

June 9, 1979

MINUTES of the FIRST QUARTERLY CONFERENCE of the First Arizona Association of Free Will Baptists convened with the First Free Will Baptist Church of Tucson, Arizona.

Morning Session

Mr. B.A. Jenkins, Moderator during the absence of Rev. Mark Vandivort, called the Association to order.

Letters from the following churches were read:

1. First FWB Church, Phoenix
2. Northside FWB Church, Phoenix
3. First FWB Church, Surprise
4. Son Valley FWB Church, Phoenix
5. First FWB Church, Tucson
6. First FWB Church, Blythe, Ca.

The Committees were appointed and given instructions.

Mr. Walker Hayes, member of Northside FWB Church, raised a question about what his status as an ordained preacher in our Association was?

A MOTION WAS MADE THAT HIS QUESTION BE REFERRED TO THE EXAMINING BOARD (PASSED).

During the morning worship, Dr. Malcolm Fry, Associate Director of the Sunday School and CTS Department in Nashville, Tennessee, brought the Special music and the message.

ADJOURNED FOR LUNCH

Evening Session

The Afternoon session was called to order by Mr. Jenkins.

Awards were given to those who competed in the CTS Youth Competition by Mr. Glenn Guild.

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The Executive Board brought back a list of nominees for vacant offices in the Association due to resignations (see note at end of minutes). Those elected were as follows:

TRUSTEE -- Mr. Rogers, Surprise

EXECUTIVE -- Rev. Harmon Herndon, Blythe, Ca.

EXAMINING BOARD--Rev. Ron Stoneburner, First, Phoenix

ASSISTANT TREASURER -- Mrs. Dixie Guild, First, Tucson

STATUTORY AGENT--Mr. Bob Dreher, First, Tucson

ASSISTANT MODERATOR-- Mr. Eugene Bryant, First, Phoenix

TREASURER-- Rev. Dan O'Donnell, First, Tucson

The Examining Committee made the following recommendation:

1. A minister's report form would be sent to Mr. Hayes to be filled out by him.
2. If The Northside Church would like to recommend that Mr. Hayes be accepted as an ordained minister in our Association, They should make this to the Examining Board.
3. The Examining Board would then interview Mr. Hayes and make a recommendation to the Association.

(Motion to accept was passed.)

The Resolutions Committee made the following Recommendations:

1. The offerings taken during our worship services be given to the Association General Fund. (This was amended by the body to read "to our guest speaker, Dr. Malcolm Fry.")

Note: The Motion as amended was passed. \$63.00 was sent to Dr. Fry.

2. A standing vote of thanks be given to the host Church in Tucson for their hospitality. (Passed)

A motion was made that the Association send a letter to the former officers who resigned thanking them for their faithful years of service (Passed).

A Motion was made that Mr. B.A. Jenkins be given a rising vote of thanks for his service to the Association (Passed).

A report was given by Dr. Fry from the Sunday School and CTS Dept. in Nashville, Tennessee.

A motion was made that the Association go to Flagstaff for the September meeting. (Passed).

Dr. Fry sang and brought the message during the afternoon service.

ASSOCIATION WAS ADJOURNED.

EXTRA NOTE: (This was part of the morning session):

Letter read of resignation of Mr. Clarence Devore as Assistant Treasurer of the Association.

Mrs. Johnnie Jenkins resigned as Treasurer of the Association.

Mr. B.A. Jenkins resigned the positions of Executive Broad member, Assistant Moderator, and Statutory Agent.

The Treasurer's report was given and accepted.

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Minutes of the SECOND QUARTERLY CONFERENCE of the First Arizona Association of Free Will Baptists convened with the Sunset Free Will Baptist Church of Flagstaff, Ariz.

Morning Session

Moderator- Mark Vandivort

Song Leader- Ray Lanolois

Songs- At The Cross, Power In the Blood.

Devotions were given by Orville Boyd from Oklahoma.

Meeting was called to order. Gene Bryant, Assistant Moderator, read the rules of order.

Letters from the following churches were read:

1. First FWB Church, Phoenix
2. Northside FWB Church, Phoenix
3. First FWB Church, Surprise
4. Son Valley FWB Church, Phoenix
5. First FWB Church, Tucson
6. First FWB Church, Blythe, Ca.

A letter was read from the Northside Church stating that they had suspended their Deacon Board for as indefinite time and that Ralph Mitcher and B.A. Jenkins are not in good standing with their Church in any official capacity.

MSC to accept the letters.

Seating of delegates by Gene Bryant, Assistant Moderator. MSC

Old Business: None

Mark Vandivort introduced Cliff Holland and family, home missionaries in Albuquerque, New Mexico., Dottie Wright originally from New Hampshire, now living in Fresno, Ca., the Mark Vandivort family, Bro. John Davidson and family. Mark Vandivort recognized Bud Jenkins and wife and welcomed everyone.

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He read from Isaiah 40:28 and told about the work in Flagstaff. He said it was his desire to have four strong Christian families move to Flagstaff to help in the work if they felt led to do so.

There were response from the pastors.

Appointment of Resolution Committee:

Nolen Atchley, Tucson

Walter Brouhard, 1st Church, Phoenix

Linda Young, Surprise

Zita Pierce, Northside

Carrol Gilbert, Blythe

Reading of the minutes and Treasurer's report passed.

The Boards will meet together after lunch.

The Morning worship service was conducted. The songs sung were "Tell It To Jesus and At Calvary."

The Offering was taken. Special singing was by Mr. Earl Magnusson of Tucson. The Speaker was Rev. Cliff Holland, text was from Luke 10; 1-2. He spoke on the harvest of souls.

The Meeting was adjourned for lunch.

The Afternoon session was opened by singing Higher Ground. Special Singing was by Mr. and Mrs. Langlois of 1st Church in Phoenix.

The meeting was called to order by Mark Vandivort.

Executive Board gave their report:

1. Selling of Globe property- to be sold or leased.

MSC that the Executive Board has the authority to lease, sell or trade the Globe Property.

2. Get an appraisal on the Coolidge Property. MSC

The Examining committee made the following recommendations:

To license Gary Clayton to preach. MSC

The Youth Camp Board report was given by Bob Dreher.

MSC

The Resolutions Committee made the following recommendations.

1. That today's offerings be equally divided between our Guest speaker and the Flagstaff mission. MSC
2. Standing vote of thanks to the host church for the delicious meal (everyone stood).
3. Stand in a moment of silence prayer for those who have gone on to be with the Lord in the past three months. Sister Montgomery, Surprise; Sister Imogene Jones and Sister Glenda Detarding, First Church, Phoenix. Bud Jenkins led in prayer. John Davidson gave a response.

New Business

Bro. Duvall, Pastor of Son Valley Church raised a question concerning the Flagstaff Church, that they have delegates at the Association meetings. MSC was made that it be put in the hands of the Executive Committee to have power and possibly change the By-laws.

Banner Count -- 1st Church, Phoenix won.

Worship Service: Devotion and talk by Sister Wright. She spoke on Home Missions and how thankful she is for all the Free Will Baptist Churches. She read from Philippians 4:11.

Pastors and Deacons laid hands on Gary Clayton and had prayer.

Offering was taken.

Association was adjourned. MSC.

The next meeting will be December 8, 1979 at the first Church, Phoenix.

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Congregational singing led by Brother Langlois opened the Association.

A devotion was given by Brother Mark Dettering of the 1st FWB Church of Phoenix, Arizona.

There were the reading of the church letters.

Visitors were recognized by the Moderator Mark Vandivort. Rev. Hawkins from Hobbs, New Mexico was recognized.

The Welcome was given by the Host Pastor, Rev. Ron Stoneburner.

Response was given from the visiting churches.

There were the appointment of the Resolutions Committee: Brother John Bollinger, Chairman; Brother Ralph Addington; Brother Paul Lane; and Mrs. Bauman.

Brother Bob Dreher showed slides of the Associational Youth Camp Activities from August, 1979.

The Morning Worship Service with Brother Eugene Bryant was conducted. The Gospel Four of the Northside FWB Church of Phoenix gave the special music. Rev. James Goodwin was unable to preach as scheduled due to health problems. Rev. Mark Vandivort, Moderator, brought the message. An offering was taken.

Adjournment for lunch.

The Afternoon Service began with the banner count. First FWB Church of Phoenix, Arizona won the banner for 2nd time in a row.

The Minutes and Treasurer's Report was accepted as printed.

The Executive Committee Report was given;

1. It had been agreed to pursue the quiet title search on the Coolidge, Arizona property. This auth-

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ority has been given to the Board at the Annual Meeting in 1979 by the Association.

2. The Committee would insure the property as soon as title is secured.
3. The Globe property is still for rent, lease, or sale.
4. The Vacancy on the CTS Board needs to be filled at this meeting.
5. No information concerning the Sunset FWB Mission in Flagstaff having a vote at the Association to be reported on yet.

The Examining Board gave a report and it was received as information. The Board reported that they would meet with Brother Ken Long on Friday February 1, 1980 at 5:20 P.M. Also Rev. James Goodwin would meet with the Board at that time also.

The Home Mission report was given by Mr. Eugene Bryant. The Board meet with Rev. and Mrs Hawkins from Hobbs, New Mexico. (regarding the Globe Work) He did not want to pursue the matter at the present time. This report was received as information.

The Resolutions Committee reported as follows:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The offerings collected today would go into the Associational General Fund.
2. There be a time of silent prayer for the hostages in Iran.
3. That there be a standing vote of thanks for the First Free Will Baptist Church of Phoenix for their gracious hospitality.

MSC to accept all of these items.

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MSC that the Association pay half of the plane fare for Rev. Dan O'Donnell, Arizona representative to California Christian College Board of Trustees, to attend the meeting at Fresno in January 1980.

Rev. Ron Stoneburner was elected by acclamation to fill the spot on the CTS Board that was vacant.

The afternoon service was conducted. An offering was taken. Rev. Harold Sanders preached the message.

Adjournment

SUPPORT OUR LOCAL HOME MISSION PRCGRAM

In our next associational year let us open at least 1 new Home Mission Church

REMEMBER ONLY WHATS DONE FOR CHRIST WILL LAST.

Let us not forget to pray and support our work at Flagstaff. Pray for Bro. Mark and family.

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Minutes of the YEARLY CONFERENCE of the First Arizona Association of Free Will Baptists convened with the First Free Will Baptist Church of Tucson, Arizona.

Congregational singing led by Mr. Ray Langlois, (First Church, Phoenix).

Devotional by Mr. Nolen Atchley (1st. Tucson).

Call to order by Rev. Mark Vandivort. Moderator, Flagstaff, Arizona.

Reading of the Rules of Order- Mr. Eugene Bryant, Ass. Moderator (1st Church, Phoenix).

Letters read by Rev. Dan O'Donnell, Clerk from local member churches.

Seating of the Delegates.

Recognition of Visitors:

Dr. Melvin Worthington- Executive Secretary of the National Association of Free Will Baptists; Rev. Rolla Smith-- Director of the National Association of Free Will Baptists Foreign Mission Dept.; Katy Meadows-- Friend of the Langlois.

Welcome from Host Pastor-- Rev. Dan O'Donnell, 1st Tucson, Arizona.

Response from Pastors of local Churches.

Reading of the Minutes.

Reading of Treasurer's report.

National Foreign Missions report-- Rev. Rolla Smith.

Resolutions Committee appointed and instructed.

Obituary Committee appointed and instructed.

Worship Service--11:00 a.m. the message "Principles of Success" from Daniel Chapter 6 was preached by Dr. Melvin Worthington, Executive Secretary.

Adjourned for lunch.

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Afternoon Session

Congregational Singing led by Mr. Langlois.

Visitors Welcomed-- Rev. J.D. O'Donnell, President of Bethel Bible Institute, Paintville, Kentucky, gave a response.

Report in form of letter from National Laymen's Board, Nashville, Tenn., read by Mr. Paul Lane (1st Church, Tucson).

Report From Executive Committee

1. Action be taken to obtain clear title to Globe P.
2. Current Allocation of funds be retained in Coop giving.
3. State Clerk file tax exemption papers on Coolidge Property.
4. Moderator (Mark Vandivort) and Clerk (Dan O'Donnell) meet with Lawyer in Casa Grande to discuss terms of settling differences over the Coolidge Property.

Report of the Examining Committee

We recommend that;

1. Rev. James Goodwin be accepted as pastor in good standing in this Association.
2. There be a reevaluation of present method of issuing Ministers cards.

Report of the State Home Mission Board

They asked Mr. Gary Clayton to make a survey of the Globe area to see about opened the work there.

MSC to approve the action of the Executive Committee to proceed in manner they have adopted concerning the Coolidge property.

MSC That the Executive Committee and the Mission Board work together in this matter of taking care of the Globe property.

Report from CTS-Youth Camp Board

We recommend we go to the Broken Arrow Youth Camp August 4-9, 1980.

The Director of the Youth Camp we recommend to be Rev.

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Dan O'Donnell. MSC

The National Home Mission Report Given by Rev. Mark Vandivort.

Report from Resolutions Committee We Recommend that:

1. We have a standing vote of thanks for the host Church.
2. We give today's offering to the Foreign Missions Dept. and the Mark Vandivort account. (1/2 ea.)
3. That all committee members be dismissed first prior to noon meal. (as done in past)

MSC

MSC to amend Section VII, Section 3 to read December Meeting instead of March Meeting.

MSC to receive as information a suggestion from 1st Free Will Baptist Church of Surprise that we change our meetings from quarterly to possibly semi- annual or annual.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS for 1980-81 Associational year

Moderator-Rev. Bob Duvall (Trinity FWB Church, Phoenix)

Assistant Moderator- Mr. Eugene Bryant(1st Church, Phoenix)

Clerk- Rev. Harmon Herndon (1st Church, Blythe, Ca.)

Ass. Clerk- Mrs. Dixie Guild (1st Church, Tucson)

Treasurer- Rev. Dan O'Donnell (1st Church, Tucson)

Ass. Treasurer- Rev. Ron Stoneburner(1st Church, Phoenix).

Pianist-Mrs. Ray Langlois (1st Church, Phoenix.)

Song Leader- Mr. Ray Langlois(1st Church Phoenix)

Examining Board Member (5 year term) Rev. James Goodwin (Northside)

Executive Board Member (5 year term) Mr. Eugene Bryant.

Home Mission Board (5 year term) Rev. Harold Sanders.

The Banner for Attendance was won by the Trinity FWB Church of Phoenix.

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MSC for all standing delegates and delegates appointed to the Association meeting from the Churches be identified by wearing of badges that will be given by the clerk to the Delegates when they come in at the meeting.

Adjournment.

NOTES FROM MARCH 8, 1980

OBITUARY COMMITTEE'S REPORT

This report was not turned in to the Clerk, so it was left out of the minutes. We are adding the four names that we have remembered.

The Clerk is sorry if there were other names that should have been given in this report.

They were:

1. Sister Lydia Montgomery, Surprise FWE Church
2. Sister Allie Herndon, Blythe FWB Church
3. Sister Imogene Jones and Sister Glenda Deterding, First FWB Church of Phoenix.