

East Central District

January 11 & 12, 1985

The East Central District meet at the Bakerville F.W.B. Church on Friday night, January 11th at 7:30 with about 60 attending the fellowship service and Bro. Jerry Presley bringing the message.

The regular business commenced Saturday, at 9:30 ^{opened} by Bro. Clifford Donoho, moderator.

A song "Sunlight" was led by Bro. Ernie Lewis with Sis Vickie Hollis at the piano.

Prayer led by Bro. Logan Morrow.

Welcome and devotion was given by host pastor, Bro. Loyd Crain using Romans 7:14-24 - "I would that I could do good".

Motion was made to by-pass reading of By-laws - a 2nd followed and motion carried.

Clerk called the meeting to order to do business.

The moderator ask standing delegates stand and be recognized also visitors were ask to stand and be made welcome.

Minutes of last meeting was read by Clerk. Motion was made to accept minutes as read - 2nd followed and motion carried.

Treasure report was given by Sis Kathy Hays. Motion by Bro. George Waggoner to accept the report.

a second followed and motion carried.

Letters of 8 Churches and missions was read and delegates ask to stand.

a motion was made to accept the letters and read delegates. a second followed and motion carried.

our Moderator named Committees and appointed Bro Gene Petty in place of Bro Frank Bruce for today.

a recess prayer was offered by Bro Cliff Dancoko. A 15 minute recess was given for Committees to work.

The meeting was called back into session with song "Victory In Jesus" and the Ministers only singing the middle verse.

A youth Committee report was given by Bro. Ernie Lewis. A good youth meeting was held at Blue Point in Nov. and one is being planned at Mt. Vernon 1st in ~~February~~ ^{2nd} ^{7:00} Everyone is encouraged to attend & especially youth.

Motion was made by Bro. John Hiltedahl to accept the youth committee report as information - a second followed and motion carried.

The Examining Board Report was read by Clerk and motion was made to accept the report and set upon it item by item. a second followed and motion carried.

Item I we recommend the following men to be approved for cards of good standing:

Byford Campbell
 Lloyd Crain
 Clifford Donoho
 Ernie Lewis
 Howard Flota
 John Heltibedel
 John Hollis
 George Waggoner

Motion was made by Bro. Byford to accept Item I. A second followed and motion carried.

Item II we recommend that John Postlewaite and Keith Fletcher be approved for cards of good standing upon receipt of letters from previous district associations.

Signed: John Hollis
 George W Waggoner
 Byford Campbell.

Motion was made by Bro. Ernie Lewis to accept Item II. A second followed and motion carried.

The Business Committee report was read by the Clerk. A motion was made by Bro. John Hollis and 2nd followed to accept the report and act upon it item by item. Motion carried.

Item I we the business committee recommend that we discontinue the Friday evening services at our District meetings. We recommend that the

Saturday morning service continue as it is and we have a worship service at 1:00 P.M.

Motion was made by Bro. John Hollis to accept Item I. A second followed and motion carried.

Item II we the business Committee recommend that Kathy Hayes be elected as the treasure of the district.

Signed Loyd Crain
Gene Petty
John W. Hiltbrider

Motion to accept Item II was made by Bro. John Hollis - a second followed and motion carried.

Next district meeting will be at Blue Point Church April 13th. Moderator ask clerk to send letter to all churches of district telling of above Business Committee report.

Delegates to the State Meeting at Camp Hope March 22 + 23rd are as follows:

Mike Robertson
Beth Robins
Cleo Marlow
Brenda Beedock
Kathy Hayes
Sherry Nix
Leak Postlewait
Jack Morris

Motion was made to send above delegates to State meeting. 2nd followed. Motion carried.

The F.W.B. Drama Group will be at Mt. Vernon 1st. March 14th for a fellowship supper at 5:30 & play will be at 7:00.

Bro. Lloyd Crain ask state executive Committee meet this P.M.

Bro. John Hollis gave a report on Crossroads mission and ask continued help to renovate east wing of their building.

Bro. Byford Campbell made motion to accept the report - a second followed and motion carried.

Bro. Clifford Donoho gave report of the Salem (Calvary) mission. They have outgrown present building & looking for another one. Motion was made by Bro. Lloyd Crain to accept the report, 2nd followed and motion carried.

Nominations was opened to floor for speakers at ^{April 3} July P.M. meeting.

Bro. Postlewaite was nominated for P.M. speaker ^{April} & Bro Keith Fletcher P.M. speaker ^{July}. Bro. George Waggoner made motion dismiss business meeting today - 2nd followed and motion carried.

Special song "The Love of God" was by Bro. Postlewaite with Sis. Postlewaite at the piano. by Bro Keith Fletcher.

An inspiring message was brought by Bro. Jerry Presley using Joshua 3. "You have not passed this way heretofore."

A missionary report was given by Bro. Denis Tigue of work in France.

There will be a missionary conference in April.

Bro. Lloyd Crain gave Blessing on food.

6:00 P.M. Saturday evening Bro. Clifford Donoho called committee members, and Clerk, and it was agreed to have Sis Kathy Hayes pay Bro. Jerry Presley a \$5.00 honorarium for his service at the district meeting.

Signed: your Clerk
Marie Rutger

East Central District
Blue Point F.W.B. Church April 13, 1985

The East Central District Meeting was begun with Congregation song "To God Be The Glory". Led by Bro. Marvin Gregory and prayer by Bro. Gene Petty.

Welcome and devotion was given by the host pastor Bro. Ernie Lewis from Col. 3:1-6 using a theme "Change our life to live with Christ in our lives" and closing with a prayer.

The Clerk called the meeting to business session to do business for our Lord.

The Moderator, Bro. Clifford Dorocho, recognized all standing delegates (ministers & deacons and all our visitors.

The Clerk read 6 Church letters and delegates were asked to stand. There was no letter received from Pleasant View.

Bro. Lloyd Crane made a motion to accept the letters and seat the delegates. A second was received and motion carried.

A motion was made by Sis Wastina Campbell to by-pass reading of the By-Laws today. A second followed and motion carried.

The treasure report was given by Sis Kathy with \$206.16 on hand. A motion was made by Sis. Wastina to accept the report - a second followed and motion carried.

Bro. Clifford Dorocho appointed the

following to serve on committees today
 Bro. John Postlewait in place of
 Bro. John Hiltabidat Hollis on Exam Comm.
 Business Comm. - Bro. Robert Hilliard
 of Bro. John Hiltabidat.

Youth Comm. - Sis. Violet Crane in
 place of Vickie Hollis.

A report of Lee Fund was given
 by Bro. Lyle Rutger and motion
 was made by Bro. Lloyd Crane to accept
 report. A second was made and
 motion carried.

A motion was made by Bro. Crane
 to turn Lee fund over to Bone Gap
 Cemetery Fund if we can. a second
 followed and motion carried. Bro.
 Lyle Rutger was appointed Chairman
 of the Lee Fund Comm. and Bro.
 Conrad have books audited by next
 District meeting and turned over to
 Bro. Lyle.

Moderator called for a recess
 for Committees to work and prayer
 was led by Bro. Duell Lofin.

Meeting resumed with a
 Congregational Song "Amazing Grace"
 and "Oh How I Love Jesus."

The Examining Committee
 report was read and motion
 was made by Bro. Gene Petty to accept
 the report a second was received and
 motion carried as follows:

"The Examining Committee
 met - and no one came before the
 Committee, therefore no recommendation

is made.

Signed Byford Campbell
George W. Waggoner
John J. Postlewaite

The youth Committee report was read by ~~Clark~~ Bro. Lewis also treasure report of 23 96 in treasure. The next youth meeting is April 19th at Blue Point - a film "Coach" to be shown at 7:30 and Kevin Riggs will be speaker.

Motion was made by Bro. Byford Campbell to accept youth report. A second followed and motion carried.

The Business Committee report was read and motion was made by Bro. Ernie Lewis to accept report and act upon it. A second followed and motion carried as follows:

We the Business Committee recommend that Bro. Mike Neuman's request for a letter of recommendation be granted.

(Sent May 24, 1985) Signed: Robert E. Hilliard
Grant Bruce
Lloyd Crain.

A motion was made by Bro. George Waggoner and second by Kyle Rutzger to let Business Comm. suggest amount paid speaker each time. Motion was defeated.

Motion was made by Bro. Ernie Lewis to pay \$50 plus 20¢ a mile expense to out of State speakers and \$25 in state speakers. A second followed and Bro. George Waggoner made amendment motion to pay

members of our own District nothing. A second was made to the amendment and the Amendment Carried. Vote was taken to the original motion and it Carried quickly.

A motion was made to have an offering for out of state or out of District speakers and balance be taken out of district treasure. A second received and motion Carried.

Bro. Clifford Donoho gave the Calvary Mission report and invited everyone there to next district meeting July 13th.

A motion was made by Bro. Byford Campbell to adjourn the business meeting. A second was received and motion Carried.

A Congregational Song "Joy Unspeakable" and offering prayer was by Bro. Jim Hayes.

3 songs was offered by Trio

"What a Lovely Name"

"We are Children"

"I bowed on my knees & cried Holy".

An inspiring message was brought by Bro. Bob Shockley from Nashville Bible College from Matt. 16: 13-20.

"I will build My Church."

Bro. Donoho ask for announcement and Closing prayer with blessing on food was offered by Bro. Ernie Lewis.

The Afternoon worship service was led by Assist. Moderator Bro George Waggoner.

Congregation song "Standing on the Promise"
Prayer: Bro. Lloyd Crane
Song - "Love Lifted Me"

a testimony service was given by all who wanted to participate and prayer by Bro. Dewey Merrill.

An inspiring message was brought by Bro. John Postlewaite from John 15: 1-8 entitled "Glorify God and bear much fruit for our Lord Jesus Christ."

A closing prayer was offered by Bro. Byford Campbell.

Signed your Clerk,
Marie Ruetger

East Central District

July 13, 1985

The East Central District meeting met at the Calvary F.W.B. Mission in Salem, Ill. with Moderator Bro. Clifford Donoho calling meeting to order at 9:30 with Bro. Marvin Hugory leading Congregational song "At Calvary" Prayer: By Bro Dale Donoho Welcome and Devotion was given by Bro Clifford Donoho Pastor using Galatians 6: 2, 5 and 17 - "The Three Beas" and Closing with prayer.

Business meeting was called into Business session by your Clerk.

The standing delegates were ask to stand & be recognized, also visitors.

A motion was given to by-pass reading of the by-laws for today. a second received and motion carried.

Church letters was read and delegates ask to stand, by the Clerk.

Motion was made to receive the letters and seat the delegates. a second was received and motion carried.

Minutes of last meeting was read by Clerk. Motion was made to accept the minutes as read. a second followed and motion carried.

Delegates was named from the Mt. Vernon Church. a motion was made to seat the Mt. Vernon Church delegates. a second followed and the motion carried!

The Treasurer report was given by Sister Cathy Hayes with a balance left of \$195.44. Motion was made by Bro. Hank Bruce to accept the report. a second followed and motion carried.

Bro. George Waggoner resigned from the Exam. Board Comm. because of 2 jobs in the District. Motion was made to accept the resignation. a second was received and motion carried.

Bro. Donoho appointed committee members to fill vacancies for today as follows: Exam. Comm. Mike Johnston and Jim Neal. The Business Comm. Bro. Hank Bruce serve as Chairman and Bro. John Postlewaite fill in Bro. Cranes place. Youth Comm. Kay Pongyi in Vickies place.

Access prayer was by Bro. Scott McPeak.

Meeting recommenced at 10:35 with Congregational song "Amazing Grace"

Announcements of various church activities was made and Camp reunion is Saturday Sept. 28th for all past Campers of F.W.B.

Report of youth Comm. was given by Bro. Ernie Lewis. They plan a trip to Bald Knob Passion Play Friday July 29th leaving Mt. Vernon Church at 6:00. Admission will be 7.50 adults and 5.50 children if 15 or more go.

Motion was made by Sis Jeannie Cullin to accept the report. a second followed and motion carried.

The Clerk made the exam. Comm. report. A motion was made by Bro. John Hollis to accept the report - a second was received and motion carried as follows.

We recommend Scott McPeak to begin his process of licensing.
Exam. Board

Jim Neal
Mike Johnston
John Hollis.

"Motion was made by Bro. Postlewait that Committee be appointed to evaluate Article VIII about ministers and make recommendations. A second followed and the motion carried. The moderator appointed himself, Bro. George Waygner and John Hollis work on above evaluation.

Bro. Clifford Donohoe presented a letter to Business Committee to help Church Attendance at the District meetings but it was ruled out of order.

Business Comm. report was read by Clerk. Motion was made by Bro. John Hiltbrudal to accept the report. a second followed and the motion carried as follows;

We recommend Bro. Howard Flota to exam. board.

Motion was made to close nominations and proceed to elect. a second followed and motion carried.

Next meeting will be at the Crossroads Mission Church Oct. 12 beginning at 9:30.

Motion was made that Program Committee meet and choose next meeting speaker. a second followed and motion carried.

Bro. John Hiltibidal made motion to adjourn business meeting to next regular session - a second followed and motion carried.

Congregation sang "I would not be Denied."

Bro. Manning sang "It will be worth it all when we get home"

Bro. Gady Runyon brought an inspiring message using James 2: 23

II Chron - 20: 7 and
Isaiah 41: 8

"Abraham, a Friend of God." Closing with prayer - Offering was taken and dismissal prayer & blessing on food was by Bro Dale Donoho.

Program Committee ask Bro. Ernie Lewis, Cliff Donoho, John Hollis and Mike Johnston to audit Lee Dand. It was audited back to 1980 & found in order and motion was made by John Hollis that audited report be accepted by district and books turned over to Lyle Rutger as of today. 2nd followed and motion carried. Scott McLeak or Bro Ernie Lewis is to speak at next P.M. service at Crossroads.

The P. M. service began with
Congregational song. When we all get to Heaven,
Prayer by Bro. ^{John} Petty

Song #2 - "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"

Song By Bro. Manning - "We'll talk it
over when we get Home"

Message was by Bro. Keith Fletcher,
Pastor of Oak Valley using II Tim. 3-8

"Paul's 8 examples of teaching the Gospel"
Closing with Prayer.

Dismissal Prayer was by
Bro. Mike Johnston.

your Clerk
Marie Butzer

Crossroads F.W.B. Mission

Oct. 12, 1985

The East Central District Meeting met at the Crossroads F.W.B. Mission at Effingham Oct. 12, 1985.

A Congregational song "To God Be The Glory" was led by Bro. John W. Posthumate.

Prayer was led by Bro. Gene Petty

Welcome and Devotion was given by Bro. John Hollis using Matt. 5:41 "Go the extra mile" and Closing with prayer.

The Clerk called the District meeting into session.

Bro. Clifford Donoho, Clerk called for motion to by-pass reading of By-Laws today. Bro. Byford Campbell made the motion - a second was received and the motion carried.

Standing delegates, ministers & deacons was ask to stand and be recognized.

All visitors was ask to stand and be recognized.

Reports of 3 churches and missions was read by the Clerk and delegates ask to stand.

Motion was made by Bro. John Hollis to accept the letters and seat the delegates. 2nd followed and motion carried.

The treasure Report was given by Sis Kathy Hayes with balance on hand \$277.44. Motion was made by Bro. Grant Bruce to accept the

report as information - a second followed and motion carried.

Bro. Donoho filled the Committee's for today as follows -

Exam. Board. Bro. Keith Fletcher in place of Howard Floata.

Business Comm. - ^{Bro. C}Gene Petty in place of John Hiltibidal.

The Clerk read Minutes of the last District meeting. a motion was made to accept the minutes as read - a 2nd followed and motion carried.

a ^{15 minute} recess was declared by the Moderator and dismissal prayer was by Bro. Mike Johnston.

The meeting was reconvened at 10:45 with a congregational song "At the Cross".

Bro. David Shores gave a State Promotional report of work in the State - noting the Christian Book Store at Benton closed Oct. 10th. Bro. Ernie Lewis made a motion to accept the report. a 2nd given and motion carried.

Bro. Ernie Lewis gave a youth Committee report of good attendance (65) to the Passion Play at Bald Knob in August. They have a balance of \$44.20 in their treasure. The next meeting will be a film at Nov. 2nd. They plan to have Dist. youth meetings 1st Sat. night of month after our Dist. meetings. Bro. Ernie

made a motion to accept the youth report as information. A second followed and motion carried.

The Business Committee report was read by the Clerk. a motion was made by Bro. Craine to accept the report and act upon it item by item. a second followed and motion carried.

Item I We the Business Committee recommend that Bro. Ernie Lewis be given time on the program to give youth Camp Development Plans for 1985-86. Motion was made by Bro. Craine to accept Item I. a second followed and motion carried.

Item II We the Business Committee recommend that the attached Executive Board motion be adopted as follows -

"Motion was sustained to approach each Quarterly meeting to seek approval of said quarterly meeting for changing the date of the State meeting in 1986 from March 28 & 29 to 21 & 22 due to the fact that it falls on the Easter Weekend". Motion was made by Bro. Ernie Lewis to accept Item II. A second followed and discussion then motion carried.

A motion was made by Bro. Ernie for the Clerk to send letter of approval to the State Clerk. a 2nd followed and motion carried. (Clerk sent letter to Bro. Larry Cook Oct. 14th.)

Item III. We the Business Committee recommends that the following people be elected to serve on the Boards and Committees listed below:

Moderator - Clifford Donoho
 Assist. Mod - George Waggoner
 Clerk - Marie Rutger
 Treasurer - Cathy Hayes
 Business Comm. - Gene Petty
 Youth Comm. - Mike Johnston
 Lee Fund - Lyle Rutger 3 yrs.
 Ex. Bd. - Byford Campbell 3 yrs.
 Exec. Board - George Waggoner 3 yrs.
 Loyd Crain
 Comm. Gene Petty
 Grant Bruce

Bro. George Waggoner ask to decline the Executive Board as he was the Assist. Moderator. The nomination of Bro. Jim Hayes was made from the floor. A motion was made to close nominations and 2nd followed and motion carried.

The moderator ask if there be any nominations from the body ^{for any} there being none - a motion was made. Its proceed to elect - a 2nd followed and motion carried.

Bro. John Hollis gave the Ex. Bd. Board Committee report of Constitutional Change of Section VIII. part D. as follows:

I add to Article VIII d.

This probationary period may be reduced to 6 months if the Candidate

-has. completed at least 60 credit hours (approximately two years of study) in a Free Will Bapt. College or institute, within the past three years.

He would need to report to the Examining Board each quarterly District meeting concerning his Call and Activities.

II. Add. to article VIII f.

If a Candidate has been granted a reduced Probationary - waiting period (see VIII D), the Candidate must carry his license being in good standing, for no less than twelve consecutive months before being eligible for ordination.

During this twelve⁽¹²⁾ months he would meet with and give a report to the examining board on the 6th and 12th months during the East Central Quarterly District Associational meetings (or as close to those months as possible).

Signed John Hollis ch.
Byford Campbell
Keith Fletcher

Bro. George Waggoner made a motion that the Constitutional Change be laid on the table until next meeting to give time for study. A second followed. And motion carried.

Bro. Postlewhite ask that the Change be printed and sent to each pastor. A second was received and the motion carried.

Bro. Ernie Lewis gave a report of the Ill. youth Camp board. They

would like to build walkways to various buildings and shelters.

Bro. Byford made a motion to accept Bro. Ernie's report as information - a second followed and motion carried.

Bro. Clifford Donoho gave a good report of the mission work at Calvary Church in Salem, Ill.

Motion was made by Bro. Byford to adjourn the business meeting - a 2nd followed and the motion carried.

Worship service was opened by song "Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us."

Bro. Don Sexton from the Foreign Mission Board at Nashville Tenn. brought an inspiring message using Ezekiel 22:23-30 "I sought for a man among them & found none."

Closing prayer by Bro. Clifford Donoho.

Program Comm. met at noon hour and following speakers selected

Home Mission A.M. + P.M. - Roy Thomas ^{July} ~~Truman Weston~~

State Moderator - ^{Jaryl} ~~Darrell~~ ^{W.} Ellis
Scott McPeak
Ernie Lewis

~~July~~ - Wallace Malone A.M.

P.M. - open to Bible College students

A.M. - Bill McDonald
at Pittsburg.

Afternoon Worship service began
with song - "Blessed Assurance"
and "When we all Get to Heaven".
Prayer led by Bro. Royd Craine.
Special Song by Bro. Postlewaite
"Saved by Grace"

Messages by Bro. Sexton
from Jeremiah 21: 7-9 "The
Call of God is Clear. Bro. Sexton
also gave a brief report of Foreign
Missions.

Dismissal prayer was given
by Bro. John Hollis and we went
to thank him and the entire
Church for the good hospitality
and bountiful noon lunch.

your Clerk,
~~Signed~~ Marie Rutger