

THE FIRST ARIZONA ASSOCIATION
OF
FREE WILL BAPTISTS

Minutes of Yearly Conference

Held: First Free Will Baptist
Church of Phoenix, Arizona

Date: June 9, 1962

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YOUTH CAMP COMMITTEE

Frank Jones.....Mesa
Willard Russ.....Casa Grande
V. L. Jones.....Phoenix

PROCEEDINGS

The First Arizona Association of Free Will Baptists when convened at the First Free Will Baptist Church of Phoenix, Arizona, on June 9, 1962 was declared in order by Rev. Ralph Carty, the Assistant Moderator. Church letters were read from the following churches: First Church and Northside of Phoenix, First Church of Coolidge and the First Free Will Baptist Church of Tucson. The delegates were then seated from the above churches.

The first item of business was the election of the officers for the year June '62 to June '63.

Officers

Elected

Moderator-----	Lynn Wood
Assistant Moderator-----	Gayle Gardner
Clerk-----	Walker Hayes
Assistant Clerk-----	Chester Warren
Executive Secretary/Treasurer-----	Chester Warren

The First Free Will Baptist Church of Casa Grande petitioned the Association for membership. MSC to receive them into the Association and seat their delegates.

The following committees were appointed:

- (1) Pulpit: Bro. Ted Jones, Sis. Russ & Bro. Williams
- (2) Placement: Sis. Warren, Bro. Simpson & Bro. Rossin
- (3) Resolutions: Bro. Davis, Bro. Burns & Bro. Watts
- (4) Obituary: Sis. Lee, Bro. Brown & Sis. Singleton
- (5) Temperance: Bro. Russ, Bro. Wilson & Bro. Heath
- (6) Finance: Sis. Palmer, Sis. Jones & Sis. Henry
- (7) Publications & Literature: Bro. Warren, Sis. Brown & Bro. Feathers

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The Pulpit Committee selected Bro. Palmer to bring the afternoon message and Bro. Gayle Gardner to bring the morning message at the quarterly meeting September 8, 1962. Bro. Jack Hausam was selected as alternate. Morning business was adjourned until 1:30 p.m.

The worship service began with congregational singing. After two special numbers, Bro. Ralph Carty brought us a message from God's word.

The afternoon session was declared in conference by the Moderator. MSC that the annual Association minutes be printed in book form with sufficient copies for each member. The committee reports were given. (See "Reports".) The Treasurer's report was read and accepted. Bro. Gayle Gardner was elected as five (5) year member of the Executive Board.

Bro. Lynn Wood was chosen to be recommended to the National Association as Arizona's member of the General Board. Bro. Gayle Gardner was elected as a representative of the First Arizona Association of Free Will Baptists to the National Association, Nashville, Tennessee. MSC that the Association give Bro. Gardner \$150 to help defray expenses. MSC that a complete list of ordained ministers and their addresses and all churches and their addresses be submitted to the National Association.

MSC that the Association accept the recommendation of the Ministers' and Deacons' Conference that Bros. Willie Utz, Gene Rossen and Ted Jones be elected Trustees to represent the First Association of Free Will Baptists of Arizona for the purpose of incorporating the Association.

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MSC to accept the recommendation of the Executive Board to withdraw fellowship from the Southside General Baptist Church (admitted September 2, 1961) by their own request.

MSC that the Association appoint a committee and set aside \$1,000 to start a Youth Camp in Arizona. Bros. Frank Jones, Willard Russ and V. L. Jones were elected to this committee.

MSC that Bro. and Sis. Willard Russ also be elected delegates to the National Association at Nashville.

MSC that the Association thank the First Free Will Baptist Church of Phoenix for their kindness and hospitality. A standing vote of thanks was given.

MSC to adjourn from business and proceed to the preaching and worship service.

REPORTS

Placement Committee- Recommended that we alternate between Coolidge and Casa Grande for our meetings, and that each church in the Association take turns as hostess for arranging the dinner. They also recommended having the next meeting at Casa Grande. (All recommendations accepted with the addition that hostesses be selected alphabetically by churches.)

Resolutions Committee- Recommended that we of the Free Will Baptist denomination work harder for the movement as a whole with special emphasis on the youth of our church.

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The Resolution Committee also recommended that we extend our thanks to the Tonto Church for having the meeting held there. (Both recommendations accepted.)

Obituary Committee- Reported the death of two in our association since last yearly conference. These were Bro. Ed McDonald and Sis. Cieta Ross. We regret very much this loss; but feel it's Heaven's gain. (The committee's report was accepted.)

Temperance Committee- Recommended that we pass a resolution to the effect that we are against the sale and use of intoxicating beverages and that we further should exercise our vote in any way for one who openly works against the same. (Recommendation accepted.)

Finance Committee- Recommended that each church tithe to our association. (Recommendation accepted.)

Publications & Literature Committee- Recommended that the minutes of this yearly meeting be put into book form and enough copies made for each member of its member churches. It was also recommended that each church use Free Will Baptist literature. (Both recommendations accepted.)