

**MINUTES**  
**OF THE 57th ANNUAL SESSION**  
**OF THE**  
**CENTRAL WESTERN MISSOURI**  
**ASSOCIATION OF**  
**FREE WILL BAPTISTS**  
**1965**

When Convened With  
**HANNON FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH**  
**LIBERAL, MISSOURI**



**THE 58th ANNUAL SESSION**  
Will Meet With the  
**WAGONER FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH**  
**STOCKTON, MISSOURI**  
**TUESDAY NIGHT, JULY 26, 1966**

## OFFICERS

Moderator .....	Rev. Woodrow Matthews	<i>W. Matthews</i>
Assistant Moderator .....	Rev. Arlie Hoover	<i>A. Hoover</i>
Clerk-Treasurer .....	Mrs. Alice Hoover	<i>A. Hoover</i>
Assistant .....	Mrs. Pansy McAllister	<i>P. McAllister</i>
Statistician .....	Mrs. Rutha Altis	<i>R. Altis</i>
Itinerate Missionary Contact .....	Mrs. Ionia Phillips	<i>I. Phillips</i>

## EXECUTIVE AND HOME MISSIONS BOARD

Deacon Joe Cockrell, Kansas City .....	1970
Rev. Woodrow Matthews, Raytown .....	1969
Deacon Reed Smith, Liberal .....	1968
Deacon Charlie Hoover, Liberal .....	1967
Rev. Glenn Rehkop, Avondale .....	1966

## CHURCH CLERKS

Beacon .....	Mrs. Faye Ratterree, 209 Myron St., Belton, Missouri
Belton .....	Jewell McCain, 308 Catron Drive, Belton, Missouri
Central ....	Mrs. Katherine J. Barclift, 3140 S. 36th, Kansas City, Kansas
ElDorado Springs ....	Mrs. Ruby McAllister, 106 Winner Road, ElDorado Springs, Missouri
First Church ..	Mrs. Fern Smith, 431 N. Wheeling, Kansas City, Missouri
Greenfield .....	Mrs. Jewell Maberry, Greenfield, Missouri
Hannon .....	Mrs. Bessie Bunton, Liberal, Missouri
Hickory Grove .....	Mrs. Iris Jones, RR 3, Harrisonville, Missouri
Olivet .....	Lena Cheek, 663 W. Clay, Marshall, Mo.
Verdella .....	Mrs. Frances Fogar, Iantha, Missouri
Oskaloosa .....	Mrs. Wilma Smith, Liberal, Missouri
Victory .....	Mrs. Fannie Painter, 806 East 67th Terrace, North Kansas City, Missouri
Wagoner .....	Mrs. Theo Bough, Stockton, Missouri

## CHURCH PASTORS

Beacon .....	Rev. Woodrow Matthews, 7918 Harris St., Raytown
Belton .....	Rev. John C. McAllister, 215 W. Mill, Belton
Central .....	Rev. James McAllister, 8032 Brooklyn, Kansas City
ElDorado Springs ....	Rev. Arthur Kicenski, RR 5, ElDorado Springs
First Church ..	Rev. Alice Dickey, 9125 Old Santa Fe Road, Kansas City
Greenfield .....	Rev. Lowell Martin, Greenfield
Hannon .....	Rev. Lester Nutting, RR 4, Box 282, Joplin
Hickory Grove .....	Rev. James O'Dell, 305½ N. Scott, Lot 5, Belton
Olivet .....	Rev. Junior W. Ussery, RR4, Marshall
Oskaloosa .....	None
Verdella .....	None
Victory .....	Rev. Glenn Rehkop, Avondale
Wagoner .....	Rev. Bill Beazley, 406 E. Clara, Carterville

## MINISTERS

Rev. Woodrow Matthews, 7918 Harris St., Raytown, Mo.; Rev. John C. McAllister, 215 W. Mill, Belton, Mo.; Rev. James McAllister, 8032 Brooklyn, Kansas City, Mo.; Rev. Alice Dickey, 9125 Old Santa Fe Road, Kansas City, Mo.; Rev. Arthur Kicenski, RR 5, ElDorado Springs, Mo.; Rev.

Lowell Martin, Greenfield, Mo.; Rev. Lester Nutting, RR 4, Box 282, Joplin, Mo.; Rev. James O'Dell, 305½ N. Scott, Lot 5, Belton, Mo.; Rev. Glenn Rehkop, Avondale, Mo.; Rev. Bill Beazley, 406 E. Clara, Carterville, Mo.; Rev. Junior W. Ussery, RR 4, Marshall, Mo.; Rev. Howard Hensley, 1006 Ohio St., Kansas City, Kan.; Rev. C. T. Christensen, 205 N. Jeffreys, Pleasant Hill, Mo.; Rev. Thayne Fast, Liberal, Mo.; Rev. Ronald Clifford, 702 N. Liberty, Webb City, Mo.; Rev. Ralph Cook, Parkville, Mo.; Rev. Frank Johnson, Belton, Mo.; Rev. Bob Dickey, Arcadia, Kan.; Rev. Hollis Walker, Jr., Liberal, Mo.; Rev. Arlie Hoover (Sup.), Liberal, Mo.; Rev. Edith Mayfield, (Sup.), Liberal, Mo.

## **PROCEEDINGS**

### **Tuesday Evening, July 27, 1965**

The 57th Annual session of the Central Western Missouri Association of the Free Will Baptist convened with the Hannon Church, at Liberal, Missouri.

The service opened with the congregation singing, "Near the Cross," led by Sis. Jean Crockett with Wilma Smith at the piano. Prayer by Rev. Ronald Clifford. Welcome was given by Rev. Lester Nutting. The clerk declared a quorum present and the session open for business. The service was turned to Assistant Moderator, Reed Smith. Offering was taken while congregation sang, "Take the Name of Jesus With You." Blessing on the offering and special prayer for Brother Joe Cockrell was given by Charlie Hoover. Offering was \$24.22. Solo, "Just Jesus and Me." Service was turned to Rev. James McAllister. He chose II Kings 6:13-18 for his text. Sermon was based on, all fear can be conquered by faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. Invitation prayer by Rev. James McAllister. Song of invitation, "Just As I Am," was sung. Committee on committees was appointed by Reed Smith. Committee is as follows: Charlie Hoover, Mrs. Myrl York and Rev. John McAllister. Motion carried for Charlie Hoover to take charge of the Association in absence of moderator and assistant moderator. Dismissed in prayer by Brother John Bough.

### **Wednesday Morning, July 28, 1965**

The morning session opened with singing "Love Lifted Me" and "Onward Christian Soldiers," led by Stella Fast with Jean Williams at the piano. Devotions by Rev. John McAllister, Jeremiah 7:20-27. Led in prayer by Rev. Arthur Kicenski. By-laws were read by Jean Williams. Church letters read and delegates seated. Reports of the Executive Board were read by the clerk. Motion carried to accept report as read. We dismissed for recess and for the Woman's Auxiliary Convention. Prayer by Rev. Hollis Walker, Jr.

### **Wednesday Afternoon, July 28, 1965**

The afternoon session opened with Connie Cook at the piano. Special by Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Thurston. Prayer by Brother Preston Cross. Statistical report was given by Rutha Altis. Motion carried to accept the report as read. Committee on committees report as follows:

Missions: Rev. Alice Dickey, Ch., David Brown, Mary Cross.

Christian Education: Glenn Thurston, Ch., Jewell Maberry, Mrs. La-

phema Herrell.

Ministerial Standing: Charlie Hoover, Ch., Hazel Fleeman, Theo Bough, Stella Fast, Ruth Postlewaite.

Temperance: Rev. Ralph Cook, Ch., Myrl York, Olive Smith.

Obituary: Preston Cross, Ch., Janet Painter, Ionia Phillips.

Business: Rev. Glenn Rehkop, Ch., Rev. Lester Nutting, Rev. John McAllister, Rev. Arthur Kicenski, Rev. Hollis Walker, Jr.

Publication: Mrs. Thelma Dickey, Ch., Rutha Altis, Mary Jesse.

Nominating Committee: Rev. James McAllister, Reed Smith, Rev. Arlie Hoover, Evelyn Rehkop.

Solo, "I Thought of God," by Connie Cook. Also "Come To an Altar of Prayer," was sung by Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Thurston. Benediction by Rev. Ralph Cook.

#### **Wednesday Evening, July 28, 1965**

Service was opened with singing, "Redeemed," led by Jean Crockett with Jean Williams at the piano. Opening prayer by Rev. James McAllister. Rev. Harry Beatty explained to the congregation the Co-operative plan. Oskaloosa Woman's Auxiliary quartet sang, "Some Golden Day-break," Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Thurston sang, "Is He Satisfied." A trio, Sam Smith, Laynetta and Wayne Beaman sang "Ten Thousand Angels." Mission offering was taken while congregation sang "Our Best." Prayer by Charlie Hoover. Missionary offering was \$48.00. Evening message was given by Rev. Glenn Rehkop. Scripture was taken from II Timothy 3:1-7, 4:1-5. Invitation song, "Just as I Am." Benediction by Rev. Ralph Cook.

#### **Thursday Morning, July 29, 1965**

Morning session opened with singing, "There's Within My Heart a Melody," led by Ionia Phillips with Wilma Smith at the piano. Devotion and prayer by Rev. Hollis Walker, Jr. Using II Timothy 1:1-8, 3:14-15. Treasurer's report read. Motion made and seconded to accept report as read. Publication Committee report read. Motion carried to accept as a whole. Christian Education report read. Motion carried to adopt as a whole. Obituary Committee report read and carried followed by silent prayer. Prayer continued by Rev. Alice Dickey in memory of passed laborers for God. Temperance Committee report accepted as read. Rev. Rufus Coffey brought us a short report on our National work. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Orville Foger until our afternoon session.

#### **Thursday Afternoon, July 29, 1965**

Afternoon session opened with Sis. Myrl York at the piano. Devotion by Rev. Arthur Kicenski. Scripture St. John 17. Prayer by Rev. Kicenski. Missions report read and accepted as a whole. Ministerial Standing report read and accepted. Business Committee report accepted as read. Minutes of association through Wednesday night were read and approved. Nominating Committee report to be voted on one officer at a time. Elected as follows: Moderator, Woodrow Matthews, Assistant Moderator, Arlie Hoover, Clerk, Alice Hoover, Assistant Clerk, Pansy McAllister, Statistician, Rutha Altis, Itinerate Missionary Contact, Ionia Phillips, Executive Board Member, Joe Cockrell.

Association voted to accept Wagoners invitation for the 58th session

in 1966. A standing vote of thanks was expressed to the Hannon Church for their hospitality. Benediction by Rev. Glenn Rehkop.

#### **Thursday Evening, July 29, 1965**

Opened the evening services with congregation singing "In My Heart There Rings a Melody," led by Jean Crockett with Virginia Bunton at the piano. Prayer by Rev. Lester Nutting. Delegates to State Association are Ionia Phillips, Margaret Smith and Frances Foger. The Moderator has the approval of the Association to appoint remaining delegates at the State Association. Remaining minutes were read and approved. Rev. Lester Nutting gave thanks to those who helped with the association. Rev. Rufus Coffey took charge of the evening service. Congregation sang, "Send the Light." Rev. Coffey led us in a mission prayer. Film "Unto the Uttermost," was shown. "Rescue the Perishing," was sung following the film. Prayer by Rev. Harry Beatty. I Thess. 1:5-10 was the Scripture used by Rev. Rufus Coffey. Solo by Connie Cook, "I Am Ready to Go Home." Lee Bunton asked God's blessing on our mission offering which was taken while congregation sang, "Wonderful Words of Life." Offering was \$36.28. Association closed out with prayer by Asst. Moderator Reed Smith.

#### **WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION**

**Wednesday 10:00 A. M., July 28, 1965**

Convention opened with congregational singing.

Sis. Ionia Phillips, our President, introduced Sis. Alice Dickey, Pastor of First Church, Kansas City, Mo., who gave the devotional, using I Thessalonians 1-2; II Timothy 2-9, "Wherein I suffer trouble, as an Evil Doer, even bonds: but the word of God is not bound."

Sis. Ionia introduced Sis. Margaret Dixon, State Secretary. She used as Scripture St. John 9-4 "I (We) must work the works of Him that sent me, while it is day. The night cometh when no man can work."

Sis. Dixon gave report on National Convention. There is a new Manual and new Officers Packet being prepared. She urged us to use monthly Report Blanks. These are a help in keeping our Achievement charts. We must, each Auxiliary, help furnish New Auxiliary Headquarters office in Nashville, Tenn.

Things are needed for Missionary Closet.

Sis. Dixon then introduced Carol Clark, who is studying for Missionary work in Old Mexico. Sis. Clark also showed slides on her work and under what conditions she worked.

**Wednesday, 1:40 P. M.**

Following lunch, Sis. Ionia Phillips called meeting to order.

The congregation sang "Jesus Saves," and "When We All Get to Heaven." Prayer by Sis. Dorothy Dickey. Offering was taken for Sis. Carol Clark which was \$29.17.

Resolution Committee report was read:

We the Resolution Committee recommend the following.

I—That we take as our project for the coming year the deficit account of the Fulchers, missionaries to Uruguay.

II—That we send all project and special offerings money directly to the State Treasurer, Hazel Hutzell, 534 W. North Street, Mountain Grove, Mo., 65711.

III—That we urge each Auxiliary member to give \$1.00 during August to the W.N.A.C. fund for office equipment.

IV—That we give \$5.00 for the printing of the minutes.

Signed: Alice Dickey, Jean Williams, Evelyn Rehkop.

The Resolution Committee report was accepted.

Nominating Committee report was read:

President ..... Ionia Phillips, Verdella  
Vice President ..... Jean Williams, Beacon  
Secretary-Treasurer ..... Lou Thomas, Hannon  
Study Course Chairman ..... Mary Jesse, Belton  
Personal Service Chairman .... Wilma Smith, Oskaloosa  
Program Prayer Chairman .... Allene Painter, Central

Signed: Margaret Walker, Louella Thomas, Ruth Postlewaite,  
Pansy McAllister, Gladys Brooks.

This was acted upon and carried.

Treasurer's Report:

#### Dues Received from Each Auxiliary

Oskaloosa .....	\$2.40
First Church .....	4.50
Hannon .....	3.60
Beacon .....	2.70
Victory .....	5.40
Verdella .....	4.20
TOTAL .....	\$22.80

#### Expenditures

Amt. sent to Hazel Hutzell for State and National Dues .....	\$15.20
Amt. for Home Dues (This remained in District Treasury) ....	7.60
Amt. given for printing of Minutes .....	5.00
BALANCE IN TREASURY .....	\$ 2.60
Amt. from 1963-64 Balance .....	\$ 7.45
TOTAL BALANCE .....	\$10.05

Motion made to accept as a whole, it was seconded and carried.

This concluded the business session. A program followed with each Auxiliary taking part. Session adjourned with a closing prayer.

#### CTS Minutes from Central Western Missouri Association

Thursday Morning, July 29, 1965

Church Training Service opened by singing "Just When I Need Him."  
Pianist was Jean Williams; song leader, Jean Crockett.

Alice Hoover, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer, took charge in the absence of President and Vice President. Prayer led by Thayne Fast. Alice Hoover gave some ideas on CTS and a poem, "Whose Delinquency." Jean Crockett sang, "How Great Thou Art." The service was then turned over to Brother Harry Beatty. His Scripture text was Matthew 28:18-20. Altar call given at close of service with singing of "Have Thine Own Way, Lord." Dismissal prayer by Mrs. Janie Fast.

## Thursday Afternoon, July 29, 1965

The afternoon session of the League (CTS) convention opened with congregation singing "We've a Story to Tell to the Nations." Brother Frank Johnson led in prayer. Miss Connie Cook gave the devotion, II Timothy 4:5-8. All CTS members were voting delegates in this meeting. Solo, "After the Showers," by Mike Williams. Devotional skit, "Tater Family," presented by Mrs. Stella Fast and CTS members. Panel discussion directed by Rev. Glenn Rehkop. Rev. Beatty, Rev. Coffey, Rev. Jack McAllister, Rev. Cook and Rev. Alice Dickey were the panel members. Subject for panel discussion was our new Church Training Program. Duet by Mrs. Lester Nutting and Mary, "Why Did God Send Him?"

Motion made that committee be appointed to study possible changes in the By-Laws. Seconded, carried. This committee will report their findings at the 1966 CTS convention.

### NEW OFFICERS FOR 1965-66 TERM

President ..... Connie Cook  
Vice President ..... Mike Williams  
Secretary-Treasurer ..... Virginia Bunton  
Assistant Secretary-Treasurer ..... Alice Hoover  
Benediction by Brother Cecil Blythe.  
Balance on hand in CTS treasury ..... \$46.20

### 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.

## REGISTRATION

**MINISTERS**—James McAllister, Lester Nutting, Ralph Cook, John McAllister, Arlie Hoover, Alice Dickey, Arthur Kicenski, Thayne Fast, Glenn Rehkop, Frank W. Johnson, Bob Dickey, Junior Ussery.

**MINISTERS' COMPANIONS**—Martha Nutting, Opal Cook, Evelyn Rehkop, Mrs. Myrl H. York, Margaret Walker, Mrs. Mildred Kicenski, Mrs. Dorothy Dickey, Mrs. John McAllister, Mrs. Arlie Hoover.

**CHURCH CLERKS**—Frances Foger, Wilma Smith, Bessie Bunton.

**DEACONS**—Preston Cross, Reed Smith, Charlie Hoover, Kenneth Smith.

**DELEGATES**—Ionia Phillips, Connie Cook, Stella Fast, Kathy Barclift, Brenda Painter, Lou Thurston, Glenn Thurston, Hazel Bowman, Jewell Maberry, Hazel Fleeman, Thelma Dickey, Laphema E. Herrell, Janet Painter, Wanda Ussery, David Brown, Sherry Thornton, Mary Cross, Wilma Smith, Theo Bough, Jean Williams, Mary Ellen Jesse, Ramie Hoover, Grace Hendrickson.

**VISITORS**—Nancy Fleeman, Doris Whitson, Gladys Brooks, Jennie Williams, J. R. Smith, Dwight Postlewaite, Timothy E. Altis, Lyle Hoover, Lynn Hoover, Craig Hoover and Douglas Hoover.

## REPORTS OF MINISTERS

**GLENN REHKOP**—Sermons preached 162, churches pastored 1, revivals held 5, professions witnessed 43, number baptized 10, additions to church 27, funerals preached 1, miles traveled 18,000, amount received \$5,370.

**ARTHUR KICENSKI**—Sermons preached 34, professions witnessed 2, baptized 2, funerals preached 4, revivals held 1, amount received \$74.

**LOWELL MARTIN**—Pastored one church one-half time, sermons preached 45, traveled 500 miles, amount received \$500.

**C. T. CHRISTENSEN**—licensed, sermons preached 13, professions 1, traveled 908 miles, received \$20.

**JOHN C. McALLISTER**—Sermons preached 156, churches pastored 1, professions witnessed 25, number baptized 30, additions to church 25, funerals preached 2, miles traveled 2,500, amount received \$2,500.

**HOWARD HENSLEY**—Sermons preached 117, churches pastored 1, revivals held 1, professions witnessed 9, additions to church 5, miles traveled 21,412, amount received \$567.56.

**JAMES O'DELL**—Sermons preached 75, churches pastored 1, number baptized 9, additions to church 11, miles traveled 5,350, amount re-



# STATISTICAL TABLE

	Beacon	Central	Green- field	Hannon	Hickory Grove	K. C. First	1st of El Lado Spgs. Formerly Old Flat	Olivet	Oskaloosa	Verdella	Victory	Wagoner	Belton	Total
Members Rec'd This Year	9	45		11	11	4	5	19		5	27	2	20	148
Members Baptized		17		6	9	3		8		6	10		15	74
Dismissed By Letter		3	1		4	6				2	2		4	22
Deceased				1						1	1			3
Resident Members	79	108	19	44	55	64	9	25	28	53	105	20	41	650
Members June 30, '65	90	114	19	71	99	97	13	25	50	77	111	30	41	837
C. T. S. Membership	40	65				25					50		20	200
S. S. Membership	125	286	30	75	73	90	28	38	34	60	147	20	55	1,061
Ordained Ministers	1	2	1	2	1	1	1	2	2		2	1	2	18
Licensed Ministers	1						2		1	2	2			8
Ordained Deacons	2		2	5	3	6	3		2	6	2	2		33
Paid Pastor	\$ 3,770.00	5,305.00	600.00	890.00	840.00	1,926.00	510.22		1,671.14	1,860.00	4,505.00	480.66	2,000.00	24,358.02
For Evangelism	160.00	293.22		200.00	325.00	125.00	25.00	80.00	103.35	203.45	295.00	34.00	300.00	2,414.02
Value of Ch. Property	40,000.00	50,000.00	7,500.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	75,000.00	100.00	10,000.00	2,000.00	10,000.00	25,000.00	4,000.00	20,000.00	266,500.00
Amt. for Bldg. and Repair	5,809.35	3,132.39		202.65	290.00	2,684.64	60.95	365.39	757.89	736.56	130.03	185.50	500.00	14,864.35
Incidentals	1,608.08	785.68	135.21	409.53	398.00	1,163.52	68.00	111.24	210.39	463.61	2,447.34	88.40	150.00	8,039.00
Co-operative Fund	1,170.67	830.00		237.37	199.01		15.00	73.49	79.57	387.78	915.12			3,908.01
Foreign Missions	493.88	857.23	51.49	83.87		50.41	28.10			677.66	90.39			2,333.03
Home Missions		160.22	22.40	183.86		490.07			31.25	88.15				975.95
Ed. Bible Sc. C. T. S. Lit. and Publications	320.04	402.63	27.46	230.13	116.00	418.39	18.94	45.75	100.86		385.84	42.38	50.00	2,259.17
Youth Camp				10.00					12.00	10.00				32.00
Budget and Minutes	22.75	38.70	8.00	15.00	16.75	8.00	6.00	2.00	10.00	16.50	23.50	10.00	13.25	190.45
Orphanage	43.35	35.00					10.00			50.00				138.35
Amt. for Bible College	10.00	50.00		100.00					12.36		35.00			207.36
Membership in Auxiliary	12	15		10		13	5		10	14	19		15	113

ceived \$855, weddings 1.

HOLLIS WALKER, JR.—Licensed, sermons preached 18, revivals held 1, professions witnessed 1, miles traveled 207, amount received \$144.

JAMES W. McALLISTER—Sermons preached 151, churches pastored 1, revivals held 3, professions witnessed 51, number baptized 17, additions to church 44, funerals preached 1, miles traveled 18,000, amount received \$5,275, rededications 30, marriages 3.

BOB DICKEY—Sermons preached 15, miles traveled 1,500, amount received \$70.

FRANK W. JOHNSON—Sermons preached 5, miles traveled 300, amount received \$40.

RALPH COOK—Sermons preached 12, professions witnessed 1, miles traveled 500.

RONALD CLIFFORD—Sermons preached 172, churches pastored 1, revivals held 2, professions witnessed 12, number baptized 7, additions to church 8, funerals preached 2, miles traveled 7,200, amount received \$1,837.53.

THAYNE FAST—Licensed, sermons preached 16, revivals held 1, traveled 300 miles, received \$4.45.

WOODROW MATTHEWS—Sermons preached 115, churches pastored 1, professions witnessed 9, revivals held 2, additions to church 9, marriages 2, amount received \$4,000, miles traveled 16,500.

ALICE DICKEY—Pastored one church, witnessed 10 professions, baptized 7, received into church 7, preached 92 sermons.

JUNIOR W. USSERY—Sermons preached 78, churches pastored 1, professions witnessed 17, number baptized 8, additions to church 12, miles traveled 12,000.

#### **EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORT—1964-65**

The board met July 30, 1964 at the First Free Will Baptist Church, Kansas City, Missouri with four members present. Those present were Charlie Hoover, Glenn Rehkop, Reed Smith and Woodrow Matthews.

Prayer was offered by Brother Matthews.

Organization of the board is as follows:

Chairman, Charlie Hoover; Clerk-Treasurer, Woodrow Matthews.

Motion that upon request Rev. Carl R. Thompson be granted a letter of recommendation as a member in good standing with this association.

December 5, 1964 was set as a tentative meeting date to outline the program for the next session. Place, Beacon Church, Raytown, Missouri.

Motion to adjourn.

Benediction by Brother Reed Smith.

#### **Meeting —December 5, 1964**

The board met at the Beacon Church, Raytown, Missouri, December 5, 1964. Members present were Charlie Hoover, Reed Smith, Glenn Rehkop, Woodrow Matthews; Brother Joe Cockrell—proxy for Orville Fogar.

Meeting called to order by Chairman, Brother Hoover. Prayer by Brother Rehkop.

At the request of the First Free Will Baptist Church, Eldorado Springs, Rev. Howard Hensley was examined and issued a card of ministerial standing in this association as a licensed minister.

Upon the request of the Hickory Grove Church Rev. James O'Dell was examined and granted a card of standing in this association.

Motion was made that we receive the Belton Free Will Baptist Church, Belton, Missouri, into the fellowship of this association.

At the request of the Beacon Church, Rev. C. T. Christensen was examined and granted a license to preach the Gospel for one year. (License issued and dated December 5, 1964.)

Motion that we issue Rev. John C. "Jack" McAllister a card of good standing as a member of this association.

Motion that a letter of recognition and commendation be sent to Rev. Frank Johnson for the report of his work, and that he be instructed to have his home church make request to the board or the association on his behalf.

Program for the 1965 session was outlined.

Meeting adjourned with prayer.

#### Meeting—February 4, 1965

The board met at the Hannon Church, Liberal, Missouri, on February 4, 1965, with all members present.

Meeting called to order by Chairman Hoover; prayer by Brother Rehkop.

Letter from the Oskaloosa Church, requesting the examining of Brother Bobby Dickey for license to the ministry of the gospel was read. Also the reading of a letter from the Verdella Church requesting that Brothers Thayne Fast and Hollis Walker be examined for license to the ministry.

Upon examination a motion was made that the three candidates be granted a license to preach the Gospel for one year. (License issued and dated February 4, 1965.)

Meeting adjourned with prayer by Brother Foger.

Signed: Woodrow Matthews, Clerk-Treasurer.

#### FINANCIAL REPORT 1964-65

From July 1, 1964 — July 1, 1965

##### CABIN FUND:

Balance brought forward .....	\$31.60
No receipts	
Disbursements for Cabin repair (window glass, etc.) .....	5.98

BALANCE ON HAND .....	\$25.62
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##### HOME MISSION FUND:

Balance brought forward .....	\$41.32
No receipts	
No disbursements	

BALANCE ON HAND .....	\$41.32
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TOTAL IN ALL FUNDS .....	\$66.94
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Funds are deposited in the Bank of Lee's Summit, Lee's Summit, Missouri.

Signed: Woodrow Matthews, Clerk-Treasurer

## REPORTS

### Treasurer's Report:

#### GENERAL FUND:

Brought forward from last year .....	\$ 55.31
Budget with letters .....	\$159.00
Tuesday night offering .....	21.44
Wednesday night offering .....	107.64

TOTAL .....	\$343.39
To Missouri State Association .....	\$23.85
To C.W.M. clerk .....	23.85

TOTAL DEDUCTED FROM BUDGET .....\$47.70

TOTAL IN GENERAL FUND ..... \$295.69

#### Disbursed from General Fund:

Foreign Missions .....	\$107.64
G. S. Burgner & Company .....	20.86
Liberal News .....	102.80

TOTAL DISBURSED .....\$231.30

TOTAL IN GENERAL FUND ..... \$ 64.39

### Christian Education Committee Report:

1. We recommend that visual and audio visual aids be used for teaching in our churches.
2. We recommend our denominational schools for all college students.
3. We recommend that each pastor conduct a teacher training course in the church they pastor similar to Teaching Techniques.
4. All literature used in our churches be obtained from Free Will Baptist Headquarters.
5. We recommend that each family have Bible reading and family prayer in the home and attend weekly prayer service that they might grow in Christ.

Signed: Glenn Thurston, Jewell Maberry, Laphema E. Herrell.

### Ministerial Standings:

Having examined individual letters from the following Ministers, we find them eligible to receive certificates of Ministerial standing:

John C. McAllister, Glenn Rehkop, James O'Dell, James W. McAllister, Hollis Walker, Jr., Howard Hensley, Ronald Clifford, Bob Dickey, C. T. Christensen, Lowell Martin, Arthur Kicenski, Alice Dickey, Woodrow Matthews, Thayne Fast, Ralph Cook.

Signed: Charlie Hoover, Theo Bough, Hazel Fleeman, Ruth Postlewaite, Charles Whitson, Wilma Smith, Stella Fast.

## **Temperance:**

We the Temperance Committee recommend the following:

1. That our churches and our ministry, feel the full responsibility of awakening our people to the facts of the low standards of the church members of this day.

2. That temperance might be stressed more strongly in our Sunday School lessons.

3. That the parents supervise more carefully the programs our children see, hear and attend.

4. That all things be done decently and in order, in actions and appearance. That we be willing to be lead by the Holy Spirit, and be temperate in all things.

Signed: Ralph Cook, Myrl H. York, Olive Smith.

## **Obituary:**

Since our Heavenly Father, in His infinite wisdom has seen fit to call from our midst our Sister Mary Askew from Victory Church, Brother Paul Fast from Verdella and our Brother Ross Thomas from Hannon. We extend our sympathy to the bereaved families and pray God will comfort them in their sorrow. May we take the Christ-like work where they left off and carry on in our communities. Let us stand in a moment of silent prayer in memory of the life they gave to Christ.

Signed: Janet Painter, Preston Cross, Ionia Phillips.

## **Business Committee:**

We the business committee report the following Items:

1. Since it is recommended by the Missouri State Association, that each affiliated church give 10 per cent of its regular income to the State Co-operative Fund as the minimum of our Denominational giving, and whereas our state program has shown commendable advancement through this plan of giving we urge our churches to continue this plan of support.

2. We recommend that the Executive Board plan the program of the next session.

3. We recommend that our church covenant be printed in our Association minutes, and that our people acquaint themselves with it.

4. Since there are independent forces at work trying to draw a portion of our churches from this association into their fold, we recommend that our churches examine ministers which they are pursuing as pastors and see if they are dedicated to the statement of faith, and pledge their allegiances to the National Association Treaties, and Ministers coming to us from other Associations or denominations be examined by the Association or quarterly meeting board.

5. We recommend that we give the Hannon Church a standing vote of thanks for the hospitality shown during this association.

Signed: Glenn Rehkop, Lester Nutting, Arthur Kicenski, Hollis Walker, Jr., John C. McAllister.

### **Publications:**

We the publications committee recommend the following:

1. That our churches continue to use the family plan for Gem and Contact.
2. We urge our churches purchase Sunday School and C.T.S. material, Depth devotional guide and T.N.T. Magazine from national office, Nashville, Tenn. Whereas the C.T.S. is new and that we pay special attention to this program.
3. That we reaffirm our stand of King James Version of the Bible in preference to all others.
4. We recommend our support to American Bible Society which helps in distributing Scripture: Send offerings to American Bible Society, 450 Park Avenue, New York 22, New York.
5. That each church consider prayerfully the starting of a Christian Library for the benefit of the members (especially our teen-agers and young folks.)
6. Also to continue to support our Missouri Free Will Baptist Book Store, 3100 Mt. Pleasant, St. Louis, Mo.

Signed: Thelma Dickey, Mary Ellen Jesse, Rutha Altis.

### **Missions:**

1. We strongly urge that the utmost effort be made to insure that no Missouri Missionaries account shall be allowed to fall into arrears at any time.
2. We recommend that our churches keep informed of the needs by reading "HEARTBEAT" and respond to these great opportunities to fulfill Christ's command to go to uttermost parts of the world.
3. We recommend daily prayer for our missionaries both home and foreign. Remembering they are taking the message for us.

Signed: Rev. Alice Dickey, Mrs. Mary Cross.

### **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 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 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.

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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 honorarium for Central Western Missouri Associational Clerk, and 85% for the 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 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 Minis-



terial 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.

### CHURCH COVENANT

Having given ourselves to God, by faith in Jesus Christ, and adopted the Word of God as our rule of faith and practice, we now give ourselves to one another by the will of God in this solemn covenant.

We promise by His grace to love and obey Him in all things, to avoid all appearance of evil, to abstain from all sinful amusements and unholy conformity to the world, from all sanction of the use and sale of intoxicating beverages, and to provide things honest in the sight of all men.

We agree faithfully to discharge our obligations in reference to study of the Scriptures, secret prayer, family devotions, and social worship, and by self-denial, faith, and good works endeavor to grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

We will not forsake the assembling of ourselves together for church conferences, public worship, and the observance of the ordinances of the gospel, nor fail to pay according to our ability for the support of the church, of its poor, and all its benevolent work.

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

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

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