MINUTES

Of The

Eighteenth Annual Session

Of The

Of

Free Will Baptists

Arkansas State Association

Free Will Baptist Youth Camp

At The

On Tunnel Road - Conway, Arkansas

August 14 - 16, 1968

The next regular session will convene at the Free Will Baptist Youth Camp on Tunnel Road, Conway, Arkansas beginning Wednesday Evening, August 13 - 15, 1969.

> **REV. JAMES EARL RAPER, Moderator 3010 Orange Street** Pine Bluff, Arkansas

REV. CLARENCE E. CAMPBELL, Clerk 417 Elm Street Newport, Arkansas

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Moderator - Rev. R. G. Webb, Atkins, Arkansas

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Moderator - Rev. Marion Pettus, 4021 County Ave., Texarkana, Ark. Clerk - Mrs. Floyd Welch, P. O. Box 174, Glenwood, Ark., 71943 **NEW HOPE:**

Moderator - Rev. Lawnie Coffman, 113 Highland Dr., Searcy, Ark. 72143 Clerk - Kathleen Thacker, 116 Highland Dr., Searcy, Ark. 72143 OLD MT. ZION:

Moderator - Rev. Horace M. Knox, 621 N "C" St. Rogers, Ark. 72756 Clerk - Sis. Willie Bohannan, Rt. 3, Box 69., Huntsville, Ark. 72740 POLK BAYOU:

Moderator - Rev. J. W. Blanks, Batesville Rt., Salado, Ark. 72475 Clerk - Mrs. M. B. Williams, Strawberry, Ark. 72469 **RICH MOUNTAIN:**

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Moderator - Bro. H. E. Taylor, Milo, Ark.

Clerk - Jim Sharpton, 311 Chestnut St., Warren, Ark. SOCIAL BAND:

Moderator - Rev. Ben Scott, 1009 Hester, Jonesboro, Arkansas Clerk - Sis. Genelle Scott, 1009 Hester, Jonesboro, Arkansas UNITY:

Moderator - Re. L. C. Crowder, 4501 N. 32nd St. Ft. Smith, Ark. 72901 Clerk - Bob Followwill, 3722 Armour Ave., Ft. Smith, Ark. 72901 ZION HOPE NO. 2:

Moderator - Rev. G. G. Dipboye, Rt. 3, Van Buren, Ark.

Clerk - Re. Raymond Chronister, Gen. Del., Barling, Ark. 72923 NORTH LOUISIANA:

Moderator - Rev. Ralph Fowler, Star Rt., Lake Village, Ark. Clerk - R. L. Martar, Box 21, Eudora, Ark.

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WEDNESDAY EVENING, AUGUST 14, 1968

The eighteenth annual session of the Arkansas State Association of the Free Will Baptist met at the Youth Camp on Tunnel Road in Conway, Arkansas.

Services opened by singing "Jesus Saves" directed by Rev. Ray Berry and Sis. Berry played the piano.

Prayer - Jackie Williams

Hymn "Where the Soul of Man Never Dies"

The Assistant Clerk, Rev. Jimmie Bundy officially called the session to order and introduced the Moderator, Rev. James Earl Raper, pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Pine Bluff, Arkansas.

Presentation of Youth Camp Facilities by Rev. J. W. Blanks.

Recognition of out of state visitors by moderator, Bro. Robert (Bob) Shocky, National Home Missions, Nashville, Tenn. Bro. Rogers Reeds, National Sunday School Dept., Nashville, Tenn. Dr. J. D. O'Donnell, President Oklahoma Bible College, Moore, Okla. Bro. Paul Ketteman, Free Will Baptist College, Nashville, Tenn. Sis. Gladys Sloan, National Foreign Missions Dept., Nashville, Tenn.

Election of Committee on Committees, Bro. Millard Williams, Bro. Bob Followwill, Bro. Oris Doggett, Bro. Richard Harrison, and Bro. Carl High was elected on this committee.

Special Music "The Invitation Past" - Bro. Bob Followwill.

Hymn "Victory in Jesus"

Special by the Capitol City Church Trio - Sis. Berry, Sis. Sory, and Sis. Jones.

Moderator presented the theme for this session - "Preach the Work" The moderator introduced Rev. E. M. Kennedy, pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church at Pocahontas, Arkansas, to bring the introductory message. Subject - "The Bible Is The Inspired Word of God" Scriptures 1 Peter 1: 11 - 12, Revelation 2:1, Revelation 1:11 and 2 Timothy 3: 16 - 17. Invitation to come to Jesus was given by the moderator while Bro. Berry directed the hymn "Just As I Am".

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WEDNESDAY EVENING, AUGUST 14, 1968

Report No. 1. Partial Report of Committee on Committees, the election of the Credential Committee and Registration Committee. Benediction Bro. R. D. Hester, Pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church in Russellville, Arkansas.

THURSDAY MORNING, AUGUST 15, 1968 9:00 A. M.

Opening Song - "Heavenly Love" Director, John Edington Jr. Pianist, J. M. Edington.

The moderator introduced Rev. Paul Ketteman, Director of Public Relations at the Free Will Baptist Bible College of Nashville, Tennessee, to bring the morning devotional. Subject - "Where There Is No Vision, the People Perish". Scriptures Amos 8:11 - 12, Proverbs 28:18.

Sis Gladys Sloan, from the Foreign Missions Department, was recognized by the moderator. She gave a brief report on the Foreign Missions.

Report No. 2. Motion carried to receive the report and adopt item by item. The Association ruled to seat the delegates from the Saline Association.

Motion carried to adopt the program with any changes that needed to be made as needs arose.

Report No. 1. Committee on Committees gave final report. Motion carried to adopt the final report, and dissolve the committee.

Report No. 3. Report of the Executive Board was made by Rev. Marion Pettus. Motion carried to accept the report.

Report No. 4. Promotional Director and Treasurer's Report was given by Rev. Fred Warner, Promotional Director. Motion carried to accept this report.

Report No. 2. A Partial Report of the Credentials Committee was given. Motion carried to seat the delegates from Old Mt. Zion Association.

Report No. 5. The Christian Education Board REport was given by Rev. Keith Johnson. Motion carried to accept this report.

Report No. 6. The Missions Board Report was given by Rev. Kenneth Doggett. Motion carried to accept this report.

Benediction for Intermission by moderator.

THURSDAY MORNING, AUGUST 15, 11:00 A. M.

Called to worship by assistant moderator, Re. Henry Brown. Opening Hymn - "Leaning on the Everlasting Arm" directed by John Edington, Jr., accompanied by J. M. Edington at the piano.

Hymn - "Oh How I Love Jesus". Prayer by Rev. Ben Scott.

Special - "Heaven Is A Little Nearer" by Ralph Morrow, Jewell Morrow. John Edington, Jr., Omer Edington and J. M. Edington from the Old Reyno Church.

Special - "Its's Alright Now", by John Edington, Jr., family (John, Goldie, Stanley, J. M. and Angelia).

The assistant Moderator introduced our morning speaker, Re. Robert (Bob) Shocky, National Home Missions Field Worker. His Scripture was John 17: 1 - 17. His Subject - "The Bible As Our Rule of Faith and Practice". He asked the question Why is the Bible Our Rule of Faith and Practice and then answered, "Because the Word is Truth".

Invitation - "Prepare to Meet Thy God" - several came for consecration by Rev. Rupert Pixley. Prayer of benediction by Rev. Bob King.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, AUGUST 15, 1968 1: 30 P. M.

Hymn - "When We All Get to Heaven" directed by Bro. Bob Followwill and Sis. Nadene Followwill at the piano.

Prayer by Rev. Richard Harrison.

Dr. J. D. O'Donnell was introduced by the moderator for the afternoon devotional. Scripture taken from 2 Cor. 9: 8 with the Theme - "Our God Is Able". Dr. O'Donnell also gave greeting from the Oklahoma Bible College.

Special "How Long Has It Been?" by Sis. Beth Ragsdale from the Fort Smith Church.

Report from Bro. Roger Reed, National Sunday School Department. Report No. 7. Sunday School Board Report, by Rev. Hoover Lewis. Motion carried to accept this report.

Report No. 8. The C. T. S. Report was given by Rev. J. W. Blanks. Motion carried to accept the report.

Report No. 9. The Woman's Auxiliary report was given by Sis. Bar. bara Johnson. Motion carried to accept the report.

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Report No. 10. A report of the Ministers and Deacon's Conference by Rev. Larry Russell. Motion carried to accept the report. Report No. 11. A report of the State C. T. S. Convention was given by Rev. Larry Russell. Motion carried to accept the report. Special Music - By Waves of Faith Quartet. "Standing by the River" Hymn - "I'll Fly Away" Report No. 12. Resolution committee Partial Report. Resolution No. 1 - Lost Resolution No. 2 - Motion carried to accept the report and lay on the table until Friday. Resolution No. 3 - Motion carried to adopt item by item. Item 1. Carried Item 2. Carried Resolution No. 4 - Motion carroed tp adopt Resolution No. 5 - Motion carried to adopt item by item. An amendment carried, "To Pay All Expenses for these women". Rev. James Earl Raper and Rev. Wade Jernigan were placed in nomination to represent us at the General Meeting of the Executive Committee at the Headquarters Building in Nashville, Tennessee on December 2, 1968. Motion carried to table the two nominations until the item could be discussed. The moderator ruled two motions out of order concerning the definition of a backslider since a motion was on the floor to discuss this item.

Motion carried to adjourn until the next business session. Special Music - "Jacob's Ladder" by Rev. J. D. Coffman.

THURSDAY NIGHT, AUGUST 15, 1968

Services opened by singing - "Revive Us Again" Directed By Bro. Bob Followwill with Sis. Nadene Followwill at the piano.

Special - "I Know Who Holds Tomorrow" by Sis. Hazel Moore of Bastrop, Louisiana.

Specials by the Johnston Family from Russellville - "Walking Up Calvary's Hill and I'm Willing Lord"

Hymn - "Blessed Assurance".

Special - "He Is All That I Need" by Sis. Nadene Followwill. (This song was also written and composed by Sis. Followwill).

Hymn - "Amazing Grace" directed by Rev. Henry Hill with Sis. Hill at the piano.

The assistant moderator, Rev. Henry Brown introduced the evening speaker, Rev. Thomas Brashear, (Evangelist From Russellville). His Subject - " The Bible As Our Guide to Revival" Scripture 2 Tim. 4: 1-8. An invitation to the lost was given while Bro. and Sis. Followwill sang "Have You Thought What the Master Will Say?" (A song composed by Mrs. Lee Jones of the Capitol City Free Will Baptist Church). Several came making decisions for the Lord.

Benediction by Bro. Raymond Chronister.

FRIDAY MORNING, AUGUST 16, 1968

Services opened with Hymns "How Firm A Foundation and Stand Up For Jesus" led by Rev. Gilbert Pixley.

Devotional by Rev. W. S. Isbell. Scriptures Psalms 1 and Joshua Prayer by Rev. J. E. Raper.

Report No. 13. Statistician's Report. Since the information was incomplete a motion carried to give Bro. Isbell time to accumulate the information and give the report to the clerk.

Visitors introduced from Blytheville (three General Baptists).

Report No. 14 (Partial Report). of Nomination Committee. The Nominee submitted by the committee declined and Rev. C. E. Campbell was nominated from the floor for Clerk. Motion carried to elect by acclimation.

Rev. Lawnie Collman gave plans of a trip he is planning for next year (A Trip to the Holy Lands).

Oral Report by Rev. and Mrs. Larry Russell for the work in West Helena.

At 11:00 A. M. we returned to business at hand when the motion for adjournment carried. Business at hand at that time was the discussion on the issue of the condition of a backslider.

Motion carried to take from the table (MOTION TO POSTPONE NOMINATIONS) and proceed with the nominations.

The following men were nominated: Rev. Wade Jernigan, Rev. James Earl Raper, Rev. Ben Scott, and Rev. E. M. Kennedy.

Motion carried that nomination cease and two of these men be elected. A motion carried that we select Bro. Wade Jernigan and Bro. James Earl Raper with a unanimous consent and with our blessings.

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Motion carried that we adopt the following position. The doctrines of the Free Will Baptists as defined in the "Treatise of the Faith and Practice" shall be the guide of theological positions for this state.

Motion carried to adjourn for worship services.

FRIDAY MEMORIAL SERVICE 12:35 P. M.

Music Director - Rev. Gilbert Pixley Pianist - Sis. Hazel Moore Hymn - "Since He Gave Me This Heart of Love" Prayer - Rev. Gene Bishop Hymn - "I Am Bound for the Promised Land"

Obituary Report read by moderator.

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Rev. Lewis Barker read from Hebrews 9: 27 and introduced the subject "The Bible As Our Hope In Death and Eternity". A special by the Walnut Ridge Duet - "No One To Welcome Me Home". The Congregation stood in silent prayer and closed in prayer by Rev. Lewis Barker. Bro. Barker then introduced Rev. Kenneth Doggett as the memorial speaker. His subject was "Mission Accomplished", Scriptures 2 Tim. 4: 2 and 6 - 8. Special - "I Want To Stroll Over Heaven With You" by Quartet.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON BUSINESS SESSION, AUGUST 16, 1968

Report No. 15. Regristration Committee. Motion carried to adopt the report.

Report No. 16. Placement Committee. Motion made that we accept the invitation of the Zion Hope No. 2 Association and the invitation was withdrawn. Our next meeting will be in the State Youth Camp at Conway, August 13 - 15, 1969.

Report No. 17. Budget Committee. Motion carried to adopt. Report No. 18. Temperance Committee. Motion carried to accept. Motion carried that the State Promotional Secretary Contact Associations not represented and report back to the next accociation.

Report No. 19. Obituary Committee. Motion carried that we adopt the report.

Motion carried that resolution No. 2 be taken from the table.

Resolution No. 2 Lost.

Motion carried that we appoint Rev. Fred Warner and Rev. Bob King to be advisory members with the Oklahoma Bible College.

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Report No. 20. C. T. S. Board. Motion carried to instruct the C. T. S. Board to maintain what we have and propose a 5 year phase program of relocation.

Report No. 21. Finance Committee. Motion carried to adopt the report.

New ministers in Arkansas recognized.

Rev. R. D. Hester, Pastor of the First Church, Russellville. Rev. Jack Williams, Pastor of the Willoby Church, Warren.

Rev. Rev. Jack Millwood, Pastor of the Booneville Church. Rev. Wade Jernigan, Pastor of Kavanaugh Church, Ft. Smith.

Rev. Clarence Campbell, Pastor First Church of Newport.

Report No. 22. Nominating Committee. Motion carried to receive the report and elect office by office. Motion carried that the nominees be elected by acclimation, on the various boards.

Motion carried to elect by acclimation W. S. Isbell, State Statistician, Rev. Wade Jernigan, Assistant Clerk, and Rev. Henry Brown, Assistant Moderator.

Motion carried to elect by acclimation Rev. James Earl Raper Moderator.

Motion carried that we elect a parliamentarian.

Motion carried to elect, by acclimation, Jack Millwood, Parliamentarian.

Motion carried to elect by acclimation the following delegates to the National Association. Bob Followwill, Bob Butler, John Lau, Harlon Sory, and John Plyler.

Rev. Loyd Thomas was elected to be The General Board Member to the National Association.

Motion carried to adjourn.

Motion carried to send Rev. Carl Cheshire a letter.

Prayer of Benediction by Rev. Ben Scott.

COMMITTEE AND BOARD REPORTS

REPORT NO. 1 - COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES:

We recommend the following to serve on the various committees: CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE: Wade Jernigan, Ray Watkins, Jack Milwood, J. W. Blanks, and J. W. Russell. REGISTRATION COMMITTEE: M. B. Williams, Oris Doggett, Pearlene

Roberts, Mrs. Dale Miller, and Ollie Doggett.

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BUDGET COMMITTEE: Bob Francis, Fred Warner, Ronnie Blanks, R. D. Hester, and Jackie Williams.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Kenneth Doggett, Ben Scott, Larry Russell, Marion Pettus, and Rupert Pixley.

PLACEMENT COMMITTEE: Ernest M. Kennedy, Lewis Barker, Ray Berry, Hoover Lewis, and Del Miller.

TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE: Ralph Morrow, Barnard Roberts and Harlan Sory.

OBITUARY COMMITTEE: W. S. Isbell, H. B. Doyle, John Hale, John Holland and Nolan Brown.

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE: Bob King, Lawnie Coffman, Lowell Graham, Bill Van Winkle, and Keith Johnson.

> Your Committee: M. B. Williams - Chairman, Bob Followwill - Clerk, Oris Doggett, Richard Harrison, and Carl High.

REPORT NO. 2 - CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE:

We the credentials committee find that thirteen (13) associations have represented by letters and delegates. They are: Little Mo. River, Big Springs, Central, New Hope, Polk Bayou, Rich Mountain, Saline, Social BAnd, Unity, Zion Hope, Arkansas, Antioch and North Louisiana.

We recommend that all of these letters be received with the exception of the Saline Association, who sent only a list of the delegates. We ask that the State Association rule on this.

We recommend that the West Helena Church letter be received and their delegate seated since they are affiliated with the State Mission Board.

We received Recommendations from the Unity and Zion Hope Associations. We recommend that they be given to the resolution committee.

We have read and discussed the letter from the Old Mount Zion Association. We find that they have not sent \$13.00 per church. We can not recommend that the letter be received and delegates seated in the light of the statement in the Constitution on finance. We ask the association to give special consideration to this letter.

> Your Committee: Wade Jernigan - Chairman, Jack Millwood, J. W. Russell, Ray Watkins, and J. W. Blanks

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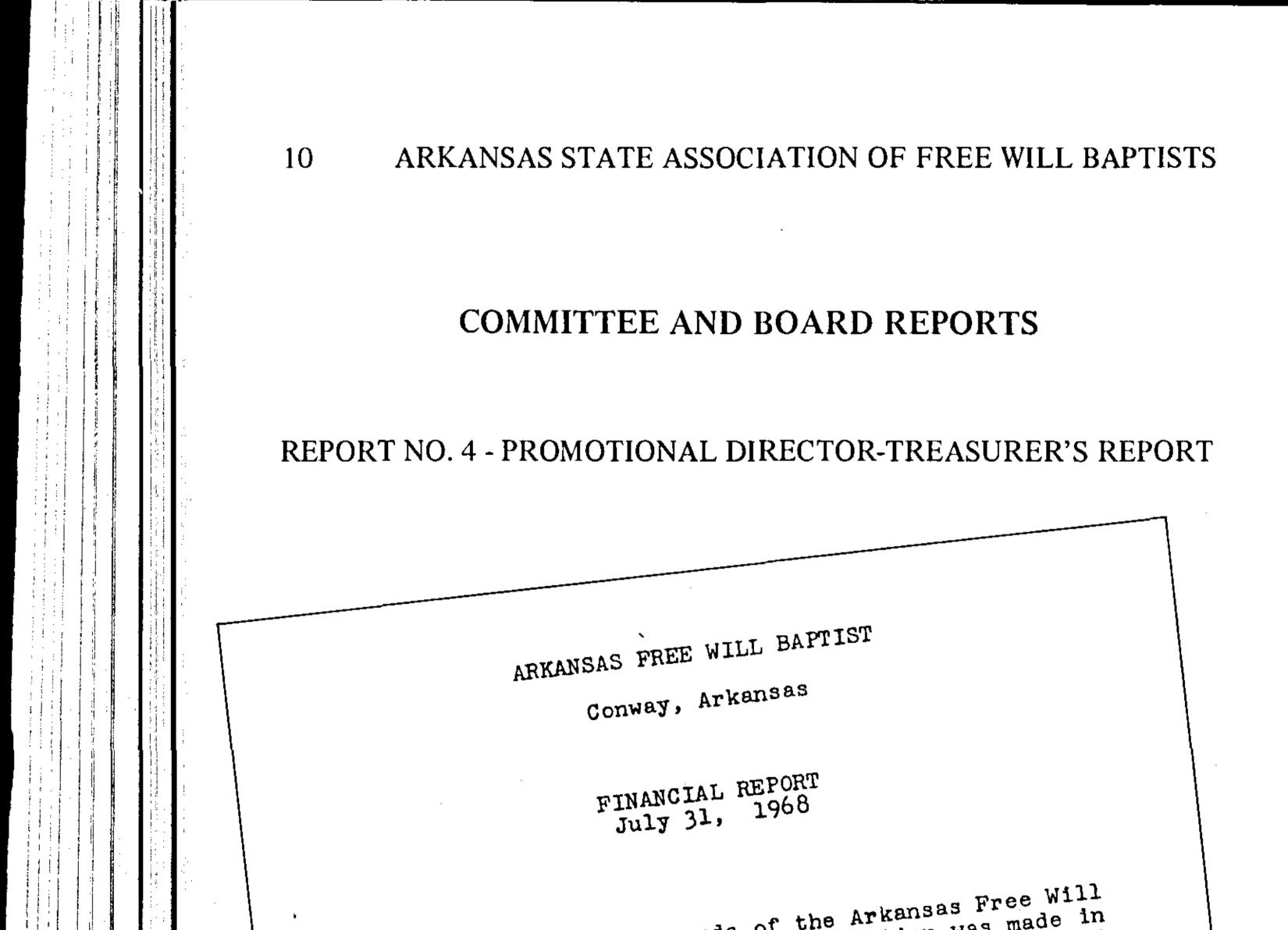
REPORT NO. 3 - EXECUTIVE BOARD:

Executive Board Report, August 18, 1967 - August 13, 1968

August 18, 1967 - The State Executive Board met for the purpose of organizing for the new year. Marion Pettus was re - elected Chairman, and Lewis Barker was re-elected Secretary. This was after the State Association adjourned.

November 4, 1967 - The Executive Board met in the First Free Will Baptist Church at Conway, Arkansas. 1. A committee was chosen to arrange for the entertaining of the State Association, August 14 - 16, 1968. The Committee as follows: Lewis Barker - Chairmen, Kenneth Doggett, and Ronnie Blanks. 2. Report of the State Promotional Secretary - Treasurer, Bro. Fred Warner. It was a good report. 3. The Board voted to buy a typewriter for the State Office, th cost being \$75.00.4. The Board Voted for Bro. Warner to use Parcel Post Rates in mailing Vision. 5. Board voted to pay Promotional - Secretary 8¢ per mile when doing work for the State Association. To pay expense to the National Association, (amount to be decided prior to National). 6. The Board voted to give the Promotional -Secretary two (2) weeks vacation, with pay, per year. May 11, 1968 - The Executive Board met at Conway, Arkansas. 1. The Board voted to give the members of the Blue Cross - Blue Shield Hospitalization Group Policy a thirty (30) day Grace Period in paying their premium. 2. That we give the Promotional - Secretary a \$10.00 per week raise for the remainder of the contract year. 3. That we write a letter of appreciation to Mr. Joe Purcell, Attorney General of the State of Arkansas, for his ruling against allowing the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board to issue permits to private clubs to sell mixed drinks. 4. That Rev. Clarence Campbell replace Rev. Herbert Rodgers on the State Board of Christian Education, Rev. Rodgers moved to a church in Oklahoma.

Board Members: Marion Pettus, Chairman, Lewis Barker - Secretary, Ottis Cook, Elbert McClellan, and Gilbert Pixley.



We have examined the records of the Arkansas Free Will Baptists as of July 31, 1968. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary In our opinion, the accompanying Operating Statement in the circumstances. presents fairly the financial position of the Arkansas Free Will Baptists at July 31, 1968 and the results of its operations for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on the basis consistent with that of the preceding year. JOHN F. JAMES Public Accountant 818 Chestnut St Arkansas Conway, Arv 72032

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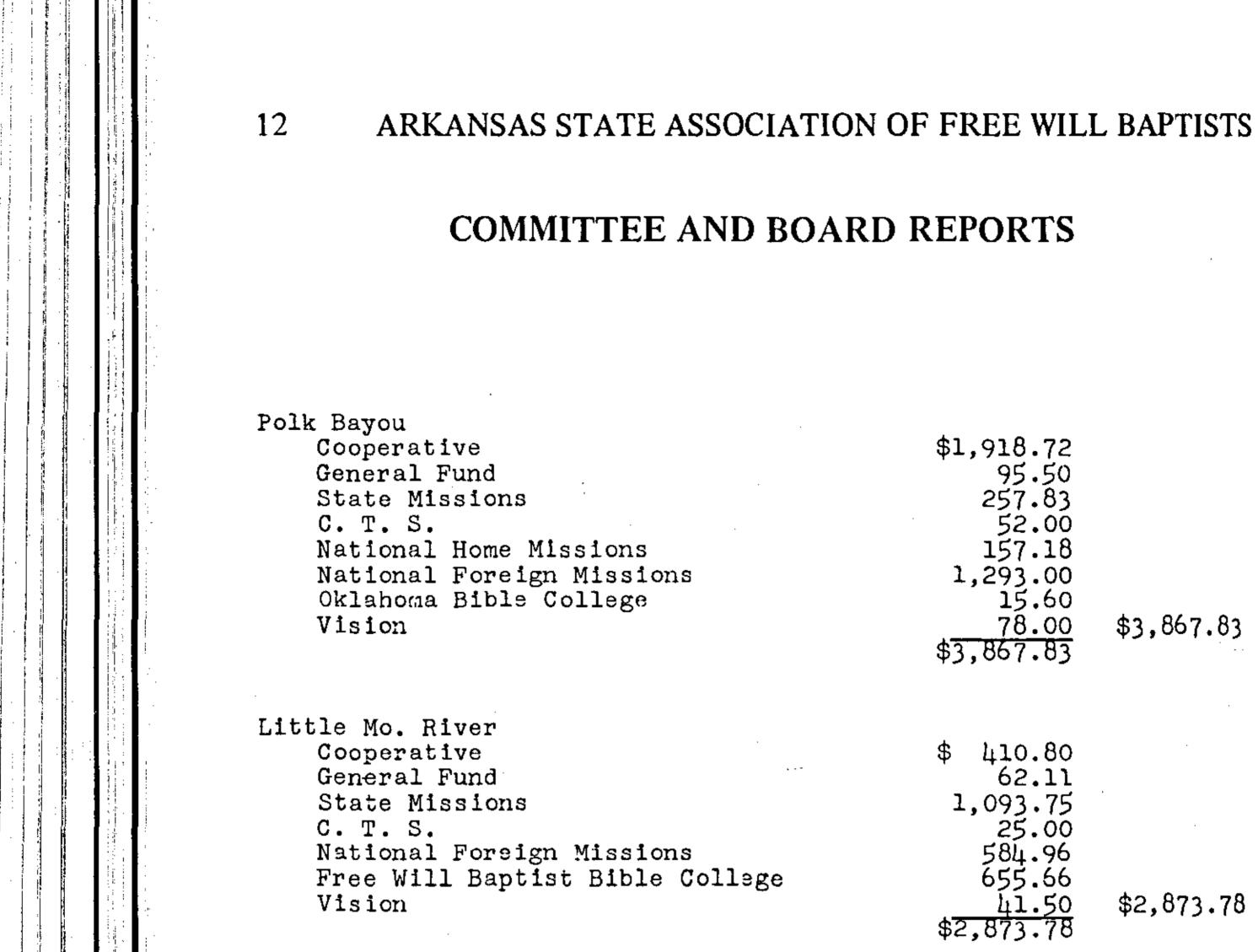
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ARKANSAS FREE WILL BAPTIST

Promotional Director - Treasurer's Report From August 1, 1967, Through July 31, 1968

RECEIVED FROM ASSOCIATIONS

Central Cooperative General Fund State Missions C. T. S. National Home Missions National Foreign Missions Free Will Baptist Bible College Miscellaneous Vision	\$2,677.85 460.00 1,790.24 327.48 196.18 1,184.92 298.83 160.50 150.50 7,201.50	\$7,201.50	
Social Band Cooperative General Fund State Missions C. T. S. National Home Missions National Foreign Missions Free Will Baptist Bible College Miscellaneous Vision	\$3,522.76 188.81 33.00 165.33 92.95 1,782.13 24.00 5.76 89.50 5,904.24	\$5,904.24	
Saline Cooperative General Fund State Missions C. T. S. National Home Missions National Foreign Missions Vision	\$2,117.48 194.00 565.04 25.00 57.50 881.00 83.00 4,938.02	\$4,938.02	
Unity Cooperative General Fund State Missions National Home Missions National Foreign Missions Vision	\$2,574.56 127.00 50.00 958.77 413.46 <u>57.00</u> 4,180.79	\$4,180.79	



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Zion Hope #2

210	n Hope #2 Cooperative General Fund State Missions National Home Missions National Foreign Missions Oklahoma Bible College Miscellaneous Vision	\$1,453.76 60.00 213.85 262.71 541.47 120.00 55.00 45.00 \$2,751.79	\$2,751.79
New	Hope Cooperative General Fund State Missions C. T. S. National Home Missions National Foreign Missions Free Will Baptist Bible College Vision	\$ 431.24 250.00 69.50 60.00 15.30 737.52 145.00 77.00 \$1,785.56	\$1,785.56
Old	Mt. Zion Cooperative General Fund State Missions National Home Missions National Foreign Missions Vision	\$ 453.99 158.00 161.53 42.60 146.00 52.50 \$1,014.62	\$1,014.62

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Arkansas Cooperative General Fund State Missions National Foreign Missions Vision	\$ 449.99 231.00 6.00 20.00 <u>25.00</u> \$ 731.99	731.99
Antioch Cooperative General Fund State Missions C. T. S. National Foreign Missions Vision	$ \begin{array}{r} 127.90 \\ 139.00 \\ 34.00 \\ 10.00 \\ 363.99 \\ 56.00 \\ 730.89 \\ \end{array} $	730.89
Harmony General Fund State Missions	\$ 240.97 <u>1.00</u> \$ 241.97	241.97

North Louisiana	
General Fund	
Vision	

Big Springs General Fund National Foreign Missions Vision

Rich Mountain Cooperative General Fund Vision

Total Giving From Associations Received From State Woman's Auxilary Miscellaneous Receipts Premiums For Blue Cross Insurance Book Sales

Total Receipts From All Sources

Balance Brought Forward

\$ 80.00 <u>16.00</u> 96.00	\$	96.00
\$ 42.00 41.25 <u> 6.00</u> 89.25	\$	89.25
\$ 3.00 36.00 <u>5.00</u> 44.00	\$	44.00
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DISBURSEMENTS

General Fund		
Promotional Director's Salary	\$4,225.00	
Promotional Director's Mileage	1,095.20	
Insurance Premiums	3,829.13	
Utilities	333.48	
State Entertainment Expense	913.24	
Printing Of Minutes	312.00	
Office Supplies	289.04	
Postage	126.82	
Natl. Representation Fee	95.00	
Miscellaneous	195.48	\$
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State Missions		
Solony (Boyonloops)	A 776 00	

\$11,414.39

Salary (Texarkana) Utilities (Texarkana)

\$ 775.00 283.70

Salary (West Helena) Utilities (West Helena) Blytheville (Salary) Mileage (Combined) Moving Expense Telephone Postage Printing Gifts To New Churches. Miscellaneous	205.70 3,965.00 570.00 700.00 378.66 71.46 87.47 12.24 76.23 382.30 101.46	\$ 7,403.52
Book Store Books For Resell Sales Tax Freight Supplies Postage Phone Bills Miscellaneous	\$1,853.83 115.62 35.34 85.66 66.86 4.55 255.54	\$ 2,417.40
с. т. з.	\$4,490.79	\$ 4,490.79
Christian Education Board Board Member Mileage Minister's Retreat Expense	\$ 25.20 	\$ 187.86
Sunday School Board Vision	\$ 21.76	\$ 21.76

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National Cooperative	\$6,161.64	\$6,161.64
National Home Missions	\$1,767.53	\$1,767.53
National Foreign Missions	\$7,163.25	\$7,163.25
Bible Colleges	\$2,251.80	\$2,251.80
Miscellaneous	\$ 328.87	\$ 328.87
Vision Conway News (Printer) Supplies Camera Postage Refund	\$ 111.50 148.17 57.11 91.51 3.00	\$ 411.29
Total Disbursements		\$44,020.10
Bank Balance July 31,1968 Total Amount Received Balance Brought Forward	\$49,481.98 	\$52,705.27

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\$ 8,685.17

SERVICES OF PROMOTIONAL DIRECTOR FOR 1967-68

Associations and Quarterly Meetings Attended Promotional Services Held (Local Church Services)	
Miles Traveled (For State Work)	
Offerings Received:	
General FundPersonal	\$1,492.06 529.25
Total Offerings Received	

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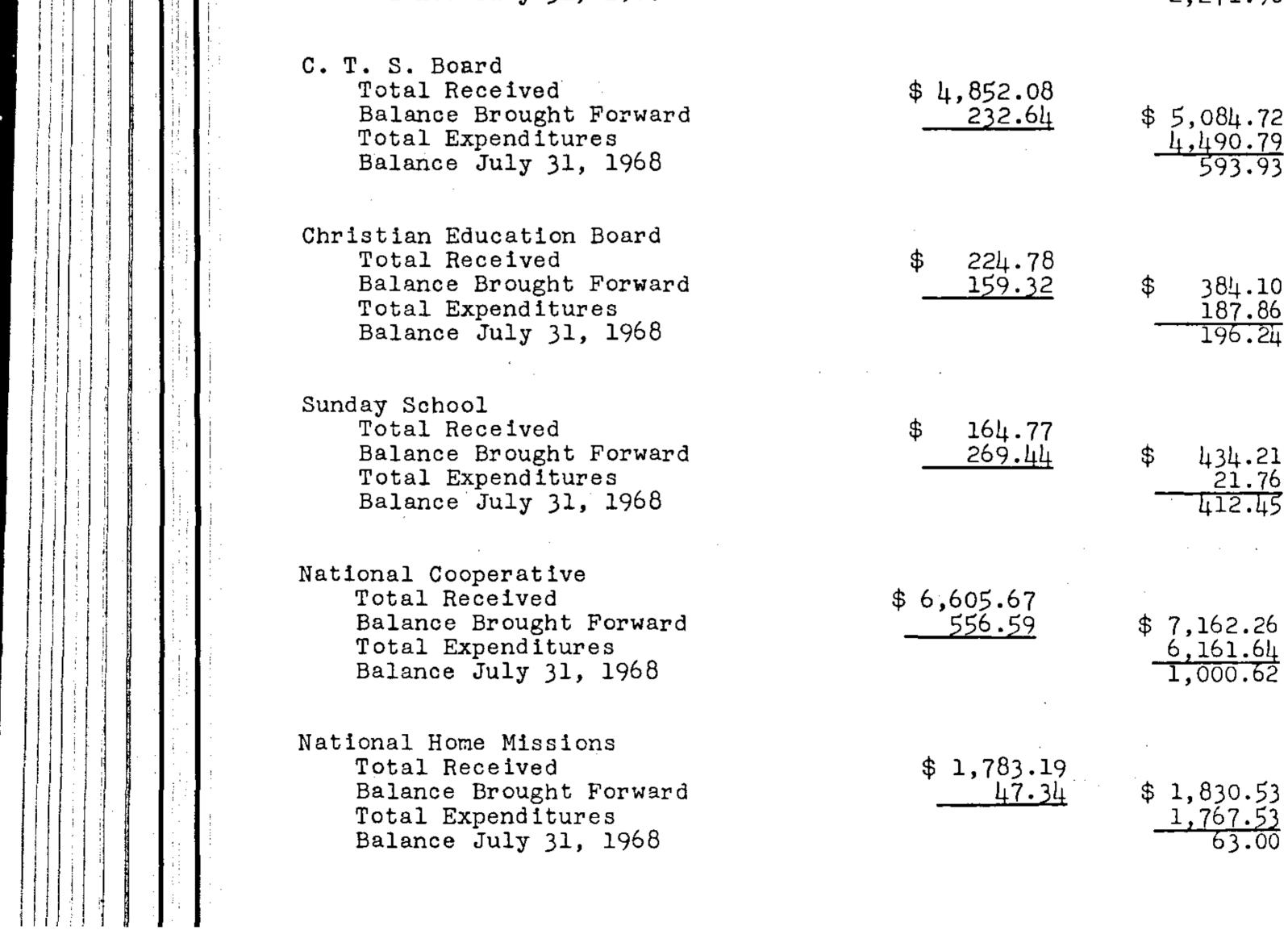
FUND BALANCES

General Fund Total Received Balance Brought Forward Total Expenditures Balance July 31, 1968	\$12,146.78 466.14	\$12,612.92 <u>11,414.39</u> 1,198.53
State Missions Total Received Balance Brought Forward Total Expenditures Balance July 31, 1968	\$ 8,578.39 520.84	\$ 9,099.23 7,403.52 1,695.71
Book Store Total Received Balance Brought Forward Total Expenditures Balance July 31, 1968	\$ 3,852.13 <u>837.17</u>	\$4,689.30 2,417.40 2,271.90

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National Foreign Missions Total Received Balance Brought Forward Total Expenditures Balance July 31, 1968	\$ 7,989.70 267.89	\$ 8,257.59 <u>7,163.25</u> 1,094.34
Bible Colleges Total Received Balance Brought Forward Total Expenditures Balance July 31, 1968	\$ 2,274.09 <u>67.00</u>	\$ 2,341.09 2,251.80 89.29
Miscellaneous Total Received Balance Brought Forward Total Expenditures Balance July 31, 1968	\$ 246.26 <u>102.61</u>	\$ 348.87 <u>328.87</u> 20.00
Vision Total Received Balance Brought Forward (Deficit) Total Expenditures Balance July 31, 1968	\$ 764.14 	\$ 460.45 411.29 49.16
Total Fund Balance Total Received Balance Brought Forward Total Expenditures Balance July 31, 1968	\$49,481.98 <u>3,223.29</u>	\$52,705.27 <u>44,020.10</u> 8,685.17
Accounts Receivable	\$ 631.59	
Accounts Payable	\$ 1,417.71	
Assetts Office Equipment Promotional Equipment Book Store Merchandise	300.00 250.00 \$ 2,250.00	
Giving To Outside Causes		
National Cooperative National Home Missions National Foreign Missions Bible Colleges	\$6,161.64 1,767.53 7,163.25 2,251.80	\$17,344.22

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Respectfully submitted,

Fred Warner

COMMITTEE AND BOARD REPORTS

REPORT NO. 5 - BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION:

Three members of the board met in a called meeting in November, at the Hot Springs Church. Bro. Don Brewer was elected Chairman and Keith Johnson Secretary. Plans were made for the Annual Minister's Retreat to be February 5 - 7, 1968. Hot Springs was selected as the place with meeting facilities in the Hot Springs Church and sleeping quarters arranged in a local motel.

Three Courses of study were selected: "Sermon Preparation and Delivery" directed by Bro. E. M. Kennedy of Pocahontas. "Procedures in Establishing a New Work" by Bro. Wade Jernigan Cavanaugh Church, Fort Smith. "The Pastor and Visitation Programs" by Bro. James E. Raper.

Speakers in the three worship services were: Bro. Terry Forrest of Mt. Harmony Church, Saffell, Arkansas. Bro. Zane Kirklan, Sutton Church, Pocahontas, Arkansas, and Bro. Ben Scott, First Church, Jonesboro, Arkansas.

A total of 25 were registered with an average attendance at each session of 22.

Many regarded this last retreat as one of the best. We now look forward to the 1969 session.

Our Financial Report is:

Balance beginning of year	159.32
Receipts	224.78
Total	384.10
Less Disbursements For:	
Retreat accomodations and	
Mileage for Board Members	187.96
Balance on hand	\$196.24

Keith Johnson - Secretary.

REPORT NO. 6. - MISSION BOARD

Matt. 9:36 - 38. This has been a wonderful year in the Lord. We are happy for the way God has blessed and you have given, and for the fact God is still speaking to men.

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Blytheville Project Report: August 15, 1968.

The Blytheville State Mission Project was launched, March 28, of this year in a meeting held at Conway with the State Mission Board. In this initial meeting the burden for the work was revealed by Brother Keith Johnson. The project was made a State Work and preliminery plans were made for itinerate work among Arkansas Free Will Baptist Churches. Brother Bob Francis was designated itinerate Coordinator. The plan was pursued in the weeks following. On June 30, one-third of the needed support in cash and committments had been raised.

However, we had no contact or committment with any in the city of Blytheville to begin the work. On June 30, Brother Ben Scott received contact with our first prospect in the city of Blytheville. It came in the form of a request that Free Will Baptists come to the city of Blytheville and develop a Free Will Baptist work. We have regarded this as a direct answer to prayer.

A meeting was scheduled for July 2, in which some members of the State Missions Board and Bro. Johnson met with this prospect and representatives of a small church of identical faith and practice as Free Will Baptists to consider their interest to affiliate with us as a group. This church has been considering this move for some time now and as of this date has not given a final decision regarding affiliation with us as a church. In view of this delay our plans are to go ahead as orginally planned to start from "scratch". In this connection we have the positive committment of one young family. They were affiliated with Free Will Baptists prior to coming to Blytheville. They are anxious to begin a Free Will Baptists Work there now. In addition there are others who have manifested an interest in the work there. Concern and response from Arkansas Free Will Baptists has been most encouraging. Our people are sharing the burden to pray Names of prospective families have been accumulated. Through this date services have been conducted in 31 churches. Cash offerings have been given totaling \$1,289.67. Two-thirds of the needed monthly committments have been made. For this we are thankful to God and to Free Will Baptists! Continued prayer and finiancial support is needed to insure the success of the Blytheville project.

Total cash and Committments received to date \$4,913.67.

Expenses \$714.00. A balance of \$4,199.67 for the project.

A gift from the new church club was given to the West Helena Ch-

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urch. This church continues to grow under the direction of Larry Russell, Who took over the first of the year. They are in the process of purchasing land for a building. Our treasurer's report is given in the Promotional Directors Report.

Let me encourage you in giving to National Foreign Missions.

May we continue to pray the Lord of the Harvest.

There are cities such as El Dorado, Magnolia, Camden, Arkadelphia, Paragould, Harrison with no Free Will Baptist Church.

Board Members: Kenneth Doggett - Chairman, Loyd Thomas Sec - retary, Bob Francis, Ben Scott, and Gene White.

REPORT NO. 7 - SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

The committee has sponsored one issue of Vision and furnished two articles on Sunday School for the State Paper.

We are giving to the Vision Fund \$300.00 to buy printing equipment.

The Board is planning a Superintendents Workshop or Day, in compliance with Section 5, Article VIII, of our State Constitution, for the purpose of acquainting them with the duties and responsibilities of their offices.

We recommend that each church put more emphasis on their Sunday Schools by better teacher training, the use of Free Will Baptists Literature and providing adequate facilities and teaching material for the entire Sunday School Program.

Board Members - Hoover Lewis, Chariman, M. B. Williams, Secretary, Larry Russell.

REPORT NO.8 - CHURCH TRAINING SERVICE BOARD:

We the C. T. S. Board would like to know if this convention would (1) Like to relocate our camp, (2) Meet the present needs of the camp, (3) Improve and enlarge the camp?

Treasurer's Report and Auditors report as follows:

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August 12, 1968

Board of Directors Ark. State CTS Fund Conway, Arkansas

Gentlemen:

We have examined the records of account of the Ark. State CTS Fund using generally accepted accounting practices and find that each expenditure seems to be those which are common to this type of operation and that all funds have been properly accounted for with the exception of \$4.39 for which there is no cash receipt in evidence. This has described of f(x)

LAVERNE STEPHENS PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT NOTARY PUBLIC 21

We found the records to have been kept in a proper manner which clearly set out the amounts of income and expenditures and make no reccommendation for changes.

Very truly yours

THE BILL FINN CO.

Auditor

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CHURCH TRAINING SERVICE FINANCIAL REPORT From August 15, 1967 to August 1, 1968

RECEIPTS:

Paid on Headquarters house

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Received from State Promotional Secretary	\$2,863.29
N.E. Arkansas Master's Men	500.00
Youth Camp fees	2,284.00
Concession Stand profit	214.36
General offerings	500.86
Reimbursement from Campers Insurance	59.70
Total Received Brought forward from August 15, 1967 Total Receipts	\$6,422.21 757.16 \$7,179.37
EXPENDITURES	

Improvements and repairs	2,275.98
Utility	574.59
Food for Convention, work days and Youth Camp	1,708.00
Awards and Youth Camp promotions	180.33
Paid on the expense of State winners to National Assocation	100.00
Literature	146.18
Labor	339.75
Board expense	132.16
Insurance	257.75
Postage	17.00
Miscellaneous	388.46
Total expenditures Bal. on hand August 1, 1968	\$6,888.20 291.17
Pre-Teen CampTeen Camp136Campers13740Workers and children47Workers176Total184Total	campers s and children
The State C.T.S. Board met five times during the past year.	

J.W.Blanks Treasurer

\$ 768.00

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The Arkansas State Woman's Auxiliary Convention, met August 14, 1968, at the State Camp Grounds, at Conway, Arkansas. Registration began at 9:00 A. M. Theme, "Go Home, Tell Thy Friends". (Mark 5: 19). The meeting was opened and presided over, by the President, Mrs. Alene Coffman. Singing Directed by Doris Raper, Pianist, Ruth Leonard. Welcome given by president. Morning devotional given by Nadine Followwill. Devotional thought, "Prescriptions for a Sin - Sick World" 2 Tim. 2: 2. Prayer by Mrs. E. M. Kennedy. Special Music, Rose Bud Duet.

Appointment of Committees: CREDENTIALS - Ruth Leonard, Flora Millwood, Jean Francis, Lucy Williams, Shirley Johnston and Ollie Doggett. FINANCE: - Willie Jean Lewis, Linda Blanks, and Hazel Mann. REGISTRATION: - Genelle Scott, Jean Sory, and Geraldine Johnston. NOMINATION: - Livina Taylor, Robbie White, Jean Lau, Jean Helsel, Wilidene Biffell, Shirley Sawrie, Mrs. Lenis Zinnamon, and Doris Tanner.

Motion made and seconded to receive Revision of Constitution and By - Laws. - Motion carried. Dismissed for recess by Doris Raper. The 11:00 A. M. Service opened with congregational singing. Prayer

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by, Rev. James Earl Raper. Mrs. Gladys Sloan, representing the Foreign Missions Department, was recognized. An offering was received. Prayer by President. Special Music by North Little Rock Duet, - "For God So Loved". Worship service speaker, Rev. Wade Jernigan, Pastor of Cavanaugh Free Will Baptist Church. Dismissed for lundh by Rev. Bob Francis.

At 1:15 P. M. the service opened with congreation singing, "Leaning On the Everlasting Arms". Devotional speaker, Rev. and Mrs. Keith Johnson, State Home Missionaries to Blytheville, Ark. Special Music, "Follow Me" by Jean Francis. Report from W. N. A. C., given by, Willie Jean Lewis, and the president. Motion made and passed to accept the resolutions adopted by the W. N. A. C. Brief History of Arkansas State Woman's Auxiliary given by Bonnie Doggett. Raport from the Executive Commitee: - We recommend the following: No. 1. That we give a love offering of \$25.00 to Mrs. Sloan, our guest speaker for the banquet. No. 2. That we give Rev. Wade Jernigan, our moring speaker, a love offering of \$10.00. No. 3. That we give a special thank you to New Hope District, for the officers corsages, to Unity District for the badges, to Antioch District for the noon meal, and to Bob Followwill for sitting up the speaking system. No. 4. That we continue the state project from last year. That all District Pres-

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idents urge their districts to support this project. The project is this: To set up and support an Arkansas State Foreign Missions Account for the Arkansas State Foreign Missionaries. Local Auxiliaries be urged to send money to the State Treasurer for said project. An offering to be sent quarterly from this account to a missionary from Arkansas who is most in need of support.

The Executive Committee report was accepted. Report from the Nominating Committee: President, Alene Coffman; Vice President, Mrs. Ernest Kennedy; Recording Secretary, Barbara Johnson; Assistant Recording Secretary, Mrs. R. D. Hester; Treasurer, Willie Jean Lewis; Correpondance Secretary, Jean Francis; Field Worker, Linda Blanks; Mission Chairman, Myra Hill; Historian, Bonnie Doggett; Study Course Chairman, Nadine Followwill; Stewardship Prayer Chairman, Sharon Berry; Personal Service Chariman, Mrs. Lenis Zinnamon. Report of Nominating Committee received and accepted. Officers all elected by acclamation. Report of Credentials Committee: A - 1 Auxiliaries - Pools Chapel, A - AUX - Pirtle, South Heights, Blackland, Pocahontas, Fort Smith, Capitol City, Walnut Ridge, North Little Rock, B.- AUX: Union Grove, Pine Hill, C - AUX: Ballew's Chapel, Jonesboro. Report Received and accepted. Report of Finance Committee: We the Finance Committee have examined the treasurer's books and found them to be in order. Report received and accepted. Report of Registration Committee: Delegates 56, Visitors 86, Ministers 22, Total 164. Report received and accepted. Those elected as delegates to the next W. N. A. C.: Flora Millwood, Nadine Followwill, Bonnie Doggett, Mary Ann Chronister, Doris Raper, Mary Beth Ragsdale, Jean Helsel, Abbie Williams, Jean Francis, and Mrs. Kennedy. Genelle Scott elected to serve on nominating committee for WNAC. Treasurer's report given and accepted. Secretaries Reported given and accepted. Installation of new officers directed by Alene Coffman and Genelle Scott. Special Music by Nadine Followwill, "He's All I Need". Special Music by Rose Bud Duet, "Keys to the Kingdom". Installation prayer and benediction by Rev. Lawnie Coffman. At 5:00 P. M., at the Town House Restaurant, we held our first Woman's Auxiliary Fellowship Dinner. The dinner was a great success with 82 women attending. Theme: "Open Doors Before Us". Special Music by Capitol City Trio and Wilma Prince. Guest speaker for the dinner, Mrs. Gladys Sloan, representative from the Foreign Missions Office in Nashville, Tennessee.

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REPORT NO. 10 - ARKANSAS STATE MINISTERS AND DEACONS MEETING:

The State Ministers and Deacons met November 3 - 4, 1967 in the Conway Free Will Baptist Church. The Friday Evening Services: Song Director, Ray Berry directed "Jesus Calls Us". Prayer by Lloyd Thomas. Song, "Power in the Blood". Welcome by Billy Nichols, a deacon of Conway Church. Songs "At Calvary", "How Great Thou Art". Prayer by Rev. Hoover Lewis. Song "To God Be the Glory". Message by Rev. Ronnie Blanks, Text Matt. 14:22 - 36. Subject "Losing Sight of Our Goals". Alter Prayer of all the ministers and deacons. Song "Did You Think to Pray?" Benediction by Billy Van Winkle. SATURDAY MORNING SERVICES: Song Director - Marion Pettus. Prayer Bob King. Songs "The Old Account Was Settled", "Jesus Saves", and "Blessed Assurance". Devotional - Mr. Staggs, deacon from Pine Bluff Church. Song "We Have an Anchor". Remarks by the president from Heb. 12:12 - 15. Topic No. 1 by Wade Jernigan. "A Definition of the Work Covenant". State Moderator's Report given - James Earl Raper. Worship Services: Song "I Want to be A Worker for the Lord". Prayer by Gilbert Pixley. Song "Story to Tell", Special Music by Ministers Quartet. Message by Rev. Clarence Campbell, Text Isaiah 28: 9 - 18. Title "The Covenant of Death". Benediction by Marion Pettus. Afternoon Services: Song Director, Bob Followwill directing songs "He Is Able" and "Beulah Land". Devotional by Don Brewer, Pastor of the Hot Springs Church. Scripture, Matt. 22. Song "Have Faith In God". Topic No. 2 by James Raper. Discussion of the last four parts of the church covenant. Report given by State Promotional Director, Fred Warner. In the business session we voted to go to the Cavanaugh Free Will Baptist Church in Fort Smith, November 1:- 2, 1968. Officers elected were: President Bob King, Vice President - Brooks Staggs, and Secretary - Keith Johnson.

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REPORT NO. 11: ARKANSAS STATE C. T. S. CONVENTION; May 10 - 11, 1968

The rally opened Friday night by Brother Lawnie Collman. Congregational singing was led by Sidney Sawrie and with Shirley Sawrie at the piano. Leonard Crowder led in prayer.

Bro. Bob Francis brought the evening message entitled, "The Problems of Christian Teenagers", based on Romans 12:9.

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The services were given to the president, Brother Larry Russell.

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The Election of Committees were: Nominating Committee: - Ronnie Blanks, Charles Henry, and Loyd Thomas. Auditing Committee: Bob Hicks, Bob Francis, and Bob Followwill. Special Music was provided by the young people of West Helena. They sang "Arise, O Youth of God". We were dismissed with prayer by Brother Barker.

Saturday Morning services were opened by singing and Prayer and with President, Larry Russell presiding. Clarence Lewis of Batesville brought the devotional using Ecclesiastes 12. Brother Pixley spoke about the coming session of Youth Camp. The different competitions began. Singspiration was led by Brother Ray Berry. Special Music "Jesus is Coming Again" by Ballew's Chapel Girls' Ensemble. Brother Samuel Johnson, Nattional Director of C. T. S. was in charge of the worship service. Benediction and blessing on the food was given by Brother Keith Johnson.

Saturday Afternoon: The awards were presented and business was conducted. Sword Drill Winner: LaDhonna Lewis, Polk Bayou, Declamation Winner: Debbie Jernigan, Zion Hope. Bible Tic-Tat-Toe Winner: First: Ballew's Chapel, Polk Bayou. Second: Unity. Third place winner: Jonesboro, Social Band. Bible Bowl Winners: First: Unity. Second: Walnut Ridge, Social Band, Third: North Little Rock, Central. Business Metting: The Auditing Committee's report was given and accepted. Motion was made that public accountant audit the books of State C. T. S. Convention (Passed). Motion made and passed to pay State Treasurer \$25.00 per month. Motion made and passed to pay \$100.00 on Competition Winners' way to National, to be divided equally among winners. Motion made and passed that C. T. S. Board write a constitution for State C. T. S. Rally. New Officers elected were: Bill Van Winkle, President: Larry Russell, Vice-President: Miss Lockhart, Secretary. Board was to appoint the other officers. Motion made and passed that all competing teams and contestants send a letter to the Board indicating that they will be entering the contest. Attendance that registered was 130.

Submitted by - Bill Van Winkle.

REPORT NO. 12 - RESOLUTION COMMITTEE:

We the Resolution Committee pass the following recommendations for your consideration (this considered as resolution No. 1). Resolution No. 2 was tabled until Friday and was taken from the table and lost.

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Resolution No. 3:

Be it resolved that in addition to paying the clerk \$35.00 and the Assistant Clerk \$10.00, that the State Association also pay the Moderator \$25.00 at each yearly session. Secondly, be it resolved that the State Association pay the moderator \$50.00 toward expenses while attending the National Association.

Resolution No. 4:

Be it resolved that the program for the State Association be arranged and published by a program committee, consisting of the Moderator, Assistant Moderator and Promotional Secretary, and that this committee have the privilege and responsibility of selecting all speakers for the State Association, including the introductory and Memorial Speakers.

Resolution No. 5:

Be it resolved that this Association select two men to represent Arkansas at the General Meeting of the Executive Committee to be held at the Headquarters Building in Nashville, Tennessee, December 2, 1968. And (as Amended) that the State Association pay all their expenses.Respectfully Submitted, by:

Bob King - Chairman

Lawnie Coffman Keith Johnson Bill Van Winkle Lowel Graham

REPORT NO. 13 - STATISTICIAN'S REPORT

REPORT NO. 14 - Partial Nominating Committee Report:

Nominaee for clerk - Raymond Chronister (Declined)

REPORT NO. 15 - REGISTRATION COMMITTEE:

We your committee on Registration, find that the following have registered: 87 Ministers, 105 Delegates, 21 Deacons, and 189 Visitors, Making a total of 402.

Committee Members: Ollie Doggett, Perlene Roberts and Virginia Miller

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REPORT NO. 16 - PLACEMENT COMMITTEE:

An invitation to entertaining the State Association by two Associations was withdrawn.

REPORT NO. 17 - BUDGET COMMITTEE:

We the budget Committee recommend that the Cooperative Fund be Distributed as follows:

National Cooperative	40%
General Fund	30%
State Missions	14%
C. T. S	14%
Sunday School	1%
Christian Education	

We further recommend a total proposed budget of \$55,000.00 for the 1968 - 69 year, which is an increase of \$13,000.00 over the total proposed budget for 1967 - 68.

We recommend that we continue VISION on the curren Subscription basis.

> Committee: Robert A. Francis - Chairman, Ronnie Blanks, Jack L. Williams, Fred Warner, and R. D. Hester.

REPORT NO. 18 - TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE:

We, the Committee on Temperance, wish to urge all Christians to be temperate in all things, and abstain from all apperance of evil.

We urge all Christians to consider prayerfully his testimony before the unsaved (2 Peter 1: 5 - 6) "And besides this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue, and to virtue knowledge; and to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience Godliness".

We recognize the fashions of the world are not designed for the Christian and certainly not pleasing to God.

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We urge all pastors, Sunday School Teachers and C. T. S. Sponsers to impress on our youth, as well as our adults, to fashion their lives after Christ, instead of the World.

> Your Committee: Ralph Morrow - Chairman Bernard Roberts Harlan Sory

REPORT NO. 19 - OBITUARY COMMITTEE:

We your obituary committee find that God in His infinite wisdom has called from our midst 120 souls in the past year.

We miss the labors of these in God's Kingdom's Work. Our loss is Heavens Gain.

We are sure there are others who have passed from our midst but have not been reported. Three associations made no report, Unity, Harmony, and Arkansas District.

Your Committee:

W. S. Isbell - Chairman

John Hale - Clerk H. B. Doyle

REPORT NO. 20 - C. T. S. BOARD:

We the C. T. S. Board would like to know if this convention would like to:

1. Relocate Camp?

2. Meet the Present needs of the Camp?

3. Improve and enlarge the Camp?

4. We the C. T. S. Board would like to have the approval of this convention to add a 30 feet extension on the East End of the Tabernacle (LOST) Your Board Members: Lawnie Coffman - R. E. Pixley,

J. W. Blanks - Bill Van Winkle

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REPORT NO. 21 - FINANCE REPORT:

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We, the Finance Committee report that \$2,213.00 was received for State Entertainment and Minutes from the District Associations of Arkansas. This is a partial report however, since several associations have not yet sent in their money.

> Your Committee: Zane Kirkland Gerfus Huskey Oran Smith Cecil Sanders

REPORT NO. 22 - NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

We your Nominating Committee, submit the following nominations: Executive Board Member Gilbert Pixley (5 Year) Missions Board Member Jack Williams (5 Year)

Sunday School Board Member E. M. Kennedy (5 Year)
C. T. S. Board Member Zane Kirkland (5 Year)
Christian Education Board Member Ronnie Blanks (5 Year)
State Statistician
Assistant Clerk
Assistant Moderator
Moderator
Your Committee:
Kenneth Doggett - Chairman
Ben Scott
Larry Russell
Marion Pettus
Rupert Pixley



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 goverment.

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

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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 \$10.00 for each church belonging to said District Association, which shall be for entertaining State Association. And \$3.00 for each church belonging to said District Association 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, statistician, and parliamentarian.

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 composes 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 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 Board shall have the authority to employ the State Promotional Secretary - Treasurer).

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 when held at the camp at Conway, receiving of all entertainment fees, furnish all food and kitchen help and be responsible for all expenses incurred in the entertainment 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 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 conjuction with the National Home and Foreign Missions Boards in the ar34

ranging of Missionary conferences, Missionary itinerarie 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 mission particulary where ther 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 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 ther is an organized Free Will Baptist Church without 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 was 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 Your 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 Worker, Missionaries, Mission Conferences, etc. He shall also assist, as far as is practical, in the establishing of new churches and mission 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 requision. 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 anymember and the vote taken seperately.
- 5. Motions made and lost shall not be recorded in the minutes unless so ordered at the time.

- No one shall speak more than once on the same subject without spe-6. cial leave from the body.
- All questions shall be decided by a majority of the membership pre-7. sent.
- No Member shall absent himself without leave of the Moderator. 8.
- 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.

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LOCAL ASSOCIATIONS	Churches	Church Membership	Ordained Ministers	Deacons	Sunday Schools	Sunday School Enrollment	C. T. S. Enrollment	Auxiliary Members	Total Giving In The Churches (As Reported)	Paid Pastors
Antioch	35	2,599	63	105	35	1,666	198	69	\$	\$32,477
Arkansas	14	653	16	44	14	387		l l	12,962	8.831
Big Springs	4	261	2	8	4	178	50	14	3,420	1,534
Central	10	869	19	28	10	695	315	70	64,951	25,970
Harmony		293	6						2,132	
Little Missouri River	6	452	11	22	6	_ 394	98	10	20,073	9,812
New Hope	13	977	16	44	13	646	276	48	42,108	18,336
North Louisiana		392	6	9	{ }	224	51	41		5,592
Old Mt. Zion	23	1,650	58	81	33	1,241	140	21	71,605	25,437
Polk Bayou	15	1,555	21	52	15	1,237	449	102	76,052	27,469
Rich Mountain	6	273	8	19	6	211	35	ļ	5,325	2,020
Saline	19	2,173	28			1,327	317	72	69,022	30.552
Social Band	22	2,050	30	66	22	1,537	630	147	74,622	36,141
Unity	12	1,697	19	50		1,253	323	156		26,578
Zion Hope	18	1,172	33	26	17	796	123	15	45,801	
TOTAL	197	17,066	336	554	175	11,792	3005	3005	488,073	250.749

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LOCAL ASSOCIATIONS	Paid Evangelist	Paid For Literature	Paid for Building and Repairs	Paid to the Co operative Fund	Paid to Foreign Missions	Paid to Home Missions	Value of Church Property
Antioch	\$ 3,899	\$ 2,974	\$27,883	\$ -0-	\$ 300.	\$ 275	\$255,000
Arkansas	1,217	604	2,689	- 0 -			79,000
Big Springs	344	396	35	1	36		
Central	1,314	3,309	11,228	4,418	1,520	355	292,000
Harmony				318			
Little Missouri River	935	843	2,809	643	654	310	60.000
New Hope	2,074	2,159	7,278	341	2,556	150	183,000
North Louisiana	601			132	53	367	
Old Mt. Zion	3,371	3,098	18,963	497	869	701	186,350
Polk Bayou	1,776	3,076	32,790	1,919	1,498	245	232 000
Rich Mountain	323	676	1,036		70	159	26,700
Saline	3,795	3,387	35,115	2,466	1,062	589	
Social Band	2,759	4,941	13,337	3,517	4,011	886	273,300
Unity	2,694	3,209	18,695	5,128	890	1,276	661.500
Zion Hope							
TOTAL	\$25,102	\$28,672	\$171,858	\$19,079	\$13,519	\$5,313	\$2,314,030

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OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS OF ARKANSAS STATE ASSOCIATION

Moderator

Moderator	Rev. James Earl Raper
Assistant Moderator	
Clerk	v. Clarence E. Campbell
Assistant Clerk	Rev. Wade Jerigan
State Statistician	
Secretary - Treasurer	Rev. Fred Warner
Parliamentarian	

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Rev. Gilbert Pixley	5 years
Rev. Marion Pettus	4 years
Mr. Ottis Cook	3 years
Rev. Elbert McClellan	2 years
Rev. Lewis Barker	1 year

MISSIONS BOARD

Rev. Jack Williams	5 years
Rev. Ben Scott	4 years
Rev. Kenneth Doggett	3 years
Rev. Bob Francis	2 years
Rev. Loyd Thomas	1 year

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD

Rev. Ernest M. Kennedy	5 years
Rev. Hoover Lewis	4 years
Mr. Millard Williams	3 years
Rev. R. G. Webb	
Rev. Larry Russell.	1 year

CHURCH TRAINING SERVICE BOARD

Rev. Zane Kirkland	5 years
Rev. Rupert Pixley	4 years
Rev. J. W. Blanks	3 years
Rev. Bill Van Winkle	2 years
Rev. Lawnie Coffman	lyear

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD

Rev. Ronnie Blanks	5 years
Rev. David Joslin	4 years
Rev. Clarence E. Campbell	3 years
Rev. Keith Johnson	2 years
Rev. Don Brewer	l year

PROGRAM COMMITTEE

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