

MINUTES
120TH SESSION
EAST KANSAS QUARTERLY CONFERENCE
OF
FREE WILL BAPTISTS

***** Meeting at the *****

First Free Will Baptist Church
3900 Shunga Drive
Topeka, Kansas

***** February 14-15, 1992 *****

Friday Evening Worship Service - 7:30 p.m.

Conference opened by Moderator James O. Mize, Pastor, Bethel Free Will Baptist Church, Kansas City, Kansas.

Prayer led by Bro. Lloyd Moore, Bethel Free Will Baptist Church, Kansas City, Kansas.

Congregational Song: "He Set Me Free"

Welcome by Rev. Billy Barlow, Pastor, First Free Will Baptist Church, Topeka, Kansas.

Response by Rev. James Mize, Pastor, Bethel Free Will Baptist Church, Kansas City, Kansas.

Congregational Song: "When We All Get To Heaven"

Offering received, led in prayer by Bro. Marcus Brewer, \$37.22.

Attendance Count of Churches:	Bethel.....	8
	Emporia.....	9
	Topeka.....	27
	Visitors.....	<u>0</u>
	Total.....	44

Congregational Song: "Heaven's Jubilee"

Special Music: Topeka Children's Choir - "He's Still Working On Me"
Donna Brewer - "Jesus Now, More Than Ever"
Linda Lee - "I Wonder If He Ever Cries?"

Message: Rev. Robbie Rutledge, Pastor, First Free Will Baptist Church, Emporia, Kansas - I Samuel 14:1-2, 6-16, 20-23
"Determination" 1) Recognize the Need; 2) Recognize the Source of Power; 3) Make a Plan; and 4) Labor for it.

Invitation

Appointment of Committees:

Business Committee: Bro. Jim Brewer
Bro. Lloyd Moore
Bro. Larry Trayford

Obituary Committee: Sis. Cora Barlow
Sis. Dana Rutledge
Sis. Janet Warden

Nominating Committee: Bro. Billy Barlow
Bro. Bob Lee
Bro. Robbie Rutledge

Announcements: Woman's Auxiliary Meeting, Saturday Morning, 8:30 a.m.

Benediction by: Rev. Billy Barlow, Topeka

Saturday Morning, February 15, 1992

Woman's Auxiliary Meeting - 8:30 a.m.

Saturday Morning Business Session - 9:15 a.m.

Business Session opened in prayer by Bro. Bill Cordill, Bethel Free Will Baptist Church, Kansas City, Kansas

Congregational Song: "Where The Soul Never Dies"

Devotion given by Bro. Lloyd Moore, Bethel Free Will Baptist Church, I Corinthians 15:58 "Steadfast" I Timothy 4:1

MM & S to accept the reading of the Local Church Letters, with a correction, and seat the Delegates, motion carried.

Rev. James Mize recognized our visitors today, Bro. Brad Holdeman and Bro. Ray Hubbard from the First Free Will Baptist Church in Wichita, Kansas.

Moderator read the Rules of Order.

The remainder of the November minutes were read, MM & S to approve minutes as read, motion carried.

The Treasurer's report was given by Sis. Della Lyons, Treasurer, with a balance of \$150.65 (copy attached). MM & S to receive the report as read, motion carried.

Dismissed for recess in prayer led by Bro. Brad Holdeman, Wichita.

RECESS

Committee Reports:

Business Committee Report:

We the Business Committee recommend the following:

1. Honorarium of \$125.00 be given to Rev. Robbie Rutledge.
2. The next speaker for the next East Kansas Quarterly Conference be Rev. Billy Barlow.
3. A standing vote of thanks be given to Host Church, Topeka, for their fine hospitality.

Respectfully submitted,

Signed: Lloyd Moore
James O. Brewer

MM & S to receive the report and grant the request, motion carried.

Public Morals Committee Report:

"How Do You Measure" - We the Public Morals Committee feel that we need to stop and do a morals check-up in each of our own lives. How do we measure up when it comes to going against our Government, State, County, and City Officials as they strive to better our country with such issues as gambling, homosexuality, abortion, etc., which go against God's teachings.

How do we measure up when we as Christians stand up against the world and what it has to offer. Are we quick to change our convictions, morals (as in God's word) just so we can have a few more people fill the pews.

We need to remember that God's Word is still the same today as it was in Abraham and in Paul's day. It does not need to be changed to apply to the changing of times. So if we stand firm on God's Word today as we are instructed in I Corinthians 15:58 then we can be sure that we measure up to what God would have us to be.

Respectfully submitted,

Signed: Linda Lee, Chairperson
Karen Mize
Janet Warden

MM & S to accept the report as read, motion carried.

Obituary Committee Report:

God, in His infinite wisdom, has called home to be with Him, our dear brother in Christ, Jack Gatewood, Bethel.

We ask that a moment of silence be observed as we stand in respect and that prayer be offered for the remaining family and friends.

Respectfully submitted:

Signed: Janet Warden
Cora Barlow
Dana Rutledge

MM & S to receive the report as read, motion carried.

Auditing Committee Report:

The Auditing Committee met on December 20, 1991, in Topeka with the records of the Quarterly Conference Treasurer in hand.

The records were found to be complete, accurate, and in accordance with generally acceptable accounting principles.

Respectfully submitted:

Signed: George R. Rutledge
Craig Massey
James O. Brewer

MM&S to receive the report as read, motion carried.

Nominating Committee Report:

Moderator - Bro. Billy Barlow
Asst. Moderator - Bro. Jim Mize
Clerk - Sis. Judy Sprout
Asst. Clerk/Treasurer - Bro. Jim Brewer
Treasurer - Sis. Dana Rutledge
Executive Committee - 3-year man - Bro. Billy Barlow
2-year man - Bro. Lloyd Moore
1-year man - Bro. Jim Mize

MM & S to receive the report and proceed to elect, motion carried.
All officers were approved as nominated.

Bro. Billy Barlow took over as the Moderator.

Sis. Janet Warden, Sis. Della Lyons, and Sis. Cora Barlow were elected to serve on the Annual Public Morals Committee.

Bro. Bob Lee announced the Men's Retreat will be April 10-11. Rev. Joe Grizzle will be the guest speaker. Bro. Lee also announced that Youth Camp is scheduled for August 3-7 at Prairie View Christian Camp in Ark City, Kansas.

MM & S to approve the minutes as read thus far, motion carried.

MM & S to dismiss the Business Session, motion carried, led in prayer by Bro. Jim Brewer.

Saturday Morning Worship Service - 11:00 a.m.

Prayer led by Bro. Billy Barlow, Pastor, Free Will Baptist Church, Topeka, Kansas.

Congregational Song: "I Am Thine O Lord" and "He Brought Me Out"

Offering received, led in prayer by Bro. Brandon Lee.

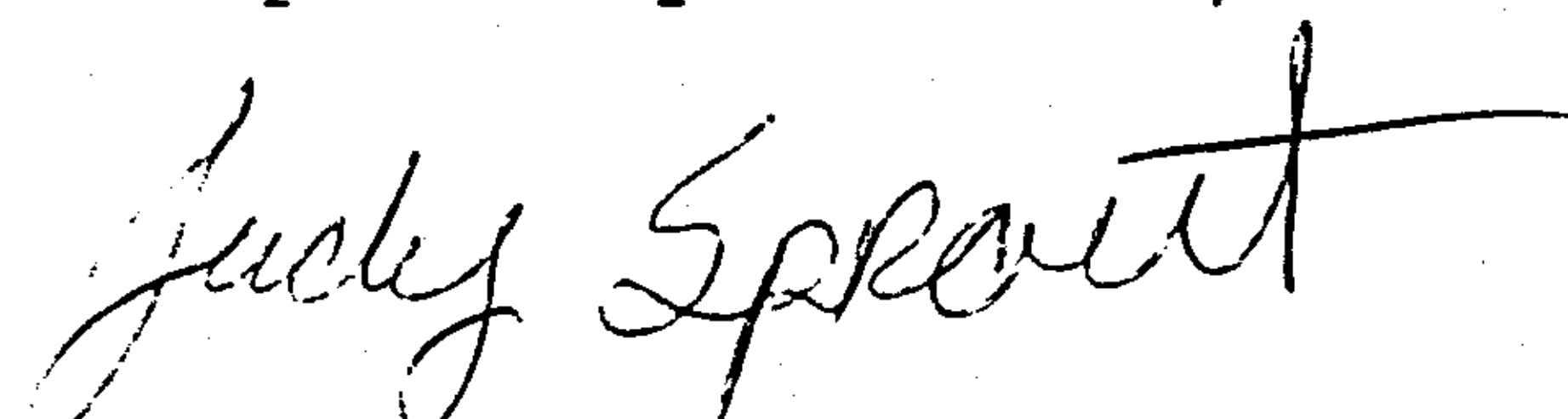
Special Music: Bro. Ray Hubbard and Bro. Brad Holdeman sang "Do You Know My Jesus"
Sis. Linda Lee, Sis. Donna Brewer, and Sis. Carol Henderson sang "I Should Have Been Crucified"

Message: Rev. Robbie Rutledge, First Free Will Baptist Church, Emporia - Romans 9:1-3 "We Need to Have a Burden"

Invitation

Benediction and blessing on food by Rev.. James O. Mize, Pastor, Bethel Free Will Baptist Church.

Respectfully submitted,


Judy Sprout, Clerk

Minutes taken and typed by Sis. Judy Sprout.

East Kansas Quarterly Conference
Treasurer's Report

Balance last Quarter \$150.60

Receipts:

Offerings:

Fri. p.m. \$30.95

Sat. a.m. \$29.10

Total.... \$60.05

Representation fees

\$90.00

Total receipts

\$150.05

Balance plus receipts

\$300.65

Disbursements:

Speaker..... \$125.00 (Honorarium sent to State Treasurer)

Clerk 25.00

Total....; \$150.00

\$300.65

\$150.00

\$150.65

Quarterly Conference Balance:

\$150.65

Signed:

Della M. Lyons

Treasurer

Date:

February 1992

January 1, 1991.....January 1, 1992

Annual Report

Offerings:

Feb. \$35.56
May \$71.05
Aug. \$73.80
Nov. \$60.05

\$290.46

Speakers:

Feb. \$125.00
May \$125.00
Aug. \$125.00

* \$375.00

Disbursements:

Delegates Fees:

Feb. \$90.00
May \$90.00
Aug. \$90.00
Nov. \$90.00

\$360.00

Clerk:

Feb. \$25.00 *Aug. 25.00*
May \$25.00
Nov. \$25.00

\$100.00

Jeff and Susan Turnbough...\$100.00

(Missionaries to Spain)

Honorium to Larry Haggard acc't.. \$125.00

(Nov. speaker)

State Representation Fee..... \$ 60.00

\$285.00

Jan. 1, 1991 Balance...\$260.19

Offerings.....\$290.46

Delegates Fees.....\$360.00

\$910.65

Speakers..\$375.00

Clerk.....\$100.00

Missionaries.....\$225.00

State Fees.....\$ 60.00

\$760.00

\$910.65
\$760.00

\$150.65

Balance January 1, 1992.....\$150.65

Signed: Della M. Lyons
(Treasurer)

Date: January 1 - 1992

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Friday Evening Worship Service - 7:30 p.m.

Conference opened by Rev. Billy Barlow, Moderator

Prayer led by Bro. Richard Martin, First Free Will Baptist Church,
Topeka, Kansas.

Congregational Song: "He Set Me Free"

Welcome by Rev. Billy Barlow, Pastor, First Free Will Baptist Church,
Topeka, Kansas.

Response by Rev. Robby Rutledge, Pastor, First Free Will Baptist
Church, Emporia, Kansas.

Congregational Song: "I'll Fly Away"

Offering received, led in prayer by Bro. Marcus Brewer, \$142.32

Attendance Count of Churches:	Bethel.....	8
	Emporia.....	5
	Topeka.....	33
	Visitors.....	<u>12</u>
	Total.....	58

Special Music: Donna Brewer - "Rise Again"
The Brewer & McFarland Families - "God on the Mountain"

Message: Rev. Lonnie Buser, Pastor, First Free Will Baptist Church,
West Palm Beach, Florida
Judges 6:11-14 "Have Not I Sent Thee?"

Invitation: Donna Brewer, Linda Lee and Judy Sprout - "The Altar"

Appointment of Committees:

Business Committee: Bro. Jim Brewer
Bro. Clyde Davis
Bro. Robby Rutledge

There was no need for an Obituary Committee.

Announcements: Woman's Auxiliary Meeting, Saturday Morning, 8:30 a.m.

Benediction by: Rev. James Mize, Pastor, Bethel Free Will Baptist Church, Kansas City, Kansas

Saturday Morning, August 15, 1992

Woman's Auxiliary Meeting - 8:30 a.m.

Saturday Morning Business Session - 9:15 a.m.

Business Session opened in prayer by Bro. Billy Barlow, Topeka

Congregational Song: "O I Want to See Him"

Devotion given by Rev. James Mize, Kansas City - Isaiah 43:19-22
"Prayer - Does God Really Hear?"

MM & S to accept the reading of the Local Church Letters and seat the Delegates, motion carried.

Moderator read the Rules of Order.

The remainder of the May minutes were read, MM & S to approve minutes as read, motion carried.

The Treasurer's report was given by Sis. Dana Rutledge, Treasurer, with a balance of \$104.19 (copy attached). MM & S to receive the report as read, motion carried.

Dismissed for recess in prayer led by Bro. Charles McFarland, Topeka.

RECESS

Committee Reports:

Public Morals Committee Report:

Our forefathers founded this country on Christian ideals, but sadly we have strayed far from these values.

Christians have the most powerful tool known to man--Prayer! As we heard in the devotion this morning, God does hear and answers prayer. As Christians, we need to make our voices heard in this election year and prayerfully consider each candidate and as we pray for candidates we need to remember God's promise to heal our nation found in II Chronicles 7:14 "If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked way; then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land."

Respectfully submitted,

Signed: Janet Warden
Cora Barlow
Dana Rutledge

MM & S to accept the report as read, motion carried.

Business Committee Report:

We the Business Committee recommend the following:

1. Honorarium of \$150.00 be given to Rev. Lonnie Buser.
2. Previously approved speaker for the Quarterly Conference was Rev. Terry Van Winkle with Rev. James Mize as alternate. We recommend the Executive Board clarify and select a speaker for the next Quarterly Meeting.
3. A standing vote of thanks be given to Host Church, Topeka, for their hospitality.

Respectfully submitted,

Signed: Clyde Davis
George R. Rutledge
James O. Brewer

MM & S to receive the report as read and adopt item by item, motion carried. All items carried.

Executive Committee Report:

After examining Bro. Robby Rutledge per request of the First Free Will Baptist Church, Emporia, the Executive Board wishes to recommend that this conference accept him into fellowship upon reception of a letter from his previous association, Central Texas Association.

Signed: James O. Mize
Billy Barlow

MM & S to accept the report as read, motion carried.

Bro. Billy Barlow gave a report on the National Youth Competition. Marcus and Amy Brewer both represented the State well. Amy received a 1 rating on both her poem and photo. Marcus won the new Horizon competition.

Bro. Jim Brewer, CE Board, encouraged all our churches to encourage their youth to compete in the National Youth Competition.

MM & S to approve the minutes as read thus far, motion carried.

Announcements:

Revival Services - October 19-23 at Bethel with Rev. Russell Payne (date is tentative).

MM & S to dismiss the Business Session, motion carried, led in prayer by Bro. Clyde Davis, Bethel.

Saturday Morning Worship Service - 11:00 a.m.

Prayer led by Bro. Robby Rutledge Pastor, Free Will Baptist Church, Emporia, Kansas.

Congregational Song: "Shall We Gather at the River"

Offering received, led in prayer by Bro. Brandon Lee.

Congregational Song: "Trust and Obey"

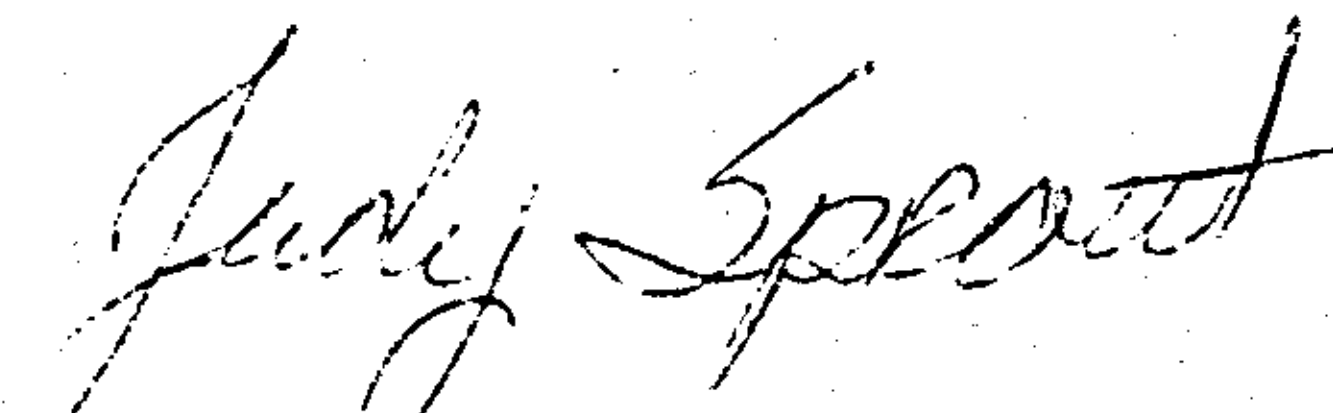
Special Music: Donna Brewer, Linda Lee, Marcus Brewer, and Judy Sprout - "Battle Hymn of the Republic"
Linda Lee - "I Call It Home"

Message: Rev. Lonnie Buser, First Free Will Baptist Church, West Palm Beach, Florida - II Timothy 1:12, I Corinthians 15:57
"Steadfastness"

Invitation

Benediction and blessing on food by Bro. James O. Brewer, Topeka.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Judy Sprout".

Judy Sprout, Clerk

Minutes taken and typed by Sis. Judy Sprout.

EAST KANSAS QUARTERLY CONFERENCE

Treasurer's Report

Balance last Quarter \$ 149.24

Receipts:

Offerings:

Friday (p.m.) \$ 14.20
Saturday (a.m.) 55.75

Representation Fees 90.00

Total Receipts \$ 159.95

Balance Plus Receipts \$ 309.19

Disbursements:

Speaker \$ 120.00
Clerk 25.00
State Fees 60.00

Total Disbursements \$ 205.00

Balance Minus Disbursements \$ 104.19

Quarterly Conference Balance - \$ 104.19

Signed: Dana Rutledge
Dated: August 14, 1992

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Friday Evening Worship Service - 7:30 p.m.

Prayer led by Bro. Billy Barlow, Pastor, First Free Will Baptist Church, Topeka, Kansas.

Congregational Song: "When We All Get To Heaven"

Welcome by Bro. Robby Rutledge, Pastor, First Free Will Baptist Church, Emporia, Kansas.

Response by Bro. Jim Brewer, First Free Will Baptist Church, Topeka, Kansas.

Congregational Songs: "Heaven's Jubilee"

Offering received (\$23.36), led in prayer by Bro. Marcus Brewer, First Free Will Baptist Church, Topeka, Kansas.

Attendance Count of Churches:	Bethel.....	8
	Emporia.....	18
	Topeka.....	18
	Visitors.....	<u>0</u>
	Total.....	44

Special Music: Linda Trayford - "How Great Thou Art"
The Brewers and McFarlands (Topeka) - Heaven's Jubilee

Message: Rev. James O. Mize, Pastor, Bethel Free Will Baptist Church, Kansas City, Kansas

Psalms 48:14 and Amos 7:7-8 "God's Guidelines"

1. Have you given your life to God? (Romans 12:1-2)
2. Can you ask God to bless your life? (Proverbs 10:22)
3. Are you willing to submit to the instructions found in the Bible? (II Timothy 3:16)
4. Is it to the glory of God? (I Corinthians 10:31)
5. Will it cause others to sin? (I Corinthians 8:9)
6. Will it hinder your work for God? (Hebrews 12:1)
7. Is it beneficial and constructive (I Corinthians 10:23)
8. Is it to please God rather than people? (Colossians 3:23-24)
9. Are you submitting to God in God-ordained authority? (I Peter 2:13-15, James 4:6-7)
10. Do you want to be doing this when the Lord returns? (Matthew 24:44)

Invitation - "I Surrender All"

Appointment of Committees:

Business Committee: Bro. Jim Brewer
Bro. Lloyd Moore
Bro. Robby Rutledge

There was no need for an Obituary Committee.

Announcements: Woman's Auxiliary Meeting, Saturday Morning, 8:30 a.m.

Benediction by Bro. Lloyd Moore, Bethel Free Will Baptist Church, Kansas City, Kansas.

Saturday Morning, November 14, 1991

Woman's Auxiliary Meeting - 8:30 a.m.

Saturday Morning Business Session - 9:15 a.m.

Session opened in prayer by Bro. Ray Hubbard, First Free Will Baptist Church, Wichita, Kansas.

Congregational Song: "Since Jesus Came Into My Heart"

Devotion given by Bro. Charles McFarland, First Free Will Baptist Church, Topeka, Kansas - I Thessalonians 5:16-18, John 4:24, Jeremiah 23:29, and Ephesians 4:4-6

Altar of Prayer led by Bro. Lloyd Moore.

MM & S to accept the reading of the Church Letters and seat the Delegates, with correction, motion carried.

Moderator read the Rules of Order.

The remainder of the August minutes were read, MM & S to approve minutes as read, motion carried.

The Treasurer's report was given by Sis. Dana Rutledge, Treasurer, with a balance of \$169.50, MM & S to receive as read, motion carried.

Dismissed for recess in prayer led by Bro. Bob Lee, First Free Will Baptist Church, Topeka, Kansas.

RECESS

Committee Reports:

Business Committee Report:

We, the Business Committee, recommend the following:

1. Honorarium of \$125.00 be given to Rev. James O. Mize.
2. We recommend Rev. Kent Hubbard as our speaker for the next Quarterly Conference and authorize the Executive Committee to select an alternate speaker if needed.

3. A standing vote of thanks be given to the host church, Emporia, for their hospitality.

Signed: George R. Rutledge
Lloyd Moore
James O. Brewer

MM&S to approve the report and adopt the recommendations, motion carried.

Public Morals Committee Report:

We the Morals Committee submit the following:

With this years election just past we expect to see much change. Not all of it for the best. As President Elect Bill Clinton takes office in January, we must keep in mind what Paul tells us in Romans Chapter 13, Verses 1-2:

1 Let every soul be subject unto the Higher powers. For there is no power but of God: the powers that are ordained of God.

2 Whosoever therefore resisteth the power, resisteth the ordinance of God: and they that resist shall receive of themselves damnation.

Though we might not agree with or like the new President, we as Christians must support him in as far as Christians morals allows. We remind this body of the need to stand in prayer for this president and our country.

Signed the Morals Committee

Signed: Dana Rutledge
Janet Warden
Cora Barlow

MM&S to accept the report as read, motion carried.

There was no old or new business.

MM&S to approve the minutes as read thus far, with correction, motion carried.

Dismissed the Business portion of Saturday meeting, led in prayer by Bro. Jim Brewer, First Free Will Baptist Church, Topeka, Kansas.

Saturday Morning Worship Service - 11:00 a.m.

Prayer led by Bro. Billy Barlow, First Free Will Baptist Church, Topeka, Kansas.

Congregational Song: "The Lily of the Valley"

Offering received, led in prayer by Bro. Larry Trayford, First Free Will Baptist Church, Emporia, Kansas.

Congregational Song: "Standing on the Promises"

Special Music: Teresa - "A Brand New Day"
Nani McFarland - "All The Way My Savior Leads Me"

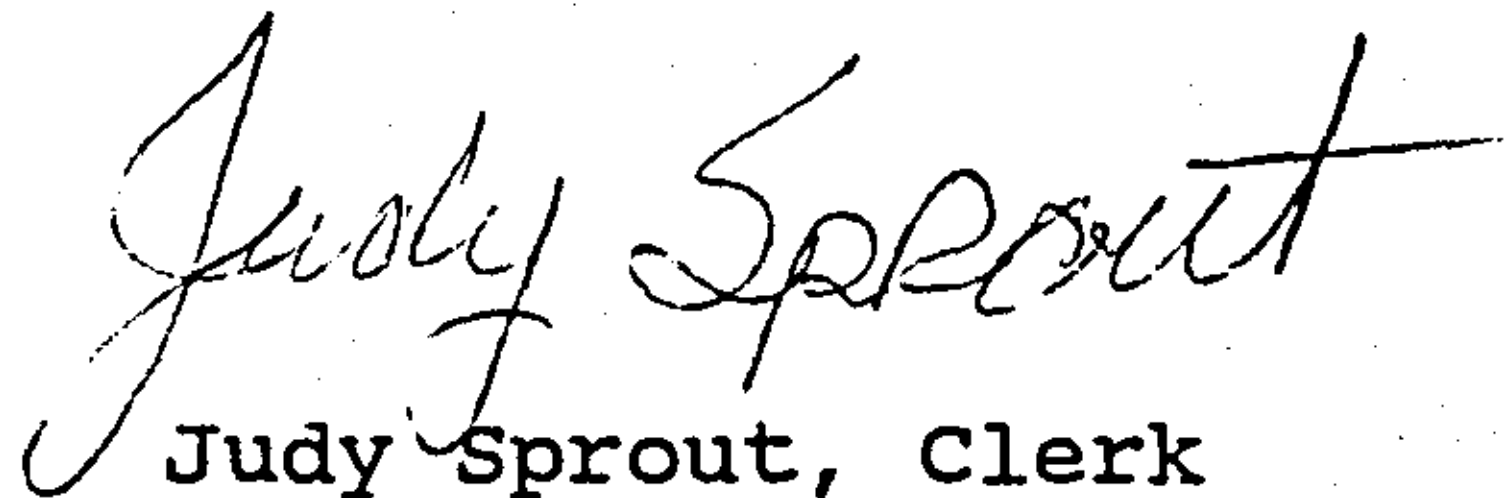
Message: Rev. James O. Mize, Bethel Free Will Baptist Church, Kansas City, Missouri - Deuteronomy 8:11-18 "How to Give Thanks"

1. Thanksgiving is an acknowledgement of the fact that all that God gives us is out of the goodness of His heart. (Romans 8:32, II Samuel 7:18)
2. An acceptable thanksgiving is an acknowledgement of our own unworthiness. (Isaiah 6:5-8)
3. We must express our thanks to God in Words (Psalms 105:1-2)
4. We need to learn to give. (II Samuel 24:24)
5. The dedication of one's life to God. (Romans 12:1-2)

Invitation - "Count Your Blessings"

Benediction and blessing on food by Bro. Robby Rutledge.

Respectfully submitted,


Judy Sprout, Clerk

Minutes taken and typed by Sis. Judy Sprout.

EAST KANSAS QUARTERLY CONFERENCE

Treasurer's Report

Balance last Quarter \$ 104.19

Receipts:

Offerings:

Friday Evening . . \$ 142.31

Saturday Morning . . 8.00

Total Offerings . . \$ 150.31

Representation Fees . . . 90.00

Total Receipts 240.31

Balance plus receipts \$344.50

Disbursements:

Speaker \$ 150.00

Clerk 25.00

Total Disbursements 175.00

Balance minus Disbursements \$ 169.50

QUARTERLY CONFERENCE BALANCE \$ 169.50

Signed by Sis. Dana Rutledge