

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SESSION CONVENED AT TUCSON, ARIZONA  
JUNE 13, 1958.

The meeting was opened with a song directed by Rev. Finney.  
Title--When The Morning Comes.

Prayer by Bro. Priest.

Song--What A Friend We Have In Jesus led by Rev. Finney.

Prayer--Rev. C. E. Singleton

Scripture: Col. 3:1 by Rev. Lynn Wood.

Letters called for, read, and accepted.

Right Hand of Fellowship given and delegates seated.

Election of Officers.

Moderator--Rev. Lynn Wood

Assistant Moderator-- Rev. W. A. Finney

Clerk--Sister Lou Spears

Assistant Clerk--Sister Becky Hickman

Treasurer-- Bro. Hercel W. Hickman.

Rules of Order were read by the Clerk.

Rev. Priest was welcomed as a visiting Minister.

Appointment of Committees.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Bro. Jones reported on Camp Ground. There is 2 acres near  
Peyson. It has power, and water is only 59' down. As yet  
we have no figures on it.

Motion, made, seconded and passed that we adjourn until  
1:00 P.M.

MORNING DEVOTIONAL

Song--directed by Bro. Jim Minor.

Song--Keys to the Kingdom by Bro. and Sister Minor.

Bro. Ted Jones led our minds in Prayer.

Special Song--By West Phoenix Church

Special Song--One of His Own and I Know Who Holds My Hand,  
by Preachers Quartet.

Pianist--Bro. Wegman.

Rev. Laird brought a very inspiring message on repentance.

Prayer--Rev. Singleton.

Bro. Jim Minor led in singing-I Want to Know More About My  
Lord.

Pianist--Bro. Wegman.

Prayer--Bro. McGee

1:00 P.M.

Treasurers Report. \$610.32

NEW BUSINESS

Motion and Seconded that we elect a State Representative to  
represent us at the Nat'l. Association in St. Louis, Missouri,  
in July, Motion Carried.

Motion by Sister Wegman, Seconded by Bro. Jones that we  
allow Representative Two Hundred (\$200.00) Dollars for ex-  
penses. Motion carried.

Rev. Lynn Wood was elected unanimously as our Representative  
Committee reports were read and accepted.

PULPIT COMMITTEE: Rev. Edwards

Sister McGee

Sister Alma Henry

Bro. Elvis Priest preach this afternoon. Bro. Estel  
Singleton preach the Introductory Sermon at our September  
meeting.



Motion made and seconded that we give a standing vote of thanks to the Tucson church for their hospitality.

Motion made and seconded that we give Sister Lindsey a vote of thanks for the dittoing of the minutes.

Motion made and seconded that we adjourn until the second Saturday in December.

Attendance-34

Minutes typed from notes made by the Clerk-Pro tem. (Rose Mary Priest)

Respectfully Submitted

Willimina Lindsey, Clerk

Afternoon message by Brother James Renfro

Text: II Cor. 2:1-10

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

##### Church Auxiliaries Committee

We, the Committee of Church Auxiliaries recommend that each church report in their church letters the number enrolled in Sunday School, in League, and in Men's Brotherhood, or Master's Men Auxiliary. Also the number of Sunday School Classes and officers and the number of leagues and officers.

We recommend that the churches in the Association give prayer, thought, and discussion to combine the Woman's Auxiliary with the quarterly meetings. We suggest amply discussion be given time.

Signed: Gladys Elliston  
Mrs. Edwards  
Elvis Priest

##### Publication Committee and Temperance

We, the Publication Committee recommend that the quarterly minutes be published combined with the annual minutes. We also encourage good Christian Literature and establishing church libraries.

Encourage Temperance in all things.

(This report was not signed)

##### Finance Committee

We, the Finance Committee report a total of \$349.90\* in the general fund of the association and we will further recommend tithing and offerings as the Lord has prospered.

Signed: Brother Edwards  
Brother Warren  
Sister Hendrix

##### Resolutions Committee

Resolution No. 1 Be it resolved that standing boards of three members each be elected until the annual association for Christian Education, Missions Board, and a Superannuation Board. The Christian Education Board will promote Sunday School, League, and Other Christian Education functions.

The Missions Board is to investigate the possibilities for new churches and to promote the establishing of these churches.



TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE: Sister Edwards  
Bro. Devore  
Sis. Wood

1 Cor. 10:31, Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all in the Glory of God.

OBITUARY COMMITTEE--Bro. Barber  
Bro. Head  
Sister Fuller

We regret to report the death of Grandma Holton of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Tucson and Sister Esther Williams of the Northside Free Will Baptist Church of Phoenix. We extend our deepest respect and Christian love to the bereaved for our loss is Heaven's gain.

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE--Sister Wegman  
Sister Devore  
Bro. Singleton

Be it resolved that we call the quarterly meetings of the Association, Quarterly Conference, and designate them by number First, Second, and Third Quarterly Conference, and not as the Association which is misleading in the fact, that it is not the Association, but a conference of the Association.

All of our Ministers be a little more lenient in visiting our sister Churches.

FINANCE COMMITTEE--Bro. Ted Jones  
Bro. McGee  
Bro. Hoagland

We recommend that we carry over the report of the former Finance Committee.

We recommend each member tithe to the Church each week as the Lord prospers them.

Special Song--Bros. Wood, Hickman, Finney and Sister Hickman  
Pianist--Bro. Wegman

Special by Bro. and Sister Minor

The Congregation sang Amazing Grace after which Bro. Elvis Priest delivered a stirring message and challenged us to take, amount others, these Scriptures home with us and study them. Romans first 5 chapters; Romans 8:29; Phil 1:6; 1st Jno. 3:2; and 2 Cor. 3:18.

Special--I Know My Saviour is There and He Knows.

Motion, Seconded and Passed that the First Quarterly Conference be held at the North Side Free Will Baptist Church in Phoenix, on September 13, 1958.

Motion, Seconded and Passed that we send a letter with \$10.00 to the Nat'l. Association in order to be represented.

Rev. Frank Laird was elected unanimously to serve 5 years on the Executive Board.

Motion, Seconded and Passed that the Yearly meeting of the Association meet in Coolidge in June, 1959.

Motion passed to adjourn.

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#### PROCEEDINGS OF THE SESSION HELD ON SEPTEMBER 13, 1958

The conference was opened with prayer and singing.

Devotional by Brother Laird. Scripture text-John 14.

The Message was One of encouragement to the Christians.



The letters from Northside Church of Phoenix, the Coolidge Church and the Tucson Church were read, accepted and the delegates were introduced and welcomed.

Bro. and Sister John Elliston from Nogales, Bro. Elvis Priest and Bro. Venus were introduced and welcomed as visitors.

Brother Lynn Wood was elected Moderator to serve in this meeting. Bro. Edwards was named as Assistant. The Treasurer's report was read and accepted. Bro. Wood reported on National Association.

The following Committees were appointed.

Pulpit Committee-Sister Skinner, Bro. Pendergraft, David Starr.

Temperance--Almeda Medart, Sister Lytle, Brother Warren.

Obituary-Viñla Lucas, Sister Pendergraft, Sister Devore.

Resolutions--Bro. Laird, Bro. Singleton, Bro. Barber.

Finance--Sister Siggleton, Sister Stuckey, Bro. Melvin Burns.

PULPIT COMMITTEE selected Rev. John Elliston of Nogales to bring afternoon Message and Bro. Wayne Wegman to bring introductory message at the next quarterly meeting. The report was accepted and Committee dismissed.

Business was adjourned until 1:00 P.M.

Worship service was begun with prayer by Brother Elvis Priest and the Northside Church of Phoenix provided the meeting with two beautiful special songs.

Bro. Singleton of the Coolidge Church brought the morning message taking his Scripture text from Matthew 25:10-13. His Message was one of inspiration to all present.

Following the Message, Rev. Wood invited all present to stay for dinner. Sister Elliston invited all present to send news of Church for publication in A. M. Missions and submit names for mailing lists.

The Church of Phoenix prepared and served a very delicious dinner. The afternoon session was resumed with singing and prayer and a devotional led by Brother Edwards.

The following representation was counted.

Coolidge--15 members present

First Church-Phoenix-17 Members Present

Tucson-12 members present

Northside-Phoenix-26 members Present

Visitors -4

Total Present today 74

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

##### RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

Be it resolved that each Pastor encourage his Congregation to do more personal work and pray more earnestly for the upbuilding of the Cause of Christ. Read, accepted and Committee dismissed.

##### TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE

We, the Committee on Temperance recommend that all Christians refrain from over-indulging in all things, We recommend taking the Word of God on such matters. Please read I Cor. 10:31. Read, Accepted and Committee Dismissed.



## FINANCE COMMITTEE

1. We recommend carrying over the report of the former finance committee.

2. We recommend each Church member tithe to the church each week as the Lord prospers them.

3. We recommend that each church that is financially able to support the Co-operative plan do so. Read, accepted, and Committee dismissed.

## EXECUTIVE BOARD

We, the Executive Board have met and examined Bros. Uta., Warren and Jones and recommend that these be ordained as Deacons in the North Side FreeWill Baptist Church.

Signed: Bro. Wood  
Bro. Laird,  
Bro. Wegman  
Bro. Edwards

Read, Accepted.

Several special songs were sung and just before the sermon Mrs. Barbara Cunningham of Tucson "Is Your All on the Altar of Sacrifice Laid?" Bro. Elliston brought a wonderful message on "Trusting Jesus". He read from John 14: and from Romans. The service was closed with singing.

Motion, made and carried that we meet in Coolidge December 13, 1958, for the 2nd quarterly meeting. It was agreed that all churches coöperate by bringing lunch to this meeting. Group joined in singing.

Bro. and Sister Elliston gave a report on Arizona-Mexico Missions.

Bro. Wayne Wegman and his Church presented a pageant in song that was very good.

Meeting was adjourned with prayer. Next meeting to be Dec. 13, 10:00 A.M. in Coolidge, Arizona

Offering for New Work \$3.50

Money for Minutes 40.00  
\$43.50

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## PROCEEDINGS OF THE SESSION HELD ON DECEMBER 13, 1958

The 2nd quarterly Conference of the Arizona State Association was opened with the singing of Love Lifted Me.

Our minds were led in prayer by Sister Yeley.

The congregation sang "The Lily of the Valley.

The Devotional was brought by Bro. Singleton and was taken from the 14th Chapter of John.

Letters from the Churches were read and the delegates were given the right hand of fellowship.

Motion by Bro. Singleton and Seconded by Bro. Jones to accept the letters and the delegates be seated. Motion carried.

Bro. Hickman was elected as Moderator, Assistant Moderator elected was Bro. Lynn Wood.

The Committees were appointed.

Bro. Lairsey and Bro. Elliston were welcomed as visiting Ministers and Sister Yeley and Sister Molly Barker were welcomed as visiting Missionaries.

Bro. Elliston spoke on the Free Will Baptist Year Book.



The Congregation sang "What a Friend We Have in Jesus as we had an old-fashioned handshake.

Special: "He Knows" by a quartet.

Bro. Wegman brought us a wonderful inspiring message on "How Well Do You Know Jesus?" and ask us to meditate on what God has done for us and what we have done for Him in 1958 and what we can do for Him in 1959.

Conference adjourned for lunch.

A delicious meal was enjoyed by all present.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION:

Afternoon Session opened with Bro. Melvin Burns leading the Congregation in singing "I'm a Millionaire". Bro. Edwards led in Prayer.

The Committee reports were read and accepted and committees were dismissed.

The Executive Board reported that upon examining for Ordination Bro. Hercel Hickman as Minister and Bro. Tolbert Hoagland as Deacon, they were found to be sound in the Doctrine.

Bro. Wayne Wegman

Bro. Lynn Wood

Bro. C. E. Edwards

Motion, seconded and passed to accept their report and recommend for ordination.

The Treasurer's report was given and accepted. Bank Balance \$502.97, \$40.00 Minutes, \$5.00 for Deacons cards.

Motion, Seconded and carried that we pay rent on this building today.

Brother Ted Jones reported on Camp Ground and Bro. Elliston told us about a piece of ground they hope and pray to obtain for a Christian Day School.

Bro. Wood made motion that our Clerk send a letter to the Churches asking them whether or not they are participating in the Cooperative plan and if not, recommend they do so through the State Association. Motion was seconded by Bro. Edwards. Motion Carried.

Sister Molly Barker from the Nogales Mission gave her testimony and asked us to be much in Prayer for the work down there.

Motion, Seconded and passed that the next quarterly meeting of the State Association meet in Coolidge on March 7, 1959.

Bro. Pat Lairsey brought the afternoon Message from God on "Where There is No Vision, People Perish."

Congregation joined in singing "Victory in Jesus."

Special by Bro. and Sister Singleton: "My Dreams will Come True Bye and Bye.

An offering of \$13.95 was taken.

Motion, Seconded and passed Conference be adjourned.

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#### PROCEEDINGS OF THE SESSION HELD IN COOLIDGE ON MARCH 7, 1959.

The Conference was opened with singing and prayer by Bro. Ted Jones. Letters were read from Coolidge, Tucson and Northside Phoenix Churches.

The letters were accepted and the delegates were given the right hand of fellowship and seated.



Amount in General Fund for the Minister and Deacons  
 December 14, 1957-----\$16.14  
 Rent on Tonto Church  
 General Fund for December 14, 1957 \$310.00  
 December 14, 1957, Check 40.00  
 \$350.00

J. C. Renfro, Clerk

Those present at Meeting--

West Side Church, Phoenix

Ann Hinderson	Patsy Place
Becky Wegman	Wayne Wegman and Family
Mrs. Lillian Roberts	Miss Bonnie Kee
Darlene Eubank	W. M. Hester and Family
Mr. and Mrs. Roy Fuller	

TUCSON CHURCH

Mrs. Avis Finney	W. A. Finney
R. J. Fuller	C. E. Edwards
Frank Laird	

NORTHSIDE CHURCH, PHOENIX

Gilbert Vidol	Mrs. Eula Warren
Dell Ross	Lynn Wood
Chester Warren	J. C. Renfro

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PROCEEDINGS OF QUARTERLY CONFERENCE AT COOLIDGE, ARIZONA  
 March 8, 1959

Rev. W. A. Finney-Moderator--J. E. McGee--Clerk

While the congregation sang Jesus Saves, Meeting opened with prayer by Brother Edwards and song led by Bro. Jim Mo Minor, (Come unto Me).

Double Quartet was arranged and sang "Just a Little Talk with Jesus."

Letters from Phoenix, and Tucson Churches were read and approved and delegates seated, and the congregation joined in a Christian Hand shake.

Rev. W. A. Finney was elected Moderator for this session.

Letter of resignation from Bro. Renfro was read and accepted.

Bro. J. E. McGee was elected Clerk of the Association.

A petitionary letter for membership to the First Arizona Association of Free Will Baptist from the Free Will Baptist Church of Coolidge accompanied by \$10.00. By Motion and Second, it was received.

A Treasurer for the Association was elected, Bro. Herchel Hickman-Treasurer.

The \$10.00 given by each Church at their Quarterly session or Annual session is not a Mandatory but a Free Gift by each Church. Motion carried to adjourn until 1:00 P.M.

11:00 A.M.

Tucson Quartet sang "When He Calls Me I Will Answer.

Brother and Sister Minor Sang "Have You Heard?"

Introductory Message brought by Rev. Lynn Wood.

Scripture reading Acts 1:6

A real inspiring Message.



Bro. Melvin Burns was elected Moderator of this session and Pro. Lynn Wood as his assistant.

Rules of Order were read.

Visitors welcomed and committees appointed and the minutes of the last session were read and business was called for.

There being no business to come before the meeting, Motion made by Bro. Ted Jones, seconded by Bro. Hercel Hickman that business be adjourned until after lunch.

#### MORNING WORSHIP

Service was begun with singing led by Bro. Melvin Burns and Prayer by Bro. Laird. Two special numbers in song were given before Bro. Woods led our minds to the Throne of Grace with a message taken from Matthew 22:41-46 taking as his text the 42nd verse. "What think ye of Christ?" Following this wonderful message we were led in a prayer of Thanksgiving by Brother Frank Jones.

A delicious lunch was enjoyed by all present.

AFTERNOON SERVICE was opened with singing led by Bro. Burns and Prayer led by Sister Singleton.

Business was resumed with reading of the following Committee reports:

FINANCE COMMITTEE-Bro. Hoagland  
Sister Devore  
Sister Henry

We recommend carrying over the report of the former finance committee. Motion, made, seconded and carried to accept and dismiss the committee.

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE-Bro. Ted Jones  
Sister Singleton  
Bro. Fred Wilson

Be it resolved that every Pastor of our Churches study the law that have been set forth for taking in members in our local churches such as explaining to those wishing to unite what we believe and what we wont tolerate in our churches and our Covenant be read. (Amended to read)"We recommend that every Pastor of our churches, etc.

2. Be it resolved that our Articles of Faith be printed in our Minutes with the Scriptures added, and be mailed to each member of this Association.

(Discussion as to the Order of this Resolution)

Motion to accept the report and dismiss the committee.

#### TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE

Sister Poe--Sister Burns--Bro. Jones

Proverbs 20:1--Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging: and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise.

PULPIT COMMITTEE--Paul Lucas

Brother Hale

Sister Skinner

Bro. Hickman for the Afternoon Message, and Bro. Melvin Burns will bring the introductory sermon at Annual Meeting to be held in Coolidge, June 13, 1959.

EXECUTIVE BOARD--The Executive Board acting as the examining Council met and asked Brother Hercel Hickman to sit in Council with the Board since only two members were present. We recommend Bro. Burns to his Church for Ordination. We find him to be sound in the Faith and Doctrine.--Signed-Bro. Frank Laird Bro. Lynn Wood, and acting Member Bro. Hercel Hickman. Motion to accept, seconded and carried.



Bro. Wood volunteered to obtain information on Cooperative plan and see that each church receives the information.

Motion made by Bro. Jones, Seconded by Bro. Wood that the Association pay rent for building today.

Recommendation by Bro. Jones a Camp Grounds Committee be appointed today to try to secure grounds for Summer Camp meetings and report to June session. This recommendation was put in form of a motion by Becky Hickman, seconded by Brother Singleton. The Motion carried and the following Committee was appointed to take care of this. Bro. Ted Jones, Bro. Melvin Burns, Bro. Lynn Wood.

No other business to be discussed the meeting entered into worship by singing led by Bro. Wood.

Bro. Wood sang "How Great Thou Art and Bro. Burns arranged a quartet to sing "How Long Has It Been?"

Special prayer was held for the Uncle of Sister Hale who was stricken ill during the morning service and for other families for whom prayer was requested.

Bro. Hickman led the worship service by calling for a testimony from every Saint. He brought the message taking his text from Matthew 7:1-3 and called for an Altar Prayer by the Congregation.

An offering of \$14.30 for new work for Arizona was taken. Received for minutes \$30.00. Treasurer's report given as follows:

Balance carried forward	\$554.42
Minutes today	30.00
Offering today	14.30
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	\$598.72

Deducted from offering today for rent of today's meeting place

\$7.50 leaving a balance in bank of \$591.22

Minutes were read, accented and approved by the body.

Motion by chair, seconded by Bro. Singleton that we adjourn. Meeting closed with prayer by Bro. Wood.

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