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Ass't Mod., Deacon L. C. Wade, Bronaugh Mo.  
Clerk-Treas., Mrs. Zola Truskett, R2, Liberal, Mo.  
Ass't Clerk, Mrs. Mary Hizar, Iantha, Mo.

#### Executive and Home Mission Board

Deacon L. C. Wade,.....R2, Bronaugh, Mo.  
Deacon Willie Bowman,.....R1, Iantha, Mo.  
Elder Arlie Hoover,.....R1, Arcadia, Kans.  
Deacon Ottis Martin, .....Greenfield, Mo.  
Elder Roena Thomas,.....R1, Arcadia, Kans.



## MINISTERS' CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

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Ministers' Conference of Central Western Missouri and Southeastern Kansas Association of Free Will Baptist met in its First Annual Session, at Verdella Free Will Baptist Church, on Wednesday night at 8:00 o'clock p. m., August 24, 1938.

Meeting was called to order by Eld. F. C. Zinn.

Preaching by Eld. C. E. Mann of Niangua, Missouri. A wonderful message was brought, dealing both with the call to and the call of the Ministry. The world is our field of ministry, calling us to bring them the message of the Savior's love.

At the close of the service officers were elected for the coming year as follows:

President ..... L. C. Wade  
Vice President ..... Zola Truskett  
Secretary ..... Roena Thomas.

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### THURSDAY MORNING, 9:00 o'clock

Song service led by Eld. Winford Davis.

Prayer by Eld. Arthur Kicenski.

Scripture lesson read by Bro. F. C. Zinn.

Then subjects or topics were taken up and discussed as arranged on the program:

"Preparation for the Ministry," Eld. A. Kicenski.

"Obedience to the Ministry," Eld. Arlie Hoover.

"Continuing in the Ministry," Eld. Roena Thomas.

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### Eleven o'Clock Service

Special song by Bro. Davis.

Prayer by Sister Emma Thomas.

Preaching by Eld. B. F. Brown. Subject, "Rewards of the Ministry."

—Eld. Roena Thomas, Secretary.



## Mission and League Proceedings

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All Thursday afternoon was given to Mission and League work. This being the first annual session of Mission work in Central Western Missouri and Southeastern Kansas Association, both president and vice president were absent. Bro. Davis made a few remarks, after which Sister Allene Worsley was elected Secretary pro tem, and Sister Frankie Wade was President pro tem.

Reports from Hannon Seniors and Juniors, Independence and Mt. Olive were read and received, and the delegates seated.

Solo ..... Sister Mary Wade  
Duet ..... Eld. and Mrs. Zinn.  
Reading ..... Sister A. L. Wiley.

Discussion: "What Can We Do, That We May Accomplish More in Mission Work?" Discussion led by Sister Frankie Wade, followed by Brothers B. F. Brown, Arthur Kicenski and Winford Davis. Some very interesting and encouraging talks were made.

Song ..... Ladies' Quartet of Hannon

An offering was taken and \$6.07 was received for a fund to help Bro. Willey purchase tools.

Reports were given by the different leagues, followed by enthusiastic discussion.

Mrs. A. W. Hartley, President,  
Miss Thora Arbogast, Secretary,  
Mrs. Allene Worsley, Secretary protem.



## ASSOCIATION PROCEEDINGS

The Central Western Missouri and Southeastern Kansas Association of Free Will Baptist met in its Thirtieth Annual Session, with Verdella F. W. Baptist Church, near Liberal, Missouri, Thursday night, Aug. 25, 1938, at eight o'clock.

Meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Eld. Arlie Hoover.

Praise by congregation.

Prayer by Eld. Winford Davis.

Duet ....Brothers John Swaffar and Winford Davis.

Quartet, Raymond Dickey, John Worsley, Genevieve Adams and Zola Truskett.

Duet ..... Eld. and Mrs. F. C. Zinn.

A very spirited praise service led by Bro. Davis.

Introductory sermon by Eld. John Swaffar. Text, Phil. 1:27, 28. A very impressive sermon was delivered.

Moderator appointed a temporary pulpit committee, as follows: Bro. L. C. Wade, Bro. C. Mead and Bro. O. T. Fast.

An altar call was made by Bro. F. C. Zinn.

Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Winford Davis.

### FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

Meeting was called to order by Deacon and Mrs. O. T. Fast. Scripture reading Psalm 100.

Prayer by Eld. B. F. Brown.

After this the Clerk declared a quorum present to transact business and called the Moderator to the chair.

Letters were read, received and delegates seated from the following churches: Mt. Olive, Hannon, Independence, Fairview, Verdella, and Hickory Grove. A verbal report was accepted from Wagoner Church.

### Election of Officers

Moderator, Eld. Arlie Hoover, R1, Arcadia, Ks.

Ass't Mod., Deacon L. C. Wade, Bronaugh Mo.

Clerk-Treas., Mrs. Zola Truskett, R2, Liberal, Mo.

Ass't Clerk, Mrs. Mary Hizar, Iantha, Mo.

Deacon L. C. Wade was elected on Executive Board for a term of five years.



Motion carried that the Moderator appoint a Committee on Committees. Committee appointed:

Brothers O. T. Fast, A. L. Wiley, Chauncy Meade.

Motion carried that all privileges of the floor be given our visiting brethren, except voting.

Association By-Laws read by the Clerk.

Discussion of Denominational Enterprises by Elders B. F. Brown, C. E. Mann, Arthur Kicenski, F. C. Zinn, Winford Davis, O. T. Allred and Sister Martin.

Report of Committee on Committees read and approved.

Motion carried to adjourn till 1:30 p. m.

Closing prayer by Sister Thomas.

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#### FRIDAY, ELEVEN O'CLOCK SERVICE

Came together by singing led by Bro. O. T. Allred.

Prayer by Sister Roena Thomas.

Scripture reading Jude 21.

Preaching by Bro. F. C. Zinn. Subject, "Keep Yourselves." A very impressive and soul-stirring message was delivered.

Closed with a hand-shake which was enjoyed by all.

Closing prayer by Eld. C. E. Mann.

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#### FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Came together by singing.

Devotional by Bro. L. C. Wade.

Prayer by Eld. C. R. Dick.

Reports were read and accepted from the following ministers: Roena Thomas, Arlie Hoover, H. S. Ford and Arthur Kicenski.

A resignation was read from Sister Hartfield, and her wishes granted. Bro. L. C. Wade was elected to fill the vacancy.

The next annual session of the Association was voted to convene with Hannon Church, at Hannon, Mo.

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#### Delegates Elected to Missouri State Association

Independence Church—Bro. and Sister A. L. Wiley.

Neola—Bro. and Sister Marshall.

Fairview—Bro. Chauncy Meade, Bro. Glen McCarty.

Verdella—Sisters Ruby Phillips and Anna Mae Smith.

Hannon—Brother and Sister D. A. Hill.

Hickory Grove—Brother and Sister T. F. Lewis.



Motion carried to give State delegates power to appoint alternates.

Eld. F. C. Zinn was elected to preach the introductory sermon next year, with Bro. A. Kicenski as his alternate.

Report of the Executive Board was given by Bro. L. C. Wade.

Report on Foreign Missions discussed and accepted.

Motion carried that Clerk write a corresponding letter for those elected to attend Indian Creek Ass'n, who were

Bro. and Sister Meade, Bro. and Sister Dickey, Bro. Arlie Hoover and Bro. Kicenski.

A vote of thanks was given Eld. C. E. Mann for an invitation extended to us from the Liberty Association.

- Motion carried to have 200 minutes printed.

Motion carried to turn the Budget money to the Clerk, who shall turn half of it to State treasurer.

Minutes of Association read and approved.

Motion carried to adjourn to meet at Hannon in 1939.

Eld. Arlie Hoover, Moderator,  
Mrs. Zola Truskett, Clerk.

#### FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICE

Came together at 8:00 o'clock by singing.

Prayer by Sister Thomas.

Solo by Sister Mary Hizar.

Prayer by Bro. Ed Wade.

Saxaphone Solo by Bro. John Worsley.

Trio by Bro. and Sister Zinn and Bro. Davis.

Song by Hannon Quartet.

A praise service was led by Eld. C. R. Dick.

A collection which amounted to \$5.30 was taken to help defray expense of the Association.

Preaching by Bro. Winford Davis. Scripture lesson from tenth chapter of St. John. Text, Psalms 23:1, "The Lord is my Shepherd." Bro. Davis brought us an inspirational message.

Dismissed by prayer.

—Zola Truskett, Clerk.



## COMMITTEE REPORTS

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**Resolutions**—We, your Committee on Resolutions, wish to submit the following:

**Res. No. 1**—Be it Resolved, That we continue to begin our Association on Wednesday night instead of on Thursday night, and that the extra day be given to the Ministers' Conference, Mission and League work.

**No. 2**—Be it Resolved, That we, the members of the Association convened at Verdella Church, do express our sincere thanks to God for the good spirit and the brotherly love that has prevailed.

**No. 3**—Be it Resolved, That we extend a special vote of thanks to our visiting brethren from other Associations for their wonderful help and co-operation.

We also wish to express our appreciation and thanks to the Verdella Church and community for their kindness and hospitality shown us during our Association.

Committee { Roena Thomas,  
              { Arthur Kicenski,  
              { C. R. Dick.

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**Foreign Missions**—We, your Committee on Foreign Missions, are happy to report that interest and progress in Foreign Missions increases continually. Our people are becoming more and more Mission minded; and the amount given for Foreign Missions during the past year is far greater than it has ever been. This is very gratifying; for it enables us to support our missionaries and have some money left to apply on permanent buildings needed for the advancement of the work, and for homes for our missionaries. We are very thankful for this liberal giving; but it is just a good beginning, and must be kept going, and even increased as the work progresses and more need for funds develops; so let us give ourselves more and more unto the Lord and give as He prospers us.

Committee { B. F. Brown,  
              { Winford Davis,  
              { F. C. Zinn.



**Publication**—We, your Committee on Publication, beg to submit our report.

We realize that great influence is manifested upon our hearts through the printed page. Therefore we recommend the discouragement of the reading of undesirable and questionable literature.

Furthermore, we recommend that the Gem should be in every Free Will Baptist home. We believe the reading of the Gem gives a stronger feeling of fellowship with one another, and broadens our views of God's Word and the church work.

Also, we recommend the use of Free Will Baptist literature in our Sunday schools and leagues, wherever it is practicable.

Committee { L. C. Wade,  
C. W. Ricketts,  
C. E. Mann.

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**Sunday School**—We, your Committee on Sunday School, wish to submit the following:

We pray that every member of our beloved denomination be active in our Sunday School work.

That special effort be made to reach the children and young people of our immediate vicinities; as we feel that the Sunday school is the training school on which the church of the future will be built.

That all teachers and officers be consecrated Christian workers, and that the spirit of co-operation be manifested from member to member.

That when advisable to use Free Will Baptist literature.

Committee { G. E. Wade,  
Mrs. Geneva Lamb,  
Mrs. Frankie Wade.

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**Home Mission**—Realizing the great importance of a great Home Mission work, we recommend that each of our churches get behind us in this work, that Mission circles be organized in every church, and that our ambition for our fifth Sunday Mission meetings may be carried over the top for Jesus.

Committee { Emma Thomas,  
Nellie Bender,  
Iva Hartfield.



**Obituary**—We, your Committee on Obituary, wish to extend our deepest heart-felt sympathy to the bereaved brothers and sisters of our Association for the loss of their loved ones through the past year.

But our loss is Heaven's gain. God gave and He will come and claim His own. We wish to extend a helping hand to the bereaved at all times.

Names of the deceased are:

Fairview Church—Mrs. Wynona Watkins and Bro. James Sexton (minister).

Hannon—Eld. T. L. York and Mrs. Rissie Dixon.

Neola—Sisters Anna Vincent and Grace Dangerfield.

Hickory Grove—Mrs. F. C. Evans.

Committee { Mary Hizar,  
Mattie Ricketts,  
Marie Wiley.

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**Ministerial Standing**—We, your Committee on Ministerial Standing, find that the following named ministers have complied with the requirements of the Association, and believing them to be worthy, God fearing, with full purpose of heart to push on in the work into which they are called; we heartily recommend that they be granted Annual Certificates of Ministerial Standing:

Elders Arlie Hoover, Roena Thomas, H. S. Ford and Arthur Kicenski, also Elder J. T. Williams of Greenfield, Mo., our superannuated minister.

Committee { Ross Thomas,  
Lowell Martin,  
Mary Wade,  
A. L. Wiley,  
Gracie McCarty.

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**Temperance**—We, your Committee on Temperance, wish to submit the following report:

We believe God's people should be temperate in all things that are good. We recommend total abstinence from all things evil.

We urge our people to use their utmost influence against the liquor traffic, with its associated evils.



This influence should be used in the home, church, schools, from the pulpit, and by our vote.

We recommend that our ministry be clean and an example for our young people, and to all those with whom they come in contact each day.

Committee { Mrs. O. T. Fast,  
M. A. Earl,  
O. T. Allred.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

### Amount of Budget Received

Hannon .....	\$8.30
Mt. Olive .....	7.50
Verdella .....	3.20
Hickory Grove .....	2.60
Independence .....	2.10
Fairview .....	3.10

Total Budget .....	\$26.80
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On hand from 1937 .....	.21
Collection .....	\$5.30
Clerk Expense, Debit, .....	5.00

Total besides the Budget .....	\$10.51
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Total receipts .....	\$37.31
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### Disbursements

Half of Budget to State Treasurer....	\$13.40
For printing 1938 minutes .....	17.00
Clerk hire .....	5.00

Total disbursements .....	\$35.40
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Balance on hand, August 25, 1938.....	\$1.91
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—Zola Truskett, Treasurer.



## MINISTERS' REPORTS

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**Arlie Hoover**—My report is very short this year, having been physically unable to perform my duties a portion of the time. I have preached only five sermons, performed one marriage ceremony, have made a few sick calls. I pray that God will open a door for me this coming year, as I feel that I must get into the harvest and do my little share. Pray for me.

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**Roena Thomas**—I humbly beg to submit the following report of my ministerial work during this last Associational year. Have been preaching full time. Pastored the Hickory Grove and Independence Churches, also gave two Sundays each month at Shiloh school house about four miles northwest of Hannon where there has been a good Sunday school established for about three years. I have preached 104 sermons, conducted 1 funeral, travelled about 4090 miles to and from appointments, witnessed 11 conversions, received in money \$204.85. Our work has been a pleasure. We praise God for the good faithful ones He gave us to labor among. We pray our coming year may find us just where God can use us best.

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**Arthur Kicenski**—I submit the following report: I have preached in the past year 74 sermons, 2 funerals, I held 2 revivals, witnessed 2 new conversions and 4 reclaimed. Amount received \$220.00. I hold three appointments.

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**H. S. Ford**—Since we met a year ago, I have preached 40 sermons, have traveled in gospel work about 1000 miles. Pray that God may open the way that we may give our full time to His service.



## FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH COVENANT

Having given ourselves to God by faith in Christ, and adopted the Word of God as our rule of faith and practice, we now give ourselves to one another by the will of God in this solemn covenant. We promise by His grace to love and obey Him in all things, to avoid the appearance of evil, to abstain from all sinful amusements and unholy conformity to the world; from all sanction of the use and sale of intoxicating beverages, and to "provide things honest in the sight of all men."

We agree to accept Christian admonition and reproof with meekness, and to watch over one another in love, endeavoring to "keep the unity of the Spirit," in the bonds of peace, to be careful of one another's happiness and reputation, and seek to strengthen the weak, encourage the afflicted, admonish the erring, and as far as we are able, promote the success of the church and of the Gospel.

We will everywhere hold Christian principle sacred and Christian obligations and enterprises supreme; counting it our chief business in life to extend the influence of Christ in society; constantly praying and toiling that the kingdom of God may come, and His will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

We agree faithfully to discharge our obligations in reference to the study of the Scriptures, secret prayer, family devotions, and social worship; and by self-denial, faith, and good works endeavor to "grow in grace and the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ." We will not forget the assembling of ourselves together for church conferences, public worship, and the observance of the ordinances of the Gospel, nor fail to pay according to our ability for the support of the church, of its poor, and all its benevolent work.

To this end we agree to labor for the promotion of educational and denominational enterprises, the support of missions, the success of Sunday schools, and evangelistic efforts for the salvation of souls, and the conversion of the world. And may the God of peace sanctify us wholly, and preserve us blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.



## FREE WILL BAPTIST ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. **THE BIBLE.** The Scriptures of the Old and new Testaments were given by inspiration of God, and are our infallible rule of faith and practice.

2. **GOD.** There is one living and true God, revealed in nature as the Creator, Preserver, and Righteous Governor of the universe, and in the Scriptures as the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, yet as one God, infinitely wise and good, whom all intelligent creatures are supremely to love, adore and obey.

3. **CHRIST.** Christ is God manifest in the flesh; in His divine nature truly God, in His human nature truly man. The mediator between God and man, once crucified, He is now risen and glorified and is our ever present Savior and Lord.

4. **THE HOLY SPIRIT.** The Scriptures assign to the Holy Spirit all the attributes of God. He is the Reprover, Comforter, Guide and Sanctifier of men.

5. **THE GOVERNMENT OF GOD.** God exercises a wise and benevolent providence over all beings and all things by maintaining the constitution and laws of nature. He also performs special acts of grace, not otherwise provided for, as the highest welfare of man requires.

6. **THE SINFULNESS OF MAN.** Man was created innocent, but by disobedience fell into a state of sin and condemnation. His posterity, therefore, inherited a fallen nature of such tendencies that all who come to years of accountability sin, and become guilty before God.

7. **THE WORK OF CHRIST.** The Son of God, by His incarnation, life, sufferings, death and resurrection effected for all a redemption from sin that is full and free and is the ground of salvation by faith.

8. **THE TERMS OF SALVATION.** The conditions of salvation are: 1. Repentance or sincere sorrow for sin and the hearty renunciation of it. 2. Faith or the unreserved committal of one's self to Christ as Savior and Lord, with purpose to love and obey Him in all things. In the exercise of saving faith the soul is renewed by the Holy Spirit, freed from the dominion of sin and becomes a child of God. 3. Continuance in faith and obedience until death.

9. **ELECTION.** God determined from the beginning to save all who should comply with the conditions of salvation. Hence by faith in Christ men become His elect.

10. **FREEDOM OF WILL.** The human will is free and self-controlled, having power to yield to the influence of the truth and the Spirit and live, or to resist them and perish.

11. **SALVATION FREE.** God desires the salvation of all, the Gospel invites all, the Holy Spirit strives with all, and whosoever will may come and take of the water of Life freely.

12. **PERSEVERANCE.** All believers in Christ, who through grace, persevere in holiness to the end of life, have the promise of eternal salvation.



13. GOSPEL ORDINANCES. BAPTISM, or the immersion of believers in water, and the LORD'S SUPPER, are ordinances to be perpetuated under the Gospel: FEET WASHING, an ordinance teaching humility, of universal obligation, and to be administered to all true believers.

14. THE CHRISTIAN SABBATH. The divine law requires that one day in seven be set apart from secular employments and amusements, for rest, worship, holy works, and activities, and for personal communion with God.

15. WAR. War destroys the lives of the innocent, and is contrary to the New Testament, therefore, we are opposed to war.

16. RESURRECTION, JUDGMENT, AND FINAL RETRIBUTION. The Scriptures teach the resurrection of all men at the last day. They that have done good will come forth to the resurrection of life, and they that have done evil unto the resurrection of damnation; then the wicked shall "go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

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## CONSTITUTION

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Art. 1. This body shall be known as the Central Western Missouri and Southeastern Kansas Association of Free Will Baptist, and shall be composed of such consistent, well regulated Free Will Baptist churches as shall, from time to time, unite with the body and agree to this constitution.

Art. II. The acting members of this Association shall be such as are chosen by the several churches of which it is composed. Each acting church being entitled to one delegate, and each church having twenty-five (25) resident members two delegates, and one delegate for each additional twenty-five resident members major part thereof, together with all ordained deacons, ordained and licensed ministers, and church clerks of the several churches composing this Association.

Sec. 2. A resident member shall be a member in good standing who discharges his or her obligations to the church, and who resides near enough to attend church services, or who resides at a distance, but discharges his or her obligations to the church; unless feeble minded or invalids. All other members shall be considered non-resident members.

Art. III. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, an assistant Moderator, a Clerk, an assistant Clerk and a Treasurer; all of said officers to be elected annually at the regular session of the Association, and shall hold their office until their successors are elected and qualified.

Art. IV. This Association shall elect a board of five members, two of them shall be ministers. This board shall be called the Home Mission and Executive Board of this Association. One member of this board shall be elected to hold office for one year, one for two years, one for three years, one for four years,



and one for five years. After the first election one member shall be elected each year and hold office for five years, or until his successor is elected. This board shall have charge of the work of the Association when it is not in session.

Sec. 2. The Home Mission Board of this Association shall be Trustees of the Association, and shall have charge of its property.

Art. V. This Association shall meet annually at such time and place as shall meet with the approval of the Association, and it shall be the duty of all the churches of which it is composed to represent themselves by letter and delegates.

Sec. 2. It shall be the duty of all ministers of this Association to attend each session or report by letter. And all ministers reporting by letter or in person shall be entitled to Annual Certificates of Ministerial Standing by the Association.

Art. VI. This Constitution may be altered or amended by vote at any regular session of the Association, notice of such intended change having been given in writing not less than three months before such change shall be voted on to the Executive Board.

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## BY-LAWS

1. Each Annual Session of this Association shall be called to order by the Clerk, or in his or her absence, the assistant Clerk, and in his or her absence, the standing member having seniority of years in service. After the Clerk, or the one calling the assembly to order, shall declare a quorum present, he or she shall call the Moderator to the chair, and in his or her absence, the assistant Moderator, and in his or her absence, the standing member having seniority in years of service.

2. Each session of this Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

3. Five (5) delegates from three (3) or more churches shall constitute a quorum to transact business for the Association, but any less number may adjourn from time to time.

4. A member wishing to speak in conference shall arise and address the Moderator, and shall be recognized by him, and shall not be allowed to speak longer than five minutes nor more than twice on the same subject without the consent of the conference.

5. New churches may be admitted to this Association by a majority vote of the Association.

6. The yeas and nays may be taken on any question by the request of one-third of the members present.

7. A committee of five lay members, delegates present at the Association, shall be elected to look into the standing of the ministry of the Association, and shall report to the Association before it adjourns, for approval.



8. No one shall be ordained to the ministry in this Association until they have carried preacher's license for at least one year and must have received a call to pastor some church. The call for ordination must come from the church that has called him or her to pastor it, or from the church in which he or she holds membership.

9. All committees shall be appointed by the Moderator or the assistant Moderator, when not otherwise provided for by the Association.

10. Whenever practicable, all business of importance coming before the local churches shall be decided by secret ballot, a majority vote to decide.

11. It shall be the duty of the churches of this Association to collect, during the month of July each year, a sum of money not less than ten (10c) cents per member, to comply with the Budget System enacted by the Missouri State Association, half of the money collected to be turned over to the Treasurer of this Association, and half to the Treasurer of the State Association. It shall be the pastor's duty to see that this "Budget" of ten cents per member is collected and turned in so it will be on hand for associational expenses.

12. It shall be the duty of the preachers and the churches of this Association to try to work in harmony with the Home Mission Board of this Association.

13. A request from a church that a brother or sister be examined for license or ordination to preach the Gospel shall not mean that he or she shall be licensed or ordained, but that a council be appointed to examine him or her, and if, after examination, the council thinks best, he or she may be licensed or ordained.

14. Any preacher belonging to this Association who does not make a report of his or her work, either in person, by letter, or by proxy, for three successive years, shall have his or her name dropped from the minutes.

15. It shall be the duty of each church of this Association to have its pastoral year to end with the annual session of the Association, and to hold its annual business meeting before the Association meets each year.

16. When a church fails to report to the Association, its last report shall be carried in the minutes.

17. All old or afflicted ministers, who so desire, may be enrolled on a superannuated list, and not be required to report to the Association in order to receive an Annual Certificate of Ministerial Standing.

18. It shall be the duty of the preachers belonging to this Association to present their ordination papers to the Clerk, that a correct copy can be secured and become a part of our permanent record for future reference and use.

19. These By-Laws may be amended at any session of this Association by a two-thirds vote of the members present.



# STATISTICAL TABLE OF THE CHURCHES

CHURCH	Membership .....	Members Received .....	Number Dismissed.....	Number Died .....	Amt. for Foreign Mission	Amount for Pastor .....	Amt. for Evangelist .....	Val. of Church Property	CLERK
Independence .....	87	0	0	0	0	\$73.85		\$1,000.00	A. B. Whistance
Fairview .....	92	0	0	0	0	210.00		1,000.00	Geneva Lamb
Verdella .....	48	4	0	1	0	51.51	\$41.75	1,000.00	Mary Hizar
Hannon .....	83	4	2	3	\$13.50	430.00	78.00	1,000.00	Frankie Wade
Mt. Olive .....	91	41	3	2	50.00	230.73	92.08	1,500.00	Jewell Maberry
Hickory Grove .....	100	0	1	1	1.00	88.52	9.00	1,000.00	Alma Hammonds
Totals .....	501	49	6	7	\$64.50	\$1084.61	\$220.83	\$6,500.00	