

MINUTES

OF THE

103rd

CAVE SPRINGS YEARLY MEETING

OF FREEWILL BAPTISTS

HELD WITH

WEST PLAINS FIRST

FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

MAY 18 and 19, 1990

OFFICERS: 1990 SESSION

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| Moderator | Darrell Strain |
| Assistant Moderator | Garland Barton |
| Clerk | Sherman Baker |
| Assistant Clerk | Reva Baker |
| Treasurer | Ben Pohnert |
| Assistant Treasurer | Leo Warren |

The next session of the Cave Springs Yearly Meeting of Free Will Baptist Churches will be held with the Koshkonong FWB Church, Koshkonong, Missouri.

Services will begin at 9:00 :00 o'clock a.m., Friday before third Sunday in May, 1991.

Bro. Grover Pingleton and Bro. Ronnie Blanks will bring the Introductory Message in the 1991 Meeting.

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COMMITTEES

| EXECUTIVE BOARD | TERM EXPIRES |
|---------------------|--------------|
| Cody Freeman | 1991 |
| Larry Cockman | 1992 |
| Bill Burkhead | 1993 |
| Nolen Johnson | 1994 |
| J. W. King | 1995 |

| MISSION BOARD | |
|--------------------------|------|
| Darrell Strain | 1991 |
| Virgil Blankenship | 1992 |
| Doyle E. Williams | 1993 |
| Robert Wilson | 1994 |
| Garland Barton | 1995 |

| ORDAINING COUNCIL | |
|------------------------|------|
| Walter Simpson | 1991 |
| Grover Pingleton | 1992 |
| Wayne Cloven | 1993 |

| EVANGELISTIC COMMITTEE | |
|------------------------|------|
| Cody Freeman | 1991 |
| Allen Sanders | 1992 |
| Darrell Strain | 1993 |
| Howard Bell | 1994 |
| Glenn Murray | 1995 |

| FINANCE COMMITTEE |
|-------------------|
| Leo Warren |
| Curtis Beuhler |
| Allen Sanders |

| OBITUARY COMMITTEE |
|--------------------|
| Ruth Thompson |
| Ester Strain |
| Leona Blankenship |

| TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE |
|----------------------|
| Marvin Cockman |
| Gary McClanahan |
| David Honeycut |

| PRINTING COMMITTEE | |
|---------------------|-----------------|
| Ben Pohnert | Treasurer |
| Sherman Baker | Clerk |
| Reva Baker | 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 Treasurer's Report
19. The Report of the Obituary Committee
20. Report of Divine Service Committee
21. Report of Other Committees
22. Set a Place For the Next Yearly Meeting
23. Adjournment With Prayer
24. Evening Service

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

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

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

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

1990 YEARLY MEETING MINUTES

103rd Yearly Meeting of The Cave Springs Association of Freewill Baptists

The 103rd annual meeting of the Cave Springs Association of Freewill Baptists met with the West Plains First Freewill Baptist Church of West Plains on Friday the 18th day of May, 1990.

The meeting was called to order by the clerk who read St. John 14:1-7, followed with prayer by Brother Glenn Murray. Brother Steven Hickinbottom led the congregation as they sang "The Gloryland Way", accompanied by Sis. Francis Simpson at the piano.

The Clerk turned the service to the Moderator, Brother Darrell Strain and he welcomed everyone to the 103rd Cave Springs Yearly Meeting. The moderator asked the clerk to read the constitution and by-laws. They were read.

Visiting Bro.'s and Sis.'s were invited into seats of council by the moderator. The moderator called for the reading of the church letters. The clerk read the letters with the following delegates.

DELEGATES AT THE 103rd YEARLY MEETING

| CHURCH | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|--------------------------|---------|----------|
| ALTON | | |
| Velma Campbell | Present | Absent |
| Lin Combs | Absent | Present |
| Bill Combs . (Sat) | Present | Present |
| BAILEY | | |
| Ruth Holman | Present | Present |
| Sadie Sisco | Present | Absent |
| Carl Sisco | Present | Absent |
| BYRD | | |
| Brenda Garrison | Absent | Absent |
| Lucille Garrison | Absent | Absent |
| Jessie Garrison | Absent | Absent |

CLIFTON

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|-----------------------|---------|---------|
| Norma Buehler | Present | Absent |
| Curtis Buehler | Present | Present |
| Cynthia Buehler | Present | Absent |

COTTON CREEK

| | | |
|--------------------------------|---------|--------|
| Marvin Cockman | Present | Absent |
| Irene Cockman | Present | Absent |
| Noel Combs | | |
| Rachel Combs (Alternate) | Present | Absent |

FAITH CHAPEL

| | | |
|-------------------|---------|--------|
| Henry Lee | Absent | Absent |
| Olene Lee | Present | Absent |
| Pat Mofield | Present | Absent |

GARFIELD

| | | |
|-----------------------|--------|---------|
| Vickie McGhee | Absent | Absent |
| Janet Bennett | Absent | Present |
| Clifton Bennett | Absent | Present |

KOSHKONONG

| | | |
|-------------------------|--------|---------|
| Lucille Forester | Absent | Present |
| Alise Roe | Absent | Absent |
| Juanita Willbanks | Absent | Present |

LIBERTY

No recommendations

MT. ZION

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|---------------------|--------|---------|
| Jim Bowers | Absent | Absent |
| Janet Bowers | Absent | Absent |
| Sharon Bowers | Absent | Present |

MYRTLE

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|------------------------|--------|--------|
| Dale Huddle | Absent | Absent |
| Blanche Wisehart | Absent | Absent |

NORMAN

| | | |
|------------------------|---------|--------|
| Owen Ray Collins | Present | Absent |
| Nadine Collins | Present | Absent |

PINEY

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|-----------------------|--------|--------|
| Carol Reynolds | Absent | Absent |
| Beverly Bagley | Absent | Absent |
| Dianne Lawrence | Absent | Absent |

PLEASANT HILL

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|-----------------------|---------|---------|
| Walter Simpson | Present | Absent |
| Bill Burkhead | Absent | Present |
| Francis Simpson | Present | Absent |

PLEASANT RIDGE

| | | |
|-----------------------|---------|--------|
| Linda Honeycutt | Present | Absent |
| Glen Booker | Absent | Absent |

ROYAL OAK

| | | |
|--------------------|---------|---------|
| Frances Bell | Present | Present |
| Hazel Barton | Present | Present |
| Alma Orr | Present | Absent |

SHILOH

| | | |
|-----------------------|---------|---------|
| Darlene Johnson | Absent | Present |
| Margie Parrott | Present | Absent |

SMYRNA

| | | |
|----------------------|--------|---------|
| Mary Campbell | Absent | Present |
| Cecil Campbell | Absent | Present |
| Betty Adrian | Absent | Present |

THAYER

| | | |
|---------------------------|---------|---------|
| Steven Hickenbotham | Present | Absent |
| Lorene Pohnert | Present | Present |
| Sylvia Sandridge | Present | Present |

UNITED

| | | |
|--------------------------|---------|---------|
| Maxine Jordan | Present | Present |
| J. Pete Holman | Present | Present |
| Genevieve Caldwell | Absent | Absent |

VICTORY

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|------------------------|---------|--------|
| Electa Smallwood | Present | Absent |
| Michelle Bettis | Present | Absent |

WALNUT GROVE

| | | |
|----------------------|---------|---------|
| Mary June King | Present | Absent |
| Audry Ehrhardt | Present | Absent |
| La Rue Bennett | Present | Present |

WEST PLAINS FIRST

| | | |
|----------------------|---------|---------|
| Ronnie Johnson | Absent | Present |
| Eula Payne | Present | Present |
| Kay Dickison | Absent | Absent |

WILDERNESS

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|----------------------|---------|--------|
| Earl Simpson | Present | Absent |
| Janice Simpson | Present | Absent |
| Dinah Miller | Present | Absent |

CAVE SPRINGS QUARTERLY MEETING

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|---------------------|--------|---------|
| Mary Campbell | Absent | Present |
| Sherri Cromer | Absent | Absent |
| Jerry Johnson | Absent | Present |

MSC to receive the church letters and seat the delegates. The delegates were seated with a handshake as the congregation sang "Joy Unspeakable".

The Moderator called for the Youth Association Letter. None was forthcoming.

The Moderator appointed the temporary committees for the yearly meeting and charged them to meet and bring back a report for the conference. The following were appointed:

DENOMINATION: Bro. Howard Bell, Bro. Ronnie Blanks, Bro. Walter Simpson, and Bro. Greg Smith.

LORDS DAY: Sis. Francis Simpson and the delegates from the Wilderness Church.

STATE OF RELIGION: Sis. Carolyn Barton and the delegates from the Alton Church.

LITERATURE: Bro. Cody Freeman and the delegates from the Thayer Church.

Petitionary Letters were called for. None was forthcoming.

Letters from Corresponding Messengers were called for. A letter from Bro. E. E. Simpson was read.

To The Cave Springs Association

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I would like to have been with you at this session but because of the distance I am unable to do so.

I now make my home in Bourbon, Mo. with my daughter and son-in-law.

After several years of being confined to my home unable to do much for myself, I am now able to do several things for myself, which I give the Lord praise for. Since being here I have preached several times, although I cannot see to read the scripture. I am very thankful the Lord has given me memory of the scriptures that I am able to quote. I had the privilege on Sunday night, April 25, of being in my home church and bring the message and having fellowship with my friends and loved ones.

God has richly blessed me in so many ways. I still enjoy the joy of my salvation of which I am not ashamed to let it be known. I often think of the Ministers which I have had fellowship with in the Cave Springs Association, also the dear Bro's and Sis's in Christ. All my sixty-one years of pastoring churches has been in the Cave Spring Association and I enjoyed every minute of it.

I hope and pray the Lord will richly bless you in your service today. I covet your prayers. May the grace of God and the Holy Spirit be with you till we meet again.

Rev. E. E. Simpson, P.O. Box 176, Bourbon, Mo. 65441

MSC to receive the letter. Suggested by Bro. J. W. King that we be as energetic as Bro. Simpson as we grow older. Various comments from the congregation of encouragement and thankfulness for Bro. Simpson.

The moderator asked for a vote from those interested in having services tonight. None was given.

The moderator appointed the Divine Service Committee. Appointed were Bro. Carl Sisco, Bro. Earl Simpson, and Bro. Troy Sims.

The moderator called for reports from other associational meetings. None was forthcoming.

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

At this time the moderator opened the floor for nomination for next year's introductory speakers. Bro. Grover Pingleton and Bro. Ronnie

Blanks were nominated. M/S that nomination cease and that we proceed to elect. Motion carried and Bro. Grover and Bro. Ronnie were elected.

TREASURER'S REPORT

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| BALANCE 5-19-89 | \$ 3.15 |
| DONATIONS & INCOME | 962.45 |
| TOTAL | \$ 965.60 |

EXPENSES

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|-------------------------------|--------|
| Darrell Strain | 25.00 |
| Mo. State Minutes | 115.00 |
| National Minutes | 220.00 |
| Cave Springs Youth | 52.45 |
| Williams Printing (350) | 397.75 |
| TOTAL EXPENSES | 810.20 |

BALANCE ON HAND 5-18-90 \$ 155.40

MSC to receive the report.

MSC to recess for 20 minutes to allow committees to work. Prayer by Bro. Wayne Cloven.

Meeting was called to order by the moderator and the congregation sang "When We All Get To Heaven".

The moderator called for the committee reports.

The Divine Service Committee reports that they have chosen Bro. Ronnie Blanks and Bro. Wayne Cloven to preach the Saturday Morning service.

MSC to receive the report and release the committee.

DENOMINATION COMMITTEE REPORT

We the Denomination Committee recommend that we stand for the principles which are taught in the word of God and we take a stand against and condemn the sin which the word of God calls sin, and we press toward that perfection which is called for 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: Walter Simpson, Howard Bell, Greg Smith, and Ronnie Blanks

MSC to receive the report and release the committee.

LORDS DAY REPORT

We, the Lords Day Committee, believe that Sunday is the designated day - set aside by the word of God - for God's people to worship and pray.

Fellowship and other activities should be done with a prayerful attitude in the heart.

Signed: Frances Simpson, Janice Simpson, Dinah Miller, Earl Simpson.

MSC to receive the report and release the committee.

LITERATURE COMMITTEE REPORT

We the Literature Committee affirm the stand of the Bible as our only rule of faith and practice and encourage our Churches to use the Freewill Baptist Sunday School literature and other Freewill Baptist publications.

Signed: Cody Freeman, Steve Hickinbotham, Sylvia Sandridge, Lorene Pohnert

MSC to receive the report and release the committee.

STATE OF RELIGION COMMITTEE REPORT

We the State of Religion Committee, believe that we should present our bodies a living sacrifice, holy, dedicated to living our lives for Christ. Prayerfully searching the scripture and staying God's will. Being in attendance faithfully, giving of ourselves to Christ and willingly working together for the cause of Christ, which is our reasonable service.

Signed: Carolyn Barton, Linda Combs, Velma Campbell

MSC to receive the report and release the committee.

ORDAINING COUNCIL REPORT

April 1, 1989 thru March 31, 1990

Ordaining Council met with Bro. Mike Crawford April 2, 1989 at Cotton Creek FWB Church to examine him for the office of Deacon. After examining him we found him sound in Doctrine and recommend him to be ordained as a deacon.

Signed: Bro. Walter Simpson, Bro. Doyle Williams, Bro. Wayne Cloven

Ordination Service began at 2:00 p.m., April 2, 1989 at Cotton Creek Church for the purpose of ordaining Bro. Mike Crawford as a deacon of that church. Bro. Walter Simpson took charge of the service. Opening prayer by Bro. Virgil Blankenship. Noel Johnson and Group sang two special songs.

Bro. Virgil Blankenship brought the charge from Acts 6:1-5 and I Tim. 3:8-13 "A Special Man".

Bro. Walter asked for Bro. Mike to come to the altar for questions confirming his dedication to fulfill his duties as a deacon in this church.

Bro. Ralph Payne led in the opening of the Ordination Prayer. Bro. J. W. King closed the prayer, as hands were laid on Bro. Mike by all the ordained present. Bro. Noel Johnson sang songs as we had an old fashion handshake. Bro. Mike Crawford dismissed in prayer.

April 13, 1989

Ordaining Council met with Bro. Stan Gray to examine him for the office of Minister. Meeting was held at Victory FWB Church at Alton. We the Ordaining Council found Bro. Stan to be sound in Doctrine and Faith, therefore we recommend him to be ordained.

Bro. Walter Simpson, Bro. Doyle Williams, Bro. Wayne Cloven

On June 4, 1989 at 2:00 p.m. we met at Victory FWB Church at Alton to ordain Bro. Stan Gray as a Minister. Bro. Walter Simpson took charge of the service. Bro. Bell opened service in prayer. Congregation sang two

songs. Special song was by Sis. Malynne Sandridge. A special song was by Sis. Annette Johnson. Bro. Grover Pingleton led in prayer.

Bro. Doyle Williams brought the charge from Titus 1:1-9 "But in Due Times Manifested His Word Through Preaching".

Bro. Stan and wife were asked to come to the altar for the laying on of hands, of Bro. Stan. Bro. Grover Pingleton opened Ordination Prayer, as hands were laid on Bro. Stan. Bro. Wayne Cloven closed prayer. Congregational song and handshake with Bro. Stan followed. Bro. Stan dismissed service in prayer.

August 7, 1989

Ordaining Council met with Bro. James Ray, Jr. at the home of Bro. Grover Pingleton to examine him for the office of Deacon in the Koshkonong FWB Church. After examining Bro. Ray the council found him sound in Doctrine and recommended him to be ordained as a deacon. Ordaining Service to be held August 13, 2:00 p.m. at Koshkonong.

Bro. Grover Pingleton, Bro. Walter Simpson

August 13, 1989 we met at the Koshkonong FWB Church at 2:00 p.m. to ordain Bro. James Ray, Jr. as a deacon.

Services opened with Bro. Grover Pingleton leading in Prayer. Congregation sang "I Want To Be Ready To Meet Him" and "Won't We Have A Good Time". Sister Wilson sang a special song. Bro. Walter Simpson was in charge of the service. Bro. Wayne Adrain brought the charge from Gen. 4:8 and I Tim. 3:8-14.

Bro. James and wife were called to the altar for the laying on of hands of Bro. James. Bro. Wayne Cloven closed prayer.

Congregation sang "I'd Rather Have Jesus" as we had a handshake with Bro. James. Bro. James Ray, Jr. dismissed services in prayer.

This is the Ordaining Council Report for 1989-1990

Signed Wayne Cloven, Walter Simpson, Grover Pingleton

MSC to receive the report.

M/S to accept the invitation by the Koshkonong FWB Church for the next yearly meeting. M/S to amend the motion for the vote to stand at their feet. Motion carried.

Announcements were received and prayer requests. Prayer by Bro. Walter Simpson for the many needs and requests.

M/S to adjourn for the preaching service.

11 O'CLOCK SERVICES

Bro. Glenn Murray came forward to begin his message in I Chron. 4:9-10 "A Respected Man's Prayer". Following Bro. Darrell took the stand and brought a message from Luke 14:27, Jeremiah 29:13, and Nehemiah 1:1-11, "When You Seek Good With All Your Heart". The invitation was given with hymn. Services were dismissed in prayer by Bro. J. W. King.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

The Conference was called to order by the clerk at 9:00 a.m. Prayer

was led by Bro. Wayne Adrain. The clerk read Romans 5:1-7. Bro. Jeff Duncan led the congregation as they sang "I'll Fly Away".

The Moderator, Bro. Darrell Strain took charge of the service.

MSC to omit the reading of the Constitution and By-Laws at the Saturday Morning session.

Minutes of the Friday session were read and approved.

Church delegates were called for and those who were not seated in Friday's session were seated with a handshake while the congregation sang "I Feel Like Traveling On".

The moderator opened the floor for nominations for the office of moderator. Bro. Darrell Strain was nominated. MSC to close nomination and elect. Bro. Darrell was elected by a vote of the conference.

MSC for the elected moderator to choose his assistant. Bro. Darrell chose Bro. Garland Barton.

The moderator opened the floor for nominations for clerk. Bro. Sherman Baker was nominated. M/S to close nominations and elect. Bro. Sherman was elected. Bro. Sherman chose Sis. Reva Baker as his assistant clerk. She was approved.

The floor was opened for nominations for treasurer. Bro. Ben Pohnert was nominated. M/S to close nominations and elect. Bro. Ben was elected.

The floor was opened for Assistant Treasurer. MSC to allow Bro. Ben Pohnert to choose his assistant treasurer. He chose Leo Warren. He was approved.

At this time the moderator called for committee reports that had not been given and the following were read.

TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE

We the Temperance Committee feel that God is destroying the Liquor Houses and that people can see what is going on in our country. If our people which are called by God would stick together and pray for these things we might see more Liquor Houses destroyed and the filth that is going on in our country. We need Christian Leaders in our government to help straighten our world out. God is our answer for everything.

Signed: The Temperance Committee

MSC to receive the report.

EVANGELISM COMMITTEE REPORT

The Cave Springs Evangelism Conference was held this past summer with the Thayer FWB Church and enjoyed by all.

The Oklahoma Ministers Quartet sang and preached in this Conference and did a great job.

Signed Glen Murray, Allen Sanders, Howard Bell, Darrell Strain

MSC to receive the report.

EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORT

There was no business conducted for the year 1989-90

Signed: Bill Burkhead, J. W. King, Larry W. Cockman

MSC to receive the report.

OBITUARY COMMITTEE REPORT

We, the Obituary Committee submit the following names of our brethren and sisters in Christ that God has called home. We extend our sympathy to their loved ones and churches and believe that God knows best in all things. We would request that Rev. Herman Garrison's name be added to the memory page.

Wallace Strain (deacon)...Royal Oak
Howard Muse.....United
Everett Reed.....Thayer
James Campbell
Rev. Herman Garrison.....Byrd
Jessie Simpson.....Wilderness
Walter Lavelly.....Byrd
Robert Roe.....Koshkonong
Meda Sisk.....Myrtle
William Alsup.....W. Plains 1st
Alma Alsup.....W. Plains 1st
Signed: Ruth Thompson

Robert Payne.....W. Plains 1st
Flo Dunkin.....Cotton Creek
Leona Brown.....Wilderness
Audra Clark.....Byrd
Virgie Russell.....Koshkonong
Adam Gulliam.....W. Plains 1st
Neoma Phipps.....Koshkonong
Finis Sorrell.....Myrtle
Virgil L. Combs.....Cotton Creek
Fern Forrester.....Alton

MSC to receive the report. The congregation stood to their feet as Bro. Clarence Burton led in an Honorary Prayer.

MSC to proceed to the Saturday afternoon order of business.

EXECUTIVE Board nominations were opened by the Moderator. MSC to retain Bro. J. W. King to this office.

MISSION Board nominations were opened by the Moderator. MSC to retain Bro. Garland Barton.

ORDAINING COUNCIL nominations were opened by the Moderator. MSC to retain Bro. Wayne Cloven.

EVANGELISTIC COMMITTEE nominations were opened by the Moderator. MSC to retain Bro. Glenn Murray.

The floor was opened for nominations for the FINANCE COMMITTEE. Bro. Leo Warren, Bro. Curtis Beuhler and Bro. Allen Sanders were nominated. M/S to close nominations and proceed to elect. Motion carried.

The Moderator asked for nominations for OBITUARY COMMITTEE. Sis. Ruth Thompson, Sis. Esther Strain, and Sis. Leona Blankenship were nominated. M/S to close nominations and elect. Motion carried.

The floor was opened for nominations for the TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE. Bro. Marvin Cockman, Bro. Gary McClanahan, and David Honeycutt were nominated. M/S to close nominations and elect. Motion carried.

Yearly Financial Report to Mo. Womans Auxiliary
From Cave Springs Association Auxiliaries

W.N.A.C.

Mem. State Loan Fund \$ 72.63

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| Tithes | 19.00 | |
| Co-Labor | 163.04 | |
| Membership Dues | 112.00 | |
| Emphasis (Gen. Fund) | 275.33 | |
| E. Edwards Fund | 25.00 | |
| Foreign Scholarship Fund | 25.00 | |
| Childrens Home - Tn..... | 22.63 | |
| | | \$ 714.63 |
| Mo. State Womans Auxiliary | | |
| Tithes - State Off. | 66.51 | |
| Membership Dues | 42.00 | |
| Other from '89 | 14.00 | |
| | | 122.51 |
| State Home Missions | | |
| General Fund | 30.00 | |
| Mertz - Wentzville | 337.77 | |
| Williams - Carthage | 325.00 | |
| Have A Heart Project | <u>150.02</u> | |
| | | 842.79 |
| National Home Missions | | |
| Russell Johnson (Wy) | 370.00 | |
| Mike Fields (Ok) Pre Thanks | 79.00 | |
| Hurrican Relief Pre Thanks | <u>116.00</u> | |
| | | 565.00 |
| Foreign Missions | | |
| Reeves (Spain) | 346.17 | |
| Bunch (Panama) | 296.17 | |
| Tallent (France) | 200.00 | |
| Pre Easter | <u>173.46</u> | |
| | | 1015.80 |
| Mo. State Youth Camp | | 30.00 |
| Oklahoma St. Home Missions - Mike Fields | | <u>120.00</u> |
| Total Reported to State Auxiliary | | 3410.73 |
| Other Reported Disbursements | | |
| Aux. Literature & Supplies | 145.95 | |
| Retreat Gifts to Missions | 40.00 | |
| Local Church Activities | 345.64 | |
| Other Special Offerings | <u>79.95</u> | |
| | | 611.54 |
| Non Cash Gifts - Provision Closet | | <u>317.94</u> |
| | | 4340.21 |
| | Total | |
| Total Auxiliaries Reporting | 4 | |
| Total Membership | 56 | |
| Myrtle | 7 | |
| Thayer | 19 | |
| United | 15 | |
| West Plains 1st | 15 | |

MSC to receive the report and commend the ladies for the great work they are doing.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

We the Finance Committee have checked the Treasurer's books and found the total of 895.40 to be correct for the yearly meeting. We the committee commend Bro. Ben Pohnert for the fine job he has done.

Signed: Bro. Curtis Buehler, Bro. Leo Warren, and Bro. Allen Sanders
MSC to adopt this report and commend the work of the treasurer.

Bro. Clarence Burton gave a report from the Missouri Executive Secretary's Office. MSC to receive his report as information.

MSC to express our heartfelt thanks to the West Plains 1st Church and individuals who helped to host the meeting.

MSC to recess and return for the 11 o'clock hour. Announcements and prayer requests were given and prayer was led by Bro. Charles Gower.

11 O'CLOCK SERVICE

The moderator called the service to order and Bro. Greg Smith led the congregation in "He Set Me Free", "When We All Get To Heaven", and "Have A Little Talk With Jesus", followed with prayer by Bro. Darrell Mitchell.

Bro. Ronnie Blanks came forward and brought his message, "The Blood of Jesus" from I John 1:7. Bro. Wayne had Bro. Greg Smith lead the congregation in singing "Amazing Grace". His message was from Acts 24:5-6, "Accusation Against the Church".

Bro. Howard Bell dismissed in prayer, followed with a handshake of Bro. Ronnie and Bro. Wayne.

ENROLLMENT OF STANDING DELEGATES AT THE 103rd CONFERENCE

MINISTERS

Wayne Cloven
Darrell Strain
Ronnie Blanks
Glenn E. Murray
Walter Simpson
Cody Freeman
D. Edward Williams
Jeff Duncan
Stan Gray
Grover Pingleton
J. W. King
Virgil Blankenship

DEACONS

FRIDAY'S SESSION

Howard Bell
David Uhlman
Royce Hollis
Ben Pohnert
Carl Sisco
Richard Sandridge
Troy Sims
Sherman Baker

CLERKS

Dinah Miller
Margie Parrott
La Rue Bennett
Reva Baker

SATURDAY'S SESSION

Wayne Cloven
Ronnie Blanks
Glenn E. Murray
J. W. King
Jeff Duncan
Darrell Mitchell
Charles Gower
G. J. Pingleton
Allen Sanders
Larry K. Cockman
Paul R. Clark

Cecil Campbell
Bill Burkhead
Ben Pohnert
Sherman Baker
Leo Warren
Troy Sims
Jerry Johnson
David Uhlman

Mary Campbell
Sue Burkhead
La Rue Bennett
Reva Baker
Willie Bell

RECOMMENDATIONS BY CHURCH LETTER 1990

| CHURCH | MINISTERS | DEACONS |
|----------------|--|---|
| Alton | Garland Barton Millard Erhardt | Larry Wallace Leroy Chronister Dwight Chronister Paris Wheeler |
| Bailey Chapel | C. R. Thompson | David Holman Deam Campbell Carl Sisco |
| Byrd | | Tom Garrison Carrol Garrison |
| Cave Springs | No Letter | |
| Clifton | Grover Pingleton James Lee Reed | Emery Coble John Clerk Jerry Strain |
| Cotton Creek | Virgil Blankenship Jesse Dunkin Darrell Mitchell | Ralph Payne Leamon Combs Charles Melton Mike Crawford |
| Faith Chapel | Johnny Holesapple | Troy Sims Stanley Taylor Norman Carte Norman Hicks |
| Garfield | Wayne Cloven Allen Sanders | Howard Dethrow Gary McGhee |
| Koshkonong | Robert Wilson James Ray | Norman Howell |
| Liberty | Charles Gower | |
| Lingo | No Letter | |
| Mt. Zion | | Orville Bowers |
| Myrtle | George Naumann | |
| Norman | | Roger Williams |
| Piney | Larry Cockman Stan Gray | Jim Lawrence |
| Pleasant Hill | Walter Simpson | Royce Hollis Bill Burkhead Leo Warren |
| Pleasant Ridge | David Honeycutt E. E. Simpson | Nolen Johnson Henry Williams |
| Royal Oak | J. Darrell Strain | Howard Bell |

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| Shiloh | | Truman Parrott Jerry Johnson |
| Smyrna | Wayne Adrian Harold Ogden | Cecil Campbell Leold Case Mack Warren Kenneth Stogsdill |
| Thayer | Cody Freeman | Doil Hickenbotham Ben Pohnert Bill Underwood Lester Ellison Sherman Baker Roscoe Mills (inactive status) Richard Sandridge |
| United | Glenn Murray Harry Beatty Jeff Duncan | Richard King Ulus Caldwell Ernest Adkisson Dave Uhlmann Charles Blair Jim Lunyou |
| Victory | Doyle E. Williams | John Barton Mike Bettis |
| Walnut Grove | Richard Todd J. W. King Paul Clark | Clifton Lee King Glen Wischart Dean Bennett |
| West Plains First | Ronnie Blanks Donnie Morris | Don Cline Dale Smith Bob Dotson J. O. Moss Eugene James Jim Walker |
| Wilderness | Wayne Lunyou | James Dotson Virgil Simpson Terry Miller Mark Barton Oather Neal |

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 perservere 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.

RESURRECTION, JUDGMENT 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 Free Will 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 Free Will 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 Free Will 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 discussion 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. Rolan 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, Helena 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. Miller,

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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IN MEMORY

of the Ministers of the Cave Springs Association of Free Will Baptists, who have given their lives for His Cause and gone on to their reward.

Rev. A. H. Peace

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Rev. E. R. Whitman

Rev. W. W. Pierce

Rev. Daniel R. Johnson

Rev. G. W. Putman

Rev. S. O. Buckley

Rev. Thomas Bennett

Rev. David Johnson

Rev. W. C. Norman

Rev. John Combs

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Rev. Milo Standley

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Rev. T. J. Dunkin

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