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Central Western Missouri and Southeastern Kansas Association

of

Free Will Baptist

1944

Proceedings of the 36th Annual Session

Convened at Wagoner Church

OFFICERS

Moderator	Eld. Arlie Hoover
Assistant Moderator	Preston Cross
Clerk—Treasurer	Thora Arbogast
Assistant Clerk	Tressie Mae Cross
Statistician	Pauline Warren

Executive and Home Mission Board

Elder Roena Thomas, Hannon, Mo.	1949
Deacon L. C. Wade, Bronough, Mo.	1948
Deacon John Bough, Stockton, Mo.	1947
Elder Arlie Hoover, Arcadia, Kansas	1946
Deacon Ottes Martin, Greenfield, Mo.	1945

Church Clerks

Hannon	Zola Truskett, Arcadia, Kan.
Mt. Olive	Jewell Maberry, Greenfield Mo.
Independence	A. B. Whistance, Stockton, Mo.
Wagoner	Tressie Mae Cross, Stockton, Mo.
Verdella	Anna Mae Davis, Iantha, Mo.
Fairview	Geneva Lamb, Chetopa, Kansas
Hickory Grove	Gladys Goddard, Archie, Mo.
•	Church Pastors
Hannon	Eld. Winford Davis, Monett, Mo.
Mt. Olive	Eld. Winford Davis, Monett, Mo.
Independence	Eld. Frank Linton, Tunas, Mo.

Eld. Frank Linton, Tunas, Mo. Eld. Lowell Martin, Greenfield, Mo.

Hickory Grove

Verdella

Eld. Alice Dickey, Mansas City, Mo. The next annual session of this association will be held

at Verdella church near lantha, Mo., beginning on Tuesday night before the fourth Sunday in August 1945.

Elder Roena Thomas is to preach the introductory message on wednesday night, Elder Marie Hyatt, alternate. Ministers Conference on tuesday night and wednesday.

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Minister's Conference Proceedings Tuesday Night Service

The seventh annual session was called to order on Tuesday night August 22, 1944, by the president, Eld. Lowell Martin.

Song, prayer and testimony service.

Eld. Frank Linton brought a message from Matthew 6:13; 26:36-42, which was very inspiring.

Dismissed by Eld. Marie Hyatt.

WEDNESDAY MORNING SERVICE

Song, and Devotional lesson 2 Timothy 2:

Motion carried that all delegates at large, ministers, deacons and elected delegates be allowed to vote in the minister's conference from year to year.

Officers for 1944-45: President, Eld. Lowell Martin; Vice-President, Eld. Alice Dickey; Secretary and Treasurer, Eld. Marie Hyatt.

Motion carried that the president be empowered to appoint a committee to draw up By-laws to govern the Ministers' Conference.

Committee: Eld. Marie Hyatt, Eld. Arlie Hoover, Eld. Roena Thomas, J. K. Stevens and Lloyd Warren.

Eld. Alice Dickey was elected to preach the opening sermon at the Ministers' Conference in 1945, with Eld. Arthur Kicenski as alternate.

The chosen topic, "Is there a difference between the Kingdom of Heaven and the Kingdom of God, if so, what? When do each have their beginning?" was discussed by Elders Lowell Martin, Roena Thomas, Frank Linton. Marie Hyatt, C. I. Joy, Arlie Hoover and Alice Dickey.

Dismissed by Eld. Arthur Kiccuski.

WEDNESDAY ELEVEN O'CIOCK SERVICE

Songs by congregation and prayer.

Message from Psalms 51:12; Matt. 13:44 by Elder C. I. Joy.

Handshake of fellowship and benediction by Bro. Ottis Martin.

CALL SESSION WEDNESDAY NIGHT.

Called to order by president, Elder Lowell Martin.

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Constitution and By-laws read and accepted for discussion.

Motion carried to adopt article no. 1. Motion carried to adopt article no. 2. Motion carried to adopt article no. 3. Motion carried to adopt article no. 4. Motion carried to adopt article no. 5. Motion carried to adopt article no. 6. Motion carried to adopt article no. 7. Motion carried to adopt article no. 8.

Motion carried to adopt article no. 9.

Motion carried to adjourn until the next Annual session just preceding the Association in 1945.

Constitution and By-laws of Ministers' Conference

ARTICLE 1

This organization shall be known as the Ministers' Conference of the Central Western Missouri and Southeastern Kansas Association of Free Will Baptists.

ARTICLE 2

The object and purpose of this organization shall be to unify the Ministry and their work in the Central Western Missouri and Southeastern Kansas Association.

ARTICLE 3

This Ministers' Conference shall consist of ordained and licensed ministers in good standing.

ARTICLE 4

Representation to the Ministers' Conference is to be the standing delegates of this Association.

ARTICLE 5

A free will offering is to be taken during each session of this Ministers' Conference which is to be used to defray the expense of this organization.

ARTICLE 6

The officers of this Ministers' Conference shall consist of a president, vice president and secretary, treasurer, -3 - each of which shall be elected at the beginning of each regular session. Sec. 2. The program committee shall be composed of above officers, whose duty it shall be to prepare the program of the Ministers' Conference for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 7

This Ministers' Conference shall hold its regular session annually during the time of the setting of the Central Western Missouri and Southeastern Kansas Association.

ARTICLE 8

This constitution and By-laws may be amended or altered at any regular session of the Ministers' Conference by a two thirds vote of members present.

DISTRICT WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION

The second Annual Session was called to order by the president, Sister Alice Dickey on Wednesday, August 23, 1944.

Songs, prayer and devotional by Louella Thomas.

Message by the president "Co-Llaborers with God."

Talk by second Vice President on "Steadfastness in Christian Education."

Report of work of second Vice President and Field Worker, combined.

Talk by third Vice President on "Steadfastness in Missions."

Report of third Vice President.

Special reading "Here am I, send me" by Sister Lowell Martin.

Talk by fifth Vice President on "Steadfastness in Benevolence."

Report of fifth Vice President.

Remarks by Sister Marie Hyatt on her visit to the F. W. B. Orphanage in Tennessee.

Letters read, accepted and delegates seated from Mt. Olive, Hannon and Hickory Grove Auxiliaries.

Motion carried to elect officers from the floor.

Motion carried that officers be elected for a term of two years.

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Officers elected for 1944-46:

President, Marie Hyatt; First Vice President, Alice Dickey; Second Vice President, Thora Arbogast; Third Vice President, Laura Cockrell; Fourth Vice President, Lowell Martin. Fifth Vice President, Audra Dill; Corresponding and Recording Secretary and Treasurer, combined, Velma Smith; Field Worker, Thora Arbogast.

Treasurers report on finance on hand \$10.35, read and accepted.

Motion carried to give Thora Arbogast, Field Worker, \$5.00 as love offering.

Motion carried to give \$3.50 for the printing of the minutes.

Sister Roena Thomas and Thora Abrogast were elected delegates to the State Auxiliary convention.

Motion carried to adjourn until the next annual setting of the association in 1945.

District League Proceedings

The fourth annual session was called to order by the president, Sister Irene Farris.

Song, "Onward Christian Leaguers", by all.

Devotional Prov. 30 by Betty Joe Shipley.

Prayer by Louella Thomas.

Letters read, received, delegates seated from Hickory Grove, Hannon and Independence.

Motion carried to seat each league member as delegate. Officers elected for 1944-1945 as follows: President, Louella Thomas, Vice-President, Thora Arbogast; Secretary-Treasurer, Lucille Miller.

Delegate was elected to the State League Session as follows: Thora Arbogast with power to appoint alternate.

Myron Hyatt was elected as Field Worker for 1944-1945.

Special prayer was offered at this time for our boys who are away in the armed forces of our country, Bro. Winford Davis led in prayer and Bro. Myron Hyatt concluded the prayer.

Motion carried to give \$2.00 on the printing of minutes and send \$3.02 to the State Treasury.

Motion made to adjourn until the next setting of the association at Verdella in 1945.

Associational Proceedings

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SERVICE

The Central Western Missouri and Southeastern Kansas Association of Free Will Baptist met in its thirty-sixth annual session at the Wagoner Free Will Baptist Church, Stockton, Mo., August 23, 1944, at 8:45 P. M.

The Moderator, Eld. Arlie Hoover called the meeting to order.

Congregational singing led by Bro. Davis.

Scripture, Eph. 5 read by Sister Pauline Warren.

Prayer by Sister Roena Thomas.

Solo by Bro. Winford Davis.

Duet by Sister Marie Hyatt and Bro. Davis.

Introductory message, 1 Cor. 16:9 "For there is a great door and effectual opened unto me and there are many adversaries". by Sister Lowell Martin. This message was truly a challenge to our association to move out against all obstacles in the Home Mission Cause.

Song "Let Him Have His Way With Thee".

At this time Bro. Hoover appointed Bros. Preston Cross, Joe Cockrell and Myron Hyatt as a temporary pulpit committee.

Benediction by Bro. J. K. Stephens.

THURSDAY MORNING SESSION

Song, prayer and devotional lead by Sister Thomas. • House was called to order by clerk who declared quorum present to transact business, and called moderator to chair.

By-laws read.

Letters read, received and delegates seated from all churches of the Association.

Officers elected for 1944-1945 as follows: Moderator, Eld. Arlie Hoover; Assistant Moderator, Preston Cross; Clerk-Treasurer, Thora Arbogast; Assistant Clerk, Tressie Mae Cross; Statistician, Pauline Warren.

Motion carried to authorize the Executive Board to supply temporarily, when in session, in the absence of Bro. John Bough, of the armed forces.

Motion' carried to extend visiting brethren seats in

council.

Motion carried to receive Statistician's report.

A committee on committees was appointed by the moderator, as follows: A. B. Whistance, Loyd Warren, Ottis Martin, Myron Hyatt and J. K. Stephens.

Motion carried to meet with Verdella church in 1945. Motion carried to adjourn until 1:00 o'clock.

THURSDAY ELEVEN O'CLOCK SERVICE

Song by congregation and prayer by Bro. W. K. Weston. Sermon from the Book of John was delivered by Sister Marie Hyatt, which was very inspiring as it dealt with God's love for us.

Song "Won't it be Wonderful There". Benediction by Bro. Ottis Martin.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Congregational songs and prayer by Bro. Brown. Moderator called house to order for business.

Motion carried to receive reports of the ministers and refer to committee on ministerial standing.

Motion carried to elect Sister Roena Thomas to the Executive Board for a term of five years.

Motion carried to receive report of Obituary committee.

Motion carried to receive report of the Temperance committee.

Motion carried to receive report of the committee on Publications.

Motion carried to adjourn until called to-gether by moderator.

Dismissed by Bro. O. T. Allred.

THURSDAY THREE O'CLOCK SERVICE

Congregational singing, and prayer by Bro. Joe Bailey. Message by Bro. O. T. Allred, which was full of hope and encouragement, on the power of Jesus in our lives to accomplish things.

At the close an old fashioned handshake was enjoyed while the congregation sang "There is a Fountain Filled With Blood".

Benediction by Bro. W! K. Weston.

THURSDAY NIGHT SERVICE

Cogregational songs of Mission nature, Prayer by Bro. Preston Cross. Duet "He was nailed to the cross" by Sister Marie Hyatt and Bro. Winford Davis.

Scripture read by Bro. C. R. Dick. Solo "How long must we wait" by Sister Marie Hyatt.

Mission Message and talk on our Cuban Mission Field by Bro. Winford Davis, at the conclusion an invitation was given for any who might feel led toward Mission work or who would dedicate their life for service any where, during the Altar service one precious girl bowed while Bro. Frank Linton led in prayer.

An offering of \$116.60 was taken for Foreign Missions. Benediction by Sister Lowell Martin.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

Song, prayer and devotional.

Motion carried to receive report of the committee on Christian Education.

Motion carried to receive the report of the Sunday School Committee.

Motion carried to accept report of the committee on Foreign Missions.

.Sister Roena Thomas was elected to preach the introductory message at the 1945 session, with Sister Marie Hyatt as alternate.

Motion carried to elect delegates to the State Association and empower them to elect alternates.

Delegates are as follows: Raymond Dickey, Myron Hyatt, Pauline Warren, Dollie Lewis, Lucille Miller, Margie Shipley, Ruby Smith and Frankie Wade.

Report of the Home Mission Committee was read and received for discussion by item.

Motion carried to adopt Home Mission report as a whole and refer to Home Mission Board.

At this time special prayer was offered in behalf of the Home Mission cause and for Divine leadership in selecting a worker.

Motion carried to elect Sister Marie Hyatt as Home Mission worker for the Association,

Motion carried to receive report of the committee on Ministerial standing.

Motion carried to receive report of the Treasurer.

A standing vote of thanks was given to Wagoner Church and community for their hospitality in entertaining the Association

Motion carried to recognize ministers reports in statistical form.

Motion carried to adjourn until Wednesday night before the fourth Sunday in August 1945.

FRIDAY ELEVEN O'CLOCK SERVICE

Congregational singing and prayer.

Message "Lengthen thy cords and strengthen thy stakes," was delivered by Sister Alice Dickey which was an admonition to Free Will Baptist to re-enforce efforts against satanic forces to establish the Gospel of the Lord Jesus.

Handshake of fellowship was enjoyed as we took the hand of Sister Marie Hyatt, our Home worker and Sister Irene Farris, whose life is dedicated for special service, and pledged them our whole hearted support.

Benediction by Sister Roena Thomas.

Foreign Missions: We, your committee on Foreign Missions, prayerfully submit the following,

In as much as we find among the very last words of our Lord the famous scriptures known as the great commission "go ye into all the world," and being convinced that the Lord has a special place for Free Will Baptists in this great work of evangelizing the world in this end time age we therefore present for your consideration the following recommendations:

1. That we give our loyal support in prayer and worshipful giving to the present \$40,000.00 campaign which has been launched by our National Board of Foreign Missions.

2. That each church in this association set in order some regular system of financial support to the Foreign Mission cause.

3. That everyone take membership in the "Missionary Prayer Band" as organized by our student body in the Free Will Baptist Bible College in Nashville, Tennessee, and that we comply with the request as set forth by this

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Band that we go to the Lord in prayer daily for the evangelization of the world.

This association is to be highly commended for their support to this cause in the past, but let us remember that we all could do more, no greater investment could be made than an investment in human souls. While money is so plentiful and satan is getting the use of so much of it let us invest now in this important matter of freeing souls from sin.

Committee: Winford Davis, W. K. Weston, Frank Linton.

Home Mission: Realizing the Lord has given to this Association a great field of work and that it is our responsibility to enter in and occupy this field for Him we recommend:

1. That following prayer a worker be nominated from the floor to launch the Home Mission work.

2. That the elected worker be given the privilege of selecting a helper, or helpers, to assist in this work.

3. That this worker, with assistants be paid a reasonable amount as agreed upon by the Home Mission Board.

4. That a plan be introduced in each church of this Association for constant monthly giving to keep the Home Mission fund supplied.

Committee: Louella Thomas, Carl Bough, Lowell Martin.

Publications: We, your committee, submit the following report:

Realizing the vital importance of our church paper the "Free Will Baptist Gem" to all phases of our denominational work we recommend:

That all our people support by subscription, moral support and financial aid this worthy publication.

That all our Sunday Schools, Leagues, and Woman's Auxiliaries use Free Will Baptist literature.

Committee: W. H. Potts, I. V. Sell, O. T. Allred.

Temperance: We, your committee, submit the following report:

Realizing the demoralizing effect of intoxicating beverages upon the people of our nation we recommend the following:

That we, as a denomination, unite our efforts with

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other Christian organizations in prohibiting the sale of liquors in and around our army camps.

That our people be temperate in all things striving against the use of tobacco in any form.

To, as far as possible refuse to patronize places of bus-

We request our ministry to devote one or more messages each year to the subject of intoxicating drinks and their effects.

Committee: Pauline Warren, Alice Dickey, Audra Dill.

Sunday School: We, your committee, wish to submit the following report:

We recommend that all officers and teachers be fully consecrated christians, and have for their cheif aim the advancement of Christ's Kingdom.

We urge that teachers open class with prayer and also bear in mind that their duty is not only to teach Bible facts, but to present them in a manner in which they can be applied to daily living.

We recommend the use of Free Will Baptist literature in our Sunday Schools wherever practical.

We recommend that as far as possible we live up with the National Sunday School Convention.

We recommend that every Christian attend Sunday School regularly.

Committee: Alta Maberry, Dorothy Davis, Irene Farris.

Obitlary: We, your committee wish to submit the following report:

We extend to our bereaved members of this association heartfelt sympathy in the loss of their loved ones and ask them to look to God who is our refuge in time of trouble.

"Blessed are those who die in the Lord."

Committee: Loretta Shipley, Eula Whistance, Velma Smith.

Christian Education: Realizing the necessity of Christian Education in the lives of young people and Christian workers we recommend the following:

1. That individuals, churches and church organizations support our Free Will Baptist Bible College by the Annual endowment plan.

2. That special prayer be given daily in behalf of the -11 -

College activity (faculty, student body and Board of Trustees).

3. That each church in our Association sponsor a Daily Vacation Bible School during the Associational year. Committee: Marie Hyatt, LaRue Baily, Ruby Fast,

Ministerial Standing: We, your committee, having heard the following minister's letters read and approved by the Association and believing them to be ministers of God fully aware of their responsibility, recommend that they be granted annual certificates of Ministerial standing and urge them to attend our Association some if possible.

Following are the Ministers: Marie Hyatt, Alice Dickey, Floy Hartley, Lowell Martin, C. R. Dick, Roena Thomas, Arlie Hoover, H. S. Ford, Arthur Kicenski, Lloyd Jeffreys, Harold Hoover and Callie Achord whom we recommend the moderator and clerk of the Association communicate with asking for closer co-operation with our Association and denomination.

We issue to Bro. C. I. Joy of Pleasonton, Kan., his certificate for one year.

There are also two superannuated Ministers, Sister Edith Mayfield and Bro. J. T. Williams.

Committee: A. B. Whistance, J. K. Stephens, Ottis Martin, Lloyd Warren, Myron Hyatt.

Alice Dickey: I have pastored 1 church, preached 62 sermons, witnessed 8 professions, had 8 additions to the church, conducted 2 funerals, traveled 2,562 miles and received \$387.87.

Callie Achord: I have pastored 1 church half time, preached 100 sermons, held 1 revival, witnessed 8 professions, baptized 4 and conducted 5 funerals.

Arthur Kicenski: I have pastored 1 church, preached 79 sermons, held 3 revivals, witnessed 8 professions, baptized 6 and conducted 2 funerals.

Marie Hyatt: I have preached 14 sermons, witnessed 2 professions, traveled 2,100 miles and received \$141.47. I have attended the 1943 and 1944 term at our Free Will Baptist Bible School at Nashville, Tenn.

Lowell Martin: I have pastored 1 church half time and 2 quarter time, conducted 4 revivals, preached 162 ser-

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mons, conducted 5 funerals, performed 1 marriage, traveled 7,655 miles, received \$934.24.

C. R. Dick: I have pastored 1 church, preached 50 sermons, helped in a revival and received \$21.48.

Orlie Hoover: I have been serving on both the Local and State Executive Board, acted as superintendent of the Sunday School at Hannon, made a number of sick calls and tried to be of service any way I could.

Roena Thomas. While living in Monett, Mo., I supplied a number of times for the pastors at Aurora, Monett and Carterville. I pastor the Protestant Methodist church at Oskaloosa, Mo., at present once a month. I have preached 19 sermons, conducted 8 funerals and received \$124.25.

H. S. Ford: I have preached 119 sermons, witnessed 32 professions, conducted 4 funerals and received \$479. 88.

Edith Mayfield and J. T. Williams, superannuated. Lloyd Jeffreys and Harold Hoover, U. S. Army.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Budget Received:

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Hannon	\$8.50
Mt. Olive	6.00
Independence	5.90
Hickory Grove	5.00
Verdella	
Wagoner	3.00
Fairview	4.40
Total	\$36.50
Received for Clerk Hire:	۰ مربق المربق ا مربق المربق ا
Hannon	
Mt. Olive	1.25
Independence	1.25
Wagoner	1.00
Fairview	1.00
Total	
For Minutes from District Auxiliary	\$3.50
For Minutes from District League	2.00
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Amount brought forward	8.88
Grand Total	\$56.63
Disbursements:	
¹ / ₂ Budget to State Treasury	\$18.25
Amount for Clerk Hire	5.75
Total Disbursements Total in Treasury for printing of Minutes	\$24.00 \$32.63

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Number of Tithers	
Value of Church Property	298.14 [200.00] 265.00 2000.09 21.48 [500.00] .122.00 [1000.00] .314.73 .58.75 [1000.00] .1628.47 [7200.00]
Amount paid Pastor	.298.14 .265.00 .21.48 .122.00 .188.50 .359.87 .314.73 .314.73 .314.73
Amount paid Evanglist	122,558 225.00 .17.20 .51.63 .84.00 .84.00 .27.50 634.10
Amount for Publications	122.50 220.80 .65.00 .114.00 .95.04 .22.00 .95.04 .22.00 .35.95 .29.08 .22.00 .17.45 .2008 .25.29 .256.29
Incidentals and Repair	120.00 122.50 101.17 220.80 55.00 55.00
Amount for Home Missions	4 30.00 390.00 120.00 122.50 2 .49.50 .65.00 2 .55.00 114.00 2 .55.00 114.00 2 .55.00 2 .55.00 2 5 26.50 5 26.50 5 5 5
Amount for Foreign Missions	30.00 390.001 41.00 40.00 26.50 95.55 26.50 95.55
Amt. for Christian Education	4 30.00 4 41.00 2 5 26.50 5 3 9 97.50
Ordained Deacons	
Resident Membership	
Non-Resident Membership	
Sunday School Enrollment	30 37 37 37 41 41
Women's Auxiliary Membership	12 25 13 13 13
League Membership	.20 .20 .21 .23 .25 .25
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