

Salem F.W.B. Church

Jan. 10, 1981

East Central District meeting was called to order by Bro. Joey Murphy. ^{Congregational} Song: Just over in Gloryland was followed by prayer led by Bro. Tim Ackerson.

Welcome was given by host pastor Bro. James Boggs.

Devotion was given by Bro. ^{Jim} Boggs, from Psalm 23 - how God will care for us in daily life - followed by a closing prayer.

Business meeting was called to order by your Clerk.

The Moderator first recognized any visitors, 9 ministers and 1 deacon.

Minutes of last District meeting was read. There being no corrections they were declared to stand approved as read.

The Treasurer report was given by Bro. Hager. A motion was received and second to approve them as read. The motion Carried.

A motion was made by Bro. Bill Hager and second by Bro. Byford ^{for clerk} read only names of Churches & delegates, ^{from letters} and mail statistic reports to Churches, ministers. Motion Carried

Church letters were read and delegates ask to stand from 6 Churches.

Bro. Byford Campbell made motion to accept letters and past delegates. 2nd was by Bro. Bill Adcock and motion Carried.

The East Central District By-Laws was read by Bro. Cory Adams.

The moderator named the following Committees:

Memorial Comm: Sister Wastina Campbell

" Helen Haslet

" Marie Rutger

Exam. Comm: Bro. James Boggs

" Bill ~~Boggs~~ Hager

" David Shores

Youth Comm: Bro. Jim Hays

" Vick Jackson

" Bro. Bradock.

Business Comm: Sis. Ella Mae Hillbida

Bro. Grant Bruce

" Byford Campbell.

Bro. Byford was nominated from floor to fill in vacancy of Larry Shaw. Nominations were closed and he was elected by Acclamation. His term expires in Nov. 1981.

Recess was called for committees to work.

Meeting was called back into session with song "When He Leads I'll Follow".

There was no old business:

a Youth Committee report was given by Bro. Jim Hays - Skating party was held at Selma Dec. 29th. On Mar. 13 a film will be shown at Bakersville.

Motion was made by Bro. Cory Adams to accept report - second by Bro. Lyle Rutger and motion carried.

Examining Comm. report was read by Clerk. Bro. John Hillbida made motion to

accept report - second by ^{Sis} Mary Hilliard
and motion carried as follows:

We the examining Comm. recommend
the following ministers for Cards of good
standing: William Adcock

James Boggs
Byford Campbell
George Lepps
Joey Murphy
William Hager
Clifford Hicks
John Hiltubidul
Ella Mae Hiltubidul
David Shores
James Taylor.

Signed: James E. Boggs
William B. Hager
David Shores

There was discussion about late
reports and motion was made by Lyle
Rutger with second by Bro. David Shores
that late reports be sent to Bro. James Boggs
& Bro. Bill Bain to approve and send to
Clerk. Motion carried.

Memorial Committee report was read
by Clerk. Motion was made by Bro. Adcock
and second by Bro. Boggs to accept report
and it carried as follows:

We the Memorial Comm. recommend this
body stand in silent prayer for those of our
Churches that have passed away during
the past year.

Signed: Sis Marie Rutger
" Helen Haslet

Prayer was closed by Bro. " Wastina Campbell
Murphy.

Business Committee report was read by Sister Hiltibidal.

Bro. David Shores made motion to accept report and act upon it item by item. A second was received and motion carried as follows:

Item I We the Business Comm. place the nomination for exam. committee to Bill Adeock to fill Jay Kilgore's 2 yr. term. Motion by Bro. Adams to accept Item I 2nd was by Bro. David Shores and motion carried.

Item II We nominate Bro. Joey Murphy for State General Board from our district. Motion to accept Item II was by Bro. David Shores and 2nd by Bro. Byford and motion carried.

Item III We examined the letters and found that Pleasant Tiew had only sent \$10 fee which should be \$25. Motion was by Sis Ella Mae to tell them and the second was received and motion carried.

Item IV The Business Committee have a request that the fees be raised from \$10 to \$15 per district and from \$25 to \$30 per annual report. This is a Constitutional Change^{Art. II, Sect. 1, C.} that would have to be placed on the table until the next District meeting. Motion was made by Bro. David Shores and 2nd by Bro. Bill Hager. The motion carried.

Item V The youth Committee gave us a request that Article VIII of Constitution be changed to allow the youth committee freedom to set time for activities, instead of the Friday night as stated. This article will have to be tabled until next District.

Motion by Bro. Bill Adcock and 2nd by Bro. Lyle Rutger and motion Carried.

Discussion followed motion to Admendment to Item V was made by Bro. Bill Adcock to take vote today and let Committee choose dates as needed. Second was by Bro. Grant Bruce and motion Carried.

Item VI The Business Committee recommended that \$150.00 ask for by the youth Committee be ~~set~~ aside each district to be used as needed for youth projects by youth Committee. If it is not needed, it is to remain in the General Fund. Motion was made to accept Item VI by Bro. Jim Hayes and second was received and motion Carried.

Item VII The Business Committee recommend that the moderator appoint a Committee from the floor to investigate the two Churches who have not sent in letter and dues. Motion was made by Bro. Byford and 2nd by Bro. Ella Mae to adopt Item VII and motion Carried. Bro. Joey appointed Committee as follows: Bro. James Briggs, Bro. David Shores and Bro. Joey Murphy.

Item VIII We wish to thank Salem Church for their hospitality with a standing vote of thanks. Motion by Bro. Byford to accept Item VIII was followed by second by Bro. David Shores and motion Carried with standing vote of thanks.

Signed: Ella Mae Hiltubidal
Byford Campbell
Grant Bruce

State meeting will be at new
Camp Grounds near Ewing Mar. 27 & 28
Church delegates as follows named:

Salem - Grant Bruce

Bakerville - Jeanie Cull

Blue Point - Cory Adams

Pleasant View - Jim Hays

Oak Valley - Marie Rutger

1st Mt. Vernon - Yelda Shelton

Harts add. - Rose Bailey

Friendship - Janet Isaac.

District delegates usually minister's
wives.

Business meeting was adjourned
until next regular meeting to be held
at Bakerville in April.

March 18th. at 1st F.W.B. Church in
Mt. Vernon - a Drama group from
F.W.B. Bible College will present program
at 7:00 on Wed. evening.

Song "Heavenly Sunlight" was
sung by Congregation.

Bro. David Shores gave announcements
of changes and his work in state as
Promotion director of the state and
announced Bro John Hollis is starting
a new work in Effingham area.

Bro. Joey Murphy brought an inspiring
message on "Sheep".

Closing Song was "Where He Leads Me"

Prayer & Blessing on food By Bro. Byford
Campbell.

Signed: Marie Rutger, Clerk

Bakerville F.W.B. Church April 11, 1981

East Central Illinois District

Meeting opened at 9:00 by Bro. Joey Murphy, Moderator by song "At The Cross"

Prayer led by Bro. ~~Joey Murphy~~ Archie Mayhue

Welcome by Bro. Joey Murphy, Pastor

Devotion: Bro. Cory Adams from John 15:5

"For without me, ye can do nothing"

Business meeting was called to order by Clerk.

Bro. Joey recognized 9 ministers and 4 Deacons as standing delegates.

Minutes of previous meeting was read by Clerk. Bro. Joey declared them approved as read.

Bro. Bill Hager gave Treasury report with \$220.30 on hand today. Motion by Bro. Byford Campbell and second by Bro. Grant Bruce to accept report as information. Motion Carried.

A motion was by Bro. Byford Campbell to have Clerk read only names, delegates and requests from Churches letters to save time for program. Motion received second and Carried.

Seven church letters was read and Bro. Byford made motion to accept letters and seat delegates. Second was received and the motion Carried.

A recess was called for committee's to work.

Meeting was reconvened with song "He Keeps Me Singing."

The Youth Report was read by Clerk. Motion by Bro. Cory Adams and second by Bro. David Shores and motion carried as follows

"Youth Committee would like to

Announce next activity - A picnic
at Garden of Gods Saturday May 2.
Meet at 9: A.M. at Mt. Vernon 1st F.W.B.
Church parking lot. Everyone bring
sack lunch. Youth must be 7th
grade and older. Drinks and
transportation furnished by District.

Signed by: Jim Hayes

Janne Culli
Andy May

Business Committee report was read
by Clerk and motion by Bro. Byford
and second by Bro. John Heltedahl
to accept report and act upon it
Item by Item. Motion Carried.

Item I we the Business Committee
using Article IV of the By-laws suggest
that Bro. John Hollis join his membership
to a church in this district and come
before the Examining Board as regular
procedure if he wishes to have a vote
or hold office in this East Central
District. Motion was made by Bro. Byford
& second ^{by John Heltedahl} was received to accept Item I
as read - Motion Carried.

Item II we the Business Committee
suggest that our district add Article XIII to
our Constitution saying, "Any regular
organized Free Will Baptist Mission under
the auspices of the Illinois State Missions
Board maintaining regular ~~services~~ services
agreeing with the denomination in
doctrine and practice may be received
into membership of this association ^{upon} ~~by~~
application and by a majority vote of

delegates present in any regular session." This is to be tabled until the next regular business session of the District. Motion was made by Bro. ~~Byford~~ ^{John Hiltibidal} and 2nd by Bro. ~~John Hiltibidal~~ ^{David Sporer} to table this motion Item II until next regular meeting. Motion Carried.

(Item III) We recommend that \$100.00 be taken from the general fund and given as a love offering to the Drama Group and ask that a free will offering be taken today for them also.

Motion was made by Bro. John Hiltibidal and 2nd by Bro. ~~David Sporer~~ ^{Byford Campbell} to accept Item III as read. Motion Carried.

(Item IV) We wish to thank the host church for their hospitality for the District meeting today. Motion was made by Bro. Byford and second by Bro. Bill Adcock to adopt Item IV. Motion Carried.

Signed: Ella Mae Hiltibidal
Byford Campbell
Grant Bruce

Motion was made by Bro. Byford and 2nd by Grant Bruce to bring Article VIII change off table from last meeting. ^{and act upon it.} Motion Carried.

Motion was made by Bro. Byford that this association select a ^{youth} committee of 3 members who may arrange special program. A second was received and motion Carried.

Motion was made by Bro. John Hiltibidal to accept Examining Report and act remove Item IV from table ^{concerning} fees from \$10 to \$15 per district and \$25 to \$30 per Annual, Second was by Bro. Bill Haged. Motion Carried.

Bro. David Shores suggested the Clerk, Bro. Jay Murphy and Bro. Byford Campbell edit Constitution and get it ready for printing.

~~Motion~~ The Examining Report was read by Clerk and motion was made by ^{Bro.} John Hiltbital to receive the report and act upon it item by item. 2nd was by Bro. Byford Campbell and motion Carried.

(Item I) We the board recommend that Brother Archie Mayhew be accepted into this Association.

Bro. Byford made motion to accept Item I. a second was heard and motion Carried.

(Item II) We recommend that Bro. Cory Adams complete 2 Study Courses: ① "Roberts Rules of order" & ② "How to Prepare Sermons." These were Courses which his 2½ years (120 quarter hours of) College did not cover. He may return these at the next Association meeting and upon their satisfactory completion and return recommend that he be ordained.

Motion to adopt Item II was by Bro. Byford and 2nd by Bro. Bill Payer and motion Carried.

(Item III) We recommend that Bro. Mike Neuman ordination credentials be returned to him. Motion to adopt Item III was made by Bro. Cory Adams, ~~and~~ second received, and motion Carried.

Bro. Bill Adcock resigned from Youth Committee. A motion by Bro. James Boggs

with second by Bro. Bill Brin to accept the resignation and elect someone from the floor.

Nominations was opened by Bro. Joey Murphy with Bro. Cory Adams being nominated. A motion was made by Bro. David Shores ~~and~~ to close nominations and elect by acclamation. A second was received and motion carried.

Motion was to adjourn Business meeting to next regular meeting July 13th. A second was received and motion carried - Dismissal prayed by Bro. Joey Murphy.

The Drama Club from Free Will Baptist Bible College presented "Only One Life to Offer". This was a very moving drama we should all remember.

Dismissal prayer and Blessing on food was by Bro. David Shores.

Offering was received as congregation went to the basement for a nice lunch served by the host Church.

Signed: Marie Rutger
District Clerk

Blue Point Free Will Baptist Church
July 11, 1981.

East Central District meeting was
called to order by Bro. Byford Campbell,
Assist. Moderator at 9:00 A.M.
Cong. Song: Make me a Channel of

Blessing was led by Sis
Maybelle Marahan.
Devotion: Bro. Archie Mayhew using
Psalm 37: 3-8. Urging us to
Trust in the Lord & seek his
will in all things & he will give
us our desires. Bro. Mayhew
Closed devotion with prayer.

Welcome was given by Pastor Bro. Bill Adcock.
Bro. Byford read By. laws.

Minutes of last meeting was read by
Clerk. Bro. Byford ask for Corrections
And there being none - declared the
minutes approved as read.

Treasurer report was given by Bro.
Bill Hager giving a bal on hand \$155.30.

Motion was made to accept the
report as information by Bro. Adcock,
a second was received and motion Carried.
Church letters was read by Clerk and
delegates ask to stand, motion to
receive the letters and seat the delegates
by Bro. Adcock. Second was received
And motion Carried.

Brs. Byford recognized 8 ministers
as standing delegates and 1 visitor
was recognized.

Next meeting will meet at
Friendship Church Oct. 10th.

Business Committee, serving today is Sis Ellamae Hiltibidal Bro. Grant Bruce and Bro. Bill Hager in place of Bro. Byford for today.

Exam Comm. - Bros Jim Boggs Bill Adcock and Archie Mayhue in place of Bill Bain for today.

Bro. Jim Hager gave youth Comm. report of nice day youth went to Garden of Gods.

A 20 minute recess was called for Committees to work - dismissal prayer by Bro. John Hiltibidal.

Meeting reconvened with song Blessed Assurance, prayer by Bro. Byford and short testimony service.

The Clerk read Business Comm. report motion to accept the report and act upon it item by item was made by Bro. ^{Sis Ellamae Hiltibidal} ~~Jim Boggs~~ and second by Bro. Jim Boggs and motion carried.

Item I We the Business Comm. wish to thank the Blue. Pines Church for their hospitality to the East Central District Association. Motion was made by Bro. John Hiltibidal to give a standing vote of thanks. A second was received and everyone voted the thanks.

Item II We recommend that we give Bro. John Hollis \$100.00 love offering this morning \$50.00 personal offering and \$50.00 for the mission. Motion to accept Item II was by Bro. Jim Boggs

And second was by Bro. Bill Adcock and motion Carried.

Item III We recommend that the Executive Board contact the Friendship Church to see if they want to take responsibility for the next District meeting. If they do not wish to do it that the District go to the next Church in line and the Churches to be contacted. Motion to accept Item III was by Bro. Adcock and second by Sis. Ella Mae. The motion ~~passed~~ ^{Carried}.

Item IV We recommend that when Item 2 is taken off the table that the word membership be stricken from the writing and add the word fellowship. Then this phrase be added to the last of the item "for fellowship with voting privileges when organized into a Church." According to Article 4 in order to have full membership they are to be an organized Church.

Sis. Ella Mae made motion to take item 2 off the table from last meeting and second was by Bro. Adcock and motion Carried.

Discussion followed and motion was made by Bro. Mayhew to vote on Item 2 as brought from table. Second was received and vote was yes 10 and 0 no. Motion Carried.

Motion was made by Sis. Ella Mae that Item IV of today's business Committee report be stricken. ~~from~~ Second by Bro. Adcock and motion Carried.

Signed: Business Committee
 Edna Mae Hiltibidal
 Grant Bruce
 Bill Hager.

Bro. Byford called for any other items of business or announcements. There being nothing, he declared ^{Busi.} meeting adjourned until next regular meeting.
 Congregational song: "When ever we go, let go"

Prayer by Bro. Bill Hideock.
 An inspiring message was brought by Bro. John Hollis Stone. Missionary - giving report of mission works at Crossroads Church at Effingham and is message taken from Acts 26:22 & 23.
 Dismissal Prayer & thanks for food was given by Bro. Bill Hager.

Signed: Marie Rutger
 District Clerk.

Friendship Free Will Baptist Church
Oct. 10, 1981

East Central District meeting
Convened at 9:00 A.M. with Rev.
Joey Murphy, moderator, calling the
session into order.

Congregational song "On the Sweet
By and By" was led by Sis Shemi Hughey.
Prayer by Bro. Floyd Wilderman.

The Clerk called the session into
business.

Moderator announced that all
standing delegates vote.

Bro. Mark Shell gave welcome
and a devotion from John 11:25.

Minutes of last meeting was read
by clerk. Moderator ask for corrections
or additions and there being none
declared minutes approved as read.

Bro. John Hiltbridal said he had
treasurer books left by Bro. Bill Hager,
treasurer. Bro. Joey ask that treasurer
books be turned over to Business Comm.
to audit.

Letters of churches was read and
delegates ask to stand.

A motion was made by Bro. Archie
Mayhew to receive the letters and seat
the delegates. A second was received
and motion carried.

Bro. Murphy appointed Bro. Melvin
Oathout to serve on Business Committee
for today.

Bro. John Hollis gave a report of
the mission work at Effingham.

The business Committee brought in a partial report on a special request as follows;

Item I upon formal request from the Crossroads Free Will Baptist Mission to join this District Association, we recommend this mission be received into membership of this association per Article XIII of the Constitution.

Signed: Byford Campbell
K. H. Bruce

Melvin Oathout

Bro. Byford Campbell made motion to accept Item I - second was by Bro. Bill Adcock and motion carried.

Brs. Joey named following to serve on Committees today. Bro. John Hillibidal, Bro. Bill Adcock & Bro. Floyd Wilderman on Exam. Committee.

Nominating Committee - Delbert Hughey, Paul Hawkins, Shirley Pettit
Bro. Joey declared meeting to recess so committees could work.

Business meeting was reconvened by a song and rest of Business Committee report was read by clerk.

Bro. Byford made motion to accept the report and act upon it item by item. a second was by Bro. John Hillibidal and motion carried.

Item II we the business Committee have examined the treasurer books and have received \$160.30 Cash to be given to elected treasurer this date. Motion to accept Item 2 was made by Bro. Bill Adcock and second was received - Motion carried.

Item 3 - We recommend giving \$75.00 to bro. Jeff Turnbough mission account and take a free will love offering. Motion to accept Item 3 by Bro John Hiltibidal - second by Bro Byford and motion carried.

Item IV We recommend a standing vote of thanks to Friendship Church for their Hospitality. Motion to accept Item IV was by Bro. John Hiltibidal and second by Bro. Grant Bruce. Motion carried.

Signed: Byford Campbell
Melvin Outkout
K. D. Bruce

Examining report was read by the Clerk and motion was made by Bro Archie Mayhew and second by Bro Wilderman and motion carried as follows:

"We make a motion that Bro Hollis be accepted as a Free Will Baptist minister of the gospel.

Signed: John W. Hiltibidal
Floyd A. Wilderman
Bill Adcock

Report of nominating Committee was read by Clerk as follows:

Moderator - Archie Mayhew
assist mod - Mark Shell
Clerk - Marie Ruten

Treasurer - John Hiltibidal

Lee Fund - Glen Byars (84)

Roun Conrad (82)
Rollie Smith (83)

Exam. Comm - Jim Boggs (84) Bill Adcock (82)
Bill Barni (83)

Business Comm - John Hiltibidal (84) Grant Bruce (82)
Ella Mae Hiltibidal (83)

Youth Comm. - Jim Hayes (84) Jane Cullen (82)
Cory Adams (83)

Signed: Shirley Lettitt
Carl Hawkins
Walter Haysen

Motion was made by Bro. Byford to accept the report - a second was received and motion carried.

The floor was opened for nominations for moderator. Motion by Bro. Bill Adcock to close nominations and elect by acclamation. Second was received and motion carried.

The floor was opened for assist moderator and Bro. Mack Shelton was removed from nomination as he is not a I.W.O. ordained minister yet. Bro. John Hollis was nominated. Motion to close nominations & elect by acclamation was made by Bro. Byford & second by Bro. Melvin Catbourn - motion carried.

Moderator opened floor for nominations for clerk - Bro. John Hiltabidol made motion to close nom. & elect by acclamation - second by Bro. Byford and motion carried.

The floor was opened for nominations for treasurer - Bro. Archie Mayhew made motion to close nom. and elect by acclamation - second was received and motion carried.

The floor was opened for nominations for Sec. Fund. Grant Bruce made motion to close nom. and proceed to elect. second was received and motion carried.

The floor was opened for nominations for Examining Committee - Bro. Grant Bruce made motion to close nom. & proceed to elect. a second was received and motion carried.

The floor was opened for nominations to Business Committee. Bro Byford made motion to Close nominations and proceed to elect. second was received and motion carried.

Floor was opened for nominations to youth Committee - Bro Byford moved that we close now and elect by acclamation - second was received and motion carried.

Next District meeting will be at Hort's Addition January 9, 1982.

A congregation song "Camping in Canon" was sung and love offering for Bro Turnbull taken.

Prayer for the offering was by Bro. Melvin Oathout.

An Inspiring message and information about missionary work to Spain was given by Bro. Turnbull. He hopes to go to the field July 1, 1982.

Bro. Joey Ask for closing announcements and ask Bro. John Hollis to dismiss us in prayer and also ask blessing on food.

Signed: Marie Rutger
Clerk.