

MINUTES

OF THE

55th ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

THE CHURCH OF GOD DENOMINATED

FREE WILL BAPTIST

When convened at the permanent home of the Eureka Free Will Baptist Association, four miles East of Stigler or seven miles west of Keota, Okla., on Wednesday night before the First Sunday in September, 1963, A.D.

The next Session Will Convene at the Eureka Association Tabernacle, four miles East of Stigler, Oklahoma on Wednesday night before the first Sunday in September, 1964.

Wed. Evening
OPENING MESSAGE
Rev. Norman Woodruff
followed by
Rev. Walker Woods

Thurs., 11:00 A.M.
INTRODUCTORY SERMON
Rev. Carl Pugh
followed by
Rev. Rufus Harp

Rev. James Williams	Moderator
Rev. Norman Woodruff	Assistant Moderator
Bro. Fred Duncan	Clerk and Treasurer
Sis. Lessie Bailes	Assistant Clerk

RULES OF ORDER

1. At every setting, business shall be opened and concluded by prayer by the moderator, or whosoever he may call on.

2. Visiting ministers present are invited to seat in council and allowed to take part in debates on all subjects, but are not allowed to vote.

3. Those who speak shall arise and address the moderator personally, reflections shall be avoided in all debates.

4. No motion shall be discussed without being seconded.

5. When a motion has been made and seconded and a member opposes its discussion, the moderator shall put question; shall it be discussed.

6. If any proposition or motion under debate contains two or more points, it shall be divided at the request of any member and a vote taken.

7. A motion made and lost shall not be recorded..

8. No one shall speak more than twice on any subject without special permission of the Moderator.

9. The Moderator shall have the authority to object to any discussion not carried on in a Christian spirit.

10. All questions shall be decided by a majority of the members present.

11. No member shall absent himself or herself without special leave of the Moderator.

12. Minutes shall be leisurely read and corrected before the close of the Association.

13. The Rules of Order shall be distinctly read from the Chair immediately after organization of the Association.

14. Alterations shall be made in these rules at any regular session of this Association.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. House called to order by the Moderator.
2. Letters called for and received.
3. Right hand of fellowship is extended.
4. Election of Officers.
5. Reading Rules of Order.
6. Petitionary letters called for.
7. Introductory sermon to be preached.
8. Inviting visiting Brethren to seat in Council.
9. Appointment of Committees.
10. New Business.
11. Miscellaneous Business.

MINUTES OF THE EUREKA ASSOCIATION

When Convened At The Tabernacle, 4 Miles East of Stigler

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SERVICE

The congregation came to order with singing, "From the Cross to the Crown," and "Don't You Want to be Ready," led by Bro. Abb Wallen. Prayer by Bro. James Williams. Another song, "I'm Going That Way." Prayer by Bro. Hercel Hickman. Song: "Walking With the Lord." United Prayer.

Bro. Bill Apple conducted testimonial service. A good service was enjoyed, just before Bro. Kenneth Elledge delivered the opening message. Scripture from John 1, verses 43-46. The theme "Come and See." Dismissed in prayer until Thursday morning at 10 o'clock.

THURSDAY MORNING SESSION

The congregation was brought to order by the moderator Norman Woodruff, and entered the 55th business session of the Eureka Association.

Opening song: "Hand in Hand with Jesus," by Bro. Lon Mabray. Bro. P. E. Lambert offered up the prayer. Another song: "There Is Power In the Blood." Bro. James Williams read the Devotional scripture from 1st Corinthians 15th chapter, verse 58. Had united altar prayer. Song: "There Is a Fountain."

The moderator called for letters of representation. Letters from 16 churches were received and delegates seated by the right hand of fellowship from moderator and assistant while singing "That Glad Reunion Day." The next portion of business: Nomination and election of officers. Bro. James Williams being elected moderator and Bro. Norman Woodruff, assistant. The clerk and assistant were re-elected for the 14th consecutive session. They are Fred Duncan, 500 NE 3rd St., Stigler, clerk, and Lessie Balles, Rt. 3, Stigler, assistant clerk. Also a motion was moved and seconded and carried to retain the present treasurer.

At 11:00 o'clock a motion was moved and seconded to adjourn conference in favor of the 11:00 o'clock Message. Dismissed by Bro. Otho Williams.

INTRODUCTORY MESSAGE

Opening song: "Living By Faith," led by Bro. Lon Mabray. Prayer by Bro. Jerald Chester. Song: "He'll Claim Me as His Own." Quartette arranged by Bro. Bailey Thompson, "There Will be Room Enough for All." Prayer by Bro. Raymond Shepherd..

Bro. Hercel Hickman, while delivering the, "in my opinion," wonderful educational message on "Duties of the Shepherd and also the Flock," quoted scripture from several books of the Bible, which is food to the Soul. Song: "Come Unto Me," by Bro. Mabray. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Rufus Harp to meet back in conference at 1:15 o'clock.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The moderator, Williams, called the congregation to order, and requested singing. Songs: "When I Say, My Father," and "Looking for a City," led by Bro. Ralph Williams. Bro. Troy Made-well read the devotional scripture from Romans 13th chapter, verses 1 & 2, after which the moderator declared the body back in conference.

Letters called for, received, and delegates seated by right hand of fellowship.

APPOINTMENT of COMMITTEES: See Committees.

BOARD MEMBERS NOMINATED and ELECTED: See Boards.

TREASURER REPORT READ & RECEIVED: Report follows:

TREASURER'S FINANCIAL REPORT OF

THE EUREKA ASSOCIATION

As treasurer of the Eureka Association, I beg leave to report as follows: The balance, collections, etc. made by the churches, organizations and individuals during the past Associational year, beginning August 30, 1962, and ending August 28, 1963.

COLLECTIONS

Collections received from these churches are directed for all phases of the Eureka Ass'n. & FWB Denomination, both local and state.

Balance from last report	\$ 972.93
Brooken	15.00
Christian Grove	50.00
Cross Roads	20.00
Fish Creek	8.00
Cass	30.00
Hoyt	44.00
Havana	10.00
Iron Bridge	36.00
Keota	15.00
Lone Elm	12.50
Lafayette	30.00
Murry Spur	161.00
McCurtain	20.00
Muldrow	20.00
Poteau	778.56
Panama	239.39
Perry	30.00
Porum	21.00
Rock Ford	11.00
Rose Hill	41.00
Stigler	1080.30
Sallisaw	15.00
Union	21.00

Singing Convention	10.00
Concession Stand	58.88
Other Contributions	50.02
TOTAL Balance and Col.	\$3798.58

DISBURSEMENTS

Bill Apple, purchase of Bldg.	\$ 125.00
Lena Ward, cookwear	47.76
Harrell Service, repair	3.00
Lessie Bailes, Asst. Clerk	15.00
Cookson Hills, Elec. Serv.	24.00
Stigler News-Sentinel, Minutes	120.00
State Ass'n., delegate fees	15.00
Okla. Song Book Co., books	65.00
S. W. Bell Tele. Co., call to Tulsa	2.97
Fred Duncan, clerk	25.00
F.W.B. Book Store, Ord. blanks	1.32
Stigler News-Sentinel, Sup.	13.10
W. D. Hargis, Ins. premium	80.00
Bob Balles, steel gate	18.00
Stigler Lbr. Co., wire & stap.	16.30
Buster Cone & B. F. Altstatt, \$20 each, building fence	40.00
Oscar Wilson, tuning piano	15.00
Wallace Grocery, groceries	100.85
Stigler Ice Co., Ice for YC	11.55
Snoden Robinson, Reimb. Sup.	11.29
Stigler Bakery, bread: YC	11.17
Kenneth Elledge, teaching	20.00
P. E. Lambert, teaching	20.00
Gene Thomas, preaching	20.00
Joe Blair, preaching	30.00
Stigler Lbr. Co., Supplies	15.60
Loyd Cantrell, fence posts	33.29
State F.W.B. FM, HM & Co-op	1684.95
V. A. Cole, Ins. YC	25.00
U. S. Postal Service, Postage Stamps	2.50
TOTAL Disbursements	\$2612.65

TOTAL Balance and Collections for	
year ending Aug. 28, 1963	\$3798.58
Less Total Disbursements for same period	\$2612.65
Leaving a balance in treasury of	\$1185.93

Prayerfully Submitted,

Fred H. Duncan

Your Association Treas.

Congregational singing: "Paradise Valley." Special songs: "It's Different Now," and "Someone to Care," arranged by Bro. Bailey Thompson as quartettes. Duet by Sisters Lena Ward and Bettie Ridenhour. Quartette: "O the Glory Did Roll," arranged by Bro. Otho Williams. Duet: "Then My Life Just Begins," by Bro. and Sister James Williams. Quartette: "Abide With Me," arranged by Sister Rust.

Motion moved and seconded to adjourn conference until Friday morning at 10:00 A.M. Dismissed with prayer by Bro. Bill Barber.

THURSDAY NIGHT SERVICE

Service opened with congregational singing conducted by Bros. Ernest Garland, Abb Wallen and Lon Mabray. Prayer by Bro. Kirk Maxwell. More singing. Had a united altar prayer. Special songs arranged by Bro. James Williams and Bro. Ernest Garland.

Testimonial Service was conducted by Bro. Richard Rust. More special singing. Bro. P. E. Lambert to bring the message. Scripture from Luke 13, verses 3-5. Text "Repent or Perish." Song and invitation, "Just As I Am." Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Bob Balles.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

Congregation came to order with singing, directed by Bros. Ralph Williams and Abb Wallen. Morning Devotional read by Bro. Clark Cariker from 3rd chapter of James, verses 13-18. Prayer by Sister Edgar Cole.

Body declared back in conference by the moderator. Letters called for, received and delegates seated by right hand of fellowship. Song: "I Would Not Be Denied," led by Bro. Lon Mabray. Interesting talk by Bro. N. R. Smith, executive secretary. Motion moved and seconded to adjourn conference until 1:30 P.M. in favor of the Eleven o'clock Sermon.

ELEVEN O'CLOCK SERVICE

Song and united altar prayer. Sister Lola Robinson conducted a very spiritual devotional service. Song: "O The Glory Did Roll," Y-E-S, the Glory did roll—thank God for the many blessings.

Bro. Wade Jernigan, National Evangelist, to deliver the Eleven o'clock message. Scripture was read from First Corinthians, chapter 11, and verses 1-2 & 23-34. A very spiritual and doctrinal message was enjoyed by all. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Short Brigrance.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Congregation came to order with singing "He'll Claim Me As His Own" and "Everybody Will Be Happy Over There." Bro. Bailey Thompson read the devotional from the Book of Acts, chapter 3, verses 1-10. Prayer by Bro. Thompson. The moderator declared the body back in conference. Letters called for.

READING OF REPORTS: See Reports.

After a discussion on where to buy Sunday School literature, a motion was moved and seconded that the Eureka Association go on record that we purchase our Sunday School literature from the National Sunday School Department, 3801 Richland Ave., Nashville, Tennessee.

Motion was moved and seconded to receive reports for discussion. See Reports.

SETTING of 5th SUNDAY MEETINGS

1st—Rose Hill Church Sept. 26, 1963
2nd—McCurtain Church Dec. 26, 1963
3rd—Lafayette Church March 26, 1964
4th—Perry Church May 23, 1964

A motion was moved and seconded to build another dormitory in the S.W. corner of the association ground to be used by the Girls during Youth Encampment.

Motion was moved and seconded that we adjourn conference until 10:00 A.M. Saturday morning. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Redmon Brigrance.

FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICE

Worship service opened with congregational singing led by Bro. Lon Mabray and Bro. Ralph Williams. Prayer by Bro. Walker Wood. More gospel singing. Sister Shirley Robinson led the testimonial service. Had duet by Bro. Purdom and daughter, Kay. song: "Lift Me Up Above the Shadows," by congregation. Duet: "At Calvary," by Sister Jo Ann London and Bro. Crowder.

Evening message by Bro. Leonard Crowder. Scripture 2nd Corinthians, chapter 5, verse 17. Prayer by Bro. Crowder. Invitation given while singing "Come Unto Me." Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Pete Smith.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

Moderator called the congregation to order. Had singing conducted by Bros. Garland and Wallen. Bro. Paul Duncan brought the Devotional from St. John, chapter 8, beginning with the 28th verse. Prayer by Bro. Gene Medlock.

The body declared back in conference by the moderator. Letters called for—2 received, making a total of 23 churches represented. The delegates were seated and extended the right hand of fellowship.

READING COMMITTEE REPORTS: See Reports.

A motion was moved and seconded that the Eureka Association receive and grant Bro. Bigger's request to join this Association on promise of a letter, and direct the clerk to write the South Grand River Association for a letter of Recommendation and Dismissal.

Motion moved and seconded to discontinue conference until 1:30 P.M. in favor of the Eleven O'clock Service. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Carl Pugh.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

Service opened by singing "Kneel At the Cross," also "O Come Angel Band." Prayer by Bro. T. H. Dixon of Muskogee. Solo: "Surely I Will, Lord," by Sister Purdom. Duet by Bro. and Sister James Williams, "Then My Life Will Just Begin." Special by the Qualls family, "He Will Pilot Me," (very good). Duet: "I Want to Stroll Over Heaven With You," by Sisters Lola Williams and Shirley Robinson. Thus far a wonderful service.

Bro. Carl Pugh to read names of the deceased, who have departed this life since last association, also conducted song No. 27, "That Glad Reunion Day." Bro. Paul Duncan was selected to bring the message for the Memorial Service. Chosen scripture for the message: Jobe 14-14, "If I Die, Will I Live Again?" A wonderful message. Song and hand shake, "When the Saints Go Marching In." Dismissed in prayer.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Service opened by congregational singing. Bro. Ralph Williams conducted six good gospel songs while waiting for the Examining Council's report. The moderator declared the body back in conference, and reading Psalms, chapter 1. Prayer by Bro. Charles Royce. Letters called for.

EXAMINING COUNCIL'S REPORT: See Report.

Message bearers for the next association were nominated and elected as follows: Opening message, Wednesday night: Bro. Norman Woodruff, followed by Bro. Walker Wood. Introductory message Thursday morning at 11:00 A.M.: Bro. Carl Pugh, followed by Bro. Rufus Harp. Motion moved and seconded to confine the names placed on the Obituary Report to only members of the church and their infants. Motion moved and seconded to receive reports and dismiss all committees. Motion moved and seconded to close this Associational year's conference, with a hope of re-entering conference on Sept. 2, 1964.

Special by Bro. & Sis. Raymond Qualls and children: "Something to Sing About," also "His Fellowship of Peace." Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Charles Biggers.

SATURDAY NIGHT YOUTH SERVICE

Service opened by singing: "I'll Meet You In the Morning," "Jesus Saves," "O, the Glory Did Roll," and "That Glad Reunion Day." Had united prayer. Special, "Bread Sent From Heaven," by James, Lola and Ralph Williams and Wilbur Cordle. More specials: "What A Day That Day Will Be," by Bro. Carl Pugh and daughter, Lois. "My God Is Real," by Bro. U. C. Purdom and daughter, Kay. Also "Surely I Will, Lord," by Kay Purdom. Bro. Richard Rust directed the testimonial service, reading Hebrews 9-28. Five souls were saved during this service while singing "I Know My Redeemer Liveth," "All Upon the Altar, "I'll Meet You In the Morning," and "Come Unto Me." Also "What A Friend."

Preaching was eliminated on account of the wonderful, spiritual service in song and prayer. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Dual Cone.

DIVINE COMMITTEE—Bro. Charles Roye, Bro. Pete Butler, Sis. Freda Kelley. Opening message, **WEDNESDAY EVENING**, Rev. Kenneth Elledge; Introductory message **THURSDAY MORNING**, Rev. Hercul Hickman; Rev. P. E. Lambert brought the message **THURSDAY NIGHT**; Sis. Rust led the devotional. **FRIDAY MORNING**, Rev. Wade Jernigan brought the message. Sis. Lola Williams conducted Devotional. **FRIDAY NIGHT**, Rev. Leonard Crowder brought the message. Sis. A. J. Robinson conducted devotional. **SATURDAY MORNING**—Memorial Service: Rev. Carl Pugh read the names of those deceased. Rev. Paul Duncan brought the message.

SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMITTEE—Sis. Temper Doss, Sis. Ed Cole, Bro. Claud Booth. We your Committee on Sunday School beg leave to report as follows: That we adopt the old report. We ask that the recommendation of ordering literature from the Oklahoma Press be left out of the report. **PART OF OLD REPORT—1962**. We urge all parents to take their children to Sunday School instead of sending them. Address for ordering literature from Nashville, Tenn.: Sunday School Dept., 3801, Richland Ave., Nashville, Tenn.

MINISTER'S CHARACTERS—Bro. Elzie Duncan, Bro. Gean Medlock, Bro. Bill Barber. We your Committee on Minister's Characters, beg leave to report. As far as we know all ministers of our association are in good standing.

DEACON'S CHARACTERS—Rev. P. E. Lambert, Bro. Henry Roye, Bro. Raymond Shepherd. We your Committee on Deacon's Characters, beg leave to report. We recommend that each church encourage their deacons to attend the quarterly meetings, and the association more regularly. And to stress the Free Will Baptist Doctrine more in our churches.

QUERY REQUEST—Sis. Hazel Scott, Bro. Bob Bailes, Bro. Jerry Honeycutt. We your Committee on Query and Request beg leave to report as follows: Question: Is one eligible to vote in church while waiting on a letter from another church? Motion was made and seconded, If a member is received on promise of a letter into the church in free fellowship, then the member would have the rights and privileges of the church. 1963.

OBITUARY COMMITTEE—Bro. Redmon Brigrance, Sis. Alice Tabor, Sis. Lucille Holt. (See Page 4). Following is a list of the deceased as to churches of the Eureka Association, for the associational year: Keota—Sis. Addie Mooneyham; Cross Roads—Bro. Jess Venable; Lafayette—Bro. Richard Goodson; Porum—Bro. Nick Booker; Stigler—Sis. Charley Edwards, Bro. Charles Miller, Bro.

Edd Barbee, Kevin Lynn Powell, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Powell; Panama—Anna Brendle; Rock Ford—Sis. Mary Long, infant grandson of Sis. Annie Dunkin; Murray Spur—Bro. Pete Swift; Union Church, Tulsa—Bro. Earl Hamilton; Sallisaw—Sis. Hattie Newman; Christian Grove—3 deceased but unable to get names; Old Oak Ridge—Gus Johnson, husband of Sister Lorena Johnson.

Motion was made and seconded, that we confine names placed on obituary list to members of the various churches in our association, and their infants. 1963.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

1. Lone Elm	\$ 12.00
2. Rose Hill	20.00
3. Christian Grove	15.00
4. Sallisaw	10.00
5. McCurtain	10.00
6. Cross Roads	15.00
7. Keota	13.00
8. Tamaha	10.00
9. Porum	11.00
10. Lafayette	10.00
11. Panama	20.00
12. Cass	10.00
13. Union	10.00
14. Stigler	20.00
15. Iron Bridge	10.00
16. Hoyt	15.00
17. Rock Ford	11.00
18. Fish Creek	8.00
19. Brooken	10.00
20. Perry	15.00
21. Muldrow	13.00
TOTAL	\$268.00

Committee: Abb Wallen, Snoden Robinson.

EXAMINING COUNCIL—5-year man—Rev. Norman Woodruff; 4-year man—Rev. A. J. Robinson; 3-year man—Rev. Curtis Suttles; 2-year man—Rev. James Williams; 1-year man—Rev. Raymond Qualls.

EXECUTIVE BOARD—5-year man—Rev. P. E. Lambert; 4-year man—Rev. Robert Carter; 3-year man—Rev. Hercel Hickman; 2-year man—Rev. Curtis Maxwell; 1-year man—Rev. Norman Woodruff.

YARD COMMITTEE—3-year man—Bro. Snowden Robinson; 2-year man—Bro. Bob Bailes; 1-year man—Bro. Otho Williams; Bro. Will LaFave, an honorary member.

GENERAL BOARD MEMBER—Rev. Bailey Thompson of Po-teau Free Will Baptist Church was nominated and elected as General Board member to represent the Eureka Association at the State Association of Free Will Baptists.

MINISTER'S REPORT—1963

OUR REPORT: To the Eureka Association: God has blessed us as Pastor of the Christian Grove Free Will Baptist Church the past year. God has blessed us with souls being saved and baptized 24, preached about 150 sermons and 1 funeral. May God bless you. When you pray, pray for us and the church.

Bro. Gene Thomas

To the Eureka Association's fifty-fifth session: I pastored Fish Creek Church and enjoyed the year with them very much. I held one revival, preached and assisted in 10 funerals and made several hospital calls. There was one converted in the hospital. My health is better, which we thank the Lord for. Pray for us, we certainly need your prayers.

Rev. Walker Wood

To the Eureka Association: My report isn't much this year, but am happy to report God's goodness to us. I have traveled some 10,000 miles, preached around a hundred sermons, conducted five funerals, married 3 couples, preached one revival and have witnessed ten conversions and rededications. We ask the people of this association to pray for us and help us be what God wants us to be.

Rev. Carl Pugh

CONSTITUTION

From the long experience, we the members of the Free Will Baptist Church of God, being regularly baptized upon a profession of our faith in 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, we therefore ordain this constitution for better church government.

1. This association shall be composed of members chosen by different churches in our union, not exceeding three delegates from each church and on producing letters shall be entitled to seats.

2. Letters from different churches are to express the number in fellowship, the number received by experience of grace, number by letter of recommendation, the number dismissed, excluded, restored, and those who have died since the association.

3. The members thus chosen and convened to be denominated the Eureka Association of Free Will Baptist, being composed of sundry churches in the Eureka Association—the Association having no power to lord it over God's heritage nor to have any ecclesiastical power over any church becoming disorderly.

4. The association to have a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer who are to be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

5. Newly constituted churches may be admitted to the association, they are found to be orthodox and orderly they may be received into the association, the moderator giving the right hand of fellowship.

6. No question from any church shall come under consideration of the association unless it has first been discussed in its own church.

7. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the association, except when it is withdrawn by the member who made it.

8. The association is to endeavor to furnish the church with minutes of the association in proportion to the number of members in each church, distribution being at discretion of the association.

9. It shall be the duty of the clerk to keep a regular file of the minutes of the association for that purpose.

10. The minutes of the association shall be read and corrected if needed and signed by the moderator and clerk before the close of the association.

11. Amendments to the constitution may be made when it is necessary, by a majority of the members present.

12. Be it resolved that an ordaining counsel for ministers be composed of three (3) ordained ministers in good standing in association.

13. Be it resolved that all money be sent to the clerk of the association.

14. Money other than allocated funds shall be divided, 75 percent to Co-op Plan and 25 percent kept in association.

16. The Examining Committee of the association shall examine ministers for license at the request of the church of which candidate is a member.

17. The examining committee shall examine at the end of one year, licensed ministers for ordination at the request of the church of which the minister is a member. Request shall be made to association or the 5th Sunday meeting.

18. The voting power of the association shall be ministers, their wives, deacons and their wives, church clerk and duly elected delegates from each church. The above shall be in good standing with the association.

1961 SESSION

19. Be it resolved that all resolutions adopted by the Eureka association be printed in conclusion with our constitution and be carried in print from year to year as a part of our Rules and Laws.

20. Be it resolved that we, starting next Association, 1960, placing every preacher's yearly report in the Minutes, 1959 Resolutions and Amendments of Constitution and By Laws. Bro. C. E. Kennedy, Bro. Otho Williams, Bro. Charles Hanna.

21. Be it resolved that we adopted the rule that when a church selects deacons, that they be set aside on trial for 12 months, before being ordained. The deacon acting during the 12 months. But not ordained before the 12 months are up.

22. Be it resolved that the Constitution be amended giving the Executive Board control over the Youth Camp. This resolution was adopted, 1961. Rev. C. E. Kennedy, Rev. Major Followwill, Bro. Leamon Harrell, Bro. Vanis King, Bro. Abb Wallen, Committee.

23. Motion made and seconded, that the Eureka Association go on record in its 53rd session as adopting the national Association, Free Will Baptist treatise, officially and that the association go on record as reaffirming our unalterable stand, and our belief in Congregational Church Government.

1963 SESSION

24. Resolutions—Rev. Bailey Thompson, Bro. Otho Williams, Bro. Bernard Williamson. Articles of Faith—No. 10—to be replaced to read as follows: 1963 SESSION: We believe that baptism, (The Emersion of Believers in Water), The Lord's Supper, and Feet Washing, are divine ordinances of the Gospel. The Lord's Supper, which is to be observed by all believers, at night, and to be followed by the ordinance of feet washing, which teaches humility of universal obligations, to be practiced by all believers. Mark 14:22, John 13:4-14, Matt. 28: 19-20, Tim. 5: 10.

25. As we are all interested in our youth, and we all have a part in youth camp, be it resolved that we form a committee, composed of one delegate from each church in the association, to meet with the Executive Board, at a time and place designated by the Executive Board, to work out plans, policy, changes, etc. Each church elect it's own delegate.

Chairman, E. O. Williams

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe in one true and living God, Father, Son and Holy Ghost and these three are one in divine essence, power and glory. Romans 1-2; 1st John 1:7; John 17:21.

2. We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testament are the inspired Word of God and the only infallible rule of faith and practice. Second Timothy 3-16; Matthew 5-18.

3. We believe that God created man good, and gave his holy commandments whereby he should live holy, but man voluntarily fell under the just condemnation of the same, whereby all mankind are sinners, not by constraint, but by choice, being partakers of the sinful nature attained by the fall and that man is unable to

save himself with his own power, but we see Jesus for suffering of death crowned with glory. That He by the grace of God should taste death for every man. Gen. 3:17; Heb. 2:9.

4. We believe that Christ by His death, suffering and resurrection purchased our pardon and offered it freely to all mankind upon principles of repentance toward God and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. He now commands all men everywhere to repent therefore he sayeth, "Look unto Me and be saved, all ye ends of the earth, for I am God and there is none else." Matt. 4:17; Isaiah 45:22; Acts 20:20.

5. We believe that adult persons must be regenerated and born of the Spirit of God, to inherit eternal life. John 3:3; 1st Peter 1:23.

6. We believe that infants and idiots are saved upon the merit of the Son of God. Jonah 4:11; Mark 10:14; Duet. 1:39.

7. We believe that all Christians must preserve in grace and be faithful to the end if they may have right to the tree of life and enter through the gate into the city. Rev. 22:14; Matt. 24:13.

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. Continuance in faith and obedience unto death.

9. We believe that God in His goodness displays His power of grace in great degree in calling and qualifying His servants by teaching of the Holy Ghost and by instruction of His word to go forth and nothing prevents the salvation of any but their stubborn rebellion and sinful refusal to come. I Cor. 12:13; Eph. 3:7; Rev. 22:17.

10. To replace No. 10—In Articles of Faith, 1963 change. We believe that Baptism, (The Emersion of Believers in water). The Lord's Supper and feet washing, are divine ordinances of the Gospel. The Lord's Supper, which is to be observed by all believers at night, and to be followed by the ordinance of feet washing, which teaches humility of universal obligation, to be practiced by all believers. Mark 14:22; John 13:4-14; Matt 28:19-20 and 1st Tim. 5:10.

11. We believe that none have a right to baptism only those who have a living hope in the Lord Jesus Christ, and none have the right to administer the same only those who have come under the hands of the presbytery of orders, and each church ought to have a pastor, deacon and clerk chosen by the church, ought to have office during the good pleasure of same dealing with disorderly members, reference should be had to the 18th chapter of Matthew and other Scriptures relative to dealing with disorderly members, and then it must be unanimous. Titus 1:5; Acts 14:23; II Corinthians 6:6.

12. We believe it is the duty of each church to assemble themselves together once a month and that it is the duty of the pastor of the church in the setting forth of the Lord's Supper and washing the Saint's feet or let as many examine himself and so let him eat. I Cor. 11:28; John 13:14.

13. We believe that sanctification and holiness is a Bible doctrine that immortality is God dwelling in the lives so when this corruptible shall have put on corruption and this mortal shall have put on immortality then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written: "Death is swallowed up in victory." That it is our duty to be tender and affectionate to one another and to study the happiness of the people of God in general and to singly engage to promote the honor and glory of God. Gal. 6:10; I John 2:9.

14. We believe in the resurrection of the dead, of both the just and unjust; the just to glory and immortality in the presence of God; the unjust to everlasting shame and banishment from the presence of God. Matt. 24:31; Cor. 16:42; Thes. 1:10; Rev. 20:12-13.

CHURCH COVENANT

Having been brought, as humbly trust, by divine grace to embrace the Lord Jesus Christ as our Savior and having thus obtained justification by faith in His name, we as members of several churches that constitute the Eureka Association of Free Will Baptist adopt the following as our covenant.

1. To watch over each other in love, to pray for each other as members of a common faith ever striving to keep the unit of spirit in the bond of peace.

2. We will not speak evil of each other nor will we persecute or expose the faults of the weak members of our churches; but we will endeavor to be governed by Paul's instruction to Timothy, "That we will reprove, rebuke and exhort" each other as members of a common brotherhood.

3. We are commanded to do good unto all men, especially to those of the household of faith. But we should remember that our relations to each other are closer and the obligations more binding than that of a common hand of Christian charity. In adopting this covenant, we become as a family and assume in a Christian sense the care and responsibility that the members of a family shall feel for each other.

4. We will attend the stated meetings of our churches unless we are providentially hindered, or uncontrollable circumstances prevent us. And we will contribute of our means as the Lord has prospered us for the support of our pastor and other necessary expenses of our own church to that of any other and we will pray for our pastor while he is preaching the word of God to us.

5. We will not neglect secret and public prayers and those of us who are heads of families will strive to dedicate our households to the service of God by teaching our children the great necessity

of the Christian religion as the only hope of happiness after death. We will adopt the Covenant of Joshua, the servant of the Lord, and say, "But as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord."

CHURCH ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Called to order by Moderator.
2. Called into conference, or vote, to go into conference.
3. Call for peace of the Church, (all who are at peace with God and with each other, hold up your right hand).
4. Visiting brethren invited to seat in Council (Visiting members from other Free Will Baptist Churches).
5. Reading of minutes of last conference.
6. Reading of Treasurer's report.
7. Unfinished business.
8. New business.

EXAMINING COUNCIL'S REPORT

We, the Examining Council have examined Bro. Harold Morris and find him to be orthodox in the doctrine. We recommend Bro. Morris be ordained as a Free Will Baptist Minister.

Credentials Committee:

Rev. Norman Woodruff

Rev. Raymond Qualls

Rev. James Williams

LICENSED MINISTER

Bro. Troy Madewell was examined and found to be orthodox in the teaching of Free Will Baptist Doctrine. We recommend that he be licensed for one year to preach. Examining board: Rev Norman Woodruff, Rev. A. J. Robinson, Rev. James Williams.

The Credentials Board recommended Bro. Bill Johnson be reinstated in the Eureka Association as a minister.

1963 CHURCHES AND DELEGATES

1. **SALLISAW**—Bro. Albert Watie, Sis. Hazel Scott, Sis. Mary Riggs. Rev. O. J. Wall, Pastor, Fort Smith, Ark. Clerk: Sis. Esther Smith, Sallisaw, Okla. .

2. **IRON BRIDGE**—Bro. Raymond Shepherd, Bro. Redmon Brigance, Sis. Temper Doss. Rev. Rufus Harp, Pastor. Sis. Freeda Doss, Church Clerk

3. **ROSE HILL**—Bro. Henry Roye, Bro. A. W. Reading, Sis. Lula Reading. Rev. Clark Cariker, Hoyt, Okla., Pastor. Sis. Joy Roye, Church Clerk.

4. **TAMAHA**—Sis. Billie Clark, Sis. Ina Eakle, Sis. Lucille Henry. Rev. A. J. Robinson, Pastor. Sis. Clara Ward, Church Clerk.

5. **STIGLER**—Sis. Marie Cleveland, Sis. Maggie Ragle, Bro. Jerry Honeycutt. Moderator: Rev. Kenneth Elledge. Sis. Mollie Kennedy, Church Clerk.

6. **PERRY**—Sis. Mable Snow, Sis. Ruby LaFave, Bro. Claud Booth. Pastor: Rev. Rufus Harp. Sis. Pearl Cole, Church Clerk.

7. PORUM—Sis. Lida Mullins, Sis. Audie Woods, Bro. Jess Woods. Rev. P. E. Lambert, Pastor. Sis. Pauline Stephens, Church Clerk.

8. LAFAYETTE—Bro. Bob Bailes, Bro. Roy Holt, Sis. Lucille Holt, Sis. Maud Fowler. Rev. James Williams, Pastor. Sis. Alva Patton, Church Clerk.

9. CROSS ROADS—Sis.. Alta Rogers, Sis. Lillie Morrison, Sis. Gertie Adams. Rev. Hercel Hickman, Pastor. Sis. Ella Bailes, Church Clerk.

10. McCURTAIN—Sis. S. A. Lemley, Sis. Ida Mae Madewell, Sis. Ruby Hartwick. Pastor: Rev. A. J. Robinson. Sis. Jennie Wilson, Church Clerk.

11. POTEAU—Bro. Dave Worley, Sis. Nancy Rice, Sis. Phyllis Faulkenberry. Pastor: Rev. Bailey Thompson. Sis. Nell Davis, Church Clerk.

12. UNION CHURCH, TULSA—Bro. Ralph Williams, Sis. Gean Williams. Pastor: Rev. Paul Duncan. Sis. Sue Spradling, Assistant Church Clerk

13.. CASS—Bro. Buddie McGuire and wife, Sis. Leota Smith, Bro. Seth Smith. Pastor: Rev. Norman Woodruff. Sis. Bertha Robinson, Church Clerk

14. LONE ELM—Sis. Fannie Blauvelt, Sis. Ann Tabor, Sis. Helen Nelson. Pastor: Rev. Curtis Maxwell. Sis. Dorsie Medlock, Church Clerk

15. KEOTA—Sis. Alice Tabor, Sis. Zaida Truett, Sis. Plinnia Davis. Pastor: Rev. Robert Carter. Sis. Lora Tabor, Church Clerk.

16. CHRISTIAN GROVE—Sis. Liddie Perkins, Sis. Sally Lovell. Sis. Betty Ridenour. Pastor: Rev. Gean Thomas, Route 3, Fort Smith, Ark. Sis. Lena Greenwood, Church Clerk, Route 3, Fort Smith, Ark.

17. PANAMA—Bro. Pete Butler, Sis. Nancy Butler, Bro. Richard Rust. Pastor: Rev. Charles Hanna. Sis. Betty Dodson, Church Clerk.

18. BROOKEN—Bro. Earl Powell, Sis. Lola Powell, Sis. Alba Fitzer. Pastor: Rev. Walker Woods. Sis. E. A. Prince, Church Clerk.

19. HOYT—Bro. Donald Bigger, Sis. Elaine Bigger, Bro. James Linton. Pastor: Rev. Charles Bigger. Sis. Rusha Gideon, Church Clerk.

20. ROCK FORD—Sis. Eunice Blaylock, Sis. Beatrice Long, Bro. Fuller Lock. Pastor: Rev. James Williams. Sis. Francene Blaylock, Church Clerk.

21. FISH CREEK—Sis. Nettie Colbert, Bro. Billy Colbert, Sis. Ida Patterson. No pastor at present. Sis. Marie Kasiner, Church Clerk. Rev. Walker Woods, Moderator.

22. MURRY SPUR—Sis. Addie Hood, Sis. Cindy Guillory, Sis. Rita Conrad. Pastor: Rev. Clifford Myers. Sis. Alva Swift, Church Clerk.

23. MULDROW—Bro. George Seabolt, Bro. R. C. Rogers, Sis. Sue Clifton. Pastor: Rev. Bob Campbell, Van Buren, Ark. Sis. Belle Viles, Church Clerk.

STATE DELEGATES—Sis. Lula Reading from Rose Hill Church. Sis. Barbara Thompson, Poteau Church. Bro. Pete Butler, from Panama Church. Sis. Doyle Dipboye, Stigler Church.

ASSOCIATION MINISTERS

1.	Rev. Clifford Myers	Fort Smith, Ark.
2.	Rev. Carl Pugh	Poteau, Okla.
3.	Rev. Dolphus Lamb	Keota, Okla.
4.	Rev. Curtis Suttles	Keota, Okla.
5.	Rev. C. J. Stump	Porum, Okla.
6.	Rev. Junior Easton	Fort Smith, Ark.
7.	Rev. Bailey Thompson	Poteau, Okla.
8.	Rev. Noah Edwards	Muldrow, Okla.
9.	Rev. Harold Schuler	Fort Smith, Ark.
10.	Rev. Clark Cariker	Hoyt, Okla.
11.	Rev. Hercel Hickman	Stigler, Okla.
12.	Rev. James Williams	Keota, Okla.
13.	Rev. Rufus Harp	Stigler, Okla.
14.	Rev. A. J. Robinson	Stigler, Okla.
15.	Rev. C. A. Brown	Kinta, Okla.
16.	Rev. L. B. Clark	Spiro, Okla.
17.	Rev. Edgar Cole	Keota, Okla.
18.	Rev. I. L. Florence	Poteau, Okla.
19.	Rev. B. E. Hickman	Stigler, Okla.
20.	Rev. A. A. Holdridge	Hoyt, Okla.
21.	Rev. Wilbur Clark	Poteau, Okla.
22.	Rev. C. E. Kennedy	Keota, Okla.
23.	Rev. Henry Long	McCurtain, Okla.
24.	Rev. U. C. Purdom	Hoyt, Okla.
25.	Rev. Curtis Maxwell	Keota, Okla.
26.	Rev. L. T. Brown	Keota, Okla.
27.	Rev. John Morris	Stigler, Okla.
28.	Rev. J. E. Smith	Stigler, Okla.
29.	Rev. Norman Woodruff	Lequire, Okla.
30.	Rev. Paul Duncan	Tulsa, Okla.
31.	Rev. C. I. Edwards	Poteau, Okla.
32.	Rev. Walker Wood	Porum, Okla.
33.	Rev. Hugo Smith	Stigler, Okla.
34.	Rev. Raymond Qualls	Arkoma, Okla.
35.	Rev. Doyle D. Dipboye	Stigler, Okla.
36.	Rev. Robert Carter	Keota, Okla.
37.	Rev. Charles Hanna	Panama, Okla.
38.	Rev. P. E. Lambert	Porum, Okla.
39.	Rev. Bill Johnson	Keota, Okla.
40.	Rev. Charles Bigger	Hoyt, Okla.

YOUTH ENCAMPMENT MINUTES

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. House called to order by the Moderator.
2. Letters called for and received.
3. Right hand of fellowship is extended.
4. Election of Officers.
5. Reading Rules of Order.
6. Petitionary Letters called for.
7. Introductory Sermon to be preached.
8. Inviting brethren to seat in council.
9. Appointment of Committees.
10. New Business.
11. Miscellaneous Business.

One hundred and fifteen registered this year at the Camp Grounds. At the end of Camp 100 per cent were Christians.

CAMP GROUND RULES

1. A bell will ring 5 minutes before bedtime.
2. 30 minutes after lights go out, talking will stop.
3. No one is to leave the camp ground without a sponsor. .
4. No one is to leave class or regular church service without special permission from sponsor.
5. No literature, other than the Bible or Religious material is to be brought to camp grounds.
6. At 7:00, a bell rings; at 7:30, breakfast.
7. Each one assigned to special camp duties.
8. Someone to register each one coming on the camp grounds.
9. Girls shall not wear shorts, slim jims, or peddle pushers while at camp. Jeans shall be permitted during recreation.
10. No one will smoke on the camp ground.

TUESDAY MORNING SESSION

Bro. Pete Butler, 1961 Youth Camp President, took charge. Motion made and seconded to enter into conference. Letters were called for and received. Election of officers: President, Bro. Pete Butler; Vice-President, Bro. Bailey Thompson; Sec., Sis. Joyce Butler; Asst. Sec., Carol Carter; Song Leader, Joyce Cariker; Asst. Song Leader, Mary Brown; Pianist, Sharon Chester; Asst. Pianist, Pat Mooneyham; Devotional Committee: Sis. Linda Tucker, Bro. Dale Apple, and Sis. Kay Purdom.

Rules and By-Laws, set up by the Youth Camp Board, were read. They are as follows:

1. At every sitting, business shall be opened and concluded by prayer by the President or whomsoever he may call on.
2. Visiting league members present are invited to seat in council and allowed to take part in debates on all subjects, but are not allowed to vote.
3. Those who speak shall arise and address the president. Personal reflections shall be avoided in all debates.

4. No motion shall be discussed without being seconded.
5. When a motion has been made and seconded and a member opposes its discussion, the president shall put question: Shall it be discussed?

6. If any proposition or motion under debate contains two or more points, it shall be divided at the request of any member and a vote taken.

7. A motion made and lost shall not be recorded.

8. No one shall speak more than twice on any subject without special permission of the President.

9. The President shall have the authority to object to any discussion not carried on in a Christian spirit.

10. All questions shall be decided by a majority of the members present.

11. No member shall absent himself or herself without special leave of the President.

12. All persons in good standing and members of an active Free Will Baptist Church shall be entitled to vote.

13. The Youth Camp shall have a president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer, assistant secretary and treasurer, song leader, assistant song leader, pianist, assistant pianist, devotional committee, and sponsors for dormitories.

14. The Youth Camp shall begin on Tuesday, enrollment starting at 10:00 o'clock and close Friday at 3:00 o'clock.

15. The Rules of Order shall be distinctly read from the Chair immediately after organization of the Youth Camp Meeting.

16. Alterations shall be made in these rules at any regular session of their Youth Camp.

The house was called to order for the 11:00 o'clock service. Songs were led by Joyce Cariker, followed by prayer. The eleven o'clock hour was spent getting acquainted under the supervision of Rev. Bailey Thompson. A united prayer and invitation was given. The body was dismissed for lunch.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The house was called to order by the President. Joyce Cariker led the song "Joy Unspeakable". Dismissed by Bro. James Williams. Classes were assembled.

The second afternoon class was begun by singing "We'll Tour the Golden City", and "When I Looked Up and He Looked Down", led by Bro. James Williams. Bro. Bailey Thompson led songs: "Beautiful", and "O the Glory Did Roll". Bro. Harold Dodson led "Sunset Is Coming But the Sunrise We'll See". Bro. Charles Hanna led "When We Sing Around the Throne Eternal". Sis. Lola Williams led "Precious Jesus Don't Forget". A special selection, "Bread Sent From Heaven" was sung by Bro. Bailey Thompson. Mr. and Mrs. James Williams and Bro. Bailey Thompson sang "I'm Bound For That City".

Announcements were made and we were dismissed by prayer.

TUESDAY NIGHT SESSION

The President called the house to order. Songs "Victory Ahead", and "We'll Soon Be Done With Troubles and Trials" were led by Joyce Cariker. Prayer was led by Bro. James Williams. The devotional was led by Judy Tankersly. Bro. and Sis. James Williams sang "His Peace Like a River". A quartette from Poteau sang "Master the Tempest is Raging". "Love Is Why" was sung by Panama quartette. Bro. Thomas of the Christian Grove Church was the speaker for the evening. His text was "When He Came To Himself" taken from Luke 15:11-24. The invitation was given. We were dismissed in prayer by Bro. Cones.

WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION

The house was called to order by the president. Our song leader led songs "I'm Going That Way", and "Leaning On the Everlasting Arms". Bro. Harold Dodson led in prayer. Classes were assembled and were taught by Bro. Lambert and Bro. Kenneth Elledge.

The eleven o'clock hour began with the president calling the house to order. Songs sung were: "I'll Fly Away" and "When the Redeemed Are Gathering In". Prayer by Bro. Lambert. Richard Rust gave the devotional from Luke 4:4. The speaker for the hour was Rev. Joe Blair. He took his text from Ecc. 12:1. The invitation was given and a song was sung. We were dismissed by James Williams.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The service was called to order by the president. Songs sung were: "I'm Bound For That City", "He'll Claim Me As His Own", and "Come Unto Me". Prayer by Bro. Charles Hanna. Classes were assembled and taught by Bro. Lambert and Bro. Elledge and Bro. Williams.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SESSION

The house was called to order by the President. Songs sung were "That Glad Reunion Day", "Living By Faith", and "I've Never Been Sorry". Prayer by Bro. A. J. Robinson. Devotional was brought by Sharon Chester. She read from Luke 9:23-25. A quartette from Poteau sang "Standing On the Promises". "Heaven On My Mind" was sung by a quartette from Hoyt. Rev. and Mrs. James Williams sang "Then My Life Will Just Begin". Rev. Bailey Thompson sang "When You Travel All Alone". Rev. Joe Blair was the

speaker for the hour. His text was "What are you waiting for?" taken from John 5:1-9. The invitation was given and five people were saved. The service was closed by a handshaking.

THURSDAY MORNING SESSION

The house was called to order by the President. Songs "Heavenly Sunlight" and "This World Is Not My Home" were sung and followed by prayer. We were dismissed for classes.

The house was called to order for the 11:00 o'clock service. Songs: "I'll Meet You By the River" and "There Is Power In the Blood" were sung. Bro. Hercel Hickman led in prayer. Devotional was brought by Hercel Hickman. He read from 1 Corin. 15:58. Linda Tucker sang "Dear Jesus, Abide With Me", Judy Robertson sang "It's Different Now". Bro. Duel Cone brought the morning message. His text was from Romans 6:12-23. The invitation was given and eight souls were saved. We were dismissed by Bro. Bailey Thompson.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The house was called to order by the President. The song "Wonderful Jesus" was sung. It was followed by prayer. We were dismissed to go to the classes.

THURSDAY NIGHT SESSION

The President called the house to order. The congregation sang songs: "Hallelujah! We Shall Rise", "I'll Be Satisfied", "Love Lifted Me", and "That Glad Reunion Day". A Devotional was brought by Bro. Long. "Wait A Little Longer" was sung by Mike Spittler. The Hoyt quartet sang "What A Day That Will Be" and "Every Hour". Lola Williams and Shirley Robinson sang "I Want To Stroll Over Heaven With You". "Surely I Will, Lord" was sung by Kay Purdom. "Peace Like A River", "I Have Just Begun To Live", and "Sorry I Never Knew You" were sung by Rev. and Mrs. James Williams. Many young people came to the altar and the Spirit of God was felt during the service. Bro. Gene Thomas did not get to preach.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

The President called the house to order. The congregation was led in singing by Joyce Cariker. Bro. Dennis Dolan led the devotional and testimonial service. A message was brought by Rev. Kenneth Elledge. At 12:00 we were dismissed until the following year, 1964.

1963—DONATIONS TO YOUTH CAMP

1. McCurtain	\$10.00
2. Brooken	5.00
3. Porum	10.00
4. Lafayette	20.00
5. Cass	20.00
6. Hoyt	24.00
7. Christian Grove	25.00
8. Murry Spur	26.00
9. Muldrow	5.00
10. Cross Roads	10.00
11. Union Church, Tulsa	11.00
12. Keota	5.00
13. Rose Hill	26.00
14. Perry	15.00
15. Panama	25.00
16. Iron Bridge	25.00
TOTAL	\$262.00

