

**Minutes**  
of the  
**Eightieth Annual Session**  
of the  
**Canadian Association**  
of  
**Free Will Baptist**  
**Church of God**  
when covenanted at the  
**Prague Free Will Baptist Church**

**August 10, 1985**



## MINUTES

The Eightieth Annual Session of the Canadian Association of Free Will Baptist Church of God was convened at the Prague Free Will Baptist Church. The next session of this association will meet at the Shadynook Free Will Baptist Church on November 8th and 9th, 1985. Brother Raymond Coats will give the Introductory Message, assisted by Brother Alvin Murphy. The second quarterly meeting will be held at the Hanna Free Will Baptist Church on February 7th and 8th, 1986. The third quarterly meeting will be held at the Minneha Free Will Baptist Church on April 25th and 26th, 1986. The annual meeting will be held at the Prague Free Will Baptist Church on August 8th and 9th, 1986. Brother Atha Brooks will give the Introductory Message, assisted by Brother Olen Woodruff.

## HISTORY

The Canadian Association was organized at Yeager, Oklahoma, in the year 1905, by Brother Tom Townsend, Brother Taylor Champion, Brother Tom Mitchell, Brother Mancher and Brother Rogers.

### Officers of The Canadian Association 1984-1985

Moderator .....	Reverend Randall Miller NBU 6108, Prague, Okla. 74864 (405) 567-4271
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## YOUTH CAMP BOARD

Dean Ticer .....	5 year
(405) 769-5259	
Glenn Hamilton .....	4 year
(405) 769-3173	
Randall Miller .....	3 year
(405) 567-4271	
Danny Davidson .....	2 year
(405) 279-3734	
Atha Brooks .....	1 year
(405) 964-5116	

## DIRECTORY OF CHURCH CLERKS

Hanna .....	(918) 657-2555	Frankie Johnson
Shadynook .....	(405) 769-5805	Juanita Hudson
Prague .....	(405) 567-3090	Mary Jo Guinn
Faith .....	(405) 732-4796	Nancy Griffin
Minneha .....	(405) 677-7767	Freda Woodruff
Crossroads .....		Grace Sanford
Liberty .....	(405) 321-4367	Louise Murphy
Glendale .....	(405) 424-4404	David Johnson

## GENERAL BOARD MEMBER

October 1985  
Randall Miller (405) 567-4271

## DELEGATES TO STATE ASSOCIATION

Hanna .....	Frankie Johnson
Minneha .....	Wilma White
Shadynook .....	Stan Konopinski
Prague .....	Lester White
Faith .....	
Crossroads .....	Kay Hamilton
Liberty .....	Sherry Konopinski
Glendale .....	

## 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 of Delegates
5. (A) Reading of Recommendations from the Examining and Credential Board  
(B) Reading of Requestes from Churches
6. Host Pastor to give Welcome and Devotion
7. Petitionary Letters called for
8. Reading of Rules of Order
9. Invitation to visting brethren to sit in Council
10. Appointment of Committees: (A) Pulpit Committee, (B) Finance Committee,  
(C) Resolution Committee, (D) Obituary Committee
11. Reading of Minutes
12. Unfinished Business
13. New Business
14. Reports from Committees
15. Miscellaneous Business
16. Selection of Officers

## RULES OF ORDER

1. The Association, when met, shall be opened and closed by singing and praying.
2. Only one person shall speak at a time, and shall rise to his feet and address the Moderator.
3. No person shall 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 reflections on he 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 "Brother" or "Sister".
8. No member shall absent himself without leave from the Association while in session.
9. The names of 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 time without leave of the Association.
11. Any person who breaks any of these rules shall be reprovred by the Moderator, according to direction of the Association.

## OBITUARY COMMITTEE REPORT

We, the Obituary Committee, find that God, in his infinite wisdom, has called from our midst the following: Sister Martha Isabelle May, Prague; Sister Ruth Wilson, Liberty.

### 1984 ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

<u>Church</u>	<u>Tithes</u>
Allen .....	—
Crossroads .....	\$250.00
Faith .....	—
Glendale .....	—
Hanna .....	335.64
Liberty .....	205.02
Minneha .....	453.00
Paden .....	—
Prague .....	648.68
Shadynook .....	503.15
Wetumka .....	235.38
Total Received .....	\$2,630.87
Balance brought forward from 3rd qtr. ....	90.16
Total .....	\$2,721.03

### EXPENSES FOR ANNUAL

Youth Camp Fund .....	\$1,200.00
10% to State Co-op .....	263.09
10% to Hillsdale General Fund .....	263.09
10% to State Home Missions .....	263.09
Scholarship Fund .....	50.00
Youth Camp Director Gift .....	100.00
Assistant Youth Camp Director Gift .....	100.00
Clerk .....	160.00
Treasurer .....	160.00
State & National Association Fees .....	520.00
Donation to Shadynook for Noon Meal .....	100.00
Total Expenses .....	\$3,179.27
Total Received .....	\$2,721.03
Total Paid Out .....	3,179.27
Account Balance .....	-\$ 458.24

### 1984-85 FINANCE REPORT

1984 balance brought forward from annual .....	\$ 250.11
Received from 1st quarter .....	3,327.71
Received from 2nd quarter .....	2,630.77
Received from 3rd quarter .....	2,598.38
Received from annual .....	2,630.87
Total Received .....	\$11,437.84

## 1984-85 EXPENSES

Co-op Fund .....	\$2,402.31
State Home Missions .....	1,118.79
Hillsdale General Fund .....	1,118.79
Youth Camp Fund .....	4,800.00
Scholarship Fund (1 year) .....	200.00
Youth Camp Director Gift .....	100.00
Assistant Youth Camp Director Gift .....	100.00
State and National Association Fees .....	520.00
Clerk .....	160.00
Treasurer .....	160.00
Donations to Host Churches (1st thru 4th qtrs.) .....	400.00
Printing of 1984 Minutes .....	475.00
Adult Retreat .....	290.88
Envelopes & Letterhead Printed .....	40.00
Cassette Tapes .....	5.91
Stamps .....	4.40
Total Expenses .....	<u>\$11,896.08</u>
Total Received .....	\$11,437.84
Less Total Expenses Paid Out .....	<u>11,896.08</u>
Account Balance .....	-\$ 458.24

## YOUTH CAMP REPORT

July 28-August 2, 1985  
First Mission Campground  
9 miles east of Drumright

## DISBURSEMENTS

Camp rental and cabins .....	\$2,560.70
Food .....	1,572.02
Evangelist .....	250.00
Cooks .....	500.00
Literature .....	256.16
Concessions .....	634.75
Trophies and Awards .....	64.28
Recreation Equipment .....	131.84
Clown .....	50.00
Camp Supplies .....	56.55
Printing .....	43.27
Medical Expenses .....	25.00
Miscellaneous .....	125.48
Total Paid Out for Youth Camp '85 .....	<u>\$6,270.05</u>
C.D. Purchased .....	<u>5,000.00</u>
Total Disbursements .....	\$11,270.05

## RECEIPTS

Balance brought forward from 1984 .....	\$4,580.76
Association Contribution .....	4,800.00
Camper's Fees .....	2,700.00
Concessions .....	683.00
Total Receipts .....	\$12,763.76
Total Disbursements .....	11,270.05
Account Balance .....	\$ 1,493.71

## YOUTH CAMP LAND FUND - SAVINGS ACCOUNT (Opened 7-23-84)

Individual Contribution .....	\$ 20.00
Individual Contribution .....	1,000.00
Interest earned on C.D.'s .....	572.91
Interest earned on account .....	6.24
Total Received .....	\$1,599.25
C.D. Purchased .....	1,000.00
Account Balance .....	\$ 599.25

## YOUTH CAMP ATTENDANCE AND COMMITTEES

Campers .....	115
Sponsors .....	21
Evangelist .....	1
Under 9 years old .....	9
Total Encampment .....	137

## NO. ON CHURCH ROLL

<u>Church</u>	<u>Pastor</u>	<u>Roll</u>	<u>Conf.</u>	<u>Letter</u>	<u>Dis.</u>	<u>Dec.</u>
Shadynook	Stan Konopinski	69	15	0	0	0
Prague	Randall Miller	85	12	10	9	1
Minneha	Olen Woodruff	56	1	0	2	0
Liberty	Alvin Murphy	24	2	0	0	1
Hanna	Raymond Coats	80	4	8	2	0
Glendale	Carl Waddle	No reports				
Faith	Barnett Lunsford	No reports				
Crossroads		No reports				

## FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICE - AUGUST 9, 1985

Services were opened with Brother Randall Miller in charge. Congregational singing was led by Brother Lester White. An opening prayer was given by Brother John Johnson. Specials were sung by Sister Bridemore, Sister Perry, Sister Miller and Brother and Sister White. We were led in prayer by Brother Norman Reed. The speaker, Brother Stan Konopinski brought the message from the book of Proverbs, Chapter 29, Verse 18. Services were turned back to Brother Randall Miller. Announcements were made and dismissed in prayer by Brother James Billins. There were four churches represented.



## **SATURDAY MORNING SERVICES - AUGUST 10, 1985**

Services were opened with Moderator Brother Randall Miller in charge. We were led in an opening prayer by Brother Glenn Hamilton. Letters were called for and received from the following churches: Liberty, Prague, Shadynook, Minneha and Hanna. Letters were read and accepted, and delegates were seated with right hand of fellowship. Reading of recommendations from the Examining and Credential Board were called for. There were none.

Reading of request from churches. The Hanna Church requested Reverend Raymond Coats to be examined by the Examining and Credential Board. The host pastor, Brother Randall Miller gave his welcome and devotion. His text was from the book of I Corinthians, Chapter 1, Verses 4 and 5.

Petitionary letters were called for. There were none. The ordained were called to sign in. The Rules of Order were read by Assistant Moderator, Brother Stan Konopinski. Invitation was given to any visiting brethren to sit in council. The following committee members were appointed: Pulpit Committee - Brother Norman Reed, Sister Freda Woodruff, and Sister Ann Wells. Finance Committee - Brother Charles Gilham, Sister Kay Hamilton and Brother George Wells. Resolution Committee - Sister Sherry Konopinski, Brother John Johnson, and Brother Tommy Thompson. Obituary Committee - Brother Guy Kitchin, Brother James Billins, and Brother Glenn Hamilton. Brother Raymond and Sister Grayce Coats were seated with right hand of of fellowship. The Pulpit Committee report was read and accepted. The Committee chose Brother Raymond Coats to bring the eleven o'clock message. The Minutes were read and accepted as read. Treasury report was read and accepted. A motion was made and seconded and carried to adjourn for a fifteen minute rest before the Worship Hour. We were dismissed in prayer by Brother Tommy Thompson.

## **ELEVEN O'CLOCK SERVICE**

Services were opened with Brother Stan Konopinski in charge. Congregational singing was led by Sister Violet Miller with Sister Wilma White at the piano. There were special singing by Sister Bridemore, Sister Violet Miller and the Hanna Church. Services were then turned to Brother Raymond Coats. He delivered his Message (On Fire For The Lord) from the book of Ezekiel, Chapter 37. Services were then turned back to Brother Stan Konopinski. We were dismissed in prayer by Brother Olen Woodruff.

## **AFTERNOON SESSION**

The session opened with Brother Randall Miller in charge. The opening prayer was given by Brother George Wells. Congregational singing was led by Sister Violet Miller.

The business session started with the unfinished business. There were none. New business was called for. A letter from the State Association Clerk was read pertaining to the fee's to be sent in. A motion was made and seconded and carried to send these in. A motion was made and seconded and carried to transfer money out of the Youth Camp Account into the regular account, so we could meet our budget, and for this to be a one time thing. A motion was made and seconded and carried to change our Constitution, Article XI to send ten per cent tithes to the cooperative plan instead of twenty five per cent.

The Finance Committee reported a total of \$2,145.47. This report was accepted and committee was dismissed. The report from the resolution was read. There was no resolution at this time. This committee was dismissed. The Orbituary Committee reported that God in his infinite wisdom had called Sister Martha Isabelle May from the Prague Church home and Sister Ruth Wilson from the Liberty Church. This report was accepted and the committee dismissed. The Congregation was asked to stand in silent reverence. We were led in prayer by Brother Randall Miller. Miscellaneous Business: Brother Stan Konopinski gave a report on Youth Camp. This report was accepted as read.

## **ELECTION OF OFFICES**

The following were elected for the 1985 and 1986 term: Moderator - Reverend Randall Miller; Assistant Moderator - Reverend Stan Konopinski; Clerk - Sister Frankie Johnson; Treasurer - Sister Marcie Brooks, Executive Board: Brother John Johnson - three year term. The two year term was tabled. Youth Camp Board: Brother Dan Ticer - five year term. General Board Member: Reverend Randall Miller.

## **BUSINESS DONE IN QUARTERLY MEETINGS**

### **FIRST QUARTERLY MEETING - NOVEMBER 10, 1984**

The Examining and Credential Board recommended Brother Dean Ticer back to his home church to be ordained as deacon. The Faith Church sent a letter of request for Brother Steve Turner to go before the Examining and Credential Board for licenses to preach. Motions were made and seconded and accepted on both the recommendations and request. A motion was made and seconded and accepted to add to No. 6 in the Order of Business for the Host Pastor to also give the devotion.

### **SECOND QUARTERLY MEETING - FEBRUARY 9, 1985**

A letter from the Examining and Credential Board reported that Brother Steve Turner from the Faith Church did not want to meet with the board. The Faith Church asked for extended time for their tithes to be sent in. The Liberty Church sent their tithes with no letter. All of these reports and requests were granted.

### **THIRD QUARTERLY MEETING - APRIL 28, 1985**

There were no unfinished or new business. Brother Lonnie DaVault gave a very interesting talk on how God was Blessing the Free Will Baptist of Oklahoma.

## LETTERS TO THE ASSOCIATION

We, the Prague Free Will Baptist Church of God, Worshipping at Prague, County of Lincoln, send greetings to the eightieth annual session of the Brethern and Sisters composing the Canadian Association of Free Will Baptist, to let you know of our love and fellowship and zeal for the cause of Christ, when convened with the Prague Free Will Baptist Church of God, this 10th day of August. Pastors salary for the coming year \$5,200.00. Meeting days full time. We have received by Confession 12; by letter 10, Dismissed 9; Deceased 1. Active members 72; Non-active 13; Total in full membership 85. Our average Sunday School attendance is 69. Average CTS attendance 28. We have 1 minister in our membership: Reverened Randall Miller, NBU 6109, Prague, Oklahoma 74864, (405) 567-4169. We have 1 deacon in our membership: Brother Don Hadley, Rt. 1, Earlsboro, Oklahoma, (405) 382-5281. We have paid out for Evangelistic work \$362.00; For Missions \$441.22; Support of the Association \$2,953.61; Total paid out \$42,260.50; Value of Church Property \$300,000.00. We have chosen to represent us in the Annual Session: Delegates: Brother Charles Gillham, Brother Norman Reed, and Brother Guy Kitchin. Alternates: Brother Lester White, Brother Tom Pridemore, and Brother Don Hadly. We have chosen Brother Lester White as our Delegate to the State Association. Tithes to the Association are: \$648.68. Our Pastor for the ensuing year is Elder Randall Miller. We wish to remain in the Canadian Association for the ensuing year. We desire to Host the second quarterly, or the annual meeting. Pray for us. Done in Church Conference this 7th day of August, 1985.

Randall Miller, Moderator  
NBU 6109, Prague, Oklahoma 74864

Mary Jo Guinn, Clerk  
Rt. 1, Box 124 A, Prague, Oklahoma

We, the Shadynook Free Will Baptist Church of God, Worshipping at 2609 N. Outpost Dr., Oklahoma City, County of Oklahoma, send greetings to the eightieth 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 zeal for the cause of Christ, when convened with the Prague Free Will Baptist Church of God, this 10th day of August. Pastors salary for the coming year \$3,744.00. Meeting days full time. We have received by confession 15; by letter 0; dismissed 0; deceased 0. Active members 55; Non-active 14; Total in full membership 69. Our average Sunday School attendance is 59. Average CTS 33. We have one minister in our membership: Reverened Stanly K. Konopinski, 4200 S.E. 47th, Oklahoma City, Okla. (405) 677-0914.

We have two deacons in our membership: Brother Glenn Hamilton, 9430 N.E. 28th, Oklahoma City, Okla. 73141, (405) 769-3173; Brother Dean Ticer, 2809 Shadynook Way, Oklahoma City, Okla. (405) 769-5259. We have paid out for Evangelitic work \$485.00; For Missions \$600.00; Support of the Association \$1,671.45; Total paid out \$16,817.93; Value of Church Property \$41,600.00. We have chosen to represent us in the Annual Session: Delegates: Sister Sherry Konopinski, Sister Clara Sparks, and Sister Des McKinney. Alternates: Sister Allis Sleeper, Sister Juanita Hudson and Sister Kay Hamilton. We have chosen Reverend Stan Konopinski as our Delegate to the State Association. Tithes to the Association are: \$503.15. Our Pastor for the ensuing year is Elder Stanley K. Konopinski. We wish to remain in the Canadian Association for the ensuing year. We desire to Host the First Quarterly, or the Annual Meeting. Pray for us. Done in the Church Conference this 7th day of August 1985.

Stanley K. Konopinski, Moderator  
4200 S. E. 47th, Oklahoma City, Okla.

Sister Juanita Hudson, Clerk  
9408 N.E. 28th, Oklahoma City, Okla.

We, the Minneha Free Will Baptist Church of God, Worshipping at McLoud, Oklahoma, County of Pottowatomie, send greetings to the eightieth 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 zeal for the cause of Christ, when convened with the Prague Free Will Baptist Church of God, this 10th day of August. Pastors salary for the coming year \$1,200.00. Meeting days full time. We have received by confession 1; by letter 0, dismissed 2; deceased 0. Active members 44; Non-active 12; Total in full membership 56. Our average Sunday School attendance is 24. Average CTS attendance 21. We have one minister in our membership: Reverend Olen Woodruff, 3935 S.E. 12th, Del City, Okla. (405) 677-7767. We have 4 deacons in our membership: Brother Milvin Billins, Rt. 2, Box 211, McLoud, Okla. (405) 391-5268; Brother Jimmy Lackey, Rt. 2, Box 119 A, McLoud, Okla. (405) 964-2373; Brother Tommy Thompson, 3100 S.E. 20th, Del City, Okla. (405) 672-2879; Brother Hugh Watson, 1325 S.E. 89th, Midwest City, Okla. (405) 732-3975. We have paid out for Evangelitic work \$400.00; For Missions \$28.50; Support of the Association \$1,486.00; Total paid out \$15,438.03. Value of Church Property N/A. We have chosen to represent us in the Annual Session: Delegate: Sister Freda Woodruff. Tithes to the Association are: \$453.00. Our Pastor for the ensuing year is Elder Olen Woodruff. We wish to remain in the Canadian Association for the ensuing year. Pray for us. Done in Church Conference this 7th day of August 1985.

Olen Woodruff, Moderator  
3935 S.E. 12th, Del City, Okla.

Freda Woodruff, Clerk  
3935 S.E. 12th, Del City, Okla.

We, the Liberty Free Will Baptist Church of God, Worshipping at 5520 S. Santa Fe, Oklahoma City, Okla., County of Oklahoma, send greetings to the eightieth 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 zeal for the cause of Christ, when convened with the Prague Free Will Baptist Church of God, this 10th day of August. Pastors salary for the coming year \$5,200.00. We have received by confession 2; by letter N/A; dismissed N/A; deceased 1. Active members 12; Non-active 12; Total in full membership 24. Our average Sunday School attendance is 15. We have 2 ministers in our membership: Reverend Alvin Murphy, Rt. 1, Box 117, Norman, Okla. (405) 321-4367; Reverend Alvert McReynolds, 1125 S.E. 22nd, Oklahoma City, Okla. We have 2 deacons in our membership: Brother Author Browning, 3536 S.W. 39th, Oklahoma City, Okla. (405) 685-1110; Brother Elvert Cottrell, 3021 S.W. 24th, Oklahoma City, Okla. (405) 682-2485. We have paid out for Missions \$840.00; Support of the Association \$887.30; Total paid out \$9,898.78, Value of Church Property \$135,000.00. Tithes to the Association are: \$205.02. Our Pastor for the ensuing year is Elder Reverend Alvin Murphy. We wish to remain in the Canadian Association for the ensuing year. Pray for us. Done in Church Conference this 4th day of August, 1985.

Reverend Alvin Murphy, Moderator  
Rt. 1, Box 117, Norman, Okla.

Louise Murphy, Clerk  
Rt. 1, Box 117, Norman, Okla.

We, the Hanna Free Will Baptist Church of God, Worshipping at Hanna, County of McIntosh, send greetings to the eightieth 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 zeal for the cause of Christ, when convened with the Prague Free Will Baptist Church of God, this 4th day of August. Pastors salary for the coming year \$5,200.00. Meeting days full time. We have received by confession 4; by letter 8, dismissed 2; deceased N/A. Active members 42, Non-active 38; Total in full membership 80. Our average Sunday School attendance is 40. Average CTS attendance 35. We have two ministers in our membership: Reverend Raymond Coats, Rt. 3, Box 1710, Okmulgee, Okla. (918) 756-1915; Reverend Sherman Webb, Rt. 2, Box 38, Wewoka, Okla. (405) 257-6570. We have three deacons in our membership: Brother George Wells, Rt. 1, Hanna, Okla. (918) 657-2233; Brother J. C. Bogard, Rt. 1, Hanna, Okla. (918) 657-2567; Brother John Johnson, Rt. 1, Box 109, Hanna, Okla. (918) 657-2555. We have paid out for Evangelistic work \$400.00; for Missions \$50.00; Support of the Association \$1,202.10; Total paid out \$6,302.10, Value of Church Property \$71,200.00. We have chosen to represent us in the Annual Session: Delegates: Reverend Raymond Coats, Sister Grayce Coats and Sister Ann Wells. Alternates: Sister Janice Cox and Sister Ruby Culbertson. We have chosen Sister Frankie Johnson as our Delegate to the State Association. Tithes to the Association are: \$335.64. Our Pastor for the ensuing year is Elder Raymond Coats. We wish to remain in the Canadian Association for the ensuing year. We desire to Host the second Quarterly or the Annual Meeting. Pray for us. Done in Church Conference this 4th day of August 1985.

Reverend Raymond Coats, Moderator  
Rt. 3, Box 1710, Okmulgee, Okla.

Frankie Johnson, Clerk  
Rt. 1, Box 109, Hanna, Okla.

# CONSTITUTION

## Preamble

From long experience, we, the members of the Church of God (denomination Free Will Baptist), being regularly baptized upon a profession of our faith in the 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 church government. We have adopted the Treaties of The Faith and Practices of the Original Free Will Baptist as our rule of faith and practice.

## Article I.

**Membership:** This Association shall be composed of members chosen by different churches of our union, not exceeding three messengers from each church; and, upon presenting 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. A Minister or Deacon listed on the Association Roll as Inactive shall have no standing vote. A Minister or Deacon will be placed on the Inactive list if he absent himself from his church or the Association for one year. An Minister or Deacon coming to this Association from another association shall bring with him a Letter of Recommendation from the association he is leaving, and go before the Examining and Credential Board. At the Annual Association Meeting, each member church must reaffirm its desire to continue as a member in the Letter to the Association. The Clerk and Assistant Clerk shall be regular members of the Association. Any member church not attending shall be contacted to encourage and admonish them in the Lord to come and fellowship with us; and if they refuse, the Association shall break fellowship with these churches. The Association shall send separate Letters of Recommendation for the Church and Ordained Ministers when leaving the Association.

All ministers and deacons on the inactive list must come before the examining and credential board before being received back into the association.

## Article II

**Name:** The members thus chosen and assembled with the Ministers and Deacons, to be denominated the Canadian Association of Free Will Baptists, being composed of 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 and reserving the right of withdrawing from any church becoming disorderly.

## Article III

**Letters:** Letters from the different churches represented 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 or by restoration or denominational choice, the members dismissed by Letter, Ministers or Deacons dropped or inactive and those having died since the last Association meeting. Churches, in sending their Letters, may send obituaries of any who have died during the year so that we may keep up the memorial of our dead. Any church desiring to have the Annual Meeting, or one of the Quarterly Meetings, should ask for such in the Annual Letter.

## Article IV

**Officers, Boards and Committees:** The Association has a Moderator, an Assistant Moderator, a Clerk and Assistant Clerk, an Executive Board, an Examining and Credential Board, a Youth Camp Board, and the following committees: Orthodox, Resolution, Finance and Pulpit, appointed at each Quarterly Meeting, with an Obituary Committee appointed only at the Annual Meeting. No one in the Association shall hold more than one office, except the Moderator, Assistant Moderator and the Youth Camp Board. Any Delegate seated by the Association shall be eligible to serve on any committee, except the Orthodox Committee.

## Article V

**New Churches:** Newly constituted churches, which are to petition by Letter and Delegates, may be admitted to the Association; and if, upon examination, they are found to be orthodox and orderly, they may be received into the Association with the Moderator giving the Right Hand

of Fellowship. Please see *Article IV, Section H, Orthodox Committee*, for the above-mentioned examination.

#### Article VI

**Questions:** No question from any church shall come under consideration of the Association, unless it has been first discussed in its local church.

#### Article VII

**Motions:** Every Motion made and seconded shall come under consideration of the Association, except if it be withdrawn by that member making it.

*MOTION (Definition): A proposal made only toward a single action.*

#### Article VIII

**Minutes:** That the Association endeavors to furnish the churches, equally, with Minutes of the Local, State and National Associations. The Association Clerk shall send two copies of the Minutes to the Historical Commission.

#### Article IX

**Ordinances:** The Pastor of the church shall preach on the Ordinance of the Church once a year, and discourse on the support of the ministry. Only Ordained Ministers and Deacons shall administer the Ordinance of the Church.

#### Article X

**Amendments:** Amendments to this Constitution may be made, when necessary, by two-thirds of the members present at any regular session.

#### Article XI

**Support:** Be it resolved that we carry out God's plan on tithing. The Association is supported by a 10% tithe sent by each church from its quarterly tithes and offerings. The Association supports the cooperative plan with 10% of the tithes received into the Association.

#### Article XII

**Discipline:** Any person or persons trying to obstruct the duty of this Association shall not hold a seat in the Association until he or she makes acknowledgment and apologies for the same. Any question of misunderstanding or conflict with the Association will be presented to the Executive Board and studied before coming before the Association for action.

#### Article XIII

**Qualification of Ministers and Deacons:** By granted right from each member church, the Canadian Association will examine upon written request any man being considered by that member church as a Minister or Deacon. The Canadian Association has adopted the following qualifications:

- A. That women be not ordained in this Association, or pastor a church belonging to this Association (1 Cor. 14:34-35; 1 Tim. 2:11-15).
- B. That no man known as homosexual be considered in any way for a Minister or Deacon.
- C. That no man be ordained who does not have total abstinence from intoxicating drink or misuse of drugs.
- D. That we go on record against the use of tobacco in any form, and ask our Pastors and Deacons to set the example.

#### A. Moderator

The Moderator shall preside over the business and worship of the Association while in session. The Moderator shall not allow discussion when not carried on in a Christian spirit, or when he thinks it will cause discord or division. Questions of this nature shall be referred to the Executive Board by the Moderator. The Moderator shall have the right to appoint at any time someone to fill the vacancy of an office or a member of a board. The Moderator-Elect shall take office at the First Quarterly Meeting (elected annually).

### **B. Assistant Moderator**

The Assistant Moderator shall act by the direction of the Moderator, and shall assume the moderation of the Association in the absence of the Moderator (elected annually).

### **C. Clerk**

The Clerk shall have the responsibility of the Association Minutes. The Clerk shall read all letters received, keep a list of seated Delegates, requests made by each Church and Petitionary Letters. All committee reports shall be read by the Clerk. The Clerk shall move that the report be approved and the committee dismissed.

*The clerk shall have the responsibility of making a list of the Active Ordained at Quarterly Meetings.*

### **D. Treasurer**

The treasurer shall have responsibility for the Association monies and all financial related matters shall go through this office. The treasurer shall set up a separate account for the Youth Camp funds.

### **E. Executive Board**

The Executive Board shall be the delegated power of the Association while not in session, but shall make no final decision without the approval of the majority of the member churches. The Executive Board shall be elected on one-, two-, three-, four- and five-year rotation terms. There is to be no more than one Executive Board Member from any one church. The Executive Board shall be responsible for contacting absentee churches to find out why they have not been in attendance, to encourage or admonish, and offer any assistance or help that might be needed from the Association. When an individual church calls the Executive Board in matters of dispute, it pays the expense of the Board. The Executive Board will have the responsibility to accept and deal with any question taken from the floor by the Moderator. The Executive Board members shall be Standing Members, along with the Examining and Credential Board and Moderator as Chairman of the Orthodox Committee to examine all churches desiring to unite with the Association. The Board shall also act as an organizing council for newly-organized churches. The Scholarship Fund to Hillsdale from the Association will be under the direction of this Board, with priority given to any student from this Association, and has the responsibility to direct it to the college as a Scholarship Fund for a needy student.

### **F. Examining and Credential Board**

All Ministers and Deacons must go before the Board for qualification before ordination. The Association will not ordain a minister until a specific Christian work arises requiring ordination (usually as a pastor, evangelist or missionary). The Association has the granted right to replace a member or members of the Examining and Credential Board who do not attend meetings. The Examining and Credential Board shall use the Questionnaire listed in the Minutes, and also those qualifications listed in this Constitution, in the examining of a candidate. All Ministers and Deacons must answer the Questionnaire in writing, and such must be open for review to any member of the Association with voting rights upon request. The Examining and Credential Board may meet for the given purpose of examining any candidate by a written request from the church so desiring the examination; the time and place to be set by mutual consent of the church, the candidate and the Board (when possible, the church sending the candidate would be an ideal setting). The Moderator shall set a time and day for the Examining and Credential Board to meet.

### **G. Youth Camp Board**

The Association shall have a standing Youth Camp Board of five persons to be elected on rotation terms of one, two, three, four and five years. The elected Director and Assistant Director shall be ex-officiate members. The Board is to have full responsibility for the Canadian Youth Camp, with consideration to:

1. Recommend a Camp Director, who is to choose his Assistant.
2. Plan for the camp site.
3. Select the time.
4. Determine cost for camp and other expenses.



5. Set curriculum, schedule, worship, classes, activities and rules.
6. Call the Evangelist.
7. Secure: teachers, sponsors, cooks, all other needed help.
8. Purchase all needed material for camp: food, literature, insurance, awards.
9. Plan housing for the Evangelist and cooks.
10. Promote the Youth Camp throughout the year.
  - A. *The Director* shall be responsible to the Board and Association for administering the camp in: worship, classes, needs, rules and activities.
  - B. *The Assistant Director* shall have responsibility as assigned by the Director.

#### **H. Orthodox Committee**

The Orthodox Committee shall be composed of at least five of the following: the Executive Board, the Examining and Credential Board and the Moderator (who shall serve as Chairman). Any Church desiring membership into the Canadian Association will be examined by this Orthodox Committee at a regular set service of the church desiring membership, and must bring a written Recommendation back for the Association to accept or not accept. The Recommendation must pass by a two-thirds majority.

#### **I. Resolution Committee**

A Resolution Committee of three persons shall be appointed by the Moderator to make or receive Resolutions for consideration of this body. Be it understood that there may not always be Resolutions.

*Resolution (Definition):* A proposal having fixed purpose, lasting, firm, directed into being legislated into law. (Constitution)

#### **J. Finance Committee**

A Finance Committee of three members shall be appointed by the Moderator to audit monies received at the Quarterly and Annual Meetings, and assist the Clerk in any computation needed.

#### **K. Pulpit Committee**

A Pulpit Committee of three members shall be appointed by the Moderator at each Quarterly and Annual Meeting, to select from the Ministers present the Ministers to preach the message of God for the day.

#### **L. Obituary Committee**

An Obituary Committee shall be appointed at the Annual Meeting by the Moderator to compose a list of those deaths since the last meeting, and move the Association have a time of silence for those who have gained the crown.

### **RESOLUTIONS**

1. Be It Resolved: that the Association elect a Minister to preach only the First Quarterly and Annual Meetings.
2. Be It Resolved: that the Canadian Association sponsor a \$200.00 Scholarship, annually, to Hillsdale Bible College, for a person selected by the Executive Board (with preference given to students from the Canadian Association).
3. Be It Resolved: that the Home Church supply the Noon meal for both the Annual and Quarterly Association Meetings.
4. Be It Resolved: that we meet beginning at 9:30 a.m., on Saturday mornings.
5. Be It Resolved: that the Association give the Host Church \$100.00 for the Noon meal.
6. Be it Resolved: to raise the Clerk's salary to \$160.00 per year, and the Treasurer salary to \$160.00 per year.
7. Be it Resolved: That the churches that are members of the Canadian Association that fail to attend fellowship and support the association for one year be dropped from the association roll. Churches dropped may be reinstated by a letter, fellowship and support at any quarterly meeting of the Canadian Association.
8. Be It Resolved: That all meetings of the Examining and Credential Board and Executive Board be put on tape for a permanent record available to anyone in the association upon request.

## **RULES FOR HOLDING CHURCH CONFERENCE**

1. Call Church into Conference.
2. Invite visiting brethren to their seats in the Council.
3. Read Minutes of last Meeting.
4. Report of Treasurer or Finance Committee.
5. Unfinished Business.
6. New Business.
7. Any sick or in need.

## **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/her to the Fellowship of God's People, and is dismissed from us when united with another association.

Done in Church conference, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19 \_\_\_\_\_.

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

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

## **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 Godhead 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 Intercession of our Lord and Savior 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. 31:16; Matt. 12:12; Deut. 5:12.
9. We believe in the resurrection of the body, both of the just and unjust, but everyone 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. — 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 Lord's people are one in Him, and therefore should be one at His table.  
— I Cor. 1:11, 27; John 17:11.
14. We, as the Canadian Association, adopt and abide by the Treaties of the Faith and Practices of the Original Free Will Baptist.

### 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 and 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 works.

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.

## QUESTIONNAIRE FOR MINISTERS TO BE ORDAINED

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Member of \_\_\_\_\_ Church

1. Do you have licenses? \_\_\_\_\_
2. If you have licenses, how long have you carried them? \_\_\_\_\_
3. By what Association were they issued? \_\_\_\_\_
4. How many sermons have you preached? \_\_\_\_\_
5. Where are you preaching now? \_\_\_\_\_
6. Why do you want to be ordained? \_\_\_\_\_
7. Are you married? \_\_\_\_\_ How many times? \_\_\_\_\_
8. If you have been married more than once, is a former companion living? \_\_\_\_\_
9. How many children do you have? \_\_\_\_\_
10. Is your wife a member of the Free Will Baptist Church? \_\_\_\_\_
11. How long have you been a Christian? \_\_\_\_\_
12. How long have you been a Free Will Baptist? \_\_\_\_\_
13. Is your wife willing for you to be ordained? \_\_\_\_\_
14. Do you or your wife have any habits that would hinder your ministry? \_\_\_\_\_
15. If you have belonged to another denomination, give the name of each and the length of time with each. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
16. In your opinion, what is God's plan for financing his work? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
17. Do you tithe to the church of which you are a member? \_\_\_\_\_
18. Are you willing to make any sacrifice that may be involved in this ministry? \_\_\_\_\_
19. Are you willing to abstain from any indulgences that might hinder your effective influence in the ministry? \_\_\_\_\_
20. Will your financial circumstances hinder you in taking the pastoral care of a church? \_\_\_\_\_
21. How much education do you have? \_\_\_\_\_
22. Have you had any special training in doctrinal and pastoral theology? \_\_\_\_\_
23. Have you had any courses in Homiletics? \_\_\_\_\_
24. Do you have plans to better qualify yourself for the ministry? \_\_\_\_\_
25. If so, what are your plans? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
26. Are you resolved to devote yourself wholly to the ministry? \_\_\_\_\_
27. Would you be willing to continue preaching under license if this Committee felt that it was best? \_\_\_\_\_
28. Have you completed the Ministers' Preparation Course? \_\_\_\_\_

## QUESTIONNAIRE FOR MINISTERS TO BE LICENSED

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Member of \_\_\_\_\_ Church

1. How long have you been a Christian? \_\_\_\_\_
2. How long have you been a free Will Baptist? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Is your wife a Christian? \_\_\_\_\_
4. Is your wife a member of the church? \_\_\_\_\_
5. How many times have you been married? \_\_\_\_\_
6. How many times has your wife been married? \_\_\_\_\_
7. Do you or your wife have former companions living? \_\_\_\_\_
8. Is your wife willing for you to be ordained as a Minister? \_\_\_\_\_
9. How many children do you have? \_\_\_\_\_
10. If your children have reached the age of accountability, are they Christian? \_\_\_\_\_
11. Are your children members of the church? \_\_\_\_\_
12. Do you use tobacco? \_\_\_\_\_
13. How long have you been serving as a minister? \_\_\_\_\_
14. What is God's Plan for financing the work? \_\_\_\_\_
15. Do you tithe? \_\_\_\_\_
16. What is tithing? \_\_\_\_\_
17. If you are licensed, will you teach tithing? \_\_\_\_\_
18. Do you believe that your church should support the overall denominational program? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
19. What are the Bible qualifications for a minister? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
20. Do you feel that you are qualified for the office of Minister? \_\_\_\_\_
21. Name some of the duties of a Minister \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

## QUESTIONNAIRE FOR DEACONS TO BE ORDAINED

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Member of \_\_\_\_\_ Church

1. How long have you been a Christian? \_\_\_\_\_
2. How long have you been a Free Will Baptist? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Is your wife a Christian? \_\_\_\_\_
4. Is your wife a member of the church? \_\_\_\_\_
5. How many times have you been married? \_\_\_\_\_
6. How many times has your wife been married? \_\_\_\_\_
7. Do you or your wife have former companions living? \_\_\_\_\_
8. Is your wife willing for you to be ordained as Deacon? \_\_\_\_\_
9. How many children do you have? \_\_\_\_\_
10. If your children have reached the age of accountability, are they Christian? \_\_\_\_\_
11. Are your children members of the church? \_\_\_\_\_
12. Do you use tobacco? \_\_\_\_\_
13. Does your wife use tobacco? \_\_\_\_\_
14. How long have you been serving as a deacon? \_\_\_\_\_
15. What is God's Plan for financing the work? \_\_\_\_\_
16. Do you tithe? \_\_\_\_\_
17. What is tithing? \_\_\_\_\_
18. If you are ordained, will you teach tithing? \_\_\_\_\_
19. Do you believe that your church should support the overall denominational program? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
20. What are the Bible qualifications for a deacon? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
21. Do you feel that you are qualified for the office of Deacon? \_\_\_\_\_
22. Name some of the duties of a Deacon \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

## QUESTIONS ON DOCTRINE

- Do you believe that the Scriptures of both the Old and the New Testaments are the infal-  
lible word of God and the only safe rule of faith and practice? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Do you believe that there are three persons in the God Head? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Name the God Head \_\_\_\_\_
4. Is salvation obtained only through the blood of Christ? \_\_\_\_\_
5. Name the conditions of salvation \_\_\_\_\_
6. Do you believe in a second work of Grace or Baptism of the Holy Ghost, separate and a  
part of regeneration? \_\_\_\_\_
7. Do you believe in the doctrine of the Unknown Tongue, as is taught and practiced today?  
\_\_\_\_\_
8. What composes the body of Christ? \_\_\_\_\_
9. Does the bible teach that God has an organized church on this earth? \_\_\_\_\_
10. Do you believe that baptism is a Gospel ordinance? \_\_\_\_\_
11. Who are the proper subjects for baptism? \_\_\_\_\_
12. What is the Bible mode of baptism? \_\_\_\_\_
13. Do you believe that the Lord's Supper and Feet Washing are Gospel ordinances, and should  
be observed perpetually? \_\_\_\_\_
14. Do you teach and practice these ordinances? \_\_\_\_\_
15. Do you believe that a believer could so apostatize that he would be lost? \_\_\_\_\_
16. Do you believe in the resurrection of the bodies of all men? \_\_\_\_\_
17. Do you believe that there will be a Judgment when time and man's probation will close for-  
ever, and then all men will be judged according to their works? \_\_\_\_\_
18. Do you believe that immediately after the Judgment, the righteous will enter into Eternal  
Life, and the wicked into a state of endless punishment? \_\_\_\_\_
19. Do you believe that Christ, at His second coming, will close the Gospel dispensation, glor-  
ify His saints and judge the world? \_\_\_\_\_
20. I pledge myself to preach and defend the Free Will Baptist Doctrine to the best of my abil-  
ity. If at any future time I preach or teach any doctrine contrary to the Free Will Baptist  
Articles of Faith, I will surrender my credentials to the Quarterly Conference of which I am  
a member.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

## QUESTIONNAIRE FOR ORDAINED MINSITERS AND DEACONS

1. Are you married? \_\_\_\_\_ How many times? \_\_\_\_\_
2. If you have been married more than once, is a former companion living? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Is your wife a member of the Free Will Baptist Church? \_\_\_\_\_
4. How long have you been a Christian? \_\_\_\_\_
5. How long have you been a Free Will Baptist? \_\_\_\_\_
6. How long have you been a preacher or deacon? \_\_\_\_\_
7. If you have belonged to other demoniations, give name of each and length of time with each. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
8. In your opinion, what is God's plan for financing His work? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
9. Do you tithe to the church you are a member of? \_\_\_\_\_
10. Are you willing to make sacrifice that may be involved in this ministry? \_\_\_\_\_
11. Do you believe that the Scriptures of both the Old and the New Testaments are the infallible Word of God, and the only safe rule of faith and practice? \_\_\_\_\_
12. Do you believe that there are three persons in the God Head? \_\_\_\_\_
13. Name the God Head. \_\_\_\_\_
14. Is salvation obtained only through the blood of Christ? \_\_\_\_\_
15. Name the conditions of salvation. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
16. Do you believe in a second work of Grace or Baptism of the Holy Ghost, separate and apart from regeneration? \_\_\_\_\_
17. Do you believe in the doctrine of the unknown tongue as is taught and practiced today? \_\_\_\_\_
18. What composes the body of Christ? \_\_\_\_\_
19. Does the Bible teach that God has an organized Church of this earth? \_\_\_\_\_
20. Do you believe that baptism is a Gospel ordinance? \_\_\_\_\_
21. Who are the proper subjects for baptism? \_\_\_\_\_
22. What is the Bible mode of baptism? \_\_\_\_\_



23. Do you believe that the Lord's Supper and Feet Washing are Gospel ordinances and should be observed perpetually? \_\_\_\_\_
24. Do you teach and practice these ordinances? \_\_\_\_\_
25. Do you believe that a believer could so apostatize that he would be lost? \_\_\_\_\_
26. Do you believe in the resurrection of the bodies of all men? \_\_\_\_\_
27. Do you believe that there will be a judgement when time and man's probation will close forever and then all men will be judged according to their works? \_\_\_\_\_
28. Do you believe that immediately after the judgement the righteous will enter into eternal life, and the wicked into a state of endless punishment? \_\_\_\_\_
29. Do you believe that Christ at His second coming will close the Gospel dispensation, glorify His saints, and judge the world? \_\_\_\_\_
30. I pledge myself to preach and defend the Free Will Baptist Doctrine to the best of my ability. If at any future time I preach or teach any doctrine contrary to the Free Will Baptist Articles of Faith, I will surrender my credentials to the Quarterly Conference of which I am a member.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

