

# *MINUTES*

of the

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of the

**CANADIAN ASSOCIATION**

of

**FREE WILL BAPTISTS**

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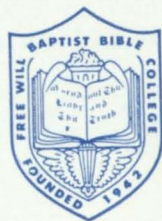
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**FREE WILL BAPTIST CAMPGROUND**

Wetumka, Oklahoma



# FREE WILL BAPTIST BIBLE COLLEGE

*Presented By*

Rev. Ernest Harrison

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**FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH OF GOD**

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**FREE WILL BAPTIST CAMPGROUND**

**Wetumka, Oklahoma**

**Thursday Night Before**

**The Second Sunday in August, 1960**

The next session of this Association will meet at the Campground five miles west of Wetumka, Oklahoma on Highway No. 9, then North two and a half miles, beginning on Thursday night before the second Sunday in August, 1961. Rev. L. A. Lankford and Bro. Winfred Lowe to bring the introductory messages.

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First Quarterly Meeting on Friday night before the second Sunday in November. Rev. Claud Rupp and Rev. Ode Robinson to bring the introductory messages.

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Second Quarterly Meeting on Friday before the Second Sunday in February, 1961.

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Third Quarterly Meeting on Friday Night before the Second Sunday in May, 1961.

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Fellowship Meetings are Friday Night before the Third Sunday of each Month.

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## **HISTORY**

We have learned that our Canadian Association was organized at Yeager, Oklahoma, in the year of 1905, by Bro. Tom Townsend, Bro. Taylor Champion, Bro. Tom Mitchell, Bro. Rogers and Bro. Mancher.

## OFFICERS OF CANADIAN ASSOCIATION 1960-61

Moderator \_\_\_\_\_ Rev. Floyd Vulgamore  
Rt.-1, Seminole, Oklahoma  
Assistant Moderator \_\_\_\_\_ Rev. Marion Caton  
Rt. 9, Box 331, Oklahoma City, Okla.  
Clerk \_\_\_\_\_ Sis. Mavyce Chism  
119 S. Belmont, Holdenville, Okla.  
Assistant Clerk \_\_\_\_\_ Sis. Juanita Lowe  
Rt. 3, Seminole, Okla.

### EXECUTIVE BOARD

Rev. Sherman Webb \_\_\_\_\_ One Year  
Garber, Oklahoma  
Bro. John Stricklin \_\_\_\_\_ Two Years  
Rt. 1, Paden, Okla.  
Rev. Floyd Vulgamore \_\_\_\_\_ Three Years  
Rt. 1, Seminole, Okla.  
Rev. Marion Caton \_\_\_\_\_ Four Years  
Rt. 9, Box 331, Okla. City, Okla.  
Rev. Roy Vanzant \_\_\_\_\_ Five Years  
Box 722, Prague, Okla.

### EXAMINING BOARD

Bro. George Wells \_\_\_\_\_ One Year  
Hanna, Oklahoma.  
Rev. Clarence Dodson \_\_\_\_\_ Two Years  
Non, Okla.  
Bro. Hiram Liles \_\_\_\_\_ Three Years  
4032 Thomas Ave., Del City, Okla.

### YOUTH CAMP OFFICERS

Director \_\_\_\_\_ Rev. Floyd Vulgamore  
Assistant Director \_\_\_\_\_ Bro. Winfred Lowe  
Sponsors \_\_\_\_\_ Bro. and Sis. Hiram Liles  
Assistant Sponsors \_\_\_\_\_ Bro. and Sis. John Stricklin  
Dietitian \_\_\_\_\_ Sis. Lizzie Hanks  
**YOUTH CAMP COMMITTEE:** Rev. Roy Vanzant, Bro. Clyde  
Fletcher, Bro. Jack Caton, Bro. Fred Moeller, Sis. Clara Foster.

## DIRECTORY OF MINISTERS

W. E. Wilson .....	Holdenville, Oklahoma
C. F. Dodson .....	Non, Oklahoma
Melvin Mouser .....	Hanna, Oklahoma
George Davidson .....	Checotah, Oklahoma
Marion Caton .....	2409 N. Post Rd., Okla. City, Okla.
Claud Rupp .....	3416 Holman Court, Midwest City, Okla.
Clyde Fletcher .....	Rt. 9, Box 634, Okla. City, Okla.
Naomi Mooney .....	NE 15th, Okla. City, Okla.
Harlan Parsons .....	Paden, Okla.
Leonard Bean—Ph. GI 2-3239 .....	617 E. Porter, Wetumka, Okla.
O. P. Westbrook .....	Okemah, Okla.
Roy Wilson .....	Oklahoma City, Okla.
Claude Chism—Phone 1995 .....	119 S. Belmont, Holdenville, Okla.
Tom Elliott,—Ph. Mission 5-2289, .....	Box 225, Calvin, Okla.
Carl Shivers .....	Stratford, Oklahoma
<i>Calvin</i> Floyd Vulgamore—Phone 1966 .....	Rt. 1, Seminole, Oklahoma
Roy Vanzant—Phone LO 7-2984 .....	Box 722, Prague, Okla.
Carrie May .....	Rt. 1, Weleetka, Okla.
L. A. Lanford <i>Allen's Church Dr. Albert</i> .....	Rt. 5, Holdenville, Okla.
Sherman Webb .....	Garber, Okla.
<i>Winfred Lowe</i> .....	<u>Rt. 3, Seminole, Okla.</u>
<i>Burton Perry</i> <i>see him</i> .....	Shawnee, Okla.
Casey Adams .....	Star Route, Castle, Okla.
VISITING MINISTER .....	Harry Lee

## ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Introductory Sermon
2. House called to order by Moderator
3. Letters called for, read and received
4. Right hand of fellowship and seating Delegates
5. Election of Officers
6. Petitionary letters called for
7. Reading rules of order (By-Laws)
8. Invite visiting brethren to seats in Council
9. Appointment of committees
10. Unfinished business
11. New business
12. Report of committees
13. Miscellaneous business

## DEACONS DIRECTORY

E. D. Smith .....	Holdenville, Oklahoma
Richard Dooley .....	Holdenville, Okla.
Joe McEwin .....	Star Route, Calvin, Oklahoma
George Wells .....	Hanna, Okla.
Will England .....	Hanna, Okla.
Lee Hays .....	1100 SE 59th, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
Luther McKinney .....	2603 St. Peter St., Okla. City, Okla.
Dick Smith .....	Rt. 2, Box 124, Prague, Okla.
Milton Vaughn .....	Prague, Okla.
Clarence Day .....	Box 863, Prague, Oklahoma
Trevor Case .....	Paden, Oklahoma

Harve Muncy .....	Paden, Oklahoma
C. A. Hollaway .....	Calvin, Oklahoma
W. B. Brock .....	Calvin, Oklahoma
Bill Foster .....	Calvin, Oklahoma
Orbra Wilbanks .....	Atwood, Oklahoma
Hiram Liles .....	4032 Thomas Ave., Del City, Okla.
John Stricklin .....	Rt. 1, Paden, Oklahoma
Pete Hatfield .....	Rt. 1, Paden, Oklahoma
Walter Inman .....	Rt. 1, Paden, Oklahoma
Raymond Vanzant .....	Rt. 1, Paden, Oklahoma
V. H. May .....	Rt. 1, Weleetka, Oklahoma
Homer Reid .....	Weleetka, Okla.
Henry C. Patterson .....	Weleetka, Okla.
Sam Milam .....	Weleetka, Okla.
Havner Reid .....	Weleetka, Okla.
Russell Richardson .....	Non-Resident
R. C. Hicks .....	622 Blvd., Chandler, Oklahoma
Tom Pound .....	212 W. 5th, Chandler, Oklahoma
Otis Hume .....	715 S. Ocheese, Wewoka, Okla.
Howard Gann .....	Garber, Okla.
Hulen Gaines .....	Rt. 1, Wewoka, Oklahoma
Nathaniel Vanzant .....	Rt. 1, Wewoka, Okla.
Benny Stiles .....	Rt. 1, Okemah, Oklahoma
Gene Geller .....	Rt. 1, Okemah, Okla.

### STATE DELEGATES

Bro. Wiley Bean .....	Hanna
Bro. Harlan Parsons .....	Paden
Bro. Benny Stiles .....	Mason
Sis. W. E. Wilson .....	Cross Roads
Sis. Irma Smith .....	Prague
Sis. Mavyce Chism .....	Calvin
Bro. Tilman Vanzant .....	Vanzant
Sis. Ethel Hume .....	Hilltop
Bro. Clyde Fletcher .....	Shady Nook

### RULES OF ORDER

1. The Association when met shall be opened and closed by singing and prayer.

2. Only one person shall speak at a time, and shall rise to his feet and address the Moderator.

3. Any person shall not be interrupted by anyone except the Moderator, until he is through speaking; nor shall the Moderator unless he breaks order.

4. Any person speaking shall adhere to the subject in question and shall not cast any reflection on him who may have spoken before him.

5. No person shall speak more than three times on any one subject without leave of the Association.

6. No person shall laugh or whisper in time of public speaking.

7. The members shall be addressed by the application of "brothers" or "sisters."

8. No member shall absent himself from the Association while in session, without leave.

9. The names of the members of the Association shall be enrolled and called as the Association deems necessary.

10. No member shall speak more than fifteen minutes at any one time, without leave of the Association

11. Any person who knowingly breaks any of these rules shall be reproved by the Moderator according to direction of the Association.

## MINUTES

### THURSDAY NIGHT

Meeting opened with singing and prayer. Testimony service was led by Sis. Ida Berry.

Bro. Burton Perry brought the message from Psalms 78, "Can God Prepare a Table in the Desert."

Dismissed in prayer.

### FRIDAY MORNING

The Association was called to order by the moderator, Rev. Roy Vanzant. Congregational singing led by Rev. Roy Roberts, with Sis. Bernice Smith at piano. Prayer by Bro. Lewis Tabor. Rev. Marion Caton read the devotional from Psalms 51: 1-8. Prayer by Rev. Roy Roberts.

Letters called for and received from Hilltop, Hanna, Cross Roads, Prague, Vanzant, Allen, Schoolton, Paden, Calvin and Shady Nook. Letters read and approved and delegates were given right hand of fellowship and seated.

The following officers were elected to serve the next year:

Moderator—Rev. Floyd Vulgamore

Assistant Moderator—Rev. Marion Caton

Clerk—Sis. Mavyce Chism

Assistant Clerk — Sis. Juanita Lowe

Divine committee was appointed. Bro. Lewis Tabor, Bro. Denver Porter and Bro. Hiram Liles. Rev. Roy Vanzant and Rev. Floyd Vulgamore were selected to preach at Eleven O'clock service.

Motion made that we adjourn business session until 1:15 p.m.

Morning worship was begun with singing "Amazing Grace" led by Rev. Marion Caton Sis. Bernice Smith at piano. A special song was given by the Shady Nook Church.

Rev. Roy Vanzant took his text from Isaiah 2:5-22 "Look to God and not man for guidance." Rev. Floyd Vulgamore took his text from James 5-16 "The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much." Two wonderful messages.

Dismissed for lunch with prayer.

## FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Called together by singing led by Bro. Jack Caton, Sis. Bernice Smith at piano, Prayer by Rev. Roy Vanzant.

Rev. Roy Vanzant was elected for five years on the Executive Board.

Rev. Marion Caton was elected to serve for four years on the Executive Board to replace Rev. Carl Shivers who has gone to another association.

Motion carried that Rev. W. E. Wilson be replaced on Executive Board, since he does not attend. Bro. John Stricklin was elected to serve as two year man or Executive Board.

The following Youth camp Officers were elected:

Camp Director—Rev. Floyd Vulgamore.

Assistant Director—Bro. Winfred Lowe

Sponsors—Bro. and Sis. Hiram Liles

Assistant Sponsors—Bro. and Sis. John Stricklin

Dietitian—Sis. Lizzie Hanks.

Youth Camp Committee: Rev Roy Vanzant, Bro. Clyde Fletcher, Bro. Jack Caton, Bro. Fred Moeller, Sis. Clara Foster.

Motion carried that each church that would like to, appoint someone from their church to come and help with their youth in the youth camp.

Motion carried that evangelist for youth camp be selected at First Quarterly Meeting.

Petitionary letters called for—none.

Rules of order read by assistant moderator, Rev. Marion Caton.

Committees were appointed as follows:

Temperance Comm.—Bro. Jack Caton, Sis. Cloie Cook, Bro. Lewis Tabor.

Sunday School Comm.—Sis. Ethel Hume, Sis. Bernice Smith, Sis. Ida Berry.

League Comm.—Sis. Eva Perry, Sis. Lillie Vanzant, Bro. Roy Roberts.

Obituary Comm.—Sis. Edna Reid, Sis. Mattie Harriman, Sis. Doris West.

Resolution Comm.—Rev. Roy Vanzant, Bro. Tillman Vanzant, Bro. Lee Hayes.

Finance Comm.—Sis. Blanche Muncy, Sis. Mavyce Chism, Bro. L. L. Berry.

Motion and second that the Resolution and League committees be dismissed for conference — carried.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

A report of Campground funds was given by Rev. Roy Vanzant  
Clerk's finance report read and approved.

Ministers selected to preach at Friday night services are Rev. Roy Roberts and Rev. Marion Caton.

Motion carried that we have a youth camp next year but date



be set at First Quarterly Meeting.

Names of delegates to State Association read and accepted.

Bro. Winfred Lowe and Rev. L. A. Lankford were elected to preach introductory messages at the next Annual Association in August, 1961.

Elected to preach introductory messages at First Quarterly Meeting in November, 1960 were Rev. Claude Rupp and Rev. Ode Robinson.

Chosen to represent the Canadian Association on the General Board at the State Association in 1961, Rev. Floyd Vulgamore.

Resolution Comm. report No. 2 read and approved.

Rev. Roy Roberts was selected as associational evangelist and field worker.

Motion made and approved that each church in the association be ask to pay \$5.00 or more for 1 or 2 week revivials held in the association by the associational evangelist, in order for the association to pay evangelist.

Motion carried that we adjourn business until 10:00 a.m. Saturday.

Dismissed in prayer.

### FRIDAY NIGHT

Meeting opened with singing led by Rev. Roy Roberts, Bro. Ronnie Liles at piano. Prayer led by Bro. John Stricklin. Bro. Havner Reid led testimony service. Several special songs were enjoyed after which Rev. Roy Roberts took the stand. His text was on Communion taken from I Cor. 11. Rev. Marion Caton took his text from St. John 13 on Feet Washing. These wonderful messages were followed by Communion and Feet Washing services.

### SATURDAY MORNING

Called together with singing "Standing on the Promises" led by Sis. Mendenhall with Sis. Bernice Smith at piano. Prayer by Rev. Harry Lee.

Supplementary letter from Shady Nook church read and approved.

Letter read and approved from Chandler Church and delegates given right hand of fellowship:

Motion made that we allow the churches to replace delegates for today's session.

Temporary Examining Board selected for today's session were Rev. Claude Rupp, Rev. L. A. Lankford, Bro. John Stricklin.

League Committee report read and accepted.

Sunday School Committee report read and accepted.

Temperance Committee Report read and accepted.

Temporary Examining Board report read and accepted.

Obituary Committee report read and accepted. Moderator called for a moment of silent prayer in memory of the ones who have been called from our midst.

Resolution Committee report No. 3 read and accepted.

Finance Committee report read and accepted.

Resolution Committee report No. 4 read and accepted.

An offering of \$24.32 was taken.

A standing vote of thanks was given for officers who served during the last year.

Minutes of this association were read and approved.

Motion carried that we adjourn. Dismissed in prayer by Sis. Mendenhall.

### **BUSINESS APPROVED IN QUARTERLY MEETINGS 1ST QUARTERLY MEETING NOV., 1959**

Motion made and carried to elect officers for the youth encampment. The following officers were elected:

Director—Rev. Roy Vanzant, Assistant Director—Rev. Marion Caton. Sponsors—Rev. and Sis. Floyd Vulgamore, Assistant sponsors—Bro. and Sis. Winfred Lowe, Dietitian—Sis. Lizzie Hanks, Youth Camp Committee—Rev. Carl Shivers, Sis. Irma Smith, Rev. Burton Perry, Rev. Leonard Bean, Bro. Artie Hearod. Evangelists—Rev. Burton Perry, Rev. Floyd Vulgamore.

Motion carried that Sis. Lizzie Hanks be paid \$50.00 for her services during the youth camp.

### **3RD QUARTERLY MEETING MAY, 1960**

Motion carried to take an offering for the Campground Funds. Offering was \$80.05.

Motion carried to take \$200.00 from Associational fund and put in Campground fund.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS — TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE**

We, the Temperance Committee recommend that all Free Will Baptist Churches show more love and fellowship for one another.

This committee recommend that all Free Will Baptist Churches who do not have an active league at this time, put every effort forth to start a young peoples league. (Signed by Committee)

### **SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

We, the Sunday School Committee recommend that we as church members observe the appointed time for Sunday School and make a special effort to be on time each Sunday.

(Signed by Committee)

### **LEAGUE COMMITTEE**

We, the League committee, recommend that each League sponsor at least one week youth revival each year and encourage the youth for Christ. Pray more for the Leaguers.

(Signed by Committee)

### **OBITUARY COMMITTEE**

We, the Obituary Committee, find that God in His infinite love has called from our midst, Bro. Sam Bullard and Rev. Roy Wall from Shady Nook, Bro. George Reich from Hilltop, Sis. Nora Bize from Calvin, Sis. Martha Chaney from Paden, Bro. Abe Young from Schoolton, Bro. Harry Judd from Vanzant, Bro. Brady Crawford from Hanna and Bro. Luther Graham from Chandler.

(Signed by Committee)

## EXAMINING BOARD

1st Quarterly Meeting Nov. 1959—No. 1—The Examining Board recommends Bro. W. B. Brock to be ordained for Deacon.

2nd Quarterly Meeting Feb. 1960—No. 1—The Examining Board have examined Bro. Hayner Reid and recommend him to be Licensed to preach the Free Will Baptist doctrine.

3rd Quarterly Meeting May 1960—No. 1—We, the Examining Board have examined Bro. Tom Pounds and recommend that he be ordained as Deacon.

No. 2—We, the Examining Board have examined Bro. Luther McKinney and recommend him for ordination as Deacon.

Annual Association Aug. 1960—No. 1—We, the Examining Board have found Bro. Clyde Fletcher sound in doctrine and in faith and recommend him for License to preach Free Will Baptist doctrine.

## FINANCE COMMITTEE

Church	Canadian Minutes	State Minutes	Campground Fund	Association Fund	Foreign Missions	Youth Camp Exp.
Hilltop	\$10.00	\$5.00	\$	\$	\$	\$18.00
Hanna	10.00	5.00	5.00			
Cross Roads	10.00	5.00				
Prague	10.00	5.00	5.00			
Vanzant	10.00	5.00	5.00	5.00		
Allen	10.00		5.00			5.00
Schoolton	10.00					
Paden	10.00	5.00	5.00			
Calvin	10.00	5.00	5.00	37.09		
Shady Nook	10.00	5.00	5.00			
Chandler	10.00			5.00		
TOTAL	\$110.00	\$40.00	\$35.00	\$47.09		\$23.00
Mason (late)	10.00	5.00	25.00	5.00	8.15	
NEW TOTAL	\$120.00	\$45.00	\$60.00	\$52.09	\$8.15	\$23.00

## CLERK'S FINANCE REPORT

### RECEIVED:

Bal. from Clerk (1958-59)	\$296.53
Rec'd 1st Quarterly Meeting	132.53
Rec'd 2nd Quarterly Meeting	105.47
Rec'd 3rd Quarterly Meeting	75.74
Mason Church (late)	9.34
Rec'd Annual Association	197.09
Offering taken Annual Association	24.32
Mason Church (late)	28.15
Rec'd from League for page in minutes	8.00
Rec'd from treatise and keys	9.35
TOTAL	\$886.52

**PAID OUT:**

10% of Associational to Co-Operative Plan .....	\$ 32.85
Ear-marked Foreign Missions .....	39.01
Ear-marked Home Missions .....	10.00
Campground electric bills for 11 months .....	42.92
Postage and letter forms .....	5.74
L-P gas for Campground .....	23.10
State Minutes .....	45.00
Clerk for 1960-61 .....	25.00
Assistant Clerk for 1960-61 .....	10.00
Treatise and Ministers Licenses .....	7.80
Piano tuning .....	12.00
New locks for Campground .....	7.15
Transferred to Campground Fund .....	425.00
Roy Vanzant for personal expenses .....	30.00
250 Associational Minutes .....	114.00
<b>TOTAL PAID OUT .....</b>	<b>\$829.57</b>
<b>BALANCE IN TREASURY .....</b>	<b>\$ 56.95</b>

Signed - Juanita Lowe - Clerk.

**FINANCIAL REPORT OF CAMP GROUNDS COMMITTEE FROM  
AUGUST 5, 1959 TO SEPTEMBER 24, 1960.**

Balance on hand August 5, 1959 .....	\$166.10
Received from Association, Youth Camp enrollment, Leagues, Special offerings and outside contributions .....	\$1,687.94
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$1,854.04</b>

**Disbursements.**

Labor, lumber, screen wire, paints, pipe and connections, electric hot water heater, refrigerators, stoves, tables, water well repair, truck rental, electric wire, meter loop, sheet rock, nails, cement, shower room supplies, curtains, building insurance, youth insurance, first aid supplies, dietitian, telephone, groceries .....	\$1,780.98
<b>Balance in bank .....</b>	<b>\$ 73.06</b>

Signed - Roy Vanzant, Sec'y- and Treas.

**LEAGUE REPORT**

November 29, 1959—The Rally was opened by singing, followed by prayer by Bro. Berton Perry. Devotion was given by the Cross Roads Church, taken from the 23rd Psalms. Letters were read and approved, followed by the Beginners, Junior and Senior sword drills. Bro. Carl Shivers brought the morning message using scripture found in II Peter 3:3 & 4. The Lord blessed mightily with the saving of 4 souls. In the afternoon, Senior sword drill and elections of new officers for the coming year. Registrar — Larry Vulgamore; Pianist—Ronnie Liles; Song Leader—Effie Elliott; Sword Drill Master—Sis. Myrtle Shivers; Sponsors — Rev. and Sis. Floyd Vulgamore; Sec'y. & Treas. Viola Smith; President —Arty Hearod; Vice-President—Freddie Brown. A Motion was made, seconded and passed to abolish the youth singing. Plays were presented then the awarding of banners which were as follows: Attendance—Prague; Program—Allen; Senior Sword Drill

—Prague; Junior Sword Drill—Prague; Beginners Sword Drill—Prague; 16-20 Sword Drill—Prague. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Bill Foster.

January 31, 1960—The Rally convening at Campground was opened as usual by singing. Bro. Clarence Dodson led in prayer. Letters from churches attending were read and approved. After an alter of prayer Rev. Berton Perry brought the message from St. John 1:1-4 and John 3:18-21. One soul saved in the morning services. Banners given to keep were as follows: Attendance, Senior Sword Drill, 16-20 Sword Drill—Prague; Program — Calvin; Junior Sword Drill—Mason. The Banners given for that day's service were: Attendance, Program and Junior Sword Drill — Calvin; Senior Sword Drill, Beginners Sword Drill and 16-20 Sword Drill—Prague. Dismissed in prayer by Sis. Doris Sue Perry.

May 29, 1960 — Rally was opened by singing. Prayer by Rev. Berton Perry. The Beginners and Junior Sword Drill banners were won by Shady Nook and Hilltop. The morning message was brought by Bro. Ricky Duncan from Tulsa, Okla. He chose his scripture from I Corinthians 15:58. Senior Sword Drill was won by Prague, also the 16-20 Sword Drill. Attendance banner went to Shady Nook. Program Banner to Vanzant. Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Sherman Webb.

July 10, 1960—Rally was opened with singing led by Ronnie Liles with Gracie Elliott playing the piano. Prayer by Rev. Berton Perry. Beginners, Junior and Senior Sword Drills were won by Shady Nook and Prague Churches. Letters read and accepted. A Reading was given by Sue Smith, then followed by Leaguers prayer. Rev. Floyd Vulgamore brought the morning message from the book of Ezekiel 37:1-5. In the afternoon the Senior and 16-20 sword drill, banners were won by Prague church, also the attendance banner. Motion was made and passed that we use all of the League's money except \$25.00 to help with the expense of our youth encampment which we are thankful to God was a wonderful success, with God blessing it all the way. A second motion was made and passed that each church of the Canadian Association send \$5.00 to our League Secretary and Treasurer, Viola Smith, Prague, Oklahoma to replace the money used in the youth camp expenses. Minister chosen for the next League rally which will be October 30 was Rev. Marion Caton. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Winfred Lowe.

—Viola Smith

## LETTERS

The Free Will Baptist Church of God worshipping at Hanna, County of McIntosh, this 7th day of August, 1960, Post Office address Hanna, Oklahoma send greetings to the 55th Annual session of brothers and sisters composing the Canadian Association of Free Will Baptist, to let you know of our love and fellowship and our zeal for the cause of Christ.

Pastors salary for the coming year, \$15.00 each Sunday. Meeting days fill time.

We have received by confession 1, Letter 2, Excluded by Let-

ter 2, Died 1. Total in full fellowship 37.

We have in our membership 2 Ministers, Rev. Melvin Mouser, Hanna, Oklahoma and Rev. George Davidson, Checotah, Oklahoma. Ordained Deacons 2, Bro. George Wells, Hanna, Oklahoma, Bro. Will England, Hanna, Oklahoma.

We have paid out for Evangelistic work none, missions none, support of association \$20.00. Total amount paid out by the church \$566.62. Value of church property \$3,500.00.

We have a Free Will Baptist Sunday School.

Contribution for minutes and association expenses \$15.00, Campground fund \$5.00.

We have chosen Bro. Lewis Tabor, Sister Ethel Mouser and Bro. Wiley Bean as our delegates to represent us at the Annual session when convened at the Campground.

Our pastor for the ensuing year is Elder Roy Roberts, Rt. 3, Prague, Oklahoma.

Pray for us.

Moderator: George Wells

Hanna, Okla.

Clerk:

Wiley Bean

Hanna, Okla.

The Free Will Baptist Church of God worshipping at Paden, Oklahoma, County of Okfuskee, This 3rd day of July, 1960, P. O. Address Paden, Oklahoma sends greetings to the 55th Annual Session of the brethren and sisters composing the Canadian Association of Free Will Baptists, to let you know of our love and fellowship, and our zeal for the cause of Christ.

Pastor's salary for the coming year, Sunday offering. Meeting day is each Sunday of each month.

We have received by Confession 0; Letter 3; Excluded O, Dismissed by letter 2; Died 1; Resident Members 30; Non-resident Members 15; Total in Full Membership 45.

We have in our membership, 4 Ministers: Rev. Harlan Parsons, Paden, Okla., Rev. Leonard Bean, Wetumka, Okla., Rev. O. P. Westbook, Okemah, Okla., Rev. Roy Wilson, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; Ordained Deacons 2: Bro. Trevor Case, Paden, Okla., Bro. Harve Muncy, Paden, Okla.

We have paid out for Evangelistic Work, none; Missions, none; Support of the Association \$30.00; Total paid out by the Church \$714.62. We have a F.W.B. Sunday School. We have not F. W. B. League. Value of Church Property \$2,000.00.

Contribution for Minutes \$10.00; State Minutes \$5.00; Campground \$5.00.

We have chosen as our delegates to represent us in the Annual Session: Sister Mattie Harriman, Sister Doris West and Sister Blanche Muncy. Alternate delegates Sis. Sylvia Loney, Sis. Lizzie Coleman and Sis. Belle Dukes.

We have chosen Rev. Harlan Parsons as our delegate to the State Association.

Our pastor for the ensuing year is Elder Casey Adams, Star Route, Castle, Oklahoma.

Pray for us. Done in conference this 3rd day of July, 1960.

Moderator: Rev. Leonard Bean  
Wetumka, Okla.

Clerk: Ronald Hardin  
Paden, Okla.

The Free Will Baptist Church of God worshipping at Cross Roads, County of Hughes, his 31st day of July, 1960, P. O. Address Rt. 3, Holdenville, Oklahoma, sends greetings to the 55th Annual Session of the brethren and sisters composing the Canadian Association of Free Will Baptists, to let you know of our love and fellowship, and our zeal for the cause of Christ.

Pastors salary for the coming year \$10.00 per Sunday. Meeting days full time.

We have received by Confession 1; Letter none; Excluded, none; Died none; Resident Members 35; Non-resident Members 10; Total in Full Membership 45.

We have in our membership, 2 Ministers: Rev. W. E. Wilson, Holdenville, Okla., Rev. C. F. Dodson, Non, Okla.

Ordained Deacons 3: Bro. E. D. Smith, Holdenville, Okla., Bro. Richard Dooley, Holdenville, Okla., and Bro. Joe McEwin, Star Route, Calvin, Okla.

We have paid out for Evangelistic work \$100.00; Missions None; Support of the Association \$30.00. We have a F.W.B. Sunday School. We do not have a F.W.B. League. Value of Church Property \$4,000.00.

Contribution for Minutes \$10.00; State Minutes \$5.00.

We have chosen as our delegates to represent us in the Annual Session: Sis. Cloie Cook, Sis. Pauline Blaylock and Sis. Ruth Phillips.

Alternate delegates Sis. Lois Baldwin, Sis. Vera Blaylock and and Sister Marie Morrow.

We have chosen Sis. W. E. Wilson as our delegate to the State Association.

Our pastor for the ensuing year is Elder Tom Elliott, Calvin, Oklahoma.

Pray for us. Done in conference this 31st day of July, 1960.

Moderator: Tom Elliott  
Box 225, Calvin, Okla.

Clerk: Marie Morrow  
Rt. 3, Holdenville, Okla.

We, the Free Will Baptist Church of God, worshipping at Schoolton, County of Seminole this July 29th send greetings to the Annual Meeting of the Canadian Association of Free Will Baptists, to let you know of our love and fellowship and zeal for the cause of Christ when convened with the Canadian Association of Free Will Baptists.

We are sending \$10.00 for minutes.

Chosen to represent us as delegates are: Bro. Lee Coy, Sis. Margaret Coy and Sis. Ida Berry.

Alternates: Sis. Marie Collier, Sis. Fay Young and Sis. Margaret Dotson, whom we pray will help you in your Godly deliberations.

Pastor: Rev. Odis Robinson, Rt. 4, Okemah, Oklahoma.

Deacons: Garland Collier, Rt. 2, Okemah; L. L. Berry, Rt. 4, Okemah, Okla. and Coleman Dotson, Rt. 2, Okemah, Okla.

Pray for us.

Done in Church Conference this July 29, 1960.

Moderator: L. L. Berry

Rt. 4, Okemah, Okla.

Clerk:

Mrs. Coleman Dotson

Rt. 2, Okemah, Okla.

The Free Will Baptist Church of God worshipping at Mason, County of Okfuskee, This 7th day of August, 1960, P. O. Address, Mason, Oklahoma, sends greeting to the 55th Annual Session of the brethren and sisters composing the Canadian Association of Free Will Baptists, to let you know of our love and fellowship, and our zeal for the cause of Christ. Meeting days are full time.

We have received by Confession 1; Letter 2; Excluded 2; Died none; Resident Members 9; Non-resident Members 2; Total in full Membership 11.

We have in our membership, 2 Ministers: Rev. Burton Perry, Shawnee, Okla and Rev. Casey Adams, Welty, Okla. Ordained Deacons 2. Bro. Benny Stiles and Bro. Gene Geller.

We have paid out for Evangelistic Work \$175.00; Missions \$29.85; Campground fund \$60.00; Support of the Association \$20; Total paid out by the Church \$1,477.41. We have a F.W.B. Sunday School. We have a F.W.B. League.

Contribution for Minutes \$10; State Minutes \$5; Foreign Missions \$8.15; Campground fund \$25; Association Fund \$5.

We have chosen as our delegates to represent us in the Annual Session: Sis. Maxine Geller, Sis. Murleen Stiles and Sis. Macy Sullivan. We have chosen Bro. Benny Stiles as our delegate to the State Association. As yet we have no pastor.

Pray for us. Done in conference this 7th day of August, 1960.

Moderator: Bro. Benny Stiles

Rt. 1, Okemah, Okla.

Clerk:

Sis. Murleen Stiles

Rt. 1, Okemah, Okla.

The Free Will Baptist Church of God worshipping at Allen, County of Okfuskee, This August 7, 1960, P. O. Address Box 224, Weleetka, Oklahoma sends greetings to the 55th Annual Session of the brethren and sisters composing the Canadian Association of Free Will Baptists, to let you know of our love and fellowship, and our zeal for the cause of Christ.

Pastor's salary for the coming year \$10. Meeting days full time.

We have received by Confession 4; Letter 3; Excluded 6; Died none; Resident Members 36; Non-resident Members 42; Total in Full Membership 78.

We have in our membership 2 Ministers: Rev. Carrie May, Rt. 1, Weleetka, Okla., Rev. L. A. Lankford, Rt. 5, Holdenville,



Oklahoma. Ordained Deacons 6: Bro. V. H. May, Rt. 1, Weleetka, Okla.; Bro. Homer Reid, Weleetka, Okla.; Bro. Sam Milam, Weleetka, Okla.; Bro. Havner L. Reid, Weleetka, Okla.; Bro. Russell Richardson, non-resident and Bro. Henry C. Patterson, Rt. 1, Weleetka, Oklahoma.

We have paid out for Evangelistic Work \$64; Missions \$10.80 Support of the Association \$35; Total paid out by the Church \$756.27. We have a F. W. B. Sunday School. We have a F. W. B. League. Value of Church Property \$3,500.00.

Contribution for Minutes \$10; Campground fund \$5.00 and Youth Camp \$5.00.

We have chosen as our delegates to represent us in the Annual Session: Sis. Eva Lankford, Sis. Eva Likourski and Sis. Edna Reid: Alternate delegates Bro. Bob Patterson, Sis. Ida Reid and Sis. Virginia Lankford.

Our pastor for the ensuing year is Elder L. A. Lankford, Rt. 5, Holdenville, Oklahoma.

Pray for us. Done in conference this Aug. '7, 1960.

Moderator: Rev. L. A. Lankford  
Rt. 5, Holdenville, Okla.

Clerk: Sis. Emma H. Reid  
Box 224, Weleetka, Okla.

The Free Will Baptist Church of God worshipping at Prague, County of Lincoln, This 4th day of August 1960, P. O. Address Prague, Oklahoma, sends greetings to the 55th Annual Session of the brethren and sisters composing the Canadian Association of Free Will Baptists, to let you know of our love and fellowship, and our zeal for the cause of Christ.

Pastor's salary for this year \$948.93. Meeting days full time.

We have received by Confession 4; Letter none; Excluded none; Died none; Resident Members 37; Non-resident Members 9; Total in full Membership 46:

We have in our membership, 3 Ordained Deacons: Dick Smith, Rt. 2, Box 124, Prague, Okla.; Milton Vaughn, Prague, Okla., and Clarence Day, Box 863, Prague, Oklahoma.

We have paid out for Evangelistic Work \$100.00; Missions \$30; Building expense \$39.50; Support of the Association \$72.00; Total paid out by the Church \$1,090.43. We have a F. W. B. Sunday School. We have a F.W.B. League. Value of Church Property \$6,000.00.

Contribution for Minutes \$10; State Minutes \$5; Campground \$5.00.

We have chosen as our delegates to represent us in the Annual Session: Sis. Cora Shivers, Sis. Eva Perry and Sis. Lucille Vaughn. Alternates Sis. Myrtle Day, Sis. Bernice Smith and Sis. Ollie McLaughlin.

We have chosen Sis. Irma Smith as our delegate to the State Association.

We have not called our pastor at this time.

Pray for us. Done in conference this 4th day of August, 1960.

Moderator: Rev. Floyd Vulgamore  
Rt. 1, Seminole, Okla.

Clerk: Sis. Ollie McLaughlin  
Rt. 2, Prague, Okla.

The Free Will Baptist Church of God worshipping at Calvin, County of Hughes, This July 3, 1960, P. O. Address Box 35, Calvin, Oklahoma, sends greetings to the 55th Annual Session of the brethren and sisters composing the Canadian Association of Free Will Baptists, to let you know of our love and fellowship, and our zeal for the cause of Christ.

Pastor's salary for the coming year \$33.33 per week. Meeting days are full time.

We have received by Confession None; Letter or statement 5; Excluded none; Died 1; Resident Members 51; Non-resident members 24; Total in full membership 75.

We have in our membership, Ministers 4: Rev. Claude Chism, 119, S. Belmont, Holdenville, Okla.; Rev. Tom Elliott, Box 225, Calvin, Okla.; Rev. Carl Shivers, Stratford, Okla., and Rev. Floyd Vulgamore, Rt. 1, Seminole, Okla. Ordained Deacons 4: C. A. Holloway, Calvin, Okla.; W. B. Brock, Calvin, Okla., Bill Foster, Calvin, Okla., and Orbra Wilbanks, Atwood, Okla.

We have paid out for Evangelistic Work \$155.00; Missions \$26.14; Support of the Association \$238.61; Total paid out by the Church \$2,907.20. We have a F. W. B. Sunday School. We have a F. W. B. League. Value of Church Property \$5,000.00.

Contribution for Minutes \$10; State Minutes \$5. We are sending our tithes to be used as follows: Campground fund \$5.00 and balance for support of Association.

We have chosen as our delegates to represent us in the Annual Session: Sis. Mavyce Chism, Sis. Minnie Brock and Sis. Clara Foster. Alternate delegates Sis. Lena Neal Sis. Myrtle Shivers and Sis. Grace Elliott. We have chosen Sister Mavyce Chism as our delegate to the State Association.

Our pastor for the ensuing year is Elder Floyd Vulgamore, Rt. 1, Seminole, Oklahoma.

Pray for us. Done in conference this August 7, 1960.

Moderator: Rev. Floyd Vulgamore  
Rt. 1, Seminole, Okla.

Clerk: Lizzie Hanks  
Box 85, Calvin, Okla.

God, in His infinite wisdom has called from our midst, Sister Nora, Bise, Atwood, Oklahoma.

The Free Will Baptist Church of God worshipping at Chandler, County of Lincoln, This 2nd day of August, 1960, P. O. Address Chandler, Oklahoma, sends greetings to the 55th Annual Session of the brethren and sisters composing the Canadian Association of Free Will Baptists, to let you know of our love and fellowship, and our zeal for the cause of Christ.

Pastors salary for the coming year \$520.00. Meeting day is on

each Sunday of each month.

We have received by Confession none; Letter 2; Excluded 1; Died 1; Resident Members 16; Non-resident Members 3; Total in Full Membership 19.

We have in our membership, Ordained Deacons 2: Bro. R. C. Hicks, 622 Blvd., Chandler, Okla., Bro. Tom Pounds, 212 W. 5th, Chandler, Oklahoma.

We have paid out for Evangelistic Work \$ None; Missions None; Support of the Association \$15.00. We have a F.W.B. Sunday School. We do not have a F.W.B. League. Value of Church Property \$3,500.00.

Contribution for Minutes \$10; Association Fund \$5.

We have chosen as our delegates to represent us in the Annual Session: Bro. Earl Mendenhall, Sister Mendenhall and Sister Lucille Graham. Alternate delegates Bro. Jim McDowell, Sister McDowell and Bro. Dee Belcher.

Our pastor for the ensuing year is Elder Delbert R. Henderson, 3308 SW 39th, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Pray for us. Done in conference this 2nd day of Aug. 1960.

Moderator: Delbert H. Henderson  
3308 SW 39th, Okla. City, Okla.  
Clerk: Sister Dee Belcher  
Rt. 4, Chandler, Okla.

The Free Will Baptist Church of God worshipping at Vanzant, County of Okfuskee, This the 6th day of August, 1960, P. O. Address, Rt. 1, Paden, Oklahoma, sends greetings to the 55th Annual Session of the brethren and sisters composing the Canadian Association of Free Will Baptists, to let you know of our love and fellowship, and our zeal for the cause of Christ.

Pastors salary for the coming year \$30 a month. Meeting days are full time.

We have received by Confession None; Letter None; Excluded None; Died 1; Resident Members 26; Non-resident Members 15; Total in Full Membership 41.

We have in our membership, Ministers 1: Rev. Roy Vanzant, Box 722, Prague, Oklahoma. Ordained Deacons 5: Bro. Hiram Liles, 4032 Thomas Ave., Del City, Okla.; Bro. John Stricklin, Rt. 1, Paden, Okla.; Bro. Pete Hatfield, Rt. 1, Paden, Okla.; Bro. Walter Inman, Rt. 1, Paden, Okla., and Bro. Raymond Vanzant, Rt. 1, Paden, Oklahoma.

We have paid out for Evangelistic Work \$80; Support of the Association \$102.40; Total paid out by the Church \$823.03. We have a F.W.B. Sunday School. We have a F.W.B. League. Value of Church Property \$3,500.00.

Contribution for Minutes \$10; State Minutes \$5; Association fund \$5; Campground fund \$5.00.

We have chosen as our delegates to represent us in the Annual Session: Bro. Tilman Vanzant, Bro. Will Stricklin and Bro. Coy Shivers. Alternates delegates Sis. Ivron Hatfield, Sis. Susan Coulter and Sis. Lizzie Vanzant.

We have chosen Bro. Tilman Vanzant, Rt. 1, Paden, Okla., as our delegate to the State Association.

Our pastor for the ensuing year is Elder Roy Vanzant, Box 722, Prague, Oklahoma.

Pray for us. Done in conference this the 6th day of Aug. 1960.

Moderator: Roy Vanzant  
Box 722, Prague, Okla.  
Clerk: Sis. Marie Stricklin  
Rt. 1, Paden, Okla.

The Free Will Baptist Church of God worshipping at Hilltop, County of Seminole, This 3rd day of August, 1960, P. O. Address, Wewoka, Okla., sends greetings to the 55th Annual Session of the brethren and sisters composing the Canadian Association of Free Will Baptists, to let you know of our love and fellowship, and our zeal for the cause of Christ.

Pastor's salary for the coming year \$100.00 per month. Meetings days straight time.

We have received by Confession 20; Letter None; Excluded None; Died 1; Active Members 46; Non-active Members 62; Total in Full Membership 108.

We have in our membership, 1 ordained minister, Rev. Sherman Webb, Garber, Oklahoma and 1 licensed minister, Bro. Winfred Lowe, Rt. 3, Seminole, Oklahoma. Ordained Deacons 4: Bro. Otis Hume, 715 S. Ocheese, Wewoka, Okla.; Bro. Howard Gann, Garber, Okla.; Bro. Hulen Gaines, Rt. 1, Wewoka, Okla. and Bro. Nathaniel Vanzant, Rt. 1, Wewoka, Okla.

We have paid out for Evangelistic Work \$80.00; Missions \$23; Support of the Association \$68; Total paid out by the Church \$3,706.75. We have a F.W.B. Sunday School. We have a F.W.B. League. Value of Church Property \$10,000.00.

Contribution for Minutes \$10; State Minutes \$5; Youth Camp Expense \$18.

We have chosen as our delegates to represent us in the Annual Session: Bro. Winfred Lowe, Sis. Ethel Hume, and Sis. Knight. Alternates delegates Sis. Dollie Gaines, Sis. Reich and Sis. Hayes.

We have chosen Sister Ethel Hume as our delegate to the State Association.

Our pastor for the ensuing year is Elder Sherman Webb, Garber, Okla.

Pray for us. Done in conference this 3rd day of Aug. 1960.

Moderator: Hulen Gaines  
Rt. 1, Box 75, Wewoka, Okla.  
Clerk: Ethel Hume  
715 S. Ocheese, Wewoka, Okla.

Bro. George Reich passed from our midst Aug. 7, 1959.

The Free Will Baptist Church of God worshipping at Shady Nook, County of Oklahoma, This August 10, 1960, P. O. Address Rt. 9, Box 331, Okla. City, Okla., sends greetings to the 55th Annual Session of the brethren and sisters composing the Canadian Association of Free Will Baptists, to let you know of our love and

fellowship, and our zeal for the cause of Christ. .

Pastor's salary for the coming year \$20 per week. Meeting day is on each Sunday of each month.

We have received by Confession 6; Letter 6; Excluded, None; Died 2; Resident Members 35; Non-resident Members 6; Total in Full Membership 41.

We have in our membership, Ministers Rev. Marion Caton, Rt. 9, Box 331, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; Rev. Claud Rupp, 3416 Holman Court, Midwest City, Okla.; Sis. Naomi Mooney, NE 15th, Oklahoma City, Okla.; Bro. Clyde Fletcher, Rt. 9, Box 634, Oklahoma City, Okla. Ordained Deacons 2: Bro. Lee Hayes, 1100 SE 59th, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma., Bro. Luther McKinney, 2603 St. Peters St., Oklahoma City, Okla.

We have paid out for Evangelistic Work \$25; Missions None; Campground fund \$25; Support of the Association \$30; Total paid out by the Church \$2,269.40. We have a F. W. B. Sunday School. We have a F. W. B. League. Value of Church Property \$7,500.00.

Contribution for Minutes \$10; State Minutes \$5; Campground \$5.00.

We have chosen as our delegates to represent us in the Annual Session: Bro. Denver Porter, Bro. Jack Caton and Bro. Fred Moeller. Alternate delegates Sis. Fred Moeller, Sis. Nellie Fletcher and Sis. Clara Caton.

We have chosen Bro. Clyde Fletcher as our delegate to the State Association.

Our pastor for the ensuing year is Elder Marion Caton, 2409 No. Post Rd., Rt. 9, Box 331, Oklahoma City, Okla.

Pray for us. Done in conference this Aug 10. 1960.

Moderator: Marion L. Caton  
Rt. 9, Box 331, Oklahoma  
City, Oklahoma

Clerk: Clara Caton

### Supplement to Shady Nook Letter

August 13, 1960

We, the Shady Nook Free Will Baptist Church request that Bro. Clyde Fletcher be examined for license to preach the Gospel.

This is a supplement to our church letter since we did not know if Bro. Fletcher could be present at this session. Our church conference was left open until this session was over in order that we might transact any business that might come up.

We also request that our evangelist help in our revival starting this Sunday evening.

Signed: Clerk, Clara Caton

Moderator, Marion L. Caton

## RESOLUTIONS

1925

No. 2...That if the churches of this association that do not pay amount promised pastor, if he fills his part of the agreement, shall have no other pastor until they pay the deficit.

No. 3...Be it resolved, That only ordained ministers and deacons administer Ordinance of the church.

1937

No. 2...Be it resolved, That we carry out God's plan on tithing.

No. 3...Be it resolved, That all ministers and deacons go before the Examining Board for qualification before ordination.

1939

No. 1...Be it resolved, That this Association so order all churches in this Association prohibit the use of tobacco in any form inside the church building and that the pastor and deacons see that this ruling be enforced.

No. 2—Resolved, That this Association demand all ministers, pastoring in Canadian Association, while belonging to another association, abide by Canadian Association laws, during their pastoral care in it.

1940

Annual No. 1...Be it resolved, That the devotional committee select no minister more than one time in any Association or quarterly meeting.

Annual No. 2...Be it resolved, That each church make a report of all deaths in their letter to the Annual session.

1st quarterly—Be it resolved, Any person or persons trying to obstruct the duty of this Association, shall not held a seat in Association until they make their acknowledgment and apologies for same.

1942

No. 1...Be it resolved, That when an individual church calls the executive board, they pay the expense of the board.

1948

Be it resolved, that each church send \$15.00 for Minutes and Association expenses to the annual session.

1949

Be it resolved, That this Association elect ministers to preach only the first quarterly and Annual.

1951

No. 1...Be it resolved, This Association elect a new moderator and clerk each year. (Not to succeed themselves.)

No. 4...Be it resolved, That this Association leave Article One of the Constitution in this Association to read exactly as they are in, the Minutes with the exception that the clerk and Assistant shall also be regular members.

#### 1954

No. \_\_\_\_ Be it resolved, That we abolish Resolution No. 2 of 1951  
Be it further resolved, That we elect all boards for 1-2-3-4-5 years.

#### 1955

No. 2. \_\_\_\_ Be it resolved, That no one hold more than one office  
in this association in an one year, except the Moderator and Assistant Moderator.

#### 1956

1st quarterly. No. 2. \_\_\_\_ Be it resolved, That the Moderator and Assistant Moderator elected at the Annual Association, be retained at each quarterly.

2nd quarterly. No. 1. \_\_\_\_ Be it resolved, That all Standing Boards' addresses be printed in the minutes.

No. 2. \_\_\_\_ Be it resolved, That a summary of the League Rally be printed in our Association minutes, and the League pay the expense.

No. 3. \_\_\_\_ Be it resolved, That the Canadian Association send 10 percent of the fund to the Cooperative plan.

No. 4. \_\_\_\_ Be it resolved, That each church send \$5.00 each quarter, instead of \$2.00, for the Association fund.

#### 1957

2nd Quarterly, No. 2. \_\_\_\_ Be it resolved, That Resolution No. 2 of Second Quarterly meeting of 1942 be abolished. Now be it resolved, That we have a skeleton letter also printed in our minutes of the quarterly meeting for each church to abide by along with the one to the annual.

3rd Quarterly, No. 1. \_\_\_\_ Be it resolved, That business approved in our quarterly meetings be printed in the Association minutes.

Annual, No. 1. \_\_\_\_ Be it resolved, That we grant the Election Board of the Lawnwood School District the right to hold elections in the said school house.

No. 2. \_\_\_\_ Be it resolved, That Resolution No. 4 of the 2nd Quarterly of 1956 and Resolution No. 1 of the Annual 1956 be abolished and the fund allotted to Board of Trustees, and the Building Fund Committee be dismissed.

No. 4. \_\_\_\_ Be it resolved, That we send \$5.00 or more each quarter for the campground fund.

No. 5. \_\_\_\_ Be it resolved, That when the clerk reads a report of the committee that they make the move that the report be approved.

#### 1958

Annual, No. 1. \_\_\_\_ Be it resolved, that we abolish Resolution No. 1 of 1952. Now be it resolved that the outgoing Clerk keep the Books and have the Minutes printed then turn the books over to the new Clerk at the First Quarterly Meeting.

No. 2. \_\_\_\_ Be it resolved, That the Duties, Obligations of the Committee appointed to care for the Campgrounds and buildings be placed in charge of the Executive Board.

1st Quarterly No. 1; Be it resolved, that our people composing

the Canadian Association, refuse to patronize such places, as Grocery Stores, Cafes, and other business establishments which sell Beer and other Alcholic beverages.

3rd Quarterly, No. 1; Be it resolved, that we have Communion and Feet Washing Services on Thursday night of our Annual Association. With each Church Clerk bringing their supplies for the service. Minister to preach the messages to be appointed by the Divine Committee of said Association.

#### 1959

##### Annual, No. 1

Be it resolved, that the request of the Allen Church be reviewed, pertaining to the examination for ordination of Bro. Lankford.

##### No. 2

(Signed by Committee)

Be it resolved, that we have our Annual Session on Thursday night, Friday and Saturday, so more of our preachers can be there.

(Signed by Committee)

#### 1960

1st Quarterly No. 1—Be it resolved that the Association sponsor a 10 day youth encampment. (Signed by Committee.)

1st Quarterly No. 2—Be it resolved, that we have a 10 night associational revival to run nightly in connection with the youth encampment. (Signed by Committee)

Annual No. 2—Be it resolved, that this associational body elect and help support an evangelistic field worker to work with our pastors and preach revivals. (Signed by Committee.)

Annual No. 3—Be it resolved, to put into hands of Executive Board to assure water supply for campground.

(Signed by Committee)

Annual No. 4—Be it resolved, that we abolish Resolution No. 2 of Annual 1956 and it read like this: that all Ministers and Deacons, as well as Delegates, attend Annual Association and Quarterly Meetings and remain until close of session, if possible.

(Signed by Committee)

#### ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe the Scripture of the Old and New Testaments are the infallible Word of God, and the only safe rule of faith and practice.—2 Tim. 3:16; 2 Peter 1:20-21.

2. That there is but one true and living God, and in the God-head or Divine Essence, Father, Son and Holy Ghost. —Gen. 17:1, John 5:7.

3. That we are fallen and depraved creatures and cannot ex-  
tricate ourselves from our fallen situation by any ability we possess by nature.—Eph. 5:1-19.

4. That Salvation, Regeneration, Sanctification, Justification and Redemption are by the Life, Death, Resurrection, Ascension and Intercession of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.—Acts 4:12, Titus 3:5.



5. That he shall endure to the end, the same shall be saved.---  
Matt. 22:13, Rev. 2:10.

6. That the joys of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked shall be eternal.---Matt. 25:46.

7. That Baptism and the Lord's Supper, and the washing of the Saint's feet are the ordinances of Jesus Christ appointed in the church and none but true believers are proper subjects, and the only proper mode of baptism is Immersion. Mark 1:4,9-10; Luke 23-30; John 13-14.

8. We believe in the sanctity of the first day of the week, or the Lord's Day, and that it ought to be observed and spent in the public or private worship of God, and that on it, we should abstain from our worldly concerns except in cases of necessity and mercy. Ex. 31:15, Matt. 12:12; Duet 5:12.

9. We believe in the resurrection of the body, both of the just and unjust, but every one in his own order, those who have done evil to the resurrection of the damnation, and that God has appointed a day in which He will judge the world in righteousness by Jesus Christ. —I Cor. 15:34, John 5:28; I Thess. 4:16.

10. That it is our duty to be tender and affectionate to one another, and to study the happiness of the people of God in general, and to be singly engaged to promote the honor of God. —John 13:35; Gal. 6:10.

11. We believe that Jesus Christ by the grace of God tasted death for every man; yet none can partake of His Divine benefit only by his repentance toward God and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. Infants and idiots excepted. Acts. 20-21; I Tim. 2:5-6; John 3:14,16, 15:10-22, and Romans 5:15.

12. We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ is the door into the church that Baptism is a duty in answer to a good conscience.—John 10:7; I Peter 3:21.

13. We believe that the Lord's people are one in Him and therefore should be one at His table. —I Cor. 1:11, 27; John 17-11.

#### **RULES FOR HOLDING CHURCH CONFERENCE**

1. Call Church into Conference.
2. Invite visiting brethren to seats in the Council.
3. Reading of minutes of last meeting.
4. Report of Treasurer or Finance Committee.
5. Unfinished business.
6. New business.
7. Any sick or in need.

#### **LETTER TO ASSOCIATION**

The Free Will Baptist Church of God, worshipping at \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ county of \_\_\_\_\_, this (date)

\_\_\_\_\_ P. O. address \_\_\_\_\_

sends greetings to the \_\_\_\_\_ Annual Session of the brethren and sisters composing the Canadian Association of Free Will Bap-

tists, to let you know of our love and fellowship, and our zeal for the cause of Christ.

Pastor's salary for the coming year \$\_\_\_\_\_ Meeting day is on the \_\_\_\_\_ Sundays of each month. We have received by Confession \_\_\_\_\_, Letter \_\_\_\_\_, Excluded \_\_\_\_\_; Died \_\_\_\_\_; Resident members \_\_\_\_\_; Non-resident Members \_\_\_\_\_; Total in full membership \_\_\_\_\_. We have on our membership, Ministers \_\_\_\_\_. Names \_\_\_\_\_, Ordained Deacons \_\_\_\_\_, names \_\_\_\_\_. We have paid out for Evangelistic Work \$\_\_\_\_\_; Missions \$\_\_\_\_\_; Support of the Association \$\_\_\_\_\_. Total amount paid out by the Church \$\_\_\_\_\_. We (have or have not) a F. W. B. Sunday School. We (have or have not) F. W. B. League. Value of Church property \$\_\_\_\_\_. Contribution for Minutes \$\_\_\_\_\_; State Minutes \$\_\_\_\_\_. We have chosen (brothers or sisters) \_\_\_\_\_ as our delegates to represent us in the Annual Session when convened with \_\_\_\_\_ Church. We have chosen \_\_\_\_\_ as our delegates to the State Association. Our pastor for the ensuing year is Elder \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

Pray for us. Done in conference this \_\_\_\_\_

Moderator \_\_\_\_\_, Address \_\_\_\_\_

Clerk \_\_\_\_\_, Address \_\_\_\_\_

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### LETTER TO QUARTERLY MEETING

We, the Free Will Baptist Church of God, worshipping at \_\_\_\_\_ County of \_\_\_\_\_, this \_\_\_\_\_, send Greetings to the \_\_\_\_\_ Quarterly Meeting of the Canadian Association of Free Will Baptists, to let you know of our love and fellowship, and zeal for the cause of Christ, when convened with the \_\_\_\_\_ Free Will Baptist Church.

We are sending \$\_\_\_\_\_ for the expense of the Association, and \$\_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_.

Chosen to represent us as delegates are \_\_\_\_\_;  
Alternates \_\_\_\_\_, whom we  
pray will help you in your Godly deliberations.

Pastor \_\_\_\_\_, Address \_\_\_\_\_

Deacons \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

Pray for us:

Done in church conference, this \_\_\_\_\_.

Moderator \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

Clerk \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

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### LETTER OF DISMISSION

This is to certify, That \_\_\_\_\_  
is a member in good standing of the Free Will Baptist Church at  
\_\_\_\_\_ and as such we recommend him  
(or her) to the fellowship of God's people and is dismissed from  
us when united with another church.

Done in Church Conference this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_, Pastor

\_\_\_\_\_, Clerk

### CONSTITUTION

From long experience, we, the members of the Church of God (denominated Free Will Baptist), being regularly baptised upon a profession of our faith in Lord Jesus Christ, and being convinced of the necessity of a combination of churches to perpetuate a union among us, and to preserve and maintain correspondence with each other, do therefore ordain this Constitution for our better Church government.

Art. 1. MEMBERSHIP. This Association shall be composed of members chosen by different churches of our union, not exceeding three messengers from each church, and upon producing letters they shall be entitled to seats. All ordained ministers and deacons of said union shall be regular members, when present, by virtue of their office.

Art. 2. NAME. The members thus chosen and assembled with the ministers and deacons, to be denominated the Canadian Association of Free Will Baptist, being composed of the several churches of our union, the Association having no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor having any ecclesiastical power over the churches, reserving the right of withdrawing from any church becoming disorderly.

Art. 3. **LETTERS.** Letters from the different churches representing are to express their number in fellowship, including the names and addresses of ordained and licensed ministers, the number of members received upon profession of faith, by letter or recommendation, by restoration or denominational choice; the number dismissed by letter, excluded, and those having died since last Association. Churches, in sending their letters, may send obituaries of any who died during the year, that we may keep up the memorial of our dead.

Art. 4. **OFFICERS.** The Association has a Moderator, a Clerk and a Credential Committee of three ordained elected by the suffrage of the members of the Association at each annual association. The Credentials Committee shall be elected as follows: One for three years, one for two years, and one for one year. Then one each year following to succeed the outgoing members.

Art. 5. **NEW CHURCHES.** Newly constituted churches may be admitted to the Association, which are to petition by letter and delegates, and if upon examination, they are found to be orthodox and orderly they may be received into the Association, the Moderator giving the right hand of fellowship.

Art. 6. **QUESTIONS.** No questions from any church shall come under the consideration of the Association unless it has been first considered in its own church.

Art. 7. **MOTIONS.** Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association, except it be withdrawn by the members who made it.

Art. 8. **MINUTES.** The Association is to endeavor to furnish the churches with minutes of the Association in proportion to the amount paid by each church, the distribution to be at the discretion of the Association.

Art. 9. **CLERK.** It shall be the duty of the clerk to keep a regular file of the minutes of the Association in a book to be kept by the Association for that purpose.

Art. 10. **SIGNATURES.** The minutes of the Association shall be read and corrected, if needed, and signed by the Moderators and Clerk before the close of the Association.

Art. 11. **ORDINANCES.** The pastor of the church shall preach on the ordinances of the church once a year, and one discourse on the support of the ministry.

Art. 12. **FIFTH SUNDAY MEETINGS.** The Association shall hold three Fifth Sunday Meetings each year, and the ministers and deacons shall make a written report of their work, and it shall be the duty of each quarterly conference to look after the necessities of the widows and orphans, and the order of the ministry, and the quarterly conference shall make a written report to the Association annually.

Art. 13. **TREASURY.** Resolved, That each church have a treasurer, and come together and subscribe the amount they are willing to pay into the treasury during the year for the support of the ministry, widows, orphans, and incidental expenses, and that said amount be paid quarterly, and that said funds shall not be paid out except by order of the church

Art. 14. AMENDMENTS. Amendments to this Contitution may be made, when necessary, by two-thirds of the members present at any regular session.

### FREE WILL BAPTIST 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 the 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 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, to promote the success of the church and of the Gospel.

We will everywhere hold Christian principle 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.

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 forget 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.

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 souls, and the conversion of the world. And may the God of peace sanctify us wholly, and preserve us blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

