

EAST TEXAS DISTRICT ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST

ANNUAL MEETING

STEWART FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

JAN. 11 - 12, 1974

THEME: DECLARE HIS GLORY

SCRIPTURE: "Declare His glory - among all people - For He cometh to judge the earth; He shall judge the world with righteousness, and the people with His truth".

FRIDAY NIGHT SESSION

Song Service - Rev. and Mrs. Bill Housely

Prayer - Bro. Jim Williams

Special Music - Rev. and Mrs. Housely

Special Music - Rev. and Mrs. Teague and Judy Smith

The following were appointed on nominating committee: Rev. Bob Scott, Bro. Bill Berry, Rev. Leroy Anderson, Rev. Bill Housely and Bro. O. D. Breedlove.

Prayer - Bro. Marvin Wright

Message - Rev. Ken Eagleton, Missionary to Brazil. He selected his scripture from Romans as he used: "Faith to Believe" for his subject. He urged the group to have faith that God would keep His promises. His message was closed with prayer.

Rev. Housely expressed his gratitude to God and Christian friends for their help during their baby's illness.

Prayer - Rev. L. K. Brashier

The session was closed with a time of fellowship as the host church served coffee and doughnuts.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

Song Service - Rev. and Mrs. Housely

Devotional - Rev. Leroy Anderson using Psalms 96 as his scripture. He stressed the duty of ministers, deacons and all Christians to give God the glory due Him.

Prayer - Rev. Bob Scott

The Resolutions committee was appointed by the Moderator as follows: Bro. Marvin Wright, Mrs. Bill Housely, and Mrs. Charlotte Pepper.

The Moderator's message was brought from II Kings, Chapter 7 by Rev. Teague. He emphasized the fact that Free Will Baptists had neglected opportunities to make our belief and doctrine known. He suggested the radio, newspapers and tract distribution as ways to let people know what we believe. His message was closed with prayer.

Rev. Leroy Anderson gave the Credentials Committee report. He reported eight letters received and gave an oral report from Mt. Union with promise of letter later.

Motion and second made to receive report and seat delegates.
Motion carried.

Minutes of last meeting were read by Clerk and approved.

Treasurer's report was given and accepted.

Remarks were made by Bro. Jim Williams about literature on exhibit from Moody Monthly Publications.

Dismissal prayer for recess was by Rev. Steve Lewis.

Song Service - Rev. Housely and Mrs. Hampton

Prayer - Bro. O. D. Breedlove

An offering of \$31.45 was taken

Special Music - The Teague Family

Message - A very inspirational message was brought by Bro. Jim Williams, who is the new Executive Secretary for the State of Texas. He based his message on scripture taken from Nehemiah. He compared the gates of a wall to the need of our local churches.

Dismissal Prayer and Blessing on Food was given by Bro. Marvin Wright.

Lunch

AFTERNOON SESSION

Song Service - Rev. Housely and Mrs. Hampton

Devotional - Rev. Bob Scott. He used Issiah 5:16 as his scripture. He stated that the need today is to be holy and righteous if we are to declare God's glory.

Prayer - Rev. Leroy Anderson

The business session was opened by a report from Rev. Brashier on bunk beds for camp. He stated that he had found a man that would build them, but needed more information. Motion was made to wait until later in session to discuss this problem.

Rev. Anderson discussed the difference in Camp Board and Camp Recreation Committee.

Motion and second made to elect Camp Board at each annual session. Motion carried.

After a lengthy discussion a motion was made for the Board to appoint one member from each church on entertainment committee upon recommendation of pastor or church. Motion carried.

Camp report was given by Mrs. Morris and accepted.

Bill Berry gave student loan report and it was accepted.

Bro. Marvin Wright gave Resolutions Committee report. Motion and second were made to accept and vote upon item by item. Motion carried.

ITEM I. Be it resolved that we give Bro. Jim Williams and Rev. Ken Eagleton a love offering in the amount of \$50.00 each from the district funds. Motion carried.

ITEM II. Be it resolved that this district give \$100.00 each to Free Will Baptist Bible College and Hillsdale Free Will Baptist Bible College out of the student loan fund. Motion carried.

ITEM III. Be it resolved that any ordained minister or deacon not in good standing with the district be reviewed by the Credentials Committee. Motion carried.

ITEM IV. Be it resolved that we give the host church a standing ovation for their hospitality. Motion carried.

ITEM V. Be it resolved that we go back to our churches and use every means possible to give the teaching and doctrine of the

Free Will Baptist denomination to our communities. Motion carried.

Report of Nominating Committee was given by Rev. Bob Scott.
Motion and second were made to accept and proceed to elect.

Bro. Elbert Nations was nominated by Committee. Rev. Teague was
nominated from floor. Bro. Nations was elected as Moderator.

Rev. Bob Scott was nominated as Asst. Moderator by Committee.
Rev. Housely was nominated from floor. Rev. Scott was elected.

Mrs. Gladys Berry was reelected Clerk with Mrs. Nan Green as
Assistant Clerk.

Rev. Leroy Anderson and Bro. Paul Kramer were nominated for
parliamentarian. Rev. Anderson was elected.

Rev. Harold Teague was elected by acclamation as promotional
Secretary.

The following were elected to serve on the Credentials Committee:
Bro. O. D. Breedlove, Rev. L. K. Brashier, Rev. Bill Housely,
Bro. Marvin Wright, Rev. Mace Perry.

Student Loan Members were elected as follows: Bro. Bill Berry,
Bro. O. D. Breedlove, Rev. Harold Teague, Bro. Belton Green,
Rev. Bob Scott.

Program Committee: Mrs. Jake Fears, Mrs. Sallie Whitehead and
Mrs. Bill Berry.

Camp Board: Bro. Belton Green, Rev. Clyde Tucker, Rev. Bob Scott,
Bro. Larry Nations, and Rev. Bill Housely.

A motion and second were made to send a copy of names and addresses
to each officer and board member to churches and members of boards.
An amendment was added to include resolutions pertaining to
Churches. Motion carried.

Camp Board was advised that it would be responsible for having
bunk beds for Camp built.

Clerk announced that new ministers cards were not available at
this meeting because she forgot to order them. They will be
issued later.

Remarks were made by Rev. Eagleton about the mission work in
Brazil. He challenged each church to help raise money for school
equipment.

The next meeting will convene at Whispering Pines Youth Camp.

Motion and second to adjourn. Motion carried.

Benediction - Rev. Eagleton

Respectfully Submitted,
Mrs. Gladys Berry, Clerk