

**1998-99
YEARBOOK
FOR
ORIGINAL
FREE WILL
BAPTISTS**

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Central
MINUTES
of the
250TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE
of the
CENTRAL CONFERENCE
of the
ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTISTS

Held with
King's Cross Roads Free Will Baptist Church
Pitt County, North Carolina
Thursday, November 5, 1998
The Reverend Bruce Jones, Host Pastor

Officers of the Conference

Moderator: The Reverend Gary M. Bailey
Assistant Moderator: The Reverend Stanley Buck
Clerk: The Reverend Joey Williams
Assistant Clerk: Dr. Michael Pelt
Treasurer: The Reverend Ray Williamson

Boards and Committees

Executive Committee(1998-2000)

The Reverend Ray Williamson, Moderator
The Reverend Joey Williams, Assistant Moderator
The Reverend J. B. Narron, Clerk
The Reverend Frankie Baggett, Assistant Clerk
The Reverend Walter Reynolds, Treasurer

Board of Ordination

The Reverend C.H. Overman (1999) The Reverend Philip Wood (2000)
The Reverend Ronnie V. Hobgood (2001) The Reverend Calvin Heath (2002)
The Reverend Harry Grubbs(2003)

Board of Trustees

Mrs. Gladys Oakley (1999) Mr. Rex Wainwright (2000)
The Reverend N. Bruce Barrow (2001) Mr. Joseph Williams (2002)
The Reverend David Langley (2003)

Board of Missions

The Reverend Leon Grubbs (1999) The Reverend Leon Harris (2000)
Mr. George Wooten (2001) The Reverend Carroll Bradbury (2002)
The Reverend Gary Bailey (2003)

Board of Finance

Mr. Macon Page (1999) Mrs. Annie Craft (2000)
The Reverend Frank Flowers (2001) Mrs. Joyce Hathaway (2002)
The Reverend Jack Weathersby (2003)

Central

Koinonia Advisors

Dr. Donald Ribeiro (1999)

The Reverend Brad Williamson (2000)

Representation of Membership in the Free Will Baptist Press Foundation, Inc.

Mrs. Louise Whitehurst (1999)

Mrs. Elma Beddard (2000)

The Reverend Ron Braxton (2001)

The Reverend Thomas Bowen (2002)

Mrs. May Pitman (2003)

Credentials Committee

Mr. Doug Owens (1999)

The Reverend David Hill (2000)

Mr. Tony Glass (2001)

Obituary Committee

The Reverend Ron Braxton (1999)

The Reverend Tom Miller (2000)

Miss Leah McGlohon (2001)

Conference Historian

Dr. Michael Pelt (1999)

Publicity Chairperson

The Reverend Todd Sutton (1999)

Representative of Membership in Church Finance Association, Inc.

The Reverend Willis Wilson (1999)

Roll of Central Conference Ministers By Seniority

| Minister | Ordained | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|------------------------|----------|------|------|------|
| N.D. Beamon | 12/04/33 | P | P | P |
| N. Bruce Barrow | 09/35 | P | P | L |
| J.B. Narron | 10/13/50 | P | P | P |
| Michael Pelt | 09/50 | P | P | L |
| Willis Wilson | 12/28/54 | P | P | P |
| C.H. Oveman | 08/52 | P | P | P |
| Joseph Lehman | 11/09/65 | L | L | L |
| Charles Branch | 01/05/69 | P | P | L |
| Bruce Jones | 09/05/71 | P | P | P |
| Clinton Davis | 07/05/72 | P | L | P |
| Gary Bailey | 07/30/49 | P | P | P |
| Walter Reynolds | 07/30/49 | P | P | L |
| Tom Miller | 07/02/67 | P | P | P |
| Stewart Humphrey | 11/10/66 | L | L | P |
| Leon Grubbs | 09/05/68 | P | P | P |
| Bobby Taylor | 11/02/73 | P | P | P |
| Ronnie Hobgood | 08/13/78 | P | P | P |
| Melvin Moore | 12/31/59 | P | P | P |
| Harry Grubbs | 02/24/67 | P | P | P |
| Frank Flowers | 06/02/72 | P | P | P |
| Earl Glenn | 11/49 | P | P | P |
| Billy Ray Jordan (Ret) | 10/17/62 | L | L | L |

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| Minister | Ordained | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|--------------------------|-----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| R.P. Harris (Ret.) | 11/20/33 | P | L | L |
| Leon Harris | 05/17/81 | P | P | P |
| Clifford Ball | 08/20/81 | L | P | P |
| Ray Williamson | 05/11/77 | P | P | P |
| Ronald Braxton | 02/03/83 | P | P | L |
| Donald Riteiro | 10/27/83 | L | L | P |
| David Hill | 10/31/68 | P | P | P |
| Mark Hobbs | 11/20/80 | A | A | P |
| Bass Mitchell | 10/31/76 | A | A | A |
| Stanley Buck | 09/17/76 | P | P | P |
| David T. Langley | 10/05/87 | P | P | P |
| Philip Wood | 05/12/79 | P | P | P |
| Norwood Futrell | 09/51 | P | P | L |
| Thomas Parrish | 01/10/63 | L | P | P |
| Calvin Heath | 10/31/76 | P | P | P |
| Thomas Bowen | 11/25/90 | P | P | P |
| Harry Allen Jones Jr. | 10/27/91 | L | L | P |
| Carroll Bradbury | 08/23/92 | P | P | P |
| Larry Letchworth | 08/23/92 | P | P | P |
| H.P. Norman | 09/08/93 | P | L | A |
| Frank Robbins | 09/08/93 | P | A | P |
| Walter R.. Tyndall | 09/08/93 | P | P | L |
| Jack E. Weathersby | 02/27/94 | A | P | L |
| Archie Brock | 12/06/92 | A | A | A |
| Joey Williams | 01/15/95 | P | P | P |
| Mark Hogan | 09/06/86 | P | P | P |
| Clifford Harwood | | P | P | P |
| Todd Sutton | 02/11/96 | A | P | P |
| Frankie Baggett | 10/22/87 | P | P | P |
| Wayne Watson | 05/03/70 | | P | P |
| Grady Tucker | | | | P |
| Brad Williamson | 06/28/98 | L | P | P |
| John Robert Harris | 08/27/95 | | | P |
| Edward Thorton | | | | P |
| Licensed Minister | Licensed | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
| Barry Wayne Williamson | | A | A | L |
| Shelton Eugene Rouse | | A | A | A |
| Samuel Earl Gay | 04/19/95 | A | A | A |
| Doug G. Owens | 08/13/95 | P | P | P |
| Tony Glass | 09/01/96 | P | P | P |
| Johnny Ralph Sullivan | 07/26/98 | | | P |
| David Varnell | 10/25/98 | | | L |

| | Central | |
|----------------------------|---------------|------------------|
| Church | Letter | Delegates |
| Aspen Grove | Y | N |
| Ayden | N | Y |
| Bethany | N | N |
| Black Jack | Y | Y |
| Community | N | N |
| Daniel's Chapel | Y | Y |
| Dilda's Grove | Y | Y |
| Edgewood | Y | N |
| Elm Grove | Y | Y |
| Free Union | Y | Y |
| Friendship | Y | Y |
| Greenville, First | N | Y |
| Grimsley | Y | Y |
| Gum Swamp | Y | N |
| Harrell's Chapel | Y | Y |
| Hickory Grove | Y | Y |
| Howell Swamp | Y | Y |
| Hugo | N | Y |
| Hull Road | Y | Y |
| King's Cross Roads | N | N |
| La Grange, First | Y | Y |
| Little Creek | Y | Y |
| Marlboro | N | Y |
| Ormondsville | Y | N |
| Otter's Creek | Y | Y |
| Owen's Chapel | Y | Y |
| Peace | Y | Y |
| Piney Grove (Beaufort Co.) | Y | Y |
| Piney Prove (Pitt Co.) | N | Y |
| Pleasant Hill | Y | Y |
| Reedy Branch | Y | Y |
| Rocky Mount, First | Y | Y |
| Rose Hill | Y | Y |
| Rose of Sharon | N | Y |
| Saint's Delight | N | N |
| Saratoga | Y | Y |
| Spring Branch | N | N |
| Sweet Gum Grove | Y | Y |
| Tarboro, First | N | Y |
| Walnut Creek | Y | N |
| Watery Branch | N | N |
| Williamston, First | Y | Y |
| Winterville | Y | Y |
| Hillside Mission | Y | Y |

Proceedings

The Central Conference, being the continuation of the General Conference of Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina, convened in its 25th annual session with King's Cross Roads Free Will Baptist Church of Fountain, North Carolina, on Thursday, November 5, 1998 at 9:30 am.

The Reverend Ray Williamson led the conference with a hymn, "Love Lifted Me." Opening scripture and prayer were as offered by the Reverend Brad Williamson.

The Reverend Joey Williams, clerk, called the annual session to order. The Reverend Bruce Jones, from the host church extended a cordial welcome to the Conference.

The Reverend Gary Bailey, moderator, gave a challenging address encouraging the churches of the Conference to be a church that is alive and on fire, rather than being dead while still looking alive.

The roll of churches was called with 33 churches responding with delegates.

Ten visiting ministers were recognized and welcomed by the moderator: Western Conference: The Reverends Joe Ingram, Luther Bissitte, John Williams, Harold Jones; Eastern Conference: The Reverends Bruce Dudley, Joseph Yates, David Charles Hansley, Eldon Brook, Rod Jones, Stephen Prescott. Cape Fear Conference: The Reverends Al Markuson, Frank Harrison.

The moderator appointed temporary committees as follows: Parliamentarian: the Reverend Leon Hams; Nominating: the Reverend Willis Wilson, chairman, the Reverend J.B. Narron, and the Reverend Ronnie Hobgood; Resolutions and Temperance: the Reverend Phillip Wood, chairman, the Reverend Bobby Taylor; Song Leader: the Reverend Ray Williamson.

The report of the Executive Committee was read by the clerk. By motion, the report was adopted. (see Reports) By motion, the Amendment to the Constitution was placed on the table.

The report of the Board of Ordination was read by the Reverend Ronnie Hobgood. By motion, the report was adopted. (see Reports) The Reverend Gary Bailey, moderator, extended a welcome to membership in the Conference to the Reverends Grady Tucker, Brad Williamson, Ed Thorton, and John Robert Harris.

At 10:15 am, Conference Business was set aside for the Worship service. The service was opened with scripture reading from Psalm 96, and the prayer of invocation was given by the Reverend Stanley Buck. The Reverend Ray Williamson led the congregation in the singing of "The Old Rugged Cross," followed by the offering for the Conference and the offertory prayer by the Reverend Ray Williamson. Special Music was presented by Mr. Spence Owens from the host Church. The Reverend Leon Harris preached the Conference sermon. His text came from John 12:32. The main emphasis and challenge of this message was for Christians to "Lift up the Biblical Jesus for the world to see." The worship service concluded with the singing of "Blessed Assurance" and with an altar call which resulted in an overwhelming response. The service was closed in prayer by the Reverend Gary Bailey.

The business session continued with remarks from the Reverend David C. Hansley, Convention General Administrator, concerning the work of the Convention of Original Free Will Baptists and all of the Denominational Ministries.

Remarks were given by the Reverend Leon Grubbs, the President of the Convention of the Original Free Will Baptists. A plaque was presented by the Convention of the Original Free Will Baptists to the Ormondsville Free Will Baptist Church for fifty years of service. A plaque was presented by the Convention of the Original Free Will Baptists to the Central Conference for 250 years of ministry. Representing the Denominational

Ministries were as follows: the Reverend Frank Harrison, Mount Olive College; the Reverend Bruce Dudley, Retirement Homes; the Reverend Bobby Taylor, Children's Home; the Reverend C.H. Overman, Free Will Baptist Press; the Reverend John Williams, Cragmont Assembly, the Reverend Al Markuson, Home Missions and Evangelism, the Reverend Harold Jones, Foreign Missions; the Reverend Stanley Buck, Minister's Program. The Conference recessed for the noon meal with a prayer by the Reverend N.D. Beamon.

Afternoon Session

The afternoon session was called to order with the singing of "What A Friend We Have in Jesus."

The Reverend Tom Miller gave the report of the Obituary Committee. (see Reports)
The Roll of Ministers was called.

The Reverend Gary Bailey, moderator, presented certificates to the following ministers in recognition of years of service: The Reverend Bobby Taylor, 25 years; The Reverends Leon Grubbs and David Hill, 30 years; the Reverend Thomas Parrish, 35 years; The Reverends N.D. Beamon and R.P. Harris, 65 years.

The Reverend Leon Harris gave the report of the Conference Board of Missions. By motion, the report was adopted. (see Reports)

Mr. Douglas Owens gave the report of the Credentials Committee. By motion, the report was adopted.

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The Reverend Ray Williamson gave the Treasurer's Report. By motion, the report was adopted. (see Reports) Itbll.

The Reverend N. D. Beamon presented to the Conference 21 certificates of membership to the Free Will Baptist Press Foundation. These certificates were presented on behalf of the 4th Union Meeting of the Central Conference of North Carolina.

The Reverend Stanley Buck shared information on Continuing Education.

By motion, the Amendment to the Constitution was removed from the table and adopted.

By motion, it was decided that the Conference Board of Missions, along with the Executive Committee, study the possibility of securing someone, preferably a minister, to receive training in church planting with the goal of establishing Original Free Will Baptists churches within the Central Conference. The cost of such venture will be paid from the funds available from the Central Conference Missions. These Boards may proceed with these plans at their discretion.

The Reverend Willis Wilson gave the report of the Nominating Committee. By motion, the report was adopted. (see Reports)

The floor was opened for other nominations. There were no other nominations. By motion, the nominations ceased, and the nominees were elected by acclamation.

The Reverend Bobby Taylor gave the report of the Resolutions and Temperance Committee. By motion, the report was adopted. (see Reports)

The moderator called for miscellaneous business. Miss Leah McGlohon reminded the conference of the Second Union Sunday School Convention. The Reverend Gary Bailey invited the conference to attend Stoney Creek Free Will Baptist Church during the week of November 8th, as they host Dr. Bill Bennett.

By motion, the Conference adjourned.

The Conference was dismissed with prayer by the Reverend Gary Bailey.

Respectfully submitted,

The Reverend Gary M. Bailey, Moderator

The Reverend Joey Williams, Clerk

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**Minutes of the Executive Committee of the Central Conference
November 18, 1997**

The Executive Committee of the Central Conference met at Stoney Creek Free Will Baptist Church, Goldsboro, on November 18, 1997. Present for the meeting were the Reverends Gary M. Bailey, Stanley Buck, Ray Williamson, Michael Pelt, and Joey Williams. The meeting was called to order by the Moderator and opened with prayer by the Reverend Stanley Buck.

The Minutes from the 249th Annual Session of the Central Conference of the Original Free Will Baptist were read, corrected, and approved.

The meeting was adjourned by the moderator and the prayer of benediction was offered by the Reverend Ray Williamson.

September 8, 1998

The Executive Committee of the Central Conference met at the First Free Will Baptist Church, Tarboro, on September 8, 1998. Present for the meeting were the Reverends Gary Bailey, Stanley Buck, Ray Williamson and Joey Williams. The meeting was called to order by the Moderator and opened with prayer by the Reverend Stanley Buck.

The Minutes from the November 18th meeting of the Executive Committee of the Central Conference were read, corrected and approved.

New Business

By motion, the committee agreed to accept the invitation extended by King's Cross Roads Free Will Baptist Church to host the 250th Annual Session of the Central Conference of the Original Free Will Baptists on November 5, 1998.

By motion, the committee agreed to invite the Reverend Leon Harris to be the speaker of the 250th Annual Session of the Central Conference of Original Free Will Baptists.

By motion, the committee agreed to propose an amendment to the Constitution concerning the election of the committee on Continuing Education.

By motion, the committee agreed to declare vacant the offices held by Scott Sowers. (Ordaining Council, Conunittee on Continuing Education)

By-motion the committee agreed to ask the Reveerend Mark Hogan to fill the vacant position on the Committee on Continuing Education. The Reverend Hogan accepted.

By motion, the committee agreed to ask the Nominating Conunittee to nominate someone to fill the vacant position on the Ordaining Council, which expires in 1999.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer by the Reverend Ray Williamson.

October 19, 1998

The Executive Conunittee of the Central Conference met at the First Free Will Baptist Church, Tarboro , on October 19, 1998. Present for the meeting were the Reverends Stanley Buck, Ray Williamson, and Joey Williams. The meeting was called to order by the Moderator and opened with prayer, by the Reverend Stanley Buck.

The minutes from the September 8th meeting of the Executive Committee of the Central Conference were read and corrected, and approved.

Unfinished Business

By motion the committee agreed to present the constitutional changes to the annual conference.

Paragraph to be added to Section IV

A committee of five shall be elected to serve as a Continuing Education Committee with three members being elected to serve three year terms, one rotating off each year, and one member elected by the Ordaining Council annually (from its membership) and one member to be elected by the Executive Committee annually (from its membership.)

The following is to be an addition to Article X and shall be entitled Section 16

It shall be the duty of the Continuing Education Committee to set guidelines concerning what materials, classes, seminars, and other forms of training and instruction will be recognized as qualified disciplines for our ministers to receive credit as Continuing Education and to set the number of units that can be credited for such work. Furthermore, this committee is to review annually such applications as may be submitted by our ministers for Continuing Education Units of Credit and report them to the Conference in session.

New Business

The Executive Committee received a letter from the Board of Home Missions and Evangelism, Director Al Markuson, making application for Hillside Mission for investigation to the Central Conference for Church Status. To begin our investigation we have requested further information according to the *Articles of Faith and Principles of Church Government for Original Free Will Baptists (of the English General -Baptist Heritage)*. Information requested is as follows:

1. The date Hillside Mission was established
 2. A copy of the deed for the property, and copies of any deeds of trust should they exist.
 3. A list if any indebtedness, liability or mortgage of the mission, and current status of same.
 4. A list of all officers and teachers showing addresses and telephone numbers.
 5. The Pastor's name, address and telephone number.
 6. The proposed and actual budget of the church for the past five years.
 7. The membership roster, listing active and inactive if that applies.
 8. A list of members received into the mission in each of the past three years, i.e. the number received in 1998, 1997 and in 1996.
 9. The attendance records for the Sunday morning worship and the Sunday School for the past three-years.
 10. Any plans the mission might have for future growth outreach, etc.
- The meeting was adjourned with prayer by the Reverend Joey Williams.

November 5, 1998

The Executive Committee of the Central Conference met at the Kings Cross Roads Free Will Baptist Church, Farmville, prior to the 250th Annual Session of the Conference. Present for the meeting were the Reverends Gary M. Bailey, Stanley Buck, Ray Williamson, and Joey Williams. The meeting was called to order and opened with prayer.

By motion the program of the 250th Annual Session of the Central Conference was approved as printed.

By motion, the minutes of the Executive Committee were read, and approved.

By motion, the Executive Committee agreed to send \$100.00 to each Denominational Ministry: Children's Home, Church Finance, Cragmont Assembly, Foreign Missions, Free Will Baptist Press, Home Missions, Ministers Program, Mount Olive College, Retirement Homes, Sunday School Program and the Convention of Original Free Will Baptists.

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By motion the Executive Conunittee agreed to change the mileage reimbursement to the rate set by the IRS, beginning at the close of this conference.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

The Reverend Gary Bailey, Moderator

The Reverend Joey Williams, Clerk

Board of Ordination

Meetings

The Board of Ordination has met three times since the last Conference. The Board met on February 3, 1998, June 8, 1998, and October 15, 1998.

Ministers Ordained

The Reverend Brad WW4mson was Ordained June 28, 1998 at the First Free Will Baptist Church of Greenville.

Transfer of Conference Membership

The following ministers have transferred their conference membership to the Central Conference:

The Reverend Grady Tucker [Eastern (Jan. 6, 1997)]

The Reverend John Robert Harris [Cape Fear (Pending Letter)]

The Reverend Edward Thorton [Eastern (Pending Letter)]

Membership Roll

The following ministers are to be added to the roll of ordained ministers:

The Reverend Grady Tucker

The Reverend Brad Williamson

The Reverend John Robert Harris

The Reverend Edward Thorton

The following ministers are to be dropped from the roll of ordained ministers:

The Reverend Scott Sowers

The Reverend Glenn Mills

The following ministers are to be added to the roll of licensed ministers:

Mr. Johnny Ralph Sullivan (Daniels Chapel Free Will Baptist Church)

Mr. David Varnell (Owen's Chapel Free Will Baptist Church)

Approved for work in the Conference

The Reverend David Pooser (Associate Pastor of Black Jack Free Will Baptist Church)

Respectfully Submitted,

The Reverend Harry Grubbs, Chairman

The Reverend Ronnie Hobgood

The Reverend Calvin Heath

The Reverend Philip Wood

Annual Report of the Central Conference Missions Board

| | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|
| Balance on hand-July 1, 1997 | 85,359.96 |
| Actual Receipts | |
| Balance in checking-July 1, 1997 | 1,598.44 |
| Contributions from Churches | 406.06 |
| Interest accrued (Church Finance) | 2,901.17 |
| Balance in Checking | 4,905.67 |
| Savings | |
| Endowment Fund (@4.7% interest) | 60,000.00 |
| Savings (@3.25% interest) | 24,543.23 |
| Interest earned | 3,232.94 |
| Total in Savings | 87,776.17 |
| Balance in hand-June 30, 1997 | 92,681.84 |

Change of Address:

Central Conference Missions
 110 Thad Little Rd.
 Ayden, NC 28513

Report of the Credentials Committee

We, the Credentials Committee, submit the following report:

The following have registered today:

| | |
|------------------------------|----|
| Central Conference Delegates | 36 |
| Central Conference Ministers | 40 |
| Visiting Ministers | 12 |
| Licensed Ministers | 3 |
| Visitors | 8 |
| Total Registered | 99 |

Respectfully submitted,
 The Reverend J. David Hill
 Mr. Douglas G. Owen

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Treasurer's Report
November 1, 1997-October 31, 1998

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|--|-----------|
| Balance brought forward-November 1, 1997 | 1,992.39 |
| Receipts | |
| Conference Offering-November 6, 1997 | 215.15 |
| Church Contributions | 1,533.85 |
| Interest on checking | 18.05 |
| Interest-Mount Olive College note | 468.75 |
| Total Receipts | 2,235.85 |
| Disbursements | |
| Convention of OFWB <i>Yearbook</i> | 840.00 |
| FWB Press-Ordination Servine Bulletin | 14.84 |
| Executive Committee Expenses | 302.85 |
| Convention of OFWB | 1,000.00 |
| Balance in bank as of October 31, 1998 | 2,157.69 |
| Money on Deposit: | 2,070.50 |
| BB&T CD (3.87%) | 2,103.31 |
| Mount Olive College (7.75%) | 7,500.00 |
| Mount Olive College (7.75%) | 5,821.22 |
| Church Finance (3.25%) | 18,140.84 |
| Total Funds to Account for | 35,635.90 |

Respectfully submitted,
The Reverend Gary M. Bailey, Moderator
The Reverend Ray Williamson, Treasurer

Obituary Committee

We, the obituary committee, are not aware of any Central Conference minister or minister's wife passing since our 1997 Conference meeting. However, we are aware of many Central Conference Church members passing that will never be forgotten. Revelation 14:13,"and I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, write, Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth; yes, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them." Let us all stand and have a moment of silent prayer for the families of the Central Conference, and all other Conferences of the denomination that have lost loved ones.

Respectfully submitted,
The Reverend Tom Miller, Chairman

Nominating Committee

Moderator: The Reverend Ray Williamson (2000)
Assitant Moderator: The Reverend Joey Williams (2000)
Treasurer: The Reverend Walter Reynolds (2000)
Clerk: The Reverend JB Narron (2000)
Assistant Clerk: The Reverend Frankie Baggett (2000)
Board of Ordination: The Reverend C.H. Overman (1999)
The Reverend Harry Grubbs (2003) (Fill term of Scott Sowers)
Board of Trustees: The Reverend David Langley (2003)
Board of Missions: The Reverend Gary M. Bailey (2003)
Board of Finance: The Reverend Jack Weathersby (2003)
Koinonia Advisors: The Reverend Brad Williamson (2000)
Representative to the Free Will Baptist Press: Mrs. May Pitman (2003)
Credentials Committee: Mr. Tony Glass (2001)
Obituary Committee: Miss Leah McGlohon (2001)
Conference Historian: Dr. Michael Pelt (2000)
Publicity Chairperson: The Reverend Todd Sutton (2000)
CFA Representative: The Reverend Willis Wilson (2000)

Respectfully Submitted,
The Reverend Willis Wilson
The Reverend JB Narron
The Reverend Ronnie Hobgood

Report of the Resolutions Committee

BE IT RESOLVED, that we extend a rising vote of thanks to King's Cross Roads Free Will Baptist Church for its willingness to serve as host of this 250th Conference and for performing in this capacity with such warm hospitality.

BE IT RESOLVED, that we give a rising vote of thanks to our officers, who have faithfully served the Conference this past year.

Respectfully submitted,
The Reverend Philip Wood, Chaiman
The Reverend Bobby R. Taylor

| CHURCHES | 1998 Membership | Active | Inactive | GAIN | | | LOSS | | | Net Change | Sunday School | Avg. SS Attend. | Ave. MW Attend. |
|----------------------|-----------------|--------|----------|---------|--------|-------|----------|--------|-------|------------|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | | | | Baptism | Letter | Other | Deceased | Letter | Other | | | | |
| Central Conference | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Aspen Grove | 198 | 80 | 114 | | 1 | | 5 | | | 194 | 90 | 55 | 75 |
| Ayden | 128 | | | | | | 3 | 5 | | 120 | 15 | 15 | 40 |
| Bethany | 169 | 107 | 57 | | 1 | | 2 | 4 | | 164 | 77 | 50 | 58 |
| Black Jack | 597 | 417 | 185 | 9 | 5 | | 7 | 2 | | 602 | 383 | 244 | 267 |
| Community | 126 | 54 | 85 | 5 | 13 | | 5 | | | 139 | 52 | 29 | 50 |
| Daniels Chapel | 398 | | | 10 | 11 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 410 | 160 | 130 | 215 |
| Dilda's Grove | 99 | 64 | 38 | | 3 | | | | | 102 | 43 | 35 | 55 |
| Edgewood | 45 | | | 5 | | | 1 | | | 49 | 35 | 29 | 42 |
| Elm Grove | | 180 | 196 | 17 | 20 | | 2 | 1 | | | | 121 | 160 |
| Free Union | 362 | 369 | | 8 | 5 | | 5 | 1 | | 369 | 152 | 105 | 200 |
| Friendship | 290 | | | 10 | 3 | | 2 | 2 | | 299 | 120 | 100 | 150 |
| Grant's Chapel | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Greenville First | 271 | 276 | | 1 | 8 | | 3 | 1 | | 276 | 154 | 103 | 149 |
| Grimsley | 67 | 74 | 68 | 9 | | | 2 | | | 74 | 75 | 54 | 65 |
| Gum Swamp | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Harrells Chapel | 156 | 156 | | 4 | 2 | | 3 | 3 | | 156 | 122 | 105 | 107 |
| Hickory Grove | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Hillside | 61 | 61 | | 7 | 1 | | | | 8 | 61 | 6 | 6 | 43 |
| Howell Swamp | 120 | | | 2 | | | | 2 | | 120 | 65 | 40 | 45 |
| Hugo | 132 | 84 | 51 | 4 | | | 1 | | | 135 | 65 | 57 | 96 |
| Hull Road | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Kings Crossroads | 257 | 185 | 87 | 9 | 6 | | | | | 272 | 206 | 150 | 212 |
| LaGrange | 206 | | | 2 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 8 | | 197 | 86 | 72 | 84 |
| Little Creek | 142 | 123 | 17 | | | | 1 | 1 | | 140 | 60 | 45 | 60 |
| Mariboro | 338 | | | 5 | 3 | | 6 | 4 | | 336 | 175 | 109 | 152 |
| Ormondsville | 185 | 100 | 84 | 2 | 2 | | 2 | 3 | | 184 | 102 | 80 | 85 |
| Otters Creek | 58 | | | 2 | 2 | | | 1 | | 61 | 16 | 15 | 50 |
| Owens Chapel | 213 | 115 | 98 | | 5 | | 3 | | | 215 | 104 | 95 | 135 |
| Peace | 106 | | | 2 | 3 | | 3 | 4 | | 104 | 76 | 52 | 64 |
| Piney Grove-Beaufort | 29 | 25 | 9 | | | | 2 | 2 | | 25 | 22 | 10 | 22 |
| Piney Grove-Pitt | 34 | 33 | | | | | 1 | | | 33 | 23 | 17 | 30 |
| Pleasant Hill | 61 | 63 | 93 | 12 | | | 2 | 1 | | 70 | 75 | 50 | 60 |

| CHURCHES | 1998 Membership | Active | Inactive | GAIN | | | LOSS | | | Net Change | Sunday School | Avg. SS Attend. | Ave. MW Attend. |
|----------------------|-----------------|--------|----------|---------|--------|-------|----------|--------|-------|------------|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | | | | Baptism | Letter | Other | Deceased | Letter | Other | | | | |
| Reedy Branch | 258 | 259 | 181 | 4 | 3 | | 1 | 5 | | 259 | 167 | 105 | 125 |
| Rocky Mount First | 123 | 80 | 40 | 1 | | | | 4 | | 120 | 32 | 35 | 55 |
| Rose Hill | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Rose of Sharon | 197 | 100 | 99 | 2 | | | | | | 199 | 137 | 93 | 103 |
| Saint's Delight | 44 | 30 | 30 | 10 | 7 | | | 1 | | 60 | 30 | 30 | 70 |
| Saratoga | 192 | 203 | | 10 | 3 | | 1 | 1 | | 203 | 106 | 86 | 98 |
| Spring Branch | 191 | | | 2 | 2 | | 2 | | | 193 | 75 | 65 | 100 |
| Sweet Gum Grove | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Tarboro First | 358 | 135 | 219 | 1 | 6 | | 3 | 2 | 6 | 354 | 106 | 96 | 140 |
| Walnut Creek | 43 | 49 | | 5 | 2 | | 1 | | | 49 | 59 | 45 | 50 |
| Watery Branch | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Williamston First | 206 | 111 | 95 | | | 2 | | 2 | | 206 | | 30 | 70 |
| Winterville | 284 | | | 10 | 8 | 3 | 4 | 5 | | 296 | 178 | 117 | 186 |
| Central Conf. Totals | 6744 | 3533 | 1846 | 170 | 126 | 7 | 81 | 69 | 17 | 6846 | 3449 | 2675 | 3768 |