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# Audit Committee Report

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April 5, 2021

We the Audit committee have examined the books of the following:

- Christian Education Board
- Senior Adult Ministries Board
- Youth Ministries Board

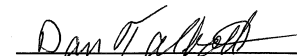
We found them to present fairly the financial position of each respective board as of December 31, 2020. We commend each treasurer for keeping their books in good order.



Warren Hall

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Russell Johnson



Dan Talbott

Note: Bro. Russell Johnson was unable to attend the Audit Committee meeting.



# MOFWB Executive Office

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June 7, 2021

Esteemed brothers and sisters of the Missouri State Association of Free Will Baptists,

The year 2020 will be historical. Several notable events occurred during the last 9 months of the year. The outbreak of the COVID-19 world-wide pandemic was the most notable. The COVID virus impacted every area of our lives, with residual effects which we are still experiencing. We were forced to implement innovative ways of continuing ministry, some of which have been quite effective. Some churches have experienced new conversion growth as the result of new outreaches. Giving in churches has maintained strong for the most part with a few experiencing an increase, and that while using offering boxes rather than the traditional usher/offering plate. We would do well to seek God for wisdom in our desire to leverage the COVID challenges for growth and discipleship.

Other situations have challenged our society, churches, and individuals. Racial division, rioting, political corruption, and turmoil as well as a rapid decline in moral absolutes. Resentment and rejection of the Biblical Christian message has taken on a more vocal aspect with a minority expressing their opposition in a very public, and at times confrontational manner.

The culture of the United States of America is not the same as it was just a few years ago. We as believers must be more intentional than ever in our passion to “.. sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: and be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear.” 1 Peter 3:15

The gospel of Jesus Christ is a “go” gospel. For decades, the North American church was blessed with a culture that sought truth, morality and right. “Church” life was a good thing. As followers of Jesus Christ, we still seek those things, now more than ever. Society does not necessarily share the same passion.

The way we interact with people, preach, and express our faith can still have an impact in society. We will avoid the ever so easy tendency to be deliberately negative, critical, offensive, confrontational, or reactionary. We understand that God has allowed us to remain here as salt and light in a dark world. Our criticism will be constructive, coming from a heart that desires to help fix the issues. While we will boldly proclaim truth, morality, and convictions, may we do so from a heart that is broken and contrite while understanding that the spiritual eyes of those who do not believe are blinded by the god of this world. We must avoid being arrogantly offensive or deliberately confrontational. It is interesting that some of the harshest words from the mouth of Jesus were directed toward the religious crowd; those who should have had different attitudes and perspectives. We will not compromise truth, but we will be certain that truth is presented from a pure heart of compassion. We absolutely can make a difference in society, and we will as we are submitted and obedient to the Holy Spirit of God and His Word. Your faith and testimony can make a difference in someone else’s life.

I want to express my appreciation to the MOFWB Executive Committee, General Board, delegates, and members around the state who continually make it a joy and honor for me to serve you. If I can ever be of service to you, pray for a special need or help in any way, please do not hesitate to call.

Grace & Blessings to you,

Stanley Bunch

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## 2020 Gem Magazine Billing Report\*

18 out of 86 Churches did not return their subscription renewal.  
62 out of 163 Individuals did not return their subscription renewal.

- 1340 copies of the GEM were mailed in December 2020.
- There are 44 subscribers that receive the GEM by email.

GEM Income: \$8,024.00  
GEM Expense: \$15,142.97

Cost Subsidized by MOFWB General/Executive Fund totaled \$7,118.97

### \*GEM Note:

Please send us group pictures of baptisms, pastoral celebrations, note burnings, and information that would serve to encourage others.

When you have salvation decisions would you please send us an email or call to let us know. We want to publish this as a means of encouraging one another.

## 2020 COOP Receipts by Church / Individual / Association

Alton	\$800.00	Faith- Fair Grove	\$2,671.20
Amity	\$1,330.40	Faith & Hope- Aurora	\$850.00
Aulsbury Chapel	\$1,690.75	Farmington 1st	\$41,123.77
Bailey	\$4,276.00	Fellowship	\$22,580.00
Bailey Chapel	\$1,319.00	First Day	\$8,720.25
Beacon	\$9,170.00	Fredericktown 1st	\$6,675.00
Belton	\$4,135.19	Freeman Chapel	\$6,825.00
Bethel- El Dorado Springs	\$2,995.08	Generations	\$5,368.79
Bethel- Marshfield	\$7,809.15	Good News	\$3,435.41
Black Oak	\$4,807.93	Gospel Light	\$4,800.00
Byrd	\$2,927.15	Grace	\$20,660.46
Calvary Chapel	\$15,980.88	Grace Fellowship	\$9,850.00
Calvary Fellowship	\$35,969.52	Grace Pointe	\$3,110.00
Central	\$10,718.59	Grant Avenue	\$7,694.21
Christ Chapel	\$12,371.00	Hannon	\$11,860.00
Clifton Sunday School	\$99.89	Happy Home	\$860.04
Copper Mines	\$10,031.72	Hartville	\$17,448.24
Cornerstone	\$1,600.00	Hazel Creek	\$11,014.36
Cross Roads- Lebanon	\$253.00	Hopewell	\$10,216.00
Cuba	\$6,707.00	Houston 1st	\$6,533.40
De Soto 1st	\$23,985.00	Hurryville	\$4,098.00
Eastern Gate	\$1,279.00	Kings Way	\$2,400.00

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Koshkonong	\$4,072.07	Purdy 1st	\$8,000.00
Lead Hill	\$669.30	Rejoice	\$8,920.09
Leadington	\$11,282.00	Republic	\$5,700.27
Lebanon 1st	\$25,707.58	Resolve	\$1,200.00
Lebanon Green Hills	\$3,649.05	Restore	\$295.00
Liberty - Gatewood	\$1,028.01	Richwoods 1st	\$3,529.00
Lucille Franklin	\$500.00	Rock Chapel	\$5,967.60
Marshfield	\$3,191.67	Safe Harbor	\$825.00
Mill Creek	\$5,323.60	Seymour	\$3,647.00
Mine La Motte	\$456.46	Smyrna	\$1,017.00
Monett 1st	\$4,665.58	South Fremont	\$4,430.00
Mosaic	\$3,908.25	Springfield 1st	\$8,966.00
Mountain Grove 1st	\$25,359.22	St. Francois Assoc. WAC	\$420.00
Mt. Pisgah	\$4,612.00	Stockton	\$1,990.30
Myrtle	\$359.67	Stonebridge	\$11,576.15
Neosho 1st	\$8,315.00	Thayer	\$22,611.00
Nevada	\$7,554.80	Trinity	\$9,300.80
New Hope	\$3,455.00	Twin Oak	\$5,488.56
New Life- Licking	\$7,619.45	Union	\$300.00
Number One	\$300.00	Union Light	\$1,862.80
O'Fallon 1st	\$27,764.68	United	\$24,238.81
Oak Grove- Mtn. Grove	\$2,998.07	Unity	\$6,008.00
Oak Hill	\$6,380.00	Verdella	\$9,878.01
Olivet	\$1,522.00	Viburnum	\$4,241.00
One Accord	\$3,646.95	Victory- Alton	\$8,850.62
Ozark 1st	\$47,750.54	Victory- KC	\$7,280.84
Ozark 1st - Heritage Campus	\$3,824.90	Waynesville 1st	\$8,931.74
Park Hills 1st	\$9,207.16	West Plains 1st	\$23,623.00
Parkview	\$4,307.00	Wilderness	\$1,550.22
Pleasant Home	\$2,658.99	Willow Springs	\$5,541.44
Pleasant Ridge- Alton	\$200.00	Wolf Creek	\$12,239.00
Pleasant Ridge- Urbana	\$1,972.00	<b>Total COOP</b>	<b>\$821,740.63</b>

## 2020 Show-Me Receipts by Church / Individual / Association

Angela Brown	\$100.00	Central	\$1,900.00
Beacon	\$1,475.00	Cheryl Bell	\$337.35
Belton	\$2,100.00	Christ Chapel	\$1,215.69
Berean	\$506.11	Cleo Reeder	\$360.00
Bethel- El Dorado Springs Auxiliary	\$617.03	Copper Mines	\$1,800.00
Black Oak	\$1,980.00	Cross Roads- Lebanon	\$30.00
Brent Emmerson	\$600.00	Cuba	\$1,230.50
Bruce Moore	\$1,200.00	De Soto 1st	\$11,325.00
Byrd	\$300.00	Earl Berrong	\$100.00
Calvary Chapel	\$325.00	Elva Jo Gentry	\$300.00
Calvary Fellowship	\$200.00	Faith & Hope- Aurora	\$300.00

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Farmington 1st	\$5,588.00	Oak Hill	\$376.00
Fellowship	\$3,790.00	Olivet	\$1,400.00
Fredericktown 1st	\$1,605.00	Ozark 1st	\$1,400.00
Freeman Chapel	\$8,640.00	Ozark 1st - Heritage Campus	\$1,250.00
Gary Tune	\$1,161.60	Park Hills 1st	\$116.88
Generations	\$560.00	Parkway	\$350.00
Generations Womens Outreach	\$131.98	Pleasant Grove- Anderson	\$1,200.00
Gospel Light	\$7,700.00	Pleasant Home	\$2,400.00
Grace	\$5,946.80	Pleasant Ridge- Urbana	\$865.00
Grant Avenue	\$27.00	Porter Chapel	\$4,380.68
Greater Springfield Association	\$187.00	Purdy 1st	\$3,300.00
Happy Hill	\$720.00	Rejoice	\$265.00
Hartville	\$1,933.15	Republic	\$540.00
Hilda Tinnin	\$50.00	Resolve	\$1,200.00
Hopewell	\$76.04	Randall House Publications Commission	\$348.49
Hopewell WAC	\$300.00	Richard Robinson	\$100.00
Houston 1st	\$451.00	Richwoods 1st	\$1,374.00
Indian Creek Association	\$8,389.56	Rock Chapel	\$2,932.18
Janet Cross	\$6,000.00	Rodney Bunton	\$4,000.00
Jason Sander	\$119.85	Ruth Richardson	\$287.64
Jerry Rader	\$220.00	South Fremont	\$390.00
Jones Chapel	\$300.00	Southeast Association	\$480.00
Josh Provow	\$600.00	Springfield 1st	\$3,600.00
Joyce Adams	\$50.00	Springfield 1st WAC	\$630.00
Leadington	\$3,987.00	St. Francois Association WAC	\$515.00
Lebanon 1st	\$7,138.83	St. Francois Association	\$9,674.00
Lebanon 1st Women	\$1,600.00	Stan Bunch	\$300.00
Lebanon Green Hills	\$1,095.10	Stockton	\$1,228.75
Lucille Franklin	\$500.00	Stockton Auxiliary	\$620.00
Macedonia - Purdy	\$87,010.00	Stonebridge	\$880.00
Maria Hanna - Trinity	\$250.00	Thayer	\$9,906.00
Marshall Auxiliary	\$649.17	Trinity	\$1,160.00
Mill Creek	\$840.00	Trisa Johnson	\$287.64
Mine La Motte	\$1,800.00	Twin Oak Auxiliary	\$550.00
MO WAC	\$100.00	Union	\$225.00
MOFWB	\$175.00	Union Light	\$4,900.00
Mosaic	\$300.00	United	\$5,700.00
Mountain Grove 1st	\$7,468.06	Unity	\$2,940.00
Mountain Grove 1st Auxiliary	\$1,068.47	Verdella	\$9,878.01
Mt. Pisgah	\$421.45	Viburnum	\$510.00
Mt. Pisgah WAC	\$93.34	Vicki Jones	\$300.00
Mt. Zion- "Cuba"	\$560.00	Victory- KC	\$1,686.17
Mt. Zion- Thayer	\$360.00	Virginia Bunton	\$2,400.00
Myrtle	\$1,405.62	Walnut Grove	\$157.62
Neosho 1st	\$2,700.00	Waynesville 1st	\$6,509.02
New Hope	\$2,400.00	West Plains 1st	\$1,320.00
New Life- Licking	\$1,718.27	West Plains 1st WNAC	\$275.00
Number One	\$720.00	Willow Springs	\$1,966.58
O'Fallon 1st	\$19,218.04	Wolf Creek	\$2,400.00
O'Fallon Womens Auxiliary	\$606.00	<b>Total Designated SMP</b>	<b>\$327,931.92</b>
Oak Grove- Mtn. Grove	\$1,424.25		



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### 2020 Total Designated Giving by Category

African Children's Mission.....	\$100.00
Berea Ministries.....	\$880.00
Ch-TN.....	\$15,118.65
Curt, Cliff & Opal Young Children's Home .....	\$243.00
Family Ministries.....	\$1,041.00
Fermin Sanchez .....	\$325.00
Florence Crittenton Home - Arkansas .....	\$242.00
General / Executive Fund.....	\$600.00
Getsemani Children's Home .....	\$895.00
International Missions .....	\$157,929.52
Issachar Center .....	\$1,975.61
Master's Men .....	\$200.00
MO FWB CE Board .....	\$832.33
MO FWB Senior Adult Board .....	\$832.33
MO FWB Youth Ministries Board .....	\$832.33
North American Missions.....	\$50,593.01
Rainbow Ministries .....	\$550.00
Randall University.....	\$6,158.00
State Home Missions.....	\$60,842.14
Victor Torres .....	\$300.00
Welch College .....	\$8,931.00
WNAC .....	\$410.31
Youth Camp .....	\$50,481.47
Youth Camp Development.....	\$3,419.40
<b>Total Designated Giving.....</b>	<b>\$363,732.10</b>

### 2020 Cooperative Disbursements

January 1, 2020 - December 31, 2020

22% General/Executive Fund.....	\$180,782.94
19% MO Missions.....	\$156,130.72
8% Youth Camp .....	\$65,739.25
2% Youth Ministries.....	\$16,434.81
2% Christian Education.....	\$16,434.81
2% Senior Adult Ministries.....	\$16,434.81
9% State Retirement .....	\$73,956.66
3% Show-Me .....	\$24,652.22
33% Total National Ministries .....	\$271,174.41
Randall University (deducted from National .1121).....	\$30,398.65
Adjusted National .....	\$240,775.76
<b>Total Disbursed .....</b>	<b>\$821,740.63</b>

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## 2020 General Executive Fund Budget & Actual Expenditures

	<u>2020 Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>
2018 Closing Balance Exec. & General Funds	\$167,474.28	
2019 Proposed Exec. & General Income	\$230,725.00	
Total Proposed Balance	\$398,199.28	
Proposed 2019 Expenses	\$218,500.00	
<b>Proposed 2020 Balance Forward</b>	<b>\$179,699.28</b>	<b>\$196,224.45</b>
<b><u>Projected 2020 Receipts</u></b>		
COOP	\$186,750.00	\$150,619.77
GEM	\$12,000.00	\$8,024.00
Interest	\$30.00	\$24.34
Retreats	\$9,000.00	\$10,250.00
Randall House	\$2,200.00	\$2,555.60
Rep Fees (Sent to National Office)	\$22,350.00	\$25,900.00
Brotherhood Mutual Dividend	\$10,000.00	\$11,582.62
State Meeting Income	\$1,500.00	\$139.00
Designated Coop		\$500.00
Misc Income		\$250.69
Revitalization		\$1,192.01
SBC - COVID Relief		\$2,000.00
<b>Total Projected Receipts</b>	<b>\$243,830.00</b>	<b>\$213,038.03</b>
<b>Total Receipts + Balance Forward</b>	<b>\$423,529.28</b>	<b>\$409,262.48</b>
<b><u>Proposed 2020 Expenditures</u></b>		
Bank Fees	\$75.00	\$59.99
Board & Committee Expenses	\$5,500.00	\$5,128.62
Building Maintenance Taxes & Ins.	\$5,000.00	\$286.94
Digest of Reports	\$1,300.00	\$1,218.00
Exec. Director Conference/Seminar	\$1,200.00	\$16.36
Bereavement Memorials & Donations	\$400.00	\$1,260.00
Gem Printing & Postage	\$13,500.00	\$15,142.97
Ministers Retreat	\$9,800.00	\$9,946.46
Misc.	\$900.00	\$88.85
National Convention Expense	\$2,200.00	\$176.14
National Rep. Fees	\$22,350.00	\$25,725.00
Office Postage	\$900.00	\$911.24
Office Supplies & Equipment Maintenance	\$3,300.00	\$2,660.38
Payroll, Taxes & Withholding *	\$110,000.00	\$114,358.97
Reconciliation & Discrepancies	\$250.00	
Reimbursements/Refunds	\$250.00	\$188.90
Seminars/Conferences - State Association	\$2,500.00	
State Meeting	\$6,500.00	\$3,065.33
Subscriptions & Dues	\$150.00	
Telephone/Internet	\$4,300.00	\$3,285.28
Travel/Promotion/Auto	\$4,500.00	\$4,110.23
Utilities	\$3,200.00	\$2,214.97

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## 2020 General Executive Fund Budget & Actual Expenditures con't

	<u>2020 Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>
Website	\$400.00	\$348.00
Deposit to Foundation Exec. Account	\$20,000.00	\$40,000.00
Branson Sale (Niangua Camp)		\$25,000.00
Historical (Reimbursed)		\$219.30
Revitalization Expense		\$1,951.74
Workers Comp		\$255.30
<b>Total Projected Expenditures</b>	<b>\$218,475.00</b>	<b>\$257,618.97</b>
<b>Projected Balance December 31, 2020</b>	<b>\$205,054.28</b>	

\*Report available upon request

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### Proposed 2022 & Approved 2021 General Executive Fund Budgets

	2022 Proposed	2021 Approved
2020 Closing Balance Executive & General Fund	\$181,906.67	
2021 Proposed Executive & General Fund Income	\$240,580.00	
Total Proposed Balance	\$422,486.67	
Proposed 2021 Expenses	\$213,125.00	\$209,361.67
<b><u>Projected 2022 Receipts</u></b>		
COOP	\$180,400.00	\$183,700.00
GEM	\$8,000.00	\$12,000.00
Interest	\$25.00	\$30.00
Retreats	\$10,250.00	\$9,000.00
Randall House	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
Rep Fees (Sent to National Office) (148@\$175)	\$25,550.00	\$22,350.00
Brotherhood Mutual Dividend	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
State Meeting Income	\$1,200.00	\$1,000.00
Misc Income	\$500.00	
<b>Total Projected Receipts</b>	<b>\$238,425.00</b>	<b>\$240,580.00</b>
<b>Total Receipts + Balance Forward</b>	<b>\$447,786.67</b>	<b>\$459,409.45</b>
<b><u>Proposed 2022 Expenditures</u></b>		
Bank Fees	\$60.00	\$75.00
Board & Committee Expenses	\$5,500.00	\$5,500.00
Building Maintenance Taxes & Ins.	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
Digest of Reports	\$1,300.00	\$1,300.00
Exec. Director Conference/Seminar	\$750.00	\$2,000.00
Bereavement Memorials	\$400.00	\$300.00
Gem Printing & Postage	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00
Ministers Retreat	\$10,000.00	\$9,800.00
Misc.	\$450.00	\$1,000.00
National Convention Expense	\$1,800.00	\$2,000.00
National Rep. Fees	\$25,550.00	\$22,350.00
Office Postage	\$925.00	\$950.00
Office Supplies & Equipment Maintenance	\$3,000.00	\$3,200.00
Payroll, Taxes & Withholding *	\$118,000.00	\$112,000.00
Reconciliation & Discrepancies	\$100.00	\$200.00
Reimbursements/Refunds	\$200.00	\$250.00
Seminars/Conferences - State Association	\$2,500.00	\$1,600.00
State Meeting	\$4,500.00	\$6,000.00
Subscriptions & Dues	\$150.00	\$150.00
Telephone/Internet	\$3,600.00	\$3,850.00
Travel/Promotion/Auto	\$4,500.00	\$7,200.00
Utilities	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
Website	\$400.00	\$400.00
Deposit to Foundation Exec. Account	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
<b>Total Projected Expenditures</b>	<b>\$216,685.00</b>	<b>\$213,125.00</b>
<b>Projected Balance December 31, 2022</b>	<b>\$231,101.67</b>	<b>\$246,284.45</b>

\*Report available upon request

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## 2022 Proposed Coop Budget Disbursement

21.5%	General/Executive Fund	\$176,300.00	
19.0%	MO Missions	\$155,800.00	
9.0%	State Retirement	\$73,800.00	
8.5%	Youth Camp	\$69,700.00	
3.0%	Show-Me	\$24,600.00	
2.0%	Christian Education	\$16,400.00	
2.0%	Senior Adult Ministries	\$16,400.00	
2.0%	Youth Ministries	\$16,400.00	
	<b>Total for MO FWB Ministries</b>		<b>\$549,400.00</b>
33.0%	Total National Ministries	\$270,600.00	
	Randall University (deducted from National .1121)	\$30,334.26	
	<b>Adjusted National</b>		<b>\$240,265.74</b>
	<b>Total Projected COOP to be Disbursed</b>		<b>\$820,000.00</b>

## Other State Ministries Projected Income for 2022

### Randall House Literature Commissions

21.5%	General/Executive Fund	\$3,225.00	
19.0%	MO Missions	\$2,850.00	
9.0%	State Retirement	\$1,350.00	
8.5%	Youth Camp	\$1,275.00	
3.0%	Show-Me	\$450.00	
2.0%	Christian Education	\$300.00	
2.0%	Senior Adult Ministries	\$300.00	
2.0%	Youth Ministries	\$300.00	
33.0%	Book Store Foundation Fund	\$4,950.00	
	<b>Total Projected Disbursements</b>		<b>\$15,000.00</b>

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### Miscellaneous Accounts Maintained Locally January 1, 2020 - December 31, 2020

#### Executive Mission Account\*

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Balance Forward	\$7,900.44	
<b>Receipts:</b>		
Donor Info Available Upon Request *	\$2,522.10	
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$2,522.10</b>
<b>Receipts + Balance Forward</b>		<b>\$10,422.54</b>
<b>Disbursements:</b>		
Panama Trip Expense	\$1,500.00	
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$1,500.00</b>
<b>Working Balance</b>		<b>\$8,922.54</b>

\* Funded from speaking honorariums given to the Executive Director.

#### Historical Preservation Fund

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Balance Forward	\$6,310.76	
<b>Receipts:</b>		
none	\$0.00	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	
<b>Receipts + Balance Forward</b>		<b>\$6,310.76</b>
<b>Disbursements:</b>		
Storage Supplies	\$219.30	
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$219.30</b>
<b>Working Balance</b>		<b>\$6,091.46</b>

#### Planning Commission

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Balance Forward		\$10,000.00
<b>Receipts:</b>		
None	\$ 0.00	
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>Receipts + Balance Forward</b>		<b>\$10,000.00</b>
<b>Disbursements:</b>		
Sent to Foundation	\$ 10,000.00	
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$10,000.00</b>
<b>Working Balance</b>		<b>\$0.00</b>

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## Scholarship Fund

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<b>Balance Forward</b>		<b>\$7,804.98</b>
<b>Receipts:</b>		
Transfer from Foundation	\$5,000.00	
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$5,000.00</b>
<b>Receipts + Balance Forward</b>		<b>\$12,804.98</b>
<b>Disbursements:</b>		
Welch		
Rebekah Chapman	\$1,000.00	
Katelynn Grace Chandler	\$500.00	
ShaiAnn Wallace	\$500.00	
Scott Collins	\$1,000.00	
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$3,000.00</b>
<b>Working Balance</b>		<b>\$9,804.98</b>

## Pastoral Care Fund

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<b>Balance Forward</b>	<b>\$4,480.75</b>	
<b>Receipts:</b>		
none	\$0.00	
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>Receipts + Balance Forward</b>		<b>\$4,480.75</b>
<b>Disbursements:</b>		
Agape Christian Counselling Services	\$150.00	
Diakonos Counselling	\$450.00	
Family 2:24	\$860.00	
New Hope Counselling Services	\$825.00	
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$2,285.00</b>
<b>Working Balance</b>		<b>\$2,195.75</b>

## Revitalization Fund

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<b>Balance Forward</b>	<b>\$72,560.61</b>	
<b>Receipts:</b>		
Donation (former Book Store space)	\$9,600.00	
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$9,600.00</b>
<b>Receipts + Balance Forward</b>		<b>\$82,160.61</b>
<b>Disbursements:</b>		
Revitalization Expense	\$2,111.74	
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$2,111.74</b>
<b>Working Balance</b>		<b>\$80,048.87</b>

# MOFWB Executive Office con't

## Miscellaneous Accounts Maintained Locally con't

### Building Renovations

<b>Balance Forward</b>		<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>Receipts:</b>		
General/Executive Fund for future office remodel		
Brotherhood Partner Payment 2019	\$10,000.00	
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$10,000.00</b>
<b>Receipts + Balance Forward</b>		<b>\$10,000.00</b>
<b>Disbursements:</b>		
none	\$0.00	
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>Working Balance</b>		<b>\$10,000.00</b>

## MOFWB Executive Office Balance Sheet As of December 31, 2020

### **Current Assets in Commerce Bank, Lebanon, MO**

Bible Book Store .....	\$80,048.87
Executive Mission.....	\$8,922.54
General/Executive Fund.....	\$181,906.67
Historical Preservation Fund.....	\$6,091.46
Pastoral Care Fund .....	\$2,195.75
Planning Commission Fund.....	\$0.00
Building Improvements .....	\$10,000.00
Scholarship Fund.....	\$9,804.98
Commerce Bank - Other .....	\$(8.65)*
<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>\$298,961.62</b>

\* discrepancy from 2015

### **Current Assets In FWB Foundation**

Executive Trust .....	\$413,687.34
Retirement Trust.....	\$165,264.19
Stewardship Trust.....	\$26,121.41
Bookstore.....	\$81,985.81
Scholarship .....	\$24,198.31

### **Misc. Assets**

State Office Building.....	\$350,000.00
Office Equipment.....	\$75,000.00
Youth Camp .....	\$5,500,000.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$5,925,000.00</b>





# MOFWB Revitalization

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June 7, 2021

Re: Local Church Revitalization

MOFWB Pastors, leaders, and congregations,

How would you define a healthy and successful ministry or church? Is it one that has more people than the one down the road? Is it one with a vibrant youth program, outreach, or recovery ministry? Is it determined by the number of people in the pews or cars in the parking lot? All those things may be indicators of congregational health and success, but they are not the real measuring stick which we should use.

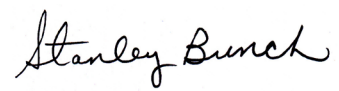
What is the potential of the congregation where you attend? What are the demographics of your community? That is, are there minority groups surrounding you? A large percentage of youth? Young couples? Mostly retired couples? Divorcees or cohabiting couples? If the community around your church facility is mostly retired couples your potential might not lie in reaching youth or unmarried cohabiting couples. If the average age in your area is under 25, you might be challenged to reach them with traditional methods because their entire world view may be different than that of those who attend your church.

The point is that we should not define congregational health nor success by how we are doing compared to a group down the street or within our local or state association. The only comparison we should make is with our potential as a congregation to be obedient to reach those in our community and the outreaches of our church.

For example: Faith Church is in a rural community. The congregation of 45 is a mixture of all ages, educational levels, and professions. There are approximately 600 people within a 10 minute driving radius of their facility. That means that Faith Church is reaching 7.5% of the people in their immediate community. That is very commendable. The potential of Faith Church does not lie in becoming a church of 1000 in a community of 600. The potential may lie in making rock-solid disciples through the children's and youth ministries. Because the group is debt-free, they can pay and care for their pastor and his family well, and rather than bankrolling excess funds, invest in supporting church planting efforts in less evangelized countries and areas of the USA. They can develop strong prayer ministries which pray fervently for those serving in the more complex and at times, difficult urban ministries.

The only comparison a local church should consider is the comparison between what they are presently doing and their potential for ministry.

The MOFWB State Association has developed a Revitalization Team to help local churches strive for their potential and improve their spiritual health. If you desire to know more about this subject, or if you are interested in receiving training to become a church revitalization coach, please contact Ken Simpson, Melvin Moon, or Stan Bunch.

  
Stanley Bunch



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We thank God for our MO FWB churches, individuals and groups that have given faithfully in 2020 for the support of the spread of the Gospel in our state, nation and world. The Show Me Plan had a good recovery year after the 2019 downturn, which improved by over 54 thousand. Thank you MO FWB family for responding to this need! Here are the totals for missions funding that came through the State Office:

Show Me Plan	\$352,584.14
Designated State	\$ 61,534.82
Designated National	\$ 50,593.01
Designated International	\$ 157,929.52

Total mission giving through the state office was \$ 622,641.49 which is an increase from 2019 of over 85 thousand. Again, thank you for your generous support of our FWB missionaries and church planters!

Our annual **Show Me Share Sunday** on the last Sunday in January is being accepted as a promotable event in several of our churches, which we hope will become something all our MO FWB churches will eventually do.

The MMB partnered with Mosaic FWB in Rolla to build a Missionary Apartment within that facility. Josh and Faron put many hard hours into the construction of this effort, as well as men from the Desoto church and Walter Hosiner from the Ozark church. We hope this will make fund raising a little more comfortable for our traveling missionaries and church planters.

Our 2020 Pandemic did cause all mission fields to stop meeting publicly and then to find creative ways to communicate and connect with people in their ministry areas. As we moved into 2021, we were pleased for the return of God's people to worship and service.

### **Internationally (IM)**

- **Ken & Judy Bailey** came to MO in the midst of the pandemic and has been staying in the Rolla Mission Apartment while visiting our churches in our state. At the time of this writing, they still needed a significant amount to raise before heading back to Tokyo.
- **Donnie & Ruth McDonald** started a new Bible Study with some ladies who need to understand the scriptures. That, along with the annual Gospel Choir Concert, has increased their outreach potential.
- **Matthew & Brooke Turnbough** are excited that the city of Villalba has for the first time recognized their pantry ministry and have advertised the ministry for them online. This unique partnership should have long-lasting influences for the ministry there.
- **Team Shumen/Josh & Lydia Provow with Brenton & Debbie Driscoll** through 2020 have engaged in hospital volunteering through the pandemic shutdowns, created more one on one meetings with people, started a couple new small group outreaches, and has added at least two village Bible study meetings to their weekly schedule.

### **Nationally - North American Ministries (NAM)**

**Steve & Amanda Schmidt** started the year with an office facility to meet but released it when shutdowns began in Albuquerque. Since then, they have been able to start a small group that meets at their home in ABQ. This is a community that shows what happens when Christ is removed from it.

## MO Missions con't

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- **Adam & Rebecca Garrett** have increased their ministry in Champaign, IL. With Pastor Lee leaving the project the Garretts have stepped up to fill many of the leadership roles. We look forward to seeing how the Lord uses them in the ministry there.
- **Darin & Joy Alvis** left the work in Erie in 2020. Prior to that move, the project was able to secure a new meeting site and get it renovated to hold services in. We are thankful for the ministry the Alvis Family had in Erie and wish them well as they seek the Lord's Will in their ministry lives.
- We have two Army Chaplains that have ties to our MO FWB family. **Maj Kevin Trimble and Capt David Dodson**. Please remember to keep these men and their families in your prayers as they minister to our men and women in uniform. Both of them minister in country, and when called to do so, in the foreign fields of service.
- We also have a Medical Chaplain that is endorsed through NAM in **Rev. Cody Alley**. Cody has had a huge impact on the personnel and many patients while serving in this role at Mercy Hospital in Lebanon. He, within HEPA rules, can share many stories of gospel engagement and even salvations taking place in the remaining hours of life here.

### State

- **David & Kathy Beltz** has seen both spiritual and numerical growth at Resolve FWB. The ups and downs of church planting has truly been realized with this church plant effort, but now it seems to be on a growth tract that will bring them to self-sufficiency in the near future.
- **Team Cape Girardeau, Ray & Carley Paxton with Matthew & Jennifer Cromer**, continue to see spiritual and numerical growth in their restart. They have baptized over 20 in less than 4 years through this ministry. They have people of all ages engaged in this effort in Cape.
- **Team Rolla, Faron & Abi Thebeau with Josh & Eleanor Chapman**, are reporting some amazing things that God is doing through them as they communicate to many who live in Rolla, as well as, with those who are from other countries visiting the Rolla area while they attend Missouri S & T. It is difficult to put in text the tremendous ministry this restart has become.
- **Rob & Lisa Gerst at Potosi**. We engaged in a new restart in Potosi at the engagement of the Gerst Family who showed a great burden for the community. Rob, Lisa and the whole family have worked many long hours in preparing the facility, engaging in various outreach efforts and preparing themselves spiritually for the upcoming launch in September of 2021.

### Show Me Plan for 2022

We propose for Show Me Plan 2022 to include:

#### **International Support (60% of SMP funds received)**

Ken & Judy Bailey; Tokyo  
Adam & Carol Duncan; Ecuador  
Donnie & Ruth McDonald; Tokyo  
Team Shumen, Bulgaria (Provow, Driscoll)  
Matthew & Brooke Turnbough; Villalba, Spain

#### **National Support (10% of SMP funds received)**

Adam & Rebecca Garrett; Champaign, IL  
Steve & Amanda Schmidt; Albuquerque, NM  
Frank & Debbie Webster; The Villages, FL

#### **MO State Church Planting (30% of Show Me Plan)**

# MO Missions con't

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The MMB did not greatly engage in Church Health Advising in 2020 due to pandemic restrictions. One association in Florida had Frank come and do some sessions for them on the subject.

We want to say “Thank You” to all our churches, individuals, and Women’s Ministry groups who continued to give and serve in 2020 through the global pandemic. You have proven why being a part of an association of like-minded churches is crucial to all of us surviving during difficult times. More than ever your Mission Board rejoices in our motto of:  
**Together We Reach Out Further**

- Rev. Bob Thebeau; Chairman
- Rev. Gary Mitchener; Vice Chairman
- Rev. Barry Reel; Secretary
- Rev. Curt Gwartney; assistant secretary
- Rev. Randy Gaddis
- Rev. Dennis Moore
- Rev. Russ Neill
- Rev. Steve Reeves
- Rev. Richard Robinson
- Rev. Frank Webster; Director

## **Personal statement from Frank & Debbie Webster:**

It has been our pleasure to serve in the ministry of Mission Director since June of 2007. It is difficult to put into words just how much we have been blessed by getting to know so many in our MO FWB family and to minister along side of you for the spread of the Gospel to our State, Nation and World. It has been so much fun to watch God work in spite of our weaknesses!

We will also miss the many other ministries we have been involved in. Mission Trips, Minister’s Wife Retreat, Women’s Ministry Retreat, weekly volleyball and ickleball groups, State Office involvement and the many game nights in our home. To those who are, and have been, on our MMB I want you to know that I will always treasure our time together. I know you have a heart to continue the good work of Restart so that the ministries that were, will be again. May God continue to bless you in that endeavor.

The Lord is moving us on to another ministry chapter in our lives and we are very thankful to be considered worthy to do so. However, always know that we very much love and appreciate our MO FWB family!

~Frank

## MO Missions con't

### Statement of Cash Receipts & Disbursements for General Fund

<b>Beginning Cash Balance</b>		<b>\$ 83,372.18</b>
<b><u>Receipts</u></b>		
Cooperative Funds	\$ 156,130.72	
Designated Giving (salary reimbursement, fund raisers, designated areas)	\$ 61,534.82	
Show Me Plan	\$ 105,775.24	
Loan Payment	\$ 2,620.00	
<b>Total Income</b>		<b>\$ 326,060.78</b>
<b>Beginning Balance</b>		<b>\$ 409,432.96</b>
<b><u>Disbursements</u></b>		
Salaries		
Missionaries	\$202,424.00	
Director	\$ 51,600.00	
Insurance	\$ 6,314.37	
Fed Tax Deposits	\$ 24,840.00	
Office / Promotion	\$ 5,700.00	
Travel - Director & Church Planters	\$ 4,324.25	
Auto Expense	\$ 2,484.00	
Conference (State, National, seminars, retreats)	\$ 1,511.00	
Gifts (Camp, Funeral, Misc.)	\$ 10,296.00	
Fund Raiser costs	\$ 125.00	
Board Meeting Expenses	\$ 1,350.00	
Property Expense (Rolla Apt, Marshfield)	\$ 12,664.74	
ACH bank charge	\$ 692.40	
Transfer to Foundation		
Future National	\$ 4,423.54	
Future State	\$ 8,000.00	
Designated to specific state ministries	\$ 7,874.76	
Church Health	\$ ,110.50	
State Women's Ministry	\$ 3,500.00	
<b>Total Disbursement</b>		<b>\$ 349,234.56</b>
<b>Balance ending December 31, 2020</b>		<b>\$ 60,198.40</b>

## MO Missions con't

### Statement of Cash Receipts & Disbursements for Show Me Plan

January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020

<b>Beginning Balance</b>		<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>Total Receipts</b>		<b>\$ 352,584.14</b>
<b><u>Disbursements</u></b>		
International Missions (60%)	\$ 211,550.48	
Ken Bailey	\$ 74,042.66	
Donnie McDonald	\$ 42,310.09	
Josh Provow	\$ 63,465.14	
Matthew Turnbough	\$ 31,732.59	
National Missions (10%)		
Equally Disbursed Monthly: Alvis, Garrett, Schmidt	\$ 35,258.41	
State Missions (30%)	\$ 105,775.24	
<b>Total Disbursement</b>		<b>\$ 352,584.14</b>
<b>Ending Balance for 2020</b>		<b>\$ 0.00</b>

### Statement of Cash Receipts & Disbursements for Perpetual Loan Fund

January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020

<b>Beginning Cash Balance</b>		<b>\$ 33,815.08</b>
<b><u>Receipts</u></b>		
Designated Giving	\$ 7,120.00	
Loan Receipts	\$ 45,111.96	
<b>Total Income</b>		<b>\$ 52,231.96</b>
<b>Beginning Balance</b>		<b>\$ 86,047.04</b>
<b><u>Disbursements</u></b>		
Property Expense (Marshall, Potosi, Rolla)	\$ 33,981.64	
Loans	\$ 0.00	
Sent back to Foundation Account	\$ 0.00	
<b>Total Disbursement</b>		<b>\$ 33,981.64</b>
<b>Balance ending December 31,2020</b>		<b>\$ 52,065.40</b>

## MO Missions con't

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### Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements for FWB Foundation Accounts

January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020

#### FUTURE STATE PROJECT

Beginning Balance	\$ 53,024.70	
Deposits to Account	\$ 8,000.00	
Interest	\$ 1,456.04	
Withdraws	\$ 0.00	
<b>Balance of Account</b>		<b>\$ 62,480.74</b>

#### FUTURE NATIONAL PROJECT

Beginning Balance	\$ 38,915.66	
Deposits to Account	\$ 4,423.54	
Interest	\$ 681.70	
Withdraws	\$ 16,530.00	
<b>Balance of Account</b>		<b>\$ 27,490.90</b>

#### GENERAL FUND

Beginning Balance	\$ 107,212.99	
Interest	\$ 2,747.77	
<b>Balance of Account</b>		<b>\$ 109,960.76</b>

#### PERPETUAL LOAN FUND

Beginning Balance	\$ 408,938.77	
Deposits to Account	\$ 0.00	
Withdraws	\$ 0.00	
Interest	\$ 10,687.56	
<b>Balance of Account</b>		<b>\$ 419,626.33</b>

#### PROJECT DEBT FUND

Beginning Balance	\$ 525.63	
Interest	\$ 9.44	
<b>Balance of Account</b>		<b>\$ 535.07</b>

# MO Missions con't

## Balance Sheet - Ending December 31, 2020

### Cash Asset Accounts

Cash in Bank – General Fund Checking	\$ 60,198.40	
Cash in Foundation – General Fund	\$ 109,960.76	
Cash in Bank – Loan Fund	\$ 52,065.40	
Cash in Foundation - Loan Fund	\$ 419,626.33	
Cash in Foundation – Future State Project	\$ 62,480.74	
Cash in Foundation – Future National Project	\$ 27,490.90	
Cash in Foundation – Project Debt Fund	\$ 535.07	
<b>Total Cash Assets</b>		<b>\$ 732,357.60</b>

### Assets in PLF Fund Loans

Outstanding Loan Balances		
Blue Springs	\$ 30,107.75	
Columbia	\$ 11,294.82	
Nevada	\$ 7,002.81	
Osage Beach	\$ 276,600.00	
Rolla	\$ 134,900.00	
Troy	\$ 28,301.08	
<b>Total Loan Assets</b>		<b>\$ 488,206.46</b>

**Total Assets In Cash And Loans** **\$ 1,220,564.06**

### Properties With Bank Loans Via Mission Board

	<u>Valued</u>	<u>Liabilities</u>	<u>Equity</u>
Blue Springs	525,000.00	202,431.37	322,568.63
Independence	115,000.00	27,343.13	87,656.87
Ozark	2,100,000.00	1,061,541.85	1,038,458.15
Republic	700,000.00	95,574.23	604,425.77
Troy	400,000.00	111,874.18	288,125.82
Union	450,000.00	28,417.12	421,582.88
St Clair	650,000.00	371,678.19	267,553.80
<b>Balance</b>	<b>4,660,000.00</b>	<b>1,898,860.07</b>	<b>3,041,139.93</b>



# MO Missions con't

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## Proposed 2022 Budget for Mission Office

<b>Expected 2021 Balance Forward</b>		<b>\$47,400.00</b>
Show-Me Plan	\$100,000.00	
CO-OP	\$156,000.00	
Designated State Missions	\$20,000.00	
Returned for salary	\$55,000.00	
<b>Total gifts</b>		<b>\$378,400.00</b>
<b><u>Disbursements</u></b>		
Director Salary & Bonus	\$53,300.00	
Health Insurance	\$5,400.00	
HSA (Health Savings Account)	\$2,000.00	
State Planter Salaries, housing & bonus	\$250,800.00	
Missionary Expenses (Conference mileage and training opportunities)	\$4,000.00	
Travel / Auto Expense	\$10,000.00	
Office/ Promotional Materials	\$6,000.00	
Church Health	\$2,000.00	
Women's Ministry	\$3,500.00	
Mission Trip Allowance	\$3,000.00	
Board Expense	\$4,000.00	
Future Auto Purchase	\$5,000.00	
Property Management	\$22,000.00	
Move to Future State Project Fund	\$2,000.00	
Misc	\$5,000.00	
<b>Total Proposed Disbursements</b>		<b>\$ 378,400.00</b>
<b>Projected Ending Balance for 2022</b>		<b>\$ 0.00</b>



# Senior Adult Ministries

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COVID tied the hands of the Senior Adult Ministries board and their work with the Missouri retirees in 2020. After the wonderful retreat we had in 2019, we had another great retreat planned for 2020. That did not happen. We have the 2021 retreat schedule for October 18-20 at the Lodge Of The Ozarks in Branson with the same speaker and musicians.

We also paid one of the monthly loan payments for the Youth Camp.

Pray for all our plans in 2021.

Thank you for all of the support.

Wayne Phillips, Chairman  
 Ronnie Blanks, Treasurer  
 Don Anderson  
 Doug Earls  
 Jerry Pinkerton

## Receipts and Disbursements January 1, 2020 - December 31, 2020

<b>Balance from December 31, 2019</b>		<b>\$44,155.20</b>
<b>Receipts for 2020:</b>		
Co-op	\$16,310.32	
Bruce Moore	\$ 600.00	
Randall House Rebates	\$ 232.33	
Registration and T Shirts	\$ 1,080.00	
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$18,222.65</b>	
<b>Total Working Balance</b>		<b>\$62,377.85</b>
<b>Disbursements for 2020:</b>		
Door prizes for Retreat	\$ 300.00	
Postage	\$ 192.50	
Printing	\$ 48.46	
Bookkeeping Fees	\$ 120.00	
Retreat Refunds	\$ 945.00	
Checks	\$ 29.50	
Camp Niangua	\$ 1,500.00	
<b>Total Disbursements</b>	<b>\$3,135.46</b>	
<b>Balance in the bank as of 12-31-2020</b>		<b>\$59,242.39</b>

# Senior Adult Ministries con't

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## Proposed Budget for 2022

<b>Ending Balance for 2020</b>		<b>\$59,242.39</b>
2021 Proposed Income	\$28,200.00	
2021 Proposed Expenses	\$25,620.00	
<b>Projected Balance Forward</b>		<b>\$61,822.39</b>
Proposed Income for 2022:		
Co-op	\$16,400.00	
Retreat Income	\$11,500.00	
Other Income	\$1,000.00	
<b>Total Income</b>		<b>\$28,900.00</b>
<b>Total Income and Balance Forward</b>		<b>\$90,722.39</b>
Proposed Expenses for 2022:		
Retreat Rental and Meals	\$19,000.00	
Speakers and Singers	\$3,500.00	
Board Expenses	\$2,500.00	
Office Supplies and Postage	\$150.00	
Bookkeeping Fees	\$120.00	
Retreat Preparations	\$250.00	
Door Prizes for Retreat	\$600.00	
<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>\$26,120.00</b>
<b>Proposed Balance</b>		<b>\$64,602.39</b>



# Youth Camp Board

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The focus of this report is twofold: the financial concerns of Camp Niangua during this tumultuous 2020 and the faithfulness of God. The decisions made and actions taken to continue operations are outlined below. But more importantly, it is our hope that you see the exceeding abundance of God's hand in sustaining and blessing the Camp.

When the decision was made to cancel Preteen 2020, and then our rental groups had to cancel their sessions, we understood that additional measures would need to be taken to prevent further financial loss. We were looking at sixteen months of little to no rental income (with the exception of our Teen Camp and a January rental group).

At the conclusion of the camp season, the board met and decided on the following plan:

- Sell unused equipment (dozer, backhoe and scissor lift)
- Increase insurance deductible (reduced insurance payment by \$2,000/year)
- Reduce debt reduction (\$1500/month down to \$500/month)
- Reduce workforce/expenses
- Request MOFWB shift 0.5% of COOP back to Camp Niangua (had previously been given to Executive Office).

Following those meetings and implementing this plan, we began to see, continue to witness, the faithfulness of God in full display! God has shown up in a big way. He is faithful! As of October 21, 2020:

- We have received \$35,452.36 in "mailbox money." This is money we weren't expecting and just showed up in the mailbox at Camp. We also received an additional gift of \$10,000 from one of our MOFWB churches.
- We have received \$12,921 (which was given through MOFWB office). That is over \$58,000 received, above and beyond budgeted contributions and COOP giving!

What does all of this mean for Camp Niangua? With our cash on hand, COOP contributions and the additional gifts, we will survive this difficult season! We are excited about what God is going to do through Camp Niangua in 2021 and in the years beyond! We have had a front-row seat to His faithfulness. We don't know what the future holds, but He does, and He is faithful. Thank you for your prayers and continued support for the ministry of Camp Niangua!

Andy Rains, Chairman  
Jacob Jones  
Danny Cottengim  
Mark Henry  
Tim Hodges

# Youth Camp con't

## Mo. State Fwb Youth Camp Financial Report - General Account January 1 - December 31, 2020

Cash On Hand, December 1, 2020 9,744.44\$

### Receipts

Interest & Ind. Contributions	\$46,644.63	
Churches & Assoc. Contrib.	\$64,473.83	
Cooperative Giving	\$65,241.32	
Reimbursements & Returns	\$6,759.20	
Registration	\$22,021.42	
Snack Shop	\$4,767.83	
Rentals	\$70,270.00	
Offerings	\$7,094.01	
Crafts	\$286.00	
Camp T-Shirts	\$4,695.00	
Foundation	\$18,000.00	
<b>Total Revenues</b>		<b>\$310,253.24</b>

**Total Working Balance 319,997.68\$**

### Disbursements

Telephone/Internet	\$3,606.22	
Electricity	\$14,540.76	
Propane	\$9,993.05	
Building Maint. & Supplies	\$17,615.31	
Honorariums, Reimb. & Returns	\$1,750.00	
First Aid	\$53.87	
Kitchen - Food	\$6,326.19	
Kitchen - Supplies	\$197.32	
Snack Center	\$3,088.92	
Playground, Pool, Camp Activ.	\$6,169.32	
Fuel & Oil	\$3,228.98	
Equip. Purch. & Repair	\$1,786.15	
Insurance	\$29,939.32	
Printing, Postage, & Lit.	\$78.52	
Accounting & Supplies	\$2,419.87	
Board Expense	\$2,224.69	
Misc.	\$1,213.37	
Debt Retirement	\$10,000.00	
Camp T-Shirts	\$1,685.50	
Admin Salaries	\$40,910.82	
Summer Help Salaries	\$2,152.31	
Maintenance	\$21,446.14	
Benefits	\$14,400.00	
Federal Withholding	\$18,640.86	
State Withholding	\$1,901.00	
<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>\$215,368.49</b>

Cash On Hand December 31, 2020 \$104,629.19

# Youth Camp con't

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## Development & Foundation Accounts plus Debt Balance January 1 - December 31, 2020

### Development Account

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Beg. Cash On Hand		\$12,253.36
<b>Receipts</b>		
Interest	\$23.98	
Contrib./Offerings (Tables/Benches)	\$47,571.61	
<b>Total Revenues</b>		<b>\$47,595.59</b>
<b>Total Working Bal.</b>		<b>\$59,848.95</b>
<b>Disbursements</b>		
Poolhouse/ Playground		
Building Materials	\$9,778.50	
Fixtures	\$18,256.21	
Contract Labor	\$775.00	
<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>\$28,809.71</b>
<b>End. Cash On Hand</b>		<b>\$31,039.24</b>

### Foundation Account

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Beginning Balance, January 1		\$18,922.80
Plus Deposits	\$0.00	
Plus Interest January-June	\$14.62	
Less Withdrawals	\$18,000.00	
<b>Balance June 30</b>		<b>\$922.80</b>
Plus Deposits	\$0.00	
Plus Interest July-December	\$10.34	
Less Withdrawals	\$0.00	
<b>Ending Balance, December 31</b>		<b>\$933.14</b>

### Debt Balance, December 31, 2020

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Legacy Bank Loan		\$119,675.45
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# Youth Camp con't

## Youth Camp Proposed 2022 Budget

<b>Balance Forward</b>		<b>\$99,779.19</b>
<b><u>Receipts</u></b>		
Interest & Individuals	\$13,500.00	
Churches & Assoc.	\$12,500.00	
Coop	\$69,700.00	
Reimb. & Returns	\$1,000.00	
Registration	\$75,000.00	
Snack Center	\$12,000.00	
Rentals	\$100,000.00	
Camp Offerings	\$5,000.00	
Craft/Laundry	\$250.00	
Camp T-Shirts	\$7,000.00	
<b>Total Receipts</b>		<b>\$295,950.00</b>
<b>Total Working Balance</b>		<b>\$395,729.19</b>
<b><u>Disbursements</u></b>		
Salaries	\$75,000.00	
Benefits	\$14,000.00	
Fed./State Taxes	\$20,000.00	
Telephone	\$3,600.00	
Electric	\$20,000.00	
Propane	\$12,500.00	
Bldg. Maint. & Supplies	\$20,000.00	
Honorariums/Reimb.	\$4,500.00	
First Aid	\$100.00	
Kitchen - Food	\$25,000.00	
Kitchen - Supplies	\$3,000.00	
Snack Center	\$7,500.00	
Playground/Pool	\$5,000.00	
Fuel & Oil	\$4,000.00	
Equip. Purch. & Repair	\$5,000.00	
Insurance	\$30,000.00	
Print./Postage/Literature	\$1,000.00	
Acctg. & Supplies	\$2,500.00	
Board Expense	\$3,500.00	
Miscellaneous	\$1,200.00	
Debt Retirement	\$12,000.00	
Camp T-Shirts	\$3,000.00	
<b>Total Disbursements</b>		<b>\$272,400.00</b>
<b>Ending Balance</b>		<b>\$123,329.19</b>



# Youth Ministries Board

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As with all ministries, 2020 greatly impacted the ability for us to carry out our events that were planned for the year. As March 2020 rolled around, we had over 140 entries registered for our annual CTS Ministry and Expo. But, as we all know, this was the first of many events that would be cancelled throughout the year.

Our partnership with Camp Niangua continues as we are contributing financially to help in bringing in a speaker for 2021.

Our annual fall retreat known as E3 took a different approach in 2020. As the world went virtual, we did too. Chris Davenport, a FWB church planter in Fredericksburg, VA created three short videos that youth groups could download and watch on Wednesday nights. Our board was able to create discussion guides to aid in our church leaders as they watched these videos with their students.

As many things were put on pause, our board continued to look to the future. CTS in 2021 was a great success. And E3 in the fall of 2021 will once again look differently with a one-day event planned. And, we are hopeful to once again minister to our own youth leaders and volunteers in 2022 with another Recharge Youth Leader's Conference.

Thank you for supporting our students in the state of Missouri!

Ryan Akers, Chairman  
Caleb Milling  
Seth Moon



# Youth Ministries con't

## Youth Ministries Income and Expense Report for 2020

<b>Beginning Balance</b>		<b>\$31,647.67</b>
<b>Income for 2020</b>		
Co-op	\$16,310.32	
Designated	\$832.33	
CTS Receipts	-	
Recharge Youth Leaders	-	
E3 T-shirt Receipts	-	
SYC Receipts	-	
<b>Total Income</b>		<b>\$17,142.65</b>
<b>Total Income+Beginning Balance</b>		<b>\$48,790.32</b>
<b>Expenses for 2020</b>		
Board Expense		
Meals	\$143.25	
Supplies and Equipment	-	
Mileage and Reimbursements	\$565.62	
CTS Lodging		
CTS Judges		
CTS Supplies and Reimbursements	\$8.40	
CTS NYC Fees	-	
CTS Tabulators	-	
CTS Trophies	-	
E3 Equipment	\$500.00	
E3 Speaker	\$600.00	
E3 Musical Guest	-	
E3 T-Shirts	-	
E3 Supplies and Reimbursements	-	
E3 Facility Rental	-	
Teen Camp Activity	-	
Youth Leader's Conference	-	
Youth Leader's Facility	-	
Youth Leader's Food	-	
<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>\$1,817.27</b>
<b>Beginning Balance + Income - Expenses</b>		<b>\$46,973.05</b>

# Youth Ministries con't

## 2022 MO Youth Board Projected Budget

<b>Balance December 31, 2020 (Actual)</b>		<b>\$46,973.05</b>
Income for 2022 (Proposed)	\$33,500.00	
Expenses for 2022 (Proposed)	\$33,500.00	
Balance for 2022 (Proposed)	\$ 0.00	
<b>Projected Beginning Balance 2022 (Proposed)</b>		<b>\$46,973.05</b>
<b>Proposed Income 2022</b>		
Co-op (2% x \$820,000)	\$16,400.00	
CTS Receipts	\$3,800.00	
Youth Conference Receipts	\$15,000.00	
Youth Leader Conference Receipts	\$2,500.00	
<b>Total Income</b>		<b>\$35,200.00</b>
<b>Total Income + Beginning Balance</b>		<b>\$82,173.05</b>
<b>Proposed Expenses 2022</b>		
<b>Board Expenses</b>		
Meals	\$500.00	
Supplies and Equipment	\$700.00	
Mileage Reimbursements	\$2,500.00	
<b>Total Board Expenses</b>		<b>\$3,700.00</b>
<b>CTS Competition</b>		
Lodging	\$600.00	
Judges	\$1,200.00	
NYC Fees	\$3,000.00	
Tabulators and Assistants	\$1,500.00	
Supplies	\$1,000.00	
Facility Rental	\$500.00	
Trophies	\$350.00	
<b>Total CTS Expenses</b>		<b>\$8,150.00</b>
<b>Youth Conference Expenses</b>		
Speaker Expenses	\$2,200.00	
Musical Guest	\$1,600.00	
Equipment	\$3,000.00	
Supplies	\$300.00	
T-shirts	\$1,500.00	
Facility Rental	\$10,000.00	
<b>Total Youth Conference Expenses</b>		<b>\$18,600.00</b>
<b>Youth Conference Expenses</b>		
Facility Rental	\$1,500.00	
Meals	\$2,500.00	
Equipment	\$750.00	
<b>Total Youth Conference Expenses</b>		<b>\$4,750.00</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>\$35,200.00</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$35,200.00</b>	
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$35,200.00</b>	
<b>Proposed Ending Balance December 31, 2022</b>		<b>\$46,973.05</b>



# Christian Education Board

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Greetings and Blessings and Many Thanks from our Christian Education Board. We continue to be honored to serve our pastors, our state, and our Lord as we attempt to provide great opportunities and resources for education and enrichment for the cause of the Gospel.

We are so thankful that even with the unique circumstances of this past year, we have made a lot of progress and saw breakthrough opportunities this year.

One of our ongoing passions and projects is to invest in young leaders. We had the wonderful opportunity to partner with a Welch University student last summer for an internship with Farmington Free Will Baptist Church. As a result of that partnership and other circumstances, that student is now in a paid ministry position in the state of Missouri. We are currently working on future internship opportunities and partnerships so we can help bring pastors and leaders into our state.

Our annual Minister's Retreat was held March 1-3, 2021 and had several first-time experiences for us. We were challenged with excellent teaching from Rich Birch via a Zoom video connection. We were all so blessed and surprised by the effectiveness of this unexpected format. We also had an in-person teaching on Tuesday morning on dealing with different personalities of people that was very helpful. Next year's retreat is already on the calendar for March 7-9, 2022. We will be sharing more information on our speakers for that event in the near future.

We also are excited about the expansion of breakout sessions on Tuesday at the State Association Meeting. We are looking forward to continuing to find innovative venues and resources to support pastors and congregations in our state for the changing challenges of ministry in the 21st Century. Please be praying with us as we follow our Savior and lead the next generations to Him.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Mark Elliott, Chairman  
Roger Hogan, Treasurer  
Melvin Moon, Board Member  
Dr. Jay Tilson, Board Member  
Joshua Kennon, Board Member

# Christian Education con't

## 2020 Financial Statement January 1, 2020 -December 31, 2020

<b>Cash On Hand-January 1, 2020</b>		<b>\$39,736.38</b>
<b>Actual Cash On Hand</b>		<b>\$39,736.38</b>
<b>Receipts:</b>		
Cooperative Program	\$17,142.65	
Interest Income	\$3.58	
Book Sales (Minister's Retreat)	\$223.00	
Refund-Minister's Retreat	\$620.00	
<b>Total Income For 2020</b>		<b>\$17,989.23</b>
<b>Total Cash For 2020</b>		<b>\$57,725.61</b>
<b>Disbursements:</b>		
Bank Fees	\$240.00	
Board Expenses	\$609.40	
Fwb College Pastoral Internship	\$3,150.00	
Gifts-Youth Camp	\$2,000.00	
Bookkeeping Expenses	\$600.00	
Minister's Retreat	\$7,824.94	
College Tuition Scholarship	\$4,000.00	
Minister's Wives Retreat	\$2,000.00	
Marriage Retreat Expense	\$740.05	
Books	\$680.97	
<b>Total Disbursements For 2020</b>		<b>\$21,845.36</b>
<b>Total Cash On Hand – December 31, 2020</b>		<b>\$35,880.25</b>

## CE Board 2020 Assets

<b>Cash On Hand</b>		<b>\$35,880.25</b>
Cd (National Board Of Retirement)	\$11,132.66	
Interest Earned On Cd - 2020	296.61	
Cd As Of 12-31-20	11,429.27	
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$47,309.52</b>

## Proposed Budget for 2022

Bank Fees	\$240.00	
Minister's Retreat	\$6,800.00	
Minister's Wives Retreat	\$2,000.00	
Bookkeeping	\$600.00	
Office Expense	\$100.00	
FWB Pastoral Internship	\$4,000.00	
C.E. Board Expense	\$2,000.00	
State Meeting Expense	\$1,500.00	
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$17,240.00</b>

# Nominating Committee Recommendations

With the best interest of God's ministry among Missouri Free Will Baptist in mind, we the members of the nominating committee make the following nominations.

In accordance with the suggestions of the MOFWB General Board, we have verified that each of these nominees is a supporter of the Missouri COOP plan, and we believe each has demonstrated both a heart and ability for the position for which they are nominated. The nominating committee has contacted each nominee and confirmed their willingness to serve.

Prayerfully Submitted,  
Mark Elliott, Chairman  
Gene Crewse  
Melvin Haas  
Alan Kinder  
Todd Williams

## Schedule for Electing Standing Boards

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\* Denotes the recommendation of the MOFWB nominating committee

\*\* Denotes Board Chairman

### Christian Education Board

Jay Tilson	2025
Roger Hogan	2024
Mark Elliott **	2023
Joshua Kennon	2022
Melvin Moon - Melvin Moon*	2021

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### Missouri Mission Board

Bob Thebeau **	2023
Gary Mitchener	2023
Curt Gwartney	2023
Dennis Moore -	2022
Steve Reeves	2022
Randy Gaddis	2022
Russ Neill - Russ Neill*	2021
Barry Reel - Barry Reel*	2021
Richard Robinson - Richard Robinson*	2021

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### Senior Adult Ministries

Wayne Phillips**	2025
Doug Earls	2024
Ron Blanks	2023
Jerry Pinkerton	2022
Don Anderson - Don Anderson*	2021

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### **Youth Camp Board**

Tim Hodges	2025
Jacob Jones	2024
Andy Rains **	2023
Dan Cottengim	2022
Mark Henry - Mark Henry	2021

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### **Youth Ministries Board**

Caleb Milling	2025
Jane Parker - Layton Smith*	2024
Seth Moon	2023
Ryan Akers **	2022
Tommy Jones - Luke Feeney*	2021

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### **Audit Committee**

Appointed by the General Board...(MO State FWB By-Laws # 30)

Warren Hall	2023
Russell Johnson	2022
Dan Talbott	2021

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### **Historical Commission**

Gary Fry	2023
Keith Garrison	2022
Nathan Ruble - Darrell Strain*	2021

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### **Randall University Trustee Board**

Steve Reeves	2023
Jay Tilson	2022
Dale Skiles - Ray Paxton*	2021

### **National Association General Board Member**

Stanley Bunch

## **General Officers**

**Moderator -**

Replacing Zach Williams - Zach Williams\*

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**Assistant Moderator -**

Replacing Jackson Watts - Jackson Watts\*

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**Clerk -**

Replacing Justin Lawson - Justin Lawson\*

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**Assistant Clerk -**

Replacing Rick Dement - Rick Dement\*

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## State General Board Members

All will serve a two year term expiring in June 2023

Mission - replacing Matthew Todd

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Mo-Ark - replacing Darrell Strain

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Niangua - replacing Buddy Hand

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Northeast - replacing Tim Hodges

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Northwest - replacing Vernon Maggart

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Ozarks -

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South Central - replacing Leroy Bryant

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Southeast - replacing Raymond Michael

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St. Francois - replacing Vernon Wilfong

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St. Louis - replacing Ken Simpson

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Tri-County - replacing Russell Johnson

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# Missouri State Association Of Free Will Baptists Bylaws

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## NAME

1. This Association shall be called the Missouri State Association of Free Will Baptist.

## PURPOSE

2. The object of this Association shall be the bringing together of the Free Will Baptists of the State of Missouri in one annual gathering that we may become better acquainted with one another, the upholding of the Free Will Baptists Churches of Missouri, and a worldwide outreach of souls.

## MEMBERSHIP

3. The Association shall be composed of the members of the various local affiliated Associations.

4. Any organized District Association of Free Will Baptists may unite with this body at any regular session by a two-thirds vote of all delegates present, providing that the following procedures have been followed:

- a. The District Association will send a letter to the State Clerk requesting membership in the State Association.
- b. The Executive Committee will examine the District Association and make the appropriate recommendation to the State Association.

## OFFICERS

5. The officers of this Association shall be Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, and Assistant Clerk, who shall be elected annually at the close of each session and hold their office until their successors are elected and qualified. No officer shall serve the same office more than three consecutive years, except the clerk.

6. The officers of this body shall submit, at every session, a report of the work done for this association.

7. The Moderator shall be the principal executive officer of the Association and he shall sign, with the clerk or any other people, officer or agent of the Association there unto authorized by the General Board, any deeds, mortgages, bonds, contracts, or other instruments which the General Board has authorized to be executed, except in cases where the signing and execution thereof shall be expressly delegated by the General Board or by these By-Laws to some other officer or agent of the Association, or shall be required by law to be otherwise signed or executed. The duties of Moderator shall include presiding at the meetings of the State Association, the General Board, and the Executive Committee, and in general, to fulfil whatever responsibilities that may be commensurate with his office or delegated to him by the body or General Board.

8. In the absence of the Moderator, or in the event of his death, inability or refusal to act, the Assistant Moderator shall perform the duties of the Moderator, and when so acting, shall have all the powers of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the moderator. The Assistant Moderator shall perform such duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the Moderator or by the General Board.

9. The Clerk shall keep an accurate record of all business transactions, shall superintend the printing of the minutes, and shall receive an honorarium of an amount agreed upon by this body.

### 10. The Clerk shall:

- a. Keep the minutes of the Association and of the General Board meetings in one or more books provided for the purpose.
- b. See that all notices are given in accordance with the provisions of these by-laws or as required by law.
- c. Be custodian of the Association records and of the seal of the Association and see that the seal of the Association is affixed to all documents the execution of which on behalf of the Association under its seal is duly authorized.
- d. In general, perform all duties incident to the office of the clerk and other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the Moderator or by the General Board.
- e. In the absence of the clerk, or in the event of his death, inability, or refusal to Act, the Assistant Clerk shall perform the duties of the Clerk and when so acting shall have the power of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the clerk. The Assistant Clerk shall perform such duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the clerk or by the General Board.

## BOARDS

11. All standing boards shall be composed of five (5) members, exclusive of the General Board and the Missouri Missions Board. A board member shall be an active member of a Free Will Baptist Church in good standing with the Missouri State Association. No one may serve as a member of a board while employed by that board. Standing Boards include the Board of Christian Education, the Home Missions Board, the Senior Adult Ministries Board, the Youth Ministries Board, the Youth Camp Board, and the General Board.



## DUTIES

12. The duties of the various standing boards shall be to:

- a. Plan and supervise both short and long-range programs of ministry.
- b. Manage as good stewards all funds and properties entrusted to its care
- c. Annually submit a detailed budget for approval by the State Association.

The budget shall include:

- (1) Projected income along with expected sources of income.
- (2) Projects planned and the cost of said projects.
- (3) Maintenance along with its costs.
- (4) Work in harmony with and toward the common vision of the entire State Association.
- (5) A detailed explanation of any debt.

13. No board shall initiate any litigation in pursuit of its ministry. Neither shall any board enter into any litigation in the pursuit of its ministry except as required because suit has been initiated against the board. The only exception is that which the State Association may authorize when the State Association is not in session.

14. The personnel of each of the foregoing, exclusive of the General Board and the Missouri Mission Board shall be elected as follows: The first named for a term of one year, the second for a term of two years, the third for a term of three years, and thereafter each shall be elected for a term of five years. The members of the Missouri Mission Board shall be elected as follows: The first three named for a term of one year, the second three for a term of two years, the third three for a term of three years, and thereafter each year three members shall be elected to serve a term of three years.

15. The personnel of the General Board shall be composed of the officers of the State Association, the chairman of all standing boards, and one member from each Affiliated Association, to be elected by the State body, whose term of office shall be two years and so constituted that the expiration date of the term of office of half of these expire one year and the other half the following year. This shall be determined by alphabetical order of the names of the affiliated Association.

16. No person shall fill more than one office at the same time except as he may become a member of the General Board by virtue of being chairman of the board, which he is an elected member.

17. Any vacancy occurring in the General Board may be filled by the affirmative vote of a majority of the remaining board members through less than a quorum of the General Board, unless otherwise provided by law.

18. All board members elected by fill a vacancy shall be elected for the unexpired term of his predecessor in office.

19. Any member of the standing boards of the State Association who does not put forth any interest in or function on said board for the period of one year, shall have his office declared vacant and a new member be elected by this Association to fill his unexpired term of office.

20. The general board shall have power to act in behalf of, and for the State Association from one regular session to another, and shall have power to elect such officers as may be necessary to carry out the plans and undertakings of the State Association. The General Board shall have the rights to employ an Executive Director who shall serve as treasurer of the Association except in cases where this responsibility shall be expressly delegated by the General Board or by these by-laws to some other officer, agent, or board of the Association. He shall make an annual financial report to the Association.

21. The General Board shall have the power to fill any irregular vacancies that may occur in its own body and shall have the power to fill any irregular vacancies that may occur in any department of work between sessions of the State Association. It shall be the duty of this Board to make written reports of all its work to each session.

22. An Executive Committee consisting of seven members of the General Board shall be composed of the Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk of the State Association, and four other member to be elected by the General Board; two members to be elected for a two year term and two members to be elected for a one year term and then two members to be elected each year thereafter, whose duty it shall be to act on all matters coming within the scope of the work of the Board when said Board is not in session. It shall also plan and execute the program for the annual sessions of the Missouri State Associations. The Executive Committee shall serve as the Budget Committee.

23. A majority of the number of the General Board members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the General Board, but if less than such a majority is present at a meeting, a majority of the Board members present may adjourn the meeting from time to time without further notice.

24. An act of the majority of the Board members present at a meeting of the General Board at which action on any Association matter is taken shall be presumed to have assented to the action taken unless his dissent shall be entered in the minutes of the meeting.

25. A Board member of the Association who is present at a meeting of the General Board at which action on any Association matter is taken shall be presumed to have assented to the action taken unless his dissent shall be entered in the minutes of the meeting.

26. The General Board may authorize any officer or officers, agent or agents to enter into any contract or execute and deliver any instrument in the name of or on behalf of the Association and such authority may be general or confined to specific instances.

27. Any person or agent elected or appointed by the General Board may be removed by the General Board whenever in its judgment the best interest of the Association would be served thereby, but such removal shall be without prejudice to the contract rights, if any, of the persons so removed.

28. By resolution of the General Board, the Board members may be paid their expenses, if any, of attendance of each meeting of the General Board. No such payment shall preclude any Board member from serving the Association in any other capacity and receiving compensation therefore.

29. The General Board shall provide an Association seal which shall be circular in form and shall have inscribed thereon the name of the corporation and the state of incorporation and the words "Corporate Seal."

## **COMMITTEES**

30. The Moderator shall appoint a committee on committees consisting of five members who shall appoint all committees with the exclusion of the Auditing Committee who shall be appointed by the General Board. The first appointed shall serve a term of one year, the second a term of two years and the third a term of three years; thereafter, each shall be appointed for a term of three years. Members of standing boards, with the exception of the General Board, are not eligible to serve on the Auditing Committee. Their duties are to audit all state books.

31. All resolutions and reports shall bear the name of all the members of the committee who favor them, and if the names be not a majority of all members of such committee, then the clerk shall not read the resolutions or report.

## **REPRESENTATION**

32. The standing delegates of this Association shall be all ordained Free Will Baptist ministers and their wives, all ordained deacons, and associational Clerks, provide they are members in good standing in a Free Will Baptist Church that is in good standing in a recognized district association in this State Association

33. The number of elected delegates to the State Association shall be seven delegates from each affiliated District Association, one delegate from each church, plus one delegate for fifty members for larger fraction thereof. Each church which represents must be a member of a District Association holding membership in this body.

34. This Association may correspond be messenger or otherwise with other religious bodies.

## **VOTING**

35. Those entitled to vote at any annual or special meeting of this State Association shall be elected delegates and the standing delegates as defined By-Laws 33-34. and each delegate or standing delegate shall be entitled to one vote.

36. A majority vote shall be final upon all subjects except to amend the By-Laws, receive Quarterly Meetings or Associations, and the changing of the members of the committees appointed by the Moderator, then it shall require a two-thirds majority.

## **MEETINGS**

37. The sessions of the Association shall convene as decided upon annually by the General Board.

38. The membership of the State Association may designate any place, either within or without the State of Missouri, for any annual meeting. Any special meeting may be called by the General Board. A wavier of notice signed by all members entitled to vote a meeting may designate any place, either within or without the State of Missouri, unless otherwise prescribed by stature, as the place for holding of such meeting. If no designation is made, or if a special meeting be otherwise called, the place of the meeting shall be the principle office of the corporation of the State of Missouri.

39. In the event the necessity arises from war, or pestilence, or any cause which prevents a regular meeting of the State Association, whether such a condition is of a local or general condition, then the General Board shall be privileged to call and act with full authority in all matters pertaining to the general welfare of the State Association, providing whatever transaction passed shall be by two-thirds vote of the members present, and providing that such transactions shall not conflict with the purpose and edicts of the By-Laws of the State Association.

40. Special meetings of the Association for any purpose or purposes, unless otherwise prescribed by statute, may be called by the General Board, and shall be called by the Moderator at the request of not less than fifty percent of all the delegate members duly elected by District Associations affiliated with the Association.

41. All committees and standing boards shall be permitted to take official votes on any item of business within the scope of their work by mail or by telephone conference call, provided such action is called by a chairman of a board or committee and has been proposed by at least two members of the board or committee.

42. Ten or more ordained ministers or deacons from ten or more affiliated Associations belonging to the State Association shall constitute a quorum to transact business.

43. All business meetings shall be opened by singing, reading a portion from God's Word, and prayer, and shall be closed with prayer.

44. Special Meetings of the General Board or the Executive committee shall be called when necessary by the Moderator, with the written consent of three other members of the Executive Committee. Special Meetings of the Executive Committee shall also be called upon written request of a majority of its members.

45. Notice of any special meeting should be given at least fifteen days previously thereto by written notice delivered by the most convenient manner. Any Board member may waive notice of any meeting. The attendance of a Board member at a meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting, except where a Board member attends a meeting for the express purpose of objecting to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not lawfully called or convened.

46. Unless otherwise provided by law, whenever any notice is required to be given to any member or Board member of the Association under the provisions of these By-Laws or under the provisions of the articles of incorporation, a waiver thereof in writing, signed by the person or persons entitled to such notice whether before or after writing, signed by the person or persons entitled to such notice whether before or after the item stated therein shall be deemed equivalent to the giving of such notice.

## **DISCIPLINE**

47. The State Association shall not usurp any authority over the Quarterly Meetings or Associations that shall be under its supervision, but shall be an advisory body to help them.

48. The fiscal year of the Association shall begin on the first day of January, and end on the 31st day of December each year.

49. All checks, drafts, or other orders for the payment of money notes other evidences of indebtedness issued in the name of the Association, shall be signed by such officer or officers, agent or agents or the Association and in such manners as shall from time to time be determined by resolution of the General Board.

50. No loans shall be contracted, and no evidence of indebtedness shall be issued for which the State Association shall be legally or morally responsible except as approved by the Missouri State Association of Free Will Baptists while in session, or by the General Board while in session.

51. The General Board by a majority vote of the voting delegates of the State Association shall be authorized to create or to increase any bonded indebtedness of the Association.

52. The General Board of the Association shall be authorized by a majority vote of the voting delegates of the State Association, to sell, lease, exchange, mortgage, pledge, or otherwise dispose of all, of the property and the assets of the Association.

53. All funds of the corporation not otherwise employed shall be deposited from time to time to the credit of the Association in such banks, trust companies, or other depositories as the General Board may select.

54. The salaries of employees shall be fixed from time to time by the General Board.

55. The meetings of the State Association and the General Board shall be governed by the rules of parliamentary law as set forth in Robert's Rules of Order, except in the case of those rules which are superseded by some rule of this organization.

56. The Clerk or Assistant Clerk, or in their absence the senior minister in age, shall call the Association to order for business, and call the Moderator or Assistant Moderator to the chair, and if neither moderator or assistant moderator is present, then the senior minister in age shall act as chairman to open the floor for nominations and carry out the election of a moderator pro-tem.

57. All business, except routine, shall be brought before the body by committee, but shall any committee refuse or fail to pre-

sent to this body the business given it by any delegate of this Association, then such business may be presented to the body by any delegate, but cannot be discussed unless by a majority vote of this body.

**58.** Anyone desiring to speak shall rise and say “Brother Moderator” but shall speak no further until he or she is recognized by the Moderator.

**59.** No one shall speak more than five minutes, or more than twice, on the same subject without the consent of the Moderator.

**60.** Any delegate of this body can appeal from the decision of the Moderator of the Association, and by a majority vote thereon, the objection shall be sustained or rejected.

**61.** No one shall leave the Association when in a business session without the consent of the moderator.

**62.** The moderator shall stop all discussion when not carried on in a Christian spirit, or when he thinks it is likely to lead to discord or division.

**63.** All business coming before this Association shall be decided by secret ballot when a majority of voting delegates are in opposition to an open vote.

**64.** We believe that any form of homosexuality, lesbianism, bisexuality, bestiality, incest, fornication, adultery, pornography, pedophilia, and/or elective gender changes are sinful perversions of God’s gift of sex. (Gen. 2:24; Gen 19:5; Gen 26:8-9; Lev. 18:1-30; Rom. 1:26-29; I Cor. 5:1; 6:9; I Thess. 4:1-8; Heb. 13:4). Any District Association which sanctions such conduct will not be accepted or retained as a member of the Missouri State Association of Free Will Baptists.

**65.** We believe that human life begins at conception and that the unborn child is a living human being. Abortion constitutes the unjustified, unexcused taking of unborn human life. Abortion is murder. We reject any teaching that abortions of pregnancies due to rape, incest, birth defects, gender selection, birth or population control, or the mental well-being of the mother are acceptable. (Job 3:16; Psalms 51:5; 139:14-16; Isa. 44:24; 49: 1, 5; Jer. 1:5; 20:15-18; Luke 1:44) Any District Association which sanctions such conduct will not be accepted or retained as a member of the Missouri State Association of Free Baptists.

**66.** We believe that Paul’s statement in I Tim. 3:2, 12 and Titus 1:6, namely “The husband of one wife,” be looked upon as making ineligible as pastors or deacons anyone who has been divorced and remarried, or who marries a divorced woman, regardless of the cause of the divorce or the guilt or innocence of either partner.

We believe that said persons, whose marital status disqualifies them to be pastors or deacons, not be discouraged in their Christian lives or Christian service, but that they be encouraged to live faithfully for Christ and serve Him in the ministry of the local church; and that such be reminded that pastors and deacons are the only church officers for whom the “husband of one wife” prohibition is given.

While certainly it is the ideal for all believers, it is biblically insisted upon as a requirement for deacons and pastors.

While not insisting that this bylaw be made retroactive, we do establish this standard to be upheld for all new candidates for pastors or deacons.

**67.** We believe the Bible defines marriage as the union of one man and one woman in an exclusive covenant commitment. No person may be a standing delegate if he knowingly conducts or officiates at a wedding or similar service for any union that does not meet the Biblical definition of marriage. A church or district association is not in good standing if it knowingly permits its properties or ministers to facilitate weddings where the union would not meet the Biblical definition of marriage. A district association is not in good standing if it licenses or ordains any person who affirms or encourages sexual relations outside of Biblical marriage. (Genesis 2:22-24; Proverbs 18:22; Matthew 19:4-6; Hebrews 13:4-7)

## **AMENDMENTS**

**68.** These By-Laws may be amended at any regular session by a two-thirds majority vote after the proposed amendment has laid on the table one day.

