

MINUTES
of the
Sixty-seventh Annual Session
of the
ARKANSAS STATE ASSOCIATION
of
FREE WILL BAPTISTS
at the
Free Will Baptist Youth Camp

ON TUNNEL ROAD — CONWAY, ARKANSAS
SEPTEMBER 30 - OCTOBER 2, 1964



The next regular session will convene at the Free Will Baptist Youth Camp on Tunnel Road, Conway, Arkansas, beginning Wednesday Evening, September 29 - October 1, 1965



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Moderator, Rev. G. G. Dipboye Route 3, Van Buren, Arkansas
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PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 30, 1964

The Sixty-seventh annual session of the Arkansas State Association of Free Will Baptists met at the Youth Camp on Tunnel Road in Conway Arkansas.

Prelude: Sis. Maxine Bostic at the piano.

Hymn: "Revive Us Again", led by Rev. W. H. Bostic, pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Russellville, Arkansas.

Prayer led by Rev. Marion Pettus, Pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Glenwood, Arkansas.

Hymn, "Will Jesus Find Us Watching?", led by Rev. W. H. Bostic.

The Clerk officially called the session to order and introduced the Moderator, Rev. Ben Scott, pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Jonesboro, Arkansas.

The Moderator's message was based upon a thought found in Ezekiel 7:23. A most appropriate welcome address was given for this sixty-seventh annual session introducing the theme: "Redeeming the Time." Ephesians 5:16.

The Moderator introduced Rev. Carl Cheshire, State League Board Member, to present the camp facilities. The General Officers of the Arkansas State Association were introduced by the moderator. New pastors to the State were introduced. Rev. W. H. Bostic, First Church of Russellville, Arkansas, Rev. Dean Dobbs, First Church of Pochontas, Arkansas.

Visitors introduced were: Dr. L. C. Johnson, president of the Free Will Baptist Bible College of Nashville, Tennessee. Rev. Billy Melvin, Executive Secretary for the National Association of Free Will Baptist. Mr. Samuel Johnson, Church Training Service Director of the National Association of Free Will Baptist. Rev. Rufus Coffee, Missions Conference Director for the National Association of Free Will Baptist. Bro. and Sis. Charlie Price, members of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Wichita, Kansas. Sis. Nora Campbell, member of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Shreveport, Louisiana.

The Committee on Committees was nominated from the floor: Bro. Dean Tucker, Rev. Tommy Day, Rev. W. S. Isbell, Rev. Melvin Knott, and Bro. A. T. Blanks, Motion made that nominations cease and these be elected by acclamation. Seconded. Carried.

Hymn; "Bring Them In", directed by Rev. W. H. Bostic, Sis. Bostic at the piano.

The Moderator asked a show of hands of all present who had never attended a session of the Arkansas State Association of Free Will Baptist. Seven were present for the first time. The Hymn, "Heavenly Sunlight" was sung as the congregation engaged in a fellowship handshake.

Prayer was led by Rev. Rufus Coffee.

The Moderator introduced Rev. J. W. Blanks, pastor of the Allen's Chapel Free Will Baptist Church of Bateville, Arkansas, to bring the Introductory message.

Scripture: Luke 19:41-44 Text: Joel 2:15-17: Theme: "Revival in the Churches." Prayer by Bro. Blanks. A very informative, and inspiring message.

REPORT NO. 1. Motion was made to accept the partial report of the Committee on Committees. Seconded. Carried.*

Dismissed in Prayer by Rev. Bob King, Pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Paris, Arkansas.

*See reports in back of minutes.

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THURSDAY MORNING — 9:00 A.M. — OCTOBER 1, 1964.

Opened by singing, Hymn, "Since Jesus Came Into My Heart," led by Rev. W. H. Bostic, Sis. Barbara Johnson at the piano.

Rev. Bob King, the Assistant Moderator, was introduced to bring the morning devotions. Scripture: Luke 16:1-12. Thought: "Will the stewardship be taken from us?" Prayer by Bro. King.

Welcome address by the Moderator. Called to order to transact business by introducing the standing delegates composed of Ministers, Deacons, and District Clerks. They were asked to stand and receive the charge from the moderator.

REPORT NO. 2. Motion made to adopt the partial report of the Credentials Committee. Seconded. Carried. The registered delegates were asked to stand and receive the charge from the Moderator.*

Visitors were introduced.

A motion was made to adopt the program with the privilege of making necessary changes. Seconded. Carried.

REPORT NO. 3. The Moderator introduced the State Executive-Secretary and Treasurer, Rev. Loyd Thomas to give his annual report. Motion made to adopt the report. Seconded. Carried.*

The Moderator declared the chair open for nominations for a Parliamentarian. Rev. William Mishler was nominated. Motion made to elect Bro Mishler by acclamation. Seconded. Carried.*

REPORT NO. 4. The Board of Christian Education report was given by Rev. Keith Johnson, chairman and Pastor of the First Free Baptist Church of Walnut Ridge, Arkansas. Motion was made to received the report. Seconded. Carried.*

Motion made to ask Dr. L. C. Johnson to give us a report on our Free Will Baptist Bible College in Nashville, Tennessee.

REPORT NO. 5. The report of the Sunday School Board was given by Rev. William J. Mishler, chairman; and pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Newport, Arkansas. Motion made to adopt the report along with the financial statement. Seconded. Carried.*

REPORT NO. 6. The partial report of the Missions Board was given by Rev. Bob Francis, chairman, and Pastor of the Willoughby Free Will Baptist Church of Warren, Arkansas. Motion to adopt the report along with the financial statement. Seconded. Carried.*

A motion made to invite Rev. Billy Melvin to give us a word of Welcome and a report of the progress of our denomination. Seconded. Carried.

Partial report (Report No. 1) of the Committee on Committees given by the Assistant Clerk. Motion made to receive. Seconded. Carried.

REPORT NO. 7. The report of the Executive Board was given by the Assistant Clerk. Motion made to receive the report. Seconded. Carried.

The full-time evangelist, Rev. Charles Black, was introduced by the moderator. Motion made that we adjourn the business session for the worship hour. Seconded. Carried.

Dismissed in prayer by Dr. L. C. Johnson.

MORNING WORSHIP

Call to order by singing, Hymn, "Rescue The Perishing", led by Rev. Marion Pettus, Sis. Barbara Johnson at the piano. Prayer led by Rev. Melvin Knott.

The "Waves of Faith" Quartet, Rev. Gilbert Pixley, Rev. Rupert Pixley, Rev. L. C. Crowder, and Rev. Bob King, sang, "He Will Pilot Me." Sis. Maxine Bostic was at the piano.

*See reports in back of minutes.

The moderator introduced Rev. Fred Warner, fulltime Evangelist, to bring the 11:00 o'clock message. Scripture: Acts 8:4. Theme: "Redeeming the time through Evangelism". Subject "THE URGENCY OF THE HOUR." Words cannot convey the power and inspiration and magnitude of this message. Closed by Prayer led by Bro. Warner.

Rev. Roy Thomas, Pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Denver, Colorado, was introduced as a visitor.

Hymn, "Amazing Grace", led by Bro. Marion Pettus, Sis. Barbara Johnson at the piano.

Dismissing prayer and blessing on the noon meal given by Rev. Charles Black.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON — 1:15

Called to order by singing, "Stand Up, Stand Up For Jesus", led by Rev. W. H. Bostic, Sis. Bonnie Doggett at the piano.

Rev. Gene White, pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Charleston, Arkansas was introduced to bring the evening devotional. Scripture: Ecclesiastes 3:1, 17. Closed by Prayer.

REPORT NO. 8. The report of the State League Board given by the Secretary and Treasurer, Rev. J. W. Blanks, Pastor of the Allen's Chapel Free Will Baptist Church of Batesville, Arkansas. Motion made to receive the report and table the recommendation that involves a constitutional change. Seconded. Carried.*

Motion made that Bro. Samuel Johnson bring us a word of greetings from the National Church Training Service. Seconded. Carried.

REPORT NO. 9. The report of the State Woman's Auxiliary given by the Secretary Sis. Hazel Mann. Motion made to receive the report. Seconded. Carried.*

The chair declared nominations in order to elect speakers for the 68th session.

Introductory Message: Rev. Carl Cheshier nominated. Motion made that nominations cease and we elect by acclamation. Seconded. Carried.

Alternate Speaker. Rev. Tommy Day nominated. Motion made that nominations cease and we elect by acclamation. Seconded. Carried.

Memorial Message: Rev. Rupert Pixley nominated. Motion made that nominations cease and we elect by acclamation. Seconded. Carried.

Alternate Speaker. Rev. Gene White nominated. Motion made that nominations cease and we elect by acclamation. Seconded. Carried.

Motion made that Rev. Rufus Coffee, in charge of Conference Ministries for the National Foreign Missions Board, give us a report on the work of that department. Seconded. Carried.

A motion made that a free will offering be taken in the evening service. The offering to be divided equally between National Home and Foreign missions. Second. Carried.

A Motion was made that Rev. Don Payne, President of the Oklahoma Bible College, bring us a word of greetings and report on the work of the College. Seconded. Carried. His devotional thought was found in Philippians 1:5, 12, 17.

REPORT NO. 10. The partial report of the Resolutions Committee given by Rev. William J. Mishler, chairman. Motion made to receive the report and vote on the resolutions item by item.

*See report in back of minutes.

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Resolution No. 1. Motion made to adopt. Second. Carried.*

Resolution No. 2. Motion made to adopt. Second. Carried.*

Resolution No. 3. Motion made to adopt. Second.* Motion made to amend this motion by addition, "to be effective in 1966". Seconded. Carried.* Main motion carried.

Motion to adjourn business until tomorrow. Seconded. Carried.

Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Elbert McClellan, Pastor of the Macedonia Free Will Baptist Church of New Edinburg, Arkansas.

Called to order by singing Hymn, "Send The Light", directed by Rev. Marion Pettus. Sis. Barbara Johnson at the piano.

Prayer led by Rev. Jessie Pratt, pastor of Center Point Free Will Baptist Church of Vilonia, Arkansas.

The moderator asked all ministers to stand. Thirty-eight were present. Rev. H. A. Lewis was introduced as the oldest minister in service. He had served forty-one years of successful ministry. Rev. D. L. Wright and Rev. Gene White were introduced as being young men in the ministry, with less than five (5) years service.

The Missions Board was introduced by the chairman Rev. Bob Francis. Rev. Rupert Pixley was introduced as a National Home Mission Board member as well as Rev. Roy Thomas.

The "Waves of Faith" Quartet was asked to sing, "The Lord Is My Shepherd". Sis. Maxine Bostic at the piano. Rev. Marion Pettus sang a solo entitled, "Until Then". Sis. Barbara Johnson at the piano.

The Moderator introduced the newly elected president of the State Woman's Auxiliary, Sis. Betty Sawrie, who in turn presented the retiring president, Sis. Genelle Scott with a gift of appreciation for her four years of faithful service to the State Woman's Auxiliary.

A free will offering of \$95.87 was taken while the hymn, "Jesus Saves", was directed by Rev. Marion Pettus, with Sis. Barbara Johnson at the piano.

The Moderator introduced Rev. Roy Thomas, Pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Denver, Colorado, to bring the evening message. He gave us a report on the work in Denver as well as other fields across the United States.

Scripture: Numbers 32:1-15. Theme: "REDEEMING THE TIME THROUGH MISSIONS." Subject: SHALL YOUR BRETHREN GO TO WAR, AND SHALL YE SIT HERE? Text: Numbers 32:6. God's servant brought forth a message anointed by the Holy Spirit that touched the hearts of many people. Bro. Thomas closed the message with prayer.

Hymn, "On Jordan's Stormy Banks" was sung as a free will offering was accepted to be divided equally between Rev. Roy Thomas and Rev. Fred Warner.

Hymn, "Amazing Grace". Congregational Announcements: The Love offering was \$67.83. Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Rupert Pixley, pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Ft. Smith, Arkansas.

FRIDAY MORNING — 9:00 O'CLOCK

Opening Hymn. "He Set Me Free", directed by Rev. H. E. Taylor, pastor of the Harmony Free Will Baptist Church of Rye, Arkansas. Sis. Nellie King at the piano. Hymn, "If Salvation Had Not Been Free.", directed by Rev. Bob King, pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Paris, Arkansas.

The Assistant Moderator introduced Rev. Cecil Garrison, pastor of the Phillips Chapel Church of Springdale, Arkansas to bring the devotional. Scripture: 2 Corinthians 4:1-6. Prayer by Bro. Garrison. Hymn, "Amazing Grace", led by Rev. W. H. Bostic. Sis. Nellie King at the piano.

*See report in back of minutes.

REPORT NO. 11. The moderator introduced the State Statistician, Rev. W. S. Isbell, to give his report. Motion made to adopt this report and print the report as last year on graph, also we commend Bro. Isbell for his faithful service. Seconded. Carried.*

Rev. Henry Brown, Clerk, presented a plea to all associations to keep better records. Motion made to authorize the State Executive Secretary to purchase report blanks and make them available for distribution in order for our records to be more uniform. Seconded. Carried.

REPORT NO. 12. The report of the auditing committee given by the Assistant Clerk. Motion made to adopt this report. Seconded. Carried.*

REPORT NO. 13. The report of the placement committee was given by the assistant clerk. Motion made to adopt the report. Seconded. Carried.*

REPORT NO. 14. The Budget Committee report given by the assistant clerk. Motion to adopt this report. Seconded. Carried.*

REPORT NO. 15. The report of the Temperance Committee given by Rev. T. J. Robertson, pastor of the Mt. Home Free Will Baptist Church of Clarksville, Arkansas. Motion to adopt his report. Seconded. Carried.*

Resolutions committee partial report given by the assistant clerk. Motion made to receive the report and vote on it item by item. Seconded. Carried.*

Resolution No. 4. Motion to adopt. Seconded. Carried.*

REPORT NO. 16. The report of the Registration Committee was given by the assistant clerk. Motion to adopt. Seconded. Carried.*

The final report (Report No. 6) of the Missions Board was given by the chairman, Rev. Bob Francis. Motion to accept the report and adopt the recommendation. Seconded. Carried.

REPORT NO. 17. The Obituary Committee report given by Sis. Ethel Wilson. Motion made to adopt this report. Seconded. Carried.

An oral report of the State Ministers and Deacons Conference given by Rev. William J. Mishler. The next conference to meet November 20-21 at the First Free Will Baptist Church of Pine Bluff, Arkansas. A motion to receive this oral report. Seconded. Carried.

The chair opened nominations for delegates to the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION:

Genelle Scott, Barbara Cheshier, Barbara Johnson, Maxine Bostic, Norma Pettus, nominated. Motion made that nominations cease and we proceed to elect by acclamation, Seconded. Carried.

REPORT NO. 18. Partial report of the Nomination Committee given by the assistant clerk. Motion to receive and elect one by one. Seconded. Carried.*

Executive Board — 5 year term — Rev. Lewis Barker.

Missions Board — 5 year term — Rev. William J. Mishler.

Sunday School Board — 5 year term — Rev. Dean Dobbs.

Sunday School Board — 1 year term — Rev. Opie Hargraves.

Church Training Service Board — 5 year term — Rev. Lawnie Coffman.

Christian Education Board—5 year term—Rev. Melvin Knott.

Program Committee: Moderator, Clerk. Promotional Secretary & Treasurer.

Motion made to cease nominations and elect by acclamation. Seconded. Carried.*

*See report in back of minute.

Motion made to pay \$40.00 to each of the delegates elected who can attend and represent us at the National Association, or to those appointed to serve. Seconded. Carried.

The second partial report of the Nominating Committee (Report No. 18) given by the assistant clerk. Motion to receive. Seconded. Carried.*

Motion to take from the table the recommendation in report No. 8. Seconded. A motion to amend the main motion to ask the League Board to check into the legal matters of making the change of name. Seconded. Carried. The main motion carried.

Motion made to give Rev. Don Payne and Rev. Roger Reeds five minutes each to discuss their work in our denomination. Seconded. Carried. Rev. Don Payne is President of the Oklahoma Bible College of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Rev. Roger Reeds is general director of the National Sunday School Program.

Final report (Report No. 13) of the Nominating Committee: Motion to receive and vote on one by one. Seconded. Carried.

Promotional Secretary & Treasurer, Rev. Loyd Thomas nominated. Motion made to cease nominations and elect by acclamation. Seconded. Carried.

State Statistician, Rev. W. S. Isbell, nominated. Motion made to cease nominations and elect by acclamation. Seconded. Carried.

Assistant Clerk, Rev. Bill Hall, nominated. Motion made to cease nominations and elect by acclamation. Seconded. Carried.

Clerk; Rev. Alton Loveless, nominated. Motion made to cease nominations and elect by acclamation. Second. Carried.

Assistant Moderator, Rev. Bob King, nominated. Motion made to cease nominations and elect by acclamation. Seconded. Carried.

Moderator, Rev. Ben Scott, nominated. Motion made to cease nominations and elect by Acclamation. Second. Carried.

Motion made to give Rev. Henry Brown a rising vote of thanks for six years of faithful service as State Clerk. Seconded. Carried.

Recess declared by the Moderator.

MORNING WORSHIP — MEMORIAL SERVICE

Called to worship by singing, "The Unclouded Day", led by Rev. W. H. Bostic. Sis. Maxine Bostic at the piano. Prayer led by Rev. Bob Mantooth.

Special song, "What A Day That Will Be." Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Bostic, Sis. Nellie King at the piano.

Final report of the Obituary Committee given by Sis. Ethel Wilson. Hymn. "We are Going Down The Valley" led by Bro. W. H. Bostic, Maxine Bostic at the piano.

Prayer led by the Moderator, Rev. Ben Scott.

Rev. Gilbert Pixley, pastor of the Bethlehem Free Will Baptist Church of Van Buren, Arkansas was introduced to bring the Memorial Message.

The song, "I'm Bound For That City", was sung by Bro. Pixley, Bro. Bob King, Bro. L. C. Crowder, and Bro. W. H. Bostic. Maxine Bostic at the piano.

Scripture: Psalms 112:1-6. God blessed the hearts of all present with a great comforting message.

Final report of the Church Training Service Board. Motion made to receive the report and adopt the recommendation. Seconded. Carried.

*See report in back of minutes.

Motion made, in regard to the charge given to the Christian Education Board last year concerning contact with Oklahoma Bible College, it seems that the purpose has been well accomplished. Bro. Payne has practically invited some type of participation from us which seems to be what this association was feeling for, therefore I move that the Christian Education Board be requested to continue to explore the possibilities of a workable situation between the Arkansas State Association of Free Will Baptists and the Oklahoma Bible College. Seconded. Carried.

Motion made that we give a vote of thanks to New Hope District Woman's Auxiliary for the beautiful flowers. Also our thanks to the Saline Association for the use of the Public Address System. Seconded. Carried.

Motion made to send the flowers to Sis. Gladys Pixley, Seconded. Carried.

Hymn, "God Be With You." led by Bro. W. H. Bostic, Sis. Maxine Bostic at the piano, while a good old fashioned hand shake was enjoyed by all.

Final benediction and blessing on the noon meal given by Rev. Henry Brown, the retiring clerk, and pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Booneville, Arkansas.

COMMITTEE AND BOARD REPORTS

REPORT No. 1 — COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

We recommend the following to serve on the various committees:

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE: Mr. M. B. Williams, Rev. Kenneth Doggett, Rev. Dean Dobbs, Rev. Carl Cheshier, and Marion Pettus.

TEMPERANCE: Rev. Tommy Robertson, Mrs. Ruth Swan, Bro. H. B. Doyle, Rev. Johnnie Hale, Mrs. Prue Jones.

BUDGET: Rev. Willard Day, Rev. Bill Hall, Rev. J. W. Blanks, Rev. Kenneth Doggett, Bro. M. B. Williams.

NOMINATING: Rev. Keith Johnson, Rev. Lawnie Coffman, Rev. Bob Francis, Rev. D. L. Wright, Rev. Lewis Barker.

PLACEMENT: Rev. Elbert McClellan, Rev. Noel Easterling, Mrs. Bob King.

OBITUARY: Mrs. Ethel E. Wilson, Mrs. Lathan Thompson, Mrs. Emma Hargraves.

AUDITING: Rev. Opie Hargrave, Rev. Gilbert Pixley, Mrs. Lucy Williams.

RESOLUTIONS: Rev. William Mishler, Rev. Cecil Garrison, Bro. Robert Partee, Bro. Ottis Cook, Rev. Fred Warner.

REGISTRATION: Mrs. Ben Scott, Mrs. Carl Johnson.

MUSIC COMMITTEE: Rev. W. H. Bostic, Mrs. W. H. Bostic.

YOUR COMMITTEE: Bro. Dean Tucker, Rev. Tommy Day, Rev. W. S. Isbell, Rev. Melvin Knott, Bro. A. T. Blanks.

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REPORT No. 2 — CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

We, your Credentials Committee, find all 14 Districts represented by letter and 17 churches represented by reported delegates.

Your Committee: M. B. Williams, Kenneth Doggett,
Dean Dobbs, Carl Chesheir,
Marion Pettus.

REPORT No. 3 — ARKANSAS FREE WILL BAPTISTS PROMOTIONAL DIRECTOR-TREASURER'S REPORT From October 1, 1963 through Sept. 30, 1964

Received from Associations

Social Band Association:

Cooperative	\$ 2,492.74	
General Fund	19.15	
State Home Missions	5.00	
Youth Camp	50.00	
Foreign Missions	1,490.33	
Nat. Home Missions	9.50	
Misc.	106.00	
Vision	90.29	\$ 4,263.01

Unity Association

Cooperative	\$ 2,039.12	
General Fund	40.29	
Youth Camp	6.00	
Foreign Missions	273.17	
Nat. Home Missions	335.13	
Misc.	36.00	
Vision	59.50	\$ 2,789.21

Central Association

Cooperative	\$ 1,448.13	
General Fund	21.30	
Youth Camp	50.00	
Foreign Missions	628.35	
Nat. Home Missions	45.55	
Bible College	192.00	
Misc.	21.00	
Vision	89.00	\$ 2,495.33

Saline Association

Cooperative	\$ 1,129.30	
General Fund	72.00	
Youth Camp	5.00	
Foreign Missions	555.03	
Nat. Home Missions	42.20	
Misc.	96.00	
Vision	69.32	\$ 1,968.85

Polk Bayou Association

Cooperative	\$ 747.57	
General Fund	50.82	
Foreign Missions	253.88	
Nat. Home Missions	82.83	
Misc.	92.00	
Vision	75.08	\$ 1,302.18

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New Hope Association

Cooperative	\$ 217.16	
General Fund	219.67	
Youth Camp	4.00	
Foreign Missions	25.50	
Nat. Home Missions	32.54	
Misc.	94.00	
Vision	101.42	\$ 694.29

Little Mo. River Association

Cooperative	\$ 129.55	
General Fund	18.00	
Foreign Missions	389.67	
Nat. Home Missions	65.00	
Misc.	15.00	
Vision	49.00	\$ 666.22

Old Mt. Zion Association

Cooperative	\$ 294.82	
General Fund	173.00	
Misc.	55.00	
Vision	42.00	\$ 564.82

Antioch Association

Cooperative	\$ 53.37	
General Fund	50.00	
State Home Missions	5.00	
Youth Camp	75.00	
Foreign Missions	22.60	
Nat. Home Missions	50.00	
Misc.	100.00	
Vision	53.00	\$ 408.97

Big Springs Association

Cooperative	\$ 15.00	
General Fund	6.00	
State Home Missions	10.00	
Youth Camp	25.00	
Foreign Missions	273.44	
Nat. Home Missions	29.12	
Misc.	5.00	
Vision	19.00	\$ 382.56

Arkansas Association

Cooperative	\$ 204.00	
General Fund	25.00	
Misc.	50.00	
Vision	5.00	\$ 284.00

Zion Hope No. 2 Association

Cooperative	\$ 11.94	
General Fund	34.83	
Misc.	70.00	
Vision	18.50	\$ 135.27

Rich Mountain Association

Cooperative	\$ 35.00	
General Fund	5.00	
Misc.	30.00	\$ 70.00

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Harmony Association

General Fund	\$ 13.61	
Misc.	6.00	
Vision	17.00	\$ 36.61

Total Giving from Associations	\$16,061.32	
Total Book Sales	2,013.92	
Misc. for the National Home Missions.....	55.85	
Individual Subscription for Vision	30.50	
Misc. Receipts	522.62	\$18,684.21

Total Received for each fund

Cooperative	\$ 8,817.70	
General Fund	748.67	
State Home Missions	20.00	
Youth Camp	215.00	
Foreign Missions	3,911.97	
National Home Missions	747.72	
Misc. Receipts (\$968.00 Rep. Fee, \$522.62 other)	1,490.62	
Vision	718.61	
Book Sales	2,013.92	\$18,684.21

Balance Brought Forward	637.65	
Total from all sources,		\$19,321.86

Expenditures from October 1, 1963 to Sept. 30, 1964:

Promotional Directors Salary	\$ 1,800.00
Promotional Directors Mileage	289.18
Mileage for Board Members	244.28
Stamps and Postage	153.66
Utilities	221.34
Books for Resale	1,798.92
Foreign Missions	4,136.97
National Home Missions	747.72
Cooperative	3,820.57
League Board	1,455.07
Bible College	197.00
Office Supplies	130.47
Vision	810.84
Sales Tax	51.11
Repayment of Loan	263.50
Contributions to New Churches	255.00

Miscellaneous Expenses

State Meeting Expenses	\$ 621.60	
Song Books for State Association	66.95	
Printing of Minutes	285.00	
Ministers Retreat	69.95	
Representation Fee to National Association	95.00	
Litter Bags and Freight	57.40	
Deep Freeze Repair	85.00	
Camp Labor	33.74	
Other	394.41	\$18,084.68

Total Giving to National Association	\$ 8,902.26
TOTAL AMOUNT RECEIVED	\$19,321.86
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	18,084.68

Amount in bank September 30, 1964	1,237.18
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Fund Balance:

State Home Missions	\$ 1,368.70	
Christian Education	137.48	
Sunday School	156.40	\$ 1,662.58
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General Fund (overdrawn)	363.04	
Misc.	44.14	
Vision	18.22	\$ 425.40
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Book Balance, September 30, 1964	\$ 1,237.18	
Accounts Receivable	\$ 39.00	\$ 39.00
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Accounts Payable:		
On Books	70.93	
On Vision	80.00	\$ 150.93
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Assets:

Office Equipment	\$ 125.00	
Promotional Equipment	150.00	
Bookstore Merchandise	\$ 1,044.50	
Total Assets		\$ 1,319.50

Respectfully Submitted
Rev. Loyd Thomas

REPORT No. 4 — BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

1. We have held three meetings during the past year.
2. We planned and conducted a Ministers' Retreat at the Camp Grounds May 4-5 with 11 Ministers attending.
3. Balance in our account at the end of this year is \$137.48.

Your Committee: Keith Johnson, Chm., David Joslin,
Jack Dodson, Proxy (Cecil Sanders)

REPORT No. 5 — SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD

To the Arkansas State Association of Free Will Baptists:

Since the responsibility of religious teaching has always been that of the local church, and rightly so, and since any and all forms of religious teaching have been barred from the Public Schools of our Country, we wish to re-emphasize the important place the Sunday Schools of our local churches have in the field of religious teaching.

FIRST—The local church through the Sunday School is responsible for the teaching of the Bible, and doctrinal precepts to the membership and those who attend our various classes.

SECOND—The Sunday School is to be an evangelistic arm of the local church. One of the main purposes of the Sunday School is to win to Christ and the Church those who are unchurched and lost.

THIRD—The local Church through the Sunday School is responsible to teach the doctrines and practices of the Free Will Baptist Church as these relate to the Bible. This can only be done by qualified teachers and workers who are faithful members of the local church, willing to prepare themselves for this great task.

In view of these tremendous responsibilities resting upon the Sunday Schools of our local Churches, your Sunday School Board makes the following recommendations:

1. Since we now have published and available from our National Sunday School Dept. in Nashville, Tenn. for all classes (Age Groups)

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in the Sunday School, and since these materials are written and edited by Free Will Baptist personnel, and present the Bible Doctrines as taught by our Church. We recommended that all churches belonging to this State Association use these materials in their Local Sunday Schools.

2. We recommend that each Church Sponsor a Sunday School Enlargement Campaign, and an officers and teachers training program at least once a year.

3. In view of the modernistic and liberalistic views of the Bible and the Church now being taken by the National Council of Churches, and their approval of the Ecumenical movement (One Church, One Head), and Whereas, our present Sunday School Outlines (International Sunday School Outlines) are published and controlled by this organization, and purchased for use by our National Sunday School Dept., we recommend that Arkansas State Association of Free Will Baptists go on record as repudiating the use of the International Sunday School Lesson Outlines, and that we endorse the New Curriculum (and Scripture outlines) that is to be published and made available by our national Sunday School Board. These Materials are to be available by the first quarter of 1966.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD:

Amount brought forward Oct. 1, 1963	\$ 68.41
Receipts from 1% of State Co-op Program	87.99
Total	<u>\$156.40</u>
Disbursements for the year:	
To the Vision Fund	50.00
Balance in Treasury Sept. 30, 1964	<u>\$106.40</u>
Respectfully Submitted:	
Sunday School Board	

REPORT No. 6 — MISSIONS BOARD

The State Missions Board held three meetings during the past year. During this year we began the "NEW CHURCH CLUB" which will help greatly in the establishing of new churches throughout the State. At the present time we have but a few churches who have a membership and a few individuals. The church membership is \$5.00 and the individual is \$1.00. Total at present is \$147.00.

There is a great need throughout the state for new churches. May our hearts be moved to go into new places as Free Will Baptists for Christ.

At the time we mailed out our letters explaining the club membership a survey card was mailed for the purpose of planning missionary itinerates. Of the 160 letters mailed only 12 were returned to us. We do, however, appreciate those who have co-operated with us in having our missionaries and appointees in your churches.

Financial report:

Given to New Churches:

Malvern	\$200.00
Designated	5.00
	<u>\$205.00</u>
Dardanelle	50.00

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We sponsored the State Promotional Secretary to Nashville, Tennessee to attend the Promotional Directors Conference. We also helped his expense to the National Association. Total of \$73.00.

Mileage for Board members throughout the year . . . \$166.77.

Printing and postage \$83.32. Phone \$23.51. In November we gave \$50.00 to Vision and in June we paid for the paper \$81.83.

The Arkansas State Missions Board met Oct. 1, 1964, and translated the following business. We voted to transfer from the Missions fund \$363.04 to the General fund.

Also we recommend that each association appoint a man to take care of missionary itinerates in that area.

Bob Francis, Chairman

Kenneth Doggett, Secretary

REPORT No. 7 — EXECUTIVE BOARD

The State Executive Board of the Free Will Baptist of the State of Ark. met April 25th at the State camp grounds in Conway, Ark. This Board met jointly with the Christian Education Board.

Members present on Executive Board were: Rev. Marion Pettus, Rev. Gilbert Pixley, Rev. L. C. Crowder. Christian Education Board members present: Rev. Keith Johnson and Rev. Oris Doggett. Promotional Secretary Rev. Loyd Thomas was also present.

As passed in the last session of the State Association that these two boards arrange to go to Oklahoma City, Okla. and meet with the proper authorities in the interest of the Oklahoma Bible College.

The meeting at Oklahoma City was held May 23, 1964. Only the following were able to make the trip: Rev. Gilbert Pixley, Rev. Marion Pettus, Rev. Loyd Thomas. They met with the brethren at Oklahoma City and report the School Fundamental in Doctrine, and that property had been purchased and the School established and they welcome the attendance of any Arkansas Student.

Your Committee:

L. C. Crowder, Clerk

Marion Pettus, Chairman

REPORT No. 8

STATE LEAGUE TREASURER'S FINANCIAL REPORT

From October 1, 1963 to October 1, 1964

Receipts:

Youth Camp Fees	\$2,180.00
Received from State Promotional Secretary	1,316.59
Offering for Ice house	50.10
Associational Fees	589.50
Insurance Refund on campers	42.75
Concession Stand Receipts	262.74
Refunded on soft drinks	13.50
Special Road Offering	559.51
Convention Offering	78.94
North East Ark. Dist. Master's Men	50.00
General Receipts	240.79

Total Receipts \$5,384.42

Brought Forward from Oct. 1, 1963 60.62

Total \$5,445.04

Expenditures:

Lights and Gas \$ 394.37

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Paid on House	768.00
Food, Ice, Milk	1,592.62
Labor	170.00
Repayment on Loan	160.00
Repairs	123.24
Improvements	425.96
Postage, Supplies, phone calls	55.00
Insurance	226.95
Literature	128.06
Camp Trophies	133.17
Vision	25.00
Camp Equipment	56.07
Miscellaneous	293.97
Total Expenditures	\$4,552.41
Balance October 1, 1964	\$ 892.63

YOUTH CAMP REPORT — 1964

Pre-Teen Camp		Teen Camp	
Campers	133	Campers	129
Workers, Helpers, Teachers	47	Workers, Helpers, Teachers	37
Total	180	Total	166
Conversions	43	Conversions	8

No. 1. We recommend that Section 4 of Article VIII be changed to read Church Training Service instead of League Board.

No. 2. We the Church Training Board have Adopted a \$3,000.00 improvement Program which will include Putting City water on the Grounds, Painting the House, Roofing the Woman's Dormitory, improving rest room facilities.

No. 3. We recommend that each church having a C.T.S. adopt this Improvement program as a Youth Camp Project for the coming year.

Rev. J. W. Blanks, Secretary-Treasurer

REPORT No. 9 — MINUTES OF THE STATE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION

Report of 11th annual session of Arkansas State Woman's Auxiliary Convention held at Camp Grounds, Conway, Arkansas, Sept. 29, 30, 1964.

Our Theme: "I Must Work — The Night Cometh."

TUESDAY NIGHT session was opened by congregational singing led by Sis. Willard Day with Sis. Maxine Bostic at the piano.

Sis. Delois Loveless gave the Devotion from Psalm 126:6.

We had a special, "Our Best" by Barbara Johnson and Bonnie Doggett. Then our State President, Sis. Ben Scott introduced our speaker the Rev. Henry Brown who brought an inspiring message from John 9:4 on our Theme "I Must Work — The Night Cometh."

We were dismissed by Sis. Day.

WEDNESDAY MORNING:

The session was opened by singing "Joy Unspeakable" led by Sis. Day and Sis. Bostic as pianist. Rev. Ben Scott led the prayer.

For our Devotion we had "Woman's Auxiliary Fashions" by the State Officers.

After appointing the Credentials, Finance, Registration and Nominating Committees (This being the year we elect new officers as we do this every 2 years), we had highlights of W.N.A.C. which we who didn't get to attend enjoyed especially.

We had another special by Barbara Johnson and Bonnie Doggett. Then the President introduced our speaker, the Rev. Rufus Coffee who brought an inspiring message from John 9:1-7. Rev. Coffee is Public Relations Director for National Foreign Missions. We were dismissed by Rev. William Mishler.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON:

Our Wednesday afternoon session met by singing "I shall not be Moved".

Our afternoon devotion was brought by Sis. Bertha Buchanan from Col. 3:23, I Thess. 4:10-11 and 11Thess. 3:6-12.

We had a treat in that one of our returned Missionaries from Japan, Sis. Aleen Calvary, home on furlough, who brought us her personal testimony. We were happy to have a Missionary from our state and always like to hear about the work in other fields. As you know our purpose is to help teach and support Missions.

Then to try in a small way to show our appreciation the convention presented her with a gift.

We had the Digest of reports. Though they were in some ways incomplete, they were better than the past year.

The Treasurer's report was received. We had as our state project this year buying land in Hawaii, which is 77¢ per square foot. Our goal was each member buying at least 1 square foot. We raised something over \$900.00.

Greetings were received from Sis. Cleo Pursell our new National Promotional Secretary who wanted to be here.

REGISTRATION COMMITTEE REPORT: We had 7 Districts and 1 Local reporting along with 46 local officers and 46 District Officers and 8 State Officers or 91 Women Registered. You see this adds up to more than 91 but some serve in two or three capacities. Then we had 4 children, 1 Missionary and 14 Ministers present making a total of 110.

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE reported 16 Standard of Achievement Charts displayed with 1-A1 Auxiliary from First Church of North Little Rock; 1-A from Capitol City, Little Rock; 1-B from Pine Hill, Star City and 1-B from Rose Hill, Monticello. 1 Y.P.A. Chart was represented.

We had some Resolutions passed. There were some changes in the Constitution and By-Laws concerning our no longer need for a Youth Chairman. As you know in the new set up in the League program which will no longer be called League but Church Training Service (CTS), which will now assume the responsibilities the women had over our youth work.

Another was accepting the responsibilities of securing the 248 subscriptions of CONTACT, if I understand this was a part allotted Arkansas at National so I'm sure some one will be asking you who do not now receive CONTACT for a Subscription.

We had a little over \$300.00 in our treasury and being women we wanted to spend some of it, but truly we didn't see any need of it not being used, so we asked the League Board some of the needs for the youth camp and one of their proposed projects was to try to get City water which I think they said would be about \$2,000.00 so we gladly voted that \$100.00 be put on the project. They also asked our further help in this needy project.

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We had our report from the NOMINATING COMMITTEE with new officers as follows:

President	Betty Sawrie
Vice-President	Alene Coffman
Recording Secretary	Barbara Johnson
Asst. Recording Secretary	Kathlene Thacker
Promotional Secretary	Genelle Scott
Treasurer	Leo West
Study Course Chairman	Gertrude Buchanan
Stewardship Prayer Chairman	Barbara Cheshier
Personal Service	Maxine Bostic
National Nominating Committee	Gladys Pixley

Minutes were read and approved.

The last thing on our program was the installation service. Joining hands by our State President who also led the Prayer of Consecration.

PLAN OF WORK FOR ARKANSAS STATE WOMEN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION

November	Special Offering For Vision Thanksgiving Season of Prayer
December	Christmas Season Of Prayer Orphanage Work
January	Miley Hospital Offering
February	Water For Youth Camp
March	Easter Season Of Prayer and a Sacrificial Offering For Foreign Missionaries
April	Project Of Your Choice For Missions
May	Furniture For WNAC Office
June	Local Church Project
July	Missionary Provision Closet Shower
August	Co-Laborer Offering
September	Memorial Student Loan Fund
October	Entertainment for 1966 WNAC Session

The purpose of monthly projects in a Woman's Auxiliary is to give every member a job and thereby enable all and not just a few to be busy building people up in Christ, and binding them together in service for Christ through the adopted activities each month. Let's all be helpers in "DEEDS" this year!

Hazel Mann, Recording Secretary.

REPORT No. 10 — RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION No. 1. Whereas, The State Quota for Free Will Baptist Bible College is \$4,000.00 — for the year 1964-65, and whereas, according to the state record we have paid but \$197.00 of this quota, be it resolved:

"That this State Association recommend that each local Church belonging to the state Association sponsor a College Day and a Free-will offering be received to be applied to our state quota."

RESOLUTION No. 2. Whereas, the Central Association when in regular session voted to go on record as being in opposition to the Legalized Gambling Law (Amendment 55) which is to be voted on in the November election, have requested the State Association to do likewise. "We resolve that this State Association of Free Will Baptists go on record as opposing the same, and that a letter of the same be sent to the CHURCHES UNITED AGAINST GAMBLING. Same to be set by Associational clerk."

RESOLUTION No. 3. Whereas, two of our District Associations have asked this State Association to consider the changing of the time of the State Association:

"Be it resolved that this State Association meet on the following date: Wednesday evening before the Fourth Sunday in August of each year. To become affective 1966."

RESOLUTION No. 4. Whereas, the Polk Bayou Association has served as host in the preparing of the meals for this 1964 Session of the State Association. We resolve that this Body give to them a rising vote of thanks for their splendid hospitality.

RESOLUTION No. 5. The Resolution Committee presents to this body the following request that has come from the Big Springs Association:

"Concerning the qualifications of General Officers and Board members of the Association."

To the effect that:

1. The Minister should be in the State for one year.
2. The Minister should have two years pastoral experience.
3. Each District Association must be represented by at least one and not more than three members.

Your Committee: William J. Mishler, Ottis Cook,
Cecil Garrison, Robert Partee, Fred Warner.

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REPORT No. 12 — AUDITING COMMITTEE

We the Auditing committee have examined the books of the state office, and have found them in order from October 1, 1963 through September 30, 1964. We wish to commend the Promotional Secretary-Treasurer for this well kept record.

Your Committee: Opie Hargrave, Gilbert Pixley,
Mrs. Lucy Williams.

REPORT No. 13 — PLACEMENT COMMITTEE

We, your placement committee recommend that we accept the standing invitation of the League Board for the 1965 State Association to meet here at the State Camp Ground, since no other church or Association has asked for the next State Association in their letters.

Your committee: Elbert McClellan, Nellie King,
Noel Easterling.

REPORT No. 11

STATISTICIAN'S REPORT

Rev. W. S. Isbell, Statistician

LOCAL ASSOCIATIONS	Number of Churches	Membership	Members Received	Dismissed	Deceased	Ministers	Deacons	Sunday Schools	Sunday School Enrollment	Leagues	League Enrollment	Woman's Auxiliaries	Woman's Auxiliaries Membership	GTA's	YPA's	Boy's Auxiliaries	Master's Men	Prayer Meetings
Antioch.....	33	2,224	232	117	22	52	100	33	1,509	13	406	9	86	2	4	.	.	5
Arkansas.....	14	735	91	29	13	21	42	14	576	5	139	.	.	.	.	.	1	2
Big Springs.....	4	256	11	2	1	3	12	4	200	3	58	3	36	.	.	.	.	3
Central.....	8	689	98		3	11	21	8	561	8	304	6	73	2	4	1	1	7
Harmony.....	4	157	23	8		5	11	4	165	4	117	.	.	.	.	.	.	3
Little Missouri River.	5	408	22	5	3	5	22	5	312	3	104	1	14	.	.	.	.	1
New Hope.....	14	717	65	29	7	14	54	14	762	10	327	5	53	2	1	.	.	5
Old Mt. Zion.....	18	1,409	114	38	19	53	64	18	915	8	203	2	42	.	.	.	.	13
Polk Bayou.....	16	1,658	135	22	11	25	53	16	1,358	7	247	8	119	2	4	1	4	7
Rich Mountain.....	5	270	32	6	1	8	15	5	201	2	40	2	25	.	.	.	.	1
Saline.....	20	2,208	109	36	20	32	70	20	1,427	12	466	7	91	2	4	.	1	10
Social Band.....	23	2,155	194	50	19	30	63	23	1,521	15	615	11	189	6	6	.	4	1
Unity.....	9	1,342	173	129	14	21	51	9	1,076	5	163	6	126	3	3	2	4	7
Zion Hope.....	18	1,089	70	30	10	43	64	18	900	18	300	10
TOTALS	191	15,317	1,369	501	143	323	642	191	11,483	113	3,489	70	854	19	26	4	15	65

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LOCAL ASSOCIATIONS	Total giving in the churches (as reported)	Paid Pastors	Paid Evangelists	For Literature	For Building and Repair	Cooperative Fund	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Value of Church Property
Antioch	\$ 40,478.30	\$ 27,506.13	\$ 3,397.93	\$ 1,792.01	\$ 6,564.06	\$	\$ 306.17	\$	\$ 172,000.00
Arkansas	28,625.17	10,780.85	1,464.50	885.64	5,461.93			407.63	65,500.00
Big Springs	5,904.52	1,041.86	613.54	283.64	2,732.26	20.00	181.00	25.00	7,850.00
Central	42,102.90	17,955.32	1,388.40	1,791.35	11,322.62	2,444.48	564.76	107.15	194,800.00
Harmony	4,891.86	1,720.90	256.29		1,750.80	357.29			
Little Missouri River ..	14,334.44	7,595.00	976.75	399.32	3,310.60	364.73	421.89	35.00	45,500.00
New Hope	32,299.72	15,815.96	1,998.03	1,296.36	2,918.63	254.38	121.62	100.79	155,000.00
Old Mt. Zion	48,233.01	18,161.40	3,740.61	1,827.82	7,191.58	133.10	495.60	547.12	134,500.00
Polk Bayou	41,086.19	18,565.81	1,630.41	1,716.39	7,542.06	860.78	212.25	78.14	184,875.00
Rich Mountain	5,202.37	1,709.36	333.55	226.40	2,391.28				20,700.00
Saline	73,381.81	30,598.02	4,952.30	2,879.76	30,997.31	1,618.11	1,103.87	415.16	230,000.00
Social Band	58,224.27	25,949.00	3,249.76	4,052.41	10,461.19	2,422.57	1,612.75	241.32	218,500.00
Unity	64,787.54	23,260.00	1,499.18	2,301.46	18,514.15	3,530.51	350.48	424.79	305,900.00
Zion Hope	20,000.00	10,000.00							90,550.00
TOTALS	\$479,552.10	\$210,659.61	\$25,501.25	\$19,452.56	\$111,158.47	\$12,005.95	\$5,370.39	\$2,382.10	\$1,825,675.00

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REPORT No. 14 — BUDGET COMMITTEE

We, the Budget Committee recommend the following allocations for money received through the co-operative plan of support.

National Co-operative	40%
State Mission Board	14%
General Fund	30%
Church Training Service Board	14%
Sunday School Board	1%
Christian Education Board	1%

We also recommend a \$25,000 goal to be adopted for the Associational year 1964-65. We further report the income from the church and District Associations to this session of the State Association to be \$985.87, of this amount \$528.00 was designated as entertainment fees and \$200.00 for printing of State Minutes, \$11.50 for National Minutes and \$246.37 to the Co-operative fund.

	Entertainment	State	Nat.	
Associations	Fee	Minutes	Minutes	Co-op.
Zion Hope No. 2	\$ 54.00	6.00		
Little Missouri River.....	15.00	6.00		
Social Band	30.00	18.50	11.50	
Arkansas	42.00			
New Hope	42.00	42.00		
Polk Bayou	42.00	36.00		
Harmony	12.00	12.00		246.37
Old Mt. Zion	54.00	30.00		
Unity	27.00			
Rich Mountain	15.00	15.00		
Saline	60.00	21.00		
Central	24.00			
Antioch	99.00	1.50		
Big Springs	12.00	12.00		
Totals	\$528.00	\$200.00	\$11.50	\$246.37

Your Committee: M. B. Williams, Bill Hall,
J. W. Blanks, Kenneth Doggett, W. C. Day.

REPORT No. 15 — TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE

We, your Committee on Temperance, would like to make the following report: We believe the Bible teaches us to be temperate in all things and as for alcoholic beverages, not only should we as Christians abstain from the use of them but abstain from all traffic, transfer or distribution of the damnable stuff. We also believe that we should not patronize places that are connected with the distribution of them such as cafes, grocery stores, drug stores, pool halls, honky tonks, and road houses. And also we would like to submit as a reminder to the people: James 1:12-16 "Blessed is the man that endureth temptations; for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love Him. Let no man say when he is tempted, I am tempted of God; for God cannot be tempted with evil, neither tempted he any man, but every man is tempted when he is drawn away of his own lust and enticed then when lust hath conceived it bringeth forth sin; and sin when it is finished, bringeth forth death. Do not err my beloved brethren."

Your Committee: T. J. Robertson, H. B. Doyle,
Johnnie Hale, Ruth Swann, Prue Jones.

REPORT No. 16 — REGISTRATION COMMITTEE

We your Committee on Registration find that the following have registered: 51 Ministers, 6 Visiting Ministers, 26 Deacons, 29 Local Church delegates, 33 District Delegates, 63 Visitors. A total of 208 in Attendance.

Your Committee: Pauline Johnston, Genelle Scott.

REPORT No. 17 — OBITUARY COMMITTEE

We your Committee find that God in His wisdom has seen fit to call from labor to reward 144 of our number. "They rest from their labors and their works do follow them." Rev. 14:13. "I must work the works of him that sent me; while it is day. The night cometh, when no man can work." John 9:4.

For those we mourn today, there is no time to be redeemed. Night has come. Some one must take their places. There is a Cross to bear that we may also wear a Crown. Will it be you?

Your Committee: Ethel E. Wilson, Emma Hargrave,
Mrs. Lathan Thompson.

REPORT NO. 18 — NOMINATING COMMITTEE

We, your Nominating Committee, submit the following nominations:

Program Committee:

Moderator, Clerk, Promotional Secretary-Treasurer.

Christian Education Board Melvin Knott (5 years)

Church Training Service Board Lawnie Coffman (5 years)

Sunday School Board Opie Hargrave (1 year)

Dean Dobbs (5 years)

Missions Board Tommy Robertson (3 years)*

William Mishler (5 years)

Executive Board Lewis Barker (5 years)

Promotional Secretary-Treasurer Loyd Thomas

State Statistician W. S. Isbell

Assistant Clerk Bill Hall

Clerk Alton E. Loveless

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Assistant Moderator Bob King
Moderator Ben Scott

*In accordance with a 1961 resolution, concerning Board members. One member of the Mission board has not qualified. We place the name of Tommy Robertson in nomination to complete the unexpired term of Jimmy Richardson on the Mission Board.

ARKASAS STATE ASSOCIATION CONSTITUTION

PREAMBLE: From long experience, we, the members of the Free Will Baptist denomination, having been baptized upon our profession of faith in Christ as our Saviour and realizing the necessity of a bond of union and fellowship among our churches for the purpose of coordinating our efforts for the kingdom of God, do therefore ordain this constitution for our denominational government.

ARTICLE I

Name: This organization shall be known as the Arkansas State Association of Free Will Baptists, affiliated with the National Association of Free Will Baptists.

ARTICLE II

Purpose: The object and purpose of this organization shall be to unify the work of the various bodies composing the State Association and to devise and execute measures for the extension of the Kingdom of God in connection with the various bodies in the Association, or that may be hereafter represented.

ARTICLE III

Representation:

Section 1. This association shall be composed of all ordained ministers and deacons with membership in a church belonging to a district association, the district association clerks and executive board members.

Section 2. Each District Association shall be entitled to five lay delegates at large and, in addition, each local church which holds membership in a District Association affiliated with this body shall be entitled to send one lay delegate.

Section 3. In the event a part, or all of the elected delegation fails to report by 1:30 p.m. Thursday, said vacancy may be filled, provided some one from said association recommended others for said vacancies.

Section 4. New associations desiring membership in the state association shall send messengers bearing a petitionary letter. If found orthodox, upon examination by the credentials committee, they shall be received by the vote of the association and given the right hand of fellowship by the moderator.

ARTICLE IV

Finance: This association shall be supported by a percentage of the Cooperative receipts and earmarked gifts which come into the

state treasury as designated by the state association when in conference. Said allocations to national and state work to be recommended to the association by the budget committee.

Each district association belonging to said body shall send \$3.00 for each church belonging to said district association subscribing to the cooperative program, which shall be for entertaining state association. And \$6.00 for each church belonging to said district association not subscribing to the cooperative program, \$3.00 of which shall be for entertaining State Association, and \$3.00 for minutes and general expenses.

ARTICLE V

Discipline:

Section 1. This state association shall have the right to settle any question of discipline, doctrine, or practice that may properly come before it from any of the bodies composing said organization. Furthermore, if there be any question of discipline, doctrine, or practice on the part of a district body, delegates of that association shall not be seated until these questions have been settled to the satisfaction of the credentials committee.

Section 2. The decision of the credentials committee may be appealed to (1) the state association sitting in a committee as a whole, or (2) to a special committee whose report shall be voted on without discussion.

ARTICLE VI

Officers:

Section 1. The officers of the state association shall consist of a moderator, assistant moderator, clerk, assistant clerk, promotional secretary-treasurer, and a statistician.

Section 2. Committees, as necessary, shall be appointed by the committee on committees which will be elected by the body on the opening night of the association.

ARTICLE VII

Boards. All standing boards shall be composed of five (5) members who shall serve terms of 5, 4, 3, 2, and 1 year. The standing boards shall include the Executive Board, Missions Board, League Board, and a Sunday School Board and the Board of Christian Education.

ARTICLE VIII

Duties and Rules of Standing Boards:

Section 1. All boards and committees of this association shall organize at the beginning of each associational year. They shall elect a chairman, vice-chairman, and secretary. Each board shall keep a written report of each meeting held and work done. They shall make a written report to each annual association of meetings held, work done and monies received and expended during the year.

Section 2. Executive Board. This board shall have power to fill irregular vacancies which may occur in its own body, and shall also have power to fill any irregular vacancies which may occur in any department of the work between sessions of the state association.

This Executive Board shall keep a record of all work done, money

raised, meetings held, and make a full and complete report to the regular meeting of the association and shall further receive, hold, manage, use, control, and convey any property entrusted to said state association, except as stipulated elsewhere in the constitution.

The chairman and secretary of said Executive Board shall sign all deeds and bonds, notes, etc., and any other papers by which the state association is to become legally held.

The board shall have the power to call the association in conference by notifying each district association at least ten (10) days prior to conference.

Section 3. Mission Board. It shall be the duty of this board to promote an active missions program within the State. It shall work in conjunction with the National Home and Foreign Missions Boards in the arranging of Missionary conferences, Missionary itineraries and assist in the raising of the state quota for the National Missions Programs.

This board shall investigate, and assist, in the establishing of new churches and missions, particularly where there is no Free Will Baptist Work. This Board shall not participate in the organization of any church or mission that is located within common boundaries of a district association that has a mission board, or a board that has been designated for this purpose, unless requested. However, if said association has no such board, then this board, upon consultation with officials of said district association, shall assist in such work.

Furthermore, this board shall not participate in the organization of any church or mission in a town, city or community where there is an organized Free Will Baptist Church without first seeking the cooperation of said church. Neither shall this board assist in the organization of a group that is out of fellowship with an established church.

Section 4. Church Training Service Board. It shall be the duty of the State Church Training Service Board to plan and assist in every way possible the Church Training Service work throughout the state. It will also be their responsibility to promote an active Church Training Service work in each Association and to encourage Church Training Service rallies. They shall be entrusted to hold, manage, use, control, or convey the Youth Camp property. Also this board shall be responsible for the selection of the youth camp director. They will also plan and carry out the annual Church Training Service Conference and youth encampment.

Section 5. Sunday School Board. It will be the duty of this Sunday School Board to work in cooperation with the National Sunday School Department in arranging Sunday School conferences and workshops, teachers, training courses, in recommending methods and materials for the Sunday Schools of the State of Arkansas.

Section 6. Promotional Secretary-Treasurer. The Promotional Secretary-Treasurer shall assist in the coordinating of the work of the various boards of the State Association and shall serve as State Treasurer. He shall promote through his office, both the State and National Denominational programs, and arrange or assist in the arranging of itineraries for State or National Workers, Missionaries, Mission Conferences, etc. He shall also assist, as far as is practical, in the establishing of new churches and missions within the state. Furthermore, it shall be his duty to edit and publish VISION, our State Magazine.

He shall receive, hold and disburse money as is made available by the State Association to the various boards, state office and departments. Disbursement to various boards will be made when re-

quested by requisition.

A bookstore shall be operated from the State Headquarters with the profits going into the general fund.

He shall present a complete written report of all work done to each annual session of this Association, with a financial statement of all monies received and disbursed to each board, National programs, etc.

The work of the Promotional Secretary-Treasurer shall be under the supervision of the Executive Board.

Section 7. Board of Christian Education. It shall be the duty of this board to establish and promote a high standard of Christian Education within the framework of this Association. It shall be responsible for an annual Ministers' Retreat to be held at the Youth Camp Grounds. It shall also assist, through the conducting of Bible institutes, in the teaching and training of the ministry and other interested laymen as requested by the local churches or associations of this body.

The doctrine of the Free Will Baptist as defined in the "Treatise of the Faith and Practice" shall be the guide of theological positions for the institutes.

ARTICLE IX

This constitution may be amended or altered at any regular session of the state association by a two-thirds vote of members present, providing proposed amendment or alteration be presented in writing to the body one day in advance.

RULES OF ORDER

1. At every sitting of the Association, business shall be opened and concluded with a prayer.
2. Those who speak shall rise, address the Moderator, and personal reflections shall be avoided.
3. All motions made and seconded shall be open for discussion, but debate may be shut off at any time by a majority of the members of the Association.
4. If any proposition or motion under debate contains two or more points, it shall be divided at the request of any member and the vote taken separately.
5. Motions made and lost shall not be recorded in the Minutes unless so ordered at the time.
6. No one shall speak more than once on the same subject without special leave from the body.
7. All questions shall be decided by a majority of the membership present.
8. No member shall absent himself without leave of the Moderator.
9. Arrangements shall be made so as to insure two sermons or other devotional exercises equivalent thereto in addition to the business session each day, and the Moderator announces at the adjournment of each business session who is to have charge of said service.
10. Alterations may be made in these rules at any regular meeting of the Association.

OFFICIALS AND BOARD MEMBERS OF ARKANSAS STATE ASSOCIATION

Moderator Rev. Ben Scott
Assistant Moderator Rev. Bob King
Clerk Rev. Alton E. Loveless
Assistant Clerk Rev. Bill Hall
State Statistician Rev. W. S. Isbell
Secretary-Treasurer Rev. Loyd Thomas

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Rev. Lewis Barker (5 years) Bro. Millard Williams (2 years)
Rev. Gilbert Pixley (4 years) Rev. Leonard Crowder (1 year)
Rev. Marion Pettus (3 years)

MISSIONS BOARD

Rev. William Mishler (5 years) Rev. Kenneth Doggett (2 years)
Rev. W. C. Day (4 years) Rev. Bob Francis (1 year)
Rev. Tommy Robertson (3 years)

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD

Rev. Dean Dobbs (5 years) Rev. Ray Watkins (2 years)
Rev. Tommy Day (4 years) Rev. Opie Hargrave (1 year)
Rev. Bob Mantooth (3 years)

CHURCH TRAINING SERVICE BOARD

Rev. Lawnie Coffman (5 years) Rev. J. W. Blanks (2 years)
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Rev. Rupert Pixley (3 years)

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Rev. Melvin Knott (5 years) Rev. J. E. White (2 years)
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Rev. David Joslin (3 years)

PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Moderator-Clerk-Promotional Secretary