

MINUTES

OF THE

CENTRAL ASSOCIATION

of

FREE WILL BAPTISTS

Containing a Five year report
1973-1977

Last Annual Meeting held with the
Hot Springs Church
July 9, 1977

OFFICERS

Moderator.....	Rev. Ken Doggett
Asst. Moderator	Wendell Leckbee
Clerk	Shirley Morgan
Asst. Clerk	Jean Sory
Treasurer	Genelle Scott

BOARD MEMBERS

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Rev. Lawnie Coffman5 year term
Rev. Bobby Cox4 year term
Rev. John Postlewaite3 year term
Rev. Ben Scott2 year term
Rev. Fred Warner1 year term

MISSIONS BOARD

Don Elkins5 year term
Rev. Dwayne Roper4 year term
Ted Henry3 year term
Rev. Zane Kirkland2 year term
Delbert Hughes1 year term

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD

Rev. Doug Johnston5 year term
Gene Smallwood4 year term
Jamie Shelton3 year term
Bob Trusty2 year term
Rev. Tommy Henderson . 1 year term

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE

Bob Isbell3 year term
A. C. Cotton2 year term
Rev. Donald Brown 1 year term



A TRIBUTE TO W. S. ISBELL

W. S. Isbell was born May 28, 1891 near Casa, Arkansas. He was the son of W. D. and Nancy E. Orr Isbell. His father was a Free Will Baptist minister as was his grandfather and great grandfather. In September of 1898 the family moved to Hector, Arkansas and from there to the Oak Grove Community east of Moreland, Arkansas in 1904.

He was saved in August of 1909 in the Oak Grove Community and preached his first sermon at Moreland, in the summer of 1910. His first text was I John 2:15-17. It was not until September 3, 1939 that he was ordained as a minister of the Gospel. Between the time of his conversion and ordination as a minister, he served as a deacon in the Oak Grove Church beginning in 1917.

Brother Isbell was married to Maggie L. Johnston, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Johnston. She went to be with the Lord February 8, 1974.

He had served in many different positions in the church, quarterly meetings, and associations, but did not realize and answer his call to the ministry until the summer of 1939. Up till this time he had been used as a lay speaker. At that time he was approached by a good friend about helping him in a revival meeting. He was shocked at the opportunity presented to him and only said "yes" after much prayerful consideration. He went into the revival effort not only as a "preacher" but determined to do what he could to help spiritually. Before that revival was over his home church had contacted him for a revival and by the time the revival was over at his home church, and before he had gone to still yet another revival, he had been contacted by two churches to serve as their pastor. From that time until the organization of the First Free Will Baptist Church in Russellville, Arkansas in 1949, Brother Isbell pastored as many as four churches at a time.

He was the founding Pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church in Russellville and over the years has had a very fruitful ministry in radio and among the sick and bereaved. He is one of the most respected men in the Russellville area and among Arkansas Free Will Baptists.

Those who know Brother Isbell are thankful that God "counted him faithful, putting him into the ministry."

**THIRTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING
JULY 7, 1973
RUSSELLVILLE, ARKANSAS**

Hymn: To God Be the Glory

Devotion: Rev. Jim Surles . . . Benton Church

Church letters read accepted and delegates seated Minutes were read and approved.

Appointment of Committees:

Resolution: Larry Collier, Sara Gilliland, Maxine Bostic

Digest: Dwayne Roper, Pat Surles, Earlene Fuller

Placement: Jean Sory, Vernice Cox, June Arnold

Nominating: Tommy Henderson, Cindy Trusty, Donald Brown

Auditing: Betty Pike, Eddie Sanders, Melba Brown

Treasurer's report read and accepted.

Prayer: Rev. Zane Kirkland.

Recess.

Hymn: Stand Up For Jesus

Prayer: Rev. Robert Jordon

Hymn: Praise Him, Praise Him

Hymn: Joy Unspeakable

Special Music . . . Russellville . . . I Need Thee Every Hour

Message: Rev. Bobbye Stuart Hot Springs I Samuel 4:3

Benediction and blessing on food . . . Rev. R. D. Hester

1:15

Hymn: Victory In Jesus

Devotion and Prayer: Ed Sanders . . . N.L.R. . . . Luke 1:37

Report of Boards and Committees:

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION:1. The C. E. Board ask permission to sponsor a Teach-Train Rally Sept. 7-8 at the Pine Bluff Church. Information will be sent to the churches concerning time and what to bring.

2. The C. E. Board ask permission to sponsor a youth retreat Sept. 21-22 at Camp Beaverfork in Conway. We had 3 conversions at our last retreat.

3. We recommend the youth sponsor of each church get started on the C.T.S. competition for their church. Youth rally's will be held each quarter for this competition and other activities. Material can be ordered from the C.T.S. office.

4. We request that we be given \$50.00 a month over the Co-op percentage to help cover the cost of the teach-train rally and youth retreat. This money come from General Fund for this quarter.

5. Pray regularly for your C. E. Board as we endeavor to promote the spiritual growth of our youth and adults in Christian service.

Report accepted . . . each item voted on and passed.

Oct. 14, 1972 . . . The Board would like to request permission to plan some youth activity to be held before next Quarterly meeting. Churches will receive a report and details.

Motion made and second to grant this permission.

Jan. 13, 1973 . . . 1. The Board asks permission to hold a youth rally at Conway Church on Jan. 27, at 7:00 p.m.

2. We request we be given \$50 a month for our youth activities for the next 3 months and \$200 at the present time to cover activities for a banquet in

February and youth retreat in April. This money to be taken from the General Fund.

3. We recommend June Arnold of Jacksonville to the Board of Christian Education replacing the unexpired term of Ray Stell.

April 14, 1973 . . . The C.E. Board reports that the banquet held at Jacksonville was a great success. Speaker was John Thigpen, guest sinngers were Harvest Trio from the Free Will Baptist Bible College from Nashville.

Final plans have been made for a youth retreat on April 20-21 at Conway. Registration fee: \$2.00.

We the C. E. Board recommends that we be given the right to establish our own treasurer. Voted on and passed.

MISSION BOARD: 1. We recommend that we continue our present giving of \$150 to El Dorado, \$125 to Arkadelphia, and \$50 to Baton Rouge per month.

Motion made and second to take \$45 from the General Fund and transfer it to the Mission Board Fund to take care of the LaDonna Deeds Fund. Passed.

Oct. 14, 1972 . . . 1. The board recommends that we give \$125 per month to Arkadelphia.

2. That we give \$150 to ElDorado work each month for the next quarter. Passed.

Jan. 13, 1973 . . . 1. We recommend that we give \$150 to ElDorado for next quarter.

2. We recommend that we give \$100 toward purchasing furniture for the State Office.

3. We recommend that we give \$125 to Arkadelphia Project per month for the quarter.

Item No. 1 and No. 3 passed. Item No. 2 was struck by moderator.

April 14, 1973 . . . 1. The Mission Board recommends that we continue \$150 per mo. to the ElDorado project for the next quarter.

2. We recommend that we continue \$125 per mo. to Arkadelphia for the next quarter.

3. We recommend that we give \$50 per mo. to Baton Rouge project for the next quarter.

EXECUTIVE BOARD: 1. We recommend that Rev. Jim Surles be received into the Central Association as an ordained minister in good standing.

2. We recommend that David Brown be granted license to preach for one year.

Oct. 14, 1972 . . . 1. The Board recommends that David Bishop of Russellville Church be ordained.

2. Deacons to be ordained: Board recommends that the following people be ordained as Deacons 1. Larkin Lockridge of Benton 2. Charles Reichen of Pine Bluff 3. Jimmy Roberts of Benton Church ordination be postponed for 3 months.

3. Board recommends the following people for license. 1. Larry Norrell of Oak Park 2. Tim Landers of North Little Rock 3. Charles V. Jones of Bethel Church not be licensed at this time.

4. The Board recommends that Bobbye Stuart of Hot Springs Church be accepted into the Central Association of Free Will Baptists. He is coming from the Southeast Association of Oklahoma, upon receipt of letter.

Jan. 13, 1973 . . . 1. Richard Harrison has relinquished his ordination papers

to the Executive Board. He is no longer to be recognized as an ordained Free Will Baptist minister in the Central Association of Arkansas.

2. We recommend that \$25 be given from the Executive Board Fund to the State Free Will Baptist Association in purchase of office furniture.

April 14, 1973 . . . 1. We recommend that Eddy Campbell be granted license to preach for one year.

2. We recommend that Dwayne Roper be granted license to preach for one year.

3. We recommend that Jimmy Roberts from the Benton Church be ordained as a Deacon.

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE: We wish to express our appreciation to the host church for the welcome, the hospitality, and the noon meal.

Oct. 14, 1972 . . . 1. We recommend that we give Shirley Morgan \$25 for the many hours she has spent in bringing the minutes up-to-date of the last 7 years from July, 1965 to July, 1972.

2. We recommend to give the guest speaker, Keith Kenemer \$25.

3. We recommend that we give \$200 to the Lester Waggoner Family from our General Fund and \$300 from the Mission Board Fund to be applied to their medical expense.

4. We recommend giving a rising vote of thanks to the host church for the warm reception we have received today and the wonderful meal.

Jan. 13, 1973 . . . 1. We recommend that the Central Association give \$200 on the State Furniture Fund. Money to come out of the general fund.

2. We recommend that the churches that know they will not have any delegates or pastor at the Quarterly meeting, mail their church letter to the clerk in time for it to be read at he Quarterly meeting.

April 14, 1973 . . . We recommend that Central Association give \$100 from the general fund to the State Book Store at Conway for restocking.

AUDITING COMMITTEE: We the Auditing Committee have examined the treasurer's books and find everything in well kept order. We want to give our thanks to Bro. Bob Isbell for a fine job he is doing. It made the checking of the books a very easy job.

PLACEMENT COMMITTEE: We recommend that we go to North Little Rock for the next meeting.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

Moderator	Rev. Zane Kirkland
Asst. Moderator	Rev. Chester Weir
Clerk	Shirley Morgan
Asst. Clerk	Betty Price
Treasurer	Bob Isbell

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Rev. Bob Stuart5 year term

MISSION BOARD

Delbert Hughes5 year term

CHRISTIAN ED. BOARD

Rev. Tommy Henderson5 year term

Delegates to the State Meeting was elected as follows: Bob Isbell, Jim Venable, Betty Price, Ed Sanders, Dwayne Roper.

Miscellaneous Business:

Motion made and second to raise the salary of clerk and treasurer from \$30 per quarter to \$50.

Announcements

Motion made and second to adjourn.

Dismissed in prayer . . . Rev. Tommy Henderson

**FOURTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING
JULY 6, 1974
JACKSONVILLE, ARKANSAS**

Hymn: To God Be The Glory

Prayer: Rev. Tag Kilgore

Devotion: Wendell Fuller

Church letters read received . . . delegates seated

Prayer: Rev. Donald Brown

Appointment of Committees:

Resolution: Billy Nichols, Gordon Johnson, Larry Collier

Digest: Carolyn Bowers, Melba Brown, Jimmie Lou Trusty

Placement: Angie Barnette, Vernice Cox, Jamie Shelton

Auditing: Bob Barnette, Tim Landers, Steve Gregory

Nominating: W. S. Isbell, Bob Lester, Dean Pike

Minutes were read and approved.

Treasurer's report given and accepted.

Recognition of visitors.

Rev. Lewis Campbell, new bookstore manager, gave a report on the bookstore at Conway.

Dismissed for recess in prayer by Bob Trusty. 11:00

Hymn: Praise Him, Praise Him

Prayer: Rev. Ben Scott

Special Music: Hindman Park . . . Sam and Ruth Postlewaite . . . The Cross Made the Difference.

Message: Rev. Richard Bowers . . . Romans 1:18-25

Benediction and blessing on food . . . Rev. W. H. Bostic. 1:15

Hymn: Higher Ground

Prayer: Rev. Lewis Campbell

Devotion: Waymon Pearson

Rev. W. S. Isbell gave us a heart-warming talk on the advancement of Central Association.

Report of Boards and Committees:

RESOLUTION: Report received and voted on item by item. Items passed as follows:

1. Recommend that the local church where the Quarterly Meeting or Yearly Meeting is to convene, print the program of said meeting, and distribute to all the churches 2 weeks prior to the meeting date.

2. Be it resolved that we give the host church a rising vote of thanks for the noon meal and hospitality shown to us today.

April 13, 1974 . . . A motion was made and second that a resolution committee

be elected at the yearly meeting. A member will be elected annually as other Board members are elected. Voted on and passed.

January 12, 1974 . . . Be it resolved that we give \$100 from the general fund to the special project of the Woman's Auxillary . . . new sidewalks at youth camp.

2. Be it resolved that each church treasurer have a seat as a delegate at the meetings. Tabled

AUDITING: Report accepted as read. We, the Auditing Committee, find the books of the Central Association of Free Will Baptists to be in good order and commend Bro. Bob Isbell for his thorough report to the body.

PLACEMENT: We, the Placement Committee, recommend that we go to Hot Springs Church for the next Quarterly Meeting. Passed.

A resolution committee was elected to serve at each meeting. Those elected are as follows:

Rev. David Joslin	3 years
Joe Postlewaite	2 years
Rev. Donald Brown	1 year

MISSION BOARD: We have no resolutions to report at this time.

October 13, 1973 . . . 1. We recommend due to our finances that we drop the Baton Rouge Project.

2. We recommend that the \$45 for the LaDonna Deeds per quarter come from the General Fund for an indefinite period.

3. We recommend that the \$150 to ElDorado and \$125 to Arkadelphia per month continue for an indefinite period.

4. The Mission Board has received a letter from Rev. Donald Brown concerning a work in the city of Sheridan. There are 7 families that are definitely interested. We recommend this letter and information be turned over to the State Mission Board.

January 12, 1974 . . . We recommend that should the Mission Account be too low to cover our present commitments to Arkadelphia and ElDorado that our treasurer be authorized to pay this quarter commitments from the General Fund.

April 13, 1974 . . . 1. We recommend that \$50 from the Mission Board be given to Sheridan work when it is officially organized.

2. We also recommend that \$50 be given from the General Fund also to the Sheridan Mission when organized. Each item passed.

CHRISTIAN ED. BOARD: Report received and passed on by the voting body.

1. The retreat held at Camp Beaverfork was a success.

2. Plans have been made for the activities for the following year. Churches will receive an outline of the year's activities.

3. A retreat has been planned for October 4-5, 1974.

4. We request the association to give \$100 for the expense of the retreat to be given from the General Fund.

October 13, 1973 . . . The C. E. Board held a Teacher Training Rally Sept. 7-8. The attendance was good. Four churches were in attendance. We wish to thank Oak Park for the hosting of this rally. The youth retreat held at Camp Beaverfork was well attended. The theme was on Witnessing. The young men in

attendance gave a skit on witnessing. This was planned by them during the retreat.

A youth rally is being planned for Nov. 3, at North Little Rock Church. Competition in C.T.S. groups will be held at this meeting. Letters will be sent this week to all pastors concerning the program.

January 12, 1974 . . . 1. We met at the home of Tommy Henderson and set the date of January 26 for the youth rally at the Bethel Free Will Baptist Church at 6:30 p.m. There will be C.T.S. competition at this rally.

2. We chose to work with teens in each of the churches. We ask each church to choose a teen as a youth representative from their church. We thank you for your response to this as we now have 9 corresponding with the C. E. Board.

3. Date for the Valentine Banquet is February 9, at the First Electric Co-op Building at Jacksonville. Tickets will be available thru C. E. Board and thru teen representatives.

April 13, 1974 . . . 1. Good response to the Youth Banquet.

2. Record attendance at youth rally held at Bethel Church.

3. Competition at North Little Rock Church.

4. Ask permission for a youth retreat planned for May 3-4 at Camp Beaverfork. Each item voted on and passed.

EXECUTIVE BOARD: The Executive Board had only one item and it was referred to the Nominating Committee.

October 13, 1973 . . . 1. Motion made and second that the recommendation of the Oak Park Church be granted that Rev. Larry Norrell be ordained to preach.

2. Motion made and second that the request of the North Little Rock Church be granted that Tim Landers license be extended for another year.

3. We recommend the request of the Bethel Church be granted to license Steve Gregory to preach the gospel.

4. We recommend we accept Rev. Tag Kilgore, pastor of Capitol City Church, into the fellowship of Central Association as a minister in good standing.

5. Motion made and second that the request of the Oak Park Church to receive Rev. James A. Reynolds into the fellowship of Central Association as an ordained minister be accepted. Rev. Reynolds comes from the General Baptist Association. This recommendation is pending on the receiving a letter from his former association. Report received . . . each item voted on separately . . . each item passed.

The Executive Board has met and considered the request of Hindman Park Free Will Baptist Church for membership in Central Association. We recognize that certain situations exist which we consider to be unfortunate. For example, we understand that some of the families affiliated with Hindman Park Church were formerly members of Capitol City Church. We regret that any break of fellowship has occurred to any extent, and we do not condone church splits. However, with Christ himself as our example, we pray that all who were involved in any way will show a willingness to forgive and forget. The Executive Board wishes to ask that this body of voting delegates decide by majority vote the matter of receiving Hindman Park Church into our Central Association.

Report received . . . vote taken by standing vote and passed.

January 12, 1974 . . . Report given . . . received . . . and each item passed.

1. We have examined Ed Sanders and have found him to be sound in the

faith and request the association to extend to him license to preach for one year.

2. We recommend we accept Greg Watkins into fellowship of Central Association as an ordained deacon of the First Church of Hot Springs.

3. We submit a recommendation to the association that Rev. Bernard Roberts be accepted into the fellowship of our association to preach the gospel. Rev. Roberts is currently pastor of the West Helena Church.

April 13, 1974 . . . Report accepted . . . each item voted on and passed.

1. We recommend that Roger Rorje be approved for ordination as deacon at the pleasure of the Bethel Church.

2. We recommend that the ordination of Bro. Needham be postponed until further examination.

3. We recommend that George Efurd of the Malvern Church be licensed to preach the gospel for one year.

4. We recommend to extend license to preach for one year to Dwayne Roper and Eddy Campbell of the North Little Rock Church.

5. We recommend we receive Rev. David Joslin into the fellowship of our association. Rev. Joslin comes from the Searcy Church.

6. The Board voted to grant a letter to the Benton Church as they are moving their affiliation to the Antioch Association.

Delegates to the State Association were elected as follows:

- Bob Barnette
- Bob Lester
- Steve Gregory
- Tim Landers
- Ed Sanders.

Nominating Committee: Report received and elected as follows:

- Moderator: Rev. Richard Bowers
- Asst. Moderator: Rev. W. H. Bostic
- Clerk: Shirley Morgan
- Asst. Clerk: Betty Price
- Treasurer: Bob Isbell
- Executive Board:

- Rev. Ben Scott5 year term
- Rev. Fred Warner 2 year unexpired term of Rev. Jordan

Mission Board:

- Rev. Zane Kirkland5 year term

Christian Ed. Board:

- Bob Trusty5 year term

Item No. 2 of January meeting was taken from the table by the vote of the delegates. Motion made and second to add treasurer of local church to our constitution as a standing delegate.

Announcements

Dismissed in prayer by Rev. John Postlewaite.

FIFTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING
JULY 5, 1975
OAK PARK CHURCH, PINE BLUFF

- Registration: 9:45
- Hymn: Standing on the Promises
- Welcome and Prayer . . . Don Hicks
- Hymn: Rescue the Perishing

Devotion: Rev. Richard Bowers

Recognition of visitors

Reading of church letters and delegates seated

Correction of minutes which was approved by delegates.

Treasurer's report given and approved.

Appointment of committees:

Digest: Fern Henry, Steve Gregory, Henry Burton

Placement: Rachel Warner, Mary Hale, Betty Price

Nominating: Wendell Leckbee, Tommy Henderson, Johnny Hale

Auditing: Joy Kilgore, Bob Morgan, Jerry Harville

Since no member of the Resolution Committee was present, a committee was appointed as follows: David Joslin, Bennie Burrow, Ted Henry.

Rev. David Joslin, state promotional director, gave a report on Central Association giving during the year.

Recess

Hymn: Joy Unspeakable

Prayer: Rev. Ben Scott

Special Music: Oak Park Trio . . . Born to Serve the Lord

Message: Rev. Fred Warner . . . John 1:6-7

Benediction and blessing on food by Rev. David Joslin

1:15

Hymn: When the Roll is Called Up Yonder

Devotion: Don Hicks

Reports of boards and committees: All reports received and passed.

MISSION: We referred our nominations for the Mission Board to the Nominating Committee and our giving will remain the same.

October 12, 1974 . . . 1. We recommend to give \$300 a quarter to Arkadelphia Church instead of \$375. We recommend to give \$300 a quarter to ElDorado instead of \$450. We recommend to give \$300 a quarter to West Helena Church.

2. We request a special offering today for the West Helena Church. Offering . . . \$65.51.

April 12, 1975 . . . 1. In addition to our previous obligation, we recommend that we send \$100 to the Cave City Mission.

2. We recommend that we send \$100 to the Sheridan Mission. If Mission Fund becomes depleted the balance to be taken from the General Fund.

EXECUTIVE BOARD: We recommend that license be extended to preach for another year to George Efurd of Hot Springs.

October 12, 1974 . . . We recommend that the license to preach be extended for one year for Tim Landers, David Brown, and Steve Gregory.

January 11, 1975 . . . 1. We recommend we accept Rev. Lewis Campbell into the fellowship of Central Association pending a letter from his former association.

2. We make a recommendation to accept Rev. Johnny Hale into the fellowship of the Central Association pending a letter from the Northeast Association of Oklahoma.

3. We recommend we renew license to preach for one year to Ed Sanders. Upon examination of him we have concluded that he is strong in faith and doctrine.

4. After examination of Dean Pike of Conway Church, the Executive

Board presents a recommendation to the association to postpone any action until next Quarterly Meeting.

April 12, 1975 . . . 1. We make the recommendation to accept Rev. Bennie Burrow into fellowship of Central Association pending a letter from the West Coast Association in California. Rev. Burrow is pastor of the Malvern Church.

2. We recommend we extend the license to preach for another year to Eddy Campbell and Dwayne Roper of N.L.R. Church.

3. We have examined Dean Pike of the Conway Church and find him sound in faith and doctrine and request that he be accepted for ordination as a deacon.

CHRISTIAN ED. BOARD: 1. Last youth retreat resulted in spiritual blessings for all who attended.

2. This Board would like to express our thanks for all the support you have given to us this last year. We are looking for greater blessings in the coming year.

3. Schedule of new activities for the year will be forth coming to the churches.

October 12, 1974 . . . The Board met at Conway twice during this quarter to make plans for the retreat held at Camp Beaverfork. We had the best retreat with more churches participating than at any other we have had. There were 56 registered with ten churches represented. The program was on Missions. Our guest was John Yasuda from Japan.

We have scheduled a competition rally at Russellville Nov. 16, 1974. Everyone is asked to support this event.

January 11, 1975 . . . 1. Youth rally at Pine Bluff at 7:00 p.m. on Jan. 18, 1975. Programs and promotion material to be sent to the churches.

2. Banquet Feb. 14, hosted by Oak Park Church. Letters and tickets to be sent to churches.

3. Thanks to the association for the help financially during our activities with the work.

4. Balance in treasurer is \$180.03. Food was mostly donated for our last youth retreat.

April 12, 1975 . . . Banquet at Pine Bluff a success. Many teens attended with interest. Youth retreat planned for May 2-3. Programs will be sent to the churches. Treasurer's report given.

1. We are asking permission to invite other associations to attend our retreat. We hope this will enthuse other teens. A \$5.00 registration fee will be to cover expense for those outside our association.

Items No. 1 and No. 3 of the Resolution Committee was brought to the floor from the previous meeting. Item No. 1 was concerning the scholarship fund for college students. The committee made the following recommendation. We recommend that this association grant each student in F.W.B.B. College or in Hillsdale F.W.B. College from a church in the Central Association a scholarship fund for this school year in the amount of \$100 from the General Fund. This would be paid directly to the college to be applied on the bill for tuition or dormitory expenses. We further recommend that a more extensive study be made in regard to a future plan for student assistance, with a recommendation to be presented at the next session of the Quarterly Meeting.

Item No. 3 pertains to the change in Article III of the constitution. It was voted to change it to read . . . General officers, standing, and standing committee.

RESOLUTION: Be it resolved that we give the host church a rising vote of thanks for this hospitality. Passed by everyone rising.

October 12, 1974 . . . 1. We resolve that a committee be appointed to set up a fund for any students from our association attending one of our Free Will Baptist Colleges.

2. We resolve that the moderator of the Central Association be made an Ex-Officio member of the Executive Board, for the term that he will serve as moderator. We feel the moderator should be aware of any decisions the Executive Board makes so he can serve as best he can.

3. We resolve that Article III of the constitution be changed to read . . . general officers, standing boards, and standing committees. Standing Committees is not now included. This refers to those who have a vote in the Quarterly Meeting. Motion made and second to table this until 10:30 a.m. of next Quarterly Meeting.

4. We resolve that the treasurer reproduce a copy of the treasurer's report and give a copy to each member present at the Quarterly Meetings.

April 12, 1975 . . . 1. Whereas the Executive Department of the National Association of Free Will Baptists has launched a campaign to pay off the \$150,000 debt of the national offices' building, and whereas this campaign was authorized by the National Association in 1973: be it resolved that this Central Association adopt the goal of raising \$1,500 toward this undertaking, with each of our churches participating in the effort.

2. Be it resolved that the minutes of the receding quarter be distributed at the Quarterly Meeting, without being read by the clerk. The moderator can call for any corrections and additions, thus saving time. Also, be it resolved that the Central Association pay for the cost of printing the minutes.

3. Be it resolved that the Central Association give \$200 to the Layman's Paving Project, and that this sum come from the General Fund.

AUDITING COMMITTEE: We, the Auditing Committee, reviewed the treasurer's books and found everything to be in order and properly documented. In reviewing the books it was evident that Bor. Bob has given of his time freely in this job and the association should give him a special thanks for a job well done.

PLACEMENT COMMITTEE: We, the Placement Committee, recommend that we go to North Little Rock for the next Quarterly Meeting. Passed

Motion made and second to appoint a nominating committee to be elected the prior meeting before the Yearly Meeting.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Elected as follows:

Moderator: Rev. Richard Bowers

Asst. Moderator: Rev. Fred Warner

Clerk: Shirley Morgan

Asst. Clerk: Betty Price

Treasurer: Bob Isbell

Executive Board:

John Postlewaite5 year term

Mission Board:

Ted Henry5 year term

William Walton3 year term

Christian Ed. Board:

Janice Shelton5 year term

Resolution:

Donald Brown3 year term

Each church was reminded of the Scholarship Fund and the National Office Indebtness. Fund that each church is encouraged to give to this quarter.

Delegates to the State Meeting was as follows:

Jim Venable

Rachel Warner

Steve Gregory

Carolyn Bowers

Janell Scott

Announcements

Dismissed in prayer by Wendell Leckbee.

SIXTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING

JULY 3, 1976

JACKSONVILLE, ARKANSAS

Registration: 9:45

Hymn: Jesus Saves

Prayer: Rev. Donald Brown

Welcome: Don Elkins

Devotion: Delbert Hughes Psalm 103:1-8

Prayer: Rev. David Joslin

Minutes accepted

Letters read and delegates seated.

Appointment of committees:

Auditing: Dwayne Roper, Ruby Jester, Doris Kirkland

Placement: Betty Pike, Margaret Reece, Natalia Roper

Digest: Delorise Harville, Robert Williams, Grachel Harville

Treasurer's report given and accepted.

Rev. David Joslin gave a report on district giving, bookstore sales, and the state work.

Delegates elected to State Meeting were:

Melba Brown

Gene Smallwood

Betty Price

Flo Leckbeen

Janelle Scott

Dismissed for recess by Wendell Leckbee

Hymn: The Lily of the Valley

Prayer: Bob Isbell

In absence of member, Charles Platt served on Resolution Committee.

Special music: Mr. & Mrs. James Merrick

Message: Rev. Ken Doggett . . . Oak Park Church . . . I Corinthians 6:9-11

Hymn: Jesus Paid it All

Benediction and blessing on food by Gene Greenwood

1:15

Hymn: He Hideth My Soul

Prayer: Rev. Dwayne Roper
Devotion: Wendell Leckbee
Reports of boards and committees:

RESOLUTION: 1. Be it resolved that we give Bro. Bob Isbell a rising vote of thanks for a job well done over the past 11 years as treasurer of the Central Association.

2. Be it resolved that we give the host church a rising vote of thanks for the noon meal and hospitality.

October 11, 1975 . . . 1. Be it resolved that the treasurer of the Central Association when sending money to the State Office designate the source from which the funds are given.

2. Be it resolved that the Central Association contribute \$50 to the National Layman's Book Shelf Project.

3. Be it resolved that the association give Free Will Baptist College \$100 through the quartet for being with us today.

4. Be it resolved that the body of the Central Association consider giving either financial aid or some type of "mission status" support for the Malvern Church.

Motion made and second to refer to Mission Board. Passed

January 10, 1976 . . . 1. Be it resolved that whereas the Central Association has set up a Student Scholarship Fund for the benefit of our students attending our Free Will Baptist College, that we be reminded of our commitments, and encourage stronger financial support of this project.

A motion and second to give \$50 per student in Free Will Baptist College. If there isn't sufficient funds, it be taken out of General Fund.

AUDITING: We have examined the books of the Quarterly Association and find all in order.

MISSION BOARD: We recommend that we give \$1,000 to State Mission Land Fund from the Mission Board Fund. Passed

October 11, 1975 . . . 1. We recommend that we give \$75 per month to each of the following: Arkadelphia, Eldorado, West Helena, and Dequeen. We also recommend that the Dequeen Fund be designated "Land Fund." Passed

January 10, 1976 . . . Report received and passed as follows:

1. We recommend we change Arkadelphia and Eldorado from \$75 a month to \$50.

2. Send Malvern Church \$50 a month for this quarter, pending a report at the next meeting.

3. Leave West Helena the same \$75 a month.

April 10, 1976 . . . 1. The recommendation was that we send \$50 per month to Arkadelphia, and Eldorado. And we send \$75 to Dequeen per month for an indefinite time. (all three on indefinite time).

2. We recommend that we give to John Rhodes account \$100 for his support to the Ivory Coast as a summer missionary to be taken from Mission Board Account.

Malvern Church returned \$150 that they had been given to them by the Central Association. Motion made and second that we give this money to Dequeen on Land Fund.

PLACEMENT COMMITTEE: We, the Placement Committee, recommend we go to Conway for our next Quarterly meeting. Passed

EXECUTIVE BOARD: 1. Extend license to preach for another year to George Elfurd of Hot Springs Church.

2. Extend license to preach for another year to David Brown of the Bethel Church from this time.

3. To give to Operation Partnership \$100 and to National Master's Men Bookshelf Project \$100. This is to be taken from the Executive Board Account.

January 10, 1976 . . . 1. We recommend that license to preach be extended for another year to Ed Sanders of N.L.R. Church.

2. We recommend that Rev. Ken Doggett be received into the fellowship of Central Association. Rev. Doggett comes from the St. Francis County Quarterly Meeting. He is pastoring the Oak Park Church. This is pending on receiving a letter from his former association.

3. Motion and second to send a letter of recommendation to Rev. Richard Bowers who has gone to the Sutton Church.

October 11, 1975 . . . 1. We recommend that license be extended for another year to Tim Landers of the N.L.R. Church.

2. We recommend that the clerk write a letter of appreciation to Rev. Richard Bowers who served as our moderator while in our association. He has gone to the Sutton Church.

April 10, 1976 . . . 1. We recommend to extend license to preach for a year to Eddy Campbell of the N.L.R. Church. He is currently in F.W.B. College.

2. We recommend that the request of the Malvern Church be granted in regard to the ordination of Rev. Dwayne Roper to the ministry. Since Rev. Roper has grown up in the N.L.R. Church, we recommend that the ordination service be conducted at the N.L.R. Church with the ordained deacons and pastor serving as the ordaining counsel.

CHRISTIAN ED. BOARD: October 11, 1975 . . . Board met August 5, 1975 and discussed the following.

1. Dates and themes for youth activities for the year.

2. Elected Tommy Henderson as treasurer.

3. Elected Jamie Shelton as secretary.

Board met October 11, recommends: 1. Pat Henderson asked to be removed from the C. E. Board. The Board would like to submit Larry Elsberry to fulfill this vacancy.

2. Richard Bowers has moved out of the district; leaving another vacancy. The Board would like to submit Carolyn Wilson to fulfill vacancy.

3. In view of our financial status, we would recommend that \$50 be given to the C. E. Board out of the General Fund.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Elected as follows:

Moderator: Wendell Leckbee

Asst. Moderator: Fred Warner

Clerk: Shirley Morgan

Asst. Clerk: Betty Price

Treasurer: Genelle Scott

Executive Board:

Bobby Cox5 year term

Mission Board:

Dwayne Roper5 year term

Resolution Committee:

Ken Doggett5 year term

Announcements:

Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Tommy Henderson

**SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING
JULY 9, 1977
HOT SPRINGS CHURCH**

Registration: 9:45

Hymn: All the Way My Savior Leads Me

Prayer: Rev. Ben Scott

Recognition of visitors

Reading of church letters accepted and delegates seated

Prayer: Rev. Ken Doggett

Acceptance of the minutes

Treasurer's report given and accepted

Appointment of Committees:

Placement: Alene Coffman, Bob McDaniels, A. C. Cotton

Auditing: Mike Brooks, Natalie Roper, Ines Fendley

Digest: Eugene Meredith, Audrey Cotton, Doris Kirkland

Rev. Lewis Campbell from the state office, spoke a few minutes on the state work.

Rev. Mark Vandivort, Home Missionary to Flagstaff, Arizona, spoke concerning the new work he would be starting in Arizona.

Dismissed for recess by Rev. Dwayne Roper

Hymn: Ring the Bells of Heaven

Special Music: Denise Braswell

Prayer: Rev. Eddy Campbell

Special Music: Somebody Loves Us by the Hot Springs Trio

Message: Rev. Donald Brown . . . Bethel Church . . . II Corinthians 4:1-7

Benediction and blessing on food . . . Rev. Lawnie Coffman

1:15

Hymn: He Brought Me Out

Prayer: Tim Landers

Devotion: Ed Sanders

Prayer: Rev. Tommy Henderson

Pat Dickens, missionary to Ivory Coast, spoke about leaving to go to the Ivory Coast.

Report of boards and committees:

MISSION BOARD: 1. We recommend that we give \$500 to Pat Dickens Account from the Mission Board Fund.

2. We recommend that we give \$75 per month for 1 year to Mark Vandivort Account from the Mission Board Fund.

3. On request from the State Mission Board that we give \$125 per month to Mansfield Mission from the Mission Board Fund. A letter from them reporting their progress be requested for the next meeting.

4. On request from the State Mission Board that we drop our support to Arkadelphia.

Report accepted and each item voted on and passed.

Motion made and second that we give 10% of the Mission Board Fund money from Co-op to Pat Dickins account. Passed

October 7, 1976 . . . We recommend that we give \$500 to the Pat Dickens account.

January 8, 1977 . . . 1. To give June Arnold \$300

2. To give the New Mission at Quitman \$200

3. To give Andy Percy at Mansfield \$50 a month for this quarter. This money coming from the Mission Board Fund. Each item adopted.

April 9, 1977 . . . We of the Mission Board recommend that we give Pat Dickens a gift of \$350 from the Mission Board Fund. Passed

EXECUTIVE BOARD: 1. We recommend that Rev. Doug Johnston be received into the fellowship of Central Association.

2. We recommend that the license of David Brown be extended for 1 year.

3. We recommend that the license of George Efurd be extended for 1 year. Motion made and second to give \$100 to David Brown from the General Fund.

October 9, 1976 . . . 1. We recommend the license to preach for another year be extended to Tim Landers. He is from the N.L.R. Church and is currently in college at Free Will Baptist College in Nashville.

2. Rev. David Joslin has been recommended to speak at our next meeting.

April 9, 1977 . . . 1. We recommend that Rev. Lawnie Coffman be received into the fellowship of this Quarterly Meeting.

2. We recommend that the ministerial license of Mike Brooks be endorsed and extended for a period of one year.

3. We recommend that the license of Eddy Campbell and Ed Sanders be extended for a period of one year.

4. We recommend that Rev. Briggs be received into our fellowship on the basis of his recommendation from Hopewell No. 2 association of Free Will Baptists in Oklahoma.

Each item adopted.

We would like to request that any church having deacons or ministers to be examined by the Executive Board notify the board in advance of the Quarterly Meeting for such examination might be arranged in advance of the Quarterly Meeting.

C. E. BOARD: The C. E. Board sponsored a youth retreat in the fall of 1976. The board sponsored a Valentine Banquet at N. Little Rock. The Board is in the planning of a Sunday School Workshop with the State Sunday School Board.

These items accepted as information.

October 9, 1976 . . . On August 23 the C. E. Board had a conference phone call. Dates for the retreat were set and program planned. We mailed out letters to each church concerning our plans. The retreat dates are Oct. 22-23 at Camp Beaverfork.

April 9, 1977 . . . 1. C. E. Board needs approval to help sponsor a Sunday School Revival with State Sunday School Board. The State Sunday School Board ask that we supply \$300 for this effort. We are asking that the Central Association give us an additional \$200 to go in our treasurer toward this project. This money . . . \$200 from General Fund and \$100 from C. E. Board.

2. Competition for district level to be held April 29 at 7:00 p.m. at Conway Church. All churches with competition needs to contact C. E. Board today. Today is final day for entries.

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE: October 9, 1976 . . . 1. Be it resolved that the Central Association give \$250 to the paving project at the youth camp. Money to come from the General Fund.

2. Be it resolved that the churches be reminded to meet their obligation to the Scholarship Fund.

January 8, 1977 . . . Be it resolved that we give \$50 to each student attending Bible College or Hillsdale from our association. Money to come from the Scholarship Fund and General Fund. Motion made and second to include June Arnold. Passed

April 9, 1977 . . . We recommend that we meet at our regular meeting time in July, second Saturday since the National has been changed.

AUDITING COMMITTEE: We, of the Auditing Committee, have examined the books and find all things in order.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Was elected as follows:

- Moderator: Rev. Ken Doggett
- Asst. Moderator: Wendell Leckbee
- Clerk: Shirley Morgan
- Asst. Clerk: Jean Sory

Executive Board:

Rev. Lawnie Coffman.5 year term

Mission Board:

Don Elkins 5 year term

C. E. Board:

Rev. Doug Johnston.5 year term

Resolution:

Bob Isbell.3 year term

Executive:

Rev. Fred Warner.1 year term

Resolution:

A. C. Cotton2 year term

Delegates to the State Meeting was Alene Coffman, Boyd Osborne, Flo Leckbee, Melba Brown, and Dwayne Roper.

PLACEMENT: We recommend we go to Capitol City for our next meeting.

Motion made and second to have 250 copies of minutes printed with the Sunday School Department in Nashville.

Motion made and second to dedicate a page of our minutes to Rev. W. S. Isbell. Rev. Fred Warner getting the information for this page.

Announcements

Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Lawnie Coffman

TREASURER'S REPORT **JULY, 1973—JULY, 1977**

Receipts:

Co-op

1973	11,050.65
1974	11,686.15
1975	14,199.61
1976	16,424.98
1977	16,758.68

Missions:

1973	3,894.58
1974	3,609.83
1975	6,206.86
1976	5,308.29
1977	9,943.26

Bible College:

1973	1,769.15
1974	2,089.34
1975	1,583.92
1976	2,066.91
1977	1,574.34

Total Receipts:

1973	17,748.54
1974	17,724.09
1975	22,954.80
1976	25,557.67
1977	32,530.82

Total Disbursements:

1973	18,897.29
1974	17,579.95
1975	22,329.41
1976	23,522.12
1977	28,700.43

Balance:

1973	503.96
1974	648.10
1075	1,273.49
1976	3,309.04
1977	3,830.39

REPORT FOR JULY, 1973—JULY, 1977

	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977
Church Membership	1,086	1,092	1,176	1,062	1,419
No. Ordained Ministers	17	13	21	14	18
No. Licensed Ministers	5	13	8	6	7
Deacons	31	28	32	27	28
Sunday School Enrollment	862	956	1,084	660	1,052
C.T.S. Enrollment	450	415	372	258	408
Woman's Auxiliary	98	101	96	59	116
Master's Men	41	24	32	29	46
Pastor's Salaries	45,389.95	51,382.00	55,667.50	41,252.84	62,541.41
Evangelistic Work	2,830.83	1,910.00	3,996.37	2,503.00	4,003.78
Building and Repair	20,831.27	47,239.34	36,831.50	9,628.33	28,516.01
Literature	5,728.02	9,275.10	7,990.59	5,259.08	9,846.14
Miscellaneous	33,545.42	54,223.16	47,629.36	26,228.49	79,968.99
Total Spent Local Causes	108,325.49	163,029.50	98,460.63	84,871.74	184,376.33
Total Spent Outside Causes	19,728.56	20,256.78	24,950.30	17,503.63	41,068.97

CONSTITUTION
OF THE
CENTRAL ASSOCIATION
OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS
OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS

PREAMBLE: From long experience, we the members of the Free Will Baptist Churches of this district, having been baptised by immersion upon Profession of our faith in Christ as Saviour and Lord, and realizing the necessity of a bond of union and fellowship among our churches; do, for the purpose of co-ordinating our efforts for the extension of the Kingdom of God, ordain this constitution and it's affixed By-Laws for the betterment of our Associational Government.

ARTICLE I

NAME: This organization shall be called the "Central Association of Free Will Baptists", affiliated with the State Association of Free Will Baptists of Arkansas, which is a member of the National Association of Free Will Baptists, with headquarters in Nashville, Tennessee.

ARTICLE II

PURPOSE: The object and purpose of this Organization shall be to unify the work of its various boards and churches composing this Association and to devise and execute measures for the extension of the Gospel of Christ in connection with the various boards, auxiliaries and churches, or those that may hereafter be represented therein.

ARTICLE III

COMPOSITION: This Association shall be composed of such well regulated Free Will Baptist Churches as subscribed (agree) with the doctrine and practices as stipulated in the Treatise of the Faith and Practices of Free Will Baptists, (favoring the various enterprises as endorsed by the State Association and denomination proper) by it's General Officers, Standing Boards, and Standing Committees; the duly appointed delegates of the local Churches, all Ordained Ministers, Deacons, Church Clerks and Treasurers who are in good standing with their local Churches.

ARTICLE IV

REPRESENTATION: Section 1. Each local church shall be represented by delegates elected as follows: Three (3) delegates for the first fifty (50) members or fraction thereof, and (1) delegate for each subsequent twenty-five (25) members or fraction thereof, not to exceed seven (7) elected delegates. A letter from each church shall accompany said delegates as requested by this body.

Section 2: In event only part of the elected delegation is present from a church, they together may in consultation with their pastor fill said vacancies with other members who are present from said church. Said delegates to be approved by this body.

Section 3: New churches desiring membership in this body shall send delegates bearing a petitionary letter. Churches coming from another Association, quarterly meeting or denomination shall send delegates bearing a petitionary letter, together with a letter of recommendation from said body they are leaving. If the above churches, upon examination by the Credential Committee are found to be properly organized and willing to adhere to the Faith

and Practices of Free Will Baptists as specified in the Treatise, they shall by vote of this body be received in to full fellowship.

ARTICLE V

DISCIPLINE: This Association shall act only in an advisory capacity. Should there arise in the local Church any question on doctrine, practice or discipline, the Bible and the Treatise of the Faith and Practices of Free Will Baptists shall be considered the final authority. This body, when in session, may by majority vote of members present, withdraw the hand of fellowship from said church or churches until such a time they have set their house in order. (The above statements shall also apply to individual members belonging to said body).

ARTICLE VI

FINANCE: This Association shall receive its support from a designated percentage of the Co-operative receipts that come from the churches composing said body. The remaining percentage shall be sent to the State Promotional Office for the State and National Programs. This Association recommends that each church belonging to said body give one-tenth (10%) of its tithes and offerings to this body for its support and the support of the State and National Programs. The allocation of this money be made through a budget committee to this body at each yearly meeting.

ARTICLE VII

OFFICERS: Section 1. The Officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, Assistant Clerk, and Treasurer. These officers shall be elected annually, on the last day of the Association, at the close of the business period. These officers shall also serve for each quarterly meeting of the Association, with the exception of the Moderator and Assistant Moderator. These officers shall be elected by the quarterly meeting.

ARTICLE VIII

BOARDS AND COMMITTEES: The Standing Boards of this Association shall be: The Executive Board, Mission Board, and Christian Education Board. The district Woman's Auxiliary Convention shall be considered Auxiliaries of this Body. Each of the above named boards and auxiliaries are requested to report to the Yearly Meeting of this Association. The Credential Committee, as well as other committees deemed necessary, shall be appointed by the Moderator, or by the body if it so desires. All Standing Boards shall be composed of five (5) members who shall serve of 5, 4, 3, 2, 1, terms year.

ARTICLE IX

DUTIES AND RULES OF BOARDS: All Boards and Committees are to organize when elected or appointed, at the beginning of each associational year. They shall have a Chairman, Assistant Chairman, Secretary, and Treasurer when funds are entrusted to a board. Each board or committee shall keep a written report of each meeting, the receiving and disbursement of its funds, etc., and shall make a written report to this body of its work done during the year, or as requested by the body. Each standing board shall have its own by-laws which shall govern its activities, only when otherwise stated by this constitution. All by-laws are to conform to the principles and treatise of this Association.

Section 1A: The Executive Board is delegated the power to act in behalf of and for the Central Association or its quarterly meetings, when either of these

bodies are not in session. It shall have power to fill vacancies that may occur on any of these Standing Boards or offices of the Association or quarterly meeting. This Board shall be responsible for all legal matters that might claim the attention of this body. It shall hold in trust and supervise all properties that belong to or have been purchased by said body, unless otherwise ordered by the body.

Section 1B: The Mission Board shall not participate in the organization of any church or mission that is being organized in a town, city, or community where there is an organized Free Will Baptist Church without first seeking the co-operation of said church, neither shall their board participate in the organization of a group that is out of fellowship with an established church.

Section 2: Missions Board: It shall be the duty of this board to work in conjunction with the State and National Home and Foreign Missions Board in arranging an active Missionary Program. The activities of this board shall be governed by its By-Laws and approved by this body, and shall be answerable to this body for all of its activities.

Section 3: The Christian Education Board shall work in cooperation with the State and National Boards. They shall assist the churches of their Association in the teaching and training programs, workshops, and in recommending methods of the Sunday Schools and Church Training Service. These boards shall sponsor conventions as they deem advisable.

Section 4: It shall be the duty of the Executive Board to examine all candidates (Ministers and Deacons) at the request of the local church. Such candidates shall be members in good standing with the local church (having been a Christian for at least two (2) years). All Licensed Ministers seeking ordination shall be given a written examination. Questionnaire to be furnished by this board. Ministers coming from other States, Associations, or Denominations shall be examined by this board at the request of the local church. Deacons shall be examined according to the Scripture and Practice of Free Will Baptists. (See Treatise) No prospective Minister or Deacon shall be ordained by Association who have been divorced or does not practice and teach tithing.

ARTICLE X

MEETINGS: This Association shall meet annually at such time and place as shall be decided upon by said body. It shall also meet in regular quarterly meetings and at such quarterly meetings shall have power to transact business for the Association. With the exception of changing the Constitution, setting up new boards or electing of board members to standing boards. The quarterly meeting shall meet on the second Saturday of the first month in each calendar quarter. (The meeting date preceding the Arkansas State Association shall be the yearly meeting date). Place of meeting to be chosen as that of Association.

ARTICLE XI

RULES FOR CONDUCTING BUSINESS: Robert's Rules of Order shall be used as a guide in all business transactions, parliamentary usage, etc.

ARTICLE XII

AMENDMENTS: This constitution may be amended or altered at any regular (yearly) session of this Association by a two-thirds vote of members present, provided amendments or alterations be presented in writing with proposed change or alterations to be placed on the table no later than eleven (11:00) A.M.

on session day and to be taken up no earlier than two (2:00) P.M. on the same day.

PROPOSED BY-LAWS
(Can be used as Decorum)

1. The Clerk or Assistant Clerk or in their absence, the Senior Minister in years shall call the Association or quarterly meeting into conference and if a quorum is present the Moderator, or in his absence the Assistant Moderator shall take charge and if neither of them is present the Senior Minister in years of service shall act as moderator.

2. Each meeting shall be opened by reading a portion of the Bible and with Prayer, and shall be closed with Prayer.

3. It shall be the duty of the clerk to enroll the delegates to the Association, who shall present themselves with proper credentials of their rights to be seated therein. Those enrolled by the clerk shall, with the other Boards and Members mentioned in the Constitution compose the Association and quarterly meeting. Should there be questionable representation the case shall be referred to the credential committee.

4. It shall be the duty of each church, Ministers, Board, Committee, Auxiliary, and Quarterly Meeting to report their work and statistics by letter or prepared form, to the annual session of this Association. (Ministerial Report Blanks and yearly and quarterly report blanks to be prepared according to wishes of this body).

5. This Association and quarterly meeting may correspond by messenger or otherwise with other religious bodies.

6. This Association shall sit with open doors except when it shall go into a committee as a whole.

7. Any person not a member of this Association may be invited to a seat as advisory council and by permission from Moderator, speak. But in no case shall he, or they, be allowed to vote.

8. It shall be the duty of all members of this Association and quarterly meeting to be present at the time appointed for each meeting and worship service. Anyone wishing to retire shall first obtain leave from the Moderator.

9. No person shall be allowed to nominate more than one member of any Board, Committee, or Office, provided the person nominated be elected.

10. The Moderator shall not allow discussions when not carried on in a Christian Spirit, or when he thinks it will cause discord or cast reflection upon another person.

11. Anyone desiring to speak shall rise to his feet and address the Moderator by

the appellation "Brother Moderator", and shall not speak further until recognized by the Moderator.

12. A majority of all votes cast shall be final upon all subjection except to amend the Constitution and By-Laws, or to reverse the ruling of the Moderator, which shall require a two-thirds majority vote of members voting.

13. All officers of this Association and quarterly meeting shall be placed in nomination by the nominating committee (with privilege of nominating from floor given by moderator) except otherwise requested by this body.

14. These By-Laws may be altered or amended at any regular or adjourned session of this Association by a two-thirds vote of members present.