

MINUTES

OF THE

TWELFTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

OLD EUREKA ASSOCIATION

(SINCE THE DIVISION FROM ROBERTS
McGEE IN 1924)

THE CHURCH OF GOD

DENOMINATED FREE WILL BAPTIST

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Convened with the Cross Roads Church on Thursday Night
before First Sunday in September 1936, A. D.

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The next Session of this Association will Convene at it's per-
manent location with Cross Roads Church 2½ miles East
of Stigler, Oklahoma, on Thursday night before first
Sunday in September 1937, A. D.

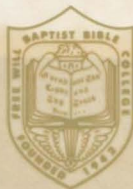
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Introductory Sermon to be preached by Rev. H. O. Turner; Rev.
O. D. Wickham, Alternate

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OFFICERS:

Elder L. R. Crumb	-----	Moderator
Elder C. E. Kennedy	-----	Assistant Moderator
Dovie La Fave	-----	Clerk
Etta Peck	-----	Assistant Clerk



FREE WILL BAPTIST
BIBLE COLLEGE

Nashville, Tennessee

Presented By

Winnie B. McLain

RULES OF ORDER

1. At every sitting business shall be opened and concluded by prayer by the moderator or whomsoever he may request.

2. Ministers present invited to seat are allowed to take part in debate on all subjects and to vote.

3. Those who speak shall arise and address the moderator. Personal reflections shall be avoided in all debates.

4. No motion shall be discussed without being seconded.

5. When a motion has been made and seconded and a member opposes its discussion, the moderator shall put the question: "Shall it be discussed?" If negative the question shall be dismissed.

6. If any proposition or motion under debate, contains two or more points, it shall be divided at the request of any member and a vote taken.

7. Motion made and lost shall not be recorded.

8. No one shall speak more than twice on any subject without special leave of the moderator.

9. The moderator shall have the authority to object to any discussion not carried on in a Christian Spirit

10. All questions shall be decided by a majority of the members present.

11. No member shall absent himself without special leave of the moderator.

12. Minutes shall be leisurely read and corrected before the close of the Association if necessary.

13. In future meetings of the Association, arrangements shall be made, to insure two or more sermons each day or other equivalent devotional exercises.

14. The Rules of Order shall be distinctly read from the chair immediately after Organization of the Association.

15. Alterations shall be made in these rules at any regular session of the Association.

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

1. House called to order by moderator.
2. Letters called for and adopted.
3. Right hand of fellowship.
4. Electing Officers.
5. Reading Rules of Order.
6. Petitionary Letters.
7. Introductory Sermon.
8. Invite visiting brethren to seat in council.
9. Appointment of Committees.
10. New Business.
11. Report of Committees.
12. Miscellaneous Business.

THURSDAY NIGHT SESSION

House called to Order by Rev. C. E. Kennedy. Singing by the choir, united prayer. The Association appointed Bro. W. M. La Fave to conduct devotional services and Rev. R. J. Howard to preach.

Motion made and carried that we adjourn to meet again Friday morning at 8:30 o'clock.

Session was dismissed by prayer.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

House called to Order by Rev. C. E. Kennedy. Singing by the choir. Lesson read from 133rd Psalm by Rev. C. E. Kennedy. Prayer by Rev. H. O. Turner.

Motion made and carried that we enter into conference to transact any business that might come before the body.

Letters from old churches called for and received the following:

1. Iron Bridge—Bro. Floyd Osborne, Bro. Marvin Short, Bro. Arthur Bonds, Rev. Hubert Brown, pastor; Sister Bertie Bonds, Church Clerk.

2. Sans Bois—Bro. Moore, Sister Lettie Moore, Sister Mary Fletcher, Rev. C. A. Brown, Pastor; Sister J. E. Hale, Church Clerk.

3. Rose Hill—Sister Albert Simmons, Bro. Coonfield, Bro. Henry Royce, Rev. C. A. Brown, Pastor; Sister Lilian Martin, Church Clerk.

4. Flower Hill—Bro. C. F. Lovely, Bro. Charley Crockett, Bro. Strickland, Rev. R. P. Sanders, Pastor; Sister Brewer, Church Clerk.

5. Murry Spur—Rev. Earney Wooten, Bro. T. M. McKenzie, Bro. Luster King, Rev. W. J. Nance, Pastor; Sister Maudie King, Church Clerk.

6. Cross Roads—Bro. Jess Venerable, Bro. Mack Adams, Sister Scantlin, Rev. C. E. Kennedy, pastor; Bro. G. R. Stevenson, Church Clerk.

7. Martin Box—Sister Mollie Bridges, Sister Lona Ballard, Sister Fae McSpadden, Rev. L. R. Crumb, Pastor; Sister Gertrude Henson, Church Clerk.

8. Tamaha—Sister Cecil Reynolds, Sister Hazel Beller, Sister Beulah Richardson, Rev. H. O. Turner, Pastor; Sister Clara Ward, Church Clerk.

9. Lone Elm—Bro. Dock Lowe, Bro. Cleyburn Shepherd, Bro. Clark Barnett, Rev. L. R. Crumb, Pastor; Sister Dorsie Medlock, Church Clerk.

10. Rock Ford—Sister Rose McCleary, Bro. Clarence Hammons, Bro. Arthur Hendrix, Rev. C. E. Kennedy, Pastor; Sister Luster, Church Clerk.

11. Belle Point—Bro. Clifton Davis, Sister Mae Davis, Sister Aleen Davis, Rev. Hubert Brown, Pastor; Sister Francis Coy, Church Clerk.

12. Perry—Bro. W. J. Snow, Sister W. J. Snow, Bro. Omar Moore, Rev. L. B. Clark, Pastor; Sister Elta Peck, Church Clerk.

13. Oak Ridge—Bro. Ernest Foester, Sister Blanch Foester, Sister Gertie Fowler, Rev. W. J. Nance, Pastor; Sister Josie Milam, Church Clerk.

14. Prairie Belle—Sister Ollie Birchfield, Sister Bertha Crosby, Sister Nellie Davis, Rev. W. J. Nance, Pastor; Sister Bettie Rhodes, Church Clerk.

15. Panther—Sister Thelma Phillips, Sister Ora Gragg, Bro. Dave Doris, Bro. H. D. Allen, Moderator; Sister Reba Hill, Church Clerk.

16. Rocky Point—Bro. Ruby Scroggins, Bro. Jim Mingram, Bro. Murphy Ledford, Rev. L. R. Cruch, Pastor; Sister Jaunita Crumb, Church Clerk.

Motion made and carried to receive the letters from old churches and seat the delegates.

Right hand of fellowship was extended to Old Churches.
Called for the Letters from new churches and received one.

1. Plain View—Bro. Elmer Splanger, Sister Lillie Splanger, Rev. J. E. Bridges, Pastor; Bro. Faught, Church Clerk.

Motion made and carried that we receive the letter from the new church and seat its delegates.

Right hand of fellowship was extended to the new church.

The officers were then elected for the ensuing year as follows:
Rev. L. R. Crumb, Moderator; Rev. C. E. Kennedy, Assistant Moderator; Sister Dovie LaFave, Clerk; Sister Etta Peck, Assistant Clerk.

Rules of Order were then read by Assistant Moderator, Rev. C. E. Kennedy.

Called for Corresponding delegates and received Rev. R. J. Howard from Grand River Association as neither Rev. F. A. McCage or Rev. L. B. Clark were present the Association appointed Rev. H. O. Turner to preach Introductory sermon.

Motion made and carried that we adjourn to meet again at 1:30 o'clock, Friday afternoon.

The business session was followed by a short intermission after which devotional services were conducted by Rev. L. C. Florence and preaching services by Rev. H. O. Turner.

The session was dismissed by prayer.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

House called to Order by the Moderator Rev. L. R. Crumb. Singing by the choir. Prayer by Rev. G. B. Robertson, Lesson read from 5th chapter of Galatians.

The following Committees were then appointed:

1. Devotional Committee—Bro. J. M. Livesay, Bro. C. C. Garland, Bro. Tom Luster.

2. Committee on Sabbath Schools—Sister Pratt, Sister Atkinson, Sister Scantlin.

3. Committee on Temperance—Rev. Clyde Hill, Rev. R. J. Howard, Bro. Gregory.

4. Committee on Query and Request—Rev. Jimmie Maxwell, Bro. W. M. LaFave, Rev. B. H. Peevhouse.

5. Committee on Ministers and Deacons Characters—Rev. J. E. Smith, Bro. Tom Dobson, Bro. Sutton.

6. Committee on Resolutions—Rev. H. O. Turner, Rev. O. D. Wickham, Rev. Tom Anderson.

7. Committee on Obituaries—Sister C. C. Garland, Sister Sutton, Sister Beller.

8. Committee on Bill of Arrangements—Bro. G. R. Stevenson, Rev. T. M. Arnold, Bro. Judge Lowe.

9. Committee on Books and Periodicals—Bro. W. J. Snow, Jim Ledbetter, Bro. Scroggins.

10. Committee on Finance—Bro. Omar Moore, Bro. Tom Robbins, Bro. Dock Lowe.

11. Ministers Examining Council—Rev. H. O. Turner, Rev. C. E. Kennedy, Rev. L. R. Crumb, Rev. L. B. Clark, Rev. B. H. Peevhouse.

Motion made and carried that the Ministers Examining Council be a Standing Committee.

12. Board of Directors—Rev. L. B. Clark, Bro. W. M. La Fave, Rev. C. E. Kennedy.

Motion made and carried that Rev. L. B. Clark serve on this Board of Directors for three years, Bro. W. M. La Fave two years, and Rev. C. E. Kennedy one year and as one of the old members go off each year, a new one be appointed to take his place.

Motion made and carried that we adjourn to meet again Saturday morning at 8:30 o'clock.

Session was dismissed by Rev. T. M. Arnold.

FRIDAY NIGHT SESSION

House called to Order by the Moderator Rev. L. R. Crumb. Singing by the choir. Prayer by Rev. J. A. Mathis, after which devotional services were conducted by Bro. Andy Brown. Preaching services by Rev. D. C. Florence. Many souls were saved.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

House called to Order by the Moderator Rev. L. R. Crumb. Singing by the choir. Lesson read from 1st Chapter of Titus. Prayer by Rev. R. J. Howard.

Motion made and carried that we receive the report of the various committees.

1. Devotional Committee Report—We your Committee on Devotional Service beg leave to report as follows:

Friday Night—Bro. Andy Brown, to conduct Devotional Service, and Rev. L. C. Florence to preach.

Saturday Morning—Rev. T. M. Arnold to preach Memorial Services.

Saturday Night—Rev. Jimmie Maxwell to conduct Devotional Service and Rev. L. B. Clark to preach.

Sunday Morning—Rev. Clyde Hill to conduct Devotional Services. Rev. C. N. Rose to preach.

Sunday Night—Bro. Gregory to conduct Devotional Services and Rev. B. H. Peevyhouse to preach.

BRO. JIM LIVESAY, Chairman.

2. Committee on Sabbath Schools—We your Committee on Sabbath Schools beg leave to report as follows:

That each Church take interest in Sunday School for it is the life of each church. That we use Free Will Baptist literature for the purpose of supporting our own publishing house for we know we have the Bible doctrine. We believe our Sunday School Teachers should be Christians because it is impossible for the unsaved to teach the word of God.

We advise each member to take greater interest in Sunday School work and in teaching the children the word of God for so many who have unsaved parents fail to get the right kind of teaching at home.

We ask that each parent take their children to Sunday School instead of sending them.

SISTER PRATT, Chairman.

3. Committee on Temperance—We your Committee on Temperance beg leave to report as follows:

Temperance implies that we should be free from intoxicating drinks of any kind and if any member be found guilty, he shall be due acknowledgements to the Church.

That we abstain from breaking of the Sabbath such as hunting fishing, and intoxicating drinks and by indulging in ungodly conversation.

We believe we should be temperate in all things and if not we should liable.

REV. CLYDE HILL, Chairman.

4. Committee on Query and Request—We your Committee on Query and Request beg leave to report as follows:

That a Committee be appointed by this body composed of three brethren to buy, two acres of land, for this Association to hold its annual meeting on and we recommend East of the Cross Roads property, facing the highway.

We request that our Churches of the Eureka Association, use as their pastors, so far as it is profitable, ministers who are members of their Association, and that no church shall be permitted to use a minister from another Association as pastor who will not observe the rules of Government of the Church.

We, request that all the churches observe the rules of this Association, and present the applicant for Ordination to Gospel Ministry, to the Examination, and that no Ordination will be recognized and endorsed in this Association, without the approval of the Council, respecting the qualification of the applicant.

BRO. W. M. LA FAVE, Chairman..

5. Committee on Books and Periodicals—We your Committee on Books and Periodicals beg leave to report as follows: We endorse the Old Report.

Old Report—That we take the Bible to be used as our discipline and only infallible rule of our doctrine, faith and practice and urge our members to use it as such. We recommend that our ministers, deacons, and lay members teach and practice our church covenant. That our Free Will Baptist members should never miss an opportunity to speak a word for the Lord.

BRO. W. J. SNOW, Chairmn

6. Committee on Bill of Arrangements—We your Committee on Bill of Arrangements beg leave to report as follows:

We endorse the Old Report.

Old Report—Be it resolved tht we forbid our members of the various churches, of this Association going to Public Swimming pools.

That each Minister and Deacon impress and insist that each member of this Association abstain from worldly lust and carnal care, such as going to dances, play parties, motion picture shows and Sunday ball game, or any such things as will hurt our Christian influence.

Anyone found guilty of such things should make acknowledgements to the church.

Be it resolved that all Free Will Baptist ministers, make a true report of their success to the Association. We also further request that the Association omit the Appointment of a Committee to report on Ministers and deacons Credentials unless necessity demands.

Be it resolved that the doors of all church property belonging to Free Will Baptist be opened to all ministers in good standing with the Association.

Taking into consideration surrounding circumstances and seeing a necessity of a rule governing the ministers, be it resolved that the Association forbid its members, deacons and lay members of the several churches of the Association from speaking disrespectfully of one another, and anyone found guilty of such conduct shall

be liable to charge and dealt with as many be deemed necessary. Be it resolved that we recommend our ministers not to vary from regular customs of Free Will Baptists in regard to receiving and dismissing members. Furthermore, Moderators of the churches to impress upon the churches the great necessity of observing all the rules of the Association.

It shall be the duty of each church to assist any minister in the Association taking evangelistic work. The Association shall empower the Moderator and Clerk with authority to furnish the evangelist with recommendations, if he is found worthy.

Be it resolved that each member read his minutes more.

BRO. G. R. STEVENSON, Chairman.

7. Committee on Ministers and Deacons Characters—We your Committee on Ministers and Deacons characters beg leave to report as follows:

We find all Ministers and Deacons in harmony as far as our jurisdiction.

REV. J. E. SMITH, Chairman.

8. Committee on Resolutions—We your Committee on Resolutions beg leave to report as follows: We endorse Old Report with this New Resolution.

New Report—Resolution No. 1: We demand our Churches of this Association to strictly discipline their members against participating in Penny Machines, Slot Machine, Punch Boards and such things.

REV. H. O. TURNER, Chairman.

Old Report—Resolution No. 1: Owing to the fact that we, the Eureka Association adopted the usages and Treaties of the Free Will Baptists, be resolved that we strictly adhere to the usages, especially article 1. on page 47, in regard to Baptism.

Resolution No. 2: Be it resolved that each pastor preach at least four sermons a year, to their church on the Finance of the Church.

Resolution No. 3: Be it resolved that the churches and ministers strictly adhere to the rules and regulations of this Association.

Resolution No. 4: Be it resolved that no minister shall become a members of this Association until he becomes a member of some Church of this Association in good standing.

Resolution No. 5: We recommend that our churches pay their pastors a reasonable sum for their service.

Resolution No. 6: Be it resolved that this body grant Moderator and Clerk power to have minutes printed where they can get the cheapest and best work.

Resolution No. 7: Be it resolved that we erase ministers names who have surrendered their Credentials to the Moderator of the Association from the Ministers Record and from County Minister's Record, showing that we do so endorse them as Free Will Baptist Ministers.

Resolution No. 8: Be it resolved that our deacons abstain from carnal care and be more attentive to their church services.

REV. H. O. TURNER, Chairman.

9. Committee on Obituaries—We your Committee on Obituaries beg leave to report as follows:

We sorrow because of the loss of our dear brothers and sisters in Christ.

Bro. Duel Robbins, Oak Ridge Church; Bro. Loyd Davis, Sister Iva Davis, Panther Church; Sister Evalena Kennedy, Tamaha Church; son of Bro. and Sister Bob Burson, Iron Bridge Church;

Bro. G. W. Sinclair, Infant daughter of Sister Alta Pendergrass, Cross Roads Church; Sister Zella Ford, San Bois Church; Infant son of Bro. and Sister Claud Booth, Sister Lizzie Peck of Perry Church; Infant daughter of Sister Nancy Casey, Rock Ford Church.

SISTER RUBY SUTTON, Chairman.

10. Report of Last Year's Clerk—To the Eureka Association: I beg leave to report as follows:

The amount of money collected at the beginning of the year \$48.10. The remaining balance of \$19.01, left over from last year, making the total of \$67.11.

The publishing expenses of minutes \$36.00, mailing expenses \$2.00, Credentials \$3.00, making a total of \$26.11 left in the treasury.

SISTER DOVIE LA FAVE, Clerk.

11. Committee on Finance—We your Committee on Finance beg leave to report as follows:

1. Martin Box	\$2.00
2. Prairie Belle	\$2.00
3. Rock Ford	\$2.00
4. Belle Point	\$2.00
5. Panther	\$2.00
6. Rose Hill	\$2.00
7. Plain View	\$2.00
8. Oak Ridge	\$2.00
9. Murry Spur	\$2.00
10. Iron Bridge	\$2.00
11. Lone Elm	\$2.09
12. Perry	\$2.00
13. Flower Hill	\$2.00
14. Cross Roads	\$2.00
15. San Bois	\$2.00
16. Tamaha	\$2.00
17. Rocky Point	\$2.00
18. Christain Grove	\$2.00

TOTAL

\$36.09

BRO. OMAR MOORE, Chairman.

Called for Ministers reports and received the following:

To the Eureka Association I beg leave to report as follows: I have preached 32 sermons, witness 35 conversions, conducted 5 funerals, pastored one church half of the time, received for my years work \$4.29.

REV. J. M. MAXWELL,

Cartersville, Okla., Rt. 1.

To the Eureka Association of the Church of God Denominated Free Will Baptist, I beg leave to report as follows: I have preached 65 sermons, conducted 2 funerals, married 4 couples, pastored 1 churches, witnessed 99 conversions, Baptized 28.

REV. R. P. SANDERS,

Spiro, Okla., Rt. 1, Box 99-A.

To the Eureka Association: I beg leave to report as follows: I have pastored 3 churches, preached 120 sermons, witnessed 61 conversions received 5 in the church. Baptized 11, conducted 6 funerals, married 12 couples, traveled 1600 miles. Received for years work from Prairie Belle \$39.53; Oak Ridge \$22.47; Murry Spur, \$14.65; from other donations \$6.00 total \$82.65.

REV. W. J. NANCE,

Spiro, Okla.

To the Eureka Association I beg leave to report as follows: I pastored 1 church and received \$47.35. Pastored the Wirt Church for four months and received \$30.60. I have preached 61 sermons, witnessed many conversions, preached 1 funeral, married 2 couples, received 1 shower from the Fair View Church, held 1 revival, received into the church 10. I have received for my years work \$57.95. I earnestly desire the prayers of God's people.

REV. T. M. ARNOLD.

Walters, Okla., Rt 3.

To the Eureka Association I beg leave to report as follows: I have preached about 35 sermons, held 2 revivals, witnessed 8 conversions, married 1 couple. I have done very little I ask the prayers of the Eureka Association that I will do more next year.

REV. B. H. PEEVYHOUSE.

Stigler, Oklahoma.

Motion made and carried to adjourn to meet again at 1:00 o'clock. Saturday afternoon.

The business session was followed by a short intermission after which Memorial Services were conducted by Rev. T. M. Arnold.

The session was dismissed by prayer.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

House called to Order by the Moderator Rev. L. R. Crumb. Singing by the choir. Prayer by Bro. Gregory. Lesson read from 8th chapter of Romans.

Motion made and carried that we accept the reports of our corresponding delegates who went to the Grand River Association.

Motion made and carried that we send the following to Grand River Association: Bro. W. M. La Fave, Rev. H. O. Turner, Sister Etta Peck.

Gaines Creek Association: Rev. B. H. Peevyhouse, Bro. C. C. Garland.

Roberts McGee: Bro. Johns, Bro. Gregory.

State Association: Rev. O. D. Wickham, Rev. Hollins, Rev. C. E. Kennedy.

Hope Well Association No. 2; Rev. O. D. Wickham, Sister O. D. Wickham.

The Fifth Sunday Meetings were then located as follows: 1st, Prairie Belle; 2nd, Rose Hill; 3rd, Panther; 4th, Lone Elm.

Motion made and carried that we have 800 minutes printed.

Rev. J. W. Sheshorne was then Ordained as Minister.

Ordaining Council—Rev. J. A. Mathis, Rev. R. P. Sanders, Rev. H. O. Turner.

Motion made and carried that we grant Rev. R. P. Sanders a Letter of Recommendation.

Motion made and carried that Rev. H. O. Turner, preach the Introductory Sermon. Rev. O. D. Wickham, alternate.

Motion made and carried that we adjourn to meet again on Thursday night before 1st Sunday in September 1937, A. D.

The session was dismissed by prayer.

SISTER DOVIE LA FAVE, Clerk.

CONSTITUTION

From the long experience, we, the members of the Free Will Baptist Church of God, being regularly baptised or upon a profession of our faith in Jesus Christ, and being convinced of the necessity of a combination of churches to perpetuate a union among us and to preserve and maintain correspondence with each other, do therefore ordain this constitution for our better church government.

1. This Association shall be composed of members chosen by different churches in our union not exceeding three delegates from each church and on producing letters shall be entitled to seats.

2. Letters from different churches are to express the number in fellowship, the number received by experience of grace, number by letter of recommendation, the number dismissed, excluded restored and those who have died since the association.

The members thus chosen and convened to be denominated the Eureka Association of Free Will Baptists, being composed of sundry churches in the Eureka Association—the Association having no power of Lord it over God's heritage nor to have any ecclesiastical power over any churches becoming disorderly.

4. The Association to have a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, who are to be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

5. Newly constituted churches may be admitted to the Association who are to petition by letter and delegates and if upon examination they are found to be orthodox and orderly, they may be received into the Association the moderator giving the right hand of fellowship.

6. No question from any church shall come under consideration of the Association unless it has first been discussed in its own church.

7. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

8. The Association is to endeavor to furnish the church with minutes of the Association in proportion to the number of members in each church, the distribution being at the discretion of the Association.

9. It shall be the duty of the clerk to keep a regular file of the minutes of the Association in a book to be kept by the Association for that purpose.

10. The minutes of the association shall be read and corrected if needed and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the close of the Association.

11. Amendments to the constitution may be made when it is necessary by a majority of the members present.

Resolved that we earnestly request all of our ministers and deacons and churches composing this Association to cooperate with each other and to assist in every way they can to help further the gospel and that each church should help their pastor and if any evangelist should visit any destitute place and organize churches that we urge upon the people to assist the evangelist so he can go and preach the word.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe in one true and living God, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost and these three are one in divine essence, power and glory, Romans 1:20; 1st John 1:7; John 17:21.

2. We believe that the Scripture of the Old and New Testament is the inspired Word of God and the only infallible rule of faith and practice. Second Timothy 3:16; Matt. 5:18.

3. We believe that God created man good, and gave him Holy Commandments whereby he should live holy, but man voluntarily disobeyed the commandments of God, transgressed the law and fell under the just condensation of the same, whereby all mankind are sinners, not by constraint but by choice, being partakers of the sinful nature attained by the fall and the man is unable to save himself with his own power, but we see Jesus for suffering of death crowned with glory. That he by the Grace of God should taste death for every man. Gen. 3:17; Heb. 2:9.

4. We believe that Christ by His death, suffering and resurrection purchased our pardon and offered it freely to all mankind upon principles of repentance toward God and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. He now commands all men everywhere to repent therefore. He sayeth, "Look unto me and saved, all ye ends of the earth for I am God and there is none else." Matt. 4:17; Isa. 45:22; Acts 20:20-21.

5. We believe that adult persons must be regenerated and born of the Spirit of God, if they inherit eternal life. John 3:3; 1 Peter 1:23.

6. We believe that infants and idiots are saved upon the merits of the Son of God. Jonah 4:11; Mark 10:14; Deut. 1:39.

7. We believe that all Christians must persevere in grace and be faithful to the end if they inherit eternal life, for blessed are they that do His commandments that they may have right to the tree of life and enter through the gates into the city. Rev. 22:14; Matt. 24:13.

9. We believe that God in His goodness displayes His power of grace in great degree in calling and qualifying His servants by teaching of the Holy Ghost and by the instruction of His Word to go forth and proclaim life and salvation without price. He bids us freely come and nothing prevents the salvation of any but their stubborn rebellion and sinful refusal to come, 1 Cor. 12:13; Eph. 3:7; Rev. 22:17.

10. We believe that baptism and the Lord's supper and washing the Saint's feet are divine ordinances and should be observed by all His children. Mark 14:22; John 13:4-14; Matt. 28:19-20; 1st Tim. 5:10.

11. We believe that none have a right to baptism only those who have a living hope in the Lord Jesus Christ, and none have the right to administer the same only those who have come under the hands of the presbytery of elders, and each church ought to have a pastor, deacons, and clerks chosen by the church, ought to have office during the good pleasure of same dealing with disorderly members, reference should be had to the 18th chapter of Matthew and other Scripture relative to dealing with disorderly members, in all cases a majority shall rule, except in receiving members, and then it must be unanimous. Titus 1:5; Acts 14:23; 14:23; II Cor. 6:6.

12. We believe it is the duty of each church to assemble themselves together once a month and that it is the duty of the pastor of the church in setting forth the Lord's Supper and washing the Saint's feet or let as many examine himself and so let him eat. I Cor. 11:28; John 13:14.

13. We believe that sanctification and holiness is a Bible doctrine, that immortality is God dwelling in the light so when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption and this mortal shall have put on immortality then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, "Death is swallowed up in victory." That it is our duty to be tender and affectionate to one another and to study the happiness of the people of God in general and to be singly engaged to promote the honor and glory of God. Gal. 6:10; I John 2:9.

14. We believe in the resurrection of the dead of both the just and unjust; the resurrection of the just to glory and immortality in the present of God; the unjust to everlasting shame and banishment from the present of God. Matt 25:31; I Cor. 15:42-45; Thes. 1:10; Rev. 20: 12-13.

CHURCH COVENANT

Having been brought, as we humbly trust, by divine grace to embrace the Lord Jesus Christ as our Savior and having thus obtained justification by faith in His name, we as members of several churches that constitute the Eureka Association of Free Will Baptists, adopt the following as our church covenant.

1. To watch over each other in love, to pray for each other as members of a common faith ever striving to keep the unity of spirit in the bond of peace.

2. We will not speak evil of each other nor will we persecute or expose the faults of the weak members of our churches; but will endeavor to be governed by Paul's instruction to Timothy, "That we will reprove, rebuke and exhort" each other as members of a common brotherhood.

3. We are commended to do good unto all men, especially to those who are of the household of faith. But we should remember that our relations to each other are closer and the obligations more binding than that of a common hand of Christian Charity. In adopting this covenant, we become as a family and assume in a Christian sense the care and responsibility that the members of a family should feel for each other.

4. We will attend the stated meeting of our church unless we are providentially hindered, or uncontrollable circumstances prevent us. And we will contribute of our means as the Lord has prospered us for the support of our pastor and other necessary expenses of our church. And we will prefer services of our own church to that of any other and will pray for our pastor while he is preaching the word of God to us.

5. We will not injure our influence in the house of the Lord by occupying seats among the unGodly and sinners; but will occupy seats near the pulpit and use the natural powers which the Lord has given us to praise His Holy Name. We will sing with those who sing and pray with those who pray.

6. We will not be guilty of the sin of Sabbath breaking by making visits to our neighbors which is a double sin against the law of God for in so doing we fail to attend the house of the Lord and hinder those who might wish to do so. Let us remember the law of Moses which condemns Sabbath breaking and the words of the inspired apostle which says, "Forsake not the assembling of yourselves together as the manner of some is."

7. We will not neglect secret and public prayers and those of us who are heads of families will strive to dedicate our households to the service of God by teaching our children the great necessity of the Christian religion as the only hope of happiness after death. We will adopt the Covenant of Joshua, the servant of the Lord, and say, "But as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord."

OUR MINISTERS

1. Rev. Meb Atkinson ----- McCurtain, Okla.
2. Rev. T. M. Arnold ----- Walters, Okla.
3. Rev. Tom Anderson ----- McCurtain, Okla.
4. Rev. John Anderson ----- McCurtain, Okla.
5. Rev. Hubert Brown ----- Keota, Okla.
6. Rev. J. A. Boggs ----- Tamaha, Okla.
7. Rev. C. A. Brown ----- Kinta, Okla.
8. Rev. L. R. Crumb ----- McCurtain, Okla.
9. Rev. L. B. Clark ----- Spiro, Okla.
10. Rev. J. W. Crossno ----- Stigler, Okla.
11. Rev. B. E. Hickman ----- Stigler, Okla.
12. Rev. R. M. Hollins ----- McCurtain, Okla.
13. Rev. A. A. Holdridge ----- Hoyt, Okla.
14. Rev. J. C. Hill ----- Porum, Okla.
15. Rev. H. Long ----- McCurtain, Okla.
16. Rev. J. Maxwell ----- Spiro, Okla.
17. Rev. F. A. McCage ----- Stigler, Okla.
18. Rev. J. A. Mathis ----- Spiro, Okla.
19. Rev. W. J. Nance ----- Spiro, Okla.
20. Rev. B. H. Peevyhouse ----- Stigler, Okla.
21. Rev. R. Pearson ----- Stigler, Okla.
22. Rev. Edd Petty ----- McCurtain, Okla.
23. Rev. G. B. Robertson ----- Stigler, Okla.
24. Rev. D. J. Rowlett ----- Stigler, Okla.
25. Rev. J. R. Stoughton ----- Cartersville, Okla.
26. Rev. R. P. Sanders ----- Arkoma, Okla.
27. Rev. J. W. Sheshorne ----- Spiro, Okla.
28. Rev. H. O. Turner ----- Stigler, Okla.
29. Rev. C. E. Kennedy ----- Tamaha, Okla.

CHURCH LETTER

Post Office _____

Date _____

We, the Church of God Denominated Free Will Baptist worshipping at _____, met in conference and elected the following delegates to represent us in the Eureka Association when convened with Cannon Church who we pray you to seat to aid in all your deliberations, to-wit:

P _____
State of Religion Br. _____

Sunday School _____

Prayer Meeting _____

Meeting Days _____

We paid our pastor, Rev. _____

Called Rev. _____ as our

pastor for the ensuing year. Ordained as deacons _____

Resident Members _____

Non-Resident Members _____

Total Membership _____

Received into the church 2 6 _____; By

Confession of faith Statement 11. _____

Deaths _____

We ask for the next session _____ Fifth

Sunday meeting. We ask for the next session of the _____

_____ Association. We sent _____

minute money.

Rev. _____, Moderator

_____, Church Clerk

