

MINUTES

OF THE

SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

OLD EUREKA ASSOCIATION

(Since The Division From Roberts McGee In 1924, A. D.)

THE CHURCH OF GOD

Denominated Free Will Baptists

Convened at the permanent Home of the Old Eureka Free Will Baptist Association, one half mile South and one half mile West of Keota, Okla., on Thursday night before First Sunday in Sept. 1941, A. D.

The next Session of this Association will convene at the permanent Home of Old Free Will Baptist Association one half mile South and one half mile west of Keota, Okla., on Wednesday night before the First Sunday in Sept. 1942, A. D.

Introductory Sermon to be preached by Rev. C. N. Rose,
Rev. L. R. Crumb, Alternate.

OFFICERS

Elder H. O. Turner Moderator
Elder W. J. Nance Assistant Moderator
Sister Dovie La Fave Clerk
Sister Etta Peck Assistant Clerk

RULES OF ORDER

1. At every sitting business shall be opened and concluded by prayer, by the moderator or whomsoever he may request.
2. Visiting ministers, present are invited to seat and allowed to take part in debates on all subjects, but are not allowed 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 second.
5. When a motion has been made and second 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.
- 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 exercises.
14. The Rules of Order shall be distinctly read from the chair immediately after Organization of the Association.
15. Alternations shall be made in these at any regular Session of this 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. Inviting 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 the moderator, Rev. H. O. Turner. Singing by the choir. Prayer by Sister W. M. LaFave. Devotional service conducted by Sister Laura Arnold, and Rev. H. O. Turner preached.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

House called to order by the moderator, Rev. H. O. Turner. Singing by the choir. Prayer by Rev. C. E. Kennedy. Lesson read by moderator.

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

The moderator called for letters from Old Churches and received the following:

1. FLOWER HILL—Sister Harper, Sister Sarah Brewer, Rev. A. A. Williams, Pastor; Sister Addie Nelson, Church Clerk.

2. PRAIRIE DELL—Sister Lavona Turney, Sister Melvin Brazeal, Sister Wadie Buttram, Rev. H. O. Turner, Pastor; Sister Virginia Ford, Church Clerk.

3. ROCK ISLAND—Bro. Ralph Jarrard, Sister Mattie Jarrard, Sister Helen Gravley, Rev. T. M. Arnold, Pastor; Sister Gussie Williams, Church Clerk.

4. ROSE HILL—Bro. George Fowler, Sister Bessie Fowler, Bro. Carl Coonfield, Rev. C. A. Brown, moderator, Sister Ona Kelley, Church Clerk.

5. TAMAHA—Bro. Paul Gillispie, Bro. Orvalle Reynolds, Sister Alta Hiser, Rev. C. N. Rose, moderator; Sister Dixie Gillispie, Church Clerk.

6. HAWTHORNE—Sister Myrtle Cones, Sister Arta Lee Nollen, Bro. Henry Long, Rev. C. E. Kennedy, Pastor; Sister Mary Johnson, Church Clerk.

7. PERRY—Bro. Omar Moore, Sister Sussie Moore, Sister Ethel Smith, Rev. T. M. Arnold, Pastor; Sister Etta Peck, Church Clerk.

8. MT. VIEW—Bro. Clarence Bryant, Bro. Roland Jones, Bro. Roy Bryant, Rev. L. R. Crumb, Pastor; Sister Anna Barnes, Church Clerk.

9. KEOTA—Sister Lou Lowe, Sister Nova Askew, Sister Lucille Gunter, Rev. C. E. Kennedy, Pastor; Sister Jessie Muse, Church Clerk.

10. HAVANA—Bro. Everett Nolen, Bro. Byran Fuller, Bro. Will Ragle, Rev. T. H. Dixon, Pastor; Sister Allie Robertson, Church Clerk.

11. SEVEN OAKS—Sister Vinnie Yancy, Sister Irene Yancy, Sister Pluma Peters, Rev. J. A. Boggs, Pastor.

12. CARTERSVILLE—Sister Green, Sister Osborn, Bro. Junior Claunch, Rev. Hubert Brown, Pastor; Sister Hester Claunch, Church Clerk.

13. CHRISTIAN GROVE—Sister Dymple Thomas, Sister Estella Spangler, Sister Meda Morris, Rev. A. R. Brooks, Pastor; Bro. Dennis Haskins, Church Clerk.

14. LONE DOVE—Sister Ruth Hering, Sister Eunice Blaylock, Sister Lillian Winn, Rev. Tom Robertson, Pastor; Sister Ruth Herring, Church Clerk.

15. ROCK FORD—Bro. Arthur Hale, Bro. Arthur Hendrick, Sister Rose McClary, Rev. Hubert Brown, Pastor; Sister Minnie Hale, Church Clerk.

16. WHOODY—Bro. Oliver Southerland, Willey Patton, Sister Vina Mae Coleman, Rev. Edgar Cole, Pastor; Sister Maggie Skrimsher, Church Clerk.

17. PANAMA—Bro. Tom Williams, Sister Sarah Bice, Rev. O. D. Wickham, Pastor; Sister Minnie Nelson, Church Clerk.

18. PRAIRIE BELL—Sister Nellie Davis, Sister Ollie Birchfield, Sister Edna Martin, Sister Lena King, Church Clerk.

19. OAK RIDGE—Bro. Billy Apple, Bro. Fred Fowler, Sister Fay McSpadden, Rev. L. R. Crumb, Pastor; Sister Lessie Bailes, Church Clerk.

20. CROSS ROADS—Bro. John Morris, Bro. Mack Adams, Sister Scantlin, Bro. C. C. Garland, Moderator, Bro. G. R. Stevenson, Church Clerk.

21. ROSE DALE—Sister H. L. Thompson, Sister W. H. Blaylock,

Sister Neal, Rev. B. H. Peevyhouse, Pastor; Sister Evlen Bowden, Church Clerk.

22. ROYAYL OAK—Bro. McKinney, Bro. Joe Kubola, Bro. Ellis Brown, Sister Nettie Stankewitz, Rev. Delmer Scroggins, Pastor, Sister Lucille Brown, Church Clerk.

23. McCURTAIN PANTHER CHURCH—Bro. Joe Dunom, Sister Madewell, Sister Fielding, Rev. W. JJJ. Nance, Pastor; Sister Lemley, Church Clerk.

24. EAST MT. OLIVE—Bro. Loyd Stout, Sister Ruby Stout, Sister Thelma Phillips, Rev. L. R. Crumb, Pastor; Sister Dora Phillips, Church Clerk.

SAN BOIS—Bro. Windfield Johnosn, Bro. Lucious Wehunt, Sister Ethel Daniels, Rev. L. R. Crumb, Pastor; Sister Ina Daniels, Church Clerk.

PRAIRIE GROVE—Sister Jennie Smith, Bro. Lois Leadford, Bro. B. B. Honeycutt, Rev. J. W. Crossno, Pastor, Sister Jewel Hamilton, Church Clerk.

27. IRON BRIDGE—Bro. Robert Carter, Sister Zelma Brigance, Bro. Redmon Brigance, Rev. Hubert Brown, Pastor; Sister Bertie Bonds, Church Clerk.

28. MURRY SPUR—Bro. Troy McKenzie, Sister Wilma McKenzie, Rev. Bridges, Pastor.

Motion made and carried that we received the Letters from Old Churches and seat the delegates.

A song was sung by the choir and, Right hand of Fellowship was extended to Old Churches.

The moderator called for the Letters from New Churches and received one.

1. OLD PANTHER—Sister Jossie Greenmyer, Bro. Edd Greenmyer, Bro. Clarence Watson, Rev. T. M. Arnold, Pastor; Sister Lottie Allen, Church Clerk.

Right hand of Fellowship was extended to the delegates of the New Church.

The officers for the ensuing year were then elected as follows: Elder H. O. Turner, Moderator; Elder W. J. Nance, Assistant Moderator; Sister Dovie LaFave, Clerk; Sister Etta Peck, Assistant Clerk.

The Rules of Order were read by Assistant Moderator W. J. Nance.

Called for Corresponding Delegates from other Associations and received the following: Grand River Association—Sister Laura Arnold, Bro. John Peck, Sister Florie Peck, Rev. Qualls, Rev. Dixon. Center Association: Rev. and Sister F. A. McCage, Bro. Edd Right from Gaines Creek Association.

Motion made and carried to adjourn to meet again at 1:30 o'clock, Friday afternoon. Association dismissed by prayer.

FRIDAY NOON SESSION

House called to order by the moderator. Singing by the choir, after which the Introductory Sermon was preached by Rev. T. M. Arnold. Had a great revival.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

House called to order by moderator. Singing by the choir. Lesson read by Rev. W. J. Nance, Assistant Moderator, from 2nd Chapter of Cor. followed by a united prayer.

The following committees were then appointed:

1. Devotional Committee—Bro. Ernest Bond, Bro. Fuller, Bro. Floyd Claunts.

2. Committee on Sabbath Schools, Sister Laura Arnold, Sister

Birchfield, Sister Bailes, Sister Gunner.

3. Committee on Temperance—Sister W. M. LaFave, Sister Made-well, Sister Wadie Buttram, Sister Gravely, Sister Eesise Fowler.

4. Committee on Query and Request—Rev. C. E. Kennedy, Rev. C. N. Rose, Bro. W. M. LaFave.

Committee on Deacons Characters—Rev. D. J. Rowlett, Bro. Will Johnson, Rev. T. M. Arnold.

6. Committee on Minister's Characters—Bro. C. B. Williamson, Bro. D. King, Bro. G. R. Severson.

7. Committee on Resolution—Rev. Henry Long, Bro. Frank Pratt, Bro. Otho Williams.

8. Committee on Obituaries—Sister Harrel, Sister Omar Moore, Sister Lottie Allen, Sister D. J. Rowlett, Sister Lena King.

9. Committee on Bill of Arrangements—Bro. Charlie Gillstrap, Bro. T. M. Bryant, Bro. Clarence Churchill, Bro. Orvalle Reynolds, Bro. Dunom.

10. Committee on Books and Periodicals—Bro. H. W. O'Donnell, Bro. Omar Moore, Bro. Mack Adams.

11. Committee on Finance—Bro. Shep Gregory, Bro. Allen, Bro. George Fowler.

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

13. Board of Directors—Bro. W. M. LaFave, Bro. Luther Roberts, Rev. C. E. Kennedy.

Motion made and carried that we adjourn to meet again at 8:30 o'clock, Saturday morning. Session dismissed by Rev. C. E. Kennedy.

FRIDAY NIGHT SESSION

House called to order by the moderator. Singing by the choir. Devotional services conducted by Bro. Pratt, followed by preaching services conducted by Rev. F. A. McCage. Had a great revival many souls were saved.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

House called to order by the moderator, Rev. H. O. Turner. Singing by the choir. Prayer by Bro. McKinney.

Called for the reports of the various committees and received the following:

1. Devotional Committee—We your Committee on Devotion, beg leave to report as follows: Friday night, Bro. Frank Pratt conduct devotional service; Rev. F. A. McCage, preach, Saturday morning at 11 o'clock; Rev. C. N. Rose preach memorial services, Saturday night; Rev. C. E. Kennedy to preach; Sister Nance conducted Devotional Service (Rev. T. H. Dixon was substituted as Rev. C. E. Kennedy could not be present). Sunday morning, Rev. Hubert Brown preach.

BRO. E. E. BONDS, Chairman.

2. Committee on Sabbath Schools—We your Committee on Sabbath Schools, beg leave to report as follows: We wish to adopt the old report.

OLD REPORT—We ask 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. All our Sunday Schools teachers must be Christian, in good standing with our church because it is impossible for the unsaved to teach the word of God. We advise each member to take a greater interest in Sunday School work and in teaching the children the word of God for so many have unsaved parents and fail to get the right kind of teaching at home. We wish

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

SISTER LAURA ARNOLD, Chairman.

3. Committee on Temperance—We your Committee on Temperance, beg leave to report as follows: We wish to adopt the Old Report.

OLD REPORT—Temperance implies that we should be free from all intoxicating drinks of any kind and if any member be found guilty he must make acknowledgements to the church. We also urge that our members abstain from breaking the Sabbath by such as hunting, fishing and indulging in ungodly conversations and we believe we should be temperate in all things.

SISTER BESSIE FOWLER, Chairman.

4 Committee on Query and Request—We your Committee on Query and Request, beg leave to report as follows: We desire to get the action of the Association in regard to the use of the tabernacle for a proposed Tri-County Singing Convention namely: Haskell, Latimer, and LeFlore Counties, to be held annually at this place and to be named after Old Eureka Association. It will be named "The Old Eureka Tri-County Singing Convention.

We request that this body explain what authority and power the deacons have over the church without the consent of the church.

BRO W. M. LaFAVE, Chairman.

5. Committee on Books and Periodicals.—We your Committee on Books and Periodicals, beg leave to report as follows: We adopt old report. We recommend the Bible as the text book of our denomination. We further recommend Butler Theology for our ministers and deacons and all who will study it. It is a standard book, on our doctrine, sold by our school, located in Iowa. We further recommend that our church history be read by all our leaders and all who will. We have many other orthodox books by our ablest brethren, we insist that these be read also. We recommend our Free Will Baptist paper, printed at Monette, Mo., once a month cost 50c, and at Ayden, North Carolina, once a week \$1.00. League literature and mission Circle literature may be purchased from these publishing houses also.

BRO. H. W. O'DONNELL, Chairman.

6 Committee on Bill of Arrangements—We your Committee on Bill of Arrangements, beg leave to report as follows: That we adopt the old Report in this way, that our deacon brethren see that each and every minister thoroughly explain the tithing system before each church.

BRO. CHARLIE GILSTRAP, Chairman.

7. Committee on Deacons Character's—We your Committee on Deacons Characters, beg leave to report as follows: We adopt old report and urge this Association to impress on our pastors that it is their duty to see that the deacons in the churches they pastor to walk in line of duty or come before the church of their membership as an unruly member.

Old Report—We find complaint in most all the church of this Association that the deacons are not discharging their duties as deacons and part are walking disorderly in the church and we request that the Association request that each church, that have disorderly deacons to take care of them.

REV. D. J. ROWLETT, Chairman.

8. Committee on Minister's Character. We your Committee on

Minister's Character, beg leave to report as follows: That we find all our ministers orthodox.

BRO. C. B. WILLIAMSON, Chairman.

9 Committee on Resolutions—We your Committee on Resolutions, beg leave to report as follows:

Resolution No.1—Be it resolved that no minister of any denomination, other than (Free Will Baptist) shall conduct services of any kind on the Association grounds or under the tabernacle without consent of every members of the Board of directors, or Trustees.

REV. H. C. LONG, Chairman.

10. 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, Rev. R. P. Sanders, and Sister J. A. Keggle of Flower Hill, Church; Infant daughter of Bro. and Sister Lenord Tackett, of Tamaha Church; Shirely Lee, daughter of Bro. and Sister Elzie Parker; Claudie Lavern Cone, daughter of Sister Essie Cone of Iron Bridge Church; Sister Edna Norris, Infant baby of Bro. and Sister Tommie McCleary of Hawthorne Church; Sister Cassie Greenmyer of Olda Panther Church; Sister Lottie Trickett, Jackie Allene Barnes, infant granddaughter of Rev. and Sister Emery Barnes; Infant baby of Bro. and Sister Alfred Greenmyer; Infant baby of Sister Ola Krumsick, of Perry Church; Bro. B. F. Kennedy, Christian Grove Church; Sister Nancy Siergist of Panma Church; Sister Cnthia Made-well, Mother of Sister Jossie Patton and Sister Nancy Greenwalt of Keota Church; Sister Grace Davis of Panther Church; Infant baby of Bro. and Sister Arthur Hendrix of Rock Ford Church; Rev. J. M. Roberts, the father and founder of our Association.

SISTER LEAMON HARRELL, Chairman.

11. Report of Association Clerk—To the Old Eureka Association, I beg leave to report as follows: Expenses for the year are as follows: Printing of Minutes \$38.50, Mailing expenses of Minutes and letters to churches for the building of shed \$342.02. Total expenses \$386.02. Leaving no balance in treasurer.

SISTER DOVIE LAFAVE, Clerk.

12. Committee on Finance—We your committee on Finance, beg leave to report as follows:

1. Seven Oaks	\$2.00
2. Christian Grove	\$2.00
3. Hawthorne	\$2.00
4. Rose Hill	\$2.00
5. Havana	\$2.00
6. Cartersville	\$2.00
7. Prairie Bell	\$2.00
8. Cross Roads	\$2.00
9. Woody	\$2.00
10. Keota	\$2.00
11. Lone Dove	\$2.00
12. Old Panther	\$2.00
13. Oak Ridge	\$2.00
14. McCurtain Panther Church	\$2.00
15. Sans Bois	\$2.00
16. Prairie Dell	\$2.00
17. Flower Hill	\$2.00
18. Mt View	\$2.00

19. Panima	\$2.00
20. Rock Island	\$2.00
21. Tamaha	\$2.00
22. Murry Spur	\$2.00
23. Rose Dale	\$2.00
24. Royal Oak	\$2.00
25. Rock Ford	\$2.00
26. Perry	\$2.00
27. Iron Bridge	\$2.00
28. Prairie Grove	\$2.00
29. East Mt. Olive	\$2.00

\$58.00

Total
Extra Collections \$4.29

\$62.29

BRO. E. S. GREGORY, Chairman.

13. Report of Minister's Examining Council.—We your Miniister's Examining Council, beg leave to report as follows: After examining Rev. J. E. Smith, find him sound in faith and doctrine of the Free Will Baptist and is worthy of Ordination.

REV. L. B. CLARK, Chairman.

Received the following Minister's Reports:

I beg leave to report as follows: I have pastored 4 churches to the best of my knowledge. I have held 4 revivals, heldped in 3 others, I have preached 108 sermons, witnessed 20 conversions; I received from Perry Church, \$54.90; Rock Island Church, \$86.50; Woody, \$23.17; Old Panther Church, \$38.42; Baptized, 10; married, 5 couples; preached 9 funerals, received for my year's work \$208.96. Pray that I will do more next year.

T. M. ARNOLD,
Keota, Okla., Route 1.

To the Eureka Association, I beg leave to report as follows: Since the association last convened, I haven't pastored any churches; helped in 2 revival meeting, have preached 78 sermons, witnessed several conversions, received about \$35.00 for my work, traveled at least 1,000 miles,. Please pray for me that I will continue to follow the leadership of God.

REV. D. J. ROWLETT,
Spiro, Oklahoma.

Motion made and carried that we adjourn to meet again at 1:30 o'clock Saturday afternoon. Session dismissed by prayer.

SATURDAY NOON SESSION

House called to order by the moderator Rev. H. O. Turner. Singing by the choir. Reading of a poem, after which Memorial service were conducted by Rev. C. N. Rose, who brought us a wonderful message.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

House called to order bp the moderator Rev. H. O. Turner. Singing by the choir. Lesson read by Rev. H. O. Turner from 1st chapter St. John. Prayer by Rev. L. B. Clark.

Motion made and carried that we name the meeting place of the Old Eureka Association. The Home of the Old Eureka Free Will Bap-

tist Association.

Motion made and carried to pay clerk \$10.00, assistant clerk, \$5.00 from association treasure.

Motion made and carried that a donation of \$23.85 be given Bro. W. M. LaFave to pay his expense for working on association shed.

Motion made and carried that we receive the reports from Corresponding delegates from Grand River, State, Hopewell, Gaines Creek and Roberts McGee Associations.

A special Report was made by Rev. T. H. Dixon, concerning State and National Association work.

Motion made and carried that we send as delegates to State Association. Bro. W. M. LaFave, Rev. C. C. Garland, Bro. W. B. Kennedy, Rev. Frank Pratt, Bro. Luther Roberts. Alternates Bro. Ernest Bonds, Bro. Otho Williams, Bro. Churchill, Bro. Phillips, Bro. Allen. All ministers from Old Eureka Association expected to go.

Grand River Association, Brother Luther Roberts, Sister Etta Peck, Bro. W. M. LaFave.

Roberts McGee Association—Bro. McKinney, Rev. L. B. Clark, Bro. Cox.

Center Association—Sister Dovie LaFave, Sister T. M. Arnold, Rev. T. M. Arnold, Rev. H. O. Turner.

Motion made and carried that we send \$5.00 from association treasure by the delegates to State Association for State minutes.

Motion made and carried that we change our time of meeting for Association from Thursday night to Wednesday night before the 1st Sunday in September.

The following 5th Sunday Meetings were then located as follows:

1st.—Prairie Dell; 2nd.—Perry; 3rd.—Rock Island; 4th.—Whoody;

Motion made and carried that Rev. C. N. Rose preach the Introductory Sermon; Rev. L. R. Crumb, Alternate. This sermon will be preached on Thursday next year instead of Friday.

Deacons from various churches were then ordained. Rev. J. E. Smith was ordained as minister.

Motion made and carried meet again on Wednesday night before the First Sunday in September 1942 A. D.

Session was dismissed by prayer.

SATURDAY NIGHT SESSION

House called to order by moderator Rev. H. O. Turner. Singing by choir. Devotional services were conducted by Sister W. J. Nance, after which preaching services were conducted by Rev. T. H. Dixon. Had a great revival service.

SUNDAY MORNING SESSION

House called to order. Devotional services conducted by Sister Laura Arnold. Had such a revival Rev. Hubert Brown did not preach. It was one of the best services we had and many souls saved.

SISTER DOVIE LAFAVE,
Association Clerk.

CONSTITUTION

From the long experience, we the member of the Free Will Baptist Church of God, being regularly baptized 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 better church government.

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

2. Letters from different church 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.

3. 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 to Lord it over God's heritage nor to have any ecclestical power over any church becoming disorderly.

4. The association to have a Moderator, Clerk, and Treasurer, who are to be chosen by the suffrage of the member 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 orthodoz 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 associaiton except when 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 proporation to the number of members in each church, distribution being at discretion of the association.

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

10. The minutes of the Association shall be read and corrected, if needed and signed by the Mcderator 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 assist in every way they can to further the pospel and that each church should help its pastor and if any evangelist should visit any destitute place and organize churches that we urge upon the people to assits the avangelist so he can go and preach the word.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

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

2. We belive 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; Matthew 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 commendments of God, transgressed the law and fell under the just condemnation of the same, whereby all mankind are sinners, not by constraint but by choice, being partiakers of the sinful nature attained by the fall and hat man is unable o 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 therefor. He sayeth, "Look unto me and be saved, all ye ends of the earth, for I am God and there is none else." Matt. 4:17; Is. 45:22; Acts 20:20.

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

6. We believe that infants and idiots are saved upon the merit of the Son of God. John 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 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 displays His power or grace in great degree in calling and qualifying His servants by teaching of the Holy Ghost and by instruction of His word to go forth and nothing prevents the salvation of any but their stubborn rebellion and sinful refusal to come. I 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; I 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 clerk 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 Scriptures 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; 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 the 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 his 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 single engage 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 just to glory and immortality in the presence of God; the unjust to everlasting shame and banishment from the presence of God. Matt. 24:31; I Cor. 15:42; Thes. 1:10; Rev. 20:12-13.

CHURCH COVENANT

Having been brought, as 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 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 unit 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 we 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 commanded to do good unto all men; especially to those 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 shall feel for each other.

4. We will attend the stated meetings of our churches 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 own church to that of any other and we 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 un-Godly 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 visit 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."

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CHURCH LETTER

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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 Old Eureka
Association, when convened at the Home of the Old Eureka Free Will
Baptists Association, whom, we pray you to seat to aid in all your
deliberations, towit:

Called Rev. as our pastor
for ensuing year.

Ordained as deacons

Resident members

Non-resident members

Total membership

Received into Church, By
Confession of Faith

Deaths

We ask for the next session 5th
Sunday Meeting.

We send Minute money.

Rev. Moderator

..... Church Clerk

