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## NEW HOPE MASTER'S MEN HONORED

Tennessee Master's Men chose the New Hope Free Will Baptist Church Master's Men (Joelton, TN) as the "Most Active Master's Men Chapter in Tennessee." A plaque acknowledging this achievement was presented by the State Master's Men president, Edward Hall.

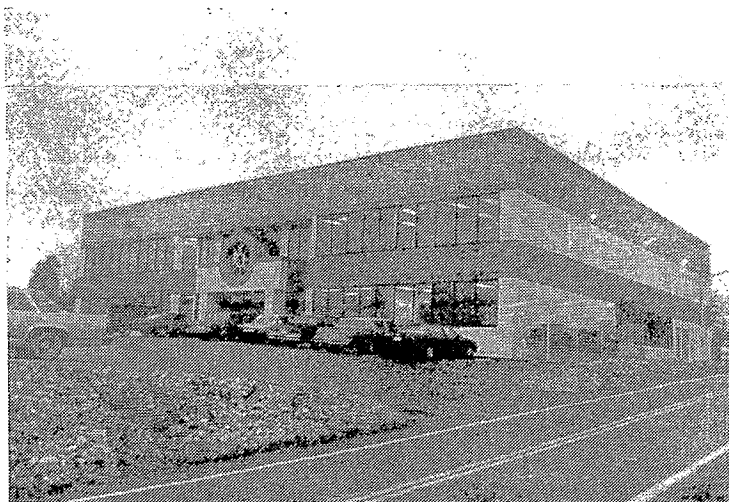
This chapter is one that constantly seeks avenues of opportunity for the men. On frequent occasions they have cut firewood for the elderly, roofed a home—or did maintenance on homes for elderly or needy people.

Two major projects this past year were carried out. The chapter raised over \$1,500 for Pleasant View Christian School by having a fern sale. Also, they paid for and delivered 50 fruit baskets at Christmas to the elderly, needy, and shut-ins in the church and the community.

Our sincere and hearty congratulations go to the entire chapter with special commendation to the president, Joe Brown, and the pastor, Barry Simpson.



Master's Men of New Hope Free Will Baptist Church, Joelton, Tennessee are shown here with the "Most Active Chapter in Tennessee" plaque. First row, L to R: Byron Ross, Terry Walker, Joe Brown, president (with plaque), Brian Miller, Lawrence Evans, Jeff Chandler. Second Row, L to R: Glenn Vann, Randy Skaggs, Charles Raymer, Barry Simpson, pastor, and Rhuben Vera.



National Offices Building

## NEW NATIONAL OFFICES BUILDING FOR FREE WILL BAPTISTS

Dedication services were held for the new national offices building on December 3, 1991. It is a large, very beautiful, and nicely decorated—but yet very useful—building. The departments of the National Association of Free Will Baptists that have offices in this building are Executive (includes **Contact** magazine office), Foreign Missions, Home Missions, Retirement and Insurance, Free Will Baptists Foundation, Master's Men and Woman's National Auxiliary Convention.

Tennessee Free Will Baptists have been asked to share in the cost of this building. The amount that we are asked to contribute is \$100,000. We have 20,000 church members in Tennessee, so this is an average of \$5 per member. Of this amount, \$14,175 has already been received, leaving a balance of \$85,825. A few individuals and a few churches have given \$1,000 each. We should all do what we can—and, if possible, let us pay off our part during 1992! Pastors, please lead your people in this very worthy project. Send your gifts, clearly marked for new building, to Free Will Baptist Executive Office, P.O. Box 5002, Antioch, TN 37011-5002. (The telephone number for all the departments in the building is 615/731-6812.)

## ROLL OF HONOR

The names of 66 students earned a spot on Free Will Baptist Bible College's Dean's List for first semester, 1991-92. Each of these averaged "B" or higher for the semester. Tennessee students are as follows:

Alan Bottomlee, Cedar Hill  
Ben Evans, Nashville  
Michelle Fender, Knoxville  
Beth Forrest, Ashland City  
Edwin Franks, Newport  
Jill Goodfellow, Nashville  
Steve Greenwood, Joelton  
Rebecca Hollifield, White Pine  
Carol Malone, Nashville  
Tommi Jo Malone, Nashville  
Dennis Moore, Nashville  
David Outlaw, Nashville  
Bryan Pate, Nashville  
Paige Powell, Nashville  
John Waddell, Nashville  
Angie Wolfenbarger, Nashville  
Jennifer Workman, Nashville

## STATE MASTER'S MEN MAKE PLANS FOR 1992

The officers of the Tennessee Master's Men met at Wooddale Free Will Baptist Church, Knoxville, to make plans for this year's activities. The theme chosen for the year is "That I May Know Him, and the Power of His Resurrection" (Philippians 3:10).

The various events and activities are as follows:

1. To sponsor a state retreat for Master's Men at Camp Joshua in October.
2. To fund the National Master's Men Department for a day.
3. To raise \$1,000 for the new church in Knoxville.
4. Each officer of the state Master's Men is to visit four chapters during the year.

### PAY IT OFF IN '92

\$29,340.45 is yet owed on 5 acres of land for West Knoxville mission.

### PLEASE NOTE

A file is maintained in the Promotional Office on pastors and others seeking church positions. Please write or call 615/383-1340 or 615/297-0327 if you need assistance.

## WHY HAVE YOUTH CAMPS?

A number of District Associations in Tennessee sponsor youth camps. Many of them look upon this as a very important ministry to young people. There are many worthy purposes for having youth camps. Some of the more important objectives are the following:

1. Young people are provided with an "outing" away from home.
2. Boys and girls are helped to know God as Creator, Father, and Friend.
3. Those who are not already Christians have the opportunity to trust Christ as Savior.
4. Christian living in all relationships is encouraged.
5. A knowledge, understanding, and appreciation of the Bible is developed.
6. Each young person is helped to know and to share in the world missionary task of the church.
7. Active and intelligent loyalty to the local church and denomination are promoted.
8. Opportunity is provided for young people to have Christian fellowship with other young people their age.
9. Young people are challenged with God's will for their lives.
10. Opportunities are provided for constructive and wholesome recreational activities.

(Attention is called to youth camp directors, pastors, and teachers that Randall House Publications has excellent curriculum materials for youth camps.)

## THE MOST IMPORTANT THING IN LIFE

Jesus Christ, God's only Begotten Son and mankind's only Savior, went to the cross and gave Himself as a sacrifice for our sins. In agony and blood, He took upon His innocent heart all our sins and sank down into death to pay the penalty for those sins. He arose from the dead, able and willing to save anybody—~~anybody~~—who will come to Him with an humble heart and ask Him for forgiveness of sins and salvation. The promise of God in Romans 10:13 is, "For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." If you will call upon the Lord Jesus in true repentance and faith, He will forgive your sins, come into your heart, and save your soul. That is God's mighty promise in His Word. If you have never repented of your sins and believed in Christ as your Savior—do it right now!

Of course, there are other steps that you must take. Publicly acknowledge Christ as your Savior. Follow the Lord in believer's baptism and join a local church where you will receive spiritual food and enjoy the blessedness of Christian fellowship. But the first step is to make a clean break with sin (this is repentance) and believe in Christ as your Savior.

Call your nearest Free Will Baptist pastor. He will be of great help to you in your decision to follow Christ.

## YOUTH CAMP INFORMATION

### Appalachian Association

Plans are presently being finalized.

For more information, contact: Rev. Darrell Pickle, Moderator,  
Corner Vance and Euclid, Bristol, VA 24201 703/466-2761

### Central Association

Camp Overton, McMinnville, TN

June 1-5 Primaries and Intermediates, cost \$25.

Director: Rev. Wendell Trussell, P.O. Box 125, Manchester, TN  
37355 615/728-4079

### Cumberland Association

Cumberland Youth Camp-Happy Hill Acres, Woodlawn, TN  
Marion Pettus, Camp Manager — Greg Ketteyman, Summer Program  
Director

Cost for each week of camp: \$60 (discount for early registration and  
for two or more from the same family). Each camper receives a free  
T-shirt.

June 14-19 Junior Camp #1 (ages 8-11)

June 21-26 Junior Camp #2 (ages 8-11)

June 28-July 3 Teen Camp #1 (ages 12 and up)

July 5-10 Junior Camp #3 (ages 8-11)

July 26-31 Junior Camp #4 (ages 8-11)

Aug. 2-7 Teen Camp #2 (ages 12 and up)

For more information, contact: Rev. Marion Pettus, 2193 Happy Hill  
Acres Road, Woodlawn, TN 37191 615/647-5111

### Liberty Association

Upper Cumberland Youth Camp

Fall Creek Falls State Park, Pikeville, TN

June 21-27 (ages 8-18) Cost \$30 (includes free T-shirt)

Evangelist: Rev. Jack Taylor

Contact: Rev. Kenneth Akers, Director, Rt. 1, Box 159B, Monterey,  
TN 38574 615/839-3442

### Northeast Association

### West Tennessee Association

At present, these two associations do not sponsor youth camps but  
encourage their youth to attend one of the other available youth  
camps.

### Union Association

Camp Joshua, Rt. 10, Greeneville, TN

June 8-12 Day Camp (ages 3-14)

June 14-20 Senior Camp (high school) Evangelist Tim York

June 21-27 Junior High I (6-8 grades) Evangelist Steve  
Corbett

June 28-July 4 Junior Camp (3-6 grades) Evangelist Mike Hollifield

July 5-11 Junior High II (5-8 grades) Evangelist Wayne Bess

July 12-18 All Age Camp (ages 8-18) Evangelist Tim Ferris  
Costs: Day Camp \$15 — Regular Camp \$65  
(horseback riding; water activities—swimming,  
water slide)

Director: Ken Smith, Rt. 10, Box 318A, Greeneville, TN 37743 615/  
639-2879 or 615/639-9449

### Free Will Baptist Bible College

June 14-19 Grades 9-12 Cost: \$150

Select one of the following: Drama, Music, Missions, Basketball

Contact: Neil Gilliland, FWBCC, 3606 West End Ave., Nashville, TN  
37205 1-800-76-FWBCC

## Mother's Day Giving for Children Giving Youth Opportunities

Special Thanks to all the  
churches who have called in their  
pledge goals for the Mother's Day  
Giving.

Goal for May 10, 1992  
\$30,000.00 Call Us Now with Your  
Commitment to God's Child Care  
Ministry.

615/639-9449

Rt. 10, Box 327

Greeneville, TN 37743

Homecoming

Saturday, May 9, 1992



## NATIONAL SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

The twelfth annual Free Will  
Baptist slow-pitch softball tourna-  
ment will be played August 21-22,  
1992 at Cane Ridge Park, (I-24 and  
Old Hickory Boulevard, exit 62, Nash-  
ville). Director Jim Vallance an-  
nounced, "This tournament was for-  
merly sponsored by Randall House  
Publications. The Master's Men De-  
partment assumes the role as spon-  
sor with the 1992 Tournament."

Space is limited to 40 teams. The  
tournament is scheduled to begin  
Friday morning, August 21st at 8:00  
a.m. Teams will be expected to be  
ready to play if they draw the open-  
ing games. Games will be played by  
the ASA rules with additional rules  
as formulated in the past years from  
Randall House Publications.

A listing of motels, restaurants,  
churches and places of interest will  
be mailed after reservations are re-  
ceived.

Applications are now being ac-  
cepted. They will be processed on a  
first-come, first-served basis. When  
40 entries are received, all others  
will be returned unprocessed. The  
registration fee this year is \$225.00  
per team.

Free Will Baptist Master's  
Men Department  
P.O. Box 5002  
Antioch, TN 37011-5002  
615/731-6812

## TENNESSEE FINANCIAL REPORT

Appalachian Assn. ....	\$159.35
Ashland City.....C.....	150.00
Bethlehem.....C.....	166.50
Bethany.....U.....	15.00
Burl's Chapel.....U.....	100.00
Brandons Chapel .....C.....	460.00
Calvary.....C.....	50.00
Central Assn. ....	50.00
Church Hill First.....U.....	200.00
Cookeville.....L.....	175.00
Cross Timbers.....C.....	50.00
Cumberland Assn. ....	1,293.55
Donelson.....C.....	188.22
Dunbar Chapel.....C.....	75.00
Faith Church.....U.....	50.00
Faith Church .....Central.....	100.00
Fellowship .....U.....	150.00
Forest Grove.....U.....	75.00
Friendship.....C.....	45.00
Good Springs.....C.....	263.53
Grace Church.....A.....	20.49
Head's.....C.....	97.31
Hendersonville.....C.....	200.00
Home for Children.....	225.00
Horton Heights.....C.....	20.00
Johnson's Chapel.....U.....	62.37
Keensburg.....A.....	75.00
Liberty Assn.....L.....	128.03
Limestone.....U.....	150.00
New Hope.....C.....	50.00
Richland.....C.....	149.12
Sparta First.....U.....	51.49
Trinity.....C.....	76.00
Watauga Valley.....A.....	100.00
Wooddale.....U.....	47.68
Melvin Worthington.....C.....	75.00
Union Street.....NE.....	150.00
Union Assn. ....	<u>372.90</u>
Total .....	5,866.54

This report is for December 1991, January and February 1992. Thank you for your support. All checks should be made payable to Tennessee State Association of Free Will Baptists and sent to E. B. McDonald, P.O. Box 685, Ashland City, TN 37015.

## COMING EVENTS MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- April 2-4:** Welcome Days, FWBBC
- April 30-May 2:** Master's Men National Conference  
Camp Linden, Linden, TN  
Cost \$80 (for Friday only, \$30)
- May 9:** Homecoming Day,  
Free Will Baptist Children's Home
- May 10:** Baccalaureate Service, FWBBC,  
8:00 p.m.
- May 10:** Mother's Day Annual Fund  
Raising Campaign, Free Will  
Baptist Children's Home  
Goal: \$30,000
- May 14:** Commencement, FWBBC,  
10:00 a.m.

## FIRE DESTROYS MISSIONARY'S HOME

Louie Nix, home missionary to Hawaii, called to report that the quonset building where he and his family were living on the grounds of the Waipahu, Hawaii Free Will Baptist Church burned, completely destroying everything they had. The Nix family was not hurt, but the family had no insurance coverage at all, as quonset huts cannot be insured in Hawaii.

Free Will Baptists everywhere are asked to give emergency relief funds for the Nix family to replace clothing and necessary housekeeping items and furniture. Funds may be sent to National Home Missions, Post Office Box 5002, Antioch, TN 37011-5002, designated for the Nix Family Relief Fund.

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