

**MINUTES of the 153<sup>rd</sup> SESSION**  
**of the**  
**EAST KANSAS QUARTERLY CONFERENCE**  
**of**  
**FREE WILL BAPTISTS**

Meeting at the  
Bethel Free Will Baptist Church  
2719 North 67<sup>th</sup> Street  
Kansas City, Kansas

May 12-13, 2000

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**Friday Evening Worship Service – May 12, 2000, at 7:30 p.m.**

Services opened by Rev.. Brian Bird, Asst. Moderator.

Congregational Song: "There Is Power In The Blood"

Song Leader – Sis. Janet Warden, Bethel Free Will Baptist Church, Kansas City, Kansas

Pianist – Bro. Bob Franklin, Bethel Free Will Baptist Church, Kansas City, Kansas

Prayer by Rev. John Smith, Pastor, First Free Will Baptist Church, Topeka, Kansas

Welcome given by Rev. Clifford Ball, Pastor, Bethel Free Will Baptist Church, Kansas City, Kansas

Response given by Rev. Brian Bird, Pastor, First Free Will Baptist Church, Emporia

Offering Received, led in prayer by Bro. A.J. Warden, Bethel Free Will Baptist Church, Kansas City, Kansas (\$30.00).

Congregational Song: "Send the Light"

Attendance Count of Churches:	Bethel.....	23
	Emporia.....	4
	Topeka .....	6
	Visitors .....	<u>4</u>
	Total.....	37

Special Music: Bro. Lynn Cohorn – "I Can't Even Walk" & "Somebody Touched Me"

Bro. Clyde & Sis. Betty Davis – "Peace in the Valley" & "In The Sweet By and By"

Introduction of Speaker: Rev. Clifford Ball, Bethel Free Will Baptists Church, Kansas City, Kansas

Message: Rev. Jimmy Kiser, Pastor, Harmony Free Will Baptist Church, Parkville, Missouri

II Kings 2:1-13 "Elisha, More Than Elijah"

- Attitude of the prophets
- Elisha served with gladness

Invitation – "O How I Love Jesus"

Appointment of Committees:

Business Committee: Rev. Bob Franklin, Chair  
Bro. Terry Huntington  
Bro. A. J. Warden

Obituary Committee: No Need

Constitutional Change: MM&S to approve the constitutional change, motion carried. The constitutional change will be tabled.

Benediction and Blessing on Refreshments by Rev. John E. Smith, First Free Will Baptist Church, Topeka, Kansas

### Saturday Morning Business Session – May 13, 2000 - 9:15 a.m.

Meeting opened by Bro. Jim Brewer, Moderator

Prayer – Rev. Clifford Ball, Bethel Free Will Baptist Church, Kansas City, Kansas

Congregational Song: "I'll Fly Away"

Song Leader – Rev. Clifford Ball, Bethel

Pianist – Rev. Bob Franklin, Bethel

Devotion given by Rev. Bob Franklin, Bethel Free Will Baptist Church, Kansas City, Kansas

Exodus 3:14, Psalm 27:14 "I AM"

Letters to the East Kansas Quarterly Conference from the local churches were read. MM&S to approve the letters as read and seat the delegates, motion carried.

Rules of Order read.

MM&S to approve the remainder of the February Minutes, with correction, motion carried.

Treasurer's report was handed out by Sis. Robin Smith, Asst. Clerk-Treasurer. We have a balance of \$535.29. MM&S to approve the report, motion carried.

Dismissed for recess in prayer by Bro. Terry Huntington, Bethel Free Will Baptist Church, Kansas City, Kansas

Recess

**Committee Reports:****Public Morals Committee Report:**

This Sunday in Washington, D.C., women from across the nation are meeting for the "Million Mom March." They feel if more laws were passed that it would solve the problems with gun violence with our youth. We can see in Job 28:28 that until we as a nation once again fear the Lord, that we can pass all the laws we want and wisdom and peace within will still elude us.

Respectfully submitted: Janet Warden  
Cindy Bird

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

**Business Committee Report:**

We, the Business Committee, recommend that an honorarium of \$150.00 be given to Bro. Jimmy Kiser.

We also recommend that Bro. James Greene from the Ulysses Church be our speaker for the next East Kansas Quarterly Conference with Bro. Zane Brooks as alternate.

We recommend that a standing vote of thanks be given to the host church.

Respectfully Submitted by: Rev. Robert Franklin  
A. J. Warden  
Terry Huntington

MM&S to approve the report, motion carried.

**Executive Board Report:**

The East Kansas Quarterly Conference Executive Board will meet with the First Kansas Quarterly Conference to coordinate an agreeable response to the letter of May 1, 2000, from the First Kansas Quarterly Conference.

The East Kansas Quarterly Conference is desirous of continuing the "Family Reunion" in a manner acceptable to all.

Signed: John E. Smith  
Lloyd Moore  
Brian Bird

MM&S to approve the recommendation, motion carried.

In an effort to provide our Executive Board with some input on the "Family Reunion" to use in meeting with the First Kansas Quarterly Conference, the following consensus was obtained:

- East Kansas Quarterly Conference prefers one meeting
- East Kansas Quarterly Conference prefers the Executive Boards from both conferences plan the joint-conference (Family Reunion).

MM&S to approve the letter to the Kansas State Association of Free Will Baptists, motion carried.

MM&S to elect Donna Brewer, Amy Brewer, Robin Smith, and Cindy Bird as delegates to the Kansas State Association of Free Will Baptists and give the Asst. Moderator (Bro. Brian Bird) authority to appoint other delegates as needed, motion carried.

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

MM&S to dismissed the Business meeting, motion carried.

### **Morning Worship Service - 11:00 a.m.**

Prayer: Bro. Larry Trayford, First Free Will Baptist Church, Emporia, Kansas

Congregational Song: "When We all Get to Heaven"

Song Leader – Rev. Clifford Ball, Bethel

Pianist – Rev. Bob Franklin, Bethel

Offering received, led in prayer by Bro. A. J. Warden, Bethel Free Will Baptist Church, Kansas City, Kansas (\$37.00)

Congregational Song: "This World Is Not My Home"

Special Music: Bro. Bob Franklin – "Because of Him," "Canaan Land," and "God's Not Dead"  
Bro. Clyde & Sis. Betty Davis – "When God Reached Down" & "I Want to Stroll Over Heaven With You"

Message: Rev. Jimmy Kiser, Pastor, Harmony Free Will Baptist Church, Parkville, Missouri  
Daniel 6:10 "Things We Need to Change & Things We Shouldn't Change"

- We need to go back into the home and strengthen the foundation.
- If we are going to change the future, we must start at home, in prayer—return to the family altar.
- We need a daily cleansing.

Invitation – "Power In The Blood"

Announcements: Revival Services at Topeka with Bro. Cliff Donoho May 28-31


Haskell Cooley will be at Emporia May 21 at 6:00 p.m.

Youth Camp – July 31 through August 4

Recognition of A.J. Warden who will be representing the State of Kansas at the Free Will Baptist Truth and Peace Leadership Conference this year.

Benediction and Blessing on Food – Bro. Lloyd Moore, Bethel Free Will Baptist Church, Kansas City, Kansas.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Judy Sprout, Clerk

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Meeting at the

First Free Will Baptist Church  
1720 East 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Emporia, Kansas

August 18-19, 2000

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**Friday Evening Worship Service – August 18, 2000, at 7:30 p.m.**

Services opened by Bro. James O. Brewer, Moderator.

Prayer by Rev. Clifford Ball, Pastor, Bethel Free Will Baptist Church, Kansas City, Kansas

Congregational Song: "This is the Day"

Song Leader – Bro. Dale McCoy, First Free Will Baptist Church, Emporia, Kansas

Pianist – Sis. Coree Fleming, First Free Will Baptist Church, Emporia, Kansas

Welcome given by Rev. Brian Bird, Pastor, First Free Will Baptist Church, Emporia, Kansas

Response given by Rev. Bob Franklin, Bethel Free Will Baptist Church, Kansas City, Kansas

Congregational Song: "I Feel Like Traveling On"

Offering Received, led in prayer by Bro. Larry Trayford, First Free Will Baptist Church, Emporia, (\$118.46).

Recognition of Visitors

Attendance Count of Churches: Bethel..... 17

Emporia..... 15

Topeka..... 7

Visitors..... 12

Total..... 51

Congregational Song: "Stand Up, Stand Up For Jesus"

Special Music: Cindy Bird, Sheila Jones, and Linda Trayford – "We Have Come Into His House"

Sheila Jones – "With Joy Unspeakable"

Bro. Rand & Sis. Shirley Bowen (Parsons, Kansas) – "I'm Longing for Jesus"

Message: Rev. James Green, Pastor, First Free Will Baptist Church, Ulysses, Kansas

Romans 8:28 "All things Work Together for Good"

Invitation – "I Surrender All"

Appointment of Committees:

Business Committee: Bro. Richard Lyons, Chair

Bro. Bob Lee

Bro. A. J. Warden

Obituary Committee: No Need

Benediction and Blessing on Refreshments by Rev. Wayne Bookout, First Free Will Baptist Church, Wellington, Kansas

**Saturday Morning Business Session – August 19, 2000 - 9:15 a.m.**

Meeting opened by Bro. Jim Brewer, Moderator

Prayer – Rev. Brian Bird, Pastor, First Free Will Baptist Church, Kansas City, Kansas

Congregational Song: "To God Be The Glory"

Song Leader – Bro. Dale McCoy, First Free Will Baptist Church, Emporia, Kansas

Pianist – Sis. Coree Fleming, First Free Will Baptist Church, Emporia, Kansas

Devotion given by Rev. Clifford Ball, Pastor, Bethel Free Will Baptist Church, Kansas City, Kansas

Psalms 40:1-4 "Patience"

Letters to the East Kansas Quarterly Conference from the local churches were read. MM&S to approve the letters as read and seat the delegates, motion carried.

Rules of Order read.

MM&S to approve the remainder of the May Minutes, motion carried.

Treasurer's report was given and copies handed out by Bro. Louis Oelke, Treasurer. We have a balance of \$484.26. MM&S to approve the report, motion carried.

Public Morals Committee Report:

So many years ago we were given the freedom of choice. It began at the Old Rugged Cross on a hill called Mount Calvary. We have the choice of salvation, we have the choice of whom we will serve in our spiritual life. Joshua 24:15 "Choose you this day whom ye will serve...". We also are given a choice as to who will lead our country. We want to encourage each of you as Christians to take a stand and exercise your right as an American to vote this November for the candidate, which stands upon the principles of God.

We must be careful not to fall into the trap of lies and deceitfulness for we know that the pleasures of sin are only for a season (Hebrew 11:25). There will come a day when we will stand before the judgement seat of Christ (Romans 14:10) and at that time it won't matter if we are Republican or Democrat, but it will matter how we stood.

HOW WILL YOU STAND?

Respectfully submitted: Linda L. Lee, Chairperson  
Janet Warden  
Cindy Bird

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

Dismissed for recess in prayer by Rev. John E. Smith, Pastor, First Free Will Baptist Church, Topeka, Kansas

Recess

Business Committee Report:

We want to thank Bro. Green for being the speaker of this 154<sup>th</sup> East Kansas Quarterly Conference and extend an honorarium of \$225.00. Luke 10:7 "For the laborer is worthy of his hire."

We suggest that Bro. Ball of Bethel be the next Quarterly speaker with Bro. Bird of Emporia as the alternate.

We want to thank the Emporia Church for their generosity in hosting this meeting by standing to our feet and giving them an applause.

Respectfully Submitted by: Bro. Bob Lee  
Richard Lyons  
A. J. Warden

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

Executive Committee Report:

Point of Information – Executive Board is going to request to meet with the First Kansas Quarterly in September to discuss the planning of the Family Reunion.

The Executive Board has been asked by a representative of Greater Vision Free Will Baptist to be examined for membership of our Conference. The Executive Board is requesting Greater Vision to properly organize, send a letter of request. Pending the letter from Greater Vision, the Executive Board will examine character, moral, and doctrinal status of said church and report next meeting.

Signed: John E. Smith  
Brian Bird

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

Testimonies given by those who went to the 2000 Kansas Free Will Baptist Youth Camp and others.

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

MM&S to dismissed the Business meeting, motion carried.

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

Special Altar of prayer for Bro. Robert Huntington, Bethel Free Will Baptist Church, Kansas City, Kansas

Prayer: Rev. Tim Stringer, Pastor, Faith Free Will Baptist Church, Salina, Kansas

Congregational Song: "Stepping In The Light"

Song Leader – Bro. Louis Oelke, First Free Will Baptist Church, Emporia, Kansas

Pianist – Sis. Coree Fleming, First Free Will Baptist Church, Emporia, Kansas

Offering received, led in prayer by Bro. Larry Trayford, First Free Will Baptist Church, Emporia, Kansas (\$55.25)

Congregational Song: "Heaven's Jubilee"

Special Music: Sis. Linda Lee (Topeka) – "Master of the Sea"

Emporia Ensemble – "That Old Rugged Cross" and "This Little Light of Mine"

Message: Rev. James Green, Pastor, First Free Will Baptist Church, Ulysses, Kansas  
Luke 16:23-31, Revelation 14:11

- A man caught in a terrible circumstance.
- A man caught in a desperate situation.
- A man for which there is no return.



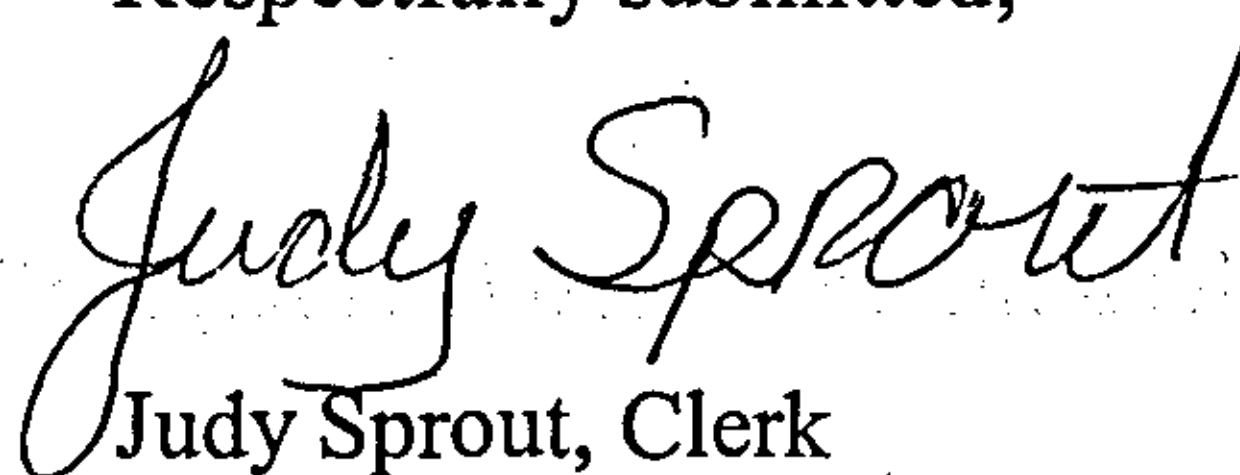
**Invitation – “Search Me, O God”**

**Announcements:** Revival Services at Bethel with Rev. John Meade – September 10-15  
Revival Services at Wellington with Rev. Derek Sennett – September 10-15  
Youth Rally at Wichita – December 29  
Woman's Retreat first weekend in October  
Prayer requested for the State Home Missions Board—their 2-year plan  
Prayer requested for Rev. Robert Sharpy  
Prayer requested for Greater Vision Church

The youth who went to Youth Camp led the congregation in the song “King of the Jungle.”

Benediction and Blessing on Food – Bro. Louis Oelke, First Free Will Baptist Church, Emporia, Kansas.

Respectfully submitted,



Judy Sprout, Clerk

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