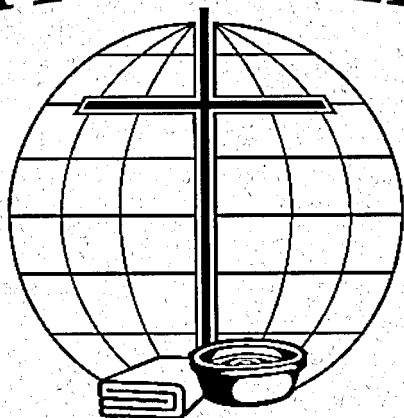


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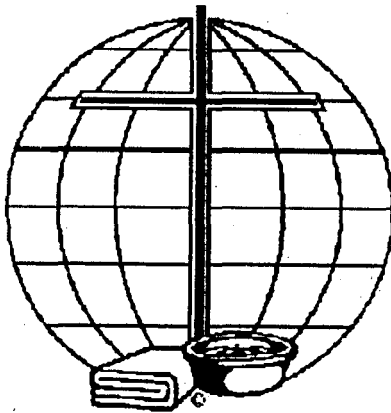
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**Minutes
of the
261st Annual Session
of the
Central Conference
of the
Original Free Will Baptists**

**Held with
King's Cross Roads Original Free Will Baptist Church of Fountain
Pitt County, North Carolina
Thursday, November 5, 2009
The Reverend Bruce Jones, Host Pastor**

Officers of the Conference

**Moderator: The Reverend Phillip Boykin
Assistant Moderator: The Reverend Johnny Sullivan
Clerk: The Reverend Alan Joyner
Assistant Clerk: The Reverend Mark Hobbs
Treasurer: The Reverend Charles Branch**

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Boards and Committees

Executive Committee (2008-2010)

The Reverend Phillip Boykin, Moderator
The Reverend Johnny Sullivan, Assistant Moderator
The Reverend Alan Joyner, Clerk
The Reverend Mark Hobbs, Assistant Clerk
The Reverend Charles Branch, Treasurer

Board of Ordination

The Reverend Tony Glass (2010) The Reverend Frank Flowers (2011)
The Reverend Dr. Franklin Baggett (2012) The Reverend Leon Grubbs (2013)
The Reverend Ronnie V. Hobgood (2014)

Board of Trustees

Mrs. Barbara Mills (2010) Mr. Rex Wainwright (2011)
Mr. Jay Tripp (2012)

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

The Reverend Tony Parrish (2010)

Credentials Committee

The Reverend Marc Boswell (2010) The Reverend Doug Owens (2011)
The Reverend Frank Cockrell (2012)

Memorial Committee

The Reverend Tony Parrish (2010) The Reverend Charles Russell (2011)
The Reverend Ray Williamson (2012)

Conference Historian

Dr. Michael Pelt (2010)

Representative of Membership in Church Finance Association, Inc.

The Reverend Walter Reynolds (2010)

Continuing Education Committee

The Reverend Bryant Hines (2010) The Reverend Doug Tyson (2011)
The Reverend Brad Williamson (2012)

Church Growth Committee

The Reverend Jack Weathersby (2010) The Reverend Kelley Smart (2011)
The Reverend Todd Sutton (2012)

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Proceedings

The Central Conference, being the continuation of the General Conference of Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina, convened in its 261st annual session with King's Cross Roads Original Free Will Baptist Church of Fountain, North Carolina, on Thursday, November 5, 2009, at 9:30 a.m.

The Conference opened with the hymn, "He Keeps Me Singing." Mr. Matt Stocks read scripture taken from Luke 12:22-31 and led us in prayer.

The Reverend Alan Joyner, clerk, called the 261st annual session to order. The Reverend Bruce Jones, pastor of the host church, extended a cordial welcome to the Conference.

The Reverend Phillip Boykin, moderator, shared several points using Psalm 53:2 as his text. The Reverend Phillip Boykin shared with each of us that there are times in our lives that we may fail to seek after God. But we were reminded as the people of God we must learn to seek and follow after God in all of our thoughts and actions everyday. We were then lead in a time of prayer by the Reverend Boykin.

The people of the conference were then asked to meet at least two people that we did not get to see on a regular basis and welcome them to the conference. Everyone really enjoyed the time of fellowship.

The roll of churches was called with 36 churches responding with delegates.

Visitors were recognized and welcomed by the moderator.

The moderator appointed temporary committees as follows:

Nominating Committee: Reverends Ronnie Hobgood, Leon Grubbs, and Bobby Taylor

Resolutions Committee: Reverends Brad Williamson, Doug Skinner, and Ray Williamson

Parliamentarian: Rev. Dr. Frankie Baggett

The report of the Executive Committee was read by the clerk. By motion, the report was adopted. [see Reports]

The report of the Board of Ordination was read by Reverend Tony Glass. By motion, the report was adopted. [see Reports]

Representing the denominational and conference ministries were as follows:

Convention Services: Reverend Buddy Sasser, Sunday School: Ms. Mary Dudley, Free Will Baptist Press: Mr. Darren Davenport, Retirement Homes: Reverend Ronnie Taylor, Home Mission and Evangelism and Disaster Relief: Ms. Laura Monroe, Mount Olive College: Reverend Jeff Daughtry, Children's Home: Mr. Gary Lee, Foreign Missions: Reverend Harold Jones, Ministers Program: Reverend Phillip Boykin, Cragmont Assembly: Reverend Buddy Sasser,

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At 11:05 a.m. the Conference business was set aside for the worship service. The service was opened in prayer by Reverend Phillip Boykin. The congregation was then led by Reverend Johnny Sullivan in the singing of "Blessed Assurance." The offertory prayer was given by Reverend Charles Branch and the conference offering received. A very wonderful time of special music was presented by Mr. Spencer Owens. The Reverend Mark Hobbs read from John 4:28-30 and led us in the Morning Prayer as we all gathered at the altar. The congregation was then led by Reverend Johnny Sullivan in the singing of "I'd Rather Have Jesus." The Reverend Jack Weathersby delivered the conference sermon. Reverend Weathersby used 1 John 1:5-10 as his text for the message, titled "What is the Message." As the church we have a message to tell others. The message to be shared with others is that God is light and that in Him there is no darkness. We live in a time of watching and waiting for Jesus return. In this time we should be happy but we have been looking for happiness in the wrong places. We are a people that need to be reminded that we are holy and set apart to do God's work. The church should be busy not just getting it, but giving it to others about the message of light. We must stay plugged in to get our power from God. The question that we were presented with was, are we still relying on God's word to be real in our lives. We must surrender ourselves to God so that we can serve as we are called to do so. We must step out of the way to let God have the control. Our service to God is a pathway to joy. We need to spend time on our knees in prayer to seek God. Our feeling of salvation should be renewed everyday. We must remember that Jesus came to seek and save those that are lost. Did we get the message, "God is Light!"

The worship service concluded with the singing of "Just As I Am" and a corporate reading of an affirmation of faith based on our Articles of Faith.

The service was closed in prayer by the Reverend Alan Joyner.

The Conference recessed for the meal at 12:15 p.m. with prayer by Reverend Bruce Jones.

Afternoon Session

The afternoon session was called to order at 1:15 p.m.

We began our Memorial service with the singing of "When We All Get to Heaven." The Reverends Charles Russell, and Tony Parrish, gave the report of the Memorial Committee. By motion the report was adopted. [see Reports]

There was a time of sharing from the many churches in our conference.

The roll call of ministers was called with 46 ministers present.

The Reverend Dr. Burkette Raper gave a report from the NC Foundation for Christian Ministries.

A motion was made for \$1200 to be given to the N. C. Foundation for Christian Ministries. [*Motion Passed*]

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A report was given by Ms. Mae Pittman for the Central Conference Woman's Auxiliary.

The Reverend Doug Owens gave the report of the Credentials Committee. By motion, the report was adopted. [see Reports]

The Reverend Charles Branch gave the Treasurer's Report. By motion, the report was adopted. [see Reports]

By motion, it was agreed to accept the proposed Conference budget for 2009-2010.

The Reverend Todd Sutton gave the report of the Church Growth Committee. By motion, the report was adopted. [see Reports]

The report of the Continuing Education Committee was given as presented. By motion, the report was adopted. [see Reports]

The Reverend Leon Grubbs gave the report of the Nominating Committee. By motion, the report was adopted. [see Reports]

The Reverend Brad Williamson gave the report of the Resolutions Committee. [see Reports]

The moderator called for miscellaneous business. [see Reports]

The Reverend Phillip Boykin, Moderator and Reverend Johnny Sullivan Assistant Moderator, presented certificates to the following ministers in recognition of years of service: [60 years] Reverend Walter Reynolds, Reverend Earl Glenn [55 years] Reverend Willis Wilson, [50 years] Reverend Melvin Moore, [40 years], Reverend Charles Branch, Reverend Arnold Price, [30 years] Reverend Philip Wood, and Reverend Bryant Hines.

The Conference was adjourned by singing "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus."

The Conference was dismissed with prayer by the Reverend Mark Hobbs.

Respectfully submitted,

The Reverend Phillip Boykin, Moderator

The Reverend Alan Joyner, Clerk

Reports

Report of the Executive Committee

January 29, 2009

The Executive Committee of the Central Conference met on January 29, 2009, at 10:00 a.m. at Free Union Original Free Will Baptist Church. Present for the meeting were the Reverends Phillip Boykin, Alan Joyner, Charles Branch and Mark Hobbs. The Reverend

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Phillip Boykin called the meeting to order and read from I Corinthians 3:8. The Reverend Phillip Boykin opened with prayer.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The minutes of the 260th session of the Central Conference were read, corrected, and approved.

The Reverend Charles Branch presented the treasurer's report and by motion the report was approved.

By motion, it was agreed during the Conference follow-up that members of the Executive Committee would contact ministers with unpaid dues.

By motion, it was agreed Reverend Phillip Boykin will serve as an appointed representative to the Board of Ordination (Moderators appointment). The Reverend Johnny Sullivan will serve as an appointed representative to the Church Growth Committee. The Reverend Mark Hobbs will serve as an appointed representative to the Continuing Education Committee.

The Clerk and assistant clerk have been appointed as a subcommittee to look at the conference officers and their terms.

The clerk was appointed as publicity committee.

By motion, it was agreed to send \$300.00 to the Sunday school ministry for camp scholarships.

By motion, it was agreed to appoint the Reverend Walter Reynolds to fulfill the unexpired term of Mr. I. Z. Cobb (deceased) as Representative of Membership in Church Finance Association, Inc.

The 261st Annual Session of the Central Conference of the Original Free Will Baptist will be hosted by King's Cross Roads Original Free Will Baptist Church, Fountain, North Carolina on November 5th, 2009.

The next meeting of the Central Conference Executive Committee will be a joint meeting with the Board of Ordination on April 7th, 2009 at Howell Swamp Original Free Will Baptist Church followed by the meeting of the Executive Committee.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer by Reverend Mark Hobbs.

April 7, 2009

The Executive Committee and the Board of Ordination of the Central Conference held a joint meeting on April 7, 2009 at 9 a.m. at Howell Swamp Original Free Will Baptist Church. Present for the meeting were the Reverends Phillip Boykin, Johnny Sullivan, Alan

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Joyner, Charles Branch, Mark Hobbs, Frank Flowers, Tony Glass, C.H. Overman, Leon Grubbs and Frankie Baggett. The purpose of the meeting was to cooperatively select a committee to write procedures for suspension of ministers who have been charged with criminal conduct and termination of ministers who have been found guilty of criminal charges or immoral acts. This committee selection was passed in the 2008 Central Conference meeting. The committee shall consist of the Reverends Phillip Boykin, Alan Joyner, Frank Flowers, C.H. Overman, Harry Grubbs, and Mr. Charles McLawhorn.

The Executive Committee of the Central Conference met on April 7, 2009, at 10:30 a.m. at Free Union Original Free Will Baptist Church. Present for the meeting were the Reverends Phillip Boykin, Johnny Sullivan, Alan Joyner, Charles Branch and Mark Hobbs. The Reverend Phillip Boykin called the meeting to order and read from John 19:28. The Reverend Mark Hobbs opened with prayer.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Reverend Charles Branch presented the treasurer's report and by motion the report was approved.

Discussion was given and updates given concerning ministers with unpaid dues and churches that have made no contributions to the conference.

Discussion was given concerning the meeting that was held with the Board of Ordination. Following the discussion the Executive Committee made the decision to sponsor a workshop on the "Code of Ethics." All Central Conference ministers are required to attend. The workshop will be held at The First Free Will Baptist Church in Greenville, North Carolina on October 10th from 9:00 a.m. till 2:00 p.m. Lunch will be provided. Speakers for the workshop will be the Reverends Johnny Sullivan, C.H. Overman, Mark Hobbs, and the Reverend Doctor Frankie Baggett.

The next meeting of the Central Conference Executive Committee will be held on May 20th, 2009 at Mount Olive College.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer by Reverend Alan Joyner.

May 20, 2009

The Executive Committee of the Central Conference met on May 20, 2009, at Mount Olive College. Present for the meeting were the Reverends Phillip Boykin, Johnny Sullivan, Alan Joyner, Charles Branch and Mark Hobbs. The Reverend Phillip Boykin called the meeting to order and read from Job 11:7. The Reverend Phillip Boykin opened with prayer.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Reverend Charles Branch presented the treasurer's report and by motion the report was approved.

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Discussion was given and updates given concerning ministers with unpaid dues and churches that have made no contributions to the conference. We have two pastors with unpaid dues and one church with no contribution.

Discussion was given concerning ministers joining the conference and when their dues should start. By motion the dues for ministers joining the conference shall begin at the seating of the next conference.

The next meeting of the Central Conference Executive Committee will be held on September 15, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. at Free Union Original Free Will Baptist Church.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer by Reverend Mark Hobbs.

September 15, 2009

The Executive Committee of the Central Conference met on September 15, 2009, at Free Union Original Free Will Baptist Church. Present for the meeting were the Reverends Phillip Boykin, Johnny Sullivan, Alan Joyner, Charles Branch and Mark Hobbs. The Reverend Phillip Boykin called the meeting to order and read from Psalm 19:14 in which he reminded us to always ask God for wisdom in all that we do. The Reverend Charles Branch opened with prayer.

The minutes of the last meeting were read corrected and approved.

The Reverend Charles Branch presented the treasurer's report and by motion the report was approved.

Discussion was given concerning ministers with unpaid dues and a church that has not made a contribution. A motion was made to waive the 08 dues for the Reverend Alvin Keener for medical reasons.

Discussion was given concerning our upcoming 2009 conference for our speaker, music leader and committees that need to be in place at this conference.

Discussion was given concerning the upcoming workshop on, "My Ministerial Code of Ethics" which will be held on October 10th 2009 at First Free Will Baptist Church of Greenville. By motion a letter will be sent to each minister that did not attend the workshop to inform them of what needs to be done to bring them into compliance on this workshop, their names will also be forwarded to the Board of Ordination.

The next meeting of the Central Conference Executive Committee will be held on October 29, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. at Free Union Original Free Will Baptist Church.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer by Reverend Mark Hobbs.

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October 29, 2009

The Executive Committee of the Central Conference and the Board of Ordination met on October 29, 2009, at Free Union Original Free Will Baptist Church. Present for the meeting were the Reverends Phillip Boykin, Johnny Sullivan, Alan Joyner, Charles Branch, Frankie Baggett, Tony Glass, and C. H. Overman. The Reverend Phillip Boykin called the meeting to order and read from Psalm 1:1-3 in which he reminded us to always stay focused on Christ so that we may continue to grow. The Reverend Johnny Sullivan opened with prayer.

The meeting was declared in Executive Session.
Upon coming out of Executive Session meeting continued.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Reverend Charles Branch presented the treasurer's report and by motion the report was approved.

Discussion was given concerning the budget for 2009-2010.

Discussion was given concerning the minister that did not attend the Minister's workshop on October 10th. A letter will be sent giving them instructions on the website preview or how they may obtain a DVD to view this workshop.

The next meeting of the Central Conference Executive Committee will be held on November 5, 2009 at 8:30 a.m. at King's Cross Roads Original Free Will Baptist Church.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer by Reverend Charles Branch.

November 5, 2009

The Executive Committee of the Central Conference met on November 5, 2009, at 8:30 a.m. at King's Cross Roads Original Free Will Baptist Church. Present for the meeting were the Reverends Phillip Boykin, Johnny Sullivan, Alan Joyner, Charles Branch, and Mark Hobbs. The Reverend Phillip Boykin called the meeting to order.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

By motion it was agreed to accept the order of the Conference and to allow the Moderator to make any necessary changes.

The meeting was adjourned in prayer by the Reverend Phillip Boykin.

Respectfully submitted,
Alan Joyner, Clerk
Phillip Boykin, Moderator

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Report of the Board of Ordination

Central Conference Board of Ordination

Reverend Frank Flowers, Chairman

Reverend C.H. Overman

Reverend Leon Grubbs

Reverend Tony Glass, Secretary

Reverend Dr. Franklin Baggett

Meetings

The Board of Ordination has met six times since the last conference.

Approved For License

There were no new candidates approved for licensing since the last meeting of the Conference.

Dropped From List of Licensed Ministers

Mr. Calvin Craft

Dropped From List of Ordained Ministers

The Reverend David Allen

Ordained Ministers

There were no ministers ordained in the Central conference since the last meeting of the Conference.

Scheduled meetings and of the Board of Ordination for the year 2010

January 12, 2010 at Hull Road Original Free Will Baptist Church at 10 am.

April 13, 2010 at Howell Swamp Original Free Will Baptist Church at 10 am.

July 13, 2010 at the Original Free Will Baptist Headquarters at 10 am.

October 12, 2010 at Elm Grove Original Free Will Baptist Church at 10 am.

Inclusions to this report:

1. The Articles of Faith and Principles of Church Government for Original Free Will Baptists in Section 1: The Local Congregation states the following on page 68 concerning the church's calling of a pastor: *"The church shall call its own pastor, from among the duly Ordained Original Free Will Baptist ministers who are approved by the Conference of which the church is a member."*
2. We wish to remind any church in our Conference, when extending a call to a minister to serve as your pastor, to be sure that the minister gets proper clearance from the Conference Board of Ordination before assuming duties as pastor of the church.
3. All candidates for ordination in the Central Conference of Original Free Will Baptists must take and pass the Ordination Examination.

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4. We wish to remind all Central Conference ordained ministers of the following resolution, which was adopted at the conference meeting of November 6, 2008.

"All Central Conference Ordained Ministers must physically attend at least one Conference meeting every three years to maintain their Conference Credentials. Exceptions will include those on active full time military duty, full time foreign missionaries and those confined to home or health care facilities."

Report of the Memorial Committee

Paul says in II Timothy 4:6-8, "For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only but unto all them also that love His appearing".

In our memorial service today, we want to remember those who have faithfully served the Lord through the Central Conference of Original Free Will Baptist, and gone on to enter their eternal reward. We thank God for the lives and influence of these individuals. For any names of deceased members not listed, or misspelled, we regret and apologize.

Churches and deceased members:

Aspen Grove

Ayden

Jesse Lathan Corbett
Helen May McLawhorn

Bethany

Black Jack

Ruth Hudson
Leona Mills
Sam Hodges
J. T. Mills

Community

Daniels Chapel

Walker Gorman
Edith Daniel
Clarence Pittman
Waldine Hooks
Bill Pittman
Chad Skinner
David Vick
Emma Cayton

Dilda's Grove

Edgewood

Elm Grove

Alice Jones
Mavis Hall
Sarah J. Pait
Everette "Buck" Wilson

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First FWB Church, Greenville

Alice Crisp
Charlie Harris
Susie Cannon
Marie Stocks
Drewry Waller
Verta Manning
Nell Walters
Harold Phillips
Katie Griffin
Sallie Baker

First FWB Church, Rocky Mount

First FWB Church, Tarboro

Irene Hill
Mary Hayes
Rodney Jones
Elwood Radford
Robert Medley

First FWB Church, Williamston

Free Union

Alice Newcomb
Maude Mooring
Mary Francis Beaman
Luther Beaman
Mary Hardison
Irene Harrell
LuRae Clark Tyndall
Bill Garris
Geneva Heath

Friendship

I. Z. "Bud Cobb

Grimsley

Gum Swamp

Charlie Spain

Harrell's Chapel

Martha Ham
Woody Ham
H. B. Smith

Hickory Grove

Lucy K. Copeland

Hillside

Annie Marie Hart

Howell Swamp

Grover Roberson

Hugo

Dell Grant
Elbert Rouse

Hull Road

King's Crossroads

Leroy Bowling
Ralph Ennis
Ethel Harmon
Betty Peaden
Elizabeth Price

LaGrange

Ken Sutton
H. Max Smith
Edna Smith

Little Creek

Mildred Cox
Lucille McLawhorn
William Earl Stocks
Bobby McLawhorn

Marlboro

Bobbie Parker Shirley
Thelma Starling Tugwell
William Eugene Beaman
Myrtle Windham Allen
Pat Wood Shackleford

Ormondsville

Hazel Stocks
Eddie Stocks

Otter's Creek

Robert Lee Jefferson
Letha Jefferson

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Owens Chapel

Peace

Patricia Bradbury

Piney Grove (Beaufort County)

John Wayne Ausbon

Piney Grove (Pitt County)

Pleasant Hill

Carrie Haddock

Bruce Sutton

Carl Spencer Venters

Troy Adams

Reedy Branch

Estelle Thorpe

Rose Hill

Rose of Sharon

Peggy Bailey

Joyce Roberson

J. R. Jenkins

Lighting of the Memorial Candle

A Moment of Silent Prayer

Respectfully submitted, Reverends Charles Russell, and Tony Parrish
November 5, 2009

Report of the Credentials Committee

We, the Credentials Committee, respectfully submit the following attendance totals subsequent to the approval of the conference:

Central Conference Delegates	56
Central Conference Ministers	38
Licensed Ministers	8
Visitors	17
Visiting Ministers	<u>7</u>
Total Registered	126

Respectfully submitted,

Reverends Doug Owens, Frank Cockrell, and Marc Boswell

Saint's Delight

Jimmy Grimsley

James "Tommy" Wells

Saratoga

Spring Branch

Wilton Ellis

Leah Welch

Sweet Gum Grove

Walnut Creek

Dorothy L. Crocker

Lois Langston

Walter C. Whitfield

Watery Branch

Patty Roberson

Winterville

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Report of Conference Treasurer

30-Oct-09

Balance From November	2008	\$2,464.37
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Receipts

Church Contributions	\$4,672.00
Conference Offering	\$407.75
Transferred from Savings	\$0.00
Endowment Income	\$1,820.35
Maury Endowment	\$227.54
Miscellaneous	
Minister Membership Dues	\$1,610.00

Total Income	\$8,737.64	<u>\$8,737.64</u>
Total Income plus starting balance		\$11,202.01

Disbursements

Centura Bank (Bank Charges)	\$0.00
Board of Ordination (Computer Repair)	\$82.50
Church Growth Committee	\$1,000.00
Conference Expense	\$219.22

Programs, booklets, etc.

Continuing Education Committee	
Convention of OFWB Support	\$500.00
Convention of FWB (Year Book)	\$770.00
Executive Committee Expenses	\$100.00
Office Supplies (Postage)	\$105.81
Conference Secretary	\$50.00
Conference Treasurer	\$50.00
Miscellaneous (Minister's Workshop)	\$13.50
Funeral Flags	\$307.80
Non-Budgeted items	\$3,650.00

Convention Office Furniture - \$350.00

Foreign Missions - \$1800.00

NC Foundation of Christian Ministries - \$ 1200.00

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FWB SS Ministry Scholarship - \$300.00		
Endowment for Ministerial Students	\$2,000.00	
Total Disbursements		\$8,848.83
Total in Checking account as of October 30, 2009		\$2,353.18
Beginning balance of Money Market 10-31-08	\$15,555.40	
Interest 11/30/08 – 9/30/09	\$262.11	
CD Transfer	\$41,916.13	
Total Money Market	\$57,733.64	
Disbursements		
Harris, Creech, Ward & Blackerby	\$2,769.30	
Leon Harris Lawsuit		
Money Market in RBC	\$54,964.34	
Central Conference Endowment Fund	\$60,000.00	
(See minutes from Central Conference 11-09-01, Mission Board & Executive Committee Proposal)		
Maury Endowment Fund (For Annual Training Conference)	\$7,500.00	
(Please see Minutes of Executive Committee September 22, 1988)		
TOTAL OF ALL MONIES		\$124,817.52

Report of the Church Growth Committee

The Central Conference Church Growth and Evangelism Committee approved the following requests during the past year:

Saratoga OFWB Church requested \$500 to help with an evangelism project through Student Life held July 13-17, 2009. This event not only taught junior and senior high students about evangelism, it also provided them with the opportunity to minister to senior citizens, those with disabilities, and children. Exposure to such an experience offered Saratoga's youth the tools needed to come back to their own community and reach out to others.

Friendship OFWB Church requested \$500 to help with their trip to Winter Xtreme, December 27-29, 2009. Winter Xtreme is an evangelism conference that helps challenge

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youth in their daily walk with the Lord and offers youth the necessary tools for sharing their faith without fear. The conference includes many speakers who help youth stand on their convictions and profess Christ among other young people.

Submitted by:

The Reverend Kelley Smart, Chairman

The Reverend Johnny Sullivan

The Reverend Todd Sutton

The Reverend Jack Weathersby

Report of the Continuing Education Committee

Many ministers are pursuing additional educational opportunities on a regular basis. Perhaps you have attended a seminar or read a book or completed a college or seminary course. We applaud you in this endeavor. We also want to reward you and give you credit for your diligence in continuing your education and training. To receive credit from the Central Conference, simply complete a Continuing Education Report Form and write a 150 word summary about the seminar, book read, or course completed and send it to one of the Continuing Education committee members. More information for submitting requests for Continuing Education Credit is outlined in the "Procedures" section below.

Purpose

The purpose of the Central Conference Continuing Education Program is to help our ministers with the practice of life-long learning. By continuing their education Central Conference ordained ministers will continue to grow in their spiritual walk with Christ as they grow they will be better equipped to serve the churches of the Central Conference. As the leadership of the churches grow the church itself will grow, therefore the growth and continuing education of the ministers is vital to the growth of the church. It is imperative that the ministers of the Central Conference follow the advice given to Timothy by Paul when he said, "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

Guidelines

Continuing Education Units (CEU's) will be based on educational opportunities. These would include reading a book, attending a seminar or class, or taking a college or seminary course.

Continuing Education Units/Credits

CEU credits will be given according to the following scale:

Books: up to 200 pages-½ CEU; 200-400 pages-1 CEU. Books over 400 pages will be considered on an individual basis.

Seminars: 3-5 hour seminar-½ CEU; 6-10 hour seminar-1 CEU. Seminar over ten hours will be considered on an individual basis.

College or Seminary Course: If the class is taken from an accredited institution (Southern Association of Colleges and Schools or Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada), one will receive 4 CEUs for each credit hour. Credit hours equal one hour per week in class for sixteen weeks. If you take a 3 credit hour course, you will

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receive 12 CEU's. If the course is taken from an institution that is not accredited by SACS or ATS, it will be considered on an individual basis.

Areas of Study

Biblical Studies: This includes any area of study from the Bible such as books of the Bible, themes, authors, or historical information from the Bible.

Historical Studies: This includes History of the Christian Church, Free Will Baptist Denomination, or Local Churches.

Theological Studies: This includes areas of studies from the following: Prolegomena, Bibliology, Theology Proper, Christology, Pneumatology, Angelology, Anthropology, Soteriology, Ecclesiology, Eschatology, etc.

Practical Studies: This includes area of studies concerning the working and growth of the local church, pastoral care, counseling, leadership, administration, evangelism, preaching and worship.

Spiritual Formation Studies: This includes area of studies concerning maturity of Christians.

Procedures

To receive continuing education credits, work should be submitted to the Continuing Education Committee. Simply write a 150 word summary and application of the seminar, book read, or college or seminary course completed and attach it to the Continuing Education Report Form. The report form is available at the annual conference or can be requested from a committee member or you can simply create your own report form by including the following. For a seminar, include the title of the seminar, sponsoring organization, presenter's name, and length of seminar. For a book you have read, include the title of the book, author, publisher, and date the book was read. For a college or seminary course, include the name of the course, name of the college or seminary, professor's name, and a copy of the syllabus. The committee will review all work and will send notification to the one who submitted the work and also the Board of Ordination.

Respectfully submitted,

Reverends Barry Williamson and Bryant Hines, and Doug Tyson

Report of the Nominating Committee

Board of Ordination

The Rev. Ronnie V. Hobgood (2014)

Board of Trustees

Mr. Jay Tripp (2012)

Credentials Committee

The Rev. Frank Cockrell (2012)

Memorial Committee

The Rev. Ray Williamson (2012)

Continuing Education Committee

The Rev. Brad Williamson (2012)

Church Growth Committee

The Rev. Todd Sutton (2012)

Central

Rev. Leon Grubbs, Chairman
Rev. Bobby Taylor
Rev. Ronnie V. Hobgood

Report of the Resolution Committee

We, the resolution committee, submit the following resolutions for your consideration:

1. Be it resolved that the 261st Annual Session of the Central Conference of Original Free Will Baptists give a rising vote of thanks to the King's Cross Roads FWB Church of Fountain, North Carolina for extending its hospitality and kindness to the ministers, delegates and visitors of said conference. [*Passed*]
2. Be it resolved that we give the Executive Committee a rising vote of appreciation for their diligent work during the past year. [*Passed*]
3. Be it resolved that we strongly urge everyone to continue to lift up in prayer the work of our denomination, prayer for continual spiritual growth in our churches, families, our nation and its leaders. [*Passed*]
4. Be it resolved that we give a rising show of appreciation to the Reverend Jack Weathersby for the message he delivered this morning, and request his message be submitted for publication in *The Free Will Baptist*, and that we as churches of the Central Conference of Original Free Will Baptist and as individual believers recommit ourselves to the priority of, "The Message" in ministry and witness to be not hearers only, but doers of the word. [*Passed*]

Respectfully submitted,
The Reverend Brad Williamson, Chairman
The Reverend Doug Skinner
The Reverend Ray Williamson

Miscellaneous Business:

The Reverend Todd Sutton gave a report from the Youth Ministries.

Roll Call of Churches

Central

CHURCH	LETTER	DELEGATES	CONTRIBUTION
Aspen Grove			Yes
Ayden	Yes	Yes	Yes
Bethany	Yes	Yes	Yes
Black Jack	Yes	Yes	Yes
Community	Yes		Yes
Daniel's Chapel	Yes	Yes	Yes
Dilda's Grove	Yes	Yes	Yes
Edgewood	Yes	Yes	Yes
Elm Grove	Yes	Yes	Yes
Free Union	Yes	Yes	Yes
Friendship	Yes	Yes	Yes
Greenville, First	Yes	Yes	Yes
Grimsely			Yes
Gum Swamp	Yes		Yes
Harrell's Chapel	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hickory Grove	Yes		Yes
Hillside	Yes		Yes
Howell Swamp	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hugo	Yes		Yes
Hull Road		Yes	Yes
King's Cross Roads	Yes	Yes	Yes
La Grange, First	Yes	Yes	Yes
Little Creek	Yes		Yes
Marlboro	Yes	Yes	Yes
Ormondsville	Yes	Yes	Yes
Otter's Creek	Yes	Yes	Yes
Owens Chapel	Yes		Yes
Peace	Yes	Yes	Yes
Piney Grove (Beaufort Co.)	Yes	Yes	Yes
Piney Grove (Pitt Co.)			
Pleasant Hill	Yes	Yes	Yes
Reedy Branch	Yes	Yes	Yes
Rocky Mount, First	Yes		Yes
Rose Hill		Yes	Yes
Rose of Sharon	Yes	Yes	Yes
Saint's Delight	Yes		Yes
Saratoga			
Spring Branch	Yes	Yes	Yes
Sweet Gum Grove			
Tarboro, First	Yes	Yes	Yes
Walnut Creek	Yes		Yes
Watery Branch	Yes		Yes
Williamston, First	Yes	Yes	Yes
Winterville	Yes		Yes

Central

Roll of Central Conference Ministers by Seniority

ORDAINED MINISTERS	Ordained	2007	2008	2009
J.B. Narron	10/13/50	Retired	Retired P	Retired L
Michael Pelt	09/30/50	Retired P	Retired P	Retired P
Willis Wilson	12/28/54	Retired P	Retired P	Retired P
C.H. Overman	08/30/52	P	Retired P	Retired E
Stewart Humphrey	11/10/66	L	L	P
Charles Branch	01/05/69	P	P	P
Bruce Jones	09/05/71	E	P	P
Gary Bailey	07/12/72	P	P	L
Walter Reynolds	07/30/49	Retired P	Retired P	Retired L
Tom Miller	07/02/67	P	L	A
Bobby Taylor	11/02/73	P	P	P
Leon Grubbs	09/05/68	P	A	P
Ronnie Hobgood	08/13/78	P	P	P
Melvin Moore	12/31/59	L	P	L
Earl Glenn	11/02/49	Retired	Retired P	Retired L
Harry Grubbs	02/24/67	P	L	P
Frank Flowers	06/02/72	Retired P	Retired P	Retired E
Clifford Ball	08/20/81	P	L	P
Ray Williamson	05/11/77	P	A	P
Mark Hobbs	11/20/80	P	P	P
Ronald Braxton	02/03/83	L	P	L
Donald Ribeiro	10/27/83	A	P	P
Stanley Buck	09/17/76	P	P	P
David Langley	10/05/87	L	P	P
Philip Wood	05/12/79	P	P	P
Norwood Futrell	09/20/51	Retired	Retired	Retired
Thomas Bowen	11/25/90	P	P	P
Harry Jones, Jr.	10/27/91	A	A	Retired
Larry Letchworth	08/23/92	P	P	L
Carroll Bradbury	08/23/92	P	E	P
Walt Tyndall	08/08/93	E	L	P
Jack Weathersby	02/27/94	P	P	P
Joey Williams	01/15/95	P	P	L
Mark Hogan	09/06/86	A	A	A
Frankie Baggett	10/22/87	P	P	P
Grady Tucker	12/06/78	P	Retired P	Retired P
Brad Williamson	06/28/98	L	P	P
John Robert Harris	08/27/95	P	P	A
Edward Thornton	03/10/81	P	P	P
Tony Glass	03/28/99	E	P	P
Frank Cockrell	11/07/99	P	P	E

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Johnny Sullivan	05/21/00	L	P	P
Kevin Jackson	12/26/82	P	P	P
Barry Williamson	09/17/00	P	P	L
Todd Sutton	02/11/96	L	L	P
John Simpson	04/29/01	A	Retired	Retired
Doug Owens	05/06/01	P	P	P
Roger Haithcock	08/26/01	E	P	P
Phillip Boykin	12/07/80	P	P	P
Charlie Carroll	07/10/94	A	L	E
Tony Parrish	11/09/88	P	P	P
Jacky Raper	06/08/88	P	P	L
Alan Joyner	02/08/04	P	P	P
James Owens	11/10/82	E	E	E
Greg Mills	12/28/83	L	L	A
Charles Russell	11/21/04	P	P	P
Kelley Smart	02/27/05	L	L	L
Michael Rowell	05/15/05	L	P	L
Charles Sutton	08/14/05	P	P	P
Doug Tyson	10/16/05	P	L	L
Alvin Keener		E	P	P
Marc Boswell	1/08/06	L	L	L
Arnold Price	69	P	P	P
Bryant Hines	06/07/79	E	P	P
Ronnie Mohn	3/80	E	P	P
Doug Skinner	07/02/72	E	P	E
Glenn Batten	10/25/08		P	P

LICENSED MINISTERS	Licensed	2007	2008	2009
Carlton Oakley	07/28/05	L	P	P
Matt Stocks	11/11/05	A	A	E
Brian Perry	07/10/06	L	A	A
James Wiggins	08/14/06	E	E	P
Dustin Bannister	11/09/06	L	E	P
Shannon Rodgers	11/09/06	L	P	A
Spencer Owens	4/24/07	A	L	P
Andy Sugg	10/16/07	E	P	P
Keith Phillips	10/17/07	P	P	E
Greg Barnes	1/08/08		L	A
Joshua Hobgood	7/08/08		P	P

P - Present
L - Letter

E - Excused
A - Absent

2010 ORIGINAL



FREE WILL BAPTIST

DIRECTORY

CHURCHES	Membership Dec. 31, 2007	Active	Inactive	GAIN			LOSS			Membership Dec. 31, 2008	Sunday School	Avg. SS Attend.	Ave. MW Attend.
				Baptism	Letter	Other	Deceased	Letter	Other				

Central Conference

Alpha & Omega Mission													
Aspen Grove	161	52	109	1	3		3			162	50	35	60
Ayden	137						2	2		133	34	25	65
Bethany	152	119	33		2		4			150	83	60	105
Black Jack	403	403		7	3		6	4		403	279	192	324
Community	146	54	92		1		3	2	6	136	20	18	35
Daniels Chapel	524			17	10		6	1		544	185	141	275
Dilda's Grove	90	45	45	4			3			91	46	35	55
Edgewood	65	42	23					3		62	58	36	45
Elm Grove	467	243	224	12	11		5	4		481	205	163	221
Free Union	357	224	133	1	10		5	1		362	135	95	150
Friendship	309	209	100	3	1		4	1		308	100	85	175
Greenville, First	308	308			5		6	4		303	130	81	141
Grimsley	149	74	75		1		1			149	62	48	58
Gum Swamp	411	103	308	3	2		2			414	76	65	104
Harrells Chapel	151	86	65	4	1		6	2		148	123	95	110
Hickory Grove	112	52	60	3	3		1			117	52	30	75
Hillside	44	23	21		2			2		44		10	50
Howell Swamp	168						4			164	65	38	
Hugo *	138	66	72		4	2	3			141	61	41	62
Hull Road	365			3	3		4			367	142	97	138
Kings Cross Roads	215	215		5			1	5		214			240
La Grange	197	137	60	15	4	1	3		1	213	115	80	128
Little Creek	139	98	41	2	2			1		142	60	45	55
Mariboro	311	311			3		5	4		305	175	92	132
Ormondsville	265	200	65	4	2		6			265	182	160	110
Otters Creek	39	39					3			36	15	15	40
Owens Chapel	194	93	101	1	2		1			196	89	79	100
Pease	93	50	43				5			88	40	31	56
Piney Grove-Beaufort	35	23	12		1		1			35	30	16	30
Piney Grove-Pitt	113	44	69	11	1		4	2		119	24	22	
Pleasant Hill	100	50	50			2	3			99	40	25	50

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				Baptism	Letter	Other	Deceased	Letter	Other				
Reedy Branch	170	125	45		4		7	4		163	115	80	100
Rocky Mount, First	106	47	59							106	36	27	39
Rose Hill	419	291	128	8	12		4	12		423			256
Rose of Sharon	220	127	93	2	2		2			222	108	92	125
Saint's Delight													
Saratoga	199	60	139	3			4	25		173	45	38	50
Spring Branch	162	162		4	8		2			172	75	45	75
Sweet Gum Grove													
Tarboro, First	194	194		3	4		2	4	5	190	119	100	135
Walnut Creek	120	83	37	2						122	78	58	75
Watery Branch	164	90	74		8		2	5		165	91	62	75
Williamston, First	56	45	11					5		51		35	45
Winterville	361	361		9	8			11		367		97	179
Central Conf. Totals	8529	4948	2387	127	123	5	123	104	12	8545	3343	2589	4343

Hugo's church year runs April 30, 2008 - April 30, 2009