

East Texas District Association of Free Will Baptists Minutes

We met at 9:30 am on Saturday, April 13, 2024 at the Lifegate FWB Church in Tyler.

Assistant Moderator Jimmy Pyers called the meeting to order.

Bro. Jimmy seated the delegates for the meeting.

Bro David presented a devotion from 2 Thess. 2:1-12 There will be a time of strong delusion. Our world is suffering from strong delusion. They believe many lies from global warming to the woke agenda. David led in prayer.

Resolutions Committee was appointed, Adethia Rudd & Diana Melton were appointed.

Minutes from the previous meeting were reviewed.

Financial report given. David moved that we receive the financial report. Larry Melton 2nd. Motion carried.

David gave the Home Missions report. Quest Church is now in their building and it's doing well. Connect Church is hoping to be self-supporting by the end of the year. Authentic Church is nearing completion of the remodel on their new building.

Mark Headrick gave a guest report from Harvest Free Will Baptist Children's Ministry's orphanage in Mexico. Many of the young people that grew up in the home continue to thrive independently, serving the Lord. They stay connected and return to the home. Mark gave out newsletters.

Bro Sidney Cox led in prayer.

The meeting took a break to allow the committees to meet.

The meeting reconvened with a Final Report of the Credential Committee. No further business.

The Resolution Committee presented the following:

#1 We resolve to thank everyone for coming to be with us today and invite everyone to join us for lunch.

#2 We resolve to give \$500 to Harvest Childcare Ministries to further the Lord's work with that ministry.

David Rudd moved that we accept the report and act on it as a whole. 2nd by Larry Melton. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Bro Jimmy gave a report that the Warranty Deed for the Camp property has been executed and is being filed with the Rusk County Clerk.

Sis Mitzi asked about the Camp Kitchen.

NEW BUSINESS:

Bro David brought up the petition of Lifegate Chapel to join the Association. After some discussion, David moved that the Credential Committee meet with representatives of Lifegate Chapel then report back to the Association at the July 2024 meeting. 2nd by Larry Melton. Motion carried.

The July 13th meeting will be at Stewart FWB with David Rudd appointed to speak. Bro Jimmy as alternate.

Had prayer for the District Churches with Bro Larry Melton leading in prayer.

WORSHIP:

Bro Sidney Cox led in singing, Stepping In The Light and What A Friend We Have In Jesus.

Offering was received in the amount of \$77.00.

Bro Jimmy Pyers brought a message from John 14:27 Peace comes to us through the power of the resurrected Christ. We can have peace when the world has none. God can give us a peace to understand that bad things happening in our life does not mean that God is punishing us but teaching us.

Meeting was adjourned and dismissed in prayer by Jimmy Pyers.

Humbly submitted,

David Rudd, Interim Clerk/Treasurer