

**MINUTES**  
OF THE  
**61st ANNUAL SESSION**  
OF  
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 Thursday night before the First Sunday in September, 1969, A. D.

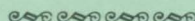


The next Session will convene at the Eureka Association Tabernacle, four miles East of Stigler, Oklahoma, on Thursday night before the first Sunday in September, 1970.



Thursday Evening  
OPENING MESSAGE  
Rev. A. J. Robinson  
Alternate  
Rev. Andy Campbell

Friday, 11:00 A. M.  
INTRODUCTORY SERMON  
Rev. Lamon Garrison  
Alternate  
Rev. Norman Woodruff



Rev. Norman Woodruff, Lequire, Okla. . . . . Moderator  
Rev. James Williams, Stigler . . . . . Ass't. Moderator  
Sis. Ruby LaFave, Rt. 1, Box 160, Stigler . . . . . Clerk  
Sis. Lessie Bailes, Box 372, Stigler . . . . . Ass't. Clerk  
Bro. Fred Duncan, 500 N. E. 3rd, Stigler . . . . . Treasurer

## **RULES OF ORDER**

1. At every sitting, 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. Personal reflections shall be avoided in all debates.
4. No motion shall be discussed without being seconded.
5. When a motion has been made and seconded and a member opposes its discussion, the moderator shall put 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.
13. 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 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.

#### THURSDAY NIGHT SERVICES

Services called to order by Asst. Moderator, Bro. James Williams. Singing directed by Bro. Irby Preskitt with Rita Jane Wilson at the piano. Prayer by Bro. Vanis King. Choir singing No. 277 and 204. Prayer by Bro. Curtis Maxwell. Special singing, Duet by Mr. and Mrs. Gary Wilson, Quartet by the Wilson family. Devotional service led by Bro. Frank Fenton. Duet by Bro. and Sis. James Williams "My God Can Do Any Thing". Our elected minister, Bro. P. E. Lambert preached a wonderful message, Text Peace and Harmony, 1st Thess. 5-12. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Edgar Warren.

#### FRIDAY MORNING

House called to order by moderator, Bro. Bailey Thompson. Singing directed by Bro. James Williams. No. 96 "Just Steal Away and Pray". Devotional reading by Bro. James Robinson. Reading from 133 Psalms. Prayer by Bro. Robinson. The Moderator, Bro. Thompson, declared the body into conference to transact any business that might come before the body. Call for letters received 21. Motion made to receive the letters and seat the delegates. Bro. Bailey Thompson, Moderator, gave recognition to each visiting minister and asked them to sit in council. Since time didn't permit of the election of officers, business session was adjourned till 1:30 Friday afternoon. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Finis Kindig.

#### 11 O'CLOCK SERVICES

Services opened by singing. Directed by Bro. Andy Campbell No. 160 "Some Glad Day." United prayer. Special singing. Solo by Bro. Richard Rust, "I've Been to Calvary". Trio by Bro. and Sis. Gary Wilson and baby, "I'll Fly Away." Services turned to Bro. Bailey Thompson the speaker for the 11 o'clock service. Reading from Numbers 13: 17-20. Prayer by Bro. Thompson. A wonderful message. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Lambert to meet back Friday afternoon at 1:30.

#### FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Services opened by singing. Directed by Bro. Bailey Thompson. Singing No. 184. "Beautiful". Devotional reading by Bro. Collins. Reading from 1st Peter 4: 17-18. Prayer by Bro. Collins. Rules of order was read by moderator. The election of officers for year 1970. All officers were retained except the Asst. Moderator and Bro. Sherman Webb was elected Asst. Moderator. The appointing of committees. See committees. Time was given to Bro. Homer Young, our state executive secretary, and Bro. Lynn Woods, state director of promotion of operation participation. Both gave very interesting talks on our Bible college and gave thanks to the Eureka Association for the support we have given to the college.

Treasurer's report was read and accepted. See report. Report of divine committee. Bro. James Robinson to bring the message Friday night and Bro. Sherman Webb to preach the memorial service Saturday morning at 11 o'clock. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Norman Woodruff to meet back into conference Saturday morning at 10 o'clock.

### FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICES

Services opened by singing. Directed by Bro. Webb. Singing No. 22 "The Last Mile of the Way;" Prayer by Bro. Andy Campbell. Singing directed by Bro. James Williams. Special singing. Duet Bro. and Sis. Gary Wilson, "Broken Pieces" and "I Had Rather See a Smile." Song, "At the End of the Road" by the Iron Bridge singers. Solo--Anita Shetley. "Follow Me". United prayer. Services were turned to Bro. James Robinson. Reading from St. Luke 18-10. Prayer by Bro. Robinson. A wonderful message and an invitational song by choir. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Richard Rust.

### SATURDAY MORNING

Services opened by singing. Directed by Bro. Bailey Thompson. Singing No. 37 "Standing on the Promises". Devotional reading by Bro. Laymon Garrison. Reading from Eph. 6-10. Prayer by Bro. Garrison. Declared back into conference by moderator. Call for letters. Received one. Motion made and carried to receive the letter and seat the delegates. Right-hand of fellow-ship was given by moderator. Due to the resigning of our Moderator, Bro. Bailey Thompson and Asst. Moderator, Bro. Sherman Webb. A new Moderator, Bro. Norman Woodruff, and Asst. Moderator, Bro. James Williams was elected. Also resigning from the executive committee were Bro. Bailey Thompson and Bro. Sherman Webb. For new members see committees. We, were dismissed in prayer by Bro. Edgar Warren to meet back at 1:30 Saturday afternoon.

### MEMORIAL SERVICES

Services were opened by singing. Directed by Bro. Richard Rust. Singing No. 76. "I've Never Been Sorry." The names of the deceased were read by Bro. Norman Woodruff and all were ask to stand for a moment of silent prayer. Prayer was then led by Bro. Richard Rust. Services were turned to Bro. Webb for the memorial message. He ask for special singing. Quartet by the Wilson family. "I'll Fly Away". Duet by Bro. and Sis. Wilson. "I Have Everything". Bro. Webb then took the stand reading from 1st Cor. 15 chapter 1-20 v. Prayer by Bro. Webb. Text--"Resurrection". A wonderful message. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. John Ragle.

### SATURDAY AFTERNOON

Services opened by singing. Directed by Bro. Andy Campbell. Singing No. 234 "Walking With the Lord". Devotional reading by Bro. Luther Brown. Reading from 23rd Psalms. Prayer by Bro. Brown. The body was declared back into conference by moderator. Report of examining council. See report. Motion made to receive report. Resolution No. 1 was read and adopted. See resolutions. Report of divine committee. Bro. Luther Brown to preach Saturday night. Motion made to receive the reports from all committees and dismiss the committees. Motion made to strike resolution No. 33 from our minutes. Motion made to return to our old time devotional services and have our Bible questions discussed and explained. Special singing. Duet--Mr. and Mrs. Gary Wilson. "Had it Not Been" and "After All". Quartet--Bro. and Sis. James Williams, Otho Williams and Andy Campbell and "At The End of the Road".

United Prayer. Song and hand-shake. Motion made to close conference in the hopes of meeting again in the year 1970. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Short Brigance.

#### SATURDAY NIGHT

Bro. James Williams, Asst. Moderator, call the house by singing No. 60. Prayer by Bro. Irby Preskett. Special songs were call for. Song by Sis. Darlene Campbell, "One More Valley." Devotional was led by Pam Preskett. Had good service. Mr. and Mrs. Gary Wilson sang, "Had it not Been for Mount Calvary". Mr. and Mrs. Hurbert Reading, Mr. and Mrs. Hercel Hickman, sang. Mr. and Mrs. James Williams sang, "I want to see Jesus Most of All." Bro. Brown took stand to bring the message to the young people. Reading from St. Luke. 4th chapter 1 through 4. Theme, "Holy Ghost". Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Hercel Hickman.

**TREASURER'S FINANCIAL REPORT OF EUREKA ASSOCIATION**

As treasurer of the Eureka Association, I bring to you my annual financial report for the past year, as to balance carried forward from last year, all disbursements, from last year, all disbursements, made by the Churches, individuals and organizations since the report I gave to you for the Association closing the books for 1968.

### COLLECTIONS

The collections received are designated for maintenance and operation of the Association Tabernacle and grounds, State Co-Op Plan, Oklahoma Bible College, National Home Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions and Youth Encampment, contributed as follows:

Maintenance of Association.....	\$ 140.06
State Association Co-Op Plan.....	991.05
STIGLER (Oklahoma Bible College.....	120.00
Home Missions.....	60.00
Foreign Missions.....	60.00
POTEAU (Co-Operative Plan.....	1249.00
PANAMA (Co-Op Plan.....	70.14
MURRY SPUR (Co-Op Plan.....	145.00
LONE ELK (Co-Op Plan.....	13.00
TYAN (Youth Camp and Minutes.....	20.00
KROTA (Co-Op Plan.....	15.00
HOOKEEN (Youth Camp.....	10.00
CHRISTAIN GROVE (Co-Op Plan and Youth Camp.....	45.00
ROCK FORD (Co-Op Plan.....	10.00
HOYT (Co-Op Plan and Youth Camp.....	45.00
LAFAYETTE (Co-Op Plan.....	10.00
FORNH (Co-Op Plan and Youth Camp.....	19.00
CASS (Co-Op Plan.....	10.00
IRON BRIDGE (Co-Op Plan.....	10.00
MCURTAIN (Co-Op Plan.....	10.00
ROSE HILL (Co-Op Plan.....	15.00
RISH CREEK (Co-Op Plan.....	10.00
TAMARA (Co-Op Plan.....	15.00
PERRY (Co-Op Plan and Youth Camp.....	35.00
CROSS ROADS (Co-Op Plan and Youth Camp.....	50.00
NORTH SIDE SALTSMAN (Co-Op Plan.....	10.00
ROCK ISLAND (Co-Op Plan.....	10.00
SPROUT (Co-Op Plan.....	5.00
4 Plus 1 Revival (Co-Op Plan.....	25.00
YOUTH CAMP (Concession Stand last year & this year..	223.91
TRI-COUNTY SINGING (Co-Op Plan.....	10.00
TREATISE (Co-Op Plan.....	10.00
BALANCE from Previous year.....	1672.23
<b>TOTAL Balance and Collections.....</b>	<b>\$3134.39</b>

### DISBURSEMENTS

FLUNKETT MUSIC CO. (Renting Piano .....	\$ 50.00
A. E. FREEMAN (Cleaning Well.....	10.00
FLOYD HADGEN (Mowing Camp Ground.....	24.00
FRED DIVAN (Treasurer's Fees.....	35.00
KENNETH BRAND (Mowing Camp Ground.....	10.00
RICHARD RUST (Youth Camp Evangelist.....	75.00
PARTIN PLUMING (Labor and Supplies.....	28.14
O. A. Bible College (10 months @ \$25.00.....	250.00
T. T. CAMPBELL (Labor on month house.....	15.40
STATE ASSOCIATION (delegate fees.....	40.00
RUBY LAFAYE (Clerk's Fees.....	35.00
LESSIE BATES (Assistant Clerk's fees.....	25.00
COOKSON HILLS ELECTRIC CO-OP (Electric Service....	16.50
DOBBS-LANTZ HYFE (Supplies for Pump.....	2.65
OTHO WILLIAMS (Mowing Camp Grounds.....	7.00
STIGLER NEWS-SENTINEL (125 Stamped Envelopes.....	16.65
FARMERS UNION INS. CO. (Premium for 1 year.....	112.00
STIGLER NEWS-SENTINEL (Printing 600 Minutes.....	160.00
SHERMAN WEBB (3 Disposal cans.....	28.20
OKLAHOMA BIBLE COLLEGE (12 months @ \$25.00.....	300.00
E. O. WILLIAMS (Labor on Dornitories.....	85.00
WHITSON'S PLUMING (Labor and Material.....	15.56
YOST LUMBER CO. (Material for Dornitories.....	149.62
JACK MILLWOOD (Youth Camp Evangelist.....	100.00
JIM ASHLEY (Colonial) (Bread for Youth Camp.....	15.05
TOWNE SMITH (Snacks, Prizes for Youth Camp.....	26.10
HASKELL LASSITER (15 gallons of Milk for Y. Camp..	11.25
STIGLER ICE CO. (Ice for Youth Camp.....	20.85
BORUN GROCERY (Groceries for Youth Camp.....	75.36
STIGLER COCA-COLA CO. (Soft Drinks for Youth Camp..	51.80
R. S. Webb (Paper cups for Youth Camp.....	5.20
COX INS. AGENCY (Ins. on youth at Camp.....	25.00
PLUMMET MUSIC CO. (Renting Piano.....	50.00
BEN FRANKLIN STORE (Plates, Napkins, Spoons.....	83.47
IRE ROSE GROCERY (Candy, Gum and Cokes for Y. Camp.	48.25
STATE FREEMILL BAPTISTS (Co-Op Plan.....	2070.40
STATE FREEMILL BAPTISTS (Okl. Bible College.....	120.00
STATE FREEMILL BAPTISTS (Home and Foreign Missions	120.00
<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS.....</b>	<b>\$4313.45</b>

TOTAL Collections plus previous year's balance, minus total disbursements, equals Treasurer's balance. .... \$ 820.94

Prayerfully Submitted: F. H. DUNCAN, Association Treasurer.

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GENERAL BOARD MEMBER

Rev. P. E. Lambert.

STATE DELEGATES

Bro. Bill Apple, Rev. Hercel Hickman, Sis. Hazel Webb.

VISITING MINISTERS

Rev. Leonard Crowder, Rev. Lynn Woods, Rev. Finis Kendig,  
Rev. Homer Young, Rev. F. A. McCage.

FIFTH (5) SUNDAY MEETINGS -- 1969-1970

1st -- 5th Sunday Meeting, Porum, November

2nd -- 5th Sunday Meeting, Cross Roads, March

3rd -- 5th Sunday Meeting, Keota, May

COMMITTEES

PULPIT COMMITTEE

Bro. Charles Dolen, Bro. Wilson, Bro. Leon Rice. Thursday night session, Rev. P. E. Lambert brought the message. Friday morning, Rev. James Robinson. Saturday morning, Rev. Sherman Webb preached the Memorial Message. Saturday night, Rev. Luther Brown preached the message to the young people.

OBITUARY

Sis. Dessie Mendenhall, Sis. Hazel Webb, Sis. Velma Lawson. We are sorry to report we have lost 20 members. We feel our loss is Heavens gain.

EXAMINING COMMITTEE

5 year man -- Rev. James Robinson.

4 year man -- Rev. Norman Woodruff.

3 year man -- Rev. A. J. Robinson.

2 year man-- Rev. Curtis Suttles.

1 year man -- Rev. James Williams.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

5 year man -- Rev. Richard Rust.

4 year man -- Rev. Woodruff.

3 year man -- Rev. L. T. Brown.

2 year man -- Rev. Gean Thomas.

1 year man -- Rev. James Robinson.

YARD COMMITTEE

1 year man -- Bro. Otho Williams.

2 year man -- Bro. Andy Campbell.

3 year man -- Bro. Bob Bailes.

REPORT OF EXAMINING COUNCIL

We the Examining Council recommend that Bro. Lamon Garrison be ordained to preach the gospel of Christ.

Rev. Norman Woodruff

Rev. James Robinson

Rev. James Williams

### CHURCHES AND DELEGATES

1. LONE ELM -- Sis. Julia Nelson, Sister. Myrtle Nelson, Sister Dora Randel. Pastor Rev. Curtis Maxwell, Route 3, Keota, Okla. Sister Dorsie Medlock, Clerk.

2. KEOTA -- Sister Velma Lawson, Sister Zelma Adams, Sis. Alice Tabor. Clerk, Sis. Lora Tabor. Pastor, Rev. A. J. Robinson, Stigler, Okla.

3. ROCK FORD -- Sis. Eunice Blaylock, Sis. Beatrice Long, Sis. Wilma Carey, Sis. June Turner. Clerk, Francene Blaylock, Pastor, Rev. Melvin Reading, Route 1, McCurtain, Okla. Telephone 967-4487.

4. MURRY SPUR -- Sis. Addie Hood, Sis. Rebecca McDonald, Sis. Melba Matthis. Clerk Sis. Alva Swift. Pastor Rev. T. R. Beck, Spiro, Okla.

5. CASS -- Bro. Roy Kelton, Sis. Lucille Kelton, Bro. Johnie Bratton, Sis. Gracie Bratton, Sis. Bertha Robinson, Clerk. Pastor, Rev. James Williams, Route 2, Stigler, Oklahoma.

6. PANAMA -- Bro. Grady Butler, Sis. Ellen Buttler, Sis. Mary Lee Fuller, Sis. Dosha Butler. Clerk, Verna Tanksley. Pastor, Rev. James Robinson, Panama, Okla.

7. LAFAYETTE -- Sis. Vera Hurst, Bro. Lessley Honeycutt, Sis. Allie Robertson, Sis. Helen Fowler. Clerk, Sis. Alva Patton. Pastor, Rev. John Maxwell, Jr., Post Office Box 57, Keota, Okla.

8. ROSE HILL -- Bro. Vanis King, Bro. George Fowler, Bro. Henry Roy, Sis. Bess Fowler. Clerk, Bro. Claud Roye. Pastor, Rev. Luther Brown, Kinta, Okla.

9. IRON BRIDGE -- Bro. Redmon Brigance, Bro. Wilburn Cordle, Sis. Maxine Perkins, Sis. Zelma Brigance. Clerk, Sis. Freeda Doss. Pastor, Rev. Norman Woodruff, McCurtain, Okla., Route 1.

10. FISH CREEK -- Sis. Nettie Colbert, Sis. Sally Tucker, Sis. Mae Pugh, Bro. Bill Colbert. Clerk, Sis. Marie Kasiner. Pastor, Rev. C. A. Brown, Kinta, Okla.

11. TAMAHA -- Sis. Ina Eakle, Sis. Atma Ward, Sis. Billie Livesey, Bro. Leonard Livesey. Clerk, Clora Ward. No pastor at this time.

12. PORUM -- Sis. Lida Mullens, Sis. Lessie Foal, Sis. Audie Wood, Bro. Jess Wood. Clerk, Sis. Susie Standifer. Pastor P. E. Lambert, Route 2, Porum, Okla.

13. CHRISTIAN GROVE -- Sis. Clemmie Pinkerton, Sis. Liddie Perkins, Bro. Darrell Clark, Sis. Meda Morris. Clerk, Lena Ward. Pastor, Rev. Gene Thomas, Route 3, Box B-1114, Ft. Smith, Ark.

14. BROOKEN -- Sis. Lauca Dunbar, Sis. Eliza Prince, Sis. Betty McKinney, Bro. Gusy Dunbar. Clerk, Sis. Wanda Bush. Pastor, Rev. U. C. Purdom, Hoyt, Okla.

15. MCCURTAIN -- Bro. Billy Blaylock, Bro. Gary Wilson, Sis. Rita Jane Wilson, Sis. Thelma Phillips. Clerk, Jennie Wilson. Pastor, Rev. Melvin Reading, McCurtain, Okla.

16. VIAN -- Bro. Bill Smith, Sis. Elizabeth Smith, Bro. Grover Willis, Bro. Bill Hutchins, Sis. Charity Willis, Sis. Nora Gentry. Clerk, Sis. Maxine Smith. Pastor, Rev. Harold Collins, Route 2, Sallisaw, Okla.

17. STIGLER -- Sis. Maggie Ragel, Sis. Dessie Mendenhall, Sis. Vera Prentice, Sis. Marie Cleveland. Clerk, Bernice Baxter. Pastor, Rev. Sherman Webb, 301 N. W. D. Stigler, Okla.



18. POTEAU -- Sis. Willie Pappas, Sis. Hurley Scamore, Bro. Garrett. Clerk, Nell Davis. Pastor, Rev. Bailey Thompson, Route 1, Poteau, Oklahoma.

19. CROSS ROADS -- Sis. Dovie Burton, Sis. Lillie Jones, Sis. Bert Hill, Sis. Henrietta Garland, Sis. Ethel Neldon. Clerk, Georgia Preskitt. Pastor, Rev. Hercel Hickman, Route 3, Stigler, Oklahoma.

20. PERRY -- Bro. Omer Moore, Bro. Claud Booth, Sis. Susie Moore, Sis. Nettie Booth. Clerk, Sis. Freda Kelly. Pastor, Rev. C. A. Brown, Kinta, Oklahoma.

21. HOYT -- Bro. James Linton, Sis. Vena Bigger, Sis. Rusha Gideon. Clerk, Sis. Evelyn Linton. Pastor, Rev. Earl Powell, Stigler, Oklahoma.

22. NORTHSIDE, SALLISAW -- Bro. Baldrige, Sis. Baldrige, Sis. Carolyn Hendrix. Clerk, Sis. B. F. Davis.

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Lone Elm . . . . .	\$15.00
Perry . . . . .	15.00
Vian . . . . .	10.00
McCurtain . . . . .	10.00
Keota . . . . .	15.00
Brooken . . . . .	20.00
Christian Grove . . . . .	25.00
Panama . . . . .	35.00
Porum . . . . .	13.00
Fish Creek . . . . .	10.00
Cass . . . . .	10.00
Tamaha . . . . .	15.00
Rose Hill . . . . .	41.00
Lafayette . . . . .	15.00
Rock Ford . . . . .	10.00
Cross Roads . . . . .	40.00
Hoyt . . . . .	20.00
Iron Bridge . . . . .	10.00
Sallisaw . . . . .	15.00
Tri-County Singing Convention . . . . .	10.00

#### ASSOCIATION MINISTERS

1. Rev. Clifford Myers . . . . . Route 3, Fort Smith, Ark.
2. Rev. Curtis Suttles . . . . . 966-3273 . . . . . Keota, Okla.
3. Rev. J. C. Stump . . . . . Porum, Okla.
4. Rev. Clark Cariker . . . . . Hoyt, Okla.
5. Rev. Hercel Hickman . . . . . 967-4567 . . . . . Stigler, Okla.
6. Rev. James Williams . . . . . 967-4673 . . . . . Stigler, Okla.
7. Rev. Rufus Harp . . . . . 967-4472 . . . . . Stigler, Okla.
8. Rev. A. J. Robinson . . . . . 967-2939 . . . . . Stigler, Okla.
9. Rev. C. A. Brown . . . . . Kinta, Okla.
10. Rev. L. B. Clark . . . . . Rt. 2, Box 259, Spiro, Okla.
11. Rev. Edgar Cole . . . . . Stigler, Okla.
12. Rev. A. A. Holdridge . . . . . 967-4443 . . . . . Hoyt, Okla.
13. Rev. Henry Long . . . . . McCurtain, Okla.
14. Rev. U. C. Purdom . . . . . 967-4725 . . . . . Hoyt, Okla.
15. Rev. Curtis Maxwell . . . . . 966-3334 . . . . . Keota, Okla.
16. Rev. L. T. Brown . . . . . Keota, Okla.

17. Rev. Norman Woodruff . . . . . Lequire, Okla.
18. Rev. Walker Wood . . . . . 484-6548 . . . . . Porum, Okla.
19. Rev. Hugo Smith . . . . . Stigler, Okla.
20. Rev. Raymond Qualls . . . . . Arkoma, Okla.
21. Rev. P. E. Lambert . . . . . 484-6496 . . . . . Porum, Okla.
22. Rev. Bailey Thompson . . . . . 647-3054 . . . . . Poteau, Okla.
23. Rev. Earl Powell . . . . . 639-2523 . . . . . Stigler, Okla.
24. Rev. Elbert E. Thomas . . . . . 388-4324 . . . . . Fort Smith, Ark.
25. Rev. Troy Madewell . . . . . McCurtain, Okla.
26. Rev. Richard Rust . . . . . 963-4147 . . . . . Shady Point, Okla.
27. Rev. Melvin Reading . . . . . 967-4487 . . . . . McCurtain, Okla.
28. Rev. Robert Carter . . . . . Panama, Okla.
29. Rev. Loyd Summerhill . . . . . Spiro, Okla.
30. Rev. John Maxwell, Jr. . . . . WO 2-2783 . . . . . Keota, Okla.
31. Rev. Joe Weldon . . . . . Keota, Okla.
32. Rev. Otis Farris . . . . . 967-2254 . . . . . Stigler, Okla.
33. Rev. Auther Booth . . . . . Muskogee, Okla.
34. Rev. Eddie Holderfield . . . . . Ft. Smith, Ark.
35. Rev. Sherman Webb . . . . . 967-8604 . . . . . Stigler, Okla.
36. Rev. Luther Brown . . . . . 364-7133 . . . . . Kinta, Okla.
37. Rev. T. R. Beck . . . . . WO 2-2855 . . . . . Spiro, Okla.
38. Rev. Laymon Garrison . . . . . 773-5652 . . . . . Rt. 1, Vian, Okla.
39. Rev. James Robinson . . . . . 963-2204 . . . . . Panama, Okla.
40. Rev. Kenneth Turpin . . . . . Brooken, Okla.

## 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.

## 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, Assistant 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 if 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.

12. Be it resolved that an ordaining council 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 treasurer of the association.

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

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

16. 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.

17. The voting power of the association shall be ordained ministers, their wives, deacons and their wives, church clerk and duly elected delegates from each church. The above shall be in

good standing with the association.

18. Be it resolved that we adopt the Free Will Baptist Treatise as our rule, Faith and Practice.

19. Be it resolved that we adopt the Church Covenant found in our Free Will Baptist Treatise.

#### 1961 SESSION

20. 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.

21. Be it resolved that we adopted the rule that when a church selects deacons, that they be set aside on trial for 12 months, before being ordained. The deacon acting during th 12 months, but not ordained before the 12 months are up.

22. Be it resolved that the Constitution be amended giving the Executive Board control over the Youth Camp. This resolution was adopted, 1961. Rev. C. E. Kennedy, Rev. Major Followwill, Bro. Leamon Harrell, Bro. Vanis King, Bro. Abb Wallen, Committee.

#### 1963 SESSION

23. Resolutions—Rev. Bailey Thompson, Bro. Otho Williams, Bro. Bernard Williamson. Articles of Faith—No. 10—to be replaced to read as follows: 1963 SESSION: We believe that baptism, (The Immersion of Believers in Water), The Lord's Supper, and Feet Washing, are divine ordinances of the Gospel. The Lord's Supper, which is to be observed by all believers, at night, and to be followed by the ordinance of feet washing, which teaches humility of universal obligations, to be practiced by all believers, Mark 14:22, John 13:4-14, Matt. 28:19-20, Tim. 5-10.

24. As we are all interested in our youth, and we all have a part in youth camp, be it resolved that we form a committee, composed of one delegate from each church in the association, to meet with the Executive Board, at a time and place designated by the Executive Board, to work out plans, policy, changes, etc. Each church elect its own delegate.

#### 1964 SESSION

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE — Bro. Abb Wallen, Rev. P. E. Lambert, Rev. Robert Carter, Bro. Bob Bailes, Rev. Kennedy.  
1964 Resolutions:

25. Be it resolved that we strike item No. 20 from our Constitution.

26. Be it resolved that we strike item No. 23 from our Constitution.

27. Be it resolved that we alter item No. 4 by adding the words Assistant Clerk.

28. Be it resolved that our Treasurer receive an honorarium

of \$35.00 for his services of our Association each year.

29. Be it resolved that the Eureka Association authorize the Yard Committee to floor the tabernacle with concrete as money is available starting at the East End.

30. Be it resolved that our Clerk receive an honorarium of \$35.00 and our Assistant Clerk \$25.00 for their services of the Association each year.

31. Be it resolved to alter item No. 17 of the Constitution by inserting the word. Ordained, before ministers.

#### 1965 SESSION

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE: Rev. Wayne Patton, Bro. Bernard Williamson, Sis. Etta Peck. 1965 Resolutions:

32. We resolve that the churches of our association go over church rolls once a year and keep up to date.

33. We, the Resolution Committee would like to urge each Pastor, to look into, and obtain information, on the steps to incorporate their churches as Free Will Baptists.

34. We, the Resolution Committee, suggest that the names of the Ministers, who have moved or are deceased, be removed from the list of ministers in the minutes.

#### 1966 SESSION RESOLUTION COMMITTEE

Bro. P. E. Lambert, Bro. Olen Faulkenberry, Bro. Curtis Suttles.

35. Be it resolved that the Eureka Association convene on Thursday night before the first Sunday in September instead of Wednesday night.

#### RESOLUTIONS—1967

36. Be it resolved that the teachers for the Youth Camp be elected a month at least, before camp time, so they will have more time for preparation.

37. We your Resolution Committee beg leave to report the following. That the young people would like for the association to add another 24 hours to the Youth Camp for 1968.

1968 RESOLUTION COMMITTEE—Bro. Gean Thomas, Bro. Curtis Suttles, Bro. Sherman Webb.

No. 38.—Let us resolve that the Eureka Association go on record that we do not believe or teach that Christ will set up a literal Kingdom on this earth which is known as a pre-millennial reign of 1000 years.

#### RESOLUTIONS -- 1969

39. We, your Resolution Committee request Bro. Snowden Robinson be made a honorary member of the Yard Committee. Rev. James Robinson, Rev. T. R. Beck, Rev. Gene Thomas.

## 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 Scriptures of the Old and New Testament are 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 His holy commandments whereby he 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. Jonah 4:11; Mark 10:14; Duet. 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 reunciation 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 dominion 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. To replace No. 10—In Articles of Faith, 1963 change. We believe that Baptism, (The Immersion of Believers in water). The Lord's Supper and feet washing, are divine ordinances of the Gospel. The Lord's Supper, which is to be observed by all believers at night, and to be followed by the ordinance of feet washing, which

teaches humility of universal obligation, to be practiced by all believers. Mark 14:22; John 13:4-14; Matt. 28:19-20 and 1st Tim. 5:10.

11. We believe that none have a right to baptism only those who have a living hope in the Lord Jesus Christ, and none have the right to administer the same only those who have come under the hands of the presbytery of Elders, and each church ought to have a pastor, deacon and clerk chosen by the church, who hold 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 of the Saint's feet to let everyone 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 incorruption and this mortal shall have put on immortality then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written: "Death is swallowed up in victory." That it is our duty to be tender and affectionate to one another and to study the happiness of the people of God in general and to 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 given ourselves to God, by faith in Christ, and adopted the Word of God as our rule of faith and practice, we now give ourselves to one another by the will of God in this solemn covenant

We promise, by His grace, to love and obey Him in all things to avoid all appearance of evil, to abstain from all sinful amusements and unholy conformity to the world, from all sanction of the use and sale of intoxicating beverages and to "provide things honest in the sight of all men."

We agree faithfully to discharge our obligations in reference to the study of the Scriptures, secret prayer, family devotions, and social worship; and by self-denial, faith, and good works endeavor to "grow in grace and the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ."

We will not forsake the assembling of ourselves together for church conferences, public worship, and the observance of the ordinances of the Gospel; nor fail to pay according to our ability for the support of the church, of its poor, and all its benevolent work.

We agree to accept Christian admonition and reproof with meekness, and to watch over one another in love, endeavoring to "keep the unity of the Spirit" in the bonds of peace. To be careful of one another's happiness and reputation, and seek to strengthen the weak, encourage the afflicted, admonish the erring, and as far as we are able, promote the success of the church and of the Gospel.

We will everywhere hold Christian principle sacred and Christian obligations and enterprises supreme, counting it our chief business in life to extend the influence of Christ in society, constantly praying and toiling that the Kingdom of God may come, and His will be done on earth as it is in Heaven.

To this end we agree to labor for the promotion of educational and denominational enterprises, the support of missions, the success of Sunday Schools, and evangelistic efforts for the salvation of the world. And may the God of peace sanctify us wholly, and preserve us blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

#### REPORT OF THE EUREKA ASSOCIATION DISTRICT WOMEN'S AUXILIARY -- 1968-1969

The District Women's Auxiliary met in Stigler, Panama, Poteau, and Sallisaw with two of our State officers meeting with us during the year.

Our District project for the year was providing Aprons and Pot Holders for our Missionary provision closet.

We met with the women of the Sallisaw church to encourage the organization of an Auxiliary.

Within our district we conducted 7 Study Courses with the total attendance of 63.

The Auxiliaries observed 3 seasons of prayer with special programs.

The State project for the year was \$2.00 per member for -- OBC lounge furniture for the boys dormitory. \$1.00 -- Eddie and Sandra Paynes account. \$1.00 -- The Fred McCoys account.

We attended the State Work Shop in Tulsa and visited the South Grand River District meeting.

Purpose of Auxiliary is to help the church, teach and support Missions.

Vera Prentice, Recording Secretary

#### RULES OF STATE YOUTH CAMP OKLAHOMA FREE WILL BAPTIST ROBBERS CAVE STATE PARK

1. Do not leave the campground without permission of Director. The campground boundaries are the fence on the east, the last dormitory at the north, the dormitories and rest rooms on the west, and the last dormitory on the south.
2. Do not leave the tabernacle during service unless absolutely necessary, then only after telling your sponsors.
3. Stay under lights at night.
4. Boys stay south and girls stay north of kitchen after 6 p. m.
5. No boys in girls cabins nor girls in boys cabins at any time.
6. No holding hands, hugging, or bodily contact between boys and girls at any time.



7. No shorts, pant dresses, slim jims, tights or spaghetti strap dresses at any time.
8. Girls may wear loose slacks or pedal pushers (below the knees) at recreation time only.
9. Horn will be honked each night for bedtime and lights out.
10. Dormitory sponsors are responsible to see that the bunks are made up, and dormitories are swept each morning before classes begin.
11. No use of tobacco of any kind at Camp.
12. Stay out of kitchen area except during meal time or class period unless you are asked to work by the cook or a sponsor.

#### EUREKA FREE WILL BAPTIST YOUTH ENCAMPMENT

CAMP ADMINISTRATORS -- Director, Rev. Sherman Webb; Sports Director, Rev. Ted Beck; Assistant Sports Director, Rev. Derrell Clark; Evangelist, Rev. Jack Milwood; Cook, Mrs. Georgia Preskitt; Concession Stand, Mrs. Lola Williams.

CLASSES -- Doctrine, Rev. Sherman Webb; Plan of Salvation, Rev. Lambert; Stewardship (boys), Rev. Beck; Stewardship (girls), Mrs. Webb.

SPONSORS -- Richard Rust, Ted Beck, Andy Campbell, Mrs. Rust, Betty King, Mary Kathryn Thomas, Pauloma Kannady, Jean Campbell, Betty McKinney, Mrs. Welker.

#### TUESDAY, AUGUST 5, 1969

Eureka Youth Camp opened with a General Assembly. Rev. Webb, director, read and explained camp rules. Officers were elected: President, Derrell Clark; Vice-President, Randal Pearce; Secretary, Jan Williams; Music Director, Connie Kannady; Assistant Music Director, Ronnie Moore and Pianist Gloria Shipley. Dismissed for break.

Morning worship service opened with two songs. Prayer by Sister Rust. Another song. Andy Campbell lead testimony service. Rev. Jack Milwood preached. Invitational song. Dismissed for lunch.

2 p. m. fun time, 3 p. m. sports and recreation, 5 p. m. supper, 7:10 Grove service.

7:30 Evening worship service opened with prayer by Bro. McKinney. Two songs. Curtis Lenton, Murry Spur Quartet, Murry Spur girls, Billy McKinney and Johnny Holderfield sang specials. Randal Pearce lead testimony service. Rev. Jack Milwood brought the message.

#### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6, 1969

8:30 General Assembly. Richard Rust read scriptures. Rev. Webb said prayers. Dismissed for classes.

Wednesday morning worship service -- specials sung by Sister Rust, Quartet, and Andy Campbell. Derrell Clark lead testimony service. United prayer. Rev. Jack Milwood presented the message. Dismissed for lunch by Rev. Beck.

Wednesday afternoon: 1:30 Classes resumed, 2:30 fun time, 3:30 recreation and sports, 5:00 supper, 7:10 grove service.

Wednesday evening worship service opened with prayer by Bro. Beck. 2 girls converted. 2 songs. James Williams and family, Curtis Lenton and Linda sang specials. Devotional service lead by Derrell Clark. Rev. Jack Milwood preached. Dismissed by Jim Trickett.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 7, 1969

General Assembly. Song alter of prayer. Dismissed for classes.

Morning worship service began with prayer by Gary Myers. Billy McKinney sang a special. Janet McKinney lead testimony service. Alter of prayer. Rev. Jack Melwood preached. Andy Campbell dismissed for lunch.

Thursday afternoon resumed classes, had fun time and recreation and sports and grove service.

Thursday night worship service began with prayer by Jim Trickett. Three song specials were sang by Curtis Linton and the Tribetts. Message was brought by Rev. Jack Melwood. Dismissed by Bro. Webb.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 8, 1969

General Assembly. 2 songs. Prayer by Jan Williams. Testimony service lead by Pam Preskitt. Dismissed by Derrell Clark.

Boys met with Rev. Melwood for group discussion while girls cleaned their dorms. Then girls met with Bro. Melwood while boys cleaned their dorm.

Friday afternoon: General Assembly, skit was presented called "Witness to Hippies".

Young people elected: Best boy in dorm, Ricky Davis. Best girl in dorm, Gloria Shipley. Best All-Round young person at camp, Ronnie Moore.

2 p. m. Baptising in Stigler Free Will Baptist Church. Rev. Jack Milwood, Assisted by Rev. Webb did the baptising.

Friday night worship service: 2 songs. prayer by Jan Williams, Specials by Murry Spur group, Sister Rust and family and Andy Campbell. Gary Thomas lead testimony service. No preaching.

