

MINUTES
OF THE 77TH ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE
CENTRAL WESTERN MISSOURI ASSOCIATION
OF
FREE WILL BAPTISTS

When Convened With The
STOCKTON FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
Friday Evening, March 29, 1985

THE 78TH ANNUAL SESSION
Will Meet With The
VERDELLA FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
near Liberal, Missouri
Friday Evening, March 28, 1986





THEME OF ASSOCIATION

*"By this shall all men know that
ye are my disciples if ye have
love one to another." John 13:35*

MINUTES OF THE CENTRAL WESTERN ASSOCIATION OF
FREE WILL BAPTIST
1985

OFFICERS

MODERATOR	Rev. Cletus Nichols, Eldorado Springs, MO
ASSISTANT MODERATOR	Deacon Roger Phillips, Liberal, MO
CLERK-TREASURER	Doris Whitson, Liberal, MO
ASST. CLERK-TREASURER	Lita Munn, Liberal, MO
STATISTICIAN	Alice Hoover, Liberal, MO
ITINERANT CONTACT	Rev. Bob Dickey, Liberal, MO
STATE GEN. BOARD MEMBER	Deacon Charlie Hoover, Liberal, MO

EXECUTIVE AND HOME MISSION BOARD

1. Hannon	Deacon Charlie Hoover	1986
2. Hickory Grove	Rev. Thayne Fast	1986
3. Oskaloosa	Deacon Phillip Munn	1987
4. Stockton	Deacon John Bough	1987
5. Verdella	Deacon Roger Phillips	1987
6. Bethel	Rev. Cletus Nichols	1988
7. Eldorado Springs First	Rev. Morgan Walker	1988
8. Greenfield	Rev. Lowell Martin	1988

CHURCH CLERKS

BETHEL FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH, Eldorado Springs, MO
Lois Smith, 106 E. Poplar, Eldorado Springs, MO 64744

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GREENFIELD FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH, S. Allison
Lucille Franklin, 403 Toney Ave., Greenfield, MO 65661

HANNON FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH, Liberal, MO
Margaret Smith, Liberal, MO 64762

HICKORY GROVE FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH, Harrisonville, MO
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OSKALOOSA FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH, Arcadia, KS
Wilma Smith, R.R. 2, Box 98B, Liberal, MO 64762

STOCKTON FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH, Stockton, MO
John Bough, Rt. 4, Stockton, MO 65785

VERDELLA FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH, Liberal, MO
Mae Cleffman, Rt. 1, Irwin, MO 64754

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ELDORADO SPRINGS FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH, Eldorado Springs, MO
Rev. Morgan Walker, Rt. 1, Eldorado Springs, MO 64744
GREENFIELD FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH, Greenfield, MO
Rev. Winford Davis, Monett, MO 65708
HANNON FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH, Liberal, MO
None Reported.
HICKORY GROVE FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH, Harrisonville, MO
Rev. Thayne Fast, Liberal, MO 64762
OSKALOOSA FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH, Arcadia, KS
Rev. Cecil Campbell, Stella, MO 64867
STOCKTON FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH, Stockton, MO
Henry Conner, Rt. 2, Box 230A, Walnut Grove, MO 65770
VERDELLA FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH, Liberal, MO
Rev. Alvin Hook, Liberal, MO 64762

PROCEEDINGS

Friday Evening, March 29, 1985, 7:00 P.M.

The 77th Annual session of the Central Western Missouri Association of Free Will Baptist convened with the Stockton Church.

With Bob Dickey as song leader and Virginia Walker at the piano, the congregation sang, "When We All Get To Heaven".

The pastor Bro. Henry Conner extended a welcome from the Stockton Church. Bro. Conner invited all who would, to come to the altar for prayer, with Roger Phillips leading.

Doris Whitson, Clerk, declared a quorum present, the association in session and turned the meeting to the Moderator, Charlie Hoover, to conduct business.

Announcements were made by the Moderator. The congregation then sang "To God Be The Glory".

With Virginia Walker at the piano, an offering of \$117.00 was taken, with half going to the Jerry Pinkertons', Missionaries to Africa and half going to the Curt Hollands' summer missionaries to Brazil. Bro. Cletus Nichols asked God's blessing on the offering.

We enjoyed special music by five teen-agers from the Verdella Church, Trent Walker, Lawrence Splitter, Robin Young, Andrea Walker and Lynette Phillips.

Bro. Jerry Pinkerton brought the message. The subject of his message was "What God Really Cares About". Some of the scriptures used were I Tim. 2:9 and 10, I Corinth. 11:14. He also shared a report of other missionaries on the field in Africa.

We were dismissed in prayer by Bro. Alvin Hook.

Saturday Morning, 9:45 A.M. Business Session, March 30, 1985

The Moderator opened the meeting by calling on Charles Whitson to lead in prayer. With Becky Conner at the piano and Jan Munn as song leader, the

congregation sang, "At Calvary". The Moderator welcomed the congregation to the Saturday session. Special music was by Becky Connor, singing, "Consider the Lilies" and "How Unworthy I Am".

The morning devotion was by Curt Holland, using John 13:34 and 35. He brought out the point that Christ's last command is our first concern, ending his devotion with prayer.

Bro. Clarence Burton, State Promotional Secretary, was introduced by the Moderator. Bro. Burton thanked the churches for their cooperative and designated giving and made announcements about state work.

Assistant Moderator, Roger Phillips, read the by-laws.

Church letters were read and delegates seated.

Phil Munn gave the executive board report. M/S/C to accept as read.

The Moderator appointed committees. We were dismissed in prayer by Hollis Walker, Jr.

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY SESSION, 11:00 A.M., March 30, 1985

Theme: "If a man say, I love God, and hateth his brother, he is a liar:
for he that loveth not his brother whom he hath seen, how can he love
God whom he hat not seen? I John 4:20

The Annual Central Western Missouri District Auxiliary was welcomed by Pres. Hilda Nichols, with Margaret Walker giving the opening prayer. Stacie Spurgeon led the congregation in singing, "Love Lifted Me". The minutes were read by Virginia Hoover, and approved. Lita Munn read the treasurer's report. It was voted to allow Hilda Nichols to appoint delegates to the State Meeting.

This session's theme song was introduced by Hilda, "They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love".

A skit, "How's Your Prayer Life" was presented by Virginia Hoover and Lita Munn.

Special songs were by Karen Hook, "1, 2, 3, Jesus Loves Me", Stacie Spurgeon and Pam Green sang, "He Loves Me", "Learning to Lean" and "There Is A River".

Mary Holland, summer missionary to Brazil gave the devotion from I John 4, John 3:16, Rom. 5:8, Matt. 6:43, and John 15:12-17

The nominating committee was appointed as follows: Alice Hoover, Doris Whitson, Jewel Campbell and General Collins.

Corky Walker asked the blessing on the noon meal and dismissed in prayer.

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY 2:00 P.M. SESSION

Alice Hoover led in singing "Love Divine", with prayer by Margaret Walker.

A skit, "God's Love", was presented by Curt and Mary Holland. With Jan Munn at the piano, she and her sisters Eva and Paulette sang, "Pierce My Ears" and "Spirit Song".

Hilda presented Carol Pinkerton, missionary on furlongh from Ivory Coast. She spoke from love chapter, I Corinth.:13, saying, "if our lives agree with our words of witness and love, that's what counts. We need to listen to what the Lord has to say, so people will see and know that we have God's love in us."

Thayne Fast led in the offertory prayer.

The nominating committee presented the following names for district officers: Pres., Hilda Nichols; Vice-Pres., Gaye Hook; Secretary, Virginia Hoover; Treasurer, Lita Munn; Mission Study, Lois Smith; Mission Prayer, Wilma Smith; Mission Action, Juanita Smith.

During the installation of officers, entitled "God's Greenhouse", Hilda gave each one a potted plant which complemented her office and told what her duties are.

A prayer for the officers was given by Rev. Cletus Nichols, who also dismissed the meeting.

The offering of \$116.30 was divided between Mary Holland and Carol Pinkerton.

Saturday Afternoon Business Session, 3:30 P.M., March 30, 1985

With Lita Munn as song leader and Jan Munn at the piano, the congregation sang, "Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus". Roger Phillips led in prayer.

M/S/C to accept the statistician report as written.

M/S/C to accept the Clerk-Treasurer report as read.

Business Committee report read and voted on item by item.

Item I - M/S/C to accept.

Item II - M/S/C to accept.

Ministerial Standing Committee report read. M/S/C to accept as read.

Old business brought up was the changes to be made in Article 7 of the Constitution and Article 12: Section I of the by-laws, as proposed in 1984.

The word might would be deleted from Article 7. M/S/C to accept change.

The sentence in Article 12: Section I would read thus: Ministers in the Armed Forces, Bible College students, and Missionaries shall not be required to report in person to receive a card of standing. M/S/C to accept.

M/S/C that each church pay \$1.00 per member to raise the needed amount to help with the National Association when it convenes in Missouri in 1988.

M/S/C to give the General Board Member permission to appoint anyone who might attend the State Association as delegates.

Phil Munn made announcements about Roll Call Sunday.

M/S/C that we table the motion for the executive board to come up with a workable plan for the use of the general account fund.

Nominating report read. M/S/C to accept as read.

Dismissed in prayer by Thayne Fast.

Saturday Evening Worship Service at 5:30 P.M., March 30, 1985

Meeting opened with prayer by Curt Holland. The congregation sang, "There Is Power In The Blood", with Alvin Hook as song leader and Becky Conner as pianist. Harold Smith led in prayer. Special music was by "The Munn Family", singing, "If That Isn't Love" and "The Solid Rock".

An offering of \$116.25 was taken to be given to missionaries, Jerry and Carol Pinkerton, with Charles Whitson asking God's blessing on the offering.

The 1986 Assoc. Meeting will be at the Verdella Church.

Bro. Jerry Pinkerton delivered the evening message, his subject, "Ye Shall Be My Witness in Jerusalem". Some of the scriptures used during the message were, Acts 2:47, Matt. 24:14 and Acts 13:2. Several points brought out, the definition of a missionary is a messenger sent by the Master to men who need to hear the gospel. Also "Be what you ought to be" and "Do what you ought to do".

We were dismissed with prayer by Juanita Smith.

REGISTRATION

MINISTERS - Henry Conner, Alvin Hook, Cletus Nichols, Morgan Walker, Thayne Fast and Bob Dickey.

DEACONS - Don Smith, Reed Smith, Phillip Munn Jr., John Bough, Charlie Hoover, Roger Phillips, Charles Whitson

DELEGATES - Wilma Smith, Virginia Hoover, Mae Cleffman, Finley White, Stella White, Hilda Nichols, Lita Munn, Nadene O'Neal, Virginia Toliver, Harold Smith, Anna Walker, Juanita Smith, Eloise Thornton, Ionia Phillips, Alice Hoover, Gaye Hook.

VISITORS - Lynette Phillips, Trent Walker, Robin Young, Lawrence Splitter, Ken Spurgeon, Brian King, Rebecca Conner, Bill Walker, Virginia Walker, Velma Miller, Andrea Walker, Clifford Hoover, Paulette Munn, Eva Munn, Geneva Collins, Margaret Walker, Theo Bough, Mary Cross, Opal Williams.

BUSINESS COMMITTEE REPORT

We the business committee recommend the following to our churches:

1. That we give \$500.00 out of our home mission account to Curt and Mary and in addition we strongly urge the churches to support them as they are still short of their goal.

2. We would like to recommend that all who can, attend the work day at youth camp, as there is some general maintenance work that needs to be done before camp starts.

3. That we give the Stockton Church a standing vote of thanks for hosting the Association.

Signed Alvin Hook, Bob Dickey, Cletus Nichols, Roger Phillips and Phillip Munn.

MINISTERIAL STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

We the committee on Ministerial standing do recommend the following be granted certificates of good standing in the Association: Bros. Alvin Hook, Hollis Walker Jr., Thayne Fast, Morgan Walker, Bob Dickey, Cletus Nichols, Stan Bunch, and Curt Holland. Superannuated are: Arlie Hoover and Lowell Martin.

May we the layman as well as the above pastors strive harder and more diligently to seek lost souls and a closer fellowship among each other.

Signed Virginia Hoover, Lita Munn, Reed Smith, Ionia Phillips and Finley White.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

We the nominating committee submit the following recommendations: Moderator - Cletus Nichols; Assistant Moderator - Roger Phillips; Clerk - Treasurer - Doris Whitson; Assistant Clerk-Treasurer - Lita Munn; Statistician - Alice Hoover; Itinerant Contact - Bob Dickey.

Signed John Bough, Hollis Walker Jr., Charles Whitson, Stella White, Hilda Nichols.

MINISTER'S REPORTS

Rev. Morgan Walker - Sermons preached, 52; Churches pastored, 1; Miles traveled, 300; Money received, \$780.00.

Rev. Curt Holland - Sermons preached, 20; Professions witnessed, 5; Funerals preached, 1; Miles traveled, 3,000; Money received, \$4,000.

Rev. Cletus Nichols - Sermons preached, 96; Churches pastored, 1; Professions witnessed, 3; Number baptized, 6; Additions to church, 1; Funerals preached, 2; Miles traveled, 5,176; Money received, \$11,633.69.

Rev. Alvin Hook - Sermons preached, 167; Churches pastored, 1; Professions witnessed, 5; Number baptized, 4; Additions to church, 5; Miles traveled, 14,980; Money received, \$11,573.00.

Rev. Bob Dickey - Sermons preached, 81; Churches pastored, 1; Professions witnessed, 4; Number baptized, 2; Funerals preached, 3; Miles traveled, 8,500; Money received, \$11,720.00

Rev. Thayne Fast - Sermons preached, 44; Churches pastored, 1; Funerals preached, 1; Miles traveled, 9,100; Money received, \$2,925; Weddings, 2.

Rev. Hollis Walker Jr. - Sermons preached, 48; Number baptized, 1; Miles traveled, 500; Money received, \$102.00.

Rev. Stan Bunch - Sermons preached, 138; Professions witnessed, 11; Funerals preached, 1; Miles traveled, 24,957; Money received, \$6,580.

ASSOCIATIONAL CLERK'S FINANCIAL REPORT MARCH 1984 - MARCH 1985

Balance Brought Forward \$133.86

Receipts:

Budget Money \$304.50

Missions Offering. \$ 50.00

Offering for Assoc. Treasure \$ 56.50

Total Receipts. \$544.86

Disbursements:

Stan Bunch \$ 50.00

State Dues \$ 40.00

National Dues. \$ 80.00

1984 Minutes \$130.50

Board Member to State. \$104.42

Total Disbursements \$404.92

Balance in Bank \$139.94

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD FROM MARCH 1, 1984 to FEB. 28, 1985

Annual Association Meeting at Oskaloosa Free Will Baptist Church, March 30, 1984.

The Executive board met on Friday night after the opening session of the Association.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Bro. Lural Mays.

Board members present were: Charlie Hoover, Roger Phillips, Lural Mays, and Phil Munn. Rev. Clarence Burton was our guest. We had a discussion concerning the proceedings of the Evangel Free Will Baptist Church. There were not enough board members present for a quorum.

STATISTICAL 1984-85

	BETHEL	ELDORADO FIRST	GREENFIELD	HANCOCK	HICKORY GROVE	OSKALOOSA	STOCKTON	VERDELLA	TOTAL
Members Received	1	0	2		0	0	2	5	12
Members Lost	12	0	0		0	2	0	8	23
Members Deceased	0	1	0		0	0	0	0	1
Total Membership	29	13	38		27	29	0	68	331
Sunday School Average	56	8	22		14	18	10	74	278
Women's Auxiliary	10	0	0		0	5	0	12	47
Ordained Ministers	1	1	1		1	0	1	3	10
Licensed Ministers	0	1	0		1	0	0	1	3
Ordained Deacons	1	1	0		0	2	1	4	12
Pastor's Salary	12,618.64	780.00	4,435.00	13,200.00	2,885.00	4,906.33	3,000.00	14,582.00	56,414.97
Evangelistic	264.00	0	0		0	0	0	1,391.00	1,655.00
Building Repair	196.90	0	134.05	1,690.00	0	758.05	0	114.00	2,900.70
Literature	844.33	120.74	209.22	2,570.00	139.51	265.36	110.00	1,164.00	5,432.93
Other	7,321.38	638.26	916.78	6,600.00	0	108.18	600.00	10,586.00	26,780.48
TOTAL LOCAL CAUSES	21,245.25	1,539.00	5,695.05	24,160.00	3,024.51	6,037.92	3,710.00	27,837.00	93,256.14
Cooperative Fund	0	45.00	0	3,130.00	183.47	236.95	0	2,186.00	5,786.06
Foreign Missions	965.68	45.00	0	1,980.00	183.47	562.08	120.00	4,712.00	8,569.64
Home Missions		60.00	66.05	3,430.00	70.75	911.05	0	445.00	4,984.58
Orphanage		0	0	70.00	106.00	0	0	0	178.00
Association Projects	166.56	0	0		0	120.00	0	2,186.43	2,472.99
Other	31.50	0	0	4,340.00	0	60.00	0	0	4,432.55
TOTAL OUTSIDE CAUSES	1,163.74	150.00	66.05	12,960.00	543.69	1,890.08	120.00	8,118.00	25,012.39
TOTAL SPENT	22,408.99	2,275.00	5,761.10	37,120.00	3,568.20	7,928.00	3,830.00	35,955.00	118,854.53
Church Property	175,000.00	20,000.00	60,000.00	60,000.00	20,000.00	16,000.00	60,000.00	50,000.00	461,000.00

We were dismissed in prayer by Roger Phillips.

March 31, 1984 The executive board met on Saturday during the regular session of the Association to organize the board for the coming year. The meeting was opened with prayer by Bro. Cletus Nichols.

Board members present were: Charlie Hoover, Roger Phillips, Rev. Morgan Walker, John Bough, Rev. Cletus Nichols for Lural Mays, and Phil Munn.

Executive board offices for the coming year are: Chairman-Charlie Hoover; Assistant Chairman-Roger Phillips; Secretary and Treasurer-Phil Munn; Assistant Sec. & Treas.-Lural Mays; Program Committee Chairman-Roger Phillips. A committee to be appointed by Roger if needed.

Executive board members for the expiring terms were elected as follows: Oskaloosa-Phil Munn; Stockton-John Bough; Verdella-Roger Phillips.

There was further discussion about the Evangel Free Will Baptist Church so the rest of the board members could be brought up to date on the proceedings. A letter was to be sent to the Home Missions Representative with the amount of funds donated to Evangel by our association.

The board received a letter from the Verdella Free Will Baptist Church to examine Bro. Alvin Hook for a card of standing with our Association. As the board was already in session and Bro. Hook was available, he was examined without waiting. A motion was made by Bro. Cletus Nichols and seconded by Bro. John Bough to grant Bro. Hook a card of standing. The vote was unanimous to grant the card of standing.

There was a discussion about having the ministers send their reports with the church letters so we would be sure and have them for the annual association meeting to be reviewed by the ministerial standing committee. A letter will be sent to the church clerks for the ministers. As there was no further business we were dismissed in prayer by Bro. Cletus Nichols.

June 2, 1984 Verdella Quarterly Meeting board members present: Charlie Hoover, Roger Phillips, John Bough and Phil Munn. Did not have a quorum, we were dismissed with prayer by Roger Phillips.

August 17, 1984 Stockton - Special Meeting. Opening prayer by Sister Martin. Board members present: Charlie Hoover, Roger Phillips, John Bough, Sis. Lowell Martin, and Phil Munn.

This special meeting was called to discuss the selling of a parcel of land from the west side of the property at Stockton. The parcel of land to be sold would be 150 feet wide and run parallel to the west side of the property.

The length of the parcel would be the boundaries to the school fence on the north, to the road on the south. This parcel would be approximately .6 of an acre in size. The remaining church property would be approximately 1.75 acres. We all went outside to view the land and make some preliminary measurements. We returned to the church for further discussion. It was agreed by all present that each board member was to ask the approval of their respective churches and it would be voted on at the next quarterly meeting to be held on Sept. 1, 1984. The board members that were not present were to be contacted by Phil Munn. We were dismissed in prayer by Roger Phillips.

September 1, 1984 Bethel Quarterly Meeting. Meeting was opened in prayer by Bro. Lural Mays. Board members present: Charlie Hoover, John Bough, Lural Mays, Rev. Morgan Walker, Roger Phillips and Phil Munn.

We discussed the youth camp. A report was made on the purchase of mattresses this year. Also if there needed to be any repairs to the cabins for the next year.

We discussed the special meeting that was held at Stockton on Aug. 17, 1984. Phil Munn reported that all association church representatives were contacted. They were all in agreement to sell the parcel of land 150 feet wide on the west side of the Stockton church property. A motion was made by Roger Phillips and seconded by Phil Munn to sell the parcel of land. The vote was unanimous to sell. We were dismissed by Roger Phillips in prayer.

December 1, 1984 Hannon Quarterly Meeting. Meeting was opened in prayer by Bro. Roger Phillips. Board members present were: Charlie Hoover, Lural Mays, Roger Phillips, John Bough and Phil Munn. Jan. 11, 1985 at 7:00 p.m. was set to meet at Stockton to plan the program for the annual association meeting. Phil was to check with the Foreign Missions Department to see if it would be possible to have a missionary to speak at the Annual Meeting. Closing prayer by John Bough. At the conclusion of the meeting refreshments were served and a time of fellowship was enjoyed by all.

January 1, 1985 Stockton Special Meeting to plan the Annual Association Meeting. Members present: Charlie Hoover, Lural Mays, Roger Phillips, John Bough and Phil Munn. Meeting was opened in prayer by Roger Phillips.

The theme chosen for this year was John 13:35 - "By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another." The churches were to be notified of the proposed changes to the constitution and by-laws.

Article 7 of the Constitution to be proposed as follows:

Article 7: This Association shall meet annually on Friday, following the fourth Sunday in March, and continue through Saturday. It shall be the duty of the churches composing it to represent themselves by letter and delegate.

Article 12 of the By-Laws to be proposed as follows: 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 to attend at least once each year at a quarterly or the annual association meeting. Ministers in the Armed Forces, Bible College students, and Missionaries shall not be required to report in person to receive a card of standing. All ministers meeting these requirements shall be granted a Certificate of Ministerial Standing when and if approved by the appointed committee on Ministerial Standing.

The churches having executive board members with expiring terms were to be notified, they are Lural Mays - Bethel; Morgan Walker, ElDorado 1st and Lowell Martin - Greenfield. We were dismissed in prayer by Lural Mays.

CENTRAL WESTERN EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORT
ANNUAL STATEMENT
03/01/84 - 02/28/85

YOUTH CAMP FUND	
03/01/84	Balance.....\$1,664.43
Expenses	800.00-
Contributions	6.25
02/28/85	Youth Camp Current Balance.....\$ 870.68
GENERAL ACCOUNT FUND	
03/01/84	Balance.....\$1,122.67
Expenses:	
Debt Retirement Fund	2,720.00-
Operating Fund	1,440.00-
Miscellaneous	1,069.65-
	Total Expenses.....\$5,229.65-
Income:	
Interest on Savings Account	117.26
Bethel	0.00
ElDorado First	50.00
Greenfield	66.05
Hannon	2,599.92
Hickory Grove	183.47
Oskaloosa	833.05
Stockton	0.00
Verdella	1,301.46
Other Contributions	4,470.71
	Total Income.....\$9,621.92
02/28/85	GENERAL ACCOUNT CURRENT BALANCE.....\$5,514.94

CENTRAL WESTERN MISSOURI DISTRICT AUXILIARY
TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT 1984-1984

	DISTRICT 54	BETHEL 12	HANNON 24	OSKALOOSA 5	VERDELLA 13	TOTAL 54
MEMBERS ON ROLL:						
HOME MISSIONS:						
State Mission				10.00		10.00
State Special Projects			150.00		64.76	214.76
FOREIGN MISSIONS:						
Pre Easter					69.50	69.50
Provision Closet					25.00	25.00
State Project				5.00	30.00	35.00
District			614.25		79.77	694.02
BIBLE COLLEGE						
Special Project			40.00			40.00
WNAC						
Emphasis Month				20.00	40.79	60.79
Special Project		20.00				20.00
Children's Home			100.00			100.00
Retired Ministers					10.00	10.00
Youth Camp		25.00	50.00	10.00	50.00	135.00
Auxiliary Literature				36.15		36.15
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS						1,425.22
CASH GIFTS SENT DIRECTLY:						
Foreign Missions		75.00	100.00	20.00	25.00	220.00
Children's Home					50.00	50.00
Local Church Activities		105.60	622.47		80.49	808.56
Auxiliary Lit. & Supp.		125.87	3.55		48.60	178.02
Youth Camp Projects		50.00				50.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS						1,306.58
GRAND TOTAL DISBURSED						2,731.80

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 in 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: Officer. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, an Assistant Moderator, a Clerk, and Assistant Clerk, a Treasurer, and 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 maintain a Board, to be known as the Home Mission and Executive Board of the Central Western Missouri Association. This Board shall be made up of one ordained person from each church. If an ordained representative is not available, a church may recommend a non-ordained person, who otherwise meets the qualifications for ordination stated in these By-laws. Such members shall be elected by the Association, with consideration given to the nominees submitted by their churches.

One third of the members of this board shall be elected each year, for a three year term of office. (The churches shall be listed alphabetically with the first third and fraction, if any, elected for a one year term; the second third and fraction, if any, elected for a two year term; and the third elected for a three year term.

The duties of this board shall be: to serve as trustees of any, and all, property belonging to the association; to serve as the examining council of the Association; to promote, and oversee Home Mission work within the Association; to act upon any expedient business of the Association that may arise between meetings of the Association.

The board must have at least a simple majority present to officially conduct business.

Article 7: This Association shall meet annually on Friday, following the fourth Sunday in March, and continue through Saturday. It shall be the duty of the churches composing it to represent themselves by letter and delegate.

Article 8: Program. It shall be the duty of the Executive Board to plan and carry out the program of the Association.

Article 9: Amendments. This Constitution may be altered or amended at any regular session of this Association by a two-thirds vote of members present, provided notice of proposed alteration of amendments has been given to the church clerks of the member churches by the Executive Board 30 days prior to Association meeting.

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 open and closed with prayer.

Article 3: Delegates equal in number to the number of active churches and representing at least a simple majority of 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 "Robert's 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 in the Association to determine its own fiscal year. We suggest March 1st to February 28 or 29.

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: Section 1: It shall be the duty of the churches of the Association to accompany their church letter with twenty dollars (\$20.00) per church, plus fifty cents (.50) per resident member for the Central Western Missouri Association fund to be allocated thus: five dollars (\$5.00) to the Missouri State Association of Free Will Baptists; ten dollars (\$10.00) to the National Association of Free Will Baptists; with the remaining amount, fifteen percent (15%) for an honorarium for the Associational clerk, and eighty-five percent (85%) for the Central Western Missouri Association expense.

Section 2: The Associational Clerk is to reimburse our general board member from this Association to the State Association for gas, lodging and food, per receipts.

Article 10: Section 1: No one shall be ordained to the ministry in the Association until they have carried a license two years, or should they be called to pastor a church, they may be ordained in one year.

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 candidates 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 1 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 to attend at least once each year at a quarterly or the annual association meeting. Ministers in the Armed Forces, Bible College students, and Missionaries shall not be required to report in person to receive a card of standing. 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 the Association by a two-thirds vote of members present, providing that a notice of proposed change has been given to the church clerks of the member churches by the Executive Board 30 days prior to the Association meeting.

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 influences 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 education 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.