MINUTES

OF THE

FORTY-NINTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Dibble Association
Church of God
Denominated

Free Will Baptist

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Held at the Association Camp Grounds
Near Dibble, Oklahoma

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Will Convene at
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Dibble, Oklahoma

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HELD AT THE ASSOCIATION CAMP GROUND, NEAR DIBBLE OKLA. SEPTEMBER_5, 6,_7, 1957.

Moderator Eld.	B. T. Kirby, Okla. City, Okla.
Ass't Mod	Eld. J. R. Hall, Lindsay, Okla.
Clerk	_Sis. Alma York, Dibble, Okla.
Ass't clerk	Sis. Inez Bagwell, Alex, Okla.
TreasurerBro. Lu	ither Hudson. Chickasha, Okla.
HistorianRev.	Clay Richey, Blanchard, Okla.

The next session of the Dibble Association will meet at the Camp Ground on Thursday night before the second Sunday in September 1958.

Introductory message to be delievered by Eld. Lonnie Ward. Eld John Alsup Alternate.

First Quarterly Meeting... Blanchard Free Will Baptist Church, December.Rev. Elmer Steelman, Introductory speaker, Rev. J. W. Ferguson, Alternate.

Second Quarterly Meeting March __First Church, Okhoma City Okla. Rev. Lester Maynard, Introductory speaker Rev. Ira Smithey, Alternate.

Third Quarterly Meeting____ June Lindsay, Free Will Baptist Church, Lindsay. Okla. Rev. B. T. Kirby, Introductory Speaker, Rev. Arthur Hearron, Alternate.

RULES OF ORDER

- 1. At every sitting of the Association, business shall be opened and concluded by prayer by the Moderator or whom so ever he may request.
- 2. Ministers, deacons, church clerks, and assistant clerks present are invited to seats, allowed to take part in debates on all subjects and vote.
- 3. Those who speak shall arise and address the Moderator. Personal reflection shall be avoided in all debates.
 - 4. No motion shall be discussed without a second.
- 5. When a motion has been made seconded, and a member opposes its doscussion, the Moderator shall put the question "Shall it be discussed?" If negative, the question shall be dismissed.
- 6. If any proposition or motion under debate contains two or more points, it shall be divided at the request of any member, and the vote taken separtely.
 - 7. Motions made and lost shall not be recorded.
- 8. No one shall speak more than twice on the same subject without special leave of the Moderator.
- 9. All questions shall be decided by a majority vote of all members present.
- 10. No member shall absent himself without special leave of the Moderator.
- 11. Minutes shall be leisurely read and corrected before the close of the Association if necessary.
- 12. At all future sessions of the Association, arrangements shall be made to insure two sermons or other devotional exercises equivalent thereto, during each day of the session and the chair shall announce, just before adjournment, who shall fill the stand at the next meeting.
- 13. The Rules of Order shall be distinctly read from the chair immediately after organization of the Association.
- 14. Alternations may be made in these rules at any regular sessions of the Associations.

FORM OF CHURCH CONFERENCE

- 1. Call Church in Conference.
- 2. Call for peace of the Church.
- 3. Call visiting brethren to seats in council.
- 4. Reading minutes of previous session.
- 5. Unfinished business.
- 6. New business.
- 7. Are any sick or in distress?
- 8. What has been done for the support of the Ministry and

other incidental expenses?

- 9. A call for confression
- 10. Invitation for members
 - 11. Adjournment

ORDER OF BUSINESS

- 1. Introductory Sermon
- 2. House called to order by the Moderator
- 3. Letters called for, read and received
 - 4. Right hand of fellowship and seating delegates
 - 5. Election of officers
- 6. Petitionary letters called for
- 7. Reading Rules of Order
- 8. Invite visiting brethren to seats in council
- 9. Appointment of committees
- 10. Unfinished business
- 11. New business
- 12. Reports of Committees
- 13. Miscellaneous business

PROCEEDINGS

The Dibble Association met at the Camp Ground, Thursday evening, September 5, 1957, continuing until Saturday afternoon, September 7, 1957.

Thursday Evening.

Services were opened with singing "I Am Thine O Lord," led by Rev. E. A. O'Donnel, with Sis Inez Bagwell at the piano. Followed with singing "Nobody Knows But Jesus.", led by Bro. Luther Hudson. Prayer by Rev. Elmer Steelman.

Devotional Service was conducted by Bro. Bill DaVault.

Divine Service Committee was appointed by Ass't Moderator, they are as following: Bro. Bill DaVault, Chairman Bro. Thomas Browning Bro. John D. Cox Bro. Mack Clagg Bro. Ellis Stanford.

Special song was arranged with Rev. Clay Richey, Bro. and Sis. John Nunnley and Bro. Luther Hudson, singing "I'll Have A New Life," with Sis. Inez Bagwell at the Piano. Followed with a special song by Little Linda Bagwell, singing "He", with Sis Inez Bagwell at the piano

The congregation sang "Praise Him, Praise Him, led by Rev. E. A. O'Donnell Sis. Inez Bagwell at the piano.

Rev. Clay Richey delievered the introductory message, Scripture was read from Frist Timothy, the third chapter.

Song led by Rev. E. A. O'Donnell "Nothing But The Blood" with Sis. Inez Bagwell at the piano.

Dismissed with prayer by Bro. T. O. Dunn.

Friday Morning Session

Services were opened with singing "Draw Me Nearer", led by Rev. E. A. O'Donnell, with Rev. Earnest Kennedy at the piano. Prayer by Bro. Thomas Browning, Followed with singing "Beautiful" led by Bro. Luther Hudson, with Rev. Kennedy at the piano.

Devotional scripture was read by Rev. Scott Jones, Ada. Okla, Center Association, reading the Frist Chapter of Psalms,

with Prayer by Rev. Jones.

Church letters were called for and the following Churchs reported.; Hawkins, Blanchard, Bridge Creek, Chickasha, Dibble, Lindsay, Iron Chapel, St Clair Ave, Bryant, Frist Church. Letters read, and motion carried to receive the letters as read and seat the delegats. Right hand of fellowship extended to the delegates while singing "Amazing Grace", led by Rev. Earnest Kennedy with Sis. Maggie Roberts at the piano. The Frist Church letter was a few Minutes late and right hand of fellowship was extended by the Assistant Moderator Rev. E. A. O'Donnell.

Election Of Officers

Moderator ___ Rev. B. T. Kirby Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Assistant Mod._ _ __Rev. J. R. Hall Lindsay Oklahoma Clerk ___ Alma York Dibble, Oklahoma Ass't. Clerk ___ Inez Bagwell Alex Oklahoma Treasurer ___ Luther Hudson Chickasha, Oklahoma Historian ___ Rev. Clay Richey Blanchard, Oklahoma

The Divine Service Committee reported Rev. Earnest Kennedy would bring the morning message. Bro. J. W. Ferguson, Devotional Service. Rev. E. A. O'Donnell song service.

A 10 minute recess was declared by the Assistant Moderator, Rev. J. R. Hall. Dismissed with Prayer by Bro. J. W. Ferguson.

Eleven O'Clock Service.

Services were called to order and congregation sang "When We All Get To Heaven" and, "I'm Not Ashamed", led by Rev. Elmer Steelman, with Sis. Inez Bagwell at the piano. Prayer by Rev. Lonnie Ward.

Special song arranged by Bro. Luther Hudson, with Bro. Hudson, Sis Maggie Roberts, Sis. Inez Bagwell, and Rev. Clay Richey singing, "God Shall Wipe Away All Tears." with Sis. Alma York at the piano.

Rev. Earnest Kennedy and his wife sang "I'm Looking For The Stone." Rev. Kennedy delievered the Morning message, Scripture read from Romans 8-1-9. Prayer by Rev. Ira Smithey. Perfect Example was the text.

Dismissed with prayer by Rev. B. T. Kirby.

Friday Afternoon Session.

Services were called to order with singing "Heavens Jubilee" led by Rev. Elmer Steelman with Sis. Maggie Roberts at the piano.

Sis. Wilma Mills read the Devotional Scripture, Romans 8-1-6. with prayer by Rev. Lonnie Ward.

Petitionary letters called for. There were none. Visiting brethern invited to seat with us in council. Right hand of Fellowship extended by the Assistant Moderator Rev. J. R. Hall.

Motion made and second to give retiring Moderator, Assistant Moderator and Treasurer a vote of Thanks and Appreciation for their work. Motion carried, followed with Prayer by Moderator Rev. B. T. Kirby.

Appointment Of Committies by Moderator are as following:

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE: Rev. Clay Richey, Chairman Rev. Elmer Steelman, Rev. John Alsup Rev. Ira. Smithey Bro. A. E. Mills.

YEARLY CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE: Rev. Arther Hearron, Chairman, Rev. Lonnie Ward, Rev. Frank Lee, Rev. Dormie Mills, Bro. W. A. Harrell.

HOME MISSION COMMITTEE: Sis. Anna DaVault Chairman, Sis. Jennie Browning, Sis. Cestas Wells, Sis. Louise Jackson, Sis. Amy Manning

SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMITTEE: Sis. Alta Gibson, Chairman, Sis. Claudia Cox, Sis. Nettie Hudson, Sis Maggie Roberts, Bro. Luster.

TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE: Sis. Mattie Jones, Chairman, Sis. Irene Stanford, Sis. Alice Wilson, Sis. Frankie Lighe, Sis. Winnie Alsup.

OBITUARY COMMITTEE: Bro. Thomas Browning, Chairman, Sis. Ella Jarman, Sis. W. A. Harrell, Bro. Jess Clagg, Sis. Josie Mills.

LEAGUE COMMITTEE: Bro. Ellis Stanford, Chairman, Sis. Wilma Mills, Bro. J. W. Ferguson, Sis. Maud Branch, Sis. Sylvia Oglesby.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Sis. Boyd Lee, Chairman, Bro. Jack Hopkins, Bro. Lee Alsup, Bro. C. T. Berkley, Bro. Richard Clagg.

LADIES COMMITTEE ACCORDING TO RESOLUTION NO. 3, 1956: Blanchard, Sis. Irene Stanford, Chairman; Hawkins, Sis. Inez Bagwell; Dibble, Sis. Maggie Roberts, Iron Chapel, Sis. Cestas Wells; Bridge Creek, Sis. Anna DaVault; Chickasha, Sis. Frankie Light; Lindsay, Sis. Maud Branch; Frist Church, Sis. Essie Buck; St. Clair, Sis. Thomas Browning; Bryant, Sis. Amy Manning.

Unfinished Business called for.

Discussion of shutters for the Tabernacle.

Motion made and second to adopt as a permanent order of business, the motion passed in last quarterly meeting concerning presenting all Church letters at the indroductory servic of each meeting. Motion carried.

Motion made and second ti give the Frist Church the priviledge to paint the benches in the Tabernacle brown. Motion carried.

Motion made and second to fix the east storage room rat and mouse proof for the piano, song books, and other articles belonging to the association. Motion carried.

Motion made and second to elect a Historian for the Dibble Association. Motion carried. (See officers.)

Motion made and second for the Treasurer to pay bills authorized by the quarterly meetings and the Association. Motion carried.

Motion made and second for each church to support Camp Ground fund, Motion carried.

Motion made and second to adjourn for 15 minutes. Motion carried.

Dismissed with prayer by Rev. Ira. Smithey.

Services were called to order by singing "It Won't Be Very Long" led by Rev. Elmer Steelman with Sis. Maggie Roberts at the piano.

Report of the Treasurer read.

Motion made and second to table the report until another treasurer could be elected, the onea elected could not serve, this to be the first itm of businss Saturday afternoon. Motion carried.

Divine Service Committee report read. Motion made and second to accept the report. Motion carried.

Motion made and second to adjorn. Motion carried.

Dismissed with prayer by Bro. T. O. Dunn.

Friday Evening Service.

Service was opened with singing "I'm Glad That Jesus Came" and "I'd Like To Talk It Over With Him.", led by Rev.

Elmer Steelman with his son Randell at the piano. Prayer by Rev. Rue Dell Smith. Followed with singing, "When The Redeemed Are Gathering In," and "Land Where Living Waters Flow." Prayer by Rev. Carl Waddle.

A special song "Praising Jesus", with Bro. Luther Hudson, Sis. Nettie Hudson Rev. Elmer Steelman, and Bro. Lonnie Roberts, doing the singing, with Randell Steelman at the piano.

Rev. Lonnie Ward had charge of the Devotional Service. Rev. J. R. Hall delievered the evening message, Text-Brotherly Covenant, Scripture found in Amos 1-9. Prayer by Rev. J. R. Hall.

Song: "Tell It To Jesus Alone" led by Rev. Elmer Steelman, with Sis. Maggie Roberts at the piano.

Dismissed with prayer by Bro. Cecil Gibson.

Saturday Morning Session.

Services were opened with singing "There Shall Be Showers OF Blessings" led by Rev. Elmer Steelman, with Sis. Maggie Roberts at the piano. Followed with Bro. Marvin Dixon leading "I Firmly Promise You."

Rev. Ira Smithey read the Devotional Scripture, reading the Second Chapter of Ephesions. Prayer by Rev. Smithey.

Divine Service Committee excused.

Obituary report read. Motion carried to accept the report with a moment of silent prayer and an audible prayer by Rev. Carl Waddle.

Divine Service Committee report read and motion carried to accept report.

Motion carried to accept Temperance Committee report.

Motion carried to accept Sunday School report.

Motion carried to accept the Credential Committee report. Motion carried to accept the report of the Executive Board.

Motion made and second to receive the reccomendation of the Chickasha Church to put Rev. Rue Dell Smith on the executive board.

Motion carried to table this item of business until two O'clock P.M.

Motion made and second to adjourn until One-Thirty O'clock, Motion carried.

Dismissed with prayer by Rev. B. T. Kirby.

Saturday 11 O'clock Service.

Services were opened with singing "Home Of The Soul", led by Bro. Marvin Dixon, with Sis. Lester Maynard at the piano. Followed with Rev. Elmer Steelman leading "A Beautiful Life".

Special song "He Said If I Be Lifted Up" with Bro. Marvin Dixon, Sis Nettie Hudson, Bro. Luther Hudson, Rev. Arthur Hearron, with Sis. Inez Bagwell at the piano.

Bro. T. O. Dunn was in charge of the Devotional Service.

Special song "Stop And Tell Somebody", by Sis. Lester Maynard, with Sis. Inez Bagwell at the piano.

Rev. Carl Waddle delivered the message using the 45th chapter of Psalms. Text, "Wilt Thou Not Revive Us Again."

Dismissed with prayer by Rev. Clay Richey.

The Blessing asked for the food by Rev. Rue Dell Smith.

Saturday Afternoon Session

Services were opened with singing "I'll Meet You By The River, led by Rev. Elmer Steelman with Sis. Inez Bagwell at the piano, Followed with singing "I've Got To Cross That Lonely River."

Rev. Earl Haskins read the Devotional Scripture from the 15th chapter of Psalms. With prayer by Rev. Earl Haskins.

Special song "Cleanse Me," with Sis. Lester Maynard, Sis. Nora Lee Corley, Sis. Inez Bagwell, Sis. Opal Hearron, with Sis. Maggie Roberts at the piano.

Election of the Associational Treasurer was the first item of business Bro. Luther Hudson was elected.

Motion carried to accept the League Committee report.

Motion did not carry concerning the executive board member, table during the morning session until 2: O'clock.

Motion made and carried to leave keys to Camp Ground with Bro. Orvil Roberts.

Moderator ruled the Executive Board to be in charge of the Camp Ground.

Motion made and second to retain Rev. Clay Richey as member of the General Board. Motion carried.

Motion made and second to adopt resolution No. 5 in the 1956 minute. Motion carried.

Motion made and second to pay Bro. Dormie Mills \$16.00 from Camp Ground fund, for mowing. Motion carried.

Motion made and second for moderator to appoint delegates to go to the National association. Motion Carried.

Delegates appointed are as following: Bro. Luther Hudson, Sis. Luther Hudson, Bro. Bill DaVault, Sis. Anna DeVault, and Sis. Opal Hearron.

Motion carried to receive the Finance Committee report. Motion made and second to adopt resolution No. 6 in the 1956 minutes. Motion Carried.

Motion made and second to go to Blanchard Church for the First Quarterly Meeting in Dec. Motion carried. Rev. Elmer Steelman was elected to preach the introductory message. Rev. J. W. Ferguson elected to be alternate.

Motion made and second to go to First Church for the Second Quarterly Meeting in March. Motion Carried.

Motion Carried for Rev. Lester Maynard to preach the introductory message, Motion Carried for Rev. Ira Smithey to be the alternate.

Motion made and second to go to Lindsay Church for the Third Qurterly Meeting in June. Motion Carried.

Motion Carried for Rev. B. T. Kirby to preach the Introductory Message. Motion Carried.

Motion Carried for Rev. Arthur Hearron to be the Alternate.

Motion carried to nominate Rev. Lonnie Ward as introductory speaker at the next association.

Motion carried for Rev. John Alsup to be alternate speaker.

Motion carried for moderator to appoint committee to plan and arrange for the lunch. Those appointed are (See Committee sheet.)

Motion made and second for Evangelist Committee act in every way possible to assist the Evangelistic Efforts of any Auxiliary of the Association. Motion Carried.

Motion made and second that the executive board should act as the Evangelist Committee according to resolution No. 1 in 1956 minutes. Motion Carried.

Motion carried to adopt resolution No. 1 with first paragraph deleted, (See resolutions.)

Motion made and second for Moderator and Assistant Moderator proof read minutes before they go to press. Motion. Carried.

Motion made and second to pay clerk \$25.00. Motion Carried.

Motion made and second to pay Assistant clerk \$15.00. Motion carried.

Resolution of thanks read.

Motion made and second to accept the resolution and dismiss all committees other than standing committee men. Motion carried.

Motion made and second to adjourn until the Thursday night before the Second Sunday in September 1958. Motion carried.

Dismissed with prayer by Rev. B. T. Kirby.

Committee Reports.

LEAGUE COMMITTEE — We your committee on League are happy to report that 7 Churches have active Leagues, with a total of 278 average attendance

They are as following; Dibble Church 55 average; First Church 55 average; Lindsay 35 average; Bryant 50 average; Bridge Creek 38 average; Hawkins 30 average; Iron Chapel 15 average.

Chickasha Church has just started a young peoples program and they report it is growing. They ask the Prayers for this work. Ellis Stanford, Chairman.

TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE — We your committee on Temperance believe in being temperant in all things, not only in intoxicating beverages but in our daily living as well.

Wherefore iif meat make my brother to offend, I will eat no flesh while the world standeth, lest I make my brother to offend, (1 Cor. 8:13, Chairman Sis. Mattie Jones.

SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMITTEE — We your Sunday School Committee report each Church in our association have good active Sunday Schools. Average attendance of each Church are as following: Hawkins 51; Dibble 80; Chickasha 46; Bridge Creek 35; Lindsay 63; St. Clair 65; Iron Chapel 30; Blanchard 44; Bryant 45; First Church 176; Total Average 635.

This total attendance shows an increase of 114 over last year. Chairman Sis. Alta Gigson.

OBITUARY REPORT — We your committee on Obituary are sad to report the deaths from the following Churchs: Iron Chapel, infant son of Mrs. Marjorie Wells Sarrett. Chickasha, Bro. Allie Ward, Bro. Geo. Grissom. First Church Sis. Lessie Carson. Dibble, Sis. Alice Isbell, Sis. Amanda McGrew, Bro. Ruben Whitehorn. Bro. Walter Ward of California, brother of Rev. Lonnie Ward. Blanchard, Bro. Belton Lee. Lindsay, Son of Bro. J. O. Bullock. Also Rev. W. A. Hearron, Sis. Audrey Norris And Sis. Bonnie Lee former member of the Dibble Association. Chairman, Sis. Thomas Browning.

CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE — We your committee on Credentials are happy to report We have found J. W. Ferguson to be sound in our doctrine and sure of God's call to preach the Gospel and reccommend he be Liscensed for one year. Chairman, Rev. Arthur Hearron.

FINANCE REPORT -

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 Bryant
 \$4,000.00
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 \$85.00

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Iron Chapel	5 000 00				\$32.00
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First Church		•			100.00
Chickasha	,		•	4.36	
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Camp Ground	Fund		Hung	arian Relie	ef Fund.
Chickasha	\$	45.90			
Iron Chapel	\$	10.00			
Dibble	\$	80.59		,	
Hawkins	\$	98.64			\$11.25
Total	\$2	235.13			•
Minute Money	7	HomeN	lission	Inc	identals
Chickasha	\$15.00				
Iron Chapel	15.00	\$19	.15		\$52.10
First Church	15.00				
Bryant	15.00	\$50.00		\$112	.75
Lindsay	15.00				64.04
Blanchard	15.00				
Dibble	15.00				93.87
Hawkins	15.00				
Bridge Creek				•	
St. Clair	15.00				
Total	\$150.00	Tota	al \$69.15	Total	\$272.76
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Amount broug		ı Sept. 8,	1956		\$405.58
Collected for		4 _			100.00

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Amount collected for camp ground	nd.	garan da Maria da Referir da da Albaria
Bal on Hand Sept. 8, 1956	*fight of persons	\$ 36.50
Collected Sis. Jones		5.00
W. H. DaVault		25.00
T. O. Dunn		25.00
Ellis Stanford		25.00
Dormie Mills		25.00
Bridge Creek Church		25.00
Hawkins Church	4	25.00
St. Clair Church		10.00
Rose Lee Smith	and the second	10.00
Nora Lee Corley		10.00
Francis Wilson		10.00
Bro. Steelman		10.00
Sis. Price		10.00
Nettie Hudson		10.00
W. F. Lee		10.00
Dibble Church Sunday School &	z League	103.37
Collected at Hawkins		32.10
A. E. Mills		5.00
Mrs. Drennan		5.00
Allie Ward		5.00
Sis. Moore	•	5.00
Sis. Gibson		5.00 5.00
M. A. Clagg Jess Clagg	·	5.00
Henry Hedrick		5.00
Sis. Jarman		5.00
Russell Wells	4 .	5.00
Iron Chapel Home Mission	4	5.00
Bryant Home Mission		5.00
Dibble Home Mission		5.00
Claudia Cox		10.00
L. D. Bagwell		5.00
Amy Manning		5.00
Mary Voyles	,	12.50
Lindsay Church		15.00
St. Clair Church		25.00
Hawkins Sunday School	*	108.64
Chickasha Sunday Sshool		32.67
Bryant Sunday School		14.12
Total		¢740.00
Amount Paid Out Of Camp Gro	und Fund	\$749.90
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1-9,57. Ins. on Tabernacle	\$ 23.79
4-29, 57, J. A. Hearron Tab. Floor	524.90
7-15, 57, Cash Roberts Work	84.37
7-15, 57, Bill DaVault Lime	.77
Total Paid Out	\$633.83
Total Collected	\$749.90
Bal. in Camp Ground	116.07
Amt. in Assoc. Fund	327.58
Total in Treasure	\$443.65
T. O. Dunn Treasurer	

Ministers Reports.

Report of Rev. Clay Richey for associational year of 1957. I pastored Blanchard Free Will Baptist Church nine months, held 2 revivals, witnessed 16 conversions, performed 7 wedding ceremonies. Preached 15 furnerals, helped to organize 1 church Received \$640.00. I am not pastoring at the present time.

Pray that I will be useful in the service of the Lord.

Rev.Clay Richey.

Report of Rev. B. T. Kirby for associational year of 1956 and 1957. I have pastored the Frist Church of Okla. City Okla. full time. Held 2 Revivals. Ordained one Minister. Ordained 4 Deacons. Preached 17 funerals. Performed 46 wedding ceremonies. Preached 103 sermons, Witnessed 37 conversions. Telephone: Rev. B. T. Kirby M.E. 2-4839 or M.E. 8-3747 2212 S.W.31 Oklahoma City Oklahoma.

Divine Service Committee reports; Friday 11O'clock service: Rev. E. A. O'Donnell songleader, Bro. J. W. Ferguson Devotional, Rev. Earnest Kennedy Message.

Friday evening service; song leader Rev. Elmer Steelman. Devotional Rev. Lonnie Ward. Message Rev. J. R. Hall.

Saturday 11 O'clock service; song leader Bro. Marvin Dixon, Devotional Bro. T. O. Dunn. Rev. Carl Waddle Message.

MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

Rev. B. T. Kirby Moderator, First Church, Chairman Lindsay Church, Bro. I. B. Branch St. Clair, Rev. Denver Wynn Chickasha, Bro. Luther Hudson Bryant Bro. C. H. Manning Iron Chapel, Bro. Russell Wells Dibble, Bro. Buck Roath Hawkins, Rev. J.A. Hearron Blanchard, Rev. Clay Richey Bridge Creek, Bro. W. H. DaVault

STATE DELEGATES;

Bridge Creek	Sis. Anna DaVault
Iron Chapel	Sis. Ivt Alsup
First Church	Sis. Opal Kirby
Bryant	Sis. Amy Manning

Dibble	<u> </u>	Sis. Zora Mills
Lindsay	21.3.4.	Sis. Maud Branch
Chickasha		Sis. E. A. O'Donnell
St. Clair		Bro. Thomas Browning
Hawkins		Sis. Opal Hearron
Blanchard		Sis. Jewel Richev

CHURCH CLERKS;

Bridge Creek - Sis. Mary Voyles Route 3 Blanchard Okla. Iron Chapel — Sis. Mary Lee Route 2 Purcell Okla. First Church — Rev. Bob Kirby 2217 S. W. 31 St. Okla City Bryant - Sis. Jennie Clagg Route 4 Lindsay, Okla.

Dibble - Sis. Zora Mills Star Route Alex, Okla.

Lindsay — Sis. Neva June Bullock Route 1 Lindsay Okla. Chickasha — Sis. Virginia Smith 1323 Iowa Chickasha Okla.

St. Clair - Sis. Pearl Wynn 2233 S. W. 26th, Okla. City Okla.

Hawkins - Bro. John D. Cox Star Route Alex Okla.

Blanchard — Sis. Mattie Bowser Blanchard Okla.

MINISTERS BELONGING TO THE ASSOCIATION

Rev. J. A. Hearron, 4601 Melrose Lane, Okla City Okla.

Rev. Clay Richey, Blanchard Okla.

Rev. Brian Stacy, Blanchard, Okla.

Rev. Lester Maynard, Okla. City Okla.

Rev. E. A. O'Donnell, Chickasha, Okla.

Rev. Rue Dell Smith, Okla. City Okla.

Rev. Ira. Smithey 4501, S. Agnew Okla. City Okla.

Rev. Denver Wynn, 2233 S. W. 26th Okla. City Okla.

Rev. Albert McReynalds, Okla. City Okla.

Rev. I. W. Yandell, Okla. City Okla.

Rev. R. C. Swanson, Okla. City Okla.

Rev. John Pettjohn, Okla. City Okla.

Rev. Perry Argo, Norman Okla.

Rev. Lonnie Ward, Route 4, Blanchard, Okla.

Rev. B. T. Kirby, 2212 S. W. 31st, Okla. City Okla.

Rev. Robert S. Kirby, Okla. City Okla.

Rev. Walter Jennings, Okla. City, Okla.

Rev. Charles Buck, Okla. City Okla.

Rev. W. F. Lee, Lindsay, Okla.

Rev. Elmer Steelman, Chickasha, Okla.

Rev. John Alsup, Route 2, Purcell, Okla.

Rev. Aubrey Nance, Moore, Okla.

HOME MISSION REPORTS

We the Blanchard Free Will Baptist Home Mission Report an active Home Mission. We meet twice each month. Each meeting is opened with singing and prayer. After a brief

business session, we enter our regular lesson of Bible study and discussion. We have paidout for incidentals \$43.15 and now have in treasure a blance of \$148.15. Pray for us in our work for the Lord. Sis. Sylvia Oglesby, President and Sis. Mary Burlison Sec. & Treasurer.

The Dibble Church has an active Home Mission of an average attendance of 6 members. We have changed our meeting time from Tuesday afternoon to Tuesday night, this is on Tuesday after the third Sunday. We hope to grow in members by doing this. We need your prayers that we will grow in strength for our Lord, our Church, our Community and our Association. Alma York, President and Faye Reed Secretary & Treasurer.

Iron Chapel still has an active Home Mission, but only 6

active members in the past year we have quilted 8 quilts. One we gave to our Pastor and his wife, one to a family whose house burned. We received money from pledges quilting and birthday offerings. \$52.56. Paid out for Evangelist-work 16.00 \$36.56 Flowers for funerals \$14.35 \$22.21 Incidentials 4.97 \$17.24 1956 & 1957 Association pledge 5.00 \$12.24 To State Association for New Churchs 10.15 2.09 We had in treasurer to begin year 4.60 We now have in treaasurer \$6.69 Arthur Browning 10.00 Jack Hopkins 10.00 R. E. Clagg 10.00 Thomas Browning 10.00

Hawkins has an active Home Mission. In the past year we

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President Sis. Winnie Alsup & Sis. Mary Lee Sec. & Trea-

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sold scrap iron, for \$65.00. Quilted quilts for \$44.65. Carried over from last year \$29.00. We paid \$65.00 for our revival. For gifts for the sick \$20.81, for incidentials \$34.88. We now have in the treasurer \$17.96. Pray for us that we might ever be busy for our Lord, Sis. Joyce Drennen Sec. Treasurer.

Lindsay has an active Home Mission of 8 members. In the past year we have raised a fund of \$338.36, which we turned to our Church Treasurer. Pray for us that we may ever be busy for the Lord and his cause: Latter week

Dibble, Okla.

Executive Board Report; March 30, 1957, We your executive Committee met at the close of the second quartely meeting. Bro. Arthur Hearron moderator, Bro. E. A. O'Donnell, Bro. Buck Roath, Bro. Clay Richey, Bro. Denver Wynn, Bro. Bill Davault and Bro. T. O. Dunn. Prayer was offered by Rev. O'Donnell. Motion carried that we correspond with Eld. Floyd C. Barber in regard of conducting our Revival Meeting at the Camp Ground. Bro. O'Donnell to make this contact.

Motion carried that Bro. Hearron have charge of the music during the meeting. Motion carried that we floor camp ground tabernacle, final plans to be decided at our next fellowship meeting at Chickasha.

> Rev. J. A. Hearron Moderator Bro. T. O. Dunn Clerk.

Carrie on done,

Chickasha, Okla, April 13, 1957

We your executive committee met after the Fellowship . Meeting, those present were. Rev. Arthur Hearron, Mod. Bro. O'Donneii, Bro. Buck Roath, Bill DaVault, and Bro. T. O. Dunn. Motion carried to let the contract to Arnold Bros. to floor the tabernacle at the camp ground.

Meeting adjourned. Bro. T. O. Dunn Clerk.

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Hawkins Free Will Baptist Church

To the Dibble Association of Free Will Baptist when Convened at the Camp Grounds at Dibble Okla., Sept., 5, 6, 7. 1957 We send as delegates our beloved Sis. Alice Wilson, Sis. Lee Standridge, and Sis. Claudia Cox, whom we pray you to receive to sit with you in your Godly deliberations. State of religion. Good. Members received paast three monthes2, Baptized 2, dismissed 2, Total memberships 95, Condition of Sunday School Good. Average number of pupils 51. No. of officers 3, No. of teachers 5. Paid Pastor \$1010.00. Paid Evangelist \$100.00, Camp ground fund \$98.64. Hungarian Relief \$11.25. Building and repairs \$95.59. For publication \$83.30. Enclosed for Minutes \$10.00, for State delegate \$5.00.

Ministers belonging to our church, Rev. Arthur Hearron 4601 Melrose Lane, Okla. City Okla.

Done by order of the Hawkins Free Will Baptist Church assembled in conference this first day oif Sept. 1957. Bro. Omar Pearson Moderator Bro. John Cox, Clerk.

Decons belonging to our church are Bro. Omar Pearson, Bro. Roy True Bro. Arlton Doshier. On trial are Bro. Harold Drennen, Bro. Robert Watkins.

Exective Committee; Rev. Arthur Hearron. State degate Sis. Opal Hearon.

Blanchard Free Will Baptist Church

To the Dibble Association of Free Will Baptist when convened at the Camp Grounds at Dibble, Okla. Sept. 5, 6, 7, 1957. We send as delegates our beloved Sis. Irene Stanford, Sis. Sylvia Oglesby, Sis. Ella Jarman., whom we praay you to receive to sit with you in your Godly deliberations. State of religion. Good. Member received past three months3. Dismissed 4. Died1. Total membership 54. Condition of Sunday School, Good. Average no. of pupils 44. No. of officers 2. No. of teachers 5. Paid Pastor \$780.00 Paid Evangelist \$60.00. Building and repairs \$544.91. Enclosed for minutes \$10.00, for State delegate \$5.00.

Ministers belonging to our church are Rev. Clay Richey, Blanchard, Okla. Rev. Bryan Stacy, Blanchard, Okla. Rev. Lester Maynard, Okla. City Okla.

Deacons are: Bro. Marvin Hawkins, Bro. Ellis Stanford.

Pastors Name; Rev. Lester Maynard, Okla. City Okla.

Done by order of the Blanchard Free Will Baptist Church assembled in Conference this 29 day of August 1957. Rev. Lester Maynard Moderator, Sis. Mattie Bower Clerk.

We recommend Rev. Clay Richey as a member of the exective board. We send as delegat to the State Association Sis. Jewell Richey. We are said to report the death of Bro. Belton Lee.

Chicksaha Free Will Baptist Church

To the Dibble Association of Free Will Baptist, when Convened at the Camp Ground, Sept 5, 6, 7, 1957.

We send as delegates our beloved Sis. Leona Ward, Sis. Nettie Hudson and Sis. Frankie Light, whom we pray you to receive to sit with you in your Godly deliberations.

State or Religion good, Members received past year 2, Died 2, Total membership 59, Condition of Prayer Meeting good, Condition of Sunday school good, Average number of pupills 46, No. of officers 7, No. of Teachers 5. Paid Pastor \$1300.00, Camp Ground \$45.90, For publication \$44.36, Enclosed for minutes \$10.00, For State delegate \$5.00. Miinisters belonging to our church: Bro. E. A. O'Donnell Chickasha, Okla. and Bro. Ruedell Smith, Oklahoma City Okla.

Deacons belonging to our church: Bro. Luther Hudson, Bro. Will Hudson Bro. Othaa Light and Bro. Jess Joy.

Pastors name and address, Bro. Ruedell Smith, Oklahoma City. We recommend Bro. Luther Hudson to the Executive Board and Sis. E. A. O'Donnell as Staate delegate. We regret to report the death of Bro. Allie Ward on April 13, 1957 and Bro. George Grisham.

Done by order of Chickasha Free Will Baptist assembled in conference this 1st. daay of Sept. 1957.

Rev. Rudell Smith Moderator Sis. Virginia Smith, Clerk

St. Clair Ave. Free Will Baptist Church

To the Dibble Association of Free Will Baptist when Convened at the Camp Grouids Sept 6 1957. We send as delegates our beloved Sis. Eula Luster, Sis. Jennie Browning and Sis. Harreld, whom we pray you to receive to sit with you and aid you in your Godly deliberations.

State of Religion good. Members received past year 9, Baptized 4, Total membership 77, Condition of Prayer Meeting good, Condition of Sunday School fair, Axerage No. of pupils 65, No. of officers 3, No. of teachers7.

Paid Pastor \$2080.00 Paid Evangelist \$100.00, Building and

Repairs \$188.75, For Publication \$86.51, Enclosed for minutes \$10.00, for State delegate \$5.00. Ministers belonging to our Church: Eld. Ira Smithey 4501 S. Agnew, Okla City Okla. Eld. Denver Wynn, 2233 S. W. 26th, Okla. City, Eld. Albert Mc-Reynolds, Okla City, Eld. I. W. Yandell, Okla. City, Eld. R. C. Swanson, Okla City, Eld. George Pettijohn of Kkla. City.

Decons belonging to our church: Bro. Thomas Browning, Bro. Tilford Davis, Bro. Weldn Dnathn, Br. Marvin Dixon, Bro. J. D. Alexander, Bro. Ace Harrell and Bro. Arthur Browning. We send as State delegate Bro. Thomas Browning and we recommend Bro. Denver Wynn to serve on the Executive Board.

Done by order of The St. Clair Ave. Free Will Baptist Church assembled in conference this 4th day of Sept, 1957.

Eld. Ira. Smithey Moderator Sis. Pearl Wynn, Clerk

DIBBLE FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

To The Dibble Association of Free Will Baptists when convened at the Campgrounds Sept. 6 & 7 1957.

We send as delegates our beloved Sis. Wilma Mills. Sis. Maggie Roberts and Sis. Jesie Mills, whom we pray you to recieve to sit with you in your Godly deliberations.

State of Religion good members recieved this year 3, dismissed 5, died 3. Total membership 140. Condition of Sunday School, good, average no. of pupils 80. no. of officers 4, no. of teachers, 6.

Church property, \$4500.00, paid pastor, \$1125.00, Paid Evangelist, \$150.00. Campground fund \$80.59. Incidentals \$93.87. Building and Repairs, \$213.32 For Education \$37.00, For Publication \$60.00. Enclosed for minutes, \$10.00. For State Deligate \$5.00.

Ministers belonging to our church: Eld. Lonnie Ward, Blanchard, Okla. Eld. Perry Arge, Norman, Okla. Deacons: Bro. Jack Hopkins Dibble, Bro. Buck Roath, Dibble. Bro. A. E. Mills, Blanchard, Bro. Dormie Mills, Alex,

We are sory to report the death of three members of the Dibble Church: Sis. Amanda McGrew, Bro. Reuben Whitehorn, and report the death of Walter Ward of California, brother of Rev. Lonnie Ward. We recommend Bro. Buck Roath as a member of the Executive Board. We send as our delegate to the State Association, Sis. Zora Mills. Pastors name Rev. Perry Arge, Norman, Okla.

Done by order of Dibble Free Will Baptist Church assembled

in conference this 17 day of August 1957.

Rev. Lonnie Ward, Asst. Moderator Sis. Zora Mills, Clerk

LINDSAY FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

To the Dibble Association of Free Will Baptist, when convened at the Campground, Sept. 5, 6, & 7, 1957

We send as delegates our beloved Sis. Mattie Jones, Sis. Louise Jackson and Sis. Maud Branch whom we pray you to recieve to sit with you in your Godly deliberations.

State of Religion good, Members recieved last year, 9. Baptized, Dismissed 3. Died 1, Total membership 82. Condition of Prayer meeting good, Condition of Sunday School good. Average no. of pupils 63, no. of teachers 12, No. of officers 4.

Paid Pastor, 1190.00. Paid Evangelist, \$52.23. Maintennce of Church property, \$294.75. Miscellaneous \$64.04. Building and repairs \$2641.86. For Education and publication \$115.47. Enclosed for Minutes \$10.00. For state delegate, \$5.00.

Ministers belonging to our church: Rev. J. R. Hall, Lindsay, Oklahoma and Rev. Carl H. Waddle oof Oklahoma City. Decons: Bro. Richard Hill, Bro. C. T. Berkley and Bro. L. B. Branch.

We have League classes for all ages, with an average of 30 pupils. The church has placed Bro. J. O. Bullock and Bro. Fred Mills on trial for Deacons. We have recently purchased a parsenage. Total value of Church property \$30,500.00. Church value \$20,000, and parsonage value \$10,500.00. We regret to report the death of the son of Bro. J. O. Bullock. We recommend Sis. Maud Branch as state delegate and we recommend Bro. L. B. Branch to serve on the Executive board. We have an active Home Mission with an average attendence of 8.

Done by order of the Lindsay Free Will Baptist Church assembled in conference this 21st. day of Aug. 1957.

Rev. J. R. Hall Moderator Sis. Neva June Builock, Clerk Rt. 1, Lindsay, Okla.

IRON CHAPEL FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

To the Dibble Association of Free Will Baptists, when convened at the Campground at Dibble, Okla. Sept. 5, 6, & 7, 1957. We send as delegates our beloved Sis. Winnie Alsup, Sis. Cestus Wells and Sis. Alzada Keinlin, whom we pray you to recieve to sit with you in your Godly deliberations. State of Religion good, Dismissed 4, Died 1, Total Membership 78, Condition of Sunday School good, Average No. of pupils 30, No. of officers 2, No. of teachers 4. Paid Pastor \$220.00. Paid

Evangelist \$16.00. Home Mission \$19.15. Incedentals \$52.10, For work on Campground \$10.00, For Education \$34.05, For Revival at Campground, \$16.00 Enclosed for Minutes \$10.00, State Delegate \$5.00.

Minesters belonging to our Church: Rev. John Alsup, Purcell, Okla. Route 2. Deacons: Bro. Warren Michener, Sumerton, Arizona, Bro. Lee Alsup, Purcell, Okla. Bro. Russel Wells, Lindsay, Okla. Pastors namee and address Rev. Walter Jennings, 3917 S. W. 24st. Okla City.

The Church voted in conference not to give a percent of our cellections to the Campground fund. We are sad to report the death of the infant son of Sis. Marjorie Wells Sarret and Sis. Bonnie Lee, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Boyd Lee.

The Church elected Bro. Russel Wells as a member of the Executive Board and Sis. Iva Alsup as a delegate to the State Association.

Done by order of Iron Chapel Free Will Baptist Church assembled in conference this 24 day of August, 1957.

Rev. Walter Jennings, Moderator Sis. Mary Lee, Clerk

FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH OF OKLA. CITY

To the Dibble Association of Free Will Baptists when convened at the Campgrounds Sept. 6 1957. We send as delegates our beloved Bro. J. W. Ferguson, Sis. Opal Kirby and Sis. Essie Buck, whom we pray you to recieve to sit with you in your Godly deliberations.

State of Religion good, Members recieved past year 7, Baptized 5, Died 1, Total membership 263, Condition of Prayer Meeting good, Condition of Sunday School good, Average No. of pupils 176, No. of officers 9, No. of teachers 33. Building and Repairs \$1800.00. For Education \$163.00, For Publication \$785. 00. Enclosed for minutes \$10.00, For State delegate \$5.00. Ministers belonging to our Church Rev. B. T. Kirby, Okla. City, Rev. Robert S. Kirby, Okla. City, Rev. Walter Jennings, Okla. City, and Rev. Charles Buck, Okla. City, Pastors name Rev. B. T. Kirby, 2212 S. W. 31st. Okla City.

We regret to report the death of Sis. Lessie Carson of our church. We are asking the Association to license Bro. J. W. Ferguson to preach. We send Sis. Opal Kirby as state delegage.

Done by order of First Free Weill Baptist Church of Okla. City assembled in conference this 4th. day of Sept. 1957.

Rev. B. T. Kirby, Moderator Rev. Robert S. Kirby, Clrk

BRYANT FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

To the Dibble Association of Free Will Baptist when convened at the Campground at Dibble, Okla. Sept. 5, 6, 7, 1957. We send as delegates our beloved Bro. Michael Clagg, Sis. Amy Manning and Bro. Bob Smith, whom we pray you recieve to sit with you in your Godly delibrations.

State of Religion good, Members recived past yar, 6, Dismissed 13 Total membership 78, Condition of Prayer Meeting good, Condition of Sunday School good, Average No. of pupils 45, No. of officers 4, No. of Teachers 4. Paid Pastor \$698.20, Paid Evangelist \$85.00, Incedentals \$112.75, Benevolenee \$50.00, Enclosed for Minutes \$10.00 State Delegate \$5.00. Ministers belonging to our church: Rev. W. F. Lee, of Lindsay, Okla. and Rev. Elmer Steelman of Chickasha, Okla. Pastors nawe Rev. Elmer Stelman, Chickasha, Okla. Deacons: Bro. Mac. Clagg, Bro. C. H. Manning and Bro. R. E. Clagg. We recommend Bro. C. H. Manning as a member of the Executive Board and we elect Sis. Amy Manning as a delegate to the state.

Done by order of Bryant Free Will Baptist Church assembled in conference this 25th. day of August 1957.

Rev. Elmer Steelman, Moderator Sis. Jennie Clagg, Clerk

BRIDGE CREEK FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

To the Dibble Association of Free Will Baptist when convened at the Campgrounds at Dibble Okla. Sept. 5, 6, 7, 1957. We send as delegates our beloved Sis. Mahalia Ladd, Sis. Alta Gibson and Sis. Anna DaVault, whom we pray you recieve to sit with you in your Godly deliberations. State of Religion good, Condition of Sunday School, good. Baptized 4, Total Membership 77. No. of officers 4, No. of techers 4. Paid Pastor \$450.00. Building and Repairs \$306.00. For publications \$54.00 Enclosed for minutes \$10.00. State delegate \$5.00.

Ministers belonging to our Church Rev. Aubrey Nance Moore Okla. Deacons are: Bro. W. H. DaVault Bro. C. R. Gibson Bro. Tommie Allen Bro. Will Jrevis Pastors name and Address Rv. Carl Waddle, Okla. City Okla.

Done by order of Bridge Creek Free Will Baptist Church, assembled in conference this 24 day of August 1957. Rv. Aubrey Nance Moderator Sis Mary Voyles, Clerk.

We recommend Bro. W. H. DaVault as executive board member and Sis. Anna DaVault as state delegate.

RESOLUTIONS

No. 1 1956 Be it resolved that one member be elected from each church to form an Evangielistic committee. That the newly elected Moderator of each session of the Association be the permanent chairman of said Evangilistic Committee, that the Assistant Moderator will automatically be a member to represent his church, that this association shall elect a member from each church with the exception of the church represented by the moderator and his assistant.

It shall be the duty of this committee to arrange for all meetings, exercises and business pertaining to the camp meeting.

Be it further resolved;

That a qualified and competent ground keeper be selected by this association to assist campers to select proper camp sites, so they do not interfere with either traffic or meeting places for service.

That he will have complete oversight of camping, parking and dining facilities.

Also be it resolved;

That the evangelistic committee shall select the evanglist to preach the entire series of services through-out the meeting. Also the committee will select a song leader. That he shall select someone to direct in all musical exercises, however he shall have the right to call on whom-so-ever he wishes to assist him in any way to make for a better musical program. This committee shall also select a pianist, and he or she may select anyone they wish to assist them.

Be it further resolved:

That the Evangelisitic Committee shall have the endorsement of this Association, to make any rules or by-laws governing this committee as a whole. That they may delete or add to this program at any time they deem necessary such as adding a daily Bible class, a course in Sunday School teachers training, music or personal evangelism.

Be it also resolved:

That the Evangelistic Committee shall formulate some plan of financing the Camp Meeting; that this plan be worked out (if possible) before adjournment of this association.

Submitted by Rv. E. A. O'Donnell Rev. Frank Lee, Chairman.

No. 3 1956. Be it resolved that the Moderator appoint a lady from each Church to meet sometime before the association

to plan and arrange for the lunch each day. First appointed to be chairman and notify the others. This will include plates, drinks napkins, ice, etc.

Rev. W. F. Lee, Chairman

No. 5 1956. Be it resolved; that we recommend that each Church in the Dibble Association contribute each month (consistantly) to a fund for the expense and up keep of the camp ground. Be it further resolved that a percent of each offering of the Church and its Auxiliary organizations be set aside for this purpose and sent to the Associational Treasurer.

Rev. W. F. Lee, Chairman

No. 6 1956. Be it resolved that no Church will ask for a quarterly meeting who has had one the year before.

Rev. W. F. Lee Chairman

No. 2 1955 Proposed Constitutional amendment relative to Executive Board changed to read as follows: That the associational treasurer be a standing member of the Executive Board.

Submitted by Rev. Clay Richey

No. 1 1940 Be it resolved that we accept Resolution No. 1 of Fourth Quarterly Meeting which reads: Be it resolved that Associational Clerks and Church Clerks have the right to vote at the Associational and Quarterly Meetings.

No. 3 — Be it resolved that this Association elect an Executive Committee with a member elected from each church and that each church recommend a member for Executive Board in their church letter to the Association with the Moderator of our Association acting as chairman. To this board is delegated the power to act in behalf of and for the Dibble Association from one meeting to another for said Association, and shall have the power and authority to elect such officers as might be deemed best for its own government and to carry out the plans and undertakings of Dibble Association. The board shall have power to fill vacancies that may occur in its own body.

To this Executive Board is futher delegated power to collect funds and employ and superintend such work for the Field as may seem best, and the means on hand may warrant. They shall not convey or mortgage any real estate or personal property unless authorized by the Dibble Association. This Executive Board shall keep a record of all work done, money raised, meetings held and make a full and complete report to the next regular meeting of the Association and shall further receive, hold manage, use, control, and convey any property

intrusted to said Association for any purpose in accordance with the purpose of the donor or donors and in no case divert it from its original object.

The chairman and treasurer of said Executive Board shall sign all deeds and bonds, notes, etc, and any other papers by which Dibble Association is to become legally held. It shall be the duty of this Executive Board to meet at each regular or adjourned session and as often as may be necessary and any member absenting himself from the meeting three times may be dropped from the Board and his successor elected. No meeting of the Executive Board shall be legal unless at least three members are present and written record shall be made of all transactions. No member of the Executive Board shall delegate authority to any other member of said Board to cast his vote for him in anything. The Board shall have the power to call all the Association in conference by notifying each Church 10 days prior to conference and they shall have the authority to change Quarterly Meeting or Association is to meet is not able to care for the meeting, and their decision shall be final. This must be done in time to notify each church. This resolution is to be printed in the minutes each year.

CONSTITUTION

From long experience, we the members of the Church of God (denominated Free Will Baptist) being regularly baptized upon profession of our faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, and being convinced of the necessity of a combination of churches to perpetuate a union among us, and to preserve and maintain correspondence with each other, do therefore ordain this constitution for our better church government.

- Art. 1. Membership, This Association shall be composed of members chosen by the churches or Quarterly Meetings of our union, not exceeding three messengers from each church, and upon producing letters, they shall be entitled to seats. All ordained ministers and deacons of said union shall be regular members when presented by virtue of their office.
- Art. 2. Name. The members thus chosen and convened in the Yearly Meeting or Association of the Church of God, denominated Free Will Baptist, being composed of sundry churches in Dibble Association, the Association having no power to Lord it over God's heritage, nor have any ecclesiastical power over the churches; reserving the right off withdrawing from any church becoming disorderly.
- Art. 3. Letters Letters from the different churches representing are to express their number in fellowship includ-

ing the names and addresses of ordained and licensed ministers the number of membrs received upon profession of faith, by letter or recommendation, by restoration or denominational choice; the number dismissed by letter, excluded and those having died since last Association. Churches sending their letters may send obituaries of any who died during the year that we may keep up the memorial of our dead.

- Art. 4. Officers. The Association shall have a Moderator, a Clerk, a Treasurer, and an Executive Board of 10 members who shall be elected at each annual session of the Association by the sufferage of the members present.
- Art. 5. New Churches. Newly constituted churches may be admitted to the Association which are to petition by letter and delegates and, if upon examination, they are found to be orthodox and orderly, that they may be received into the Association the Moderator giving the right hand of fellowship.
- Art. 6. Questions. No question from any church shall come under consideration unless it has been first considered in its own church.
- Art. 7. Motions. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association except it be withdrawn by the members who made it.
- Art. 8. Minutes. The Association is to endeavor to furnish the churches with minutes of the Association in proportion to discretion of the Association.

the amount paid by each church, the distribution to be at the

- Art. 9. Clerk. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a regular file of the minutes of the Association in a book to be kept by the Association for that purpose.
- Art. 10. Signatures. The minutes of the Association shall be read and corrected if needed, signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the end of the Association.
- Art. 11. Amendments. Admendments to this Constitution may be made when necessary by a two-thirds vote of the mambers present at any regular session.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

- 1. The Bible. The Scriptures of the old and new Testaments were given by inspiration of God, and are our infallible rule of faith and practice. II Timothy 3.16.
- 2. God. There is one living and true God, revealed in nature at the Creator, Fathr, Son and Holy Ghost. Yet as one God, infinitely wise and good, whom all intellignt creatures are supremely to love, adore and obey. I cor. 8.6; Matt. 28.19.

- 3. Christ. Christ is God manifest in the flesh; in His divine nature truly God. He is now risen and glorified, and is our ever present Savior and lord. St. John 1.1.12
- 4. The Holy Sprit. The Scriptures assign to the Holy Spirit all the attribute of God. He is the Reprover, Comforter, Guide and Sanctifier of men. St JJohn 16. 7.8; Acts 2.4; Eph. 4.4-6.
- 5. The Government of God. God exercises a wise and benevolent providence over all beings and things by maintaining the constitution and laws of nature. He also performs special acts of grace, not otherwise provided for as the highest welfare of man requiers. Ps. 22:28; 97:2.
- 6. The Sinfulness of Man. Man was created innocent, but by disobedienc fell into a state of sin and condemnation. His posterity, therefore, inherit a fallen nature of such tendencies that all who come to years of accountability sin, and become guilty before God. Gen. 2:17; 3:19.
- 7. The Work of Crist. The son of God by His incarnation, life, suffering, death and resurrction effected for all a redemption from sin that is full and free and is the ground of salvation through faith. John 2:2.
- 8. The Terms of Salvation. The conditions of salvation are: 1. Repentance or sincere sorrow for sin and hearty renunciation of it. 2. Faith or the unreserved committal of one's self to Christ as Savior and Lord with purpose to love and obey Him in all things. In the exercise of saving faith the soul is renewed by the Holy Spirit, freed from the dominion of sin and becomes a child of God. 3. Continued faith and obedienc until death. II Cor. 7:10; Pro. 28:13.
- 9. Election. God determined from the beginning to save all who should comply with the conditions of salvation. Hence by faith in Christ men become His elect. I Tim. 2:4.

Freedom of the Will. The human will is free and self-controlled, having power to yield to the influence of the truth and the Spirit, or to resist them and perish. Joshua 24:15.

- 11. Salvation Free. God desires the salvation of all, the Gospel invites all, the Holy Spirit strives with all, and whosoever will may come and take of the water of life freely. Rev. 22:17.
- 12. Perseverance. All believers in Christ, who through grace persevere in holiness to the end of life, have promise of eternal salvation.St. John 15:6; II Peter 2:20-22.
- 13. Gospel Ordinances. Baptism, or the immersion of believers in water, and the LORD'S SUPPER, are ordinances to

be perpetuated under the Gospel; FEET WASHING, an ordinance teaching humility, of believers. Mark 16:15; IICor.4:5; St. John 13:14.

- 14. Th Christian Sabbath. Th divina law requires that one day in seven b set apart from secular employments and amusements, for rest worship holy works and activities and for personal communion with God. Gen. 2:3; Exod. 20:8-11.
- 15. War. War destroys the lives of the innocent, and is contrary to te New Testament, therefore, we aret opposed to war.
- 16. Resurrection. Judgment and Final Retribution. The Scriptures teach the resurrection of all men at the last day. They have done good will come forth to the resurrection of life, and they that have done evil unto the resurrection of damnation: then the wicked will "go away into eternal punishmnt, but the righteous into eternal life." John 5:29; Matt. 25:46.

CHURCH COVENANT

Having given ourselves to God, by faith in 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 vil, 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 Scripture, secret prayer, family devotions, and social worship; and by self-denial, faith and good works endeavor to grow in grac and the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ."

We will not forget the assembling of ourselves together for church conferences; public worship and the observance of the ordinances of th Gospel, nor fail to pay according to our ability for the support of the church, of its poor, and all its benevolnt work.

We agree to accept Christian admonition and reproff 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 tha wak, encourage the afflicted, admonish the erring and as far as we are able promote the succass of the church and of the Gospel.

We will everywhere hold Christian obligations and enterprises supreme; counting it our chief business in life to extud the influenc of Christ in socity: 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 souls and conversion of the World. And may God of peace santify us wholly, and preserve us blamless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

