

MINUTES

Of The

SIXTY-FIRST ANNUAL SESSION

Of The

Dibble Association

Denominated

Free Will Baptist

Convened at the Dibble Association Camp Ground

September 11, 12, 13, 1969

1969—1970 OFFICERS

Moderator Rev. Jack Richey
Ass't Moderator Rev. Joe Conn
Clerk Mona Richey
Assistant Clerk Maggie Roberts
Treasurer Rev. J. C. Morgan

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Quarterly sessions of the Dibble Association will meet at the Camp Grounds beginning on Friday Night before the second Sunday in the months of December, March and June. The annual session will meet beginning on Thursday night before the second Sunday in the month of September.

BOARD MEMBERS

Executive Board: Jim Watson (5 yrs.), J. C. Morgan (4 yrs.), E. A. O'Donnell (3 yrs.) Clarence Hearron (2 yrs.) Dormie Mills (1 yr.)
Credential Board: Jack Richey (5 yrs.), Clarence Hearron (4 yrs.), Bill DeVault (3 yrs.), Elmer Steelman (2 yr.), E. A. O'Donnell (1 yr.)
Sunday School Board: Marvin Harris (3 yr.), John Kirkpatrick (2 yr.), Phillip Steele (1 Yr.)
CTS Board: Kathy Reid (3 yr.), Ronnie Liles (2 yr.), Dale Lane (1 yr.)
Mission Board: J. C. Morgan (3 yr.), Leon Koonce (2 yr.), Elmer Steelman (1 yr.)

1969 COMMITTEES

Planning Comm.	Obituary	Temperance	Resolution
Dale Lane	Vicie Hopkins	Billie Bailey	Joe Conn
Jack Richey	Marjorie Carroll	Evelyn Taylor	Floy Reid
Joe Conn	Bess Trammell	Maud Branch	Maggie Roberts
Leon Koonce			Hazel Liles
Bill DeVault			Bill DeVault

CHURCH PASTORS

Blanchard	Rev. Clarence Hearron	604 SW 8th, Moore	794-6515
Bridge Creek	Rev. Joe Conn	514 Jackson, Blanchard	485-2763
Brockland	Rev. Ronnie Liles	403 NW 53rd, Lawton	355-8097
Bryant			
Chickasha	Rev. J. C. Morgan	1405 S. 8th, Chickasha	224-4135
Dibble	Rev. L. B. Steele	Blanchard,	485-3898
Duncan	Rev. Jack Richey	2609 Beech, Duncan	255-1789
Hawkins	Rev. Elmer Steelman	422 Almar Dr., Chickasha	224-3377
Iron Chapel			
Lindsay	Rev. Marvin L. Harris	704 SW 3rd, Lindsay	
St. Clair	Rev. Leon Koonce	3517 S. Woodward	685-5712

OTHER ORDAINED MINISTERS

Blanchard	Rev. Bryan Stacy	Blanchard	485-2517
Chickasha	Rev. Lonnie Johnson	1313 Montana, Chickasha	
	Rev. E. A. O'Donnell	304 E. 5th, Holdenville	
Dibble	Rev. Perry Argo	Route No. 3, Norman	534-7609
St. Clair	Rev. Lester Maynard	3202 SW 27th, Okla. City	665-5606

DISTRICT CLERKS

Mona Richey	2609 Beech, Duncan	255-1789
Maggie Roberts (Asst.)	Rt. 3, Blanchard	484-6168

DISTRICT TREASURER

Rev. J. C. Morgan	1405 S. 8th, Chickasha	224-4135
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CHURCH CLERKS

Blanchard	Mattie Bowser	Blanchard	
Bridge Creek	Mildred Cagle	310 S. Jackson, Blanchard	
Brockland	Archie Fleming	1002 Arlington, Lawton	73501
Bryant	Jennie Clagg	Route 2, Lindsay	73052
Chickasha	Inez Bagwell	1307 S. 9th, Chickasha	73018
Dibble	Zora Mills	Route No. 2, Blanchard	
Duncan	Sue Watson	509 Alice Drive, Duncan	
Hawkins	Ray True	Star Route, Alex	
Iron Chapel	Bessie Wells	Route 2, Blanchard	73010
Lindsay	Neva June Bullock	Route 1, Lindsay	73052
St. Clair	Opal Joy	916 SE 34th, Okla. City	73129
1970 State Board Member		Rev. Jack Richey	

STANDING MOTIONS

All ordained ministers coming into the association be examined and ratification of their credentials depending on a letter in good standing from the association from which they came.

Credential report adopted item by item: 1—Accept questionnaire. 2—Use said questionnaire. 3—That all candidates be on trial for one year. 4—All ministers coming into association be examined by said questionnaires. 5—To put questionnaire into minutes with amendment that they be printed each year.

There be a ministers conference each year preceding the annual conference.

Each board present a report to each quarterly and annual meeting.

5 year man be temporary chairman for the first meeting of the board he is on, and before 90 days are up, at this meeting elect a permanent chairman and clerk.

We resolve to give each quarterly meeting equal power and authority to make rules and laws.

The Dibble Association have an annual Missionary Conference and the planning of this conference be in the hands of the Mission Board.

Dispense with the printing of complete church letters in the church minutes and only a statistical report be printed.

Motion to adopt cooperative plan.

Read only the names of the delegates from the quarterly meetings.

Rental of camp grounds be only to Christian Organizations. There is a minimum rate of a 50.00 fee for use of the grounds and facilities if less than two days, or \$25.00 per day for indefinite number of days, or \$100.00 per week. An additional \$50.00 fee be charged to insure that the buildings and grounds will be left in the same shape and condition as when rented. Fees be paid in advance of the use with other temporary use being granted as determined by the property manager (Dormie Mills).

Executive Board serve as program committee for quarterly and annual meetings, including selecting of the speakers.

At each quarterly meeting when Treasurer presents report that a special offering for the Association be taken at this time.

PROCEEDINGS

The Dibble Association of Free Will Baptists met at the Camp Grounds Thursday evening, September 11, 1969.

THURSDAY EVENING: The service was opened with congregational singing led by Rev. E. A. O'Donnell. Songs were "Victory In Jesus" and "Sunlight" followed by prayer led by Rev. Elmer Steelman. Special song "How Beautiful Heaven Must Be" was rendered by Ted Ledford. Prayer requests were received and were followed by special prayer. The evening message was given by Rev. Joe Ed Conn from Eph. 6: 1-4 "Christain Teaching in the Home."

FRIDAY MORNING, September 12, 1969. The meeting opened with congregational singing of "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" led by Rev. Lynn Woods with Sister Maggie Roberts at the piano. Prayer followed by Rev. Homer Young.

The morning devotion was led by Rev. E. A. O'Donnell from I Corinthians in which he stressed that our sufficiency is in Christ and asked the question, "Do we have the required amount of love for one another; courage to live a Christian life; and light to light our way."

The Moderator, Rev. J. C. Morgan, called for letters to be turned to Clerk. Rev. Morgan introduced Rev. Lynn Wood, OBC Promotional Director, who reported on training at the school and thanked Dibble Association for its support. Letters from 9 churches were read and accepted. Motion that Jack Richey be named temporary Asst. Moderator in the absence of the Assistant. The Moderator and Assist. welcomed delegates. Delegates named in church letters is listed elsewhere in these proceedings.

Church

Delegates

Blanchard	-----	Ella Jarman, May Montague, Mrytle Bridges
Bridge Creek	-----	Mary Stubblefield, Mrs. Nichols, Pearl Corley
Alternates	-----	Sandra Conn, Mrs. Gibson and Mildren Cagle
Brookland	-----	Keith Whitehead, Billie Bailey, Hazel Liles
Alternates	-----	Jeannie Langford, Donna Cook and Charlene Fleming
Bryant	-----	Not Reporting
Chickasha	-----	Evelyn Taylor, Lila Fae Morgan, Jane Taylor
Dibble	-----	Vicie Hopkins, Lillie Mae Rogers, Maggie Roberts
Alternates	-----	Helen Townsend, Nora Lee Corley, Sister L. B. Steele
Duncan	-----	Majorie Carroll, Ida Glover, Sister Floy Reid
Hawkins	-----	Bess Trammel, Alma Watkins, Adeline Conder
Iron Chapel	-----	Not Reporting
Lindsay	-----	Maud Branch, Maggie Worden, Dorothy Harris
St. Clair	-----	Opal Hearron, Alpha Koonce

Moderator read the rules of order, followed by Appointment of Committees (listed elsewhere). The Moderator introduced Rev. Homer Young, State Executive Secretary who reported on giving throughout the State of Oklahoma and reminded the gathering of the State meeting October 4-16 at the Tulsa Civic Center.. Dismissed for short recess with prayer by Rev. Lynn Wood.

Morning worship service led by Rev. Richey opened with congregational singing led by Rev. Lynn Wood with Maggie Roberts at the piano. Song selections were "What a Gathering that will be" followed by prayer by Rev. Perry Argo, and "I Am Thine O'Lord." Special song "I Will Meet You In The Morning" by Rev. Homer Young, Lynn Wood, E. A. O'Donnell and Jack Richey. Rev. J. C. Morgan brought the morning message from Acts 4: 1-12 "Be a Church with a Message," the message of "Jesus Christ." When the Pastor has preached the people are to preach the message with their lives and deeds. By no other name can man be saved except the name of JESUS." Closing prayer by Bro. Dunn.

AFTERNOON session called to order by the Moderator. Bro. Homer Young led in congregational singing of "Showers of Blessings" with Maggie Roberts at the piano. Rev. Perry Argo brought the afternoon devotion from Luke 9: 57-62 "God will not accept excuses." Prayer by Rev. Joe Conn.

TREASURER'S report was read by Dormie Mills followed by taking an offering for the general fund that amounted to \$102.24. Report approved as read. Temperance Committee Report and Report of the Obituary Committee both read and approved. Letter of Resignation of Clyde Gillentine from the Credentials Board read and accepted. Bro. Gillentine has moved to Tennessee. General Board Member (Jack Richey) for 1970 nominated and elected by acclamation.

Report of Ministers and Deacons Conference on September 6 read. The report was accepted with a motion to consider the recommendations item by item. Items approved are as follows:

No. 1. Motion that Ministers and Deacons Conference be organized and it elect such officers as needed. No. 2. Motion that we recommend to association that the association organize a district C.T.S. No. 3. Motion that we recommend to the association that we elect a planning committee for future development of camp grounds. This to be a standing committee.

Motion that Moderator appoint Committee to evaluate property of the Association at this meeting. Nominated were Joe Conn, Jack Richey, Bill DeVault, Dormie Mills and Dale Lane.

Rev. J. C. Morgan reported for the Executive Board and stated that the loan of \$2000.00 for the boys dorm building had been acquired and the program committee had scheduled the speakers for the associational meetings during the current year.

Motion that Co-Op allocation be 25% local, 75% State. Seconded. Motion laid on table for discussion. Motion carried. Motion to adjourn.

FRIDAY EVENING: 12 September 1969, service opened with song "I Must Tell Jesus" led by Rev. E. A. O'Donnell. Prayer by Rev. L. B. Steele. Other songs "Heavenly Sunlight", "How He Loved Me", Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" followed by message from Numbers 13:26 and 14:1 by Missionary Bill Jones. Clarence Hearron, Assist. Moderator presided at the service.

SATURDAY AM, 13 September. Morning session opened with congregational singing led by Bro. Clarence Hearron with Maggie Roberts at the piano. "I Am Resolved and I Am Thine O'Lord" was followed by prayer by Gale Gardner. Devotion by Rev. Leon Koonce from Collosions. "Set our affection on spiritual things and not things of the world." Prayer led by Rev. Koonce. Moderator, Rev. J. C. Morgan, called for Board Reports. CTS Board report approved as read. No Credential, Mission or Sunday School reports.

Nominations opened for Planning Committee approved at previous setting of the Association. Elected were Dale Lane, Jack Richey, Joe Conn, Leon Koonce and Bill DaVoult. Motion that Co-operative percentage be changed to 25% local and 75% State seconded and approved. Motion that Planning Committee appoint man to take care of getting insurance on the new building. Motion that Bro. Dormie Mills be paid an additional \$15.00 everytime the camp grounds are rented. This in addition to the amount paid as custodian. Motion to refer this motion to resolution committee for perfection and return to body seconded and approved.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS: Moderator, Jack Richey, Assistant Moderator, Rev. Joe Conn; Clerk, Mona Richey, Assistant Clerk, Maggie Roberts and Treasurer, Rev. J. C. Morgan.

NOMINATIONS OPENED TO FILL BOARD VACANCIES: Executive Board 5 yr.—Jim Watson. Credential Board 3 yr.—Bill DaVoult and 5 yr.—Jack Richey. Missions, 3 yr.—J. C. Morgan. CTS 3 yr.—Kathy Reid and Sunday School 3 yr.—Marvin Harris.

Recessed for Resolution Committee to meet. Moderator called meeting back to order. Resolution report read and approved. Motion to adjourn business.

Morning worship opened with singing of "Send the Light", and "Jesus Saves" followed by prayer by Rev. Joe Conn. Special Song "God's Love" by Rev. Clarence Hearron, Watie Buttram, Rev. E. A. O'Donnell, and Inez Bagwell. Congregational song "We'll work till Jesus Comes" by congregation followed by Special song by Linda Bagwell "There were 90 and 9". The morning message was rendered by Rev. Clarence Hearron from Hebrews 12: 1-2 "Man can please God by Faith and we must concentrate to win the race." Dismissed in prayer.

REPORTS

TREASURER'S REPORT by D. E. Mills, Treasurer.

Balance on hand	148.56	Insurance 69-70	288.00
MONEY RECEIVED		Postage	2.00
Delegate fee & minute money	250.00	Ramsey L.P. Gas	11.00
Campground clean up	55.00	Fletcher Pub. Co. (Printing Minutes)	75.00
Special offering	112.57	Carey Lbr-Window	2.72
Rent on campground	100.00	McCoy Plumbing	20.10
Offering	38.07	Campground Upkeep	120.00
Pledges paid in	50.40	Clearing Campground	148.00
TOTAL	754.60	Phillip Steele-Pibg.	12.20
PAID OUT		Clerk	25.00
Insurance	25.00	Assist. Clerk	15.00
Insurance 68-69	288.00	Elec-Youth Revival	27.32

TO STATE OFFICE

Okl. Bible College	1101.48	New Years Service	34.61
Co-op	271.93	Home Mission	
Home Missions	677.07	(Youth Cp)	37.86
Foreign Missions	569.62	Foreing Missions	
Shockey Account		(Youth Cp)	37.85
(Deaf Mute Ministry)	90.00	Offering-State Ministers	
Robert & Judy Bryan		Quartet	47.30
Acct. (For. Miss.)	179.81	From Duncan Church	20.00
		TOTAL	3033.53

BOYS DORMITORY PROJECT: We owe approximately 1277.86 at Virgins Lumber Co. We appreciate all who donated their labor that we might enjoy the Boys Dormitory for our Youth Camp. A loan was made for \$2000. at the First Nat'l Bank in Chickasha. This will need to be paid by your free will offerings and pledges. Please take this report to your church and help with the indebtedness of the Boys dormitory.

TEMPERANCE REPORT: In these times of modern fashions, we the temperance committee would ask that the parents moderate dress; abstain from strong drink, drugs and ungodly participations. Not only stress it but be an example. Romans 12:2 "and be not conformed to this world; but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect, will of God." Chairman Billie Bailey.

OBITUARY COMMITTEE REPORT: We the Obituary Committee are sad to report the deaths of 10 of our members. From Lindsay Rev. Frank Lee and Sister Matilda Branch; from Brockland Bro. Luther Williams; Duncan Bro. Floyd Carroll, Mrs. Charley Moore, Mr. E. A. J. Duval; Hawkins Mrs. Darlene Watkins Keith; St. Clair Mrs. Jennie Browning and Dibble Bro. Orville Roberts and Bro. Arch Mills.

EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORT: A man was hired to clear the brush on the rest of the campground property; the board served as program committee in selecting speakers for the associational meetings; obtained insurance on campground buildings and secured the loan \$2000.00 for the boys dormitory.

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE REPORT: One motion was turned to this committee for consideration. "Be it resolved when our campground is rented our caretaker be paid an extra \$15.00 for cleanup." Rev. Joe Conn, Chairman.

CTS REPORT: The Lord blessed the Youth Encampment of the Dibble Association which met the last week of July 1969. We thank God for all the children, sponsors, teachers and cooks for making this a successful camp. Bro. Dale Lane was the director and Rev. Gayle Gardner the Evangelist. There were 65 children and 18 workers enrolled. We praise God for the new boys dormitory, the water well and general appearance of the campground. We thank all the churches for their support and labor that we might enjoy these during the camp. The spirit of God prevailed throughout the entire Youth Camp. The heart cry of our Evangelist Bro. Gardner was for total committment and finding God's purpose for our life. Pray with us that from this camp God will call missionaries, preachers and dedicated workers for his kingdom. Our hearts were blessed by the united efforts of all that had a part in the camp. Rev. J. C. Morgan was elected Director for the camp in 1970 and John Kirkpatrick the Assist. Director. Rev. Arthur Billows and the Mexican Boys Quartet was the first choice for Evangelist. We have written to him but as yet have had no answer.

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE REPORT: This committee received one resolution as follows: "Be it resolved when our campground is rented our caretaker be paid an extra \$15.00 for cleanup." Rev. Joe Conn, Chairman.

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.

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. Petitionary letters called for.
6. Reading Rules of Order.
7. Invite visiting brethren to seats in council.
8. Appointment of committees..
9. Unfinished business.
10. New business.
11. Reports of committees.
12. Miscellaneous business.
13. Election of officers.

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.

ARTICLE 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.

ARTICLE 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.

ARTICLE 3. Letters. Letters from the different churches represent-

ing 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 denomination 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.

ARTICLE 4. Officers. The Association shall have a Moderator, Assistant Moderator, a clerk, an assistant clerk, a treasurer, and an Executive Board which shall be composed of 5 members serving terms of 5, 4, 3, 2, and 1 years.

ARTICLE 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.

ARTICLE 6. Questions. No questions from any church shall come under the consideration unless it has been first considered in its own church.

ARTICLE 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.

ARTICLE 8. Minutes. The Association is to endeavor to furnish the churches with minutes of the Association.

ARTICLE 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.

ARTICLE 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.

ARTICLE 11. Amendments. Amendments to this Constitution may be made when necessary by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any regular session.

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

ARTICLE 13. Be it resolved that the Dibble Association pay co-operatively of all monies taken in except those ear-marked otherwise. Allocate 25 percent District, 50 percent State, this to be put in the constitution and carried from year to year.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. **THE BIBLE.** The Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments were given by the inspiration of God, and are our infallible rule of faith and practice.

2. **God.** There is one living and true God, revealed in nature as the Creator, Preserver, and Righteous Governor of the universe; and in the Scriptures as Father, Son and Holy Ghost: yet as one God, infinitely wise and good, whom all intelligent creatures are supremely to love, adore, and obey.

3. **Christ.** Christ is God manifest in the flesh; in His divine nature truly God in His human nature truly man. The mediator between God and man, one crucified, He is now risen and is our ever present Saviour and Lord.

4. **THE HOLY SPIRIT.** The Scriptures assign to the Holy spirit all the attributes of God.

5. **THE GOVERNMENT OF GOD.** God exercises a wise and benevolent providence over all beings and all things by maintaining the constitution and laws of nature. He also performs special acts, not otherwise provided for, as the highest welfare of men requires.

6. **THE SINFULNESS OF MAN.** Man was created innocent, but by disobedience fell into a state of sin and condemnation. His posterity

Statistical Report

	BLANCHARD	BRIDGE CREEK	BROCKLAND	BRYANT	CHICKASHA
No. Ordained Ministers -----	1	2	1	—	3
No. Licensed Ministers -----	—	1	1	—	—
No. Ordained Deacons -----	3	1	1	—	7
Enrollment:					
Sunday School -----	36	21	61	yes	95
OTS -----	24	—	25	—	55
Woman's Auxiliary -----	—	—	10	—	14
Prayer meeting -----	—	—	yes	—	yes
Church Statistics:					
Church Membership -----	38	29	44	17	144
Members Received -----	14	3	4	—	8
Members Dismissed -----	3	3	3	—	7
Financial Report:					
Offerings, General -----	4871.85	2511.43	5078.26	—	12044.20
Bldg. Fund -----	600.00	—	—	—	—
Spent — Local Causes:					
Pastor's Salaries -----	1670.00	1280.00	470.00	—	5200.00
Evangelistic Work -----	100.00	231.00	233.60	—	115.00
Bldg. and Repair -----	2429.42	104.42	3197.99	—	1983.00
Literature -----	230.05	101.95	226.28	—	341.50
Miscellaneous -----	691.53	628.56	924.46	—	2128.80
Total—Local Exp. -----	5121.00	2345.93	5052.33	—	9768.30
Spent—Outside Causes:					
Co-op Plan -----	63.36	—	20.00	—	100.55
Missions-Foreign -----	26.32	78.00	35.00	—	418.11
Missions-Home -----	—	60.00	44.00	—	566.16
Education (Incl. OBC) -----	164.47	—	54.47	—	804.00
Association Projects -----	85.00	27.50	63.00	—	50.40
Miscellaneous -----	339.15	—	103.85	—	—
Total—Outside Exp. -----	—	165.50	262.32	—	1939.22
Property Valuation:					
Churches -----	15000.00	6000.00	15000.00	3000.00	27500.00
Parsonages -----	8000.00	—	12000.00	—	15000.00
Association -----	—	—	—	—	—

Church Letters

DIBBLE	DUNCAN	HAWKINS	IRON CHAPEL	LINDSAY	ST. CLAIR	TOTAL
2	1	1	—	1	—	13
—	—	1	—	1	—	4
4	6	4	2	2	5	35
35	112	yes	30	44	29	460
20	40	yes	—	—	—	164
—	13	—	—	—	—	37
yes	yes	—	—	yes	—	6
60	264	—	30	68	64	758
—	14	4	—	7	6	60
4	11	1	—	5	4	41
3010.88	12840.96	1812.04	—	4281.25	2770.81	49221.68
—	1200.00	—	—	2184.00	—	3984.00
2100.00	6075.00	1230.00	—	1080.00	1820.00	20925.00
140.00	325.00	—	—	90.60	—	1235.20
105.31	5975.76	13.14	—	—	231.82	14040.86
64.43	400.00	95.44	—	99.50	83.09	1642.34
364.02	1154.54	202.82	—	263.00	463.28	6821.01
2773.96	13929.30	1541.40	—	1533.10	2681.19	44765.51
35.00	221.98	169.11	—	—	—	610.00
—	74.50	—	—	—	33.00	664.93
26.50	49.00	18.00	—	66.00	—	829.66
80.00	301.98	—	—	36.00	50.00	1490.92
—	65.00	10.00	—	35.00	—	335.90
—	95.00	—	—	—	—	538.00
141.50	807.46	197.11	—	137.00	83.00	3596.11
9500.00	47500.00	7000.00	3000.00	40500.00	6000.00	180,000.00
—	12500.00	—	—	6000.00	—	53,500.00
						27,000.00

therefore, inherit a fallen nature of such tendencies that all who come to years of accountability, sin and become guilty before God.

7. **THE WORK OF CHRIST.** The son of God by His incarnation, life, sufferings, death, and resurrection effected for all a redemption from sin that is full and free, and is the ground of salvation by faith.

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 Saviour and Lord with purpose to love and obey him in all things. In the exercise of saving faith, the soul comes a child of God. 3. Continuance in faith and obedience until death.

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.

10. **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.

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.

12. **PERSERVERANCE.** All believers in Christ, who through grace persevere in holiness to the end of life, have promise of eternal salvation.

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 ministered to all true believers.

14. **TITHING.** God commanded tithes and offerings in the Old Testament; Jesus Christ endorsed it in the Gospel (Matt. 23:23), and the apostle Paul said, "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him" (1 Cor. 16:2a.).

15. **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.

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 resurrection of damnation; then the wicked will "go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

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 things, to avoid all appearance of evil, to abstain from all sinful amusements and un-holy 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 the study of the Scriptures, secret prayer, family devotions, and social worship; and by self-denial, faith, and good works endeavor to "grow in grace and the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ."

We will not forsake the assembling of ourselves together for church conferences, public worship, and the observances 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 tolling that the Kingdom of God may come, and His will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

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

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..

QUESTIONNAIRE FOR MINISTERS TO BE ORDAINED

Date -----

Name ----- Age -----

Member of ----- Church

1. Do you have License? -----
2. If you have license, how long have you carried them? -----
3. By what Association were they issued? -----
4. How many sermons have you preached? -----
5. Where are you preaching now? -----
6. Why do you want to be ordained? -----
7. Are you married? ----- How many times? -----
8. If you have been married more than once, is a former companion living? -----
9. How many children do you have? -----
10. Is your wife a member of the Freewill Baptist Church? -----
11. How long have you been a Christian? -----
12. How long have you been a Freewill Baptist? -----
13. Is your wife willing that you be ordained? -----

14. Do you or your wife have any habits that would hinder your Ministry?
15. If you have belonged to other denominations, give name of each and length of time with each.
16. In your opinion, what is God's plan for financing his work?
17. Do you tithe to the Church you are a member of?
18. Are you willing to make any sacrifice that may be involved in this ministry?
19. Are you willing to abstain from any indulgences that might hinder your effective influence in the ministry?
20. Will your financial circumstances hinder you in taking the pastoral care of a church?
21. How much education do you have?
22. Have you had any special training in doctrinal and pastoral Theology?
23. Have you had any courses of study in Homiletics?
24. Do you have plans to better qualify yourself for the ministry? ..
25. If so, what are your plans?
26. Are you resolved to devote yourself wholly to the ministry?
27. Would you be willing to continue preaching under license if this committee felt that it was best?
28. Have you completed the Minister's preparation course?

QUESTIONS ON DOCTRINE

1. Do you believe that the scripture, the Old and New Testament, are the infallible word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice?
2. Do you believe in the Trinity?
3. Name the God-Head.
4. Is salvation obtained through the Blood of Christ?
5. Name the condition of Salvation.
6. Do you believe that speaking in an unknown tongue is evidence of having received the Baptism of the Holy Ghost?
7. Do you believe in a second definite work of Grace or Baptism of the Holy Ghost, separate and apart from regeneration?
8. What composes the body of Christ?
9. Does the Bible teach that God has an organized visible Church

- on this earth? -----
10. Do you believe that Baptism is a Gospel ordinance? -----
 11. Who are the proper subjects for Baptism? -----
 12. Do you believe that immersion is the proper method of water baptism? -----
 13. Do you believe that the Lord's Super and Feet Washing are divine ordinances and should be observed repeatedly? -----
 14. Do you teach and practice these ordinances? -----
Do you practice the ordinances at night? -----
 15. Do you believe in the possibility of apostasy? -----
 16. Do you believe that there will be a judgment when time and man's probation will close forever and then all will be judged according to their works? -----
 17. Do you believe in the resurrection of the bodies of all men? -----
 18. Do you believe that immediately after the judgment the righteous will enter into eternal life, and the wicked into a state of endless punishment? -----
 19. Do you believe that Christ at His second coming will close the Gospel dispensation, glorify his saints, and judge the world? -----
 20. I pledge myself to teach and defend the Freewill Baptist Doctrine to the best of my ability. If at any future time I preach or teach any doctrine contrary to the Freewill Baptist articles of faith, I will surrender by credentials to the Quarterly Conference of which I am a member.

Signed -----

RULES OF YOUTH CAMP

All campers will register when entering camp with 5.00 registration fee supplied by camper or sponsored by church.

Each camper to bring cots, bedding and toilet articles.

Children under nine need a parent to register for stay in camp.

No registered camper can leave the camp without permission of the Director.. This includes the campers desiring to spend the nights at home, they must report in and out each time to the director.

All campers will conduct themselves in a Christian manner at all times.

Campers will dress in a Christian manner. Girls wearing dresses unless special permission by sponsors and then definitely nothing above the knees. Boys will wear long pants.

Boys will not enter girls camping area, girls will not enter boys camping area.

All problems will be taken up with Group Sponsor before going to Director.

Definitely and absolutely no form of tobacco used on the Camp Ground while encampment is in session (This includes worshippers at the 11:00 A.M. and 7:30 P.M. services).

Campers will carry out work orders as given by Sponsors and Director.

Campers will be present in all classes and services unless dismissed by Director.

The Association will acquire insurance on all children. The \$5.00 registration fee will cover this item.

Meals served to anyone not registered at the camp will be charged 50 cents.

Campers: BE SURE TO BRING BIBLE, Pencil and Paper.

DUTIES OF STANDING BOARDS

EXECUTIVE BOARD: The Executive Board shall act in behalf of the association when not in session, and shall present a report to each quarterly and annual meeting of the Association.

CREDENTIAL BOARD: This board shall examine all applicants for ordination as well as ministers and deacons coming into the association. Each applicant shall be examined as to his Christian experience, call to the ministry (or desire to be a deacon) view of Christian doctrine, conviction concerning the denomination, and intentions concerning self preparation. Applicable questionnaires concerning doctrinal beliefs and practices will be completed. The Board shall present a report to each quarterly and annual meeting of the association.

CHURCH TRAINING SERVICE BOARD: It shall be the duty of this board to plan and assist in every way possible the CTS work throughout the Association. It will also be their responsibility to promote an active C.T.S. work in each church of the association. This board shall present a report to each quarterly and annual meeting of the association.

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD: The duties of this board is to actively promote Sunday School work in the Association and they shall present a report to each quarterly and annual meeting of the association.

MISSION BOARD: It shall be the duty of this board to work to promote an active missionary program in and for the Dibble Association. They shall plan the annual Missionary Conference and shall present a report to each quarterly and annual meeting of the Association.

