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Moderator _____ Elder E. A. O'Donnel
Assistant Moderator _____ Elder E. E. Jenkins
Clerk _____ Sister Nora Lee Corley
Assistant Clerk _____ Sister Evelyn Taylor
Treasurer _____ Elder Elmer Steelman

The next session will meet at the Dibble Association Camp Ground on Thursday night before the second Sunday of September 1965. Bro. Don Smith will bring the introductory message. Bro. Charles Hampton will be the alternate speaker.

First Quarterly meeting will begin Friday night before the second Sunday in December. Bro. Charles Hampton will be the introductory speaker, Bro. E. E. Jenkins will be alternate speaker.

Second Quarterly meeting will begin Friday night before the second Sunday in March. Bro. Ira Smithy will be the introductory speaker. Bro. Giles will be the alternate speaker.

Third Quarterly meeting will begin Friday night before the second Sunday in June. Bro. Elmer Steelman will be the introductory speaker. Bro. E. A. O'Donnell will be alternate speaker.

RULES OF ORDER

1. At every sitting of the Association, business shall be opened and concluded by prayer by the Moderator or whomsoever he may request.

2. Ministers, deacons, church clerks, Associational clerks and elected delegates, 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 and seconded, and a member opposes its discussion, 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 separately.

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. 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 session of the Association.

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 expense?

9. A Call for confession.

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 of 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 Association met at the Camp Ground Thursday evening Sept. 10, 1964.

THURSDAY EVENING

Opened by singing, "I'll Live In Glory" "Standing On The Promises" "The Lilly Of The Valley" Led by Bro. E. A. O'Donnell. Sister Young at the piano. Prayer by Bro. Lonnie Johnson. Acting Moderator, our oldest minister Bro. E. A. O'Donnell. Special song "Just Call On The Lord" Bro., O'Donnell, Bro. Luther Hudson, Bro. and Sister John Nunley. Sister Nunley at the piano. Song "The Great Physician" by Bro. Lonnie Johnson. Introductory message by Bro. Albert McReynolds. "The Fountain" 1 Cor. 9 to 11 verses. Dismissed by prayer singing "An Old Account Settled."

FRIDAY MORNING

Opened by singing "Let The Lord Have His Way With Thee" Led by Bro. O'Donnell. Prayer by Sister Mattie Jones. Letters called for and read. Motion and second that we accept the letters and seat the delegates. Right hand of fellowship was given while singing "Have You Really Been A Friend To Him." directed by Bro. Elmer Steelman.

Election of officers: Moderator Bro. E. A. O'Donnell; Assistant Moderator Bro. E. E. Jenkins; Clerk Sister Nora Lee Corley; Assistant Clerk, Sister Evelyn Taylor; Treasurer, Bro. Elmer Steelman. Moderator appointed a committee on Devine Service. Bro. Mack Clagg, Bro. E. E. Jenkins, Sister Billie Bailey, Bro. Lawerance Branch, Bro. Bill DeVault. Motion made and seconded to adjourn.

11 O'CLOCK SERVICE

Opened with singing "Victory In Jesus" Bro. Bryan Stacy leading and Bro. L. B. Steele at the piano. Prayer by Bro. Luther Hudson. Congregational song "I'm Glad Jesus Came" Devotional brought by Bro. N. R. Smith. Philipians, chapter 2. Song, Bro. E. A. O'Donnell, Bro. Bryan Stacy, Bro. and Sister Luther Hudson. Sister Eva Franklin at the piano. Sermon by Bro. E. E. Jenkins, Hebrews 2nd chapter. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Richard Clagg.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Opened singing "Standing On The Promises" led by Bro. Bryan Stacy. Prayer by Bro. N. R. Smith. Nomination for

Treasurer called for.

Motion and second to retain Bro. Elmer Steelman by acclamation. Bro. N. R. Smith Executive Secretary, made a talk on supporting the state office. Committee members appointed.

COMMITTEES APPOINTED

RESOLUTIONS: Bro. Elmer Steelman, Bro. Bryan Stacy, Bro. Lawerance Branch.

DEVINE SERVICE: Bro. Mack Clagg, Bro. E. E. Jenkins, Sister Billie Bailey, Bro. Lawerence Branch, Bro. Bill DaVoult.

CREDENTIALS: Bro. Denver Wynn, Bro. Dormie Mills, Bro. Luther Hudson.

MISSIONS: Sister Vicie Hopkins, Sister Billie Bailey, Sister Alpha Nichols, Sister Opal Joy, Sister Silvia Oglesby.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Sister Nettie Hudson, Bro. Joey Howeth, Sister Anna DaVoult.

LEAGUE: Sister Vicki Joy, Sister Eva Franklin, Sister Eva Howeth.

FINANCE: Bro. Elmer Steelman, Sister Edith Allen, Sister Maud Branch.

OBITUARY: Sister Mattie Jones, Sister Mahalia Ladd, Bro. Edd Howeth.

TEMPERANCE: Bro. Bill DaVoult, Sister Lizzie Bashara, Sister Louise Womack.

Moderator called for recess singing "Oh How I Love Jesus".

We came together singing "Heavens Jubilee" Moderator asked for discussion on Lack Of Interest In Sunday School, League, and midweek service. And how we may correct it. Dismissed in prayer by Sister Vicie Hopkins.

FRIDAY EVENING SERVICES

Prayer by Bro. Ralph Hampton. Devotion by Bro. Hampton, "Is The Lord That We Serve Able To Deliver Thee" Daniel 6 chapter 18 to 20 verses. Dismissal prayer by Bro. Lester Maynard.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

Opened singing "Won't It Be Wonderful There". Bro. E. A. O'Donnell leading, Sister Charles Hampton at the piano. Devotional given by Bro. Ira Smith. Peter 1st chapter. Bro. Charles Hampton was elected to the General Board, to represent the Association at the State Association. Motion and second to change Home Missions to read Missions. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS

Hawkins — Bro. Manuel Pearson
Chickasha — Bro. E. A. O'Donnell
Brockland — Bro. Chester Bailey
Dibble — Bro. Dormie Mills
Bridgecreek — Bro. Elmer Steelman
Blanchard — Bro. Jim Stacy
Iron Chapel — Bro. Andy Freeman
Lindsay — Bro. Lawerence Branch
Bryant — Bro. I. J. Ross
St. Clair — Bro. Albert McReynolds

11 O'CLOCK SERVICE

Opened singing "A Soul Winner For Jesus" Bro. Lester Maynard leading, Linda Bagwell at the piano. Prayer by Bro.

L. B. Steele, Song Bro. Arthur Hearron, Bro. Lester Maynard, Bro. E. A. O'Donnell, Sister Nora Lee Corley, Sister Linda Bagwell sang "Without Him". "Just A Little Talk With Jesus." by Bro. Arthur Hearron, Bro. Elmer Steelman, Bro. Steelman, Bro. Lester Maynard, Sister Nora Lee Corley, Sister Linda Bagwell at the piano. Congregational song "Where Could I Go But To The Lord". Devotional given by Bro. Don Smith, Psalms 133. Bro. Don Payne gave a very interesting talk about the Oklahoma Bible College. Ministers reports called for and read. Report from League Secretary was read and submitted to association for approval. Motion carried for amendment to article 1 to read: and elected delegates. Motion made and second for association to grant \$75.00 to League to finish payment for evangelist for the youth revival. Bro. Charles Hampton brought the message Daniel Chapter 3, 13 to 18 verses. Invitational song "Softly and Tenderly" Dismissal prayer by Bro. Albert McReynolds.

Saturday Morning Session

Services began by singing led by Bro. Luther Hudson, with Bro. Arthur Hearron at the piano. "He Set Me Free". Prayer by Rev. Charles Hampton.

COMMITTEE REPORTS CALLED FOR:

Treasurer's Report — Motion carried to accept same as read.

Mission Report — Motion carried to accept same as read.

Obituary Committee Report — Motion carried to accept same and that we have a moment of silent prayer after which Bro. Ira Smithy led in prayer.

Sunday School Report — Motion carried to accept same. Retain Committee. Motion made and seconded to let each Church that didn't mention a state delegate in letter to go home and appoint same and submit \$5.00 for delegate to state association. Motion made and second to accept resolution No. 1. Motion carried to pay clerk \$25.00 and assistant \$15.00.

Credential Report — Motion carried to accept same.

Temperance Committee Report — Motion carried to accept same and dismiss committees.

Motion made that this association declare the present League Board null and void, and this association elect a committee of three to serve as a committee of three to serve as a League Board, to meet with the churches and promote League work through the year. Elected were Bro. Albert McReynolds, Bro. E. E. Jenkins, Bro. Manuel Pearson. Motion carried and these were elected by acclamation. Standing vote of thanks to the ladies for food and for all outgoing officers.

Motion carried to adjourn until next session of the Dibble Association, which will convene Thursday night before the second Sunday in Sept. 1965.

New Business

Resolutions called for: Resolution number 1. Be it resolved with this sitting of the Dibble Association, that we adopt and set as standard practice the examining as pertaining to faith, character and soundings of doctrine, all ordained entering the association from outside organizations. Be it also resolved that each Church letter to the association submit by way of their church letter to the association, those to be examined, at

each sitting there of.

Prayerfully submitted, resolution committee.

Chairman — Rev. Elmer Steelman

COMMITTEE REPORTS

TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE

We the Temperance committee would like to recommend our temperance already in our minutes. We don't think we could improve any.

Chairman Bro. Bill DeVoult

OBITUARY COMMITTEE

We the Obituary committee, are sad to report the deaths of Sister Florence Roberts, Sister Mattie Ritter of the Dibble Free Will Baptist Church. Sister Lou Berkley of the Lindsays Free Will Baptist Church. But we feel our loss is Heavens gain and God alone can give comfort and peace. The gates of Heaven opened, a gentle voice said come, and like the falling leaves there beautiful souls went home.

Bro. Howeth, Sister Ladd, Sister Jones

MISSIONS REPORT

We the committee on Missions report six Churches having active missions work. Our Churches have helped the needy with clothes, food and gifts. The Churches have helped in serving meals in homes of bereaved families. Have bought flowers and gifts for sick, also visited the sick and shut-ins. One Church has services every Sunday afternoon in a rest home. Let us set a goal this coming to give our reasonable service and let God use our lives for his glory.

Chairman, Sister Vicie Hopkins

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

We find that all the Churches in our Association have active Sunday Schools. There are around five hundred in attendance. We believe that it is possible for the lost to be brought to Christ through a Good Sunday School work.

Chairman Sister Nettie Hudson

LEAGUE REPORTS

There are eight Church in our Dibble Association that are having League. With an average of 142 attending. Brockland reports 30; Bridgecreek 40; Dibble 25; Hawkins 35; St. Clair 22; Bryant 15; Chickasha 25; Iron Chapel 30. The Dibble Association Youth encampment met this summer at the camp grounds. The average enrollment was 40, with 10 fine teachers to work with them and to teach them. There were many conversions among our young people who heard the gospel preached by Bro. Rufus Coffee, Nashville Tenn., where he is director of Foreign Conference. Our League programs and youth encampment are dedicated to our youth that they may carry on with the work of Christ.. Lets encourage them to do so.

Chairman, Sister Eva Howeth

CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE

We your Credential committee recommend Bro. Charles Hampton. Chairman, Sister Eva Howeth

HOME MISSION REPORT

The Blanchard Free Will Baptist Home Mission has a total of 14 members. We have served 1 bake sale. I dinner for funeral, bought 18 flowers and gifts. Given to the needy, gave to Okla. Bible College.

TREASURERS REPORT

Balance at end of year	\$23.93
Total Receipts	\$890.18
	\$914.11
Total Expenditures	\$775.26
Balance in Treasury	\$138.85

Prayerfully Submitted
Rev. Elmer Steelman, Treasurer

Receipts

Chickasha Church	15.00
St. Clair Church	15.00
Lindsay Church	10.00
Iron Chapel Church	10.00
Dibble Church	15.00
Hawkins Church	10.00
Brockland Church	15.00
Bryant Church	10.00
Bridgecreek Church	10.00
Blanchard Church	10.00
St. Clair Coop.	22.14
Chickasha Church	5.00
Dibble Church	15.08
Lindsay Church	8.50
Brockland Coop	15.75
Bryant	31.42
St. Clair	33.69
Brockland YPA girls	7.35
Brockland Coop	51.94
Dibble Church	15.30
Dibble Church	25.00

Bridgecreek Church	15.00
St. Clair Church	66.12
Bryant Church	42.49
Brockland Church	52.26
Farm Bureau	5.26
Bill Jones Missionary	54.20
Dibble Church	17.25
Dibble Church	18.03
Bryant Church	40.18
St. Clair Coop	58.00
Chickasha Youth Class	8.00
Hawkins League	15.00
Bridgecreek League	15.00
Lindsay Church	15.00
Dibble League	15.00
Dibble Coop	14.32
Bridge Creek Church	
College Land	10.00
Chickasha League	15.00
Iron Chapel	15.00
Bryant Church	47.90
Total Receipts	\$890.18

Expenditures

State Delegate Oklahoma	
F. W. B.	25.00
Ass'n Delegate	5.00
Okla. F.W.B. Coop	11.43
Blanchard News	72.50
Okla. F. W. B.	3.93
Okla. Farm Bureau	19.77
Okla. F.W.B. College	25.00
Okla. F.W.B.	90.92
Okla. Electric Coop	14.25
O.B.C. Land	40.00
Okla. F.W.B. Coop	20.90
Okla. F.W.B.	13.08
Ramsey L.P. Gas Co.	13.50
Tom's Trenching Ser.	8.35

Olin West — Material for

Tabernacle Ceiling	77.00
Davis Paint Store	4.82
Bill Jones, Missionary	54.20
Okla. F.W.B.	18.86
Virgin Lbr. Co.	6.87
Davis Paint Store	14.37
Davis Paint Store	12.81
Davis Paint Store	10.92
Okla. Electric Coop	16.90
Okla. State F.W.B.	14.50
Rev. Rufus Coffey	150.00
Okla. F.W.B.	13.60
Okla. F.W.B.	4.91
Okla. F.W.B.	11.87
Total Expenditures	\$775.26

PLEDGES

Mr. and Mrs. Dodd Taylor	\$25.00
Bro. Donnalld Smith	\$35.00
Iron Chapel Church	\$50.00
Bro. E. A. O'Donnell	\$20.00
Mr and Mrs. L. D. Bagwell	\$25.00
Sister Mattie Jones	\$10.00
Bro. and Sister Richard Clagg	\$50.00
Bro. Joey Howeth	\$10.00
Bro. C. E. Howeth	\$10.00
Bro. Elmer Steelman	\$25.00
Bro. Albert McReynolds	\$10.00
Bro. and Sis. Bill DaVoult	\$25.00
Bro. Manuel Pearson	10.00
Dibble Church	\$50.00
Sister Verna Campbell	\$5.00
Lindsay Church	\$10.00
Blanchard Church	\$20.00
Sis. Lizzie Bashara	\$5.00
Sis. Marie Hackney	\$10.00

MINISTER'S REPORTS

To the Dibble Association of Free Will Baptist. Report of Rev. Elmer Steelman 1963-64. Member of Bridge Creek Free Will Baptist Church. Pastored Bryant Free Will Baptist Church 1963-63. Preached approximately 125 sermons, assisted in one revival. Witnessed about ten conversions. Baptized five, which were received into the Bryant Church. Assisted in one funeral. Served as associational treasurer. Served on executive committee. Miles traveled unknown. Received \$114.00 Resigned as Pastor of Bryant Free Will Baptist Church August 1, 1964 to accept pastoral work at Bridgecreek Church for 1964-65. Pray for us that we be delivered from the powers of darkness and that our service for the Bridgecreek Church might be acceptable unto the Saints. That we will fulfill our duty to God and all mankind, Ready to every good work in the glorious Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, that his purpose might be prospered by our efforts.

Prayerfully submitted, Rev. Elmer Steelman.

I have pastored one Church. Have preached 96 times, Have baptized 4, married 7 couples, have witnessed 6 conversions.

Elder Ira Smithy

From September 63 to September 64. Pastored 1 church. Messages preached, 104. Conversions witnessed 6, miles traveled, no record kept. Wedding, none. Funerals, assisted with 2, Baptized 4.

Eld. Don Smith

For the Associational year of 1964. We have pastored the Bridge Creek Church. Have brought 120 messages, witnessed 4 conversions. Baptized 3 and performed 3 weddings. Miles traveled are unknown. Held 2 funerals. We desire the prayers of the association as we endeavor to pastor the Hawkins Church the remainder of the year.

Prayerfully submitted, Eld. L.B. Steele

Your Bro. in Christ, Bro. Vernon Stephens

Bro. Myrl F. Kellett

MINISTERS BELONGING TO THE ASSOCIATION

Rev. L. B. Steele Blanchard, Okla.
Bro. Jack Carender, Blanchard, Okla.
Bro. Denver Wynn, Blanchard, Okla.
Bro. Bryan Stacy, Blanchard, Okla.
Rev. Myrl Kellett, 260 3 A. Avenue, Lawton, Okla.
Rev. James Franklin 406 ½ Arlington, Lawton, Okla.
Rev. E. E. Jenkins 403 N. W. 53rd Lawton, Okla.
Rev. Don Smith 315 N. 4th, Purcell, Okla.
Rev. John Alsup Route 2 Purcell, Okla.
Rev. E. A. O'Donnell 1305 Ohio, Chickasha, Okla.
Rev. Rue Dell Smith, Norman, Okla.
Rev. Clifton Stump, No. 8 Ridgecrest Dr. Chickasha, Okla.
Rev. A. A. Copeland, Moore, Okla.
Rev. Lonnie Johnson 1820 Idaho, Chickasha, Okla.
Rev. Orvil Romine 725 Illinois, Chickasha, Okla.
Rev. Perry Argo Route 3 Norman, Okla.
Rev. Ira Smithy 4309 S. Agnew, Okla. City, Okla.
Rev. Albert McReynolds 1165 SE 22nd Okla. City, Okla.
Rev. R. C. Swanson 707 N. Walnut, Okla. City, Okla.
Rev. Lester Maynard 3202 SW 27th Okla. City, Okla.
Rev. Elmer Steelman Route 2 Chickasha, Okla.
Rev. Frank Lee Lindsay, Okla.
Rev. Gene Womack Lindsay, Okla.

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Hawkins Church — Bro. Manuel Pearson
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Brockland Church — Bro. Chester Bailey
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Bridgecreek Church — Rev. Elmer Steelman
Blanchard Church — Jim Stacy
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Lindsay Church — Bro. Lawrence Branch
Bryant Church — Bro. I. L. Ross
St. Clair Church — Rev. Albert McReynolds

CHURCH LETTERS

LINDSAY CHURCH LETTER

To the Dibble Association of Free Will Baptist meeting at Dibble camp ground September 10, 11, 12, 1964. List of delegates Sister Maud Branch, Sister Mattie Jones, Sister Womack. Period of time covered in this report from September 1963 to 1964. Clerks name and address, Sister Neva June Bullock, Lindsay, Okla. Number of Ordained ministers 2, number of ordained deacons 3, active Sunday enrollment 84. Woman Auxliary, Prayer Meeting. Church membership 73. Members received 1, by statement of faith 1. Pastors salary \$65.00 per week, Evangelistic work \$80.00. Literature \$151.30, Foreign Mission \$122.00. Value of Church property \$40,500.00 Value of parsonage \$6,000.00.

BRIDGE CREEK LETTER

To the Dibble Association of Free Will Baptist meeting at Camp Ground September 10, 11, 12, 1964. List of delegates, Sister Mahalia Ladd, Sister Tommie Steele, Alternates are Sister Jean Sterhens. Period of time covered in this report, from September 1963 to 1964. Moderator's name and address Rev. Elmer Steelman, Route 2, Chickasha, Okla. Clerks name and address Sister Edith Allen Box 162, Blanchard, Okla. Number of licensed ministers, 1. Number of ordained deacons 2. Sunday School enrollment 47. League enrolment 40. Home Mission 11. Church membership 30. Active prayer meeting. Members received 5. By letter 4. By statement 1. Members dismissed, by letter 1. Total giving in the church \$2,109.10. Pastors salary \$1,275.00. Evangelistic work \$56.00. Building and repair \$168.25. Literature \$68.08. Advertising program \$8.50. Total local expenditures \$1575.83. Spent for college \$25.00. Value of Church property \$15,000. Amount enclosed with letter for minutes \$10.00.

ST. CLAIR CHURCH LETTER

To the Dibble association of Free Will Baptists meeting at Dibble camp ground September 10, 11, 12, 1964. List of delegates, Bro. Bill Giles, Bro. Lester Maynord, Sister Vicki Joy. Period of time covered in this report from September 63 to September '64. Pastors name and address, Rev. Ira Smithy, 4309 S. Agnew, Okla. City, Okla. Clerks name and address Sister Clara Threlkeld 3513 S. St. Clair, Okla. City, Okla. Names and addresses of ordained ministers, Rev. Ira Smithy 4309 S. Agnew. Rev. Albert McReynolds, 1165 SE 22nd. Rev. R. C. Swanson 707 N. Walnut. Rev. Lester Maynord 3202 SW 27th. Number of licensed ministers 2. Number of ordained deacons 3. Sunday School enrolment 69. League enrolment 22. Womans auxiliary membership 8. Active prayer meeting. Church membership 57. Resident 51. Non-resident 1. Members received 9. by profession of faith 3; by letter 3; by statement of faith 3. Deceased 2. Total offerings received \$2,490.00. General offerings \$14.00. Pastors salary \$1,300.00. Evangelistic work \$184.00. Building and repair \$550.00. Literature \$92.00. Total local expenditures \$2,026.00. Cooperative plan \$194.95. Home Mission \$200.00. Other \$395.00. Value of Church property \$12,000. Amount enclosed with letter for minutes \$15.00.

BRYANT CHURCH LETTER

To the Dibble Association of Free Will Baptist meeting at the camp ground on Sept. 10, 11, 12. List of delegates. Bro. C.E. Howeth. Bro. Joey Howeth, Sister Eva Howeth. Alternates, Sister Ross, Bro. Jess Clagg, Sister Bulah Clagg. Period of time covered in this report from September 1963 to 1964. Pastors name and address. Rev. Charles Hampton 514 East Main St. Norman. Okla. Clerks name and address Sister Jenny Clagg Route 2 Lindsay, Okla. Number of licensed ministers 1. Ordained deacons 3. Church membership 48. Members received 7, by profession of faith 5, by letter 2. Have active Sunday School, League, and prayer meeting. Total offerings received \$1619.99. Pastors salary \$10.00. Evangelistic minister

\$80.00. Associational projects \$162.00. Amount enclosed with letter for minutes \$15.00. We recommend Bro. I. L. Ross as a member to the Executive Board. Bro. C. E. Howeth as state delegate. We request Rev. Charles Hampton be examined for ordination to preach the Gospel.

HAWKINS CHURCH LETTER

To the Dibble Association of Free Will Baptist meeting at Dibble camp ground. List of delegates. Sister Glenda Joy, Sister Sharon Drennon, Sister Joyce Joy. Alternates Bro. J. W. Joy, Sister Joyce Drennon, Bro. Manuel Pearson. Pastors name and address Rev. L. B. Steele, Blanchard, Okla. Clerks name and address Bro. Harold Drennon, Star route, Alex, Okla. Number of ordained deacons 6. Church membership 80. Members dismissed 6; Sunday School enrolment 58. League enrolment 35. Total offerings received \$1,240.00. Pastors salary \$1,040. Evangelistic work \$125.00. Literature \$60.00. Value of church property \$7,000.00. Amount enclosed for minutes \$10.00.

BLANCHARD CHURCH LETTER

To the Dibble association of Free Will Baptist meeting at Dibble camp ground Sept. 10, 11, 12, 1964. List of delegates, Sister Sylvia Oglesby, Sister Lizzie Bashara, Sister Anna Davoult. Pastors name and address, Rev. Jack Carender, Blanchard, Okla. Clerks name and address Sister Mattie Bowser, Blanchard, Okla. Ordained ministers belonging to Church, Rev. Jack Carender, Rev. Denver Wynn, Rev. Bryan Stacy. Number of ordained deacons 2. Church membership 35. Members received 3. By profession of faith 2. By letter 1. Members dismissed 3; by letter 3. Sunday School average attendance 26. Home mission 14. We have an active League. Total offerings received \$3,022.38. Pastors salary \$807.00. Evangelistic work \$260.00. Building and repair \$1,440.00. Literature \$77.18. Miscellaneous \$319.52. Other \$177.76. \$246.00 Total local expenditures \$2,927.46. Value of Church property \$15,000.00 Value of parsonage property \$10,000.00 Amount enclosed with letter for minutes \$15.00. We send Bro. Jim Stacy for executive board member. Sister Anna Davoult for State delegate.

BROCKLAND CHURCH LETTER

To the Dibble Association of Free Will Baptist meeting at camp ground Sept. 10, 11, 12, 1964. List of delegates: Sister Sue Jenkins, Sister Eva Franklin, Sister Billie Bailey. Alternates, Sister Linda Triplett, Sister Pat Bailey. Pastors name and address Bro. Archie Fleming, 1 North 27th, Lawton,. Ordained ministers belonging to church: Rev. Myrl Kellett 2603 A. Avenue, Lawton, Okla. Rev. James Franklin 406 1/2 Arlington, Lawton, Okla. Rev. E. E. Jenkins 403 NW 53rd, Lawton, Okla. Number of ordained deacons 1. Church membership 42. Resident 27. Non-resident 15. Members received 10. By letter 5; by statement of faith 5. Members dismissed 4. by letter 4. Sunday School enrolment 86. League enrolment 30. Women Auxiliary members 10. Total offerings received \$11,702.79. General offerings \$5,152.79. Building fund \$6,550.00. Literature \$122.68. Pastor salary \$2,703.88. Bldg. and repair \$5,337.16. Miscellaneous \$342.11. Other \$28.66. Bond expense

\$1,025.00. Total local expenditures \$9,559.49. Cooperative plan \$119.95 other \$15.00. Total outside expenditures \$134.95. Value of Church property \$8,500.00. Value of parsonage property \$11,250.00. Amount enclosed with letter for minutes \$10.00. State delegate Sister Sue Jenkins.. Executive Board member Bro. Chester Bailey.

IRON CHAPEL CHURCH LETTER

To the Dibble Association of Free Will Baptist meeting Sept. 10, 11, 12, 1964. List of delegates: Sister Roberta Tanner, Sister Linnie Smith, Bro. Charlie Wells. Alternates Sister Rachel Wells, Sister Iva Alsup, Sister Pat Shawn. Pastors name and address: Rev. Don Smith, 315 North 4th, Purcell, Okla. Clerks name and address, Sister Bessie Wells, Route 2, Blanchard, Okla. Ordained ministers: Rev. Don Smith, Rev. John Alsup Route 2 Purcell, Okla. Church membership 40. Members received 8. By profession of faith 3; by statement of faith 5; members dismissed 1; by letter 1; deceased 2. Sunday School enrolment 40. League enrolment 30. Total Church offerings \$696.00. Pastors salary \$515.00. Evangelistic work \$125.00. Building and repair \$10.00. Miscellaneous \$46.00. Value of Church property \$6,000.00. Amount enclosed with letter for minutes \$10.00.

CHICKASHA CHURCH LETTER

To the Dibble Association meeting of Free Will Baptist meeting at camp ground Sept. 10, 11, 12, 1964. List of delegates: Sister Evelyn Taylor, Sister Nettie Hudson, Sister Linda Bagwell. Pastors name and address, None. Clerks name and address, Sister Inez Bagwell, 1701 Arizona, Chickasha, Okla. Names of Ordained Ministers belonging to Church: Rev. Lonnie Johnson, Rev. Orvil Romine. Number of Ordained deacons 5. Church membership 108. Members received 7; by profession of faith 3; by letter 1; by statement of faith 3. Members dismissed 2. by letter 2. Sunday School enrolment 60. League enrolment 25. Pastors salary \$1,902.27. Evangelistic work \$173.44. Building and repair \$1,898.09. Literature \$294.73. Flowers \$53.39. Okla. Bible College \$305.62. Dibble Association \$20.00. Total local expenditures \$4,647.54. Foreign Mission \$41.50. Value of Church property \$25,000.00. Amount enclosed with letter for minutes \$15.00.

DIBBLE CHURCH LETTER

To the Dibble Association of Free Will Baptists meeting at camp ground, Sept. 10, 11, 12, 1964. List of delegates: Bro. Orvil Roberts, Sister Mabel Roberts, Sister Vicie Hopkins. Alternates, Sister Maggie Roberts, Sister Nora Lee Corley, Sister Wilma Dean Roberts. Pastors name and address, Rev. Perry Argo, Route 3, Norman, Okla. Clerks name and address Sister Zora Mills, Star Route, Alex, Okla. Number of Ordained deacons 5. Church membership 118. Resident 70. Non-resident 48. Members received 6; by profession of faith 2; by letter 4. Deceased 2. Sunday School enrolment 65. League enrolment 25. General offering \$2,610.62. Pastors salary, \$1,654.10. Evan-

gelistic work \$125.00. Bldg. and repair \$132.41. Literature \$88.12. Miscellaneous \$349.35. Ins. \$126.00. Flowers \$80.66. Cooperative plan \$79.98. Okla. Bible College \$25.00. Camp ground fund \$50.00. Total outside expenditures \$2,552.21. Value of church property \$9,500.00 Amount enclosed with letter for minutes \$15.00. Deacons belonging to Church: Bro. A. E. Mills Blanchard, Okla. Bro. Dormie Mills, Alex, Star Route, Okla. Bro. Buck Roath, Siloam Springs Ark. Bro. Luther Corley, Dibble, Okla. Bro. Lonnie Roberts, Dibble, Okla. We recommend Bro. Dormie Mills as a member of the executive board. We send Sister Vicie Hopkins as state delegate. We are sorry to report the deaths of two of our Church members. Sister Mattie Rit'er passed away Jan. 1964. Sister Florence Roberts passed away Aug. 1964. Our loss is Heavens gain.

REPORT OF YOUTH CAMP

The Dibble Free Will Baptists youth camp met July 19th through July 24th, 1964 at the camp ground at Dibble, Okla. with Rev. Rufus Coffee, National Director of Conference Ministries, of Nashville, Tenn., as Evangelist. Rev. Edward Jenkins, pastor of the Brockland Church, served as camp director. 38 young people were registered. Four teachers met with 3 classes each day. Those teaching were Rev. Rue Dell Smith, Chickasha Church, Rev. E. A. O'Donnell, Chickasha. Sister Rufus Coffee, Nashville, Tenn., and Sister Martha Langford, Brockland Church. Rev. Rufus Coffee substituted for Rev. O'Donnell the last two days due to the illness of Sister O'Donnell 19 souls were saved or redicated their lives to Christ. Sister Evelyn Taylor and Sister Inez Bagwell of the Chickasha Church acted as overseers of the kitchen and received much appreciated help and food from the women of all the churches. An offering was taken each night at the Revival services and \$140.52 was received. This offering, plus \$5.00 registration fees from the students and sale of refreshments each night plus a \$50.00 check drawn from the League treasury for first expenses of the Camp ground came to \$478.05. Expenses of the camp, including liability insurance for the students was \$164.00. Amount deposited after camp meeting was \$314.05. A check for \$15.00 was paid to the Associational Treasurer to cover a check for payment for the Evangelist and had been accepted by mistake.

Sept. 1, 1964 the Dibble Association League met in regular session at the camp ground and voted to present \$300.00 to the Association to be used only for building a boys dormitory. They also beg the Association to accept three delegates from the League to be seated in council at the Association. Those elected were Bro. Clifford Wiley, Sister Jeanie Steel, and Sister Rama Christian. There is now in the Associational League Treasury \$6.30. Prayerfully submitted by your Associational League Treasurer, Sister Linda Bagwell.

RESOLUTIONS

MEMBERSHIP — Be it resolved that we amend Art. 1 to read all ordained Ministers, deacons, church clerk, and association clerks shall comprise the membership of the association.

OFFICERS — Art. 4. The association shall have a moderator, assistant moderator, a clerk, assistant clerk, a treasurer and an executive board composed of one member from each church in the association.

No. 3. — Be it resolved that this association vote to have an Executive Committee with a member elected by each church and that each church state the 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 further 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 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 a 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 of withdrawing from any church becoming disorderly.

Art. 3 Letters. Letters from the different churches representing are to express their number in fellowship including the names and addresses of ordained and licensed ministers the number of members 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 eleven members who shall be elected at each annual session of the Association by the suffrage 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 questions 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 the amount paid by each church, the distribution to be at the discretion of discretion of the Association.

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. Amendments to this Constitution may be made when necessary by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any regular session.

Art. 12. Be it resolved that our Quarterly Meeting begin Friday nights before the Second (2nd) Sunday in the given months December, March and June.

Art. 13. Be it resolved that the Dibble Association pay co-operatively of all moneys taken in except those ear-marked otherwise. Allocate 75 percent, District 25 percent State to be put in the yearly association constitution and be carried from year to year.

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 as the Creator, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Yet as one God, infinitely wise and good; whom all intelligent 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 Spirit.** The Scriptures assign to the Holy Spirit all the attributes of God. He is the Reprover, Comforter, Guide and Sanctifier of men. St. John 16:7,8; Acts 2:4; Eph. 4:4-6.

5. **The Government of God.** God exercise 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 requires. Ps. 22:28; 97:2.

6. **The Sinfulness of Man.** Man was created innocent, but by disobedience 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 Christ.** The son of God by His incarnation life, suffering, death and resurrection effected for all a redemption from sin that is full and free and is the ground of salvation through faith. 1 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 obedience 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 universal obligation, and to be administered to all true believers Mark 16:15; II Cor. 4:5 St. John 13:14.

14. The Christian Sabbath. The divine law requires that one day in seven be 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 the New Testament, therefore, we are opposed to war

16. Resurrection. Judgment and Final Retribution. The Scriptures teach the resurrection of all men at the last day. They that 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 punishment, but the righteous into eternal life." John 5:29; Matt. 25:46.

CHURCH COVENANT

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

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

We agree faithfully to discharge our obligations in reference to study of the Scripture, secret prayer, family devotions, and social worship; and by self-denial, faith, and good works endeavor to "grow in grace 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 the Gospel, nor fail to pay according to our ability for the support of the church, of its poor, and all its benevolent work.

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

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

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

