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The next annual session will be held at the Kerman Free Will Baptist Church, Second and C Streets, Kerman, California, on Friday night before the third Sunday in May, 1961 (May 18, 19, 1962).

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OFFICERS

Moderator Rev. George McLain
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Clerk Mrs. Marjorie Winters
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815 Orange, Fresno, Phone AM 6-5589
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P. O. Box 51, Kerman, Phone VI 6-8586

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Rev. Gene Rogers Five Years
P. O. Box 724, Kerman, Phone VI 6-8228
Rev. Winston Lawless Four Years
10861 S. Highland, Selma, Phone TW 6-3394
Rev. Delmar Scroggins Three Years
1033 W. 7th Street, Hanford, Phone LU 2-0691
Rev. Lonnie Rolen Two Years
815 Orange, Fresno, Phone AM 6-5589
Rev. Doice McAlister One Year
1010 8th Street, Sanger, Phone TR 5-3598

SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTOR

Mr. Bill Hoover 4022 Farrin Way, Fresno
Phone BA 2-3950

PROCEEDINGS

FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICE

The Fourteenth Annual Session of the Center Association of the Free Will Baptist opened with Congregational singing directed by Mr. Arlie Miller, Kerman, accompanied by Mrs. Wanda Rogers, Kerman.

Prayer by Rev. Lonnie Rolen, Clovis.

Special singing "Alone In the Garden", and "It's a Grand and Glorious Feeling" by the Kerman Quartet.

Prayer by Mr. Greg Hunsucker, Parlier.

The Introductory Message was bought by Rev. Herman Hupp, Parlier, using as his subject "Building For God". Scripture reading from I Corinthians 3rd chapter, verses 9-17.

Benediction by Rev. Doice McAlister, Sanger.

SATURDAY MORNING BUSINESS SESSION

The Business Session opened with singing "Count Your Blessings" directed by Mr. Archie Reynolds accompanied by Mrs. Lela Wilson.

Acts the fourth chapter, verses 32, 33 were used for the Devotional Reading by Mr. C. M. Goff, Sanger.

Welcome by Mr. Archie Reynolds, Kerman.

Response given by Rev. Lonnie Rolen, Clovis.

Letters from Calwa, Kerman, North Fresno, Parlier, Selma, Sanger, Clovis, Hanford and Orange Cove were read and the delegates seated.

Officers were elected as follows: Moderator, Rev. George McLain; Assistant Moderator, Rev. Winston Lawless; Clerk, Mrs. Marjorie Winters; Assistant Clerk, Mrs. June Rolen; Treasurer, Mr. Delmar Sharp.

Committees were appointed as follows:

PULPIT

Rev. Gene Rogers, Kerman
Herb Parker, North Fresno
Ralph Cox, Selma
Frank Tripp, Hanford
Bill Hoover, Calwa

FINANCE

Delmar Sharp, Kerman
Rev. Herman Hupp, Parlier
C. M. Goff, Sanger
Rev. Sam Winters, Calwa
Bud Woods, Clovis

TEMPERANCE

Johnnie Ollie, Clovis
Zetta Solsby, Selma
Cynthia Scroggins, Hanford
Dorothy Hayhurst, Sanger

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

June Rolen, Clovis
Alene Lawless, Selma
Lela Wilson, Hanford
Dovie Oglesby, Parlier

RESOLUTION

Rev. Earl Jensen, Calwa
Arlie Miller, Kerman
Rev. Lonnie Rolen, Clovis
Mel Kelly, Parlier
Rev. Doice McAlister, Sanger

OBITUARY

Martha Saylor, Orange Cove
Nancy Little, Calwa
Iva Wilson, Hanford
Edith Cox, Selma
Gladys Stevens, Kerman

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Ova Goff, Sanger
Barbara McAlister, Kerman
J. B. Lawless, North Fresno
Helen Copeland, Clovis
Winnie Jordan, Orange Cove

LEAGUE

Nancy Little, Calwa
Barbara McAlister, Kerman
J. B. Lawless, North Fresno

Treasurer's report was read and accepted.

Motion carried that we table resolutions presented by the pastor's of the Center Association until after the reading of the Finance Committee's report.

Motion carried that we adjourn until 1:30 P.M.

Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Charles, Flynn, Golden Gate Association.

WORSHIP HOUR

Opened by singing "In the Service of the King", directed by Rev. Merle Erickson, North Fresno, accompanied by Mrs. Wanda Rogers, Kerman.

Prayer led by Rev. Charles Flynn.

Trio, "He Knows Just What I Need" by Fern McAlister, Georgia Reynolds and Archie Reynolds.

Rev. Joe Mooneyham, Golden Gate Association brought the Eleven O'clock message using for his topic, "A Sure Foundation" scripture reading Galatians first chapter 9th verse.

Benediction and blessing on the noon meal by Rev. Sam Winters.

1:30 BUSINESS SESSION

Opened with singing "It Cleanseth Me", directed by Rev. Joe Mooneyham, accompanied by Mrs. June Rolen.

Prayer led by Rev. J. E. Bridges.

Devotional reading Phil. 3:16, 17, by Rev. Eual Allen, Orange Cove.

Reports of League, Sunday School, Temperance and Woman's Auxiliary Committees were read and accepted (see reports).

Report of the Obituary Committee was read and accepted (see reports). Following the reading of the report a moment of silent prayer was observed followed by audible prayer by Rev. George McLain.

Finance Committee's report read and accepted (see reports)

Resolutions Committee's report read and accepted. (see reports)

Motion carried that we accept the Pastor's recommendation concerning our Youth Camp. (see reports)

Motion carried that the Youth Camp Secretary be responsible for securing the Saving Books and stamp for the camp.

Rev. Charles Fynn, State Sunday School Secretary, spoke on the State Sunday School Program.

Executive Board's report read and accepted. (see reports)

Rev. Doice McAllister gave an oral report for the Executive Board.

Rev. Gene Rogers was elected as Five year man and Rev. Winston Lawless was elected Four year man on the Executive Board.

The setting of the meetings and selection of speakers for the coming year as follows:

First Quarterly Meeting:

Place — Free Will Baptist Church, 1033 W. 7th, Hanford

Date — August 18-19, 1961

Speaker — Rev. Earl Jenson

Alternate — Rev. Lonnie Rolen

Second Quarterly Meeting

Place — Free Will Baptist Church, 3787 E. Laurite, Fresno

Date — November 17, 18, 1961

Speaker — Rev. Doice McAlister

Alternate — Rev. Gene Rogers

Third Quarterly Meeting:

Place — Free Will Baptist Church, 6642 N. Peach, Clovis

Date — February 16, 17, 1962

Speaker — Rev. J. E. Bridges

Alternate — Rev. Herman Hupp

Annual Association

Place — Free Will Baptist Church, 2nd and C Street, Kerman

Date — May 18, 19, 1962

Speaker — Rev. George McLain

Alternate — Rev. Bob Smith

Delegates to the State Association were appointed as follows: Arlie Miller, Bill Hoover, Fred Lawrence, Greg Stiggins, Delmar Sharp, C. M. Goff, Lela Wilson, Nancy Little, Herb Parker, Arlie Cross, and Martha Hale.

Sunday School Director, Rev. Winston Lawless gave an oral report.

Mr. Bill Hoover was elected as Sunday School Director.

Motion carried that we adjourn.

Benediction of convention by Rev. Gene Rogers.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Resolution

I. Be it resolved that this association have one business meeting annually and that our quarterly meetings be solely dedicated to the worship of God and fellowship with one

another and that the program committee formulate such programs that would be up building to the soul through the Word of God.

II. Be it resolved that the Host Church prepare the programs for the Quarterly Meetings and Association.

Pulpit

We recommend that Rev. Joe Mooneyham bring the 11:00 o'clock message.

Finance

1. We recommend the feeding fund be \$60.00 for each quarterly meeting and \$100.00 for the Annual Association.

2. We recommend an offering be taken at each setting of the Quarterly Meeting and Association to be used for benevolence and to supplemant the treasury.

3. We recommend that 300 minutes be printed.

4. We recommend that each church send their letters with \$25.00 to each Quarterly Meeting and \$30.00 to the Annual. The money will be appropriated as follows:

\$280.00	— Feeding
169.00	— State Association
150.00	— Minutes
10.00	— Moderator
25.00	— Clerk
10.00	— Programs
280.00	— Youth Camp

Temperance

We the Temperance Committee submit the following report "And every man that striveth for the Master is temperate in all things".

We recommend that we commit ourselves to temperance in bodily appetites, in mental activities, and in social activities.

Woman's Auxiliary

We report that one new Auxiliary was organized during the past year, the Hanford Auxiliary, making a total of six.

We recommend that the pastors aid and encourage the organizations of Auxiliaries.

We recommend the printing of our Annual Minutes in Association Minutes which we send \$15.00.

Sunday School

We the Sunday School Committee recommend that the Center Association support the State Program of teacher and officers training.

League

We, the Center Association League, request that our Minutes be printed in the annual minutes for which we have sent \$20.00.

Obituary

We the Obituary Committee report the following were called from our midst this past year: Calwa: Oren Moore, Myrtle Mooris, and Brownen Smith; Orange Cove: Jacob Saylor; Kerman: Lucy Wyrich; Sanger: Clara Smith.

Pastor's Resolutions

1. Be it resolved that the Center Association sponsor an annual Youth Camp at Hume Lake.

2. Be it resolved that the following officers be elected at the Second Quarterly Meeting each year and that these officers be responsible for maintaining the youth camp: Director, Assistant Director, Secretary, Treasurer, Recreational Director, Music Director, and Evangelist.

3. Be it resolved that the tuition of youth camp be paid for the officers and instructors from the youth camp treasurer.

4. Be it resolved that we adopt a stamp saving plan to promote youth camp attendance. The plan will involve a camp stamp treasurer in each church. Value of stamps will be 25 cents each.

Executive Boards Report

We recommend that Bro. Mel Kelly and Bro. Greg Hunsucker for license to preach the gospel.

September 12, 1960

The Executive Board met at Kerman to organize. Rev. Gene Rogers was elected chairman, Rev. Doice McAlister was elected secretary. The subject of ordaining ministers was discussed.

November 19, 1960

Executive Board met at Parlier to deal with licenses for Bro. Webb. They were not issued at the time.

February 18, 1961

The Executive Board met to examine Bro. Bob Smith for licenses to preach the gospel and found him sound in doctrine.

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

Yearly report May 12, 1960 to May 19, 1961

INCOME FOR FISCAL YEAR:

Calwa FWB Church	\$140.00
Kerman FWB Church	171.00
Selma FWB Church	127.00
Sanger FWB Church	105.50
North Fresno FWB Church	80.00
Orange Cove FWB Church	101.50
Hanford FWB Church	111.00
Parlier FWB Church	121.50
Clovis FWB Church	99.00
Woman Auxiliary (Minute Money)	15.00
Offerings	50.79
TOTAL	\$1122.29

EXPENSES FOR FISCAL YEAR:

Rev. O. H. Doss (Moderator)	\$ 10.00
Marjorie Winters (Clerk)	25.00
Kerman FWB Church (Food Fund)	100.00
June Rolen (Youth Camp)	100.00
Programs	9.82
State Association Expense	301.00
Hanford FWB Church (Food Fund)	60.00
Jerry Dudley (Printing of Minutes)	125.00
Parlier FWB Church (Food Fund)	60.00
Orange Cove FWB Church (Food Fund)	60.00
TOTAL	\$850.82

Cash on deposit May 12, 1960	\$ 276.15
Received May 12, 1960 to May 19, 1961	1122.29
Total cash for year	\$1398.44
Total expense for year	850.82
Cash on deposit May 19, 1961	\$ 547.62

CHURCH CLERKS

Calwa

Mrs. Marjorie Winters, 1731 So. Recreation, Fresno

Clovis

Mrs. Helen Copeland, 5374 E. Thomas, Fresno

Hanford

Mrs. Mamie Proctor, Hanford

Kerman

Mrs. Florene Sharp, P. O. Box 51, Kerman

North Fresno

Mrs. Katherine Cochran, 1036 W. Fountain Way, Fresno

Orange Cove

Mrs. Wynema Baker, P. O. Box 514, Orosi
Parlier

Mrs. Josephine Hupp, 200 Sierra, Kingsburg
Sanger

Mrs. Lois Calvin, 83 So. Piedra Road, Sanger
Selma

Mrs. Ernestine Metzler, 12319 Si. Highland, Selma

MINISTERS ROLL

Rev. Eaul Allen, Orange Cove

Rev. Meryl Erickson, 2646 E. Indianapolis, Fresno, Phone
BA 9-2688

Rev. Herman Hupp, 2001 Sierra, Kingsburg, Phone TW 7-2334

Rev. Earl Jenson, 2444 So. Boyd, Fresno, Phone AM 4-9072

Rev. Doice McAllister, 1010 8th St., Sanger, Phone TR 5-3568

Rev. Cecil Porter, 145 2nd St., Reedley

Rev. Baxter Ramsey, 10861 So. Highland, Selma, Phone TW
6-3394

Rev. Gene Rogers, P. O. Box 724, Kerman, Phone VI 6-8228

Rev. Lonnie Rolen, 815 Orange, Fresno, Phone AM 6-5589

Rev. Delmar Scroggins, 1033 W. 7th St., Hanford, Phone LU
2-0691

Rev. George McLain, 6666 No. Peach, Clovis

Rev. Andrew Winters, 1731 So. Recreation, Fresno

DEACONS ROLL

J. M. Rolen, 410 So. Shasta, Kerman

J. W. Hall, P. O. Box 355, Kerman

Rodney Kemp, 16455 W. Nielsen, Kerman

Arlie Miller, P. O. Box 355, Kerman

Archie Reynolds, P. O. Box 726, Kerman

Delmar Sharp, P. O. Box 51, Kerman

Will Floyd, 4039 E. Jensen, Fresno

Jim Eaton, P. O. Box 763, Orange Cove

Denton, Calvin, 83 So. Piedra Road, Sanger

C. A. Scroggins, 765 2nd St., Parlier

M. Oglesby, 4 Elizabeth, Reedley

C. M. Goff, 1026 'O' St., Sanger

Earl McCullar, 2625 Cleveland, Selma

M. V. Little, Selma

J. B. Lawless, 4139 E. Hedges, Fresno

Herbert Parker, 136 W. Buckingham Way, Fresno

Greg Hunsucker, P. O. Box 311, Parlier

Fred Burton, 310 So. Lind, Fresno

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY MINUTES

The Woman's Auxiliary Convention met at Clovis Free Will Baptist Church, 6642 No. Peach, Clovis, February 2, 1961.

Services opened by singing "I Gave My Life For Thee" and "Ready" led by Mrs. Marjorie Winters accompanied by Mrs. Sue Lindsey.

Prayer by Mrs. Myrtle Stiggins.

Mrs. Katy Cochron, Stewardship and Prayer Chairman spoke on "Wilt Thou Have Us Pray".

Welcome was given by Mrs. Lydeen York and response by Mrs. Allyne Lawless.

In the absence of the President, Mrs. Gladys Stevens, the Study Course Chairman, presided.

Minutes of the previous meetings were read and approved.

Treasurer's report was read and accepted.

Individual Auxiliary reports were read.

Committees were appointed as follows:

RESOLUTION

Marjorie Winters
Pat McLain
Onema Erickson

FINANCE

June Rolen
Virginia Hupp
Sue Lindsey
Lydeen York
Katy Cochron

Nominating Committee was elected as follows: Lydeen York, Doris Fall, Lois Miller, Fern McAllister, Virginia Hupp, Katy Cochron.

Dismissed by Mrs. Opal ODonnell.

ELEVEN O'CLOCK SERVICE

Opened by singing "I Would Be Like Jesus" and "To The Work".

Prayer by Rev. Gene Rogers.

Mrs. Vera Gullotto, Richmond sang "Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken".

Mrs. Erma Dodson, Richmond spoke on "What Will Thou Have Me To Do". The message challenged each woman to work for Christ.

Dismissed by Mrs. Onema Erickson.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Opened by singing "Footsteps of Jesus" and "Take My Life and Let It Be".

Prayer by Mrs. Pinkie Scroggins.

Report of Nominating Committee was read and accepted. (See Reports.)

The newly elected officers were installed by Mrs. Opal O'Donnell, Richmond, State Convention President.

Prayer of dedication by Rev. Lonnie L. Rolen.

Congregation sang "Tis So Sweet To Trust in Jesus" led by Mrs. Fern McAllister.

Mrs. Gladys Stevens read Phil. 2:15-16.

Report of Resolution Committee was read and accepted. (See Reports.)

Report of Finance Committee was read and accepted. (See Reports.)

Card of appreciation was read from President Mrs. Florene Sharp for gift received while she was in the hospital.

Letter from Missionaries Bill and Joy Jones from Africa was read.

Motion carried that September convention convene at Calwa Church and the February convention at Selma Church. Motion carried that May study course meet at North Fresno Church and November study course meet at Clovis Church.

Mrs. Virginia Hupp, Personal Service Chairman, spoke on "What Will Thou Have Me Do?".

Report of Registration Committee was read and accepted. (See Reports.)

Motion carried that a standing vote of thanks be given host church.

An offering of \$11.69 was received.

Benediction by Rev. Winston Lawless.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Nominating Committee

President - Mrs. Wanda Rogers, Box 724, Kerman,
Phone VI 6-8228

Vice President and Enlistment Chairman - Mrs. Virginia Hupp, Kingsburg

Recording Secretary and Treasurer - Mrs. June Rolen,
815 Orange St., Fresno, Phone AM 6-5589

Ass't. Recording Secretary & Corresponding - Mrs. Sue Lindsey, Box 99, Kerman
 Youth Chairman - Mrs. Onema Erickson, Fresno
 Study Course Chairman - Mrs. Allyne Lawless, 10861 Highland Ave., Selma, TW 6-3394
 Stewardship and Prayer Chairman - Mrs. Katy Cochran, 1036 W. Fountain Way, Fresno, BA 2-2866
 Personal Service Chairman - Mrs. Marjorie Winters, 1731 S. Recreation, Fresno, CL 1-8172

Resolution Committee

1. Be it resolved that the annual convention convene in the first Saturday of February.

2. Be it resolved that the District Convention sponsor two Standard Study Classes, one on the Manual and the other to be chosen by the Study Course Chairman, to be held in May and November.

Finance Committee

1. We recommend that each auxiliary represent with \$.60 per member each convention.

2. We recommend that \$15.00 be paid for printing of minutes with Center Association Minutes.

3. We recommend that \$10.00 be given to guest speakers, if the speaker is not from Center Association.

Registration Committee

Auxiliary Members	29
Ministers	4
Visitors	9
Children	3
TOTAL	45

Attendance Banner was won by Clovis Auxiliary with 64% present.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance on Hand Feb. 4, 1960\$46.07

RECEIVED:

Calwa\$ 26.00
 Dues11.00
 60 Project15.00
 26.00

Clovis\$ 65.10

Dues17.60

60 Project15.00

61 Project19.50

Student Loan13.00

65.10

Kerman\$132.61

Dues29.00

60 Project15.00

61 Project30.00

Student Loan20.00

Co-Laborer22.50

Pre-Easter16.11

132.61

North Fresno\$ 52.70

Dues15.20

60 Project13.50

61 Project13.50

Student Loan9.00

52.70

Selma\$116.20

Dues20.20

60 Project15.00

61 Project30.00

Student Loan12.00

Co-Laborer39.00

116.20

Offerings\$ 56.86

TOTAL RECEIVED\$449.47

\$449.477

PAID OUT:

Rev. J. E. Yandell\$10.00

California State Dues & Expenses37.00

WNAC - 1960 Project75.00

1961 Project93.00

Pre-Easter Foreign Misn. Offering 16.11

Co-Laborer61.50

1961 Student Loan54.00

Mrs. Eunice Edwards - Travel Erpense35.00

Printing of 1960 Minutes15.00

District Convention Expenses39.41

TOTAL PAID OUT\$436.02

BALANCE - February 2, 1961\$ 59.52

LEAGUE MINUTES

The Center Association Free Will Baptist League Rally opened by singing "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" led by Rev. Teddy Wilbanks and accompanied by Pat Parker.

Devotional reading, I Kings 20:1-4, read by Shanna Baker, Orange Cove.

Prayer by Mack Franklin.

Welcome by Barbara Stiggins, Kerman.

Response by Bobby Wilbanks, North Fresno.

Letters from Orange Cove, Selma, North Fresno, and Kerman read and accepted by motion. Oral reports from Clovis was accepted by motion. Letter from Calwa was read and accepted by motion.

Minutes of the previous rally read and accepted by motion.

Treasurer's report read and accepted by motion.

Letter of resignation of Clyde Robison from the office of President read and accepted by motion.

Motion carried that the Vice-President, James Barrett, have the power to appoint a vice-president pro-tempre. Bobby Wilbanks was appointed to serve.

Letter from Sanger read and accepted by motion. Motion made and carried that the President have the power to appoint all committees. An amendment carried that the Nominating committee be elected.

Nominating committee elected as follows:

J. B. Lawless	North Fresno
Marjorie Winters	Calwa
Rev. Teddy Wilbanks	Kerman
Fern McAlister	Kerman
Nancy Little	Calwa

Resolution committee appointed as follows:

Bill Allen	Orange Cove
David Gray	Selma
Pam Connors	North Fresno
Barbara Stiggins	Kerman
Orval Little	Calwa
Buddy Wood	Clovis
Don Huntson	Parlier
Ethel Davis	Sanger

Finance ocmmittee appointed as follows:

Bobby Wilbanks	North Fresno
Dolly Krebbs	Orange Cove
Neoma Robison	Selma
Edna Hatcher	Kerman
Verne Quackenbush	Calwa
Jean Faldon	Clovis
Dianne Tutt	North Fresno
Beverly Hupp	Parlier
Carolyn Davis	Sanger

Motion carried that the Rally officers investigate a project for this rally to support. A report is to be given at the July rally.

Petitionary letter from Parlier read and accepted by motion.

Motion carried that the League Board set the rally dates for the incoming year.

Motion carried that we continue our monthly recreation at the Wonderland Skating Rink.

Letter from Clovis read and accepted by motion.

Dismissed in prayer by Delmar Sharp, Kerman.

Eleven O'clock Service

Opened by singing "He Keeps Me Singing," led by Mack Franklin, accompanied by Pat Parker.

Led in prayer by Gene Rogers.

Solo, "No One Ever Cared For Me Like Jesus," by Pat Parker.

The message was brought by Rev. Teddy Wilbanks, using I Kings 20:1-4 as his scripture text.

Dismissed in prayer by J. B. Lawless.

One O'clock Service

Opened by singing "Since Jesus Came Into My Heart," led by Mack Franklin, accompanied by Pat Parker.

Led in prayer by Rev. Jerry Watson.

Solo, "There's Room at the Cross for You," by Marjorie Winters.

Special singing by the Kerman Junior Church.

Girls' trio from North Fresno sang "Have You Heard?"

Report of the Nominating Committee read and accepted by motion.

Officers were elected as follows:

President — J. B. Lawless, 4139 Hedges, Fresno, Phone AM 4-0637.

Vice President — Bobby Little, 2862 McCall Ave. Selma, Phone TW 6-2466.

Recording Secretary — Virginia Lawless, 10681 Highland Ave., Selma, Phone TW 6-3394.

Corresponding Secretary — Shanna Baker, P. O. Box 514, Orosi

Treasurer — Bobby Wilbanks, 5295 E. Rialto, Fresno, Phone AX 1-3217.

Chorister — Marjorie Winters, 1731 S. Recreation, Fresno, Phone CL 1-8172.

Pianist — Teddy Wilbanks, 5295 E. Rialto, Fresno, Phone AX 1-3217.

Sword Drill Leader — June Rolen, 815 Orange, Fresno, AM 6-5589.

Sponser — Doice McAlister, 1010 8th, Sanger, Phone TR 5-3598.

Motion made and carried that the report of the Resolution Committee be accepted and that the resolutions be considered separately.

Resolution No. 1 carried (See reports).

Resolution No. 2 carried (See Reports).

Motion made and carried that we accept the report of the Finance committee and that we take each recommendation separately.

Finance Recommendation No. 1 carried (See reports).

Motion made and carried that the Center Association League Rally pay the 40c per capita member that is due to the State League Rally.

Motion made and carried that the President have power to appoint the Sword Drill judges. They were appointed as follows:

Rev. Jerry Watson

Opal Wilbanks

Wanda Rogers

The Junior Sword Drill was conducted by June Rolen.

Motion made and carried that we accept the League Board's recommendation. (See reports).

Motion made and carried that we send \$20.00 to the Center Association for the printing of the minutes.

Rev. Gene Rogers conducted the installation of the new officers. Rev. Winston Lawless prayed the dedicatory prayer.

An offering of \$13.18 was received.

The Intermediate Sword Drill was conducted by June Rolen.

Selma presented a variety show entitled "Youth Parade" which included a monologue, special singing, and a piano solo.

Calwa presented a reading entitled "Who Kissed Me?"

Awards were presented by Bobby Wilbanks to the Sword Drill winners. The winners were Debbie Sharp, junior; Barbara Stiggins, intermediate. We will be represented at the State League Rally by Gary Winters, junior; Barbara Stiggins, intermediate.

The Attendance Banner was presented to Orange Cove.

Motion made and carried that the officers prepare a schedule for the programs to be presented this coming year.

Resolution No. 3 carried. The host church was given a standing vote of thanks.

Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Teddy Wilbanks.

President, James Barret

Secretary, Barbara Sharp

Resolutions:

No. 1: Be it resolved that the League Rally meet on Sunday afternoon from 2 p.m. to 9 p.m. for the coming year.

No. 2: Be it resolved that the officers prepare the Rally programs.

No. 3: Be it resolved that we give the host church a standing vote of thanks.

Finance:

We the finance committee recommend that:

1. we send \$100 to the Hume Lake Youth Camp Board.

Nominating:

We the nominating committee recommend the following for League officers for the coming year:

President: J. B. Lawless, Fresno

Vice-President: Bobby Little, Selma

Recording Secretary: Virginia Lawless, Selma

Corresponding Secretary: Shanna Baker, Orange Cove

Treasurer: Bobby Wilbanks, Fresno

Sword Drill Leader: June Rolen, Clovis

Chorister: Marjorie Winters, Calwa

Pianist: Teddy Wilbanks, Kerman

Sponser: Rev Doice McAlister, Sanger

League Board:

We the League Board recommend the following dates and places for the League Rallies this coming year:

1. July 16 at Selma
2. October 15 at North Fresno
3. January 21, 1962 at Calwa
4. April 15, 1962 at Kerman

CHURCH COVENANT

Having given ourselves to God by faith in Christ and adopted the Word of God as our rule of faith and practice, we now give ourselves to one another by the will of God in this solemn covenant. We promise by His Grace to love and obey Him in all things, to avoid all 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 scripture, sacred prayer, family devotion, 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 conferences, public worship and the observance of the ordinances of the Gospel, nor fail to pay according to our ability for the support of the church, of its poor, and all 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 bonds of Peace to be careful of one another's happiness and reputation, and to seek to strengthen the weak encourage the afflicted, admonish the erring and as far as we are able, to promote the success of the church and the Gospel. We will everywhere hold Christian principles 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 surdness of Sunday Shhool, and evangelistir 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.

RULES OF ORDER

1. The Moderator or Assistant Moderator or in their absence the oldest minister present shall call the Association to conference.

2. Each session shall be opened and closed by prayer.

3. Five members from two or more churches shall constitute a quorum. A less number may adjourn until such time as a quorum is present.

4. Visiting brethren are invited to seat as advisory members.

5. Those who speak shall rise and address the Moderator. Personal reflection shall be avoided in all debates.

6. If any proposition or motion under debate contains two or more points, it shall be divided at the request of any member and a vote taken.

7. Motions made and lost shall not be recorded.

8. No one shall speak more than twice on the same subject without special leave of the Moderator.

9. The Moderator shall not allow discussion when not carried on in a Christian spirit.

10. The ruling of the Moderator may be overruled by a two-thirds majority membership voting.

11. No question from any church shall come under the consideration of the Association unless it has been discussed at its own church.

12. At each Association arrangement shall be made to insure two or more sermons or their equivalent devotional services, each day.

CONSTITUTION

PREAMBLE:

From long experience, we, members of the Free Will Baptist denomination, being regularly baptized upon the profession of our faith in Christ and realizing the necessity of a bond of union and fellowship among us as an association of churches and to preserve and maintain correspondence and coordination among us, do therefore ordain this Constitution for our better denominational government.

Article I

This organization shall be known as the Center Association of Free Will Baptists of the State of California.

Article II

The object and purpose of this organization shall be to unify the work of our churches and to devise and execute measures for expanding our work in the cause of Christ into broader fields.

Article III

This Center Association shall consist of three delegates duly appointed or elected by the church they represent and all ordained Free Will Baptist ministers, their wives, all ordained Free Will Baptist deacons and their wives, and church clerks.

Article IV

The Center Association shall have the right to settle any and all questions of discipline, doctrine or practice that may properly come before it from any of the churches composing this organization, or act upon an appeal that may be made by any member of a member church who feels he has been unjustly charged. Said appeal shall have been written and properly signed by the person or body making such appeal.

Article V

OFFICERS—The officers of this Center Association shall consist of a Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, Assistant Clerk and Treasurer, each of whom shall be elected at the opening of each setting of the annual association.

COMMITTEES—Committees as necessary shall be appointed by the Moderator unless otherwise provided for and shall hold office until their work is completed or their successor's are appointed.

Article VI

This Executive Board shall be composed of five members. Each member shall be an ordained minister in good standing in the Center Association and their terms of tenure shall be as follows:

- (1) One for one year
- (1) One for two years
- (1) One for three years
- (1) One for four years
- (1) One for five years

Succession to office thereafter shall be determined as order required.

Article VII

The Center Association shall hold its meetings annually, the date and place to be decided at each previous setting of said Association.

Article VIII

Should necessity arise which calls for and requires immediate action, the Executive Board of this Association shall convene upon call of its chairman and shall take whatever action it deems necessary in the best interest of the cause of Christ. The action, however, shall not conflict with the purpose and edicts of the Constitution as set forth in the preceding Articles.

Article IX

The Executive Board will not recommend to license or ordain any minister who does not believe or practice all of our doctrine.

Article X

This Constitution may be altered or amended at any regular session of the Center Association by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting. All proposed alterations or amendments shall be presented in writing to the body one day in advance.

STATISTICAL REPORT OF CHURCHES

Churches	Total Membership	Number Received	Number Dismissed	Number Deceased	Total Offering Received	Paid Pastor	Paid Evangelist	Building and Repairs	Cooperative Plan	Total Expenditure	Value of Church Property
Calwa	72	21	11	3	\$ 3,568.56	\$3,449.90	\$	\$	\$ 49.18	\$ 4,081.85	\$35,000.00
Clovis	59	37	5	0	4,167.06	2,860.00		1,121.91	120.00	4,988.38	15,000.00
Hanford	50	36	27	0	1,546.35		86.00			1,423.68	20,000.00
Kerman	199	16	6	1	13,355.85	3,975.00	100.00	5,145.23	628.81	13,222.80	59,000.00
North Fresno	57	6	1	0	2,069.06	1,535.00	20.00			2,157.34	15,000.00
Orange Cove	33	7	5	1		1,060.00	160.00	229.83		1,594.83	11,000.00
Parlier	72	17	6	0	4,434.93	1,590.00	164.70	2,448.99		5,203.32	10,500.00
Sanger	37	5	18	1	1,701.35	600.00	50.00	268.29	30.00	1,967.27	10,000.00
Selma	95	19	13	0	6,299.18	3,200.00	200.00	159.74	217.70	6,382.50	25,000.00
TOTAL	674	164	72	6	37,032.34	18,269.90	780.70	9,373.99	1,045.69	40,921.97	200,500.00

