

MINUTES
OF THE
Sixty-eighth Annual Session
OF THE
Arkansas State Association
OF
FREE WILL BAPTISTS
AT THE
Free Will Baptist Youth Camp
ON TUNNEL ROAD — CONWAY, ARKANSAS
SEPTEMBER 29 - OCTOBER 1, 1965

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The next regular session will convene at the Free Will Baptist Youth Camp on Tunnel Road, Conway, Arkansas, beginning Wednesday Evening, August 24-26, 1966, with the Saline Association as host.

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Moderator, Rev. Everet Smith Alma, Arkansas
Clerk, Mr. Wayne Bonewell Rudy, Arkansas

PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 29, 1965

The Sixty-eighth Annual Session of the Arkansas State Association of Free Will Baptists met at the Youth Camp on Tunnel Road in Conway, Arkansas.

Prelude: Sister Maxine Bostic at the piano.

Hymn: "Victory in Jesus" directed by Rev. W. H. Bostic, pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Russellville, Arkansas.

Prayer led by Rev. Robert L. Jordan.

Hymn: "Blessed Be the Name," led by Rev. W. H. Bostic.

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

The Moderator's message was based upon a thought from Luke 1:1-4. A most appropriate welcome address was given for this Sixty-eighth Annual Session, introducing the theme, "THINGS WE BELIEVE." Luke 1:1, "Forasmuch as many have taken in hand to set forth in order, A DECLARATION OF THOSE THINGS WHICH ARE MOST SURELY BELIEVED AMONG US."

The Moderator introduced the Rev. R. E. Pixley, chairman of the State C.T.S. Board to present the camp facilities. Rev. Pixley also introduced the other Board members.

The General Officers of the Arkansas State Association were also introduced by the Moderator.

Visitors in attendance were introduced by the Moderator. Samuel Johnson, National C.T.S. Director, and Harold Critcher, Administrative Assistant of the National Executive-Secretary, were introduced.

The Committee on Committees were nominated from the floor: Rev. R. A. Francis, Rev. Jimmy Bundy, Rev. Jack Dodson, Bro. M. B. Williams, Rev. Tommy Robertson. A motion was made that nominations cease and these be elected by acclamation. Seconded. Carried.

Hymn, "I Am Thine, O Lord," directed by Rev. W. H. Bostic with Sister Bostic at the piano.

A special song was given by the North Little Rock Church trio who sang, "Hand in Hand with Jesus."

A special song was also given by the Rogers Family of Fayetteville, who sang "Love Like the Love of God."

Hymn: "Heavenly Sunlight," was directed by Rev. W. H. Bostic with Sister Shirley Sawrie at the piano.

The Sawrie Quartet of the Greenbrier Free Will Baptist Church sang "Touch the Hand of the Lord" and "Born to Serve the Lord."

The moderator introduced the Rev. Carl Cheshier, pastor of the Pine Hill Free Will Baptist Church of Star City, who brought the Introductory Message. His theme: "WHAT WE BELIEVE ABOUT THE BIBLE," taken from Psalm 119:89, "Forever, O Lord, Thy Word Is Settled In Heaven." A very heart warming message was given. Prayer by Bro. Cheshier.

Invitational song: "Have Thine Own Way, Lord," was led by Rev. W. H. Bostic.

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

Special Song: "Wonderful Love," was sung by the Sawrie Quartet.

Song: "Amazing Grace."

Benediction: Rev. Tommy Robertson.

THURSDAY MORNING, 9:00 A. M. — SEPTEMBER 30, 1965

Opened by singing hymn, "When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder," led by Bro. Harold Critcher with Sister Ruth Leonard at the piano.

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Prayer by Rev. Jimmy Bunday, pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Benton.

Hymn, "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms," led by Bro. Harold Critcher.

Rev. Bob King, the Assistant Moderator, opened the morning session.

The Morning Devotion was given by the Rev. Herbert Rogers, pastor of our new church in Fayetteville, Arkansas. His Scripture reading was from Acts 1:1-8. He concluded with prayer.

The moderator recognized all the ordained and charged them with the responsibility of the voting until the seating of the delegates.

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.

The Moderator called for the nomination for an Assistant Clerk in the absence of the Rev. Bill Hall who has left the state to pastor in Oklahoma. Rev. Lewis Barker, pastor of the Capitol City Church of Little Rock, was elected to fill his position.

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, the Rev. Loyd Thomas, to give his annual report. A motion was made to adopt the report. Seconded. Carried. *

REPORT No. 4. The Board of Christian Education report was given by the Rev. Keith Johnson, chairman, and pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Walnut Ridge, Arkansas. A motion was made to receive the report. Seconded. Carried. *

REPORT No. 5. The report of the State Missions Board was given by the Rev. Kenneth Doggett, pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church of North Little Rock, Arkansas. Motion made to adopt report. Seconded. Carried. *

The Moderator introduced Bro. Harold Critcher, Administrative Assistant to the Executive Secretary of the National Association, who brought us greeting from the Headquarters in Nashville, Tennessee. He also discussed the future plans of Arkansas hosting the National Association in Little Rock in July, 1966.

A motion was made to elect a Steering Committee to be empowered to select or appoint other committees necessary for hosting the National Association. Seconded. Carried.

The Moderator introduced Bro. Samuel Johnson, National Director of the Church Training Service Board of Nashville, Tenn., who spoke concerning the new program developed by the C.T.S.

Prayer led by Rev. R. E. Pixley.

Intermission.

WORSHIP SERVICE — 11:00 A. M.

Called to worship with the song, "Love Lifted Me," directed by Rev. Kenneth Doggett; Sister Ruth Leonard, pianist.

Prayer led by Rev. Keith Johnson.

Hymn, "Jesus Is All the World To Me," directed by Rev. Kenneth Doggett with Sister Ruth Leonard at the piano.

Special song, "His Grace Reaches Me," by the Rogers Family of Fayetteville.

Special Song, "I'dd Rather Have Jesus," was sung by the Rev. Marion Pettus, Home Missionary to Texarkana, Ark.-Texas. Sister Ruth Leonard was at the piano.

The Moderator introduced the Rev. Robert A. Francis, pastor of the Ballews Chapel Free Will Baptist Church of Grubbs, Arkansas, who brought the morning message, using as his theme, "WHAT WE BELIEVE ABOUT CHRIST." His subject, "Truly This Was the Son of God." He read his Scripture from Matthew 27:45-54. He stirred our hearts with the heart warming message concerning our firm belief of Christ.

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Hymn, "At the Cross," directed by Rev. R. E. Pixley.

An old fashioned handshake was had by all. A very warm spiritual feeling was felt by all.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON — 1:15 O'CLOCK

Opened by singing "Power in the Blood," led by Rev. Kenneth Doggett with Mrs. Ruth Leonard at the piano.

Rev. Bob King, the Assistant Moderator, introduced the Rev. James E. Raper, pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Pine Bluff, Ark., who brought the afternoon devotional from Matthew 1:21. Prayer by Bro. Raper.

The Rules of Order were read by the Clerk.

The Rev. Wm. J. Mishler, pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Newport was elected by the body as Parliamentarian.

REPORT No. 6. The report of the Church Training Service Board was given given by the Rev. J. W. Blanks, pastor of the Allen's Chapel Free Will Baptist Church of Batesville, Ark., and secretary of the board. Motion made to adopt the report. Seconded. Carried. *

REPORT No. 7. The report of the State Church Training Service Convention given by the Rev. Bob Francis, president of the Convention. Motion made to adopt the report. Seconded. Carried. *

REPORT No. 8. The report of the State Woman's Auxiliary Convention was reported by Mrs. Kathleen Thacker, Secretary of the Convention. Motion made to adopt. Seconded. Carried. *

REPORT No. 9. The report of the State Ministers and Deacons Conference was given by Rev. Kenneth Doggett, Clerk of the Conference. Motion made to adopt. Seconded. Carried. *

The Moderator introduced Mr. Jim Lauthern of the National Sunday School Department. He expressed thanks to the state for its support of the Sunday School Department.

Hymn, "I Love To Tell the Story," led by Rev. Gilbert Pixley, pastor of the Bethlehem Free Will Baptist Church of Van Buren, Ark., with Mrs. Ruth Leonard at the piano.

REPORT No. 10. The report of the Resolutions Committee was read by the Assistant Clerk.

RESOLUTION No. 1. Motion made to refer back to the Resolution Committee for rewriting.

The Moderator opened nominations for the five delegates to the National Association representing our state Association. Mr. Oren Smith, Mr. W. B. Steward, Mr. Jim Kellar, Mrs. Thelma English, and Mrs. Barbara Cheshier were nominated. Motion made to elect these by acclamation. Seconded. Carried.

Nominations were opened for the election of the Introductory Speaker for the 1966 session. Rev. Jack Dodson was elected by acclamation. Rev. W. H. Bostic was elected as the alternate by acclamation.

The Moderator opened nominations for the speaker for the Memorial Message for the 1966 session. Rev. R. G. Webb was elected by acclamation. The Rev. Gilbert Pixley was elected the alternate by acclamation.

The Moderator introduced the Rev. Carl High, pastor of the Pirtle Free Will Baptist Church of Peach Orchard, Ark., who came and led us in a testimonial meeting.

Hymn, "Some Glad Day After A While," was directed by Rev. Carl High.

The Resolutions Committee returned the rewritten Resolution No. 1 for reconsideration. Motion made to adopt. Seconded. Carried. *

REPORT No. 11. The partial report of the Nominating Committee was given by the Chairman, the Rev. Elbert McClellan. Motion made to receive the report. Seconded. Carried. *

Steering Committee: Rev. Ben Scott, Rev. Loyd Thomas, Rev. James E. Raper, Rev. Bill Mishler, Rev. Lewis Barker.

State Statistician: Rev. W. S. Isbell.

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State Executive Secretary-Treasurer: Rev. Loyd Thomas.

Executive Board (5 year term): Rev. Elbert McClellan.

Missions Board (5 year term): Rev. R. A. Francis; (3 year term): Rev. Gene White.

Sunday School Board (5 year term): Rev. R. G. Webb.

C. T. S. Board (5 year term): Rev. W. H. Bostic.

Christian Education Board (5 year term): Rev. Keith Johnson.

Program Committee: Moderator, Clerk and Promotional Secretary.

The Saline Association requested to be the host of the 1966 session of the State Association. Motion made to receive the request. Seconded. Carried.

A letter from the National Foreign Missions Board was read by the clerk.

The Moderator introduced the Rev. Paul Ketterman, Public Relations Director of the Free Will Baptist Bible College, who gave us the 1965 enrollments of the college. He stressed the needs for prayer and support.

Motion made to adopt the suggested quota of \$3,500.00 to the Free Will Baptist Bible College. Seconded. Carried.

Benediction by the Rev. J. W. Blanks.

THURSDAY NIGHT — 7:30 O'CLOCK

The Evening Services were opened by singing "Jesus Saves," led by Rev. Gilbert Pixley. Mrs. W. H. Bostic was at the piano.

Prayer led by Rev. Tommy Day.

Hymn, "Rescue the Perishing," led by Rev. Gilbert Pixley; Sister Bostic at the piano.

The Moderator introduced the Rev. R. E. Pixley, Chairman of the State C.T.S. Board, who received an offering for the expense of hosting the State Association. The offering totaled \$99.05.

The Pixley Twins, Bro. Bob King and Bro. Leonard Crowder sang, "I Dreamed of Calvary."

The Rogers' family and the quartet also sang "He Will Pilot Me."

Hymn, "O, How I Love Jesus," led by Bro. Gilbert Pixley; Sister W. H. Bostic was pianist. This song was followed by a testimonial service.

The Pixley Twins and Bro. Leonard Crowder sang "I Want To Stroll Over Heaven with You."

The Moderator introduced the Rev. Marion Pettus, Home Missionary to Texarkana, who brought the evening message. His theme, "WHAT WE BELIEVE ABOUT THE GREAT COMMISSION." His subject, "Preach the Gospel to Every Creature." Mark 16:15. He brought a very inspiring message concerning our task in fulfilling the great commission. Prayer by Bro. Pettus.

Hymn, "Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone?" was sung for the Invitation. Directed by Bro. Gilbert Pixley. Mrs. Ruth Leonard, pianist.

Hymn of dedication, "I Surrender All," was led by Bro. Gilbert Pixley. Mrs. Ruth Leonard, pianist.

Benediction, Rev. David Joslin.

FRIDAY MORNING — 9:00 O'CLOCK

The morning session was opened by singing "Nothing But the Blood," directed by Rev. Gilbert Pixley; Sister Alene Coffman was pianist.

Prayer was by the Rev. J. E. Pratt, pastor of the Friendship and Center Point Free Will Baptist Churches.

Hymn, "When We All Get to Heaven," led by Rev. Gilbert Pixley; Sister Alene Coffman was pianist.

The Assistant Moderator introduced the Rev. Larry Russell, who brought us the devotion from Zechariah 4:6-7. Prayer by Bro. Russell.

REPORT No. 12. The report of the state statistician. Motion made to adopt. Seconded. Carried. *

REPORT No. 13. The report of the Registration Committee. Motion to receive. Seconded. Carried. *

REPORT No. 14. The report of the Auditing Committee. Motion to receive. Seconded. Carried. *

REPORT No. 15. The report of the Placement Committee. Motion to receive. Seconded. Carried. *

REPORT No. 16. The report of the Budget Committee. Seconded. Carried. *

REPORT No. 17. The report of the Temperance Committee. Motion to adopt. Seconded. Carried. *

REPORT No. 18. The report of the Executive Board. Motion to adopt. Seconded. Carried. *

The final report of the Resolutions Committee was given by Rev. Wm. J. Mishler, Chairman. Motion made to adopt and vote on each separately. Seconded. Carried. *

Resolution No. 2. Motion made to adopt. Seconded. Carried.

Resolution No. 3. Motion made to adopt. Seconded. Carried.

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

Resolution No. 5. Motion made to adopt. Seconded. Carried.

A motion was made to give a rising vote of thanks to the State Executive-Secretary and his wife plus all the executive officers. Seconded. Carried.

The final report of the Nominating Committee was given by Rev. Elbert McClellan. Motion to adopt. Seconded. Carried. The following officers were elected: Moderator, Rev. Ben Scott; Assistant Moderator, Rev. Lewis Barker; Clerk, Rev. Alton E. Loveless; Assistant Clerk, Rev. Jimmy Bundy.

Prayer, Rev. Fred Warner, full-time evangelist from Van Buren, Ark.
Intermission.

MORNING WORSHIP — 11:00 O'CLOCK

We were called to worship by singing "I Must Tell Jesus," directed by Rev. Marion Pettus with Mrs. Cecil Sanders at the piano.

Prayer by Rev. Oris Doggett, pastor at Malvern.

A quartet composed of Rev. Gene White, Rev. Lathan Thompson, Sister Carolyn McClellan and Sister Jean Francis, sang "Glad Reunion Day." Sister Cecil Sanders was the pianist.

A special song was sung by Rev. and Mrs. R. H. McCuin, "I Want to Walk As Close As I Possibly Can."

REPORT No. 19. The report of the Obituary Committee was given by the Clerk. Motion made to receive. Seconded. Carried. *

The moderator introduced the Rev. Rupert E. Pixley, who came to bring the Memorial Message. Rev. Pixley introduced the Rogers family who sang "No Disappointments in Heaven." Bro. Pixley's theme, "WHAT WE BELIEVE ABOUT THE FUTURE OF THE FAITHFUL." His subject, "Blessed Are the Dead Which Die in the Lord." Rev. 14:13. His message was very spiritual.

Special song, "Standing By the River," was sung by the Pixley Twins, Rev. Leonard Crowder and Rev. Bob King.

Prayer by Bro. R. E. Pixley.

Hymn, "God Be with You Till We Meet Again," was directed by Rev. Gilbert Pixley with Sister Alene Coffman at the piano. "I'll Meet You in the Morning" was also sung.

Benediction was led by Rev. Lawnie Coffman, pastor of the South Heights Church in Searcy, Ark.

Adjournment.

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Committee and Board Reports

REPORT No. 1 — COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

We recommend the following to serve on the various committees:

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE: Rev. W. H. Bostic, Rev. Gilbert Pixley, Rev. Kenneth Doggett, Rev. Lewis Barker, Rev. J. W. Blanks.

RESOLUTIONS: Rev. Carl Cheshier, Rev. Wm. J. Mishler, Rev. Lonnie Coffman, Rev. J. E. White, Rev. Loyd Thomas.

NOMINATING: Rev. Keith Johnson, Rev. Marion Pettus, Rev. Elbert McClellan, Rev. Jimmy Bundy, Rev. R. G. Webb.

REGISTRATION: Mrs. Jean Francis, Mrs. Betty Price, Mrs. Maxine Bostic.

MUSIC: Rev. W. H. Bostic, Rev. Marion Pettus, Rev. Gilbert Pixley.

TEMPERANCE: Rev. Lathan Thompson, Mrs. Jean Sory, Mr. Buddy Cook, Mrs. Francis Bundy, Mrs. Fanny Welsh.

AUDITING: Mrs. Leo West, Mrs. Delsey Blanks, Mrs. Lucy Williams.

BUDGET: Rev. Lewis Barker, Rev. L. D. Payne, Mr. M. B. Williams.

PLACEMENT: Mrs. Janie Barker, Mrs. Gerphus Husky, Mrs. Geraldine Sanders.

OBITUARY: Mrs. Ethyl Doyle, Mrs. Gracie Williams, Rev. Oris Doggett.

Your Committee: Rev. R. A. Francis, Rev. Jimmy Bundy, Rev. Jack Dodson, Mr. M. B. Williams, Rev. Tommy Rebertson

REPORT No. 2 — CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

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

Your Committee: Rev. Gilbert Pixley, Rev. Lewis Barker, Rev. Kenneth Doggett, Rev. W. H. Bostic, Rev. J. W. Blanks

REPORT No. 3 — ARKANSAS FREE WILL BAPTISTS PROMOTIONAL DIRECTOR - TREASURER'S REPORT

From October 1, 1964 through September 30, 1965

RECEIVED FROM ASSOCIATIONS

SOCIAL BAND:	Cooperative	\$ 2,899.41	
	General Fund	65.00	
	State Missions	40.25	
	Youth Camp	128.00	
	National Home Missions	104.69	
	National Foreign Missions	1,669.23	
	Bible College	82.50	
	Vision	56.00	\$ 5,045.08
CENTRAL:	Cooperative	\$ 1,911.45	
	General Fund	24.00	
	State Missions	403.48	
	Youth Camp	133.50	
	National Home Missions	14.76	
	National Foreign Missions	898.76	
	Bible College	160.00	
	Miscellaneous	28.09	
SALINE:	Vision	42.00	
	Vision	42.00	\$ 3,616.04
	Cooperative	\$ 1,220.90	
	General Fund	81.00	
	State Missions	113.40	
	Youth Camp	186.35	
	National Home Missions	60.88	
	National Foreign Missions	972.33	

	Bible College	15.00	
	Vision	50.00	\$ 2,699.00
UNITY:	Cooperative	\$ 1,797.31	
	General Fund	24.00	
	State Missions	263.41	
	National Home Missions	252.15	
	National Foreign Missions	133.65	
	Miscellaneous	8.00	
	Vision	10.00	\$ 2,488.52
POLK BAYOU:	Cooperative	\$ 1,077.16	
	General Fund	78.00	
	Youth Camp	17.50	
	State Missions	81.23	
	National Home Missions	37.00	
	National Foreign Missions	561.19	
	Bible College	20.15	
	Vision	30.00	\$ 1,902.23
NEW HOPE:	Cooperative	\$ 263.81	
	General Fund	84.00	
	State Missions	225.12	
	Youth Camp	190.18	
	National Home Missions	25.00	
	National Foreign Missions	310.88	
	Bible College	15.82	
	Vision	114.75	\$ 1,229.56
LITTLE MISSOURI RIVER:	Cooperative	\$ 293.60	
	General Fund	21.00	
	State Missions	50.00	
	National Home Missions	20.00	
	National Foreign Missions	385.16	
	Bible College	5.00	
	Youth Camp	35.00	
	Vision	11.00	\$ 820.76
HARMONY:	Cooperative	\$ 506.37	
	General Fund	40.55	
	Vision	5.00	\$ 551.92
OLD MT. ZION:	Cooperative	\$ 363.47	
	General Fund	84.00	
	Vision	32.00	\$ 479.47
ANTIOCH:	Cooperative	\$ 73.95	
	General Fund	100.50	
	National Foreign Missions	94.67	
	Vision	38.25	\$ 307.37
ZION HOPE No. 2:	General Fund	\$ 60.00	
	Vision	40.00	\$ 100.00
BIG SPRINGS:	General Fund	\$ 27.00	
	National Foreign Missions	63.00	
	Vision	4.00	\$ 94.00
RICH MOUNTAIN:	General Fund	\$ 40.00	
	Youth Camp	31.00	
	Vision	4.50	\$ 75.50
ARKANSAS:	General Fund	\$ 42.00	
	Vision	6.30	\$ 48.30

Total Giving from Associations	\$19,458.61	
Total Book Sales	2,773.81	
Individual Subscriptions to Vision	70.97	
Miscellaneous	211.01	
Return from C. T. S. Board	943.95	
Giving from State Auxiliary	725.59	\$24,183.94
RECEIVED FOR		
EACH FUND:		
Cooperative	\$10,407.43	
General Fund	771.05	
State Missions	1,366.28	
Youth Camp	1,199.66	
National Home Missions	570.31	
National Foreign Missions	5,100.86	
Bible College	298.47	
Vision	572.84	
Books	2,773.81	
From C. T. S. Board	943.95	
Miscellaneous	179.28	\$24,183.94
Balance Brought Forward	\$ 1,237.18	
Total from All Sources		\$25,421.12

EXPENDITURES FROM OCTOBER 1, 1964 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 1965:

Promotional Director's Salary	\$ 1,800.00	
Promotional Director's Mileage	310.22	
Books for Resale	2,408.85	
Utilities	288.37	
Stamps	63.00	
Office Equipment	100.60	
Office Supplies	128.09	
C. T. S. Board	2,777.11	
National Home Missions	568.55	
National Foreign Missions	5,136.86	
Bible College	298.47	
National Cooperative	4,162.80	
For Printing of Vision	940.28	
Postage for Vision	40.00	
Mileage Paid Board Members	116.56	
State Missionaries Salary	600.00	
State Missionaries Mileage	274.96	
Chairs	150.00	
Loan for Purchase of Property	600.00	
Other Texarkana Expenses	175.00	
MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES:		
Contributions to Churches	100.00	
Printing of Minutes and Program	352.77	
Postage for Mailing Minutes	15.45	
Expenses for Minister's Retreat	71.80	
Expenses for State C. T. S. Rally	174.25	
National Representation Fee	95.00	
Expenses for Delegates to National	200.00	
Camp Improvements	494.10	
Other Expenses	482.21	
Expenses for State Meeting (1964)	715.72	\$23,641.72
Subtract Check for \$20.00 which was lost		
Total Expenditures for Year		\$23,621.72

TOTAL OUTSIDE GIVING:

National Cooperative	\$ 4,162.80	
National Foreign Missions	5,136.86	
National Home Missions	568.55	
Bible College	298.47	
C. T. S. Board	2,777.11	\$12,943.79

TOTAL AMOUNT RECEIVED\$25,421.12

TOTAL AMOUNT DISBURSED 23,621.72

Balance in Bank September 30, 1965 \$ 1,799.40

FUND BALANCE:

State Missions	\$ 1,494.83	
Christian Education	132.36	
Sunday School	208.24	
National Home Missions	1.76	
General Fund	185.88	\$ 2,023.07

Vision (\$223.67 overdrawn)

Balance in Bank September 30, 1965 \$ 1,779.40

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE\$ 253.17 \$ 253.17

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

On Books	168.21	
On Vision	90.00	\$ 258.21

ASSETS:

Office Equipment	\$ 150.00	
Promotional Equipment	150.00	
Book Store Merchandise	\$ 1,148.91	\$ 1,448.91

REPORT No. 4 — BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

1. We sponsored the Annual Ministers' Retreat with 18 ministers enrolled.
2. We held one meeting of the Board.

Your Committee: Rev. Keith Johnson, Chairman,
Rev. Melvin Knott, Secretary

REPORT No. 5 — MISSIONS BOARD

The State Missions Board met November 20, 1964, and elected Rev. Bob Francis as chairman and Rev. Kenneth Doggett as secretary. At this meeting we also discussed the possibility of a work in Texarkana, Arkansas. A joint meeting was planned and held at the First Church in Pine Bluff on March 12, 1955, with members of the State Missions Board, Little Missouri River Association, Central Association and Saline Association Missions Boards present. At this meeting each board pledged their interest and concern for this area. Rev. Marion Pettus, at the close of the meeting, presented himself to the State Missions Board for the work in Texarkana and was accepted.

On May 8, 1965, the Board met with Rev. Pettus and plans were made to begin his itinerate work the week of July 18, 1965. He traveled 4,391 miles, spoke to 2,043 people. A total to date given to this work is \$1,086.64, with Little Missouri River, Saline, and Central Associations each pledging \$50.00 per month for one year. The New Hope Association recommended that each of their churches receive an offering each month.

In other activities our board sponsored the March issue of Vision.

On September 4, 1965, the Board took part in the organizational service of the new church in Fayetteville, with 17 charter members.

On June 16, 1965, in the home of Rev. Herbert Rodgers, 411 South Locust Street, Fayetteville, Ark. Seven people met for prayer service; the following Wednesday evening 14 attended. A house was rented at 406 School Street for Sunday

services with 17 present for the first service. That number has increased steadily to a record number of 57. The new church elected Rev. Herbert Rodgers to serve as pastor.

We have a balance in our treasury of \$1,494.83.

Financial Report:

Balance Brought Forward	\$1,368.70
Total Monies Received	2,823.24
Total	<u>\$4,191.94</u>

Total Expenditures	<u>\$2,697.11</u>
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NEW CHURCH CLUB: There is \$161.00 available for new churches at this time. We would like this raised to \$300.00.

On September 21, 1965, the Board went to Blytheville to investigate the possibility of a work there. —Bob Francis, Chairman; Kenneth Doggett, Secretary

REPORT No. 6 — ARKANSAS STATE CHURCH TRAINING FUND FINANCIAL REPORT

October 1, 1964 — October 1, 1965

RECEIPTS:

Brought Forward from October 1, 1964	\$ 892.63
Received from State Office	2,777.11
Loan from Security Savings & Loan for Water Project	850.00
Youth Camp Fees	2,062.50
State Associational Fees	528.00
Sale of Food from State Meeting	19.00
Concession Stand Receipts	250.82
Love Offering at Convention	69.00
Offering for Film for the Convention	32.03
General Offerings	830.36
Total Received to October 1, 1965	<u>\$8,311.45</u>

EXPENDITURES:

Paid on House	\$ 768.00
City Water	2,182.53
Water, Gas and Lights	446.88
Food, Ice, Milk	1,895.57
Labor	175.00
Repairs	290.57
Improvements	882.25
Postage, Supplies and Phone Calls	132.09
Insurance	237.40
Literature	142.40
Camp Promotions	91.60
Camp Equipment	78.85
Camp Awards	45.45
Board Expense	96.25
Film for Convention	40.25
Miscellaneous	286.40
Total Expenditures	<u>\$7,791.49</u>
Balance October 1, 1965	\$ 519.96
Balance of Offering for Water Project	<u>\$1,696.49</u>

PRE-TEEN CAMP

Campers	135
Helpers and Children	41
Total	<u>176</u>

TEEN CAMP

Campers	126
Helpers	25
Total	<u>154</u>

REPORT No. 7 — STATE C. T. S. CONVENTION

The devotion was given by Rev. Jim McClain. A film was shown entitled God's Country with Tony and Kerry Fontain. An offering was taken for the expense of the film, \$32.03. Friday evening.

Saturday Morning: Devotion was by the C.T.S. of North Little Rock. Appointment of committees by President. Talent—Rev. Alton Loveless, Rev. Bill Hall, Rev. W. H. Bostic. Nominating—Rev. Ben Scott, Rev. Hoover Lewis, Rev. Rupert Pixley. A game of Bible tic-tac-toe was played, Pocahontas vs. Pine Hill. Pocahontas won but both teams were awarded a beautiful plaque. Winners of Sword Drill: Juniors, Karen Pettus; Seniors, Kay Font. Rev. J. W. Blanks, the treasurer, reported that \$720.00 had been designated for the water project at the youth camp. The morning message was given by Rev. James Earl Raper of Pine Bluff.

Talent Time was led by Bro. Alton Loveless. A motion was made and seconded that we change League to C.T.S. A motion was made that we accept the nominating committee report. Accepted.

President, Rev. Bob Francis; Vice President, Larry Doggett; Secretary, Sue Jones; Treasurer, Rev. J. W. Blanks; Sword Drill Director, Helen Bennett; Song Leader, Rev. Marion Pettus; Pianist, J. B. Robertson. Prizes were awarded to Sword Drill Contestants by Rev. Rupert Pixley.

Attendance registered 261. Social Band 33, Saline 39, New Hope 28, Polk Bayou 27, Little Missouri River 18, Central 52, Unity 48. An offering was taken Saturday for the water project. —Sue Jones, Secretary

REPORT No. 8 — MINUTES OF STATE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION

The 12th Annual Session of the Arkansas State Woman's Auxiliary Convention of Free Will Baptists, met at the Youth Camp, Conway, Arkansas, September 29, 1965.

Theme, "A Worthy Status." Wednesday morning: Congregational singing led by the song director, Bonnie Doggett and Ruth Leonard as pianist. Hymn, "Jesus Saves." Prayer by Genelle Scott. Opening greetings by the president, Betty Sawrie. Hymns, "Love Lifted Me" and "Rescue the Perishing." Devotional: "Today's Woman," by State Officers. Prayer by Rev. William Mishler.

Committees appointed by the president. Registration: Alene Coffman, Betty Price and Bertha Buchanan. Finance: Leo West, Barbara Cheshier and Fern Henry. Credentials: Kathleen Thacker, Bertie Mishler and Mary Depriest.

Secretary's report given and accepted. Report of National Convention by Maxine Bostic. Dismissed in prayer for recess by Rev. Carl Cheshier.

Morning worship began with piano prelude by Ruth Leonard. Called to order by singing "I Want To Be A Worker for the Lord." Prayer by Rev. Ben Scott. Special Music, "Why Should He Love Me So?" by Jean Francis. Mrs. Lavern Miley, missionary home from Africa, was introduced to speak to us. She gave an inspiring and informative report on our work in Africa. Dismissed in prayer for the noon hour by Rev. Kenneth Doggett.

Afternoon session began by singing "Standing on the Promises" and "Bring Them In." Prayer by Rev. W. S. Isbell. Devotional by Mrs. Wesley Calvary, missionary, home from Japan. Missions "tic-tac-toe" led by Shirley Thomas. An offering was received. Treasurer's report given and accepted. Committee reports given and accepted.

Registration Committee reported seven districts represented with 113 registered.

Credentials Committee reported 12 Standard of Achievement Charts displayed with 6 A-1 Auxiliaries. They were: Grubbs, Fort Smith, South Heights, North Little Rock, Pine Hill and Rose Hill. 2-B's, Union Grove and Russellville; 2-C's, New Home and Conway.

Finance Committee report given and accepted.

Executive Committee report was given and recommendations adopted as fol-

lows: (1) That we give \$25.00 to the Calvary Account. (2) That we send a letter of greeting to Mrs. Eunice Edwards. (3) That we give a love offering of \$50.00 to Mrs. Miley. (4) The following plan of work for the coming year was adopted: October—W.N.A.C. Entertainment Fund; November—National Home Missions; December—State Home Missions, Texarkana Mission; January—W.N.A.C. Entertainment Fund; February—W.N.A.C. Entertainment Fund; March—Youth Camp; April—Foreign Missions; May—Local Church Project; June Miley Account; July—Calvary Account; August—Special Emphasis for W.N.A.C. Fund; September—Student Loan Fund.

Delegates elected to the National Convention to convene in Little Rock in 1966: Mrs. J. E. White, Inez Hucklebee, Thelma English, Jean Francis, Janie Barker, Maxine Bostic, Jean White, Mary Ruth Wright, Mrs. Lennis Zinnamon and Betty Thompson.

Special music by Mt. Bethel Church. Motion carried to adjourn. The Doxology was used as the closing song. Benediction by Mrs. Ruth Leonard.

—Barbara Johnson, Secretary; Kathleen Thacker, Assistant Secretary

REPORT No. 9 — STATE MINISTERS AND DEACONS CONFERENCE

Arkansas State Ministers and Deacons Conference met November 20-21, 1964 with the First Church of Pine Bluff. Theme, "THE BIBLE AS IT IS FOR THE CHURCH OF TODAY." Scripture: Acts 8:4. Message Friday evening by Rev. Henry Brown, pastor of the First Church in Booneville. Message Saturday morning by Rev. Dean Dobbs, pastor of the Pocahontas Church. Two topics were discussed: "Our Church Doctrine in Relation to the Bible" and "Our Church Government In Relation to the Bible." These were given by Dr. J. O. O'Donnell.

REPORT No. 10 — RESOLUTION COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION No. 1. Be it resolved that each District Association be given the opportunity to entertain the State Association at the Campgrounds, using the camp facilities. That said district association receive all entertainment fees, furnish all foods and kitchen help and that they be responsible for all expenses incurred in the entertainment of the State Association.

We further recommend that the State Executive Board be responsible for making the necessary arrangements, in the preparation of the camp facilities, working together with the district association that will be entertaining the state association. In the event no district association requests to entertain the State Association it shall become the responsibility of the Executive Board to make the necessary arrangements.

RESOLUTION No. 2. Whereas, the State quota for the Free Will Baptist Bible College is \$3,500.00 for the year 1965-66 and whereas there has been only about \$400.00 paid on the quota, be it resolved:

That this State Association recommend that each church sending to the Arkansas State Association, sponsor a College Day and receive an offering to be applied to the state quota. This to be sent to the State Treasurer.

Be it further resolved that the Executive Committee of the State Alumni Association be responsible for the announcing of the College Day date.

RESOLUTION No. 3. In view of the fact that investigation is being made by the officers of the State Association to obtain a Ministers Group Hospitalization Insurance for the ministers of the Arkansas State Association, and if same can be obtained, and since insurance companies require that all premiums be paid from a central office:

Be it resolved that the State Promotional Office be designated as the receiving agent, charged with the responsibility of receiving and disbursing of premiums.

Your Committee: Rev. Carl Cheshier, Rev. William Mishler,
Rev. Lonnie Coffman, Rev. J. E. White, Rev. Lloyd Thomas

REPORT No. 11 — NOMINATING COMMITTEE

We, your Nominating Committee, submit the following nominations:

Steering Committee Rev. Ben Scott, Rev. Loyd Thomas, Rev. Bill
Mishler, Rev. Lewis Barker, Rev. James Earl Raper
Moderator Rev. Ben Scott
Assistant Moderator Rev. Lewis Barker
Clerk Rev. Alton E. Loveless
Assistant Clerk Rev. Jimmy Bundy
State Statistician Rev. W. S. Isbell
Promotional Secretary and Treasurer Rev. Loyd Thomas
Executive Board Rev. Elbert McClellan (5-year term)
Missions Board Rev. Bob Francis (5-year term)
Rev. Gene White (3-year term)
Sunday School Board Rev. R. G. Webb (5-year term)
Church Training Service Board Rev. W. H. Bostic (5-year term)
Christian Education Board Rev. Keith Johnson (5-year term)
Program Committee Moderator, Clerk, and Promotional Secretary

REPORT No. 12 — (See Pages 16 and 17)**REPORT No. 13 — REGISTRATION**

We, your committee on Registration, find that the following have registered: 52 Ministers, 22 Deacons, 37 District Delegates, 35 Local Church Delegates, 93 Visitors; a total attendance of 239.

Your Committee: Jean Francis, Maxine Bostic, Betty Price

REPORT No. 14 — AUDITING COMMITTEE

We, the Auditing Committee, have examined the books of the state office and have found them in order from October 1, 1964 to October 1, 1965. We would like to commend Bro. Lloyd Thomas for the well kept records.

Your Committee: Leo West, Mrs. J. W. Blanks, Mrs. M. B. Williams

REPORT No. 15 — PLACEMENT COMMITTEE

We recommend that we accept the invitation of Saline Association given to this body by Rev. J. E. White to entertain the 1966 session of the State Association to meet here at the State Camp Grounds. Since no other church or Association has asked for the next State Association in their Letter.

Your Committee: Geraldine Sanders, Ethel Wilson, Janie
Barker, Chairman, Gerphus Husky

REPORT No. 16 — BUDGET COMMITTEE

We, the Budget Committee, recommend the following allocations for money received through the cooperative plan of support:

National Cooperative	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 \$30,000.00 goal be adopted for the Associational year 1965-66. We further report the income from the church and District Associations to this session of the State Association to be \$962.35; of this amount \$513.50 was designated as entertainment fees and \$345.75 for printing of State Minutes and \$5.00 for National Representation fees.

REPORT No. 12
S T A T I S T I C I A N ' S R E P O R T
 Rev. W. S. Isbell, Statistician

LOCAL ASSOCIATIONS	No. of Churches	Membership	Members Received	Dismissed	Deceased	Ordained Ministers	Deacons	Sunday Schools	S. S. Enrollment	C. T. S.	C.T.S. Enrollment	Women's Auxiliaries	Auxiliary Membership	G. T. A.'s	Y. P. A.'s	Master's Men	Prayer Meetings
Antioch	33	2,278	142	65	23	52	100	33	1,461	14	357	10	59	2	3		7
Arkansas	14	516	79	5	5	25	42	14	314						3		5
Big Springs	4	221	15	13	2	3	10	4	182	3	69	3	38				3
Central	8	685	68	10	1	12	25	8	663	8	345	6	72			2	7
Harmony	5	252	83	13	1	8	13	5	214	5	150			1			2
Little Missouri River	5	306	30	7	3	9	24	5	345	3	64	1	11				4
New Hope	14	1,044	59	40	6	15	48	14	777	8	253	5	51			1	6
Old Mt. Zion	18	1,418	103	39	11	56	67	18	1,013	11	248	2	37				13
Polk Bayou	16	1,629	62	8	12	23	53	14	1,222	9	417	8	11	1	2	4	6
Rich Mountain	5	255	17	6	5	9	14	5	213	1	20	1	10				
Saline	20	2,169	130	59	17	31	74	20	1,429	11	461	6	76	1	3	2	14
Social Band	25	2,246	131	40	13	36	71	25	1,561	15	650	10	180	10	10	4	15
Unity	10	1,487	125	60	9	17	50	7	1,102	5	328	4	98	2	2	5	7
Zion Hope	19	1,100	70	20	12	42	20	19	950	10							15
TOTALS	196	15,606	1,114	385	120	338	651	191	11,446	103	3,362	56	643	17	23	18	104

LOCAL ASSOCIATIONS	Total Giving in the Churches (as reported)	Paid Pastors	Paid Evangelist	For Literature	For Building and Repair	Cooperative Fund	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Value of Church Property
Antioch	\$	\$ 22,324.67	\$ 2,811.69	\$ 1,849.40	\$22,457.33	\$	\$ 471.36	\$	\$ 200,000.00
Arkansas	14,152.16	7,807.00	1,270.36	385.32	1,404.53		4.00	70.00	47,000.00
Big Springs	5,982.48	1,575.13	167.92	354.36	2,103.28		73.00		
Central	46,204.13	19,170.71	980.00	1,820.13	5,052.22	3,567.78	837.11	58.29	218,000.00
Harmony	5,725.00	3,585.00	250.00	175.00	421.00	260.00	100.00		
Little Mo. River ..	14,796.95	7,680.00	1,352.44	462.63	2,140.73	729.72	353.37		
New Hope	47,686.22	16,322.00	3,429.72	1,784.60	9,356.31	1,036.59	881.23	366.44	187,500.00
Old Mt. Zion	53,504.40	17,130.18	3,260.84	2,181.32	16,581.79		1,272.13	985.82	139,000.00
Polk Bayou	40,740.11	16,222.16	1,077.66	1,519.83	7,258.78	843.94	559.25	70.67	188,075.00
Rich Mountain ...	5,994.15	2,278.00	227.48	426.27	1,904.62				28,000.00
Saline	48,724.87	31,478.49	2,608.85	3,087.82	3,450.31	1,480.14	1,812.74	382.01	24,050.00
Social Band		31,565.73	2,663.44	7,127.43	6,595.46	2,735.47	1,965.00	532.37	214,000.00
Unity	54,520.09	20,090.00	1,216.97	1,556.01	12,665.23	1,567.17	145.50	49.00	182,500.00
Zion Hope		10,000.00	2,000.00	900.00	1,400.00				100,000.00
TOTALS	\$338,030.56	\$207,229.13	\$23,317.37	\$23,630.12	\$92,791.59	\$12,214.81	\$8,475.69	\$2,514.60	\$1,528,125.00

ASSOCIATION	ENTERTAINMENT FEE	STATE MINUTES	NATIONAL REPRESENTATION FEE
Zion Hope No. 2	\$ 25.00	\$ 15.00	
Little Missouri River	15.00	3.00	
Social Band	62.00	20.00	
Arkansas	42.00	81.00	
New Hope	42.00	42.00	
Polk Bayou	48.00	33.00	
Harmony	15.00		
Old Mt. Zion	54.00		
Unity			
Rich Mountain	15.00	15.00	
Saline	60.00	27.00	
Central	24.00		
Antioch	99.00	102.75	
Big Springs	12.00	7.00	5.00
TOTAL	\$513.50	\$345.75	\$5.00

Your Committee: Lewis Barker, L. D. Payne, M. B. Williams

REPORT No. 17 — TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE

We, your committee on temperance, wish to give the following report.

According to the Bible we believe Christians should be temperate in all things and abstain from the use of sale of any alcoholic beverages.

We also believe that we should not patronize any business firms that are connected with the distribution of alcoholic beverages such as cafes, grocery stores or drug stores.

We also wish to call your attention to the following scriptures, James 1:12-16, "Blessed is the man that endureth temptation; 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 from 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." I Corinthians 10:13, "There hath no temptation taken you but such is common to man; but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way of escape, that ye may be able to bear it."

We believe as Free Will Baptists that all people are created equal under God, regardless of race or color. And as we live together may we keep the "GOLDEN RULE." Also abstain from all demonstrations and riots. I Tim. 2:2, "For kings, and all that are in authority, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all Godliness and honesty."

Your Committee: Ray Thompson, Ottis Cook, Francis Bundy,
Jean Sory, Fannie Welch

REPORT No. 18 — EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Arkansas State Executive Board met October 2, 1964, at the State Camp Grounds and properly organized.

Rev. Lewis Barker was elected by the Association to serve a five-year term on the board.

Since we had no other occasion to meet this was our only meeting.

—Rev. Marion Pettus, Chairman; Rev. L. C. Crowder, Clerk

REPORT No. 19 — OBITUARY COMMITTEE

We, your Committee, find that God has seen fit to call from labor to reward 122 of our number that rest from their labors.

"And their works follow them." Rev. 14:13, "I must work the works of him that sent me while it is day and the night cometh when no man can work."

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 a crown may wear. Will you be the one to bear the cross?

Your Committee: Ethel Doyle, Oris Doggett, Gracie Williams



ARKANSAS 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 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 of 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 you 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 requested 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 Baptists 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. Lewis Barker
Clerk	Rev. Alton E. Loveless
Assistant Clerk	Rev. Jimmy Bundy
State Statistician	Rev. W. S. Isbell
Secretary-Treasurer	Rev. Lloyd Thomas

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Rev. Elbert McClellan	5 Years
Rev. Lewis Barker	4 Years
Rev. Gilbert Pixley	3 Years
Rev. Marion Pettus	2 Years
Mr. Millard Williams	1 Year

MISSIONS BOARD

Rev. Bob Francis	5 Years
Rev. William Mishler	4 Years
Rev. Gene White	3 Years
Rev. Tommy Robertson	2 Years
Rev. Kenneth Doggett	1 Year

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD

Rev. R. G. Webb	5 Years
Rev. Dean Dobbs	4 Years
Rev. Tommy Day	3 Years
Rev. Bob Mantooth	2 Years
Rev. Ray Watkins	1 Year

CHURCH TRAINING SERVICE BOARD

Rev. W. H. Bostic	5 Years
Rev. Lawnie Coffman	4 Years
Rev. Carl Cheshier	3 Years
Rev. Rupert Pixley	2 Years
Rev. J. W. Blanks	1 Year

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD

Rev. Keith Johnson	5 Years
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