

MINUTES OF THE YEARLY MEETING OF THE
EAST KANSAS QUARTERLY CONFERENCE OF
FREE WILL BAPTISTS

72nd SESSION

CONVENED AT THE FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
TOPEKA, KANSAS
FEBRUARY 15-16, 1980

Friday Evening, 7:30 p.m.

Service was opened by Bro. Elwin Clifton reading scriptures. Mark- Chapter 10.

Prayer by Bro. Rue Dell Smith.

Congregational singing- "Stand up for Jesus" - led by Bro. Tom Holdeman, and pianist
Sis. Sherry (Pianist for New Life Singers).

Welcome by Bro. Gary Elder with response by Bro. Elwin Clifton.

Congregational singing - "The Solid Rock".

Evening offering was taken in the amount of \$12.84.

Attendance count of the churches was taken: Bethel 1, Emporia 0,
New Hope 9, Topeka 17, & Visitors 10 (New Life Singers), for a total of 37
present.

Special music by New Life Singers, entitled "Lift Him up", "Show His love", "Walk-
ing in sunlight", "Trying to walk in the steps of the Saviour", and "Welcome
home children".

Bro. Dale Norrid made a speech for Hillsdale FWB College.
Special music by New life Singers. "Death where is your victory & grave where is
your sting", "We shall rise", "Didn't he love, didn't he shine".

Evening message by Rev. Dale Norrid. Scripture Matthew 5:14.

Invitation was given followed by an altar of prayer for Sat. Morning services.

Because of bad weather the appointment of committees was delayed til Sat. Morn.

Services dismissed in prayer by Rev. Elwin Clifton.

Sat. Morn. Feb. 16, 1980 - 9.00 am

Services opened with prayer by Rev. Mike Rhodes.

Congregational singing, "Since I've been redeemed", led by Bro. Tom Holdeman, pian-
ist Sis. Wanda Holdeman.

Devotion by Bro. Mike Ivy from Hillsdale. Scripture Job chapter 11.
Visitors recognized.

The following committees were appointed:

Nominating Committee
Bro. Jim Brewer Ch
Bro. Richard Sandridge
Bro. John Rogers
Sis. Nora Rhodes

Business Committee
Sis. Wanda Holdeman Ch.
Bro. Bill Cordell
Rev. Lewie Jeffries
Sis. Delia Chambers

Public Morals Committee
Sis. Edith Whitney Ch.
Bro. Tom Holdeman
Sis. Janet Rogers

Obituary Committee:
Sis. Edith Blair Ch.
Sis. Charlotte Jeffries
Sis. Donna Brewer

Rules of order were read by the moderator.

The church letters were read, M.S.&C. to seat the delegates and accept the church letters as read.

Clerk read the minutes from Nov. 16 & 17th meeting. M.S.&C. to accept the minutes as read.

Annual treasurer's report was given by treasurer:

Annual Financial Report:

For year of 1979 -

Carry over \$181.64

Offering- Feb! 47.49

" " May 46.81

" " Aug! 26.39

" " Nov! 49.94

Total off \$ 170.63

Balance over from 1979

\$352.27

Delegat fees- Feb! \$40.00

" " May \$40.00

" " Aug. \$40.00

" " Nov. \$30.00

" " Total \$150.00

\$352.27

Total

\$502.27

DISBURSEMENTS:

Clerks fee \$ 40.00

4 service charges 16.00

Forms for minutes & ministers

cards 3 .55

Bro. Elder printing 6.50

State Association 40.00

Speakers 140.00

Mileage 113.00

\$359.05

Amount of income \$502.27

while at Boatmans bank

Disbursements \$359.05

Total \$143.22

M.S.&C to accept annual treasurers report as read.

Executive report was given orally by Rev. Gary Elder.

The Executive Board Report

The Executive board of The EKQC met at the Bethel church- Thurs. 10.00 a.m. Dec. 27, 1979 to discuss conference business.

Meeting was opened in prayer by Bro. Clifton. Item #1. Plans were discussed for the Feb. 15, 16th meeting to be held at the Topeka church. Item #2. MS&C The New Life Singers of Hillsdale FWB College would be in charge of the Fri. night & Sat. Morn. worship services.

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORT (Cont.).

Item #3 MS&C Bro. Elder would arrange lodging and meals for the group from Hillsdale, while they are in Topeka; the Conference will be responsible for the expenses.

Item #4 MS&C An offering would be received for Hillsdale during the Conference.

Item #5 Discussion was made for a possible rewording of a motion made by the Public Morals Committee at the last Conference. The motion was tabled and directed to us for consideration and to present a revision at the Feb. meeting.

Item #6 MS&C The rewording of the motion should be as follows:
we endorse corporal punishment in the home and with parental knowledge we endorse corporal punishment in the schools.

Item #7 meeting was adjourned in prayer by Bro. Elder. Prayerfully submitted;
Rue Dell Smith Ch., Elwin Clifton, Mike Rhodes, Gary Elder Clerk

MS&C to accept The Executive Board Report as read.

MS&C to remove Unfinished business from November Conference from the table (Item #3—Public Morals Committee Report) --The original Item #3 read --We recommend that each church in the conference provide petitions to be signed by its members and sent to its legislators in opposition to any laws restricting corporal punishment of children according to the Bible. --- The ammendment of Item #3 as presented by The Executive Board. ---We recommend that each church in the conference provide petitions to be signed by its members and sent to legislators in opposition to any laws restricting corporal punishment in the home & with parental knowledge in the school. MS&C to adopt ammendment. MS&C to adopt main motion as ammended.

Trip to National Association for 1980 was discussed.

Emporia Church letter was read. MS&C to receive church letter & seat the delegates.

MS&C to reconsider the motion to receive minutes from Nov. Conf. as read. MS&C to correct the phrase (in Public Morals Report) dealing with ammendment (that it be deleted from the Nov. minutes).

MS&C to approve the Nov. Conf. Minutes as corrected.

Recess was given for committees to meet.

Business Committee report was given. MS&C to accet the report item by item. All items carried.

BUSINESS COMMITTEE REPORT

We recommend that the Executive Board select and contact a guest speaker for the May Quarterly Meeting.

We recommend that the Quarterly Meeting give \$50.00 to Hillsdale FWB College for providing guest speakers for our Feb. Quarterly Meeting. We recommend that a standing vote of thanks be given to The 1st Free Will Baptist Church of Topeka for hosting the Quarterly Meeting.

Wanda Holdeman, Ch., Bill Cordill, Sister Delia Chambers

Public Morals Committee Report was given. MS&C to accept the report item by item. All items carried. Bro. Smith made an observation that the Governor should also receive a letter on Item #1.

THE PUBLIC MORALS COMMITTEE REPORT

We, the public morals committee, recommend -(1) That each church clerk prepare a petition to be sent to its respective state legislators in favor of capital punishment, and (2) - That parents be admonished to censor the television viewing of their children and themselves. Edith Whitney, Ch. Janet Rogers, Thomas Holdeman

The Obituary Committee Report was given. MS&C to receive the report.

THE OBITUARY COMMITTEE REPORT

We the Obituary Committee, are thanking the Lord that none of our churches has had any deaths this past year. Donna Brewer Ch., Charlotte. Jeffries, Edith Blair

An oral Executive Board Report was given. Rev. Lewie Jeffries was examined and found sound in doctrine and we recommended that Bro. Jeffries be elected to the Association as an ordained minister.

Nominating Committee report was read by clerk. MS&C to accept report

& act upon it item by item.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

Nominating Committee Report

Moderator--Rev. Elwin Clifton

Asst. Moderator--Rev. Gary Elder

Clerk-- -- Bro. Lewie Jeffries

Treasurer--- Sis. Edith Blair

Asst. Clerk-Treasurer-- Bro. John Rogers

1 year Exec. Board Member--- Rev. Mike Rhodes

3 year Exec. Board Member-- Rev. Rue Dell Smith

Point of information- Rev. Gary Elder will be 2 year Executive Board member. Nora Rhodes, John Rogers, Richard Sandridge, & James O. Brewer

There was no nominations from the floor. MS&C to accept the nominating Committee's nominations. All items carried.

MS&C to adjourn to worship service.

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Sat. Morn. Feb. 16, 1980 WORSHIP SERVICE

Services opened with congregational singing "Take the name of Jesus with you", "Saviour like a Shepherd", -Song leader Bro. Tom Holdeman & Pianist Sis. Wanda Holdeman.

Prayer led by Bro. Jim Mize.

Offering was taken.

Bro. Norrid from Hillsdale FWB College thanked everyone for their nice hospitality.

Special music was presented by the New Life Singers (from Hillsdale). They sang "We shall rise", "Just because I ask", "He gave himself", and "It wouldn't be enough".

Message by Bro. Terry VanWinkle from Hillsdale. Scripture from 1 Cor.-3:9.

Invitation was given followed by an altar of prayer.

Bro. Rue Dell Smith spoke commending Hillsdale Free Will Baptist College.

Love offering was taken for Hillsdale.

Dismissal prayer & offering on food by Bro. Tom Holdeman.

Clerk Ozella Smith

MINUTES OF THE QUARTERLY CONFERENCE
OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS
73rd SESSION
CONVENED AT THE
BETHEL FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
KANSAS CITY, KANSAS
MAY 16-17, 1980

Friday Evening 7:30 p.m.

Open by Brother Cordell Reading: I Thess. chapter one.
Prayer: Brother Lewie Jeffries
Congregational Singing, led by Brother Clifton. #1; I am Resolved.

Welsome by Brother Cliften

Response by Brother Mike Rhodes

Congregational Sing: "Will Jesus Find Us Watching?"

Evening offering was taken in the amount of \$30.66.

Attendance count of the churches was taken: Bethel: 19,
Emporia: 5, Mew Hope: 14, Topeka: 12, Salina: 5, Over-
land Park Baptist: 4. For a total of 59.

Special Music by Bethel Young People, "I Want to Stroll
Over Heaven With You," and "Someone To Care."

Brother Dean Long was introduced to bring the evening message.
His text was II Cronicles 7:12-14 & 19-22. "The Condition
of Our Land, Our Church, And Ourselves."

Invention was given with congregation singing, "Pass Me Not."

Appointment of Committées by Brother Clifton and Brother Rhodes.

Business

Tom Holderman
John Rodgers
Jim Mize

Public Morals

Jim Brewer
Hildred Summers
Doyle Pennel

Obituary

Marty Maxville
Wanda Holderman
Edith Blair

Benediction and announcements by Brother Clifton.

Saturday Morning Session, 9:30 a.m.

Conference called order by moderator, Rev. Elwin Clifton.

Prayer led by Brother Tom Holdeman..

Congregational Singing "Lilly of The Valley", led by Brother Clifton.

Devotion from Matt. 6:25-34 was given by Rev Mike Rhodes.

Reading of the Rules of Order by Brother Clifton.

Reading of Letters; with all churches reporting. MS&C they be accepted and delegates be seated.

Reading of the previous minutes. MS&C they be accepted as read.

Fincial report by Edith Blair. MS&C they be accepted as read.

Executive Board report was given by moderator is absense of Bro. ~~Smith~~. Elder

The executive board of the EKQC met at 10:00 a.m., Wed. April 9, 1980, to discuss conference business.

Item #1. minutes read and approved.

Item #2 meeting opened in prayer by Bro Smith.

Item #3 Discussion of plans for the May 16, 17th conference to be held at eh Bethel Free Will Baptist Church.

Item #4 MSC to have Bro. Dean Long as alternate speaker.

Item #5 Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Mike Rhodes.

Prayerfully submitted to the EKQC May 17, 1980.

Gary Elder, Clerk

Rev Elwin Clifton, Jr.

Rev Mike Rhodes

Rev RueDell Smith

MS&C to receive report as given.

A break was observed to allow Committees time to meet.

Business Committee was given MS&C to accept the report as read and act on them item by item.

We the Business Committee recommend the following:

1. That we reverently give a standing applause to the host church for their hospitality.

2. That the Executive Committee contact Bro. VanKluyve in arranging to have Sister Patsy Vanhook as our quarterly conference speaker in August with Bro. Jack Dinwiddie and Bro. Bob Thompson as our second and third choices, respectively, and

3. That we give Bro. Dean Long an honorarium of \$50.

Tom Holdeman, Chairman
John Rogers
James O. Mize.

All items carried.

Public Morals report was given. MS&C to accept the report as given.

We the Public Morals Committee have met and recommend that each Christian take heed and conform to the following scriptures so we will be pleasing to God and so we will not be stumbling blocks to others.

I Timothy 4:12
I Thessalonians 5:22

Hildred Summers
Doyle R Pennel
James O. Brewer

Obituary Committee report was given. MS&C to accept the report as read.

We the Obituary Committee are thanking the Lord that there has been no deaths in the churches of our Quarterly Conference since our last meeting.

Edith Blair
Wanda Holdeman
Marty Maxville

Bro. Clifton gave a report on up coming State Association and Youth Camp. Jim Brewer gave an invitation to come and be workers at Youth Camp.

Selections of delegates to State Association were as follows: Oxella Smith, John Rogers, Mora Rhodes, Jim Mize, Bill Cordell with Jewell Rhoark and Wanda Holdeman serving as alternates.

Letter to State Association was read and approved

MS&C to adjourn for morning worship.

Morning Worship Service

Opened in prayer by Bro. Moore.

Congregational Singing, "Heavens Jubilee", led by Bro. Clifton.

Special Music by Bro. Clifton and Sis. Bonnie Jones, singing "God's Hand reached Further Down."

Congregational Singing, "I Cannot Find the Way Alone."

Offering was received in the amount of \$15. 42.

Bro. Dean Long was introduced for the morning message.

The message was entitled "THE THINGS THAT HINDER THE PREACHER." Romans 10:14, Jer. 3:15, Eph 4:12, and Jer 23:1 & 2.

Invitation was given, after which we were dismissed for lunch which was enjoyed by all.

Respectively Submitted,
Lewie Jeffries, Clerk

74th Session
MINUTES OF THE EAST KANSAS QUARTERLY CONFERENCE OF
FREE WILL BAPTIST
WHEN CONVENED WITH THE EMPORIA FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
EMPORIA, KANSAS
August 15 & 16

Friday Night Session

Opened with song "TAKE THE NAME OF JESUS WITH YOU" led by Bor. Tom Holdeman, with Sis. Wanda Holdeman at the piano. Bro. ~~Richard~~ Cordell leading us in prayer. Bro. Clifton led the congregation in Unison Reading of Psalms one.

William

Bro. Mike Rhodes gave the welcom, with Bro. Lewie Jeffries giving the response.

Bro. Holdeman then led the congregation in singing, "VICTORY IN JESUS"

Offering was received in the amount of \$37.92 plus \$40.00 in fees.

Roll call of Churches:

Bethel	8
Emporia	23
Garden City	2
New Hope	6
Topeka	<u>21</u>
For a total of	61

Special music by Bro. Jack Robinson UNSPEAKABLE LOVE & I NEED THE PRAYERS OF THOSE I LOVE.

Bro. Clifton introduced Bor. Jack Dinwiddie for the evening message. Bro. Dinwiddie gave a report on the progress of the mission, reported souls being saved and hoped to be organized very soon.

The message was delivered from Luke 22: 54-60, Entitled "WHOSE FIRE ARE YOU WARMING BU?"

The invitation was given as the congregation sang "HAVE THINE OWN WAY"

Appointment of Committees by Bro. Clifton and Bro. Elder:

BUSINESS COMMITTEE

Ozella Smith
John Rogers
~~Jack~~ Cordell

PUBLIC MORALS

Jim Mize
Doyle Penel
Sis Rhodes

OBITUARY

Wanda Holdeman
Jess Fletcher
Ina Page

William

August 16, 1980 Saturday Morning Session

Called to order by moderator Bro. Clifton, prayer led by Bro. Jim Brewer. Songs "THE SOLID ROCK" & "MY SAVIOR'S LOVE" led by Bro. Tom Holdeman and Sis. Wanda Holdeman at the piano.

Devotions from Rev. 2: 1-5, was brought by Bro. Rue Dell Smith.

Reading of rules of order by Bro. Clifton, the moderator.

Recognition of Visitors

Reading of letters and seating of delegates. MS&C letters be approved as read and the delegates be seated.

Reading of previous minutes by clerk. MS&C they be approved as read.

The treasures report was given by Sis. Blair. MS&C to receive the report.

Unfinished business was called for.

Bro. Jim Brewer gave a report on the Junior Camp reporting a very successful camp, with 105 in attendance.

Bro. Gary Elder reported 45 in attendance at the Senior Camp, with 7 redications.

A break was taken to allow committees to meet at 10:20 until 10:35.
Reports of Committees.

BUSINESS COMMITTEE REPORT:

We the Business Committee recommends the following;

1. We recommend that an honorarium be given to Bro. Jack Dinwiddie in the amount of \$100.
2. We recommend that the Executive Board arrange the program and select the speaker for our November Quarterly Conference at New Hope.
3. We recommend that the host church (Emporia) be given a standing vote of thanks for their hospitality.

MS&C to receive the report and act on it item by item. All items carried.

PUBLIC MORAL COMMITTEE:

1. We the Public Morals Committee recommend that all Christians examine the political candidates platform, especially in regard to ERA, Abortion, & the homosexual movement and cast their votes in opposition.

2. Titus 2: 11-15, that we study and live by these scriptures that we be a separate people and more effective for the Lord.

MS&C to receive the report and act on it item by item. All items carried.

Obituary Committee:

We the members of the Obituary Committee thank the Lord that there have been no deaths in our conference churches during the past quarter.

MS&C that the report be received.

MS&C to adjourn for morning worship.

August 16, Saturday Morning Worship

Opening prayer by Bro. Jess Fletcher. Congregational singlingled by Bro. Tom Holdeman with Sis Wanda Holdeman at the paino, singing "HEAVENLY SUNLIGHT" & "SHOWERS OF BLESSINGS."

Offering received by Bro. Doyle Penell.

Congression singing "POWER IN THE BLOOD." & "THE LILLY OF THE VALLEY"

Bro. Jack Dinwiddie was then introduced for the morning message.

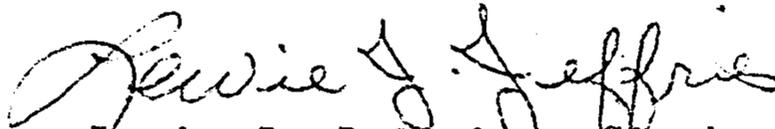
Passage was entitled "WHAT IS YOUR OCCUPATION" from Gen.2:15-17.

message

Invitation was given with two responses.

Benediction was offered after which fellowship dinner was enjoyed by all.

Respectively submitted,


Lewie J. Jeffries, Clerk

75th Session
 MINUTES OF THE EAST KANSAS QUARTERLY CONFERENCE
 OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS
 WHEN CONVENED AT THE NEW HOPE FREE WILL BAPTIST MISSION
 MERRIAM, KANSAS, NOV. 14th & 15th, 1980.

Friday Night Session

Conference opened by Asst. Moderator, Bro. Gary Elder.
 Congregational Singing led by Sister Janice Jenkins of the New Hope Church.
 (Are You Washed in the Blood)

Conference and members welcomed by Bro. Rue Dell Smith.

Response by Bro. Mike Rhodes

Congregational Singing of (I Am Resolved)

Evening offering taken in the amount of \$31.00, plus \$40.00 in Church Fees

Roll Call of Churches

New Hope.....	32
Bethel.....	8
Emporia.....	4
Topeka.....	19
Visitors.....	+ 0
TOTAL.....	63

Special Music by the New Hope Chior:

Songs sang: Psalms 25
 Redemption Draweth Nigh
 Give Them All
 My House Is Full

Bro. Tandell Hall introduced by Asst. Moderator.

Message entitled, "The Power of God"... scripture texts, I Cor. 1: 18-25
 I Cor. 2: 4&7

Invitation given as congregation sang,

Appointment of Committees by Bros. Elder and Smith

<u>BUSINESS COMMITTEE</u>	<u>PUBLIC MORALS</u>	<u>OBITUARY</u>
Bill Page	Tom Holdeman	Karen Mize
John Rogers	Edith Blair	Nora Rhodes
Connie Stilson	Pauline Castle	Ozella Smith

Announcement made concerning the Women's Auxillary meeting Sat. morning
 at 9:00 A.M. (Not mentioned in the Conference program)

Benediction and Prayer of Dismissal of evening service.

15,1980 Saturday Morning Session:
Session called to order by Asst. Moderator, Bro. Gary Elder
Prayer by Bro. Mike Rhodes

Congregational singing led by Bro. Tom Holdeman with Sister Wanda Holdeman
at the piano. First song, "To God Be The Glory"
Devotion by Bro. Mike Rhodes; scripture text, Mark 14:3-9 "Spend Time with
GOD"

Reading of rules of order by Bro. Elder

Reading of Church Letters and Seating of Delegates, MS&C to receive letters
with attached recommendations.

Point of Interest: The Church Letter from the Bethal Church had (2)
recommendations attached.

First recommendation: "We request that the Executive
Board Committee examine Bro. Bill Page for ordination"

Second recommendation: "The Bethal Church requests that
the Credential Committee review Bro. Elwin Clifton's license because
of alleged misconduct.

Discussion followed. MS&C that these requests be considered by respective
committees.

Reading of previous minutes by Asst. clerk. MS&C to receive them as read.

Financial Report given by Sister Edith Blair, treasurer. MS&C receive report.

Executive Board oral report given by Bro. Gary Elder. MS&C to receive report

Break taken from 10:20 to 10:40 for committees to meet.

Business Committee Report :

We, the Business Committee, recommend the following recommendations:

1. That an honorarium of \$25.00 be given Bro. Tandell Hall
2. That the Executive Board meet at some future date to choose
the speaker for our next conference to be held at the Topeka
church.
3. That the Conference give a standing vote of thanks to Bro.
Rue Dell Smith for his much appreciated work and help to this
conference.
4. That the conference give a standing vote of thanks to Bro.
Lewie Jeffries for his participation and involvement in this
conference.
5. That the New Hope church be given a standing vote of thanks
for their hospitality.

Respectfully,

John Rogers, chairman
William C. Page
Connie L. Stilson

MS&C to receive this report item by item.

Public Morals Committee;

Realizing that our leaders have a great impact on our country's
moral climate and that eventhough our primary responsibility
will always be to our God we have a responsibility to our
political leaders we, the Public Morals committtr, recommend
that the churches of the EKQC renew our commitment to the
following scriptures: Prov. 14:34, I Tim. 2:1-4

Thomas J. Holdeman
Edith Blair
Pauline Castle

MS&C to receive this report.

Obituary Committee Report:

We, the Obituary Committee, are very thankful to report that there have been no deaths in our conference during the past quarter.

Karen Mize
Nora Rhodes
Ozella Smith

MS&C to accept report.

Executive Board Report: (oral report by Bro. Mike Rhodes)

The Executive Board met during the break and met with Bro. Page and decided to meet with him at a future date acceptable to everyone.

MS&C to receive report.

Unfinished Business:

Bro. Jim Brewer of the Christian Education Board (for the state of Kansas) asked the members of the conference for any ideas on how to better the Board's activities (Youth Camps, Laymen's Retreats, ect.)

Bro. Smith reported to the conference that Bro. Jefferies wished to express his thanks and appreciation to the EKQC for their fellowship.

MS&C to receive these oral reports.

MS&C to dismiss Business Session.

Saturday Morning Worship Service:

Opened in prayer by Bro. Jim Brewer.

Congregational singing led by Sister Janice Jenkins.

1st song, "I Want To Be A Worker"

Special Music by Sisters Janice Jenkins and Pauline Castle, with the help of Bro. Smith; "I'm Standing on the Solid Rock"

2nd congregational song, "Wonderful Peace"

Offering received by Bro. Brewer, Smith, and Page.

Bro. Tandell Hall introduced. Message entitled, "Dumb Dogs" (scripture text Isaiah 56:9-12)

Invitation given.

Prayer of dismissal by Bro. William Cordell.

Fellowship and lunch followed and was enjoyed by all.

Respectfully submitted.

John P. Rogers
John P. Rogers, Asst. Clerk/treasurer