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THE MISSIONARY

BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

OF TEXAS



1983 YEARBOOK

INVITATION 1984

WALNUT STREET BAPTIST CHURCH

**100 Walnut Hill Avenue
Hillsboro, Texas**

Walnut Street Baptist Church is anxiously awaiting the opportunity to serve our churches at the 1984 state meeting. It is a great privilege to have the Missionary Baptist Association of Texas meet with us.

We pray that this next meeting will have the same sweet spirit that the last one demonstrated.

We welcome your coming and offer our services to those who need us. We will aid in any way possible to make this a successful meeting in the eyes of our Lord.



PAUL OWENS

Pastor, Paul Owens
A/C 817-582-3692, Church
A/C 817-582-9212, Home

MEMORIAL OF PREACHERS

"Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints."
Psalms 116:15. The hearts of loved ones and friends are saddened at the homegoing of some of our fellow ministers since we last met. However, our loss is heaven's gain. May their precious memories give us added strength and encourage us to keep the faith that was once delivered unto the saints.

May we stand for a moment of silent prayer and a special Memorial to the Brethren:

Bro. Vernon L. Barr
Bro. Gene Yates
Bro. James Thompkins
Bro. J. M. Demming
Bro. O. A. Moore
Bro. L. E. Roberts
Bro. Jack Lee
Bro. Melton Lane
Bro. Elmer Stringer

The Memorial committee recommends that the 1983 book be dedicated to Bro. Vernon L. Barr.

Also, let us remember the wives of the Brethren who have passed on.

Respectfully Submitted,
M. G. McNeil
J. R. Taylor



1906

VERNON LEE BARR

1982

Vernon Lee Barr was born to John and Lydia Barr on November 18, 1906 in Jacksonville, Texas. At the age of three, while living in Madisonville, Texas he was afflicted with polio. From that time forward he would spend the rest of his life on crutches.

After a rough life of 24 years, Vernon Barr, an avowed atheist, came to know Jesus as his saviour and Lord. This came about through the witnessing of his brother, Jim. Three days after his conversion he was compelled to preach. He began and never stopped until December 3rd, 1982, at the age of 76.

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His ministry was primarily in Texas, with the exception of pastoring eight years in Oklahoma. His preaching went out over radio stations while he pastored in Oklahoma and then later while pastoring in Dallas, Texas. His radio ministry began in Ardmore Oklahoma and continued in Texas over KSKY in Dallas and XEG in Del Rio.

Early in his ministry he held his first debate with a "Jesus Only" movement preacher. For the next forty years Brother Barr held debates defending the faith once and for all delivered unto the saints.

In October 1976 Brother Barr resigned a 32 year pastorate at the Missionary Baptist Church of Dallas, Texas. Even though he resigned the church pastorate, he remained a pastor to pastors. This pastor, as well as many others, found him to be a great encouragement, a man of wise counsel, and even more, a loving friend. He indeed was a pastor's pastor.

James Kirkland recently wrote, "I was often impressed with Vernon Barr's energy, his fierce loyalty to the Word of God, his faith in the face of adversity, his power in the pulpit, his courtesy in debate with false teachers, his humor, his wisdom, his patience with young preachers, his impatience with duplicity, his love for sports, his high regard for the churches of Jesus Christ, his sensitivity to your hurts because he had hurt so much himself, his great love and respect for that lovely lady whom he called in a comfortably old-fashioned way 'MRS. BARR,' his gentleness with children . . . and his unqualified gratitude for the grace of God which had saved him and called him into Christ's service.

Nothing ever gripped me more, though, than his passion for the lost . . . No sooner had he led one to the Lord than his heart yearned to 'go after the next man,' as he once put it."

Brother Barr was indeed a doctrinally sound pastor as seen in the records of his debates and in the soundness of those whom he taught.

Brother Barr was indeed a missionary pastor as seen in the many churches begun under his ministry in the Dallas Ft. Worth area and in the ministry of the A.B.A. Mexican Baptist Institute.

Brother Barr was indeed a compassionate pastor as seen in his personal witnessing and in his fiery preaching.

Brother Barr was a great defender, pastor, teacher, friend, and lover of souls. But he told this pastor a few months before his departure, "Preacher, I hope my brethren remember me as an evangelist more than a debater." For you see, even his debating was evangelistic.

His life, ministry, and burden for lost souls lives on in their challenge unto us all.

---- Article submitted by Lester Vogler

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**TITUS COUNTY CIVIC CENTER
AT
MT. PLEASANT, TEXAS**



**NEXT SESSION
NOVEMBER 13, 14, 15, 1984
WALNUT STREET BAPTIST CHURCH
100 Walnut Hill Avenue
Hillsboro, Texas 76645
A/C 817 - 582-3692**

**Ladies Auxiliary Meets at Walnut Street Baptist Church
10:00 A.M., 13th
Afternoon Session at 1:15 P.M.
Pastors' and Laymans' Council meets at
Ramada Inn at 10:00 A.M.
Association meets at 7:00 P.M., 13th**

Annual Sermon	Paul Owens
Alternate	Charles Swilling
Moderator	Ken Ashlock
Asst. Moderator	Sammy Eldredge
Recording Clerk	Harold Davis
Recording Clerk	Marvin A. Gardner

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**MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
OF TEXAS
PROPOSED AGENDA, 1984**

TUESDAY EVENING, November 13, 1984

- 7:00 - 8:15
Singing, Devotional, Welcome
Session Opened
Moderator's Address
Adoption of Agenda
Appointment of Committees
- 8:15 - To Adjournment
Special Music and Annual Sermon

WEDNESDAY MORNING, November 14, 1984

- 9:30 - 12:00
Singing, Devotional
Election of Officers
Selection of Meeting Place for 1985
Selection of Speaker for 1985
Selection of Evening Speaker
State Mission Report
- A. Secretary-Treasurer Report
 - B. Select Salaried Missionaries
 - C. Set Salaries
 - D. Select Missionaries on Designated Funds
 - E. Miscellaneous Mission Items

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

- 2:00 - 5:00
Miscellaneous Reports and Business

WEDNESDAY EVENING

- 7:00 - 7:30
Special Music
- 7:30 - To Adjournment
Sermon
Texas Baptist Institute Report
Calvary Baptist Church, Henderson, Texas
A.B.A. Mexican Baptist Institute Report
Missionary Baptist Church, Dallas

THURSDAY MORNING, November 15, 1984

- 9:30 - 12:00
Singing, Devotional
Miscellaneous Reports and Business
Recognition of Officers for Next Meeting
Adjournment

REPORTS

1. State Missions & Auditor's Report
2. Interstate and Foreign Missions
3. Young People's Work
4. Publications
5. Benevolence
6. Texas Baptist Institute
7. A.B.A. Mexican Baptist Institute
8. Women's Work
9. Resolutions
10. Enrollment and Finance
11. Memorial of Preachers
12. History and Archives
13. Texas Mission Development
14. Missionary Baptist Broadcasting Service
15. Music Ministry

Officers For 1984



Ken Ashlock
Moderator



Sammy Eldredge
Asst. Moderator



**Luther
Crawford**

**Secretary-
Treasurer**



Harold Davis
Recording Clerk



Marvin Gardner
Recording Clerk

Missionaries On Salary



Harmon Hunt
Arlington, Texas



Larry Washburn
Iowa Park, Texas



R. A. Murray
Big Spring, Texas



Donnie Howard
Palestine, Texas



Tim Zepeda
McAllen, Texas

Missionaries On Designated Funds



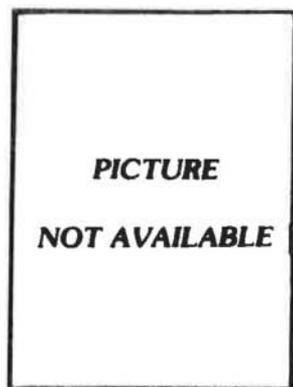
*George Goodman
Lockhart, Texas*



*Pat Clark
Lufkin, Texas*



*Marlin Freeman
Center, Texas*



*N. K. Dillon
Caldwell, Texas*

SUPPORT THE M.B.S.F. PROJECTS IN TEXAS AND ELSEWHERE MISSIONARY BAPTIST STUDENT FELLOWSHIP

The following organized Fellowships are at work in Texas.

1. The Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas. Sponsored by the Chapelwood Baptist Church
2. The Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas. Sponsored by the College Station Baptist Mission
3. The Texas Tech University, Lubbock, Texas. Sponsored by the Quaker Avenue Baptist Church.
4. Stephen F. Austin State University, Nacogdoches, Texas. Sponsored by the Nacogdoches Missionary Baptist Church.
5. Baylor University, Waco, Texas. Sponsored by Speight Avenue Baptist Church.



CALENDAR OF LOCAL ASSOCIATIONS, 1984

NAME	TIME	PLACE
Anderson Co.	Sept. 22	Memorial, Elkhart
Bethlehem	Oct. 5, 6	Union, Newton
Central Texas	Oct. 27	Missionary, Dallas
Grayson Co.	Oct. 5-6	Woodlawn, Denison
Hopewell	Oct. 11	Concord, Omaha
Mission Valley	Sept. 7-8	Missionary, San Antonio
Mt. Zion	Oct. 4-5	Missionary, Kilgore
Navarro Co.	Oct. 12	Missionary, Corsicana
Old Cherokee	Oct. 13	Oakland, Rusk
Panhandle Premillennial	Oct. 6 or 20?	Liberty, Amarillo
Red River-Bowie	Sept. 20	Johnstown, Bogata
Salem	Oct. 25	Veal Switch, Hughes Springs
Shelby Co.	Oct. 18-19	Sardis, Center
South Texas	Oct. 20	Greenridge, Houston
Timberland	Sept. 21-22	Union Cross, Nacogdoches
Tri-County	Sept. 15	Landmark, Athens
Trinity River	Oct. 13	2nd. Baptist, Cleveland
West Texas/New Mexico	Sept. 20-21	First Baptist, Big Spring

HISTORICAL ROLL OF MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION OF TEXAS SINCE 1950 - 1966

YEAR/MEETING PLACE	ANNUAL SERMON	MODERATOR	CLERKS	SEC-TREASURER
1950 — Longview	Roy M. Reed	J. W. Harper	Albert Garner G. F. Crumley	G. P. Allen
1951 — Corsicana	A. J. Kirkland	J. W. Harper	Albert Garner G. F. Crumley	G. P. Allen
1952 — Longview	O. P. Meador	A. J. Finley	Albert Garner G. F. Crumley	J. W. Harper
1953 — Snyder	W. H. Brown	A. J. Finley	Albert Garner G. F. Crumley	J. W. Harper
1954 — Hillsboro	Jack Dean	Bruce Hibbitt	Albert Garner O. H. Griffith	J. W. Harper
1955 — Texas City	Albert Garner	Bruce Hibbitt	Albert Garner O. H. Griffith	J. W. Harper
1956 — Amarillo	J. B. Powers	Bruce Hibbitt	Albert Garner O. H. Griffith	J. W. Harper
1957 — Denison	Vernon Lierly	George Crawford	Leo Griffith Leo Griffith	J. W. Harper
1958 — Carthage	Clyde Beck	George Crawford	Gene Smith Leo Griffith	J. W. Harper
1959 — Henderson	George Crawford	Jack Dean	Gene Smith Leo Griffith	J. W. Harper
1960 — Galena Park	Chester Guinn	Jack Dean	Gene Smith Gene Smith	J. W. Harper
1961 — Corsicana	Elvin Crocker	James Kirkland	Frank Summers Frank Summers	J. W. Harper
1962 — Fort Worth	C. H. McBryde	James Kirkland	Harold Davis Frank Summers	J. W. Harper
1963 — Snyder	Joe Evans	Luther Crawford	Harold Davis Frank Summers	W. H. Hitt
1964 — Longview	J. W. Griffith	Luther Crawford	Harold Davis Frank Summers	W. H. Hitt
1965 — Tyler	W. H. Brown	Chester Guinn	Harold Davis Frank Summers	W. H. Hitt
1966 — Denison	Jim Adams	Chester Guinn	Harold Davis	W. H. Hitt

HISTORICAL ROLL OF MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION OF TEXAS SINCE 1967 - 1983

YEAR-MEETING PLACE	ANNUAL SERMON	MODERATOR	CLERKS	SEC-TREASURER
1967 — Pasadena	Ken Ashlock	W. H. Brown	Frank Summers Harold Davis	W. H. Hitt
1968 — Odessa	George Crawford	W. H. Brown	Harold Davis Billy Daniels	W. H. Hitt
1969 — Garland	Jerry Coffman	Gordon Shaffer	Harold Davis Billy Daniels	W. H. Hitt
1970 — Longview	James A. Kirkland	Gordon Shaffer	Harold Davis Billy Daniels	W. H. Hitt
1971 — Pasadena	Raymond Alexander	Ray O. Brooks	Harold Davis Billy Daniels	W. H. Hitt
1972 — Corsicana	Vernon L. Barr	Ray O. Brooks	Harold Davis Marvin A. Gardner	Billy Daniels
1973 — Henderson	Marion Reed	G. D. Walters	Harold Davis Marvin A. Gardner	Billy Daniels
1974 — Snyder	Ed Rhodes	G. D. Walters	Harold Davis Marvin Gardner	Billy Daniels
1975 — Garland	Glen Tropp	C. H. McBryde	Harold Davis Marvin A. Gardner	Billy Daniels
1976 — Tyler	Ottie Reed	C. H. McBryde	Harold Davis Marvin A. Gardner	Billy Daniels
1977 — Amarillo	Ray O. Brooks	W. H. Hitt	Harold Davis Marvin A. Gardner	Luther Crawford
1978 — Henderson	Frank Summers	W. H. Hitt	Harold Davis Marvin A. Gardner	Luther Crawford
1979 — Garland	Harold Davis	Elvin Crocker	Harold Davis Marvin A. Gardner	Luther Crawford
1980 — Longview	Charles Murphy	Elvin Crocker	Harold Davis Marvin Gardner	Luther Crawford
1981 — Denison	W. H. Hitt	J. E. Albritton	Harold Davis Marvin Gardner	Luther Crawford
1982 — Beaumont	Larry Neeley	J. E. Albritton	Harold Davis Marvin Gardner	Luther Crawford
1983 — Mt. Pleasant	M. G. McNeil	Kenneth Ashlock	Harold Davis Marvin Gardner	Luther Crawford

**DESIGNATIONS OF
MISSIONS AND BENEVOLENT FUNDS**

1. **State Missions** **Luther Crawford**
Box 1694, Corsicana, Texas 75110
A/C 214 - 872-2617
2. **Texas Baptist Institute** P. O. Box 570
Henderson, Texas 75653-0570
A/C 214 - 657-6543
3. **A.B.A. Mexican Baptist Institute** P. O. Box 922
McAllen, Texas 78501
A/C 512 - 682-8446
4. **Interstate and Foreign Missions** **D. S. Madden**
Box 1050, Texarkana, Ark.-Tex. 75501
5. **Orphans' Home** P. O. Box 611
Texarkana, Ark.-Tex 75501
6. **Bogg Springs Youth Encampment** Rt. 1, Box 59
Grannis, Ark. 71944
A/C 501 - 385-2443
7. **State Minutes** **Harold Davis**
Rt. 1, Box 200, Overton, Texas 75684
A/C 214 - 657-3046
8. **Pine Springs Youth Encampment** **Gene Hoover**
Rt. 1, Box 267, Laneville, Texas 75667
A/C 214 - 863-5524
9. **Texas Mission Development** **Bruce Bailey**
Rt. 1, Box 312, Jacksonville, Texas 75766
A/C 214 - 683-5671
10. **History and Archives Committee** **J. W. Griffith**
P. O. Box 570
Henderson, Texas 75653-0570
11. **Missionary Baptist Broadcasting Service** P. O. Box 817
Henderson, Texas 75652
A/C 214 - 657-8064

MODERATOR'S ADDRESS

KEN ASHLOCK

WE BELIEVE THE BIBLE IS THE WORD OF GOD

The President of the United States has proclaimed 1983 as the year of the Bible. I rejoice, and I am very grateful that the leader of this great nation has given this expression concerning the Holy Scriptures.

The messengers of the churches of the American Baptist Association, when convened in Tucson, Arizona last June, set aside the month of October, 1983, for a special emphasis called, "The month of the Bible".

I believe these expressions to be good and important. However, I thank God first of all for what Jesus said, "Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away". Matthew 24:35.

I am also grateful to God that Missionary Baptist people have always believed that the Bible is the word of God. We have always emphasized that it does not only contain the word of God, but that it is the word of God in its entirety.

As I think of the word of God and our people, some words come to my mind. The words are fundamental and conservative. Fundamental describes and sets forth adherence to basic Bible doctrines. The meaning to us is simply Bible believing people. There is no greater compliment that can be made to an association of churches than to say, "They are Bible believing, Bible practicing people".

The other word is conservative. The word conservative is used to describe one as being opposite of liberal in the explanation and application of the scriptures.

If I were asked to go into further detail of what one believes who is a conservative, I would respond as follows. Those who: believe in the inerrant, verbal inspiration of the whole Bible. Believe salvation by grace through faith without works and before water baptism. Believe that spiritual regeneration, as opposed to social reformation, is the salvation to the social problems of society. Believe in the absolute separation of church and state. Believe the eternal consequences of redemption to be heaven for those who receive Jesus Christ through repentance and faith, and the lake of fire for those who reject Him as Saviour. Believe in the imminent return of the Lord Jesus Christ and that there will be no real peace on earth until after He returns. Believe the New Testament Church to be local in nature and therefore to be a visible, touchable, tangible body of baptized believers.

This does not cover in detail all of those things most surely believed among us, but these statements certainly let anyone know that we are conservatively oriented people.

These declarations are a result of the fact that we believe the Bible is the word of God. There are many, many reasons why we believe the Bible to be the word of God. Let me share the following thoughts to sum up some of those reasons. I believe the Bible is the word of God because of its endurance through the centuries. I believe the Bible is the word of God because of its endorsement by Jesus Christ. I believe the Bible is the word of God because of its enabling power in the lives of men. I believe the Bible is the word of God because of its glorious enclosure of things to come.

May God bless this meeting of messengers of His churches to the advancement of the work, according to the scriptures.

We believe the Bible is the word of God.

MINUTES OF THE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION OF TEXAS

NOVEMBER 15, 1983 TUESDAY EVENING

Bro. Dean Watson, music director of South Union Missionary Baptist Church in Daingerfield, Texas, led in singing "Jesus Saves". He was accompanied by Mrs. Mattox at the piano. Bro. Coy Wylie, music director of Heritage Baptist Church at Tyler, sang a special entitled, "We Shall All Be Changed". He was accompanied by Bro. Steve Butler at the piano. Bro. Ken Ashlock asked Bro. J. B. Powers to lead in prayer.

Bro. Ashlock introduced Bro. David Johnson, pastor of Speight Avenue Baptist Church at Waco, Texas to bring the devotional. Bro. Johnson read Romans 1:14-16. The subject of the devotional was "Being Debtors to Christ".

Bro. Ashlock called on the following Brethren from the Mt. Pleasant area to welcome the messengers: Brethren: Harold Nichols, Calvin Permenter, Billy Turpin, and Billy Daniels. Bro. W. H. Hitt gave the response.

Bro. Dean Watson introduced Bro. Steve Butler to sing. Mrs. Mattox played the piano.

Bro. Ashlock had the congregation to stand and declared the 1983 messenger assembly of the Missionary Baptist Association of Texas open for business. He asked Bro. G. P. Allen to lead in prayer.

Bro. Ashlock recognized out-of-state visitors. Also, the new pastors in Texas were recognized.

Bro. Ashlock recognized Bro. Sammy Eldredge as moderator while he gave the moderator's address. The address given was entitled, "We Believe the Bible is the Word of God". Bro. Bill Hitt made the motion to include the address in the minute book. There was a second to the motion and it carried.

Due to a printer's error in the 1982 yearbook concerning the proposed agenda, Bro. Ashlock had prepared and printed an amended proposed agenda and it was handed out at the meeting. There was a motion and second to adopt the proposed agenda. Bro. Paul Owens amended the proposed agenda to hear an insurance report on Wednesday afternoon. The motion to accept the agenda as amended passed.

Bro. Ashlock asked Bro. Sammy Eldredge to appoint the tellers. The tellers were Brethren: Bob Griffith, Glenn Griffith, Marlin Freeman, R. B. Elumbaugh, Charles Swilling, Devin Ward, and Robert Brock.

Bro. Dean Watson led in singing "My Saviour's Love". Mrs. Tammy Allen sang "Grace Medley". She was accompanied by Mrs. Mattox.

Bro. Ashlock asked Bro. Ray O. Brooks to introduce the speaker for the annual sermon. Bro. Brooks introduced Bro. M. G. McNeil to bring the message. Bro. Brad Rountree presented a special in song. He sang "It is Well with My Soul". Bro. McNeil read Genesis 2:15-17 and John 3:17, 18 and preached a message entitled "How Man Stands With God". Bro. Ashlock asked Bro. J. W. Griffith to give Bro. McNeil the right hand of appreciation for the great message.

A motion and second were made to adjourn. Announcements and prayer requests were made, and Bro. Brad Mitchell dismissed the service in prayer.

WEDNESDAY MORNING

Bro. Coy Wylie led the congregation in singing "Blessed Be the Name". Bro. Hoyt Chastain led in prayer.

Bro. James Brown, Pastor of Friendship Baptist Church in Clarksville, Texas brought the morning devotional. He read I Corinthians 29:5 and spoke on the subject "WHO IS WILLING TO CONSECRATE HIMSELF DAILY UNTO THE LORD".

The election of officers was the next order of business. Bro. Ken Ashlock was nominated as moderator. Bro. Ashlock was elected as moderator. Bro. Sammy Eldredge was re-elected as Vice Moderator. Bro. Harold Davis and Bro. Marvin were re-elected as clerks. Bro. Luther Crawford was re-elected as Secretary/Treasurer of Missions. Bro. J. W. Griffith was re-elected as auditor.

Bro. Bill Simpson invited the 1984 meeting to Midland. Bro. Paul Owens invited the meeting to Hillsboro, Texas. Walnut Street Baptist Church at Hillsboro will host the 1984 meeting. A motion and second were made to make it unanimous for Hillsboro. The motion carried.

Bro. Charles Swilling, Paul Owens, Earl Reynolds, and Don Schultz were nominated to preach the 1984 annual sermon. Bro. Paul Owens and Charles Swilling were to be voted on in a run off. There was a motion and second made for the man with the second highest vote be the alternate speaker. The motion carried. Bro. Paul Owens was elected to be the speaker, and Bro. Charles Swilling was to be the alternate.

Bro. Ashlock recognized the out-of-state pastor and also the new pastors in Texas. There were new Brethren that had come into the meeting.

Brethren Charles Swilling, Ralph Lee, Johnny Williams, and Kenneth Griffith were nominated for the evening message. There was a motion and second to have the Brother with the second highest number of votes be the alternate speaker. Bro. Charles Swilling was elected to preach the message and Bro. Ralph Lee was elected to be the alternate speaker.

Bro. Ashlock asked if there were any objections to hearing the Publications Report. There were no objections. Bro. James A. Kirkland read the report and a motion and second was made to adopt the report. Bro. Kirkland recognized Bro. J. B. Powers from Texarkana to speak to the report. The report was adopted.

Bro. Ashlock had the congregation to stand and Bro. Coy Wylie led in singing "Take the Name of Jesus with You".

Bro. Luther Crawford was called on to give his report on missions. Missionaries recommended for salary were: M. T. Blackmon, Donnie Howard, Harmon Hunt, Bob Murray, Larry Washburn, and Tim Zepeda.

Missionaries recommended for designated funds were: N. K. Dillon, Marlin Freeman, George Goodman, and Pat Clark.

Bro. Kenneth Griffith who resigned as a state missionary on salary spoke concerning the work in College Station. Bro. Griffith has served faithfully as a state missionary in Huntsville and College Station for many years. A motion and second were made to give Bro. Kenneth Griffith a standing vote of appreciation for the many years he served as a state missionary. The motion carried by all standing.

Bro. M. T. Blackmon asked not to be recommended as a state missionary on salary.

Bro. Donnie Howard is sent out by Landmark Baptist Church in Athens. Bro. Paul Cleveland, pastor of Landmark Baptist Church in Palestine, Texas, where Bro. Howard is working.

Bro. Harmon Hunt is sent out by Longview Missionary Baptist Church. Bro. George Crawford, pastor of Longview M.B.C., and Bro. Hunt spoke concerning the work in Arlington, Texas where Bro. Hunt is working.

Bro. Bob Murray is sent out by Tall City Baptist Church in Midland, Texas. Bro. Bill Simpson spoke concerning the work in Big Spring where Bro. Murray is working.

Bro. Larry Washburn is sent out by Unity Baptist Church in Wichita Falls, Texas. Bro. Mike Black, pastor of Unity Baptist Church, spoke concerning the work in Iowa Park where Bro. Larry Washburn is working.

Bro. Tim Zepeda is sent out by Bethel Baptist Church in Tatum, Texas. Bro. Roy Culley and Bro. Zepeda spoke concerning the work in McAllen where Bro. Zepeda is working.

Bro. Ron Parrish made a motion to recommend all five Brethren for salary. There was a second to the motion, and it carried.

Bro. Bill Hitt expressed thanks from Calvary Baptist Church in Henderson, Texas for the support to San Angelo mission in past years.

Two motions and seconds were made to pay the state missionaries \$400 per week, and Bro. Luther Crawford \$425 per week. The following allowances were also included in the motions. (1) To set the salary for the office help for the Secretary-Treasurer of missions at \$150 a month. (2) The missionaries and Secretary-Treasurer, according to IRS guidelines, be allowed \$600 per month for housing and utilities. (3) The Secretary-Treasurer and missionaries be on an adequate insurance program. (4) The Secretary-Treasurer be allowed 20 cents a mile for travel plus meals and lodging. (5) The missionaries be allowed to receive money for housing and utilities from a mission sponsoring church, or some interested person without counting as salary. The Secretary-Treasurer's utilities were to be paid.

Bro. Luther Crawford called for the men who came recommended for designated funds to speak. Bro. Chuck Johnson, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church in Jacinto City, spoke concerning Bro. N. K. Dillon working in Caldwell, Texas. Bro. John Bryant, pastor of Highway Baptist Church in Huntington, Texas spoke in behalf of Pat Clark working in Lufkin. Bro. Paul Owens, pastor of Walnut Street Baptist Church in Hillsboro, Texas, spoke in behalf of Bro. Marlin Freeman working in Center, Texas. Bro. George Goodman gave a report on the work in Lockhart, Texas.

A motion and second were made to recommend all four men as missionaries on designated funds.

There was a motion and second to have the same men on the Special Missionary Advisory Committee to stand as nominees with the privilege of substitution. There were no substitutions, and the motion passed.

There was a motion and second to pay Bro. J. W. Griffith \$440.00. This was a 10% increase in salary. The motion carried. There was a motion and second to give Bro. Davis and Bro. Gardner a 10% increase in salary. This would be \$440. The motion carried.

Bro. Harold Davis spoke concerning Bro. Kennen Witcher's plans to work in Las Cruces, New Mexico.

Bro. Ashlock recognized Bro. Albert Garner from Florida, and Bro. D. S. Madden from Arkansas as out-of-state visitors.

There was a motion and second to adjourn until 2:00 p.m. Announcements were made, and Bro. D. S. Madden dismissed in prayer.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

Bro. Dean Watson led in singing "Come, Thou Fount", Steve Butler played the piano, Bro. C. H. McBryde led in prayer.

Bro. Ashlock stated the area pastors requested the agenda be changed to have the music program, message, and then the school reports. A motion and second were made to honor their request, and it carried.

Bro. Bill Hitt gave the report on the Missionary Baptist Broadcasting Service. A motion and second were made to adopt the report, Bro. Hitt, Bro. Harmon Hunt, and Bro. James Albritton spoke to the report. The motion carried.

Bro. Bruce Bailey read the Texas Mission Development report. A motion and second were made to adopt the report. It was discussed by Brethren Bailey, Mike Evans, Joe White, and Danny McClintock. The motion to adopt carried.

Bro. C. H. McBryde read the Benevolence Report. There was a motion and second to adopt the report. Bro. Earl Crosswhite spoke to the report, and the report was adopted.

Bro. Paul Owens was asked to introduce Mrs. Bonnie Rushing with Farmers Insurance Group. Mrs. Rushing and Bro. John Pace gave details on their insurance plan.

There was a motion and second to dispense the discussion on the Insurance plan and continue with our business. The motion carried.

Bro. Steve Butler led in singing "At The Cross". Bro. Joe Stevens was called on to lead in prayer.

Bro. Johnny Williams read the Youth Report. There was a motion and second to adopt the report. It was spoken to by Brethren Gene Hoover, Donald Dennis, and Bill Hitt. It was adopted.

Bro. George Crawford read the Interstate and Foreign Mission Report. A motion and second were made to adopt the report. It was spoken to by Brethren D. S. Madden and Bill Hitt. It was adopted.

Mrs. Bill Hitt read the Women's Report. A motion and second were made to adopt the report. It was spoken to by Mrs. Hitt and Mrs. Jerri Parrish. The report was adopted.

Bro. Steve Butler read the Music Report. A motion and second were made to adopt the report. It was adopted.

Bro. Ron Parrish read the Enrollment and Finance Report. A motion and second were made to adopt the report, and it was adopted.

Bro. Gary Bass read the History and Archives Report. There was a motion and second to adopt the report. It was spoken to by Brethren: Gary Bass, Kenneth Griffith, J. W. Griffith, Billy Daniels, and Donald Britton. The motion to adopt carried.

There was a motion and second that the present Brethren on the History and Archives Committee stand as nominees with the privilege of substitution. The motion carried. The Brethren elected on the committee were Kenneth Griffith, J. W. Griffith, Billy Daniels, Donald Britton, and Gary Bass.

A motion and second were made for the A.B.A. Mexican Baptist Institute Auditor's Report to be included in the minute book and the school pay for the printing. The motion carried.

Bro. Marion Reed read the Resolutions Report. A motion and second were made to adopt the report. Bro. Hoyt Chastain spoke to the report. A resolution of thanks was read to the local pastors and churches for the excellent way they hosted the meeting. The motion carried.

The newly elected officers were recognized for a few words.

Bro. Lester Vogler expressed his appreciation for the help sent to Mrs. Barr after Bro. Barr's death.

There was a motion and second to adjourn. Announcements were made and Bro. Albert Garner dismissed in prayer.

WEDNESDAY EVENING

Bro. Ken Ashlock called the meeting to order, and asked Bro. James Crosswhite to lead in prayer. Bro. Ashlock introduced Bro. Pat Rovelle to lead in singing "All Hail the Power". Also Bro. Rovelle was in charge of the special music from the area churches. The choirs and musicians did an excellent job offering praise to God through the music program.

Bro. Gilbert Sparks introduced Bro. Charles Swilling for the evening message. Before the message, Bro. Pat Rovelle sang "Adoration". Bro. Swilling read John 14:1-3 and spoke on the subject "Jesus is Coming Again". Bro. Larry Fondren gave Bro. Swilling the right hand of appreciation for the great message.

Bro. Bill Hitt read the Texas Baptist Institute Report. A motion and second were made to adopt the report. Bro. Hitt and Bro. Ray O. Brooks spoke to the report. The motion carried to adopt the report.

Bro. Lester Vogler, pastor of Missionary Baptist Church in Dallas, read the A.B.A. Mexican Baptist Institute's Report. Bro. Vogler made a motion to adopt the report, and it received a second. Bro. Vogler and Bro. Brad Mitchell spoke to the report, and it was adopted.

Bro. M. G. McNeil read the Memorial Report. There was a motion to adopt the report by standing for a few moments of silent prayer, and Bro. Everett Sellers, a deacon from New Liberty Baptist Church in Garland, led in prayer.

Bro. M. G. McNeil made a motion to adjourn until the Tuesday after the second Sunday of November, 1984 at Hillsboro, Texas. The motion received a second. Announcements were made, and Bro. Travis Case dismissed the meeting in prayer.

SPECIAL MISSIONARY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

North Texas	Gordon Shaffer
West Texas	Jerry Coffman
South Texas	George White
North West Texas	Bob Rhodes
North East Texas	E. G. Nielsen
South Texas	Charles Murphy
Central Texas	Ken Ashlock
East Texas	Guy Culver
New Mexico	Vernon Lierly
South Central Texas	Paul Owens
South East Texas	Irvin Roshto
South West Texas	Bill Lynch

Auditor's Report



J. W. GRIFFITH
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November 3, 1983

To: Messengers of the Churches of MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION of Texas
Convened in Annual Session at Mt. Pleasant, Texas, November 15 - 17, 1983

Dear Messengers:

A complete examination has been made of the bookkeeping records of Bro. Luther Crawford, Corresponding Secretary-Treasurer of the Missionary Baptist Association of Texas, with no notable exceptions being found. Bro. Crawford's records are in balance with those of InterFirst Bank of Corsicana, where associational funds are on deposit. Furthermore, I have carefully examined all entries for receipt and disbursement in the General Fund, State Missions Designated Fund, Other Missions Designated Fund, Minute Fund, History and Archives Fund, and Mission Office Building Fund. Proof has been made of the Missionary Salary Record and the State Mission Savings Account.

I have appended hereto the Statement of Receipts and Disbursement, with balances on hand, in every fund, which is a perfect balance. I have further prepared an exhibit of those funds received and disbursed to various State Mission projects, which will be found at the end of this report.

The Mission Office Building Fund has been closed, with good progress also being made toward elimination of the Other Missions Designated Funds. This latter fund has been set up to record funds received by the Secretary-Treasurer which should be sent to other offices. Since this is not a part of our regular state work we are planning to handle these funds that continue to be sent in such a way that it will be unnecessary to carry them in the regular report after this year.

I am pleased to have served as your auditor another year, and request your continued prayers for me as you pray for all the work of our State Association.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "J. W. Griffith".

J. W. Griffith, Auditor

ANNUAL REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
September 1, 1982 - August 31, 1983

Balances, All Accounts, September 1, 1982

Checking Account Funds:	
General Fund	\$10,198.56
State Missions Designations	-0-
Other Missions Designations	-0-
Minute Fund	2,858.67
History and Archives Fund	489.68
Missions Office Building Fund	<u>140.43</u>
Total Balance in Checking Account	\$ 13,687.34
State Missions Savings Account	<u>8,974.42</u>
Total, All Balances	\$ 22,661.76

Receipts, All Funds

Checking Account Funds:	
General Fund Offerings	\$143,555.60
NOW Account Receipts	930.42
State Missions Designations	21,627.15
Other Missions Designations	2,994.47
Minute Fund	6,874.13
History and Archives Funds	65.00
Missions Office Building Fund	27.47
Balance due Jim Slocumb insurance	<u>1,000.00</u>
Total Receipts in Checking Account Funds	\$177,074.24
State Missions Savings Account (Interest)	<u>638.92</u>
Total Receipts to Account for	<u>177,713.16</u>
GRAND TOTAL TO ACCOUNT FOR	\$200,374.92

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Disbursements, All Funds

Checking Account Fund:

General Fund, Missionary Salaries	\$115,239.22	
Missionaries' Insurance	15,647.05	
Utilities & Telephone	2,316.25	
Office & Building Expense	1,092.91	
Secretary-Treasurer Travel Expense	6,699.91	
Office Bookkeeping Help	1,650.00	
Christmas Bonuses	900.00	
Auditor	400.00	
Mobile Unit Insurance	328.00	
Returned Checks & Bank Charges	<u>68.21</u>	
Total General Fund		\$144,341.55
State Missions Designations		21,627.15
Other Missions Designations		2,994.47
Minute Fund, Clerk Hire	\$ 800.00	
Florida Ave. Ch., Mtg. Exp.	167.45	
Printing and Mailing	3,888.24	
Returned Check & Bank Charges	<u>25.60</u>	
Total Minute Fund		4,881.29
History and Archives Fund		155.47
Missions Office Building Fund		167.90

(No Disbursements from Savings Account)

Total Disbursements, All Accounts **\$174,167.83**

Balances, All Accounts, August 31, 1983

Checking Account Funds:

General Fund	\$11,343.03	
State Missions Designations	-0-	
Other Missions Designations	-0-	
Minute Fund	4,851.51	
History and Archives Fund	399.21	
Missions Office Building Fund (Closed)	<u>-0-</u>	

Total Balances, Checking Account 16,593.75

State Missions Savings Account 9,613.34

Total, All Balances **26,207.09**

To Balance, All Funds **\$200,374.92**

MISSIONARIES YEARLY REPORT

Missionary	SPIRITUAL			NUMERICAL			FINANCIAL		Collected On Field
	Souls Won	Baptized	Letter	S. S.	M. W.	E. W.	Mission Offerings	Gave To Missions	
M. T. BLACKMOND Rockdale	5	5	15	20	26	20	11,557.58	1,979.79	3,910.00
KENNETH GRIFFITH College Station	1	1	4	30	37	23	27,091.04	4,476.12	11,251.50
DONNIE HOWARD Palestine	4	2	10 1 stm.	33	42	31	21,678.89	3,064.42	9,410.63
HARMON HUNT Arlington	45	24	32	70	96	53	39,414.63	6,630.32	5,584.00
R. A. MURRAY Big Spring	5	6	4	32	38	26	21,889.93	2,665.88	10,400.00
JIM SHEPARD San Angelo (9½ Months)	1	1		19	22	18	9,217.22	938.47	2,170.00
LARRY WASHBURN Iowa Park	2	2	10	26	30	19	10,687.46	2,321.85	5,626.65
TIM ZEPEDA McAllen	15	3	2	19	21	17	5,004.39	820.00	738.00

M. T. Blackmon's report is for ten (10) months at Rockdale. For two months at Buffalo, Texas. Average attendance was 10. Total church offering \$2,060.61. Gave to missions \$177.36.

Secretary-Treasurer's report: Visited approximately 60 churches and missions. Attended 17 associational, mission rallies, and youth rallies. Collected \$4,306.95 on the field.

TEXAS BAPTIST INSTITUTE AND SEMINARY

In keeping with what we believe the Scriptures to teach about Great Commission work, Texas Baptist Institute and Seminary is operated as an outreach ministry of the Calvary Missionary Baptist Church seeking to carry out that part of the commission that commands "teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you". This church is thankful to God for the opportunity to be used in such a great way, and is at the same time very conscious of the fact that she could not have undertaken so mighty a work without the cooperation of sister churches. It is with deep humility that we thank our God for the generous support from all of our sister churches for these past 35 years, and ask you all for your continued prayers and support.

While offerings for the general operating expenses of the school were at an all time high in the past fiscal year, the expenses of operation were escalating at a more rapid pace. The last few years growth in enrollment, curriculum development, and building expansion have pushed our expenses dangerously close to our income. In fact expenses have exceeded income some months of the past year. Factors contributing to this are extra custodial help for the main buildings, and extra secretarial help to meet the demands of the growing operation.

Some figures from the first quarter of operation for the new fiscal year reveal the dangerous trend in our financial condition. Utilities are up 35%; hospital insurance is up 24%; insurance for buildings is up 17%, and custodial expenses are up 47%. While these have been large percentage increases, salaries have only increased 8%. On the other side of the ledger, our General Fund Offerings have been down 3% for the first quarter, and our short enrollment has caused a loss of 33% in student fees of which the larger part went to pay custodial expenses.

We recommend and urge all of our churches to consider the increasing need of our school and make whatever contribution they can to help in meeting these needs, whether it be by one special offering or an increase in regular offerings. During the past summer the school was able to make some much needed improvements to the Administration Building. A new building was provided for the Baptist Book Store, and the old building was converted into offices and a reception area. This gave the school offices a Longview Drive entrance which has been badly needed. All this was made possible by the interest from the Beacon Memorial Endowment.

Churches and individuals have shown a great sensitivity to the many needs of our students and their families. Offerings to Student Aid have totaled \$14,209.67. These funds have been used to help students with personal needs such as eye glasses, hospital bills, loss of work, dental work, new babies, and some other emergencies. Offerings to storeroom continue to be good in all areas: money, food, and clothing. Special note is taken of large gifts of biscuits and sweet rolls by the Pillsbury Company and delivered by Pastor Ron Parrish. Also noted are gifts of three processed beeves for the storeroom by Bro. and Mrs. George Hays, Bro. Carl Raleigh, and Landmark M.B.C. of Athens. Women's auxiliaries are also due special commendation for their help in these areas of student need. Many students would not be able to continue their schooling without these special helps.

The first semester enrollment showed a decrease for the first time in a good many years. The total enrollment was 67. The first year class showed a total enrollment of 26 of which only 13 are ministerial students, 4 are male music students, and the rest are wives of students. Although we have not experienced so small a first year class in over 15 years, this is not uncommon in the history of the school. This will cause us to have a smaller

enrollment of the next three years, and this should challenge each of us to pray that the Lord of the harvest will call more laborers into His vineyard.

The second semester will begin November 21 and will include the A. J. Kirkland Memorials Lectures scheduled for December 6 - 9. Dr. Ray O. Brooks will bring this 2983 series on the subject: Scriptural Church Association. Tuesday, December 6 has been set aside as a special visitor's day. The students and faculty will serve lunch, and the annual Alumni Banquet will be held at 7:30 p.m. All are invited to come and enjoy this special day with us.

We, the membership of Calvary MBC of Henderson, Texas, thank all of you for your prayers and offerings and for every other expression of your love and support for the past 35 years.

Done by the order of Calvary Missionary Baptist Church in regular conference November 9, 1983.

Calvary M.B.C.
William H. Hitt, Pastor



October 31, 1983
Trustees,
Texas Baptist Institute - Seminary
P. O. Box 570
Henderson, Texas 75653 - 0570

Gentlemen:

The annual audit of the financial records of the Texas Baptist Institute and Seminary, including those of the Baptist Book Store and Baptist Monitor, has been completed for the year ending June 30, 1983.

This examination included such tests of the accounting records as I deemed necessary and was conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards.

In my opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly the financial position of the Texas Baptist Institute and Seminary as of June 30, 1983, and for the year then ended, on a basis consistent with that of preceding periods.

May our God continue to bless this great ministry.

Yours in Christ,
A. Michael O'Bannion
Certified Public Accountant

ANNUAL REPORT
TEXAS BAPTIST INSTITUTE & SEMINARY

1300 Longview Drive, P. O. Box 570

Henderson, Texas 75653 - 0570

June 30, 1983

A. General Fund

RECEIPTS

Regular Offerings	\$160,350.22
Designated Offerings	10,611.66
Fees	10,327.87
Withdrawn from Savings	9,744.90
Sale of Equipment	270.00
Interest Income	2,065.65
Beacon Endowment Income	10,977.28
Shute — Kirkland Endowment Income	<u>6,919.36</u>
Total	\$211,266.94
Balance in Bank June 1, 1982	<u>12,719.89</u>
TOTAL TO ACCOUNT FOR	\$223,986.83

DISBURSEMENTS

Auto & Truck Expense	\$ 978.62
Building & Grounds Maintenance	5,165.34
Insurance — General	1,910.67
Insurance — Hospitalization	12,547.75
Insurance — Life	200.00
Kirkland Memorial Lecture Expense	560.14
Library Expense	2,262.46
Mileage Expense	5,288.02
Miscellaneous Expense	800.83
Parking Lot Construction Expense	15,623.18
Postage Expense	1,376.09
Public Relations & Travel Expense	1,330.70
Salaries — Faculty	102,752.62
Social Security Aid	6,072.39
Supplies Expense — Classroom	1,332.55
Supplies Expense — Office	2,224.41
Telephone & Utilities Expense	8,874.40
Wages — Custodial	10,511.28
Wages — Secretarial	16,495.41
Transfer to Special Fund	1,756.84
Visiting Speakers	<u>663.66</u>
Total	\$198,727.36
Balance in Bank June 30, 1983	<u>25,259.47</u>
TO BALANCE	\$223,986.83

B. Student Housing Fund**RECEIPTS**

Withdrawn from Savings	\$28,819.38
Interest Income	3,292.74
Alumni Dorm Offerings	14,307.81
Rent Income	35,272.99
Student Housing Offerings	1,564.43
Utility Deposits	400.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$83,657.35
Balance in Bank June 1, 1982	10,216.87
TOTAL TO ACCOUNT FOR	\$ 93,874.22

DISBURSEMENTS

Deposited in Savings	\$ 10,000.00
Notes Payable — CNB	7,283.83
Notes Payable — HSL	7,598.40
Utility Deposits Refunded	210.00
Apartment Maintenance	5,801.72
Building Insurance	3,853.34
Miscellaneous Expense (Cost of Checks)	23.34
Social Security Aid	361.40
Utilities	10,152.02
Wages	7,894.30
Alumni Dorm Mailout Expense	544.26
Alumni Dorm Site Preparation Expense	5,548.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$ 59,270.61
Balance in Bank June 30, 1983	34,603.61
TO BALANCE	\$ 93,874.22

C. Special Fund**RECEIPTS**

Interest Income	\$ 899.26
Music Building Offerings	7,212.81
Music Department Offerings	1,049.60
Mission Conference Dues	1,434.20
Film Rental Fund	199.39
Rings & Pictures	622.23
Storeroom	1,348.90
Student Aid	14,209.67
Criterion Press	4,853.36

Alumni Banquet	938.00
Griffith Scholarship Fund	565.32
Crawford Scholarship Fund	215.44
Jones Scholarship Fund	140.00
Rhodes Scholarship Fund	2,039.96
Robinson Scholarship Fund	339.00
Rodgers Scholarship Fund	150.00
Beacon Endowment	5,041.95
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 41,259.09
Balance in Bank June 1, 1982	6,232.02
TOTAL TO ACCOUNT FOR	\$ 47,491.11

DISBURSEMENTS

Paid on Music Building Note	\$ 6,389.64
Music Building Expense	479.09
Music Department Expense	1,114.87
Missions Conference Expense	552.78
Film Rental Expense	199.39
Rings & Pictures	1,407.48
Storeroom	608.93
Student Aid	12,246.52
Criterion Press	3,878.53
Alumni Banquet	837.14
Griffith Scholarship	150.00
Crawford Scholarship	150.00
Jones Scholarship	150.00
Rhodes Scholarship	350.00
Robinson Scholarship	150.00
Rodgers Scholarship	150.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$ 28,814.37
Balance in Bank June 30, 1983	18,676.74
TO BALANCE	\$ 47,491.11

D. Baptist Book Store

RECEIPTS

Cash Sales	\$ 25,759.83
Received on Accounts Receivable	30,558.74
Taxable Sales	2,318.53
Other Income	257.38
Monitor Income	17,800.83
State Sales Tax Collected	120.93
TOTAL	\$ 76,816.24
Cash on Hand — July 1, 1982	8,614.30
	\$ 85,430.54

DISBURSEMENTS

Advertising Expense	\$ 176.00
Miscellaneous Expense	372.23
Office Supplies Expense	781.79
Salaries Expense	10,297.59
Merchandise Purchased for Sale	46,694.05
Social Security Aid Expense	536.27
Telephone & Utilities Expense	1,252.25
City of Henderson — Taxes	89.22
Rusk County Taxes	55.82
Henderson Independent School District Taxes	214.36
State Sales Tax Paid	133.25
Insurance Expense	110.97
Monitor Mailing Expense	2,551.90
Monitor Postage Expense	3,412.52
Monitor Printing Expense	5,926.50
TOTAL	\$ 72,604.72
Cash on Hand — June 30, 1983	12,825.82
TO BALANCE	\$ 85,430.54

TABLE OF NET WORTH ASSETS

Cash, General Fund, June 30, 1983	\$ 25,359.47
Cash — Certificate of Deposit	158,000.00
Student Fees Receivable	100.00
Buildings (Appraised Value 1978)	836,975.36
Contents	71,030.45
Land	173,200.00
Library Volumes	40,000.00
Auto & Truck	10,852.00
Tractor	880.00
Cash — Housing Fund, June 30, 1983	34,603.61
Student Housing Rent Receivable	193.00
Cash, Special Fund, June 30, 1983	18,676.74
Cash — Certificates of Deposit	11,010.25
Cash, Bookstore, June 30, 1983	12,825.82
Accounts Receivable	2,628.34
Sales Stock — Inventory	39,564.02
Baptist Monitor	3,000.00
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 1,438,899.06

LIABILITIES

Housing Notes Payable CNB	\$ 57,876.85
Housing Notes Payable HSL	18,833.12
Music Building Note Payable CNB	8,000.00
Student Utility Deposits	950.00
Bookstore Accounts Payable	1,272.18
State Sales Tax Payable (Bookstore)	32.05
Designated Funds:	
Alumni Dorm Fund	22,577.11
Student Housing Fund Offerings	12,647.32
Music Department Fund	233.46
Music Building Fund	588.41
Designated Offerings	5,041.95
Microfilm Fund	511.37
Missions Conference Fund	3,282.40
Film Rental Fund	55.69
Rings & Picture Fund	45.09
Storeroom Fund	2,131.25
Student Aid Fund	3,695.55
Criterion Press Fund	974.83
Alumni Banquet Fund	270.95
W. G. & Ethel Griffith Scholarship Fund	3,769.31
Crawford Family Scholarship Fund	1,618.43
Harvey D. Jones Scholarship Fund	195.00
H. E. Rhodes Scholarship Fund	5,571.16
Inez Robinson Scholarship Fund	539.00
R. E. Rodgers Scholarship Fund	150.00
Baptist Monitor Fund	7,469.74
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 160,332.22
DESIGNATED NET WORTH	158,000.00
UNDESIGNATED NET WORTH	\$ 1,122,566.84
TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET WORTH	\$ 1,438,899.06

A.B.A. MEXICAN BAPTIST INSTITUTE REPORT

This, our sixteenth year, has proven to be our best ever. This is true from many different perspectives.

First of all, as we met in the National Association in Saltillo, Coahuila, we could see the value of the Institute. We had a counted congregation of over 300 meeting in the beautiful new building in Saltillo. There were ten states represented and the Federal District, Mexico has 31 states and the Federal District, so we have reached with a pure gospel witness into one third of the country. In August we organized the local Association of the Southeast in Seye, Yucatan, and there were some 20 missions and churches represented.

Secondly, this growth of churches and missions has caused a great growth in our student body. Each student must have the recommendation of the mission or church from which he comes to enter the Institute. This year it was evident that we would have our largest first year class. We have 23 first year students enrolled and more are coming. Due to the knowledge of our need we set about last December to erect our apartments. We had one complete then, and by the time school began we had eight of them ready to occupy. They filled immediately, and we have begun a complex of six more. However, we must finance these apart from our regular operating expenses because the regular operation of the school must continue. We hope to have some of these ready by the second semester. This is the largest first year class that we have ever had. It is double what we have ever had. We have 14 teachers faithfully working with us preparing these men for the ministry. Also, this year for the first time we are offering our students Hebrew. This large growth from our established works in Mexico have made it imperative that we increase the number of supporters in the regular operation of the Institute.

We have begun some necessary repairs of our educational building which we plan to finish by lecture week, January 23, 1984.

The outreach of the Institute continues to grow with all of the rest of the work. This calendar year we have built three new buildings on the field. Two of these are finished, and the other is nearing completion. Thanks to the Lord we have beautiful, new buildings in many states of Mexico. These are buildings that all would be proud of and that are a credit to His work. This gives the men instruments with which to work. We hear of some new blessing or a new mission being started almost daily. It is a blessing to be connected with the work.

The future is even brighter. If the Lord delays His coming, only He knows the possibilities of what can take place. As communism tries to come from the south to interfere with our great nation, what greater fortress could we have than the defense of the preaching of the gospel in all of the country of Mexico. We need all of you to help us carry this message to our churches. The door is open now, and may God help us to take advantage of the opportunity.

J. L. Mitchell
Lester Vogler, Pastor
Missionary Baptist Church, Dallas

R. V WEST & ASSOCIATES, INC.
1209 McALLEN STATE BANK TOWER
McALLEN, TEXAS 78501
PHONE: 682-2864

October 24, 1983

ABA MEXICAN BAPTIST INSTITUTE
McAllen, Texas 78501

Gentlemen:

We have completed an audit, the Income Statement, and the Balance Sheet or ABA Mexican Baptist Institute for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1983. All of Mrs. Gabrielson's records were kept in satisfactory order.

Sincerely,
R. V. West II
Public Accountant

ABA MEXICAN BAPTIST INSTITUTE

Income Statement

For the Twelve Months Ended June 30, 1983

REVENUE

Collection Revenue	<u>\$81,294.45</u>	
Total Revenue		\$81,294.45

EXPENSES

Depreciation	\$ 244.00	
Building Repairs & Maintenance	2,159.52	
Insurance	875.50	
Minister Salaries	20,829.56	
Reynosa Dormitories	8,021.38	
Special Designation	12,896.03	
Student Aid	5,840.00	
Student & Vehicle Documentation	594.75	
Student Housing & Transportation	4,655.68	
Supplies & Postage	3,692.45	
Wages & Teacher Expense	10,063.00	
Unclassified	190.00	
Accounting	355.00	
Lectures	557.88	
Utilities	2,965.94	
Vehicle Repairs & Maintenance	<u>4,233.97</u>	
TOTAL EXPENSES		<u>78,174.66</u>
NET PROFIT		<u><u>\$ 3,119.79</u></u>

ABA MEXICAN BAPTIST INSTITUTE
Balance Sheet
at June 30, 1983

ASSETS

Current Assets:		
Cash in Bank		\$14,254.01
Fixed Assets:		
Machinery & Equipment	\$1,110.45	
Less:		
Allowance for Depreciation	410.57	\$ 699.88
Total Fixed Assets		699.88
Total Assets		\$14,953.89

LIABILITIES AND NET WORTH

Current Liabilities:		
Accounts Payable		\$ —0—
Total Liabilities		—0—
Net Worth:		
ABA Mexican Baptist Institute		
Capital Investment	\$11,834.10	
Profit for the Period	3,119.79	
Total Net Worth		\$14,953.89
Total Liabilities and Net Worth		\$14,953.89

INTERSTATE AND FOREIGN MISSIONS

The Interstate and Foreign Mission program of the American Baptist Association offers to the churches the following challenges. There are 43 Interstate Missionaries recommended for salary and 13 for designated salary. These are conducting services in 55 churches and missions. Our secretary and treasurer of missions, Dr. D. S. Madden, is included in the 43 on salary. These missionaries are preaching and teaching well over 250 sermons and lessons weekly and over 13,000 this year. They are drawing approximately \$564,000.00 this associational year (1983 - 84). This mission effort of the sponsoring and supporting churches is reaching into 32 of the 50 United States.

Recommended for support also are 45 Foreign Missionaries on salary and 35 for designated salaries who are reporting services being conducted in many, many more areas than the number of missionaries. As nearly as can be determined, they are preaching and teaching well over 480 times weekly and over 25,000 yearly. They shall receive through the mission treasurer's office in Texarkana approximately \$238,000.00 this associational year. Eighteen (18) foreign countries are reached. Approximately \$108,000.00 for the year shall be paid to missionaries on designated funds, which should total approximately \$1,020,000.00 for the associational year.

The spiritual value far out reaches dollars and cents. Over 48,000 messages from God's Word are being delivered by the 136 missionaries recommended for support. This mission work is worthy of our prayers and support. Many more churches are needed in the support of these recommended missionaries.

We, your committee on Interstate and Foreign Missions, recommend to the churches of the Missionary Baptist Association of Texas that we join with churches of other states to help reach the special offering of \$40,000.00 on Sunday, November 20, 1983.

Respectively Submitted,
George B. Crawford
William H. Hitt
Danny Blevins
D. S. Madden

YOUTH REPORT

The youth ministries of our churches are one of the most important and potentially rewarding endeavors we can become involved in. As youth attend our churches we must endeavor to so coordinate our ministry that it will speak to their needs and answer the many questions contemporary society causes them to face. Through an organized youth ministry, young people can be given the training, and a foundation can be laid that will make them true instruments of the Lord. We encourage our sister churches to make plans to include in their budget a youth minister to lead such a program as soon as it is possible. We all as fellow Christians should be praying that God will lay this work on the hearts of men who will look on this area of service as a ministry.

The local youth rally is another avenue to reach many young people for Christ. Each sister church is encouraged to participate in the youth rally in their local area. When hosting the youth rally, a concentrated effort should be put forth to make the program a quality program. Programs should be well planned, thoroughly prepared, and prayerfully presented. The quality of the program directly affects the attendance and amount of interest shown by youth toward the youth rally. Let us take the responsibility seriously and make the most of the opportunity given us to reach our youth through the youth rally.

The State Camp work at Pine Springs continues to be a blessing to many lives. This past camping season closed with a total of 2,678 campers attending, an increase of 10 over last year, and 253 professions of faith. The number of ABA campers were up 128 over last year. Three rooms of a new dorm were used during several larger camps this summer, and plans are to have the other two rooms ready by next summer. This work truly deserves consideration for youth projects, ladies auxiliary projects, or a monthly offering.

The MBSF work is still an area that is not realizing its full potential. As an outreach for the local church to the college campus, it offers an opportunity to reach young men and women at a very critical point in their lives. We now have a total of five active chapters in Texas. This needs to be increased. Let us pray that God will place a burden on the pastors and churches who have colleges or universities in their city or town to began such an outreach in their church. Men are also needed as MBSF directors for each local chapter. Let us pray for God to lay this ministry on the hearts of men who will look on this area as a ministry for the Lord.

Let us prayerfully and financially support each of these areas of youth work. We must continue to provide training, fellowship, and opportunities for service to the youth of our churches. To do this we need to be industrious, dedicated and love youth.

Faithfully Submitted
Johnny Williams
Donald Dennis
Gene Hoover

THE BENEVOLENCE REPORT

The scriptures teach us that the Lord has laid upon His church the grave responsibility of preaching the gospel of Jesus Christ to a lost world. This is above all else. This comes first and is Her main reason for being in the world. Many times there are needs that arise among the membership that calls for helping those who are in need in the church family. We do not believe that we are responsible for feeding the world as some would have us believe.

The Texarkana Baptist Orphanage at Texarkana is one of the outstanding benevolent works among us today. I have been on the board longer than any man in the history of the home. I have had many wonderful experiences in this work. I have seen broken lives mended and saved by the grace of God and become useful Christians in the Lord's work. At this time we have the greatest number in the home that we have had in many years. Bro. and Mrs. Earl Crosswhite are some of the best we have ever had at the home. I thank God for them and the work they are doing. I am also grateful for the others that work there. It is also a great joy to work with the other members of the board.

One sad note. We do not get enough support for the home. Most of the time the reports show that we do not receive enough money to meet the expenses. The school expenses with that many children are very high. The medical bills and many other things take a great deal of money. We trust that you and your church are helping with this heavy burden. We hope you remember them when you pray as well as those who run the home. We believe it is worthy of your regular support.

Respectfully Submitted,
C. H. McBryde
George E. White
B. A. Morris

REPORT ON PUBLICATIONS

Christian literature has always been essential to teaching the Lord's truth and maturing believers in the faith. Missionary Baptists are blessed of the Lord to have a source for Bible based literature and to have a variety of periodicals which keep them informed of the needs and progress of our Baptist work.

The Baptist Sunday School Committee of the American Baptist Association (ABA) provides quality curriculum materials for Sunday School, Baptist Training Course, and Vacation Bible School as well as special study courses for summer camps, men's brotherhoods, women's auxiliaries, children's Bible clubs, and youth groups.

The **ABA Christian Education Bulletin** is published every two months from the Office of Promotion and Public Relations of the ABA. The Bulletin not only publicizes the Literature and books published by the Sunday School Committee but also contains helpful articles about teaching and other aspects of Christian education in our churches. Presently the Bulletin is distributed free to individuals or churches which request it.

The **Mission News Bulletin** is published by the office of the Secretary-Treasurer of Missions of the ABA. The Mission News keeps readers abreast of the work being done in the mission fields and offers timely articles on mission principles, methods and strategies. The Mission News is also distributed without charge upon request.

The **Baptist Monitor**, published monthly by the Texas Baptist Institute - Seminary of Henderson, is the official organ of the school and an unofficial link between the churches and the various ministries of our people. The ABA Mexican Baptist Institute, Texas State Missions, Pine Springs Baptist Camp, Missionary Baptist Student Fellowship, women's auxiliaries and youth work all have opportunity to be represented through the pages of this paper. Editorials and articles provoke serious thought on matters important to the life and work of our churches.

For information regarding the publications of the Baptist Sunday School Committee and the **ABA Christian Education Bulletin** write P.O. Box 1080, Texarkana, Texas 75501.

For information regarding the **ABA Mission News Bulletin** write P.O. Box 1040, Texarkana, Texas 75501.

For information regarding **The Baptist Monitor** write P.O. Box 570, Henderson, Texas 75653-0570.

Respectfully Submitted,
James A. Kirkland

WOMEN'S WORK

The Women's Auxiliary of the churches composing the Missionary Baptist Association of Texas submits the following report of their meeting held at the Titus Civic Center, Mt. Pleasant, Texas, on November 15, 1983.

There were 51 churches and 4 missions represented, with a total of 154 registered.

The 1983-84 project will be to raise \$3,000.00 for the Missionary Baptist Broadcasting Service. Please send offerings for this project to the treasurer: Mrs. Inez Stroman, P. O. Box 758, Lone Star, Texas 75668.

The G. A. project will be to raise funds for accessories for the dorms at Pine Springs Baptist Camp. Please send offerings for this project to: Mrs. E. G. Nielson, Rt. 1, Box 48-A, Daingerfield, Texas 75638.

The Bible and Tract Fund goal for 1983-84 is to reprint the Rainbow Tract that was printed last year. Please send offerings for this project to: Mrs. Marvelle Hudson, Rt. 1, Box 235-A, Sherman, Texas 75090.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mrs. Bill Hitt

RESOLUTION OF THANKS

WHEREAS: The churches of the Mt. Pleasant area, consisting of Grace Temple Baptist Church and her pastor, Bro. Harold Nichols; Union Baptist Church and her pastor, Bro. Calvin Permenter; Nevils Chapel and her pastor, Bro. Billy Turpin; and Bro. Billy Daniels of Johntown Baptist Church of Bogata, have adequately and graciously provided as hosts for the 1983 annual messenger meeting of the Missionary Baptist Association of Texas, and

WHEREAS: These churches have graciously and generously provided the facilities of the Grace Temple Baptist Church for the Pastor's and Laymen's meeting and the facilities of the Titus County Civic Center, including a piano from the Frank Crabbe Music Co., sound system from South Union Baptist Church of Daingerfield, adequate nursery workers, refreshments of coffee, soft drinks and bakery goods for our enjoyment,

BE IT RESOLVED: That we, the messengers and visitors go on record as showing our appreciation with a rising vote of thanks.

Respectfully Submitted,
Marion Reed
Travis Case
Hoyt Chastain

HISTORY AND ARCHIVES COMMITTEE REPORT

The History and Archives Committee of the Missionary Baptist Association of Texas was founded November 14, 1974, during our annual messenger meeting held at the Northside Baptist Church of Snyder, Texas. This committee, over the past nine years, has become a very important part of our state work. It has done much to encourage the compiling of historical information throughout our state.

One of the greatest accomplishments of this committee came in 1976, with our Bicentennial program which was presented in Tyler, Texas. All who were present at that meeting will remember how the historical information, along with the beautiful music, made us proud to be Texans.

Our committee has also started guided tours throughout much of the areas that are rich in Baptist history. These tours have ranged from one day to three days in length and have been greatly enjoyed by those who have toured them.

Our committee, with the help of the Mt. Zion Association, has been able to construct a historical museum. Texas Baptist Institute has provided the land, and our committee has raised the funds through your generous support. Most of the labor for construction has been donated, with Brothers Britton and Patterson leading the crew. We look forward to the historical museum growing in size and becoming a historical landmark where we can bring our children and grandchildren to teach them about our Baptist heritage.

Our committee has also invited several brethren from local associations, whom we know are interested in the preservation of historical information, to sit with us as an advisory committee. If you or anyone in your church is interested in working with us to preserve historical information, please let us know or meet with us at our next meeting.

Those who have served on this committee since 1974 are:

J. W. Griffith, 9 years; Luther Crawford, 4 years; Vernon L. Barr, 3 years; Bill Lee, 1 year; James Albritton, 4 years; C. H. McBryde, 2 years; Kim Bronson, 3 years; Gary Roberts, 2 years; Ed Rhodes, 3 years; Gary Bass, 5 years; Billy Daniels, 4 years; Kenneth Griffith, 3 years; Don Britton, 2 years.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kenneth Griffith, Chairman
Don Britton, Secretary
J. W. Griffith
Billy Daniels
Gary Bass

ENROLLMENT AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

The Enrollment Committee and the Finance Committee were combined into one committee this year. Although this will mean more work on those involved, it will mean fewer people will have to miss the meeting. We recommend that these duties remain the responsibility of one committee in the future.

There were 315 messengers attending and 53 visitors registered. This means that 155 churches were represented by messengers and 99 were represented by letter only. There were 5 missions represented.

We received the following monies:

General Expense Fund -\$6,197.25

Respectfully Submitted,
Ron Parrish
James Crosswell
Jay Pollan

MUSIC MINISTRY REPORT

Does God really care about the music used in our churches? Do you think He ever notices the "Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs" that are lifted in praise to Him Sunday after Sunday and service to service? How can we be sure our songs of worship are exactly songs of worship? Amos 5:21-23 is a dramatic illustration of God's displeasure when He said, "I hate, I despise your feast days, and I will not take delight in your solemn assemblies. Though ye offer me burnt offerings and your meal offerings, I will not accept them; neither will I regard the peace offerings of your fat beasts. Take away from me the noise of thy songs; for I will not hear the melody of thine harps".

Why such displeasure? Could the quality of music be that bad? Is God's anger kindled due to bad pitch, poor rhythm, and too loud tunes? His displeasure is known in trying to mix sin and service. God expects clean hearts and hands as our offerings, even music in praise, are brought to Him.

Praise to God in song has sounded since creation when "...the morning stars sang together, and all the sons of God shouted for joy" (Job 38:4, 7). The reason for their joy and praise was they had served God as He wanted and acknowledged Him as God.

As we continue to lift our voices and instruments of music in praise to God, let us always seek to uplift Him and none other. Support the music ministry of your church with prayers and participation. Support the music department of Texas Baptist Institute in the same manner. Encourage those who give of their talents to the Lord.

Respectively Submitted,
Steve Butler
Coy Wylie

MISSIONARY BAPTIST BROADCASTING SERVICE

To the messengers of the churches of the Missionary Baptist Association of Texas when they convene at Mt. Pleasant, Texas on November 15-17, 1983: The Calvary Missionary Baptist Church of Henderson, Texas, recommends the Missionary Baptist Broadcasting Service as a state mission project for the associational year 1983-1984.

Done by the order of the Calvary Baptist Church in regular conference, November 9, 1983.

Moderator — William H. Hitt
Church Clerk — Helen Taylor

TEXAS MISSION DEVELOPMENT

Rocky Springs Missionary Baptist Church is pleased to report the progress that has been made during the past year. From the fourth quarter of 1982 through the third quarter of 1983, Texas Mission Development collected and distributed to missionaries of your selection \$22,276.00. This is an increase of over \$1,000.00 from the previous four quarters. We are thankful to God and to the many faithful supporters among the churches of the state of Texas for this increase. This is what has been accomplished through the Texas Mission Development during the past four quarters.

4th quarter, 1982	Huffman Baptist Chapel Huffman, Texas	\$4,768.17
1st quarter, 1983	Calvary Baptist Chapel Austin, Texas	\$5,956.74
2nd quarter, 1983	Gilmer Baptist Church Gilmer, Texas	\$5,635.63
3rd quarter, 1983	Grace Baptist Chapel Irving, Texas	\$5,917.18
4th quarter, 1983	Faith Baptist Mission Palestine, Texas	

Brethren, the Bible says, "Two are better than one; because they have a good reward for their labour". Also, "...a threefold cord is not quickly broken" (Ecclesiastes 4:9,12). When this is applied to mission giving, this is the truth that makes church association practical. It is on this basis that we appeal to the churches of our state to consider Texas Mission Development as a project worthy of your participation. Costs everywhere are growing. In order to continue to be a strong, effective tool for the Lord's work, we must also grow and expand. We challenge those member churches of Texas Mission Development to be regular in their support. We also invite you who are not participating at present to join us in this work.

Bruce Bailey, Pastor
Rocky Springs Missionary Baptist Church

DOCTRINAL STATEMENT MBA OF TEXAS

1. We believe in the plenary verbal inspiration and inerrancy of the whole Bible as originally written, and that the Bible is the all-sufficient rule of faith and practice (Psalm 119:160; II Tim. 3:16, 17).

2. We believe in the personal triune God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, equal in divine perfection (Matt. 28:19).

3. We believe the Genesis account of creation. (Gen. 1, 2).

4. We believe that Satan is a fallen angel, the archenemy of God and man, the unholy god of this world, and that his destiny is the eternal lake of fire (Isa. 14:12-15; Ezek. 28:11-19; Matt. 25:41; II Cor. 4:4; Eph. 6:10-17; Rev. 20:10).

5. We believe in the virgin birth and sinless humanity of Jesus Christ. (Matt. 1:18-20; II Cor. 5:21; I Pet. 2:22).

6. We believe in the Deity of Jesus Christ (John 1:1, 14; 10:30; 14:9; II Cor. 5:19).

7. We believe that the Divine Administrator for Jesus Christ in His churches is the Holy Spirit (Luke 24:49; John 14:16, 17; 16:13; Act 1:4, 5, 8), whose work as such began on the first Pentecost after the resurrection of Jesus Christ with the Baptism of the Holy Spirit, which event occurred only once and is not repeated. (Acts 2).

8. We believe that the miraculous gifts of the Spirit listed in I Cor. 12:8-10 were done away when the Bible was completed (I Cor. 13:8-10) that the gift of apostleship ceased with the death of the last chosen directly by the Lord Jesus (Ep. 2:20), and that the abiding gifts adequately equip the churches for service to God. (Rom. 12:13; I Cor. 13:1-13; Eph. 4:7-16; I Pet. 4:10, 11; II Tim. 3:16, 17). [See explanatory footnote at the end of this doctrinal statement].

9. We believe that man was created in the image of God and lived in innocency until he fell by voluntary transgression from his sinless state, the result being that all mankind are now sinners. (Gen. 1:26; 3:6-24; Rom. 5:12, 19).

10. We believe the substitutionary suffering and death of Jesus Christ was sufficient to propitiate for the sins of all humanity, thus making salvation available for all mankind (Isa. 53:6; Heb. 2:9; I Pet. 2:24; 3:18; II Pet. 3:9; I John 2:2).

11. We believe in the bodily resurrection and ascension of Christ and the bodily resurrection of His saints (Matt. 28:1-7; Acts 1:9-11; I Cor. 15:42-58; I Thes. 4:13-18).

12. We believe in the premillennial, personal, bodily return of Christ is the crowning event of the Gentile Age. We further believe at his coming the righteous dead shall be raised, the living saints shall be changed and both shall be caught up to meet the Lord in the air. We also believe after the Millennial Reign of Christ on earth the unrighteous shall be resurrected unto eternal punishment in the lake of fire (John 14:1-6; I Thes. 4:13-18; II Thes. 2:8; Rev. 19; 20:4-6, 11-15; 21:8).

13. We believe the depraved alien sinner is saved wholly by grace through faith in Jesus Christ, and the requisites to regeneration are repentance toward God and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ (Luke 13:3, 5; John 3:16, 18; Acts 20:21; Rom. 6:23; Eph. 2:8, 9), and the Holy Spirit convicts sinners and regenerates, seals, secures, and indwells every believer (John 3:6; 16:8, 9; Rom. 8:9-11; I Cor. 6:19, 20; Eph. 4:30; Titus 3:5).

14. We believe all who trust in Jesus Christ for salvation are eternally secure and shall persevere in Him and shall not perish. (John 3:36; 5:24; 10:27-30; Rom. 8:35-39; Heb. 10:39; I Pet. 1:5).

15. We believe God deals with believers as His children, chastises the disobedient, blesses the obedient in this life, and reserves rewards for the future. (Matt. 16:27; 25:14-23; John 1:12; Heb. 12:5-11; II John 8; Rev. 22:12).

16. We believe Jesus Christ, during His personal ministry, established His Church, which is a local, visible assembly of scripturally baptized believers in covenant relationship, to carry out the Commission of the Lord Jesus Christ. We further believe each church is an independent, self-governing body over which no other ecclesiastical body may exercise authority. We believe Jesus Christ gave the Great Commission to New Testament churches only, and promised the perpetuity (Matt. 4:18-22; 16:18; 18:15-18; 28:19-20; Mark 1:14-20; John 1:35-51; Eph. 3:21).

17. We believe there are two pictorial ordinances in the Lord's churches: Baptism and the Lord's Supper. Scriptural baptism is the immersion of penitent believers in water, administered by the authority of a New Testament church in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. We further believe the Lord's Supper is a memorial ordinance, restricted to the members of the church observing the ordinance (Matt. 28:19, 20; Acts 8:12, 38; Rom. 6:4; I Cor. 5:11-13; 11:1, 2, 17-20, 26).

18. We believe there are two divinely appointed offices in a church, pastor and deacon, to be filled by men whose qualifications are set forth in I Tim. 3:1-16; Titus 1:5-9.

19. We believe all associations, fellowships, conventions, boards, and their committees are servants of the churches (Matt. 20:25-28).

20. We believe in the complete separation of church and state (Matt. 22:21) and affirm our belief in civil obedience unless the laws and regulations of civil government run contrary to the Holy Scriptures (Rom. 13:1-7; I. Peter 2:13-15; Acts 5:29).

FOOTNOTE

I suggest this explanation: "The apostles and prophets were the inspired agents through whom the New Testament revelation was given. When that revelation was complete, there was no further need for the office of apostle and prophet; thus, the apostleship ceased with the death of the last apostle chosen directly by the Lord Jesus." — James Kirkland

STATEMENT OF MISSION POLICY

SECTION I

The messengers of the churches of the Missionary Baptist Association of Texas will not recommend any man to the mission field unless he has first been elected or endorsed by the church of his membership, said church being associated with, and subscribing to the principles and practices of the churches of the Missionary Baptist Association of Texas.

SECTION II

Each church recommending a missionary from their membership to the churches of the Missionary Baptist Association of Texas in annual session is requested:

1. To submit for public reading a brief summary of the ministerial activities of the recommended missionary.
2. To give a statement as what their plans are concerning their (the) support of the missionary being recommended.
3. To give the location of the area where the recommended missionary will devote his labor.

This information concerning the recommended missionary, his abilities, training, and work will greatly aid the messengers from the churches in making their decisions about individual missionaries.

SECTION III

We recognize that a missionary elected by his local church, if it be a Scriptural church, is a Scriptural missionary, without recommendation of the messengers from the churches of the Missionary Baptist Association of Texas.

SECTION IV

Any messenger may request an individual vote on any name recommended for endorsement by the messengers in annual session.

SECTION V

We recognize as Scriptural the right of the messengers in annual session to recommend stipulated salaries for the missionaries.

SECTION VI

All missionaries of the churches working as State Missionaries under the recommendations of the messengers shall:

Make duplicate monthly reports to their endorsing church and Secretary-Treasurer.

1. These reports shall tell of the work done during the month and shall list all money, material and monetary gifts collected on the field. All money collected on the field shall be counted as salary, unless the money is designated to some special church or mission project, with the following exceptions:

- a. **MATERIAL GIFTS**

Missionaries shall have the same privilege as pastors in receiving material gifts above their salary and shall not be required to report them as salary.

Material gifts are defined as items (or the money for them) as:

Clothing

Automobile accessories

Household goods

- b. **MONETARY GIFTS**

Monetary gifts are defined as such gifts as pastors receive for:

Weddings

Funerals

At Christmas season

Honorariums

etc.

- c. **REVIVALS**

The missionaries and the Secretary-Treasurer may hold as many as two revivals each year without reporting the funds received for the revivals.

- d. **VACATIONS**

The missionaries and the Secretary Treasurer may have two weeks paid vacation each year in addition to two revival meetings.

2. All reports shall be made available to the churches and a yearly report published in the minutes.
3. The endorsing church is requested to provide a report annually for the messengers assembly regarding:
 - a. The amount and nature of all material and monetary gifts.
 - b. An assessment is requested as to whether there has been any abuse of this privilege on the part of the missionary.

SECTION VII

State Mission work shall be defined as follows:

1. Work in cities where we have no Missionary Baptist Churches, or in cities large enough to have two or more churches.
2. Work with weak pastorless churches, to aid them in growing and securing a pastor.
3. Although we look with favor on revival meetings, revivals in established churches with regular pastors, should not be counted as mission work.
4. A month's work should include at least 160 hours actually spent in constructive mission work.

SECTION VIII

We recommend:

1. The missionaries seek fields in sections of the state where we have no churches.
2. The missionaries should seek out a church to sponsor the mission that is consistent in their support of missions, and that is of sufficient strength to fulfill the responsibility of a sponsoring church, and that the sponsoring church adopt a policy concerning the mission that would not allow it to be organized into a church until it becomes self-supporting in every respect, including a full time pastor on the field.
3. That the missionaries begin teaching and leading newly organized missions and churches to support all phases of mission work and that they begin immediately to give support to the missionaries' salary, and that such support be increased regularly as the work grows. The missionary and mission should work toward a goal of being able to support a pastor within five (5) years. That this be done by seeking to support 20% of the missionary's salary within the first year, 40% within the second, 60% within the third, 80% within the fourth, and within the fifth year of being able to support a full time pastor. The missionary should remain with the mission until it becomes self-supporting.
4. That the missionaries seek to lead the newly organized churches to adopt, and put to proper use, a good Sunday School record system and plan of Sunday School organization.
5. That the missionaries lead the newly established churches to follow a definite plan of organized visitation evangelism.
6. That the missionaries not be used as a supply preacher in our established churches where pastors are on the field.
7. That missionaries not pastor a church that is recognized as a self-supporting church, regardless of how much of his salary they might pay.
8. That the missionaries should not be elected to an office of the Association.

SECTION IX

The trustees of the Missionary Baptist Association of Texas are authorized to relocate old mobile church units and locate new ones between sessions of the association under the following guidelines:

1. State missionaries of this association on stipulated salary be given priority for usage of mobile units;
2. State missionaries of this association on designated offerings be eligible for mobile units when need by a salaried missionary is not imminent;

3. The trustees shall not relocate an old unit or locate a new one within the sixty days just prior to an associational meeting but they shall refer the matter to the messenger assembly;
4. A mobile unit may be recalled by the messenger assembly in any annual session, or called session.

SECTION X

May the statements of this policy never be interpreted as binding laws upon churches or missionaries, but as goals and guidelines.

SECTION XI GUIDELINES FOR THE USE OF THE MOBILE UNITS

- I. It is agreed that the churches of the Missionary Baptist Association of Texas will:
 - A. Provide the mobile unit;
 - B. Pay for moving the unit;
 - C. Pay for relocating the unit;
 - D. Pay for major repairs brought on by physical damage outside the control of those using it, such as storm damage, vandalism and/or mechanical failure.
- II. It is agreed that the mission and/or sponsoring church will:
 - A. Provide the location for the unit;
 - B. Pay for all connections, such as water, gas, electricity, sewage;
 - C. Keep unit in good state of repair while in custody of mission and/or sponsoring church;
 - D. Pay for any and all repairs needed while in their use except those covered in Part I, Section D;
 - E. Pay for re-locating or re-setting unit while in their use;
 - F. Make no alterations in physical structure of unit without approval of trustees.
- III. After the unit is located and all connections made, the Mission Secretary in company with the missionary and at least one member of the mission and/or sponsoring church, shall inspect the unit. The inspection shall reveal the condition of the unit at the time the mission begins using it. A written record of such findings shall be signed by both parties and a copy of same provided for both parties.
- IV. A similar inspection called for in Part III shall be conducted before the unit is disconnected from the utilities at the time of moving from the custody of any mission and/or sponsoring church. The results of this inspection shall be recorded and signed by both parties.

SECTION XII GUIDELINES FOR THE MBSF REPRESENTATIVE

1. The MBSF representative will meet the same qualifications and requirements of the missionaries as set forth in Section I and II. The endorsing church should take the initiative in seeing that the representative abides by these guidelines.
2. He will receive the same salary as the missionaries.
3. He will be re-imbursed for travel expenses related to the MBSF work outside his local area of residence at a rate prescribed by the messenger assembly.
4. Section VI of the Missionary Policy shall apply to the M.B.S.F. Representative as well as to the missionaries.
5. He may use the mailing permit through the office of the Secretary-Treasurer for state-wide projects.
6. He will work with college and university students, and not just serve as a supply preacher.

7. He will visit with and encourage MBSF groups already begun, aiding them in their programs and outreach.
8. He will seek to establish new campus MBSF chapters under the direction of a sponsoring church which works in the Missionary Baptist Association of Texas. No chapter will be organized without such a sponsoring church. It is recognized that each MBSF chapter is under the direction of a local church.
9. He will seek to develop a spirit of loyalty to Christ, to the Bible, to the local church, and to the Missionary Baptist principles of faith and practice. He will neither promote nor participate in activity which compromises Missionary Baptist doctrinal positions, disturbs the lawful order of the citizenry, or displays immorality. He will seek to encourage all chapters to function within the framework of school regulations.
10. He will publicize the MBSF work of this association and of the American Baptist Association, seeking to keep both mutually informed.

ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT

ARTICLE I — Name

This association shall be known as The Missionary Baptist Association of Texas.

ARTICLE II — Object

The object of this Association shall be to awaken a deeper interest in the welfare of the churches, to cultivate a closer fellowship among the churches, and to encourage and perpetuate the very greatest possible activity in missionary, educational, and benevolent enterprises.

ARTICLE III — How Composed

Section 1. This Association shall be composed of such regular independent Missionary Baptist Churches as may voluntarily choose to cooperate in carrying out the object of this Association.

Section 2. The Messenger Assemblies of this Association shall be composed of messengers elected by the churches composing it.

Section 3. Each church choosing to represent in this Association shall be entitled to three messengers.

Section 4. Each church shall be the sole judge of the qualification of her messengers.

ARTICLE IV — Nature

The Messenger Assembly of this Association shall be, in nature, formed as a council in matters pertaining to missionary, educational, and benevolent work.

ARTICLE V — Principles

The Messenger Assembly of this Association shall recognize the freedom of speech as essential to the highest achievement in its work. It shall stand or fall on its own conformity to the truth. It shall exercise no ecclesiastical authority, but it shall, by every precaution, recognize the independence and sovereignty of every individual church. It shall also encourage on the part of the church and the messengers the greatest possible freedom of expression in discussing matters pertaining to its work.

ARTICLE VI — Powers

The action of the Messenger Assembly shall be limited to the work of awakening enthusiasm in missionary, educational, and benevolent enterprises, and receiving and distributing funds for the same.

ARTICLE VII — Funds

Section 1. All funds of this Association shall be raised by voluntary donations secured solely upon the merits of the cause in the interest of which appeals are made for gifts: provided, this is not to prevent the use of any income or any property that may be acquired by donation or by purchase.

Section 2. Distribution of funds shall be authorized by an act of this Messenger Assembly, or by an act of properly authorized committees of this assembly hereinafter provided for; but in no instance shall the assembly or any committee of it use means in violation of the expressed preference of the donor.

ARTICLE VIII — Officers

Section 1. The officers of this Messenger Assembly shall be a moderator, an assistant moderator, two (2) recording secretaries, and a corresponding secretary-treasurer.

Section 2. All officers of this assembly shall be chosen annually, and shall hold their offices until their successors are elected and the same shall be true of all members of standing committees. All officers shall be elected by a majority of the messengers voting. No moderator shall succeed himself more than one year.

Section 3. The duties of all officers shall be as may be directed by the Messenger Assembly, unless otherwise directed by the churches.

Section 4. It shall be the duty of the corresponding secretary-treasurers to take charge of money and valuables not specifically entrusted to someone else, and to dispose of same as he may be directed by this Messenger Assembly. He shall make an annual report to this assembly of all monies received and disbursed.

Section 5. The recording secretaries, in addition to keeping the records of this Association, will superintend the printing and distribution of minutes of such regular meetings as the messengers may direct.

ARTICLE IX — Committees

Section 1. The missionary committee shall be composed of one representative of each church choosing to be represented. The duty of the committee shall be to meet quarterly, or as directed by the Messenger Assembly, in the interest of all the work. It shall be empowered to fill vacancies of regular offices, between sessions of the Messenger Assembly and to call a special meeting of a Messenger Assembly when needed.

Section 2. The following standing officers of the Assembly shall be the trustees of the association: Namely, the moderator, assistant moderator, two recording secretaries, and secretary-treasurer, subject to the direction of the Messenger Assembly, and they are empowered to act in legal capacity as trustees of this Association.

ARTICLE X — Missionaries

We hold that the authority for execution of the Great Commission was given to the New Testament Church, and the authority must remain forever with the churches. Therefore, the right and privilege of every church of this Association to endorse, set apart or send out missionaries shall ever be respected. Each church may support missionaries of its own choosing, and the act of one church in sending out missionaries can in no way bind or obligate any other church. The churches shall be free and their support of missionaries shall be voluntary on their part.

ARTICLE XI — Meetings

The regular meetings of the Church Messengers shall be at such time and place as the assembled messengers may appoint.

ARTICLE XII — Amendments

The Messenger Assembly shall have no power to change the Articles of Agreement. Any church desiring a change shall send to the annual meeting a copy of the proposed change; the Messenger Assembly will then submit the proposed change to each cooperating church; if two-thirds of the cooperating churches vote for the change, then the Article of Agreement shall be amended to conform to the proposed change. Two-thirds of the churches representing in the assembly in the previous year shall be the number determining the results.

MINUTES OF THE PASTOR'S AND LAYMAN'S COUNCIL OF TEXAS

The meeting was called to order by Bro. George White. After the opening song, Bro. Devin Ward led in prayer. Bro. Harold Nichols welcomed the meeting to Grace Temple Baptist Church.

Bro. Jim Slocumb brought the morning devotional. He read Mark 11:22,23 and spoke on the subject, "Have Faith in God".

The following officers were elected. Bro. E. G. Nielsen was elected as Moderator. Bro. John Marlar was elected as Vice Moderator. Bro. Danny Chappell was elected as Clerk. Bro. Billy Connor was elected as Assistant Clerk. Bro. Bob Rhodes was elected to bring the message in 1984, and Bro. Calvin Permenter was elected to be the alternate.

Bro. John Marlar was called on to introduce Bro. Bob Murray to bring the message. Bro. Murray read I Peter 2:9 and preached on, "Peculiar People". Bro. Bell gave Bro. James Slocumb and Bro. Murray the right hand of appreciation for the devotional and the message.

Mission reports were the next order of business. Bro. Leon Hawkins reported on the work in Del Rio. Gary Bass reported on the work in Mexico. Gib Allen is working in Corpus Christi. Chuck Johnston reported on the work in Caldwell. Curtiss Hall is working in Linden. Carroll Jones is working in Tomball. Bro. Kennen Witcher will be working in Las Cruces, New Mexico. Bro. Wade Duck is working in Anson. Bro. Mike Evans is working in Gilmer. Bro. Joe White is working in Irving. Bro. Brad Mitchell reported on the work in Mexico. Bro. Roy Culley reported on the work in McAllen and Crockett.

The morning service was dismissed in prayer.

The evening service was opened with a congregational hymn, and Bro. Garland Allen led in prayer.

The mission reports continued. Bro. Ken Ashlock reported on the work in Clovis, N. M. Bro. Harold Davis spoke concerning Bro. Kennen's plans to go to Las Cruces, N. M. to begin a work. Bro. Bob Rhodes spoke concerning the work in Anson. Bro. Steven Wood reported on the work in Corpus Christi. Bro. Hoyt Chastain reported on the work in Terrell. Bro. Pat Clark reported on the work in Lufkin. Bro. E. G. Nielsen spoke concerning the Texas Mission Development. Bro. W. S. Taylor spoke concerning the work in Irving.

There was a motion to dismiss. It received a second and the meeting was adjourned with prayer.

Danny Chappell
Clerk

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PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS PEACE IN TROUBLED TIMES

The world in which we live is in great turmoil. To know this, all one needs to do is look at the headlines of the daily newspapers: trouble in El Salvador, Lebanon, Grenada; bombing in Washington, riots, internal strife, drug raids, children becoming drug addicts before starting to school, mass murders, businesses and homes being robbed. Just a few years ago people went to bed without even locking their screen doors. Nothing was thought about being out alone at night. Today, things are different. Indeed, we are living in a time of unrest.

These things tell me that women must be more than just housekeepers. We must be homemakers, dealing with the problems of the entire family. None are exempt from trouble and none can handle these problems alone. However, in the midst of it all, peace can be obtained. Where, when, and how can we find peace?

First, let us think about what peace is. A man once asked two artists to paint a picture depicting their image of peace. One artist painted a slow moving stream with rich green grass and beautiful trees on either side. Healthy cows were grazing on the grassy slopes. The other artist's concept of peace was altogether different. He painted a high waterfall pouring torrents of water and large trees being bent by fierce winds. Near the top of one of the trees was a bird's nest. In the nest was a mother bird sitting contentedly on her eggs. This was peace in the midst of turmoil. To be in a place when all seems calm does not necessarily mean peace. For you see, peace is calm repose, and it is an attitude, not a place.

The storms of life are raging. Our government has tried and is trying to quiet these storms, but it seems the more they try the more fierce the storms. There is only one source of true peace, and that is through the redemptive work of the Lord Jesus Christ. Through Jesus, man is at peace with God. Then, as he yields his will to God's will, he has the peace of God.

Society says to do your own thing regardless of how it affects the lives of others. This "I'm First" attitude does not produce peace. It produces stress and unhappiness. The child of God that worries and frets is a stumbling block to others. Worry says to the world that you are not claiming the promise that Jesus made to His people just before He ascended back to the Father. Jesus said, "Peace I leave with you. My peace I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled nor let it be afraid." This tells us that peace can be obtained when we look to the right source.

There will always be stormy weather in the world, but through the grace of God, we can safely ride out the storms. John 16:33 records these words spoken by Jesus, "These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world."

In closing, let me admonish you to "let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts," Col. 3:15. The word LET is the key word. Jesus offers you this peace. It is yours for the taking.

My prayer for you is that you will find peace in the nest of God's love and that you will look up, out of the storm; and look up to JESUS, remembering that these troublesome times are reminders that our Lord shall soon return. Then, our storms will all be over. Ladies, let us cast all our cares upon Jesus for He truly cares for us.

PROCEEDINGS

MORNING SESSION

The State Ladies Auxiliary of the Missionary Baptist Association of Texas met at 10:00 A.M. with the churches of the Mount Pleasant, Texas area. Mrs. Bill Hitt, Henderson, Texas, President of the state auxiliary, presided.

Brother Pat Rovell let the opening song. Mrs. Hilda Sledge voiced the opening prayer. The welcome was expressed by Mrs. Sharon Watson of Daingerfield. Julia Schultz of Corsicana gave the response.

Mrs. Hitt appointed the following committees:

PERSONAL SERVICE AND FINANCE

Gwen Hand
Helen Taylor

ENROLLMENT

Debbie Evans
Beth Pogue
Francis Stevenson

District auxiliary presidents, new auxiliaries, and visiting ministers were recognized.

President, Mrs. Hitt, opened the morning session for any necessary business.

Mrs. Jerri Parrish introduced the new suggested guidelines for the posters brought to the state meeting. Action is to be taken during the afternoon business session.

Mrs. Ruby Nielsen introduced the morning workshops. Mrs. Sue Harvey, South Union Baptist Church, Daingerfield, presented a workshop on the facets of the Girls' Auxiliary. A Sunbeam workshop was presented by Mrs. Cecille Finley of Veal Switch Missionary Baptist Church, Veal Switch.

The morning session was closed in prayer by Mrs. Charles French, Carthage.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon session was opened by congregational singing directed by Brother Dean Watson. The opening prayer was offered by Brother Harmon Hunt.

The First Vice President, Mrs. Jerri Parrish, introduced Mrs. Hitt for her President's Address entitled, "Peace in Troubled Times." Mrs. John Dyer expressed appreciation to Mrs. Hitt for her address.

New auxiliaries and the visiting ministers were introduced.

Brother Gene Hoover gave a report on the Pine Springs Camp and the camp funds. He expressed appreciation for the monies sent from our state auxiliary.

The Red River—Bowie District Auxiliary presented the program entitled "My Heart, Christ's Home."

Mrs. Billy Daniels expressed thankfulness to each one who worked in preparing the presenting such an inspiring program.

Brother Harmon Hunt spoke concerning the Missionary Baptist Broadcasting Service and its expanding outreach. Brother Hunt is the Executive Director of the Missionary Baptist Broadcasting Service.

The business session was opened by Mrs. Hitt, President.

The treasurer's report was given by Mrs. Inez Stroman. It was adopted.

Mrs. E. G. Nielsen gave the Girls' Auxiliary report. Mrs. Linda Ashlock spoke to the report. She discussed the National Girls' Auxiliary work. She told about the National G. A. Newsletter that is sent to each Girls' Auxiliary. Mrs. Ashlock is the G. A. Promotional Director for the National Auxiliary. She requested the names and addresses of all Girls' Auxiliaries so she may be sure they are on her mailing list. Please sent to:

Mrs. Linda Ashlock
1818 Bardfield
Garland, Texas 75041

The Girls' Auxiliary report was adopted.

The Bible and Tract report, given by Mrs. Paul Patterson, was adopted. A motion was passed to transfer all monies from the Slide Projector Fund into the Tract Fund.

The messenger body voted to purchase another printing of the new get-well greeting cards designed and written by Mrs. Paul Patterson.

The Personal Service and Finance report was accepted allowing for any exceptions that need to be made.

Mrs. Debbie Evans gave the Enrollment report. It was approved.

The new suggested poster rules were again introduced by Mrs. Jerri Parrish. They were adopted as amended by the messengers.

Mrs. Hitt recognized the new Girls' Auxiliaries in the state.

Three suggestions for the 1984 goal were presented. They were: 1. Yukaton Mission-Taobo; 2. Pine Spring Dormitory Fund; 3. Missionary Baptist Broadcasting System.

The selected goal for the State Ladies' Auxiliary for 1984 is the Missionary Baptist Broadcasting System. The goal amount is \$3,000.00.

The selected project for the G. A.'s is providing funds for the purchasing of accessories for the girls' dormitories at Pine Springs Youth Camp.

A motion was made and adopted to have the President's Address printed in the minutes.

A motion and second passed to form a committee to work on Article 9 in our Articles of Agreement.

A motion was approved to pay the Corresponding Secretary \$25.00 plus expenses and the Recording Secretary \$35.00.

Officers elected to serve for 1984 were:

President	Mrs. Jerri Parrish, Denison
Vice President	Mrs. Margaret Crosswell, Sherman
2nd Vice President	Mrs. Mary Klein, Blossom
Recording Secretary	Mrs. Sharon Watson, Daingerfield
Asst. Recording Secretary	Mrs. Sammy Eldridge, Timpson
Corresponding Secretary	Mrs. Steve Butler, Henderson
Treasurer	Mrs. Inez Stroman, Lone Star
Asst. Treasurer	Mrs. Jane Blevins, East Post Oak
G. A. Promotional Director	Mrs. E. G. Nielsen, Daingerfield
Asst. G. A. Promotional Dir.	Mrs. Sue Harvey, Daingerfield
Bible and Tract Distributor	Mrs. Marvelle Hudson, Sherman
Parliamentarian	Mrs. Bill Hitt, Henderson
Advisory Council	Bro. Billy Daniels, Johntown Bro. Ron Parrish, Denison Bro. Harmon Hunt, Arlington

Mrs. Bill Hitt, President, recognized the new officers and the advisory council.

There was a rising vote of appreciation to the host churches for their hospitality.

Brother Ron Parrish, Denison, closed the 1983 meeting with prayer.

NEW COMMITTEES APPOINTED

Committee to work on Section 9, Articles of Agreement:

Mrs. Bill Hitt, Henderson
Mrs. Paul Patterson, Henderson
Mrs. Billy Daniels, Johntown

Bible and Tract Committee:

Mrs. Marvelle Hudson, Sherman
Mrs. Brenda Jackson, Trout Creek
Mrs. Debbie Bryant, Huntington

1984 Program Committee:

Mrs. Mary Kline, Blossom
Mrs. Ruth Johnston, Pattonville
Mrs. Linda Owens, Hillsboro

REPORTS**ENROLLMENT COMMITTEE**

<i>Messengers</i>	82
<i>Visitors</i>	72
<i>Total Present</i>	154
<i>Churches Represented</i>	51
<i>Missions Represented</i>	4

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Evans
 Sharon Watson
 Beth Poag

PERSONAL SERVICE AND FINANCE

<i>Personal Calls</i>	1,809	<i>Amount Raised</i>	\$16,017.30
<i>Visits to sick/shut-ins</i>	4,656	<i>Missions</i>	3,133.48
<i>Visits to comfort</i>	692	<i>Orphans' Home</i>	405.00
<i>Telephone calls</i>	5,885	<i>Christian Education</i>	1,181.38
<i>Flowers sent</i>	798	<i>Benevolence</i>	442.07
<i>Cards and letters sent</i>	4,265	<i>Church building fund</i>	2,739.23
<i>Trays sent</i>	2,638	<i>Minutes</i>	132.50
<i>Bibles given</i>	76	<i>Flowers</i>	360.75
<i>Tracts distributed</i>	27,442	<i>Miscellaneous</i>	6,496.60
<i>Soul talks</i>	214	<i>Total brought to</i>	
		<i>to this meeting</i>	226.50
<i>L.D.S.</i>	2,578		

TREASURER'S REPORT**RECEIPTS**

<i>Gilmer Mission</i>	\$ 470.00
<i>Pine Springs Project</i>	\$1,773.37
<i>Tract Fund</i>	\$ 326.95
<i>Minutes</i>	\$ 212.50
<i>Other</i>	\$ 30.00
<i>Total Receipts</i>	\$2,812.82

DISBURSEMENTS

<i>Gilmer</i>	\$ 470.00
<i>Gilmer</i>	\$ 15.00
<i>Aline Patterson (Tract Distributor)</i>	\$ 326.95
<i>Pine Springs Dorm Fund</i>	\$1,773.37
<i>Mrs. R. Nielsen (G. A. Promotional Director)</i>	\$ 10.00
<i>Linden Mission</i>	\$ 5.00
<i>Mrs. M. Crowell (Recording Sec.)</i>	\$ 35.00
<i>Mrs. M. Butler (Corresponding Sec.)</i>	\$ 25.00

MBA of Texas (Minutes)..... \$ 152.50
TOTAL PAID OUT **\$2,812.82**

Inez Stroman, Treasurer

REPORT OF STATE GIRLS' AUXILIARY DIRECTOR

Some progress has been made this year with two new G. A.'s being organized and a district G. A. Perhaps there are others, but I did not know about them.

In May, a G. A. workshop was conducted with 36 invitations sent to churches in the central and eastern part of our state. Good attendance and interest was shown by over forty in attendance. This was conducted by our Assistant Director, Sue Harvey. She also was called to assist in showing how to organize and conduct a G. A. This resulted in a new G. A. being organized.

During the year I have received several phone calls and four reports on our work. I attended a workshop, a district meeting and have spoken and encouraged in meetings.

Since our workshop this year was on G. A. work, and two of the letters were from directors conducting this, I did not see the need of sending out a letter. Most all of the ideas and actions of the G. A.'s were included in this workshop.

There is still a need to elect a local promotional director from the district level. Some have done this, but some have not; and this is necessary to keep the G. A. work before our churches. May I encourage you to do this and then for her to report her work to me. Also, for each G. A. to elect a reporter and have her to report twice a year to me on their work. This will help me to know more about the needs and accomplishments of the G. A.'s.

As Paul admonished in II Timothy 2:15, "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a **WORKMAN** that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

As workers for the Lord, may we seek His will concerning a G. A. in each of our churches. Time is short so we must teach and train our young girls in their need of salvation and service to our Lord and His church.

I received \$10.00 for expenses.

Pray for me and our G. A. work.

In His Service,
 Ruby Nielsen

BIBLE AND TRACT REPORT 1982-83

Balance from 1981-82.....	\$169.22
2-10-83 — Received from State Treasurer, Inez Stroman:	
Offering at State Meeting	\$126.98
Victory, Sherman	\$ 5.00
Mrs. W. R. Simpson	\$ 5.00
Calvary, Henderson	\$100.00
South Union, Daingerfield.....	\$ 5.00
Nevils Chapel, Mt. Pleasant	\$ 15.00

11-30-82 — Carthage	\$ 10.00
1-2-83 — Calvary, Baytown	\$ 10.00
12-15-82 — Victory, Sherman	\$ 10.00
12-18-82 — Pleasant Hill, Overton.....	\$ 10.00
Mrs. Steve Warren, Overton	\$ 5.00
11-24-82 — Johntown Auxiliary	\$ 50.00
11-25-82 — Trout Creek, Kirbyville.....	\$ 10.00
12-11-82 — Baker Dr., Dickinson	\$ 5.00
12-13-82 — Hickory Hill, Mt. Pleasant	\$ 12.00
2-11-83 — Calvary, Jacinto City	\$ 5.00
2-25-83 — Unity, Longview	\$ 10.00
1-26-83 — Green Ridge, Houston	\$ 20.00
4-13-83 — Red River, Bowie District.....	\$104.35
3-15-83 — Ebenezer, Henderson	\$ 25.00
Total	\$712.55
6-21-83 — Paid Bro. George White	
for printing 7,000 Tracts	\$653.75
Balance.....	\$ 58.80
6-28-83 — Trout Creek, Kirbyville.....	\$ 5.00
Nacogdoches MBC Auxiliary	\$ 25.00
9-01-83 — South Texas District Aux.	\$ 30.00
9-09-83 — Shelby, Panola, Dist. Aux.	\$ 17.35
9-10-83 — Grandview, Henderson.....	\$ 8.00
Total on hand 11-14-1983	\$144.35
Amount in Slide Projector Tract Fund.....	\$ 16.09

Respectfully Submitted,
Ailene Patterson, Tract Dist.

GIRLS' AUXILIARY SPONSORS

Atlanta	Tanglewood
Kathy Peacock	Rt. 1, Box 130, Linden, Tex. 75572
Carthage	Missionary
Mrs. Charles French	916 W. Sabine, Carthage, Tex. 75663
Daingerfield	South Union
Mrs. E. G. Nielsen	Rt. 1, Box 48-D, Daingerfield, Tex. 75638
Denison	Mt. Pleasant
Sharon Templeton	2812 W. Elm, Denison, Tex. 75020
Dialville	Rocky Springs
Mrs. Danny McClintock	Rt. 1, Jacksonville, Tex. 75766
Dickinson	Baker Dr.
Mrs. Leslie Wells, Jr.	Box 552, Dickinson, Tex. 77539
Fort Worth	Liberty
.....	7316 Channel View, Ft. Worth, Tex. 76133
Garland.....	New Liberty
Mrs. Ken Ashlock	333 W. Centerville, Garland, Tex. 75041
Henderson	Calvary
Mrs. Wanda Lum	P. O. Box 429, Henderson, Tex. 75652
Hughes Springs	Veal Switch
Mrs. Cecille Finley	213 Mtn. View, Daingerfield, Tex. 75638

Huntington	Highway
Earline Johnson	Rt. 1, Huntington, Tex. 75949
Irving	Northgate
c/o Mrs. Josephene Rainwater	2726 N. O'Corner Rd., Irving, Tex. 75062
Kilgore	Missionary
Mrs. Bob Ayres	500 Ross Ave., Kilgore, Tex. 75662
Mesquite	Eastfield
Mrs. Travis Arden	3714 Motley, Mesquite, Tex. 75150
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Mrs. Glen Griffith	Rt. 2, Box 15, Omaha, Tex. 75571
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Mrs. Bobbie Bryant	4515 Tuscarora, Pasadena, Tex. 77504
Pasadena	Fellowship
Marla Erick	306 Llano, Pasadena, Tex. 77504
Silsbee	Calvary
Mrs. James T. Moon	585 Tree St., Silsbee, Tex. 77656
Snyder	Northside
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ADDRESSES OF 1983-1984 STATE OFFICERS

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Asst. G. A. Promotional Director	Mrs. Sue Harvey Rt. 1, Daingerfield, Tex. 75638

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<i>Mrs. Joyce Arden</i>	<i>Central Texas</i> <i>2707 Cumberland, Mesquite, Tex. 75150</i>
<i>Mrs. Connie Peveler</i>	<i>East Texas</i> <i>Rt. 5, Box 210, Henderson, Tex. 75652</i>
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STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES TEXAS STATE WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

ARTICLE I. — Name

The name of the organization shall be Women's Auxiliary of the Missionary Baptist Association of Texas.

ARTICLE II. — Definition

The Auxiliary shall be composed of messengers of the local auxiliaries of the churches which compose the Missionary Baptist Association of Texas.

ARTICLE III. — Purpose

The purpose of this State Auxiliary shall be to encourage the women of the local churches to be active in all phases of the work in which they have the scriptural right to participate and to encourage the establishment of auxiliaries in all our churches where none exist.

ARTICLE IV. — Time and Place

The State Auxiliary shall meet annually at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday before the annual session of the Missionary Baptist Association of Texas. The place of each meeting shall be determined by the Missionary Baptist Association of messengers.

ARTICLE V. — Officers

The officers of the State Auxiliary shall be: (1) President; (2) First Vice President; (3) Second Vice President; (4) Recording Secretary; (5) Assistant Recording Secretary; (6) Treasurer; (7) Assistant Treasurer; (8) Corresponding Secretary; (9) Bible and Tract Distributor; (10) Parliamentarian; (11) Girls' Auxiliary Promotional Director; (12) Assistant Girls' Auxiliary Promotional Director (to be appointed by the Director); (13) Advisory Council of 3.

ARTICLE VI. — Election of Officers

All officers shall be elected annually by nomination and majority vote and must be a member of an auxiliary. No officer shall succeed herself more than once consecutively except the Advisory Council and G. A. Promotional Director.

ARTICLE VII. — Duties of Officers

SECTION I — President

The duties of the President shall be:

(a) To preside over all state meetings; (b) To appoint committees as directed by the Messenger Body; (c) To call special meetings when necessary; (d) To be active in looking after the welfare of the work.

SECTION II — Vice Presidents

The duties of the First Vice President shall be:

(a) To preside over the meetings in the absence of the President or when called upon by the President; (b) To perform the duties that usually devolve upon such officers; (c) Shall be Chairman of the Committee to Stimulate Interest.

The duties of the Second Vice President shall be:

(a) To preside over the meeting in the absence of the President and First Vice President or when called upon; (b) Shall be the Chairman of the Program Committee; (c) To perform the duties that usually devolve upon such officers.

SECTION III — Secretary

The duties of the Secretary shall be:

(a) To keep a record of the proceedings of the meetings; (b) To announce special meetings; (c) To prepare and read reports as instructed by the Messenger Body; (d) To perform such other duties as may be necessary in carrying on the work of this office.

SECTION IV — Treasurer

The duties of the Treasurer shall be to receive and disburse funds as designated by the donors.

SECTION V — Corresponding Secretary

The duties of the Corresponding Secretary shall be:

(a) To correspond about necessary matters with the officers of the State Organization; (b) To report through our religious papers on the activities of Women's Work; (c) To correspond with the State Officers of other State Auxiliaries with regard to work and meetings; (d) To keep a mailing list of Auxiliaries over the state, both active and inactive; (e) To send copies of the State Women's Auxiliary program to each auxiliary before the State Meeting; (f) To mail a report to all Auxiliaries in April and at the end of the year, when the programs are mailed, concerning the State Project in an effort to encourage the help of all Auxiliaries in reaching our goal.

SECTION VI — Bible and Tract Distributor

The duties of the Bible and Tract Distributor shall be:

(a) To solicit funds and receive voluntary offerings for Bible and Tract work; (b) To keep local auxiliaries informed about the needs for the carrying on of this work; (c) To supply local auxiliaries with tracts for distribution in their fields of work.

SECTION VII — Parliamentarian

The duties of the Parliamentarian shall be:

To advise the presiding officer on points of parliamentary law, and also to give similar advice to the body when they request it.

SECTION VIII — G. A. Promotional Director

The duties of the G. A. Promotional Director shall include:

(a) The promotion of existing G. A.'s; (b) Help in organizing new auxiliaries; (c) Publication of the G. A. Newsletter as needed.

ARTICLE VIII. — Membership

Each church shall be entitled to three messengers who have been chosen by her Auxiliary and approved by the church.

ARTICLE IX. — Contributions

SECTION I — All contributions of this Auxiliary shall be raised by voluntary offerings and shall be given to the Treasurer for proper disbursement.

SECTION II — At each annual meeting, the messengers shall select, by majority vote, a special project for the coming year. (a) Individual or District Auxiliaries who shall desire to nominate a project shall be encouraged to send a copy of the proposal to the Corresponding Secretary by September 1 so that she may include such information in a publicity letter to auxiliaries over the state before the State Meeting. (b) Individual or District Auxiliaries who nominate a project should be prepared to present adequate information concerning the project. (c) All project offerings shall be given to the Treasurer for proper disbursement.

SECTION III — At each annual session, a Tract Goal shall be selected. The Bible and Tract Distributor shall receive funds for this project and make proper disbursements.

ARTICLE X. — Reports

SECTION I — This Auxiliary shall make an annual report of work accomplished by the combined Ladies Auxiliaries, to the messengers of the churches which compose the Missionary Baptist Association of Texas, when they are convened in annual session.

SECTION II — Reports of local and district auxiliary work (Personal Service Reports and other reports of work accomplished) shall be made at each annual session of this Auxiliary as provided for in the program of that meeting.

ARTICLE XI. — Committees

SECTION I — Committees shall be appointed by the President except when the President requests that they be elected.

SECTION II — A program committee shall be appointed by the President to work with the entertaining church in preparation of the program material for each annual meeting.

ARTICLE XII. — Amendment

These articles of agreement shall not be changed or amended unless the change of amendment be offered in writing during the morning session and permitted to lay over until the afternoon session. It may then be adopted only by a vote of two-thirds of the messengers.

POSTER RULES

1. Each auxiliary circle is encouraged to bring one poster.
2. Each girls' auxiliary circle is allowed an entry.
3. We encourage the practice of the lettering on all posters being done by members of the auxiliary. A person should not be hired for the job.
4. The posters are to be representative of the work which has been carried on throughout the last year. Pictures, facts or details should be given on the poster, making sure the project idea is carried over clearly.
5. New projects which have been underway need to be presented on the poster.
6. The posters should be of a uniform size — 22 inches x 28 inches.
7. The name and location of the church can be placed on the front of the poster.
8. The posters will not be judged, but are for the purpose of sharing new ideas and projects with other ladies' auxiliaries.

*** PLEASE FILL OUT ONE OF THE FORMS BELOW FOR YOUR LOCAL AUXILIARY AND BRING TO THE STATE MEETING.**

PERSONAL SERVICE REPORT

FINANCIAL REPORT

Personal Calls _____

Amount Raised _____

Visits to sick and shut-ins _____

Missions _____

Visits to comfort _____

Orphans Home _____

Telephone calls _____

Christian Education _____

Flowers sent _____

Benevolence _____

Cards and letters sent _____

Church Bldg. Fund _____

Trays sent _____

Minutes _____

Bibles Given _____

Flowers _____

Tracts distributed _____

Miscellaneous _____

Soul talks _____

TOTAL BROUGHT
TO THIS MEETING _____

L.D.S. _____

Name of Church _____

Address of Church _____

OFFICERS OF THE AUXILIARY:

President _____

Address _____

Secretary _____

Address _____

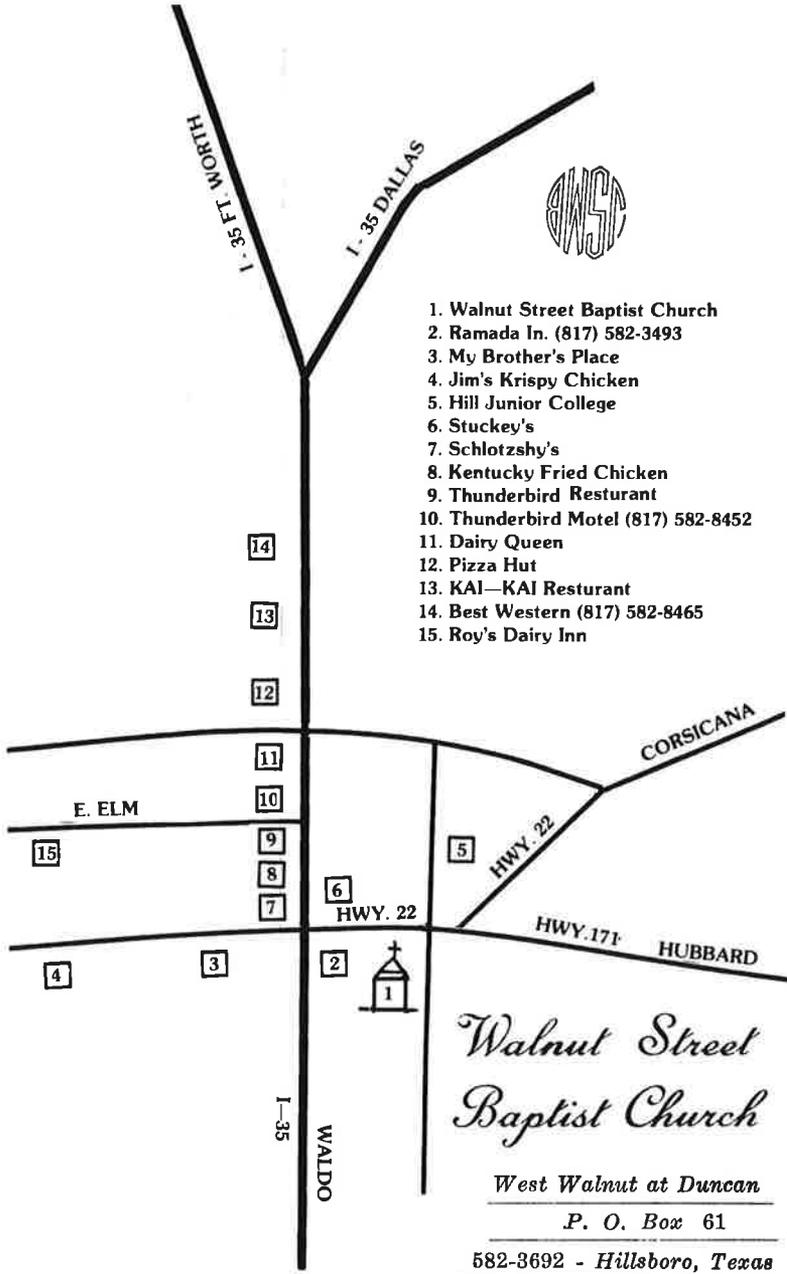
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Address _____

Name of District _____

Dist. President _____

Address _____



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9. Thunderbird Resturant
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