00 |
| Black River, Qulin | | | 25.00 | 25.00 |
| Breton Creek, Potosi | 55.00 | 55.00 | | 110.00 |
| Briar, Doniphan | 5.52 | | 75.00 | 80.52 |
| Christway, Independence | 70.00 | | 50.00 | 120.00 |
| Current River, Van Buren | 10.20 | | 17.00 | 27.20 |
| Chambers Park, St. Louis | 190.00 | 75.00 | 150.00 | 415.00 |
| Faith, St. Charles | 50.00 | | 50.00 | 100.00 |
| Friendship, Caseyville | | | 40.40 | 40.40 |
| Friendship, Harviell | | | 47.00 | 47.00 |
| Galilean, Valley Park | | | 25.00 | 25.00 |
| Gethsemane, Hillsboro | 73.48 | | 75.00 | 148.48 |
| Grandview, Springfield | 50.00 | | 50.00 | 100.00 |
| Independence, Neelyville | 10.00 | | 100.00 | 110.00 |
| Joplin | | | 25.00 | 25.00 |

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| Kewanee | 51.00 | 24.00 | | 75.00 |
| Lighthouse, Malden | 50.00 | | | 50.00 |
| Little Bethel, Fairdealing | 55.00 | | | 55.00 |
| Meyer Road, Wentzville | 50.00 | | 50.00 | 100.00 |
| Moselle | 58.82 | | | 58.82 |
| Mt. Zion, Ellington | 127.50 | | 25.00 | 152.50 |
| Mt. Zion, Poplar Bluff | 137.68 | | 85.00 | 222.68 |
| Northside, St. Charles | | | 50.00 | 50.00 |
| Ohlman, Bunker | 80.00 | | 50.00 | 130.00 |
| Oak Hill, Alton | 37.50 | | | 37.50 |
| Palmer Heights | 6.30 | | 40.00 | 46.30 |
| Parkview, Arnold | 234.82 | | | 234.82 |
| Pleasant View, Willow Springs | | 32.00 | | 32.00 |
| Pleasant Grove, Caledonia | | | 25.00 | 25.00 |
| Springhill, Fairdealing | | | 20.00 | 20.00 |
| Stony Point, Frankclay | 292.34 | | | 292.34 |
| Temple, Belgrade | 120.00 | | 50.00 | 170.00 |
| Trinity, Florissant | 96.20 | | 96.13 | 192.33 |
| Twin Oaks, Kennett | 10.00 | | 65.00 | 75.00 |
| Walnut Grove, Harviell | 196.33 | | 50.00 | 246.33 |
| Zalma | 200.00 | | 110.00 | 310.00 |
| Zion, St. Louis | 30.00 | | 30.00 | 60.00 |
| Camp Offerings | 266.72 | | | 266.72 |
| Enrollment, Insurance | 211.89 | | | 211.89 |
| *Cane Creek Y. I. Harvest | 340.00 | | | 340.00 |
| Concession Stand, Gross | 1,009.25 | | | 1,009.25 |
| Interest | 117.74 | 64.83 | | 182.57 |
| Logan Creek Youth in Harvest | 50.00 | | 6.73 | 56.73 |
| Surplus, Returned Merchandise | 74.18 | 99.62 | 50.30 | 224.10 |
| Kansas City, W.M.A. | 51.50 | | | 51.50 |
| *Cane Creek W.M.A. | 100.00 | | | 100.00 |
| Merimec Youth Camp | 200.00 | | | 200.00 |
| Individuals | 27.39 | | 5.00 | 32.39 |
| TOTALS | \$ 5,054.52 | \$ 415.45 | \$2,122.56 | \$ 7,592.53 |

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| Corrected Receipts | *\$ 5,055.16 | \$ 415.45 | \$2,122.56 | \$ 7,593.17 |
| Beginning Balance | 4,714.90 | 1,447.95 | 1,358.21 | 7,521.06 |
| Total Available | * 9,770.06 | 1,863.40 | 3,480.77 | * 15,114.23 |
| Paid Out | 10,568.21 | 654.98 | 1,497.70 | 12,720.89 |
| Balance on Hand | *\$ -798.15 | \$1,208.42 | \$1,983.07 | *\$ 2,393.34 |

Location of Funds:

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|---|-------------------|
| Bank of Poplar Bluff, Checking Account | \$ 703.77 |
| Southern Missouri Savings and Loan - 10178 | 432.28 |
| Southern Missouri Savings and Loan - S30154 | 1,257.29 |
| Total in Bank | \$2,393.34 |

*These figures include offerings for a piano in the amount of \$145.00.

ENROLLMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

38 churches represented by messenger, with 97 messengers. 19 churches represented by letter with 2 petitionary letters.

Jerome Cooper
O. L. Kiser

FINANCE REPORT

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| Amity | \$ 25.00 |
| Antioch, Ellington | 30.00 |
| Antioch, Oxly | 20.00 |
| Bates Creek | 25.00 |
| Bethany | 30.00 |
| Bethel, Potosi | 20.00 |
| Bethel, Sikeston | 30.00 |
| Bethesda | 25.00 |
| Bethlehem | 15.00 |
| Black River | 20.00 |
| Breton Creek | 35.00 |
| Briar | 15.00 |
| Delmo | 32.00 |
| Cape | 20.00 |
| Cave Springs | 20.00 |
| Charity | 20.00 |
| Christway | 15.00 |
| Current River | 25.00 |
| Emmanuel, Poplar Bluff | 10.00 |
| Emmanuel, Sikeston | 15.00 |
| First, Joplin | 10.00 |
| First, Middlebrook | 15.00 |
| First, Neelyville | 25.00 |
| Friendship, IL | 20.00 |
| Friendship, Harviell | 15.00 |
| Gethsemane | 30.00 |
| Independence | 25.00 |
| Kewanee | 15.00 |
| Little Bethel | 25.00 |
| Mt. Carmel | 35.00 |
| Mt. Olive | 10.00 |
| Mt. Zion, Ellington | 5.00 |
| Mt. Zion, Poplar Bluff | 40.00 |
| Naylor | 15.00 |
| Palmer Heights | 15.00 |
| Parkview, Arnold | 45.00 |
| Pleasant View | 10.00 |
| Pleasant Grove | 25.00 |
| Providence | 20.00 |
| Springhill | 20.00 |
| Stony Point | 25.00 |
| Temple | 10.00 |
| Trinity | 25.00 |
| Walnut Grove | 25.00 |

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| West Doniphan | 10.00 |
| Zalma | 15.00 |
| Zion | 5.00 |
| Matthews, First | 25.00 |
| Lighthouse | 25.00 |
| Wildwood | 30.00 |
| Moselle | 25.00 |
| Bethel Mission, Cape | 20.00 |
| Cane Creek | 20.00 |
| Total | <u>\$1,127.00</u> |

Glenda Newman
Galena Tippy

Received after the Association

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|-----------------------------------|-------------------|
| Twin Oaks | 20.00 |
| Ohlman | 20.00 |
| Faith | 25.00 |
| Grandview | 15.00 |
| Total deposited in the bank | <u>\$1,207.00</u> |

MISSIONARY COMMITTEE REPORT

The Missionary Committee met October 24, 1983 at Bethel Missionary Baptist Church.

Called to order by Bro. S. P. Chitwood. Led in prayer by Bro. Kenneth Gibson.

Election of officers as follows:

Chairman—Bro. S. P. Chitwood

Assistant—Bro. O. A. Robinson

Clerk—Bro. Don Hoffman

Assistant—Bro. Kenneth Gibson

Dismissed by prayer.

Bro. S. P. Chitwood, Chairman
Bro. Don Hoffman, Clerk

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

Whereas the Bethel Missionary Baptist Church has opened her facilities to the churches of the Missouri State Association

Whereas the churches of this association has conducted its business in a spirit of love and sisterly and brotherly fellowship

Be it therefore resolved that we express our appreciation to Bethel Church, the officers and committee of the Missouri State Association by a standing vote of this body.

John F. Davis
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