

The 108th Annual Report of the CONVENTION OF ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTISTS

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Ministry & Conference Report Book

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MINUTES OF THE ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE CAPE FEAR CONFERENCE OF THE ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTISTS HELD AT ROBERT'S GROVE OFWB CHURCH DUNN, NORTH CAROLINA NOVEMBER 12, 2019

Moderator: The Reverend Aubrey Williamson (2020)
Assistant Moderator: The Reverend Jeff Daughtry (2020)

Clerk: Eva Ballance (2021)

Assistant Clerk: Teresa Eason (2021)
Treasurer: The Reverend Brad Williamson (2020)
Member at Large: The Reverend Dr. Ken Benton (2021)

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Aubrey Williamson, Jeff Daughtry, Eva Ballance, Teresa Eason, Brad Williamson, Ken Benton

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Jim Best (2020) Carlton Barefoot (2021) Braxton Carter (2022) William "Corky" Herring (2023) Brad Barbour (2024)

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Vicki Medlin (2020) Wayne Puckett (2021) Martha Parsons (2022)
Doris Johnson (2023) Doug Seymour (2024)

ORDAINING BOARD

Joe Ballance (2020) Ricky Warren (2021) Stephen Prescott (2022) Aubrey Williamson (2023) Sam Weeks (2024)

ORDAINED MINISTERS

(P - Present, A - Absent, E - Excused)

Р	Fred Baker	E	Otis Hamm
Р	Joe Ballance	Р	Frank Harrison
Р	Ken Benton	P	Kaye Heroux
Α	Cecil Blackmon	Р	William Herring
E	Gene Britt	Р	Roger Hill
Р	John Butler	E	Emmitt Jones
Ε	Rayford Byrd	Р	Alan Lamm
Α	Charlie Carroll	E	David Langley
Р	Duane Casey	Р	Donnie Massey
Α	Scott Casey	E	Tony McLamb
Α	Larry Coats	Р	Vicki Medlin
Р	Tod Creech	· E	Joe Myrick
Α	Ken Dabbs	Ρ.	Billy Nowell
Р	Jeff Daughtry	: P	Charles Petit
E	Wade Daughtry	Р	Kevin Phillips
Α	Jesse Fulcher	Р	Dennis Pollock
Ε	Frank Grubbs	• • Р	Stephen Prescott
Р	Chris Hall	, E	Alan Price

P	Pete Radford		P	Sam Weeks
Α	Scott Satterfield		Р	Richard Whitman
P	Doug Seymour	•	Р	Aubrey Williamson
E	Elijah Smith		Ρ .	Brad Williamson
P	Ricky Warren		E	Carla Williamson

LICENSED MINISTERS

Р	Jacob Cottle	Α	David Norris, II
E	Eddie Mooring	· P	Marci Rollins-Smart

PROCEEDINGS

The One Hundred and Sixty-Fifth Annual Session of the Cape Fear Conference of Original Free Will Baptists (OFWB) convened at Robert's Grove OFWB Church, Dunn, North Carolina on November 12, 2019. Assistant Moderator Jeff Daughtry welcomed everyone. Assistant Moderator Jeff Daughtry presented the program for adoption. Motion was made to accept the program for adoption. Motion carried.

The congregation opened in singing, "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee," van Dyke, led by song leader, Rev. Stephen Prescott. Licensed Minister Marci Rollins Smart offered scripture and prayer from Psalm 34. The conference was welcomed by Rev. Dr. Ricky Warren, pastor of Robert's Grove OFWB Church of Dunn. The response was heard from Damon Kennedy of Snow Hill OFWB Church of Mount Olive.

Clerk Eva Ballance called the session to order. The rules of registration were then explained by Rev. William "Corky" Herring, Chair of the Credentials Committee, as adopted by the One Hundred Fourteenth Session of the Cape Fear Conference. Clerk Eva Ballance called the Roll of Officers and Standing Boards, Churches, and Ministers.

Motion was made to appoint the following Temporary Committees by Assistant Moderator Jeff Daughtry. Motion carried.

Resolutions Committee: Chair Jeff Daughtry, Chris Hall, Teresa Eason

Obituary Committee: Chair Doug Seymour, Kevin Phillips

Credentials Committee: Chair William "Corky" Herring, Tod Creech,

Kaye Heroux, Vicki Medlin

Nominating Committee: Chair Frank Harrison, Brad Williamson, Duane Casey

Parliamentarian: Ricky Warren

Assistant Moderator Jeff Daughtry recognized visiting ministers and guests. Rev. Chris Hall and Moderator Aubrey Williamson recognized Wall of Honor recipient Carolyn Jernigan for her many years of Christian service.

Moderator Aubrey Williamson offered words of encouragement to the conference from Proverbs 29:18. He stated, "We will perish if we don't open our eyes and see plainly what God wants us to see. With proper vision we can see deeper than the surface. Our churches need to have a clearer vision. We need to be a service-oriented people and be the hands and feet of Jesus."

Motion was made to adopt the written report of the Executive Committee as information. Motion carried.

Assistant Moderator Jeff Daughtry recognized the denominational ministry representatives. Representatives from our denominational ministries were given an opportunity to speak on the behalf of each ministry. The following ministries were represented: OFWB Children's Home – Gary Lee, OFWB International – Rev. Harold Jones, Ministry of Christian Education – Gail Heath, University of Mount Olive – Sharlene Scott, Church Planting and Renewal – Rev. Franklin Baggett, Cragmont – Angela Mattox, Retirement Home Ministry – Rev. Ronnie Taylor, Vandemere – Richard Allen, and Minister's Program – Rev. Doug Seymour. Moderator Aubrey Williamson recognized Rev. Dr. Ricky Warren for a report from the N.C. Foundation For Christian Ministries. Rev. Dr. Brad Williamson provided a report from the Ministerial Association of OFWB.

Two ministers desired membership in the Cape Fear Conference. Rev. Freddie Pierce was received in absentia contingent upon receiving a letter of transfer from the Western Conference. Rev. Wesley Taylor was received contingent upon receiving a letter of transfer from the Eastern Conference. Moderator Aubrey Williamson welcomed Rev. Wesley Taylor by extending the right hand of fellowship.

The Morning Worship Service began with singing, "Holy, Holy," *Heber*. An offering was received and the offertory prayer was given by Rev. Dr. Brad Williamson. Special music was provided by Rev. Chris Hall, pastor of Shady Grove OFWB Church. Rev. Dr. Ricky Warren, pastor of Robert's Grove OFWB, brought the morning message entitled,

"Living Faith in Everyday Life." He stated we all have faith, but we need a living faith to assist us through the small things in life. Our faith in Jesus Christ guarantees a perfect eternity, not a perfect life. As disciples, we should ask Jesus to increase our faith. His scripture reading was taken from Luke 18:1-8. He encouraged us to pray diligently so in times of difficulty, we will be faithful and consistent with our prayers to get through these times. He asked each one to identify a problem in life and commit it to faithful, consistent, sustained prayer and see how God works by practicing a living faith. Rev. Dr. Ricky Warren, pastor of Robert's Grove Warren prayed the closing prayer for the morning session and prayed the blessing on the meal. The conference recessed for lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Moderator Aubrey Williamson called the session to order. The afternoon session began with the congregation singing, "When We All Get to Heaven," *Hewitt*, led by song leader Rev. Stephen Prescott. Scripture from Romans 12 and prayer were offered by Licensed Minister Jacob Cottle.

The following reports of Standing Boards were received by the conference (see attached reports of the Standing Boards). Rev. Doug Seymour gave the Blended Fellowship Missions report. Rev. Aubrey Williamson gave the Conference Missions report. Rev. Dr. Ricky Warren gave the Ordaining Council report. Rev. Joe Ballance gave the report of the Cape Fear Conference Minister's Association. The Board of Christian Education report was given by Rev. Doug Seymour. Moderator Aubrey Williamson asked for a motion to receive the Standing Board reports by acclamation. Motion carried.

The following reports of the Temporary Committees were received (see attached reports of the Temporary Committees). The Resolutions Committee presented two resolutions. Motion was made to accept these resolutions. Motion carried. Motion was made to receive the Credentials Report as information. Motion carried. The Nominating Committee made its recommendations to the conference. The floor was opened to receive nominees. There being no nominations from the floor, the list of candidates were elected by acclamation. The Obituary Committee reported no one had passed during the previous year. Rev. Doug Seymour read scripture from 2 Timothy 4:1-7 and closed with prayer. Motion was made to adopt the report. Motion carried.

The conference then moved into its business session. The Treasurer's Report was given by Treasurer Brad Williamson and was received by motion (see attached report). There was one item of new business. Motion was made for the Cape Fear Conference to give \$500.00 to The Covenant - Pastoral Leadership Institute. Motion carried. The 166th Annual Session of the Cape Fear Conference will be held at Tee's Chapel OFWB Church of Smithfield on Tuesday, November 10, 2020.

Motion carried to adjourn the 165th Session of the Cape Fear Conference and the conference was dismissed with prayer by Rev. Aubrey Williamson.

Respectfully submitted, Rev. Aubrey Williamson, Moderator Eva Ballance, Clerk

CAPE FEAR CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES 165th Annual Session of the Cape Fear Conference

The Cape Fear Conference Executive Committee met at Yelverton Grove OFWB Church on February 26, 2019 at 7:00 P.M. Members present were Aubrey Williamson, Jeff Daughtry, Eva Ballance, Carolyn Jernigan and Ken Benton. Moderator Aubrey Williamson gave the devotion from Psalm 103 and prayed the opening prayer.

The minutes of the One Hundred and Sixty-Fourth Annual Session of the Cape Fear Conference of the Original Free Will Baptists were reviewed. Motion was made to adopt the report (MSP).

The Treasurer's Report was presented. Balance is \$3,988.95 of which \$940.00 is in the Education Fund. Motion made to receive the Treasurer's Report (MSP).

Aubrey Williamson welcomed the newest Executive Committee member, Ken Benton, member at large to the Cape Fear Conference Executive Committee.

Old business was to notify the Ordaining Board of ministers who have missed two consecutive conference meetings without submitting a letter of excuse. Also noted were four ministers whose names were omitted from the 106th Annual Session of the Convention of Original Free Will Baptists. Their names are as follows, Larry Coats, Roger Hill, Stephen Prescott and Carla Williamson.

New business was discussion of the mid-year Fellowship Meeting. It was decided to contact

St. Paul OFWB Church and St. Mary's Grove OFWB Church as host. A sub-committee of Jeff Daughtry, Carolyn Jernigan and Ken Benton was selected to plan the program after securing a church for the meeting. Two dates suggested to consider for the mid-year Fellowship Meeting were May 2, 2019 and May 9, 2019. Dinner will begin at 6:30 p.m. and the song service will begin at 7:30 p.m.

Discussion of the recipient of the Wall of Honor Recognition for the Annual Conference in 2019 began. It will be finalized at the next Executive Committee Meeting in August.

The 165th Annual Meeting of the Cape Fear Conference will be held at Robert's Grove OFWB Church on November 12, 2019 with the Rev. Dr. Ricky Warren bringing the message. It was noted that an invitation had been extended by Tee's Chapel OFWB Church to host the 166th Annual Meeting of the Cape Fear Conference on November 10, 2020. The Executive Committee will present a resolution to the Resolutions Committee at the Annual Conference to consider a donation be given to the John and Arlinda Williams Endowment 2020 for their years of service at Cragmont.

The Executive Committee of the Cape Fear Conference, serving as the mission board of the conference, reviewed the financial reports provided by Blended Fellowship Mission/Ministry. Motion was made to accept the reports as presented by Blended Fellowship Mission/Ministry (MSP). Rev. Doug Seymour will provide an annual financial report, including income and expenses, to the Executive Committee at the conference meeting in November each year.

Motion was made to adjourn (MSP). Ken Benton prayed the closing prayer.

The Cape Fear Conference Executive Committee met at Yelverton Grove OFWB Church on October 3, 2019 at 7:00 P.M. Members present were Aubrey Williamson, Jeff Daughtry, Eva Ballance, Brad Williamson, and Ken Benton. Moderator Aubrey Williamson gave the devotion from Psalm 1 and prayed the opening prayer.

The minutes of the Executive Committee meeting were reviewed. Motion was made to accept as amended (MSP). The Treasurer's Report was presented. Balance is \$3,168.95. Motion was made to adopt the Treasurer's Report (MSP).

New business was notification that Ricky Warren and Frank Ray Harrison will serve as the CFC representatives on the <u>Articles Of Faith And Principles Of Church Government For Original Free Will Baptists (Of The English General Baptist Heritage)</u> Revision Committee appointed by the moderator, as requested by the Convention.

Discussion of the recipient(s) of the Wall of Honor Recognition for the Annual Conference continued and a decision was made.

Upon further discussion, the Executive Committee recommends that the Resolution Committee present a resolution at the Annual Conference to honor John and Arlinda Williams for 40 years of service at Cragmont. A motion was made to donate \$500.00 to be given to the John and Arlinda Williams Endowment for their 40 years of service at Cragmont (MSP).

The 165th Annual Meeting of the Cape Fear Conference planning was finalized.

Motion was made to adjourn (MSP). Brad Williamson prayed the closing prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Eva Ballance, Clerk of the Cape Fear Conference

Blended Fellowship Mission Report 165th Cape Fear Conference of Original Free Will Baptists

On behalf of the Blended Fellowship family, thank you so much for all you have done and continue to do to support this ministry to Deaf people and their families through our three major programs: SD, FACES and QLI.

SD deals with spiritual development and is foundational to everything we do. Along with our regular worship, teaching and counseling opportunities, we have been blessed to have Rob and Arlene Wright return from Colorado to join our team. Rob and Arlene are former missionaries with DOOR International and have shared Christ with Deaf people in various countries around the world. Rob is Deaf and is extremely gifted in sharing God's Word in ASL. Arlene is a highly skilled interpreter. Together, they are providing much needed assistance in numerous areas.

Our FACES (Family Awareness and Communication Enhancement Services) program works to improve communications within families where Deaf and hearing are blended. During the past year, we have provided ASL class opportunities, individual instruction and volunteer opportunities where those coming to help with various

projects have learned sign language as a result. Our annual Blended Bridges ASL immersion camp was held in July and was a tremendous success with many blended families of Deaf and hearing participating. We are blessed each year to see the progress made within these families as they are better able to communicate with each other. We are also blessed to see a large group of volunteers come together each year and basically sacrifice their entire July to minister to these children and families. The effort is huge, but so are the rewards and outcomes.

The QLI program, which deals with quality of life improvement, continues to provide assistance with food, clothing, housing, transportation, medical needs, financial management and basically any basic needs of day to day living, as well as providing volunteer work opportunities for the Deaf. We have made significant progress this year in getting our newly renovated areas set up for Deaf volunteers to come and work in their own designated work areas. We continue to partner with the OFWB Retirement Homes Ministry to support one of our Deaf families and this has been a tremendous blessing to this precious couple. Our thrift store is up and running and doing very well. Some of you have visited our store and we appreciate that so much. The store is open the first Saturday of each month from 9am to 3pm with plans to open more often next year.

We appreciate, so much, those of you who were able to attend one of our Blended Live events this year. There is only one remaining this year and it will take place on Sunday afternoon, December 8, at 4pm. My daughter, Kayla, and her good friend, Melanie Dabbs, will be presenting another of their "Sam and Daisy" skits. These skits are always hilarious but also teach some sign language and a spiritual concept. I know you would enjoy this program and I hope you will make plans to be with us.

Next year, instead of having monthly Blended Live events, we will have one huge event on November the 8th. We will be celebrating 20 years as a ministry and we are planning some awesome things for this event, including a 100 voice and sign choir. Please mark your calendars now and save this date. We will be sending out more information periodically.

Finally, I want to thank you for your continuing financial support. As you may be aware, we are not self- supporting and we depend on support from outside our congregation. Please continue to stand with us and consider an increase to your monthly or annual support. As the costs of goods and services increase, we also need our income to increase to stay in the black. Please be assured that every effort is made to stretch each gift as far as possible.

Thank you again for all you have done and continue to do in support of Blended Fellowship. We are so blessed to be a part of the Cape Fear Conference.

Respectfully submitted,
Doug Seymour
Pastor/Director
Blended Fellowship Mission/Ministry

Report of the Board of Ordination 165th Annual Session of the Cape Fear Conference

I) December 3, 2018 - The Ordaining Board met on December 3, 2018 at Smithfield First FWB Church. Those present were Aubrey Williamson, Joe Ballance, Sam Weeks, Stephen Prescott, and Ricky Warren. The meeting opened with prayer. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. a) Licensed Minister Kaye Ward appeared before the board and gave an update on her progress towards fulfilling the requirements for ordination. b) Licensed Minister Kevin Phillips appeared before the board and gave an update on his progress towards fulfilling the requirements for ordination and his work as an interim minister at Riverside OFWB Church. The board voted to approve Mr. Phillips for another ninety days of service as an interim minister at Riverside OFWB Church. c) The board discussed the progress of Licensed Minister David Thomas towards fulfilling the requirements of credentials transfer and his work as an interim minister at Wooten's Chapel OFWB Church. The board voted to approve Mr. Thomas for another ninety days of service as an interim minister at Wooten's OFWB Church. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

II) March 25, 2019 - The Ordaining Board met on March 25, 2019 at Smithfield First FWB Church. Those present were Aubrey Williamson, Joe Ballance, Sam Weeks, Stephen Prescott, and Ricky Warren. The meeting opened with prayer. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. a) David Earl Norris, II, a member in good standing from Yelverton Grove OFWB Church, appeared before us to submit and discuss his application to become a licensed minister. The board also received a letter from Yelverton Grove OFWB Church, stating they had voted to recommend

Mr. Norris for license. Mr. Norris reported that his previous license lapsed two years ago during a period of indecisiveness but that he now wants to return to the process. The board voted to approve Mr. Norris for licensure by Yelverton Grove OFWB Church and appointed Joe Ballance as his mentor. b) Licensed Minister David Thomas appeared before the board and gave an update on his progress towards fulfilling the requirements of credentials transfer and his work as an interim minister at Wooten's Chapel OFWB Church. May 6, 2018 was determined to be the date of Rev. Thomas' membership starting at Wooten's Chapel, so that date was established as the official start date for his credential exchange process. The board voted to approve Mr. Thomas for another ninety days of service as an interim minister at Wooten's OFWB Church and appointed Sam Weeks as his mentor. c) The board discussed a letter received from Shady Grove OFWB stating their recommendation of Drew Johnson, a member in good standing, as a licensed minister. d) The board conducted the oral portion of the ordination exam of Kaye Ward-Heroux and, being found orthodox, she was approved for ordination. e) The board conducted the oral portion of the ordination exam of Kevin Phillips. Aubrey Williamson was not present. Being found orthodox, Mr. Philips was approved for ordination. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

III) September 23, 2019 - The Ordaining Board met on September 23, 2019 at Smithfield First FWB Church at 1:00 p.m. Those present were Aubrey Williamson, Sam Weeks, and Stephen Prescott. The meeting opened with prayer. The Board met with Jacob Cottle to discuss his educational requirements while he is continuing to prepare for ordination and to discuss his status as a Licensed Minister from Lee's Chapel Church. Stephen Prescott will continue as his board mentor. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned in prayer.

IV) November 12, 2018 - The Ordaining Board met briefly during the Annual Cape Fear Conference held at Robert's Grove Church near Dunn, North Carolina on Tuesday, November 12, 2019. Those present were Sam Weeks, Aubrey Williamson, Joe Ballance, and Ricky Warren. Chairman Aubrey Williamson informed the board that the Reverend Wesley Taylor of the Eastern Conference wished to transfer his credentials to the Cape Fear Conference and begin pastoring Saint Mary's Grove Church. The Reverend Taylor was welcomed into the conference, extended the right hand of fellowship, and granted approval to pastor Saint Mary's Grove pending verification that his letter of transfer has been received.

Respectfully submitted, Rev. Aubrey Williamson, Chairperson Rev. Joe Ballance Rev. Dr. Sam Weeks

Rev. Dr. Ricky Warren, Secretary Rev. Stephen Prescott

The Report of the Minister's Association 165th Cape Fear Conference of Original Free Will Baptists

During the past year, the Cape Fear Minister's Association met for four meetings. The guest speaker in December 2018 was the Rev. Johnny Sullivan, pastor of Rains Crossroads O.F.W.B. Church. He presented a program entitled, "The Importance of Music in Church." In March 2019, Mr. Gary Lee, President/CEO of the Free Will Baptist Children's Home gave an update on the many things happening at the Children's Home. Dr. Marilyn Benton presented the program in June 2019. She gave a report on the Mission Rally at this year's Convention. In September 2019, Mr. John Clifton, Drama Teacher at the University of Mount Olive spoke about the theatre and the black box at the University of Mount Olive. A prayer was offered for all prayer requests at each meeting.

Cape Fear Conference Ministers and Licensed Ministers are invited to attend the Cape Fear Minister's Association meetings, which are held on the Monday before fifth Sunday. There are 30 ministers currently on roll with an average attendance of 15 ministers at each meeting. All of the meetings are held at the First Free Will Baptist Church in Smithfield, with noon meals served after each meeting.

The next meeting will be Monday, December 2, 2019, with the Rev. Frank Harrison presenting the program. It will focus on feedback from the ministers for the Revision Committee's review of *The Articles of Faith and Principles of Church Government For Original Free Will Baptists*. Please make plans to attend.

Respectfully submitted,
Reverend Joe Ballance, Secretary/Treasurer

Christian Board of Education Report 165th Cape Fear Conference of Original Free Will Baptists

The Board of Christian Education Committee met on June 13, 2019 to review the applications received for scholarships. Four

scholarships were given. First place was awarded to Rachel Creech from Blended Fellowship for \$500.00. Second place was awarded to Peyton Lee from Faith OFWB Church for \$200.00. Third place was awarded to Sarah Chestnut from Powhatan OFWB Church for \$200,00 and fourth place was awarded to Lindsey Tew from Shady Grove OFWB Church for \$200.00.

Respectfully submitted, Martha Parsons, Chairperson

Resolutions Committee 165th Cape Fear Conference of Original Free Will Baptists

WHEREAS, beginning January 14, 1980, John and Arlinda Williams have served as managers of Cragmont Assembly for forty years, more than one-half of its seventy-five year history; and

WHEREAS, they have led Cragmont from a few weeks of summer camp into a year-round camping, conference and retreat center, annually serving over 2,000 campers, families and church groups; and

WHEREAS, under their leadership Cragmont had two new building projects, Golfer's Lodge and the Lassiter Family Center, and many renovation projects including the main building, dining hall and shelter between them, installing heat and air conditioning in all buildings, as well as acquiring the Hollifield and Watson properties across the street; and

WHEREAS, they have served as gracious hosts to the many who have ascended the mountain during these forty years and experienced the special presence of the Holy Spirit that touches each individual heart while there; and

WHEREAS, Cragmont has truly become a special place.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cape Fear Conference of Original Free Will Baptists unanimously vote to express our appreciation to John and Arlinda Williams for forty years of service to Original Free Will Baptists through the ministry of Cragmont Assembly.

On this twelfth day of November, two thousand nineteen.

Resolution adopted

Whereas, Robert's Grove OFWB Church has shown such gracious hospitality as host of the 165th Session of the Cape Fear Conference,

Now therefore, be it resolved that the Cape Fear Conference give a rising vote of appreciation to the pastor and members of Robert's Grove OFWB Church.

Resolution adopted

Respectfully submitted, Chairperson Rev. Jeff Daughtry, Rev. Chris Hall and Teresa Eason

Credentials Committee 165th Cape Fear Conference of Original Free Will Baptists

Present at the One Hundred and Sixty-Fifth Annual Session of Cape Fear Conference are as follows:

Ministers	26
Licensed Ministers	2
Officers	2
Delegates	20
Visitors and Visiting Ministers	26
Total	76

Respectfully submitted,

Chairperson Rev. William "Corky" Herring, Rev. Tod Creech, Rev. Kaye Heroux, Rev. Vicki Medlin

Nominating Committee

165th Cape Fear Conference of Original Free Will Baptists

The Nominating Committee submitted the following to serve the conference:

Executive Committee - Clerk (2021): Eva Ballance

Assistant Clerk (2021): Teresa Eason Member at Large (2021): Ken Benton

Member of the Board of Trustees – (2024): *Brad Barbour*Member of the Board of Education - (2024): *Doug Seymour*Member of the Ordaining Board – (2024): *Sam Weeks*

Respectfully submitted,

Chairperson Rev. Frank Harrison, Rev. Dr. Brad Williamson, Rev. Duane Casey

Obituary Committee 165th Cape Fear Conference of Original Free Will Baptists

Today we want to remember those from our conference who have gone home to be with the Lord. These are individuals who have attended these conference meetings over the years, worshipped alongside us and have blessed us through their service, faithfulness and fellowship.

Mr. Henry Peyton Lee, 90, of Dunn died March 5, 2019. Mr. Peyton was born October 20, 1928 in Sampson County. He was a faithful member of Shady Grove OFWB Church where he was a deacon, music director for over fifty years, and served on several OFWB Boards. I had the privilege of serving with him on the Cape Fear Conference Board of Education. For many years her served as worship leader for countless Cape Fear Conference events, including these annual meetings. We greatly miss his leadership. I remember his enthusiastic "Good singing" when we would finish congregational worship. Today, we want to remember him and his faithful service to this conference.

I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing. 2 Timothy 4:7-8

Prayer

Respectfully submitted, Chairperson Rev. Doug Seymour

Cape Fear Conference Treasurer's Report 165th Cape Fear Conference of Original Free Will Baptists

В	alance From November 1, 2018		\$2,002.20
R	eceipts		
	2018 Conference Offering		\$ 211.00
	2018 Conference Church Dues	\$4,700.00	
	2018 Church Dues since Conference		
	2019 Fellowship Meeting Dues	\$800.00	
	Designated gift for Blended Fellowship Mission	\$800.00	
	Miscellaneous (designated gift for Wall of Honor)	\$500.00	
Т	otal	<u>\$7,011.00</u>	
Τ	otal to account for in Checking Account	\$9,013.20	
D	isbursements	• •	
	Conference Expense	\$549.25	•
	North Carolina Foundation for Christian Ministries	\$1,200.00	
	Foreign Missions	\$687.50	
	Home Missions	\$687.50	
	Convention of OFWB (Report Book)	\$320.00	<i>X</i> .*
	Convention of OFWB (Delegates)		
	Convention of OFWB (Wall of Honor)		•
	Education Scholarships	\$1,100.00	
	Blended Fellowship Designated Gifts	\$800.00	
	Miscellaneous	\$1,000.00	
	MAOFWB Pastoral Leadership Institute / C	ragmont 2020 Campaign	
T	otal Disbursements		<u>\$6,344.25</u>
7	otal in Checking account as of October 31, 2019		\$2,668.95
	(Out of this balance \$0.00.00 is in the Education Fund	d)	
F	ormula for disbursement of Conference Dues and Offerings:		$(x,y) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} x ^{-\frac{1}{2}} dx$
	Missions = 25% (half to Foreign and half to Home)		
	Christian Education Fund = 20%	×	
	Conference and other expenses = 55%		

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Church	Conference	Jan. 1, 2019	Active	Inactive	Baptism	Letter	Other	Deceased	Letter	Other	Dec. 31, 2019	SS Memb	SS Attnd.	M.W.
First, Plymouth	Albemarle				i			_		i				
Free Union	Albemarle	261	100	161	0	0	0	2	- 0	0	259	40	25	65
Gum Neck	Albemarle													
Hickory Chapel	Albemarle													
Malchi's Chapel	Albemarle	35	21	14	0	2	2	3	1	0	35	19	15	25
Mt. Tabor	Albemarle	121	35	86	0	2	0	1	0	0	123	23	23	29
Mt. Zion	Albemarle	86	10	76	0	0	0	1	0	0	86	9	- 7	11
Shiloh	Albemarle								-					
Sidney	Albemarle					Ì	i							
Sound Side	Albemarle	181	95	- 86	4	3	0	0	0	0	188	45	41	80
Trinity	Albemarle	25	10	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	25	0	- 8	25
Union Chapel	Albemarle			-								-		
, ,		709	271	438	4	7	2	7	1	0	716	136	119	235
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	·	Membership				Gained	,		Lost		Membership		Average	Average
Church	Conference	Jan. 1, 2019	Active	Inactive	Baptism	Letter	Other	Deceased	Letter	Other	Dec. 31, 2019	SS Memb.	SS Attnd.	M. W.
Bethel	Cape Fear	95	45	50	2			1	3		143	87	60	74
Blended Fellow ship	Cape Fear	98				3 .	3	1	2	28	70			45
Broken Wing Fellow shi	Cape Fear													
Casey's Chapel	Cape Fear	58	58	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	57	0	20	- 40
Covenant	Cape Fear													
Daly's Chapel	Cape Fear	53	23	30	0	1	0	0	0	0	54	8	8	18
Faith	Cape Fear	87	48	39	1	2	0	0	0	20	70	87	60	65
First, Goldsboro	Cape Fear													
First, Smithfield	Cape Fear	62	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	62	62	36	36
Haymount	Cape Fear													
Hopew ell	Cape Fear	211			1	1	0	2	3	0	208	65	43	72
Johnston Union	Cape Fear													
Lanw ood Chapel	Cape Fear													
Lee's Chapel	Cape Fear	319	319	0	3	0	0	3	0	0	319	65	65	109
Mt. Olive	Cape Fear													
Oak Grove	Cape Fear													
Palmer Memorial	Cape Fear	20	0	20	0	1	0	0	0	3	18	15	11	14
Pleasant Grove	Cape Fear	75	0	75	0	0	0	0	0	0	75	0	0	60
Pow hatan	Cape Fear	126	126	0	0	0	6	4	1	0	127	100	75	105
Riverside	Cape Fear	75	42	33	0	0	0	1	0	0	74	40	23	50
Robert's Grove	Cape Fear													
Shady Grove	Cape Fear	249	70	179	0	0	0	3	0	0	246	50	50	60
Smyrna	Cape Fear													
Snow Hill	Cape Fear							_						
St. Mary's Grove	Cape Fear	195	94	101	7	0	0	0	1	0	201	71	44	80
St. Paul	Cape Fear													
Steven's Chapel	Cape Fear	92	50	42	0	0	0	1	0	0	91	18	10	46
Tee's Chapel	Cape Fear	461	461	0	2	4	0	4	0	0	463	145	96	270

Cape Fear Cont'd.		Membership)	<u> </u>		Gained		OMM	Lost	Í	Membership		Average	Average
Church	Conference	Jan. 1, 2019	Active	Inactive	Baptism	Letter	Other	Deceased	Letter	Other	Dec. 31, 2019	SS Memb.	-	M.W.
West Clinton	Cape Fear				· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·					ļ	,		_	
Wooten's Chapel	Cape Fear	42	13	29	0	1	0	0	1	0	42	21	11	18
Yelverton Grove	Cape Fear	120	57	63	2	0	0	1	0	0	121	30	30	45
	1	2438	1406	661	18	15	9	24	11	51	2441	864	642	1207
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Church	Conference	~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~		Inactive	Baptism		Other	Deceased	Letter	Other	Dec. 31, 2019	SS Memb.		M.W.
Aspen Grove	Central	45									45	35	25	30
Ayden	Central	40				4		2			42	22	20	42
Bethany	Central	152	84	68	1		3	5	4		147	56	40	60
Black Jack	Central	436			5	4		7	6		432	195	152	189
Community	Central	109	20	89				5	1		103	12	12	20
Daniels Chapel	Central	431	231	200	10	5	2	7	5	0	436	0	93	167
Dilda's Grove	Central		 -		<u></u> -		<u>-</u> -							1
Edgew ood	Central	58	45	13	1	0	0	0	0	5	54	30	20	36
Em Grove	Central	242	186	56	5	2	1	2	0	0	248	165	123	164
First, Greenville	Central	298	298	0	0	8	5	5	2	0	304	120	57	125
First, Rocky Mount	Central	24	24	64	0	0	0	2		1				
First, Tarboro	Central	185	112	73	0	0	0	7	0	20	158	59	59	92
First, Williamston	Central	59	35	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	59	34	23	28
Free Union	Central													
Friendship	Central													
Grimsley	Central	65	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	64	48	38	50
Gum Sw amp	Central													
Harrells Chapel	Central	225	116	109	3	0	0	2	0	0	226	78	56	65
Hickory Grove	Central	90	40	50	0	0	0	1	0	0	89	26	14	35
Hillside	Central	30	0	30	0	4	0	0	0	0	34	20	20	50
How ell Swamp	Central	155	0	0	1	1	0	3	1	0	153	35	25	60
Hugo	Central	90	76	14	1	0	3	2	0	0	92	0	45	65
Hull Road	Central				·									
Kings Cross Roads	Central							-				**		
La Grange	Central	271	177	91	5	4	0	5	1	0	274	132	80	143
Little Creek	Central						-							
Marlboro	Central	-											_	
Ormondsville	Central													
Otters Creek	Central	-						-				_		
Owens Chapel	Central	192	100	92	4	1	0	2	0	0	195	70 .	62	100
Peace	Central	33	18	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	17	15	23
Piney Grove-Beaufort	Central	31	27	4	2	2	0	1	0	0	34	19	16	27
Pleasant Hill	Central	31	21						- 0		J-7	18	10	
Reedy Branch	Central	186	150	36	3	1	0	0	13	0	177	75	55	90
Rose Hill	Central	100	150	30	_ 				13	· ·	177	73	- JJ	30
Rose of Sharon		-												
Saint's Delight	Central	250	250				1			7	250	22	16	34
Saint'S Delight	Central	258	_258_	0	00	0	<u> </u>	0	2	L / J	250	23	0	