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1992 Tennessee Bible Competition Winners

Tennessee State Youth Conference

Over five hundred people attended the 1992 Tennessee State CTS competition held in Nashville on May 5, 6, 1992. All of the planning and arrangements were worked out by the Tennessee Christian Education Board, Dean Stone, Sam McVay, Mike Hollifield, Ken Haney and Gwyn Pugh.

Congratulations are extended to each entry for having been chosen to compete on the state level. This is an honor that should not be overlooked! Each presentation was good and the judges had a difficult task in making the final choices. Those with the highest ratings who will represent Tennessee at the National Youth Conference are listed below. We salute each individual and each group and assure you of our prayers as you represent us in Indiannapolis.

Bible Memorization:

Grade 1: Amy Lawrence, Harper Road FWB, Joelton
Grade 2: Jonathon Brown, Fellowship FWB, Antioch
Grade 3: Brandon Roysden, First FWB, Greeneville

Bible Sword Drill

Grade 4: Dru Johnson, First FWB, Newport
Grade 5: Naomi Balch, First FWB, Newport
Grade 6: Shannon Williams, Burl's Chapel FWB, Sweetwater

Bible Tic-Tac-Toe

East Side FWB, Elizabethton

Bible Bowl

Harris Memorial FWB, Greeneville

Music and Arts Competition

Vocal Solo

Steven Corbett, Shady Grove FWB, Whitesburg
Age Group B (4-6)

Kristina LaBerge, Cofer's Chapel FWB, Nashville
Age Group C (Grades 7-9):

Male: Aaron Baker, Donelson FWB, Nashville

Female: Katie Anderson, Donelson FWB, Nashville

Age Group D (Grades 10-12)

Male: Jeremy Raymer, New Hope FWB, Joelton

Female: Kelly Jo Goodfellow, Donelson FWB, Nashville

Age Group E (Ages 18-24):

Male: Robert Hammond, Faith FWB, Nashville

Vocal Ensembles

Duet

Age Group A (Grades 1-3):

Good Springs Duet, Good Springs FWB, Pleasant View

Age Group B (Grades 4-6)

Glover/Simpson Duet, Ashland City FWB, Ashland City

Age Group C (Grades 7-9):

Cofer's Duet, Cofer's Chapel FWB, Nashville

Age Group D (Grades 10-12):

Cookeville Youth Duet, Cookeville FWB, Cookeville

Age Group E (Ages 18-24):

Faith Duet, Faith FWB, Nashville

Trio

Age Group B (Grades 4-6):

Oaklawn Trio, Oaklawn FWB, Chapmansboro

Age Group C (Grades 7-9)

Head's Trio, Head's FWB, Cedar Hill

Age Group D (Grades 10-12):

Newport Trio, First FWB, Newport

Quartet

Age Group C (Grades 7-9):

Crew, Fellowship FWB, Antioch

Quintet

Age Group A (Grades 1-3):

Discoverers, Fellowship FWB, Antioch

Age Group B (Grades 4-6):

Navigators, Fellowship FWB, Antioch

Age Group C (Grades 7-9):

Greeneville First Quintet, First FWB, Greeneville

Chorale

Age Group B (Grades 4-6)

New Hope Junior Chorale, New Hope FWB, Joelton

Age Group D (Grades 10-12):

New Hope Teen Chorale, New Hope FWB, Joelton

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Mark Your Calendar

July 19-23 National Association of Free Will Baptists (NYC and WNAC) Indianapolis, Indiana

August 3-7 Graduate School, FWBBC

August 24 Fall Semester begins, FWBBC

September 17-19 WNAC National Retreat, Ridgecrest Conference Center, Black Mountain, NC

September 25-26 Christian Workers Training Conference, FWBBC, Nashville, TN

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.

Major Events Announced by Tennessee Christian Education Board

A Christian Workers Training Conference will be held at Free Will Baptist Bible College, September 25, 26. Workshops for workers with children, youth and adults are planned. Registration begins at 6 p.m. on Friday and the final adjournment will be at 12:30 p.m. on Saturday. The general theme is "the challenge of Christian education in the 90's."

Another conference for our young people of Tennessee is planned for December 28-30, 1992 at Park Vista Hotel in Gatlinburg. All youth leaders should begin making plans now for a large delegation to attend from each youth group. An exciting and meaningful program is being planned.

The One Year Challenge

Faith Free Will Baptist Church has voted to give \$75.00 a month to the General Fund of the Home Missions department for 12 months and to send \$25.00 a month to each of the Tennessee State Home Missionaries for 12 months to help erase the deficit accounts for the glory of God.

Pastor Wendell Trussell says, "We challenge every Church in the State of Tennessee to match our gifts. If your Church cannot match this financially we challenge you to do what you can, even as little as \$5.00 a month to each of these accounts."

If you accept this challenge, please write to Dr. Thigpen so he can list your Church in the Echo.



Gerald Fender says, "The big dream around our church is to have our own building. We have purchased 5 beautiful acres on Hardin Valley Road, but we will not begin building until the land is paid for. We owe \$24,000 at this time and we are praying that the Lord will bless and we will be able to pay it off before the state association in November. Please pray about this and if the Lord leads you to give to this need, it will mean so much. A \$41.30 gift will buy 10 square yards. If you or your organization gives \$100 or more, you will be an Ambassador and your name will be placed on a permanent plaque in our church with the following categories; \$100 or more - Ambassador, \$500 or more - Silver Ambassador, \$1,000 or more - Gold Ambassador. Your check should be made out to Tennessee Home Missions and mailed to Rev. Wayne Wagner, 3156 Heads Church Road, Cedar Hill, TN 37032. We are eternally grateful to those who have already given. May God richly bless you!"

FWB Home for Children Mother's Day Giving exceeds Goal of \$30,000.00

Praise and thanks we give to God. Contributions as of June 5 are \$32,004.77. Churches are still receiving special offerings and planning benefit suppers and singings.

Funds will be put to great use for our Emergency Shelter. At present the shelter has annual expenses of over \$50,000.00 We've been able to serve over 100 children this past year, thanks to wonderful partners in God's work.

Group F (Combination A-E):
Greeneville Chorale, First FWB, Greeneville

Choirs

Age Group B (Grades 4-6):
Patch The Pirate Choir, Good Springs FWB, Pleasant View
Group F (Combination A-E):
Newport Choir, First FWB, Newport

Instrumental Solo

Brass

Age Group C (Grades 7-9):
Gale Eidson, Jr., Shady Grove FWB, Whitesburg

Keyboard Manual)

Age Group A (Grades 1-3):
Bethany Parks, Good Springs FWB, Pleasant View
Age Group B (Grades 4-6):
Amber White, Portland FWB, Portland
Age Group C (Grades 7-9):
Victoria Morgan, Donelson FWB, Nashville
Age Group D (Grades 10-12):
Jeremy Raymer, New Hope FWB, Joelton
Age Group E (Ages 18-24):
Robert Hammond, Faith FWB, Nashville

Keyboard(Electronic)

Age Group B (Grades 4-6):
Amanda Simpson, Ashland City FWB, Ashland City

Oral Communication

Dramatic Selection

Age Group B (Grades 4-6):
Misti Beem, Cofer's Chapel FWB, Nashville
Age Group C (Grades 7-9):
Stephanie McVay, Cofer's Chapel FWB, Nashville
Age Group D (Grades 10-12):
Shay Hood, Harris Memorial FWB, Greeneville

Poetry

Age Group D (Grades 10-12):
Heather Hasty, Donelson FWB, Nashville

Interpretive Reading Of Scripture

Age Group B (Grades 4-6):
Daniel Brown, Fellowship FWB, Antioch
Age Group C (Grades 7-9):
Melissa Larson, Fellowship FWB, Antioch

Puppetry (Live)

Group F (Combination A-E):
Hands For the Master's Use, Shady Grove FWB, Whitesburg

Puppetry (Recorded)

Age Group A (Grades 1-3):
Newport Puppets, First FWB, Newport
Age Group B (Grades 4-6):
Newport Puppets, First FWB, Newport
Age Group C (Grades 7-9):
Newport Puppets, First FWB, Newport
Age Group D (Grades 10-12):
Steven Pierce, Donelson FWB, Nashville
Group F (Combination A-E):
Hands For the Master's Use, Shady Grove FWB, Whitesburg

Duet Acting

Age Group B (Grades 4-6):
Adventurer Duo, Cofer's Chapel FWB, Nashville
Age Group D (Grades 10-12):
Crusader Duo, Cofer's Chapel FWB, Nashville

Skit

Age Group B (Grades 4-6):
Adventurer Skit, Cofer's Chapel FWB, Nashville
Age Group D (Grades 10-12):
Crusader Skit, Cofer's Chapel FWB, Nashville
Group F (Combination A-E)
Newport Drama Team, First FWB, Newport

Creative Arts

Sculpture/Pottery

Age Group B (Grades 4-6):
Jamie Harter, Fellowship FWB, Antioch
Age Group D (Grades 10-12):
Adam Kington, West Knoxville FWB, Knoxville

Painting

Age group C (Grades 7-9):
Carrie Woodby, Canah Chapel FWB, Erwin
Age Group D (Grades 10-12):
Rebecca Gorenflo, First FWB, Newport

Graphics

Age Group B (Grades 4-6):
Shana Tolley, Marbelton Community FWB, Unicoi
Age Group C (Grades 7-9):
B.J. Tolley, Marbleton Community FWB, Unicoi
Age Group D (Grades 10-12)
Michael Adams, Marbleton Community FWB, Unicoi

Ceramics

Age Group B (Grades 4-6):
Clinton Reeser, East Side FWB, Elizabethton
Age Group C (Grades 7-9)
Ingrid Reeser, East Side FWB, Elizabethton

Photography, Color

Age Group B (Grades 4-6):
Clinton Reeser, East Side FWB, Elizabethton
Age Group C (Grades 10-12):
Ingrid Reeser, East Side FWB, Elizabethton

Planning Your Vacation Bible School

Every local church should have a vacation Bible school this summer. There is probably no better outreach open to a local church. Every boy and girl in your community should be invited, together with all of those who regularly attend your Sunday school. Parents, relatives and friends should be invited to attend the closing activities of the VBS.

Some churches have had to have VBS at night because workers were not available in the daytime. So, whether you have your VBS in the daytime or at night, please plan to have one. There are many present and future dividends for those who reach and teach the Bible to others.

Randall House Publications, P.O. Box 17306, Nashville, TN 37217, carries all of the curriculum and other supplies needed for a VBS.

Dr. Kenneth Riggs, chairman of the teacher Education Department of Free Will Baptist Bible College, suggests the following reasons why your church should have a VBS:

1. An opportunity to reach unchurched boys and girls with the gospel.
2. An opportunity to reach the unchurched parents of boys and girls.
3. An opportunity to provide Christian Education for boys and girls who already attend your church.
4. An opportunity to provide fellowship and socialization for children during the summer.
5. An opportunity to provide training for future teachers and leaders of your church.
6. This can give a short, but important, "on the job" training for those who would like to teach.

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March, April and May 1992

Appalachian Assn.	\$146.16
Bethlehem.....C.....	111.00
Bethany.....U.....	10.00
Brandons ChapelC.....	404.52
Church Hill First.....U.....	200.00
Cookeville.....L.....	225.00
Cross Timbers.....C.....	50.00
Cumberland Assn.....C.....	848.85
Donelson.....C.....	229.99
Dunbar Chapel.....C.....	75.00
Faith Church Central.....	100.00
Forest Grove.....U.....	75.00
Friendship.....C.....	45.00
Good Springs.....C.....	243.31
Head's Church.....C.....	103.71
Home for Children.....	150.00
Johnson's Chapel.....U.....	36.29
Keensburg.....A.....	50.00
Liberty Assn.....	75.00
Limestone.....U.....	150.00
New Hope.....C.....	50.00
Peace Church.....U.....	200.00
Richland.....C.....	57.50
Sparta First.....U.....	40.14
Charles A. Thigpen.....C.....	130.00
Trinity.....C.....	82.00
Watauga Valley.....A.....	194.00
Melvin Worthington.....C.....	75.00
Union Street.....NE.....	150.00
Union Assn.	389.16
Berea Church - Association Fees.....	30.00
Total	5,866.54

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 37105.

Tennessee's Part - National Offices Building

Tennessee has been asked to raise \$100,000 to help pay for the National Offices Building -- this amounts to an average of \$5.00 per member for each of our 20,000 Tennessee Free Will Baptists. Several churches and individuals have given a total of \$17,575, leaving a balance of \$82,425. Please do what you can right away. The gifts received are listed below:

Ashland City Church	400.00
Cross Timbers Church	350.00
Donelson Church	920.00
Horton Heights Church	400.00
Limestone Church	2000.00
Richland Church	270.00
Sylvan Park Church	365.00
Wooddale Church	1,000.00
Ralph Hampton	250.00
Eddie Hodges	20.00
Oleda Rudy Lundquist	\$10,000.00
Raymond Riggs	1,000.00
Charles Thigpen	\$600.00
	\$17,575.00

Van Winkles Approved
As
Kansas Missionaries



Rev. Terry Winkle, Minister of Music and Youth at Donelson Free Will Baptist Church, and his wife Ramona, have been employed by the National Home Missions Department as missionaries to Overland Park, Kansas. This growing city with a population of 115,000 is located in the greater Kansas City area which has a population of almost two million people. There is a deficiency of evangelistic churches in this fast growing area. Itinerate goals for the Van Winkles are to raise \$10,000 cash in their account and \$4,000 in monthly faith-promise commitments. Funds for the Van Winkle account may be sent to Home Missions, P.O. Box 5002, Antioch, TN 37011-5022.

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