

24TH SESSION  
MINUTES OF THE  
EAST KANSAS QUARTERLY CONFERENCE  
OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS  
WHEN CONVENED WITH THE  
TOPEKA FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH  
February 16 & 17, 1968

FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICE - 7:30 P.M.

Conference was called into session by the Assistant Moderator, Rev. Robert Sharry, who led the congregation in singing "Sound the Battle Cry" with Sister Ethel Trower playing the piano. The congregation stood for prayer led by Bro. Richard Sandridge. Congregational song, "Faith is the Victory".

A welcome was given to the group by host pastor, Rev. Robert Sharry. A response to the welcome was made by Rev. Bill Hall. Congregational song, "Redeemed."

Offering was taken in the amount of \$8.85. Prayer on offering by Rev. Jack Stallings. Congregational song, "I Will Sing the Wondrous Story".

Special Song by Sis. Glenn Murray, son, and daughter, "I Met the Master."

Count of churches:	Bethel	12
	Faith	4
	New Hope	6
	Topeka	12

Congregational song, "Saved By The Blood".

Special Song by Sis. Clara Hall, "He Hideth My Soul."

The men in the congregation were called into the altar for prayer, led by Bro. Bill Hall.

The speaker, Rev. Glenn Murray, was introduced by Bro. Richard Sandridge. Bro. Murray called attention to the theme of the conference, "Sowing the precious seed, expecting an abundant harvest. 'He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him'". He spoke on the subject, "Why some Christians are sowing the precious seed and some are not, using scripture Luke 8:1-15. Bro. Murray's answer to the question, Why are many Christians not serving God?: Many are hardened and think only of 'I'...they are not interested in seeing souls saved; Many are shallow hearted -- those that fall away because of no depth. But then there are the wholehearted Christians who receive the word and start sowing the seed for Jesus Christ.

Altar of prayer. Song, "Jesus is Calling".

Bro. Sharry advised that Bro. Carl Thompson had resigned as pastor of the Bethel Church and for that reason he was acting as moderator. Several requests were made for prayer. The service was dismissed by Bro. Robert Sharry.

SATURDAY MORNING SERVICE - February 17, 9:45 A.M.

The service was opened by Bro. Sharry with prayer led by Rev. Richard Shade. Congregational songs, "He Keeps Me Singing" and "There's Something in My Heart". Altar of prayer was called with the women coming into the altar.

Devotional was given by Sis. Virginia Stallings. The "good" seed when confirmed in our hearts by the Holy Spirit will bear fruit unto life eternal. John 14:16-23 and I Cor. 1:4-8.

Letters from the churches were read. M.S.C. to receive letters as read. M.S.C. to seat delegates. A charge was given to the delegates by Bro. Trymon Messer using scripture, "Not slothful in business, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord." Romans 12:11.

Visitors were recognized: Rev. Grover Terry, pastor of the First Church of Wichita and Bro. Ronnie Graham also from the first Church in Wichita, Rev. Richard Shade, pastor of the mission at Chanute, Kansas, and Brothers Trymon Messer, Andy Timblin, Johnny Dunn, Vernie Stillings and Leon Stillings from the Salina church.

Committees were selected:

Placement Committee

Sis. Sylvia Sandridge, Ch.  
Sis. Gladys Howard  
Sis. Ruth Roberts

Statistical Committee

Sis. Virginia Stallings, Ch.  
Sis. Clara Hall  
Sis. Donna Steffey

Business Committee

Rev. Jack Stallings, Ch.  
Bro. Clarence Howard  
Bro. Richard Sandridge

Temperance Committee

Bro. Jake Blair, Ch.  
Sis. Edith Blair  
Bro. Omer Fout

Minutes of the last meeting were read for information.

Rev. Phil Bailey, visiting minister, who is serving with the Air Force in Topeka, was recognized.

Report of Executive Board was read: "January 23, 1968, the Board met and formulated the program. February 2, 1968, the Board met and replaced Bro. Lunday as speaker with Bro. Glenn Murray. February 16, Board met and motion was made, seconded and carried that we accept Bro. Carl R. Thompson resignation as moderator and that letter of recommendation be given to the Quarterly Conference that he unites with in a reasonable amount of time. Signed, Jack V. Stallings, Richard Sandridge, Bill Hall."

M.S.C. to receive report as read. M.S.C. to send letter to Rev. Carl R. Thompson when he joins another conference.

Mission Board report read by Bro. Omer Fout:

Nov. 1967 amount brought forward \$373.49

Disbursements:

Nov. 21, J.R. Shade for moving expense - 25.00

Nov. 21, K.S.St. Mission Bd. F.W.B. -200.00

Dec. 1 Amt. brought forward \$ 148.49

No disbursements in Dec.

Jan. 1, amt. brought forward \$ 148.49

Service charge - .20

Feb. 1, amt. brought forward \$ 148.29

Feb. 16 Rec. Co-op Fund + 31.39

Balance in Treasury \$ 179.68

Signed by Omer O. Fout, Treasurer.

M.S.C. to receive report as read.

Bro. Grover Terry gave report on C.T.S. with special reference to the Tick Tack Toe and Bible Bowl. Would like to be able to challenge a team from East Kansas Quarterly Conference to compete with First Kansas Quarterly Conference before June so Kansas would have a team to send to the National Association in Oklahoma.

M.S.& C. to dismiss for intermission until 11:00. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Vernie Stillings.



# 11:00 WORSHIP SERVICE

Bro. Sharry opened the service with congregational song, "Since Jesus Came Into My Heart". Led in prayer by Bro. Clarence Howard. Congregational songs, "Sunshine in My Soul" and "Since I Have Been Redeemed". Led in prayer by Bro. Andy Timblin. Congregational song, "We've a Story to Tell". Request was made for Bro. Ronnie Graham to lead a congregational song. He led "Blessed Assurance."

Special Song, "The Name of Jesus" by Bro. Robert Sharry.

Testimony was given by Bro. Andy Timblin. Others followed with testimonies.

The speaker, Rev. Richard Shade, was presented by Bro. Sharry.

MESSAGE: I Kings 21:3 "And Naboth said to Ahab, The Lord forbid it me, that I should give the inheritance of my fathers unto thee." Naboth's possession was received by inheritance...it was not for sale. Bro. Shade pointed out that we, as children of God and the Free Will Baptist Denomination, have an inheritance that is not for sale, though a lot of people have believed the devil that he will give us something better for it, as Ahab said to Naboth, "I will give thee for it a better vineyard than it."

Invitation Song, "Let Jesus Come Into Your Heart".

Benediction and blessing on the food by Bro. Trymon Messor.

# 1:30 P.M. BUSINESS SESSION

Service opened with congregational singing, "Bringing in the Sheaves" and "At Calvary", led by Sis. Clara Hall. Led in prayer by Bro. Trymon Messor.

Devotional was given by Sis. Clara Hall. Faith grows through testing. James 2:17, Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone.

M.S.C. to have Rev. Robert Sharry continue as moderator to the yearly meeting.

Statistical Committee Report read:

Number baptized	0	Amt. for pastors' sal.	\$ 455.00
Number dismissed by letter	2	Value of Church Property	109,250.00
Number excluded	0	Amt. for Evangelistic Wk	185.00
Number deceased	0	Amt. for Bldg. & Repairs	1,733.69
Resident members	127	Amt. for incidentals	945.34
Non-Resident	28	Amt. for Home Missions	66.00
Members rec'd this Qtr.	8	Amt. for Publications	118.46
Total membership	155	Amt. for Minutes	25.00
Average number in S.S.	25	Amt. for Co-op Fund	164.98
Number of Officers	24	6 Ministers	
CTS membership	66	4 Deacons	
Auxiliary membership	20	3 Adv. Bd. Members	

Report of Business Committee read:

1. We recommend that the Quarterly Conference give the ministers in the Conference permission\* as a committee to make plans for the tent revival. If a church does not have a pastor, one deacon may serve on the committee.
2. We recommend that we give Bro. Shade \$12.50 as expenses.
3. We recommend that the Quarterly Conference send to Bro. & Sister Combs in Brazil \$50.00 from the General Fund. Signed: Jack V. Stallings, Clarence Howard and Richard Sandridge.

M.S.C. to take the report item by item.

Item 1 Passed with the word permission\* inserted in place of the word authority.

Item 2 M.C.C to accept.

Item 3 M.S.C. to accept.

Report of Placement Committee read:

We the Placement Committee recommend that the next East Kansas Quarterly Conf.

convene at the Bothel Free Will Baptist Church. Signed: Ruth Ann Roberts, Sylvia Sandridge and Gladys Howard. M.S.C. to receive Placement Committee report.

Report of Temperance Committee Read:

We the Temperance Committee agree that according to Hebrews 10:23 through 25 that we should admonish our people to good works and church attendance. Verse 23, Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised:) Verse 24, And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works. Verse 25, Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another; and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching. Signed: Omar O. Fout, Jake Blair, and Edith Blair. M.S.C. to accept this report.

Report of Executive Board read:

We recommend Bro. Glenn Murray as licensed in the East Quarterly Conf. Signed: Jack Stallings, Richard Sandridge, Robert R. Sharpy. M.S. C. to accept this report.

Treasurer's report read:

Report for Dec., Jan., Feb.

Balance \$113.64

General Fund

Balance \$113.64

Offering 11-18 11.22

Total \$124.86

Disbursements:

Clerk Fee 5.00

Balance \$119.86

Co-operative Fund

Received this quarter:

Topeka 11-17-67 \$23.30

Timberlane 11-18-67 23.28

Bothel 12-7-67 29.00

Bothel 12-31-7 28.40

Timberlane 2-3-68 21.59

\$125.57

Disbursements:

E. Ks. Mission Bd. 31.39

Ks. St. Assn of F.W.B. 94.18

Total paid out \$125.57

Balance -0-

Total balance in General Fund and Co-operative Fund -- \$119.86

M.S.C. to receive report as read.

Nominations received for speakers for next meeting which will be our yearly meeting, May 16 and 17, 1968. Rev. Lawrence Thompson was elected the speaker for the Friday night service. Rev. Grover Terry was elected for the Saturday morning service.

Rev. Richard Shade reported on the work at Charute, Kansas. Organizational service to be held Saturday night, March 2, 1968.

Standing vote of thanks was given to Sis. Virginia Stallings for her work as clerk for the Conference.

Offering taken in the amount of \$7.36. Bro. Sharpy led in prayer.

Congregational song, "God Leads Us Along".

M.S.C. to offer standing vote of appreciation to the Host Church.

M.S.C. to adjourn.

Dismissed in prayer by Sis. Tommie Ann Sharpy.



25TH SESSION  
MINUTES OF THE  
EAST KANSAS YEARLY CONFERENCE  
OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS  
WHEN CONVENED WITH THE  
BETHEL FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH  
May 17 & 18, 1968

FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICE - 7:30 P.M.

The conference was called into session by Rev. Bill Hall. We were led in prayer by Bro. Ozel Fout. Rev. Harold Edwards was introduced by Bro. Hall, also Rev. Grover Grover Terry of First Church in Wichita was recognized. Congregational songs, "Tis So Sweet To Trust In Jesus", "Living By Faith" and "When The Redeemed Are Gathering In" were led by Bro. Homer Castle, Sis. Castle playing the piano.

A welcome was given by Rev. Glen Murray. Response by Bro. Ozel Fout.

Special Music by the Women's Quartet from New Hope Church, "Will It Do, Precious Lord, Will It Do" and "I've Been To Calvary".

Offering was received. Prayer on offering by Bro. Harold Edwards.

The speaker, Bro. Grover Terry, was presented by Bro. Hall. Following the conference theme, "The need for Christian education...Proverbs 3:13, "Happy is the man that findeth wisdom and the man that getteth understanding, Bro. Terry brought an inspiring message on the subject, "Education, the Grasping of Knowledge. When applied to Christian Education, the Finding of Christ." An altar call was given.

Dismissed by Rev. Jack Stallings.

SATURDAY MORNING SERVICE - May 18, 9:45 A.M.

The service was opened with congregational song, "He Set Me Free" led by Rev. Robert Sharpy, Sis. Mary Scritchfield playing the piano. Prayer was led by Rev. Grover Terry. Congregational Song, "It Is Truly Wonderful".

Special Song by Sis. Clara Hall, "Unworthy".

Devotional was given by Sis. Tommy Sharpy using the 27th Psalm. Followed by Altar of Prayer led by Bro. Glen Murray.

Letters from the churches were read. MS&C to receive letters and to seat delegates. The moderator read the names of the delegates and asked them to stand for recognition.

M.S. & C. to adopt resolution that any licensed minister who is pastor of any church in the East Kansas Quarterly Conference and in good standing with the Quarterly Conference be given a vote in the Quarterly Meeting.

M.S. & C. that Bro. Murray appoint a delegate from the alternates to replace himself. Sis. Pam Sandridge was appointed to replace Bro. Murray.

The Constitution and By-Laws were read.

Rev. Lawrence Thompson, visiting minister, was recognized.

Committees were appointed:

<u>Business Committee:</u>	<u>Placement Committee:</u>	<u>Statistics Committee:</u>
Rev. Jack Stallings, Ch.	Sis. Pauline Castle, Ch.	Sis. Virginia Stallings, Ch.
Bro. Richard Sandridge	Sis. Sylvia Sandridge	Sis. Tommy Sharpy
Bro. Harold Dugan	Sis. Ruth Roberts	Sis. Linda Adams

M.S. & C. to appoint a nominating committee. Don Adams, Ozel Fout, Ch. and Bro. Glen Murray were appointed.

Intermission was called until 11:00. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Sharpy.

### 11:00 WORSHIP SERVICE

Congregational song, "Take Your Burden to the Lord and Leave It There" was led by Bro. Sharry, Sis. Pauline Castle playing the piano. Bro. Don Adams led in prayer. Congregational songs, "At The Cross" and "Sunshine In My Soul".

Special Song by the Ladies' Quartet of New Hope Church, "Never Failth".

Special Song by the Murray Family, "So Great Is His Love".

Rev. Lawrence Thompson, speaker, was introduced by Bro. Sharry. Bro. Thompson brought a marvelous message on the subject, "What should be taught, the curriculum of a Christian Education."

An Altar Call was given. Song, "Just As I Am".

Benediction and blessing on food by Bro. Richard Sandridge.

### 1:30 P.M. BUSINESS SESSION

Service was opened with congregational song, "He Lives". Prayer led by Bro. Harold Dugan. Congregational song, "I've Anchored In Jesus".

Offering was taken in the amount of \$8.35.

Devotional was given by Sis. Edith Blair using Job 28:28 and Hosea 4:1,2,6.

Minutes of last meeting were read for information.

Executive Board report was read: "The Executive Board met May 7 and formulated the program for the Quarterly Meeting". Signed by, Jack Stallings, Clerk of the Executive Board. M.S. & C. to receive report.

Mission Board Treasurer's report given orally. M.S. C. to receive this report. M.S.C. that since this is quarterly conference business that this report should be turned in to the clerk for printing in the minutes.

Mission Board Treasurer's Report:

Feb. 1968 Amt. brought forward	\$148.29
Feb. 16 Rec. co-op. Fund	31.39
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	\$179.68
Mar. Amt. Brought Forward	\$179.68
Disbursement to Ks. State Home Mission Bd.	23.54
Balance in Treasury	<hr/>
	\$156.14
April Amt. Brought Forward	\$156.14
No disbursements	
May 1 Amt. Brought Forward	\$156.14
May 18 Rec. Co-op Fund	70.23
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	\$226.37
May disbursement	.10
Balance in Treasury	<hr/>
	\$226.27

Signed by Omer C. Fout, Treasurer



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Treasurer's report read:  
March, April, May Report.  
Balance \$119.86

General Fund

Balance	\$119.86
Offering 2-16	8.85
Delegatos Fees:	
Topeka	5.00
Faith	5.00
Timberlane	5.00
Bethel	5.00
New Hope	5.00
Offering 2-17	7.36
Total	<u>\$161.07</u>

Disbursements  
Jim & Shirley Combs Acct. 50.00  
\$111.07

M.S. & C. to accept this report.

Cooperative Fund

Topeka 2-15	\$ 56.10
Faith 2-15	62.69
Bethel 3-22	22.25
Bethel 4-12	40.00
Faith 4-12	99.88
Total	<u>\$280.92</u>

Disbursements:  
E. Ks. Mission Board 70.23  
Ks. State Assn. 210.69  
\$280.92  
Balance --00--

Business Committee report read:

1. We recommend to accept the reports of Rev. Bill Hall, Rev. Robert Sharpy, Rev. Jack Stallings and Rev. Glen Murray and Cards of Standing be issued to them, Rev. Murray as a licensed minister.

2. We recommend to the conference that the Treasurer be instructed to mail a check to Bro. Grover Torry for \$23.00 for expenses for being our guest speaker. Also Bro. Lawrence Thompson, \$10.00.

3. We recommend that Bro. Richard Sandridge and the clerk as a committee be given the privilege to purchase a business brief case for the clerk to keep conference records in. (Bro. Sandridge can get a discount where he works.)

4. We wish to give host church a standing vote of thanks for their hospitality. Signed by Jack Stallings, Richard Sandridge and Harold Dugan.

M.S. & C. to adopt this report item by item.

Item 1. Approved by acclamation.

Item 2. Approved by acclamation.

Item 3 amended to include a briefcase for the treasurer also. M.S. & C. to accept Item 3 as amended.

A standing vote of appreciation was given to the host church.

Statistical Report was read:

Members received this quarter	30	Value of Church Property	\$94,500.00
Members baptized	5	Amt. for Evang. Work	840.22
Number dismissed by letter	11	Amt. for Bldg. & Repairs	10,105.25
Number excluded	0	Amt. for Incidentals	2,757.25
Number Deceased	0	Amt. for Foreign Missions	218.21
Resident Members	135	Amt. for Home Missions	223.86
Non-Resident Members	28	Amt. for Education	20.00
Total Membership	163	Amt. for Publications	589.55
Average Number of Pupils in S.S.	121	Amt. for Co-op Fund	810.17
Number of Officers	27	Amt. for Youth Camp	135.00
CTS Membership	63		
Auxiliary Membership	19		

Signed by Virginia Stallings, Linda Adams and Tommy Ann Sharpy  
M.S. & C. to accept this report.

Placement Committee Report read:

We the Placement Committee recommend that we have our next Quarterly Conference at New Hope Free Will Baptist Church the 16th and 17th of August 1968. Signed by Pauline Castle, Sylvia Sandridge, Ruth Ann Roberts  
M.S. & C. to accept this report.

Bro. Omer Fout submitted his resignation from the Mission Board. M.S.&C. to accept the resignation. Bro. Fout was given a standing vote of appreciation for his work on the Mission Board.

Report of Nominating Committee was read:

We the Nominating Committee have met prayerfully and recommend the following:

Moderator	Bro. Bill Hall
Assistant Moderator	Bro. Robert Sharry
Clerk	Sis. Mary Scritchfield
Ass't Clerk & Treasurer	Sis. Clara Hall
Reporter	Sis. Ellen Dobyns
Mission Board member	Bro. David Lunday

Mission Board Member to replace Bro. Omer Fout -- Bro. Homer Castle

Executive Board Member. Bro. Richard Sandridge

Signed by Omer O. Fout, Don Adams and Glen D. Murray

M.S. & C. to take this report item by item.

Bro. Hall was elected by acclamation for Moderator

Bro. Robert Sharry was elected Assistant Moderator by acclamation.

Sis. Mary Scritchfield was elected as clerk by acclamation.

Sis. Clara Hall was elected Assistant Clerk and Treasurer by acclamation.

Sis. Ellen Dobyns was elected Reporter by acclamation.

Bro. David Lunday was elected to the Mission Board by acclamation as three year man.

Bro. Homer Castle was elected as one year man to replace Bro. Omer Fout.

Bro. Richard Sandridge declined the nomination on the Executive Board.

Nominations were received and Bro. Don Adams was elected as Three year man on the Executive Board.

Nominations for delegates to the State Meeting were received. The following were nominated and elected by acclamation: Bro. & Sis. Don Adams, Sis. Clara Hall, Bro. Glen Murray and Sis. Virginia Stallings. The State Meeting will be held June 13, 14 and 15 at Crestview Shelter House on Shunga Drive in Topeka, Kansas.

Speakers for the next quarterly meeting in August were elected. Bro. Robert Sharry was elected for Friday night speaker and Bro. Harold Edwards was elected for Saturday morning speaker.

Minutes of the meeting thus far were read and approved. Standing vote of appreciation was given Sis. Stallings for her work as clerk.

M.S. & C. to place on table for consideration and to be voted on at the next Quarterly Meeting an Amendment to By-Laws No. 2 as follows: When a minister comes from another Free Will Baptist Conference to pastor a church in this conference, the church that he is to pastor must furnish the Executive Board with a letter of recommendation from the conference from which he came before acceptance into this conference.

M.S. & C. to adjourn.

Dismissed by Sister Clara Hall.



26th Session  
Minutes of the East Kansas Quarterly Conference of  
Free Will Baptists  
When Convened with the New Hope Free Will Baptist Church

August 16 and 17 - 1968

Friday Night Service - 7:30 P. M.

The conference was called into session by the moderator, Rev. Bill Hall. Congregational Songs, "Glad Reunion Day" and "When the Redeemed are Gathering In" were led by Brother Don Adams, Pianist Sister Mary Scritchfield.

A welcome was given by Sister Jewell Roark. Response was given by Brother Richard Sandridge. Brother Calvin Parker was recognized by the Moderator. Brother Parker expressed his joy to be in the quarterly meeting. Congregational song, (Oh I Want to See Him", special song by Brother and Sister Hall, "Teach Me Lord to Wait", special song by Brother and Sister Barelift "What a Day That Will Be", special song by Sister Jewell Roark and Shirley "Whispering Hope."

Offering was received. Prayer on offering by Brother Don Adams.

The Speaker, Brother Robert Sharpy was presented by Rev. Bill Hall. The theme "Consider or Think." The needs of men to repent and receive Jesus Christ. 5th Ch. Hagai-Vs. 2-7-15-18 consider that which will make us of more value to God. Our ways or God's ways? The priest gave heed to God because of the fear of God, that is the beginning of wisdom. Today there is no fear of God and no respect by many. Timidity is no excuse, there being only a few of us no excuse for not working for God. What is our affect on the lives of others as a Christian? Do we have enough faith to use what God has given us-be it great or small and believe he will add or take away as needed? We are living in sealed houseswhile God's house goes to waste. If we'll take care of God's business he'll take care of our business and will be with us always. If we will humble ourselves and pray for the anointing of the Holy Spirit, to go preach and witness and live for Him, He will be on our side, ask ourselves are we on God's side? The Christian cannot live today close to the outer limits of the world and get by, we need to be careful of the testimony we give for Christ in our lives, and let the Holy Spirit dwell in us and lead and guide us. Pray for God's will in our lives. Alter call was given.

Dismissed in prayer by Brother Tom Coleman.

Saturday Morning Service - 9:45 A. M.

The service was opened in prayer by Rev. Jack Stallings. Congregational Song, "When I See the Blood," "At Calvary" and "When the Roll is Called Up Yonder," led by Sister Edith Blair. Devotion was given by Rev. Jack Stallings. John 14-22. Arise let us go hence. It is time that we arise and be about our Father's business. Letters from the churches were read. M.M.S. & C. to receive letters and to seat delegates. The Moderator read the names of the delegates and asked them to stand for recognition.

Committees were appointed:

Business Committee

Rev. Jack Stallings, Ch.  
Sister Sylvia Sandridge  
Sister Betty Parker

Placement Committee

Rev. Robert Sharpy, Ch.  
Sister Mildred Whitworth  
Sister Edith Blair

Temperance Committee

Brother Calvin Parker, Ch.  
Sister Tommy Sharpy  
Sister Bonnie Williams

Obituary Committee

Brother Jake Blair, Ch.  
Sister Audrey Coleman  
Sister Ina Summers



Intermission was called until 11 O'clock. Dismissed in prayer by Brother Robert Sharry.

### 11 O'Clock Worship Service.

Congregational song, "Blessed be the Name", "Deeper Deeper", was led by Sister Edith Blair. Offering was received. Prayer on offering by Brother Jake Blair. Congregational song, "I Know Whom I Have Believed", Special song by Rev. Robert Sharry and Jimmy Sharry, "Each Step I Take", Special song by Sister Clara Hall, "Down From His Glory." Rev. Woodrow Matthews, speaker, was introduced by Rev. Bill Hall. His message was on the subject "And the Disciples Were Called Christians", Acts 11, 19-26. The title Christian has been cheapened, It has come to be used to describe anything that comes under the description of the church, or high moral standards and good citizenship. It is used so close even to Atheism. What does Christian mean? It means to be "Saved" or "Born Again." It is a challenge to live better and labor for God. We must give him first place in our hearts and lives. Why was our Lord called Jesus? Because he would save his people. The Christian should be trying always to grow and develop. The Christian is fully surrendered to the will of God. When Jesus went to Gethsemane to pray he sweat as drops of blood. He was so burdened for lost sinners. As a human He said, "Father let this cup pass from Me." But as Divine, He said, "Thy will be done." He had conquered the flesh. The church needs to be burdened for the world. The words "Crucified With Christ" means we also go to Calvary - not literally but spiritually - if we are fully surrendered to God. Many things in life give us much strain and stress, but we must be a witness at home, at work, in our community, not by word only but by our lives as others are watching our lives. The Christian hope and reward is Heaven. We are only pilgrims. It is nearing the time when the earth shall pass away. Our life here is a blessing, but a better place is Heaven. Let us all pray for our full surrender to God. An Alter call was given. Benediction and Blessing on the food by Brother Calvin Parker.

### Business Session 1:30 P. M.

Service was opened by a Congregational song, "A New Name in Glory", led by Sister Blair, Special song by Rev. Robert Sharry and Brother Bud Mitchell, "He Hideth My Soul." Devotion by Brother Bud Mitchell, Romans 12, 1-2. Minutes of last meeting were read. Treasurer's report read for June, July, and August, 1968:

#### General Fund:

Balance	111.07
Offering 5-17	10.36
<u>Delegates Fees</u>	
Timberlane	5.00
New Hope	5.00
Topeka	5.00
Bethel	5.00
Faith	5.00
Offering 5-18	8.35
	<u>154.78</u>

#### Disbursements:

Rev. Grover Terry	23.00
Rev. Lawrence Thompson	10.00
Clerk Fee	5.00
Kansas State Association for delegate fee	25.00
Richard Sandridge for brief case for clerk	4.54
Total Paid Out	<u>67.54</u>
Balance	87.24

#### Cooperative Fund

##### Received this quarter:

Timberlane	27.26
Topeka	69.67
Bethel	38.00
Faith	23.95
New Hope	35.00
Bethel	47.60
New Hope	74.27

315.75

#### Disbursements:

Kansas State Association of Free Will Baptists	236.81
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### Business Committee Report Read:

1. We recommend we accept Rev. David Lundley Minister's report and issue card of standing as an ordained minister.



2. We recommend to the conference that the Treasurer be instructed to mail a check to Rev. Woodrow Mathews for \$15.00 for being our guest speaker.
3. We recommend that the executive board receive the petition letter from the First Church of Chanute, Kansas, and meet with the Church and accept the Church into fellowship if it is the desire of the Board with the final approval by the body at our next meeting.
4. We recommend that our next quarterly meeting be a Missionary Conference with Rev. Mark Vandivort of Columbia, Missouri, as our speaker Friday Night and Saturday morning.

M.M.S. & C. to adopt this report item by item.

Item 1 approved by acclamation

Item 2 approved by acclamation

Item 3 approved by acclamation

Item 4 approved by acclamation

Item 5 approved by acclamation

A standing vote of appreciation was given to the last church.

Place Committee Report Read:

We the placement committee recommend the next quarterly conference meet with the First Church of Topeka, the 15th and 16th of November. M.M.S. & C. to accept this report. Signed by Robert Sharpy, Edith Blair, and Mildred Whitworth.

Temperance Committee Report Read:

We, the Temperance Committee, recommend we continue to work together for a greater up building of God's Kingdom and our churches in Kansas to strive to keep and lead the youth of our churches into a greater service for God's Glory. Signed by Calvin Parker, Tommie Sharpy, and Bonnie Williams. M.M.S. & C. to accept this report.

Obituary Committee Report Read:

God, in his infinite wisdom, has seen fit to call from our midst little Delores Parker, baby daughter of Brother and Sister Calvin Parker. We humbly bow in submission to His will. We offer our heart felt sympathy. Signed by Jake Blair, Mary Summers, and Audrey Coleman. M.M.S. & C. to accept this report.

The executive board met July 31 and selected Rev. Woodrow Matthews as speaker for our eleven o'clock service as Brother Harold Edwards could not be here. The Board selected Brother Stallings as chairman. Motion was made to wait until next quarterly meeting to give Mission Treasurer's report.

M.M.S. & C. to adjourn.

Dismissed in prayer by Brother Richard Sandridge.

27TH SESSION  
MINUTES OF THE EAST KANSAS QUARTERLY CONFERENCE OF  
FREE WILL BAPTISTS  
WHEN CONVENED WITH THE TOPEKA FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

November 15 and 16, 1968

Friday Night Service - 7:30 P.M.

The conference was called into session by Assistant Moderator, Rev. Robert Sharry. Congregational song, "Higher Ground", was led by Brother Sharry, Pianist Sister Donna Steffey. Led in prayer by Rev. Glen Murray. Congregational songs, "Victory in Jesus" and "Stand Up For Jesus".

Count of churches was taken:	Bethel	3
	New Hope	2
	Topeka	11

Congregational song, "A Shelter in the Time of Storm."  
Offering was received in the amount of \$3.90. Prayer led by Sister Virginia Stallings. A welcome was given by Rev. Robert Sharry. Response was given by Bro. Glen Murray, calling attention to the theme of the conference: "Go preach God's Word. As thou hast sent me into the world, even so have I also sent them into the world." Congregational song, "Old Time Power".  
Special Song by Sister Ruth Roberts and Bro. and Sis. Sharry, "Surely Goodness and Mercy Shall Follow Me All The Days of My Life".

The speaker, Reverend Mark Vandivort, was presented by Rev. Sharry. Brother Vandivort has worked in Home Mission work in Twin Mountain, New Hampshire, was Field Secretary in the Home Mission Department and is now at Columbia, Missouri, beginning a mission there. MESSAGE: Matt. 6:33, "But seek ye first the kingdom of god and his righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you."

An invitation was given and an altar of prayer was led by Bro. Glen Murray, closed by Bro. Sharry. Congregational song, "Open My Eyes That I Might See." Dismissed by Bro. Richard Sandridge.

Saturday Morning Service - 9:45 A.M.

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. Bill Hall. Congregational song, "Sunlight, Sunlight" was led by Rev. Robert Sharry, Pianist, Sister Pauline Castle. Prayer was led by Rev. David Lunday. Congregational song, "We'll Work Til Jesus Comes".

Devotional was given by Bro. Glen Murray, on the theme scripture St. John 17:18.

M.M. S. & C. that Sister Virginia Stallings act as clerk, Sister Edith Blair assisting, in the absence of regular clerk.

Letters from the churches were read and delegates seated.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Appointment of committees by Rev. Robert Sharry:

Business Committee

Rev. David Lunday  
Rev. Glen Murray, Chairman  
Rev. Jack Stallings

Placement Committee

Sis. Helen McCain  
Sis. Sylvia Sandridge  
Bro. Jake Blair, Ch.

Temperance Committee

Bro. Richard Sandridge, Ch.  
Sis. Joan Lawler  
Sis. Pauline Castle



Rules of Order read by Moderator.

M. M. S & C. to adjourn for 10 Min. recess until 11:00 service.

#### 11:00 WORSHIP SERVICE

Congregational Song, "To God Be the Glory". Led in prayer by Rev. Harry Beatty.

Congregational song, "Since I Have Been Redeemed".

Special Song by Sister Sandy Phillips, "He Touched Me."

The speaker, Rev. Mark Vandivort, was introduced by the Moderator.

MESSAGE: The 17th Chapter of St. John. Jesus' prayer of intercession.

Offering received. Prayer led by Bro. Richard Sandridge. Congregational song,

"I Am Resolved". Dismissed and blessing on food by Rev. Jack Stallings.

#### 1:00 P.M. BUSINESS SESSION

Congregational Song, "Softly and Tenderly". Prayer was led by Rev. Robert Sharpy.

The speaker, Rev. Harry Beatty, Promotional Secretary of the Missouri State Association, was presented by Rev. Robert Sharpy. MESSAGE: Ps. 19:8 and St. John the 15th Chapter. "I am the true vine and ye are the branches."

Temperance Report was read and approved:

"We the Temperance Committee believe that we as Christians have failed in our Christian experience with God by not being persistent and consistent in carrying the gospel to the lost world, through our own personal witness and through our church witness. We also feel that we need to pray that God will lead us in a more efficient way in approaching the lost, and step out on our faith in God through his promise in Philippians 4:13 that says: "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheth me."

Signed -- Sister Pauline Castle, Sister Joan Lawler, Bro. Richard Sandridge

Placement report was read:

"We the Placement Committee recommend the next Quarterly Meeting to be held at Bethel Free Will Baptist Church.

Signed -- Bro. Jake Blair, Sis. Sylvia Sandridge, Sis. Helen McCain  
M.M. S. & C. to accept this report.

The Executive Board Report was read:

"The Executive Board met with all members present.

1. M.M. S. & C. to accept the resignation of Sis. Mary Scritchfield as clerk.
2. M.M. S. & C. that Sis. Clara Hall be appointed clerk for remainder of the year as well as Treasurer.
3. M.M. S & C. that Sis. Glen D. Murray be appointed for the remainder of year as Sis. Clara Hall's assistant, and at the end of the year a clerk and treasurer be elected as in the past.
4. We met with Bro. Glen D. Murray and we recommend him to be ordained as a minister.

Signed -- Rev. Jack V. Stallings, Bro. Don Adams, Rev. Bill Hill

M.M. S. & C. to accept this report item by item.

Item #1 carried

" #2 "  
" #3 "  
" #4 "

Resignation of Rev. Bill Hall from Executive Board was read. M. M. S. & C. to accept this resignation. Nominations were taken to fill this vacancy on Executive Board. Bro. Glen Murray was elected by acclamation.

The Treasurer's Report Was read:

September, October, November

Balance		\$166.18
General Fund	\$ 87.24	Cooperative Fund 78.94
Offering 8-16	11.62	(\$78.94 goes to East Kansas Board for
Offering 8-17	9.00	June, July and August)
Representation Fee:		Received for Coop. Fund:
Timberlane	5.00	Timberlane 17.09
Topeka	5.00	Topeka 82.00
New Hope	5.00	New Hope 36.25
Faith	5.00	Bethel 40.00
Bethel	5.00	Faith 59.93
Balance	\$132.86	New Hope 65.11
		Bethel 54.00
		New Hope 77.52
		\$431.90

Disbursements:

Clerk fee for quarter of  
June, July, August 5.00

Rev. Woodrow Matthews 15.00

Rev. Jack Stallings for  
mileage to Chanute for  
Executive Board Meeting  
5¢ a mile 278 mi. 13.90

Total disbursements \$33.90

Balance \$98.96

M.M. S. & C. to accept this report.

Disbursements:

Kansas State Association  
of Free Will Baptists 323.92

Kansas Mission Board (this  
includes last quarter's) 186.92

Balance 000

The Mission Board Report was read:

The Mission Board of the East Kansas Quarterly Conference met November 8 to discuss the financial support that we are sending to the Chamute Church.

The support, which is 75% of the total income of the Mission Board, was designated to the church for as long as they needed it. We the Mission Board feel that our financial support is no longer needed and we suggest that we discontinue this support.

Signed -- Bro. Don Adams, Bro. Homer Castle, Bro. David Lunday  
M.M. S. & C. to accept this report.

The Business Committee report was read:

The Business Committee met and recommends to give the guest speaker J. Mark Vandivort a love offering of \$50 (fifty dollars) to help him bear his trip expenses and in his work for the Lord.

Also the Business Committee recommends that the Host Church, Topeka, be given a standing vote of thanks.

Signed -- Glen D. Murray, Jack V. Stallings, David O. Lunday  
M.M. S & C. to take this report item by item.

Item #1 carried

" #2 "

Nominations were received for speakers for the next quarterly meeting. Bro. Glen Murray was elected for the speaker for Friday night. Bro. David Lunday was elected for the speaker for Saturday morning.

Letter from Rev. Richard Shade stating the Chamute Church had withdrawn their petition to the East Kansas Quarterly Meeting was read for information.

Minutes of the meeting thus far were read and approved. M.M. S. & C. to adjourn.

We were dismissed by Rev. Harry Beatty.