

*Central Texas District
Association
of
Free Will Baptists*



1970

CENTRAL TEXAS DISTRICT ASSOCIATION
OF
FREE WILL BAPTISTS



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CENTRAL TEXAS DISTRICT ASSOCIATION

of

FREE WILL BAPTISTS

OFFICERS

MODERATOR	Rev. Herbert Richards
ASSISTANT MODERATOR	Rev. Gaston Clary
CLERK—TREASURER	Mrs. Charlene Denman
ASSISTANT CLERK	Mrs. Lucille Carroll
PARLIAMENTARIAN	Rev. Keith Phipps

BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

STUDENT LOAN BOARD

Rev. Harvey Aguirre, 1971
Rev. Sanford Davis, 1971
Rev. Larry McKay, 1972
Mr. A. V. Jennische, 1972
Mr. Emory McDuffie, 1973

HOME MISSION BOARD

Rev. Keith Phipps, 1971
Mr. Harold Trant, 1972
Mr. Verlon Pegues, 1973

PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Mr. Bob Davidson
Rev. E. M. Kennedy
Mr. Ernest Gregg

SUPERANNUATION DIRECTOR

Rev. Leroy Cutler

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Rev. H. Ray Berry
Rev. Paul Meyers
Rev. Leroy Cutler

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Mr. Ernest Gregg, 1972
Mr. A. V. Jennische, 1974
Mr. Ray T. Trant, 1975

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD

Mr. E. F. McDuffie, 1972
Rev. Bobby Joe Davis, 1974
Mrs. Lela Clary, 1976

CHURCH TRAINING SERVICE DIRECTOR

Mr. I. C. Ferguson

PROCEEDINGS OF CENTRAL TEXAS DISTRICT ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

The Central Texas District Association of Free Will Baptist convened with the Faith Free Will Baptist Church, San Antonio, Texas, on March 6, 1971. The congregational singing was led by Bro. Raymond Lee and the opening prayer prayed by Bro. A. V. Jennische. The theme of the meeting was "United For Christ Sake" and the scripture taken from I Cor. 1:10.

Rev. Paul Meyers brought the morning devotion in the absence of those on program. He used I Thess. 5:1-9 and closed with prayer.

Rev. Herbert Richards was appointed to serve as the Assistant Moderator and Bro. Bob Davidson to serve in Rev. Larry Hampton's place on the Credentials Committee.

The Moderator's Message was taken from Matt. 11:1-6. A partial report of the Credentials Committee was given. Both quarterly conferences reported with dues and delegates and fourteen churches reported with greetings and dues. Motion carried to receive the report and seat the delegates. The delegates along with those having a standing vote were seated and the visitors recognized.

The following committees were appointed: Resolution—Rev. Herbert Richards, Rev. Gaston Clary, and Bro. Marvin Lehr. Layman and Ministers Committee—Rev. Paul Meyers, Rev. Bill Zamora, and Bro. Charles Denman. Obituary Committee—Mrs. Ruth Jennische, Mrs. Mildred Rivette, and Mrs. E. M. Kennedy.

Bro. Raymond Lee spoke briefly on the Free Will Baptist Bible College Expansion Program. He emphasized the new ladies dormitory and the need of furnishings.

The reading of the Constitution and By-Laws was presented by Rev. Keith Phipps. There was a short recess followed by congregational singing and prayer by Rev. Leroy Cutler. Special music was rendered by Bro. Raymond Lee and Rev. and Mrs. E. M. Kennedy. They sang "In the Shelter of His Arms." An offering of \$30.17 was received.

Our alternate speaker was introduced. Rev. Lester Smith, pastor of the Faith Free Will Baptist Church brought the morning message using scriptures in II Tim. 3:1-11. Rev. Herbert Richards closed the morning session with an altar call and blessing on the noon meal.

The afternoon session was called to order with singing. Motion carried to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting since they are printed in the minutes.

Unfinished business was called for. Rev. E. M. Kennedy gave the report of the committee formed to determine certain standards for the presentation of the Minister and Layman awards and the Woman of the Year award. He submitted a plan of points system that would start with the local church and go on up to the National level, and forms would be given to all churches. Motion carried to adopt this report.

Motion carried to remove from the table Item 7 from the Resolution Committee Report concerning a constitutional amendment. The item reads as follows: That the Constitution be amended by adding a new section, Section 4 to Article IX to read as follows:

"The Executive Committee of the District shall be composed of the Moderator of the District, the Assistant Moderator, the Clerk-Treasurer of the District, and the Moderators of each of the Quarterly Meetings which may compose this District. It shall be the duty of this committee to supervise and coordinate the work of the District and to carry on the business of the District when the District Meeting is not in session. This committee will be responsible for filling any vacancies which may occur in any District office when the District Meeting is not in session. This committee shall also secure from each committee chairman a list of the reports and recommendations from his committee at least two weeks prior to the annual District Meeting. This committee shall study each recommendation from the various committees and present them to the body." Motion carried to adopt this as part of the constitution.

Motion carried to remove from the table the constitutional change concerning Article V Sec. 1. The change reads as follows: "That we amend Article V Sec. 1 of the constitution by inserting the words "of greeting" following the words "shall accompany their letter." Motion carried to adopt this item.

Motion carried to remove from the table the amendment concerning Article 12 of the By-Laws. The item reads: "That we amend Article 12 of the By-Laws by adding the words "or called" between the words "regular" and "session" in the second line of that article. Motion carried to adopt this item.

Motion carried that we consider an amendment by substitution submitted to Article V-Finance, Sec. 1, substituting a fee of \$2.50 instead of \$10.00, which was not submitted in writing. The amendment was defeated.

The Treasurer's Report was given and received. Rev. Leroy Cutler, Superannuation Director reported that the State Superannuation Board was sending three of our members \$10.00 a month.

The following reports were given and individual motions carried to receive the reports: Digest Report, Christian Education Report, Sunday School Report, Woman's Auxiliary Report, and the Home Missions Board Report. A report from the Houston Spanish Mission was read and it was announced that Rev. Bill Zamora would be ordained as a minister on March 14, 1971. The Student Loan Report was given and received. A recess was declared. The Superannuation Report and C.T.S. Report was given and received.

The Resolutions Committee Report was submitted. Motion carried to receive the report and act upon item by item.

Item 1. Be it resolved that we send \$50.00 to the Free Will Baptist Bible College in Nashville to help furnish the new girls dormitory. Motion and second to adopt this item. Motion and second to amend this amount to read \$100.00. Amendment carried, motion carried.

Item 2. Be it resolved that we abolish the minister, layman, and woman of the year and further more ask the state to do the same. Motion and second to adopt this item. Motion and second to amend the item to read: to abolish the election. Amendment and motion carried.

Item 3. Be it resolved that Article 12 of the By-Laws be changed to read: "This constitution and by-laws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any regular session provided the proposed amendment has been presented to the body in writing at the morning session." Motion carried to table this item.

Item 4. Be it resolved that the body give a vote of thanks to the host church and the churches of the Mission Quarterly Conference for entertaining the District Meeting. Motion carried to receive.

The Obituary Report was given. Motion carried to receive the report and stand in silent prayer, with Rev. Herbert Richards closing the prayer.

The Minister's and Layman's Report was given. Rev. Bill Zamora was elected by the body to receive Minister of the Year and Bro. Max Chapman received Layman of the Year. Honorable mention was given to Mrs. Jewell Gregory of Conroe, submitted by the Woman's Auxiliary.

The Nominating Committee Report was given. Motion carried to receive the report and act upon it item by item. Those elected were: Moderator—Rev. Herbert Richards, Assistant Moderator—Rev. Gaston Clary, Clerk—Treasurer—Mrs. Charlene Denman, Assistant Clerk—Mrs. Lucille Carroll, Parliamentarian—Rev. Keith Phipps, Student Loan Board—Mr. E. F.

McDuffie, Rev. Sanford Davis replacing Rev. Don Lombard, Home Mission Board—Mr. Verlon Pegues, Program Committee—Mr. Bob Davidson, Rev. E. M. Kennedy, Mr. E. M. Gregg, Superannuation Director—Rev. Leroy Cutler, Credentials Committee—Rev. H. Ray Berry, Rev. Paul Meyers, Rev. Leroy Cutler, Christian Education Board—Mrs. Lela Clary, Church Training Service Director—Mr. I. C. Ferguson.

Motion carried to accept the invitation of the Friendship Quarterly Conference for the next meeting place, the place to be designated later. Bro. Wilford Lee of Edinburg, Texas, and Rev. Felix Lima of McAllen, Texas, was introduced to the body. Rev. Lima spoke on the need of a Free Will Baptist Church in Edinburg.

Motion carried that the Central Texas District go on record as applauding the work being done in the Edinburg area and will be willing to help in any way we can in establishing the work there. A love offering was taken to be sent to our District Home Mission Board Treasurer, earmarked "Edinburg work," and be kept until the time comes that the work is further enough along. Offering totaled \$126.51.

Our outgoing Moderator, Bro. Ed Morris, challenged us as Free Will Baptists to stand behind our beliefs and the cause of Christ. He turned the meeting over to the new Moderator, Rev. Herbert Richards. The body stood in appreciation to the outgoing moderator. Motion carried to adjourn. Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Bill Zamora.

Respectively submitted,

Mrs. Charlene Denman

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR YEAR 1970

Amount in Treasury December 31, 1969 \$ 150.82

Receipts during year:

Worship Offering	\$ 42.55
District Dues	305.00
Christian Education Board (Camp Development)	102.30
Superannuation Director-Gifts	24.00
Cedars of Lebanon-Gifts	93.20
District Home Mission	459.20
Houston Latin Mission	50.00
Texas State Home Mission-Austin	239.59
Bible College-Nashville	253.65
Oklahoma Bible College	20.55
Foreign Mission-General	3.50
Foreign Mission-Cal a thon	40.11
Calvery	51.55
Eagleton	428.39
Wilkinson	2.33
Mayhew	3.45
Robirds	1.80
Home Mission-General	57.41
Wiley Jr., Children	9.00
Wiley Jr.	42.60
Billows	1.11
Powell	3.02
Cochran	2.25
Cooperative Plan	2,958.97
Total Receipts	\$ 5,195.53

Balance on hand plus receipts \$ 5,346.35

Disbursements during year:

Clerk Fee	50.00
Moderator Expense	40.16
Office supplies, phone calls, stamps	20.54
State Dues	20.00
Wallace Printers, Minutes	148.00
Speaker-Gift	50.00
State Assoc. deficit-1969	76.58
Bible College-Nashville	353.65
Oklahoma Bible College	20.55
Foreign Mission-General	3.50

Foreign Mission-Cal a thon	40.11
Calvery	51.55
Eagleton	428.39
Wilkinson	2.33
Mayhew	3.45
Robirds	1.80
Home Mission-General	57.41
Willey, Jr., Children	9.00
Willey Jr.	42.60
Billows	1.11
Powell	3.02
Cochran	2.25
District Home Mission	459.20
Cedars of Lebanon-Gifts	93.20
Houston Latin Mission	50.00
Tex State Home Mission-Austin	239.59
Superannuation Director-Gifts	24.00
Christian Education Board-	
Camp Development . (27.30)	102.30
Cooperative Distribution:	
State Association	\$1,479.51
District Home Mission	813.70
Christian Education Board	295.90
Student Loan Fund	147.95
Superannuation Director	73.96
Total	2,811.02

Total Disbursements \$5,205.31

Balance on hand December 31, 1970 \$ 141.04

CHECKS CHANNELLED

FOREIGN MISSIONS - Total \$1,749.87

General-\$266.03; Eagleton-\$452.00; Willey Sr. Memorial-\$5.00; Willey Jr. Medical-\$75.00; Jones-\$134.00; Calvery-\$389.96; Palmer-\$139.98; Willey Jr.-\$21.00; Sparks-\$2.31; Hannas-\$15.00; Haas-\$91.00; Mayhew-\$10.00; Wilkinson-\$88.59; Foreign Mission Liter.-\$20.00; Project 5000-\$40.00.

HOME MISSION: Total \$2,717.47

Cedars-\$1,291.26; Nashville College-\$944.93; Oklahoma College-\$87.23; Houston Latin Mission-\$30.00; Youth Camp-\$21.97; Austin-\$25.50; Superannuation -\$60.00; Conroe-\$105.00; Hurricane Expense-\$75.00; National Conv. Expense-\$70.00; Judy Smith-\$6.58.

DIGEST REPORT

SUNDAY SCHOOL

No. Enrolled	904
Average Attendance	607
Total Offerings	\$17,491.94

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

No. Members	104
Total Offerings	\$1,339.46

CHURCH SECTION

Communion Service	41
Resident Members	1,134
Non-Resident Members	235
Conversions	89
Members Rec'd Baptism	75
Letter	73
Statement	18
Members Transferred	58
Members Deceased	14
Services Held	1,869
Prayer Meetings	762
Revivals	16

CTS

No. Enrolled	355
Average Attendance	233
Total Offerings	\$ 890.34

MASTER'S MEN

No. Members	19
Total Offerings	\$ 49.85

FINANCIAL REPORT

Total Monies Rec.	\$118,451.00
Disbursements:	
Pastor	50,786.90
Evangelist	3,073.86
Repair/Replace	8,760.13
Utilities	7,179.49
Literature	4,421.25
Co-Operative	3,251.59
Bible College	2,162.37
Foreign Missions	2,489.74
Home Missions	1,825.14
Superannuation	138.00
Associational Dues ...	1,062.14
Miscellaneous	19,853.89
Total Disbursed	105,004.50
Value of Church Property and Equip, est.	\$455,684.00

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CENTRAL TEXAS DISTRICT ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST DISTRICT HOME MISSION—1970

Harold Trant, Chairman
Verlan Pegues, Sec.-Treas.
Rev. Keith Phipps

Your District Home Mission Board has experienced some difficulty in meeting its obligations on time during 1970. However, this should not be the case during 1971. During 1970, we paid \$100.00 per month for Rev. Harvey Aguirre's house rent and utilities. Beginning with January 1971, Bro. Aguirre has asked the board to discontinue this support.

We also had a previous committment of \$29.78 per month to the Commercial National Bank of Victoria as payment on a note for the purchase of a \$1,000.00 Victoria Church Bond. As of December 31, 1970, we owe 5 payments @ \$29.78. The last payment on this note will be made in May, 1971.

We are also paying \$102.00 per month to the Community Savings & Loan Ass'n., on the note of the property of the Cedros Del Libano

Church. We also paid \$85.02 for insurance on the building. However, the Cedros Del Libano Church has not increased their part of this payment to \$83.00 per month. At the beginning of 1970, the audit balance on our property loan No. 1107 at the Community Savings & Loan Ass'n., was \$8,178.20 and at the conclusion of the year our audit balance is \$7,488.32. At the beginning of the year, out of each payment \$40.84 went for interest and \$61.16 was applied on the principle. Now \$37.71 of each payment goes for interest and \$64.29 is applied on the principle.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Balance on hand January 1, 1970 \$ 253.11

Received during 1970:

Bayshore	\$193.90
Bright Light	416.89
Calvary	60.00
Cedros Del Libano	696.00
Christ Church	18.50
Cross	137.95
Evergreen	260.00
Fellowship	568.94
First Houston	481.86
Mission Quarterly	75.07
Texas State Woman's Aux.	10.00

Total Amounts Received \$2,919.11

Amount received plus balance on hand \$3,172.22

Disbursed during 1970:

Community Saving & Loan Ass's.	\$1,224.00
Commercial Nat'l Bank of Victoria	357.36
Insurance	85.02
Rev. Harvey Aguirre	1,200.00
Conroe Mission— (Designated Gift)	10.00

Total Disbursed during 1970 \$2,876.38

Balance in Treasury December 31, 1970 \$ 295.84

Submitted by
Verlon Pegues

ANNUAL CTS REPORT 1970

The CTS Rally met on March 21, 1970, at the First Church of Houston. Total present were 116. The officers were elected as follows for 1970: President—David Hellard, Vice-President—Dane Hawkins, Sec.—Treas.—Ann Morris, Asst. Sec.—Treas.—Cynthia Cutler. The winners for District Competition were: Bible Bowl—First Church Houston, Tic-Tac-Toe—Fellowship Church, and Sword Drill—First Church Houston.

We met on June 6th at the First Church of Bryan, and on September 15th at the First Church of Houston. A total of 45 were present at Houston.

The fourth meeting was held at the Conroe Church with a total of 61 present. \$50.00 was given toward the District camp development at this meeting. Officers elected for 1971 are: President—Jerry Fling, Vice-President—Jewel Ellis, Sec.—Treas.—Kathleen Lawson, Asst. Sec.—Treas.—Cynthia Cutler.

DISTRICT SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT FOR 1970

The District Sunday School Convention held its first meeting of the year on February 7, 1970 at the Zion Church, Corpus Christi, Texas, with 14 churches reporting. Bro. Keith Phipps brought the message entitled "I Can Do All Things Through Christ." There was one constitutional change—deleting the word "night" from Art. VIII. The convention was adjourned in prayer.

The second session of the District Sunday School Convention met October 3, 1970 at Pine Prairie Church at Huntsville, Texas, with 6 churches reporting. Officers were elected for 1971: President—Bro. A. V. Jennische, Vice-President—Bro. R. D. Davidson, Secretary-Treasurer—Glenda Fling. The convention was dismissed in prayer.

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR YEAR 1970

Balance on Hand January 1, 1970	\$ 66.22
Receipts During Year 1970:	
Worship Offerings	\$ 32.66
Dues	49.60
Youth Camp	41.27
Eagleton	14.51
Bible College	31.27
Austin Mission	25.50
Total Receipts	\$194.91
Balance on hand plus receipts	\$261.13

Disbursements for Year:

Eagleton Fund	\$14.51
Youth Camp	41.27
Bible College	31.27
Austin Mission	25.50
Wiley Jr.'s Med.	25.00
Calvary Fund	25.00
Houston Spanish Mission	25.00
Speaker, Feb. 7, 1970	10.00
Misc. stamps, etc.	9.40
Total Disbursed	\$204.95
Balance on Hand December 31, 1970	\$ 56.18

Submitted by
Glenda Fling
Secretary, Treasurer

SUPERANNUATION REPORT 1970

Balance on hand January 1, 1970 \$ 97.84

Received:

Coop	\$113.14
Calvary	90.00
Lucille Carroll	30.00
Woman's Auxiliary	8.25
1st Church Houston	15.00
1st Church Bryan	16.00
Friendship Quarterly	100.00
Sam Clements	40.00
Fellowship Church	9.00
Total Received	421.39
Total Accounted For	519.23

Paid out:

Rev. C. B. Thompson	165.00
Rev. J. L. Bounds	165.00
Rev. E. J. Vaughn	165.00
Total paid out	495.00
Balance on Hand January 1, 1971	24.23

Submitted by
Leroy Cutler

STUDENT LOAN FUND REPORT 1970

Balance on hand December 31, 1969	\$ 696.64
Receipts:	
Dividends	\$ 51.69
Coop	168.77
Moehlman	306.80
Williams	274.00
Johnson	10.00
Total Receipts	811.26
Balance on hand plus receipts	1,507.90
Total Disbursements	.00
Balance on hand December 31, 1970	\$1,507.90
Notes Receivable @ 4% Interest Per Year:	
Janice Brimble	\$618.68
Jerry Johnson	422.24
Ruby Huggins	124.60
Barbara Williams	364.00
Janie Jeters Goss	584.06
Total Notes Receivable	\$2,113.58

The loan agreement for future loans will follow this procedure: One per cent of the loan per month will be charged to persons making a loan before they will be eligible for additional money. One year after termination of training, 4% interest will be charged on balance of loan. Balance of loan will be paid out at 20% per year until the balance is paid.

Submitted by
A. V. Jennische
Secretary, Treasurer

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD 1970

Receipts:	
District Coop	\$425.86
BLOCKS:	
Faith Church	7.20
Zion Church	13.00
Mrs. W. L. Carroll	5.00
1st Houston Inter. S.S. Class	24.42
State Woman's Auxiliary	3.89
Pine Prairie	19.30
Dist. Sunday School Conv.	11.00
CTD Woman's Auxiliary	9.06
Mission Quarterly	25.00

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD 1970 (Continued)

CAMP GROUND:

Gas Company	450.00	
Cross Church	13.72	
Bayshore Church	50.00	
Central Texas District	17.30	
Ed Morris	62.00	
Total Receipts		\$1,142.85
Balance brought forward		881.15
Total Receipts plus Balance on Hand		2,024.00

Disbursements:

MidSouth Electric	\$27.51	
Ed Morris (telephone calls)	21.45	
Ken Riggs (honorarium).....	25.00	
Charlene Denman (camp supplies)	7.50	
Southland Lbr.(building supplies)	10.56	
B. J. Davis (telephone, travel, postage & supplies)	40.73	
Total Disbursements		\$ 132.75
Balance on hand December 31, 1970		\$1,891.25

Submitted by
Mrs. Lela Clary

CENTRAL TEXAS DISTRICT WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION TREASURER'S REPORT - JAN. THRU DEC., 1970

Balance on Hand January 1, 1970 \$ 97.50

Receipts:

Woman's Aux. Pins sold at Dist. Meeting	\$ 19.00
Offering of March, 1970	32.02
Offering of Sept., 1970	8.57
Mrs. Carol on Auxiliary Pins	10.00
Zion Woman's Auxiliary	.50
Bible College Expansion Program	293.26
Pre-Easter Offering	77.18
Pre-Thanksgiving Offering (Austin 13.50)	100.87
Pre-Christmas Offering	44.73
Dues	106.02
Foreign Missions General	10.56
Greenville Children's Home	9.60
Co-laborer Fund	62.38

WNAC Emphasis Offering	72.35	
FWBBC Nashville	7.50	
District Superannuation	22.25	
Student Loan Fund	22.15	
Calvery Children	15.00	
Retired Ministers	.50	
Calvery Fund	2.00	
WNAC General Fund	6.25	
Eagleton's Account	110.00	
Camp Blocks	46.26	
Billows Car Fund	20.00	
1971 State Project (Austin)	100.81	
Palmers	12.00	
Memorial to Alicia Willey	39.00	
Vacation Bible School Offering (Austin)	18.00	
Total Receipts		\$1,268.76
Balance on Hand Plus Receipts		\$1,366.26
Disbursements:		
WNAC-Pins & Postage	\$ 51.49	
Postage, Mimeograph paper, Stencils	14.00	
Honorarium (Rev. H. Ray Berry)	25.00	
1970 Dues for 94 active members	94.00	
Bible College Expansion	303.26	
Pre-Christmas Offering	44.73	
Foreign Missions General	10.56	
Greenville Children's Home	9.60	
Co-Laborer Fund	62.38	
Pre-Easter Offering	77.18	
(\$21.00 designated Calvery Fund)		
Pre-Thanksgiving Offering	100.87	
WNAC Emphasis	72.35	
FWBBC Nashville	7.50	
District Superannuation	22.25	
Student Loan Fund	22.15	
Calvery Children	15.00	
Calvery Fund	2.00	
Retired Ministers	.50	
WNAC General	6.25	
Eagleton's Account	110.00	
Camp Blocks	46.26	
CTD Camp Fund	25.00	
Billows Car Fund	20.00	
1971 State Project	100.81	
Palmers	12.00	

Woman's Auxiliary Report (continued)

Memorial to Alicia Willey	39.00
V.B.S. for Austin	18.00
Total Expended	\$1,312.14
Balance on Hand December 31, 1970	\$ 54.12

Submitted by
Bettie Ferguson
Secretary, Treasurer

COMMENTS

Mrs. Lela Clary is president of Central Texas District Woman's Auxiliary Convention. At the beginning of the year 1970, we had an enrollment of 86 with 8 new members being added making a present active enrollment of 94. We have an average attendance of 66. We humbly report a total of 19 souls won through the efforts of the Woman's Auxiliary recognizing that the praise belongs to God.

We had two district meetings during the year 1970. The Convention met March 17, 1970 at Pine Prairie Free Will Baptist Church, Huntsville, Texas. This meeting was a special one in that we celebrated our 25th anniversary as Central Texas District Woman's Auxiliary Convention. At this meeting three auxiliaries were judged AI auxiliaries with first place given to First Church Auxiliary, Bryan, Texas, second place given to Zion Woman's auxiliary, third place given to First Church Houston Woman's auxiliary. Two auxiliaries were judged as B auxiliaries. These were Cross and Faith. Bright Light Woman's Auxiliary was judged as a C auxiliary. Also, at this meeting the body unanimously voted to accept the newly organized Conroe auxiliary into full fellowship of Central Texas District Woman's Auxiliary Convention.

The Convention met September 15, 1970 with Zion Free Will Baptist Church, Corpus Christi, Texas.

Respectfully submitted,
Bettie Ferguson
Secretary, Treasurer

CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

CENTRAL TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

PREAMBLE

We, the believers in Christ according to the doctrine of the Free Will Baptists Denomination, having been baptized upon a like profession of faith in Jesus Christ and properly organized into Churches, and Quarterly Conferences, realizing the necessity of a bond of union and fellowship among us for the preservation of the "Faith Once Delivered Unto the Saints", and the spreading of the gospel of Christ upon the earth, do therefore ordain and establish this constitution.

ARTICLE I - NAME

This organization shall be known as the Central Texas District Association of Free Will Baptists.

ARTICLE II - PURPOSE

The purpose of the organization shall be to unify the work of the Quarterly Conferences composing this association by devising and executing such measures as will best spread the gospel of Christ.

ARTICLE III - COMPOSITION

This District shall be composed of Quarterly Conferences and the Churches and Missions which are members of a Quarterly Conference and which are known to be duly organized, orthodox, and orderly, and conforming to the faith and usages of the denomination as set forth in the Treatise of Faith of the National Association of Free Will Baptists.

All regularly ordained and licensed ministers, ordained deacons, and ministers' wives, who are active in a Free Will Baptist Church belonging to a Quarterly Conference of this District, are members of this District. Any Quarterly Conference conforming to the above regulations may, upon proper application, be admitted to membership in this District.

ARTICLE IV - REPRESENTATION

Each Quarterly Conference composed of one hundred (100) members or less, shall be entitled to five (5) delegates to this Association. Those Quarterly Conferences composed of more than one hundred (100) members shall be entitled to one (1) additional delegate for each additional one hundred (100) members or fractional part thereof.

Churches: Each church or mission shall be entitled to two (2) delegates regardless of the number in its membership.

ARTICLE V - FINANCE

Section 1. Each Quarterly Conference shall accompany with their letter of greeting a registration fee as follows: \$25.00 for the first 100 members, or fractional part thereof, and \$5.00 for each additional 100 members, or fractional part thereof. Each church and mission shall accompany their letter with a registration fee of \$10.00.

Section 2. The clerk shall be paid the sum of \$50.00 annually.

ARTICLE VI - QUORUM

Representation from at least 50% of the churches of the association shall be declared a quorum at any regular or called meeting of the association.

ARTICLE VII - DISCIPLINE

This Association shall have power to discipline the Quarterly Conferences of which it is composed by withdrawing fellowship from a Quarterly Conference as a whole when its action is inconsistent with the doctrine and practices of the Free Will Baptist Church, if its labor with it is unsuccessful. But in no case can it reverse a decision of a Quarterly Conference, nor one of the Churches that makes up the Quarterly Conference being disciplined.

ARTICLE VIII - MINISTERS

The pastor of every church in the District shall be a member of a church under his care. The pastor of a mission should be a member of a church in the District.

ARTICLE IX - OFFICERS

Section 1. The officers of this association shall be a moderator, an assistant moderator, a clerk-treasurer, an assistant clerk, and a parliamentarian. These officers shall be elected near the close of each session of the association and shall serve as executive committee of the association to transact business between sessions. This committee shall make written reports to each session of all business transacted between sessions.

Section 2. All committees, with the exception of the Credentials Committee and Program Committee, which are otherwise provided for, shall be appointed by the moderator and shall hold office until their work is completed, or until their successors are appointed.

Section 3. A Church Training Service Director and a Superannuation Director shall be elected annually.

Section 4. The Executive Committee of the District shall be composed of the Moderator of the District, the Assistant Moderator, the Clerk-Treasurer of the District, and the Moderators of each of the Quarterly Meetings which may compose this District. It shall be the duty of this committee to supervise and co-ordinate the work of the District and to carry on the business of the District when the District Meeting is not in session. This committee will be responsible for filling any vacancies which may occur in any District office when the District Meeting is not in session. This committee shall also secure from each committee chairman a list of the reports and recommendations from his committee at least two weeks prior to the annual District Meeting. This committee shall study each recommendation from the various committees and present them to the body.

ARTICLE X - SESSIONS

Section 1. The regular session of this District shall be on the first Saturday in March, at the place designated by vote of the association at its previous session. Adjourned sessions may be called by order of the moderator or by a majority of the executive committee.

Section 2. The association shall receive written reports from the Quarterly Conferences of which it is composed as to progress made and service rendered in the spreading of the gospel of Christ, and to such other business as does not violate this constitution. These reports shall be received annually and shall cover the preceding calendar year.

ARTICLE XI - CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Section 1. The Credentials Committee shall consist of three members, nominated annually by the nominating committee.

Section 2. The duties of the Credentials Committee shall be to examine and report near the beginning of each session, the number of Quarterly Meetings and Churches reporting to the District.

ARTICLE XII - BOARDS

Section 1. The board of trustees of the STUDENT LOAN FUND shall be composed of five members. The members are to be elected on the following basis: two members for a term of one year, two members for a term of two years, and one member for a term of three years, after which all members shall be elected to serve terms of three years.

Section 2. The duties of the board of trustees of the STUDENT LOAN FUND shall be to supervise the student loan fund. The board shall have power to organize itself and devise its own government, as may be found in harmony with the principles of this association.

Section 3. The board shall meet in at least one regular session each year. It shall be the duty of this board to make written reports of all of its work and funds to each annual session of the association.

Section 4. The HOME MISSION BOARD shall be composed of three members. Their term of office shall be for a term of three years. One member shall be elected for a term of one year, one for a term of two years, and one for a term of three years, after which each member shall serve three years.

Section 5. It shall be the duty of the DISTRICT HOME MISSION BOARD to supervise the work of establishing additional churches within the District. It shall have power to organize itself and devise its own government, as may be found in harmony with the principles of this association.

Section 6. The CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD shall be composed of at least three members, with tenures of office during the first term to be six, four, and two years, respectively, thereafter to be for six years. This board is to replace the Christian Education Committee and the Director of Christian Education.

Section 7. The BOARD OF TRUSTEES shall be composed of at least three members, with tenures of office during the first term to be six, four, and two years, respectively, thereafter to be for six years. The duty of this board is to hold titles and properties of this Association.

ARTICLE XIII - AUXILIARIES

The Central Texas District Woman's Auxiliary Convention and the Central Texas District Sunday School Convention and other organizations shall be recognized as subordinate organizations to the Central Texas District Association. They shall organize at their own discretion, and have power to create and adopt their respective constitution and bylaws; and maintain complete management of the work for which they are constituted. The scope and character of the work of these organizations shall conform to the general program and promotional plans of the association. They shall report their accomplishments annually to the association.

BYLAWS

Article 1. Each session and adjournment session of this District shall be called to order by the moderator and opened with prayer. Each session shall be closed with prayer.

Article 2. Conference will sit with open doors except when it may go into committee of the whole.

Article 3. Any person not of this District Association may be allowed to take part in its discussion by obtaining permission of the Association.

Article 4. The District may determine the time when its daily sessions commence and close.

Article 5. It shall be the duty of all the members of the District to be present at the time appointed for each daily session, and anyone wishing to retire shall first obtain leave of the moderator.

Article 6. A member wishing to make a motion or to speak in conference shall first rise, address the moderator, and be recognized by him before proceeding. A member may second a motion without rising and addressing the moderator.

Article 7. No person shall be allowed to speak more than ten minutes at any one time, nor more than twice on any one subject without leave of the association.

Article 8. No person shall be allowed to nominate more than one person or member on any committee, provided the one nominated be elected.

Article 9. The following committees shall be appointed at each session: Resolutions and Obituary.

The Moderator shall appoint the Nominating Committee at least three months prior to the annual session.

The Program Committee shall be nominated by the Nominating Committee.

The program of each session of the District shall be prepared by the regularly elected program committee and given to the Clerk to be distributed two weeks in advance of date of setting of the Association.

Article 10. The minutes shall be carefully read by the Moderator and corrected, where needed, before being submitted to printers for printing.

Article 11. This Constitution and Bylaws shall be read near the commencement of the session, if they have not been included in the printing of the minutes, several copies of which should be on hand at the meeting.

Article 12. This Constitution and Bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any regular or called session provided the proposed amendment has been presented to the body in writing at the last previous regular or called session of the Association and provided that each church in the District Association has received a written copy of the proposed changes at least two weeks prior to the regular session.

FRIENDSHIP QUARTERLY CONFERENCE

MODERATOR	Rev. Bobby Joe Davis
ASSISTANT MODERATOR	Rev. Leroy Cutler
CLERK-TREASURER	Mr. Charles Denman
ASSISTANT CLERK	Mr. Verlon Pegues
PARLIAMENTARIAN	Dr. E. M. Kennedy

ORDAINING COUNCIL

Rev. E. M. Kennedy
Rev. Keith Phipps
Rev. Alvin Halbrook

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD

Mrs. Eleanor Cutler
Mrs. Lela Clary
Rev. Bill Zamora

MISSIONS BOARD

Rev. Bill Zamora
Rev. Ned Graham
Mr. A. V. Jennische

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE

Mr. R. D. Davidson
Mr. I. C. Ferguson
Rev. Larry McKay

CHURCH

MINISTER

CLERK

Bayshore
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Bacliff, Texas 77518

Rev. Eugene Richards
Box 20
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Mrs. Jeff Steed
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Bacliff, Texas 77518

Blue Lake Church

Rev. Leroy Cutler
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Bryan, Texas 77801

W. K. O'Brien
Route 1
Anderson, Tex. 77830

Bonami Church

Rev. R. E. Sheffield
Box 173
Roganville, Texas 75971

Mrs. Barbara Brown
Route 2, Box 250
Kirbyville, Tex. 75956

Bright Light Church
Bryan, Texas

Rev. A. J. Keech
Rt 3, Box 250
Bryan, Texas 77801

Mrs. Glen Hyden
Rt. 3, Box 250A
Bryan, Texas 77801

Calvary Church
815 Count Street

Rev. Ned Graham
1412 N Market St. Loop
Baytown, Texas 77520

Mrs. Jack Nimmo
2823 Bennington
Houston, Texas 77016

Cedros Del Libano
1220 Beck
Bryan, Texas 77801

Rev. Bill Zamora
1210 Beck Street
Bryan, Texas 77801

Mrs. Olga Cortinas
404 Dunn
Bryan, Texas 77801

Conroe Church
Conroe, Texas

Rev. Everett Hellard
P. O. Box 1472
Conroe, Texas 77301

Mrs. Jewell Gregory
113 Chambers
Conroe Texas, 77301

Cross Church
Iola, Texas 77861

Rev. Gaston Clary
Route 1
Iola, Texas 77861

Mrs. Melvin Nevill
Route 1
Iola, Texas 77861

FRIENDSHIP QUARTERLY CONFERENCE (continued)

Evergreen Church Iola, Texas 77861	Rev. Keith Phipps Route 2 Iola, Texas 77861	Mrs. C. E. Dudley Route 2 Iola, Texas 77861
Fellowship Church 1406 Ursuline Avenue Bryan, Texas 77801	Rev. E. M. Kennedy 103 N Coulter Bryan, Texas 77801	Mrs. Lyndel Beene 1212 Garden Lane Bryan, Texas 77801
First Bryan Church 30th & Parker Bryan, Texas 77801	Rev. Leroy Cutler 312 Laurel Street Bryan, Texas 77801	Mrs. N. T. Kinne P. O. Box 667 Bryan, Texas 77801
First Houston Church 7719 Schneider Road Houston, Texas 77016	Rev. Bobby Ferguson 7731 Schneider Road Houston, Texas 77016	Mr. Charles Denman 6507 Texas Avenue Houston, Texas 77011
Huntsville Church Huntsville, Texas	Rev. Henry Hall	Mrs. Georgie L. Akin 428 Avenue K. Huntsville, Tex. 77340
North Zulch Church North Zulch, Tex. 77872	Rev. Alvin Halbrook 810 Gordon Bryan, Texas 77801	Mrs. Carrie Casey North Zulch, Tex. 77872
Pine Prairie Church Huntsville, Texas	Rev. Paul Morris Route 3 Huntsville, Tex. 77340	Mrs. Linda Clements Route 3, Box 331 A Huntsville, Tex. 77340

OTHER MINISTERS

Rev. J. L. Bounds, 307 Laurel Street, Bryan, Texas 77801 (Deceased)
 Rev. Bobby Joe Davis, 7210 Dearborn, Houston, Texas 77055
 Miss Tommie Franklin, 807 E. 26th Street, Bryan, Texas 77801
 Rev. Don Lombard, out of state
 Rev. Larry McKay, 1807 Deams, Houston, Texas 77016
 Rev. R. E. Smith, out of state
 Rev. C. B. Thompson, 1206 Pinewood, Pasadena, Texas
 Rev. E. J. Vaughn, Route 2, Box 251, Kirbyville, Texas 75956

CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS FRIENDSHIP QUARTERLY CONFERENCE

PREAMBLE

WE, THE BELIEVERS in Christ according to the doctrine of the Free Will Baptist Denomination, having been baptized upon a like profession of faith in Jesus Christ and properly organized into churches, realizing the necessity of a bond of union and fellowship among us for preservation of the "Faith One Delivered Unto the Saints," and the spreading of the gospel of Christ upon earth, do therefore ordain and establish this constitution.

ARTICLE I - NAME

This organization shall be known as the Friendship Quarterly Conference.

ARTICLE II - PURPOSE

The purpose of the organization shall be to unify the work of the churches composing this conference by devising and executing such measures as will best spread the gospel of Christ as we interpret it.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

All regularly organized Free Will Baptist Churches conforming to the usages of the Free Will Baptist denomination as set forth in the treaties of the Faith and practices of the Free Will Baptists of the National Association may upon a petitionary letter and a vote of the conference become a member of the(this) conference.

ARTICLE IV - COMPOSITION

This conference shall consist of the delegates duly appointed or elected by regularly organized Free Will Baptist churches who may embody themselves under this constitution. Regularly ordained ministers, regularly ordained deacons and ministers wives, who are members of the Free Will Baptist church belonging to this conference.

ARTICLE V - REPRESENTATION

Section 1. Each church composed of fifty members or less shall be entitled to three delegates to this conference. Those churches composed of more than fifty members shall be entitled to one additional delegate for each additional fifty members or fractional part thereof.

Section 2. Each mission in the Friendship Quarterly Conference will be entitled to one delegate and the pastor of said mission be entitled to a vote by representation.

ARTICLE VI - FINANCE

Section 1. Each church entitled to three delegates shall send to the clerk-treasurer of the conference ten dollars and each church entitled to more than three delegates shall send two dollars for each additional delegate.

Section 2. The clerk-treasurer shall be paid the sum of ten dollars quarterly for his services.

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ARTICLE VI - FINANCE

Section 1. Each church entitled to three delegates shall send to the clerk-treasurer of the conference ten dollars and each church entitled to more than three delegates shall send two dollars for each additional delegate.

Section 2. The clerk-treasurer shall be paid the sum of ten dollars quarterly for his services.

Section 3. The assistant clerk shall receive the sum of ten dollars annually for his services.

ARTICLE VII - QUORUM

Representation from at least 50% of the churches of the conference shall be declared a quorum at any regular or called meeting of the conference.

ARTICLE VIII - DISCIPLINE

This conference shall have power to discipline the churches of which it is composed only to the extent of withdrawing fellowship from a church as a whole when its action is inconsistent with the doctrine and usages of the Free Will Baptist Church if labor with it is unsuccessful. But in no case can it reverse a decision of a church.

ARTICLE IX - MINISTERS

Section 1. The pastor of every church in the conference shall be a member of a church under his care and be a member of this Quarterly Conference.

Section 2. When a church desires that one of its members be licensed or ordained to preach the gospel it should request the conference, through its ordaining council, to examine such member and should agree to abide by the recommendation of the ordaining council.

Section 3. A minister of this conference who is subject to discipline for doctrine or practices contrary to the treatise of the Free Will Baptist denomination shall be brought to trial by the church of which he is a member. However, the ordaining council must sit in the church conference in an advisory capacity.

Section 4. All ministers of this conference shall make annual reports in writing to the annual session of the conference.

ARTICLE X - OFFICERS

Section 1. The officers of this conference shall be a moderator, an assistant moderator, a clerk-treasurer, an assistant clerk, and a parliamentarian. These officers shall be elected near the close of each annual session of the conference and shall serve as the executive committee of the conference to transact business between sessions. This committee shall make written reports to each regular session of all business transacted between sessions.

Section 2. The assistant moderator shall serve as program chairman.

Section 3. It shall be the duty of the clerk-treasurer to keep a book of the proceedings of each session and report same from one session to the other. He shall compile a digest report.

Section 4. It shall be the duties of the assistant clerk to assist the clerk-treasurer during each session of the association.

Section 5. All committees, except those provided for elsewhere in this constitution and bylaws, shall be appointed by the moderator and shall hold office until their work is completed or until their successors are appointed.

ARTICLE XI - SESSIONS

The regular sessions of the conference shall be on the second Saturday of February, May, August and November, at the place designated by vote of the conference at its previous regular session. Adjourned sessions may be called by order of the moderator or by a majority of the executive committee.

ARTICLE XII - COUNCIL

Section 1. The ordaining council shall consist of three members elected annually.

Section 2. The duties of the ordaining council shall be to examine by a written examination, on the treatise of the Faith and Practices of Free Will Baptists, each applicant for license to preach the gospel, those desiring ordination to the gospel ministry and those who have been ordained outside of the conference and desire recognition as a minister in good standing, make appropriate recommendation to the conference on the basis of such examination. It shall sit in church conferences in an advisory capacity when ministers of such churches are on trial for doctrine and practices contrary to the Treatise of the Free Will Baptist denomination. They shall serve as a credentials committee at each session.

ARTICLE XIII - BOARDS

Section 1. **Christian Education Board** - This board shall consist of three members.

Section 2. **Mission Board** - This board shall consist of three members.

Section 3. **Resolution Committee** - This board shall consist of three members.

ARTICLE XV - REPORTS

The conference shall receive written reports from the churches of which it is composed. These reports shall be received quarterly and shall cover the preceding quarters business.

ARTICLE XVI - AMENDMENTS

The constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any regular session provided the proposed amendment has been presented in writing to the body at the previous session of the conference.

BYLAWS

Article 1. Each session and adjournment session of this conference shall be called to order by the moderator and opened with prayer.

Article 2. The conference will sit with open doors except when it may go into committee of the whole.

Article 3. Any person not a part of this conference may be allowed to take part in the discussion by obtaining permission of the conference.

Article 4. It shall be the duty of all members of the conference to be present at the appointed time for each session and anyone wishing to retire shall first obtain leave of the moderator.

Article 5. A member wishing to make a motion or to speak in conference shall first rise and address the moderator and be recognized by him before proceeding. A member may second a motion without rising and addressing the moderator.

Article 6. No person shall be allowed to speak more than ten minutes at any one time, nor more than twice on any one subject without leave of the moderator or conference.

Article 7. No person shall be allowed to nominate more than one person or member on any committee, provided the one nominated is elected.

Article 8. At the fourth quarterly or annual session the resolutions committee shall be elected. At the third quarterly meeting the following committees shall be appointed: Nominating and Obituary.

Article 9. The program of each session of the conference shall be prepared by the program chairman. Programs to be distributed two weeks in advance of the date of the quarterly conference.

Article 10. The constitution and bylaws of this conference shall be read at each annual session, near its commencement.

Article 11. Motions made and defeated shall not be recorded.

Article 12. These Bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any regular session provided the proposed amendment has been presented to the body in writing at the last previous session of the conference.

ARTICLE XIV

Section 1. All elected boards shall serve on a rotating basis.

Section 2. Each member for a three year term.

Section 3. One term expiring each year.

MISSION QUARTERLY CONFERENCE

MODERATOR	Rev. H. Ray Berry, Sr.
ASSISTANT MODERATOR	Rev. Herbert Richards
CLERK	Mrs. Gilberta Bell

CHURCH	MINISTER	CLERK
First Church Austin Eberhart Lane Austin, Texas	Rev. Paul C. Meyer 8002 B Forestwood Dr. Austin, Texas 78745	Deborah L. Engler 4601 Goliad Lane Austin, Texas 78745
Christ's Church 3126 Gollihar Road Corpus Christi, Texas 78415	Rev. Herbert Richards Box 476 Fulton, Texas 78358	Mrs. Lorene Millard 917 Ronald Corpus Christi, Texas 78411
Faith Church 704 W. Gerald San Antonio, Texas 78221	Rev. Lester Smith 704 W. Gerald San Antonio, Texas 78221	Mrs. Gordon Godshall 824 Brooks Avenue Schertz, Texas 78154
Northcrest Church Glasgow & Kelly Crick Victoria, Texas 77901		Mrs. Jackie Lehr 402 Dover Victoria, Texas 77901
Zion Church 1126 Stone Street Corpus Christi, Texas 78418		Mrs. Elaine Martin 1851 Waldron Corpus Christi, Texas 78418

OTHER MINISTERS

Rev. H. Ray Berry Sr., 6918 Tallahassee, San Antonio, Texas 78227
 Rev. Jimmy Brown, San Antonio, Texas (Armed Forces)
 Rev. Sanford Davis Jr., 2501 Lone Tree Road, Victoria, Texas 77901
 Rev. Charles Reeves, 1205 Stone Street, Corpus Christi, Texas 78418
 Rev. W. A. Gray, Route 4, Box 796, Fayetteville, North Carolina 28304

PROPOSED CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS OF THE MISSION QUARTERLY MEETING OF FREE WILL BAPTIST

PREAMBLE

We the churches of the Mission Quarterly Meeting of the Central Texas Association of Free Will Baptists, realizing the necessity of a bond of union and fellowship among us for preservation of the "Faith Once Delivered Unto the Saints," and the spreading of the gospel of Christ upon earth, do therefore ordain and establish this constitution.

ARTICLE I - NAME

This organization shall be known as the Mission Quarterly Meeting of the Central Texas District Association of Free Will Baptist.

ARTICLE II - PURPOSE

The purpose of this organization shall be to unify the work of the churches composing this Quarterly Meeting by devising and executing such measures as will best spread the gospel of Christ as we interpret it.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

Any properly organized and well disciplined Free Will Baptist Church or Mission conforming to the usages of the Free Will Baptist denomination as set forth in the Treatise of the Faith and Practices of the Free Will Baptists of the National Association, may upon proper application, and a vote of the Quarterly Meeting become a member of this Quarterly Meeting.

ARTICLE IV - COMPOSITION

This Quarterly Meeting shall consist of the delegates duly appointed or elected by properly organized and well disciplined Free Will Baptist churches and missions who may embody themselves under this constitution; ordained Free Will Baptist ministers; ordained deacons; ministers' wives; all of whom are members of Free Will Baptist churches or missions composing this Quarterly Meeting. The general officers of this organization shall likewise be considered a part of the composition and are entitled to this by virtue of their office.

ARTICLE V - REPRESENTATION

Each church or mission composed of fifty members or less shall be entitled to three delegates to this Quarterly Meeting. Those churches or missions composed of more than fifty members shall be entitled to one additional delegate for each additional fifty members or fractional part thereof.

ARTICLE VI - FINANCE

Section 1. Each church or mission entitled to three delegates shall send to the clerk of the Quarterly Meeting seven dollars together with a written report

of its spiritual condition, benevolent work and statistics for the quarter. Each church or mission entitled to more than three delegates shall send one dollar for each additional delegate to which it is entitled.

Section 2. Cooperative Fund money will be sent to the clerk-treasurer of the Mission Quarterly Meeting. The clerk-treasurer will make due record of all money received. Ten percent of the Cooperative Fund money will be retained in the Mission Quarterly Meeting and ninety percent will be forwarded to the District clerk-treasurer.

ARTICLE VII - QUORUM

Representation from at least 2/3 of the churches or missions of the Quarterly Meeting shall be declared a quorum at any regular or called meeting of the Quarterly Meeting.

ARTICLE VIII - DISCIPLINE

This Quarterly Meeting shall have power to discipline the churches or missions of which it is composed, and to withdraw fellowship from a church or mission as a whole when its action is inconsistent with the doctrine and usages of the Free Will Baptist Church, if labor with it is unsuccessful. But in no case can it reverse a decision of a church or mission.

ARTICLE IX - MINISTERS

Section 1. The pastor of every church in the Quarterly Meeting shall be a member of a church under his care, and pastors of missions should be a member of a church within the Quarterly Meeting.

Section 2. When a church desires that one of its members be licensed or ordained to preach the gospel, it should request the Quarterly Meeting through its ordaining council to examine such member, and should agree to abide by the recommendation of the ordaining council. Those licensed to preach the gospel in the Mission Quarterly Meeting must carry licenses for at least one year before ordination.

Section 3. Ministers coming to the Mission Quarterly Meeting from any other area should submit a letter of good standing from the Quarterly Meeting or District Association from which he came. All ministers entering the Mission Quarterly Meeting should be questioned by the ordaining council.

Section 4. A minister of this association who is subject to discipline for doctrine of practices contrary to the Treatise of the Free Will Baptist denomination shall be brought to trial by the church of which he is a member. However, the ordaining council must sit in the church conference in an advisory capacity.

Section 5. All ministers of this Quarterly Meeting shall make annual reports in writing at the last session of the calendar year.

ARTICLE X - OFFICERS

Section 1. The general officers of this Quarterly Meeting shall be a moderator, an assistant moderator, a clerk-treasurer, an assistant clerk, and a

parliamentarian. These officers shall be elected near the close of each last session of the calendar year, and shall serve as executive committee of the Quarterly Meeting to transact business between sessions. This committee shall make written reports to each regular session of all business transacted between sessions.

Section 2. All committees, with the exception of the credential committee, which is otherwise provided for, shall be appointed by the moderator and shall hold office until their work is completed, or until their successors are elected.

ARTICLE XI - SESSIONS

The regular sessions of the Mission Quarterly Conference shall be Saturday before the second Sunday in January, April, and October, and Saturday before the fourth Sunday in June. The annual meeting will be with the Central Texas District at a time and place designated by the district. The Quarterly Meeting shall receive written reports from the churches of which it is composed as to progress made and service rendered in the spreading of the gospel of Christ, and to such other business as does not violate this constitution. Adjourned sessions may be called by order of the moderator or by a majority of the executive committee. These reports shall be received quarterly and shall cover the preceding quarter. Each church will send the Quarterly Meeting clerk the fourth quarterly report and an annual report two weeks before the district meeting.

ARTICLE XII - COUNCIL

Section 1. The ordaining council shall consist of three members, whose terms shall be three years each. Each member shall be elected alternately. The ordaining council shall consist of ordained men only.

Section 2. The duties of the ordaining council shall be to examine each applicant for license to preach the gospel, those desiring ordination to the gospel ministry, and those who have been ordained outside of the Mission Quarterly Meeting, and desire recognition as a minister in good standing and make appropriate recommendation to the Quarterly Meeting on the basis of such examination. It must sit in church conferences in an advisory capacity, when ministers of such churches are on trial for doctrine and practices contrary to the Treasise of the Free Will Baptist denomination and shall serve as a credentials committee at each session.

ARTICLE XIII - AMENDMENTS

The Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any regular session. Provided the proposed amendment has been presented to the body in writing at the previous session of the Quarterly Meeting. A session is interpreted as being an entire day of the quarterly meeting.

BYLAWS

Article 1. Each session and adjournment session of this Quarterly Meeting

shall be called to order by the moderator and opened with prayer. Each session shall be closed with prayer.

Article 2. This Quarterly Meeting shall hold correspondence by messenger or otherwise with other religious bodies as it may deem advisable.

Article 3. Conference will sit with open doors except when it may go into committee of the whole.

Article 4. Any person not of this Quarterly Meeting may be allowed to take part in its discussion by obtaining permission of the Quarterly Meeting.

Article 5. It shall be the duty of the clerk to furnish the Quarterly Meeting with a book or records containing the doings of its previous sessions.

Article 6. The conference may determine the time when its daily sessions commence and close.

Article 7. It shall be the duty of all the members of the Quarterly Meeting to be present at the time appointed for each daily session, and anyone wishing to retire shall first obtain leave of the moderator.

Article 8. A member wishing to make a motion or to speak in conference shall first rise, address the moderator, and be recognized by him before proceeding. A member may second a motion without rising and addressing the moderator.

Article 9. No person shall be allowed to speak more than ten minutes at any one time nor more than twice on any one subject without leave of the Quarterly Meeting.

Article 10. No person shall be allowed to nominate more than one person or member on any committee, provided the one nominated be elected.

Article 11. The following committees shall be appointed at each session of the Quarterly Meeting: Resolutions.

At the July quarterly meeting the Nominating Committee shall be appointed. They shall report at the October Quarterly Meeting. All officers shall be elected at that meeting. Officers will assume office at the January Quarterly Meeting.

At the October Quarterly session the additional committees shall be appointed: Program.

Article 12. The program of each session of the Quarterly Meeting shall be prepared by the regularly elected, or appointed, program committee, programs to be distributed two weeks in advance of the date of the sitting of the Quarterly Meeting.

Article 13. The minutes shall be carefully read and corrected by the Executive Committee before the annual printing.

Article 14. The constitution and bylaws may be read at each session but they shall be read at each January session near its commencement.

Article 15. These bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any regular session, provided the proposed amendment has been presented to the body in writing at the last previous session of the Quarterly Meeting.

Article 16. By a two-thirds majority vote of the voting body a ruling of the moderator can be overruled.

