

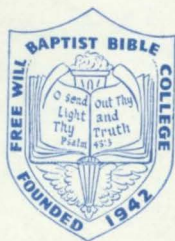
MINUTES
OF THE
Fifty-Fifth Annual Session
OF THE
CENTER ASSOCIATION
OF
FREE WILL BAPTIST

**CONVENED AT THE CAMP GROUND
AUGUST 12-14, 1948**

OFFICERS

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| Moderator | - | - | - | - | - | - | Rev. Earlin Haskins |
| Assistant Moderator | - | - | - | - | - | - | Rev. W. A. Hearron |
| Clerk | - | - | - | - | - | - | Fred Barker |
| Assistant Clerk and Treasurer | - | - | - | - | - | - | Virgil Hunt |

The next Session of the Center Association will be held at the
Camp Ground beginning on Thursday night before the
Third Sunday in August, 1949.



FREE WILL BAPTIST BIBLE COLLEGE

Presented by

Rev. John H. West

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Introductory Sermon.
2. House called to order by the Moderator.
3. Letters called for, read and received.
4. Right hand of fellowship and seating of delegates.
5. Election of officers.
6. Petitionary letters called for.
7. Reading rules of order (By-Laws).
8. Invite visiting brethren to seats in council.
9. Appointment of committees.
10. Unfinished business.
11. New Business.
12. Reports of committees.
13. Miscellaneous Business.

LETTER OF DISMISSION

This is to certify that _____ is a
member in good standing of the Free Will Baptist Church at _____
_____ and as such we recommend him
(or her) to the fellowship of God's people, and is dismissed from us
when united with another church.

Done in Church Conference this _____ day of _____ 194 _____
_____ P. O. _____

County, Oklahoma.

_____, Pastor

_____, Clerk

PROCEEDINGS

Proceedings of the Fifty-fifth Annual Session of the Center Association of Free Hill Baptist convened at the Camp Ground, Pontotoc County, Oklahoma, August 12, 13, 14, 1948. Introductory message Thursday by Rev. Merle Wilson. Text, Isa. 59-1. A glorious meeting was enjoyed by all.

FRIDAY MORNING

Body was called to order by the moderator at 9:00 o'clock a. m.
Devotional reading 4th chapter of Psalms.

Prayer by Rev. Earlin Haskins.

Letters received and the following delegates seated from the different churches:

Ada—Bro. Dow Thompson, Sister Ruth Lillard, and Sister Fletcher.

Non—Sister Arvie Wheat, Brother C. Roberts, and Sister Mavyce Chism.

Sulphur—Sister Dunlap and Sister Hearron.

Wilson—Sister Morrison, Sister Garrett Beller, Bro. Garrett Beller.

Stratford—Sister W. O. Reed, Sister Anna Lewright, and Sister Besta Henry.

Beebee—Sister Exie Haskins.

Gaar Corner—Sister Helen Turner, Bill Hunt and Brother Ted Cox.

Motion to give delegates from churches without letters the right to vote.

The right hand of fellowship given.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Election of officers results as follows:

Moderator, Rev. Earlin Haskins.

Assistant Moderator, Rev. W. A. Hearron.

Clerk, Fred Barker.

Assistant Clerk and Treasurer, Virgil Hunt.

New Moderator takes charge.

Appointment of temporary Divine Service Committee as follows:
Bro. W. O. Henry, Bro. J. V. Barker, and Bro. Dow Thompson.

Rules of order read by moderator

Happyland Church letter read and delegates seated as follows:
Willie Smith, Estelle Madden and Leona Uzzle.

Thirty-Seven delegates present.

Committees appointed as follows:

Divine Service—Bros. W. O. Henry, J. V. Barker, and Dow Thompson.

Resolutions—Rev. E. A. O'Donnell, Rev. F. M. Wood, and Bro. T. A. Priest.

Obituary—Sister Hanna Dunlap, Bernice Morrison and Exie Haskins.

Temperance—Bros. Albert Turner, Rev. Cecil McKinsey, and Rev. W. L. Dunlap.

Home Mission—Rev. W. A. Hearron, Edna Buckelew, and Rev. Scott Jones.

League—Take League Report.

Sunday School—Bro. Bill Hunt, Sister Leona Uzzle, and Sister Vesta Henry.

Credentials—Bro. Tom Priest, Bro. J. T. Masters and Bro. Fred Barker.

We adjourn until 1:30 P. M.

Preaching at 11:00 o'clock by Rev. Wade Jernegan followed by Rev. E. E. Morris. Text: Psalms 126-3 "The Lord hath done great things for us whereof we are glad" Scripture Reading: Psalms 40.

Singing was conducted by Dow Thompson. "While The Years Roll On."

Prayer by Bro. W. V. Wood from the First Oklahoma Association. A great message direct from God's Throne was enjoyed by all.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Body was called to order by moderator.

Singing led by Albert Turner, "I Can Tell You The Time."

Devotional lesson read by moderator, Psalms 8th Chapter.

Prayer by Bro. Walter Wood.

Letter read from Ada and Cedar Grove churches. Motion carried to receive letters and seat delegates as follows:

Ada—Listed previously.

Cedar Grove—Sisters Vergie Chandler, Effie West and Agness Scroggins.

Motion carried that we allow any church to ask for 5th Sunday Meetings.

Motion carried that we return the request of the Stratford Church to license their preachers to the Stratford Church for its disposal.

Treasurer's report handed in.

Motion carried to appoint an Auditing Committee, the following being appointed: Rev. W. A. Hearron, Rev. Weldon Wood, and Sister Exie Haskins.

Motion carried that we have a 5th Sunday Meeting in August and that we give it to Non.

Collected funds to purchase 56 beds for dormitories at Camp Ground.

Motion carried to adjourn until 9:00 o'clock A. M. Saturday Morning.

Preaching Friday Night by Rev. I. W. Yandell Tet. Matt: 22:

29-23. "The Assault and the Result of the Work of the Devel."

Service concluded by Rev. W. A. Hearron.

SATURDAY MORNING

Body called to order by moderator.

Song—"I Just Steal Away and Pray."

Devotional Reading 2nd. Chapter of Philippians.

Prayer by Rev. E. A. O'Donnell

All visiting brethren invited to sit with us in council.

Letters called for and one Petitionary Letter received from Owl Creek.

Motion carried that we receive the letter and seat the delegates as follows: Bro. Claud Killion, Bro. Lonnie Barnes and Bro. Leo Hoover.

Right hand of fellowship given to delegates.

Sunday School report received and committee retained.

Temperance Committee report given. Report received and committee retained.

Motion carried that we adjourn until 1:00 o'clock P. M.

Our Memorial Service conducted at 11:00 o'clock by Rev. Cecil McKinsey. Text Psalms 116-15.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

Body called to order by moderator.
Song—"I Just Steal Away and Pray."
Devotional reading—Collossions 3rd. Chapter.
Prayer by Rev. Merle Wilson.
Temperance report received.
Auditing Committee report received.
Obituary Committee report received.
Motion carried that the moderator appoint a Program Committee for Youth Camp, the following being appointed: Rev. W. A. Hearron, Bro. Ted Cox, Sis. Vesta Henry, Sis. Ruth Lillard, and Sis. Vergie Chandler.

Fred Barker was elected to serve on the Board of Trustees for the Camp Ground to serve 3 years.

The following delegates were elected to represent us at the State Association:

Delegates

Sister Estelle Cox
Sister Vesta Henry
Sister Estelle Madden
Sister Effie West
Sister Fletcher

Alternates

Sister Anna Hunt
Sister W. A. Hearron
Sister Eloise Britt
Sister Agnes Scroggins
Sister Valeta Hileman

Placing of the Fifth Sunday meetings resulted as follows: First Fifth Sunday Meeting at Non in August, 1948; Second Fifth Sunday Meeting at Happyland in October, 1948; Third Fifth Sunday Meeting at Cedar Grove in January, 1949; Fourth Fifth Sunday Meeting at Stratford in May, 1949, Fifth Fifth Sunday Meeting at Sulphur in July, 1949.

Motion carried that we elect Rev. J. F. Hooper as our Associational Evangelist.

Motion carried that each church in the association send \$10.00 to our Treasurer the 1st of each month to aid in the Evangelistic work.

Motion carried that the money if any left over from feeding the Youth Camp and Association be transferred to the General Camp Ground Fund.

Motion carried that we sent \$10.00 to State Association for minute money.

Rev. W. A. Hearron was selected to preach the introductory sermon in 1949.

Rev. Scott Jones was selected to conduct memorial service in 1949.

Rev. Earlin Haskins and Rev. Weldon Wood was selected to conduct our camp meeting in 1949.

The following were appointed to represent Center Association as corresponding delegates: Sister W. A. Hearron to Dibble Association; Brother W. A. Hearron to Hopewell No. 2 Association; Sister Lois Lamb to First Oklahoma Association; Bro. Cecil McKinsey to Canadian Association.

Rev. W. A. Hearron was elected from Center Association to National Association.

Motion carried that we adjourn to meet again at the camp ground on Thursday night before the 3rd Sunday in August, 1949.

Dismissed by Rev. I. W. Yandell.

REPORT ON COMMITTEES

Obituary:

We find that since our last meeting, God has seen fit to call from us the following members: Bro. John Alexander from Sulphur, Sister Angeline Tallett and Sister Fannie Hall from Non, Sister Siddie Caton from Oakman, Sister Minnie Dame and Sister Lucy Dame from Center. We know that our loss is Heaven's Gain. Signed by committee.

Temperance:

Be it hereby known that this association is unalterably opposed to the use of intoxicating liquor in any form and that any member that drinks, buys or sells or aids in anywise the distribution or consumption of 3-2 beer or any other intoxicating beverage will be charged with immoral conduct and will be disciplined by the church of which he is a member.

We, your Auditing Committee, have examined the Treasurer's body to abolish all existing laws that permit the sale of 3-2 beer or any other intoxicant. That anyone running for office will not be supported by the members of the Free Will Baptist Church unless they take a decided and public stand against the sale of liquor in all forms. Signed by the committee.

Auditing Committee:

We, your Auditing Committee have examined the Treasurer's Report and find everything correct and all money accounted for. We commend the Treasurer for the fine way he has handled things. Signed by the committee.

Home Mission:

See Women's Auxilliary Report.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 1—Be it resolved that beginning next year all stands, cold drinks and others, be established on the East side of the creek near the kitchen and the West side be for parking.

Resolution No. 2—Be it resolved that the body elect a credentials committee of three whose duties shall be:

1. To investigate any report of misconduct or the preaching of any doctrine contrary to our articles of Faith.
2. To make report to the annual meeting of the association in writing of every licensed and ordained minister belonging to any church in the association.
3. To make recommendations to the association about the handling of any charges against any minister.

Be it further resolved that this be a standing committee and that they shall be elected as follows: One for 3 yrs., One for 2 yrs., and One for 1 yr., and that one shall be elected each year hereafter. Signed by the committee.

Resolution No. 3—We recommend that each member of the Center Association be given an opportunity to purchase a double deck Army cot for the dormitories. We have located the cots at Norman, and they are in good condition. They are \$5.00 per unit. 60 beds were purchased.

Resolution No. 4—Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees shall select one Camp Ground Supervisor who will supervise all construction and activity on the Camp Grounds throughout the entire Youth Camp and Camp Meeting.

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY REPORT

Women's Auxiliary of the Center Association which convened at the Camp Ground August 12, 1948.

Election of officers as follows:

President—Mrs. June Crumb, 511 W. 8th St. Ada, Oklahoma.

Secretary—Mrs. Emma Palmer, 1408 W. Vinita, Sulphur, Okla.

First Vice Pres.—Mrs. Sparks, 14th & Vinita St., Sulphur, Okla.

Second Vice Pres.—Mrs. Bertha Barker, Rt. 5, Ada, Oklahoma.

Third Vice Pres.—Mrs. Anna Hunt, Rt. 5, Ada, Oklahoma.

Fourth Vice Pres.—Mrs. Edna Buckelew, 501 W. 3rd, Ada, Okla.

Fifth Vice Pres.—Mrs. Oleeta Pate, 1000 W. 14th. St., Ada, Okla.

Field Worker—Mrs. Effie Wood, 805 W. 12th., Ada, Oklahoma.

Treasurer—Mrs. Lois Lamb.

No. of Auxiliaries—3.

No. of members—43.

Money was received by donations, dues, special offerings, food sales, etc. The following was paid out:

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| Camp Ground | \$382.45 |
| Convention Dues | 12.90 |
| Auxiliary Rally Speakers | 17.90 |
| Flowers | 25.49 |
| To Orphanage in cash, commodities and clothing .. | 530.44 |
| Misc. Expenditures | 211.70 |
| Total Paid Out | \$1,180.88 |

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| No. of Study Classes | 20 |
| No. of Manual Study Classes | 5 |
| No. of Auxiliaries observing week of prayer | 1 |
| No. of auxiliaries sponsoring young people's auxiliary .. | 1 |
| No. sponsoring Daily Vacation Bible School | 2 |
| No. members subscribing to church paper | 10 |
| No. of tithers in auxiliaries | 6 |
| No. of auxiliaries having personal service committee .. | 3 |
| No. of sick calls | 390 |
| No. trays served to sick persons | 152 |
| No. cottage prayer meetings | 16 |
| No. baskets prepared for needy | 28 |

We urge the cooperation of every church member in the auxiliary work; and hope to see more auxiliaries organized another year.

The auxiliary Rallies for the next year will be on Friday before each 5th Sunday at the places of the 5th Sunday Meetings.

ANNUAL LEAGUE REPORT

We have had 4 rallies in this year. We have five leagues in our association.

Annual election of officers resulted as follows:

President—Earl Collings.

Vice President — Grover Barker.

Secretary—Mary Rhynes.

Assistant Secretary—Alice Wood.

Sponsor—Sister Norwood.

Our former secretary being out of the state we were unable to obtain a financial report.

We have a good interest in our leagues and believe we are doing a good work in training our young people.

Signed, Mary Rhynes.

MINISTERS DIRECTORY

Rev. E. A. O'Donnell, 420 S. Ash, Ada, Oklahoma.

Rev. J. W. Ragland, 631 W. 4th, Ada, Oklahoma.

Rev. F. M. Wood, 816 N. Cherry, Ada, Oklahoma.

Rev. J. G. Stone, Stratford, Oklahoma.

Rev. Scott W. Jones, Route 3, Ada, Oklahoma.

Rev. Murl Wilson, Route 3, Ada, Oklahoma.

Rev. Cecil McKinsey, ca. Cedar Grove Church.

Rev. W. A. Hearron, Sulphur, Oklahoma.

Rev. W. L. Dunlap, Sulphur, Oklahoma.

Rev. J. P. Lewis, Sulphur, Oklahoma.

Rev. J. N. Caton, 511 W. 8th, Ada, Okla.

Rev. J. T. Caton, Allen, Oklahoma.

Rev. H. H. Parsons, Hitchita, Oklahoma.

Rev. Edna Buckley, ca. Tipton's Laundry, Ada, Oklahoma.

Rev. J. F. Hooper, Stratford, Oklahoma.

Rev. Earlin Haskins, Route 2, Ada, Oklahoma.

Rev. L. V. Wood, Stratford, Oklahoma.

Rev. Alvis McCaffey, Stratford, Oklahoma.

RULES GOVERNING THE CAMP GROUND PROPERTY

No. 1. No camping will be allowed on west side of Brook that runs across property.

No. 2. No person or persons will be allowed to take up residence, permanent or temporary, on the property, unless by special permission of the Board of Trustees.

No. 3. Lots shall be located and numbered beginning with Lot 1, on east side of Brook where it comes into property on north side and numbered eastward consecutively to the NE corner of property thence southward still consecutively along east side of property to the SE corner of said property, said lots shall be 40 ft. square. A plat of same shall be kept by Board of Trustees also a record of the disposal of lots.

No. 4 Any Freewill Baptist belonging to any Church in our association may build a cabin on this property subject to the following regulations.

- a. No cabin or permanent camp shall be built on any part of the property except on lots mentioned in Rule No. 3.
- b. No person may build a cabin or permanent camp without getting written permission from the Board of Trustees.
- c. No person shall have the right to move any cabin or permanent camp off the property at any time or for any purpose.
- d. If and when the owner of a cabin or permanent camp shall move out of the State of Oklahoma he shall offer for sale said cabin or permanent camp and if not sold within one year from the date of his departure to some person who is a member of some church in the Center Association it shall become the property of the Association or he may give it to the association or to some person, if such person is a member of some church in the Center Association.

No. 5. All other matter shall be regulated by the Board of Trustees.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

| Church | Supt. | Secretary | Aver. Att. | Literature |
|-------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------|------------|
| Gaar Corner | Ted Cox | Nina Marie Barker | 45 | Union |
| Ada | John Wood | Rosa Estes | 180 | F. W. B. |
| Sulphur | D. E. Clark | O. B. Palmer | 61 | F. W. B. |
| Stratford | John T. Masters | Bonnie Fay Bishop | 55 | F. W. B. |
| Cedar Grove | John Morgan | Velma Chandler | 75 | F. W. B. |
| Non | Gilbert Priest | Mavys Chism | 65 | F. W. B. |
| Wilson | Rev. Gurley | Eva Stone | 50 | Union |
| Oakman | Jesse Duvall | Bonnie Bryant | 75 | Union |
| Happyland | Estelle Madden | Eloise Britt | 60 | F. W. B. |
| Bebee | Judson Kirby | Betty Kirby | 32 | Union |
| Owl Creek | Lonnie Barnes | Cora Davis | 45 | Union |

FORM OF CHURCH LETTER TO ASSOCIATION

_____ County, Oklahoma

We, the Free Will Baptist Church of God, at _____
to the Center Association, composed of Free Will Baptists, assembled

with _____ at _____

We send as delegates from our Church _____
whom we pray you will receive to sit with you, and aid in your Godly
deliberations.

Follow with complete church statement.

Done in church conference _____, 194__

_____, Moderator

_____, Clerk.

RULES OF ORDER

1. At every sitting the meeting shall be opened and closed with prayer by the moderator, or whomever he may request.
2. Those who speak shall rise and address the moderator. Personal reflections shall be avoided in all debates.
3. No motion shall be discussed without first being seconded.
4. When a motion has been made and seconded, the moderator shall ask, "Any discussion or remarks?" If none, the question shall be disposed of as usual.
5. If any proposition or motion under debate contains two or more points, it shall be divided at the request of any member and the vote taken separately.
6. Motions made and lost shall not be recorded on the minutes unless ordered by the party making the motion.
7. No one shall speak more than twice on the same subject without special leave of the moderator.
8. All questions shall be decided by the majority of members present.
9. No member shall be absent while in session without leave of the moderator, and if so his name shall be left off the minutes.
10. Minutes shall be leisurely read and corrected if necessary before the close of the association.
11. Arrangements shall be made at each session of the association for two or more sermons or equivalent devotional exercises during each day.
12. Alteration may be made in these rules at any regular session.

CONSTITUTION

From long experience, we the members of the Center Association, being regularly baptized upon the profession of faith in Jesus Christ, and being convinced of the necessity of a combination of churches to perpetuate a union and communion among us, and to preserve and maintain correspondence with each other, we do therefore ordain this Constitution for our better associational government.

ARTICLE I. Membership. This association is composed of ordained ministers and deacons with delegates chosen by the different churches in our union not exceeding three delegates from each church, who, upon presenting their letters shall be entitled to seats.

ARTICLE II. Letters from each church to express their number of fellowship, the number of ordained and licentiate preachers and their post office address; the number of members received upon confession of faith, by letter or recommendation, by restoration, or denominational choice, and the number dismissed by letter, excluded or died since last association.

ARTICLE III. Name. The members thus chosen and convened to be denominated the Center Association of Free Will Baptists, being composed of the sundry churches in Oklahoma.

ARTICLE IV. Officers. The association shall have a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, who are to be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

ARTICLE V. New Churches. New constituted churches may be admitted into the association, which are to petition by letter and delegates, and if, upon examination they may be received into the association, and given the right hand of fellowship.

ARTICLE VI. Questions. No question from any church shall come under consideration of the association except it has first been discussed in its own church.

ARTICLE VII. Motions. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the association, unless it be withdrawn by the person making it.

ARTICLE VIII. Minutes. The association is to endeavor to furnish the churches with minutes of the association in proportion to the number of members in each church, the distribution being at discretion of the association.

ARTICLE IX. Clerk. It shall be the duty of the clerk to keep a regular file of the minutes of the association in a book to be kept by the association for that purpose.

ARTICLE X. Signation. The minutes of the association shall be read and corrected, if needed, and signed by the moderator and clerk, before the close of the association.

ARTICLE XI. Amendments. Amendments to the Constitution may be made when necessary by a two-thirds majority vote of the members present.

Amendment No. 1. Each ordained minister shall be a member of a church in the bounds of the association, and he shall hold his letter for a period of three months when opportunities afford him, he shall surrender his credentials to the quarterly or yearly meetings.

Amendment No. 2. The meeting date of this association shall be Thursday night before the third Sunday in August in each year.

ARTICLE I—ARTICLES OF FAITH

We believe in the true living God, the Father, Son and Holy Ghost; and these are equal in divine essence, power and glory. Roman 1:20; John 1:1.

ARTICLE II—THE BIBLE

The Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments were given by the inspiration of God, and are our infallible rule of faith and practice. II Timothy 3:16-17; II Peter 1:20-21.

ARTICLE III—THE FALL

Section 1. We believe God created man and gave him holy commandments, whereby we should live holy, but the man voluntarily disobeyed the commandments of God, transgressed the law and fell under just condemnation of the same, whereby all mankind are sinners, not by constraint, but by choice.

Section 2. Being partakers of the sinful nature attained by the fall.

Section 3. And that man is unable to save himself with his own power; but we see Jesus by the suffering death, crowned with glory, that He by the Grace of God, tasteth death for every man. Genesis 1:31; Hebrews 2:9.

ARTICLE IV—PARDON

Section 1. We believe that Christ by His death, suffering and resurrection, purchased our pardon.

Section 2. And offers it freely to all mankind upon the principle of repentance toward God and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.

Section 3. He now commands all men everywhere to repent therefore He sayeth, "Look unto me and be saved all the ends of the earth for I am God and there is none else." Matthew 4:17; Isaiah 45:22; Acts 20:21, 17:30.

ARTICLE V—REGENERATION

We believe that adult persons must be regenerated and born of the Spirit of God if they inherit eternal life. John 3:3; Romans 5:1-13.

ARTICLE VI—INFANTS

We believe that infants and idiots are saved upon the mercies of the Son of God. Jonah 4:11; Mark 10:14; Luke 18:16.

ARTICLE VII—APOSTASY

We believe all Christians should persevere in grace and be faithful to the end if they inherit eternal life. "For blessed are they that do His commandments, that they may have a right to the tree of life and enter in through the gates of that city." Revelation 22:14; Gallatians 5:4; Hebrews 12:14-28; James 5:19-20.

ARTICLE VIII—BAPTISM MODE

We believe that baptism by immersion is the apostolic mode, even the burial of believer in water, and that Christ, who is our life showed His humble example to His children, and bids us to walk therein. Matthew 3:16, 28-19; John 3:22; Romans 6:4-5. Latin to plunge, to submerge, baptizo; Greek to dip, baptisma; Greek, a dipping baptizon; Greek, to wash, to dip.

ARTICLE IX—MINISTRY CALL

We believe that God, in His goodness, displays His power of grace in a great degree in calling and qualifying His servant by the teaching of the Holy Ghost and by the instruction of His blessed word to go forth and proclaim life and salvation. Ephesians 3:7; Rev. 22:17.

ARTICLE X—COMMANDMENTS

We believe that baptism and the Lord's Supper, and the washing of the saint's feet, and keeping the Lord's Day Holy, and to abstain from all worldly lust and carnal cares, and to assemble ourselves together, in an ornament which prepares and beautifies the soldiers of the cross to march onward in the army of the Lord. Matthew 26:26-29; John 13:2-17; I Timothy 1:9-10; Luke 22:7-20.

ARTICLE XI—BAPTISMAL RIGHT

Section 1. We believe that none have the right to baptism, only those who have obtained a living hope in the Lord Jesus Christ.

Section 2. And none have the right to administer the same only those who are called of God and have come under hands of the presbytery of elders.

Section 3. And we shall receive none other. Matthew 3:13-17; Titus 1:5; Acts 14:23.

ARTICLE XII—LORD'S SUPPER—DUTY

We believe it the duty of each church to assemble themselves together once a month, and that it is the duty of the pastor of the church, when sitting the Lord's Supper and washing the saint's feet to invite all Christians. 1 Corinthians 11:27-28.

ARTICLE XIII—WOMAN'S PRIVILEGE

We believe the Bible teaches woman's privilege to preach the gospel. Judges 4:4; Romans 16:12; Acts 21-9; II Kings 22:14; Acts 2:17-18.

ARTICLE XIV—FORNICATION

We believe that nothing but death and fornication gives a lawful right to a second marriage, and a second marriage under divorce for any other cause than fornication is a sin if continued in Matthew 19:3-11; 5:22; Luke 16:18; Mark 10:11-12; Romans 7:1-3; Proverbs 4:19-20; I Corinthians 7:10-11; Malachi 2:14-17.

ARTICLE XV—RESURRECTION

Section 1. We believe in the resurrection of all dead, both just and unjust.

Section 2. The resurrection of the just to glory and immortality in the presence of God.

Section 3. And the unjust to everlasting shame and banishment from the presence of God. Matthew 25:31-32; I Corinthians 15:42-45; II Thessalonians 1:4-11; Revelation 20:10; Job 19:26.

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 appearances of evil, to abstain from all sinful amusements and unholy conformity to the world, from all sanction of use and sale of intoxicating beverages, and to "provide things honest in the sight of all men."

We agree faithfully to discharge our obligation 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 the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ." We will not forget the assembling of ourselves together for church conference, public worship, and the observance of the ordinance 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 bond 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 enterprise 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 Sabbath schools, and evangelists efforts for the salvation of souls and the conversion of the world. And may the God peace sanctify us wholly, and preserve us blameless unto the coming of our Lord. Jesus Christ.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

| Church | Pastor | Church Clerk | No on roll | Rec'd | Dismissed | Died | Meeting Date | Value of Church Property |
|-------------|-----------------|------------------|------------|-------|-----------|------|--------------|--------------------------|
| Gaar Corner | F. M. Wood | Bertha Barker | 54 | 5 | 2 | 0 | full time | None |
| Ada | E. A. O'Donnell | Valeta Hileman | 297 | 70 | 7 | 0 | full time | \$8,000 |
| Sulphur | W. A. Hearron | Don Clark | 218 | - | - | 1 | full time | 4,000 |
| Stratford | Alvis McCaffey | Lorene Bratcher | 58 | 20 | 1 | 0 | full time | 1,500 |
| Cedar Grove | Cecil McKenzie | Cal West | 125 | 12 | 7 | 0 | full time | 2,500 |
| Non | Ben Pixley | Mingon Priest | - | - | - | - | ¼ time | 2,500 |
| Wilson | Merle Wilson | Bernice Morrison | 59 | 0 | 0 | 0 | ¼ time | None |
| Oakman | Merle Wilson | Flora Carter | 54 | 3 | 0 | 1 | ¼ time | None |
| Happyland | Scott Jones | Estelle Madden | 48 | 2 | 0 | 0 | - | None |
| Beebe | None | Oma Hood | 6 | - | - | - | - | None |
| Owl Creek | Charles Sapp | Dorothy Byrd | 21 | - | - | - | ½ time | None |

