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PROCEEDINGS

Thursday Evening Service - 7:30 p.m.

Theme: "My Heart Is Fixed" - Proverbs 4:33

The Forty-third Annual Session of the California State Association of Free Will Baptists convened at Memorial F.W.B. Church June 12, 13, 14, 1986. The services were opened with Bro. Nuel Brown in charge of the services calling on Bro. Joe Mooneyham to lead us in prayer. Bro. Bob McGill, the Music Director for this session, led the congregation in singing "*The Solid Rock*," "*Jesus Saves*," and the chorus "*Happiness Is*."

State Clerk Ron Young called the meeting to order with Scripture from Psalms 142:4, and introduced the Moderator, Bro. Lynn Wood.

Bro. Wood spoke briefly on our theme "My Heart Is Fixed" and shared from the theme scripture Prov. 4:33. He spoke to us about how important the things that come from the heart are to us in our daily lives.

Special singing was provided by Bro. Jim McClellen, Youth Minister from the Selma F.W.B. Church. Bro. Jim sang "*Lamb of Glory*."

Bro. Nuel Brown, who was presiding over the services, then introduced Dr. Melvin Worthington who is our National Executive Secretary. Dr. Worthington brought greetings from Nashville and read from Psalms 57 for his scripture reading. He preached on the subject "My Heart is Fixed upon the Word of God."

Bro. Lynn Wood announced the following to serve on the Committee on Committees: Milburn Wilson, Chairman, Paul Cole, Lonnie Rolen, Adrian Condit, Ron Young. These were instructed to meet after the services and bring a report to the business session on Friday morning. The Congregation was led in a closing prayer by Bro. Doyle Roister.

Friday Morning Business Session - 9:30 a.m.

The Morning Business Session was opened with singing led by Bro. Bob McGill, with the congregation singing "*Victory in Jesus*," and "*Redeemed*."

Bro. Lynn Wood, Moderator, introduced Bro. John Smith who shared with us a devotional scripture from Luke 18:28-30. Bro. Smith shared how it is "Worth It" to fix our hearts on God.

Bro. Wood then recognized all the visiting brethren to our Associational meeting from out of state. They were: Richard Gallant, Hillsdale College, Oklahoma; Mike Criswell, Missionary to Eugene, Oregon; Dr. Melvin Worthington, Executive Secretary of National Association of F.W.B.; Sis. Lois Payton from the State of Missouri.

State Clerk, Ron Young, read all the letters from the member associations with a motion and second to accept the letters and seat the delegates.

Bro. Young then read a letter from the Hispanic Association of F.W.B. of California requesting membership into the State Association. The General Board had taken this up in their meeting and recommended they be accepted in full fellowship into the Association. There was a motion and second to receive their letter and accept them into our State Association as an association with all voting rights. Bro. Osmundo Corrales, Rep. from this association, thanked the body and requested prayer for their association of Spanish speaking churches.

The clerk then read the letter to the National Association from our State Association with all statistics included. A motion and second was made to accept the letter and send it on to the National.

Bro. Young then read the report from the Committee on Committees. All Committees were asked to meet as soon as possible and have their reports to the State Clerk before the Saturday Morning Business Session began.

Bro. Paul Kennedy, out-going Executive Secretary, gave his last report as Executive Secretary to the body. (See Digest of Reports). Bro. Kennedy spoke briefly about his plans to help with the new work in Amador County and asked for our prayers. A motion and second was made to accept the report of the Executive Secretary.

Bro. Lynn Wood, Moderator, made a suggestion that an offering be taken up to help defray the expenses of Bro. Kennedy to the National Association in Tulsa, Oklahoma. A offering of \$241.81 was received for this worthy cause. The congregation was dismissed for the morning break.

Friday Morning Worship Service - 11:00 a.m.

Bro. Dave Fox, presiding over the services, opened the services with prayer. Bro. Bob McGill, Convention Music Director, led the congregation in singing "*When I Survey the Wonderful Cross*," and the chorus "*I Will Serve Thee*." The special singing was provided by Bro. Stan Gullatto singing "*Were You There?*" Bro. Fox then introduced the speaker of the hour, Bro. Jim McAllister, newly elected President of California Christian College. Bro. McAllister spoke from Psalms 57:7 "My Heart Is Fixed on the Work of the Church." Bro. Lynn Wood, moderator, then dismissed the congregation until the afternoon Business Session at 1:30 p.m. We were dismissed in prayer by Bro. Rusty Jenkins.

Friday Afternoon Business Session - 1:30 p.m.

The Friday Afternoon business session was opened with the congregation singing "*There is a Fountain,*" led by Bro. Bob McGill. Bro. Harry Hernandez, Pastor of the Richmond F.W.B. Church, led in the opening prayer. Bro. McGill continued leading us in the choruses "*His Name is Wonderful,*" and "*Thank You Lord.*"

Bro. Lynn Wood, Moderator, introduced Dr. Melvin Worthington who spoke about the current projects and goals within the National Association. These goals are as follows: 100 new F.W.B. Churches by 1990, 50,000 new members by 1990. He also talked about the importance of filling out our reports, both locally and statewide, with accuracy.

The moderator then introduced Bro. Don Robirds from the National Foreign Missions Department. Bro. Robirds introduced the "Advance 50" program for growth in the Foreign Missions Program. This program will cover four aspects of their ministry: Providing Evangelistic Tools, Train National Workers, Establish a revolving Church loan fund, and send at least 30 new missionaries to the field by 1990.

Dr. Milburn Wilson gave a report on the National Home Missions Department. Nine (9) new families were appointed to start new churches. He also shared with us the fact of him being the co-ordinator of the advance 50 program for the Foreign Missions Department.

Mr. Don Bowan from "California Council on Alcholic Problems" shared with the congregation the burden of his heart and the ministry they have among the legislature in Sacramento.

Bro. Richard Gallant from Hillsdale College in Oklahoma, gave greetings from all the former Californians now in Oklahoma. He also shared the continuing ministry of the college there.

Bro. Francis Boyle gave a short report from the Board of Retirement and Insurance.

Bro. Ron Young, State Clerk, read the report from the General Board (see Minutes under General Board Report.) A motion and second was made to accept the report as read and vote on any motions one at a time.

1. Executive Secretary be appointed as co-ordinator for Target 90 growth program.

2. Dr. Milburn Wilson be appointed as co-ordinator for the Advance 50 program from the Foreign Missions Department.

3. Replace Dave Fox on the State Youth Conference Committee. A motion and second was made that this be referred to the nominating committee.

4. A Historical Commission be formed to take care of all the memorabilia and other important things from our past. Also, that all the information and materials be stored at the State Office in Fresno. A motion and second was made that this be referred to the nominating committee.

Nominations were opened for the office of Executive Secretary of the California State Association of F.W.B. Those nominated were Bro. Nuel Brown and Bro. Bill Johnson. Bro. Nuel Brown was elected by a majority vote of the body.

The members of the General Board were confirmed by the body as

recommended from each association. They were: Billie McCarty, West Coast; Claudie Hames, Southern; Lonnie Rolen, Center; Adrian Condit, San Joaquin; Jay Constant, Northern; Dave Fox, Golden Gate; and Osmundo Corrales, Hispanic Association.

A motion and second was made to receive the changes that would be necessary in our Constitution to make room for members of the C.C.C. Board of Trustees, and the State Missions Board, from the new Hispanic Association. A motion and second was made to table this until the Saturday morning business session.

Bro. Francis Boyle, Chairman of the C.C.C. Board of Trustees, gave his report on the College. He reported on the many financial successes and the completion of much of the necessary repairs to the College facilities. He also asked for our continued financial support for the College. He then presented Bro. Jim McAllister, the new president of C.C.C. Bro. McAllister expressed his thanks and asked for our continued prayers and our confidence in the fact that God could do a work through him. A motion and second was made to receive the report.

A motion and second was made to delay the changes in the constitution regarding the Hispanic Association serving on the boards until the 1987 State Meeting.

Nominations were opened to fill the positions on the C.C.C. Board of Trustees. The following were elected: Jerry Barron, West Coast; John Smith, San Joaquin; Harry Hernandez, At Large. (Three Year Men).

Dr. Milburn Wilson, Chairman of the State Mission Board, presented his report on the activities of the State Mission Board. (See Digest of Reports.) A motion and second was made to accept the report.

A motion and second was made to receive the resignation of Bro. Mike Gaggia (Northern Association) and replace him with Bro. John Arnold as requested in a letter from the Northern Association.

Nominations were opened to fill the positions on the Mission Board. The following were elected to fill the positions of the three year men: Dr. Milburn Wilson, Golden Gate; Doice McAlister, San Joaquin; and Adrian Condit, At Large.

Bro. Nuel Brown, newly elected Executive Secretary, briefly spoke on his plans and aspirations for the office of Executive Secretary. He spoke from his heart and said that he viewed the office as a work rather than an office. He said he was and intended to be servant of our state and help in any and all areas where he could. He also resigned from the State Mission Board. A motion and second was made to accept his resignation with thanks for his years of service to this board. Nominations were opened to replace him with a man from the Center Association. Bro. Cecil Spurlock was elected to serve in his place. Bro. Lynn Wood, moderator, then took a motion and second to adjourn until the Saturday Morning business session. We were dismissed in prayer by Bro. Shelby Farmer.

Friday Evening Worship Service - 7:30 p.m.

The Friday Evening Services were opened with prayer led by Bro. Claudie Hames. The services continued with congregation singing, led by Bro. Bob McGill, singing "*The Solid Rock*." An offering for missions was taken up

to assist in the work of the Mission Board. The singing continued with the congregation singing "*Come Thou Fount.*" A presentation of a plaque was given to Bro. Paul Kennedy, out-going Executive Secretary, for his six years of service to the State of California F.W.B. An offering of \$241.81 taken up earlier in the day was presented to Bro. Kennedy to help in his expenses to the National Association in Tulsa in July.

Bro. Ron Young, former Missionary to Lancaster, made a presentation also. He informed the body that during the time in Lancaster \$3,400.00 was sent to their building fund. \$1,400.00 of that came from the Baldwin Park F.W.B. Church which monies had been returned to the Church on the 1st of May of this year. Bro. Young then presented two checks for \$1,000.00 each to two of our mission works. \$1,000.00 to the Amador F.W.B. Church Building Fund, and \$1,000.00 to the Fairfield F.W.B. Church Building Fund. Bro. Young informed the body that this returned all the monies that had been given to their land fund. The congregation continued singing the chorus "*I'll Be True.*"

The special singing was presented by Bro. Joe Cutler singing "*Then Came the Morning.*" His special was a very moving one that spoke to each heart there. Bro. Lonnie Rolen, who was presiding over the services, led us in an inspiring testimonial services praising the Name of the Lord for all His wonderful blessings to each of us.

Bro. Rolen introduced our speaker of the hour, Bro. Don Robirds, Director of Communications of our Foreign Missions Department.

Bro. Robirds sang a medley of songs that thrilled each of our hearts.

Bro. Robirds then spoke from the Word of God on the subject "My Heart is Fixed on the World in Need." He used Psalms 57:1-7 for his theme scripture. Moderator Lynn Wood then took any announcements and we were dismissed in prayer until the 9:00 a.m. Saturday Morning business session by Bro. Thurman Huddleston.

Saturday Morning Business Session - 9:00 a.m.

The morning services were opened by singing "*The Solid Rock*" led by Bro. Bob McGill. We were led in an opening prayer by Bro. Richard Kennedy. The singing continued with the congregation singing "*Faith is the Victory.*" Moderator Lynn Wood introduced Bro. Paul Kennedy for our morning devotional from Daniel 1:8 "Daniel Purposed in His Heart." Bro. Kennedy closed his devotional by leading us in prayer.

A motion and second was made that Bro. Rick Scroggins be allowed to serve as assistant clerk to assist the clerk in the absence of Bro. John Wayne, Assistant Clerk, for the remainder of this session.

The Resolutions Committees report was read with a motion and second to vote on them item by item. (See Committee Reports)

The date for all future Associational State Meetings was changed to the last Thursday of June. (June 25, 26, 27, 1987).

A motion and second was made to accept the Temperance Committees report in its entirety. (See Committee Reports)

A motion and second was made to accept the Finance Committees report and vote on them item by item. (See Committee Reports)

A motion and second was made to accept the Publication Committees

report and vote on it in its entirety. (See Committee Reports)

A motion and second was made to accept the report of the Placement Committee. (See Committee Reports)

A partial report from the nominating committee was accepted with a motion and second to accept. The following were elected to serve on the Historical Commission: Bro. Paul Kennedy, Bro. L. A. Yandell, Bro. Tim Rolen. Bro. Mark Harrison was elected to take the place of Dave Fox on the Youth Conference Advisory Committee.

A motion and second was made to accept the report of the Obituary Committee. (See Committee Reports) Moderator Lynn Wood asked each of us to stand in a moment of silent prayer for our dearly departed loved ones with prayer by Bro. Thurman Huddleston following.

The Program Committee for the 1987 State Meeting were elected by popular vote. The following will serve: Nuel Brown (Executive Secretary-Chairman), Lonnie Rolen, Host Pastor; Tom Hunt (West Coast); Larry Condit (San Joaquin) Richard Kennedy (San Joaquin).

A report from the State Youth Rally was given with no youth rally this year so far. It was suggested that each association choose someone to work with the State Youth Advisory Committee to help them plan a Rally sometime in October at C.C.C. It was also suggested that Bro. Tim Wood be the speaker for the Conference.

The delegates for the National Association were elected as follows: George Bronkhorst, Frank Headley, Evelyn Smith, Bruce Wood, Eugene Reed and Jeannie McCrilis as the alternate.

A report from the State Woman's Auxiliary Meeting was given by President June Rolen. (See Minutes)

A report on the Men's Retreat was given by Moderator Lynn Wood with the dates of February 5, 6, 7, 1987 at Koinea Camp Grounds near Watsonville, California.

A motion and second was made to bring off the table the item concerning the change in our constitution for the new association.

A motion and second was made to refer this item to the General Board and that they bring back the proper wording in our next Annual Meeting in June, 1987.

Saturday Morning Worship Services

The worship services was opened by singing "*Lift Him Up*," led by Bro. Bob McGill, our Convention Music Director. The special music was provided by our moderator Bro. Lynn Wood singing "*Thank You Lord for Your Blessings On Me*." Bro. Larry Condit, who was presiding over the services, introduced the speaker of the hour, Bro. Jerry Barron, former missionary to Mexico, now pastor of the Santa Paula F.W.B. Church. Bro. Barron, who so faithfully labored in Mexico for 16 years, blessed our hearts with a message on the thought of "My Heart is Fixed on the Worship of God." He used as his text John 14:23 and spoke on the seriousness of Preaching and of our worshipping the Lord in Spirit and in Truth.

We continued on with our business with the final item of business and that was the election of officers. A motion and second was made to accept the rest of the report of the nominating committee. The following officers

were elected for 1987:

Paul Kennedy, Moderator
Joe Cutler, Assistant Moderator
Ron Young, State Clerk

Rick Scroggins, Assistant State Clerk

A motion and second was made that we adjourn until our next annual meeting in June of 1987. We were dismissed in prayer by Bro. Paul Cole.

GENERAL BOARD MINUTES

General Board Meeting, December 16, 1985 - 3:00 p.m.

The General Board met for their semi-annual meeting in conjunction with the Home Missions Conference at the First F.W.B. Church of Bakersfield. General Board Members Present: Lynn Wood (Moderator); Ron Young (State Clerk); Francis Boyle (Chairman C.C.C. Board of Trustees); Milburn Wilson (Chairman State Missions Board); Dave Fox (Golden Gate); Paul Kennedy (Executive Secretary); Adrian Condit (San Joaquin). Fifteen (15) visitors were also present.

Moderator Lynn Wood shared in a time of devotion from John 15:2 "If I had not come." He shared with us the thought what would have happened if Christ had not come. Bro. Paul Kennedy, Executive Secretary, led us in an opening prayer. Bro. Wood welcomed all the visiting brethren and asked them to sit in council with us during this meeting.

First report was given by Bro. Paul Kennedy, Executive Secretary. His report consisted of a comparison of June-November, 1984 to the same months of 1985. There was a decrease of \$11,000.00 over the past 6 months in comparison to last year. He then shared with us the Churches in our State that were still without a Pastor. Earlimart, Harmony (Fresno), Lindsay, Ontario (Pioneer), Elmwood (Stockton), Tulare, Santa Paula, Hanford.

The Churches in Madera, Rodeo, and Bellflower were still under the Mission Board.

The following National projects were presented for our consideration:

1. Target 90--A growth program for our denomination to the year 1990, adding 50,000 new members and 100 new churches.

2. Advance 50 Program -- Foreign Missions Program for growth and stability of our foreign missions program. A co-ordinator for the state to be elected to handle this program. Have one serve during 1986 to celebrate the 50 years of foreign missions programs.

3. A report was given on the Men's Retreat February 6-8, 1986 at the Camp Grounds at Emerald Cove.

A motion and second was made to accept the report of the Executive Secretary.

A motion and second was made that we adopt Target 90 as a growth program for our state association as a whole. An amendment was made to the motion that the Executive Secretary serve as co-ordinator for this program. The motion as amended was passed.

A motion and second was made that we adopt the Advance 50 program for our State Association as a whole. An amendment to the motion was made that Dr. Milburn Wilson, Chairman of the State Mission Board, serve

as co-ordinator for this program. The motion as amended was passed.

Bro. Francis Boyle, Chairman of the C.C.C. Board of Trustees, gave a report on the state of the Bible College.

1. \$10,000.00 has been spent on upgrading the property.
2. \$8,500.00 paid back to the accreditation fund that had been borrowed.
3. All buildings are being brought up to date on the final permit approval.
4. Two story building can be used for new classes when the college is re-started.

Bro. Jim McAllister from Farmington, Missouri, is the only one being considered for President of the New C.C.C. A balance of \$27,536.00 on hand as of Nov. 30. As long as someone is on campus by the fall of 1986 the College will still be in good standings with the State of California Dept. of Education.

A motion and second was made to accept the C.C.C. report given by Bro. Boyle.

Bro. Milburn Wilson, Chairman of the State Mission Board, gave a report on the work of the Mission Board for the past six months.

Fairfield: The work is progressing along. 35 in regular attendance.

Sacramento: Jonathan Yandell to move to the area and get the work started.

Spanish Speaking Churches: Organized into a local association with four churches in it.

Rosemead has a Pastor now. They are traveling to Riverside to start another work there.

Rodeo: John Stutz filling in for a while.

Madera: Hez Manard filling in there.

Downey Avenue: Taking over the work only 3 adult members left (three ladies).

Hanford: Have been in contact with the Mission Board about going under the Board.

A motion and second was made to accept the report of Bro. Wilson passed.

The Moderator brought up the question concerning the office of the Executive Secretary of the State Association. Discussion from several members of the General Board was heard concerning the varied duties of the Executive Secretary.

A motion and second was made that names be given to the Moderator or Clerk and that prayer be made concerning a man to be the new Executive Secretary. It was also discussed that any necessary changes be made in the job description of the Executive Secretary.

The General Board decided to meet between now and the State Association to recommend to the State the man to be the Executive Secretary and a job description also be recommended at that time.

A motion and second was made that the General Board meet at the Men's Retreat in February to take care of the business of recommending a man for the job.

A motion and second was made to select a committee to work on a plan for a State Sponsored Youth Conference.

The Moderator appointed Dave Fox and Joe Cutler to serve as a committee to work on a state sponsored Youth conference.

A motion and second was made to adjourn until the next meeting in February.

General Board Meeting Report, February 2, 1986 - 2:00 p.m.

General Board Members present: Lynn Wood (Moderator); Ron Young (State Clerk); Paul Cole (West Coast); Dave Fox (Golden Gate); Claudie Hames (Southern); Paul Kennedy (Executive Secretary); Francis Boyle (Chairman C.C.C. Board of Trustees); Milburn Wilson (Chairman State Mission Board).

The Board meeting was in conjunction with the Men's Retreat at Emerald Cove. The meeting was opened with a report on the conditions of Carl and John Young's physical conditions. Opening prayer was given by Bro. Paul Cole. Roll was called with Adrian Condit (San Joaquin); Gary Johnson (Center); and Alan Kisner (Northern) not present. A motion and second was made to suspend the rules to facilitate the appointment of a "proxy" to replace missing members from various Associations. Dave Molter was appointed to represent Center Association, and Doice McAlister San Joaquin.

Bro. Lynn Wood stated that the purpose of the meeting was to discuss action regarding the Executive Secretary position to soon be open. Portions of the last State Minutes was read regarding the power of the General Board to Appoint a new Executive Secretary. Discussion centered around whether the General Board to appoint or recommend a man to fill the office. A motion and second was made to recommend a man to fill the office of Executive Secretary. This motion passed.

Three names had been suggested to the board as candidates for the job. Trymon Messor and Edward Johns. Both of these men had expressed a desire not to be considered for the office. A third man, Nuel Brown, had agreed to take the job if that was the will of the people.

Discussion continued about the scope of the office and duties that were to be performed.

Discussion was made about the possibility of hiring a secretary to handle routine book work associated with the Executive Secretary.

A motion and second was made to recommend Bro. Nuel Brown to be elected as the new Executive Secretary. This motion carried. Bro. Brown addressed the board and expressed his feelings regarding the burden he had for our smaller churches in our state association. He also desired to hear a decision from the General Board today as to whether he would be recommended by the General Board to be confirmed by the State Association in June.

Bro. Brown was questioned by the board as to what he purposed to do as Executive Secretary of the State of California F.W.B. His heaviest burden centered around being a "Pastor's Pastor" and seeking to help younger ministers and our smaller churches. A motion and second was made to recommend him as the New Executive Secretary of the State Association.

A motion and second was made that the Moderator, Executive Secretary, and Executive Secretary designate act as an executive committee to coordinate physical office plans with the C.C.C. Board of Trustees.

A motion and second was made that we adjourn until our next General Board meeting, June 12, 1986 at the Memorial F.W.B. Church.

General Board Meeting Report, June 12, 1986 - 3:00 p.m.

Bro. Lynn Wood, Moderator, opened the meeting with a devotional from I Samuel 10:26 relating to the theme "My Heart is Fixed." His thoughts centered around God doing His work through those whose hearts are touched.

Bro. Paul Kennedy opened with prayer. All General Board members were present except Bro. Allen Kisner from the Northern Association. (See list in minutes of General Board Members.) The minutes of the previous board meetings were read by clerk Ron Young. A motion and second was made to accept them as read.

Bro. Young, State Clerk, presented a petition from the Hispanic Association of Free Will Baptists of California requesting to join the California State Association of Free Will Baptists. A motion and second was made to accept them in full fellowship as an association.

Bro. Paul Kennedy, out-going Executive Secretary, gave his last report to the General Board. He bid us farewell as Executive Secretary but assured us he would continue active in the State work. Bro. Kennedy gave his report (see Digest of Reports) and included the information that two of our churches were still without pastors: Oxnard and Salinas 1st. He requested we continue to pray for these churches. Bro. Kennedy also shared with us the need of a Historical Commission to keep the history and memorabilia of our State Association. A motion and second was made to refer the selection of this commission to the Nominating Committee.

A motion and second was made to keep the same salary, housing allowance, and benefit package for the newly elected Executive Secretary.

A motion and second was made to pay Bro. Kennedy two weeks paid vacation that he deserved to receive.

A motion and second was made that the new Executive Secretary begin his term of office on June 16, 1986.

Dr. Milburn Wilson shared with us his report from the California State Mission Board. (See Digest of Reports) Bro. Wilson gave a very encouraging report on the Fairfield work and all the other works that were under the mission board.

Bro. Don Robirds from the National Foreign Missions Department gave a visual presentation on the 50 Year Celebration of the National Foreign Missions Department.

The California Christian College Report was given by chairman of the Board Bro. Francis Boyle (See Digest of Reports). He talked about the hopeful success of the College under the leadership of the new president, Bro. Jim McAllister.

Bro. Dave Fox tendered his resignation from the Youth Conference Committee. A motion and second was made to accept the resignation.

The Committee on Committees was chosen as follows: Bro. Paul Cole, Lonnie Rolen, Adrian Condit, Ron Young, Dr. Milburn Wilson, Chairman.

We were adjourned from the meeting at 5:35 p.m. in prayer by Bro. Claudie Hames.

Special General Board Meeting after Services Saturday Afternoon

A three man committee was chosen to review the salary of the Executive Secretary and bring a report to the Board before our next meeting in June,

1987. Those elected were: Claudie Hames, Lonnie Rolen, Adrian Condit.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

Resolution Committee

Lonnie Rolen, Chairman

John Smith

Jerry Barron

Shelby Farmer

Dave Fox

Temperance Committee

Paul Cole, Chairman

Richard Kennedy

Edward Johns

John Aranda

Milburn Wilson

Finance Committee

Doice McAlister, Chairman

Billie McCartie

Claudie Hames

Tim Rolen

Carl Young

Placement Committee

Robert Riddle, Chairman

Rick Mooney

Dave Molter

Wayne Rhodes

Harry Hernandez

Publication Committee

Paul Kennedy, Exec. Sec. Chairman

Vilnis Freminas

J. L. McAlister

Cecil Spurlock

Larry Condit

Obituary Committee

June Rolen, Chairman

June Kennedy

Deanna McAlister

Helen Hames

Evelyn Smith

Nominating Committee

Nuel Brown, Chairman

Tom Hunt

L. A. Yandell

E. B. Condit

Adrian Condit

Program Committee

Nuel Brown, Exec. Sec. Chairman

Lonnie Rolen, Host Pastor

Larry Condit

Richard Kennedy

Tom Hunt

Resolution Committee Report

1. Be it resolved that the date of the State Association be changed to the last Thursday of June beginning in 1987 (the days will remain the same: Thursday, Friday and Saturday).

2. Be it resolved that the Executive Office, C.C.C., and the State Mission Board and any other boards in the future dispersing funds close their books on April 30th of each year beginning in 1987. This will standardize all boards making the reports to the state more in line with each other.

3. Be it resolved that we give the host church, Memorial Free Will Baptist Church of Fresno, a standing vote of thanks for their fine facilities and good Christian hospitality shown during this meeting.

Finance Committee Report

1. We recommend that the Missionary offering be given to the Sam Hensley account. \$266.86.

2. We recommend that the Host Church be given a \$300.00 honorarium effective 1987.

3. We recommend that the State Co-Op Budget for 1986-87 remain the same as they are listed in our 1985-86 State minutes:

15% National Association

35% C.C.C.

19% State Mission Board

30% State Office

1% State Youth Conference

4. We recommend to give the Moderator \$65.00; Assistant Moderator \$45.00; Clerk/Treasurer \$65.00 and Assistant Clerk/Treasurer \$45.00.

5. We recommend our Associational dues remain at \$1.00 per member; \$10.00 representation fees per Church for National Association fees.

Publication Committee

1. Seven hundred (700) minutes of the California State Association Meeting be printed and distributed.

2. The *Voice* continue to be distributed to the churches by bulk mail and an invoice be sent each quarter. This invoice being a request that fifty cents (\$.50) per copy per month be sent to the State Office.

3. Each church give consideration to the family plan of *Contact*, our National Magazine.

4. Our churches and pastors make sincere efforts to reacquaint themselves with Free Will Baptist Publications and literature and consideration to their use.

5. Each church have a church reporter to send bulletins, mid-week reminders, and church papers to the State Office with reports of the activities of their church.

6. Each association and quarterly meeting use Randall House forms for quarterly and yearly reports.

Placement Committee

The Placement Committee recommends that the California State Association of Free Will Baptists hold their 1987 meeting at the Memorial Free Will Baptist Church in Fresno and the dates be June 25, 26, 27, 1987.

Nominating Committee

Moderator: No one recommended requested nominations be open from the floor.

Assistant Moderator: Joe Cutler

Clerk; Ronald Young

Assistant Clerk: John Wayne

Historical Commission: Paul Kennedy, L. A. Yandell, Tim Rolen.

State Youth Rally Advisor: Mark Harrison.

Obituary Committee Report

The State of California owes much to men who have given their lives in the ministry among Free Will Baptists. Two of our ministers, pioneers of a sort, have been called home after many years of such service to our denomination, Rev. Orbin Doss and Rev. Winston Lawless, who both served as pastors and Executive Secretary for Free Will Baptists in California, will be long remembered for their contributions to the cause of Christ in this state.

These other Free Will Baptists were also called from our midst during the past year:

Ina Jenkins, Turlock
Bobbie Hull and Dawn Wood, Concord
Eual Burgess, Sadie Sardino, Salinas First
Dallas Weston, Lucille Wallen, Ben McCellan, Antioch
J. M. Rolen, Bub Bonds, Fresno, Memorial
Lois Wells, Selma
Isabel Karnes, Exeter
Sis. Smith, Porterville
Sam Hendrix, Leonard Austin, Ola Mae Schulle, Sis. Arnett, Tulare
Dudie Gorley, Visalia, Demaree
Ella Owens, Lindsay
David Houser, Arvin
Sis. Reed, Bakersfield, First
W. L. McMaster, Lyle Adkinson, Lamont
Florance Perry, South Union, Bakersfield
Mirle Douglas, Oxnard
Bill Sayler, Opal Carpenter, Mabel Spurlock, Grace Cole, Santa Paula
Fae Schrehegast, Chula Vista
Shirley Hummer, Winnie Webster, Garden Grove
Don Taylor, Ontario, Princeton
Walter Gray, South Gate
Oleta Askew, Chowchilla
Blance Norvall, Campbell
Edith Lydle, Shafter
Walter Thedford, Sacramento, Capital

Temperance Committee Report

Be it resolved that we affirm our stand against the evils of our day as listed on pages 14 and 15 of the 1985 Minutes. Adding to the list the growing scourge of pornography that continues to flow unchecked as a mind pollutant in our society. May we work to oppose the further advancements of these evils; seek to minister to the victims; and spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ which is the only lasting remedy for the depravity of mankind.

We recommend the adoption of the 1982 report on pages 14, 15, 16 of the 39th Annual Session of the California State Association of Free Will Baptists.

1 Corinthians 9:25 - "And every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things. Now they do it to obtain a corruptible crown; but we an incorruptible."

3 John 11; "Beloved, follow not that which is evil, but that which is good. He that doeth good is of God; but he that doeth evil hath not seen God."

Whereas the Word of God teaches that we should preach, teach, and practice the whole counsel of God, and whereas those who strive for the mastery are to be temperate in all things; whereas all things may be lawful but not necessarily expedient; be it resolved that each minister, deacon, teacher, and layman be actively involved, taking a Biblical stand against the following subjects:

1. **Homosexuality** - 1 Corinthians 6:9 - "Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived, neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind."

The consequences are clear to those who participate in these acts. We encourage our people to speak to the issue and to take corrective action through civic or political movements.

2. **Vulgarity** - Ephesians 4:29 - "Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers."

It discourages all profanity. We encourage our people to guard their tongues, and to guard their sensitivity lest they become conditioned to the usage of such language.

3. **Immorality** - Ephesians 5:1-5 - "Be ye therefore followers of God, as dear children; And walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweetsmelling savour. But fornication, and all uncleanness, or covetousness, let it not be once named among you as becometh saints; Neither filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor jesting, which are not convenient; but rather giving of thanks. For this ye know, that no whoremonger, nor unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, hath any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God."

Since the Bible condemns all premarital and extramarital sexual activity, we encourage our people to protect their purity and to promote healthy marriages as outlined in 1 Corinthians 7:2-5.

"Nevertheless, to avoid fornication, let every man have his own wife, and let every woman have her own husband. Let the husband render unto the wife due benevolence: and likewise also the wife unto the husband. The wife hath not power of her own body, but the husband: and likewise also the husband hath not power of his own body, but the wife. Defraud ye not one the other, except it be with consent for a time, that ye may give yourselves to fasting and prayer; and come together again, that Satan tempt you not for your incontinency."

4. **Nudity** - Matthew 5:28 - "But I say unto you, That whosoever looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart."

Christ warns man about the lust of the eye, so we encourage our people to exercise much discretion in their choice of attire.

5. **Conformity** - Romans 12:1-2- "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world; but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God."

Since the above instructs believers in the area of worldliness, we encourage our people to exercise restraint in worldly fashions and in all their activities.

I Corinthians 11:14- "Doth not even nature itself teach you, that, if a man have long hair, it is a shame unto him."

I Timothy 2:9- "In like manner also, that women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with shame facedness and sobriety; not with braided hair, or gold, or pearls, or costly array; ... "

6. **Attack on the Family**- In view of the liberal, unscriptural trend evidenced by the appointing of the Presidential Commission on the Family which has supporters of "Gay Activist Rights" and "Women's Liberation Rights" as a part of its leadership. The Free Will Baptist of California are exhorted to emphasize, through word and deed, their total support of the traditional Biblical concept of the family as outlines in Eph. 5:22-6:4.

Our people are strongly encouraged to demonstrate their support of the Biblical concept of the family in principle and practice, recognizing and acknowledging that the family consists of the man, as husband and Father who is to be the head of the home; the woman as the wife and Mother who is to be in subjection to her husband, and the Children as God's gift and blessing unto the union, showing honor, obedience to the parents.

7. Since California Free Will Baptist recognize the value of human life, we go on record being totally opposed to abortion (The taking of a human life).

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STATISTICAL REPORTS FROM ALL AFFILIATED ASSOCIATIONS

<i>Association</i>	<i>Center</i>	<i>Golden Gate</i>	<i>Northern</i>	<i>San Joaquin Valley</i>	<i>Southern</i>	<i>West Coast</i>	<i>Spanish</i>	<i>Total</i>
Churches	11	15	6	9	17	11	4	73
Membership.....	687	905	212	820	994	533	175	4,326
Membership Gained.....	73	113	57	142	140	115	45	685
Members Lost	46	51	16	70	111	51	36	381
Ordained Ministers.....	15	21	13	21	25	19	6	120
Licensed Ministers.....	5	6	0	5	8	6	2	32
Deacons	33	23	12	26	34	26	8	162
Sunday School Enrollment.....	678	986	253	572	1,738	704	169	5,100
Average Attendance.....	528	751	175	428	1,622	516	159	4,179
Woman's Aux. Enrollment	83	121	27	121	112	82	42	546
Master's Men Enrollment.....	17	12	22	0	5	0	14	70
Prayer Meetings.....	11	15	6	9	17	11	4	73
Parsonages.....	4	7	1	4	9	8	0	33
Value of Churches and Parsonages	\$2,435,000.00	5,562,369.00	757,000.00	3,115,000.00	3,516,500.00	2,644,087.00	257,000.00	\$18,286,956.00
Total Income.....	\$294,524.88	470,028.32	61,569.00	468,020.70	442,420.45	327,073.94	69,175.79	\$1,933,313.08

**MINUTES OF THE THIRTY-EIGHTH SESSION
OF
CALIFORNIA STATE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION**

April 4-5, 1986

**Damaree Free Will Baptist Church
3011 North Demaree Road
Visalia, California**

Theme: "THE PASSWORD IS . . . ENCOURAGE!"

**Musicians: Wilmatine Yandell (Demaree), Director
Deanna Wilbanks (Harmony), Pianist
Susie Steigman (Exeter), Organist**

FRIDAY EVENING

The thirty-eighth session of California State Woman's Auxiliary Convention met April 4-5, 1986 at the Demaree Free Will Baptist Church in Visalia. June Rolen (Memorial) presided, and Vice President Nora McCarty (Pioneer) directed the registration of convention guests.

The service began with a welcome to the convention by President Rolen, and the congregation sang "*Lord, Speak to Me.*" Carolyn Redfearn (Modesto) led in prayer.

Worshops were conducted as follows:

REACH IN..... Donna Flanery (Santa Paula)
REACH OUT..... Lola Pettyjohn (Farmersville)
REACH UP..... Connie Bomar (Clovis)
REACH DOWN..... Freda Nettleton (Greenfield)

Following workshops, the groups reconvened to sing choruses. Nora McCarty led in prayer. The following committees were appointed by the president:

Registration

Nora McCarty, Chairperson
Jean Mannon, Center
Nelda King, Golden Gate
Barbara Hopkins, Southern
Margie Stillwell, West Coast

Finance

Verla Fletcher, Chairperson
Janet Matson, Center
Helen Albright, Golden Gate
Wilmatine Yandell, Southern
Donna Scroggins, West Coast

Placement

Betty Watson, Chairperson
Barbara Blankinship, Center
Sue MacGill, Golden Gate
Mildred Eagle, Southern
Louise Riddle, West Coast

Credentials

Sheryl Vanderburg, Chairperson
Janice Rolen, Center
Freda Nettleton, Golden Gate
Debbie Busby, Southern
Ray Suggs, West Coast

Resolution

Phyllis Shipman, Chairperson
Lois Miller, Center
Rosanne Wilson, Golden Gate
Mildred Wallace, Southern
Katy Henthorn, West Coast

Appreciation

Donna Flanery, Chairperson
Debbie Allen, Center
Cathy Ball, Golden Gate
Susie Lee, Southern
Ethel Dillon, West Coast

President Rolen introduced missionary Virginia Speckman, who shared "Faces," a slide/song presentation about her family's missionary work in Zaire. Mrs. Speckman, who with her family is a current resident at the Link Care Center in Fresno, also shared personal insights into how concerned Christians can really encourage missionaries. The dismissal prayer was led by her husband, Fred Speckman.

Refreshments were provided following service.

SATURDAY MORNING

The Saturday session began with the Southern District Choir singing "*I Am Loved*," and the call to order was given by the president. Following more congregational singing of choruses, Mildred Eagle (South Union) prayed the invocation.

Verla Fletcher (Harmony) gave a devotion entitled "Scavenger Hunt," describing ways to encourage and ways one may actually discourage others. Former Vice President Betty Watson (Visalia First) led in prayer.

President Rolen introduced the current state officers. The combined district statistical report of the secretary was received as information. In the absence of Treasurer Phyllis Fite, the secretary gave the treasurer's district statistical report and it was received as information. The treasurer's report was read and accepted.

The report of State Field Worker Phyllis Shipman (Mountain View) was received as information. The Student Loan Committee report was given as information by Winnie McLain (Memorial). Information about the 1986 Women's Retreat was given by President Rolen: October 9-11; \$53.00 for two nights/six meals, and \$35.00 for one night/three meals.

The following will serve as delegates to the 1986 WNAC in Tulsa, Oklahoma:

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| 1. Carolyn Redfearn | 9. Juanita McAlister |
| 2. Evelyn Smith | 10. Louise Riddle |
| 3. Jeanne McCrillis | 11. Amelia Anaya |
| 4. Jerry Spurlock | 12. Bertha Marin |
| 5. Sue MacGill | 13. Mildred Wallace |
| 6. Mamie Kennedy | 14. Emma Houck |
| 7. Winnie McLain | 15. Ginger Griggs |
| 8. Ruth Walker | |

The president has the power to appoint substitute delegates as needed during the WNAC.

Nora McCarty was elected to serve as a member of the WNAC Nominating Committee.

A letter from Cleo Pursell (former Executive Secretary of the WNAC) was read. The letter expressed her thanks for the flowers sent to her during her recent surgery. Also shared were letters from Executive Secretary-Treasurer Mary Ruth Wisheart and missionaries to Japan, Jerry and Jan Banks.

The following report of the Executive Committee was read and accepted: "After reviewing a recommendation from the Southern District Woman's Auxiliary regarding the Student Loan Fund, we recommend the following: 1) That \$2,500 be given to the Mayhew account; 2) that the balance of the

fund be placed in the Woman's Auxiliary State Convention treasury; 3) that any payments of outstanding loan balances be sent to the recording secretary, as well as any other records associated with the loans; 4) that the Student Loan Fund Committee be dissolved."

Prayer by President Rolen dismissed the convention for a break.

Following break time, the congregation sang "*Make Me a Channel of Blessing*," followed with prayer by Regina Smith (Memorial). The congregation then sang "*It Is No Secret*."

The following report of the Registration Committee was given as information: "Total Registered—149 (representing 29 auxiliaries): Center—44; Golden Gate—32; Southern—49; West Coast—10; Visitors—14."

The following report of the Credentials Committee was received as information: "We report that the letters from Center, Southern, and West Coast districts are in order and dues received. We recommend that when further information is received from Golden Gate, it be included in the letter to be sent to the national secretary."

The following report of the Resolution Committee was read and accepted: "We resolve that each auxiliary be aware of our missionaries' needs; to uplift them in prayer on a regular basis."

The following report of the Finance Committee was accepted: "We recommend the following: 1) That dues be \$2.50 per member (\$1.50 for WNAC and \$1.00 for state)."

The following report of the Placement Committee was accepted: "We recommend that we accept the invitation from South Union to host the April 3-4, 1987 California State Woman's Auxiliary Convention."

The following report of the Appreciation Committee was accepted: "We would like to express our thanks on behalf of those attending to the Demaree Church for their hospitality. We realize the effort that has gone into making the convention a success, and we appreciate all those who have taken a part in the program, those who have provided food, and the ladies in charge of the decorations. We give special recognition to our special guests, Virginia Speckman and Susan Burgess; and of course, to our president June Rolen for organizing and keeping things running smoothly."

President June Rolen gave a decorated helium balloon to Cathy Ball (Petaluma) for her enthusiasm in helping to re-organize that local auxiliary as president, and also to Debbie Fox (Antioch) who is the pastor's wife and organizer of their auxiliary. In Debbie's absence, her mother, Minnie Lacefield (Clovis) received the balloon.

Entering into the worship time, the congregation sang choruses and "*Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus*." The convention offering was received.

Susie Steigman sang "*He Giveth More Grace*," and Susan Burgess, wife of Lt. David L. Burgess of the U. S. Navy in San Diego, spoke on the theme, "The Password is ... Encourage!" Mrs. Burgess led the closing prayer, and guests were dismissed for lunch provided by Southern District auxiliaries.

During the box luncheon there was a time to recognize the "encouragers" in the group. Each guest was asked to deliver a flower (provided with the lunch) to another person who had been an encourager, or to one who was in

need of encouragement. Donna Molter (Kerman) sang *"I'd Rather Have Jesus,"* and the convention ended in this time of fellowship.

Respectfully submitted,
Sheryl Vanderburg, Secretary
June Rolen, President

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CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS CALIFORNIA STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

From long experience, we the members of the Free Will Baptist denomination, being regularly baptized upon the profession of our faith in Christ, and realizing the necessity of a bond of union and fellowship among us as an association of churches, and to preserve and maintain correspondence and coordination with us, do therefore, ordain this constitution for our better denominational government.

ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of this organization shall be the California State Association of Free Will Baptists.

ARTICLE II - PURPOSE

The purpose of this organization shall be to coordinate efforts and policy for the primary cause of the evangelization and unifying the efforts of its constituency in denominational work in the State of California and to aid in spreading the gospel of Jesus Christ unto the "uttermost parts of the earth."

ARTICLE III - DELEGATION

Delegates to this association shall consist of two types. One shall be those defined as elected delegates representing the affiliated associations and the other shall be defined as standing delegates.

1. **STANDING DELEGATES.** Standing delegates shall be all ordained members of any district association being a constituent part of this association, and in good standing with the association of which they are members, their wives, all officers and members of standing boards of this association and the unmarried widows of deceased ordained members.

2. **ELECTED DELEGATES.** Elected delegates shall be those delegates duly appointed or elected by the affiliate association which they represent. They shall in all cases be members in good standing in the affiliated association from which they come.

Representation in this association shall be by affiliated district associations. Each affiliated association shall be entitled to one (1) delegate per each fifty (50) members. Each affiliated association shall represent by a letter giving all of the statistical information called for by this body and listing all delegates by name. Representation fees as set by this association shall accompany the letter of information.

ARTICLE IV - MEETINGS

This association shall meet annually. The date and place shall be chosen by the association. In the event of an emergency, the General Board shall set the date and place of the annual meeting.

ARTICLE V - OFFICERS AND BOARDS

The officers of this association shall be:

1. Moderator
2. Assistant Moderator
3. Clerk/Treasurer
4. Assistant Clerk/Treasurer
5. Executive Secretary

Each of these except the Executive Secretary shall be elected at the closing session of this association.

Committees, as necessary, shall be appointed or elected as this association shall provide, and shall hold office until their work is completed or their successors are appointed. Each board, committee or officers' meeting shall keep accurate minutes of their meetings and shall make these minutes available for reading at the request of this association.

The standing boards of this association shall be:

1. Mission Board
2. California Christian College Board of Trustees
3. General Board

The General Board will be elected annually and shall be governed by the following:

1. It shall meet at the request of the chairman or on a pre-arranged date.
2. It shall have an annual meeting prior to the opening, session of this association.
3. It shall serve in the capacity of the association when the association is not in session but shall answer to this association for all actions.

Each board shall be composed of members serving terms, the number and length of term to be designated by this association, so arranged that members shall be elected in staggered terms as defined in the section of these by-laws entitled "Description of Duties." Vacancies occurring on any board shall come by reason of:

1. Resignation. Any member of any board shall be allowed to resign at his pleasure except in cases where resignation would be to avoid discipline or an accounting of the stewardship of his office.
2. Death.
3. Dismissal. Members of boards may be dismissed by this association for unchristian conduct or conduct detrimental to the general welfare of this association. Any member who is declared out of fellowship or against whom charges of heresy or unchristian conduct are being pressed shall be suspended from active service on the board of which he is a member until the consummation of the charges made in the affiliated association by which he is disciplined. If found guilty of charges as described

above, he shall be dismissed from this board and his position shall be declared vacant.

4. Removal from the territorial bounds. Any member who unites with a church outside the territorial bounds of this association shall be considered automatically dismissed from membership on the board on which he serves. This provision also applies to the three out-of-state members of California Christian College Board of Trustees.

5. Failure to serve. Members of boards who fail to serve in the capacity allotted them shall upon the approval of this association be dismissed from the board.

No member of this association shall be allowed to serve on more than one standing board or committee at any one time nor shall any member serve as an officer and on any board or standing committee except the General Board.

DESCRIPTION OF DUTIES

A. The Moderator. The moderator shall be chosen by majority vote of the delegates present and voting at the closing session of the association to serve one year.

1. He shall be the presiding officer at all business sessions of this association and shall be an ex-officio member of all committees and auxiliaries and board of this association.

2. He shall maintain order in all business sessions and allow full and free debate on all issues, but recognize no one or allow debate by any demonstrating an unchristian spirit.

3. He shall serve as chairman of the General Board and Executive Committee.

B. The Assistant Moderator. The assistant moderator shall be chosen by the majority vote of the delegates present and voting at the closing session of this association to serve a term of one year.

1. He shall assist the moderator in all business sessions of this association.

2. In the absence of the moderator, the assistant moderator shall become the moderator and be governed by the duties allotted to the moderator.

3. The assistant moderator shall serve as parliamentarian at all sessions of this association.

C. The Clerk/Treasurer. The clerk/treasurer shall be elected by the majority vote of the delegates present and voting at the closing session of this association to serve a term of one year.

1. The clerk shall keep a true and accurate record of the proceedings of the association and have same printed in book form for distribution to all affiliated associations. The clerk shall also keep an accurate record of all officers' and committee meetings. The clerk shall keep all papers and documents of this association unless otherwise ordered and shall conduct all correspondence for the association.

2. The clerk shall also serve as clerk of the General Board and the Executive Committee.

3. The treasurer shall receive and receipt all monies from whatever source contributions may be made and deposit same in a bank.
 4. All bills and accounts owed by this association shall be paid by check drawn against the association account signed by the treasurer.
 5. The treasurer shall give a report of all funds received and expended. The report shall be accompanied by an accurate balance sheet of approved standards of accounting.
- D. The Assistant Clerk/Treasurer. The assistant clerk/treasurer shall be elected by the majority vote of the delegates present and voting at the closing session of the association to serve a term of one year.
1. The assistant clerk shall assist the clerk in recording the minutes of the proceedings and shall make himself available to assist in any of the labors of the clerk.
 2. In the absence of the clerk, the assistant shall become the clerk and the duties of the clerk shall then be applied to him.
- E. The Executive Secretary shall be elected for an indefinite term of office. Be it understood that upon acceptance of this position the Executive Secretary shall serve a minimum of six months, the sole exception being for reason of health. In the event of his resignation or termination of office by the General Board, he shall give or be given a minimum of sixty days notice. In the event of resignation or disciplinary action, it shall become the duty of the General Board to effect the dismissal and/or replace the Executive Secretary until the next Regular Associational Meeting.
- The executive secretary shall be responsible for the general promotion of all branches and departments of this association. It shall be his duty to promote the general welfare of this association with regular reports of the work made to the general membership of this body. It shall be his duty to work closely with the moderator in coordinating denominational efforts and making known by publication these efforts and their successes.
- The executive secretary shall serve as treasurer of the cooperative plan of support and shall disburse the receipts as directed by this association. He shall make every effort to enlist all churches within the general framework of this association to support the cooperative plan of support with a tithe, and shall promote each department or agency of the association where designated offerings are needed or sought. All offerings received shall be forwarded to the agency to which they are directed.
- He shall serve as managing editor of the *Voice* or other publication.
- He shall make periodic visits to each affiliated association and there inform them of the progress of the overall work of this association. Even though some other agencies may have executive secretaries, it shall be his duty to promote these agencies in the coordinated denominational effort.
- F. The General Board. The personnel of the general board shall be composed of the moderator, the clerk/treasurer and the executive secretary of this association and the chairmen of all standing boards. There shall also be selected by each affiliated district association one

member to serve on this board.

The general board shall have power to act in behalf of, and for, this association from one regular session to another. It shall be the duty of this board to make written reports of all its work to each annual session of this association. This board shall stand liable to this body for discipline or dismissal for actions contrary to the general policy and intent of this association and these Articles and By-Laws. No decision shall be rendered by this board that will affect this association which could normally be detained and decided by this body in session.

An executive committee consisting of nine members shall be selected from the general board. This committee shall be composed of the moderator, clerk/treasurer, executive secretary, and the six members representing the affiliated associations.

The duty of this committee shall be to act on all matters coming within the scope of the work of the board when said general board is not in session.

In cases of disputes from, or within, an affiliated association, this committee shall serve as a mediatorial committee. This committee shall have no dictatorial powers whatever, but shall mediate attempts to settle such disputes as may be referred to it. If a satisfactory settlement cannot be executed by mediation, the matter shall be referred to this body in session. In no case shall either the general board or the executive committee issue a verdict or edict that could or would supercede this association in its decision.

This committee shall hear all disputes or question of discipline, doctrine, or practice that may properly come before it from any of the bodies composing this association, or any appeal that may be made by any association, church or individual person which is a component part of this body. Said appeal shall have been made in writing and properly signed by the constituent body or bodies or person making such appeal from the lower to the higher body. This committee shall be limited to making recommendations to these affected parties and if not accepted by all concerned, shall refer the signed allegation to the general board, and if mediation proves unsuccessful shall in turn refer the signed allegation to this association for final action.

- G. The Mission Board. The Mission Board shall be composed of seven members, one selected by each affiliated association and one elected by popular vote of this body. Their terms of office shall be staggered from one to three years, so arranged that two members shall be selected each year for two years and that three members shall be elected on the third year. In the event a member moves from the Assoc., his membership shall terminate and the remaining members shall elect his successor until this body meets in session and fills the vacancy.

The duties of the mission board shall be to labor to further the gospel of Jesus Christ "unto the uttermost parts of the earth." In accomplishing this, they are to endeavor to establish missions and churches in communities within the bounds of this association with whatever assistance deemed necessary. Also, in cases of small churches failing to function, every assistance possible shall be rendered to maintain the effective witness of that church.

The promotion of missionary endeavors from a local, state and national level of both home and foreign nature shall be the obligation of this board. The board shall assist in maintaining prayer and financial support to the entire missionary program of the denomination.

This board shall orient itself and elect its own officers.

This board, being an agency of this association, shall be empowered to have its own constitution and by-laws, which shall not be repugnant to this constitution or the general policy of this association.

The treasurer of this board shall receive and receipt all monies coming to it from all sources. The money shall be deposited in a bank or banks and all debts and accounts of this board shall be paid by check drawn against this treasury and signed by the treasurer.

Accurate minutes shall be kept of all meetings of this board and shall be available for reading at the request of this association. A complete report of all activities of this board shall be made in writing to this association while in session and an accurate balance sheet of approved standards of accounting of all funds received and disbursed shall accompany these reports and shall be signed by the officers of this board.

H. California Christian College Board of Trustees. The California Christian College Board of Trustees shall be composed of twelve members, nine members from California and one member from Arizona, one member from Idaho, and one member from the Northwest Association. The Out-of-state members are to be elected by their respective bodies. Six of the California members shall be selected, one by each of the affiliated associations and three shall be elected by popular vote of this body. The terms of office of California members shall be arranged that they rotate on a three-year basis. Two selected members and one popular vote member shall be elected each year. In the event a member moves from the Assoc., his membership shall terminate and the remaining members shall select his successor until this body meets in session and fills the vacancy.

The Board of Trustees shall establish and promote a high standard of Christian education within the framework of this association. In the consummation of its duties this board shall promote a high level academic institution wherein fundamental, orthodox, evangelical training may be obtained by those availing themselves to higher education. The highest academic standard possible shall be attained and maintained. The doctrines of Free Will Baptists as defined in the "Treatise of Faith and Practice of Original Free Will Baptists" published by the National Association of Free Will Baptists shall be the guiding theological position of the institution.

This board shall orient itself and elect its own officers. It shall meet upon call of its chairman at any time.

This board, being an agency of this association, shall be empowered to have its own constitution and by-laws which shall not be repugnant to this constitution or the general policy of this association.

An accurate record shall be kept of all meetings of this board and shall be available for reading at the request of this association. A complete

report of the activities of this board shall be made in writing to the annual session of this association with an accurate account of all receipts and disbursements made. An accurate balance sheet of approved standards of accounting shall accompany the reports and shall be signed by the officers of this board.

This board shall seek to work harmoniously with the other denominational academic institutions.

ARTICLE VI - CHURCH GOVERNMENT

The government of this association shall be congregational in form and democratic in its practice. Congregational church government shall be defined as: "The local church is an independent body, as far as it relates to its own government, the transaction of its business, the choice of its officers, and the disciplining of its members. The local church holds the deed of its own property and is responsible for its own financial obligations and there is no authority by any ecclesiastical power that can revert or change the decision of the local church. When a majority of a congregation in regular conference votes for or against, their decision cannot be reversed by any other authority." However, an appeal may be made by common consent by an aggrieved minority to the quarterly meeting for mediation. If the quarterly meeting or other associations are dissatisfied with the ruling of the majority of a local church, they may withdraw the hand of fellowship from the local church but it still leaves the local congregation in full charge of the church property and cannot interfere with its decisions any further.

ARTICLE VII - DISCIPLINE

This association shall have the right and authority to discipline its members and shall be recognized as the final ecclesiastical, tribunal within the state of California for Free Will Baptists.

ARTICLE VIII - AMENDMENTS

These By-Laws may be amended by a two-thirds majority vote of the delegates present and voting at any session of this association provided that all proposed amendments are presented in writing to the association one day in advance of action upon the proposed amendments.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

- 1. Introductory sermon.**
- 2. House called to order by moderator.**
- 3. Letters called for, or read, and received.**
- 4. Right hand of fellowship and seating of delegates.**
- 5. Petitionary letters called for.**
- 6. Reading of rules of order.**
- 7. Invite visiting brethren to seats in council.**
- 8. Appointment of committees.**
- 9. Unfinished business.**
- 10. New business.**
- 11. Report of Committees.**
- 12. Miscellaneous business.**
- 13. Election of officers.**

CHURCH COVENANT

Having given ourselves to God, by faith in Christ, and adopted the Word of God as our rule of faith and practice, we now give ourselves to one another by the will of God in this solemn covenant.

We promise, by His grace, to love and obey Him in all things, to avoid all appearance of evil, to abstain from all sinful amusements and unholy conformity to the world, from all sanction of the use and sale of intoxicating beverages, and to "provide things honest in the sight of all men."

We agree faithfully to discharge our obligations in reference to the study of the Scriptures, secret prayer, family devotions, and social worship; and by self-denial, faith, and good works endeavor to "grow in grace and the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ."

We will not forsake the assembling of ourselves together for church conferences, public worship, and the observance of the ordinances of the Gospel; nor fail to pay according to our ability for the support of the church, of its poor, and all its benevolent work.

We agree to accept Christian admonition and reproof with meekness, and to watch over one another in love, endeavoring to "keep the unity of the Spirit" in the bonds of peace, to be careful of one another's happiness and reputation, and seek to strengthen the weak, encourage the afflicted, admonish the erring, and as far as we are able, promote the success of the church and of the Gospel.

We will everywhere hold Christian principles sacred and Christian obligations and enterprises supreme; counting it our chief business in life to extend the influence of Christ in society, constantly praying and toiling that the kingdom of God may come, and His will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

To this end we agree to labor for the promotion of educational and denominational enterprises, the support of missions, the success of Sunday Schools, and evangelistic efforts for the salvation of the world. And may the God of peace sanctify us wholly, and preserve us blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

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

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

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

4. THE HOLY SPIRIT. The Scriptures assign to the Holy Spirit all the attributes of God.

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

6. THE SINFULNESS OF MAN. Man was created innocent, but by disobedience fell into a state of sin and condemnation. His posterity, therefore, inherit a fallen nature of such tendencies that all who come to years of accountability, sin and become guilty before God.

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

8. THE TERMS OF SALVATION. The conditions of salvation are: 1. Repentance or sincere sorrow for sin and hearty renunciation of it. 2. Faith or the unreserved committal of one's self to Christ as Saviour and Lord with purpose to love and obey Him in all things. In the exercise of saving faith, the soul is renewed by the Holy Spirit, freed from the dominion of sin, and becomes a child of God. 3. Continuance in faith and obedience until death.

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

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

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

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

13. GOSPEL ORDINANCES. BAPTISM, or the immersion of believers in water, and the LORD'S SUPPER, are ordinances to be perpetuated under the Gospel. FEET WASHING, an ordinance teaching humility, is of universal obligation, and is to be ministered to all true believers.

14. TITHING. God commanded tithes and offerings in the Old Testament; Jesus Christ endorsed it in the Gospel (Matt. 23:23), and the apostle Paul said, "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him" (I Cor. 26:2a).

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

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