## Minutes of the 55th ANNUAL SESSION of the

# Central Western Missouri Association

of

# FREE WILL BAPTISTS

1963

When Convened With

Beacon Free Will Baptist Church

Raytown, Missouri



The 56th Annual Session Will Meet With
The First Church of Kansas City
Kansas City, Missouri
Tuesday Night, July 28, 1964

#### **OFFICERS**

Moderator Deacon, Joe Cockrell, Kansas City, Missouri
Assistant Moderator Deacon, Reed Smith, Liberal, Missouri
Clerk-Treasurer Mrs. LaRue Horn, Raytown, Missouri
Assistant Mrs. Greta Carter, Raytown, Missouri
Statistician Mrs. Rutha Altis, Independence, Missouri

## EXECUTIVE AND HOME MISSIONS BOARD

Deacon Reed Smith, Liberal	.1968
Deacon Charley Hoover, Liberal	.1967
Rev. Glenn Rehkop, Avondale	.1966
Deacon Orville Foger, Liberal	
Rev. Woodrow Matthews, Raytown	

#### CHURCH CLERKS

Beacon Mrs. Jean Williams, 8201 Harvard, Raytown
CentralMrs. Katherine J. Barclift, 3140 S. 36th, Kansas City, Kansas
First Church Mrs. Fern Smith, 431 N. Wheeling, Kansas City, Missouri
Greenfield Mrs. Jewell Maberry, Greenfield
Hannon Mrs. Bessie Bunton, Liberal
Hickory Grove Mrs. Iris Jones, RR3, Harrisonville
Old Flat Mrs. Mildred Kicenski, ElDorado Springs
Olivet Emma Stoveall, RR2, Marshall
Oskaloosa Mrs. Wilma Smith, RR2, Liberal
Verdella Mrs. Verla Smith, RR2, Liberal
Wagoner Mrs. Theo Bough, RR4, Stockton
Victory Mrs. Carlene Clevenger, Avondale

#### CHURCH PASTORS

Beacon Rev. Woodrow Matthews, 7920 Harris, Raytown
Central Rev. Jim McAllister, 3124 Campbell, Kansas City
First Church Rev. Alice Dickey, 9125 Old Santa Fe Drive, Raytown
Greenfield Rev. Lowell Martin, Greenfield
Hannon Rev. Lester Nutting, Joplin
Old Flat Rev. Sidney Lurten, ElDorado Springs
Olivet Rev. James Elmore, Slater
Verdella Rev. Winford Davis, Monett
Victory Rev. Glenn Rehkop, Avondale

#### MINISTERS

Rev. Ralph Cook, Parkville; Alice Dickey, 9125 Old Santa Fe Drive, Raytown; James Elmore, Slater; Arlie Hoover, Liberal (Sup.); Rev. Arthur Kicenski, ElDorado Springs; Otto Mackey, RR1, Monett; Lowell Martin, Greenfield; Edith Mayfield, (Sup.); Woodrow Matthews, 7920 Harris, Raytown; James W. McAllister, 3124 Campbell, Kansas City; Glenn Rehkop, Avondale.

#### PROCEEDINGS

### Tuesday Evening-July 30, 1963

The Fifty-fifth Annual Session of the Central Western Missouri Association of Free Will Baptists convened with the Beacon church, Raytown, Missouri. The service opened with congregational singing led by Rev. Woodrow Matthews with Sis. Joyce Davis at the piano. We sang "He Keeps Me Singing," "There Is Power in the Blood," and "Jesus Saves." Prayers were offered by Rev. Glenn Rehkop and Rev. Reford Wilson. Rev. Matthews welcomed the Association to Beacon church.

The assistant clerk declared a quorum present and the Association in session for business and called Bro. Joe Cockrell to the chair. He brought the devotion, reading Ephesians 6:11-18 as his Scripture. Bro. Raymond Dickey led in prayer. Special music for the evening was given by Sis. Janice Moore, who sang "Until Then." The evening offering was taken while the congregation sang "I Know Whom I Have Believed." The amount of the offering was \$21.24. Rev. Matthews and Rev. Rehkop sang "It's Real."

Bro. Cockrell presented the speaker of the evening, Rev. Jim Mc-Allister, who spoke on the subject "What My Church Must Be," reading from Acts II. The invitational hymn "Have Thy Own Way" was given. The closing prayer was offered by Rev. Junior Ussery.

#### Wednesday Morning-July 31, 1963

The morning session opened by singing "Sing and Smile and Pray the Clouds Away," "He's a Wonderful Savior to Me," and "Higher Ground," led by Rev. Glenn Rehkop with Sis. Jean Williams at the piano. Prayer by Ross Thomas. Devotion was given by Rev. Woodrow Matthews, who read from Acts 12:1-19 and delivered a devotional talk on Satan's attack on the church and the power of prayer. Bro. Charlie Hoover read the By-Laws of the Association.

Letters were received from Beacon, Central, Greenfield, Hannon, Hickory Grove, First Church, Old Flat, Olivet, Oskaloosa, Victory, Wagoner, Verdella, and the Greater Kansas City Quarterly Meeting. Motion was made by Rev. Rehkop to read all the letters and accept them as a whole. Seconded by Clyde Cheatham. Carried. Motion was made by Rev. Matthews to receive the letters including the applications and seat the delegates. Seconded by Rev. Rehkop. Carried.

Report of Executive Board was read. Motion was made to accept the report. Seconded and carried.

The Committee on Committees was appointed. Bro. Reed Smith ch., Ross Thomas, Billy Henson.

Motion was made to suspend business until after Women's Auxiliary meeting. Seconded and carried. Dismissed in prayer by Sis. LaRue Horn.

Committee on Committees appointed the following:

Ministerial—Orville Foger, Laphema Herrell, Billy Hensley, Jean Williams, Ned Rhoades.

Publication-Alice Hoover, Rita Custine, Edna Carder.

Education—James McAllister, Leona Knapp, Nina Hensley. Obituary—Vallie Grout, Blanche Matthews, Theo Bough.

Temperance-Glenn Rehkop, Virginia Bunton, Arthur Kicenski.

Business—W. Matthews, H. McAllister, Harold Cross, David Allen, Alice Dickey.

#### BUSINESS SESSION

### Wednesday Afternoon-July 31, 1963

The afternoon session opened by singing "Let the Lower Lights Be Burning" led by Jim McAllister, accompanied by Vivian Mason. We were led in prayer by Orville Foger. A congregational number "Higher Ground" was sung. A special number, "Jesus Came That I Might Be Free," by Vivian Mason.

The Treasurer's report was read, received as read, and carried.

A partial Ministerial Report was read and received. A partial Business Report was read and motion made to receive report and dispose of it item by item.

Item No. 1 adopted.

Item No. 2 adopted.

Item No. 3 adopted.

The Obituary Report was read and received. Silent prayer was then observed, followed with prayer by Rev. James McAllister. The Christian Education Report was read and received as a whole. The Locations Report was read. Motion was made to accept First Church's invitation for next year's session.

The delegates to the State Association were nominated. They were: Greta Carter, Vallie Grout, Virginia Bunton, Mrs. Orville Foger, Wilma Smith. Nominations seconded and carried.

Motion was made by Rev. Rehkop to give Rev. Woodrow Matthews and Rev. Jim McAllister a standing vote of thanks for the work done in getting the National Association of Free Will Baptists to come to Ransas City. Seconded. All stood.

A motion was made by Rev. Rehkop to adjourn until night session. Seconded. Carried. Dismissed in prayer by Mrs. Ralph Cook.

## Wednesday Evening—July 31, 1963

The service opened with Vivian Mason and Wayne Smith playing a piano and guitar duet "In the Sweet Bye and Bye." Rev. Glenn Rehkop directed the congregation in singing "Send the Light." Rev. Arthur Kicenski led us in prayer. "Bringing in the Sheaves" was then sung by the congregation. A special number, "Closer to Thee," was sung by Vivian Mason, accompanied by Wayne Smith on his electric guitar. We were led in prayer by Rev. Harry Beatty. A special number, "He's Everywhere" was given by Bro. Arlo Starnes. The message for the evening was brought by Rev. Reford Wilson, Foreign Mission Director of Free Will Baptist, who gave us a short resume of foreign missionaries from the state of Missouri and other interesting and important

facts about our foreign missionaries and their lands. Isaiah 43:1-16 was the text he used for his sermon bringing to our minds that we are the Lord's. "Ready" was the song used for the dedication hymn. An offering of \$82.87 was taken while the congregation sang "I Love to Tell the Story." We were dismissed in prayer by Bro. Reed Smith.

#### Thursday Morning-August 1, 1963

The morning session opened by singing "I Must Tell Jesus," led by Rev. Rehkop with Mrs. Jean Williams at the piano. "Saved by the Blood" was sung by the congregation. Prayer by Rev. Jim McAllister. Devotion was given by Rev. Lester Nutting who used II Peter 1:1-11 as his Scripture for the devotional thoughts for the morning. He closed his devotion with a prayer.

Statistician Report was read, approved, carried.

Temperance Report was read, approved, carried.

Publications Report was read, approved, carried.

Partial Business Report was read and motion was made to accept report as a whole and dispose of it item by item.

Item No. 4 adopted.

Item No. 5 adopted.

Item No. 6 adopted. All stood.

Item No. 7 adopted.

Item No. 8 adopted All stood.

Motion was made for moderator to make substitution of two to complete Ministerial Committee's work. Seconded, carried. He appointed Reed Smith and Charlie Hoover.

Rev. Beatty gave a talk on state cooperative giving and showed the disbursement percentages on monies received, which are as follows: 55% goes to National Association and is distributed as follows:

29% Foreign Missions; 21% Free Will Baptist Bible College; 20% Executive Department; 16% National Home Missions; 10% League; 3% Superannuation; 1% Stewardship Commission.

45% goes to State Association and is distributed as follows:

44.5% Promotion Department; 20% Missouri State Home Missions; 11.1% Missouri Youth Camp; 11.1% Free Will Baptist Gem; 11.1% General Fund; 2.2% Missouri Superannuation.

Motion made to adjourn until after League Convention. Seconded, carried. We were dismissed in prayer by Sis. Myrl York.

Missions Committee appointed: Jim McAllister, Ruth Postlewait, Virginia Metcalf, Myrl York, Glenn Rehkop.

The League Convention was interrupted for a short time to take care of an item of business.

Completed Business Report read.

Item No. 9 adopted.

#### Thursday Afternoon-August 1, 1963

The afternoon session opened with singing "Heavenly Sunlight," led by Rev. Jim McAllister with Mrs. Jean Williams at the piano. Prayer was led by Sis. Greta Carter. "On Jordan's Stormy Bank" was sung by the congregation.

Final Ministerial Report was read. Accepted, seconded, carried.

Missions Committee Report read. A motion was made to accept the report as a whole 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.

Nominations for Mission Committee: Reed Smith, Charlie Hoover, Jim McAllister. Motion was made to nominate these by acclamation. Seconded. Carried.

A motion was made that the Executive Board plan next year's program. Seconded. Carried.

Motion was made that Wednesday night's offering be given to Foreign Missions. Seconded. Carried.

## Election of Officers for the Coming Year

Moderator	Joe Cockrell, K. C.,	Mo.
Assistant	Reed Smith, Liberal,	Mo.
Clerk-Treasurer	LaRue Horn, Raytown,	Mo.
Assistant	Greta Carter, Raytown,	Mo.
Statistician	Rutha Altis, Independence,	Mo.
Executive Board Member	Reed Smith, Liberal,	Mo.
Motion was made to approve Re	eading of Minutes. Seconded.	Carried.

Motion was made that we adjourn until night services. Rev. Alice Dickey dismissed us in prayer.

## Thursday Evening-August 1, 1963

Congregation singing was lead by Rev. Jim McAllister with Mrs. Jean Williams at the piano. Special music was given by Vivian Mason and Wayne Smith, who sang, "My Savior's Love." We were led in prayer by Bro. John McAllister. An offering of \$18.95 was taken to go toward the expense for the Youth Camp cabin. Special music for the evening was given by the Mason family. Rev. Glenn Rehkop brought the evening message using Matthew 5:2, 13-16 as his text. The invitation hymn "Throw Out the Life Line" was sung by the congregation. Following the message there was a prayer of dedication. Rev. Woodrow Matthews dismissed us in prayer.

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## District Women's Auxiliary Convention 11:00 A. M.

The Women's Auxiliary Convention was opened by congregation singing these songs, "The Way of the Cross Leads Home" and "My Savior's Love." Prayer by Sis. Alice Dickey.

Sis. Jean Williams, the Aux. president, welcomed the Women's Aux. to this session of this year's Convention. Theme was "Sowing Beside All Waters."

At this time the speaker was introduced, Bro. J. Reford Wilson, General Director of Foreign Missions. His informative talk was telling the Missionaries' needs in different fields.

- 1. The need of a house for the Fulchers.
- 2. Vehicle for missionaries in Uruguay.
- 3. Men's clothing for Cuban refugees.

Prayer by Bro. Wilson. Song by congregation, "Just As I Am." At this time the Nominating Committee report was read:

We, the Nominating Committee, recommend the following:

President. Jean Williams
Vice President. Helen McAllister
Secretary-Treasurer Wilma Smith
Youth Ch. LaRue Horn
Study Course Ch. Alice Dickey
Stewardship Ch. Thora Grider
Personal Service Ch. Alice Hoover

Signed: Evelyn Rehkop, Katherine Barclift, Ann Smicker, Frances Foger.

Sis. Thora Grider declined because Greenfield had no Aux. Sis. Evelyn Rehkop was nominated to take her place. Motion made for nominations to cease and proceed to elect. Sis. Rehkop was elected as Stewardship chairman.

The meeting was dismissed by prayer for lunch and fellowship hour. The afternoon session was called together by singing "I Love to Tell the Story." Devotional by Mrs. Carter from The First Church, Theme was "Blessed Are They That Sow by All Still Water." Matt. 13:3-23.

Prayer, Ruth Postlewaite; "Sowers All," Helen McAllister, Central church; song, "I See Jesus," Sis. Martha Nutting and Mary; "Influence of the Sowers," Mrs. Herrell, Oskaloosa; song, "The Breaking of the Bread," Virginia Bunton; "The Sowers Find Fertile Soil," Virginia Metcalf, Verdella; reading, Greta Carter, Beacon; song, "The Work Must Go On," Beacon G.T.A.

Yearly report was read and approved.

Resolution Committee report read:

We the Resolution Committee recommend:

We recommend our Auxiliaries use individual monthly report blanks to make our yearly reports more accurate.

We resolve to prepare our lessons before Auxiliary meeting time.

We resolve to complete our standard of Achievement Chart.

We resolve to pay \$5.00 toward the printing of the minutes.

Signed: Sis. Blanche Matthews, Alice Hoover, Wilma Smith

This report was adopted as read. Treasurer's report was given thus:

Rec. Dues       \$27.30         St. Dues to State       18.20
Balance remaining in treasury\$ 9.10 Balance on hand at close of year\$30.55 Dues remaining in treasury9.10
New balance on hand
Balance on hand at close of year

The Convention heard a report from our new Auxiliary, Central Church. They were welcomed to the District Convention.

Sis. Matthew gave report on National Auxiliary Convention which was enjoyed by all.

Motion was made and seconded to adjourn until next year. Dismissal was by prayer by Sis. Greta Carter.

#### LEAGUE CONVENTION

### Thursday Morning, August 1, 1963

The Central Western Missouri League Convention, when convened with the Beacon Free Will Baptist Church in Raytown, Mo., opened by singing "Free Will Baptist Leaguers" led by Rev. Glenn Rehkop, with Sis. Jean Williams as accompanist. Special song was given by Janice Moore.

Sis. Vivian Mason presided over the session since the president and vice-president were absent. Sis. Mason presented Rev. Lester Nutting, who brought the morning message on the topic "Ask What I Shall Give Thee," taken from II Chronicles, 1st chapter. The closing song was "Just As I Am." We were dismissed in prayer by Rev. Jim McAllister.

## Thursday Afternoon, August 1, 1963

The afternoon session of the League Convention opened with congregational singing led by Rev. Glenn Rehkop. Rev. Wilson led our opening prayer.

The program consisted of a duet by Rev. Rehkop and Rev. Matthews, a solo by Bro. Arlo Starnes, a poem by Greta Carter, a duet by Mary and Martha Nutting, a solo by Debbie Carter, a solo by Janice Moore, and a trio by Mike Williams, Debbie and Dwight Carter.

The letters of the participating leagues were read and accepted.

Business session was declared open by Sis. Vivian Mason. Motion was made and seconded that all "leaguers" be delegates to this League Convention. Carried. We proceeded to elect officers as follows:

#### ELECTION OF OFFICERS

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PresidentLaRue Ho	rn
Vice-PresidentVivian Mas	on
Secretary-TreasurerDeanna Whistan	ce
LEAGUE TREASURER'S REPORT	

#### DUES RECEIVED

Beacon		8.00
Central		5.00
First Church		4.00
Victory		8.00
Wagoner	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	3.00
Balance from last year	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	10.91
TOTAL		\$38.91

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EXPENDITURES	
To State League Convention	
To Youth Camp Building Fund	24.91
TOTAL	\$38.91
BALANCE ON HAND	\$ .00
Deanna Whistance,	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 rallys 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.

## STATISTIAL TABLE

	Beacon	Green- field	Hannon	Hickory Grove	K. C. First	Old  Flat	Oska- loosa	Verdella	Victory	Wagoner	Central	Olivet	Total
M'bers Rec'd This Yr.	10	4	3	10	21	i	3	1	10		28	18	108
Members Baptized	2	4	1	5	11	i			3				26
Dismissed by Letter	2				4	j.		1	5			2	. 14
Deceased		1				}			1	2			3
Resident Members	60	20	33	56	- 65	11	30	46	60	25	28	16	450
M'bership June 30, '63	76	20	68	95	97	11	38	69	69	30	28	16	617
League Membership	49	1			25	j.	15		45	15	30		170
S. S. Membership	125	30	74	82	100	28	35	66	100	25	84	18	767
Ordained Ministers	1	1	1.	1	1	1	1				1	1	10
Licensed Ministers			1			<u> </u>							. 1
Ordained Deacons	1.	2	5		3	1	2	7	1	2		. 1	25
Paid Pastor	\$ 3,770.00		810.00	840.00	1,800.00	76.19	350.00	1,225.00	3,055.14	235.50	910.00	140.00	13,181.83
For Evangelism	210.00	227.71	205.00	325.00	204.45	103.04	50.00	261.43	265.00	35.75	85.00		1,971.93
Val. of Ch. Property	31,500.00	5,000.00	10,000.00	5,600.00	75,000.00	300.00	2,000.00	10,000.00	25,000.00	5,000.00		10,000	176,000.00
Amt. for Bldg. Rep.	2,573.29	·	41.05	.1	48.88	35.61	450.00	14.07	25.39		469.48	6,000.00	9,657.77
Incidentals	1,301.59	128.09	398.68	298.93	1,235.10	-	231.75	498.81	512.39	82.45	184.89	320.00	5,192.68
Co-operative Fund	901.63		240.00	182.99		<u> </u>		1,369.33	913.07			95.00	3,702.02
Foreign Missions	244.05		25.00	win to	Total of	┦		44.40		46.09	18.45	10.00	387.99
Home Missions	20.00	76.81	114.00	18.23	557.05			206.71	43.56		10.00	10.00	1,056.36
Ed., Bible Sc., League				44.70		10.00							44.70
Lit. and Publications	267.46	44.30	200.65	56.22	280.05	19.65	68.44	130.43	283.71	45.50	13.40	14.00	1,423.81
Youth Camp	35.00		135.00	95.00		) E ===		125.00	25.00	28.04	7.00		450.04
Budget and Minutes	18.00	8.00	12.00	17.00	19.25	5.75	10.50	14.50	18.00	10.00	6.00		139.00

#### 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 (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.

These By-Laws may be amended or altered at any regular session of the League Convention by a two-thirds (%) vote of the members present.

## REGISTRATION

MINISTERS—Jim McAllister, Glenn Rehkop, Alice Dickey, Arthur Kicenski, Junior Ussery, Woodrow Matthews.

MINISTERS' COMPANIONS—Mrs. Myrl York, Mrs. Evelyn Rehkop, Mrs. Ralph Cook, Mrs. Helen McAllister, Mrs. Mildred Kicenski, Mrs. Blanche Matthews.

CHURCII CLERKS—Mrs. Jewell Maberry, Mrs. Theo Bough, Mrs. Mildred Kicenski, Mrs. Jean Williams, Mrs. Fern Smith, Mrs. Wilma Smith.

DEACONS—W. Anderson, Jr., Charlie Hoover, Ross Thomas, Joe Cockrell, Reed Smith, Orville Foger, Billy Hensley.

DELEGATES—Faye Ratterree, Ruth Postlewait, Clyde Cheatham, Kathy Barclift, Rita Custine, Ann Smicker, Ned Rhoades, Edna Carder, Thora Grider, Hazel Fleeman, Alice Hoover, Virginia Bunton, Jim Goodknight, Ruby McAllister, Laphema Herrell, Rita Smith, David Allen, Virginia Metcalf, Nina Hensley, Arlo Starnes, Harold Cross, Deanna Whistance, Laura Barclift, Leona Knapp, Vallie Grout, Lovina Simmons.

VISITORS—Rev. Reford Wilson, Nashville, Tennessee; Rev. and Mrs. Lester Nutting, Bob and Mary, Joplin, Mo.

## REPORTS OF MINISTERS

JAMES W. McALLISTER—Sermons preached, 194; churches pastored, 1; revivals held, 8; professions witnessed, 81; baptized, 7; additions to church, 56; churches organized, 3; funerals preached, 3; miles traveled, 34,314; amount received, \$5,320; weddings, 0; rededications, 53; prayer meetings, 30.

GLENN REHKOP—Sermons preached, 120; churches pastored, 1; revivals held, 2; professions witnessed, 10; number baptized, 4; additions to church, 10; funerals preached, 1; miles traveled, 15,000; amount received, \$4,845.

WOODROW MATTHEWS—Sermons preached, 125; churches pastored, 1; revivals held, 4; professions witnessed, 29; number baptized, 2; additions to church, 10; funerals preached, 2; marriages, 2; miles traveled, 14,000; money received, \$4,070.

LOWELL MARTIN—Sermons preached, 59; churches pastored, 2; funerals, 5; conversions witnessed, 2; received into church, 3; amount received, \$557.50; miles traveled, 1,000.

OTTO MACKEY—Sermons preached, 50; churches pastored, 1; revivals held, 1; professions witnessed, 4; additions to church, 7; miles traveled, 7,020.

ARTHUR KICENSKI—I am happy to report the blessings of the Lord upon our labor for the past year. Sermons preached, 29; reinstated, 1; funerals, 4; amount received, \$157. I covet your prayers that we may accomplish more for the Lord next year.

RALPH COOK—Sermons preached, 104; churches pastored, 2; professions witnessed, 5; number baptized, 7; additions to church, 7; funerals preached, 1; miles traveled, 14,580; amount received, \$1,535.

ALICE DICKEY—I have pastored First Church of Kansas City, Missouri full time, number professions witnessed, 43; number baptized, 12; number received into church, 23; funerals, 2; messages delivered, 96. I desire an interest in your prayers that I might do His will always.

#### REPORTS

#### Ministerial Standing:

Having examined individual letters from the following ministers we find them eligible to receive certificates of ministerial standing: Ralph Cook, Otto Mackey, James McAllister, Glenn Rehkop, Lowell Martin, Woodrow Matthews, and Alice Dickey. Motion carried to grant Rev. Arthur Kicenski a card of ministerial standing. Motion carried to grant a certificate of standing to Rev. James D. Elmore upon examination and approval of the Executive Board, or upon receipt of a letter of recommendation from his previous association. Signed: Orville Foger, Laphema Herrell, Billy Hensley, Jean Williams, Ned Rhoades.

#### Publications:

We the Publications Committee recommend the following:

- 1. That our churches support the Family Plan to the Gem and Contact.
- 2. That our churches purchase Sunday School and League literature supplies from the National Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee.
- 3. That our people patronize our Missouri Free Will Baptist Book Store, 3100 Mt. Pleasant St., St. Louis, Mo.
- 4. That we reaffirm our stand for the King James version of the Bible in preference to the New Revised Standard Version.

5. Whereas the American Bible Society is helping our mission program by distributing Scriptures, we recommend we continue making special offerings to this organization: American Bible Society, 450 Park Avenue, New York 22, New York. Signed: Alice Hoover, Edna Carder, Rita Custine.

#### Missions:

We the Mission Committee recommend the following:

- 1. That churches observe November as National Home Missions month, and April as Foreign Missions month, and special emphasis be made in giving at these times.
- 2. We recommend that the need of "Cuban Emergency Refuge Fund" be kept before the people of our churches.
- 3. We recommend that the needs of vehicles for the Fulchers and Robinsons' be presented to our people and contributions be given to meet the need.
- 4. Whereas a house for the Palmers has been stressed by our Mission Director, we recommend that our churches support this with prayer and contributions.
- 5. We recommend that a Mission Committee of three be elected to investigate the possibility of establishing a church in the central section of our Association. Signed: James McAllister, Virginia Metcalf, Myrl York, Ruth Postlewait, Glenn Rehkop.

### Christian Education Committee Report:

- 1. We suggest that each church conduct a Vacation Bible School each year.
- 2. We recommend that each church conduct a teacher training course for the purpose of better acquainting our teachers with their responsibilities as soul winners and teachers of the word, furthermore, we recommend that the pastor conduct this course.
- 3. Whereas the Youth Camp board has made and are making several improvements in the curriculum of the camp for the spiritual and social training of our youth, we recommend that all our young people attend Missouri Youth Camp.
- 4. Whereas Satan is making a determined effort to draw our young people away from church, and whereas many churches are seeking to combat this with a purely social approach and failing to succeed we recommend that each church have a well planned youth program that will provide not only a social fulfillment but also sustain their spiritual growth.
- 5. We recommend that our potential college students search out the advantages of attending our denominational colleges either in Nashville or Oklahoma City. Signed: Jim McAllister, Nina F. Hensley, Leona Knapp.

#### Obituary:

Since our Heavenly Father in his infinite wisdom has seen fit to call from our midst our sister Lena Hickey from Greenfield church, and Brothers J. K. Stephens and Charles Miller from Wagoner church, we extend our sympathy to the bereaved families and pray God will comfort them in their sorrow. We recommend that we stand in a moment of silent prayer in memory of our departed sister and brothers in Christ. Signed: Vallie Grout, Theo Bough, Blanche Matthews.

#### 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 indurging in alcoholic beverages, stress abstinence, and as much as possible, retrain from patronizing businesses dealing in such. Also that pastors bring at least one message against alcohol each year.
- 2. That television programs be strictly supervised by parents, and further recommend supervision of literature read by children.
- 3. That we abstain from conformity to the world, be modest in our dress, shun questionable places of amusement and strive for higher standards of Christian conduct.
- 4. We recommend that parents participate in P.T. A. and like organizations and uphold their convictions concerning questionable amusements in the school, such as the dance, etc. Signed: Virginia Bunton, Glenn Rehkop, Arthur Kicenski.

#### **Business Committee:**

- 1. Whereas the Olivet Free Will Baptist Church, Marshall, Missouri has requested financial assistance to purchase chairs and a piano; we recommend that the association give \$25.00 from the associational Home Mission fund.
- 2. We recommend that time be given to receive a special offering and pledges to retire the outstanding bill on the Youth Camp cabin.
- 3. Whereas the 1964 session of the National Association of Free Will Baptist will convene in Kansas City, Missouri; we recommend that our people take advantage of the opportunity to attend, also, that we be ready to lend assistance in entertaining the convention in our city and state.
- 4. Whereas it is recommended by our Missouri State Association, that each affiliated church give 10% of its regular income to the State Cooperative Fund as the minimum of our denominational giving; we urge our churches to continue this plan of support. We further recommend that all the churches in this association adopt this plan.
- 5. We recommend that we explore the possibility of entertaining the 1965 session of the Missouri State Association within the bounds of this association.

- 6. We recommend that this association give Rev. Harry Beatty a standing vote of thanks, commending him for the work he is doing as Promotional Secretary of the Missouri State Association. We further recommend that a copy of this recommendation accompany our letter to state association.
- 7. Be it resolved that we urge each church to concur with article 33 of the By-Laws of the Missouri State Association, and send delegates to the state association.
- 8. We recommend that we give the Beacon Church a standing vote of thanks for the hospitality shown during this session of the association.
- 9. Whereas the National Association is in need of \$10,000 by September 10, to pay for the property purchased for the new headquarters building; and whereas construction on the new building cannot begin until said property is paid for; we recommend that our churches support this project with special offerings. Signed: Woodrow Matthews, Harold F. Cross, Alice Dickey, Helen McAllister, David Allen.

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TREASURER'S REPORT:
General Fund
Brought forward from last year\$ 40.87
Budget fund with letters\$122.75
Offering Tuesday night
Mission Offering Wednesday night
Ministers Conference offering
Women's Auxiliary 5.00
and the second s
TOTAL\$295.99
To Missouri State Association
Total deducted from budget
TOTAL IN GENERAL FUND \$300.04
Disbursed from General Fund:
Missouri State Promotional Work \$ 40.00
F.W.B. Foreign Missions
F.W.B. Home Missions
Liberal News (for Minutes) 96.11
Postage and supplies 6.36
TOTAL DISBURSED\$261.37

\$ 38.67

Total in General Fund July 31, 1963 ......

#### EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORT-1962-63

The board met August 1, 1962, at the Verdella Church for the purpose of organizing. All members were present.

Brother Orville Foger was elected Chairman; Woodrow Matthews, Clerk-treasurer.

The following motions were sustained:

Motion to offer some financial assistance to the Free Will Baptist Mission, Belton, Missouri, if the mission desired to conduct Revival services.

Motion to authorize the clerk to investigate the cabins at the Youth Camp and pay for any repairs needed.

Meeting adjourned.

Home Mission Fund:

The Board met May 7, 1963, at the Beacon Church, Raytown, Missouri. All members of the board were present. The Program for the 1963 session was outlined.

A general discussion was held in regard to the need of the second cabin for boys at the Youth Camp. It was agreed to carry out this project. Some funds had already been made available.

Meeting adjourned with prayer,

Signed: Rev. Woodrow Matthews, clerk-treasurer

#### FINANCIAL REPORT

Balance brought forward\$ 66	1.32
No receipts and no disbursements	
BALANCE ON HAND	\$ 66.32
Cabin Fund:	•
Balance brought forward\$102	2.30
Receipts:	
Fifth Sunday Meeting, 1/12/63 15	5.20
	5.43
70 6 7 6 7 6 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7	3.53
	5.00
Th	5.00
Verdella Church, 6/11/63 100	0.00
Hickory Grove Church, 6/21/63	0.00
TOTAL DECEIPED	
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$376.46
Fred Henderson for fill gravel\$ 12	
Burneys Redi-Mix 108	
L. L. Day Lumber	
LaRue Horn (Curtain Material)	
Charley Hoover (Cabin Material) 40	).76
L. L. Day Lumber 104	1.45
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$341.78
Balance on hand in Cabin Fund	0.04.00
Total in all funds	\$ 34.68
16	\$101.00
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Outstanding bills:	L. L. D	ay Lumber,	\$206.02.	(For blocks	used in	cabin.)
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#### Information on Cost of Cabin:

Material paid for through treasurer\$332.60
Materials donated by Sac River Lumber Co., John Bough, Mgr 137.44
Material purchased by Hannon Church

TOTAL P	PAID FOR	\$570.04
Outstanding bill f	for blocks	\$206.02

TOTAL C	OST OF	CARIN	. <b></b>	\$776.06
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#### 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, and one delegate from each church represented in a Quarterly Meeting from the Central Western Missouri 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 the 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 this 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 or 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 Association General Fund, 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 further be the duty of the active ministers to report each year by letter and a 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 Ministrial 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.