

MINUTES

OF THE

51st ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Eureka Association

THE CHURCH OF GOD DENOMINATED

FREE WILL BAPTIST

When convened at the permanent home of the Eureka Free Will Baptist Association, four miles East of Stigler or seven miles West of Keota, Okla., on Wednesday night before the First Sunday in September, 1959, A.D.

The next Session Will Convene at the Eureka Association Tabernacle, four miles East of Stigler, Oklahoma on Wednesday night before the First Sunday in September, 1960.

Wed. Evening
OPENING MESSAGE
Rev. Harold Schuler
followed by
Rev. Oma Viles

Thurs., 11:00 A.M.
INTRODUCTORY SERMON
Rev. Leonard Crowder
followed by
Rev. Oma Viles

Rev. Norman Woodruff	Moderator
Rev. Bailey Thompson	Assistant Moderator
Bro. Fred Duncan	Clerk and Treasurer
Sis. Lessie Bailes	Assistant Clerk

RULES OF ORDER

1. At every setting, business shall be opened and concluded by prayer, by the moderator or whosoever he may call on.

2. Visiting ministers present are invited to seat in council 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 personally, 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 question: shall it be discussed.

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. A motion made and lost shall not be recorded.

8. No one shall speak more than twice on any subject without special permission 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 or herself without special leave of the Moderator.

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

14. The Rules of Order shall be distinctly read from the Chair immediately after organization of the Association.

14. Alterations shall be made in these rules at any regular session of this Association.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. House called to order by the Moderator.
2. Letters called for and received.
3. Right hand of fellowship is extended.
4. Election of Officers.
5. Reading Rules of Order.
6. Petitionary letters called for.
7. Introductory sermon to be preached.
8. Inviting visiting Brethren to seat in Council.
9. Appointment of Committees.
10. New Business.
11. Miscellaneous Business.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—5-year man—Bro. Norman Woodruff;
4-year man—Bro. Norman Woodruff; 3-year man—Bro. C. E.
Purdom; 2-year man—Bro. Bart Clark; 1-year man—Bro. C. E.
Kennedy.

EXAMINING COMMITTEE—5-year man—Bro. Raymond Qualls;
4-year man—Bro. Norman Woodruff; 3-year man—Bro. C. E.
Kennedy; 2-year man—Bro. Hubert Brown; 1-year man to fill
Bro. Sundays term—Bro. Gerald Chester.

YARD COMMITTEE—3-year man—Bro. Bob Bailes; 2-year man—
Bro. Otho Williams; 1-year man—Bro. Will LaFave.

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, we 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 Baptist, 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 members present.

5. Newly constituted churches 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.

Amendments Adopted To Constitution —1959

12. Be it resolved that an ordaining counsel for ministers be composed of three (3) ordained ministers in good standing in association.

13. Be it resolved that all money be sent to the clerk of the association.

14. Money other than allocated funds shall be divided, 75% to Co-op Plan and 25% kept in association.

15. Be it resolved that five (\$5.00) dollars accompany each letter to the fifth Sunday meetings, which shall go into the treasure of the association.

16. The Examining Committee of the association shall examine ministers for license at the request of the church of which candidate is a member.

17. The examining committee shall examine at the end of one year, licensed ministers for ordination at the request of the church of which the minister is a member. Request shall be made to association or the 5th Sunday meeting.

18. The voting power of the association shall be ministers, their wives, deacon and their wives, church clerk and duly elected delegates from each church. The above shall be in good standing with the association.

19. Be it resolved that all resolutions adopted by the Eureka association, be printed in conclusion with our constitution and be carried in print from year to year as a part of our Rules and Laws.

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 1-2; 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 we should live holy, but man voluntarily 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 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 be saved, all ye ends of the earth, for I am God and there is none else." Matt. 4:17; Isaiah 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; 1st 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 preserve in grace and be faithful to the end if they may have right to the tree of life and enter through the gate into the city. Rev. 22:14; Matt. 24:13.

8. The Terms of Salvation: The conditions of salvation are: 1. Repentance or sincere sorrow for sin and hearty renunciation of it. 2. Faith or the unreserved committal of one's self to Christ as Savior and Lord with purpose to love and obey Him in all things. In the exercise of saving faith the soul is renewed by the Holy Spirit, freed from the domain of sin and becomes a child of God. 3. Continuance in faith and obedience unto death.

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. Mar. 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 orders, 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, and then it must be unanimous. Titus 1:5; Acts 14:23; II Corinthians 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 lives so when this corruptible shall have put on corruption 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 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; Cor. 16:42; 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 Baptist 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 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."

CHURCH ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Called to order by Moderator.
2. Called into conference, or vote, to go into conference.
3. Call for peace of the Church, (all who are at peace with God and with each other, hold up your right hand).
4. Visiting brethren invited to seat in Council (Visiting members from other Free Will Baptist Churches).
5. Reading of minutes of last conference.
6. Reading of Treasurer's report.
7. Unfinished Business.
8. New Business.
9. Report of Delegates to Association or Quarterly Meetings.
10. Are there any sick, or in distress?
11. Support of Ministry and other expenses.
12. Call for Confession.
13. Invitation for members.
14. Adjournment.

RECOMENDATIONS

Rev. Carl Pugh made a request for a letter of recomendation from the Eureka Association. The request was granted and recommendation written. Rev. Pugh moving to Zion Hope No. 2 in Arkansas.

PLACING QUARTERLY MEETINGS

- 1st—Cass—Introductory message bearer, Bro. Barb Hickman. Alternate, Bro. Norman Woodruff.
- 2nd—Hoyt—Introductory message, Bro. Bailey Thompson. Alternate, Bro. Curtis Maxwell.
- 3rd—Christian Grove—Introductory message, Bro. U. C. Purdom. Alternate, Bro. Bailey Thompson.
- 4th—Panama—Introductory message, Bro. Norman Woodruff. Alternate, Bro. Charles Hannah.

DELEGATES TO STATE ASSOCIATION

POTEAU Sis. Elma Lu Barber
STIGLER Bro. Theron Kirk
PANAMA Bro. and Sis. Harold Dodson
OAK RIDGE Bro. Bob Bailes
HOYT Bro. Loyd Linton

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SERVICE

The fifty-first setting of the Eureka Association was opened by congregational singing led by Rev. Raymond Qualls, Bro. Snowden Robinson and Glenda Honeycutt. Songs: "I'm Glad Tha tJesus Came;" "It Won't Be Very Long;" and "Iv'e Got to Cross That Lonely River." Prayer.

The opening message was delivered by Rev. L. T. Brown, being enjoyed by all. A song and invitation was extended, after which the service was dismissed in prayer, by Rev. Raymond Qualls.

THURSDAY MORNING SESSION

The congregation was called to order by Rev. Norman Woodruff, assistant moderator. Song: "I've Got to Cross That Lonely River," and "Beyond the Sunset," conducted by Bro. Lon Mabray. Then Rev. Woodruff called Rev. Qualls to read the devotional scripture, St. John 13th chapter, verses 13 through 17. Had united prayer, then another song, "We Never Will Part."

The moderator, Rev. Woodruff called for a motion and second to enter conference for the purpose of transacting any business to come before the body.

The first business was a call for letters of representation from all churches present, fifteen being received, read and the delegates seated, while singing "From the Cross to the Crown." Sallissaw First Free Will Baptist presented its petitionary letter and was received in full fellowship with the Eureka Association.

At this time a motion was moved and second to adjourn conference until 1:30 in favor of the Eleven o'clock Service.

ELEVEN O'CLOCK SERVICE

Song: "Let Me Live Close to Thee," conducted by Rev. Ed Sunday. Prayer by Rev. Leonard Crowder. Rev. B. E. Hickman to deliver the Introductory Message. Scripture: Saint Matthew second chapter, first through fourth verses. Subject: "The Birth of Christ." Also reading from the 18th through the 25th verse of Saint Matthew, first chapter, where the prophet prophesied of the Conception and Birth of Christ. Also used other foundation scripture verses. A wonderful message was delivered. Rev. Norman Woodruff followed with some very interesting truths. Service was dismissed by Rev. C. E. Kennedy.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Opened by singing, "Leaning On the Everlasting Arm." Devotional scripture by Rev. Charles Hanna, reading the entire first chapter of the Book of Psalms. Prayer by Rev. C. E. Kennedy.

The moderator declared the body back in conference to continue business transactions.

First portion of business was to elect a Moderator, assistant moderator; clerk and assistant clerk. Nominations in order for a moderator. Rev. C. E. Kennedy, Rev. Norman Woodruff and Rev. Bailey Thompson were nominated. Rev. Woodruff, moderator, and Rev. Thompson, assistant. A motion was moved and second to retain the present clerk and assistant: Fred Duncan and Lessie Balles. Motion carried.

One member on the yard committee was to be elected. A motion was moved and second to re-elect Bro. Bob Bailes, the outgoing member of the present committee.

Had song, "Beautiful," after which a motion was moved and second to adjourn conference until Friday morning at 9:30 o'clock. Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Raymond Qualls.

THURSDAY NIGHT SERVICE

Evening service opened with song feast. Prayer by Rev. Leonard Crowder. More singing, then prayer by Rev. U. C. Purdom. Testimony and Devotional service was conducted by Bro. Bob Bailes. United prayer. Sang: "We Never Will Part." Special: quartet, "I'll Carry The Load."

Rev. Charles Hanna is now in charge to bring the evening message. Prayer by Rev. Norman Woodruff. A good sermon was delivered. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Otho Williams.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

The moderator, Rev. Norman Woodruff, called the body to order and declared it in conference to continue business.

Opened by singing "Revive Us Again," and "I Love My Savior Too." Devotional reading by Rev. C. E. Kennedy, from Saint Matthew, chapter 4, verses 3 through 14. United prayer.

Call for letters. Motion moved and second to receive letters and seat the delegates.

Petitionary letters called for, visitors acknowledged and welcome extended.

The Co-op plan report was read and received. Rev. Bailey Thompson, of Poteau, was elected treasurer of the Co-op plan.

The Examining committee was dismissed to meet with Bro. Junior Easton in regard to becoming a minister of the Free Will Baptist denomination, and a member in full fellowship with the Eureka Association.

At this time a motion was moved and second to adjourn conference until 1:30 p.m. in favor of the 11:00 o'clock service.

ELEVEN O'CLOCK SERVICE

Service opened by singing: "Some Day We Know," led by Bro. Lon Mabray. Prayer by Rev. O. D. Wickham. Another song: "I Would Not Be Denied."

Special arranged by Rev. Roy Roberts, assisted by Ruby LaFave, Lon Mabray and Fred Duncan, "When I Get To Heaven."

Trio by Murray Spur, "If I Could Live Over." Another special: Fish Creek Quaretette, "No Debt Left Unpaid." "Amazing Grace," by the congregation.

The minister to bring the message: Rev. Junoir Easton. Scripture: Luke, 6th chapter and 46th verse. Subject, Love. Message was enjoyed by all. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Booth.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The congregation came to order by singing: "I'm Glad That Jesus Came."

Devotional scripture First Timothy, third chapter, verse 1 through verse 4. Prayer by assistant moderator, Rev. Thompson.

Letters called for, received and delegates seated.

At beginning of afternoon session a motion was moved and second to suspend rules regarding the 1-year proving period for Rev. Easton's case, and request his ordination certificate to be declared in good standing.

Motion moved and second to adjourn conference until 9:30 a.m. Saturday morning. Dismissed by Rev. Thomas Dixon.

FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICE

Opened by congregational singing. Prayer by Rev. Harold Schuler. More singing, and another prayer, voiced by Bro. Raymond Shepherd.

Special: Sister Grandma Pugh and Abb Wallen, "There Is A Fountain Filled With Blood," in Choctaw tongue.

Special arranged by Rev. Roy Roberts, "I Have Something To Sing About." Another song, "The Old Rugged Cross," by congregation.

Rev. T. H. Dixon now in charge to bring the evening message. Scripture: Matthew chapter 24, verse 23. Song: "I Shall Not Be Moved." Subject: The Second Coming of Christ. A wonderful message was delivered. Rev. Curtis Maxwell to follow. Also preached a very convicting sermon.

Song and invitation. Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Harold Shuler, Arkansas evangelist.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

Session opened by singing "I've Got To Cross That Lonely River," led by Bro. Bill Barber, of the Poteau church.

The Devotional scripture was read from the 2nd chapter of Philippians, verses 1 through 11, by Rev. Norman Woodruff. United prayer.

Rev. Noah Edwards of the Muldrow Free Will Baptist Church was recommended to the Eureka Association as a minister of the Gospel of this denomination. A motion was moved and second to receive Rev. Edwards in full fellowship with the association.

Letters were called for, received and delegates seated.

A motion was moved and second to recess conference until 1:30 p.m. in favor the eleven o'clock service. Dismissed by Bro. Bill Barber.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

Service opened by singing, "We Never Will Part." Prayer by Rev. Carl Pugh. Song, "Some Glad Day When Jesus Comes."

Special, arranged by the clerk, consisting of Bro. Lon Mabray, Sister Bessie Duncan, Rev. Roy Roberts, and Fred Duncan, "When We All Gather Home In The Evening."

Special, arranged by Sister Ruby LaFave, assisted by Bro. James Williams, Bro. Roy Roberts, and Rev. Bailey Thompson, "I'll Meet You In The Morning."

Rev. Bailey Thompson proceeded to the pulpit to deliver the Memorial message, reading from First Corinthians, chapter 15, verses 51 through 58. The names of our beloved Brothers and Sisters who since the last association have gone on to their reward, were read. A wonderful message in memory of those was delivered.

Specials: Two Quarettes were arranged by Fred Duncan, Lon Mabray, Bessie Duncan and Roy Roberts: "That Wonderful City," and "What A Savior To Behold." Another song, "I'll Be Satisfied With Jesus." Prayer by Rev. Robert Carter.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Devotional scripture reading by Bro. Bill Barber, from Romans 12th chapter, verses 1 thru 21.

Rev. Bailey Thompson was re-elected as member to the State General Board.

Motion was moved and second to dismiss all committees who had been elected or appointed during the business setting of the association.

Rev. Carl Pugh gave in a request for a letter of recommendation. The request was granted and letter written. Rev. Pugh has accepted full time pastorate work in Arkansas.

The ministers of the association gave reports as to their year's work. The reports were written and oral, and were interesting.

Motion was moved and second to adjourn conference of the 51st setting of the Eureka association until on Wednesday night before the first Sunday in September, 1960. Dismissed in prayer Rev. Oma Viles.

SATURDAY NIGHT SERVICE

Glen Chester opened the service by leading song No. 136, "I'd Rather Have Jesus," also No. 184, "I'll Fly Away," and No. 206, "I'll Carry The Load." Prayer, led by Rev. Oma Viles.

Specials: Solo, "Wait A Little Longer, Please, Jesus," by Kenny Pugh. Quartette, "What A Day That Day Will Be," by James, Ralph and Lola Williams, and Glen Cordle. Duet "Joy Divine," by Rev. Carl Pugh and daughter, also quartette, "When I Get To Heaven." Duet, "When I Take My Vacation In Heaven," by Cleon Linton and Mrs. Connie Cariker.

"My God Is Real," soloed by Cleon Linton. Quartettes: "Heaven's Really Gonna Shine," and "I Know My Redeemer Liveth," arranged by Mrs. Fred Duncan, assisted by James Williams, Lon Mabray and Fred Duncan.

Testimony service led by Bro. Kenneth Wayne Kelly. Special by Mrs. Rusha Gideon, her daughter and sister, "I Need No Mansion Here Below."

Rev. Robert Carter takes the floor to bring the message, reading scripture from Joel chapter 14, verse 13, after which his daughter sang a beautiful song. A good message was delivered. Song and hand-shake. Invitation was given with one soul surrendering her life to Christ. Another song and hand-shake, extending the hand of fellowship. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Connie Cariker.

DIVINE COMMITTEE—The message bearers are as follows: Wednesday night, Bro. L. T. Brown; Thursday morning, Bro. Barb Hickman; Thursday night, Bro. Chales Hannah. Brought the message, Bro. Bob Bailes conducted devotional. Friday morning, Bro. Junior Easton brought the message; Friday night, Bro. T. H. Dixon brought the message, followed by Bro. Curtis Maxwell; Saturday morning Bro. Bailey Thompson brought the Memorial message. Saturday night was young peoples night. Bro. Chick Kelley conducted devotional. Bro. Robert Carter brought the message.

COMMITTED: Bro. Kenneth Pugh, Sis. Iva Reece, Sis. Sallie Smith.

SUNDAY SCHOOL—We the Sunday school committee, recommend that all churches of this association buy their Sunday school literature from the Oklahoma Press, we recommend the old report, with the exception of Paragraph Two.

OLD REPORT—We ask that each church take a greater interest in Sunday school, for it's the life of the church. We recommend that each Sunday School of this association use Free Will Baptist Literature for we know it is the true doctrine. We further request that all Sunday school teachers should be Christians, for it is impossible for the unsaved to teach the word of God. The Committee's prayers are behind the young folk, and we pray that their fathers and mothers will take a greater interest in Sunday School work, and that all Christians practice keeping the Sabbath Holy, by taking their children to Sunday School, instead of sending them. That there be a committee of two appointed in each Sunday School to supervise and encourage the youth camp meetings, also that there be League organized in each church, for the benefit of the young people. Signed—committee, Bro. Gerald Chester, Sis. Evie Faulkenberry, Sis. Dessie Mendenhall.

QUERY AND REQUEST—We your committee on Query and Request have nothing to report at this time. Bro. Raymond Qualls, Bro. Lindsay Ray, Bro. Dock Lowe.

MINISTERS' CHARACTER—We, your committee on Ministers' Character, beg leave to report as follows: We can say this, we cannot look on man's heart, but God knows the heart. But by them not attending preachers' conference and neglect the quarterly meetings we wonder. Your committee, Bro. Bob Bailes, Bro. Lon Mabray, Bro. Snowden Robinson.

DEASONS' CHARACTER—We, your committee on Deacons' Character beg leave to report as follows: We adopt the old report. As far as we know all our deacons are in good standing.

OLD REPORT: We wish to stress again the need of each deacon attending the quarterly meetings. Signed, your committee, Sis. Nancey Mae Kirschee, Sis Ruby LaFave, Bro. Kemp.

OBITUARY—We, your Obituary Committee, beg leave to report as follows: Our loss is Heaven's gain, of the following: **POTEAU**—Sis. Anna Kersh; **McCURTAIN**—Bro. John Coker; **PAN-AMA**—Bro. Lonnie Long, Bro. Authur Harp; **STIGLER**—Bro. Will Scoggins; **PERRY**—Sis. Pearl Turner and Bro. J. D. Booth; **ROSE HILL**—Bro. Forrest and Sis. Maxine Oliver; **TAMAHIA**—Sis. Nellie Boggs; **CROSS ROADS**—Bro. Joseph W. Hill. Committee, Rev. Charles Hanna, Bro. Bill Apple, Bro. Henry Roy.

RECOMMENDATIONS

We the church at Muldrow met in conference and we wholeheartedly agreed that we should recommend Bro. Noah Edward to the fellowship of the Eureka association.

Being a member in the church he proved himself to be faithful to the cause of Christ.

Yours, in Christ

Moderator, Harold Schuler

As Moderator of Zion Hope No. 2 Association in the State of Arkansas, we whole heartely recommend Brother Harrold Schuler to the fellowship of your Association or where ever God may call Him.

He was ordained in the First Free Will Baptist church in Fort Smith of which I am pastor and has proved himself in every way, we hope he will be as much a blessing to you as he has to us.

Yours in Christ,

R. E. Pixley

A motion was moved and seconded that these Ministers be accepted into the association in full fellowship. Carried.

YARD COMMITTEE REPORT

As treasurer of Yard Committee of the Eureka Association, I beg leave to report the balance, collections and expenditures for the year beginning Sept. 1, 1958 and ending Sept. 1, 1959. Report as follows:

Deposits for year	\$1349.63
Disbursements for year	1216.32
Deposites less Disbursements	
Equals balance of	\$ 133.31

CLERK'S FINANCIAL REPORT

As Clerk of the Eureka Association, I beg leave to report as follows: Collections for the year, beginning September 12, 1958, and ending September 1, 1959 are as follows:

Collections as contributed by the

Churches of the Association	\$185.00
Paid by Youth Encampment for printing of Minutes	10.00
Balance from preceding year	23.25
Total Collections	\$218.25

Disbursements for same period are as follows:

Clerk's fee, paid Sept. 22, 1958	\$ 25.00
Assistant Clerk's fee, paid Sept. 22, 1958	15.00
Printing of Association Minutes, Oct. 24, 1958	107.50
Gold colored paper used for back covers for Minutes	22.70
State Association Fee, paid Oct. 9, 1958	25.00
Fee for Recording Deed to Association Ground, and Rev. Stamp	2.55
250 letter forms, stamps, paper and envelopes	14.10
Total Disbursements	\$211.85
Total Balance and Collections for year	218.25
Less total Disbursements for year	211.85
Leaving a balance Sept. 1, 1959 of	\$ 6.40

Sincerely submitted,

Fred Duncan, Association Clerk

Lessie Bailes, Assistant Clerk

MINISTER'S CONFERENCE REPORT

September 3, 1959

The Minister's and Deacon's Conference of Eureka Association beg leave to report: We have had four (4) spirit filled meetings this year.

We have changed our meeting day to the Saturday before our Quarterly Meetings. We feel that much good is being done by this meeting, and we desire your prayers that it may continue to be a blessing to all who attend.

Clerk,

Rev. Charles Hanna

RESOLUTIONS

Be it resolved that we, starting next association, 1960, placing every preachers yearly report in the Minutes.

Your Committee on Resolutions and Amendments of Constitution and By Laws.

Bro. C. E. Kennedy

Bro. Otho Williams

Bro. Charles Hannah

CO-OP PLAN REPORT

Sept. 1, 1958 to Aug. 31, 1959

For September	\$ 69.20
Received for Co-op Plan	543.90
5 percent retained in Association	27.19
Amount sent to State Office	516.71
Balance from last year	36.61
5 percent retained	27.19
Total	\$ 63.80

Respectfully Submitted
Ed S. Sunday

LETTER OF GREETINGS

We, the Master's Men Organization of Stigler First Free Will Baptist church extend greetings to Eureka Association.

Our organization has been feasting on the blessings of God for around four years or more. First receiving the name: Stigler Free Will Baptist Brotherhood, then at the State Association of 1958 we became a charter member of the Master's Men Organization.

Our attendance has been from 9 to 21, or an average of 15. We enjoy the fellowship one with another, immensely, and sincerely invite other Master's Men Organizations of the Eureka Association to bring a program and worship with us on any First Tuesday night of the month.

We trust this setting of the Association, will be long remembered on account of the presence of God dwelling within.

May the Lord bless and keep all of you is our prayer.

Prayerfully submitted,
The Master's Men Organization
Ed Tatman, President
Fred Duncan, Secy.-Clerk

ASSOCIATION FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

1—Keota	\$10.00
2—Stigler	20.00
3—Poteau	20.00
4—Rose Hill	10.00
5—Lone Elm	10.00
6—Iron Bridge	10.00
7—Muldrow	13.00
8—Fish Creek	10.00
9—Arkoma	6.00
10—Perry	10.00
11—Panama	25.00
12—Porum	10.50
13—Oak Ridge	15.00
14—Prairie Grove	10.00

15—Tamaha	10.00
16—Keefton	10.00
17—Murray Spur	15.00
18—Cross Roads	10.00
19—McCurtain	10.00
20—Christian Grove	10.00
21—Cass	10.00
22—Rock Ford	10.00
23—Hoyt	20.00
Sallisaw	10.00
25—Brooken—Not represented, but contributed	10.00
26—Havana—not represented, but contributed	5.00
Committee of Finance and Yard Fund.	

CHURCHES AND DELEGATES

1. KEOTA—Vonnice Kemp, Sis. Alice Tabor, Sis. Addie Mooneyham. Rev. Hubert Brown, pastor. Sis. Lorena Cole, Clerk, pro-tem.
2. STIGLER—Sis. Mike Spittler, Sis. Dessie Mendenhadd, Sis. Iva Reece. Bro. Ed Tatman, moderator. Sis. Eula Martin, clerk.
3. POTEAU—Sis. Evi Faulkenberry, Sis. Vanelia Clark, Sis. Vernice Clark. Rev. Bailey Thompson, pastor.
4. ROSE HILL—Bro. Henry Roy, Bro. A. W. Reading, Bro. Lester Woodruff. Rev. Wayne Wagner, pastor. Sis. Bessie Fowler, clerk.
5. LONE ELM—Sis. Myrtle Nelson, Sis. Eula Wilkins, Sis. Tennie Dobson. Rev. Curtis Maxwell, pastor. Sis. Dorsie Medlock, clerk.
6. IRON BRIDGE—Bro. Raymond Shepherd, Bro. Walter Kates, Bro. Loy Doss. Rev. Norman Woodruff, pastor, Sis. Zelma Brigrance, clerk.
7. MULDROW—Sis. Mandy Shamblin, Sis. Hazel Rhoades, Sis. Norma Wilson. Rev. Harold Shuler, pastor. Sis. Bell Viles, clerk.
8. FISH CREEK—Bro. Bill Colbert, Sis. Nettie Colbert, Sis. Mary McSpadden. Rev. Chess Brown, pastor. Sis. Marie Kasner, clerk.
9. ARKOMA—Bro. Ebbie Kirchke, Sis. Nancy Mae Kirchke. Rev. Raymond Qualls, pastor. Sis. Mae Qualls, clerk.
10. PERRY—Sis. Freda Kelly, Sis. Sallie Smith, Sis. Ruby LaFave. Rev. C. A. Brown, pastor. Sis. Nettie Booth, clerk.
11. PANAMA—Sis. Virdie Long, Sis. Elizabeth McFayden, Sis. Alta Julstead. Rev. Gerald Chester, pastor. Sis. Betty Dodson, clerk.
12. PORUM—Bro. F. C. Mount, Sis. Arlie Rackley, Sis. Sadie Hicks. Rev. C. J. Stump, pastor. Sis. Pauline Stephens, clerk.
13. OAK RIDGE—Bro. Bob Bailes, Sis. Ella Bailes, Sis. Faye McSpadden. Rev. Norman Woodruff, moderator. Sis. Lessie Bailes, clerk.

14. PRAIRIE GROVE—Bro. W. H. Powell, Sis. Beatrice Pugh, Bro. Kenneth Pugh. Bro. Richard Bibbs, moderator. Sis. Letha Few, clerk.

15. TAMAHA—Bro. Fred Eakle, Bro. Philip Henry, Bro. Leonard Livesay. Bro. Kirk Suttles, moderator. Sis. Clara Ward, clerk.

16. KEEFTON—Bro. Ray Nipps, Bro. Gorden Blankenship, Sis. Beavers. Rev. Ray Bryant, pastor. Sis. Eliza Rains, clerk.

17. MURRY SPUR—Sis. Jo Anna Lovell, Sis. Virginia McKinney, Sis. Joyce Conred. Rev. Charles Hanna, pastor. Sis. Alva Swift, clerk.

18. CROSS ROADS—Bro. Mack Adams, Bro. Jess Vinable, Sis. Gertie Adams. Rev. A. A. Holdridge, pastor. Sis. Zelma Hickman, clerk.

19. McCUTAIN—Sis. Thelma Phillips, Sis. Lottie Wallen, Sis. Fene Fielding. Rev. L. T. Brown, pastor. Sis. Ruby Hartwick, clerk.

20. CHRISTIAN GROVE—Sis. Lena Greenwood, Sis. Veda Ridenour, Sis. Liddle Perkins. Rev. Junior Easton, pastor. Sis. Lena Ward, clerk.

21. CASS—Bro. Buster Cones, Sis. Myrtle Cones, Sis. Lois Kinsey. Rev. Curtis Maxwell, pastor. Sis. Bertha Robinson, clerk.

22. ROCK FORD—Sis. Eunice Blaylock, Sis. Anna Dunkin, Sis. Rose Clyma. Rev. Curtis Maxwell, pastor. Sis. Alice Hendrix, clerk.

23. HOYT—Bro. Doyle Kennedy, Bro. John Gideon, Bro. Orvel Holdridge. Rev. Leroy Littlefield, pastor. Sis. Rusha Gideon, clerk.

24. SALLISAW—Sis. Ida Rope, Sis. Vera Calhoun, Bro. Marion Calhoun, Sis. Bean. Bro. Abe Sasser, moderator. Sis. Kate Sasser, clerk.

Brooken church wasn't represented, but sent \$5.00 for Minutes and \$5.00 for Ground.

Havana church did not represent, but sent \$5.00 to apply on Minutes fund.

ASSOCIATION MINISTERS

1. Rev. C. J. Stump	Porum, Oklahoma
2. Rev. Junior Easton	Fort Smith, Arkansas
3. Rev. Bailey Thompson	Poteau, Oklahoma
4. Rev. Noah Edwards	Muldrow, Oklahoma
5. Rev. Harold Schuler	Fort Smith, Arkansas
6. Rev. Dale Tanksley	Stigler, Oklahoma
7. Rev. Clark Cariker	Hoyt, Oklahoma
8. Rev. Meb Atkinson	Stigler, Oklahoma
9. Rev. Hubert Brown	Keota, Oklahoma
10. Rev. C. A. Brown	Kinta, Oklahoma
11. Rev. L. B. Clark	Spiro, Oklahoma
12. Rev. Edgar Cole	Keota, Oklahoma
13. Rev. I. L. Florence	Poteau, Oklahoma

14.	Rev. B. E. Hickman	Stigler, Oklahoma
15.	Rev. A. A. Holdridge	Hoyt, Oklahoma
16.	Rev. Roy Bryant	Stigler, Oklahoma
17.	Rev. C. N. Rose	Keota, Oklahoma
18.	Rev. Gerald Chester	Poteau, Oklahoma
19.	Rev. Wilbur Clark	Poteau, Oklahoma
20.	Rev. J. W. Weldon	Keota, Oklahoma
21.	Rev. C. E. Kennedy	Keota, Oklahoma
22.	Rev. Henry Long	McCurtain, Oklahoma
23.	Rev. B. H. Peevyhouse	Stigler, Oklahoma
24.	Rev. U. C. Purdom	Hoyt, Oklahoma
25.	Rev. Curtis Maxwell	Keota, Oklahoma
26.	Rev. L. T. Brown	Keota, Oklahoma
27.	Rev. John Morris	Stigler, Oklahoma
28.	Rev. J. E. Smith	Stigler, Oklahoma
29.	Rev. Norman Woodruff	Lequire, Oklahoma
30.	Rev. Paul Duncan	Tulsa, Oklahoma
31.	Rev. C. I. Edwards	Poteau, Oklahoma
32.	Rev. Walker Wood	Porum, Oklahoma
33.	Rev. Hugo Smith	Stigler, Oklahoma
34.	Rev. Charles Hanna	Spiro, Oklahoma
35.	Rev. Raymond Qualls	Arkoma, Oklahoma

YOUTH ENCAMPMENT MINUTES

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. House called to order by the Moderator.
2. Letters called for and received.
3. Right hand of fellowship is extended.
4. Election of Officers.
5. Reading Rules of Order.
6. Petitionary Letters called for.
7. Introductory Sermon to be preached.
8. Inviting visiting brethren to seat in council.
9. Appointment of Committees.
10. New Business.
11. Miscellaneous Business.

About two hundred registered this year. Churches represented by letter were: Panama, Stigler, Murry Spur, Perry, Lone Elm, Cass and Christian Grove. Churches represented by statement were: Muldrow, Iron Bridge, Oak Ridge, McCurtain, Poteau, Rose Hill, Prairie Grove.

CAMP GROUND RULES

1. A bell will ring 5 minutes before bedtime.
2. 30 minutes after lights go out, talking will stop.
3. No one is to leave the camp ground without a sponsor.
4. No one is to leave class or regular church service without special permission from sponsor.
5. No literature, other than the Bible or Religious material is to be brought on the camp grounds.
6. At 7:00, a bell rings; at 7:30, breakfast.
7. Each one assigned to special camp duties.
8. Someone to register each one coming on the camp ground.

WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION

Youth Camp's first session was called to order Wednesday morning by the 1958 vice-president, Bro. James Williams.

Service opened with congregation singing numbers 136 and 103.

Bro. Gerald Chester brought out attention to the Youth Camp Slogan—"Together We Shall Go Forward" after which he read Philippians 3:10-14 for our Scripture reading. Prayer by Bro. Wilbur Clark.

Motion made and seconded to enter conference. Letters were called for, read and received. Delegates were seated. Election of officers as follows: Bro. Gerald Chester, President; Bro. James Williams, Vice-president; Sis. Bernice Oliver, Clerk; Sis. Loyce Pugh, Assistant Clerk; Sis. Loretta Ruts, Song Leader; Bro. Glen Chester, Assistant Song Leader; Sis. Pat Kinsey, Pianist and Bro. James Williams, Assistant Pianist.

Devotional committee appointed was: Sis. Sue McKinney, Bro. O. W. Mize, Sis. Lola Holdridge.

Camp ground rules were read by Bro. James Williams.

Bro. Ed Sunday taught our lesson on "The Life of Christ". This was a very interesting lesson.

Report of Devotional Committee was given. We then had a song and United Prayer.

Sis. Mary Lee Roberts led our testimony service after which Bro. Gerald Chester brought the message from Hebrews 12:1-2. The message was entitled "Let Us Run With Patience The Race That Is Set Before Us".

Had song and altar call. Service turned to Bro. James Williams. Dismissed by Bro. Ed Sunday.

Lunch was served.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

House called to order by President. Had two congregational songs. Prayer by Bro. James Williams.

Letters called for. Motion made and seconded to receive Iron Bridge, McCurtain, Poteau and Oak Ridge churches by Statement.

A very good lesson "Free Will Baptist Doctrine" was taught by Bro. Gerald Chester.

Dismissed for a 10 minute recess. House called back to order by President.

Bro. James Williams taught our lesson on "Music."

Bro. James Williams was nominated as the Boys Sponsor. Sis. Gertrude Cantrell and Sis. Snowden Robinson was nominated as the Girls Sponsors.

Sis. Norma Mize and Sis. Joyce Conrad was nominated for the Girls Clean-Up Committee.

Report of Devotional Committee was Glen Chester to lead Testimony service and Bro. Bailey Thompson to bring the message for Wednesday night.

Camp Ground Rules re-read by Bro. James Williams.

Dismissed by Sis. Alma Barber.

RECREATION—GROVE SERVICE

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SERVICE

Service opened with congregational singing led by Sis. Loretta Rust.

Prayer by Bro. Dale Tanksley. Congregational song and special by Sis. Loretta Rust and Sis. Loyce Pugh. Solo by Richard Rust. Had United Prayer.

Service turned to Bro. Glen Chester who led testimony service. He also read the Scripture Reading from Psalm 119:105.

Special song "Heavens Gonna Shine" by Loyce and Loretta. Bro. Bailey Thompson brought a very good message from II Peter 2:1-10. Invitation given by song and altar call.

Dismissed by Bro. Fred Duncan.

BEDTIME PRAYER SERVICE—6 boys were saved.

THURSDAY MORNING SERVICE

House called to order by President. Letters called for. Song. Prairie Grove and Rose Hill was received by statement. Congregational singing. Scripture Reading by Bro. James Mize from Romans 8:26-28. Prayer by Sis. Oneta Chester.

Report of Devotional Committee. Song "Amazing Grace" and Bro. Ed Sunday took charge of our lesson "The Life Of Christ." It was a very good lesson.

Dismissed for a 10 minute recess by Sis. Violet Oliver.

House called to order by President. Congregational singing and a quartet number "The Touch Of His Hand."

Prayer by Bro. Gerald Chester and Sis. Cantrell took charge of the testimony service. Bro. Wilbur Clark brought the message from Mark 10:13-14. Song and altar call. Had five conversions.

Lunch was served.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

House called to order by President. Congregational singing and prayer by Bro. James Mize. Our lesson on "Free Will Baptist Doctrine" was taught by Bro. Ed Sunday.

Dismissed for 10 minute recess by Sis. Loretta Rust. House called to order by singing of Chorus'. Our "Music" lesson was taught by Bro. James Williams.

Motion was made and seconded to wait until next year to elect sponsors and clean-up committees.

Mrs. Bill Barber, Mrs. Lena Ward and Mrs. Lessie Bailes were nominated for the Foods Committee. The first nominated — Sis. Barber will be chairman.

Report of Devotional Committee.

Dismissed by Sis. Bernice Oliver.

RECREATION—GROVE SERVICE

THURSDAY NIGHT SERVICE

Service opened with group singing led by Sis. Loretta Rust. Prayer by Sis. Jean Cass. Several special numbers in song were presented. Prayer by Bro. Bill Apple.

Special song "Can He Depend On You" by Sis. Glenda Honeycutt after which she took charge of testimony service. Two chorus' were led by Bro. Bailey Thompson.

Bro. Charles Hanna brought the message from I Kings 21:17-20. Song and altar call. Dismissed by Bro. Gene Medlock.

BEDTIME PRAYER SERVICE

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

House called to order by the President. Service opened with group singing led by Bro. James Williams. Prayer by Ed Sunday.

Letters or Statements called for. None received. Chorus' led by Bro. Gerald Chester.

Bro. Ed Sunday taught our lesson on "The Life Of Christ."

Report of Devotional Committee. Dismissed for recess by Bro. Dwaine Duncan. House called to order with song. Had United Prayer.

Sis. Lola Williams took charge of testimony service. Special song "How Long Has It Been" by Bro. James Williams.

Prayer by Bro. Wilbur Clark who brought the message from JJohn 1:35-42. This was a very interesting message entitled "Finding Jesus." Song and altar call.

Dismissed by Bro. O. W. Mize.

Lunch was served.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

House called to order by President. Songs were led by Sis. Loretta Rust. Prayer by Sis. Jean Cass. Poem was given by Velta Pierce entitled "God The Creator."

Scripture Reading by Bro. Wilbur Clark, from Ephesians 4:1-6. Prayer by Bro. Glendon Chester.

Announcements were made regarding the State League by Bro. Wilbur Clark.

Bro. Ed Sunday taught the final lesson on "The Life Of Christ." We all enjoyed this topic throughout our Youth Camp.

Dismissed by Bro. Buster Cones for a 10 minute recess. House called to order. "Music" lesson was taught by Bro. James Williams.

Report of finances received in this year's Youth Camp was given. Amount received was \$262.63. This amount does not include the churches which paid in advance.

Following is the committee elected to select teachers and subjects for next year's Youth Camp: Rev. Gerald Chester, Bro. Bob Bailes, Sis. Mary Lee Roberts, Sis. Bernice Oliver and Bro. Glen Chester.

Motion made and seconded to have this committee arrange the Program for 1960.

Motion made and seconded to dismiss the Recreational Committee.

Motion made and seconded for President to appoint a supervisor for Recreation.

Report of Devotional Committee. Motion made and seconded to adjourn conference till Wednesday before the 3rd Sunday in June of 1960.

Dismissed in prayer by Sis. Kathleen Pipkins.

RECREATION—GROVE SERVICE

FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICE

Service opened with congregational singing. Had United Prayer. A solo was sang by Richard Rust. Sis. Loretta Rust and Sis. Loyce Pugh sang a duet.

Bro. James Mize led Testimony Service. Service turned to Bro. L. T. Brown who brought the message from I Jude. His message was entitled "Mercy Be Unto You." Had song and altar call.

Dismissed by Bro. Paul Duncan.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

Service opened with group singing led by Bro. Glen Chester. Scripture reading by Jerry Coffey from John 19:19-25. Prayer by Sis. Bernice Oliver.

Conference declared open by moderator. Motion made and seconded to accept Porum's letter for information.

Had a discussion on the continuation of Youth Camp on Saturday morning. Motion was made and seconded that we discuss starting Youth Camp on Tuesday instead of Wednesday continuing through Friday night with our churches and bring this business up in the 1960 Youth Camp. Motion made and seconded that we retain our regular 3 day Youth Camp in 1960.

Motion made and seconded to adjourn conference until next year.

Dismissed for a 10 minute recess by Bro. Lowell Nolen. House called to order by vice-president. Songs led by Bro. Glendon Chester. We were all called to the altar for a United Prayer.

Sis. Shirley Robinson led Testimony Service. Solo by Bro. James Williams "My God Is Real."

Bro. Paul Duncan brought the final message in our 1959 Youth Camp following prayer from Matthew 19:13-14.

Had song and hand shake.

Dismissed by Bro. J. W. Weldon.

Lunch.

As to date, teachers and subjects for the 1960 Youth Camp have not been selected.

REPORT ON FINANCES GIVEN BY DIFFERENT CHURCHES

Panama	\$ 25.00
Stigler	26.00
Murry Spur	28.63
Perry	24.00
Cass	26.00
Muldrow	10.00
Iron Bridge	26.00
Oak Ridge	26.00
McCurtain	18.00
Lone Elm	20.00
Prairie Grove	8.00
Poteau	9.00
Porum	6.00
Personal Donations:	
James Williams	10.00
Total	\$262.63

This is the amount taken in at Youth Camp and does not include the churches which paid in advance.

