
MINUTES

OF THE

Fifty-Seventh Annual Session

OF THE

CANADIAN ASSOCIATION

OF

FREE WILL BAPTISTS

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1962

When convened at the

**CANADIAN ASSOCIATION
FREE WILL BAPTIST CAMPGROUND**

Wetumka, Oklahoma

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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, 1962

The next session of this Association will meet at the Campground, Five miles west of Wetumka, Oklahoma, on Highway No. 9, then two and one-half miles North, beginning on Thursday night before the Second Sunday in August, 1963. Rev. Tony Adams and Rev. Harry Lee to bring the introductory messages.

First Quarterly Meeting on Friday night before the Second Sunday in November, 1962. Rev. J. D. Jackson and Rev. Roy Vanzant to bring the introductory messages.

Second Quarterly Meeting on Friday night before the Second Sunday in February, 1963.

Third Quarterly Meeting on Friday night before the Second Sunday in May, 1963.

Fellowship Meetings on Friday Night before the Third Sunday of each month.

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 1962-63

Moderator.....Rev. Winfred Lowe
Route 2, Wewoka, Oklahoma—Phone AL 7-5098
Assistant Moderator.....Bro. Hiram Liles
4032 Thomas Ave., Del City, Oklahoma—Phone OR 7-7301
Clerk.....Sis. Clara Foster
Calvin, Oklahoma—Phone MI 5-2363
Assistant Clerk.....Sis. Juanita Lowe
Route 2, Wewoka, Oklahoma

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Bro. John Stricklin.....Five Years
Route 1, Paden, Okla.—Phone LO 7-3327, Prague
Rev. Sherman Webb.....Four Years
Route 1, Wewoka, Okla.—Phone AL 7-3910
Rev. Roy Vanzant.....Three Years
Box 722, Prague, Okla.—Phone LO 7-2984
Rev. Marion Caton.....Two Years
2609 Out Post Dr., Oklahoma City, Okla.—Phone SM 9-3192
Bro. Bill Foster.....One Year
Calvin, Okla.—Phone MI 5-2363

EXAMINING BOARD

Bro. George Wells.....Three Years
Hanna, Okla.
Rev. Leonard Bean.....Two Years
Wetumka, Okla.—Phone GI 2-3239
Bro. Hiram Liles.....One Year
4032 Thomas Ave., Del City, Okla.—Phone OR 7-7301

YOUTH CAMP OFFICERS

Director.....Bro. Winfred Lowe
Assistant Director.....Bro. Hiram Liles
Sponsors.....Bro. and Sis. Hulén Gaines
Assistant Sponsors.....Bro. and Sis. John Stricklin
Dietitian.....Sis. Mavyce Chism

ASSOCIATIONAL EVANGELIST

Rev. Casey Adams.....Welty, Okla.—Phone 1296W2

DIRECTORY OF MINISTERS

Marion Caton—SM 9-3192.....	2609 Outpost Dr., Oklahoma City, Okla.
Harry Lee—Phone 1175, Stuart.....	Haywood, Okla.
Sherman Webb—Phone AL 7-3910.....	Route 1, Wewoka, Okla.
Winfred Lowe—Phone AL 7-5098.....	Route 2, Wewoka, Okla.
J. D. Jackson.....	Route 4, Chandler, Okla.
Harlan Parsons.....	Paden, Okla.
Casey Adams—Phone 1296W2.....	Welty, Okla.
Roy Wilson.....	Oklahoma City, Okla.
O. P. Westbrook.....	Okemah, Okla.
Leonard Bean—Phone GI 2-3239.....	Wetumka, Okla.
Tom Elliott—Phone MI 5-2289.....	Calvin, Okla.
C. F. Dodson.....	Calvin, Okla.
W. E. Wilson.....	Holdenville, Okla.
Melvin Mouser.....	Hanna, Okla.
George Davidson.....	Checotah, Okla.
Carrie May.....	Weleetka, Okla.
R. E. Williamson.....	Dustin, Okla.
Roy Vanzant—Phone LO 7-2984.....	Box 722, Prague, Okla.
Clyde Fletcher.....	Salinia, Kansas
Tony Adams.....	Okemah, Okla.

STATE DELEGATES

Sis. Millie Jackson.....	Prague
Bro. Wiley Bean.....	Hanna
Sis. Ethel Hume.....	Hilltop
Sis. Gertrude Liles.....	Vanzant
Sis. Mavyce Chism.....	Calvin

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

DIRECTORY OF DEACONS

Bill Foster—Phone MI 5-2363.....	Calvin, Okla.
W. B. Brock.....	Calvin, Okla.
Obra Wilbanks.....	Calvin, Okla.
Otis Hume—Phone AL 7-2760.....	715 S. Ocheese, Wewoka, Okla.
Hulen Gaines—Phone AL 7-3936.....	Route 1, Wewoka, Okla.
Clarence Day.....	Prague, Okla.
Dick Smith.....	Prague, Okla.
Milton Vaughan.....	Prague, Okla.
Harve Muncy.....	Paden, Okla.
George Mitchell.....	Paden, Okla.
Trevor Case.....	Paden, Okla.
E. D. Smith.....	412 E. Poplar, Holdenville, Okla.
Joe McEwin.....	Star Route, Calvin, Okla.
Richard Dooley.....	Holdenville, Okla.
George Wells.....	Hanna, Okla.
Will England.....	Hanna, Okla.
Wiley Bean.....	Hanna, Okla.
Pete Hatfield.....	Paden, Okla.
Tilman Vanzant.....	Paden, Okla.
John Stricklin.....	Paden, Okla.
Walter Inman.....	Paden, Okla.
Hiram Liles.....	4032 Thomas Ave. Del City, Okla.
Raymond Vanzant.....	Paden, Okla.
Colman Dotson.....	Route 2, Okemah, Okla.
L. L. Berry.....	Route 4, Okemah, Okla.
Benny Stiles.....	Route 1, Okemah, Okla.

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 name 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 by Moderator, Rev. Harry Lee. Congregational singing was led by Sis. Merideth Elliott, followed by prayer by Rev. Winfred Lowe and Testimony Service by Rev. Lee.

Since neither of the ministers elected to bring the introductory messages were present Rev. Leonard Bean was selected to bring the evening message. He used for his text Hebrews 2:1-6 "We ought to give the more earnest heed to things we have heard, lest at anytime we should let them slip."

Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Parker.

FRIDAY MORNING

Session called together by Moderator, Rev. Harry Lee. Congregational singing led by Rev. Winfred Lowe with Sis. Bernice Smith at the piano. Prayer by Rev. Tom Elliott.

Letters were received from nine churches and delegates seated by giving right hand of fellowship from the following churches: Prague, Paden, Hanna, Schoolton, Hilltop, Vanzant, Calvin, Cross Roads and Shady Nook.

Rev. Winfred Lowe was elected to serve as assistant moderator for this session in the absence of Rev. Roy Vanzant.

The following committees were appointed:

Divine—Bro. John Stricklin, Sis. Opal Hays, Sis. Juanita Adams.

Temperance—Bro. George Wells, Bro. Hiram Liles, Sis. Bernice Smith.

Sunday School—Bro. Andy Collier, Sis. Irma Smith, Bro. Will Stricklin.

League—Sis. Marie Stricklin, Sis. Dolly Gaines, Sis. Billie Elliott.

Obituary—Sis. Lessie Collier, Sis. Cloie Cook, Sis. Blanche Muncy.

Resolution—Sis. Clara Caton, Sis. Ruth McEwin, Sis. Ethel Hume.

Finance—Sis. Grace Howell, Bro. Lee Hays, Sis. Wanette Martin.

The Divine Committee selected Rev. Jimmy Nichols to bring the message for the Eleven O'clock Service.

Business session adjourned until 1 O'Clock. Dismissed in Prayer.

ELEVEN O'CLOCK

Congregational singing led by Sis. Dolly Gaines, Sis. Bernice Smith at the piano, "Where We'll Never Grow Old." Altar prayer was led by Bro. Hiram Liles.

After some special songs, Rev. Jimmy Nichols brought a wonderful message using as his text Acts 2:39 "For the promise is unto you and to your children and to all that are afar off." Dismissed by prayer.

ONE O'CLOCK

Opened with singing "The Glad Reunion Day" led by Sis. Judy Liles, Sis. Kay Stricklin at the piano. Prayer by Sis. Dolly Gaines.

Rev. N. R. Smith, State Executive Secretary, gave a brief talk on the state work.

Rules of order were read by Moderator.

Petitionary letters called for—There were none.

Rev. Winfred Lowe was elected as Moderator for next year and Bro. Hiram Liles as Assistant Moderator.

Sis. Mavyce Chism was elected Clerk with Sis. Juanita Lowe as her assistant.

Bro. John Stricklin was reelected on the Executive Board for five years.

Bro. George Wells was elected as three-year man on the Examining Board.

Youth Camp report of expenses was read by Director.

Motion made to start Youth Camp on Monday following July 4. Carried.

The following officers were elected for the Youth Camp. Rev. Winfred Lowe, Director; Bro. Hiram Liles, Assistant Director; Bro. and Sis. Hulen Gaines, Sponsors; Bro. and Sis. John Stricklin, Assistant Sponsors and Sis. Mavyce Chism as Dietitian.

Motion made and approved that the Director, Assistant Director, Sponsors and Assistant Sponsors serve as the Youth Camp Committee.

Motion made that the Youth Camp Committee select the evangelist for Youth Camp. Carried.

Associational Evangelist elected for the following year was Rev. Casey Adams.

Sunday School Committee report, League Committee report, Temperance Committee report, Finance Committee report were read and approved and committees dismissed.

Obituary Committee report read approved and committee dis-

missed. A moment of silent prayer in memory of those who have been called from our midst the past year.

Resolution Committee report No. 2 approved and the committee dismissed.

Minutes of the Third Quarterly Meeting read and approved.

Motion made to adjourn business until Saturday Morning. Dismissed in prayer by Rev. N. R. Smith.

FRIDAY NIGHT

Rev. Leonard Bean served as Moderator in the absence of regular Moderator and Assistant.

Singing was led by Sis. Gertrude Liles followed by prayer by Bro. John Stricklin.

Rev. Winfred Lowe brought the message on communion and feet washing. The message was followed by communion and feet washing services. Dismissed by singing.

SATURDAY MORNING

Meeting called together by Moderator, Rev. Harry Lee. Singing led by Sis. Gertrude Liles. Bro. John Stricklin read Proverbs 3:1-17 for devotional reading followed by prayer by Rev. Winfred Lowe.

New business called for:

Motion made and approved that the Executive Board make plans for general improvements to campground and the association help carry them out.

Motion made and carried to take out Resolution 1st Quarterly No. 1, 1st Quarterly No. 2, 1960 and 2nd Quarterly No. 1, 1961 and the Youth Camp Committee decide on length of camp and pay for the evangelist.

Ministers selected to bring introductory messages at our next Annual Session were Rev. Tony Adams and Rev. Harry Lee.

Ministers selected to bring introductory messages for the First Quarterly Meeting were Rev. J. D. Jackson and Rev. Roy Vanzant.

Rev. Roy Vanzant was elected to State General Board for 1963.

State Delegates were approved.

Finance report of Campground fund was given by Bro. John Stricklin. Approved.

Clerks Finance report read and accepted.

Motion made and carried to transfer \$100.00 from Associational Fund to Campground Fund.

Minutes of this Association read and approved.

Dismissed by prayer until First Quarterly Meeting.

HARRY LEE, Moderator
JUANITA LOWE, Clerk

SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMITTEE

We, the Sunday School Committee, recommend that our Sunday Schools encourage our teachers to study their Bible and lessons and every opportunity they have to let the students know the Free Will Baptist beliefs and Doctrine, so more people, especially young people, may know the real teaching of Free Will Baptists. We also recommend that each church send in their annual letter the average attendance in Sunday School so the clerk will have a record.

Signed by Committee

OBITUARY COMMITTEE

We, the Obituary Committee, find that God has called the following from our midst: Sis. Bessie Bise and Sis. Minnie Lightener from Calvin; Rev. Claude Chism, Wetumka; Bro. Denton Page, Sis. Rogers, Sis. Champion, and Sis. Sutherland from Paden.

Signed by Committee

TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE

We, the Temperance Committee, recommend that we spend more time promoting Sunday School and League Work for our young people to keep them from worldly places.

Signed by Committee

LEAGUE COMMITTEE

We, the League Committee, Recommend that the League Clerk or Secretary notify or report to each church in the Canadian Association about the wonderful success of our Youth Camp this year so that more might become interested.

Signed by Committee

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

	Canadian Minutes	Minutes State	Association Fund	Campground Fund
Prague	\$10.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 26.13	\$ 5.00
Paden	10.00	5.00		
Schoolton	10.00	5.00		
Hanna	10.00	5.00		5.00
Vanzant	10.00	5.00	11.83	5.00
Hilltop	10.00	5.00		
Shady Nook	10.00	5.00		
Cross Roads	10.00	5.00		
Calvin	10.00	5.00	66.44	
Mason (Late)	5.00	5.00		
Total	\$95.00	\$50.00	\$104.40	\$15.00

Signed by Committee

TREASURER OF CAMPGROUND REPORT

(Aug. 12, 1961 to Aug. 11, 1962)

In bank	\$227.93	
Ist. Quarterly Meeting	183.30	
2nd Quarterly Meeting	53.00	
3rd Quarterly Meeting	50.00	
Camp Enrollment	119.50	
Refund on Camp Ins.	6.80	
Annual Association	115.00	
Expenses	\$532.89	
Balance		\$232.64

(Signed) John Stricklin

CLERK'S FINANCIAL REPORT

Balance from Clerk (1961-62)	\$ 53.42
Rec'd 1st Quarterly Meeting	99.30
Rec'd late 1st Quarterly (Cross Roads)	8.00
Rec'd 2nd Quarterly Meeting	55.00
Rec'd 3rd Quarterly Meeting	156.18
Annual Association	249.40
League for page in Minutes	8.00
Total Received	\$629.30

Paid Out:

10 percent to Co-operative Plan	\$ 50.49
Electricity for Campground	45.91
L.P. Gas	8.30
State Minutes	50.00
Letter Forms	3.00
Flowers	12.00
Transferred to Campground Fund	203.00
Clerk for 1962-63	25.00
Assistant Clerk for 1962-63	10.00
250 Associational Minutes	115.00
Total Paid Out	\$522.70

(Signed) Juanita Lowe, Clerk

BUSINESS APPROVED AT QUARTERLY MEETINGS

1ST QUARTERLY MEETING. Motion carried to take \$100.00 from Associational fund and put in Campground Fund. Offering was taken for Campground Fund—\$43.30. Motion approved to accept Cross Roads letter by mail.

2ND QUARTERLY MEETING: Motion made and approved that the Youth Camp Committee select an evangelist for the revival during Youth Camp.

EXAMINING BOARD

2ND QUARTERLY MEETING. No. 1. We, the Examining Board, have examined Bro. Tilman Vanzant for deacon and refer him back to his home church for Ordination. No. 2. We, the Examining Board have examined Bro. Ronald Hardin and recommend him to be licensed to preach the Gospel.

3RD QUARTERLY MEETING: We, the Examining Board, have examined Bro. W. S. Bean for deacon and recommend him back to his home church for Ordination.

LETTERS

The Free Will Baptist Church of God worshipping at Shady Nook, Oklahoma County this Aug. 5, 1962, P.O. Address 2605 Outpost Dr. Oklahoma City, Okla. sends greetings to the 57th Annual session of Canadian Association of Free Will Baptist to let you know of our love and fellowship and zeal for the cause of Christ.

Pastors salary for coming year is \$20.00 per week, fulltime.

We have received four new members. Resident members 34, non-resident members 6. Lettered out 3.

We have in our membership two ministers. Also two Deacons in our membership.

We have paid out for evangelistic work \$125.00. Missions-Unknown. Support of Association \$30.00. Total paid out for the year \$1658.47.

We have a Free Will Baptist Sunday School and League.

Value of Church property \$7500.00.

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

We have chosen for our delegates Bro. Lee Hays, Sis. Nora Hays and Sis. Clara Caton.

Bro. Marion Caton is our pastor for the coming year.

Pray for us. Done in Conference.

Moderator, M. L. Caton
Clerk, Clara Caton,
2609 Outpost, Dr.
Oklahoma City, Okla.

The Free Will Baptist Church of God, worshipping at Calvin, County of Hughes, this Aug. 8, 1962, P.O. Address, Calvin, Okla. Gen. Del., sends greetings to the 57th Annual Session of the brethren 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.

Pastor's salary for the coming year, \$33.33 per week. Meeting days fulltime. We have received by confession, none; Letter, none; Excluded none; Died two. We have lost 4 by letter. Resident members 25, Non-resident members 37, Total in full membership, 62. We have in our membership one minister: Rev. Harry Lee; Ordained Deacons, Three; Bro. Bill Foster, Bro. W. B. Brock and Bro. Obra Wilbanks.

We have paid out for Evangelistic work \$139.55; Missions none; Support of Association \$266.82; Total amount paid out by Church, \$2,844.56. We have a FWB Sunday School and a FWB League.

Value of church property \$5,000.00. Contributions to minutes \$10.00; State Minutes \$5.00; Associational Fund \$66.44.

We have chosen Sis. Billie Sue Elliott, Sis. Lizzie Hanks and Sis. Grace Howell as our delegates to represent us in the Annual Session when convened at the CA FWB Campground. Alternates are Sis.

Dollie Mouser, Sis. Lena Neal and Sis. Imogene Lee. Our delegate to the State Association is Sis. Mavyce Chism.

Our pastor for the ensuing year is Elder Harry Lee, Haywood, Okla.

Pray for us. Done in conference this August 8, 1962.

Moderator, Harry Lee

Clerk, Sis. Grace Howell, Calvin, Okla.

The Free Will Baptist Church of God worshipping at Hilltop, County of Seminole, this 1st day of August, 1962, P.O. Address, Wewoka, Okla., sends greetings to the 57th 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 straight time.

We have received by confession none; Letter none; Excluded none; Died none; Resident Members 44 ; Non-resident Members 62; Total in Full Membership 106.

We have in our membership, Ministers -2; Bro. Sherman Webb and Bro. Winfred Lowe. Ordained Deacons -2; Otis Hume and Hulen Gaines.

We have paid out for Evangelistic Work \$70.00; Missions \$96.00; Support of Association \$30.00; Total paid out by the Church \$3,172.36.

We have a FWB Sunday School and League.

Value of Church Property \$10,000.00.

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

We have chosen as our delegates to represent us in the Annual Session: Sis. Dolly Gaines, Sis. Carmen Knight and Sis. Opal Hays. Alternate delegates: Sis. Ethel Hume, Sis. Darlene Hays and Sis. LaWanda Gantt.

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

We have no pastor as yet for next year.

Pray for us. Done in conference this 1st day of August, 1962.

Moderator, Bro. Otis Hume

Clerk, Sis. Ethel Hume,

715 S. Ocheese, Wewoka, Okla.

The Free Will Baptist Church of God worshipping at Prague, County of Lincoln, this 2nd day of August, P.O. Address, Prague Okla. sends greetings to the 57th 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 past year \$812.33. Meeting days are full time.

We have received by Confession 1; Letter 3; Excluded none;

Died none; Resident Members 29; Non-resident Members 18: Total in Full membership 47.

We have in our membership, Ministers: (1) Rev. J. D. Jackson. Ordained Deacons; (3) Bro. Clarence Day, Bro. Dick Smith, and Bro. Milton Vaughan.

We have paid out for Evangelistic Work \$128.31; Missions \$30.00; Support of Association \$76.13; Total paid out by the Church \$3,299.96.

We have a FWB Sunday School. We do not have a FWB League. Value of Church Property \$7,000.00.

Contribution for Minutes \$10.00; State Minutes \$5.00; Camp-ground Fund \$5.00; Associational Fund \$26.13.

We have chosen as our delegates to represent us in the Annual Session: Bro. Robert Martin, Sis. Wanette Martin and Sis. Irma Smith. Alternate delegates: Sis Myrtle Day, Sis. Bernice Smith and Sis. Lucille Vaughan. We have chosen Sis. Millie Jackson as our delegate to the State Association.

Our pastor for the ensuing year is Elder J. D. Jackson, Rt. 4, Chandler, Okla.

Pray for us. Done in conference this 2nd day of August, 1962.

Moderator, Jay Dee Jackson
Clerk, Sis. Ollie McLaughlin,
Route 2, Prague, Okla.

The Free Will Baptist Church of God worshipping at Paden, County of Okfuskee, this Aug. 1, 1962, P.O. Address Paden, Okla. sends greetings to the 57th 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 \$60.00. Meeting days are fulltime.

We have received by Confession none; Letter none; Excluded 2; Died 4; Resident Members 33; Non-resident Members 11; Total in Full Membership 44.

We have in our membership, Ministers -5; Rev. Harlan Parsons, Rev. Casey Adams, Rev. Roy Wilson, Rev. O. P. Westbrook and Rev. Leonard Bean. Ordained Deacons 3; Bro. Harve Muncy, Bro. George Mitchell, Bro. Trevor Case.

We have paid out for Evangelistic Work \$184.59; Missions none; Support of Association \$30.00; Total paid out by Church \$1,578.10; Value of Church Property \$2,500.00.

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

We have chosen as our delegates to represent us in the Annual Session: Sis. Juanita Adams, Sis. Blanche Muncy and Sis. Mattie Harriman. Alternate delegates; Sis. Grace Hinds, Sis. Sylvia Loney and Sis. Edith Mitchell.

Our pastor for the ensuing year is Elder Casey Adams, Welty, Okla.

Pray for us. Done in conference this Aug. 1, 1962.

Moderator, Bro. Harve Muncy
Clerk, Sis. Edith Mitchell, Paden, Okla.

The Free Will Baptist Church of God worshipping at Cross Roads, County of Hughes, this 22nd of July, 1962, P.O. Address Rt. 3, Holdenville, Okla. sends greetings to the 57th 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 \$10.00 per Sunday. Meeting days are full time.

We have received by Confession none; Letter none; Excluded none; Died none; Resident Members 41; Non-resident Members 8; Total in Full Membership 49.

We have in our membership, Ministers 3; Rev. Tom Elliott, Rev. C. F. Dodson and Rev. W. E. Wilson. Ordained Deacons; 3, Bro. E. D. Smith, Bro. Joe McEwin and Bro. Richard Dooley.

We have paid out for Evangelistic Work \$100.00; Missions none; Support of Association \$30.00; Total paid out by the Church \$630.00. Value of Church Property, \$4,000.00.

We have a FWB Sunday School. We have a FWB League.

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, Bro. Clinton Dooley and Sis. Retha McEwin. Alternate delegates: Sis. Abrudy Dooley, Bro. Bill Hardin and Bro. Bill Cook.

Our pastor for the ensuing year is Elder Tom Elliott, Calvin, Okla. Pray for us. Done in conference this 22nd day of July, 1962.

Moderator, Rev. Tom Elliott
Clerk, Marie Morrow,
Route 3, Holdenville, Okla.

The Free Will Baptist Church of God worshipping at Hanna, County of McIntosh, this July 29, 1962, P.O. Address Hanna, Okla., sends greetings to the 57th 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 \$480.00. Meeting days are fulltime.

We have received by Confession none; Letter 3; Excluded none; Died none; Resident Members 34; Non-resident Members 15; Total in Full Membership 49.

We have in our membership, Ministers 4; Rev. Melvin Mouser, Rev. George Davidson, Rev. Mrs. V. H. May and Rev. P. E. Williamson. Ordained Deacons: 3; Bro. George Wells, Bro. Will England and Bro. Wiley Bean.

We have paid out for Evangelistic Work \$125.00; Missions \$20.00; Support of Association \$25.00; Total paid out by Church \$1,210.26. Value of Church Property \$3,500.00.

We have a FWB Sunday School. We do not have a FWB League.

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

We have chosen as our delegates to represent us in the Annual Session: Sis Eula Mae Williamson, Sis. Minnie Bogle and Bro. Lewis Tabor. Alternate delegates: Sis. Iva England, Sis. Carlyn Bean and Sis. Ann Wells.

We have chosen Wiley Bean as our delegate to the State Association.

Our pastor for the ensuing year is Elder R. E. Williamson, Dustin, Okla.

Pray for us. Done in conference this July 29, 1962.

Moderator, Rev. Mrs. V. H. May
Clerk, Wiley Bean, Hanna, Okla.

The Free Will Baptist Church of God worshipping at Vanzant, County of Okfuskee, this 4th day of August, 1962, P.O. Address Rt. 1, Paden, Okla., sends greetings to the 57th Annual Session of the Brethern 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 \$40.00 a month. Meeting days fulltime.

We have received by Confession 2; Letter 4; Excluded none; Died none; Resident Members 33; Non-resident Members 14; Total in Full Membership 47.

We have in our membership, Ministers 2; Rev. Roy Vanzant and Rev. Clyde Fletcher. Ordained Deacons 6; Bro. Pete Hatfield, Bro. Tilman Vanzant, Bro. John Stricklin, Bro. Walter Inman, Bro. Hiram Liles, and Bro. Raymond Vanzant.

We have paid out for Evangelistic Work \$110.00 ; Missions \$25.00; Support of Association \$60.00; Total paid out by Church \$975.84. Value of Church property \$3500.00.

We have a FWB Sunday School and League.

Contribution to Minutes \$10.00; State Minutes \$5.00; Association Fund \$11.83; Campground Fund \$5.00.

We have chosen as our delegates to represent us in the Annual Session: Bro. Will Stricklin, Bro. Frank Coulter and Sis. Nelma Young. Alternate delegates: Sis. Gertrue Liles, Sis. Susan Coulter and Sis. Marie Stricklin. We have chosen Sis. Gertrue Liles as our delegate to the State Association.

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

Pray for us. Done in conference this 4th of August 1962.

Moderator, Rev. Roy Vanzant
Clerk, Sis. Marie Stricklin,
Rt. 1, Paden, Okla.

The Free Will Baptist Church of God worshipping at Schoolton, County of Seminole, this August 1, 1962, P.O. Address Rt. 2, Okemah,

Okla. sends greetings to the 57th 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 \$10.00 per week. Meeting days full time.

We have received by Confession none; Letter none; Died none; Resident Members 25; Non-resident Members 30; Total in Full membership 55.

We have in our membership 2 Ordained Deacons: Bro. Colman Dotson and Bro. L. L. Berry.

We have a FWB Sunday School. We do not have a FWB League. Value of Church Property \$2500.00.

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

We have chosen as our delegates to represent us in the Annual Session: Bro. Andy Collier, Sis. Lessie Collier and Bro. Lee Coy. Alternate delegates: Sis. Margaret Dotson, Sis. Ruby Orr and Sis. Ida Berry.

Our pastor is Elder Winfred Lowe.

Pray for us. Done in conference this August 1, 1962.

Moderator, Bro. Winfred Lowe
Clerk, Mrs. Coleman Dotson,
Rt. 2, Okemah, Okla.

The Free Will Baptist Church of God worshipping at Mason, County of Okfuskee, this 15th day of August 1962, P.O. Address, Mason, Okla. sends greetings to the 57th 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 \$12.50 per week. Meeting days full time.

We have received by letter 2; Excluded 4; Died none; Resident Members 5; Non-resident Members 4; Total in Full Membership 9.

We have in our membership, Ministers 1; Rev. Tony Adams. Ordained Deacons 2; Bro. Benny Stiles.

We have paid out for Evangelistic Work \$34.00; Missions none; Support of Association \$5.00; Total paid out by the church \$851.41.

We have a FWB League and Sunday School.

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

We were in revival during this session.

Our pastor for the ensuing year is Elder Tony W. Adams, Okemah, Okla.

Pray for us. Done in conference this 15th day of August 1962.

Moderator, Tony W. Adams
Clerk, Sis. Murleen Stiles,
Rt. 1, Okemah, Okla.

LEAGUE REPORT

October 30, 1961:

The Rally was opened with "Love Lifted Me." Letters were read and approved. I Corinthians 9:24 was the text used by Bro. Harry Lee in his morning message.

The afternoon service was opened with singing. The minutes were read and approved. We were dismissed by Bro. Johnny Stricklin.
December 31, 1961:

"Just Over in the Glory Land", was the song chosen to open the Rally. The letters were read and approved. Bro. Les Dedman brought the morning message from Hebrews 12:1-4.

Officers for the following year were elected as follows: President, Ronnie Liles; Vice-Pres., Billie Elliott; Secretary and Treasurer, Joan Stricklin; Assistant Secretary, Darlene Hays; Sponsors, Bro. and Sis. Bill Foster; Sword Drill Master, Sis. Irma Smith; Assistant Sword Drill Master, Sis. Harry Lee.

A motion was made and carried that we do not elect a song leader and a pianist, but each League have one.

April 29, 1962:

The Rally was opened with singing followed by Prayer led by Bro. Harry Lee. We had several young people from Texas, which rendered several specials. Bro. Gerald Lowry brought the morning message from Ecclesiastes 12:13.

The afternoon service was opened with singing. The 16-20 Sword Drill was conducted. The banners were presented and we were dismissed by Bro. Frank Young.
July 29, 1962:

The Rally was opened with "Living by Faith." We had to elect a new assistant Secretary, which is Darlene Hays. Bro. Roy Vanzant brought the morning message, and then we were dismissed for lunch.

The evening service was opened with a welcome by Vanzant, followed by the 16-20 Sword Drill. New and Old business was called for, there wasn't any to be taken care of. We were dismissed by Bro. Bill Foster.

Joan Stricklin

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 hold 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, That 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. 1—Be it resolved, That we abolish Resolution No. 2 of 1961. 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 any 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 per cent 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 of 1942 be abolished. Now be it resolved, That we have a skeleton letter also printed in our minutes of the quarterly meeting of each church to abide 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. 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 and 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 Store, Cafes, and other business establishments which sell Beer and other Alcoholic beverages.

1959

Annual, No. 2—Be it resolved, That we have our Annual Session on Thursday night, Friday and Saturday so more of our preachers can be there.

1960

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.

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

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.

1st Quarterly, No. 1—Be it resolved, That any question of misunderstanding or conflict with Association be presented to the Executive Board and studied before coming before the Association for action.

1st Quarterly, No. 2—Be it resolved, That we replace members of the Examining Board that do not attend meetings, with ones that will put forth an effort to be in attendance.

1st Quarterly, No. 3—Be it resolved, That we abolish Resolution No. 1 3rd Quarterly 1958, and it read like this: That we have communion and Feet Washing services on Friday night of our Annual Association, with each church clerk bringing their own supplies for the service. Ministers to preach their messages to be appointed by the Divine committee of said association.

1961

Annual—Resolution committee recommends that the new moderator and assistant moderator take office at the first quarterly meeting.

1962

Annual No. 2—Be it resolved that each and every one be more humble, pray more and live up to it.

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.—II Tim. 3:16; II 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 extricate 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 Inter-

cession 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 Saints' 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. 15:28; I Thes. 4:16.

10. That it is our duty to be tender and affectionate to one another, and to study the happiness of 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.

LETTERS 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 compos-
ing 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, \$..... 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 member-
ship, Ministers..... (Names).....
.....; Ordained Deacons.....(Names)
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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.....

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.....

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 baptized 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.

Article 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.

Article 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.

Article 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.

Article 4. OFFICERS. This 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.

Article 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.

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

Article 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.

Article 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.

Article 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.

Article 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.

Article 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.

Article 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.

Article 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.

Article 14. AMENDMENTS. Amendments of this Constitution 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 Savior 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, or 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.

