

minutes of East Texas District Association of
Free Will Baptist when meeting with
Buncombe Church on Jan. 8, 1966

The meeting was called to order and Rev.
Guillotine led a Congregational hymn with
Donna Womach at the piano.

~~Rev.~~ ^{Bro.} Eilts led in prayer.

The Moderator, Rev. C. F. Ferguson, read
The 47th Psalm and prayer was led
by Rev. Ivan Godwin.

Rev. Doyle Sheppard brought The Devotion
using Luke 24: 49 and Acts 1: 8 as his
Scripture. His topic was "Time to Tarry".
Rev. Sheppard led in ~~pt~~ prayer.

Credentials Committee reported that there
were ten churches reporting. Motion was
made to accept report and seat the
delegates and all late delegates. Motion
carried and the delegates were seated.

Moderator asked Rev. Sheppard to give
report on Shreveport Church which was
received as information.

Committees were appointed as follows:
Resolutions - Ivan Godwin, Lee Fears and
Perry Godwin

Minutes of last meeting were read
and approved.

Credentials Committee reported that Rev.
Sheppard had received a Card of good

standing from his former Association.
Motion passed to issue Rev. Sheppard a
Card of good standing from this Association.

Student Loan Board gave a report which
was accepted.

Treasurer's report was given and accepted.

Invitation for next meeting was given
by Shreveport. Motion was carried to accept
the invitation.

Motion passed to recess business session
until afternoon and Rev. Lee Fears led prayer.

Worship service began with singing
led by Rev. Bullinton and prayer was
by Rev. Lee Roy Anderson. Another hymn
was sung.

Mrs. Perry Godwin and Levi Koonce
received the offering. Mrs. Godwin prayed
the offertory prayer.

Special music was by the women's
Sisters who sang "Unworthy" and "The
Whole World in His Hands".

Message was by Rev. Gaston Clary using
Haggai 1 and 2: 3, 7 as his scripture. He
stressed the need to move forward and
pointed out some things that would
cause a lack of progress in 1966.

The host pastor welcomed the group and announced lunch, and Rev. Ferguson led the closing prayer.

Afternoon Session

The session began with singing led by Rev. Guilleutine with Mrs. Bill Burns at the piano.

The Moderator read Psalms I and prayer was led by Rev. Sheppard.

Devotion was by Bro. Eilts using Romans 10: 9-10, 13 as his Scripture. He closed the devotional time with prayer.

The Resolutions Committee gave a report as follows: Be it resolved that each Church set up a plan for funds to send children from their Church to Camp. A motion to adopt resolution carried.

Summer Camp was discussed.

Rev. Anderson was asked to see about a building at Fairplay that might be bought for Camp.

Discussion was made about using the Quartett from the Bible College in Nashville and one of them be the evangelist. Motion passed to use the Quartett if we can secure them.

Motion passed to use money for Camp expenses out of Camp Fund and then go into District Fund.

Motion passed to give host Church a rising note of thanks for their hospitality.

Announcement was made that District Woman's Auxiliary would be at Henderson First Church on 4th Tuesday in March.

C.T.S Rally was announced.

Announcement was made about singing at Buncombe and Mt Union.

Motion to adjourn passed

Benediction was by Mr. L. D. Ritter

Respectfully Submitted
Mrs. Gaston Clary - Clerk

Minutes of East Texas District Association
of Free Will Baptist at Shreveport, La on
April 9, 1966

The meeting was called to order by the moderator, Rev. C. F. Ferguson. Singing was led by Rev. Doyle Shippard with Nan Green at the piano.

The moderator recognized and introduced guest ministers, Rev. Tyson from Kansas, Rev. Nance of Shreveport and Rev. Turnblison of Good Hope.

The moderator read John 2: 18-24 as the Scripture Reading. Rev. Nance led in prayer.

In the ~~ab~~ absence of Rev. Guillentine, the moderator asked Mr. Elbert Nations of Carthage to bring morning devotion. He used as his scripture Luke 24: 32 which was theme of program.

While waiting for Credentials Committee, the moderator expressed the desire that members beware of cult spreading doctrine not to pray to Heavenly Father. Also there are books being distributed to that effect.

Mr. Nations announced that Rev. Riggs would hold ^{youth} revival in Carthage on June 3-5.

Rev. Nance made an announcement to take stand against Bossier Strip. They have taken radio broadcast against it and people meeting to stop it.

Credentials Committee reported that ten churches were reporting. Motion Carried to accept letters and seat delegates and any late delegates. Youngblood and Mt Union requested next meeting.

Committee as follows was appointed: Resolutions; Doyle Sheppard, Clyde Guillentine and Lee Fears.

Minutes were read and approved by motion. Dan Green made request from floor that Rev. Jumbleson be examined and accepted into the association. Rev. Jumbleson had a letter of recommendation from his previous association. Rev. Tyson didn't have a letter of recommendation, but his pastor, Doyle Sheppard made a request he be accepted subject to receipt of recommendation. Credentials Committee were excused to examine these two.

Youngblood Church was selected for next meeting.

The Credentials Committee recommended that Rev. Jumbleson be received into full fellowship of the District and Rev. Tyson be received upon receipt of his letter of recommendation. Motion was made, seconded, and carried to accept the

reCommendation

Student Loan report was given by Bill Berry of \$1,004.64 in loan. Motion to accept report was made by Lee Roy Anderson and seconded by Doyle Sheppard. Motion Carried.

C.T.S. Rally in Ft. Worth was announced. Nav. Nations made a motion that District C.T.S. Rally be moved up to 3rd Thursday night in order to precede the State C.T.S. meeting so we could have contestants. Motion was seconded by Lee Roy Anderson and Carried.

2. Recess dismissal prayer by C.F. Ferguson.

Worship Service opened by singing led by Doyle Sheppard. Lee Fears led in prayer. Lee Roy Anderson and Clyde Buellentine received the morning offering with Bro. Buellentine praying the offertory prayer.

Special music was by host Church with Doyle Sheppard and his wife, Betty, singing "Unworthy". Then Bro. Sheppard and Judy Eilt sang, "The Great Judgment Morning".

After another Congregational hymn, "He Lives," was sung Rev. Homer Imbrie brought the message. For his Scripture he used Luke 24: 13-32.

The host pastor announced lunch

and Bill Berry prayed Closing prayer and asked Lord's blessings on food.

Afternoon Session

The afternoon session opened with singing led by Bro. Sheppard with Rev. Lance at the piano.

The moderator read John 8. Rev. Tyson led in prayer.

Two special songs by three of the Tyson Children, "I was Born to serve Him" and "What a Day", was sung.

Rev. Lee Roy Anderson brought the devotion. His Scripture was taken from John 8.

The Resolution Committee reported:

Item I. Be it resolved that this District give \$25.00 to support the State C. T. S. Rally.

Item II. Be it resolved that we give host Church a standing note of thanks for their hospitality today.

The Resolutions Committee report was accepted by motion.

Youth Encampment was announced for June 20. The Camp Committee came to conclusion to buy a tent after being unable to find suitable building to sleep boys in.

Lee Roy Anderson made a motion, seconded by Melvin Dyson to authorize Committee to proceed with purchase of tent. Bro. Ferguson stated that planned to try to secure money for tent by donations. He also stated the price of \$7.00 would be the same for attending Camp this year. Question Called. Motion Carried.

The moderator announced that Bible College Quartet could not be obtained for Camp and that a number of people wanted Rev. Eugene Richards for Camp Evangelist. ~~Unanimous~~ vote was cast for Rev. Richards as Camp Evangelist.

Lee Roy Anderson reported he had not secured any information on building at Fairplay. Therefore it was dropped, because of possible immense cost, in favor of tent.

Question of Litature was discussed. Carthage desired to know which week of Bible School Litature would be used since they planned to use the same in their Bible School. Camp in general was discussed for benefit of New Comers.

Revival at Buncombe on June 6

With Rev. Mal Mantoak was announced
also one at Youngblood May 29 with
Allen Moore as evangelist.

Motion to adjourn passed and
Rev. Guillentine led the prayer of
benediction.

Respectfully Submitted
Rosalie Burns - Assistant
Clerk.

Minutes of East Texas District Association of
Free Will Baptist meeting with Youngblood Church
on July 1-2, 1966

The meeting came to order by singing led by
Rev. Doyle Sheppard with Sherry Tompkins at the piano.
Prayer was led by Rev. Melvin Tyson and another
hymn was sung.

Instead of reading Scripture, the moderator read
the Church Covenant.

Rev. Jumbleson led in prayer.

Motion was made that we omit the appointment
of committees until tomorrow. Motion was seconded
and carried.

The Moderator asked permission to appoint the
Resolutions Committee. Those appointed were: Rev.
Homer Jumbleson, Doyle Sheppard and J. F. Hill.

After more congregational singing, the evening
message was brought by Rev. R. G. Kennedy Jr. His
topic was ^{Peace} ~~Peace~~, using Romans 12:18 as Scripture.
Prayer by Rev. Kennedy.

Meeting concerning Camp at Mt. Olive on July 8
was announced.

Announcement ^{was made} that Rev. Parhamore would be at
First Church Henderson Sunday morning and at Mt.
Olive Sunday night, June 10.

Dismissal prayer was by Lee Ray Anderson.
Saturday morning.

The meeting opened by singing led by Rev. Sheppard
with Sherry Tompkins at the piano.
Prayer was led by Rev. Breaker and another song.

was sung.

The moderator read II Cor. 3: 3 - as his Scripture
Rev. Brashier was appointed to serve on the
Credentials Committee.

Rev. Tyson brought the morning devotion using
Isa. 12: 14 as his Scripture. Prayer was by
Rev. Tyson.

Credentials reported 10 Churches reporting and
recommended that letters be accepted, delegates
+ late delegates be seated, and that Rev. Clyde
Guillentine be granted a letter of recommendation.
Motion to accept recommendation carried and
delegates were seated.

Motion was made that Churches that send
in Quarterly reports be granted the privilege
to amend report. Seconded and Carried.

It was moved, seconded and Carried that
delegates be allowed to be seated anywhere.

Minutes of previous meeting were read and
approved.

Nominating Committee was appointed
as follows: Gaston Clary, Bill Berry and
Lee Roy Anderson.

Motion was made, seconded and passed
that Nominating Committee act at recess to
take care of Committees that need to act at
noon and the body pass on it before the

Worship Hour.

Motion passed to dismiss for recess.

~~Worship~~ worship service began with congregational singing. Gaston Clary led in prayer and another hymn was sung.

Nominating Committee recommended that Mrs. Leeman King, Mrs. Homer Jumbleson and Mrs. Burl Ferguson be placed on the Obituary Committee. Motion to accept carried.

Motion was made that a Committee be appointed to revise our Constitution and By-Laws and report back at next session.

Motion carried and the following were appointed on the Committee: Gaston Clary, Lee Roy Anderson and Homer Jumbleson.

It was recommended that Moderator enforce the rule that anyone wishing to speak should rise and address the Moderator.

Offering was received by Lee Roy Anderson and J. D. Hill. offertory prayer was by Bro. Anderson. Special Song, "Hide Thou Me", was sung by Rev. & Mrs. Jumbleson and C. F. Ferguson.

Message was by Burl Ferguson. After announcing revival at Mt. Union July 10 and prayer, he ~~read~~ read Haggai 2: 8 and used this a basis of his message.

Doyle Shepherd announced his radio program

and said he would make any announcement concerning our work, if it was sent to him.

Camp meeting on July 8 at Mt. Olive was announced. Revival at Stewart was announced.

Dismissal prayer and blessings on the food was led by Bro. Shepherd.

Afternoon Session

The afternoon session began with singing led by Doyle Shepherd with Mrs. Nan Green at the piano. After a prayer led by Bill Berry, another hymn was sung. Brother Shepherd then sang a special, "I Must Tell Jesus."

Devotion was by Rev. Brashier using Luke 2:8 as his scripture.

The Obituary Report was read and accepted and the Body stood in prayer with Rev. Kennedy leading the prayer.

Resolutions Committee gave a report which was received to be acted upon item by item.

Item no. 1 - Be it resolved that this District give a scholarship ~~to some~~ of \$50.00 to some needy student at the Bible College each semester. These to be given in mid December and mid April. Motion to accept resolution was defeated.

Item no 2 - Be it resolved that a Youth Camp Promotional Director be elected - Motion to adopt resolution Carried.

Item no 3 - Be it resolved that Camp officers be elected at next meeting. - Motion was made to table resolution indefinitely. Motion was seconded and Carried.

Item no 4 - Be it resolved that we recommend that each Church send \$10.00 per month to Camp fund. - Motion to accept Carried.

Item no 5 - Be it resolved that each Church examine its roll and see about bringing each member to an active status - Motion to adopt Carried.

Item no 6 - Be it resolved that the Churches encourage more associational attendance. - Motion Carried to adopt item 6.

Item no 7 - Be it resolved to give a standing note of Thanks to host Church. Motion passed to adopt.

Nominating Committee gave the following report; Moderator - Rev. Lee Roy Anderson - Assistant Moderator, Rev. C. F. Ferguson - Clerk, Mrs. Nan Krew - Assistant Clerk, Mrs. Bill Burns - Executive Secretary, Rev. R. J. Kennedy - Credentials Committee, Rev. J. M. Goode, Doyle Shepherd, Horner Jumbleson, L. K. Brashier and Lee Fears. - Student Loan, Jake Fears and Elbert Nations

and Program Committee, Burl Ferguson, J. I. Hill, Belton Green and Host Pastor. Motion passed to receive report and elect one at a time. For Moderator Rev. Jumbleson was nominated from the floor. Rev. Jumbleson was elected. For Assistant Moderator Rev. Anderson was nominated from the floor. Rev. Ferguson was elected. Mrs. Burns and Mrs. Clary were nominated from the floor for Clerk. Mrs. Clary was elected. Motion Carried that Mrs. Burns be elected Assistant Clerk by acclamation. For Executive Secretary Rev. Goode was nominated from the floor. Rev. Kennedy was elected. Motion passed to accept names of Credentials Committee by acclamation. Rev. Jumbleson resigned from the Credentials Committee and was accepted. Lee Roy Anderson was nominated to take Rev. Jumbleson's place. Motion to accept by acclamation Carried. Motion passed to accept Jake Fears & Elbert Nations on Student Loan Board. Motion Carried to accept names of Program Committee by acclamation.

Credentials Committee recommended that upon receipt of old Card, all ministers in District be given a new Card of good

standing.

Invitations for next meeting were given by Mt. Olive and Good Hope. Good Hope withdrew in favor of Mt. Olive. Motion to accept Mt. Olive's invitation Carried.

Treasurer's report was given and adopted. Report of Camp was given and adopted. Rev. Kennedy and Rev. Jumbleson were nominated for Camp Promotional Director. Rev. Jumbleson was elected.

Motion was made that date of Camp for 1967 be same as this year, June 19. Motion passed.

Motion Carried that Moderator be given the privilege of appointing delegates to State Association.

Rev. Jumbleson discussed Foreign Missions and asked pastors to make up deficit.

Rev. Ferguson expressed his thanks to body for Cooperation during past three years.

Motion Carried to adjourn.

Benediction was by Rev. C. F. Ferguson.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mrs. Gaston Clary - Clerk.

Student Loan Board as follows: Bill Berry and Lee Fears 1964-67, Bill Thrasher 1965-68, Jake Fears and Elbert Nations 1966-69.

Minutes of East Texas District Association of Free
Will Baptists when meeting with Mt. Olive Church
on October 8, 1966

Meeting was opened by the Moderator reading
the Scripture, Heb. 12: 1-4 and prayer was led by
Rev. Lee Roy Anderson.

Business session was declared and L.K.
Brachier led the singing with Mrs. Mike Fears
at the piano.

Welcome was given by host pastor, Rev. C.F.
Ferguson.

Rev. Kennedy and Mr. Koone were appointed
to serve on The Credentials Committee for this
session and the Committee was excused.

More hymns were sung and Rev. Eubanks
led in prayer.

The devotion was ~~brought~~ by Mr. Bill Berry
and was very ably brought on words. His Scripture
was Eph. 2: 10 - II Tim. 2: 15.

Another hymn was led by Rev. Ferguson.

Credentials gave a report. They reported 9 Churches
representing. Motion passed to accept Credentials
report and seat delegates.

Resolutions Committee was appointed as follows:
Rev. R.J. Kennedy, Mrs. C.F. Ferguson and Rev. L.K. Brachier.

Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved.

Motion was made and seconded that we receive
Constitution + By Laws and act upon item by item.
After discussion, motion was debated.

Motion passed that Constitution & By Laws go back to Committee and they report back at next meeting.

Rev. Jumbleson asked that he be replaced on Committee. Motion to accept resignation passed.

Rev. Kennedy and Rev. Brasher were nominated on Committee to revise Constitution & By Laws. Rev. Kennedy was elected.

Motion to recess passed and Rev. Ivan Gochuin led in prayer.

Worship period began with Rev. Brasher leading the singing.

Prayer was led by Rev. Ferguson.

After another hymn the offering was received by Mr. Roone and Mr. Berry. Offertory ~~prayer~~ prayer was by Rev. Jumbleson.

Special Music was by Rev. & Mrs. ^{L. R. Brasher} ~~C. F. Ferguson~~ and Mrs. Nix of the Stewart Church.

The Message was by Rev. Adus Eubanks of Ft. Worth who used #1 Tim. 2:11. Rev. Eubanks led in prayer and an invitation hymn was sung.

Announcement Concerning lunch was made by host pastor.

Rev. Iycon prayed the dismissal prayer and also blessing on the food.

Afternoon Session.

Meeting opened with singing led by Rev. Brasher.

and prayer by Mrs. Brashier

Special music by Mrs. Kenneth Elts

Arthur Fears brought a good devotion on love using John 13: 34-35 and John 8: 32 as his Scripture

Business session was opened and ~~the~~ prayer was by Rev. Tumbleson

Committees to work on state meeting were appointed as follows: Place to meet - Gaston Clary, R. J. Kennedy and Jake Fears. - Housing - Stewart, Mrs. Mike Fears - Good Hope, Mrs. S. A. Hyatt - Henderson, Mrs. R. E. Fears - Carthage, Mrs. Elbert Nations - Youngblood, Mrs. Claud Tompkins - Mt. Union, Mrs. Joe Little, Buncombe, Mrs. Lewis Roonce and Union Arbor, Mrs. Lee Fears. Food - Mrs. Jake Fears and she to select her own Committee.

Suggestion was made that one more person be selected to serve as Chairman of housing Committee. Mrs. Clary and Mrs. King were nominated. Mrs. Clary was elected.

Rev. Kennedy was nominated as Chairman of place to meet. Motion passed to elect Rev. Kennedy.

Rev. Kennedy gave report of Scholarship Committee. The Scholarship Committee recommended that

Mary Goode receive the scholarship for 1966.

Motion to adopt recommendation carried. - See entire report at end of minutes.

Resolutions Committee gave a report which was accepted to be acted upon item by item.

Item I. Be it resolved that our people let Christian love rule in all decisions made by the ~~factor~~ Church or pastor subject to leaving a Church or starting a new work.

Item No. I Carried.

Item No II. Be it resolved that our Executive Secretary be responsible to Clerk, with the Kilgore work about any money that may belong to the District and if possible this be placed in Home Mission Fund. - Item No II passed.

Item No III. Be it resolve that this District give \$100.00 to The Free Will Baptist College in Nashville to help retire the \$40,000.00 loan at the bank for Building purpose. Item No. III Carried.

Item No. II. Be it resolved that this District give \$50.00 out of the Home Mission Fund to the Free Will Baptist Mission in Victoria, Texas. Item IV Carried.

Item No. V. Be it resolved that a written report be submitted at each District Meeting of all money belonging to This District by the various Treasurers.

Item No I Carried.

Item No VI. Be it resolved that we give our Speaker, Rev. Eubank, \$40.00 for his expenses. Item No. VI Carried.

Item No VII. Be it resolved we give a vote of appreciation for the hospitality of the Mt. Olive Church for the wonderful meeting today. Item No VII Carried.

Camp ^{Treasurer's} report was given by Mrs. Jumbleson and accepted.
Student Loan ^{Treasurer's} report was given by Mr. Berry. ~~and accepted~~

Motion passed to receive the Constitution and By-Laws of Student Loan Board as information until we ~~have~~ receive new Constitution & By Laws of this body.
Report of balance of \$1004.98 in Student Loan Board was accepted.

Treasurer's report was given and accepted.

The resignation of J. T. Hill on the program Committee was accepted. Rev. Jumbleson and Homer Fears were nominated to the program Committee. Rev. Jumbleson was elected.

Motion was made and passed to give the Moderator, Rev. Jumbleson, power to appoint Camp Committee. ^{This Committee to work with camp officers to hold camp} He appointed Rev. C. F. Ferguson, Bill Berry and Homer Fears.

Good Hope invited next session to meet with them. Motion Carried to accept Good Hope's invitation.

Motion to adjourn Carried.

Closing prayer was led by Rev. Eubanks

Respectfully Submitted,

Mrs. Gaston Clary - Clerk.

Scholarship Committee report

We the Scholarship Committee of the East Texas District Association make the following recommendation:
that Mary Katherine Goode, student at Free Will Baptist.

Bible College from East Texas, he granted the \$200.00 scholarship from our District this year; and that the Clerk of the District get the amount from the Student Loan Board and forward the same to Mary Katherine Goode with letter stating this decision.

Bro. Elbert Nation

Rev. Doyle Shepherd

Rev. R. J. Kennedy, Chairman