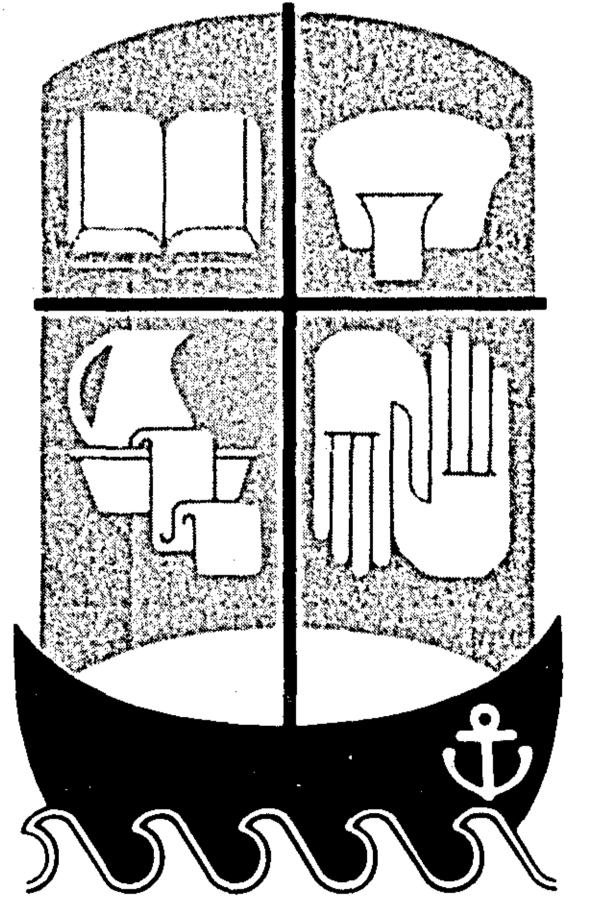
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# LIST OF CHURCHES

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Dixie Guild, Clerk 4141 West Irvington Tucson, Arizona 85746 602-578-0774

North Valley FWB Church\* 15044 North Cave Creek Road Phoenix, Arizona 85032 602-992-4342 Reverend George Harvey, Jr., Pastor

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Nancy Coleman, Clerk 3401 West Mountain Flagstaff, Arizona 86001 602-774-8065

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602-944-2107 Reverend Silven Fairchild, Pastor

Betty Eargood, Clerk 1501 East Lupine Street Phoenix, Arizona 85020 602-944-5854

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# **MINISTERS' ROLL**

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# 1992-93 OFFICERS AND BOARDS

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Statutory Agent

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Members-at-Large

Walt Spears (2 yr.) 1902 South Cloverland Tucson, AZ 85711 602-790-6040

Reverend Harold Sanders 6712 North 32nd Drive Phoenix, AZ 85017 602-973-2909

# **Examining Board**

- 5 yr. Reverend Harold Sanders
- 4 yr. Reverend David Taylor, Chrmn
- 3 yr. Reverend George Harvey, Jr., Sec
- 2 yr. Reverend Jim Taylor
- 1 yr. Reverend Mark Vandivort

# **Mission Board**

- 5 yr. Silven Fairchild
- 4 yr. Nolen Atchley, Chrmn
- 3 yr. Don Winemiller
- 2 yr. Wayne Teverbaugh
- 1 yr. Elmer Brooks

# **CTS Board**

- 3 yr. Don Davis
- 2 yr. Glenn Guild, Chrmn
- 2 yr. Mel Strahl
- 1 yr. Joe Bilbry

Trustees

- 3 yr. Clarence Kinney
- 2 yr. Ralph Addington
- 1 yr. Jack Corn, Chrmn

# **ORDER OF BUSINESS**

- 1. House called to order by Moderator.
- 2. Reading Rules of Order.
- 3. Letters called for, read, and received.
- 4. Right hand of fellowship, seating of delegates.
- 5. Invite visiting brethren to sit in council.
- 6. Appointment of Committees.
- 7. Moderator's Remarks.
- 8. Introductory Sermon.
- 9. Unfinished Business.
- 10. Reports of Committees.
- 11. New Business.
- 12. Concluding Sermon.

# **RULES OF ORDER**

1. The Moderator or Assistant Moderator, or in their absence the oldest minister present, shall call the Association into conference.

2. Each session shall be opened and closed with prayer.

3. Five members from two or more churches shall constitute a quorum. A less number may adjourn until such quorum is present.

4. Visiting brethren are invited to sit as advisory members.

5. Those who speak shall rise and address the Moderator. Personal reflection shall be avoided in all debates.

6. If any proposition or motion under debate contains two or more points, it shall be divided at the request of any member and a vote taken.

7. Motions made and lost shall not be recorded.

8. No one shall speak more than twice on the same subject without special leave of the Moderator.

9. The Moderator shall not allow discussion when not carried on in a Christian spirit.

10. The ruling of the Moderator may be overturned by a two-thirds majority membership vote.

11. No question from any church shall come under the consideration of the Association unless it has first been discussed in its own church. Business may be presented to the Association body with the church letter. Business may be presented at the Association meeting if done so in writing, signed, and presented to the Clerk or Business Committee.

12. At each Association arrangements shall be made to insure two or more sermons or the equivalent each day.

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# CONSTITUTION

# ARTICLE I. Name

This Association shall be called the First Arizona District Association of FreeWill Baptists.

## ARTICLE II. Purpose

The object and purpose of this organization shall be to unify the work of the various churches composing the First Arizona District Association of Free Will Baptists, and to devise and execute measures for the extension of the Kingdom of God in connection with the various churches in the Association, or that hereafter may be represented therein.

### **ARTICLE III.** Membership

Section 1. The Association shall be composed of such regularly organized and well-disciplined churches conveniently located as may embody themselves under this constitution.

Section 2. The voting members of this Association shall consist of the pastor, who is an ordained minister, and three deacons from each church, who have been sanctioned and credentials ratified by this Association, their wives, church clerks, all officers, and the chairman of each standing board of this Association, and three elected delegates from each of the several churches of which it is composed. Mission churches, upon acceptance, may be represented by delegates as follows: the pastor, his wife, the clerk, the treasurer, and one member-at-large.

Section 3. Any regular organized Free Will Baptist Church, maintaining Gospel order agreeing with the denomination in Doctrine and Practices, and in favor of the benevolent enterprises as Sunday School, Missions, and Christian Education, may be received into this Association by submitting a petitionary letter to the General Board for

processing through the Examining Board, which in turn would make appropriate recommendation to the Conference for vote.

Mission churches who have affiliated themselves with this Association, may upon request, following the same channels and guidelines as organized churches, be accepted into this District Association.

Section 4. Any widow, who herself is a member in good standing of a church within our Association, and whose husband was an ordained minister or deacon in good standing with our Association, will remain as a standing delegate for the duration of such abiding circumstances.

Section 5. Delegates from the churches to this Association will be 18 (eighteen) years of age and above.

# ARTICLE IV. Officers and Boards

Section 1. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, and their Assistants, who shall be chosen at every annual session of the Association.

Section 2. There are four boards of the First Arizona District Association:

A. General Board. This board shall be composed of Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, Chairmen of the Examining, Mission, and CTS Boards, and two (2) members at large elected annually.

This board will act as the program committee in advance of each quarterly conference; will be the nominating committee for all offices of the Association; and will make recommendations to the Association in matters of business presented to it.

This board shall have the power to act in behalf of, and for, this Association from one regular session to another. It shall not act contrary to the general policy and intent of this Association as stated in the Constitution and By-laws. This board shall keep a record of all work done, meetings held, and make full and complete report to all regular meetings of the Association. No meeting will be called without notifying every board member.

This board shall have the authority to elect such officers as necessary to carry out its functions.

B. Examining Board. This board shall be composed of not less than five (5) ordained men so constituted that a portion of the members shall be elected annually for five years. It shall be the duty of this board to meet with all ministers desiring ordination, licensing, and/or membership into this Association, and deacons desiring ratification of credentials and recognition as standing delegates in this Association (requests having been made by the church of which the candidate is a member).

This board shall examine all candidates by a set of questions approved by the Association, and if the examination proves satisfactory, recommendation(s) will be made to the Association.

This board shall act on all matters of credentials pertaining to individuals or churches as invited by the local church (in writing), and make recommendations to the Association.

This board shall meet with, examine, and make recommendations on all churches requesting membership into the Association.

The procedure followed by this board for ministerial and deacon candidates, examining churches, minister's yearly reporting, yearly ordination cards, and minister's communication, is outlined in the By-laws, Articles I, II, III, and IV.

This board shall have the authority to elect such officers as necessary to carry out its functions.

C. Mission Board. This board shall be composed of not less than five (5) members and so constituted that a portion of the members shall be elected annually for five years.

This board shall labor to further the Gospel of Jesus Christ unto the uttermost parts of the earth. In accomplishing this, they are

to endeavor to establish missions and churches in communities within the bounds of this Association. They shall also promote the missionary endeavor of the National Association of Free Will Baptists.

This board shall have the authority to elect such officers as necessary to carry out its functions.

D. Church Training Service Board. This board shall be composed of not less than three (3) members so constituted that a portion of the members shall be elected annually for three years.

Section 3. Three (3) Trustees shall be elected and serve for the duration established by this Association.

This board shall consist of three members serving three, two, and one year rotations with the one year man eligible to succeed himself. The Statutory Agent will be elected annually from this board by the body of the First Arizona District Association, and shall chair the board.

Responsibilities: The Trustee Board shall be responsible to oversee any legal action involving the First Arizona District Association. This board shall be responsible for the oversight of the physical properties of any mission church or self-supporting church that closes its doors and reverts to the control of the First Arizona District Association Mission Board. They shall oversee, make arrangements for repair and renovation of buildings, furniture and grounds of said properties.

This board shall communicate by whatever means appropriate to the District Mission Board who will communicate with the district General Board regarding the needs of said properties. The three boards will devise a plan to resolve the problem as to cost, materials, and how the matter is to be accomplished.

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The Trustee Board shall not financially incumber the First Arizona District Association without prior approval.

Section 4. Any officer or Board member who misses two consecutive quarterly meetings, without being providentially hindered, will be replaced.

#### ARTICLE V. Authority

This Association shall have the power to discipline the churches of which it is composed and to exclude them for disorderly walk if labor proves unsuccessful, but, in no case to reverse their decisions nor to interfere with any of their internal regulations.

# **ARTICLE VI.** Meetings

Section 1. The Quarterly meetings of this Association will be held in consecutive order by churches and the Annual meeting will rotate between one of the churches in Phoenix and the First Church in Tucson, at which time it shall be the duty of the churches of which this Association is composed to represent themselves by letter and delegates and report their standing and statistics at which time the Association shall act upon questions and topics as may be referred to by its respective churches and transact such other business not repugnant to this constitution nor to the practices of the denomination.

Section 2. This Association shall meet quarterly as follows: the second Saturday of June, September, December, and the Annual Meeting to be held the second Saturday of March each year.

## **ARTICLE VII.** Amendments

This constitution may be altered or amended by a vote of the Association at any regular conference, notice of such intended alteration having been given in writing and recorded at the last conference.

# ADOPTED AS REVISED MARCH 14, 1992

# **BY-LAWS**

**ARTICLE I.** Candidates for License and/or Ordination\*

Section 1. First-Year License

A. No candidate will be considered for licensing or ordination who, himself and/or his wife, has been divorced and remarried, if the previous spouse/s is/are living.

B. A person desiring to be licensed shall make his intentions known to the local pastor. The local pastor, in turn, will give to the candidate the Questionnaire prepared by the Examining Board of the First Arizona District Association of Free Will Baptists.

C. The local church will make recommendation to the First Arizona District Association of Free Will Baptists (hereinafter referred to as the District Association) to the effect that subject candidate be examined by the District Association Examining Board, and they in turn to make appropriate recommendation to the body.

D. The candidate will appear before the Examining Board of the District Association with Bible and completed Questionnaire. The candidate will be questioned about his conversion and call to the ministry and other related matters deemed necessary by the Examining Board.

E. The Examining Board will make appropriate recommendation to the body of the District Association concerning first year licensing of the candidate.

F. If the Examining Board recommends approval and the body agrees, the candidate will be issued his first year license duly signed.

Section 2. Second-Year License

A. Each first-year licensee must appear before the Examining Board of the District Association for ratification of his credentials and examination at the completion of one year possession of said credentials. Otherwise, the credentials shall be turned back to the District Association Examining Board. If the credentials are not turned back properly, and if first year licensee fails to appear before the Examining Board, his credentials shall automatically be revoked and declared null and void (unless candidate was providentially hindered and notified the Examining Board accordingly).

B. It is incumbent upon the local church to recommend to the District Association that candidates for second-year license be examined by the Examining Board for proper action.

C. The candidate will be questioned by the Examining Board about such things as soul-winning results, individual Bible study, preaching opportunities and results, and any other matters which may seem pertinent.

D. The Examining Board shall make a list of suggested study books for the candidate. The candidate may obtain this list upon his first-year examination if he so desires, and thus start his preparation early.

E. The Examining Board of the District Association will make appropriate recommendation to the body concerning second-year licensing of subject candidate.

F. If the Examining Board recommends approval, and the body agrees, the candidate will have the second-year validation duly entered on his credentials.

Section 3. Third-Year License and/or Ordination

A. Items A. and B. under Section 2 will be followed in the same manner for any possessor of two-year approved credentials.

B. The candidate will be interviewed by the Examining Board. It shall be ascertained whether candidate desires third-year license or ordination. (A license may be approved for more than three years at which time the possessor of credentials should seriously reconsider his call to the ministry.) The candidate will be given an oral or written examination with questions drawn from the books previously suggested and the Free Will Baptist Treatise. The candidate may be asked to prepare a sermon outline from a text selected by the Examining Board.

C. The Examining Board will make appropriate recommendation to the body of the District Association. If candidate is passed upon for ordination, he may be ordained during the Associational meeting, or at his own local church.

D. This By-Law is to be used as a flexible guide and each case considered on its merit.

### ARTICLE II. Out-of-State Licensed and/or Ordained Ministers

Section 1. The local church concerned will see to it that any newly acquired licensed or ordained minister from in or out of the Free Will Baptist denomination appear before the District Association Examining Board for interview and ratification of his credentials. The Examining Board shall obtain a recommendation for the candidate signed by a majority of the Executive Board of the Quarterly Meeting where the candidate was last a member prior to ratification of his credentials.

# ARTICLE III. All Ministers

Section 1. Minister's Report Form. All ordained ministers and licensed ministers who have conducted ten or more services, shall submit an Annual Minister's Report (copies of form available from District Clerk) yearly.

Section 2. Minister's Card. All ordained ministers, and approved licensed ministers, will be issued a Minister's Card for the new Associational year upon receipt of Annual Minister's Report form.

Section 3. Communication. Any minister, licensed or ordained, who fails to communicate with the District Association for a period of one year shall be contacted, if possible, and be asked to return his credentials unless justifiable reasons are given and accepted by the Examining Board.

# ARTICLE IV. Deacons\*\*

Section 1. No candidate will be considered as a standing delegate in this District Association who, himself and/or his wife has been divorced and remarried, if the previous spouse/s is/are living.

Section 2. Individual churches are to present candidates for ordination and/or those previously ordained to the office of a Deacon, to the District Association Examining Board prior to their being seated as a standing delegate in this Association.

Section 3. All deacons sanctioned and ratified as standing delegates in the District Association, whose names are included on their church's annual letter to the District Association indicating their good standing with the church, and being in good standing with the District Association, will receive a Deacon's Identification Card to be issued annually in conjunction with the Minister's Cards. Subject cards will identify the bearer as an official representative for agencies which will ordinarily permit only pastors to visit and/or counsel; but only in the event the local pastor is not available.

ARTICLE V. District Treasurer

Section 1. The annual treasurer's report will be placed in the printed minutes each year.

Section 2. The allocation of money through the Co-operative plan of support will be recommended to the Annual session of the District Association by the General Board and approved by majority vote of this Association.

Section 3. The offering taken during the morning session of each conference will be divided equally between Home and Foreign Missions, with exceptions allowable at the discretion of the Association.

Section 4. A delegate fee of \$10.00 (ten dollars) per church and representation fees of \$2.00 (two dollars) per member will be paid quarterly.

# ARTICLE VI. District Clerk

Section 1. The Clerk shall have the minutes of the three quarterly meetings and the annual meeting printed and distribute the same to all churches within the Association. The minutes to be distributed preferably at the quarterly meeting following the annual meeting.

Section 2. The District Clerk will be paid \$15.00 per quarter for services rendered.

ARTICLE VII. Committees

Section 1. The District General Board will act as the Program Committee in advance of each meeting of the Association, and as the Nominating Committee for all offices of this Association. This Board shall have the power to act in behalf of, and for, this Association from one regular session to another. It shall not act contrary to the general policy and intent of this Association as stated in the Constitution and By-Laws.

Section 2. District Mission Board. The District Mission Board shall labor to further the Gospel of Jesus Christ unto the uttermost parts of the earth. In accomplishing this they are to endeavor to establish missions and churches in communities within the bounds of this Association. They shall also promote the missionary endeavor of the National Association of Free Will Baptists.

Section 3. The Auditing Committee will be appointed at the December meeting to audit the Treasurer's books for the annual reports.

Section 4. An Obituary Committee will be appointed at the December meeting. Subject committee shall prepare an appropriate memorial service for the Annual Association meeting.

Section 5. The Church Training Service Board shall make recommendations to the body regarding Youth Camp sites and Director, and in general promote Church Training Service work in the District Association.

## ARTICLE VIII. Delegate to National Association.

Three official delegates to the National Association will be elected annually by this body. The elected representative must meet the qualification of possessing a knowledge of this Association's position and feelings.

## **ARTICLE IX.** Parliamentary Procedure

Section 1. The book, Essentials of Parliamentary Procedure, will be used as the guide in governing parliamentary procedure in our Conferences. Subject book is compatible with Roberts' Rules of Order.

Section 2. This Association shall have power to adopt any regulations or By-Laws not inconsistent with this Constitution and By-Laws which may be deemed essential to the further regulations of its sessions.

### **ARTICLE X.** Amendments

Section 1. These By-Laws may be altered or amended by a vote of the Association at any regular conference, notice of such intended alteration or amendment having been given in writing and recorded at the last conference.

Section 2. This Constitution and these By-Laws are the official guide for all the work of the First Arizona District Association of Free Will Baptists henceforth properly amended or revised.

# ADOPTED AS REVISED MARCH 14, 1992

Permanent Resolutions:

\*\*March 11, 1972 - Examining Board Report: The Board voted not to pass on any one for ordination or as a standing delegate who uses tobacco; the Board also recommends this be printed in the annual minutes. MSC to concur in this recommendation.

June 7, 1980 - General Board recommends mileage be paid as set by I.R.S. for executive board meetings. MSC

December 8, 1990 - Free Will Baptist Mission churches lettering into this Association will be allowed to request ministerial licensing and/or ordination for a candidate belonging to that mission; and that his membership in that local mission suffice for his requirement to belong to a local church within the Association. MSC.

June 8, 1991 - We comply with the request of the C.T.S. (camp) Board to pay the Camp Evangelist, from the General Fund, an honorarium of \$300.00 for an out-of-state speaker, and \$200.00 for a speaker from within the state. MSC.

September 14, 1991 - The Assistant Moderator shall act as the Parliamentarian for the First Arizona District Association. MSC.

September 14, 1991 - The Pianist and Song Leader for each District Association meeting are to be provided by the host church, with help to be provided from sister churches as needed. MSC.

September 14, 1991 - The C.T.S. Board recommends that 10% of district dues be set aside to offset expenses for camp materials, teachers, and counselors. MSC.

# FIRST ARIZONA DISTRICT ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST MISSION BOARD CONSTITUTION

NAME: The Free Will Baptist Mission Board of Arizona.

PURPOSE: Specifically and Primarily:

1. To further the cause of Jesus Christ in the State of Arizona by the establishment of missions and church extension labors for the teaching of the Holy Bible.

2. To establish the aforementioned mission and church extension labors in the State of Arizona, and in connection therewith, to make suitable and customary provisions for public worship, and to such end, to purchase, acquire, hold, manage, encumber and convey such real and personal property as the purposes may require.

3. To erect buildings and structures for public worship, religious training and education, storage of church properties, housing of church servants, and to do any and all other such things as are necessary and proper for carrying out said purposes in accordance with the Arizona State Laws, and in conformity with the doctrine, discipline, and approved methods of worship and government of the Free Will Baptist in the State of Arizona.

4. With the approval of the District Association, or the General Board when the District is not in session, to borrow money and to give and receive evidences of such transactions, and to enter into, make, perform, and carry out contracts of every kind to accomplish the purpose for which this board was created.

# **BY-LAWS:**

Whereas the need for new mission works in Arizona is evident and much help for the established works will be needed, we, the District Mission Board, recommend the following by-laws to help direct and channel a Biblical course for said board.

1. This Board shall consist of (5) five members, serving from 1-5 years, with one member going off the Board each year. They will serve at the discretion of the District Association. A member may succeed himself.

2. This Board shall organize itself with a Chairman, Secretary/Treasurer, and shall meet immediately after the Annual District Meeting for said purpose.

3. This Board shall have the right to examine any new missionary, wishing to work in this District, as to character, qualifications, doctrine, and purpose.

4. If and when a new missionary pastor is appointed to a work, this Board shall establish a contract agreement with an application, stating salary, vacations, revival time, and job description.

5. This Board shall supervise and evaluate any new mission's work on a quarterly basis.

6. In the event a mission work finds itself without a pastor/worker, this Board will seek to provide suitable workers until such time

permanent ones can be secured.

7. That all mission works be in harmony with the District Association and shall give a report of its progress at each quarterly meeting.

8. If a mission church's pastor wishes to become a member of the Association, by joining an existing local church, he and his work, must report by letter, at each Quarterly Meeting.

9. This Mission board recommends that the National Home Mission Board be encouraged to work with the First Arizona District Mission Board in establishing any new works, or helping existing ones.

10. This Constitution or By-Laws can be amended or changed by a two-thirds majority vote of the First Arizona District Association.

# **ARTICLES OF FAITH**

1. THE BIBLE. The Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments were given by the inspiration of God, and are our infallible rule of faith and practice.

2. GOD. There is one living and true God, revealed in nature as the Creator, Preserver, and Righteous Governor of the universe; and in the Scriptures as Father, Son, and Holy Ghost; yet as one God, infinitely wise and good, whom all intelligent creatures are supremely to love, adore, and obey.

3. CHRIST. Christ is God manifest in the flesh; in His divine nature truly God, in His human nature truly man. The mediator between God and man, once crucified, He is now risen and glorified, and is our ever present Saviour and Lord.

4. THE HOLY SPIRIT. The Scriptures assign to the Holy Spirit all the attributes of God. We believe that the Holy Spirit enters the heart of the believer at the time of conversion, and that speaking in tongues (languages) is neither an evidence of being infilled with the Holy Spirit nor does it bring about sanctification. We teach and preach the fullness of the Holy Spirit and heed scriptural admonition; "Be filled with the Holy Spirit." We thank God for our great Comforter, Guide and Empower, the Precious Holy Spirit, the third person of the Trinity. (John 3:5-8; Romans 8:9; Ephesians 5:18; 1 Corinthians 14:22)

5. THE GOVERNMENT OF GOD. God exercises a wise and benevolent providence over all beings and all things by maintaining the constitution and laws of nature. He also performs special acts, not otherwise provided for, as the highest welfare of man requires.

6. THE SINFULNESS OF MAN. Man was created innocent, but by disobedience fell into a state of sin and condemnation. His posterity, therefore, inherit a fallen nature of such tendencies that

all who come to the years of accountability sin and become guilty before God.

7. THE WORK OF CHRIST. The Son of God by His incarnation, life, sufferings, death, and resurrection effected for all a redemption from sin that is full and free, and is the ground of salvation by faith.

8. TERMS OF SALVATION. The conditions of salvation are:

1) Repentance or sincere sorrow for sin and hearty renunciation of it.

2) Faith or the unreserved committal of one's self to Christ as Saviour and Lord with purpose to love and obey Him in all things. In the exercise of saving faith, the soul is renewed by the Holy Spirit, freed from the dominion of sin, and becomes a child of God.

3) Continuance in faith and obedience unto death.

9. ELECTION. God determines from the beginning to save all who should comply with the conditions of salvation. Hence by faith in Christ, men become His elect.

10. FREEDOM OF THE WILL. The human will is free and self-controlled, having power to yield to the influence of the Truth and the Spirit, or to resist them and perish.

11. SALVATION FREE. God desires the salvation of all, the Gospel invites all, the Holy Spirit strives with all, and whosoever will may come and take of the water of life freely.

12. PERSEVERANCE. All believers in Christ, who through grace persevere in holiness to the end of life, have promise of eternal salvation.

13. GOSPEL ORDINANCES. BAPTISM, or the immersion of believers in water, and the LORD'S SUPPER, are ordinances to be perpetuated under the Gospel. FEET WASHING, an ordinance teaching humility, is of universal obligation, and is to be ministered to all true believers. 14. TITHING. God commands tithes and offerings in the Old Testament; Jesus Christ endorsed it in the Gospel (Matthew 23:23), and the Apostle Paul said, "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him" (1 Corinthians 16:2a).

15. THE CHRISTIAN SABBATH. The divine law requires that one day in seven be set apart from secular employment and amusements, for rest, worship, holy works, and activities, and for personal communion with God.

16. RESURRECTION, JUDGMENT, AND FINAL RETRIBUTION. The Scriptures teach the resurrection of all men at the last day. They that have done good will come forth to the resurrection of life, and they that have done evil unto the resurrection of damnation; then the wicked will "go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."



# MINUTES

# FIRST ARIZONA DISTRICT ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

June 8, 1991 - March 14, 1992

### FIRST QUARTERLY CONFERENCE - June 8, 1991

Convening at West Valley Free Will Baptist Church, Avondale, Arizona

### Morning Session

Congregational singing was led by Craig Nottingham, accompanied by Linda Harvey at the piano. "At The Cross" and "Blessed Assurance" were sung. An opening prayer was offered by Rev. George Harvey, Jr.

Rev. Larry Reynolds delivered the Moderator's Message from I Kings 18:42, entitled "Praying Clear Through." The importance of soul-rendering prayer in our lives and churches was stressed. Craig Nottingham closed the devotion with prayer.

The association was called to order by Moderator Larry Reynolds. The church letters were read by Clerk pro tem Sherry Reynolds. MSC to accept. The following church letters were received and read:

Community Fellowship FWB Church West Valley FWB Church\* Cathedral Of The Cross FWB Church\* First FWB Church, Tucson North Valley FWB Church\* (reported verbally) Seating of the delegates was done by the Moderator. Visiting brethren, Rev. Silven Fairchild of Trinity FWB Church and Rev. George Harvey, Jr. of North Valley FWB Church\* were invited to be seated in an advisory capacity.

A welcome was extended by the host pastor, Rev. Jim Taylor. Responses from the visiting ministers included:

Rev. Larry Reynolds Rev. George Harvey, Jr. Rev. Silven Fairchild Rev. Harold Sanders Rev. David Taylor Craig Nottingham (for West Valley)

Minutes of the previous meeting were read. MSC to accept as read. Treasurer's report was distributed by Mel Strahl. MSC to receive the report. An update on the Spear van fund was given by Wayne Teverbaugh. (\$3,356.83 plus \$249.87)

The "New" 1990-91 Annual Minutes were distributed by Rev. David Taylor, Assistant Moderator. This was the highlight of our business session as all were appreciative of a job well done. Thanks to Rev. Howard Gwartney, Rev. David Taylor, Debe Taylor, Walt Spears and Clerk Pat Atchley were expressed. Cost for the minutes was \$20.00 for 75 copies.

The Business and Resolution committee was appointed: Ralph Addington, Chairman, Craig Nottingham, and Wayne Teverbaugh.

Business was recessed for a time of refreshments and fellowship.

The morning worship service began with congregational singing led by Craig Nottingham accompanied by Linda Harvey. "Jesus Saves" and "I Love To Tell The Story" were sung. Prayer was offered by Don Winemiller. The associational offering was received by Jeremy and Joshua Taylor. Special music was rendered by Craig Nottingham, who sang "Without Him," and "He Touched Me." Diane Winemiller accompanied him on the piano.

Rev. David Taylor preached the morning message entitled "Walking On Dry Ground," using Exodus 14:19-22 as his text. The Moderator extended an invitation, and "All In All" was led by Craig Nottingham with Linda Harvey playing the piano.

A special time of prayer around the altar was led by Rev. George Harvey, Jr. and Don Winemiller, remembering all of the Arizona Free Will Baptist churches.

The blessing on the noon meal was offered by Ed LeQuire, following instructions by the host pastor.

### Afternoon Session

The afternoon session reconvened with singing "More About Jesus" and "When We All Get To Heaven." Craig Nottingham led the singing, accompanied by Linda Harvey. Prayer was offered by Rev. Harmon Herndon.

The afternoon devotion was given by Rev. Harold Sanders from Hebrews 12:12-15, on the thought of holiness and deep soul searching.

Business was reconvened by Rev. Larry Reynolds. The business committee report was given by Ralph Addington. MSC to receive and act on the report item by item.

1. Recommend a standing vote of thanks to the host church for a delicious meal and for their precious hospitality. MSC

2. Commendation to Linda Harvey and Diane Winemiller along with Craig Nottingham for music well done. (information)

3. Recommend that Annual Minutes be printed professionally due to the time involved. MSC

4. Recommend that today's offering be rounded to even amount and given to West Valley FWB Church\* Land Fund. MSC (\$50.00)

5. Thanks to Sherry Reynolds for serving as clerk today. MSC

The General Board report was read by Sherry Reynolds. MSC to accept and act on the report item by item. Recommendations are as follows:

1. That the Assistant Moderator act as Parliamentarian in this district MS to table. (permanent Resolution)

2. A Constitutional change be made by deletion of "Song Director" and "Pianist" as well as "Parliamentarian" from constitution Art. IV Sec. I. MS to table.

3. Contingent on acceptance of recommendation #2 we suggest a permanent resolution that the pianist and song leader be provided by the host church or enlist help from sister churches as needed. MS to table.

4. That we change By-Law Art. IV Sec. 3 to read that a deacon's card be issued to all deacons upon receipt, in annual church letter, that he is in good standing with the church; and being in good standing with the association. MS to table.

5. We send 10% of district dues and delegate fees to the National for Co-Op Fund Quarterly. Affirmation made from By-Laws. MSC

6. We delete \$.10 per mile from resolution regarding the mileage pay for General Board Meetings. MSC

7. We include copies of questionnaires for ministers (licensed and ordained) and questionnaires for deacons (as standing delegates) in the back of the annual minutes. MSC

8. We comply with the request of the CTS Board (camp) to pay the Camp Evangelist, from the general fund, an honorarium of \$300.00 for an out-of-state speaker and \$200.00 for one from within the state. MSC

9. We consider setting aside a percentage of district funds to help offset Youth Camp expenses of materials, teachers and counselors. MSC to ask the CTS Board to recommend what percentage of district funds they would propose to set aside; to the General Board for its consideration and presentation to the conference in September.

A MSC, that all tabled resolutions be written out in their exact wording by the General Board for the September meeting.

Information was shared that Rev. George Harvey, Jr. has sent a letter requesting membership for him and his church\* in this district association.

The Examining Board report was given as follows: The Examining Board met briefly during lunch break with representatives of Trinity FWB Church and North Valley FWB Church\* about joining this association. It was determined that the board would meet individually with each church on June 28, 1991 at the Trinity FWB Church. Board members present: David Taylor, Chairman; Jim Taylor, Harold Sanders and Larry Reynolds, District Moderator.

The business was dismissed in song, "Count Your Blessings," led by Craig Nottingham and accompanied by Linda Harvey, and then in prayer by Mel Strahl.

Note: These minutes are recorded from the notes and information given by Sherry Reynolds, Clerk pro tem, and Rev. David Taylor, Assistant Moderator.

### Pat Atchley, Clerk

## SECOND QUARTERLY CONFERENCE - September 14, 1991

Convening at the Cathedral of the Cross FWB Church, Chandler, Arizona.

### Morning Session

The conference opened with Don Winemiller leading the congregation in singing, "Love Lifted Me." Diane Winemiller accompanied on the piano. Opening Prayer was offered by Rev. Jim Taylor. A trio from the host church, Mr. and Mrs. Palmer and Rev. Larry Reynolds sang "He Never Stopped Loving Me" accompanying themselves with string instruments. Mark Meadows joined them with the banjo as they sang "You Must Be Born Again."

Rev. Larry Reynolds gave the Moderator's devotion from Matthew 18:20-35 entitled, "A Question That Demands An Answer," emphasizing forgiveness.

The conference was called to order by Moderator, Rev. Larry Reynolds. MSC. Clerk Pat Atchley read the church letters from:

Community Fellowship FWB Church Sunset FWB Church\* West Valley FWB Church\* Cathedral Of The Cross FWB Church\* First FWB Church, Tucson North Valley FWB Church\* Trinity FWB Church

MSC to accept letters from the member churches and seat their delegates. MSC to deal with portion of General Board report having to do with membership for Trinity FWB Church and North Valley FWB Church\*, and ordained men seeking membership in the association, in order to allow them voting rights today.

General Board report (items 1-4)

1. We recommend that Trinity FWB Church be accepted into the association with all responsibilities and privileges of membership. MSC

2. We recommend that North Valley FWB Church\* be accepted into the association with all responsibilities and privileges of membership. MSC

3. We recommend that Rev. George Harvey, Jr. be accepted into the association upon receipt of a letter in good standing from his present conference. MSC

4. We recommend that Rev. Harmon Herndon be accepted into this association upon receipt of a letter in good standing from his church. MSC

Letters from Trinity FWB Church and North Valley FWB Church\* accepted and their delegates were seated.

Visiting brethren were invited to be seated in an advisory capacity.

A welcome was given by the host pastor, Rev. Larry Reynolds. Visiting pastors' response included:

Rev. David Taylor Rev. J. Mark Vandivort Rev. Jim Taylor Mrs. George Harvey, Jr. (for Rev. George Harvey, Jr. who is on a fund-raising trip) Rev. Silven Fairchild Rev. Harold Sanders

The minutes were read and accepted. MSC to defer the Treasurer's report until the afternoon. The Business committee was appointed: Rev. Silven Fairchild, Chairman, Jack Corn and Lyle Clark were members.

Business was adjourned for worship.

Mark Meadows led the congregation in singing "Just Over In The Glory Land," accompanied by pianist Diane Winemiller and organist Debe Taylor. Prayer was offered by Rev. David Taylor.

A trumpet solo, "In The Garden," by Mark Meadows was enjoyed during the offering. The congregation then sang "Trust and Obey." Special music was presented by Nolen and Pat Atchley singing, "After Calvary" accompanied by Debe Taylor. Patsy Haupt, host church, sang "Thank You."

A stirring message on "Unity" was brought by Rev. Mark Vandivort from Ephesians 4:1-6 and 5:21-23, closing the message with prayer for a oneness of spirit and effort among God's children. An invitational song, "I Surrender All" was sung. Closing with hands across to the brethren, we sang the chorus "If We All Pull Together." Zeb Boyer offered the closing prayer asking the blessing on lunch and the fellowship.

## Afternoon Session

Mark Meadows led the congregation in singing "Power In The Blood" and "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus," accompanied by pianist Diane Winemiller and organist Tiffany Reynolds. Prayer was offered by Rev. Jim Taylor.

Moderator Larry Reynolds introduced three young men in our churches who have answered the call to preach. They are Ken Davenport from Community Fellowship FWB Church, Mark Meadows from Cathedral Of The Cross FWB Church\*, and Craig Nottingham from West Valley FWB Church\*.

The afternoon devotion entitled, "A Challenge To Faithfulness," was given by Craig Nottingham.

The Treasurer's report was given by Ralph Addington, Assistant Treasurer. Printed copies were distributed. MSC

The Mission Board report was given by Nolen Atchley, Chairman. The Mission Board met briefly during lunch and presents this challenge: This board would like to challenge each church to keep a record of how many contacts are being made by members witnessing to people. Contacts made by telephone or in person as we meet people on the street, in restaurants, grocery stores or wherever we go count. Bring your report of the total to the Mission Board at each District Meeting. We believe this will bless and encourage all of us!

Rev. David Taylor reports that a mission conference is being planned for March on a Sunday through Wednesday. It is open to all churches. Information accepted.

The Business Committee report received MSC to receive and act on item by item.

1. We recommend that a letter of condolence be sent to the Thai Community in regard to their loss in the brutal murder of religious leaders and parishioners at their temple. MSC

2. We recommend that a vote of appreciation be given to the host church for the great hospitality and wonderful meal. MSC

3. We recommend that a vote of thanks be given to Rev. Mark Vandivort for the wonderful message today. MSC

4. We recommend that today's offering be given to the host church to help defray their expenses. MSC

The General Board report received MSC to receive and act on item by item #5 through 10.

5. MSC to remove from the table and list under Permanent Resolutions: "The Assistant Moderator shall act as Parliamentarian for the district Association." MSC

6. MSC to remove from the table (a constitutional change of Art. IV Sec. I) to read: "The officers of this Association shall be Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer and their assistants, who shall be chosen at every Annual Session of the Association." MSC

7. MSC to remove from table and list under Permanent Resolutions: "The pianist and song leader for each District Association meeting is to be provided by the host church with help to be provided from sister churches as needed." MSC

8. MSC to remove from table (by-law change of Art. IV Sec. 3) "All Deacons sanctioned and ratified as standing delegates in the District Association, whose names are included on their church's annual letter to the District Association indicating their good standing with the church, and being in good standing with the District Association, will receive a Deacon's Identification Card to be issued annually in conjunction with the Minister's Cards. Subject cards will identify the bearer as an official representative for agencies which will ordinarily permit only pastors to visit and/ or counsel; but only in the event the local pastor is not available." MSC

9. The CTS Board recommends that 10% of district dues be set aside to offset expense for camp materials, teachers and counselors. MSC

10. The Committee to give the Trustee Job Description submits the following:

This Board shall consist of three members serving three, two and one year in rotation with the one year man eligible to succeed himself. The Statutory Agent will be elected annually from this board by the body of the First Arizona District Association, and shall chair the board.

Responsibilities: The Trustee Board shall be responsible to oversee any legal action involving The First Arizona District Association. The Trustee Board shall be responsible for the oversight of the physical properties of any mission church or any self-supported church that closes its doors and reverts to the control of The First Arizona Mission Board, associated with the First Arizona District. They shall oversee, make arrangements for repair and renovation of buildings, furniture and grounds of said properties.

This board shall communicate by whatever means appropriate to the First District Mission Board who shall communicate with the First Arizona District General Board regarding the needs of said properties. The three boards will devise a plan to resolve the problem as to cost, materials and how the matter is to be accomplished.

The Trustee Board shall not financially incumber the First Arizona District Association without prior approval. MSC to implement this job description.

Information: A committee of three have been appointed to write job descriptions for other boards. They are: Moderator, Assistant Moderator and Clerk.

A Youth Camp report was given by Don Davis. There were 78 in attendance. The Camp Evangelist was Jonathan Yandell from Garden Grove, California. Singing and special music were coordinated by Rev. David Taylor. Teen teachers were Rev. Larry Reynolds and Joe Bilbry. Junior teachers were Joyce Norman and Maria Clark. Pre-Camper teacher was Diane Yandell. Decisions for accepting Christ and those for re-dedication were made by many. Outstanding Christian Boy was Micah Polston (Tucson) and Outstanding Christian Girl was Amy Taylor (Tucson). There were 22 teens and counselors that made the "Skull" hike successfully. Broken Arrow considers a pre-camper 5 years and below for payment. Arizona Association of FWB considers a pre-camper for class and activities purposes below 9 years. There was a daily newsletter. Our Camp was voted best camp and camp director by Broken Arrow staff. Churches represented were North Valley FWB Church\*, Tucson First FWB Church, Cathedral Of The Cross FWB Church\* and Trinity FWB Church. Information received.

National Report shared for information. Rev. Charles Marshall shared about fund raising plans for the new National Headquarters building. (The amount they wish to have Arizona raise by 1994 is \$15,064.00.)

MSC to adjourn. Closing prayer was offered by Rev. Harold Sanders. The closing song was, "We'll Work Till Jesus Comes."

Pat Atchley, Clerk

### THIRD QUARTERLY CONFERENCE - December 14, 1991

Convening at Trinity FWB Church, Phoenix, Arizona.

# Morning Session

Song leader Paul Norman led the congregation in singing "I Would Not Be Denied" and "What A Friend We Have In Jesus," accompanied by pianist Debe Taylor. Opening prayer was offered by Rev. Harold Sanders.

Greetings were given by Moderator Larry Reynolds, who introduced Rev. L.G. Gregg, who is engaged in radio and nursing home ministries in the Phoenix and Tucson areas. The devotion was given by Rev. L.G. Gregg entitled, "I Just Want A Friend" from the text John 14:34 & 35.

Call to order was made by Moderator Larry Reynolds. MSC to concur. Letters from the following churches were read:

North Valley FWB Church\* Community Fellowship FWB Church Trinity FWB Church West Valley FWB Church\* Cathedral Of The Cross FWB Church\* First FWB Church, Tucson

MSC to receive letters. Correction was made on the Community Fellowship letter: pastor is part-time and there are three ordained ministers. So noted.

Delegates were seated. Visiting brethren were recognized and seated in advisory capacity.

Welcome was given by host pastor, Rev. Silven Fairchild. Ministers' responses included:

Rev. L. G. Gregg, visitor Rev. George Harvey, Jr. Rev. David Taylor Rev. Harold Sanders Rev. Jim Taylor Rev. Harmon Herndon

Minutes of September 14, 1991 were read and approved. The Business Committee was appointed: Paul Norman, Ralph Addington and Jack Corn, Chairman.

Treasurer's report was given by Treasurer Mel Strahl. MSC. Adjourned for worship.

Song leader Paul Norman led the congregation in singing "When The Savior Reached Down For Me," accompanied by pianist Mrs. Herndon. Special music was rendered by Paul and Joyce Norman, "God Walks The Dark Hills" and "What A Beautiful Day For The Lord To Come Again," accompanied on the piano by Mrs. Herndon and the guitar by Paul Norman.

Rev. Silven Fairchild delivered the morning message, "A Living Sacrifice-Our Reasonable Service," from Romans 12:1-2. An invitation, "Softly And Tenderly," was given. After an altar of prayer, Rev. Jim Taylor closed in prayer. Adjourned for lunch with Elmer Brooks asking the blessing on the food.

# Afternoon Session

The afternoon musicians were Mrs. Herndon on the piano and Paul Norman leading the singing. The session opened Mrs. Herndon playing and singing her own composition "My Melody." Congregational singing included: "Inside The Gate" and "Dear Jesus Abide With Me." Opening prayer was given by Joe Bilbry. Special music was rendered by Mrs. Herndon and Paul Norman singing "That's Why I Love Him So."

A devotional was given by Ken Davenport from I Peter 5:8 and Jeremiah 25:30, entitled, "God's Roar." Offertory prayer was given by Rev. David Taylor while a medley of "Pass Me Not" and "How Great Thou Art" was played.

Business committee report was given. MSC to accept and act on item by item.

1. Propose a standing vote of thanks to the host church. Accepted by compliance.

2. Propose a committee be appointed to search the history of Free Will Baptists in Arizona. MSC to table this matter to give opportunity to contact Gene Bryant, the chairman of the Historical Committee in the State Association as to his progress in the matter.

3. Propose to appoint a committee to develop a gospel sing and dinner, to include all Free Will Baptist Churches in the State, to raise money for missionaries taking part in our missionary conference in March. MSC Committee appointed: Nolen Atchley, Paul Norman, Chairman and Lois Sanders.

4. Propose to raise the clerk's salary to \$15.00 per quarter. MSC to table until next meeting. (constitutional change)

5. Propose that today's offering go to Rev. Gregg. MSC (\$54.00)

Mission Board Report:

1. Money is no longer coming in to replace the money drawn from the Mission Account to purchase the van for the Spear family.

2. Reports from the various churches for contacts made have not come in.

General Board Report given. MSC to accept and act on item by item.

1. We recommend that an offering from each participating church be received to help fund the missionary conference and that \$600.00 from the District General Fund be given. MSC

2. The committee to write job descriptions submitted the following:

Section 2. There are four standing boards of the First Arizona District Association:

A. General Board. This Board shall be composed of Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, Chairmen of the Examining, Mission and CTS Boards, and two (2) members-at-large elected annually.

This board will act as the program committee in advance of each

quarterly conference; will be the nominating committee for all offices of the Association; and will make recommendations to the Association in matters of business presented to it.

This board shall have the power to act in behalf of, and for, this Association from one regular session to another. It shall not act contrary to the general policy and intent of this Association as stated in the Constitution and By-laws.

This board shall keep a record of all work done, meetings held, and make full and complete report to all regular meetings of the Association. No meeting will be called without notifying every board member.

This board shall have the authority to elect such officers as necessary to carry out its functions.

B. Examining Board. This Board shall be composed of not less than five (5) ordained men and so constituted that a portion of the members shall be elected annually for five years. It shall be the duties of this board to meet with all ministers desiring ordination, licensing and/or

membership into this Association, and deacons desiring ratification of credentials and recognition as standing delegates in this Association (requests having been made by the church of which the candidate is a member).

This board shall examine all candidates by a set of questions, approved by the Association, and if the examination proves satisfactory, recommendation(s) will be made to the Association.

This board shall act on all matters of credentials pertaining to individuals or churches as invited by the local church (in writing), and make recommendations to the Association. This board will meet with, examine, and make recommendations on all churches requesting membership into the Association.

The procedure followed by this board for ministerial and deacon candidates, examining churches, minister's yearly reporting, yearly ordination cards, and ministers communication, is outlined in the By-laws Articles I, II, III, IV.

This Board shall have authority to elect such officers as necessary to carry out its functions.

C. Mission Board. This board shall be composed of not less than five (5) members and so constituted that a portion of the members shall be elected annually for five years.

This board shall labor to further the gospel of Jesus Christ unto the uttermost parts of the earth. In accomplishing this, they are to endeavor to establish missions and churches in communities within the bounds of this Association.

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They shall also promote the missionary endeavor of the National Association of Free Will Baptists.

This board shall have the authority to elect such officers as necessary to carry out its functions.

The General Board recommends that these job descriptions be tabled giving time to member churches to study them and allow the required time for constitutional changes.

CTS report was given by Glenn Guild. There is a need for a Camp Director, another board member, and workers. The Camp dates for 1992 are August 3-8.

Missionary Conference report was given by Rev. David Taylor. The conference dates are March 22-25. Missionaries expected are Ernest

Holland, Ken Eagleton, Sr. and the Mexican Quartet. There are still some openings for lodging and meals as well as a host church for Monday night.

An Obituary Committee was appointed: Linda Harvey, Chairperson, Pam Taylor and Joyce Norman members.

An Audit Committee was appointed: Gordon Parker, Chairman, Walt Spears, Peggy Kimbrell members, and Don Winemiller, alternate.

The congregation sang, "Silent Night," which was followed with MSC to adjourn. Closing prayer offered by Rev. L.G. Gregg.

Pat Atchley, Clerk

# ANNUAL QUARTERLY CONFERENCE - March 14, 1992

Convening at Community Fellowship Free Will Baptist Church, Phoenix.

Morning Session

Song leader, Mel Strahl, led the congregation in singing, "When We All Get To Heaven," accompanied by pianist Robin Peters. A special altar of prayer for Louise Vandivort, who faces cancer surgery, and her family, was led by Rev. David Taylor to begin our service. Congregational singing continued with, "Come And Dine."

A devotional and personal testimony was shared by Glenn Guild on the topic "Together For Friendship, Fellowship, And Service," using Ephesians 4:32 and I Corinthians 13:1-8. He spoke of the burden God has placed on him for the lost in Arizona. An altar of prayer for our Arizona churches and their faithfulness and fruitfulness was led by Rev. Larry Reynolds.

Call to enter conference was made by Moderator Larry Reynolds. Letters were read from the following churches:

West Valley FWB Church\* Sunset FWB Church\* Cathedral Of The Cross FWB Church\* North Valley FWB Church\* Trinity FWB Church Community Fellowship FWB Church First FWB Church, Tucson

Delegates were seated, and visiting brethren were invited to sit as advisors. A welcome was extended by host Pastor, Rev. Harold Sanders.

The Treasurer's report for the fourth quarter and the mission account financial report were given by Mel Strahl, Treasurer. MSC

Rev. Mark Vandivort shared a verbal report regarding the Flagstaff project for raising money toward building a church on their property. He asked that we pray for 6000 people who will give \$10.00 or more to the Flagstaff project. This money will be loaned, interest free, to our mission church. The debt free 2.5 acres of land can secure the loan. The money will be paid back into a perpetual loan fund for other home mission churches. There is also another plan where churches, associations, or individuals may place \$100.00 or more on deposit with the National Home Missions Department for this purpose. The same principle will apply.

The Business Committee was appointed: Rev. George Harvey, Jr., Chairman, Jack Corn, and Rev. Mark Vandivort members.

Minutes from December 14, 1991 were read and accepted.

Worship service opened with the congregation singing "I'll Fly Away." Prayer was offered by Rev. L.G. Gregg. Special music, "I Found The Lily In The Valley," was sung by Lois Sanders, accompanied by Robin Peters, piano, and Harold Sanders, organ.

Ralph Addington gave thanks for the offering, and a piano and guitar duet was rendered. Congregational singing continued with, "The Old Rugged Cross Made The Difference." Robin Peters accompanied Rev. and Mrs. Sanders as they sang "The Only Real Peace" and "Had It Not Been." The morning message, "Characteristics Of Christianity," from Acts 11:26 was delivered by Rev. George Harvey, Jr., who prayed that each of us would be more like Christ. An invitation song, "Just As I Am," was sung.

# Afternoon Session

Mel Strahl, song leader, led the congregation in "Mansion Over the Hilltop," accompanied by Linda Harvey. Opening prayer was led by Don Ingram.

The emphasis was on increase, as Walt Spears shared devotional thoughts from Proverbs 29:25, Matthew 16:24,25 and the theme "Double In A Decade." Don Davis led in prayer.

The Business Committee report was given by Rev. George Harvey, Jr.:

1. Recommendation that the clerk send a letter to the State Association requesting that a letter be sent to the National Association recommending that a special altar of prayer be instituted prior to each official business meeting of the National Association. MSC

2. Recommend a standing vote of thanks be given to the Host church. Accepted by compliance.

3. Recommend that half of today's offering be reserved toward tuition for Youth Camp and half to Harold Ambrose, Field Supervisor for the American Indian Crusade. Motion to add to the offering, from the general fund, enough to total \$80.00 and divide it equally between the two. MSC

A Youth Camp report was given by Don Davis. Several camp sites have been visited in an effort to find a location more acceptable to all.

The Obituary Report: The following members have gone to be with the Lord during the period of March 1991 to February 1992:

Dolly Wright of East Valley FWB Church Sadie Willis of Community Fellowship FWB Church Florence Fordyce of Trinity FWB Church

The congregation sang "What A Day That Will Be." Rev. Mark Vandivort introduced Harold Ambrose who shared a few thoughts about his calling and mission. He reminded us that we are God's children and were "Born To Reproduce." He closed his thoughts by requesting prayer for his work among the Indians.

The Audit Committee reports that they met on February 25, 1992. Gordon Parker, Chairman and Walt Spears met with Mel Strahl, Treasurer and audited the financial reports for the District Association and the District Mission account to include the checkbook, paid out receipts and bank statements. The Committee is pleased to report that there were no discrepancies found for the year. Mel Strahl is to be commended for his work and the accuracy which he maintains as treasurer for the District Association.

General Board Report:

1. Recommendation that monies collected to date for the Spear Van Fund (\$3818.16) be deposited in the District Home Missions account and that in the future any monies coming in for this account be deposited directly to the Home Missions Account. MSC

Old Business:

1. Motion to remove from the table Job Descriptions, a copy of which was sent to each church for study, and vote on them without reading them aloud. (#2 under General Board Report for December 14, 1991) MSC to accept and incorporate into the proper locations in the Constitution and By-Laws.

2. MSC to remove from the table the item in regard to the clerk's salary being raised to \$15.00 per quarter and implement as stated. MSC

The CTS Board report was given by Glenn Guild. Camp for 1992 will be at The Broken Arrow Campgrounds, August 3-8, 1992. Camp Director will be Don Davis. Teachers and counselors are still needed.

Nominating Committee report was given. There being no other nominations, MSC to elect by acclamation. Elected were:

Rev. Harold Sanders, Examining Bd, 5 yr. Rev. George Harvey, Jr., Examining Bd, 3 yr. Rev. Silven Fairchild, Mission Bd, 5 yr. Don Davis, CTS Bd, 3 yr. Clarence Kinney, Trustee Bd, 3 yr, Jack Corn, Trustee Bd, 1 yr. Jack Corn, Statutory Agent Walt Spears, Member-at-large, 2 yr. Ralph Addington, Asst. Treasurer Mel Strahl, Treasurer Dixie Guild, Asst. Clerk Pat Atchley, Clerk Rev. David Taylor, Asst. Moderator Rev. Larry Reynolds, Moderator

Delegate to the State Association will be Sherry Reynolds. If she is unable to be present the Moderator may appoint a replacement.

Mission Conference Report: The joint Mission Conference service will be at Trinity FWB Church, Tuesday, March 24, 1992 at 7:00 PM. The singing held to raise money for the Conference netted \$237.00.

A shut-in, Sister Simms from Community Fellowship FWB Church, reported 263 contacts made by phone.

MSC to adjourn. Closing prayer offered by Rev. Mark Vandivort. The congregation sang "I'm Going To Stroll Over Heaven With You."

Pat Atchley, Clerk

### FREEWILL BAPTIST DISTRICT MISSIONS MONEY MARKET ACCOUNT

#### TREASURY REPORT

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### DECEMBER 1ST, 1991 THROUGH FEBUARY 28TH, 1992

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BEGINNING BALANCE	\$ 11,726.15	BALANCE ON DEPOSIT MORCH LST, 1991	\$ 1,399.90
RECEIPTS RECEIVED	\$ 565.45	RECEIPTS RECEIVED	\$ 2,036.35
RECEIPTS PAID OUT	• 390.10	RECEIPT PAID OUT (EXPENDITURE)	\$ 1,879.11
ENDING BALANCE	• 11,901.50	ENDING BALANCE	\$ 1,557.14

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#### RECEIPIS RECEIVED

12/03/91	INTEREST \$	43.10	DISTRICT DUES CUNFERENCE OFFERINGS	\$ 1,736.00 \$ 217.14
12/14/91	IST CHURCH TUCSON ( DESIGNATED TO THE 4	238.20	STATE DUES AND DELEGATE FEES	\$ 22.00
	FOLLOWING: ) GEORGE HARVEY LAND FUND (\$ 53.10 )		INTEREST FRUM CHECKING	\$ 61.21
	GEORGE HARVEY (\$ 77.00)		101AL	1 2,036.35
	HOWARD GWARTNEY (\$ 60.00) GENERAL FUND (\$ 48.10)			
			RECEIPTS PAID OUT ( EXPENDITURES )	
•	INTEREST	43.82		
1/12/92	CUMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP ( DESIGNATED AS \$	100.00	TELEPHONE EXPENSES ( DISTRICT AND CAMP RELATED CALLS )	61.60
	FOLLOWS:) JIM TAYLOR ( \$ 50.00)		BOARD MEETING EXPENSES ("GENERAL AND CTS )	\$ 330.74
	LARRY REYNOLDS ( \$ 50,00 )		TRAVEL EXPENSES ( TO VARIOUS MEETINGS ).	\$ 216.20
2/04/92	INTEREST	40.33	OFFICE SUPPLIES ( PRINTING OF ANNUAL REPORT, STAMPS, ETC. )	\$ 60.54
S/16/9S	COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP ( DESIGNATED AS		STATE DELEGATE FEES	\$ 96.00
	FOLLOWS:) JIM TAYLOR ( \$ 50.00 )		_ CAMP EXPENSES ( CAMP SPEAKER )	\$ 300.00
	LARRY REYNOLDS ( \$ 50.00 )		PRINTING (STAMPS)	<b>\$</b> 8.39
	TOTAL \$	565.45	INSURANCE	\$ 314.00
	·		MISCELLANEOUS ( ART SUPPLIES AND RIBBONS, ETC. )	121.76
			PAT ATCHLEY ( CLERICAL HUNDRARIUM )	
			NATIONAL ASSUCIATION ( 10× OF DISTRICT DUES )	126.00
			SERVICE CHARGES	\$ 92.56
	•		WEST VALLEY ( GIFT FUR THEIR LAND FUND )	\$ 50.00
			CATHEDRAL OF THE CROSS ( CONFERENCE DESIGNATION )	<b>\$</b> 47.00
	EXPENDITURES		L.G. GREGG ( CONFERENCE DESIGNATION TO HIS RADIO MINISTRY ) TOTAL	\$

12/14/91	NATIONAL ASSUCIATION ( HOME MISSIONS ) SEE RECEIPTS RECEIVED FOR DESIGNATION.	\$	190.10
1/16/92	NATIONAL ASSOCIATION ( HOME MISSIONS ) SEE RECEIPTS RECEIVED FOR DESIGNATION.	<b>. 1</b>	100.00
2/16/92	NATIONAL ASSOCIATION ( HUME MISSIONS ) SEE RECEIPTS RECEIVED FUR DESIGNATION.	\$	100.00
	TUTAL	\$	390.10

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### LOX OF DISTRICT DUES GO TO C. T. S.

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2ND QUARTER	\$	57.17
3RD QUARTER	_1	51.37
TUTAL	\$	108.54