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Convention Of Original Free Will Baptists



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Minutes

of the

263rd Annual Session

of the

Central Conference

of

Original Free Will Baptists

Held at

Ormondsville Original Free Will Baptist Church

Pitt County, North Carolina

Thursday, November 10, 2011

The Reverend Dr. Donald Ribeiro, Host Pastor

Officers of the Conference

Moderator: The Reverend Phillip Boykin

Assistant Moderator: The Reverend Bryant Hines

Clerk: The Reverend Kelley Smart

Assistant Clerk: The Reverend Mark Hobbs

Treasurer: The Reverend Doug Skinner

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 Dr. Franklin Baggett (2012)
The Reverend Ronnie V. Hobgood (2014)
The Reverend Tony Glass (2015)

The Reverend Mark Hobbs (2016)

Board of Trustees

Mr. Jay Tripp (2012)

Mrs. Barbara Mills (2013)

Mr. Rex Wainwright (2014)

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

The Reverend Ron Braxton (2013)

Credentials Committee

The Reverend Frank Cockrell (2012) The Reverend Ronnie Mohn (2013)
The Reverend Doug Owens (2014)

Memorial Committee

The Reverend Ray Williamson (2012) The Reverend Tony Parrish (2013)
The Reverend Dr. Charles Russell (2014)

Conference Historian

The Reverend Dr. Michael Pelt (2013)

Representative of Membership in Church Finance Association, Inc.

Mrs. Marci Rollins-Smart (2013)

Continuing Education Committee

The Reverend Brad Williamson (2012)

The Reverend Stanley Buck (2014)

The Executive Committee will appoint a member to fulfill the unexpired term of The Reverend Alan Joyner (2013).

Church Growth Committee

The Reverend Todd Sutton (2012) The Reverend Jack Weathersby (2013)

The Reverend James Owens (2014)

Proceedings

The Central Conference, being the continuation of the General Conference of Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina, convened its 263rd Annual Session at Ormondsville OFWB Church on Thursday, November 10, 2011 at 9:30 a.m.

The Reverend Bryant Hines, assistant moderator, led in the singing of "My Savior's Love."

Mr. Jim Skipper shared the devotion from James 3:1 and emphasized the diversity of spiritual gifts and the greatness of the task of ministry. He then led in prayer.

The Reverend Kelley Smart, clerk, called the 263rd Annual Session to order. The Reverend Dr. Donald Ribeiro offered words of welcome on behalf of the host church.

The Reverend Phillip Boykin, moderator, announced that The Reverend Buddy Sasser would like to get a photo of the ministers prior to lunch.

The moderator's message came from Matthew 5:16. Reverend Boykin emphasized how essential it is for Christians to let their light shine before others and glorify God daily. He offered an illustration from the morning fog. When Christians let their light shine others can see Jesus. He indicated it is important for Christians to shine in the fog of the world.

A brief time of fellowship followed the moderator's message. Everyone was challenged to find people they did not know and introduce themselves.

Reverend Smart conducted the roll call of churches with 40 out of 44 reporting.

Reverend Boykin asked for any visitors to the Conference to stand and introduce themselves.

The moderator appointed the following temporary committees:

Nominating: The Reverend Johnny Sullivan (chair), The Reverend C.H. Overman, and The Reverend Philip Wood

Resolutions: The Reverend Ronnie V. Hobgood (chair), The Reverend Charles Branch, and The Reverend Tom Malin

Parliamentarian: The Reverend Dr. Franklin Baggett

The clerk shared the report of the Executive Committee. By motion the report was adopted. [See Reports]

The Reverend Tony Glass gave the report of the Board of Ordination. Reverend Glass made the correction that The Reverend John Hill had transferred from the Cape Fear Conference and not the Western. He called attention to what the Articles of Faith say about ordination and the motion of 2008 concerning Conference attendance. By motion the report was adopted. [See Reports]

Convention Services: The Reverend Buddy Sasser, Sunday School: Ms. Mary Dudley, Retirement Homes: The Reverend Ronnie Taylor, Cragmont Assembly: The Reverend Buddy Sasser, Free Will Baptist Press: The Reverend Mark Hobbs, Children's Home: The Reverend Johnny Sullivan, Mount Olive College: Dr. Phillip Kerstetter, Foreign Missions: The Reverend Harold Jones, OFWB Minister's Program: Mr. Gene Paramore, North Carolina Foundation: The Reverend Ronnie Hobgood, Home Missions: The Reverend David Charles Hansley

The right hand of fellowship was given to the newly licensed and ordained ministers.

At 11:15 a.m. the Conference business was set aside for a time of worship. The Reverend Mark Hobbs, assistant clerk, led in the call to worship and invocation. The congregation was then led in the singing of "Tis' So Sweet to Trust in Jesus." The offertory prayer was given by The Reverend Doug Skinner. Mr. Spencer Owens of the host church shared special music followed by the morning prayer by Reverend Smart. The congregation was led in the singing of "Trusting Jesus." Reverend Boykin introduced the speaker, The Reverend Leon Grubbs. Reverend Grubbs shared from II Kings 18 and used the life of -Hezekiah as a foundation for his message. Hezekiah was a positive influence for God's people at that point in their history. Reverend Grubbs began looking at various stories throughout the Old and New Testaments of how God worked in and through the lives/circumstances of so many. The key to their successes was a continual trust in the one true God. From the life of Hezekiah Christians discover how important it is to do what is right in the sight of God. Hezekiah's faithfulness to God brought around great reform for the people. Reverend Grubbs then went on to explain the role of trust in Hezekiah's life and how it should be at the heart of Christian practice. Christians are called to live in a way that pleases God and trust is important to doing the work of the kingdom. The service concluded with the singing of "Only Trust Him" and the benediction/blessing by Dr. Ribeiro.

Afternoon Session

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

The memorial ceremony began with the singing of "Sweet Bye and Bye."

The Reverends Dr. Charles Russell, Tony Parrish, and Ray Williamson gave the report of the Memorial Committee and led the Conference through the ceremony. The service was closed in prayer by the Reverend Ray Williamson. By motion the report was adopted. [See Reports]

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

The roll call of ministers was conducted by the clerk with 49 ministers present.

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

The Reverend Doug Skinner 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 2011-2012.

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

The Reverend Brad Williamson gave the report of the Continuing Education Committee. By motion the report was adopted. [See Reports]

The Reverend Johnny Sullivan gave the report of the Nominating Committee. By motion the report was adopted. [See Reports]

The Reverend Ronnie V. Hobgood gave the report of the Resolutions Committee. [See Reports]

The moderator called for miscellaneous business.

By motion it was decided to give \$500 to each of the three Eastern Conference churches destroyed during Hurricane Irene.

Reverend Boykin shared that Reedy Branch OFWB Church would host the 2012 Conference. The Reverend John Hill volunteered Winterville OFWB Church for 2013.

The Reverend C.H. Overman shared a prayer request and offered words of praise.

A prayer request was given on behalf of The Reverend Ernest Jones.

Reverend Boykin presented certificates to the following ministers in recognition of years of service: [45 years] The Reverend Stewart Humphrey, [40 years] The Reverend Bruce Jones, [35 years] The Reverend Stanley Buck, [25 years] The Reverend Mark Hogan and The Reverend Ed Thorton.

With no further business the Conference concluded with the singing of "O How I Love Jesus." Reverend Hobbs pronounced the benediction.

Respectfully Submitted, The Reverend Phillip Boykin, moderator The Reverend Kelley Smart, clerk

Reports

Report of the Executive Committee

January 27, 2011

Reverends Phillip Boykin, Bryant Hines, Kelley Smart, and Mark Hobbs. Reverend Boykin called the meeting to order and read from Acts 6:6-7. He discussed how God is able to use all of us despite our diverse views and backgrounds. Reverend Hines opened with prayer.

The minutes of the 262nd Session of the Central Conference were read, corrected, and approved.

By motion the following appointments were made: Reverend Boykin will serve as an appointed representative to the Board of Ordination. Reverend Smart will serve as an appointed representative to the Church Growth Committee. Reverend Hines will serve as an appointed representative to the Continuing Education Committee.

Brief discussion was held on the topic of ministerial discipline. Reverend Smart will make copies of the Ministerial Discipline document, and the Committee will look at it further at the next meeting. Reverend Hobbs offered the suggestion that Reverend Smart email this document and other future correspondence in order to provide advanced notice for discussion. By motion the Reverends Boykin and Smart were appointed to the Subcommittee on Ministerial Ethics.

The 263rd Session of the Central Conference will meet on Thursday, November 10, 2011 at Ormondsville OFWB Church. Reverend Boykin will contact Saint's Delight OFWB Church to see if they volunteered to host the 2012 Conference.

Discussion was held about a letter sent to the Executive Committee about the motion made at the Central Conference on November 4, 2010 concerning the ordination of men and women. Reverend Smart will draft a letter in response.

The topic of developing an ordination for females without pastorate credentials was discussed. There is the possibility that some women may feel called to serve in capacities other than pastoring a church, but such ministries may require ordination credentials (i.e. hospital chaplaincy). Further discussion will be held.

Reverend Boykin will follow up with the Reverend Donald Fader on the Crown Financial Ministries program that was discussed in 2010 and email some information to the rest of the Committee

The idea of greater fellowship opportunities (i.e. a breakfast) within the Conference was discussed.

The next meeting of the Executive Committee will be on Thursday, April 28, 2011 at 9:30 a.m. at Free Union Original Free Will Baptist Church.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer by Reverend Hobbs.

April 28, 2011

Phillip Boykin, Kelley Smart, and Mark Hobbs. Reverend Boykin called the meeting to order and read from Matthew 18:33. This is a story of forgiveness and hope. He discussed how the gospel is about good news and compassion. As God has forgiven us, we must forgive others. Reverend Smart opened with prayer.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

An amended financial report was provided indicating that most ministers have paid their dues, and some churches are still outstanding. Reverend Doug Skinner will email a copy of the report to the Committee members.

There were no reports from the Church Growth and Evangelism or Continuing Education Committees

Brief discussion was held on the subject of ministerial discipline. Reverend Smart will email all Committee members and ask them to make notes on the Ministerial Discipline document. All members should contact each other and share any notations. A decision needs to be made on what to do with this material.

The 263rd Session of the Central Conference will meet on Thursday, November 10, 2011 at Ormondsville OFWB Church. Reverend Boykin made contact with Saint's Delight OFWB Church concerning 2012. Unfortunately, their sanctuary is too small for the Conference. The Committee will begin to look at other options for the 2012 Session.

The Ordaining Council met in April, and they are drafting a letter to the Executive Committee about the matter of ordaining women with a special non-pastoring credential. This subject will be discussed when the Committee receives the letter and knows more details.

Brief discussion was held about the Ministers' Banquet and Crown Financial Ministries program. The tentative date for the event is September 9, 2011. This event will help introduce the programs offered by Crown and provide a fellowship opportunity for ministers.

Reverends Boykin and Hobbs will represent the Executive Committee at the NC Foundation for Christian Ministries meeting on May 10 at La Grange.

The next meeting of the Executive Committee will be on May 19 after the Convention of OFWB at Mount Olive College.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer by Reverend Hobbs.

June 29, 2011

The Executive Committee of the Central Conference met on June 29, 2011 at 9:30 a.m. at Free Union Original Free Will Baptist Church. Present for the meeting were the Reverends Doug Skinner, Kelley Smart, and Mark Hobbs. Reverend Hobbs called the meeting to order and read from Psalm 8. He shared how we live each day under the mercy of God and he desires only the best for all of us. He then opened with prayer.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Reverend Skinner shared briefly on the NC Foundation for Christian Ministries meeting at La Grange.

The treasurer's report was read and approved. Reverend Skinner indicated there were still a few ministers and churches that had not paid dues as of May 31. Reverend Skinner will make contact with the churches. Reverend Hobbs will contact the ministers.

The Church Growth and Evangelism Committee approved two requests since the last meeting. Pleasant Hill and Saratoga each received \$500. A suggestion was made to update the form for this Committee to include a space that states how much a church has been approved for and have the chairman sign each request. It would also be helpful to have a more detailed report from the churches as to how their funds were used. This Committee should also contact their liaison from the Executive Committee when approving fund requests. Reverend Smart will make contact with the Committee.

Reverend Smart will contact the Reverend Phillip Boykin to find out more information about the Ministers' Banquet and Crown Financial Ministries program set for September.

Further discussion was held on the Ministerial Discipline document. After careful review it was decided that all materials are covered by the Ministerial Code of Ethics and Articles of Faith and Principles of Church Government for Original Free Will Baptists (Of the English General Baptist Heritage).

Reverend Smart will contact Reedy Branch OFWB Church about the possibility of hosting the 2012 Session of the Central Conference.

The next meeting of the Central Conference Executive Committee will be on August 11 at 9:30 a.m. at Free Union Original Free Will Baptist Church.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer by Reverend Skinner.

August 11, 2011

The Executive Committee of the Central Conference met on August 11, 2011 at 9:30 a.m. at Free Union Original Free Will Baptist Church. Present for the meeting were the Reverends Phillip Boykin, Doug Skinner, Kelley Smart, and Mark Hobbs. Reverend Boykin called the meeting to order and read from Psalm 73. He shared how sometimes we all become discouraged when we see others excelling in life. While we may wonder about the motivation of others, God knows people's hearts. He then opened with prayer.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was read and approved. Further discussion was held about the churches that have unpaid dues. The list was divided amongst the Committee and contact will be made.

By motion it was decided that the Church Growth and Evangelism Committee's application needs to include a statement indicating churches must have their dues paid prior to applying for assistance.

By motion it was decided to increase the mileage rate for Committee members to be in line with IRS standards.

The 2011 Session of the Central Conference will take place on November 10. Discussion was held on the various elements of the meeting (sermon, devotions, special music, ushers, and appointed committees). A list was developed and contact will be made.

Brief discussion was held concerning the 2012 Session of the Central Conference.

Additional discussion was held on the Central Conference Ministers' Banquet that will take place in September. The Church Finance Association will cover part of the cost. By motion it was decided for the Conference to cover the remainder.

Discussion was held about a concern from within a Conference church.

The next meeting of the Central Conference Executive Committee will be on September 15 at 9:30 a.m. at Free Union Original Free Will Baptist Church.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer by Reverend Hobbs.

September 15, 2011

The Executive Committee of the Central Conference met on September 15, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. at Free Union Original Free Will Baptist Church. Present for the meeting were the Reverends Phillip Boykin, Bryant Hines, Doug Skinner, Kelley Smart, and Mark Hobbs. Reverend Boykin called the meeting to order and read from Psalm 40. He shared that things do not always go how we want, but we can trust God for each day. He then opened with prayer.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. Reverend Smart shared that the Conference laptop stopped working in August. Due to the cost of repairs, a new laptop had been ordered.

The treasurer's report was read and approved. Several of the churches with outstanding contributions had given since the previous meeting. Discussion was held concerning the budget for 2011/12. Reverend Skinner will email everyone a copy of the proposed budget.

Further discussion was held concerning the 2011 Session of the Central Conference. The speaker was confirmed along with all appointed committees. The order of worship was also developed. Reverend Smart will prepare the report book and bulletin, and contact the FWB Press about making copies. Reverend Smart also shared that the letters had been sent to all ministers and church clerks.

Reverend Smart shared that Reedy Branch OFWB Church of Winterville agreed to host the 2012 Session of the Central Conference.

Additional discussion was held concerning the Ministers' Banquet set for September 29. Reverend Smart indicated there had been rather limited response. Reverend Boykin will contact the Reverend Donald Fader and a decision will be made about possibly postponing the event.

Brief discussion was held about a concern from a local church

The Committee had discussion about what it means for a church to be in good standing. In order to be in good standing, a church must contribute to the work of the Conference on an annual basis and conduct themselves in accordance with the Articles of Faith.

Discussion took place concerning the aftermath of Hurricane Irene. By motion it was decided to give \$500 to Sound Side OFWB Church so that they might help in their community with Hurricane Irene repairs. At the Conference in November a motion will be entertained for a larger contribution to be made to Harvest Connection.

The next meeting of the Central Conference Executive Committee will take place on November 10 at 8:00 a.m. prior to the Conference Session at Ormondsville OFWB Church.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer by Reverend Hines.

November 10, 2011

The Executive Committee of the Central Conference met on November 10, 2011 at 8:00 a.m. at Ormondsville Original Free Will Baptist Church. Present for the meeting were the Reverends Phillip Boykin, Bryant Hines, Doug Skinner, Kelley Smart, and Mark Hobbs.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The 2011/12 budget was read and approved.

By motion the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted, The Reverend Phillip Boykin, moderator The Reverend Kelley Smart, clerk

Report of the Board of Ordination

North Carolina Central Conference of Original Free Will Baptists
Report of the Board of Ordination
November 10, 2011
Central Conference Board of Ordination

Rev. Frank Flowers, Chairman Rev. Leon Grubbs

Rev. Dr. Franklin Baggett

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

The following candidates were approved by the Board for licensing:

Mr. Michael Arthur

Mr. Chris Dunn

Mr. Bill Groce

Mr. Scott Wright

Mr. Andy Sugg was dropped from the list of Licensed Ministers.

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

Reverend Tom Malin

Reverend Carlton Oakley

Reverend Tony Parrish transferred his conference membership from the Central Conference to the Piedmont Conference.

The Reverend John Hill transferred his conference membership from the Cape Fear Conference to the Central Conference.

Scheduled meetings and of the Board of Ordination for the year 2012:

Monday January 9, 2012 at Hull Road Original Free Will Baptist Church at 10 am. Monday April 9, 2012 at La Grange Original Free Will Baptist Church at 10 am. Monday July 9, 2012 at the Original Free Will Baptist Headquarters at 10 am. Monday October 8, 2012 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.
- 2. All candidates for ordination in the Central Conference of Original Free Will Baptists must take and pass the Ordination Examination.
- 3. 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."

4. In accordance with "The Articles of Faith and Church Government for Original Free Will Baptists (of The English General Baptist Heritage) under 'The Rules 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 11 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. For churches not listed in this report, there were no reports of deceased members received by this committee.

Black Jack
Roy McCarter
Hazel Baker
Juanita McGowan
Lou Vellen Wantor
Were Belle Spain
Alice Elks
Steve Vainright
Reba Buck
Linda Hardee
Lib Boyd

Daniel's Chapel Grace Bennett Evelyn Pittman Ramona Jackson Tony Daniel Tommy Matthews

Edgewood James Neal

Elm Grove Claude Smith Marie B. Nobles First Free Will Baptist
(Greenville)
Wilbur Hardee
Helen Cox
Rosa Dail
Steve Tripp
Robert Oldham
Mildred Parker
Elizabeth Gurganus

First Free Will Baptist
(Tarboro)
Betty Holland
Lloyd Cale
Gerrie Horner

First Free Will Baptist (Williamston) Richard Ray Hopewell Oella Taylor

Free Union
Dick Dixon
James Manning
Kathy Perry

Mavis Heath

The Rev. Alan Joyner

<u>Friendship</u>

Patty S. Strickland Floyd Edward Heath

Gum Swamp Patsy James

Harrell's Chapel Pauline Whitted Clifton Harrell Rock Lane

Jennifer Harper

Hickory Grove
Dean Whitehurst
Louise Whitehurst
Garland Warren

<u>Hillside</u> Dayle Haddock

Howell Swamp
Fannie Moye Heath
Lucille Fields
Donnie Lee Holloman

Hugo Raybum Faulkner Osceola Hollis Doris Odham Lurlene Whitley

Faye Rogers Lou Ann Dudley

Hull Road
Helen Beaman
Keiter McCoy
Willie V. "Peanut" Sowers
Maxie Harrison

Rand W. Wade Sr. Millard Harrison

King's Crossroads
Bobby Pollard
Doris Young
Mary Young

LaGrange
Leroy Martin

Jake Herring, Jr. Jerry Sykes

Little Creek

Reba Bunn Moore Jesse Ray Vandiford

Marlboro

William Strickland Frances "Sallie" Lovic

Baldree

Ormondsville
Doc Skinner
Lillian Tripp Walls
Althea Langley
Joseph Conway

<u>Otter's Creek</u> Myrtle Morgan Charles Crowder, Jr.

<u>Peace</u> Edna Whitley Luther Tripp

Piney Grove (Beaufort)
Gordon Edwards

Piney Grove (Pitt) Graham Crawford Shirley Crawford

Pleasant Hill Marion Edwards

Reedy Branch
Bernadine James
Mary Fryer

Rose Hill
Katey Covey
Myrtle Rogers
Olive Smith
Geraldine Sutton

Saint's Delight
Elsie May Carraway Kearney

Dean Fouts

Grace A. Perry

Walnut Creek
David E. Whitfield
Clifford Vose
Marjorie Sutton
Jack Howell, Jr.

Watery Branch Mable Johnson Sara Williams Bryant Watson

The Reverend Norwood Futrell

Lighting of the Memorial Candle Moment of Silent Prayer

Respectfully Submitted,

The Reverends Dr. Charles Russell (chair), Tony Parrish, 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	63
Central Conference Ministers	49
Licensed Ministers	6
Visitors	18
Visiting Ministers	<u>11</u>
Total Registered	147

Respectfully Submitted,

The Reverends Frank Cockrell, Doug Owens, and Ronnie Mohn

Report of Conference Treasurer

CENTRAL CONFERENCE Treasurer's Report November 1, 2011

Balance from November 2010	\$ 2,829.53
Receipts	
Church Contributions from 2010	\$ 4,612.00
2010 Late Church Contribution (after conference)	1,050.00
Church Contributions for 2011 through Nov. 1	4,008.00
Conference Offering	606.00
Church Finance Endowment Income	1,667.09
Maury Endowment Income	208.39
Ministers Membership Dues from 2010	1,560.00
Ministers Membership Dues for 2011 through Nov. 1	960.00
Miscellaneous	 590.00

Total Total to account for with balance brought forward		15,261.48 18,091.01
Disbursements		
Centura Bank Charges	\$	0.00
Board of Ordination		0.00
Church Growth Committee		1,000.00
Saratoga OFWB - \$500.00		,
Pleasant Hill OFWB - \$500.00		
Conference Expense		208.01
OFWB Press - \$28.01		
Free Union OFWB (Church Letters) - \$180.00		
Continuing Education Committee		0.00
Convention of OFWB (Support)		750.00
Convention of OFWB (Year Book)		770.00
Executive Committee Expenses		121.50
Mileage - \$68.20		
Brief Case – \$53.30		
Office Supplies		74.15
Postage - \$52.80		
Thumb Drives – \$21.35		
Secretary		50.00
Treasurer		50.00
NC Foundation Endowment (last pledge payment)		2,000.00
Foreign Missions		2,000.00
Non-Budgeted items		1,534.36
Computer - \$607.08		1,55 1.55
Software - \$127.28		
Gift to Sound Side OFWB for hurricane relief - \$500.00		
Janet Joyner in memory of Alan Joyner - \$250.00		
MOC Library, in memory of Mark Hobb's Father – \$50.00		
Miscellaneous		345.00
Returned Ministers Dues (not a member of this Conf.) - \$25	5.00	
Meal for Crown Ministry Seminar - \$320.00		
Total Disbursements	\$	8,903.02
Balance in Checking November 1, 2011	•	9,187.99
RBC Bank Money Market		
Beginning balance of Money Market 11-1-10	\$	55,337.99
Interest		206.95
Balance November 1, 2011		55,544.29
Endowment Funds		
Central Conference Endowment Fund (Church Finance)	\$	60,000.00
(See minutes from Central Conference 11-9-01		
Mission Board & Executive Committee Proposal)		
Maury Endowment Fund (Church Finance) for Training	\$	7,500.00
Conference (See Minutes of Executive Committee Sept. 22, 19	88)	

TOTAL OF ALL MONEY

\$ 130,207.88

Proposed Conference Budget for 2011/12

	Budget 2010-11	Actual 2010-11	Proposed 2011-12
Church Contributions	5,000.00	5,672.00	5,000.00
Conference Offering	500.00	606.00	500.00
Endowment Income	1,500.00	1,875.48	1,500.00
Interest	1,800.00		1,800.00
Ministers Membership	1,700.00	1,560.00	1,500.00
Dues			
Miscellaneous	250.00		250.00
Monies from Money	4,200.00		3,700.00
Market			
Total	\$14,950.00	9,713.48	\$14,450.00
Bank Charges	100.00	0.00	100.00
Board of Ordination	200.00	0.00	200.00
Church Growth	2,500.00	1,000.00	2,500.00
Committee		_	
Conference	2,000.00	208.01	2,000.00
Continuing Education	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00
Committee			
Convention of OFWB	750.00	750.00	750.00
Support			
Convention of OFWB	1,000.00	770.00	1,000.00
Yearbook			
Executive Committee	500.00	121.50	500.00
Office Supplies	300.00	74.15	300.00
Secretary	50.00	50.00	50.00
Treasurer	50.00	50.00	50.00
Foundation Endowment	2,000.00	2,000.00	500.00
Foundation Scholarship			1,000.00
Fund			
Foreign Missions	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Miscellaneous	500.00	345.00	500.00
Non-Budgeted Items	1,500.00	1,534.36	1,500.00
Total	\$14,950.00	\$8,903.02	\$14,450.00
Leaving us with		+ 810.46 for 2010	

Report of the Church Growth Committee

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

Pleasant Hill OFWB requested \$500 to go toward work performed in their youth building enabling them to be more equipped in their training of youth to be disciples and to meeting needs in their community through evangelism.

Saratoga OFWB Church requested \$500 to assist with the Student Life Conference at Covenant College, Lookout Mountain, GA. The event offered instruction and hands-on opportunities for students and youth leaders in the area of witnessing and Christian service. The youth were able to come back and implement the skills learned to enhance evangelism in their community with compassion and zeal to serve God in their community.

Respectfully Submitted,

The Reverend Todd Sutton
The Reverend Jack Weathersby
The Reverend James Owens

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 applied 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 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, Anelology, 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,

The Reverends Brad Williamson and Doug Tyson

Report of the Nominating Committee

Report of Nominating Committee November 10, 2011

Board of Ordination: The Reverend Mark Hobbs (2016)

Board of Trustees: Mr. Rex Wainwright-to succeed himself (2014)

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

The Reverend Ron Braxton-to succeed himself (2013)

Credentials Committee: The Reverend Doug Owens-to succeed himself (2014)

Memorial Committee: The Reverend Dr. Charles Russell-to succeed himself (2014)

Conference Historian: The Reverend Dr. Michael Pelt-to succeed himself (2013)

Representative of Membership in Church Finance Association, Inc.:

Mrs. Marci Rollins-Smart (2013)

Continuing Education Committee: The Reverend Stanley Buck (2014)

Church Growth Committee: The Reverend James Owens-to succeed himself (2014)

Report of the Resolutions Committee:

We, the Resolutions Committee, submit the following resolutions for your consideration:

- 1. Be it resolved that we give a rising vote of thanks to Ormondsville OFWB Church for hosting the Conference. [Passed]
- Be it resolved that we give a rising vote of thanks to the Executive Committee for their leadership of the Conference. [Passed]
- 3. Be it resolved that we observe a moment of prayer in thanksgiving to the Lord for the ministry of Dr. Raper to the OFWB. [Passed]

Respectfully Submitted,
The Reverend Ronnie V. Hobgood, chairman
The Reverend Charles Branch
The Reverend Tom Malin

Roll Call of Churches

CHURCH	CONTRIBUTION	PRESENT
Aspen Grove	Yes	Yes
Ayden	Yes	Yes
Bethany	Yes	Yes
Black Jack	Yes	Yes
Community	Yes	Yes
Daniel's Chapel	Yes	Yes
Dilda's Grove	Yes	Yes
Edgewood	Yes	Yes
Elm Grove	Yes	Yes
Free Union	Yes	Yes
Friendship	Yes	Yes
Greenville, First	Yes	Yes
Grimsely	Yes	Yes
Gum Swamp	Yes	Yes
Harrell's Chapel	Yes	Yes
Hickory Grove	Yes	
Hillside		Yes
Howell Swamp	Yes	Yes

Hugo	Yes	Yes
Hull Road	Yes	Yes
King's Cross Roads	Yes	Yes
La Grange, First	Yes	Yes
Little Creek	Yes	Yes
Marlboro	Yes	Yes
Ormondsville	Yes	Yes
Otter's Creek	Yes	Yes
Owens Chapel	Yes	Yes
Peace	Yes	Yes
Piney Grove (Beaufort Co.)	Yes	Yes
Piney Grove (Pitt Co.)	Yes	Yes
Pleasant Hill	Yes	Yes
Reedy Branch	Yes	Yes
Rocky Mount, First	Yes	Yes
Rose Hill	Yes	Yes
Rose of Sharon	Yes	Yes
Saint's Delight	Yes	Yes
Saratoga	Yes	Yes
Spring Branch	Yes	Yes
Sweet Gum Grove		
Tarboro, First	Yes	Yes
Walnut Creek	Yes	
Watery Branch	Yes	Yes
Williamston, First	Yes	
Winterville		Yes

Roll Call of Central Conference Ministers

ORDAINED MINISTERS	Ordained	2009	2010	2011
J.B. Narron	10/13/50	Retired L	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 E	Retired P	Retired P
Stewart Humphrey	11/10/66	P	Retired L	Retired L
Charles Branch	01/05/69	P	P	P
Bruce Jones	09/05/71	P	P	P
Gary Bailey	07/12/72	L	P	P
Tom Miller	07/02/67	A	A	Retired
Bobby Taylor	11/02/73	P	P	P
Leon Grubbs	09/05/68	P	_ P	P
Ronnie Hobgood	08/13/78	P	P	P
Melvin Moore	12/31/59	L	P	Retired L
Earl Glenn	11/02/49	Retired L	Retired L	Retired L
Harry Grubbs	02/24/67	P	P	P

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Frank Flowers	06/02/72	Retired E	Retired P	E
Clifford Ball	08/20/81	P	P	P
Ray Williamson	05/11/77	_P	P	P
Mark Hobbs	11/20/80	P	P	P
Ronald Braxton	02/03/83	L	P	L
Donald Ribeiro	10/27/83	P	P	P
Stanley Buck	09/17/76	P	P	P
Philip Wood	05/12/79	P	P	P
Thomas Bowen	11/25/90	P	P	P
Harry Jones, Jr.	10/27/91	Retired	Retired	Retired
Larry Letchworth	08/23/92	L	P	P
Carroll Bradbury	08/23/92	P	P	P
Walt Tyndall	08/08/93	P	P	E
Jack Weathersby	02/27/94	P	P	P
Joey Williams	01/15/95	L	P	<u>P</u>
Mark Hogan	09/06/86	A	A	A
		P	P	P A
Frankie Baggett	10/22/87	Retired P	Retired E	
Grady Tucker	12/06/78			Retired P
Brad Williamson	06/28/98	P	P	<u>P</u>
John Robert Harris	08/27/95	A	A	A
Edward Thornton	03/10/81	P	P	A
Tony Glass	03/28/99	P	P	Е
Frank Cockrell	11/07/99	E	P	P
Johnny Sullivan	05/21/00	P	P	P
Kevin Jackson	12/26/82	_ P	Р	P
Barry Williamson	09/17/00	L	P	L
Todd Sutton	02/11/96	P	P	P
John Simpson	04/29/01	Retired	Retired	Retired L
Doug Owens	05/06/01	P	P	P
Roger Haithcock	08/26/01	P	P	Е
Philip Boykin	12/07/80	P	P	P
Jacky Raper	06/08/88	<u>L</u>	P	P
James Owens	11/10/81	E	L	E
Charles Russell	11/21/04	P	P	P
Kelley Smart	02/27/05	L	P	P
Michael Rowell	05/15/05	L	P	P
Charles Sutton	08/14/05	P	P	A
Doug Tyson	10/16/05	L	P	L
Alvin Keener		P	P	L
Marc Boswell	1/08/06	L	P	P
Arnold Price	69	P	P	Е
Bryant Hines	06/07/79	P	P	P
Ronnie Mohn	3/80	P	P	P
Doug Skinner	07/02/72	E	P	P
Glenn Batten	10/25/08	P	P	P
Dustin Bannister	9/26/10	 	P	P
Keith Phillips	9/17/10	<u> </u>	P	P
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Ernest Jones			P	L
Tom Malin	5/15/11		P	Р
Carlton Oakley	12/5/10	P	P	P
John Hill	6/4/04			P

LICENSED MINISTERS	Licensed	2009	2010	2011
Matt Stocks	11/11/05	E	A	A
Brian Perry	07/10/06	A	L	A
James Wiggins	08/14/06	P	P	A
Spencer Owens	4/24/07	Р	P	P
Greg Barnes	1/08/08	Α	P	L
Joshua Hobgood	7/08/08	P	E	Е
Stan Asby			A	A
Matthew Forrest	7/25/10		P	L
Jason Mitchell	4/8/10		P	A
Kiril Sgilenov			A	A
Marci Rollins- Smart	5/23/10		P	P
Jim Skipper	10/2010		P	P
Michael Arthur				P
Bill Groce				A
Chris Dunn				A
Scott Wright				A
Caleb Hines	11/9/11			Р

P - Present L - Letter

E – Excused

A - Absent