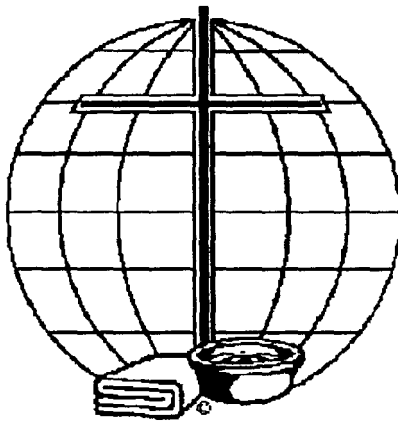


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# **Convention Of Original Free Will Baptists**



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**Central**

**Minutes**

**of the**

**262<sup>nd</sup> Annual Session**

**of the**

**Central Conference**

**of the**

**Original Free Will Baptists**

**Held with**

**La Grange First Free Will Baptist Church of La Grange**

**Lenoir County, North Carolina**

**Thursday, November 4, 2010**

**The Reverend Ronnie Hobgood, 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 (2010-2012)**

The Reverend Phillip Boykin, Moderator  
The Reverend Bryant Hines, Assistant Moderator  
The Reverend Kelley Smart, Clerk  
The Reverend Mark Hobbs, Assistant Clerk  
The Reverend Doug Skinner, Treasurer

#### **Board of Ordination**

The Reverend Frank Flowers (2011)                      The Reverend Leon Grubbs (2013)  
The Reverend Dr. Franklin Baggett (2012)      The Reverend Ronnie V. Hobgood (2014)  
The Reverend Tony Glass (2015)

#### **Board of Trustees**

Mr. Rex Wainwright (2011)                      Mr. Jay Tripp (2012)  
Mrs. Barbara Mills (2013)

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

The Reverend Ron Braxton (2012)

#### **Credentials Committee**

The Reverend Doug Owens (2011)                      The Reverend Frank Cockrell (2012)  
The Reverend Ronnie Mohn (2013)

#### **Memorial Committee**

The Reverend Charles Russell (2011)                      The Reverend Ray Williamson (2012)  
The Reverend Tony Parrish (2013)

#### **Conference Historian**

Dr. Michael Pelt (2012)

#### **Representative of Membership in Church Finance Association, Inc.**

The Reverend David Langley (2012)

#### **Continuing Education Committee**

The Reverend Doug Tyson (2011)                      The Reverend Brad Williamson (2012)  
The Reverend Alan Joyner (2013)

#### **Church Growth Committee**

The Reverend James Owens (2011)                      The Reverend Todd Sutton (2012)  
The Reverend Jack Weathersby (2013)

## Central

### Proceedings

The Central Conference, being the continuation of the General Conference of Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina, convened in its 262<sup>nd</sup> annual session with La Grange First Free Will Baptist Church of La Grange, North Carolina, on Thursday, November 4, 2010, at 9:30 a.m.

The Conference opened with the hymn, "Majesty." Mr. Joshua Hobgood read scripture taken from I Corinthians 13 and led us in prayer.

The Reverend Alan Joyner, clerk, called the 262<sup>nd</sup> annual session to order. The Reverend Ronnie Hobgood, pastor of the host church, extended a cordial welcome to the Conference.

The Reverend Phillip Boykin, moderator, shared several points using Colossians 3:12 as his text. The Reverend Phillip Boykin shared with each of us that we are here in this meeting time today to bring glory to God in all that we do. It is the pray for each of us that God receive the glory from all that takes place.

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 42 churches responding with delegates.

Visitors were recognized and welcomed by the moderator.

The first reading of a proposed change to the Constitution was read. [see Reports]

The moderator appointed temporary committees as follows:

Nominating Committee: Reverends Leon Grubbs, Bobby Taylor, and Don Ribeiro  
Resolutions Committee: Reverends Philip Wood, C. H. Overman, and Doug Skinner  
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]

The right hand of fellowship was extended to our new licensed and ordained ministers.

Representing the denominational and conference ministries were as follows:

Convention Services: Reverend Buddy Sasser, Sunday School: Ms. Mary Dudley,  
Retirement Homes: Reverend Ronnie Taylor, Cragmont Assembly: Reverend John Williams, Free Will Baptist Press: Mr. Cliff Gray, Children's Home: Mr. Gary Lee,  
Mount Olive College: Dr. Phillip Kerstetter, Foreign Missions: Reverend Harold Jones,  
Convention President Reverend Harold Swinson.

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At 11:15 a.m. the Conference business was set aside for the worship service. The service was opened in prayer by Reverend Mark Hobbs. The congregation was then led by Reverend Johnny Sullivan in the singing of "Our God Reigns." The offertory prayer was given by Reverend Charles Branch and the conference offering received. A very wonderful time of special music was presented by Ms Bailey Sutton. The Reverend Alan Joyner led us in the Morning Prayer. The congregation was then led by Reverend Johnny Sullivan in the singing of "Great is Thy Faithfulness." The Reverend Gary Bailey delivered the conference message. Reverend Bailey began by encouraging us to be the people that God can use. Reverend Bailey said that early in life he would tell God what his plans were and that if God would get him out of teaching he would go wherever God wanted him to. As he began in the ministry he learned early that it is very humbling and takes a lot of those that follow God. The joy is it is not about us but about the Holy Spirit that works through those that have been called to ministry. He encouraged us to listen to God so that we will be able to live a God centered life. He shared with the congregation thoughts about leaders in our denomination who are no longer with us, but that had taught him what it is to be an Original Free Will Baptist. Even when we do not always agree we can still be family. In Mark 9 Jesus disciples are talking about who will be the greatest. They were missing the point that Jesus was making about being a servant. Even as Jesus walked to Emmaus with two disciples they did not recognize him because they still did not understand what they were called to be as servants. Our Covenant as Original Free Will Baptist makes it our chief business to tell others about Christ and that is what we are called to do for the Kingdom. He asked us to love as God loves.

The worship service concluded with the singing of "There's Just Something About that Name" and a corporate reading of an affirmation of faith based on our Articles of Faith.

The service was closed in prayer and the blessing given by the Reverend Ronnie Hobgood.

## Afternoon Session

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

We began our Memorial service with the singing of "When the Roll is Called Up Yonder."

The Reverends Charles Russell, Tony Parrish, and Ray Williamson gave the report of the Memorial Committee and led us through a service of remembrance. The service was closed in prayer by the Reverend Tony Parrish. 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 66 ministers present.

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

A report was given by Mr. C B Landrath for the Central Conference Laymen's League.

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

The Reverend Frank Cockrell 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 2010-2011.

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

The Reverend Bryant Hines gave the report of the Continuing Education Committee. 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 C. H. Overman 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 J. B. Narron, Reverend Michael Pelt, [30 years] Reverend Phillip Boykin, Reverend Mark Hobbs and Reverend Ronnie Mohn.

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

*April 1, 2010*

The Executive Committee of the Central Conference met on April 1, 2010, at 9:30 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 I Corinthians 15:13-21. The Reverend Johnny Sullivan opened with prayer.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The minutes of the 261<sup>st</sup> session of the Central Conference were approved prior to this meeting by email as to have them ready for the Convention Report Book.

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

By motion, it was agreed that members of the Executive Committee would contact ministers with unpaid dues and churches that have made no contribution to the conference.

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.

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

Discussion was given concerning a letter sent to the Executive Committee from the Board of Ordination. The Executive Committee will respond with a letter to the Board of Ordination.

Discussion was given concerning the work of the committee dealing with the Ministerial Discipline guidelines. Discussion will continue on this issue at the next meeting of the Executive Committee.

The 262<sup>nd</sup> Annual Session of the Central Conference of the Original Free Will Baptist will be hosted by LaGrange First Free Will Baptist Church, LaGrange, North Carolina on November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2010. The 263<sup>rd</sup> Annual Session of the Central Conference of the Original Free Will Baptist will be hosted by Ormondsville Original Free Will Baptist Church, Ayden, North Carolina on November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2011.

By motion, it was agreed to give \$150 to the Children's Home for a commemorative brick paver as part of the renovation project for Heritage Hall.

By motion, it was agreed to receive report from the Board of Ordination to remove Reverend Greg Mills from the list of ordained ministers and to remove Mr. Chris Alphin from the list of licensed ministers.

By motion, it was agreed that members of the Executive Committee would contact those that have not responded concerning the required workshop on, "My Ministerial Code of Ethics."

The next meeting of the Central Conference Executive Committee will be on July 8<sup>th</sup> 2010 at 9:30 a.m. at Free Union Original Free Will Baptist Church.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer by Reverend Mark Hobbs.

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*July 8, 2010*

The Executive Committee of the Central Conference met on July 8, 2010, at 9:30 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 Johnny Sullivan called the meeting to order and read from 1 Corinthians 13. The Reverend Charles Branch 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.

By motion, it was agreed that a letter and DVD would once again be sent to those that have not responded concerning the required workshop on, "My Ministerial Code of Ethics."

Discussion was given concerning the work of the committee dealing with the Ministerial Discipline guidelines. Discussion will continue on this issue at the next meeting of the Executive Committee.

By Motion, it was agreed to approve Crown Financial as a resource for financial literacy in the Central Conference and to provide a ministers banquet for Central Conference ministers to introduce the program.

Discussion was given concerning a letter sent to the Executive Committee from the Board of Ordination.

Discussion was given concerning speakers for the upcoming Central Conference meeting.

The next meeting of the Central Conference Executive Committee will be on September 9, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. at Free Union Original Free Will Baptist Church.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer by Reverend Mark Hobbs.

*September 9, 2010*

The Executive Committee of the Central Conference met on September 9, 2010, at 10:00 a.m. at Free Union Original Free Will Baptist Church. Present for the meeting were the Reverends Phillip Boykin, Johnny Sullivan, Alan Joyner and Mark Hobbs. The Reverend Phillip Boykin called the meeting to order and read from 2 Corinthians 5:17. The Reverend Alan Joyner opened with prayer.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was given and received as information.

Discussion was given concerning speakers and committee members for the upcoming Central Conference meeting which will be held on November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2010.

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Discussion was given concerning the letters that go out to our churches, ministers, and licensed ministers.

The next meeting of the Central Conference Executive Committee will be on October 21, 2010 at 9:30 a.m. at Free Union Original Free Will Baptist Church.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer by Reverend Mark Hobbs.

*October 21, 2010*

The Executive Committee of the Central Conference met on October 21, 2010, at 9:30 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 Phillip Boykin called the meeting to order and read from Psalm 131:1. 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.

Discussion was given confirming speakers and committee members for the upcoming Central Conference meeting which will be hold on November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2010.

Discussion was given concerning a motion to change the constitution under Article III Officers. Motion, seconded and passed to present a change at the upcoming conference on November 4, 2010.

### Constructional Change proposed 2010

#### Article III. OFFICERS

The officers shall be a moderator, an assistant moderator, a clerk, an assistant clerk, and a treasurer, who shall be elected for a term of two years. After serving two (2) full terms of two (2) years each, no member shall be eligible for nomination to the same office until after an interval of one (1) year. The duties of said office shall be entered into at the close of the session in which they are elected.

*The officers shall be a moderator, an assistant moderator, a clerk, and an assistant clerk who shall be elected for a term of two year, serving two (2) full terms of two (2) years each. The office of treasurer may serve up to ten (10) years consecutively, the office of treasurer will be elected every two (2) years, no member shall be eligible for nomination to the same office until after an interval of one (1) year when their term expires. The duties of said office shall be entered into at the close of the session in which they are elected.*

The next meeting of the Central Conference Executive Committee will be on November 4, 2010 at 8:30 a.m. at La Grange First Free Will Baptist Church.

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The meeting was adjourned with prayer by Reverend Mark Hobbs.

*November 4, 2010*

The Executive Committee of the Central Conference met on November 4, 2010, at 8:30 a.m. at La Grange First 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 Charles Branch.

Respectfully submitted,  
Alan Joyner, Clerk  
Phillip Boykin, Moderator

### **Report of the Board of Ordination**

North Carolina Central Conference of Original Free Will Baptists  
Report of the Board of Ordination  
November 4, 2010

#### **Central Conference Board of Ordination**

Rev. Frank Flowers, Chairman  
Rev. Leon Grubbs  
Rev. Dr. Franklin Baggett  
Rev. Ronnie Hobgood  
Rev. Tony Glass, Secretary

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

*The following candidates were approved by the Board for licensing:*

Mr. Stan Asby  
Mr. Matthew Forrest  
Mr. Tom Malin  
Dr. Kiril Sgilenov  
Mrs. Marci Rollins Smart  
Mr. Jim Skipper  
Mr. Jason Mitchell

*The following candidates were dropped from the list of Licensed Ministers:*

Mr. Chris Alphin  
Mr. Shannon Rodgers

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*The following ministers were ordained into the Gospel Ministry of the Central Conference:*

Reverend Dustin Bannister

Reverend Keith Phillips

Reverend Greg Mills was dropped from the list of ordained Ministers of the Central Conference.

Reverend Ernest Jones transferred his conference membership from the Eastern Conference to the Central Conference.

Reverend Charlie Carroll's membership was transferred to the Cape Fear Conference.

Scheduled meetings and of the Board of Ordination for the year 2011

Thursday January 13, 2011 at Hull Road Original Free Will Baptist Church at 10 am.

Thursday April 14, 2011 at La Grange Original Free Will Baptist Church at 10 am.

Thursday July 14, 2011 at the Original Free Will Baptist Headquarters at 10 am.

Thursday October 13, 2011 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."*

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.

All candidates for ordination in the Central Conference of Original Free Will Baptists must take and pass the Ordination Examination.

2. 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."*

3. In accordance with "The Articles of Faith and Church Government for Original Free Will Baptists (of The English General Baptist Heritage) under 'The Rules

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Of Church Government,' 'Section 1: The Local Congregation,' 'Meetings Of the Local Congregation:' *'The ordinances of the Gospel are administered only by ordained ministers.'*"

### **Report of the Memorial Committee**

#### **Report of the Memorial Committee to The Central Conference of Original Free Will Baptist**

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 the 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 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 influences of these individuals. For any names of deceased members not listed, or misspelled, we regret and apologize.

#### Churches

##### Aspen Grove

Fannie Carr Beaman  
Marvin Galloway  
Frances Ellis  
Lovelace Gardner

Daniels Chapel  
James Matthews  
Nick Luper  
Marie Glenn  
Tony Daniel  
Tommy Matthews

##### Ayden

Harold Lloyd Tripp

##### Dilda's Grove

No report

##### Bethany

Julia Green Henderson  
Lucille Barrow Tripp  
Zelota Harrington  
Betty Spruill Speight

##### Edgewood

No report

##### Black Jack

J. T. Mills  
Reba Cannon  
Suzie Buck  
Charles Gaskins  
Janie Adams  
Virginia Mills

##### Elm Grove

Roland Clark  
Lecy Mae Nobles  
Lucille Beddard Briley

##### First FWB, Greenville

Edna Tyson Padgett

##### Community

Carlton Wells  
L. M. Council

##### First FWB, Rocky Mount

Tysula Smith  
Doris Rivenbark  
Louise Lewis

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First FWB, Tarboro  
Oma Johnson  
Lucille Shackelford

First FWB, Williamston  
No report

Free Union  
Robert Jones  
Lucille Jones  
Bobby Hardison  
Gerald Tugwell

Friendship  
Reverend Walter Reynolds  
Zelda Lilley  
Gene Moore  
Melba Forrest

Grimsley  
No report

Gum Swamp  
No report

Harrell's Chapel  
Alex Daniels  
Phyllis Johnson  
Ann Johnson  
Josie Radford

Hickory Grove  
Francis Briley Bowie  
Maggie Butler Connor  
Roland Kenneth Manning, Sr

Hillside  
No report

Howell Swamp  
William Charles Sawrey  
Virginia J. Hart  
Alice Holloman Evans  
Helen S. Jones  
Hazel Skinner Fields  
Elizabeth Norman Sawrey

Hugo

Doris Ann Shepherd Grady  
Delma Shepherd

Hull Road  
No report

Kings Cross Roads  
No report

La Grange  
Richard Hinson  
Jean Rogers  
Larry Alison

Little Creek  
Bertie Heath Cox  
Harry Lee Smith

Marlboro  
John H. Stocks  
Barbara Nelson Ellis  
Cecil Randolph Moore

Ormondsville  
None to report

Otters Creek  
R. A. Hamilton  
Edna Ruth Pittman  
Myrtle Morgan

Owens Chapel  
No report

Peace  
Charlie Morris

Piney Grove (Beaufort County)  
No report

Piney Grove (Pitt County)  
No report

Pleasant Hill  
Jimmy Tripp  
Mavis Tripp  
T. G. Warren  
Goldie Kirk

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Reedy Branch  
Louise "Kid" Stox  
Evelyn Webb

Saratoga  
No report

Rose Hill  
Mary Loftin  
Louise Barham  
William Haddock  
Cullen Rogers  
James Loftin  
Milton Sutton  
Delano Wilson  
David Hardee

Spring Branch  
Ralph Beaman  
Doris Dildy

Sweet Gum Grove  
No report

Rose of Sharon  
Jean Cowin  
Billy Whitley

Walnut Creek  
Robert (Red) Gray

Saint's Delight  
Charles Steven Cox

Watery Branch  
Margaret Turner  
John Yelverton  
Willis Smith

Winterville  
No report

Lighting of the Memorial Candle  
Moment of silent prayer

Respectfully submitted,  
Reverends Tony Parrish, Charles Russell, and Ray Williamson

### 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	86
Central Conference Ministers	57
Licensed Ministers	11
Visitors	29
Visiting Ministers	<u>17</u>
Total Registered	200

Respectfully submitted,

Reverends Frank Cockrell, Doug Owens, and Marc Boswell

# Central

## Report of Conference Treasurer

### CENTRAL CONFERENCE

#### Treasurer's Report

1-Nov-10

*Balance from November 2009* \$2,353.18

#### Receipts

Church Contributions	\$5,994.00
Conference Offering	\$396.00
Transferred from Savings	\$0.00
Endowment Income	\$1,667.09
Maury Endowment	\$208.39
Miscellaneous	
Minister Membership Dues	<u>\$1,425.00</u>

**Total** \$9,690.48

*Total income plus starting balance* \$12,043.66

#### Disbursements

Centura Bank (Bank Charges)	\$0.00
Board of Ordination	\$49.68
Church Growth Committee	\$1,650.00
Black Jack-\$500.00, La Grange-\$500.00	
Free Union-\$150.00, Saratoga-\$500.00	
Conference Expense	\$347.55
— Programs, booklets, etc.	
Continuing Education Committee	
Convention of OFWB Support	\$750.00
Convention of OFWB (Year Book)	\$735.00
Executive Committee Expenses	\$24.00
Office Supplies	\$0.00
Conference Secretary	\$50.00
Conference Treasurer	\$50.00
Miscellaneous	\$0.00
Funeral Flags	\$0.00
Foreign Missions	\$2,000.00
Endowment for Ministerial Students	\$2,000.00
Non-Budgeted items	<u>\$1,350.00</u>
NC Foundation for Christian Ministries-\$1200.00	
FWB Children's Home Paver Brick-\$150.00	

**Total Disbursements** \$9,006.23

*Total in Checking account as of March 31, 2010* \$3,037.43

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Beginning balance of Money Market 10-31-09	\$54,964.34	
Interest	\$373.65	
Total in Money Market		\$55,337.99
<b>Central Conference Endowment Fund</b>		\$60,000.00
(See minutes from Central Conference 11-09-01, Mission Board & Executive Committee Proposal)		
<b>Maury Endowment Fund (For Annual Training Conference)</b>		\$7,500.00
(Please see Minutes of Executive Committee September 22, 1988)		
<b>TOTAL OF ALL MONIES</b>		<b>\$125,875.42</b>

	<u>Budget 09-10</u>	<u>Actual 09-10</u>	<u>Proposed 10-11</u>
Church Contributions	5000	\$5,994.00	5000
Conference Offering	500	\$396.00	500
Endowment Income	1500	\$1,875.48	1500
Interest	1800	\$0.00	1800
Minister Membership Dues	1700	\$1,425.00	1700
Miscellaneous	250		250
Monies from Money Market	4800		4200
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$15,550.00</b>	<b>\$9,690.48</b>	<b>14,950.00</b>
Bank Charges	100	\$0.00	100
Board of Ordination	300	\$49.68	200
Church Growth Committee	3000	\$1,650.00	2500
Conference	2000	\$347.55	2000
Continuing Education Committee	1500		1500
Convention of OFWB Support	750	\$750.00	750
Convention of OFWB Year Book	1000	\$735.00	1000
Executive Committee	500	\$24.00	500
Office Supplies	300	\$0.00	300
Secretary	50	\$50.00	50
Treasurer	50	\$50.00	50
Miscellaneous	500	\$0.00	500
Endowment	2000	\$2,000.00	2000
Non-Budgeted Items	1500	\$1,350.00	1500
Foreign Missions	2000	\$2,000.00	2000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$15,550.00</b>	<b>\$9,006.23</b>	<b>\$14,950.00</b>

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### Report of the Church Growth Committee

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

Black Jack OFWB Church requested \$500 to help send their youth minister and church volunteers to the Simply Youth Conference in Chicago. The Conference provided leadership training and evangelism tools from some of the best youth leaders in America.

LaGrange First OFWB Church requested \$500 to help send their youth minister to the Simply Youth Conference in Chicago. The Conference assisted the church with evangelism and discipleship program offerings for youth in their area.

Free Union OFWB Church requested \$150 to assist with the promotion of their spring revival. The church was able to explore different media to aid in the outreach and marketing of their revival services.

Saratoga OFWB Church requested \$500 to assist with the Student Life Conference in Lynchburg, VA. The event offered instruction and hands-on opportunities for students and youth leaders in the area of witnessing and Christian service. The church has been able to come back and implement the skills learned to enhance evangelism in their own community.

Respectfully Submitted,

The Reverend Kelley Smart, Chairman  
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

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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 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.

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Respectfully submitted,  
Reverends Barry Williamson and Bryant Hines, and Doug Tyson

### **Report of the Nominating Committee**

#### **Executive Committee:** (2010-2012)

Moderator – The Reverend Phillip Boykin  
Asst. Moderator – The Reverend Bryant Hines  
Clerk – The Reverend Kelley Smart  
Asst. Clerk – The Reverend Mark Hobbs (to succeed himself)  
Treasurer – The Reverend Doug Skinner

#### **Board of Ordination:**

The Reverend Tony Glass (to succeed himself, 2015)

#### **Board of Trustees:**

Mrs. Barbara Mills (to succeed herself, 2013)

#### **Representative of Memberships in the Free Will Baptist Press Foundation, Inc.:**

The Reverend Ron Braxton (2012)

#### **Credentials Committee:**

The Reverend Ronnie Mohn (2013)

#### **Memorial Committee:**

The Reverend Tony Parrish (to succeed himself, 2013)

#### **Conference Historian:**

Dr. Michael Pelt (to succeed himself, 2012)

#### **Representative of Memberships in Church Finance Association, Inc.:**

The Reverend David Langley (2012)

#### **Continuing Education Committee:**

The Reverend Alan Joyner (2013)

#### **Church Growth Committee:**

The Reverend James Owens (replacing The Reverend Kelley Smart, 2011)  
The Reverend Jack Weathersby (to succeed himself, 2013)

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Respectfully Submitted:  
The Reverend Leon Grubbs, Chair  
Dr. Bobby Taylor  
Dr. Don Ribeiro

### Report of the Resolution Committee

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

1. Be it resolved that the 262<sup>nd</sup> Annual Session of the Central Conference of Original Free Will Baptists give a rising vote of thanks to the La Grange First Free Will Baptist Church of La Grange, North Carolina for extending its hospitality and kindness to the ministers, delegates and visitors of said conference. [*Passed*]

Respectfully submitted,  
The Reverend C. H. Overman, Chairman  
The Reverend Doug Skinner  
The Reverend Philip Wood

### Miscellaneous Business:

There was another reading of the proposed Constitutional change. *Motion was made and seconded motion passed to accept the change.*

## Constructional Change proposed 2010

### Article III. OFFICERS

The officers shall be a moderator, an assistant moderator, a clerk, an assistant clerk, and a treasurer, who shall be elected for a term of two years. After serving two (2) full terms of two (2) years each, no member shall be eligible for nomination to the same office until after an interval of one (1) year. The duties of said office shall be entered into at the close of the session in which they are elected.

The officers shall be a moderator, an assistant moderator, a clerk, and an assistant clerk who shall be elected for a term of two year, serving two (2) full terms of two (2) years each. The office of treasurer may serve up to ten (10) years consecutively, the office of treasurer will be elected every two (2) years, no member shall be eligible for nomination to the same office until after an interval of one (1) year when their term expires. The duties of said office shall be entered into at the close of the session in which they are elected.

The following motion was presented to the Conference,

“Whereas we believe God is no respecter of persons, and that God is able to call whom He chooses to do His work, we move to permit the Board of Ordination of the Central Conference to examine men and women candidates submitted by local churches for ordination into the Gospel Ministry. We call for the vote to be by secret ballot.”

*Motion was made and seconded after much discussion the vote was called.*  
*Motion failed*

# Roll Call of Churches

CHURCH	LETTER	DELEGATES	CONTRIBUTION
Aspen Grove	YES	YES	YES
Ayden	YES	YES	YES
Bethany	YES	YES	YES
Black Jack	YES	YES	YES
Community	YES	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	
Harrell's Chapel	YES	YES	
Hickory Grove	YES	YES	YES
Hillside	YES		
Howell Swamp	YES	YES	YES
Hugo	YES	YES	YES
Hull Road		YES	
King's Cross Roads		YES	
La Grange, First	YES	YES	YES
Little Creek	YES	YES	YES
Marlboro	YES	YES	YES
Ormondsville	YES	YES	
Otter's Creek	YES	YES	YES
Owens Chapel	YES	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	YES
Rose Hill	YES	YES	
Rose of Sharon	YES	YES	YES
Saint's Delight	YES	YES	YES
Saratoga		YES	YES
Spring Branch	YES		YES
Sweet Gum Grove			
Tarboro, First	YES	YES	YES
Walnut Creek	YES	YES	YES
Watery Branch	YES	YES	YES
Williamston, First	YES	YES	YES
Winterville	YES	YES	YES

Roll of Central Conference Ministers by Seniority

ORDAINED MINISTERS	Ordained	2008	2009	2010
J.B. Narron	10/13/50	Retired P	Retired L	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	Retired P	Retired E	Retired P
Stewart Humphrey	11/10/66	L	P	Retired L
Charles Branch	01/05/69	P	P	P
Bruce Jones	09/05/71	P	P	P
Gary Bailey	07/12/72	P	L	P
Tom Miller	07/02/67	L	A	A
Bobby Taylor	11/02/73	P	P	P
Leon Grubbs	09/05/68	A	P	P
Ronnie Hobgood	08/13/78	P	P	P
Melvin Moore	12/31/59	P	L	P
Earl Glenn	11/02/49	Retired P	Retired L	Retired L
Harry Grubbs	02/24/67	L	P	P
Frank Flowers	06/02/72	Retired P	Retired E	Retired P
Clifford Ball	08/20/81	L	P	P
Ray Williams	05/11/77	A	P	P
Mark Hobbs	11/20/80	P	P	P
Ronald Braxton	02/03/83	P	L	P
Donald Ribeirg	10/27/83	P	P	P
Stanley Buck	09/17/76	P	P	P
David Langley	10/05/87	P	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	Retired	Retired
Larry Letchworth	08/23/92	P	L	P
Carroll Bradbury	08/23/92	E	P	P
Walt Tyndall	08/08/93	L	P	P
Jack Weathersby	02/27/94	P	P	P
Joey Williams	01/15/95	P	L	P
Mark Hogan	09/06/86	A	A	A
Frankie Baggett	10/22/87	P	P	P
Grady Tucker	12/06/78	Retired P	Retired P	Retired E
Brad Williamson	06/28/98	P	P	P
John Robert Harris	08/27/95	P	A	A
Edward Thornton	03/10/81	P	P	P
Tony Glass	03/28/99	P	P	P
Frank Cockrell	11/07/99	P	E	P
Johnny Sullivan	05/21/00	P	P	P
Kevin Jackson	12/26/82	P	P	P
Barry Williamson	09/17/00	P	L	P
Todd Sutton	02/11/96	L	P	P

John Simpson	04/29/01	Retired	Retired	Retired
Doug Owens	05/06/01	P	P	P
Roger Haitcock	08/26/01	P	P	P
Philip Boykin	12/07/80	P	P	P
Tony Parrish	11/09/88	P	P	P
Jacky Raper	06/08/88	P	L	P
Alan Joyner	02/08/04	P	P	P
James Owens	11/10/81	E	E	L
Charles Russell	11/21/04	P	P	P
Kelley Smart	02/27/05	L	L	P
Michael Rowell	05/15/05	P	L	P
Charles Sutton	08/14/05	P	P	P
Doug Tyson	10/16/05	L	L	P
Alvin Keener		P	P	P
Marc Boswell	1/08/06	L	L	P
Arnold Price	69	P	P	P
Bryant Hines	06/07/79	P	P	P
Ronnie Mohn	3/80	P	P	P
Doug Skinner	07/02/72	P	E	P
Glen Batten	10/25/08	P	P	P
Dustin Bannister				P
Keith Phillips				P
Ernest Jones				P

LICENSED MINISTERS	Licensed	2008	2009	2010
Carlton Oakley	07/28/05	P	P	P
Matt Stocks	11/11/05	A	E	A
Brian Perry	07/10/06	A	A	L
James Wiggins	08/14/06	E	P	P
Spencer Owens	4/24/07	L	P	P
Andy Sugg	10/16/07	P	P	P
Greg Barnes	1/08/08	L	A	P
Joshua Hobgood	7/08/08	P	P	E
Stan Asby				A
Matthew Forrest				P
Tom Malin				P
Jason Mitchell				P
Kiril Sgilenov				A
Marci Rollins-Smart				P
Jim Skipper				P

P - Present

L - Letter

E - Excused

A - Absent