

MINUTES
OF THE
EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE
OLD EUREKA ASSOCIATION

(Since the Division from Robert 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 Wednesday night the First Sunday in Sept. 1942, A. D.

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Introductory Sermon to be preached by Rev. L. B. Clark,
Rev. Henry Long, Alternate

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Elder L. R. Crumb Moderator
Elder D. J. Rowlett Assistant Moderator
Sister Dovie LaFave Clerk
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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 seconded.
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.
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 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 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.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SESSION

Session opened by moderator Rev. H. O. Turner. Singing by the choir, devotional services conducted by Sister Laura Arnold followed by preaching services conducted by Rev. L. R. Crumb.

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20. Seven Oaks—Bro. Elmer Yancy, Sister Vennie Yancey, Sister Irene Yancy.

21 Hoyt—Sister Ila Heflin, Sister Katie Holdridge, Sister Gideon. church clerk.

22 Royal Oak—Sister Nettie Stankewitz, Sister Opalene Wyatt. Sister Geraldine Floyd, Rev. D. J. Rowlett, pastor, Sister Jessie Floyd. church clerk.

23 Murry Spur—Bro. Lester King, Rev. L. B. Black, pastor. Sister Wilma McKinzie, church clerk.

24 Hawthorne—Sister Lillian McGuire, Sister Myrtle Ballard. Sister Ellen Longcyrer, Rev. Leonard Crowder, pastor, Sister Grace McClary, church clerk.

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

Moderator called for the letters from new churches and received none.

Right hand of fellowship was extended to the delegates of old churches.

The officers for the ensuing year were then elected as follows: Rev. L. R. Crumb, moderator, Rev. D. J. Rowlett, assistant moderator: Sister Dovie LaFave, clerk, Sister Etta Peck, Assistant clerk.

Rules of Order were then read by the moderator.

Called for corresponding delegates from other association—Sister Laura Arnold, Bro. and Sister John Peck, Rev. Dixon, from Grand River association; Center association, Rev. F. A. McCage, Sister Marie Roberts, Rev. Sanders, Bro. Edd Wright, Rev. Lollis; Gaines Creek association, Rev. Elzie Yandell from Roberts McGee association, Rev. and Sister McClain, Gaines Creek association.

Motion made and carried to adjourn to meet again at 1:30 Thursday afternoon. Dismissed by Rev. F. A. McCage.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

House called to order by the moderator, singing by the choir, prayer by Rev. H. O. Turner. Lesson read by assistant moderator from 12th Chapter of Romans.

The following committees were then appointed:

1. Devotional committee—Bro. W. M. LaFave, Bro. Otho Williams, Bro. Dred Phillips.

2. Committee on Sabbath Schools—Sister D. J. Rowlett, Sister Clayton, Sister Dorsie Medlock.

3. Committee on Temperance—Rev. J. E. Smith, Rev. Hubert Brown, Rev. Henry Long.

4. Committee on Query and Request—Rev. H. O. Turner, Bro. Luther Roberts, Rev. Clyde Hill.

5. Committee on Deacons' Characters—Bro. W. E. Greenmyer, Rev. T. M. Arnold, Sister C. C. Garland.

6. Committee on Ministers' Characters—Sister W. M. LaFave, Sister Beulah Williams, Sister Dred Phillips.

7. Committee on Resolutions—Bro. Frank Pratt, Bro. Clifton Few, Sister Laura Arnold.

8. Committee on Obituaries—Sister Velma Durant, Sister Pearl Thompson, Sister Martin.

9. Committee on Bill of Arrangements—Rev. Floyd Barnes, Bro. Charlie Gilstrap, Rev. A. A. Holdridge.

10. Committee on Books and Periodicals—Sister Dellia Robert, Sister Ruby LaFave, Sister McSpaden.

11. Committee on Finance—Sister Ona Greenmyer, Bro. John Peck, Bro. John Morris.

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

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Motion made and carried that the association hire Bro. Greenmyer and Bro. Lee Smith to take care of lights for night services.

Most of all Thursday afternoon was spent in devotional service.

Motion made and carried that we adjourn to meet again Friday morning at 9:00 o'clock. Session was dismissed by Rev. D. Rowlett.

THURSDAY NIGHT SESSION

House called to order by the assistant moderator, singing by the choir. Prayer by Bro. John Peck, devotional service led by Bro. Luther Roberts. Preaching services conducted by Rev. H. O. Turner.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

House called to order by assistant moderator. Prayer by Rev. W. J. Nance. Lesson read from 136th Psalm by the assistant moderator. Prayer by Henry Long.

Called for reports of the committees and as the committees were not ready to report many interesting talks were made.

Motion made and carried that we adjourn to meet again at 1:00 o'clock Friday afternoon. The session was dismissed by Rev. Riley Haskins.

FRIDAY NOON SESSION

House called to order by the moderator Rev. L. R. Crumb. Singing by the choir. Devotional services conducted by Sister J. W. Nance followed by preaching services conducted by Rev. Riley Haskins.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

House called to order by the moderator, singing by the choir. Prayer by Rev. J. A. Boggs. Lesson read by Rev. R. L. Crumb from first Psalms of David.

Motion made and carried to give Rev. T. Dixon 30 minutes time to make a talk. He made a very interesting talk, everyone enjoyed it.

Called on Rev. Yanell and Rev. McClain to make talks which were enjoyed by everyone.

Motion made and carried that we receive the report of Finance Board of Directors.

Motion made and carried that we take collection to pay for drilling of well on the association ground deeper. \$35.00 was collected for this purpose.

Motion was made and carried to meet again at 9:00 o'clock Saturday morning. The session was dismissed by Rev. T. Dixon.

FRIDAY NIGHT SESSION

House called to order by the moderator, singing by the choir. United prayer. Devotional services conducted by Bro. Henry Williams, followed by preaching services conducted by Rev. Elzie Yandell.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

House called to order by the moderator. Singing by the choir. Prayer by Bro. Clifton Few. Lesson read from the eighth chapter of Romans.

Motion made and carried to grant Rev. Tom Anderson a letter of dismissal from this association in good standing.

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

1 DEVOTIONAL COMMITTEE—We, your devotional committee, beg leave to report as follows: Thursday night: Bro. King lead devotional services, Rev. F. A. McCage preached. Friday morning: Sister Nance conducted devotional services, Rev. Riley Haskins preached. Friday night: Bro. Henry Williams lead devotional services, Rev. Yandell, preacher. Saturday morning: Rev. Hubert Brown to lead in memorial services, Rev. T. M. Arnold to conclude. Saturday night: Sister Johnson to lead devotional service, Rev. C. N. Rose to preach. Bro. W. M. LaFave. Chairman.

2 COMMITTEE ON SABBATH SCHOOLS—We, your committee on Sabbath schools beg leave to report as follows: We adopt the old report with this amendment: That we organize a young people society and that each Sunday school represent in Sunday school rallies given by this young people's organization, as we believe this will create more interest among the young folk and much good will be accomplished.

Old report—We ask that each church take a greater 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 school teachers must be Christians 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 ask that each parent take its children to Sunday school instead of sending them.

Sister Rowlett. 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 doing such as hunting, fishing and indulging in ungodly conservations. We believe we should be temperate in all things.

Rev. J. E. Smith. Chairman.

4 COMMITTEE ON QUERY AND REQUEST—We, your committee on query and request beg leave to report to you as follows:

That the seats or any other property belonging to the association not be loaned or let out to any minister, preacher or anyone else, and not be taken from the association grounds.

Rev. H. O. Turner, Chairman.

5 COMMITTEE ON BOOKS AND PERIODICALS—We, your committee on books and periodicals beg leave to report as follows: We adopt the old report.

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 orthodox books by our ablest brethren; we insist that these be read also. We recommend our Free Will Baptist paper, printed at Monett, Mo., once a month, cost 50c. Also printed at Ayden, North Carolina once a week \$1.00. League literature and Mission circle literature may be purchased from these publishing houses also.

Sister Delia Roberts, Chairman.

6 COMMITTEE ON BILL OF ARRANGEMENTS—We your committee on bill of arrangements beg leave to report as follows: We adopt old report.

Old Report—That our deacon brethren see that each and every minister thoroughly explain the tithing system before each church.

Rev. A. A. Holdridge, Chairman.

7 COMMITTEE ON DEACONS' CHARACTERS—We your committee on deacons' and ministers' characters beg leave to report as follows: We ask that each church abide by last year's report in our minutes if you have disorderly deacons.

Bro. C. C. Garland, Chairman.

8 COMMITTEE ON MINISTERS' CHARACTERS—We your committee on ministers' characters beg leave to report as follows: That we find our ministers orthodox and as far as we know in good standing.

Sister Nellie LaFave, Chairman.

9 COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS—We your committee on resolutions beg leave to report as follows: That we adopt old report with this resolution added: Be it resolved that all the ministers of our association strictly adhere to the ruling in regard to ordaining ministers.

This is the ruling that no credential shall be received in this association without first being recommended by the examining council.

Old Report—Be it resolved that no minister of any denomination, other than Free Will Baptist, shall conduct services on association grounds or under the tabernacle without consent of every member of the board of directors or trustees.

Bro. J. F. Pratt, 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, Sister Dorothy Burton, daughter of Bro. and Sister Aron Burton, Harvey Williamson son of Bro. and Sister Williamson of Prairie Dell church; infant daughter of Bro. and Sister Floyd Springer of Old Panther church, Sister Tom Gibson of Rose Dale church, Sister Bessie Bryant and Bro. Charlie Fifer of Tamaha church, Sister Lorene Robertson, daughter of Bro. and Sister Lemley, Sister Alice Davis, Sister Mary E. Rector of

McCurtain church, Bro. Theadore Banks, husband of Sister Mary Banks, Glendia Ray McKinney, infant daughter of Bro. and Sister McKinney of Rock Ford church, Sister Rosia Fowler of Oak Ridge church, Sister Julia Avery of Prairie Bell church, Sister A. C. Keith, formerly of Perry church but belonging to a church of Grand River association at time of her death.

Sister Pearl Thompson, Chairman.

11. REPORT OF LAST YEAR'S 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, State Minutes \$5.00, Mailing expenses \$2.00, Paid to Clerk \$10.00, Assistant Clerk \$5.00, Total expenses \$60.50, leaving a balance of \$1.79 in treasury.

Dovie LaFave, clerk.

12. COMMITTEE ON FINANCE—We your Committee on Finance beg leave to report as follows—

1. East Mt. Olive	\$2.00
2. Perry	\$2.00
3. Cross Roads	\$2.75
4. Old Panthers	\$2.00
5. Woody	\$2.00
6. Rock Island	\$2.00
7. Cartersville	\$2.00
8. Keota	\$2.00
9. Rock Ford	\$2.00
10. Havana	\$2.00
11. Hoyt	\$2.00
12. McCurtain Panther Church	\$2.00
13. Christain Grove	\$2.00
14. Mt. View	\$2.00
15. Rose Dale	\$2.00
16. Rose Hill	\$2.00
17. Seven Oaks	\$2.00
18. Oak Ridge	\$2.00
19. Tamaha	\$2.00
20. Praire Bell	\$2.00
21. Murry Spur	\$2.00
22. Prairie Dell	\$2.00
23. Hawthorne	\$2.00
24. Royal Oak	\$2.00

Total \$48.75

Bro. John Morris, Chairman.

Reports of Ministers were called for and received the following:

To the Old Eureka association, I beg leave to report as follows:

I have pastored 1 church part of time, held three revivals, preached 66 sermons, witnessed several conversions, preached 2 funerals, married 6 couples, drove 872 miles. Pray for me when you pray.

Rev. D. J. Rowlett, Panama, Okla.

To the Old Eureka association, I beg leave to report as follows:

I have pastored 2 churches, held 1 revival, helped in 1 other revival, witnessed 26 conversions, baptized 14, married 4 couples, preached 5 funerals, traveled 500 miles, preached 55 sermons. I received for my years work from Cartersville church \$73.80, from Rock Ford \$44.80, other donations \$4.00, total \$122.60.

Rev. Hubert Brown, Keota, Okla.

I beg leave to report as follows: I have pastored 4 churches; preached 129 sermons, received 29 in the church, have witnessed 42 conversions, have held and helped in 6 revivals, received from Rock Island \$11.25, Christian Grove \$18.37, from Old Panthe: \$62.34, from Prairie Dell \$42.52, total \$254.48. I have married 3 couples, baptized 18, held 8 funerals, and received from other donations \$6.16, total \$260.64. Pray for me that I may do more next year.

T. M. Arnold, Keota, Okla., Rt. 1.

Motion made and carried that we adjourn to meet again at 1:30 o'clock, Saturday afternoon session was dismissed by Rev. L. B. Clark.

SATURDAY NOON SESSION

House called to order by the moderator. Singing by the choir. United prayer. Memorial services conducted by Rev. Hubert Brown.. Rev. T. M. Arnold concluded.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

House called to order by the moderator. Singing by choir. Prayer by Bro. Few. Lesson read by moderator. Prayer by Rev. J. A. Boggs. Motion made and carried that we pay clerk \$5.00, assistant \$5.00.

Motion made and carried that we receive the reports of corresponding delegates from Grand River, State, Gaines creek, Roberts McGee and Center association

Motion made and carried that we send as delegates to Grand River association: Bro. W. M. LaFave, Sister Etta Peck, Robert McGee association Rev. B. H. Peevyhouse, Sister Rowlett.

Gaines Creek association: Bro. McKinney, Rev. Rowlett.

State association: Sister Dovie LaFave, Sister Thelma Scantlin. Sister Velma Durant, Sister Lessie Bailes and Bro. Dred Phillips.

Motion made and carried that we send \$10.00 to State association to pay for State Minutes.

The following 5th Sunday meetings were then located as follows: 1st, Mt. View, 2nd, Havana, 3rd, Cross Roads, 4th, Cartersville.

Motion made and carried that Rev. L. B. Clark preach the Introductory sermon. Rev. Henry Long, alternate.

Deacons and ministers were then ordained from various churches.

Motion made and carried that we adjourn to meet again on Wednesday night before the 1st Sunday in Sept. 1943, A. D.

The session was dismissed by Rev. L. R. Crumb.

SATURDAY NIGHT SESSION

House called to order by the moderator Rev. L. R. Crumb. Singing by the choir. United prayer. Devotional services led by Sister Johnson followed by preaching services conducted by Rev. C. N. Rose. Had a gracious revival.

SUNDAY MORNING SESSION

House called to order. Devotional services conducted by Rev. Purdam. We had no preaching services as we had such a good devotional services many souls were saved.

Sister Dovie LaFave, association clerk.

CONSTITUTION

From the long experience, we the members 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 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.

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 ecclesiastical 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 church may be admitted to the association 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 when it is 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, 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 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 our ministers and deacons and churches composing this association to cooperate with each other and assist in every way they can to further the gospel and that each church should help its pastor and if any evangelist should visit any destitute place and organized churches that we urged 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; 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 commandments 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 partakers of the sinful nature attained by the fall and that man is unable to save himself with his own power, but we see Jesus for suffering of death crowded 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 the condition 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 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 of 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. 23:19-20; 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, deacon, 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 of 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 singly 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 band 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 unGodly and sinner; 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 yourself 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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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, to-wit:

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 sesison 5th
Sunday meeting.

We send Minute money.

Rev. Moderator

..... Church Clerk

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