

# Minutes . . .

Central Western Missouri  
Association  
of  
FREE WILL BAPTISTS  
FIFTY-THIRD ANNUAL SESSION  
1961

When Convened With  
New Hope Free Will Baptist Church  
Kansas City, Kansas

The 54th Annual Session Will Meet With  
The Verdella Free Will Baptist Church  
Liberal, Missouri  
Tuesday Night, July 31, 1962

## OFFICERS

Moderator.....Deacon Joe Cockrell, Kansas City, Missouri  
 Assistant.....Rev. Glenn Rehkop, Avondale, Missouri  
 Clerk-Treasurer.....Mrs. Greta Carter, Raytown, Missouri  
 Assistant.....Mrs. Jean Williams, Raytown, Missouri  
 Statistician.....Mrs. Rutha Altis, Kansas City, Missouri

## EXECUTIVE AND HOME MISSION BOARD

Rev. Glenn Rehkop, Avondale.....1966  
 Deacon Orville Foger, Liberal.....1965  
 Rev. Woodrow Matthews, Raytown.....1964  
 Deacon Reed Smith, Liberal.....1963  
 Deacon John Bough, Stockton.....1962

## CHURCH CLERKS

Beacon.....Mrs. Jean Williams, 8201 Harvard, Raytown  
 Greenfield.....Mrs. Jewell Maberry, Greenfield  
 Hannon.....Mrs. Bessie Bunton, Liberal  
 Hickory Grove.....Mrs. Iris Jones, Harrisonville  
 Independence.....Mrs. Beatrice Bough, Stockton  
 Kansas City First.....Mrs. Rutha Altis, 1222 E. 79th St., K. C., Mo.  
 New Hope.....Mrs. Velma Ussery, R-1, Belton, Mo.  
 Oskaloosa.....Mrs. Wilma Smith, Liberal  
 Skyline Armordale.....Mrs. Edith Blair, 236 N. 17th St., K. C., Kan.  
 Timberlane.....Paul Eaves, RR2, Olathe, Kan.  
 Verdella.....Mrs. Janie Fast, Liberal  
 Victory.....Mrs. Reva Prinz, 16509 2nd St. N., Independence  
 Wagoner.....Mrs. John Bough, Stockton

## CHURCH PASTORS

Beacon.....Rev. Woodrow Matthews, 7920 Harris, Raytown  
 Greenfield.....None  
 Hannon.....Rev. Junior Ussery, Belton  
 Hickory Grove.....Rev. Ralph Cook, 8715 E. 114th St., K. C., Mo.  
 Independence.....Rev. George Conner  
 Kansas City First.....Rev. Alice Dickey, 5504 Appleton, K. C., Mo.  
 New Hope.....Rev. James McAllister, 2521 So. 51st Terr., K. C., Kan.  
 Oskaloosa.....Rev. Otto Mackey, Monett  
 Skyline Armordale.....Rev. Elmer Russell, 735 Osage, K. C., Kan.  
 Timberlane.....Rev. D. T. Eaves, Route 2, Olathe, Kan.  
 Verdella.....Rev. Winford Davis, Monett  
 Victory.....Rev. Glenn Rehkop, Box 152, Avondale  
 Wagoner.....None

## MINISTERS

Rev. Cecil Blythe, Liberal; Ralph Cook, 8715 E. 114th St., K. C.; Alice Dickey, 5504 Appleton, K. C. 33; D. T. Eaves, Rt. 2, Olathe, Kan.; Ernest Bailey; Arlie Hoover, Liberal, (Sup.); Lowell Martin, Greenfield; Edith Mayfield, (Sup.); Woodrow Matthews, 7920 Harris, Raytown; Jack McAllister; James McAllister, 2521 So. 51st Terr., K. C., Kan.; Opal and Lloyd Jeffreys, 304 Euclid, Monett; Elmer Russell, 735 Osage, K. C., Kan.; Jack V. Stallings; Junior Ussery, Rt. 1, Belton.

## PROCEEDINGS

**Tuesday Evening—August 1, 1961**

The Fifty-third Annual Session of the Central Western Missouri Association of Free Will Baptists convened with the New Hope church, Kansas City, Kansas. The service was opened by congregational singing led by Bro. Jack McAllister with Sis. Shirley Lawthern at the piano. Rev. Glenn Rehkop led in prayer. We then sang "Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus." The special music for the evening was given by the ladies trio from New Hope. They sang "Take My Hand, Precious Lord." The Mason family sang "The Lord Is My Shepherd."

The clerk declared a quorum present and the Association in session for business and called the moderator to the floor. An offering was taken while the congregation sang "I Must Tell Jesus." Bro. Joe Cockrell presented Rev. Billy Melvin, our Executive Secretary of the National Association, as the speaker of the evening. He used Matthew 28:18-20, Acts 1:8, and II Timothy 3:1 as his Scripture readings. Rev. Woodrow Matthews dismissed the service with prayer.

**Wednesday Morning—August 2, 1961**

The morning session was opened by singing, "I'll Sing the Wondrous Story," led by Rev. Glenn Rehkop with Sis. Alice Hoover at the piano. Rev. Lloyd Jeffreys led our thoughts in prayer. The devotion was given by Rev. Junior Ussery of the New Hope church. He used Acts 5:25-29 as a devotional reading.

Letters were received from Timberlane, Independence, Beacon, Kansas City First, Oskaloosa, Victory, New Hope, Verdella, Hannon, Greenfield, Hickory Grove and Wagoner churches. Motion carried that we receive the letters and seat the delegates. Rev. Woodrow Matthews read the By-Laws. The letter from the Skyline Armordale church was read. Motion carried that we receive the letter and seat the delegates.

The Committee on Committees was appointed. Rev. Woodrow Matthews, ch.; Orville Fogar, and Raymond Dickey.

The Association was dismissed for the Ministers conference with prayer by Sis. Alice Dickey.

The Association was recalled to session following the Ministers Conference. The Executive Board report was read. Motion carried to accept the report. Rev. Glenn Rehkop was elected to the Executive Board. The Temperance Committee report was read. Motion carried to accept the report. Missions Committee report was read and motion carried to receive the report and dispose of it item by item.

Item No. 1 adopted.

Item No. 2 adopted.

Item No. 3 adopted.

Item No. 4 adopted.

Item No. 5 adopted.

The Publication report was read and motion carried that we receive the report and vote on it item by item.

Item No. 1 adopted.

Motion carried to adopt amendment "or the Free Will Baptist Press, Ayden, North Carolina."

Motion carried to adopt item No. 2 amended.

Item No. 3 adopted.

Item No. 4 adopted.

The Christian Education Committee report was read. Motion carried that the report be adopted.

The Obituary Committee report was read and accepted.

Motion carried that we adjourn until the Evening service. Bro. Raymond Dickey dismissed with prayer.

### **Wednesday Night—Missionary Night**

The evening service was opened by singing "Anywhere With Jesus" and "We've a Story to Tell to the Nations." Prayer was led by Bro. Clifford Altis. Special music for the service was a duet by Rev. Glenn Rehkop and Rev. Woodrow Matthews, "Peace, Peace." Another congregational number, "If Jesus Goes With Me." Sis. Ramona York sang "I Bowed on My Knees and Cried Holy." Bro. Cockrell presented the speaker for the evening, Sis. Eunace Edwards. She brought a challenging message on our being willing to "Go," where, when, and however God might call us. An offering of \$200.30 was received to be used for furtherance of our mission work. Five people went forward dedicating their lives to the service of God. The dismissal prayer was offered by Rev. Arlie Hoover.

### **Thursday Morning—August 3, 1961**

The Association was opened by singing "Power In the Blood" led by Rev. Woodrow Matthews with Sis. Jean Williams at the piano. Rev. Elmer Russell led in prayer. The devotion was given by Rev. Glenn Rehkop. He used St. John 12:20-22 as his Scripture. His thought centering around the subject, "We Would See Jesus."

Minutes were read to date. Motion carried to receive the report. The Greater Kansas City Quarterly Meeting letter was read. Motion carried that we receive the letter and seat the delegates.

Treasurer's report was read. Motion carried to accept the report.

Statisticians report was read and accepted. Mrs. Rutha Altis was

elected statistician for the coming year.

Partial report of the committee of Ministerial Standing was read and received.

Motion was carried that a location committee be appointed to decide our host church for the next Association.

Motion made that the Moderator appoint the location committee.

Motion carried that we adjourn until after the League Conference.

#### Thursday Afternoon

The Association re-opened for business after the League Convention. The congregation sang "There is Power in the Blood."

The placement committee was appointed. Those appointed were Orville Foger, Jean Williams, and Arlie Hoover.

The complete report of the committee on Ministerial Standing was read and accepted.

Delegates were elected to the State Association, Ruth Postlewaite, Reva Prinz, Ruby McAllister, Alice Hoover and Rev. Elmer Russell.

Motion carried that the moderator or assistant moderator be empowered to appoint alternate delegates from delegation present at the State Association.

Business Committee report was read and motion carried that we receive the report and dispose of it item by item.

Item No. 1 adopted.

Item No. 2 adopted.

Item No. 2 adopted.

Item No. 3 adopted.

Item No. 4 adopted.

Item No. 5 adopted.

Motion carried that we give Rev. Lloyd Jeffreys a standing vote of thanks for his 15 years service with the Executive Board.

#### Election of Officers for the Coming Year

Moderator ..... Joe Cockrell, K. C., Mo.

Assistant ..... Rev. Glenn Rehkop, Avondale, Mo.

Clerk ..... Mrs. Greta Carter, Raytown, Mo.

Assistant ..... Mrs. Jean Williams, Raytown, Mo.

Statistician ..... Mrs. Rutha Altis, K. C., Mo.

Motion carried that the Association adjourn. The final benediction was given by Bro. Reed Smith.

#### Thursday Evening

The evening service was opened by singing "When We All Get to Heaven," and "Trust and Obey." Prayer was led by Rev. Alice Dickey. A special for the evening was a men's trio who sang "Hide Me, Rock of Ages."

A special offering of \$39.49 was given to help defray the expenses of Rev. Billy Melvin and Ss. Eunace Edwards. The Mason family sang "He Gives Peace and Satisfaction All the Time." Bro. Cockrell introduced the speaker of the evening, Rev. Grover Terry, pastor of the Grant Ave. church in Springfield, Mo. Rev. Terry used Romans 1:1 as a text.

A matter of business was brought before the Association at this time. Motion made and seconded that our Associational secretary (Executive Board) write a petitionary letter to the Missouri State Association requesting that the Missouri State Executive Board either investigate and accept proposed Skyline Bid or invite the National Home Mission Board to come in.

The clerk read the remaining Associational report. Motion carried that the complete report be accepted.

Rev. Arlie Hoover prayed the benediction.

## **REGISTRATION**

**MINISTERS**—Alice Dickey, Ernest Bailey, Opal Jeffreys, Lloyd Jeffreys, Woodrow Matthews, Glenn Rehkop, James McAllister, John C. McAllister, Elmer Russell, Jack V. Stallings, Ralph Cook, Arlie Hoover, Junior Ussery. Rev. Black and Rev. Billy Melvin, visiting ministers.

**MINISTERS' COMPANIONS**—Opal Cook, Blanche Matthews, Helen McAllister, Evelyne Rehkop, Virginia Stallings, Velma Ussery.

**CHURCH CLERKS**—Jean Williams, Jewell Maberry, Wilma Smith, Shirley Lauthern, Rutha Altis, Paul Eaves, Reva Prinz, Edith Blair.

**DEACONS**—Reed Smith, Dee York, Joe Cockrell, Orville Foger, Billy Hensley, Clifford Altis, Raymond Dickey.

**DELEGATES**—Laura Cockrell, Kenneth Knapp, Leona Knapp, Ruth Postlewait, Faye Ratterree, Alma Mason, Ann Smicker, Alice Hoover, Vivian Kennedy, Arlease Allen, Ramona York, Thora Grider, Nina Faye Hensley, Bonnie Robinson, Jake Blake, Linda Sandridge, Frances Foger, Mary Ellen Floyd, Paul Eaves.

## **REPORTS OF MINISTERS**

**EARNEST BAILEY**—Sermons preached, 74; churches pastored, one; revivals held, one; professions witnessed, six; additions to church, four; miles traveled, 2,867; amount received, \$43.68.

**RALPH J. COOK**—Sermons preached, 30; churches pastored, one; professions witnessed, one; miles traveled, 1,008; amount received, \$200.

**ALICE DICKEY**—Marriages performed, two; witnessed eight professions at First church, six in hospitals, four in homes and four reclaimed. Baptized nine and received eight into church membership. Pastored First Church full time.

**D. T. EAVES**—We desire very much to preach and teach the word of God to the people out here. We feel we need to stay here until the Lord sends someone our way whom the church can depend on for a pastor

and leader in the church. We are willing to give over when that happens because we believe the Lord does have other work for us. Pray for us and the church that we will always do the Lord's will. I don't know if we will be able to attend the conference or not.

LLOYD T. JEFFREYS—I am happy to present the Lord's blessings in my humble service for this year. I have brought 40 messages, conducted one funeral, witnessed one soul saved, traveled 3,212 miles and received \$352.27. Yours in the Lord's service.

OPAL E. JEFFREYS—Greetings in the name of Jesus. We have had a very busy year for our Lord altho we cannot record it all. I have delivered 11 messages, traveled 782 miles and received \$34.71 and witnessed at least one soul saved.

LOWELL MARTIN—Greetings in His name. Our work for the past year is as follows: Pastored Greenfield church half-time, preached at Fairview Community church near Jericho for Sunday morning services and since March at Wagoner church for evening services the other two Sundays. Sermons preached, 84; amount received, \$918.20; funerals, five; marriages performed, two; traveled approximately 2,500 miles.

WOODROW MATTHEWS—Sermons preached, 112; churches pastored, one; revivals held, two; professions witnessed, 27; number baptized, five; additions to church, 14; funerals preached, three; marriages performed, one; miles traveled, 15,000; money received, \$3,673.

JAMES W. McALLISTER—Sermons preached, 113; churches pastored, one; revivals held, two; professions witnessed, 42; number baptized, 25; additions to church, 27; funerals preached, two; miles traveled, 20,739; amount received, \$4,622; weddings performed, three; rededications, nine; prayer meetings conducted, 48.

JOHN C. McALLISTER—Sermons preached, 85; professions witnessed, 22; miles traveled, 4,000; amount received, \$255.65. I did Youth For Christ work in Clarksville, Tenn.

GLENN REHKOP—Sermons preached, 137; churches pastored, one; professions witnessed, 11; weddings performed, three; miles traveled, 12,000; baptized three; amount received, \$4,125.00.

JACK V. STALLINGS—I wish to submit the following report for the past year to the Central Western Missouri Association of Free Will Baptists. Sermons preached, 14; witnessed one conversion in Bethel hospital. Traveled 1,200 miles; received \$5.00. I request your prayers that I may be able to do more for the Lord this coming year.

EDITH MAYFIELD—Superannuated.

ARLIE HOOVER—Superannuated.

## MINISTERS' CONFERENCE

Wednesday, August 2, 1961

The Ministers' Conference was opened by singing "Jesus Saves" led by Rev. Jack McAllister, with Sis. Jean Williams at the piano. Rev. Black led in prayer. Rev. Billy Melvin brought the message. I Corinthians 16: 21-24 was his Scripture text. The morning session closed with prayer by Sis. Eunace Edwards who also asked the blessing on the noon meal.

### Wednesday Afternoon

The session reopened in the afternoon by singing "Standing on the Promises" led by Rev. Glenn Rehkop with Sis. Ramona York at the piano. Sis. Opal Jeffreys led in prayer. Another song, "A New Name in Glory," was sung. Rev. Elmer Russell brought the afternoon message. He read Jonah 3:1-2, using "and preach unto it the preaching that I bid thee," as his topic.

### Election of Officers:

President ..... Rev. Glenn Rehkop  
Vice President ..... Rev. Junior Ussery  
Secretary-Treasurer ..... Rev. Alice Dickey

Five dollars which was the balance in the treasury was turned over to the new treasurer. An offering of \$15.48 was received. Rev. Ernest Bailey dismissed the conference with prayer.

### 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 3, 1961

The Central Western Missouri League Convention in session at the New Hope Free Will Baptist Church, opened by singing "There's A New Name Written Down in Glory," and "Dwelling in Beulah Land," led by Bro. Jack Stallings with Sis. Jean Williams at the piano. Prayer was led by Sis. Greta Carter. Sis. Alice Dickey introduced Bro. Leonard Rodgers of Youth for Christ who sang "I Believe in Miracles" and then brought a very inspiring message with II Timothy 2:1-3 as the Scripture and the subject "Flabby Christians." Bro. Jack McAllister dismissed with prayer and asked the blessing on the noon meal.

### Thursday Afternoon

The afternoon session was called to order by president, Jimmie Williams, and singing was led by Bro. Jack McAllister with Sis. Jean Williams at the piano. Prayer by Sis. Ruth Postlewait. Betty Dunn gave the devotions with Scripture reading I John 4:1.

Songs and readings were given by Vivian Mason, Jack Stallings, Ramona York, Dwight Postlewait, Reed, Wilma and Rita Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Jim McAllister, Billy Troumbley, Gary Matthews, Jack McAllister, Jean Williams, Alice Hoover, and Virginia Troumbley.

President Jimmie Williams then called the business session open and we then elected officers for the coming year.

### ELECTION OF OFFICERS

President ..... Jack Stallings  
Vice-President ..... Jimmie Williams  
Secretary-Treasurer ..... Vivian Mason

Motion made that we send \$25.00 to "Expanding our Horizons," motion carried. Motion made that we send \$10.00 to Leonard Rodgers, the morning speaker, motion carried.

Motion was made that the secretary get report blanks and mail out to each league before next convention, motion carried. Dismissed by repeating the league benediction.

### LEAGUE TREASURER'S REPORT

#### DUES RECEIVED

Beacon .....	\$ 7.00
First .....	7.80
Rec. from treasurer Colleen Mason .....	31.61
Rec. from New Hope (dues) 8-19-61 .....	11.60
Total .....	\$58.01

#### EXPENDITURES

To State Sunday School and League .....	7.40
To Leonard Rodgers .....	10.00
To "Expanding our Horizons" .....	25.00
Total .....	\$42.40

BALANCE ON HAND .....\$15.61

Vivian Mason, Treasurer

## 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.

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 4, 1961 District Womens' Auxiliary Convention

The Womens' Auxiliary convention was opened by a congregational number, "Bringing in the Sheaves." Sister Nina Hensley led in prayer. Another number, "Win Them One By One," was sung.

Theme—Christian Fruitfulness. Watchword—Being fruitful in every good works. Colossians 1:10. Sis. Greta Carter had charge of the devotion. Sis. Alice Hoover, from Hannon Auxiliary, sang "Is He Satisfied?"

Letters from the following Auxiliaries were read and approved, Beacon, Hannon, Verdella, Oskaloosa, New Hope, First Church and Victory.

The Resolution Committee report was read as follows:

# STATISTICAL TABLE

	Beacon	Green-field	Hannon	Hickory Grove	K. C. First	New Hope	Oska-loosa	Sky-line	Timber-lane	Verdella	Victory	Wagoner	Totals
M'bers Rec'd This Yr.	17		1	1	6	27		13	4	3	17	1	90
Members Baptized	5	1	2	1	4	25			1		3	1	43
Dismissed by Letter	2		3		6	6	3			2		1	23
Deceased			1	1								1	3
Resident Members	50	15	30	40	53	70	17	25	5	53	54	24	436
Non-Res. Members	6		36	47	19	7	3		3	17	6	10	154
M'b'ship June 30, 1961	56	15	66	87	72	77	20	25	8	70	60	34	590
League Membership	35				39	80	15				32	12	213
Sun. School M'br'ship	72	14	53	87	110	95	30	81	29	55	100	28	754
Ordained Ministers	1	3	2		1	3					2		12
Licensed Ministers				3	4	2	2						3
Ordained Deacons	1	2	5	\$ 600.00	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 380.00	\$273.37			7	1	3	30
Paid Pastor	\$ 3,380.00	\$ 480.00	\$ 785.00			2		1		\$ 1,228.12	\$ 3,695.00	\$ 88.00	\$ 17,719.49
For Evangelism	100.00	350.98	165.15	308.22	75.00	252.56		\$194.94	\$ 59.38	287.78	280.00		2,068.01
Val of Church Prop'ty	37,000.00	5,000.00	10,000.00	3,565.00	18,000.00	3,000.00		7,500.00	10,000.00	19,000.00	4,000.00		144,065.00
Amt. for Bldg. Rep.	3,534.85	118.00	641.10	340.95	114.94	1,352.93	36.00			847.35	85.00		7,071.12
Incidentals	665.95	217.55	401.01	90.72	1,313.96	482.37	113.20	264.19	2,085.19	467.24	300.00	82.93	6,484.31
Co-operative Fund	648.93		55.00	142.37		358.82	135.42	62.00		922.16	327.17		2,651.87
Foreign Missions			89.00		98.09					20.00		41.26	248.00
Home Missions		77.36	84.70		1,190.19	34.50				244.92	15.00	20.63	1,667.30
Education	148.79				115.14	40.00				71.97	35.00		410.90
Youth Camp			32.00		35.00		18.64			40.23		20.63	146.50
Budget	15.50	6.75	12.00	13.00	16.25	15.00	8.00	10.00	8.00	16.25	16.50	10.00	147.25

NOTE: No statistics were available for Independence church.

1. We recommend that each Auxiliary support the Co-Labor Fund.
2. We recommend that we take \$10 from our district treasury and a free will offering for Mrs. Edwards.
3. We recommend that our secretaries be more punctual in sending in our yearly reports.
4. We recommend that our Auxiliaries show more interest by attending our district meetings.
5. We recommend we pay \$5 for printing of our minutes.
6. We suggest that each Auxiliary send Sis. Jeanne Rhodes a card. This is her address. Mrs. Ned Rhodes, 3000 N. 17th, Kansas City, Mo.

—s—Alice Hoover, Evelyn Rehkop, Edna Carter, Frances Foger

#### Nominating Committee Report:

We recommend the following nominations: President, Sis. Blanche Matthews; vice president, Sis. Helen McAllister; secretary-treas., Sis. Wilma Smith, youth chairman, Sis. Doris Whitson; study course chairman, Sis. Evelyn Rehkop; stewardship chairman, Sis. Alice Dickey; personal service chairman, Sis. Alice Hoover.—s—Wilma Smith, Reva Prinz, Ruth Postlewait, Rutha Altis, Helen McAllister

Sis. Helen McAllister declined Vice Pres., Sis. Evelyn Rehkop accepted the nomination. Sis. Rutha Altis was then nominated for Study Course chairman, which was approved.

#### Officers for the coming year:

President ..... Mrs. Blanche Matthews, 7920 Harris, Raytown  
 Vice President ..... Mrs. Evelyn Rehkop, Box 152, Avondale  
 Sec.-Treas. .... Mrs. Wilma Smith, RR2, Liberal  
 Youth Chairman ..... Mrs. Doris Whitson, RR2, Liberal  
 Study Course Chairman .... Mrs. Rutha Altis, 1212 East 79th, Kansas City  
 Stewardship Chairman .... Rev. Alice Dickey, 5504 Appleton, Kansas City  
 Personal Service Chairman ..... Mrs. Alice Hoover, RR2, Liberal

Delegates were chosen for the state convention. They were Wilma Smith, Ruth Postlewait, Alma Mason, Helen McAllister, and Alice Hoover.

Sister Wilma Smith led the offertory prayer. After the offering had been taken, the congregation sang "Trust and Obey." The amount of the offering for Sis. Edwards was \$56.26. The District Treasurer gave \$10. Total amount given was \$66.26. This was taken to show our appreciation to Sis. Edwards who came to explain to the convention more about our Auxiliary work.

Sister Edwards was introduced by Sis. Matthews.

1. She urged us to PLEASE send more for Co-Labor.
2. State definitely what each offering is for.
3. Then she explained Individual Monthly Reports. These explanations were very helpful to all present. They helped to give us a clearer picture of our work.

Mrs. Matthews then took charge and a motion was made and seconded to have Mrs. Edwards return in the near future for a Workshop. Closing prayer by Sis. Ruth Postlewait. —s—Wilma Smith, Sec.-Treas.

## REPORTS

### Ministerial Standing:

Having examined individual letters from the following ministers, we find them to be eligible to receive certificates of ministerial standing. Ralph Cook, D. T. Eaves, James McAllister, John McAllister, Woodrow Matthews, Lowell Martin, Jack V. Stallings, Ernest Bailey, Glenn Rehkop, Alice Dickey, we recommend that Rev. Opal and Lloyd Jeffreys be granted certificates upon receipt of their reports.—s—Reed Smith ch., Billy Hensley, Jean Williams, Dee York, Rutha Altis.

### 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, Okla. (this was amended to read or Free Will Baptist Press, Ayden, North Carolina.)

3. Since many of our churches have expressed dissatisfaction with our present League literature, we recommend that our Association express our desire for better literature to our National League Board and the Oklahoma Press.

4. We recommend the King James version of the Bible and that the false teachings of the New Revised Standard version of the Bible be made known to our people.—s—Opal Jeffreys, Alice Hoover, Helen McAllister.

### Missions:

We the Missions committee recommend the following:

1. That the churches observe the months suggested by the National Mission Board, namely November as National Home Missions month and April as Foreign Missions month.

2. That each church clerk prepare a list of families in the church and send to the National office so that each family will receive the Missions publications.

3. That increased support be sent for the Johnny Postlewaits (Missouri Home missionaries), since their account is in the red. All gifts are to be clearly marked for the same.

4. We further recommend that we continue to support and pray for all our missionaries.

5. That Missionary Conferences be conducted in each locality this year if at all possible.—s—Jewell Maberry, Blanche Matthews, Ruth Postlewait.

### Christian Education Report:

We suggest that each church conduct a daily vacation Bible school each year.

1. Records show 11 out of 13 churches conducted a D.V.B.S. last year.

### Youth Camp:

1. We recommend that each church receive an offering at least once a year for the upkeep of the C. W. Mo. Assn's cabins, also to aid in upkeep of the entire camp grounds.

2. That each church encourage their youth to attend youth camp. Let's take advantage of the Christian training there.

#### **Bible College:**

1. That each church write to the college, requesting material for distribution among their teen-agers, also a catalog of college courses should be available at all times. This literature is available free for the asking by writing the college, 3606 West End, Nashville, Tenn.

#### **Sunday School:**

1. We recommend that each church have qualified teachers to teach their young people, qualified teachers to fill vacancies where they may arise.

2. That each church conduct a teacher training course each year.  
—s—John C. McAllister, Elmer D. Russell, Mrs. Wilma Smith.

#### **Obituary:**

Since our Heavenly Father in His infinite wisdom has seen fit to call from our midst our sisters in Christ, Daisy Peters, Hannon church; and Meta Pennington, Hickory Grove church; and Bro. Albert Whistance, Wagoner church, we extend sympathy to the bereaved families and pray God will comfort them in their sorrow.—s—Laura Cockrell, Frances Foger, Edith Blair.

#### **Temperance:**

We the Temperance committee recommend the following:

1. That our churches individually stress the ill effects caused the human body, both physically and spiritually, by indulging in alcoholic beverages, stress total abstinence, and as much as possible refrain from patronizing any business dealing in such.

2. That television programs be strictly supervised by parents.

3. That we abstain from conformity to the world, be modest in our dress, shun questionable places of amusements and strive for higher standards of Christian conduct.

4. That parents supervise closely all literature read by their children.  
—s—Reva Prinz, Ann Smucker, Thora Grider

#### **Examining Committee:**

After examining Brother Junior Ussery, we recommend that he be granted a license to preach the Gospel.—s—Lloyd Jeffreys, Woodrow Matthews, Reed Smith, Orville Foger, Joe Cockrell.

#### **Business Committee:**

1. We recommend that all offerings received during this association except the missionary offering be used to pay the expenses of the speakers.

2. We recommend that the program of the 1962 session be planned by the Executive board.

3. We recommend that the missionary offering be divided among the Missouri missionaries; Rev. and Mrs. Carlisle Hanna, Rev. and Mrs. Bill Fulcher, Rev. and Mrs. Johnnie Postlewait, Rev. and Mrs. Laverne Miley and Rev. and Mrs. Mark Vandervort.

4. We recommend that should there be a deficit in our account to pay associational speakers that the clerk notify each church of its allocation.

5. We recommend that we give a standing vote of thanks to the New Hope church for their gracious hospitality.—s—Glenn Rehkop, Orville Fogar, Arlie Hoover, Alice Dickey, Jim McAllister.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT:**

#### **General Fund**

Brought Forward from Last Year .....	\$ 40.16
Budget Fund with letters and Ministers' offering .....	\$153.00
League .....	15.00
Auxiliary .....	5.00

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\$173.00

To Central Western Clerk .....\$18.90

To Missouri State Association ..... 18.90

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Total Deducted from Budget .....\$37.80

Remainder of Budget to General Fund ..... 135.20

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**TOTAL IN GENERAL FUND .....\$175.36**

#### **Disbursed from General Fund:**

Arizona Mexico Missions .....\$ 27.00

Postage ..... 2.50

To Mo. State Assn. for report blanks ..... 1.43

Liberal News (Minutes) ..... 110.00

Total in General Fund, August 1, 1961 .....\$ 34.43

### **LETTERS OF APPRECIATION**

Personal letters of appreciation were received from Rev. and Mrs. Carlisle Hanna and family, Rev. and Mrs. LaVerne Miley and family, Rev. and Mrs. Bill Fulcher and Billy.

### **EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORT—1960-1961**

The Board met August 4, 1960 during the Association at the Hickory Grove Free Will Baptist church, for the purpose of organizing. Members present, Reed Smith, Orville Fogar, and Woodrow Matthews. Organization as follows, John Bough, chairman; Woodrow Matthews, secretary. Meeting adjourned.

The Board met at the Verdella Free Will Baptist church October 30, 1960, chairman presiding. Rev. Woodrow Matthews not present and no proxy seated. Prayer by Bro. Reed Smith. Rev. Lloyd Jeffreys elected

Secretary Pro-tem. Letter of report received from Rev. C. J. Blythe. Motion carried to grant a card of standing to Bro. Blythe. Motion carried to adjourn. Lloyd T. Jeffreys, Sec. Pro-tem.

On February 25, 1961, Rev. Woodrow Matthews, secretary of board, received correspondence from Rev. Lloyd Jeffreys, concerning a card of standing for Rev. Lester Jones. Enclosed was a report from Bro. Jones bearing signatures of the board members favoring a card of standing be granted. The associational clerk was notified of the action on the same date and a card of standing with this association was granted Rev. Jones.

Executive Board of Central Western Missouri Association met in called session at the Free Will Baptist church, Greenfield, Mo., on April 30, 1961. Present: Bro. John Bough, Chairman, Bro. Orville Foger, Rev. Lloyd T. Jeffreys, Clerk Pro-tem; also Bro. Joe Cockrell who sat with us. We were called to order by chairman, prayer by Bro. Foger. Report of Rev. Ralph Cook read. Motion unanimously carried to grant a card of standing to Rev. Cook.

Discussion was made as to an amount of \$100 now in the hands of this board which was previously received through former League Convention Treasurer, Beverly Barton, who served concurrently as Fifth Sunday Meeting secretary-treasurer. By way of explanation which identifies the money as General Fund and which specifies its use "To maintain and repair our cabins at the Youth camp and for such other purposes as the association sees fit."

A request for the transfer of the fund was therefore not subject to action. (No action, No motion, No vote.) Motion carried to adjourn. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Jeffreys.—s—Lloyd T. Jeffreys, Clerk Pro-tem.†

### FINANCIAL REPORT

Transfer of funds from previous secretary to the present secretary July 27, 1961. Received check dated July 25, 1961 in the amount of \$168.62 with the following report enclosed:

Home Mission Fund (C.W., Mo. A.) forwarded .....	\$ 66.32
No receipts this year .....	

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Total Home Mission Funds .....	\$ 66.32
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Youth Camp Cabin Fund (Repair and Maint.) forwarded .....	\$102.30
No receipts this year, no expenditures .....	

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Total Youth Camp Fund .....	\$102.30
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TOTAL ALL FUNDS .....	\$168.62
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Bro. Orville Foger, Pres. Rev. Woodrow Matthews, Sect.



## 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 be properly and satisfactorily 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 their 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 minister's 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 be 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.