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Begin newspaper report—

## FREE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

**Important Meeting Held at Wellborn—Desire to  
Establish a School at Bryan—Missionary  
Employed**

The Free Baptist Association met with the church at Wellborn, Thursday night, the meeting continuing Friday, Saturday and Sunday. There was a good attendance and the meeting was much enjoyed throughout and profitable of good results. Below we give the proceedings in detail.

### PROCEEDINGS

Rev. Orr being absent, the introductory sermon Thursday night was preached by Rev. D. R. Jameson, of Rusk.

### FRIDAY

The meeting was called to order by Rev. A. M. Stewart, moderator, who read a passage from Phillippians.

The secretary being absent, T. A. Cloud, of Kurten, was elected assistant secretary.

Following is the list of delegates elected by the various churches:

Spring Hill—Pat Franklin, C. C. Railey, J. J. Tipton.

Liberty—J. R. Landers, J. D. George.

Christian Home—J. P. Gilpin, Mrs. Mattie Holmes,  
T. A. Cloud.

Plainview—C. A. Griffin, E. L. Carr.

Wellborn—A. J. Battle, B. E. Gentry, M. B. Laski.  
 Union Chapel—T. D. Ross, Burtis Ross.  
 Stewart Chapel—D. R. Jameson.  
 Good Hope—D. R. Jameson.  
 Union Harbor—No representative. Sent letter.  
 Brightlight—A. W. Dyes, M. G. Buchanan, Misses  
 Maggie Holland and Ida Graham.  
 Hollis—Not represented. Sent letter.  
 Sulphur Springs—Not represented.  
 Bryan—J. L. Edge, Mrs. T. E. Mike, Mrs. M. N.  
 Brockman.  
 Evergreen—W. W. Crenshaw, C. E. Turner, J. C.  
 Gilmore.  
 Union Springs—D. R. Jameson.

Rev A. M. Stewart was re-elected moderator.

The following on services were appointed: A. W. Dyess, A. B. McSwain, W. E. Graham, J. L. Edge, C. E. Turner.

Rev. W. T. Wood preached at 11 a. m., after which dinner was spread.

The house was again called to order at 2 p. m., followed by prayer.

Letters from different churches, indicating their prosperous condition, were read.

A petition for membership in the Association was read from Union Spring church and acted upon favorably.

The following committees were announced:

Schools and Education—W. W. Crenshaw, B. E. Gentry, J. C. Gilmore, T. D. Ross.

Revision of Constitution—J. P. Gilpin, A. W. Dyess, Miss Mattie Holmes, Mrs. M. N. Brockman, Rev. A. M. Stewart.

Temperance—A. J. Battle, C. A. Griffin, C. E. Turner.

Obituary—D. R. Jameson, J. J. Tipton, J. D. George.

Sunday School Prayer Meeting—J. R. Landers, C. A. Griffin, E. L. Carr, A. W. Dyess, Rev. W. T. Wood.

Literature—C. C. Railey, J. L. Edge, T. D. Ross, Mrs. T. E. Mike, Miss Maggie Holland.

Business—A. J. Battle, D. R. Jameson, J. L. Landers, B. E. Gentry.

Adjourned.

Rev. W. W. Crenshaw preached Friday night.

## SATURDAY

House called to order by the moderator, who read from the scriptures. Prayer offered by T. D. Ross.

The reports of the committees on revision of Constitution and on Obituaries were received and adopted.

The report of the committee on Schools and Education was read and followed by a lengthy discussion regarding the necessity for the establishment of a Free Baptist school. This discussion was participated in by Rev. J. G. Graham, Rev. A. M. Stewart, Rev. Crenshaw, C. C. Railey, B. E. Gentry, A. W. Dyess and J. L. Edge. Offers of donations were made, and it was the concensus of opinion that the school should be located at Bryan. The discussion was concluded by the delegates from the various churches being instructed to see what can be done in their respective churches for the work and report to the board.

A discussion on missionary work which favored putting a missionary in the field, occupied the attention of the Association until the dinner hour.

A splendid dinner was served and greatly enjoyed by those in attendance.

The Association reassembled at 1:30 p. m., with the reading of scriptures lessons and prayer.

The reports of the committees on Sunday Schools and Prayer meeting, Temperance and Literature, were received and acted upon.

A discussion regarding a division of the Association was followed by a vote sustaining the present organization intact, and instead it was decided to put a missionary in the field, as above indicated, Rev. J. G. Graham being chosen for the position at a salary of \$250 per year.

C. C. Railey was added to the mission band.

Plainview, Madison county was selected as the place for holding the next meeting of the Association.

Adjourned.

Rev. D. R. Jameson preached Saturday night.

Divine services were held Sunday and Sunday night, the meeting being protracted.

—End newspaper report

This report of the Texas Free Will Baptist Association appeared on page 4 in the *Bryan Morning Eagle*, Friday, October 27, 1899 (Vol. 4, No. 285, Edition 1). *The Bryan Eagle*, Vol. 11, No. 52, Thursday October 19, 1899, page 6, confirms that the Association convened Thursday night October 19 and continued through Sunday the 22<sup>nd</sup>.

It is my hope that no errors have been introduced in transcription.

R. L. Vaughn

## ARTICLES OF FAITH.

OF GOD.—Article 1.—There is one God and Mediator between God and men, the man Jesus Christ, who gave Himself a ransom for all, to be testified in good time.

OF FREE WILL.—Art. 2.—We believe that the human will is free, and that all who have heard and who have learned of the Father have the ability to accept or reject the conditions of salvation.

OF BAPTISM.—Art. 3.—Mode—And Jesus, when He was baptised, went up straightway out of the water.—Matt. iii.

And it came to pass in those days that Jesus came from Nazareth and was baptised of John in Jordan.—Mark i, 9v.

Buried with Him in baptism, wherein ye are also risen with Him through faith of the operation of God who hath raised Him from the dead.—Col. ii, 12v.

We are buried with Him in baptism, into death, that like as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also walk in newness of life. For if we have been planted together in the likeness of His death, we shall be also in the likeness of His resurrection.—Romans vi, 4, 5 vs.

For ye are dead and your life is hid with Christ in God.—Col. iii, 3v.

Subjects—Go ye therefore and teach all nations—Matt. xxviii, 19v.

Then they that gladly received His word were baptized—Acts ii, 41v.

And they spake unto him the word of the Lord, and to all that were in the house. And he took them the same hour of the night, and washed their stripes; and was baptised, he and all his straightway. And when he had brought them into his



house, he set meat before them and rejoiced, believing in God with all his house.—Acts xvi, vs. 32,33,34.

If thou believest with all thine heart thou mayest.—Acts viii, vs. 37,38,39.

Object—The like figure whereunto baptism doth also now save us (not putting away the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ.—I Peter 3:21.

THE LORD'S SUPPER.—Art. 4.—But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that bread and drink of that cup.—I Cor. xi, 28v.

Object.—This do in remembrance of Me.—Luke xxii, 19v.

THE BIBLE.—Art. 5.—All Scripture is given by inspiration of God and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness.—II Tim. iii, 16v.

**The Articles of Faith of the Texas Free Will Baptist Association did not appear in the *Bryan Morning Eagle*, on October 27, 1899. They are copied and added from the 1894 minutes of the Association for reference purposes.**

