

MINUTES

OF THE

99th

CAVE SPRINGS YEARLY MEETING

OF FREEWILL BAPTISTS

HELD WITH

UNITED

FREEWILL BAPTIST CHURCH

MAY 16 and 17, 1986

OFFICERS: 1987 SESSION

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| Moderator | Garland Barton |
| Assistant Moderator | Glenn Murray |
| Clerk | Darrell Strain |
| Assistant Clerk | Esther Strain |
| Treasurer | Ben Pohnert |
| Assistant Treasurer | Leo Warren |

The next session of the Cave Springs Yearly Meeting of Freewill Baptist Churches will be held with the Clifton Church, Thayer, Missouri.

Services will begin at 9:00 o'clock a.m., Friday before the third Sunday in May, 1987.

Bro. Glenn Murray and Bro. Garland Barton will bring the Introductory Message in the 1987 Meeting.

COMMITTEES

EXECUTIVE BOARD

TERM EXPIRES

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| Doyle E. Williams | 1987 |
| Bill Burkhead | 1988 |
| Nolen Johnson | 1989 |
| J. W. King | 1990 |
| Cody Freeman | 1991 |

MISSION BOARD

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| Virgil Blankenship | 1987 |
| Davie N. Combs | 1988 |
| Robert Wilson | 1989 |
| Garland Barton | 1990 |
| Darrell Strain | 1991 |

ORDAINING COUNCIL

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| Harry Beatty | 1987 |
| Charles Gower | 1988 |
| Clark Stephens | 1989 |

EVANGELISTIC COMMITTEE

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| Allen Sanders | 1987 |
| Darrell Strain | 1988 |
| Royce Hollis | 1989 |
| Glenn Murray | 1990 |
| Glynn Campbell | 1991 |

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Leo Warren
Richard Sandridge
Allen Sanders

OBITUARY COMMITTEE

Ruth Thompson
Esther Strain
Leona Blankenship

TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE

Marvin Cockman
Ulus Caldwell
Wallace Strain

PRINTING COMMITTEE

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| Ben Pohnert | Treasurer |
| Darrell Strain | Clerk |
| Esther Strain | Assistant Clerk |

ORDER OF BUSINESS

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

1. Singing, Scripture Reading and Prayer
2. Reading of Constitution and By-Laws
3. Visiting Brothers and Sisters Invited as Advisory Members
4. Letters From the Churches Called For
5. Quarterly Meeting Letters Called For
6. Youth Association Letters Called For
7. Appointment of Special Committees As Needed
8. Petitionary Letters
9. Letters From Corresponding Messengers
10. Appointment of Divine Service Committee
11. Report of Delegates That Have Attended Other Associations
12. Adjournment With Prayer
13. Eleven O'Clock Service

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

14. Opening With Singing, Scripture Reading and Prayer
15. Miscellaneous Business
16. Enrollment of Ministers, Deacons and Clerks
17. Election of Introductory Preachers
18. The Ministers' Report
19. The Treasurer's Report
20. The Report of the Obituary Committee
21. Report of Divine Service Committee
22. Report of Other Committees
23. Set a Place For the Next Yearly Meeting
24. Adjournment With Prayer
25. Evening Service

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

26. Singing, Scripture Reading and Prayer
27. Reading of Constitution and By-Laws
28. Reading of Minutes of Previous Day's Work
29. Call For Letters From Churches
30. Vacancies in Committees Filled
31. Election of Officers
32. Appointment of All Standing Committees
33. Reports of Other Committees That Have Not Reported,
Including Divine Committee Report
34. Releasing of All Temporary Committees
35. Adjournment With Prayer
36. Eleven O'Clock Service

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

37. Open With Singing, Scripture Reading and Prayer
38. Election of All Standing Committees
39. Election of Nominee to Missouri State General Board
(even years)
40. Election of Delegates to Other Associations
41. Business Suggested by Letters
42. Ordaining Council Proceeds With Their Work
43. A Vote of Heartfelt Thanks to the Church and Community
For Their Kindness to the Associational Meeting
44. Other Things That Come Before the Body
45. Adjournment With Prayer

1986 YEARLY MEETING CAVE SPRINGS ASSOCIATION OF FREEWILL BAPTISTS CONVENING ON MAY 16, 1986 AT UNITED FREEWILL BAPTIST CHURCH, WEST PLAINS, MISSOURI

The 99th Cave Springs Association of Freewill Baptists was called to order by the Clerk, reading from Romans 5:1-8. Prayer was led by Bro. Glenn Murray. Bro. David Honeycutt led the congregation while they sang "Love Lifted Me," with Sis. Esther Strain at the piano.

The moderator, Bro. Garland Barton, assumed charge of the service and called for the reading of the constitution and by-laws. The clerk read the constitution and by-laws.

The church letters were called for and read by the clerk. MSC to receive the letters and to seat the delegates. The delegates were seated as the congregation sang "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms."

A letter from the Little Vine Association of General Baptist was read. MSC to receive the letter as information.

The moderator appointed the divine service committee. They are Sister Hattie Sims, Sister Blanche Wisheart and Sister Dollie Combs.

MSC to delete the Friday evening services due to the death of Bro. Charles Hollis, pastor of the Royal Oak Freewill Baptist Church and a member of this association, as the family night is tonight at the Carter Funeral Home in Thayer.

MSC to suspend the order of business and continue on with the afternoon business.

EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORT

The Executive Board report was read as follows:

ITEM 1. The Executive Board met on May 19, 1985 at the Garfield FWB Church to organize. Bro. Garland Barton was elected as chairman and Bro. Darrell Strain was chosen as secretary.

ITEM 2. The Executive Board met on August 12, 1985 at the Alton FWB Church. The Executive Board voted to grant Bro. Michael Neuman a letter of recommendation from the Cave Springs Yearly Meeting to the Central Western Association of FWB.

The Board voted to include in this year's report to the yearly meeting an item of business that was omitted from LAST YEAR'S REPORT. This item is as follows:

The clerk notified by letter the Executive Board that the following ministers were not recommended by their churches. Ronnie Barnett, Paul Clark, Virgil Blankenship and Ron Taylor.

The Board investigated these matters and voted to grant Bro. Virgil Blankenship a yearly certificate.

ITEM 3. The Executive Board met on May 5, 1986 at the Alton FWB Church. A letter was read from Bro. Joe Garrison stating that he was resigning as moderator of the Cave Springs Yearly Meeting. Bro. Garrison also stated that he had turned in his licenses to Bro. John England.

ITEM 4. Bro. Garland Barton was appointed by the Executive Board to moderate the Yearly Meeting on May 16 and 17.

ITEM 5. The Executive Board recommends a change in Standing Rule, Article 10. The recommended change reads as follows: "If an active minister is not recommended by his church; or does not file a written or verbal report, said minister shall be investigated by the Credentials Committee and if said minister is found worthy of a yearly certificate the Executive Board shall, upon the recommendation of the Minister's Church and Credentials Committee, issue a yearly certificate."

ITEM 6. The Executive Board recommends a change in the wording of Article 13 of the Standing Rules. The recommended re-wording is as follows: "All Business referred to the Executive Board shall be in written form."

Signed: Garland G. Barton, Nolen F. Johnson,
Doyle E. Williams, Billie G. Burkhead, J. W. King

MSC to receive the report and to lay ITEMS 5 and 6 on the table.

REPORT OF OBITUARY COMMITTEE

We the Obituary Committee are sad to report that God has called several of our brothers and sisters home during the past year. We feel our loss is Heaven's gain and know they are missed in their homes and churches. The names are as follows.

Bertha Reed
George Jordan
Lee Dethrow
Ralph Cartee
Bertha Brewer
Edna Twitty
Jane Wetzel
W. B. Combs, deacon
Minnie Clark
W. L. Murray

Ben Lunyou
Gordon Combs, deacon
Everett Kerr
Eula Neal
Emma Brewer
Sherman Daffron, deacon
Ralph Wetzel
Vilia Thompson
Irma Woolridge
Virginia Brewer

Signed: Ruth Thompson, Esther Strain, Leona Blankenship

MSC to receive the report and grant the committee authority to add other names that may have been overlooked. Congregation stood for a moment of silent meditation in memory of these who have passed to their reward. Bro. J. W. King led in prayer.

DENOMINATION COMMITTEE REPORT

We, the Denomination Committee recommend that we stand for that which is right according to the Word of God and we take a stand against and condemn the sin which the Word of God calls sin, and press toward that perfection which is called out in the Word of God.

We need to help that one who has been overtaken in a fault and restore such a one in faith.

Signed: Sis. Betty Adrian, Sis. Artie Case

MSC to accept the report.

LORD'S DAY REPORT

We, the Lord's Day Committee, believe that the Bible teaches that Christians should observe the first day of the week (Sunday) as the

"Lord's Day." It was on this day that Christ arose from the dead for our justification (John 20:1). The early Christians met on that day (Acts 20:7) to worship, study, and celebrate Christ's victory over death and hell. We likewise are instructed to assemble ourselves together for the same purpose (Hebrews 10:25, I Corinthians 16:1, 2).

Signed: Vona Freeman, Sylvia Sandridge, Lorene Pohnert
MSC to receive the report.

EVANGELISM COMMITTEE REPORT

The Evangelistic Conference has \$235.55 left in the fund. Churches who wish to send donations for the August 1 and 2 conference should send donations to Glynn Campbell, Myrtle, Missouri 65778.

The 1986 conference will be with the Thayer FWB Church on August 1 and 2. The Home Mission Team from the National Association will be with us again.

Signed: Evangelistic Committee

MSC to receive the report.

LITERATURE COMMITTEE REPORT

We, the Christians, and members of the Koshkonong FWB Church believe that the Bible is the most important and Sacred Literature to have in our churches, homes and elsewhere. We as Christians, firmly recommend that the Bible and some Sunday School Literature be the only real decent reading for the Home.

As you know, or at least we feel you should know, there isn't many television or radio programs that have anything decent or fit for anyone to listen to.

Signed: Delegates from the Koshkonong FWB Church

MSC to receive the report.

STATE OF RELIGION REPORT

We, the State of Religion Committee, give this report, that the Lord would approve us, to support our local church with our sincere prayer, our attendance, our tithes and offerings, a willing mind to work, also we urge each church to support our State and National Work through the Cooperative Plan, (Mission Work) and support the Word of God as it is taught and preached.

Let us consider and keep our church covenant to the best of our ability, the Lord will grant seeing souls saved, the church edified and prospering. Looking for our Lord's return.

Signed: Addie Adkisson, Don W. Bryan, Wanda Bryan

MSC to receive the report.

Bro. Glenn Murray gave a verbal report on the youth camp work. He reported that painting and other needed work was completed.

ELECTION OF INTRODUCTORY SPEAKERS FOR 1987

The floor was opened for nominations for the Introductory Speakers for the 100th Yearly Meeting. Bro. Garland Barton and Bro. Glenn Murray were nominated. MSC to close nominations. These two brothers were elected by a vote of the conference.

SELECTING A PLACE FOR NEXT YEAR'S MEETING

The Clifton FWB Church had requested the next yearly meeting. MSC to accept the invitation of the Clifton Church.

MSC to try to finish tomorrow's services by 10 o'clock and have the preaching services over by 11 a.m. due to Bro. Charles Hollis' funeral being Saturday afternoon at 2 p.m.

Brother Clark Stephens requested the body to appoint another member to the Finance Committee in the absence of Bro. Joe Archer. MSC for the moderator to appoint. Bro. J. W. King was appointed by the moderator.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Bro. Bill Burkhead gave the Treasurer's Report showing a balance of \$745.65.

MSC to accept the report.

DIVINE SERVICE COMMITTEE REPORT

The Divine Service Committee reported that they have chosen Brothers Grover Pingleton and Millard Ehrhardt to bring the 11 o'clock message Saturday morning. The conference was informed that Bro. Grover Pingleton was not present as he was in Alaska. MSC to grant Bro. Ehrhardt the entire 11 o'clock hour.

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY REPORT

The Auxiliary reports six churches with a total of 83 members. The following projects were completed in the past year.

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| Home Missions | \$160.00 |
| National Home Missions | 403.64 |

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| Foreign Missions | 442.85 |
| Memorial Student Loan Fund | 41.74 |
| WNAC | 190.87 |
| Co Laborer | 125.35 |
| Freewill Baptist Home for Children | 112.74 |
| Missouri State Youth Camp | 30.00 |
| Missouri State Women's Auxiliary Tithe | 162.02 |

MSC to receive the report and commend the ladies.

MSC to suspend the order of service and elect officers in the Friday afternoon services - this session only.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

We, the Auditing Committee have checked the treasurer's books and found the total of \$745.65 to be correct for the yearly meeting. There is \$225.00 set aside for the 1988 national meeting.

Signed: Clark Stephens, J. W. King, Allen Sanders

MSC to receive the report.

MSC to recess for the 11 o'clock services.

11 O'CLOCK SERVICES

The services began with the congregation singing "I Love to Walk With Jesus." Prayer was led by Bro. Harry Beatty. Bro. Allen Sanders then took the stand reading from I Kings 3:5 and brought a good message on "What Would You Want From God?"

Bro. Cody Freeman then took the stand and brought a message from Mark 5:1-20. His subject was "The Power of the Devil — The Greater Power of God."

The service was concluded with a song of invitation and an old fashioned hand shake.

We were dismissed in prayer by Bro. Millard Ehrhardt who asked the blessing on the noon meal.

AFTERNOON SERVICES — FRIDAY, MAY 16

The services were opened by singing "I Want to be a Soul Winner." The clerk read scripture from Colossians 1:16-23. Prayer was led by Bro. Clark Stephens. The moderator resumed charge of the services.

TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

We, the Temperance Committee feel that God's people should fight the use of liquor and drugs and anything that is contrary to the churches, such as this lottery we now have. (Stand against it.) and anything that is not right in church services.

Signed: Marvin Cockman, Wallace Strain, Ulus Caldwell

MSC to receive the report.

ORDINATION COUNCIL REPORT

ITEM 1. Having received the ordination papers of Howard L. Hensley, voluntarily submitted through the mail, a lengthy investigation was made concerning the conditions and reasons for submitting these papers. This committee sorrowfully concludes and recommends these papers be declared null and void in relation to our association's standing rule number 12 and 14. We submit his ordination papers with this report.

ITEM 2: The Ordination Council met at the Shiloh FWB Church, Sunday, June 2, at 2 p.m. to have the Ordaining Service for Bro. Jerry Johnson for the office of Deacon. Bro. Charles Hollis led the service. Bro. Howard Bell led the opening prayer, Bro. Jerry Johnson led the congregation singing. The Bassham family sang a special song, "Till the Land." Sister Alma Wilson sang, "Who Put The Tears In The Eyes Of The Lamb" and Bro. Charles Hollis brought the charge, reading from Acts 6:1-8 and I Corinthians 9:19. Bro. Jerry and his wife came and knelt at the altar and the ordaining ministers and deacons present laid hands on Bro. Jerry and set him apart for the office of Deacon. Everyone shook hands with Bro. Jerry and his wife, Darlene. Sister Elda Bassham sang a special song "I Want To Stroll Over Heaven With You." Bro. Charles Hollis brought a good instructive message. We enjoyed a good spiritual service. Bro. Robert Wilson filled the vacancy on the Ordaining Council.

ITEM 3. The Committee met at the Quarterly Meeting held at the Koshkonong Church on January 4, 1986 to examine the two deacons sent by the First Church in West Plains. Brothers Dale Smith and Jim Walker were examined and being found worthy, approved for ordination. The service date was set for April 13, 1986 at 2 p.m. at the First Church in West Plains. Brother Clarence Burton was requested to give the charge and Brother John England was requested to lead in the Ordination Prayer.

On February 12, 1986 the Committee received a telephone call from pastor John England that requested the service date be changed to April 20, 1986 at 2 p.m.

Signed: Charles Hollis, Charles Gower, David Honeycutt.

MSC to receive the report item by item. MSC to receive Item 1. MSC to receive Item 2. MSC to receive Item 3.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

TREASURER - Bro. Ben Pohnert was nominated. MSC to close nominations. Bro. Pohnert elected. MSC for Bro. Pohnert to choose his assistant. Bro. Leo Warren was chosen.

CLERK - Brothers Cody Freeman and Darrell Strain were nominated. Bro. Strain was elected by vote of the conference. Bro. Strain chose Sis. Esther Strain as his Assistant Clerk.

MODERATOR - Bro. Garland Barton was nominated. MSC to close nominations. Bro. Barton was elected. MSC that Bro. Barton be allowed to choose his assistant. He chose Bro. Glenn Murray.

EXECUTIVE BOARD - Bro. Cody Freeman and Glenn Murray were nominated for term to expire in 1991. Bro. Freeman was elected by the conference.

MISSION BOARD - Bro. Darrell Strain was nominated for a term to expire in 1991. Bro. Strain was elected. Bro. Davie Combs was elected to fill the unexpired term of Bro. John England who moved from our association.

ORDINATION COUNCIL - Bro. David Honeycutt and Clark Stephens were nominated. MSC to close nominations. Bro. Clark Stephens was elected by the conference for a term to expire in 1989. Bro. Harry Beatty was nominated and elected to fill the unexpired term of Bro. Charles Hollis. (Bro. Hollis deceased on May 15, 1986).

EVANGELISM COMMITTEE - Brothers Glynn Campbell and Royce Hollis were nominated for a term to expire in 1991. Bro. Campbell was elected. Bro. Royce Hollis was nominated and elected to fill the unexpired term of Bro. John England. Term to expire in 1989.

FINANCE COMMITTEE - Brothers Leo Warren, Allen Sanders, and Richard Sandridge were nominated and elected to this committee by a vote of the conference.

TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE - Brothers Marvin Cockman, Wallace Strain, and Ulus Caldwell were nominated and elected by the conference to this committee.

OBITUARY COMMITTEE - Sisters Ruth Thompson, Esther Strain and Leona Blankenship were elected to this committee by a vote of the conference.

GENERAL BOARD MEMBER - Brothers James Lee Reed and Glenn Murray were nominated to fill the term of Bro. John England. Bro. Reed was elected by the conference.

MSC to remove item number 5 of the Executive Committee Report from the table so the wording could be changed or a substitute offered in its place. MSC to substitute that we strike out Article 13 of the Constitution and insert in its place the following. "Each minister recommended by the church of which he is a member is to receive a yearly certificate." MSC to lay this on the table until Saturday Session.

MSC to strike out Standing Rule Number 10 as a part of the substitute.

MSC to lay this on the table until Saturday Session. MSC to adjourn until the Saturday Morning Session at 9 a.m. Adjourned with prayer led by Bro. Wallace Strain.

SATURDAY SESSION, MAY 17, 1986

The Saturday Morning Session was called to order by the clerk, reading from Ephesians 5:1-6. Brother Ben Pohnert led in the opening prayer. Bro. David Honeycutt led the congregation as we sang "I Want To Be Ready."

The Moderator, Bro. Garland Barton assumed charge of the services and called for the reading of the constitution and by-laws. MSC to omit the reading of the constitution and by-laws since they were read in Friday morning's session.

The minutes of the previous day's work were read. MSC to accept the minutes as read.

The letter from the Byrd Church was read and the delegates who were not present for the reading of the church letters on Friday were seated with the right hand of fellowship. MSC to receive the letter from the Byrd Church.

Delegates to the State Meeting were selected from those who volunteered their services. They are Sis. Rachel Murray, Bro. Ben Pohnert, Sis. Pohnert, Sis. Blanche Wisheart, Sis. L. Beatty, Sis. V. Freeman, and

Sis. Rosa L. Reed. MSC to send the above delegates and give them authority to add names to the list in case someone can't attend.

MSC to remove from the table the substitute motion replacing Item No. 5 of the Executive Board Report. Motion to delete Article 13 of the Constitution and insert "Each Minister recommended by the church of which he is a member is to receive a yearly certificate." The motion passed.

Motion to delete Standing Rule No. 10 failed by a vote of the conference. MSC to remove from the table Item No. 6 of the Executive Board Report.

The motion to reword Article 13 of the Standing Rules with the following wording, "All business referred to the Executive Board shall be in written form." The motion passed by a vote of the conference.

The Byrd Church letter carried a request for the body to extend the Ministers License of Bro. Gary Wetzel. The Ordination Council examined the request and materials furnished with the request and recommendation that Bro. Wetzel's license be extended for one year and that he be given a Yearly Certificate. MSC to receive the report and grant the request.

MSC to release all temporary committees.

Sis. Frances Simpson gave an oral report challenging the Body to support the Youth Association Meetings.

Brothers Allen Sanders, Darrell Strain and Sis. Linda Sanders were accepted as representatives to the Little Vine Association of General Baptist meeting at Lilly Ridge Church on September 11, 12, and 13.

MSC to extend our heartfelt thanks to the United Freewill Baptist Church for hosting the Yearly Meeting. We were dismissed for a short recess. Prayer by Bro. Allen Sanders.

WORSHIP SERVICES

The Preaching Services began as the congregation sang "Beautiful" and prayer was led by Bro. Harry Beatty. The moderator turned the services over to Bro. Millard Ehrhardt. Bro. Ehrhardt read from St. Luke 16:19-31. His subject was "It Could Have Been Different." Bro. Ehrhardt brought a good message. The services were concluded by a song of invitation and an old fashioned handshake with Bro. Ehrhardt.

We were dismissed in prayer as the blessing was asked on the food by Bro. Wayne Cloven.

ENROLLMENT OF MINISTERS, DEACONS & CLERKS

FRIDAY

MINISTERS

Doyle E. Williams
Virgil F. Blankenship
Cody Freeman
Garland G. Barton
Glenn E. Murray
James Lee Reed
David Honeycutt
Clark Stephens
Millard Ehrhardt
C. R. Thompson
Allen Sanders
Davie N. Combs
J. W. King
Darrell Strain
Harry Beatty

DEACONS

James Dodson
Bill Burkhead
Wallace Strain
Troy Sims
Ernest Adkisson
Ulus Caldwell
Nolen Johnson
Howard Dethrow
Howard Bell
Ben Pohnert
Royce Hollis
Leo Warren
Truman Parrott
Roscoe Mills
T. J. Adkisson

CHURCH CLERKS

Margie Parrott
Juanita Willbanks
Lena C. Watson

SATURDAY

MINISTERS

Glenn E. Murray
Garland G. Barton
Robert Wilson
James Lee Reed
Clark Stephens
David Honeycutt
Charles Gower
Larry K. Cockman
Cody Freeman
Walter Simpson
Wayne Cloven
Darrell Strain
Harry Beatty

DEACONS

Ernest Adkisson
Ulus Caldwell
Bill Burkhead
Troy Sims

CHURCH CLERKS

Naomie Bunch

DELEGATES ATTENDING THE

99th YEARLY MEETING

| CHURCH | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
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| ALTON | | |
| Sis. Edna Johnson | Present | Absent |
| Sis. Bertha Williams | Present | Absent |
| Sis. Bertha Wright | Present | Absent |
| BAILEY CHAPEL | | |
| Sis. Ruth Thompson | Present | Absent |
| Sis. Ruth Holman | Present | Absent |
| Sis. Ruth Turner | Present | Absent |
| CAVE SPRINGS | | |
| Sis. Dollie Combs | Present | Absent |
| Sis. Lillie Barton | Absent | Absent |
| Sis. Virginia Combs | Present | Absent |
| CLIFTON | | |
| Sis. Norma Buehler | Present | Present |
| Sis. Cynthia Buehler | Present | Present |
| Bro. Curtis Buehler | Present | Present |
| COTTON CREEK | | |
| Bro. Marvin Cockman | Present | Absent |
| Sis. Irene Cockman | Present | Absent |
| Sis. Norma Jo Case | Present | Absent |
| FAITH CHAPEL | | |
| Sis. Hattie Sims | Present | Present |
| Sis. Gracie Stephens | Present | Present |
| Sis. Bethel Richardson | Present | Present |
| FIRST FREEWILL WEST PLAINS | | |
| Bro. Dan Singletary | Absent | Present |
| Sis. Debbie Singletary | Absent | Present |
| Sis. Willie Mae Bell | Absent | Present |
| GARFIELD | | |
| Sis. Vesta Sanders | Present | Absent |
| Sis. Linda Dethrow | Present | Absent |
| Sis. Lorene Bennett | Present | Absent |

KOSHKONONG

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| Sis. Mary Jean Vincent | Present | Absent |
| Sis. Irene Madden | Present | Absent |
| Sis. Juanita Willbanks | Present | Absent |

LIBERTY

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| Sis. Lillian Snodgrass | Absent | Absent |
| Bro. Noble Snodgrass | Absent | Absent |
| Bro. Charley Reed | Absent | Absent |

MT. ZION

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| Sis. Sharon Bowers | Absent | Absent |
| Sis. Pat Holesapple | Present | Absent |
| Sis. Nancy Hibbits | Present | Absent |

MYRTLE

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| Sis. Blanche Wischart | Present | Present |
| Sis. Lucy Morgan | Absent | Absent |
| Bro. Dale Huddle | Absent | Absent |

NORMAN

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| Bro. Paul Roberts | Present | Absent |
| Sis. Inis Roberts | Absent | Absent |
| Sis. Altha Roy | Absent | Absent |

PINEY

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| Sis. Shirley Cockman | Present | Present |
| Bro. Leland Cockman | Absent | Present |
| Bro. Dwight Brawley | Absent | Absent |

PLEASANT HILL

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| Sis. Maxine Warren | Present | Absent |
| Sis. Blanche Burkhead | Present | Absent |
| Sis. Nora Hollis | Present | Absent |

PLEASANT RIDGE

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| Sis. Linda Honeycutt | Present | Absent |
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ROYAL OAK

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| Sis. Cathy Lunyou | Present | Absent |
| Sis. Alma Orr | Present | Absent |
| Sis. Birdie Lunyou | Present | Absent |
| Sis. Frances Bell (Alternate) | | |

SHILOH

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| Sis. Alma Wilson | Present | Present |
| Sis. Dean Murphy | Absent | Absent |
| Sis. Margie Parrott | Present | Absent |

SMYRNA

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| Sis. Betty Adrian | Present | Absent |
| Sis. Lucille Wright | Absent | Absent |
| Sis. Artie Case | Present | Absent |

THAYER

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| Sis. Viola Freeman | Absent | Absent |
| Sis. Lorene Pohnert | Present | Present |
| Sis. Sylvia Sandridge | Present | Present |

UNITED

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| Sis. Addie Adkisson | Present | Present |
| Bro. Don Bryan | Present | Present |
| Sis. Wanda Bryan | Present | Present |

VICTORY

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| Sis. Esther Strain | Present | Present |
| Sis. Viola Strain | Present | Absent |

WALNUT GROVE

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| Sis. Joy King | Absent | Absent |
| Sis. Audrey Ehrhardt | Present | Absent |
| Sis. Mary June King | Present | Absent |

WILDERNESS

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| Sis. Opal Brawley | Present | Absent |
| Sis. Millie Dodson | Present | Absent |
| Sis. Dee Ann Lunyou | Absent | Absent |

QUARTERLY MEETING

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| Sis. Cecil Ehrhardt | Present | Present |
| Sis. Ruth Booker | Absent | Absent |
| Sis. Ruth Turner | Present | Absent |

BYRD

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| Sis. Brenda Garrison | Absent | Present |
| Sis. Lela Newman | Absent | Present |

| A SUMMARY OF MINISTERS REPORTS | CHURCHES PASTORED | SERMONS ELSEWHERE | MILES TRAVELED | RECEIVED INTO CHURCH | BAPTIZED | CONVERSIONS WITNESSED | RECEIVED FOR LABORS | CHURCHES VISITED | APPOINTMENTS FILLED | MARRIAGES PERFORMED | FUNERALS OFFICIATED |
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| Adrian, W. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Barton, G. | 1 | 8 | 16,400 | | 2 | | \$4,080.00 | 10 | All | 3 | 3 |
| Barton, L. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Beatty, H. | Supply | 20 | 1,000 | | | 12 | | 6 | | | 3 |
| Blankenship, V. | 1 | 6 | 5,320 | | | | 1,682.50 | 5 | | 1 | 2 |
| Campbell, G. | 1 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cloven, W. | 1 | 28 | 1,500 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2,528.00 | 14 | All | 0 | 0 |
| Clubb, L. | 2 | 12 | 3,000 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 2,500.00 | 7 | 7 | | |
| Cockman, L. K. | 0 | | | 1 | | | 897.00 | All | | | |
| Combs, D. | 1 | 5 | | | | | 1,980.50 | 9 | 40 | 1 | 8 |
| Combs K. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Dunkin, J. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Ehrhardt, M. | | | | | | RETIRED | | | | | |
| England, J. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Freeman, C. | 1 | 12 | 15,000 | | 7 | 5 | | | | 2 | 4 |
| Garrison, H. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Garrison, J. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Gower, C. | 1 | 18 | 3,560 | 8 | 19 | 21 | 5,200.00 | 24 | All But 2 | 9 | 15 |
| Hollis, C. | | | | | | DECEASED | | | | | |
| Hollis, E. E. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Holesapple, J. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Honeycutt, D. | 1 | 6 | 2,500 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4,394.00 | 5 | All | 1 | 3 |
| King, J. W. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Lunyou, W. | 1 | 2 | 4,000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3,600.00 | 1 | | 3 | 2 |
| Morris, D. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Murray, G. | 1 | 78 | 20,000 | 18 | 9 | 191 | | 16 | All | 2 | 17 |
| Odgen, H. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Pingleton, G. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Reed, J. L. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sanders, A. | 1 | | | | | 2 | | | All | 3 | |
| Simpson, E. E. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Simpson, W. | 1 | | | 2 | 4 | | 1,560.00 | | All | | 4 |
| Stephens, C. | 1 | | 3,670 | 3 | | | 3,684.00 | | All | 4 | 5 |
| Strain, D. | 1 | 15 | 9,865 | | 2 | 10 | 6,000.00 | 4 | All | 1 | 1 |
| Thompson, C. R. | 1 | 1 | | 3 | 3 | | | | | | 1 |
| Todd, R. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Williams, D. E. | 0 | 75 | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1,650.00 | 8 | All | 3 | 3 |
| Wetzel, G. | | 35 | 290 | | | | | | | 0 | 0 |
| Wilson, R. | 1 | | 5,728 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1,890.00 | | All | 1 | 0 |

ARTICLES OF FAITH

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

GOD: There is one living and true God revealed in nature as the Creator, preserver and Righteous Governor of the Universe, and in Scripture as Father, Son and Holy Ghost, as one God infinitely wise and good whom all intelligent creatures are supremely to love, adore and obey.

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

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

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

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

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

THE TERMS OF SALVATION: The conditions of salvation are:

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

ELECTION: God determined from the beginning to save all who would comply with the conditions of salvation. Hence, by faith in Christ men become His elect.

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

SALVATION FREE: God desires the salvation of all, the Gospel invites all, the Holy Spirit strives with all, and whomsoever will may come and take of the water of Life freely.

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

GOSPEL ORDINANCE

BAPTISM, or the immersion of believers in water, and the **LORD'S SUPPER** are ordinances to be perpetuated under the gospel. **FEET WASHING**, an ordinance teaching humility, or universal obligation and to be administered to all true believers.

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

WAR: War destroys the lives of the innocent and is contrary to the New Testament; therefore, we are opposed to war.

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

FREEWILL 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 live 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 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 forsake the assembling of ourselves together for church conference, public worship and the observances of the Gospel, nor fail to pay according to our ability for the support of the church, of its poor, its ill, and its benevolent work.

We agree to accept Christian admonition and reproof with meekness, and to watch over one another in love endeavoring to "KEEP THE UNITY OF THE SPIRIT" in the bond of peace, to be careful of one another's happiness and reputation, and seek to strengthen the weak, encourage the afflicted, admonish the erring, as far as we are able, 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.

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

CONSTITUTION

This organization shall be known as the Cave Springs Yearly Meeting of Freewill Baptists and shall be composed of such well regulated quarterly meetings and churches as may embody themselves under this constitution.

ARTICLE 1. It shall be the purpose of this organization to cooperate with the state and national associations in their efforts to combine and direct the energies of the Freewill Baptist Church for the promotion of Home and Foreign missions, Christian education, Sunday Schools, Church Training Service, and Women's Auxiliary and for the extension of the Kingdom of God in general.

ARTICLE 2. The acting members of this yearly meeting shall be three (3) delegates from each church chosen by the church, three (3) delegates from each quarterly meeting together with all ministers, deacons, church clerks, quarterly meeting clerks, and associational clerks belonging to this body.

ARTICLE 3. The officers of this yearly meeting shall consist of a moderator and assistant moderator, a clerk and assistant clerk, and a treasurer and assistant treasurer. The clerk and treasurer shall have authority to choose their assistants. Each shall hold office until their successor is elected. The Clerk shall receive an honorarium of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for his service each year.

ARTICLE 4. An executive board composed of five members shall be elected. It shall be the duty of this board to transact the business of this body between the regular session. The members of the board shall be elected in the following manner: one for one year, one for two years, one for three years, one for four years and one for five years, hereafter, one board member shall be elected each year, whose term of office shall

be five years. If any vacancies occur between sessions of the Yearly Meeting, the board shall have power to fill such vacancy until the next session of the yearly meeting.

ARTICLE 5. An Ordaining Council composed of three members shall be elected in the following manner: one for three years, one for two years, one for one year and thereafter one member shall be elected each year, whose term of office shall be for three years. If any vacancy shall occur between sessions of the Yearly Meeting, the Executive Board shall have power to fill such vacancy until the next session of the Yearly Meeting. Two regular members must be present at any ordination service.

ARTICLE 6. Any regular organized Freewill Baptist Church maintaining Gospel order, agreeing with the denomination in doctrine, in favor of benevolent enterprises such as Sunday School, missions, temperance, and education may be received into this yearly meeting by presenting a petition asking for membership, by a majority vote of all members voting.

ARTICLE 7. This yearly meeting shall have power to discipline its churches and exclude them for disorderly conduct if labor proves unsuccessful, to ordain deacons, to license and ordain ministers such as give evidence of being qualified and called of God, by request of the church of which he belongs, to settle questions of discipline and doctrine as the church or quarterly meeting may refer to it. To make rules and by-laws necessary and not inconsistent with its constitution, but in no case shall the body have power to reverse a decision of one of its churches or quarterly meetings, nor in any way interfere with its internal regulations nor hold any ecclesiastical authority over the churches or quarterly meetings composing this yearly meeting.

ARTICLE 8. Each session of this yearly meeting shall convene annually beginning on Friday at nine in the morning before the third Sunday in May and shall adjourn at the close of the Saturday afternoon session.

ARTICLE 9. This yearly meeting shall decide at each session where the next session shall convene. It shall consider each invitation from its churches and shall decide by a majority vote of all members voting.

ARTICLE 10. This constitution may be amended at any regular session of this body by a two-thirds vote providing notice of the contemplated change has been read and placed on the table one day previous to the time of voting.

ARTICLE 11. The Ordaining Council may license a minister but only while this body is in session.

ARTICLE 12: This yearly meeting shall have power to grant a yearly certificate at the same time a license is granted, both to expire at the same time.

ARTICLE 13. Each minister recommended by the church of which he is a member is to receive a yearly certificate.

ARTICLE 14. All ministers coming into the Association whose credentials have not been examined and approved by the Quarterly Meeting must go before the Yearly Associational Ordaining Council for approval before being accepted by this Association.

BY—LAWS

ARTICLE 1. Each session of this conference shall be called to order by the standing clerk when present, and in his absence by the member having seniority in years.

ARTICLE 2. Each session and adjourned session of the conference shall be opened and closed with prayer.

ARTICLE 3. Ten members shall be required to constitute a quorum to transact any business of this conference. But any less number may adjourn from time to time.

ARTICLE 4. This conference shall elect (or cause to be appointed) a standing committee composed of three (3) members, which is the Ordaining Council. Their duty shall be to examine, pass upon, or recommend suitable action to the Conference, on all Credentials referred to them by the Conference or by the Business Committee of the conference.

ARTICLE 5. At each session of this conference, standing committees shall be appointed on such subjects as the following: Missions, Obituary, Executive Board, Ordaining and Finance. All petitions and committees on particular subjects shall be referred to appropriate committees. Special committees may be appointed at the pleasure of the conference.

ARTICLE 6. This conference may hold correspondence by messenger or otherwise with religious bodies as it may deem advisable.

ARTICLE 7. This conference may sit with open doors except when it may go into committee of the whole.

ARTICLE 8. Any person not a member of this conference may be allowed to take part in its discussions by obtaining permission of the conference.

ARTICLE 9. It shall be the duty of the members of this conference to be present at the time appointed for each daily session and anyone wishing to retire shall first obtain leave of the moderator.

ARTICLE 10. No member shall absent himself from conference during the sessions without first obtaining permission from the conference.

ARTICLE 11. Every member wishing to speak in conference shall address the moderator.

ARTICLE 12. No person shall be allowed to speak more than ten (10) minutes at any one time nor more than twice on any subject without leave of the conference.

ARTICLE 13. There shall be no discussion of any issue unless first there be a motion and second made from the floor.

ARTICLE 14. No person shall be allowed to nominate more than one member of any committee provided the brother nominated be elected.

ARTICLE 15. The yeas and nays may be taken on any question before the conference by request of one-fifth of the members present.

ARTICLE 16. The constitution and by-laws of this conference shall be read at each session near its commencement.

ARTICLE 17. The Clerk, Assistant Clerk and Treasurer as elected each year are to serve as the printing committee.

ARTICLE 18. The Moderator shall have authority to appoint the Divine Committee.

ARTICLE 19. The Moderator shall have authority to appoint temporary committees prior to yearly meeting. (Whole committees can be appointed from any church delegation).

ARTICLE 20. Any committee doing business for the Yearly Meeting must be a committee formed by the Yearly Meeting.

STANDING RULES

ARTICLE 1. The Constitution, By-Laws, Standing Rules and Order of Business are to be printed in the minutes.

ARTICLE 2. Our fiscal year shall be from April 1 to March 31 and all reports are to be made using the same dates.

ARTICLE 3. That we adhere quite strictly to the principles of our Church Covenant as Pastors, Deacons and Lay Members.

ARTICLE 4. All church letters, requesting the next yearly meeting, are to be turned in prior to the Eleven O'clock Service on Friday and all other letters are to be accepted no later than the opening session on the second day.

ARTICLE 5. All Standing Committees appointed or elected by the Yearly Meeting shall hold office until released or replaced.

ARTICLE 6. No person shall serve in the same office more than five consecutive years.

ARTICLE 7. The Ordaining Council is to assume the duties performed by a Credential Committee.

ARTICLE 8. The Ordaining Council is to use the drafted set of questions in aid to their Committee work.

ARTICLE 9. Each minister coming from another body, shall present a letter of recommendation from the body of which he is a member.

ARTICLE 10. If a minister is not recommended by his church, the church and the minister is to be investigated to length by the Executive Board and if the minister be worthy of a certificate, the Executive Board has power to grant a yearly certificate.

ARTICLE 11. Each Church is to recommend its worthy Deacons to the Yearly Meeting and also to list their non-recommended Deacons.

ARTICLE 12. Any Church having Deacons or Ministers who do not do the work of a Deacon or Minister or does not walk uprightly as they are members of this association; that such Church report to the Executive Board their grievance.

ARTICLE 13. All business referred to the Executive Board shall be in written form.

ARTICLE 14. Any minister or Deacon who has two living wives or any Minister or Deacon's wife who has two living companions shall not be Ordained or recommended worthy to the Association.

ARTICLE 15. Any licensed Minister must preach for one year before being eligible to be ordained.

ARTICLE 16. Any person who would give false answers to obtain licenses or Ordination papers, after investigation and proven guilty, their papers be annulled immediately.

ARTICLE 17. To be elected to an office or a standing committee, a person must have been a member in good standing in the association for one year.

ARTICLE 18. Before a deacon can be ordained in our yearly meeting, a church must place him on trial, proving him worthy as a deacon in the church, for one year.

CHURCHES

ALTON CHURCH: Organized September 16, 1955, by Revs. C. A. Dodson, Harry Beatty, Davie Combs, H. C. Crase, Billie Rogers, Keith Johnson, Ernest Harding and Meril Shaw; and Deacons Lee Clark, W. B. Combs, Luke Boze, Andrew Moore, Lee Lynch, Roy Martin, Wallace Strain, Raymond Williams, Mack Warren and Dale Archer; with 43 members. Clifton Wright, Jim Harding and Elgin Williams were selected as deacons.

BAILEY CHAPEL CHURCH: Organized August 28, 1938 by Rev. E.E. Simpson, Rev. C. A. Dodson and Rev. Elmer Hodges with 55 members and John Nicholas, W. M. Huddleston and Elgin Williams as deacons.

BYRD CHURCH: Organized November 18. 1968 by Rev. Meril Shaw, Carroll and Ross Tharp. Clerk, Mary Tharp.

CAVE SPRINGS CHURCH: Organized July 12, 1879 with 24 members by Rev. David Johnson, Rev. A. J. Jones and Rev. S. J. Thornberg.

CLIFTON CHURCH: Organized July 23, 1949 by Billie Rogers, F. D. Johnson and E. E. Simpson with 15 members. Billie Rogers was elected pastor. Nova Coble elected clerk. Billie Joe Lovelace elected treasurer. John Clark, Paul Caldwell and Emery Coble were selected as deacons.

COTTON CREEK CHURCH: Organized August 6, 1893 by Rev. J. H. Herlson and Rev. N. Combs with 13 members. T. J. Dunkin and G. W. Robertson were elected as deacons.

FAITH CHAPEL CHURCH: Organized on September 9, 1973 by Rev. Clark Stephens, Howard Bowers, Davie Combs, Charles Hollis, Noah Miller, Darrell Strain, Donnie Morris, Meril Shaw and deacons Bro. Bob Dotson, Troy Sims, Cecil Cambess, Dave Uhlmann and N. H. Rhoads. Rev. Clark Stephens was selected as pastor and Troy Sims selected as deacon with 15 members.

GARFIELD CHURCH: Organized August 17, 1942 by Rev. Harry H. Beatty, Billie Rogers and Fred Dodson. Organized with 22 members. Edd Rogers and Noah Hollis as deacons.

LIBERTY CHURCH: Organized September 25, 1921 with members by Rev. J. R. W. Harbison, Rev. John Combs, Rev. James McGhee and Rev. G. H. Miller.

LINGO CHURCH: The church was officially organized on November 18, 1977 with 27 members. Rev. Dale Skiles and Rev. James Lee Reed assisted in the service. Rev. Bill McClintock was the pastor.

KOSHKONONG CHURCH: Organized October 31, 1965 by Rev. Davie Combs, E. E. Simpson, Dale Skiles, C. R. Bryan, James Lee Reed, S. D. Johnson, F. D. Johnson, J. W. King, Glenn Murray, Jesse Dunkin, Noah Miller, O. T. Allred, Ezra Butts, Clyde Montgomery, W. S. Turner, A. L. McGhee, Ode Hackworth, Howard Bowers, Charles W. Gower, Louis Stephens, Meril Shaw, G. L. Pingleton, Barnard Roberts and deacons Elza Webb, C. L. Robinson, Lee Clark, Paris Wheeler, Mack Warren, Homer Harper, Roy Underwood, T. J. Adkisson, David Uhlmann, Leamon Combs, Ben Pohnert, Ulus Caldwell, Luke Boze, Hubert Bowers and Jim Kentner. Rev. Davie Combs selected pastor and Jim Kenter as deacon with 21 members.

MT. ZION CHURCH: Organized July 30, 1939 by Bro. J. E. Rolen, B. H. Woodring and Rev. J. E. S. Pentecost. Organized with 14 members. Dave Bowers and C. A. Harrison as deacons.

MYRTLE CHURCH: Organized in October, 1903. Levi Taylor and Henry Wisheart as deacons.

NORMAN CHURCH: Organized October 3, 1914 by Rev. W. P. Stogsdill and Rev. W. C. Norman with 18 members. D. M. Crews and G. W. Moore as deacons.

PINEY CHURCH: Organized in 1885 by Rev. G. A. Jones. Members unknown.

PLEASANT HILL CHURCH: Organized October 6, 1918 by Rev. E. J. Vaughn and Rev. H. C. Crase with 17 members.

PLEASANT RIDGE CHURCH: Organized May 28, 1933 by Rev. E. E. Simpson, Nathan Combs, W. M. Johnson and Elmer Hodges with 13 members.

ROYAL OAK CHURCH: Organized on the first Sunday in October, 1930 by Rev. H. C. Crase and Elmer Hodges assisted by Deacon J. P. McCullough with 23 members.

SHILOH CHURCH: Organized October 19, 1930 by Rev. W. P. Stogsdill and Rev. Billie Rogers. It was organized with 14 members. C. H. Crews and Lee Clark as deacons. Elizabeth Holmes as church clerk.

SMYRNA CHURCH: Organized November 1882 by Rev. David Johnson and Rev. A. J. Jones with 13 members.

THAYER CHURCH: Organized July 31, 1954 with 33 charter members by Rev. Davie Combs, Joe Sisk, J. E. Rolen and Harry Beatty. Ordained deacons elected as deacons, J. W. Jewell, Otto Harrison and Fred King.

UNITED CHURCH: Organized March 28, 1979 by Rev. Finis Johnson, James Lee Reed, Clark Stephens, Jesse Dunkin, Harry Beatty and Manuel Dunkin. Rev. Finis Johnson was chosen as Interim Pastor. Catherine Judd chosen as clerk, Geneva Easter chosen as treasurer. Bros. Tommie Adkisson, Ulus Caldwell and David Uhlmann were chosen as deacons. Bros. Jim Walker, Carroll Hickman, Jack Judd, Hubert Holman and Randall Tate elected as trustees.

VICTORY CHURCH: Organized May 17, 1978 with 36 charter members by Deacons Wallace Strain and John Barton, Rev. J. Darrell Strain and Keith Combs. Pastor elected: J. Darrell Strain, clerk, Helen Barton.

WALNUT GROVE CHURCH: Organized in 1889 by Rev. H. C. Crase and Rev. E. R. Evans with seven members.

WEST PLAINS CHURCH: Organized on December 20, 1955 under the leadership of the State Home Mission team, Rev. and Mrs. Lester Jones and members of the State Home Mission Board. N S M 111-

T. J. Adkisson and Eugene James were elected trustees and Howard Campbell, James Dotson, Ralph Fletchall, J. R. Walker and Eugene James were elected as advisory committee.

WILDERNESS CHURCH: Organized August 2, 1940 by Rev. Clarence Dodson, S. W. Bell and Deacon Elgin Williams. Organized with 22 members and Mack Simpson, Hosea Simpson and Othel Neal as deacons.

PETITIONARY LETTER FORM

We, the Council of Ordained Ministers _____

_____ organized _____

Church, county of _____

State of _____ number of members _____

_____ by choice of the body _____

_____ were selected as deacons,

church clerk _____

on the _____ day of _____ 19 ____ .

We, therefore, petition the conference to accept our church into
your body as a member _____

_____ Conference or Association.

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