

Minutes . . .

Central Western Missouri
Association
of
FREE WILL BAPTISTS
FIFTY-SECOND ANNUAL SESSION
1960

When Convened With
Hickory Grove Free Will Baptist Church
Harrisonville, Missouri

The 53rd Annual Session Will Meet With
The New Hope Free Will Baptist Church
Kansas City, Kansas
Tuesday Night, August 1, 1961

OFFICERS

Moderator.....Deacon J. E. Cockrell, Kansas City, Missouri
 Assistant.....Rev. Glenn Rehkop, Avondale, Missouri
 Clerk-Treasurer.....Greta Carter, Raytown, Missouri
 Assistant.....Jean Williams, Raytown, Missouri
 Statistician.....Rev. Jim McAllister, Kansas City, Kansas

EXECUTIVE AND HOME MISSION BOARD

Deacon Orville Foger, Liberal.....1965
 Rev. Woodrow Matthews, Raytown.....1964
 Deacon Reed Smith, Liberal.....1963
 Deacon John Bough, Stockton.....1962
 Rev. Lloyd Jeffreys, Monett.....1961

CHURCH CLERKS

Beacon.....Mrs. Jean Williams, 8201 Northern, Raytown
 Greenfield.....Mrs. Jewell Mayberry, Greenfield
 Hannon.....Mrs. Bessie Bunton, Liberal
 Hickory Grove.....Mrs. Iris Jones, Harrisonville
 Independence.....Mrs. Elza Routh, Stockton
 Kansas City First Mrs. Lillie Mae Cheatham, 5426 Appleton, Kansas City
 New Hope.....Mrs. Velma Ussery, Cleveland
 Oskaloosa.....Mrs. Wilma Smith, Liberal
 Timberlane.....Paul Eaves, Olathe, Kan., R. R. 2
 Verdella.....Mrs. Janie Fast, Liberal
 Victory.....Mrs. Reva Prinz, Independence
 Wagoner.....Mrs. John Bough, Stockton

CHURCH PASTORS

BeaconRev. Woodrow Matthews, 7920 Northern, Raytown
 GreenfieldNone
 HannonRev. Charles Hatfield, Sarcoxie
 Hickory GroveRev. Harry Sterling, 1211 Mineral, Webb City
 IndependenceNone
 Kansas City FirstRev. Alice Dickey, 5504 Appleton, K. C. 33
 New HopeRev. Jim McAllister, 2521 So. 51st Terr., K. C., Kan.
 OskaloosaNone
 TimberlaneRev. Ernest Bailey, 81 26th St., Kansas City, Kan.
 VerdellaRev. Winford Davis, Monett
 VictoryRev. Glenn Rehkop, 3025 Jaudon, Avondale
 WagonerNone

MINISTERS

Rev. Archie Burress, Liberal; Cecil Blythe, Liberal; Ralph Cook, Hickman Mills; Alice Dickey, 5504 Appleton, K. C. 33; Arlie Hoover, Liberal (Sup); Lloyd Jeffreys and Opal Jeffreys, 304 Euclid, Monett; James McAllister, 2521 So. 51st Terr., K. C., Kan.; Jack McAllister, Greenfield; Lowell Martin, Greenfield; Woodrow Matthews, 7920 Northern, Raytown; Edith Mayfield (Sup) Lamar; Ernest Bailey, 81 26th St., K. C., Kan.; Glenn Rehkop, 3025 Jaudon, Avondale; Jack Stallings, Olathe, Kan.; D. T. Eaves, Olathe, Kan.

PROCEEDINGS

Tuesday Evening—August 2, 1960

The Fifty-second Annual Session of Central Western Missouri Association of Free Will Baptists convened with the Hickory Grove church, Harrisonville, Missouri. Congregational singing opened the meeting with Bro. Eddy Max Anderson leading the singing and Sis. Zellmer at the piano. Numbers were "Wonderful Words of Life," and "Bring Them In." Prayer was led by Rev. Archie Burress.

The clerk declared a quorum present, and the Association in session for business and called the moderator to the floor. Rev. Jim McAllister led in prayer. A special number was given by the young people of the Hickory Grove church, "Rolled Away." A duet by Sis. Shirley Lauthern and Sis. Helen McAllister, "My God Is Real." Rev. Alice Dickey brought the evening message. She used the subject "Termites In the Soul," and as a Scripture, Galatians 5:13. The meeting was then turned back to the moderator. The service was dismissed by Rev. Woodrow Matthews.

Wednesday Morning—August 3, 1960

The morning session was opened by singing, led by Sis. Lilly Mae Cheatham with Sis. Alice Dickey at the piano. We sang "Count Your Blessings." Prayer was led by Rev. Woodrow Matthews. Another song, "Trust and Obey" was sung. The devotional was given by Rev. Jack McAllister. He used Luke 24:45-49 as his Scripture reading.

Rev. Archie Burress read the Constitution and By-Laws. Motion carried that we vote on the letters and seat the delegates in the same manner. Motion carried that the meeting be dismissed until after the ministers' conference. Bro. Ross Thomas dismissed with prayer.

Wednesday Afternoon

The session reopened for business. The letter from the Timberlane church was read and the church received into the Association. A handshake of fellowship was given to the delegates of this church.

The Ministerial report was read and accepted. The Publication report was read and accepted. The Sunday School report read and accepted. Motion carried that Sunday School conventions be organized for the Northern and Southern localities of the Association, meeting quarterly, and as one organization at the annual session. Motion carried that the moderator appoint a committee for this.

Motion carried that Association adjourn until the evening service. Dismissed by Bro. Dee York.

Wednesday Night—Missionary Night

The evening service was opened by singing "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus," led by Rev. Woodrow Matthews, with Rev. Jim McAllister at the piano. Prayer by Bro. Ross Thomas. Other numbers in song were, "Send the Light" and "Jesus Saves." Devotion led by Rev. Woodrow Matthews, reading and commenting on Scriptures read from Matthew 28:19-20. Rev. Matthews gave a report on some of our mission work.

The film, "Something To Die For," was shown. The floor was given to the moderator. An offering was taken. The sum of \$39 was received. Motion carried that all over the fee for the film be sent to the Arizona Missions. Twelve dollars were used for the film. Benediction by Bro. John McAllister.

Thursday Morning—August 4, 1960

The Association opened with singing "Blessed Assurance" and "Draw Me Nearer," led by Rev. Glenn Rehkop with Sis. Ramona York at the piano. Prayer by Bro. Orville Fogar. The devotion was given by Rev. Woodrow Matthews, reading Psalms 145:1-16.

The Executive Board report was read and accepted.

The report of the Business Committee was read and accepted to discuss item by item.

Item No. 1 adopted. Alice Dickey, James McAllister and Orville Fogar appointed as committee.

Item No. 2 adopted.

Item No. 3 adopted.

Item Nos. 4 and 5 to be tabled until later.

Report of the Executive Committee read and accepted.

Report of the Obituary Committee read and accepted.

Report of the Missions Committee read and accepted to discuss item by item.

Item No. 1 adopted.

Item No. 2 adopted.

Motion made and seconded that Bro. Orville Fogar be re-elected to the Executive Board.

Motion carried that the Association declare a vacancy on the Executive Board in the person of Rev. Lester Jones. Rev. Woodrow Matthews elected to fill the vacancy.

Motion carried that the Association adjourn until the afternoon service. Benediction by Bro. Ross Thomas.

Thursday Afternoon

The Association opened for business following the League Conference, continuing with the Committee report. Temperance report read. Motion carried to accept the report. Christian Education report read and motion carried to accept the report. The Statistician's report was read and motion carried to accept the report. Statistician elected for the coming year in the person of Rev. James McAllister. Treasurer's report read and motion carried that it be accepted. Clerk-Treasurer elected for the coming year, Mrs. Greta Carter. Motion carried to order 200 Associational Minutes.

The delayed letters of Rev. Lloyd Jeffreys and Rev. Opal Jeffreys were read. Report from Ministerial Standing was read and discussion followed. Motion made that we grant Rev. Lloyd Jeffreys and Rev. Opal Jeffreys letters for the coming year. Rev. Archie Burress' letter was read. Motion carried that we extend Rev. D. T. Eaves a card of Ministerial Standing. Motion carried that all delegates be registered in our minutes.

Item No. 4 of the Business Report was read. Motion carried that it be accepted.

Item No. 5 was read and motion carried that it be accepted.

Delegates were elected to the State Association. Velma Ussery, Thora Grider, Jeannie Rhoades, Theo Bough, Sis. Foger, Nina Faye Hensley, Jimmy Williams, Gladys Brooks, Pat Pitts, Lucille Miller, Mary Wade and Leona Knapp. Motion carried that we invest authority in Moderator, Asst. Moderator or clerk to appoint delegates from the delegation present.

Election of Officers

Moderator.....Joe Cockrell, Kansas City
Assistant.....Rev. Glenn Rehkop, Avondale
ClerkMrs. Greta Carter, Raytown
AssistantMrs. Jean Williams, Raytown
StatisticianRev. James McAllister, Kansas City, Kan.

The moderator appointed two committees for the Sunday School convention. Rev. Woodrow Matthews, Rev. Jim McAllister, Rev. Glenn Rehkop for the Northern churches and Bro. Roger Phillips, Everett Crockett, and Wilma Smith for the Southern section.

The Statistical report was read from the Wagoner church in lieu of a church letter. Motion carried that it be accepted.

Motion carried that we adjourn until the night session. Dismissed with prayer by Bro. Jim McAllister.

Thursday Night

The service opened by congregational singing, "He Keeps Me Singing," and "Since Jesus Came Into My Heart." Prayer was led by Bro. Hank Zellmer. A special number in song was given by the youth choir of the Hickory Grove church, "I've Got a Mansion." Rev. Lowell Martin led a testimony meeting, followed by prayer by Bro. Billy Hensley. A duet "A Bridge Over the River," was given by Rev. Woodrow Matthews and Rev. Glenn Rehkop.

The evening message was brought by Rev. James McAllister, he read for the Scripture reading Genesis 3:1-11, and used "Where Art Thou?" as his subject.

Minutes were read and approved as read. Standing delegates registered. Motion carried that the Association adjourn until the 1961 session at New Hope church. Benediction given by Bro. John McAllister.

REGISTRATION

MINISTERS—Ernest Bailey, Archie Burress, Alice Dickey, John C. McAllister, James McAllister, Woodrow Matthews, Lowell Martin, Glenn Rehkop, Jack V. Stallings, Charles Hatfield, Elmer Russell.

DELEGATES—Arlese Allen, Nina Faye Hensley, Pat Pitts, Opal Cook, Deinne Hensley, Jack Stallings, Jr., Lora Bartclift, Kathryn Vanzant, Nancy Holt, Francis Jones, Sandra Sutton, Colleen Mason, Mary Cattrell, Louise Jones, Ramona York, Rutha Altis, Loula Mae Elliott, Paul Eaves, Donald Smith, Jimmy Williams.

DEACONS—John McAllister, Billy Hensley, Joe Cockrell, Tom Louis, Junior Anderson, Orville Foger, Reed Smith, Dee York, Ross Thomas.

MINISTERS' COMPANIONS—Opal Cook, Blanche Matthews, Helen McAllister, Evelyn Rehkop, Mrs. Stallings, Myrl York.

CHURCH CLERKS—Velma Ussery, Iris Jones, Jean Williams, Jewell Mayberry, Lilly Mae Cheatham, Wilma Smith, Janie Fast, Paul Eaves.

REPORTS OF MINISTERS

ARCHIE BURRESS—Sermons preached, 138; churches pastored, one; revivals held, three; professions witnessed, 12; number baptized, nine. Additions to church, 11; funerals preached, one; miles traveled, 4,550; amount received, \$1,528.40.

ALICE DICKEY—To the Central Western Missouri Association of Free Will Baptists when convened with the Hickory Grove Free Will Baptist church, Archie, Mo. During the past year I have brought 98 messages, conducted two funerals, baptized five, received six into church membership, witnessed 21 conversions, performed two marriage ceremonies. Have pastored the First Church of Kansas City, Mo., full time. I ask your prayers for the future that I might win more souls for our great Lord.

D. T. EAVES—We have not had much increase but feel the Lord is blessing this work out here and will give the increasing in His own good time. We are praying the Lord to send help our way so the parents of this community will give their lives to the Lord. Remember us when you pray. I am sorry I will not be able to attend the Conference. Please renew my licenses. I preached 42 sermons this year. Yours in Christ.

LLOYD T. JEFFREYS—I am sorry that circumstances are such that I shall be unable to attend the Association. I miss your help and fellowship very much. My work with the church at Neosho is finished and as

yet we are undecided about work for this year. While at Neosho I delivered 80 messages, assisted with one funeral, saw at least three saved or reclaimed, witnessed several consecrations, baptized two, presided at all business meetings of the church including the purchase of the new downtown property, travelled 6,933 miles and received \$733.00. Mrs. Jeffreys has rendered invaluable service in all these endeavors. We desire your prayers.

OPAL E. JEFFREYS—So happy to greet you in the name of our Lord and Saviour. I have had a very busy year in the Lord's service, working with Mr. Jeffreys pastoring a full time church. However, as far as statistics are concerned my report is very small. I have preached eight times and traveled 1,170 miles. Pray for us that we will follow as the Lord may call.

LOWELL MARTIN—Greetings to the Central Western Missouri Association. Our work for the past year has been with the Greenfield Free Will Baptist church halftime and with the Fairview Community church for Sunday morning services the other two Sundays. Sermons preached, 68; amount received, \$677.17; miles traveled, approximately 1,500 in His service.

WOODROW MATTHEWS—Sermons preached, 130; churches pastored, one; professions witnessed, six; number baptized, three. Funerals preached, five; miles traveled, 12,000; money received, \$3,740; marriages performed, four.

JAMES W. McALLISTER—Sermons preached, 100; churches pastored, one; professions witnessed, 28; number baptized, 31; additions to church 26; miles traveled, 8,500; amount received, \$1,480.00.

JOHN C. McALLISTER—I would like to submit the following report of my work during the past year. I have been working with the Youth for Christ organization in Nashville, Tenn., as director of the Y. F. C. Rally. I have seen 20 teenagers make decisions for Christ, and have spoken to as many as 275 people in one Youth for Christ Rally. My work in Nashville was given, so I received no pay for my work, but rewards were great. I will be taking the Youth for Christ work into a new town in September, in Clarksville, Tenn. Pray for this work. Yours for Christ.

GLENN REHKOP—Sermons preached, 144; churches pastored, two; revivals held, seven; professions witnessed, 22. Weddings performed, four; funerals preached, three; miles traveled, 10,000; amount received, \$3,539.85.

JACK V. STALLINGS—I wish to submit the following report. I have preached 14 sermons, traveled 500 miles, received \$10, witnessed one profession. I request your prayers that I will do the will of the Lord. I am a member of New Hope church, I came from the Indian Creek Association. Yours in Christ.

EDITH MAYFIELD—Superannuated.

ARLIE HOOVER—Superannuated.

MINISTERS' CONFERENCE

Wednesday, August 3, 1960

The Ministers' Conference of the Central Western Association was called to order by Vice President Archie Burress. A congregational number, "He Keeps Me Singing." The devotional was given by Rev. Jack Stallings using II Timothy, 2:15 as a text. Prayer was led by Rev. Elmer Russell. Another song, "Since Jesus Came Into My Heart," was sung. Rev. Alice Dickey brought the morning message. She used I Corinthians 16:9 as a text. The morning session closed by singing "He Is Able To Deliver Thee." Rev. Jim McAllister dismissed the service and asked the blessing on the noon meal.

Wednesday Afternoon

The session reopened in the afternoon by singing "We've A Story To Tell." Prayer was led by Rev. Glenn Rehkop. For the afternoon service, each minister was allotted 10 minutes to speak.

Ministers and Topics:

Rev. Jim McAllister—John 17:4. Rev. Woodrow Matthews—Philipians, "I am set for the defense of the Gospel." Rev. Charles Hatfield—St. John 6:55. "My flesh is meat and blood is drink." Rev. Jack Stallings—I Kings 18. "How long halt ye between two opinions"? Rev. Glenn Rehkop—II Timothy. "Be strong in the Lord." Rev. Jack McAllister—Job 30:12 and I Timothy 4:12. Rev. Elmer Russell—I Corinthians. Rev. Ernest Bailey—John 3:14. Sister Ramona York sang "A Volunteer for Jesus," between two of the messages. There were also some congregational songs.

Election of Officers:

President Rev. Glenn Rehkop
Vice President Rev. Woodrow Matthews
Secretary-Treasurer Rev. Jim McAllister

A free will offering of \$27.77 was taken and it was decided for \$10 of this to go to the Association for minute money and the remainder to go for Superannuation. The conference was closed by prayer by Rev. Archie Burress.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

Article 1.—This organization shall be known as the Ministers' Conference of Central Western Missouri Association of Free Will Baptists.

Article 2.—The Object and purpose of this organization shall be to unify the Ministry and their work in Central Western Missouri Association.

Article 3.—The Ministers' Conference shall consist of ordained and licensed ministers in good standing.

Article 4.—Representation to the Ministers' Conference is to be 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 expenses of this organization.

Article 6.—The officers of the Ministers' Conference shall consist of a President, Vice-President and Secretary-Treasurer, each of whom shall be elected at the beginning of each regular session.

Section 2.—The Program Committee shall be composed of the above officers whose duty it shall be to prepare the program of the Ministers' Conference for the ensuing year.

Article 7.—The Ministers' Conference shall hold its regular session annually during the time of the setting of the Central Western Missouri 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.

LEAGUE CONVENTION

Thursday Morning, August 4, 1960

The Annual Session of the Central Western Missouri League Convention met with the Hickory Grove Free Will Baptist church. Congregational singing was led by Bro. Jack Stallings with Sis. Jean Williams at the piano. Songs were "Onward Christian Leaguers" and "Send the Light." Prayer was led by Sis. Blanche Matthews. Services were then turned over to Rev. Glenn Rehkop who used as his Scripture text, Psalms 106:18. Services were dismissed by Bro. Dee York who gave the blessing on the noon meal.

Thursday Afternoon

The afternoon session of the League Convention was called to order by congregational singing led by Rev. Glenn Rehkop. We sang "Take the Name of Jesus With You." Nancy Holt brought the devotion from Luke 2:39-52. Sister Wilma Smith led us in prayer.

The letters of the Leagues were then read by the acting secretary and were accepted.

The program in the afternoon was very entertaining. The girls from Hickory Grove and Kansas City sang "The Royal Telephone" and "The Nail Scarred Hand." Sis. Matthews led the intermediates in a Sword Drill.

Motion was made and seconded that the League Convention pay the expenses of the winner of the Sword Drill, when he went to compete in the State Sword Drill. Motion was carried that a committee of three;

(Rev. Alice Dickey, Rev. Glenn Rehkop and Rev. Matthews), be selected to revise No. 2 in the By-Laws. Motion was made and carried that we adopt the report.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

President Jimmie Williams
Vice-President Joyce Davis
Secretary-Treasurer Colleen Mason

Introductory speaker for the next League session will be Rev. Alice Dickey—Alternate, Rev. Jim McAllister.

Revision of By-Law No. 2

2. Dues—It shall be the duty of each League to send yearly to the Secretary-Treasurer of the convention an amount equal to twenty cents (20c) per member to be divided as follows; one-half (½) to be sent to the State League Convention, and the remaining one-half (½) to be used by the local Convention. The Convention shall pay the expenses (meals and transportation) of the Sword Drill contest winner to the State League Convention.

LEAGUE TREASURER'S REPORT

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|-------------------------------------------|---------------|
| Beacon | \$ 5.00 |
| First | 5.00 |
| Hickory Grove | 3.80 |
| Oskaloosa | 4.00 |
| Total | <hr/> \$17.80 |
| To State S. S. and League Convention..... | \$ 8.90 |
| To Central Western Clerk for minutes..... | 5.00 |
| To Jimmie Williams..... | 3.90 |
| Received from New Hope 9-21-60..... | 5.60 |
| Received from Beverli Barton Bishop..... | 26.01 |
| TOTAL IN TREASURY..... | <hr/> \$31.61 |

LEAGUE CONSTITUTION

Article 1.—The organization shall be known as the Central Western Missouri League Convention, to be composed of the Leagues of the Central Western Missouri Association.

Article 2.—The officers of the convention shall be a President, who shall preside over all League rallies and meetings and appoint all committees; a Vice-President, who shall preside over the meeting in the absence of the President and generally assist in the supervision of the work, and a Secretary-Treasurer, who shall record proceedings of all meetings, edit minutes, send an annual report to the State League Convention, and give an accurate account of all funds received and disbursed.

STATISTICAL TABLE

| | Beacon | Green Field | Hannon | Hickory Grove | Indep. | K.C. Rt | New Hope | Oska- loosa | Timber- lane | Verdella | Victory | Wagoner | Totals |
|------------------------|------------|----------------|-----------|------------------|--------|-------------|-------------|----------------|-----------------|------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|
| M'bers Rec'd This Yr. | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 26 | 0 | 4 | 7 | 17 | 0 | 64 |
| Members Baptized | 3 | | | | | 5 | 31 | 2 | | 2 | 6 | 1 | 50 |
| Dismissed by Letter | 2 | | | | | 2 | 5 | | | 4 | 2 | 1 | 16 |
| Deceased | | | 1 | 2 | | | | 1 | | | | | 4 |
| Resident Members | 31 | | 36 | 40 | | 53 | 50 | 27 | 4 | 53 | 38 | 24 | 356 |
| Non-Res. Members | 15 | | 42 | 48 | | 19 | 15 | | | 16 | 5 | 21 | 181 |
| M'b'ship June 30, 1960 | 46 | 15 | 72 | 88 | | 72 | 65 | 27 | 4 | 69 | 43 | 45 | 546 |
| League Membership | 25 | | | 19 | | 25 | 45 | 18 | | 18 | 41 | 13 | 204 |
| Sun. School M'bership | 59 | | 51 | 87 | | 70 | 91 | 25 | 22 | 50 | 60 | 25 | 540 |
| Ordained Ministers | 2 | 1 | | | | 1 | 3 | | 1 | 1 | 2 | | 11 |
| Licensed Ministers | | | | | | | 1 | | | | | | 1 |
| Ordained Deacons | 1 | 2 | 6 | 3 | | 5 | 2 | 2 | | 7 | 1 | 3 | 32 |
| Paid Pastor | \$3,380.00 | \$ 460.00 | \$ 690.00 | \$ 475.00 | | \$ 1,800.00 | \$ 1,480.00 | \$ | \$ 22.00 | \$1,345.00 | \$ 2,135.00 | \$ 306.94 | \$12,093.94 |
| For Evangelism | | | 185.55 | | | 22.00 | 170.00 | 100.00 | | | | 106.20 | 831.75 |
| Val. of Church Prop'ty | 35,000.00 | 5,000.00 | 4,000.00 | 3,565.00 | | 18,000.00 | 21,000.00 | | 4,500.00 | 5,000.00 | 19,000.00 | 2,000.00 | 117,065.00 |
| Amt. for Bldg., Rep. | 4,171.70 | 442.00 | | | | 617.00 | 7,321.58 | 175.00 | 50.00 | 1,177.21 | 562.06 | | \$14,516.55 |
| Incidentals | 592.17 | 63.22 | 369.46 | 133.40 | | 543.37 | 35.00 | 105.00 | | 311.87 | 891.05 | 135.56 | 3,185.10 |
| Co-operative Fund | 624.20 | | 88.00 | 176.98 | | | | | | 411.63 | | | 1,300.81 |
| Foreign Missions | 58.15 | 84.37 | 220.50 | | | 150.05 | 70.00 | | | 58.52 | 30.00 | 23.92 | 695.51 |
| Home Missions | | | 25.50 | | | 830.76 | 84.25 | | | 222.19 | 20.00 | 59.80 | 1,242.50 |
| Education | 197.91 | | | | | 67.34 | 75.00 | | | 32.64 | | 11.96 | 384.85 |
| Youth Camp | 15.00 | | 10.00 | | | | 15.00 | 35.00 | | | 12.00 | 23.92 | 110.92 |
| Budget | 10.75 | 6.75 | 12.00 | 13.00 | | 13.00 | 15.50 | 9.00 | 4.00 | 16.25 | 12.50 | 9.00 | 121.75 |

Section 2.—These officers shall compose the Executive Board of the convention.

Section 3.—All officers of this Convention shall be elected at the close of the regular session and shall hold office until the close of the next regular session, and any vacancy which might occur may be filled by the Executive Board between sessions.

Article 3.—The standing delegates of this Convention shall be General officers of the Convention, the President and Secretary of each League, and all Free Will Baptist ministers in good standing.

BY-LAWS

1. Representation—Each local League shall be entitled to one (1) delegate for each five (5) members of their League.

2. Dues—It shall be the duty of each League to send yearly to the Secretary-Treasurer of the convention an amount equal to twenty cents (20c) per member to be divided as follows; one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) to be sent to the State League Convention, and the remaining one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) to be used by the local Convention. The Convention shall pay the expenses (meals and transportation) of the Sword Drill contest winner to the State League Convention.

These By-Laws may be amended or altered at any regular session of the League Convention by a two-thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) vote of the members present.

Friday Morning, August 5, 1960

The Sunday School Convention was opened by singing "Higher Ground" and "More Love to Thee" led by Rev. Glenn Rehkop with Sis. Jean Williams at the piano. Rev. Alice Dickey opened the convention. Bro. Charley Hoover led our thoughts in prayer. Another song, "Jesus Is All the World to Me," was sung.

The theme was "More Effective Teaching in the Sunday School." Scripture, Matthew 7:24. Prayer by Rev. Jim McAllister. Sis. Rutha Altis gave an object lesson on temptation. We sang "Build Your House." Sis. Helen McAllister gave a flannelgraph story, using the story of Noah, and Timmy Altis sang a song about Noah. Sis. Dickey gave the object lesson using the "Wordless Book." Sis. Altis showed films of the Bible story "Samson." An open discussion on the work of the Sunday School was held. The group then sang "Bring Them In." The morning message was given by Rev. Woodrow Matthews. He used Isaiah 54:1-3. The service was dismissed by Bro. Roger Phillips.

District Womens' Auxiliary Convention

On Friday afternoon the Women's Auxiliary convention was opened by singing a congregational number, "We're Marching to Zion." Bro. Charles Whitson led in prayer. While the song "He Hideth My Soul" was being sung, the auxiliary members registered.

Theme—"Abounding to Every Good Works." Watchword—"God is Able," II Corinthians 9:8.

Sister Alice Dickey, our vice president, presided. She read the following Scriptures, Philippians 4:19, Job 2:25, and Hebrews 13:8.

Letters were read and approved from the following auxiliaries, New Hope, Beacon, Victory, Kansas City First, Hannon, Verdella, Oskaloosa.

The following program was then presented: Solo, Helen McAllister, New Hope; skit, Beacon; solo, Jean Crockett, Hannon; reading, "What Have I Done," Greta Carter, Beacon.

Sister Alice Dickey appointed the committees. While they were meeting the congregation sang "Stepping In the Light," and "Jesus Calls Us."

Resolution Committee:

1. We the resolution committee recommend that all committees be appointed before the dismissal for the noon hour.

2. We recommend that the Program be prepared and sent to the various Auxiliaries 30 days before the convention.

3. Be it resolved that our secretaries be more punctual in sending in our yearly reports.

4. Be it resolved that we encourage more of the members to attend the convention.—s—Blanche Matthews, Jean Crockett, Vera Hoover.

The Resolution Committee's recommendations were approved.

Appreciation Committee:

We the appreciation committee wish to give a standing vote of thanks to the Hickory Grove church for their hospitality during the convention.—s—Ruth Postlewaite, Jeanne Rhoades, Greta Carter.

Nominating Committee:

We recommend the following nominations:

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| President | Jeanne Rhoades |
| Vice President..... | Blanche Matthews |
| Secretary-Treasurer | Wilma M. Smith |
| Youth Chairman | Alice Dickey |
| Study Course Chairman | Jean Williams |
| Stewardship Chairman | Jean Crockett |
| Personal Service Chairman | Reva Prinz |
| —s—Rutha Altis, Alice Hoover, Helen McAllister | |

Motion made to vote on office by office. The following were approved. Jeanne Rhoades nominated Mrs. Matthews, Mrs. Matthews declined and nominated Jeanne Rhoades who was voted upon and passed. All other offices were approved as they were read from the Nominating Committee's report.

Motion was made to pay \$5 on the minutes. The remainder to be used for whatever it was needed.

Mrs. Matthews reported on the National Auxiliary Convention. Sister Jean Williams reported on Study Course work. She stressed the need for more Study Courses. She also stated that, as she is Study Course chairman, any of the Auxiliaries could feel free to call on her at any time for help with their Study Courses.

Sister Dickey read St. Peter 1:5 after which the officers for the coming year were installed. The officers grouped at the altar were extended a handshake of fellowship. The convention adjourned. Sis. Blanche Matthews gave the benediction.—Wilma M. Smith, Sec. & Treas.

REPORTS

Sunday School:

1. We recommend that teachers of small children use flannel boards, or picture charts with Bible stories, and more action songs.

2. We recommend that every Sunday School teacher be a Christian and not depend entirely on literature, but carefully study each lesson from God's word.

3. We suggest that the Pastor, Supt., and teachers encourage reverence in Sunday School.

4. We suggest that each Sunday School sponsor a library of Christian books and literature.

5. We recommend that the Supt. and teachers meet at least once a quarter to plan a program for the coming quarter.

6. We recommend that we organize into Sunday School Conventions to meet quarterly. The conventions would then report and give a program at the yearly Association, during the time allotted to the Sunday School.—s—Blanche Matthews, Wilma Smith and Hazel Bowman.

Ministerial Standing:

Having examined individual letters from the following ministers, we find them to be eligible to receive yearly certificates of ministerial standing. Archie Burress, Alice Dickey, John C. McAllister, Jim McAllister, Lowell Martin, Opal Jeffreys, Lloyd Jeffreys.

The committee recommends giving the following ministerial certificates for the coming year. Glenn Rehkop, Jack V. Stallings and Woodrow Matthews.—s—Orville Foger, Arlese Allen, Lora Bartclift, G. C. Lewis, Lillie Mae Cheatham.

Publications:

1. We recommend all our churches adopt the family plan in subscribing to the Gem and Contact.

2. We recommend that our churches use Free Will Baptist Sunday School literature published by Ernest Kennedy, Oklahoma City, or Free Will Baptist Press, Ayden, North Carolina.

3. We recommend the King James version of the Bible.—s—Ramona York, Elmer D. Russell, Verla Smith.

Missions:

1. We recommend that each church take an offering once a month for the Arizona Mexico Missions.

2. We recommend that each individual pray for our missionaries, calling them by name.—s—Alice Dickey, Allen D. York, Archie Burress.

Christian Education:

1. We suggest that each church have a D.V.B.S.

2. We recommend that each pastor conduct a teachers training course at least once a year.

3. We recommend that each church encourage her young people to attend the Missouri State Youth Camp. Also that each support the youth camp with spiritual, physical and financial aid.

4. That each church encourage their young people to attend our Free Will Baptist college. Also that each church make available the promotional material from our Free Will Baptist college.—s—Glenn Rehkop (ch.), Jack V. Stallings, John C. McAllister.

Obituary:

Since our Heavenly Father has seen fit to call some of our beloved members, we extend our sympathy to the bereaved families, and pray God will comfort them in their sorrow.

Sister Georgia Newman and Sister Lulu Marjarum were called from the Hickory Grove church; Bro. Ray Brooks from Oskaloosa, and Sis. W. D. Young, Hannon.—s—Janie Fast, Virginia Stallings, Ross Thomas.

Temperance:

1. That we strive for a higher standard of Christian conduct.

2. That parents supervise all TV programs their children watch.

3. We recommend that we abstain from conformity to the world in such things as patronizing of business places dealing with alcoholic beverages, engaging in questionable forms of amusements, and we admonish the F. W. B. people to be modest in dress as becomes a Christian.

4. We recommend that parents supervise all literature read by their children.—s—Helen McAllister (ch.), Jean Rhoades, Jim Williams.

Treasurer's Report:

EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORT—1959-1960

The Board met to reorganize at the Victory church during the Association session. Bro. Ross Thomas seated as proxy for Rev. Lloyd T. Jeffreys. Bro. John Bough named Chairman. Rev. Lloyd T. Jeffreys, secretary-treasurer. Bro. Carl Venable examined for the office of deacon. The Board recommended that he be ordained at the pleasure of the Oskaloosa Free Will Baptist church.

The Board met in called session at the Fifth Sunday meeting at the Wagoner church. Rev. Archie Burress was seated as proxy for Rev. Lester Jones and Bro. Joe Cockrell seated as proxy for Rev. Lloyd T. Jeffreys. A committee was named to provide the program and agenda of

business for the Sunday School Convention period of the annual Associational meeting to be held at Hickory Grove. Committee: Rev. Archie Burress, chairman, Rev. Alice Dickey and Bro. Charley Hoover.

The Board met in called session at the Fifth Sunday meeting at the Hannon church. Members present were Bro. Orville Foger, Bro. Reed Smith and Rev. Lloyd T. Jeffreys. No proxy members were seated. Minutes of the Board and general questions were discussed.

Home Mission Fund: Carried forward, \$54.92; received this year, Wagoner church, \$11.40; League Convention (by Beverli Barton) \$100. Total now on hand, \$166.32. Check for same will be delivered at the direction of the Association or to my successor as treasurer.

Rev. Lloyd T. Jeffreys, sec.-treas.

TREASURER'S REPORT

General Fund

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| Brought Forward from Last Year..... | \$ 31.26 |
| Budget Fund (with 1959 letters) | \$194.20 |
| (this included offerings from the Minister, League, and Womens Aux.) | |
| To Central Western Clerk | \$18.41 |
| To State Assoc. (Minutes)..... | 18.41 |
| Total Deducted from Budget..... | 36.82 |
| Remainder of Budget to General Fund..... | 157.38 |
| TOTAL IN GENERAL FUND..... | \$188.64 |

Disbursed from General Fund:

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| Genell Scott (Aux. deposit)..... | 14.40 |
| National Foreign Mission Board..... | 29.20 |
| Liberal News (Minutes)..... | 102.00 |
| Raytown Office and Supply..... | 2.88 |
| Total in General Fund August 1, 1960..... | \$ 40.16 |

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Members: Joe Cockrell, Orville Foger, James W. McAllister, Archie Burress, Reed Smith. Orville Foger to act as Chairman of Board. James McAllister to act as Secretary of Board.

ITEM NO. 1: Request from New Hope Church that Bro. Jack Stallings be examined and issued a Card of Standing in this Association. He comes from Indian Creek Association.

Examined—Motion made by Bro. Burress, seconded by Bro. Smith that we approve and issue a Card of Standing. Carried.

ITEM NO. 2: Request from New Hope Church that Bro. Ernest Bailey be examined and issued a License as a Minister in this Association.

Examined—Motion made by Bro. Smith, seconded by Bro. Burress that we issue Bro. Bailey a License as a Minister of the Gospel of the Central Western Association. Carried.

SIGNED: Orville Foger, Archie Burress, Joe Cockrell,
James W. McAllister, Reed Smith

Business Committee:

1. We recommend that the Association appoint a program committee who shall prepare the program for the next session of the Association at least 30 days before the meeting convenes.

2. We recommend that the churches of this Association pay 10% of their regular church income into the State Co-operative plan as a minimum of their denominational giving.

3. Whereas our annual session of the Missouri State Youth Camp has proved very beneficial to the spiritual welfare of our youth, we recommend that we make a greater effort to publicize the work of the camp and to encourage our youth to attend. We further recommend that the churches who do not support the co-operative plan of giving, to include the Youth Camp in their denominational giving.

4. We recommend that we accept the invitation of the New Hope Church for the next session of the Association.

5. We recommend that this body give a standing vote of thanks to the Hickory Grove church for their splendid hospitality during this session of the Association.—s—Rev. Woodrow Matthews, Nina Faye Hensley, Reed Smith, Patsy Burress, Rutha Altis.

REPORT OF QUARTERLY MEETING

The Central Western Quarterly Meeting held four regular meetings during 1959. The first was on March 7, 1959 at New Hope church, Kansas City, Kan. The first topic for the day was given by Rev. Jack McAllister whose theme was "Personal Evangelism." The second topic was given by Rev. Jim McAllister followed in the afternoon by Rev. Russell Spurgeon's talk on "The Sunday School and Its Work." The fourth and final subject was given by Rev. Lester Jones who talked on "The People and the Church." An ordination service was held for Rev. Jack McAllister. Rev. R. B. Spurgeon gave the charge to Bro. Jack.

June 13, 1959 the Quarterly Meeting convened with the Hickory Grove church. Our service was highlighted by the presence of Rev. and Mrs. Tommy Willey, our missionaries to Cuba. Attending the meeting with them was Bro. Mario Perez, a pastor of one of their churches. The Willeys were in charge of the program for the day. They gave us a report of the work in Cuba. Our offering for the day plus money in the treasury, a total of \$50.74, was given to the Willey fund.

The third meeting met September 12, 1959 at the Beacon church. The topic, "The Bible Examples of Prayer" was given by Rev. Lester Jones. Rev. Jim McAllister followed with the subject "Prayer, What it is and How To." In the afternoon Rev. Bobby Jones brought a message on "Power Through Prayer." The evening service was based on the theme "Without Decoration," given by Rev. R. B. Spurgeon.

The First church was the host to the Quarterly Meeting held December 12, 1959. Bro. Ray Turnage, League Director from Nashville, was with us for this meeting. Work shops were conducted by Sis. Myrtle

Jones and Sis. Reva Prinz. They illustrated proper League training. Bro. Turnage gave lessons on the officers of the League and their responsibilities. In the afternoon a forum was conducted on the League with Sis. Myrtle Jones, Rev. Lester Jones, Sis. Reva Prinz and Bro. Paul Usery as the panel. Bro. Turnage gave a talk on Junior-High youth during the evening service. The offering for the day of \$66.10 was given to Bro. Turnage to cover his expenses.

CONSTITUTION

Article 1—Name and Composition.—This organization shall be known as the Central Western Missouri Association of Free Will Baptists, and shall be composed of such consistent, well regulated Free Will Baptist churches as shall from time to time unite with the organization and agree to this constitution.

Article 2—Purpose.—The purpose of this organization shall be to unify the work of the various churches of which it is composed, and to promote plans for the extension of the Kingdom of God.

Article 3—Representation.—Representation to this Association shall be those who are chosen by the churches of which it is composed; each church to be entitled to one delegate, and each church having twenty-five resident members two delegates, with one delegate for each additional twenty-five resident members or major part thereof, together with all ordained deacons, ordained or licensed ministers, and their companions who are members in good standing with the Free Will Baptist church and the church clerks of the churches of this Association.

Section 2.—A resident member shall be one in good standing who, if able, discharges his or her obligations to the church. All other members shall be considered non-resident.

Article 4—Discipline.—Should a grievance arise which cannot properly and satisfactorily be settled in the local church, a request may be made to the Association that a council be appointed to advise or arbitrate; the decision of that council to be accepted as final.

Article 5—Officers.—The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, an Assistant Moderator, a Clerk, an Assistant Clerk, a Treasurer, and a Statistician; all said officers shall be elected annually at the regular session of the Association; and shall hold office until their successors are elected and qualified.

Article 6—Boards.—This Association shall elect a Board of five members of which two shall be ministers, to be elected as follows: the first named for a period of one year, the second for a term of two years, and the fifth for a term of five years. After the first election one member shall be elected each year for a term of five years or until his successor is elected. This Board shall be called the Home Mission and Executive Board of Central Western Missouri Association, shall act as Trustee of any property of the Association, and shall be the examining council of the Association.

Article 7—Meetings.—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 the churches composing it to represent themselves by letter and delegates.

Article 8—Amendments.—This Constitution may be altered or amended at any regular session of the Association by a two-thirds vote of members present, provided proposed alteration or amendment has lain on the table at least one day.

BY-LAWS

Article 1. Each annual session of this Association shall be called to order by the Clerk or the Assistant Clerk, or in his or her absence the standing member having seniority in years of service. After the clerk or the one calling the assembly to order shall declare a quorum he or she shall call the Moderator to the chair, or in his or her absence the standing member having seniority in years of service.

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

Article 3. Delegates equal in number to the number of active churches and representing at least a simple majority of the active churches shall constitute a quorum to transact business for the Association, but any less number shall adjourn.

Article 4. Regular Parliamentary procedure as set forth in Roberts' "Rules of Order" shall be followed. The method of voting shall be determined by the moderator unless one-third of the voters present dissent. No one shall be allowed to speak more than five minutes nor more than twice on the same subject without the consent of the Conference.

Article 5.—Section 1.—The first item of business of the Association shall be to receive the church letters and seat the delegates. However, business shall not be suspended to wait for late or delayed letters. Such letters shall be received upon arrival and their delegates seated.

Section 2.—Item 1.— The election of the officers of this Association shall be held at the closing business session of the regular session of the Association. They shall hold office until their successors are elected.

Section 2.—Item 2.—The Clerk-Treasurer shall supervise the printing of the minutes for the year of which they were Clerk-Treasurer.

Section 3. The second item of business of the Association shall be the report of the Executive Board.

Article 6. All Committees or a Committee on Committees shall be appointed by the Moderator.

Article 7. It shall be the right of each church of the Association to determine its own pastoral year. We urge that each church have its business year end on June 30th.

Article 8. A committee of five lay members, qualified delegates to the Association, shall be chosen to look into the standing of the ministry of the Association, and shall report to the Association for approval before adjournment.

Article 9. It shall be the duty of the churches of the Association to accompany their church letter with three dollars (\$3.00) per church plus twenty-five cents (25c) per resident member for the Central Western Missouri Association Fund to be allocated thus: 15% for Missouri State General Association expense, 15% honorarium for Central Western Missouri Associational Clerk, and 70% for Central Western Missouri Associational Expense.

Article 10.—Section 1.—No one shall be ordained to the ministry in this Association until they have carried a ministers license two years, or major fraction of the second year, and must be currently performing the duties of pastor of an organized group.

Section 2. Examination for ordination to the ministry may be carried out at the regular session of the Association, or as otherwise directed by the Association. Examination for license or for ordination (both ministers and deacons) to be done at a time and place agreeable to both candidate and examining council. Ordination may be carried out in the local church (if desired) subsequent to examination and favorable action of the examining council.

Article 11. No one shall be licensed or ordained in this Association who is a user of tobacco, alcohol, or who cannot qualify according to I Timothy 3:1-12 and Titus 1:6-9.

Article 12.—Section 1.—It shall be required of the ministry of this Association to adhere to sound doctrine in both preaching and practice as embraced in our Treatise of Faith and Practice. It shall further be the duty of the active ministers to report each year by letter and at least once in three years in person. Ministers in the Armed Forces shall not be required to report in person during their term of service. All ministers meeting these requirements shall be granted a Certificate of Ministerial Standing when and if approved by the appointed Committee on Ministerial Standing.

Section 2. All aged or afflicted ministers, who so desire, may be enrolled on the superannuated list, not being required to report to the Association in order to have a Certificate.

Article 13. These By-Laws may be altered or amended at any session of this Association by a two-thirds vote of members present.

See National Treatise for Articles of Faith and Church Covenant.

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