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of the

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of the

Baptist Missionary Association
of Missouri



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Officers and Meetings for 2017

President Dale Fish
Vice-President. Claude Evans
Recording Secretary Don Burke
Assistant Recording Secretary Dale Fish

2017 Missions Symposium Semi-Annual Meeting

**Landmark Baptist Church
DeSoto, Missouri**

May 19 @ 7:00 pm — May 20 @ 9:00 am

2017 Annual Meeting

**Camp Garwood
Garwood, Missouri**

October 28 @ 9:00 am

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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. Winters
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	C. McClain
1951	Potosi	C.A. Darst	G. W. Fox	E.C. Endicott
1952	Ellington	C.A. Darst	G.W. Fox	J.F. McClain
1953	Chambers Park	C.A. Darst	W.R. Speer	W.R. Speer
1954	Bethel	C.A. Darst	W.R. Speer	E.V. Davis
1955	Neelyville	C.A. Darst	W.R. Speer	H.C. Pape
1956	Potosi	W.R. Speer	Elmer Shults	R.E. Jordan
1957	Cave Springs	O.A. Robinson	Elmer Shults	H.M. Dry
1958	West Plains	O.A. Robinson	Cecil Burgess	Cecil Burgess
1959	Chambers Park	R.P. Mitchell	Elmer Shults	Jurl Mitchell
1960	Immanuel	R.P. Mitchell	Elmer Shults	C.A. Darst
1961	Ellington	G.W. Fox	N.J. Gibson	G.W. Fox
1962	Van Buren	G.W. Fox	G.W. Hawthorne	Noel Meade
1963	West Plains	E.F. Gibson	G.W. Hawthorne	G.W. Fox
1964	Bethel, Potosi	E.F. Gibson	Elmer Shults	R.P. Mitchell
1965	Mt. Zion	C.A. Darst	Elmer Shults	Harold Condray
1966	Independence	C.A. Darst	Charles Ray	C.A. Darst
1967	Northside	G.W. Fox	Charles Ray	Elmer Shults
1968	Friendship, IL	G.W. Fox	J.R. Courtney	J.R. Courtney
1969	Palmer Heights	R.P. Mitchell	J.R. Courtney	Ronald Fields
1970	Chambers Park	O.A. Robinson	N.J. Gibson	Thomas Foster
1971	Emmanuel	O.A. Robinson	Richard Britt	W.H. Newman
1972	Bethany	C.A. Darst	D.G. Fish	J.A. Brandon
1973	Friendship, IL	O.A. Robinson	D.G. Fish	J.A. Brandon
1974	Trinity, Florissant	O.A. Robinson	Richard Britt	W.H. Newman
1975	Bethany, St. Louis	G.W. Fox	Richard Britt	H.W. Darst
1976	Lighthouse, Malden	G.W. Fox	Dale G. Fish	J.E. Mason
1977	Bethel, Potosi	C.R. Curtman	Dale G. Fish	Richard Britt

Year	Church	President	Secretary	Sermon
1978	Independence	W.H. Newman	Richard Britt	O.A. Robinson
1979	Bethany, St. Louis	W.H. Newman	Richard Britt	B.M. Ridlen
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
1984	Bethany, St. Louis	Ron Fields	Dale G. Fish	Don Hoffmann
1985	Zion, St. Louis	Jerome Cooper	Dale G. Fish	Wayne Gibson
1986	Independence, Neelyville	Jerome Cooper	Dale G. Fish	Gene Gambill
1987	First, Hannibal	Gene Gambill	Dale G. Fish	Tom Foster
1988	Trinity, Florissant	Jim Lea	Dale G. Fish	Ron Fields
1989	Faith, St. Charles	Jim Lea	Dale G. Fish	Gary Lambright
1990	First, Hannibal	Tim Boatright	Dale G. Fish	Jim Kerr
1991	Bethel, Sikeston	Tim Boatright	Dale G. Fish	E.F. Gibson
1992	Zion, St. Louis	Gary Lambright	Dale G. Fish	Wexford Parmer
1993	Independence, Neelyville	Gary Lambright	Dale G. Fish	Glen W. Fox
1994	Faith, St. Charles	James Hoffmann	Dale G. Fish	Richard Britt
1995	Bethel, Sikeston	James Hoffmann	Dale G. Fish	S.P. Chitwood
1996	Zion, St. Louis	James Gosnell	F. A. Norris	J. Haguewood
1997	Lindsay Lane, Florissant	James Gosnell	F.A. Norris	John Beardsley
1998	Amity, Doniphan	Wayne Gibson	F.A. Norris	Tom McCanless
1999	Bethany, St. Louis	Wayne Gibson	D.R. Kirk	Kenneth Melton
2000	Emmanuel, Sikeston	Wayne Gibson	D.R. Kirk	Dr. Holmes
2001	Lindsay Lane, Florissant	Wayne Gibson	Mark Silvey	Jerry Adams
2002	Kewanee, Kewanee	Dale Fish	Mark Silvey	Tom McCanless
2003	First, Matthews	Dale Fish	Mark Silvey	Grady Higgs
2004	Lindsey Lane, Florissant	Dale Fish	Don Seat	Danny Kirk
2005	Kewanee, Kewanee	Dale Fish	Don Seat	E. Bowermann
2006	Landmark, DeSoto	Jerry Adams	Don Seat	Ted Hurley
2007	Zion, St. Louis	Jerry Adams	Don Seat	Lester Forman
2008	Bethel, Sikeston	Jerry Adams	Don Burke	Jerry Adams
2009	First, Potosi	Ray Thurman	Don Burke	J. Haguewood
2010	Bethel, Sikeston	Ray Thurman	Don Burke	Ben Kingston
2011	Bethany, St. Louis	Jamie Haguewood	Don Burke	Dan Wisely
2012	Kewanee, Kewanee	Jamie Haguewood	Don Burke	Ted Hurley
2013	Bethany, St. Louis	Claude Evans	Don Burke	Russell Chitwood
2014	Landmark, Desoto	Claude Evans	Don Burke	David Erickson
2015	Charity, Bismarck	Brian Meade	Don Burke	David Griggs
2016	Bethel, Sikeston	Brian Meade	Don Burke	Wayne Gibson

Order of Business

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Missionary Committee

Brian Meade Chairman Dennis Baker Assistant Chairman
Ray Thurman Clerk Terry Sharpe Assistant Clerk

Special Missions Committee

A Sub-Committee of Missionary Committee

Russell Chitwood (2017) Brian Meade (2018) Ben Kingston (2019)
Don Burke (2020) Dan Wisely (2021) Jerry Adams (2022)
Dale Fish (2023)

Publications Committee

Don Burke (2017) Denver Page (2018) Jim Ford (2019)

Encampment Committee

Brian Whitlock (2017) Dan Wisely (2018) Joe McElroy (2019)
Jason Taylor (2020) Matt Baker (2021)

Missouri Missionary Baptist Loan Association, Inc.

Dennis Baker James Hoffmann David Griggs
Don Adams Brian Whitlock Mat Bolen

ALIVE Ministries Committee

Chris Dicus (2017) Joey Duckworth (2018)
Dan Wisely (2019) Don Burke (2020)

Resolutions Committee

David Griggs, Chris Polk, and Tom Foster, Jr.

Enrollment and Finance Committee

Russell Chitwood, Leonard Knight, Brad Banderman

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Doctrinal Statement of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri

I. GOD

There is one living and true God, the Creator of the universe (Ex. 15, Is. 45:11, Jer. 27:5). He is revealed in the unity of the Godhead as God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit, who are equal in every divine perfection (Ex. 15:11, Matt. 28:19, II Cor. 13:14).

A. God the Father is the supreme ruler of the universe. He providentially directs the affairs of history according to the purposes of His grace (Gen.1, Ps. 19:1, Ps. 104, Heb. 1:1-3).

B. God the Son is the Savior of the world. Born of the virgin Mary (Matt. 1:18, Luke 1:26-35). He declared His deity among men (John 1:14, 18, Matt. 9:6), died on the cross as the only sacrifice for sin (Phil. 2:6-11), arose bodily from the grave (Luke 24:6, 7, 24-26, I Cor. 15:3-6), and ascended back to the Father (Acts 1:9-11, Mark 16:19). He is at the right hand of the Father, interceding for believers (Rom. 8:34, Heb. 7:25) until He returns to rapture them from the world (Acts 1:11, I Thess. 4:16-18).

C. God the Holy Spirit is the manifest presence of deity. He convicts of sin (John 16:8-11), teaches spiritual truths according to the written Word (John 16:12-15), permanently indwells believers (Acts 5:32, John 14:16, 17, 20, 23), and confers on every believer at conversion the ability to render effective spiritual service (I Peter 4:10,11).

II. THE SCRIPTURES

A. The Scriptures are God's inerrant revelation, complete in the Old and New Testaments, written by divinely inspired men as they were moved by the Holy Spirit (II Tim. 3:16, II Peter 1:21). Those men wrote not in words of human wisdom but in words taught by the Holy Spirit (I Cor. 2:13).

B. The Scriptures provide the standard for the believer's faith and practice (II Tim. 3:16,17), reveal the principles by which God will judge all (Heb. 4:12, John 12:48), and express the truth basis of Christian fellowship (Gal. 1:8,9, II John 9-11).

III. CREATION

A. The World — God created all things for His own pleasure and glory, as revealed in the biblical account of creation (Gen. 1, Rev. 4:11, John 1:2,3, Col. 1:16).

B. The Angels — God created an innumerable host of spirit beings called angels. Holy angels worship God and execute His will; while fallen angels serve Satan, seeing to hinder God's purposes (Col. 1:16, Luke 20:35, 36, Matt. 22:29,30, Ps. 103:20, Jude 6).

C. Man — As the crowning work of His creation, God created humankind (male and female) in His own image (Ps. 8; Gen. 1:27; 2:7). Consequently, every person from conception is of inherent dignity and worth and merits the respect of all other persons (Ps. 51:5; 139:13-16; Gen. 9:6; Matt. 10:28-31; James 3:9).

D. Marriage — God created marriage, and intends it as an inseparable union to be held in high esteem (Gen. 1:27-28; 2:23-24; Matt. 19:4-6; Heb.13:4). Marriage is exclusively between a male and a female (i.e. a natural man and a natural woman), with each having unique roles and responsibilities (Rom. 1:25-27; I Cor. 6:9; Eph. 5:22-33; I Tim. 1:10; Heb. 13:4). Marriage testifies of the union between Christ and the church (Eph. 5:31-32).

IV. SATAN

Satan is a person rather than a personification of evil (John 8:44), and he with his demons opposes all that is true and godly by blinding the world to the gospel (II Cor. 4:3,4), tempting saints to do evil (Eph. 6:11, I Peter 5:8), and warring against the Son of God (Gen. 3:15, Rev. 20:1-10).

V. DEPRAVITY

Although man was created in the image of God (Gen. 1:26, 2:17), he fell through sin and that image was marred (Rom. 5:12, James 3:9). In his unregenerate state, he is void of spiritual life, is under the influence of the devil, and lacks any power to save himself (Eph. 2:1-3, John 1:13). The sin nature has been transmitted to every member of the human race, the man Jesus Christ alone being excepted (Rom. 3:23, I Peter 2:22). Because of the sin nature, man possesses no divine life and is essentially and unchangeably depraved apart from divine grace (Rom. 3:10-19, Jer. 17:9).

VI. SALVATION

A. The Meaning of Salvation — Salvation is the gracious work of God whereby He delivers undeserving sinners from sin and it's results (Matt. 1:21, Eph. 2:8,9). In justification He declares righteous all who put faith in Christ as Savior (Rom. 3:20-22), giving them freedom from condemnation, peace with God, and full assurance of future glorification (Rom. 3:24-26).

B. The Way of Salvation — Salvation is based wholly on the grace of God apart from works (Titus 3:5, Eph. 2:9). Anyone who will exercise repentance toward God and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ will be saved (Acts 16:30-32, Luke 24:47, Rom. 10:17).

C. The Provision of Salvation — Christ died for the sins of the whole world (John 1:29, 3:16, I John 2:1,2). Through his blood, atonement is made without respect of persons (I Tim. 2:4-6). All sinners can be saved by this gracious provision (Heb. 2:9, John 3:18).

VII. SECURITY

All believers are eternally secure in Jesus Christ (John 10:24-30), Rom. 8:35-39). They are born again (John 3:3-5, I John 5:1, I Peter 1:23), made new creatures in Christ (II Cor. 5:17, II Peter 1:4), and indwelt by the Holy Spirit (Rom. 8:9, I John 4:4), enabling their perseverance in good works (Eph. 2:10). A special providence watches over them (Rom. 8:28, I Cor. 10:13), and they are kept by the power of God (Phil. 1:6, 2:12,13, I Peter 1:3-5, Heb. 13:5).

VIII. CHURCH

A. The Nature of the Church — A New Testament Church is a local congregation (Acts 16:5, I Cor. 4:17) of baptized believers in Jesus Christ (Acts 2:41) who are united by covenant in belief of what God has revealed and in obedience to what He has commanded (Acts 2:41, 42).

B. The Autonomy of the Church — She acknowledges Jesus as her only Head (Eph. 5:23, Col. 1:18) and the Holy Bible as her only rule of faith and practice (Is. 8:20, II Tim. 3:16, 17), governing herself by democratic principles (Acts 6:1-6, I Cor. 5:1-5) under the oversight of her pastors (Acts 20:28, Heb. 13:7, 17, 24).

C. The Perpetuity of the Church — Instituted by Jesus during His personal ministry on earth (Matt. 16:18, Mark 3:13-19, John 1:35-51), true churches have continued to the present and will continue until Jesus returns (Matt. 16:18, 28:20).

D. The Ordinances of the Church — Her two ordinances are baptism and the Lord's Supper. Baptism is the immersion in water of a believer as a confession of his faith in Jesus Christ (Matt. 28:19, Rom. 6:4), and is prerequisite to church membership and participation in the Lord's Supper (Acts 2:41, 42). The Lord's Supper is the sacred sharing of the bread of communion and the cup of blessing by the assembled church (Acts 20:7) as a memorial to the crucified body and shed blood of Jesus Christ (Luke 22:19, 20, I Cor. 11:23-26). Both ordinances must be administered by the authority of a New Testament church (Matt. 28:18-20, I Cor. 11:23-26).

E. The Officers of the Church — Pastors and deacons are the permanent officers divinely ordained in a New Testament church (Phil. 1:1). Each church may select men of her choice to fill those offices under the leading of the Holy Spirit (Acts 6:1-6, 20:17,18) according to the divinely given qualifications (I Tim. 3:1-13).

Pastors (elders, bishops) are authorized to oversee and teach the churches under the Lordship of Jesus Christ (Acts 20:28, Heb. 13:7,17:24, I Peter 5:1-4). Each church is responsible to follow them as they follow Christ (I Cor. 11:1, I Thess. 1:6, Heb. 13:17) and to provide a livelihood for them that they might fulfill their ministries (I Tim 5:17,18, Phil. 4:15-18). Pastors are equal in the service of God (Matt. 23:8-12).

Deacons (ministers, servants) are servants of the churches and assistants to the pastors, particularly in benevolent ministries. Each church may select her own deacons according to her needs, and no church is bound by the act of another church in that selection (Acts 6:1-6).

F. The Ministry of the Church — Her mission is evangelizing sinners by preaching the gospel (Matt. 28:19, Luke 24:45-47), baptizing those who believe (Acts 2:41, 8:12, 35-38), and maturing them by instruction (Matt. 28:20, Acts 2:42) and discipline (Matt. 18:17, 18, I Cor. 5:1-5).

G. The Fellowship of the Church — She is free to associate with true churches in furthering the faith (II Cor. 11:8, Phil. 4:10, 15, 16), but is responsible to keep herself from those who hold doctrines or practices contrary to Holy Scripture (Gal. 1:8,9, I John 2:19). In association with other churches, each church is equal and is the sole judge of the measure and method of her cooperation (Matt. 20:25-28). In all matters of polity and practice, the will of each church is final (Matt. 18:18).

IX. CIVIL AUTHORITY

Human government was instituted by God to protect the innocent and punish the guilty. It is separate from the church, though both church and state exercise complementary ministries for the benefit of society (Matt. 22:21).

Christians should submit to the authority of the government under which they live, obeying all laws which do not contradict the laws of God, respecting officers of government, paying taxes, rendering military service, and praying for the welfare of the nation and its leaders (Rom. 13:1-7, I Peter 2:13, 17, I Tim. 2:1,2). They should vote, hold office, and exercise influence to direct the nation after the principles of Holy Scripture.

Civil authority is not to interfere in matters of conscience or disturb the institutions of religion (Acts 4:18-20), but it should preserve for every citizen the free exercise of his religious convictions.

Churches should receive no subsidy from the government, but they should be exempt from taxation on property and money used for the common good through worship, education or benevolence.

X. LAST THINGS

A. Return — Our risen Lord will return personally in bodily form to receive His redeemed unto Himself. His return is imminent (I Thess. 4:13-17, Rev. 22:20).

B. Resurrections — After Jesus returns, all of the dead will be raised bodily, each in his own order: The righteous dead in “the resurrection of life” and the wicked dead in “the resurrection of damnation” (John 5:24-29, I Cor. 15:20-28).

C. Judgments — Prior to the eternal state, God will judge everyone to confer rewards or to consign to punishment (Matt. 25:31-46, II Cor. 5:10, Rev. 20:11-15).

D. Eternal States — Heaven is the eternal home of the redeemed (John 14:1-3) who, in their glorified bodies (I Cor. 15:51-58), will live in the presence of God forever (I Thess. 4:17) in ultimate blessings (Rev. 21, 22).

Hell is the place of eternal punishment and suffering (Luke 16:19-31) for the devil, his angels (Matt. 25:41), and the unredeemed (Rev. 20:10-15).

ADDENDUM

NOTE: The following statements are not to be binding upon churches already affiliated with this association, or to require adoption by churches petitioning this body for privilege of cooperation, or to be a test of fellowship between brethren or churches. However, they do express the preponderance of opinion among the churches of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri.

1. We believe in the pre-millennial return of Christ to the earth, after which He shall reign in peace upon the earth for a thousand years (Rev. 20:4-6).

2. We believe the Scriptures to teach two resurrections: the first of the righteous at Christ's coming; the second of the wicked at the close of the thousand-year reign (I Thess. 4:13-17, Rev. 20:6, 12-15).

We endorse the New Hampshire Confession of Faith as a representative compendium of what Baptists have historically believed through the centuries. This confession was consulted and provided a pattern and guide for the formulation of these doctrinal statements. As there are several versions and editions, we refer particularly to the edition in J.E. Cobb's Church Manual third-edition, published by the Baptist Publications Committee of Texarkana, Texas.

By-Laws of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri

Article I — Name

The name of this corporation shall be the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri and shall be referred to herein as the Association.

Article II — Purpose

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

Article III — Membership

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 Doctrinal Statement.
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 at any meeting of the Association. This Association reserves the right to withdraw fellowship from any church she may deem heterodox or disorderly.
3. Any church not identifying with this Association either by messenger or letter for three consecutive years shall be considered as having terminated her membership in this Association.

Article IV — Meetings

1. Messengers of the churches in this Association shall hold annual and semi-annual sessions.
 - A. The annual session shall convene on the fourth Saturday of October at 9:00 a.m. The host pastor shall be in charge of planning the worship service. If needed, the meeting will continue after the noon break until all business is completed.
 - B. The semi-annual session shall convene on the third Saturday in May at 9:00 a.m.

- C. The program for the semi-annual session, except for business, shall be prepared by the president of the Association, the Director of Missions, and the pastor of the host church.
- D. An Annual Mission Symposium shall be held on Friday before the semi-annual meeting in May. The Director of Missions shall prepare the program in consultation with the host pastor.
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.
3. Unless otherwise provided for all questions shall be decided by a majority vote.
4. 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.
5. Each messenger desiring to speak, shall rise, address the chair, and after recognition speak respectfully.
6. A special meeting of the Association may be called by the President of the Association. (In the absence of the President a meeting may be called by the next available ranking Associational officer.) An attempt must be made to notify all churches at least two weeks prior to the meeting, and that notification should include the main agenda item(s). All business conducted at that meeting must be limited to the specified purpose(s).

Article V — Administration

1. All officers and all committee members shall be members of churches of this Association.
2. Departmental officers and committee members shall be reimbursed for necessary expenses incurred in performance of their duties. The mileage rate shall be the current IRS allowable per mile. Reimbursement shall come from their respective department funds.
3. All treasurers of this association shall make quarterly reports through the Missouri Missionary Baptist, a brief report at the semi-annual meeting and a full total itemized report of all receipts and disbursements at the annual meeting, and to be made available at the enrollment table at the time the messengers enroll.
4. The chairman of each committee that has a financial account will verify the funds in that account before the annual association meeting.

Article VI — Officers

1. The officers of this Association shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Recording Secretary, and an Assistant Recording Secretary.
2. The President and Vice-President shall be elected at each annual session by nomination and acclamation, to assume office at the close of the current annual meeting. These shall not hold office more than two consecutive years. The Recording Secretary and the Assistant Recording Secretary shall be elected at the semi-annual session by nomination and acclamation, to assume office at the beginning of that meeting.
3. The duties of the officers shall be such as usually devolve on such officers of a deliberative body.
4. 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 VII — Committees

1. *Missionary Committee*

- A. There shall be a Missionary Committee composed of one committeeman from each church, duly elected by the church in which he holds membership; such committee shall annually elect a chairman, assistant chairman, clerk, and assistant clerk.
 - i. The Missionary Committee shall act as an executive in its field between meetings of the association to: 1) elect new personnel at the direction of the Association; 2) fill vacancies on the missions staff; and 3) resolve problems relating to missions.
 - ii. The Missionary Committee shall meet in conjunction with the annual and the semi-annual meetings of the Association, and meet between meetings of the Association at the call of the chairman, providing a two week notice to the churches. This committee shall report at the annual and semi-annual meetings of the Association.
- B. There shall be a subcommittee known as the Special Missions Committee, composed of seven members who shall be elected on a staggered basis and shall serve seven-year terms. This committee shall serve the Missionary Committee in matters pertinent to the missions program of the Association, and shall serve as the Chaplaincy Committee.
- C. Missionaries, the Director of Missions, and an unsalaried assistant Director of Missions may be nominated and elected at any session of the Association, and shall be reviewed at each annual meeting of the Association.
- D. The missions program shall operate as outlined in the Missions Policy Handbook.

2. *Publications Committee*

- A. There shall be a Missouri Baptist Publications Committee composed of three members who shall be elected on a staggered basis and shall serve three-year terms. This committee shall be responsible for the publication of The Missouri Missionary Baptist.
- B. An editor and an assistant editor shall be elected annually, the editor's salary being determined by the messengers.
- C. The editor shall also serve as business manager of The Missouri Missionary Baptist and shall annually give a complete financial report.

3. *ALIVE Ministries Committee*

- A. There shall be an ALIVE Ministries Committee composed of four members who shall be elected on a staggered basis and shall serve four-year terms. This committee shall work with any duly elected committees from other BMA Associations, to plan and coordinate an annual ALIVE Conference. A fund shall be maintained for ALIVE Ministries projects.

4. *Kenneth E. Gibson Seminary Student Grant Committee*

- A. The Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri shall have a ministry called the Kenneth E. Gibson Seminary Student Grant Fund, administered by the Seminary Student Grant (SSG) Committee.
- B. The SSG Committee shall be composed of the chairman of each standing committee, the Editor of the Missouri Missionary Baptist, and the Director of Missions. The expenses of each committeeman shall be paid out of the general fund of the department he represents.

- C. The purpose of this committee is to provide financial aid to men of the BMA of Missouri who have been called to preach and who are attending, or plan to attend, the BMATS in Jacksonville, Texas.
- D. Solicitation of Funds. The Seminary Student Grant Committee shall solicit funds from individuals and churches to be distributed among eligible recipients in a fair and equitable way as described in these bylaws. Expenses for solicitation of funds and for the promotion of this ministry shall not exceed five per cent of funds received.
- E. Eligibility for Grant. To be eligible for a grant the student must (a) be accepted by BMATS (b) hold membership in a church cooperating with the BMA of Missouri at the time of application (c) maintain membership in a church affiliated with the BMA of America (d) receive a letter of recommendation from the church in which he holds membership (e) maintain good moral conduct (f) exhibit doctrinal soundness, signing a statement of belief of the doctrinal statement of the BMA of Missouri.
- F. Maintaining Eligibility. A student does not need to reapply each year to be eligible for continued support; however, the committee shall make an evaluation at the end of each school year to determine that all conditions of the grant have been met. The student must (a) maintain a 2.5 GPA (b) complete at least nine hours of credit each semester not applicable to those in the "Masters in Motion" program (c) continue in good moral conduct (d) continue in doctrinal soundness. If a student fails to meet these eligibility standards he may be requested to pay back any or all funds received through the grant program, as determined by the committee.
- G. Grant amount. As funds are available grants will be given to qualified applicants in the following areas, within the stated limits:
 - i. Traditional On-Campus Grant: (a) up to \$1,000.00 of actual moving expenses for the initial move to Jacksonville, TX (b) the student's tuition each semester (c) up to \$300.00 per semester for books.
 - ii. Masters in Motion Grant: (a) the student's tuition each semester (b) up to \$300.00 per semester for books (c) Up to \$500 per school year for travel and lodging expenses for the times on-campus attendance is required (either at Jacksonville or another location set by the Seminary).
 - iii. Student in Need Grant: \$1,000 per school year may be granted to any student chosen by the Seminary President.
- H. Multiple applicants. (a) When more than one student has applied and there are insufficient funds to meet all requests, priority shall be given to student(s) already enrolled in the program. (b) When more than one new student has applied and there are insufficient funds for all students, the SSG Committee shall determine who shall receive a grant and the exact amount of the grant(s).
- I. Designated Money. Money given to this committee from individuals or churches may be designated for a particular student(s). If that student(s) fails to meet the eligibility requirements, the designated money shall be returned to the donor, or dispersed as directed by the donor upon written instruction.

5. *Miscellaneous*

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

- B. Each committee shall organize annually with such officers as it deems necessary.
- C. Any committeeman who is inactive for (1) one year shall be replaced the following year.
- D. The president shall name the committee on finance and enrollment and the committee on resolutions to serve at the annual meeting.

Article VIII — Programs

1. Encampment and Youth Work

- A. There shall be an Encampment Committee composed of five members who shall be elected on a staggered basis and shall serve five-year terms.
- B. The Encampment Committee shall maintain all property related to this department's functions and shall supervise all this department's activities and personnel.
- C. The Association shall annually elect a Camp Superintendent, Assistant Camp Superintendent, Camp Treasurer, and Assistant Camp Treasurer.
- D. The Encampment Committee, camp superintendent and assistant camp superintendent shall make plans for the annual encampment which shall begin at 5:00 p.m. on the last Monday in July, and end after breakfast on the following Friday.
- E. The camp superintendent shall supervise the overall activities of the encampment as directed by the Encampment Committee.
- F. The Encampment Committee shall approve all use of the camp grounds.
- G. The Encampment Treasurer shall maintain all funds to be used as needed to provide money for all BMA of Missouri Camps. These funds may also be used for State Youth Meetings as approved by the Encampment Committee.

2. Loan Program

Bylaws of the Missouri Missionary Baptist Loan Association, Inc.

Section I — Purpose

The purpose of the Loan Program of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri is to provide financial services to Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri churches. Financial services provided by the loan program include:

- 1. Financing for approved Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri mission projects.
- 2. Loans to established Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri churches for maintenance, remodeling, and repairs of worship buildings.
- 3. Grants to established Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri churches for maintenance, remodeling and repairs of worship buildings.
- 4. Loans to local associations affiliated with Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri for local mission building projects.
- 5. Receiving and transferring of property and buildings owned by established Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri churches.
- 6. Buying and selling property and buildings owned by the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri, established churches, and mission projects of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri.
- 7. Short term loans to departments of the Baptist Missionary Association of

Missouri or local associations affiliated with the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri.

8. Financial counseling.

Section II — Ownership

1. The Loan Program of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri (The “Loan Program”) is the cooperative work of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri and shall be presided over by the Loan Committee.
2. The Loan Program is a continuation of the Missouri Missionary Baptist Loan Association as a separate not for profit corporation of the State of Missouri and all books, records, loans, and related documents previously held by the Missouri Missionary Loan Association shall be retained by the Loan Committee.

Section III — Officers

1. The officers of the Loan Committee shall be elected from the messenger body of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri during semi or annual session.
2. The officers of the corporation shall consist of a president, vice president, secretary, assistant secretary, treasurer, and assistant treasurer, who shall be elected for a term of five years and shall hold office until their successors are duly elected and qualified.
3. The president shall preside at all meetings and have general supervision of the affairs of the Loan Program; shall sign all contracts, and other instruments of the corporation as authorized by the messengers of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri; shall make reports to the messengers of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri; and shall perform all such duties as are incident to his or her office. In the absence or disability of the president, the vice president shall exercise all his or her functions.
4. The secretary shall issue notices of all meetings; shall keep minutes of such meetings; shall have charge of the Loan Program records; shall sign such instruments as require his or her signature; and shall make such reports and perform such other duties as are incident to his or her office. In the absence or disability of the secretary, the assistant secretary shall exercise all his or her functions.
5. The treasurer shall have the custody of all moneys and securities of the Loan Program, and shall keep regular books of account. He or she shall sign such instruments as require his or her signature, and shall make such reports and perform such other duties as are incident to his or her office. In the absence or disability of the treasurer the assistant treasurer shall exercise all his or her functions.

Section IV — Correspondence

Corporate correspondence should be sent to the then current address of the duly elected president of the Loan Program as given to the Baptist Missionary Association at the time of his or her election.

Section V — Operational Bylaws

1. The duly elected officers of the Loan Committee may, at the direction of the messenger body or Missionary Committee, buy and sell property and title

shall be held and retained in the name of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri.

2. The duly elected officers of the Loan Committee shall work with the Special Missions Committee, the Director of Missions, and the missionary in locating and purchasing property, financing and erecting a first-unit type of building.

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 add value to surrounding properties, without binding the mission under a crippling long-term debt, and it should encourage the mission to become self-supporting.
 - C. It should be situated on the property and constructed in a manner that would not hinder any future permanent construction.
3. When sufficient funds are available, the Loan Program will provide financing for approved mission projects when the following requirements have been agreed to and a binding contract between the Loan Program and the applicant, known as the sponsoring church and mission, has been drawn up. The sponsoring church and mission will furnish the Loan Committee a letter stating that in regular business meeting at least two-thirds of the church members who were present voted for the approval of the binding contract. An officer of Loan Committee, the sponsoring church's pastor, clerk, and trustees and the mission's missionary shall sign binding contract.
 - A. The Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri shall retain Warranty Deed until total indebtedness has been paid in full. A letter from the church stating that in regular business meeting at least two-thirds of the church members who were present voted that they support the Doctrinal Statement, Statement of Principles of Cooperation, and Bylaws of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri or its successors. Letter must bear the signatures of the church pastor, clerk, and trustees.
 - B. Binding contract shall include an interest-free schedule limited to ten years of repayment based on the financial circumstances of the mission at the time of loan application.
 - C. All loan applicants shall furnish adequate liability and property insurance. The Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri shall be made the joint insured and lien-holder on the policy. The insurance company shall be requested to notify the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri the date the policy coverage begins and ends.
 - D. If applicant becomes financially unable to meet scheduled loan payments or liability or property insurance payments, the applicant will immediately notify the president of the Loan Program. The president shall call a meeting of the duly elected officers to determine if payment schedule can be restructured or if other actions are necessary for the good of the applicant and the protection of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri.
 - E. Upon the tenth anniversary of the loan the applicant shall make application for a commercial loan for the balance of outstanding indebtedness to the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri. If upon the tenth anniversary applicant is unable to secure a commercial loan, applicant may renegotiate an

- interest-bearing contract with the Loan Committee.
- F. The applicant shall furnish quarterly financial records for the mission project (subject to audit) for review by the Loan Committee.
 - G. The applicant will meet with the Loan Committee's duly elected officers annually for revaluation of the scheduled payments. Payments with no interest may go down or up depending on financial condition.
 - H. For the purpose of clarification, a mission congregation shall be considered a "state mission project" even after it is organized into a New Testament church, so long as it is indebted to the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri.
- 4. Local associations affiliated with the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri may apply for loans from the Loan Program for local mission projects. Applications are subject to the conditions outlined in these bylaws.
 - 5. The Missouri Missionary Baptist Loan Association is authorized to receive title for property and buildings of established churches cooperating with the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri based on the following requirements.
 - A. A letter of request from the church stating that in regular business meeting at least two-thirds of the church members who were present voted to request Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri to hold their church property title. The vote should take place after it has been announced and publicized in writing for at least thirty days prior to the date of voting.
 - B. The request must bear the signatures of the church pastor, clerk, and trustees.
 - C. The Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri shall not be responsible for any upkeep on property, buildings, equipment, payment of insurance, or building liability claims that may incur. The Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri and the church shall be joint-insured on liability and property insurance policies.
 - 6. Any such property received by the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri, if still owned by the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri, may be transferred back to the church subject to the following terms and conditions.
 - A. A letter from the church stating that in regular business meeting at least two-thirds of the church members who were present voted that they supported the Doctrinal Statement, Statement of Principles of Cooperation, and Bylaws of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri or its successors. Letter must bear the signatures of the church pastor, clerk, and trustees.
 - B. A letter requesting that the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri transfer title to the church property back to the church. The vote should take place after it has been announced and publicized in writing for at least thirty days prior to the date of voting. Request must bear the signatures of the church pastor, clerk, and trustees.
 - C. Request shall be made three months in advance of the requested date of transfer.
 - D. Any such property shall be transferred only after all financial obligations to the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri have been paid in full.
 - 7. Duly elected officers shall be reimbursed for necessary expenses incurred in performance of their duties. The mileage rate shall be the current IRS allowable per mile.
 - 8. The officers of the Loan Committee shall be authorized to negotiate contractual

- conditions, when legal, partnership, or other special circumstances, not included in these guidelines, occur.
9. All fees incurred in the securing and transferring of property shall be collectable by the Loan Program from the loan applicant. Fees are defined as bank, recording, attorney, survey, inspections, architect, and any expense associated with securing, building, and releasing property. The Loan Program can pay such fees but the expense will be added to the applicant's loan balance.
 10. The Loan Program shall establish and maintain a Grant Fund for the purpose of helping established Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri churches who are in need of immediate funds for needed maintenance, remodeling, and repairs of their worship buildings or for disaster relief. Such funds shall operate under the following guidelines.
 - A. The available funds shall be obtained by offerings from the churches and other entities of the Baptist Missouri Association of Missouri.
 1. Any and all support of this fund is voluntary.
 2. 90% of undesignated funds received by the Loan Program shall be credited to the Grant Fund with the other 10% credited to the Loan Program loan fund.
 3. All designated funds will be deposited as designated.
 4. These funds will accumulate until a need arises.
 - B. To expedite the request, when a church is in need of a grant:
 1. They need to make their request known to the President of the Loan Program. He will contact the Loan Program Committee Members and they will make the decision on the request and set the amount of the grant.
 2. In the event a need arises the funds are unavailable this Committee will contact and seek funds from the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri churches in order to address the particular need of the church requesting funds.
 - C. This grant is not a loan, but a gift to help in time of need.
 - D. All transactions of this committee will be reported at the Semi-annual and Annual meeting of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri.
 11. Loans to established Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri churches and local associations affiliated with Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri are to be secured with a First Deed of Trust naming the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri as the lien-holder and recorded with the County Recorder where the property is located. All loan applicants shall furnish adequate liability and property insurance. The Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri shall be made the joint insured and lien-holder on the policy. The insurance company shall be requested to notify the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri the date the policy coverage begins and ends. The loan applicant will pay all bank fees, recording fees, title insurance, attorney fees, surveyor fees, building inspections, architectural fees, and any other expense associated with the loan. The loan will be interest-free for a period of five years after which a reasonable interest rate will be applied to any unpaid balance. If applicant incurs financial difficulty, applicant must contact the president of the Loan Program to resolve the issue and work out a payment schedule. Failure to work with the Loan Program could result in legal action necessary to collect the outstanding balance.

12. The Loan Program shall be authorized to make short term unsecured loans to departments of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri. The director or president of the department must submit a written request stating the amount, reason for the loan, and plan for repayment to the president of the Loan Program for consideration of the Loan Committee. Approved loans may be distributed immediately and all transactions will be reported at the semi-annual and annual meeting of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri.

Article IX — Departments

1. Women's Missionary Auxiliary.

- A. There shall be a department called the Women's Missionary Auxiliary of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri.
- B. The purpose of this department is to encourage and aid in the organization of local and district W.M.A. and Youth Auxiliaries in the churches of this Association and to encourage a spirit of cooperation and helpfulness in all phases of Christian work.
- C. 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.
- D. The activities of this department shall be reported at the annual meeting of this association.

2. Brotherhood.

- A. There shall be a department called the Brotherhood Auxiliary of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri.
- B. The activities of this department shall be reported at the annual meeting of the association.
- C. The purpose of the department is addressed in the following mission statement, focus statement, and core values.

Mission Statement

The Brotherhood Auxiliary of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri shall promote Christian Fellowship, biblical leadership education, and mentoring for the older men and young men of our churches.

Focus

- A. Provide positive encouragement and support through Christian fellowship.
- B. Provide biblical leadership education that will encourage men to be leaders in their home and local church.
- C. Provide education and opportunities for the older men to mentor the younger men.

Core Values

- A. We value the biblical doctrine of the autonomy of the local church.
- B. We value biblical instruction concerning Christian fellowship.
- C. We value biblical instruction concerning the role of men in the home and local church.

- D. We value biblical instruction concerning older men mentoring younger men.
II Timothy 2:2 And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also.

Article X — Amendments

1. The Bylaws of this Association which accompany this statement of Principles may be changed in any session by a majority vote.
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Camp Guidelines

We recognize our camp grounds are a place where we are privileged to come and enjoy religious services, Christian fellowship and wholesome recreation. In light of these aims we respectfully ask that those in attendance adhere to the following rules and regulations as adopted by the BMA of Missouri. These rules are established and enforced for the honor of our Lord and safety of our campers.

Goals and Aims

To introduce our lost campers to Jesus and lead them to an eternal saving knowledge of his love.

To worship our Lord in a natural and comfortable environment.

To encourage Spiritual growth among the campers.

To encourage young people to become active participants in the church and our associated work.

To have good Christian fun!

Camp Rules

That each church sending campers under the age of 20 provide proper adult supervision for them, at least one male for the boys and at least one lady for the girls.

Conduct on the camp grounds must reflect Christian standards.

The use of tobacco is prohibited anywhere on the camp grounds.

All campers are expected to be under the tabernacle when services are conducted unless special permission has been granted.

All campers are expected to attend class unless special permission has been granted.

When “lights out” has been signaled all campers are thereby confined to their quarters for the night. No one is allowed to wander the campground thereafter.

No camper, or campers, are allowed to leave the mowed areas designated for campers.

The use of tape and CD players is permitted only during the hours of 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m., or the time designated by the trustees. All music must be Christian music and be played at a level that only includes those in that immediate area.

The camp trustees are entrusted to enforce these rules and their authority must be respected. Anyone who refuses to adhere to the rules may be dismissed if proper counseling fails.

Dress Code

Shoes must be worn at all times outside the camper’s sleeping quarters.

T-shirts and caps worn must not promote alcohol, tobacco or display any undesirable messages. No cap or hats are permitted under the tabernacle at any time.

Knee-length shorts are permitted during day time activities.

Pants or dresses expressing modesty must be worn during evening activities.

Overall neatness of dress must prevail at all times, expressing godliness, being modest in nature.

Sponsors are responsible to enforce the camp dress code upon campers within your own church group, and are accountable to the camp director to enforce said rules.

— *Camp rules and dress code adopted by the BMA of Missouri, May 15, 2001*

Proceedings of the Eighty-Eighth Semi-Annual Meeting of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri

Convened at
Stony Point Baptist Church, Mineral Point, Missouri
Saturday, May 21, 2016 – 9:00 AM
Brian Meade, Moderator • Don Burke, Clerk

First Morning Session

1. After a warm welcome by host pastor Bro. Claude Evans, Bro. David Griggs led the congregation in song, and Bro. Lee Miller voiced the opening prayer.
2. In order to accommodate the speaker's scheduling need, the annual sermon was moved to the beginning of the Association meeting. A message was given by Bro. Jeff Swart on the subject of "As America Has Done to Israel."
3. After a song and short recess, Moderator Bro. Brian Meade called the Association to order and messengers were seated.
4. The moderator called for any petitionary letters. None were brought to the attention of the body.
5. The floor was opened for any bylaw changes. There were none.
6. M/S/P to retain present recording secretary (Bro. Don Burke) and assistant (Bro. Dale Fish).
7. Bro. Burke gave the Recording Secretary report. M/S/P to adopt.
8. After explaining a pattern of churches being dropped for not reporting then subsequently re-petitioning for membership, the Recording Secretary presented the following motion:
 1. That Article III Section 3 (which requires dropping non-reporting churches) be removed from our Bylaws; and,
 2. That the churches which were dropped for non-reporting following the 2015 annual meeting be reinstated into full Association membership without the need to re-petition.Motion seconded. A separation of the question was called, and in the subsequent vote the first part of the motion failed. In light of this failure to pass, the chair deemed the second part of the motion to be no longer applicable and thus ruled out of order.
9. Bro. James Hoffmann presented the Kenneth E. Gibson Grant Fund Report. M/S/P to accept report.
10. Bro. Hoffmann also presented the *Missouri Missionary Baptist* report. M/S/P to adopt.
11. M/S/P to extend the special offering for the Missouri Missionary Baptist for 2 months, and that the editor run an article in June issue of paper to advise churches of this offering.
12. The BMA of MO Loan Association reports were given. M/S/P to adopt.
13. M/S/P to authorize the Loan Association treasurer to transfer \$10,000 from the Loan Association's General Fund to its Grant Fund.
14. Bro. Don Burke gave Alive Committee report. M/S/P to adopt report.
15. M/S/P to adjourn for Missionary Committee meeting.

Second Morning Session

16. The State Association reconvened following the Missionary Committee meeting.
17. M/S/P to adopt the Missionary Committee report.
18. M/S/P to give the host church and pastor a standing vote of appreciation.
19. M/S/P to reelect Bro. Don Burke to the Alive Committee, term ending 2020.
20. Bro. Matt Bolen presented the Camp Garwood report, including a recommendation that Sis. Laura Polk be added as an authorized check-signer on the camp's checking account. M/S/P to approve.
21. The Brotherhood reports were given. M/S/P to adopt.
22. M/S/P to adjourn.
23. The Association dismissed for the noon meal.

BMA of Missouri State Missions Director's Mid-Year Report

One year ago I assumed the responsibility of active Assistant Director of Missions for the BMA of Missouri. This has been a challenging task in keeping books and trying to promote missions among our church. It has also been a blessing to work with our Special Missions Committee in trying to seek God's direction for our Mission Program. By the time of our annual meeting in October we hope to have some plans to share with you.

We rejoice in the organization of Northlake Mission into a New Testament Church and their being able to go self-support. Bro. Jones and his family have done a good job in this project. Pray for their continued commitment and God's blessings upon this work.

Thank you for your patience with me in this capacity and for your cooperation in, and support of Missions. The financial report below gives an idea of where we are financially and how our mission funds have been used in the last six months.

Pray for wisdom to know what God wants and for courage to enter where He opens the doors.

—James Hoffmann, Assistant Director of Missions BMAMO

BMA of Missouri State Missions Midyear Financial Report October 2015 – March 2016

Balance: October 1, 2015	\$ 138,415.29
Receipts:	<u>13,432.26</u>
Total Available:	\$ 151,847.55
Disbursements	<u>32,202.50</u>
Balance: March 31, 2015	\$ 119,645.05

Income by Month

October	\$ 2,596.57
November	1,370.22
December	2,090.74
January	2,424.07
February	3,169.10
March	<u>1,775.56</u>
Total	\$ 13,432.26

Expenses by Category

Assistant Director	\$ 3,150.00
Northlake (designated)	90.00
Camp Garwood	22,762.50
Missouri Miss. Baptist	5,000.00
Web Manager	1,200.00
Total	\$ 32,202.50

Missionary Committee Meeting

Stony Point, May 21, 2016

Moderator: Bro. Wayne Gibson

Committeemen Present: 16

Opening Prayer: Bro. Perry Womble

Assistant Director Bro. Jim Hoffman gave mid-year Missions and financial report. M&S Adopt report; Carried.

Special Missions Committee Report was given by Bro. Brian Meade. M&S to adopt the report; Carried.

Bro. Ben Kingston spoke to the need of greater cooperation between pastors and churches.

Bro. Tom McCanless told of his being led by the Holy Spirit to help our churches to self diagnose the problems causing our churches to die even if slowly. He is available to any church desiring his help.

M&S to adjourn; Carried.

— *Jerry Adams, Clerk*

Special Missions Committee

April 12, 2016

Special Missions Committee met at Perryville, MO.

In attendance were, Bro. James Hoffmann, Bro. Jerry Adams, Bro. Dale Fish, Bro. Wayne Gibson, Bro. Ben Kingston, Bro. Tom McCanless, Bro. Brian Meade.

Meeting opened in prayer by Bro. Ben Kingston.

Bro. Hoffmann gave the Midyear Financial Report for the BMA of Missouri.

Bro. Tom McCanless shared his desire to reach out to churches to help in church health.

Adjourn and dismissed in prayer by Bro. Jerry Adams.

— *Brian Meade, Clerk*

May 21, 2016

Special Missions Committee polled and agreed to pay \$400 to Bro. Jeff Swart for preaching on 5-20-16 and 5-21-16 and also paying all expenses.

— *Brian Meade, Clerk*

Missouri Missionary Baptist

Editor's Midyear Report

The *Missouri Missionary Baptist Paper* has had a good first half of the 2015-2016 associational year. Special thanks to the association for giving a \$5,000 grant to keep the paper financially solvent last October. Thanks also to all those reporters and department

leaders who have contributed material and reports to be published. Your contributions of material certainly help the editor fill the paper with useful information about our churches in the BMA of Missouri.

I appreciate the Special Missions Committee selecting the Missouri Missionary Baptist for the goal for our Mission Symposium offering. With this “extra” income we should be able to end this Associational year with a workable balance.

Let me remind you that the greatest way your church can help the finances of this ministry is to give regular, monthly offerings all year long. Special offerings are nice but we cannot depend on them alone. Thanks to those churches who have started giving regular offerings this year and to those who have increased their offerings.

If you have any suggestions to help make this a more effective ministry for our churches please let me know and your editor and publications committee will consider your ideas for future changes.

Thanks for your prayers and support. Please keep up the good work!

— James Hoffmann, Editor

Missouri Missionary Baptist Midyear Financial Report October 2015 - March 2016

Balance: October 1, 2015	\$ 107.62
Receipts	<u>12,903.27</u>
Total Available	\$ 13,010.89
Disbursements	<u>10,576.21</u>
Balance: March 31, 2016.	\$ 2,434.68

Income by Month

October 2015	\$ 1,026.01
November 2015.	5,970.13
December 2015.	1,366.28
January 2016.	1,996.44
February 2016.	1,200.58
March 2016	<u>1,343.83</u>
Total (6 months).	\$ 12,903.27

Expenses by Category

Printing	\$ 1,110.00
Editor.	5,600.00
Mailer.	999.00
Postage	2,068.24
Internet	322.92
Supplies.	<u>476.05</u>
Total (6 months).	\$ 10,576.21

Camp Garwood Midyear Report

Well...At this point we have 9 weeks (64 days) until camp. It’s hard to understand how fast this year is passing.

As you are aware bunk space has been at a premium the past few years. We are working on a new girls’ dorm but at this point it’s uncertain how far it will be by

camp week. Our special emphasis for the dorm raised \$14,783.00. And we were able to add \$10,000.00 spent on the tabernacle that the State reimbursed to camp, giving us \$24,783.00 to begin the new dorm.

We expect the dozer to begin clearing and leveling land in the next couple weeks. He is also going to clear a trail around the camp's perimeter. The surveyor put stakes every 100 yards but that's not frequent enough for the dozer operator to see as he clears the path. We are currently marking the perimeter with fence posts every 30'. We've made it halfway around and are hoping to complete that this weekend.

Having the land surveyed has given us more property on three sides, while we lost about 12' on one side. Gaining ground has allowed us to build the new girls' dorm just above the existing dorms, keeping all the girls' dorms in the same area.

On July 13-14 camp will once again host the GMA retreat. Whether you have a GMA program or not, this is always a great opportunity for young ladies. The guest speaker will be last year's Miss GMA.

Camp this year is July 25-29. Our theme Fruits of the Spirit is from Galatians 5:22-23. The Harper family will once again lead our worship services with Bro. Steven Carroll preaching the word.

We have here today the camp registration packets. Please be sure to take one back to your church. We are asking each church to register by June 19th. Please take the time to carefully read the letter in the packet. It explains in detail how camp registration will work this year. In the packet you will also find the schedule, rules, participation agreement, child protection policy, T-shirt order form, and menu.

I'm looking forward to camp and hope you are too.

By vote of the Camp Committee, we recommend the addition of Sis. Laura Polk to the Camp banking account for the purpose of efficiency.

Camp Garwood Committee Minutes

November 9, 2015

Met at Grecian Steakhouse Sikeston Mo.

Attending: Chris and Laura Polk, Dan and Pam Wisely, Lucas Polk, Brian Whitlock, Matt Bolen, and Joe McElroy

Nominated Lucas Polk committee chairman. M/S Carried

Clerk, Jason Taylor. M/S Carried

Nominate Dan Wisely training youth

Discussion about Chad Stevens, going to wait; not coming this year

Steven Carroll, calling him to come; possibly Jim Tollison Jr.

March 6th Fund Raiser Promote 30k Goal

Discussed cabins, building for around \$8k/cabin

Bro. Dan motion to adjourn, Lucas second. Bro. Dan dismissed in prayer.

February 1, 2016

Held at Matthews Baptist Church

Attending: Chris and Laura Polk, Joe McElroy, Lucas Polk, Matt Bolen, Dan Wisely, and Jason Taylor

Dan Wisely led opening prayer

Discussion of new dorms

Discussion of knocker balls

Camp theme: Galatians 5:22-23, Fruits of the Spirit. M/S carried on theme.

Harpers doing music
 Discussed seeing if all teachers agree to teach again
 Things to do for camp this year: clear path around perimeter and mark boundaries
 Sound will be done by David Payne. M/S carried

Brotherhood Midyear Report May 21, 2016

At the Annual Meeting of the BMA of America I had the opportunity to discuss our program with one of the leaders of the National Brotherhood. I came away encouraged that while we operate differently our goals are similar. Both focus on Christian fellowship, biblical leadership education, and mentoring.

Our 5TH Annual Spring Men’s Retreat was May 13 and 14, 2016. There were twenty present. Bro. Lucas Polk did a great job preparing the meals, which included fried fish and alligator. Bro. Roy Callahan was our speaker Friday evening. He did a wonderful job speaking on the subject of “Hope.” Bro. Joey Duckworth provided a great devotional at breakfast. The young men competed in a “turkey shoot” using 22 rifles and shooting at targets. The older men competed in skeet shooting with shotguns with the best shooter winning a turkey.

We would like to encourage the men of our churches to make plans to attend our Sixth Annual Fall Retreat. The date will be announced in the Missouri Baptist Paper.

We do not charge to attend the Spring or Fall retreats. Therefore, we encourage our churches to include BMA of Missouri Brotherhood in your church budget.

– Dennis Baker, President

Brotherhood Midyear Financial Report May 21, 2016

Balance brought forward	\$	347.09
Deposits		
Olhman	\$	31.00
State Brotherhood offering		22.00
Spring Retreat 2016		65.00
Offering from Washington Co. Dist. Assoc.		<u>89.00</u>
Balance		<u>207.00</u>
Total Funds	\$	554.09
Withdrawals		
<i>None at the time. There will be a check for the food at the Spring Retreat in the amount of \$300.00.</i>		
New Balance (as of 5/21/2016)	\$	347.09

Kenneth E. Gibson Seminary Student Grant Fund Mid-Year Summary and Financial Report October 2015-March 2016

We continue to help BMA of Missouri preachers further their education at the BMA of America Theological Seminary. This past January we paid for the tuition, books and other expenses for Bro. Charles Michael to enroll in the Masters in

Motion Program. We have also had one inquiry from a pastor who has already been involved in this program and is interested in finishing what he has started. We have encouraged him to continue and should be hearing from him soon.

We encourage BMA of Missouri preachers to inquire about help in taking courses at our seminary. There is help available for on campus and correspondence courses. Please contact me if you have any questions about what is available.

Balance: October 1, 2015	\$ 19,668.70
Receipts: (Interest on CD)	<u>41.20</u>
Total Available:	\$ 19,709.90
Disbursements	
Charles Michael Grant.	<u>1,605.00</u>
Balance: March 31, 2015	\$ 18,104.90

— James Hoffmann, Treasurer

Missouri Missionary Baptist Loan Program Semi-Annual Report

May 21, 2016

It is a blessing to report that the operational guidelines adopted by the association a few years ago are starting to help our churches with their financial needs.

Since the operational guidelines were adopted we have been able to help Camp Garwood with a cash flow issue and this past summer we were able to provide a grant to Bethesda Landmark Missionary Baptist Church for replacement of their furnace.

Presently we are working with Mount Olive Baptist Church of Salem to transfer 50% ownership of their buildings and property to the Loan Committee of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri. The membership of the Mount Olive Baptist Church is few in number and the transfer will provide security so that the property cannot be sold without the agreement of the Loan Committee.

We are thankful for the churches that support financially. Your support is helping BMA of Missouri churches with their financial needs.

— Dennis Baker, President

Loan Association Committee Minutes

April 2, 2016

The Missouri Missionary Baptist Loan Association met on April 2, 2016, at Ponderosa Steak House in Perryville, MO. Those present were Dennis Baker, Don Adams, Brian Whitlock, Wayne Gibson, David Griggs and James Hoffmann.

We voted unanimously to accept from Mt. Olive Missionary Baptist Church of Salem their offer of half their property. This will protect their property so no one can come in and take it from them.

Motion that we authorize our Loan Association treasure to transfer \$10,000 to the Grant Fund from the General Fund.

— Don Adams, Clerk

Clerk's Note: The Loan Association's midyear financial report is included as part of their annual financial report found later in this book.

ALIVE Ministries Committee Minutes

April 4, 2016

The ALIVE Committee met at Imo's in Festus. Committeemen attending were Jim Ainley, Dan Wisely, Brad Banderman, and Don Burke.

Officers for the coming year were elected as follows:

- ❖ Brad Banderman, Chairman
- ❖ Jim Ainley, Assistant Chairman
- ❖ Don Burke, Clerk and Treasurer

December 29-31 was chosen as the date for the 2016 conference, which we will attempt to again book at the Doubletree Hotel in Chesterfield.

— *Chairman: Brad Banderman; Clerk: Don Burke*

Alive Treasurer's Midyear Report

October 1, 2015 – May 1, 2016

Beginning Balance	\$ 4,625.90
Funds Received	
Conference Registration	\$ 14,181.00
Total Funds Received	\$ 14,181.00
Funds Available	\$ 18,806.90
Expenses	
Sports Fusion	2,600.00
Michael Treat	1,543.00
Panic Squad	3,000.00
Sandy Fitzwater	200.00
John O'Hanlon	200.00
Adam Cook	287.91
Klinton Silvey	200.00
Jim and Jessica Ainley	496.08
David Payne	635.54
Joshua Corbett (domain name)	45.00
Panic Squad	254.28
Bethel, St. Clair (projector)	319.99
Legacy Screenprinting	2,434.03
DoubleTree	1,185.07
Imo's (committee meeting)	42.96
Total Expenses	\$ 13,443.86
Ending Balance	\$ 5,363.04

Recording Secretary's Midyear Report*

October 1, 2015 – May 10, 2016

Beginning Balance	\$ 1,229.17
Funds Received	
Minute Fund Offerings	\$ 2,605.00
Total Received	\$ 2,605.00
Funds Available	\$ 3,834.17

Expenses

Don Burke (clerk hire)	1,250.00	
Trumpet Printing (minutes).....	<u>1,380.00</u>	
Total Expenses		\$ <u>2,630.00</u>
Ending Balance (April 30)		\$ 1,204.17

* *Corrected*

Proceedings of the Eighty-Ninth Annual Meeting of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri

Convened at

Bethel Baptist Church, Sikeston, Missouri

Saturday, October 22, 2016 - 9:00 AM

Brian Meade, Moderator • Don Burke, Clerk

Morning Session

1. Pastor Jerry Adams welcomed the Association to Bethel Baptist Church and offered the opening prayer.
2. After an opening song Bro. Terry Sharp shared a devotional thought on *Where are the Elijahs of Today?*, taken from 2Kings 2:14.
3. Moderator Brian Meade called the 89th annual meeting of the MO State Association to order.
4. The preliminary report from the enrollment committee: 27 total church letters received, with 18 churches represented by letter; \$1,520 minute fund; and no petitionary letter. M/S/P to adopt and messengers be seated. (*Due to oversight of the Recording Secretary, the total church letters should have been 31, with \$1,920 received for Minute Fund at this point.*)
5. Moderator called for any proposed constitutional changes. None were offered.
6. An oral Alive report was given by Bro. Brad Banderman. M/S/P to approve and to have written reports (minutes & financials) to be included in the Minute book.
7. Bro. Dennis Baker gave the State Brotherhood reports. M/P/S to adopt.
8. M/P/S for Bro. Don Burke reelected to the Alive Committee (term ending 2020) and Bro. Joey Duckworth to fill vacant term ending 2018.
9. The WMA report was given by Sis. Bea Evans. M/S/P to adopt.
10. Bro. David Watkins, field representative for the national departments of the BMAA, gave an overview of the ministries of the various departments of the national work. Bro. Jerry Adams offered a prayer asking the Lord's blessings on the various ministries of the BMAA.
11. A petitionary letter was received from Loyalty Missionary Baptist Church from Sparta. M/S/P to receive the church into Association membership and seat its messengers. Bro. David Griggs welcomed Loyalty pastor Tom Foster, Jr. on behalf of the Association.
12. The Loan Association reports were presented, including the following recommendations:
 - Move CD from US Bank
 - Bro. Matt Bolen replace Bro. Wayne Gibson.
13. Call for division of recommendations for separate vote. M/S/P to receive reports.
14. M/S/P to authorize the move of the US Bank CD to another bank.
15. Bro. Matt Bolen approved as committeeman.
16. Bro. Jim Hoffmann gave the Kenneth E. Gibson Seminary Student Grant Fund report. M/S/P to accept report.
17. Bro. Hoffmann presented the *Missouri Missionary Baptist* editor's reports.
18. Publication Committee recommendations:
 - Reelect Bro. Jim Hoffmann editor;
 - Reelect Bro. Don Burke assistant editor;

- Retain the editor's salary at \$800 per month, with half of that amount designated as business expenses;
 - Give a Christmas gift of a month's salary to the editor.
19. M/S/P to adopt report and approve recommendations.
 20. M/S/P to reelect Bro. Jim Ford to the Publication Committee, term to expire 2019.
 21. Garwood Encampment reports were shared by Bro. Chris Polk, including the following recommendations:
 - Bro. Brain Whitlock fill Lucas Polk's position on the committee, term ending 2017;
 - Bro. Matt Baker serve as new committee member, term ending 2021.
 M/S/P to approve reports including recommendations.
 22. M/S/P to retain Bro. Chris Polk as Camp Director, and Bro. Matt Bolen as Assistant Director.
 23. Bro. Dale Fish elected as President of the Association
 24. Bro. Claude Evans elected as Vice President.
 25. M/S/P to allow the clerk to include his annual reports in printed Annual Minutes.
 26. M/S/P to adjourn for morning worship, noon meal, and Missionary Committee.
 27. Bro. Wayne Gibson preached the annual sermon, taken from Luke 2:8-11 on the subject of *The Need for the Gift of Worship*.
 28. The moderator requested that Bro. Tom McCanless express appreciation to Bros. Terry Sharp and Wayne Gibson for the devotional and sermon of the day.

Afternoon Session

29. The State Association was called back into session following the Missionary Committee meeting.
30. M/S/P to accept Missionary Committee reports, including the following recommendations:
 1. That Bro. Dan Wisely stand as nominee to complete the term of Bro. Tom McCanless (ending 2021) on the Special Missions Committee;
 2. That Bro. Dale Fish stand as nominee to succeed himself on the Special Missions Committee, term ending 2023;
 3. That Bro. Russell Chitwood stand as nominee to complete the term of Bro. Wayne Gibson (ending 2017);
 4. That Bro. Jim Hoffmann stand as a nominee as Assistant Director of Missions, with pay set at \$500 per month, with half of salary designated as housing allowance;
 5. That we give Bro. Jim Hoffmann a Christmas love offering of \$500;
 6. That Bro. Ben Kingston be elected as director over the Retreat for BMA of Missouri Renewal.
31. M/S/P to hold the 2017 Annual Meeting at Camp Garwood.
32. M/S/P to go to Landmark, DeSoto for the Mid-Year Meeting.
33. M/S/P to keep clerk hire at \$1,250 and allow clerk to determine number of 2016 Minute books to be printed.
34. Bro. Tom McCanless presented the Resolutions Committee report, which included a rising vote of appreciation to the host church and pastor. M/S/P to adopt.

- 35. Moderator called for any miscellaneous business, but there was none.
- 36. Final Enrollment Report: 28 total church letters; 19 represented by messenger; Minute fund received \$1,820. *(Clerk's note: Due to an oversight by the Recording Secretary, the total church letters should have been 32, and Minute Fund receipts \$2,200)*
- 37. Appointed to the 2017 Resolutions Committee: Bros. David Griggs, Chris Polk, and Tom Foster, Jr.
- 38. Appointed to the 2017 Enrollment and Finance Committee: Bros. Russell Chitwood, Leonard Knight, Brad Banderman.
- 39. Moderator Brian Meade turned the gavel over to incoming moderator Bro. Dale Fish.
- 40. M/S/P to adjourn.

BMA of Missouri
Assistant Missions Director Annual Report 2016

Thanks to all those who continue to support BMA of Missouri Missions even though we do not have an active mission project at this time. Your contributions help us keep the books and documents for this department up-to-date by paying the salary of the Assistant Director and other operating expenses. The surplus is being held to use in future church plants and other mission projects. We helped finance the renovation of the Tabernacle at Camp Garwood and gave a special offering to the Missouri Missionary Baptist paper during this past year. These offerings help our work in general.

It has been my privilege to fill the pulpit for various churches without pastors and for a few churches when their pastor was away for a few days. It is always good to meet new people and be reacquainted with some we haven't seen in quite a while. When I fill the pulpits I take time to remind everyone about the work of Missions in Missouri and also the work of the Missouri Missionary Baptist Paper and the Kenneth E. Gibson Seminary Grant Fund. I do not charge any department for these trips as most of the time the love offerings received pay the expenses.

The Special Missions Committee met October 6, 2016 and I assure you that our priority is still on planting new churches, but we also are concerned with revitalizing our existing churches across Missouri. The committee has some recommendations concerning this which you will hear in a few minutes along with their whole report. I appreciate working with these men and am thankful for their attitude toward the work of the Lord and their desire to help the work grow.

It is a privilege to serve the Lord by serving His churches.

— James Hoffmann, Assistant Director

BMA of Missouri Missions Department Offerings
October 1, 2015 – September 30, 2016

Balance, October 1	\$ 138,415.29
 Income	
Amity, Doniphan	\$ 542.15
Baptist Tabernacle, Searcy, AR	58.38

Bethel, Lonedell.	4,117.00	
Bethel, Sikeston	2,668.30	
Bethlehem, Doniphan	300.00	
First, Potosi	300.00	
Grandview, Springfield	4,163.00	
Kewanee, Kewanee	4,700.00	
Landmark, Desoto	2,331.74	
Lindsay Lane, Florrisant	295.58	
Lower Doe Run, Ellington	575.34	
Mt. Carmel, Ellsinore	590.56	
New Testament, Sullivan	3,070.00	
Oak Hill, Alton	479.06	
Oak Ridge, Cassville	1,137.00	
Ozark Heights, Potosi	616.00	
Pleasant Grove, Caledonia	60.00	
Stony Point, Mineral Point	1,820.82	
Temple, Belgrade	1,200.00	
Zalma, Zalma	1,779.58	
Zion, St. Louis	<u>540.00</u>	
Total Received		\$ <u>31,344.51</u>
Total Available		\$ <u>169,759.80</u>
Expenses		
Assistant Director		
Salary	\$ 5,400.00	
Expenses.	480.16	
Christmas Bonus.	450.00	
Office Expenses	881.95	
Fees	21.25	
Advisory Committee Expenses	829.26	
Camp Garwood	22,762.50	
Missouri Missionary Baptist.	5,000.00	
Web Master	1,200.00	
Symposium Speaker	907.27	
North Lake Designated Funds.	<u>90.00</u>	
Total Expenses		\$ <u>6,330.16</u>
Checking Account Balance, September 30, 2016.		\$ <u>163,429.64</u>
Savings Account Balance, September 30, 2016		\$ <u>1,100.30</u>
Total in all Funds		\$ <u>132,837.71</u>

As of September 30, 2016 these funds are accounted for as follows:
BMA of MO checking account and savings account in Bank of America,
Wentzville, MO

Missionary Committee Meeting

October 22, 2016

The Missionary Committee met at Bethel Baptist Church during regular Association annual meeting. Nineteen Committeemen were present.

Bro. Ben Kingston presented the Renewal Proposal for the 2017 BMA State MO Pastors' Meeting.

Election of officers:

- Moderator - Bro. Brian Meade
- Assistant Moderator - Bro. Dennis Baker
- Clerk - Bro. Ray Thurman
- Assistant Clerk - Bro. Terry Sharpe

Bro. Brian Meade gave the Special Missions Committee report, which included the following recommendations:

1. That Bro. Dan Wisely stand as nominee to complete the term of Bro. Tom McCanless (ending 2021) on the Special Missions Committee;
2. That Bro. Dale Fish stand as nominee to succeed himself on the Special Missions Committee, term ending 2023;
3. That Bro. Russell Chitwood stand as nominee to complete the term of Bro. Wayne Gibson (ending 2017);
4. That Bro. Jim Hoffmann stand as a nominee as Assistant Director of Missions, with pay set at \$500 per month, with half of salary designated as housing allowance;
5. That we give Bro. Jim Hoffmann a Christmas love offering of \$500;
6. That Bro. Ben Kingston be elected as director over the Retreat for BMA of Missouri Renewal.

M&S to approve; Carried.

Bro. James Hoffman gave the Assistant Director's Report. M&S to approve; Carried.

M&S to adjourn; Carried.

—Wayne Gibson moderator; Jerry Adams, clerk

Special Missions Committee Minutes

October 6, 2016

Special Missions Committee met at Perryville, MO on October 6th, 2016. In attendance were, Bro. Wayne Gibson, Bro. Jerry Adams, Bro. Dale Fish, Bro. Ben Kingston, Bro. Jim Hoffman, Bro. Brian Meade.

We were called to order by our Chairman Bro. Wayne Gibson

The meeting was opened with prayer lead by Bro. Dale Fish.

Motion/2nd to accept the BMA of Missouri Missions Department Annual Finance Report. Approved.

Recommendations approved to present to the Annual Association Meeting:

1. Bro. Dan Wisely stand as a nominee to complete Bro. Tom McCanless term ending 2021.
 2. Bro. Dale Fish stand as a nominee to succeed himself serving term ending 2023.
 3. Bro. Russell Chitwood stand as a nominee to finish Bro. Wayne Gibson's term ending 2017.
 4. Bro. Jim Hoffmann continue as Assistant Missions Director with pay set at \$500/month, with half of salary designated as housing allowance.
 5. We give Bro. Jim Hoffmann a Christmas love offering of \$500.
 6. Bro. Ben Kingston be director over the retreat for BMA of Missouri Renewal.
- Motion/2nd to adjourn. Approved.

—Chairman: Wayne Gibson, Clerk: Brian Meade

Missouri Missionary Baptist Editor's Annual Report 2016

This has been an encouraging year for the work of the *Missouri Missionary Baptist?*

It was encouraging to hear complimentary remarks! It is always nice to know that the work of our Association is reaching out to others. There have been many good remarks about this publication this past year. Some expressed through notes or cards and some expressed in person. My wife and I were talking to a couple of ladies just recently and one of them said she really enjoyed getting the paper and always read it through right after she receives it. The other lady, who had seen the paper at this friend's house, said she would like to receive it herself because she had read it at this lady's house. Thanks for expressing your appreciation whenever and however you chose to do it! This helps us know we need to keep printing the Missouri Missionary Baptist.

It was encouraging to reach our Special Emphasis Goal! Even though we had to "extend" the deadline we did reach our Goal of \$5,000 this year!

It was encouraging having three different Associations in our state support the paper with special offerings! This year the **BMA of Missouri** gave \$5,000; the **BMA of Southwest Missouri** gave \$250; and the **Meramec Association** gave \$1,200. All these help tremendously!

It was encouraging to have a printer and a mailer that help us a lot! The Arcade Printing Company and All MAIL USA Inc. keep our cost to a minimum and work hard to get the paper printed and mailed in a timely manner. They are great to work with!

It was encouraging to finish the year with a comfortable balance in our bank account! This certainly doesn't mean we can "let up" but it is encouraging to know we do not have to worry if we will be able to pay the bills each month!

It is encouraging to be able to stand before you and give this report! I appreciate your prayers and concern for my wellbeing as I have had some physical problems this year. God has blessed both my wife and myself and we appreciate your support. Thanks for your support, trust and encouragement!

— James Hoffmann, Editor

Missouri Missionary Baptist Annual Financial Report October 1, 2015 - September 30, 2016

	2014/2015	2015/2016	2015/2016
	Itemized	Itemized	Total
Balance, October 1	\$1,611.44	\$1,149.77 \$1,149.77
Income			
Amity	360.00 360.00	
Antioch, Ellington	50.00 250.00	
Bethany	484.64 609.59	
Bethel, Sikeston	120.00 300.00	
Bethesda	258.32 283.45	
Bethlehem	720.00 720.00	

Black River	0.00	150.00	
Briar	300.00	250.00	
Charity, Columbia	240.00	240.00	
Emmanuel, St. Louis	0.00	40.00	
Fellowship, Potosi	100.00	150.00	
First, Matthews	100.00	250.00	
Friendship, St. Clair	0.00	350.00	
Friendship, Harviell	245.00	300.00	
Kewanee	2,400.00	2,900.00	
Landmark	600.00	700.00	
Lower Doe Run	180.00	150.00	
Mt. Carmel	100.00	100.00	
Mt. Olive	1,180.00	960.00	
Mr. Zion, Poplar Bluff	0.00	250.00	
Naylor	0.00	35.26	
New Testament	1,502.00	1,536.00	
Oak Hill	1,200.00	1,200.00	
Ohlman	600.00	1,150.00	
Ozark Heights	165.00	405.00	
Pleasant Grove	0.00	240.00	
Providence	120.00	120.00	
Springdale	480.00	280.00	
Springhill	60.00	0.00	
Stony Point	560.05	924.23	
Temple	1,200.00	1,300.00	
Westview	0.00	100.00	
Zalma	309.78	391.24	
Zion	1,040.00	1,040.00	
Meramec Association	0.00	1,200.00	
State WMA	584.66	0.00	
State GMA	0.00	101.37	
Landmark, DeSoto WMA	180.00	195.00	
BMA of SW MO	0.00	250.00	
BMA of Missouri	0.00	5,000.00	
BMA of St. Louis	0.00	155.25	
Gifts & Subscriptions	<u>1,935.00</u>	<u>1,135.00</u>	
Total Received	<u>17,374.45</u>	<u>26,071.39</u>	<u>26,071.39</u>
Total Available	\$ 19,070.43		\$ 27,221.16
Expenses			
Printing	\$2,220.00	\$2,220.00	
Postage	4,103.65	4,030.23	
Editor, Salary	9,600.00	10,400.00	
Internet Service	529.94	532.92	
Supplies	513.41	1,093.36	
All Mail Mailing Service	<u>1,995.81</u>	<u>1,919.30</u>	
Total Expenses:	<u>18,962.81</u>	<u>20,195.81</u>	<u>20,195.81</u>
Balance, September 30, 2016	.\$ 107.62		.\$ 7,025.35

As of September 30, 2016 these funds are in:

Commerce Bank Checking Account, Wentzville, MO

Camp Garwood Annual Report 2016

Church	General	Food	Insurance	Canteen	Paintball	Shed	Tabernacle	Dorm	Total
Receipts									
ABUNDANT LIFE IN CHRIST	484.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	484.00
AMITY	100.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.00
ANTIOCH(ELLINGTON)	150.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	150.00
ANTIOCH(OXLY)	603.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	603.00
BATES CREEK	100.34	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.34
BETHANY	944.94	576.61	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,521.55
BETHEL (SIKESTON)	8,140.89	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,210.00	10,350.89
BETHESDA	120.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	120.00
BETHLEHEM	-	100.00	-	-	-	-	-	250.00	350.00
BLACK CREEK	618.94	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	618.94
BLACK RIVER	1,500.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	200.00	1,700.00
BMA OF MO	-	-	-	-	-	-	22,762.50	-	22,762.50
BMA OF SOUTHEAST MISSOURI	3,300.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,300.00
BRETTON CREEK	100.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.00
CANE CREEK	3,206.12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,206.12
CANE CREEK DIST WMA	832.60	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.00	932.60
CANE CREEK YIH	325.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	325.00
DEW (Dollar Each Week)	4,150.65	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,150.65
EMMANUEL (SIKESTON)	175.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	175.00
FAITH(ST CHARLES)	350.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	350.00
FIRST ALTON	530.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	530.00
FIRST MATTHEWS	2,775.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,696.00	4,471.00
FIRST MATTHEWS GMA	101.37	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	101.37
FIRST MATTHEWS WMA	100.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.00
FIRST POTOSI	40.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40.00
FRIENDSHIP (HARVIELL)	651.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	651.00
FRIENDSHIP(HARVIELL) WMA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	43.48	43.48
KEWANEE	5,700.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,500.00	13,200.00

Church	General	Food	Insurance	Canteen	Paintball	Shed	Tabernacle	Dorm	Total
LANDMARK	100.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.00
LOGAN CREEK BMA ASSOCIATION	550.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	550.00
LOGAN CREEK YIH	50.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	50.00
LOWER DOE RUN	909.91	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	909.91
LOYALTY	2,550.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,550.00
MT OLIVE	500.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	500.00	1,000.00
MT ZION (PB)	42.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	150.00	192.00
NEW MADRID BAPTIST	50.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	50.00
OAK HILL	979.06	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	979.06
OHLMAN	1,680.00	600.00	-	-	-	-	-	308.00	3,188.00
PROVIDENCE	300.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	500.00	800.00
SEMO DIST WMA	250.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	250.00
SPRINGDALE (FENTON)	450.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	450.00
STONY POINT	571.23	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,069.00	1,640.23
TEMPLE	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	300.00	300.00
TWIN OAKS	744.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	744.00
WASHINGTON CO ASSOC	10,000.00	600.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	10,600.00
ZALMA	331.04	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	331.04
ZION	1,469.00	96.00	-	-	-	-	-	250.00	1,815.00
INTEREST CHECK ACCT	1.30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.30
CASH	165.00	40.00	-	5,173.44	695.00	-	-	691.60	6,765.04
PROTECT MY MINISTRY	30.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30.00
BROTHERHOOD MUTUAL	-	-	349.00	-	-	-	-	-	349.00
INDIVIDUAL DONATIONS	585.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	585.00
SHELIA POLK	176.50	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	176.50
KAREN MAGEE	1,187.50	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,187.50
TIM AND CHERYL SON	100.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.00
WESCO TRAILER MFG	7,000.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,000.00
CHARLESTON BAPTIST ASSOC	-	-	-	-	300.00	-	-	-	300.00
TRANSFER FROM GENERAL FUND	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10,000.00	10,000.00
TOTAL RECEIVED	65,870.39	2,012.61	949.00	5,173.44	995.00	-	22,762.50	25,768.08	123,531.02

Church	General	Food	Insurance	Canteen	Paintball	Shed	Tabernacle	Dorm	Total
Disbursements									
OZARK BORDER ELEEC COOP	6,310.17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6,310.17
ELLINGTON TELEPHONE CO	357.89	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	357.89
EXCEL (LONG DISTANCE)	170.99	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	170.99
CHRIS POLK (MILES)	3,536.54	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,536.54
CHRIS POLK (COMPENSATION)	3,600.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,600.00
POSTMASTER (STAMPS)	122.15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	122.15
ACADEMY	434.95	-	-	-	690.19	-	-	-	1,125.14
AIR EVAC LIFETEAM	350.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	350.00
DAVID PAYNE (SOUND)	500.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	500.00
AMAZON.COM	2,577.51	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,577.51
BECKY CATE (OUT OF POCKET	1,078.66	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,078.66
STEVEN CARROLL (EVANGELIST)	875.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	875.00
BUCHHEITS	220.96	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	220.96
CANEDY SIGN	1,590.33	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,590.33
COLYOTT'S	720.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	720.00
CRAFTON FARM & HOME	722.92	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	722.92
CREACH'S	148.49	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	148.49
CURRENT RIVER EXPRESS	28.68	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	28.68
DECOTA ELECTRIC	71.64	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	71.64
DGA	30.66	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30.66
DK AUTO & TRAILER SALES (MOWER)	4,250.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,250.00
DUIS SALES CENTER	781.47	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	781.47
GRECIAN STEAKHOUSE	162.59	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	162.59
HARLAND CLARKE (CHECKS)	24.58	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24.58
HARPER'S (MUSIC)	700.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	700.00
KNOCKERBALL.COM	638.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	638.00
LOVES	169.56	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	169.56
LOWES	1,315.08	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,315.08
MCELROY CONSTRUCTION	-	-	-	-	-	-	23,500.00	-	23,500.00
MENARD'S	668.84	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	668.84
MIDAMERICA OUTDOOR	279.19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	279.19
MIKERENTALS	1,547.80	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,547.80
MFA OIL	63.59	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	63.59
MOLL PRINTING	130.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	130.00
MORLEY BUILDING SUPPLY	6,143.13	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6,143.13

Church	General	Food	Insurance	Canteen	Paintball	Shed	Tabernacle	Dorm	Total
PROTECT MY MINISTRY	1,715.50	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,715.50
QUICK TROPHY.COM	58.76	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	58.76
REMEMBERBAND	475.93	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	475.93
SAM'S	100.00	-	-	1,723.74	-	-	-	-	1,823.74
SIMMONS	116.09	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	116.09
UPS STORE	212.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	212.00
WAL-MART	156.13	-	-	66.93	-	-	-	-	223.06
CAJUNGROCER.COM	-	126.87	-	-	-	-	-	-	126.87
COOK HELP	-	250.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	250.00
BO'S BBQ	-	207.50	-	-	-	-	-	-	207.50
Church	General	Food	Insurance	Canteen	Paintball	Shed	Tabernacle	Dorm	Total
JOHNSON'S	-	808.37	-	-	-	-	808.37	-	808.37
SAMS	-	91.12	-	-	-	-	-	-	91.12
SIKESTON RESTAURANT EQUIPMENT	2,072.79	-	-	1,356.63	-	-	-	-	3,429.42
RICK GARZA	-	400.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	400.00
RICK GARZA(REIMBURSEMENT)	-	205.92	-	-	-	-	-	-	205.92
KATE ADAMS(REIMBURSEMENT)	-	25.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	25.00
US FOOD SERVICE	-	7,889.15	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,889.15
BREWER'S ICE CO	-	-	-	90.00	-	-	-	-	90.00
SGL-	-	-	1,736.50	-	-	-	-	1,736.50	-
BROTHERHOOD MUTUAL	-	-	7,837.53	-	-	-	-	-	7,837.53
KEVIN'S PLACE(Bunk Beds)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,000.00	2,000.00
TRANSFER FROM GENERAL FUND	10,000.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10,000.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS:	55,228.57	10,003.93	7,837.53	4,973.80	690.19	-	23,500.00	2,000.00	78,734.02
BALANCE FORWARD	9,197.61	-	-	-	-	1,650.00	737.50	-	11,585.11
TOTAL RECEIVED	65,870.39	2,012.61	949.00	5,173.44	995.00	-	22,762.50	25,768.08	123,531.02
DISBURSEMENTS	55,228.57	10,003.93	7,837.53	4,973.80	690.19	-	23,500.00	2,000.00	104,234.02
BALANCE ON HAND	19,839.43	(7,991.32)	(6,888.53)	199.64	304.81	1,650.00	-	23,768.08	30,882.11
TRANSFER TO GENERAL FUND	(14,375.40)	7,991.32	6,888.53	(199.64)	(304.81)	-	-	-	(0.00)
ENDING BALANCE	5,464.03	-	-	(0.00)	-	1,650.00	-	23,768.08	30,882.11

Camp Garwood Annual Report

Our 2016 camp saw 347 campers; 118 adults, 30 teen boys, 55 teen girls, 38 10-12 yr old boys, 31 10-12 yr old girls, 16 8-9 yr olds, 17 6-7 yr olds. Best I could tell we had between 10-15 professions. And a couple that I know of made decisions to serve the Lord in specific areas of ministry.

Here are some other numbers that may interest you about camp week. We ate \$7,889.15 of food and burnt \$1,200 worth of electricity. Camp has 330 bunks, we filled 288 of them. Of the 42 empty bunks only 12 were scattered in the girls' dorms. Camp has 21 RV hookups and we used 17 of them.

Here are yet more numbers to ponder: Camp has 9 buildings, 14 A/C units, 3 water wells, 6 septic systems, 7 electric water heaters, 3 LP water heaters, 33 toilets, and 32 showers.

We have plans to add 1 building and two new septic systems this year, along with more RV site improvements and some general grounds improvements. We are currently waiting on the dozer to clear and level the land for the building.

We've made some changes over the past couple years, changes that haven't been easy: the Child Protection policy and the registration process and most recently, the pre-registration process. Change is never easy, but I think we have done well at making these necessary changes – necessary because our society has morally de-railed, and sin abounds. There were a couple issues at camp this year that proved the benefits of these changes. In one of those incidents, we had a DFS representative come to camp looking for a child. Because of our check in process the worker was stopped at the gate while we did the search. Because of our registration process we were able to determine the child was not at camp. We verified that by seeking out pastors from the area the girl was reported to live. We were the second camp stop for the DFS worker in search of the child. To say the DFS worker was impressed with our system is an understatement. On another instance a family member without permission came in search of a child. If we did not have the check in station operating they would have had free reign around camp searching for the child. Because we had the checkpoint they were escorted until the proper adults were notified.

We will continue to tweak these safety markers in order to not only be safe, but to make everyone's camp experience as seamless as possible. With that in mind we have simplified the Child Protection policy. What used to be 5-6 pages is now only a page and a half. We have removed the redundancy, simplified the legalistic jargon and removed the points on the old policy that were impossible to be carried out in the camp setting. We also no longer require the video training. To eliminate some confusion we have changed the Volunteer Worker application on the BMAMO website to be titled Adult Screening form, which will be completed annually by adults staying overnight on the campgrounds.

As always we covet your prayers as we make plans for Camp Garwood 2017. I'm excited about our theme and look forward to how the Lord uses this ministry in the coming year.

Theme: "We are His Masterpiece."

Ephesians 2:10 "For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them."

Speakers: Shawn Hammontree and Jordan Bowen.

— Chris Polk, Camp Director

(See page 38-41 for the Camp Annual Financial Report.)

WMA Annual Report

March 5, 2016

The 47th Annual Meeting of the Missouri WMA was held at Stony Point Missionary Baptist Church,

Registration committee reported 10 churches, 21 messengers, and 10 visitors for the meeting.

Officers elected for 2016-17:

- President - Juanita May
- 1st Vice President - Barbara Williams
- 2nd Vice President - Janet Widger
- Secretary - Norma Womble
- Asst. Secretary - Becky Cate
- Treasurer - Connie Reifsteck
- Asst. Treasurer - Ruth Gibson
- Bible and Tract Distributor - Sharon Page
- Historian - Tracy Goede
- Youth Promoter - Sheila Polk
- Asst. Youth Promoter - Karen Magee
- Retreat Committee - Bea Evans (2017), Chris Griggs (2019), Terri Adams (2021)
- Advisory Council - Terry Sharpe, Dennis Baker, Claude Evans
- Project selected for 2016-2017:
 - 40% Missouri Missionary Baptist Paper
 - 30% Andy Lahmann Work Fund
 - 20% General Fund
 - 10% Youth

Ladies appointed to serve on the registration committee at the National meeting are as follows: Norma Womble, Sharon Page, Bea Evans, Shelia Polk, Karen Magee, Terri Adams, Ladonna Baker, and Sharon Lourance.

Brother Claude Evans brought the annual message using as his text Psalm 80 and Jeremiah 31:18-19. He preached "Turn Us God."

Our guest speaker in the afternoon session was Sis. Roberta Pierce. She spoke on "God Will Provide."

The 2017 meeting will be with Kewanee Missionary Baptist Church in Kewanee, Missouri. The annual message will be by Bro. Dan Wisely.

September 16-17, 2016

The Ladies Retreat was held at the Drury Inn at Arnold, Missouri. Sister Pat Quesenbury was the guest speaker. Reports show 80 ladies in attendance from 22 churches and 4 states represented. The silent auction proceeds of \$1400 were again donated to Camp Garwood.

My prayer is that the WMA will continue to be a blessing to the BMA of MO.

— *Missouri WMA President, Juanita May, 1466 CR 746, Bunker, Mo 63629; (573) 689-2713; ilmaylog@hotmail.com*

Brotherhood Annual Report

October 22, 2016

Periodically there is a need to evaluate the performance and need for an auxiliary. This evaluation is important to determine if the auxiliary is meeting predetermined goals and expectations. Our Mission Statement as published in the 2015 Minutes of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri, Article IX Section 2, states that the Brotherhood Auxiliary goals and expectations are to promote Christian Fellowship, biblical leadership education, and mentoring for the older men and young men of our churches. We are to provide positive encouragement and support through Christian fellowship, biblical leadership education that will encourage men to be leaders in their home and local church, and education and opportunities for the older men to mentor the younger men. Finally, our core values show that we value the biblical doctrine of the autonomy of the local church, biblical instruction concerning the role of men in the home and local church, and biblical instruction concerning older men mentoring younger men.

The Annual Spring and Fall Men's Retreats at Camp Garwood have been a time of encouragement, fellowship, and mentoring for the past six years. It is a joy to have a relaxed atmosphere in which men can share life experiences. Our meetings have been used to train and mentor. Encouragement has been provided by the many volunteer speakers. Our young men have been important participants in the programs. The "Life Testimonies" shared in our meeting have provided encouragement and mentoring for our young men.

Also, the articles published in "Missouri Missionary Baptist" provide relevant information that try to focus on issues that are important to the men of our churches. I would like to challenge the men of our churches to get involved in this ministry. Help us through offerings, attending the retreats, and volunteering. Come and be an encouragement to others!

Also, I would like to thank the churches that have supported this ministry with offerings. This past year the Brotherhood Auxiliary has sent \$600.00 to Camp Garwood to pay for the food served at the retreats and to support the ministry of Camp Garwood.

— Dennis Baker, President

Brotherhood Annual Financial Report

October 24, 2016

Balance brought forward\$ 347.09
Deposits	
Olhman.....	.\$ 108.00
State Brotherhood offering.....	112.00
Spring Retreat 2016.....	65.00
Offering from Washington Co. Dist. Assoc.....	119.00
Zion Baptist Brotherhood-Walmart-Door Prizes & offering.....	<u>260.75</u>
Balance	<u>664.75</u>
Total Funds\$1,011.84

Withdrawals

Walmart-Door Prizes (Spring Retreat 2015)\$ 260.75
Camp Garwood-Food (Spring Retreat 2015) 300.00

Balance..... **560.75**

New Balance (as of 10/24/2015) **\$ 451.09**

**Kenneth E. Gibson Seminary Student Grant Fund
Annual Report 2016**

This has been a good year for the Kenneth E. Gibson Seminary Student Grant Fund as we have helped two of our preachers take some courses at the BMA Theological Seminary.

Once again we were glad to help the Pastor of Mt. Zion Baptist Church in Poplar Bluff, Bro. Matt Johnson, as he enrolled again for classes. We also helped Bro. Charles Michael, a member of Bethel Baptist Church in Sikeston as he enrolled for the first time at the BMA Seminary. Both brethren were appreciative of the help from our Missouri churches.

It was also a blessing for my wife and I to attend the annual meeting of the BMA of Southwest Missouri which met at Grandview Baptist Church in Springfield this past August. Their moderator, Bro. Larry Henbest, had extended an invitation to come last year but other appointments kept us from attending so we marked it on our calendar to attend this year. We were welcomed warmly and enjoyed getting to know the folks in that part of the state a little better as we enjoyed the services, food and fellowship. Pastor Gary Longstaff and Grandview Church have recently completed a renovation project on their facilities and have a comfortable, inviting and beautiful place both inside and out.

The BMA of Southwest Missouri gave a generous offering of \$500 to the Seminary Grant Fund and we appreciate their interest in helping God-called men further their education.

Please contact me for more information about this program to help our preacher prepare for their ministries.

— James Hoffmann, Treasurer

**Kenneth Gibson Seminary Student Grant Fund
Annual Financial Report
October 1, 2015 - September 30, 2016**

Balance, October 1 **\$ 19,669.27**

Income

Contributions from BMA of SW MO \$ 500.00
Interest on CD 41.20

Total Received **\$ 541.20**

Total Available **\$ 20,210.47**

Annual Financial Information Reported for 2016

Church	Pastor's Salary & Benefits	Other Salaries & Benefits	National BMA	State BMA	Local BMA	All Other Expenses	Total All Expenses
Abundant Life in Christ/Charleston		No data reported.					
Amity, Doniphan	-	\$8,000	\$542	\$542	\$542	\$12,904	\$22,531
Antioch, Ellington		No letter received.					
Antioch, Oxy	\$11,925	\$100	\$1,097	\$753	\$2,133	\$3,809	\$19,817
Bates Creek, Potosi		No data reported.					
Berean, Festus		No data reported.					
Bethany, Saint Louis	-	\$11,907	\$1,246	\$2,895	-	\$20,473	\$36,521
Bethel, Lonedell		No data reported.					
Bethel, Sikeston	\$25,007	\$1,756	\$10,015	\$12,096	-	\$42,752	\$91,626
Bethesda Landmark, Park Hills	\$3,600	\$600	\$925	\$383	\$308	\$10,995	\$16,811
Bethlehem, Doniphan	-	\$2,375	\$1,990	\$1,845	\$975	\$9,261	\$16,446
Black Creek, Poplar Bluff	\$8,400	-	\$300	-	\$400	\$7,600	\$16,700
Black River, Quin	\$7,613	\$300	\$536	\$270	\$1,230	-	\$23,488
Breton Creek, Potosi		-	-	-	-	-	\$39,065
Briar, Doniphan	\$800	\$4,800	\$1,226	-	\$2,452	\$2,880	\$24,360
Central, Union	\$11,700	-	\$1,200	-	-	\$15,444	\$28,344
Charity Landmark, Bismarck	\$2,225	-	\$12,479	-	\$75	\$8,057	\$22,836
Charity, Columbia	\$5,000	-	-	-	-	-	-
Emmanuel, Sikeston	\$13,125	\$3,400	-	-	-	\$28,113	\$44,638
Emmanuel, St Louis		No data reported.					
First, Matthews	\$900	\$50	\$11,900	\$1,277	\$3,979	\$43,954	\$62,060
First, Middlebrook		No letter received.					
First, Potosi	-	-	\$26,717	\$375	\$9,176	\$371,667	\$407,935

Church	Pastor's Salary & Benefits	Other Salaries & Benefits	National BMA	State BMA	Local BMA	All Other Expenses	Total All Expenses
Friendship, Harviell		No letter received.					
Grandview, Springfield		No letter received.					
Kewanee, New Madrid		No data reported.					
Landmark, De Soto	\$29,402	\$225	\$3,213	\$2,535	\$3,590	\$32,903	\$71,868
Lindsay Lane, Florissant	\$9,777	\$9,190	\$7,448	\$296	-	\$86,975	\$113,686
London Hill, Fredericktown		No letter received.					
Lower Doe Run, Ellington	\$14,300	\$100	\$1,158	\$1,189	\$679	-	\$31,006
Loyalty, Sparta		No data reported.					
Mount Carmel, Ellisnore	\$13,000	-	\$1,504	\$591	-	\$6,168	\$21,263
Mount Olive, Salem	-	-	\$250	\$1,010	\$1,200	\$19,232	\$21,683
Mount Zion, Poplar Bluff	\$26,000	-	\$7,087	-	-	-	-
North Lake, Smithville		No letter received.					
Oak Hill, Alton		No data reported.					
Oak Ridge, Cassville	-	-	\$8,722	\$1,330	\$1,205	-	-
Ohlman, Bunker	-	\$5,600	\$2,785	\$5,853	\$485	\$73,980	\$88,703
Ozark Heights, Potosi		No letter received.					
Palmer Heights, Springfield		No letter received.					
Providence, Puxico		No data reported.					
Springdale, Fenton		No letter received.					
Springhill, Fairdealing		No data reported.					
Stony Point Landmark, Mineral Point		No data reported.					
Temple, Belgrade		No letter received.					
Twin Oaks, Kennett		No letter received.					
West Doniphan, Doniphan	\$6,500	-	-	-	\$150	\$5,515	\$12,165
Zaima, Zaima	\$1,190	-	\$3,599	\$2,856	\$2,560	\$3,985	\$14,190
Zion, St Louis	\$6,000	\$200	\$5,688	\$3,726	\$325	\$25,680	\$41,620

Annual Membership and Attendance Information Reported for 2016

Church	Membership Last Year	Present Membership	Increased by Baptisms	Increased by Other	Decreased by Death	Decreased by Other	Sunday School Enrollment	Sunday School Attendance	Average AM Worship Attendance	
Abundant Life in Christ/Charleston	-	29	4	1	0	1	10	10	-	
Amity, Doniphan	43	43	1	0	1	0	-	-	-	
Antioch, Ellington	No letter received.									
Antioch, Oxy	63	63	0	0	0	0	15	12	20	
Bates Creek, Potosi	No data reported.									
Berean, Festus	No data reported.									
Bethany, Saint Louis	55	57	0	3	0	1	30	20	25	
Bethel, Lonedell	773	791	9	12	3	0	-	140	250	
Bethel, Sikeston	194	191	4	6	0	6	112	48	71	
Bethesda Landmark, Park Hills	18	25	3	6	0	2	30	20	22	
Bethlehem, Doniphan	37	24	0	0	2	11	-	10	10	
Black Creek, Poplar Bluff	66	68	3	7	1	4	-	-	20	
Black River, Quin	No data reported.									
Breton Creek, Potosi	20	20	0	0	0	0	10	15	-	
Briar, Doniphan	64	64	0	2	1	1	25	25	30	
Central, Union	34	38	1	3	0	0	20	15	30	
Charity Landmark, Bismarck	17	15	0	0	0	2	-	-	15	
Charity, Columbia	12	15	0	3	0	0	-	-	-	
Emmanuel, Sikeston	250	259	2	9	2	0	24	17	39	
Emmanuel, St Louis	44	44	0	0	0	0	-	-	-	
First, Matthews	116	112	0	2	4	2	55	40	55	
First, Middlebrook	No letter received.									
First, Potosi	718	734	29	7	7	13	200	170	295	
Friendship, Harviell	No letter received.									

Church	Membership Last Year	Present Membership	Increased by Baptisms	Increased by Other	Decreased by Death	Decreased by Other	Sunday School Enrollment	Average Sunday School Attendance	Average AM Worship Attendance
Grandview, Springfield		No letter received.							
Kewanee, New Madrid	183	188	6	4	3	3	-	-	-
Landmark, De Soto	105	108	0	5	1	1	28	30	43
Lindsay Lane, Florissant	198	195	0	2	1	4	-	35	93
London Hill, Fredericktown		No letter received.							
Lower Doe Run, Ellington	59	59	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Loyalty, Sparta		No data reported.							
Mount Carmel, Ellsinore	9	9	0	0	0	0	6	6	6
Mount Olive, Salem	18	18	0	0	0	4	11	11	12
Mount Zion, Poplar Bluff	61	65	1	7	2	2	41	30	45
North Lake, Smithville		No letter received.							
Oak Hill, Alton	72	75	4	0	1	0	35	40	60
Oak Ridge, Cassville	78	78	0	0	0	0	-	14	19
Ohlman, Bunker	51	50	1	3	1	4	30	25	50
Ozark Heights, Potosi		No letter received.							
Palmer Heights, Springfield		No letter received.							
Providence, Puxico	-	28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Springdale, Fenton		No letter received.							
Springhill, Fairdealing	24	18	0	0	2	4	-	17	30
Stony Point, Mineral Point	103	110	11	2	2	3	60	50	60
Temple, Belgrade		No letter received.							
Twin Oaks, Kennett		No letter received.							
West Doniphan, Doniphan	43	25	0	1	1	18	12	8	12
Zalma, Zalma	6	5	0	0	1	0	3	2	2
Zion, St Louis	13	13	0	0	0	0	13	13	13

Expenses	
Scholarship BMAA Seminary	\$ 1,000.00
Charles Michael Grant	1,605.00
Matt Johnson	<u>2,040.00</u>
Total Expenses	<u>4,645.00</u>

Balance, September 30 **\$ 15,565.47**

Funds are in the following accounts:

MMB Checking Account	\$ 3,062.31
CD	<u>12,503.16</u>
Total	\$ 15,565.47

Missouri Missionary Baptist Loan Program Annual Report October 22, 2016

The purpose of the Loan Committee is to provide financial services to the BMA of Missouri churches and departments. Assistance is provided through loans, grants, counseling, and property protection.

This past year we have been working with the Mount Olive Baptist Church in Salem, MO to transfer fifty percent ownership of their building and property to the Loan Committee. The process is nearing completion; we are waiting for the paper work to be completed on the Title. The church is small, and this action will provide the church with protection so that an outside group will not be able to assume their assets without the approval of the Loan Committee.

Bro. Wayne Gibson has presented his resignation from the committee and we need to elect a replacement. Bro. Gibson has faithfully served as President and other positions on the Loan Committee.

Ninety percent of all offerings received by the Loan Committee are designated for the department Grant Fund. The purpose of the Grant Fund is to provide financial assistance for our churches for maintenance, remodeling and repairs of worship buildings.

If your church needs financial assistance, I will be happy to work with your church within the guidelines of our bylaws as published in the BMA of Missouri 2015 minutes.

– Dennis Baker, President

Loan Association Committee Minutes October 22, 2016

Opening prayer by Bro. Don Adams.

Business: Bro. Hoffmann recommended Bro. Matt Bolen to serve on committee. Motion was made and seconded by Bro. Griggs Motion carried. Motion and second to remove our CD from US Bank for lack of communication. Motion approved.

Closing prayer by Bro. Brian Whitlock.

– Don Adams, Clerk

**Missouri Missionary Baptist Loan Program
Annual Financial Report
October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2016**

Balance as of October 1, 2015	\$ 351,583.73
Offerings Received	
Bethel	\$ 150.00
Bethlehem	400.00
Emmanuel, St. Louis	50.00
Ohlman	120.00
Mt. Zion	201.00
Zalma	354.19
Zion, St. Louis	342.00
Anonymous	<u>90.00</u>
Total	\$1,707.19
Loan Payments Received	
Cornerstone*	\$ <u>3,600.00</u>
Total	\$3,600.00
Received from other sources	
Interest on checking and CD's	\$ <u>784.27</u>
Total	\$ 784.27
Received and Carried Forward	\$357,675.19
Paid Out	
Committee Meeting (mileage)	\$ 522.13
Ponderosa	\$ <u>122.80</u>
Total	\$ <u>644.93</u>
Balance as of September 30, 2016	\$ 357,030.26
Assets	
Cash and Bank Accounts:	
Commercial Bank Checking 1026755**	\$ 31,374.63
Commercial Bank CD 13999	11,800.60
Commercial Bank CD 14833	13,795.92
Commercial Bank CD 15175	45,654.47
Commercial Bank CD 16288	20,425.79
Commercial Bank CD 16487	15,506.22
Commercial Bank CD 16589	45,917.02
Commercial Bank CD 16878	14,126.49
Commercial Bank CD 17060	6,160.17
Commercial Bank CD 17237	28,996.94
Commercial Bank CD 17251	32,231.57
US Bank CD # 352395992519	65,230.44
Total	\$ 331,220.26

Notes Receivable

Cornerstone Loan \$ 25,810.00
Total **\$ 25,810.00**

Total Assets **\$ 357,030.26**

* Cornerstone now Pathways Church

** Commercial Bank account includes Grant fund:

Balance forward..... **\$ 2,583.28**
From offerings..... **1,564.71**
Total..... **4,147.99**

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ALIVE Ministries Committee Minutes

July 11, 2016

Committeemen present: Jeff Moorman, Chris Dicus, Josh Corbett, Jim Ainley, Brad Banderman

Registration rate was raised \$5.00.

City Worship is being contacted to lead worship for the conference, with sound guy from last year most likely still being used, still waiting for some confirmation on availability etc. with City Worship.

Recreation will be held at the hotel, with basketball, walleyball, racketball and pool accessible during the rec time. Also we’re going to utilize the indoor tennis court area for dodgeball and knockerball activities, hotel willing.

Speaker - we are contacting the college pastor at First Baptist Church of Arnold to see if he’s available, with two alternatives selected that have already spoken at our conference in the past.

Breakout sessions are going to be placed back on schedule with details being worked on by Chris and Jim.

Entertainment - The Maze Illusion show that lasts approx 2 hours, but have not finalized this area as the cost may be prohibitive.

The booklets that Don has been making are going to be done away with in present form and maybe some utilization of Facebook with a building story as it’s been written past few years in weeks ahead of conference as a potential alternative, utilizing our Facebook group. Question and answer time will be utilized but will be a part of the breakout session time frame with questions being gathered at conference and through our Facebook group lasting approx 30 mins - hour depending on number of good questions.

All positions will remain relatively the same with Josh handling entertainment, Jim dealing with speaker, Dan working on rec, Brad dealing with hotel, Chris working on breakout, and our new committeeman Jeff participating with great input at meeting and job to be designated later, potentially handling check in, etc,

—Brad Banderman, Chairman and Acting Clerk

ALIVE Ministries Treasurer's Annual Report May 1 – October 1, 2016

Beginning Balance	\$ 5,363.04
Funds Received	<u>100.00</u>
Funds Available	\$5,463.04
Expenses	
Reach Your City	\$ 450.00
Knockerball Smash	<u>100.00</u>
Total Expenses	\$ 550.00
Ending Balance	\$ 4,913.04

Recording Secretary's Annual Financial Report* May 10 – October 1, 2016

Beginning Balance	\$ 1,204.17
Funds Received	<u>0.00</u>
Funds Available	\$ 1,204.17
Expenses	
Don Burke (reimb. shipping supplies)	17.46
Post Office (mail minutes)	<u>47.76</u>
Total Expenses	<u>65.19</u>
Ending Balance (April 30)	\$ 1,138.98

Resolutions Committee October 22, 2016

Be it resolved that we, the churches of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri, reaffirm our commitment to stand with Israel and pledge to continue to pray for the peace of Israel. (Psalms 122:6)

Be it resolved that we, the churches of the Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri, pray and seek God's forgiveness for the corruption that has permeated throughout our nation. America has turned its back on God and is presently reaping the harvest of social upheaval from the political corruption, judicial corruption, financial corruption, and religious corruption. We must turn back to the God of Heaven for the healing of our land. (II Chronicles 7:14)

Be it further resolved that we stand united in our fight against the power of darkness in his attempt to destroy the traditional family, our country's foundation, by voicing our opposition of abortion, same-sex marriage, and the creation of so-called "gay rights." (Ephesians 6:10-19)

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Bunker	Ohlman	10186 Hwy 72
Cassville	Oak Ridge	16722 St Hwy 248
Charleston	Abundant Life in Christ (Mission)	512 Naomi
Columbia	Charity	1401 Ballenger Rd
De Soto	Landmark	1215 Boyd St
Doniphan	Amity	Old Hwy 142E & 24A
	Bethlehem	RR 3 Hwy U
	Briar	Hwy 160
	West Doniphan	160 West 2nd St
Ellington	Antioch	Barron Rd
	Lower Doe Run	H Hwy & 2800 County Road 510
Ellsinore	Mount Carmel	K Hwy
Fairdealing	Springhill	Hwy BB
Fenton	Springdale	1779 Springdale Blvd
Festus	Berean	2245 Berean Ln
Florissant	Lindsay Lane	920 Lindsay Ln
Fredericktown	London Hill	2588 Hwy C
Harviell	Friendship	3395 Hwy V
Lonedell	Bethel	569 Bethel Church Rd
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