MINUTES

OF THE

63rd 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, 1971, 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, 1972.

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Thursday Evening
OPENING MESSAGE
Rev. Tommy James

Friday, 11:00 A. M.
INTRODUCTORY SERMON
Rev. Jr. Maxwell

Alternate Rev. Harold Morris Alternate Rev. Hershel Runyon

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Rev. Norman Woodruff, Lequire, Okla. Moderator Rev. James Williams, Stigler Ass't. Moderator Sis. Ruby LaFave, Rt. 1, Box 160, Stigler . Treasurer & Clerk Sis. Lessie Bailes, Box 372, Stigler Ass't. Clerk

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 SERVICE

Service called to order by moderator, Bro. Norman Woodruff. Singing directed by Bro. Andy Campbell with Sis. Beulah Williams at the piano. Singing, "I'm Overshadowed by Love" united prayer. More singing by choir. Prayer by Bro. John Jr. Maxwell. Devotional service was conducted by Bro. Tommie Ballard. Services was turned to Bro. James Williams, the speaker of the hour. Reading from Rev. 22 chpt. last ten verses. Text--'Urgency'. Good message. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Laymon Garrison.

FRIDAY MORNING

House called to order by moderator, Bro. Norman Woodruff. Singing directed by Ruby LaFave with Sis. Beulah Williams at the piano. Singing No. 197 "Remember Me." Devotional reading by Bro. Edgar Warren. Reading from Hebrews 4th chpt. United prayer. Motion made by Bro. James Williams to enter into conference to transact any business that might come. An invitional song, directed by Bro. James Williams, then dismissed in prayer by Bro. Wesley Fowler.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Services were opened by singing. Directed by Ruby LaFave. Singing No. 200 "He'll Claim Me As His Own." Devotional reading by Bro. Tommy James. Reading from Romans 8: 1-10. Prayer by Bro. James. The moderator declared the body back into conference. Call for letters, received one. Motion made by Bro. A. J. Robinson to accept the letter and seat the delegates. Right-hand of fellowship was given by moderator and asst. moderator. The appointing of committees. See committees.

Bro. Homer Young, our state executive secretary, gave an interesting talk on our Bible College and offered his help in any way that he could. Report of examining council. See reports. Motion made by Bro. Otho Williams to receive the report. The treasurer's report was given and motion made by Bro. Bob Bailes to receive the report as read.

Report of devotional committee. See reports. Motion made by Bro. A. J. Robinson to give the clerk permission to send a card of thanks to our county paper on the work our county commissioners have done out on the association ground. The momination of committees. See committees. Motion made to adjourn conference till 10 o'clock Saturday morning. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Manes.

FRIDAY NIGHT

Services called to order by asst. moderator, Bro. James Williams. Singing directed by Bro. Williams with Sis. Rita Jane Wilson at the piano. Prayer by Bro. Curtis Maxwell. Had a good devotional service led by Sis Zelma Brigance. Special singing, duet by Bro. and sister Gary Wilson, 'I'd Like to Be the Keeper of the Door.' Services were turned to Bro. Norman Woodruff. Reading from Hebrews 2 chpt. 14-15 verses, text, 'What Must I Do To Be Saved?' A wonderful message. Had a song and an invitation was given. After altar call, a request for the Fran Bridge Quartet to sing "God Shall Wipe Away All Tears." They were then dismissed till 10 o'clock Saturday morning.

SATURDAY MORNING

Services were opened by singing. Directed by Bro. Andy Campbell. Singing "He'll Claim Me As His Own" with Bro. James Williams at the piano. Devotional reading by Bro. Harold Morris. Reading from Romans 5: 1-6 verses. prayer by Bro. Morris.

Moderator declared the body back into conference. Letters called for. Receive one. Motion made to receive the letter and seat the delegates. The committees were dismissed to bring in their reports. Placing the 5th Sunday meetings. See 5th Sunday meetings. Report of devotional committee. See committees. Rules of order were read by asst. moderator, Bro. James Williams. Motion made to adjourn conference till 1:15 Saturday afternoon.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

Services opened by singing No. 76 "I've Never Been Sorry". A devotional service and then the names of the deceased were read by Bro. James Williams. A moment of silent prayer then Bro. Bill Apple led in prayer. Sang "Amazing Grace" then the service was turned to Bro. F. A. McCage for the memorial service. Reading from 2nd Cor. 5th chpt. Text-"The Living and the Dead". A wonderful message. Had song and hand-shake. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Bob Bailes.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

Services opened by singing. Directed by Bro. George Fowler with Bro. James Williams at the piano. Devotional reading by Bro. Donald Jones. Reading from Proverbs 30: 2-9. United prayer. The moderator dismissed the committees to make their final reports. Report of preachers' and deacons' committees. See reports. Motion was made by Bro. Bob Bailes to remove Bro. Author Boath's name from minister roll in minutes. Report of divine committee. See reports. Motion made by Bro. James Williams to organize a preacher and deacon meeting. The first meeting will be Saturday, Oct. 23 and Saturday night before the 5th Sunday meeting in October at the Cass Free Will Baptist Church before the body. The moderator called for the letters. Received 15. Motion made by Bro. Andy Campbell to receive the letters and seat the delegates. Song and right hand of fellowship was given. Reading of a petitionary letter from the 1st Free Will Baptist Church of Sallisaw. Asking to be taken back into the Eureka Association. Motion made by Bro. A. J. Robinson to accept the letter and receive them infull fellowship. Right-hand of fellowship was given to Bro. and Sis. Owens of that church. The first item of business was the election of officers for another year. All officers were retained by a motion and seconded to serve another year, Motion made by Bro. Edgar Warren to adjourn conference till 1:30 o'clock Friday afternoon.

11 O'CLOCK SERVICE

Singing directed by Bro. James Williams, singing No. 254 "I'm Bound For That City." United prayer. Services turned to Bro. Andy Campbell, the speaker for the opening message. Reading from Micah 7 chpt. a wonderful message. Motion made by Bro. Otho Williams to dismiss all other committees.

Motion made by Bro. Andy Campbell to close conference in the

hopes of meeting again in the year 1972. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Andy Campbell.

SATURDAY NIGHT

Services opened by singing. Singing No. 274 "I'm Too Near Home to Turn Back Now." Prayer by Bro. Short Brigance. Song-"I'm All Upon The Altar". United Prayer. Sis. Jane Lashley took charge of devotional service. Duet-Bro. and Sis. James Williams singing "I Want to See Jesus Most of All." Services were turned to Bro. Hercel Hickman to bring the Saturday night message. Text-"We Have All Sinned and Come Short of the Glory of God." Wonderful message. Song and handshake. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. A. J. Robinson.

As Treasurer of the Eureka Association, I bring to you my yearly report. At the end of year 1970 we had in treasury:

Yard, Minutes & Singing Convention Fund

COLLECTIONS

Cass_

Bank (Service Charges)

TOTAL EXPENSE

Leaving balance in treasury

Cass	24.00
Iron Bridge	25.00
Keota	25.00
Sallisaw	25.00
LaFayette	26.00
Perry	10.00
Fish Creek	10.00
Concession Stand	58.96
TOTAL COLLECTIONS	\$1172.98
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DISBURSEMENTS	
Farmers Insurance Company	\$129.00
Stigler News-Sentinel for Minutes	160.00
Rose Grocery (Pop & Candy for Youth Cp.) (1970)	42.00
Lessie Bailes-Work and Postage	27.00
Ruby LaFave-Clerk's Salary	50.00
State Association Delegate Fees	20.00
Shelton's Grocery (Groceries for Youth Cp.)	20.22
Fay Porter (Ice for Youth Camp)	15.60
ray Porter (ice for 10 stamps	1.12
Stigler Post Office for .02 stamps	18.00
Cookson Hill Co-op Rose Grocery (Pop & Candy for Youth Cp.) (1971)	42.85
Rose Grocery (Pop & Cardy for Touth Oper (1771)	7.20
Tommy Smith (Chips for Youth Camp)	10.27
Cookson Hills Coop.	50.00
Plunkett Music Co. (Rent on Piano)	6.70
Smith Mercantile (Butane and Bulbs)	7.85
Shipley Baking Co., (Bread for Youth Cp.)	1.50
n 1. (Caratica Charges)	1,00

Prayerfully submitted, Ruby LaFave, Association Treasurer

\$718.19

250.28

24.55

\$609.31

\$563.67

PULPIT COMMITTEE

Bro. Frank Fenton, Bros. Bill Apple, Sis. Audie Woods. Services as follows:

Thursday night, Bro. James Williams brought the message. Friday morning the introductory message was brought by Bro. Andy Campbell.

Friday night, Bro. Norman Woodruff brought the message. Sis.

Zelma Brigance had charge of the devotional services.

Saturday morning, Bro. Furman McCage from Checotah brought the memorial message.

Saturday night, Bro. Hercel Hickman brought the message. Sis. Jane Lashley had charge of devotional service.

All services were wonderful.

Visiting ministers -- Rev. Furman McCage, Rev. Homer Young.

OBITUARY COMMITTEE

Sis. Zula Jones, Sis. Sallie Smith, Sis. Allie Robertson. We are sorry to report we have lost 12 members this past 12 months. We feel our loss is Heaven's gain.

EXAMINING COMMITTEE

5 Year Man -- Bro. Andy Campbell

4 Year Man -- Bro. James Williams

3 Year Man -- Bro. Curtis Maxwell

2 Year Man -- Bro. Norman Woodruff

1 Year Man -- Bro. A. J. Robinson

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

5 Year Man -- Bro. Vanis King 4 Year Man -- Bro. Melvin Reading

3 Year Man -- Bro. Norman Woodruff

2 Year Man -- Bro. P. E. Lambert

1 Year Man -- Bro. Otho Williams

YARD COMMITTEE

3 Year Man -- Bro. Bob Bailes

2 Year Man -- Bro. Andy Campbell 1 Year Man -- Bro. Otho Williams

PLACING OF 5th SUNDAY MEETINGS

1st -- Cass -- October, 1971

2nd -- LaFayette -- January, 1972

3rd -- Forum -- April, 1972

4th -- First Free Will Church, Sallisaw, 1972

REQUEST COMMITTEE

Bro. Redman Brigance, Bro. Wesley Fowler, Bro. Henry Roye.

PREACHERS, DEACON, CHARACTER

COMMITTEE. Bro. Melburn Cowan, Bro. Murl Bass, Bro. Lark

Spradling.

We recommend that the churches have an understanding with the preachers or deacons, when they call them or set them up to attend all associations and 5th Sunday meetings, when it is humanly possibly.

REPORT of EXAMINING COUNCIL

We the Examining Council wish to report that we have found our Brother in Christ, Bro. Runyon in the faith and fellowship. We recommend that he be ordained to preach the gospel.

Rev. A. J. Robinson; Rev. James Williams; Rev. Curtis Max-

well: Rev. Norman Woodruff.

CHURCHES AND DELEGATES

PORUM -- Sis. Violet Caughron, Sis. Audie Woods, Bro. Murl Bass. Pastor, P. E. Lambert, Porum, Okla. Clerk, Susie Standifer, Box 115, Warner, Okla.

SALLISAW -- First F. W. B. Church Bro. Charles Rist, Ruben Owens, Sis. Martha Rist, Rev. Tommy James, Pastor. Clerk,

Sis. Pauline Toungen, 119, No. Cedar St., Sallisaw, Okla.

CROSS ROADS--Sis. Henrietta Garland, Bro. Dewey Chitwood, Sis. Lillie Jones. Rev. Hercel Hickman, pastor. Sis. Ethel Neldon, Clerk.

ROSE HILL--Bro. Henry Roye, Bro. A. W. Reading, Bro. George Fowler. Pastor, Rev. Andy Campbell. Clerk, Bro. Claud Roye, Rt. 1, McCurtain, Okla.

LONE-ELM--Bro. Milhorn Cowan, Sis. Hazel Cowan, Sis. Dora Randell. Pastor, Rev. Curtis Maxwell, Keota, Okla. Clerk, Sis. Dorsie Medlock, Rt. 1, Keota, Okla.

FISH-CREEK--Sis. Stella Tucker, Sis. Sally Tucker, Sis. Net Calbert. Pastor, Rev. Chester Brown, Kinta, Okla. Clerk, Sis. Marie Kasiner, Rt. 1, Box 165, Kinta, Okla. 74552.

TAMAHA--Sis. Ina Eakle, Sis. Lucille Henry, Sis. Alma Ward. Pastor, Rev. Harold Morris, Pocola, Okla. 72901, phone 436-2722. Clerk, Clara Ward, Stigler, Rt. 2, Box 116-A, Stigler,

KEOTA--Sis. Alice Tabor, Sis. Ritta Keller, Sis. Jane Lashley. Pastor, Rev. A. J. Robinson, Stigler, Okla. Rt. 2. Clerk

- Sis. Zelma Adams, Box 87, Keota, Okla.
 9. CASS--Bro. and Sis. Bratton, Sis. Lucille Kelton, Rev. James Williams, pastor, Stigler, Okla. Rt. 2, 74462. Clerk, Sis. Bertha Robinson, 805 N. E. A. St., Stigler, Okla,
- PERRY--Bro. and Sis. Claud Booth, Sis. Sally Smith. Pastor, Rev. Harold Garner, Muldrow, Okla. Clerk, Mable Snow.
- HOYT -- Bro. James Linton, Sis. Jewell Heflin, Sis. Ila Hef-11. lin. Pastor, Rev. Clark Cariker, Hoyt, Okla. Clerk, Veva Bigger, Rt. 4, Stigler, Okla. Box 357.

12. McCURTAIN--Sis. Thelma Phillips, Sis. Velma Wantland, Sis. Dorthy Petty. Pastor, Rev. Melvin Reading, McCurtain, Okla.

Clerk, Sis. Jennie Wilson, McCurtain, Okla. 74944.

IRON BRIDGE--Bro. Redman Brigance, Bro. Raymond Shepherd, Sis. Beulah Cordle. Pastor, Rev. Norman Woodruff, Lequire, Okla. Clerk, Sis. Freeda Doss, Rt. 2, Stigler, Okla. 14. BROOKEN--Sis. Bert Horton, Sis. Glady's Horton, Sis.

Eliza Prince. Pastor, U. C. Purdam, Hoyt, Okla. Clerk, Wanda Bush, Rt. 4, Box 328, Stigler, Okla.

LAFAYETTE--Bro. Bob Bailes, Sis. Attie Robertson, Bro. Wesley Fowler. Pastor, Rev. John Maxwell, Jr., Keota, Okla. Clerk, Alva Patton, Rt. 3, Box 27, Stigler, Okla.

VIAN--Bro. Schylor Montgomery, Bro. Rickie Manes, Bro. Bill Smith. Pastor, Rev. C. C. Manes, Vian, Okla. Phone 773-8101.

Clerk, Maxine Smith, Star Rt., Vian, Okla.

17. SALLISAW--N. S. F. W. C.--Sis. Hazel Rhodes, Bro. Charles Rhodes, Bro. Bill Ross. Pastor, had not been elected at this time. Moderator, Bro. Owen Scott. Clerk, Sis. Vera Davis.

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Church	Money		Ya	rd Money
Porum	\$8.00			\$ 5.00
Cross Roads	10.00			10.00
Rose Hill	5.00			10.00
Lone Elm	10.00			10.00
Tamaha	10.00			5.00
Fish Creek	5.00			5.00
Keota	10.00			5.00
Cass	10.00			5.00
Perry	10.00			5.00
Hoyt	10.00			10.00
McCurtain	5.00			5.00
Iron Bridge	10.00			10.00
Brooken	10.00			10.00
LaF ayette	10.00			5.00
Vian	10.00			5.00
Sallisaw First F. W. B.	10.00			10.00
Rock Ford	10.00			5.00
North Side, Sallisaw	10.00			5.00
Youth CampCross Road	is \$25.00; I	Lone Elm	\$15.00.	State
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Delegate--Cross Roads \$20.00; Vian \$10,00; George Fowler, Dewey Chitwood, James Linton, Finance Committee.

	1971 ASSOCIATION MINISTERS
1.	Rev. Curtis Suttles 966-3273 Keota, Okla.
2.	Rev. Clark Cariker Hoyt, Okla.
3.	Rev. Hercel Hickman 967-4567 Stigler, Okla.
4.	Rev. James Williams 967-4673 Stigler, Okla.
5.	Rev. A. J. Robinson 967-2939 Stigler, Okla.
6.	Rev. C. A. Brown Kinta, Okla.
7.	Rev. L. B. Clark Rt. 2, Box 259, Spiro, Okla.
8.	Rev. Edgar Cole Stigler, Okla.
9.	Rev. A. A. Holdridge 967-4443 Hoyt, Okla.
10.	Rev. U. C. Purdom 967-4725 Hoyt, Okla. Rev. Curtis Maxwell 966-3334 Keota, Okla.
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12.	Rev. L. T. Brown Keota, Okla.
13.	Rev. Norman Woodruff Lequire, Okla.
14.	Rev. Walker Wood 484-6548 Porum, Okla. Rev. Hugo Smith Stigler, Okla.
15.	Rev. P. E. Lambert Stigler, Okla.
16.	Rev. P. E. Lambert 404-0490 Porum, Okia.
17.	Rev. Earl Powell 639-2523 Stigler, Okla.
18.	Rev. Troy Madewell McCurtain, Okla. Rev. Melvin Reading 967-4487 McCurtain, Okla.
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20.	Rev. John Maxwell, Jr WO 2-2783 Keota, Okla.
21.	Rev. Joe Weldon Keota, Okla. Rev. Otis Farris 967-2254 Stigler, Okla.
22.	Rev. Luther Brown 364-7133 Kinta, Okla.
23.	
24.	Rev. Kenneth Turpin Brooken, Okla. Rev. Barney Phillips Checotah, Okla.
25.	Key. Bainey Finings Checotan, Okta.

26. 27.	Rev. Harold Rev. Curtis	Morris Bias .	 436-2722 •	Pocola, Okla Sallisaw, Okla.
	Rev. Andy C		967-8694	Stigler, Okla.

CHURCH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Called to order by Moderator.

2.

Called into conference, or vote, to go into conference. Call for peace of the Church, (all who are at peace with God and with each other, hold up your right hand).

Visiting brethren invited to seat in Council (Visiting mem-3.

4. bers from other Free Will Baptist Churches). Reading of minutes of last conference.

5.

Reading of Treasurer's report. Unfinished business. 6.

7.

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 sufferage 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. The Examining Committee of the association shall examine ministers for license at the request of the church of which

candidate is a member.

15. 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.

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

good standing with the association.

17. Be it resolved that we adopt the old original Free Will

Baptist Treatise as our rule, Faith and Practice.

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

1961 SESSION

1. 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.

2. 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 the 12 months, but

not ordained before the 12 months are up.

3. 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. Vainis King, Bro. Abb Wallen, Committee.

1963 SESSION

4. Resolutions -- Rev. Bailey Thompson, Bro. Otho Williams, Bro. Bernard Williamson.

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

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

Be it resolved that our Treasurer receive an honorarium of

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

6. 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.

7. Be it resolved to alter item No. 17 of the Constitution by

inserting the word. Ordained, before ministers.

1965 SESSION

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

We resolve that the churches of our association go over church rolls once a year and keep up to date. 9. We, the Resolution Committee would like to urge each Pastor, to look into, and obtain information, on the steps to in-

corporate their churches as Free Will Baptists.

10. We, the Resolution Committee, suggest that the names of the Ministers not found to be orthodox or who have moved or are deceased, be removed from the list of ministers in the minutes.

1966 RESOLUTION

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

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

RESOLUTIONS -- 1967

12. 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.

13. 1968 RESOLUTION COMMITTEE -- Bro. Gean Thomas,

Bro. Curtis Suttles, Bro. Sherman Webb.

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

14. We, your Resolution Committee request Bro. Snowden Robinson be made a honorary member of the Yard Committee.

1970 RESOLUTION COMMITTEE

Bro. Raymond Shepherd, Bro. Walker Woods, Bro. Vanis King. 15. Be it resolved that the words old original be added to by-law 18 and 19, and that by-law 14, 23, 29 and 37 be deleted from our constitution. That the word ordained be added before the word deacon in by-law 17.

16. Be it resolved that no new minister serve on association

board until he's a member for one year.

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 nands 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 as wholly, and preserve us blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

THE EUREKA YOUTH CAMP WAS CONVENED AUGUST 3-5, 1971

TUESDAY MORNING, AUGUST 3

Bro. Andy Campbell took charge until election of officers was held. Officers elected were: Bro. Andy Campbell-Camp Director; Sis. Pam Preskitt-Sec'y; Sis. Kylene Preskitt-Pianist. Camp rules were read. Teachers were Bro. Vanis King, who taught the youth from age 13-17; Sis. Lawana Smith, who taught youth from age 12 and under. Classes arranged at 10:30 a.m. for a short session. Bro. James Williams was elected to bring the morning message. Good service, Dismissed for lunch.

TUESDAY NIGHT

Opened with singing and prayer by Brother Raymond Shepherd. Another song and prayer by Brother Vanis King. Sister Nell Kinsey led the devotional service. Special singing by James and Lola Williams "God Shall Wipe Away All Tears." Bro. Otho Williams, James and Lola Williams and Andy Campbell, "Let Me Rest By The Fountain". Bobby Harkreader and Dale Williams, Andy Campbell and James Williams "There Is Power In The Blood." Message by Brother Curt Maxwell "What Does God Require of Me." Good service. Closed with song and prayer by Sister Lola Williams

WEDNESDAY MORNING, AUGUST 4

The service was opened with singing, followed by united prayer. Classes were arranged. A devotional committee was appointed by Bro. Andy Campbell as follows: Sis. Darla Coyle, Sis. Janet Smith, Bro. Bobby Harkreader. Sis. Pam Preskitt was appointed to lead this morning's devotional service. Bro. Andy Campbell was elected to bring the morning message. Had prayer by Sis. Lawana Smith followed by special singing by Sis. Darla Coyle, Sis. Barbara Nixon, Sis. Cherry Maxwell, Sis Lawana Smith—"Let Me Rest By The Fountain". Message brought by Bro. Andy Campbell—Good service. Had closing song and dismissed by Bro. Norman Woodruff.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Opened with singing. Prayer by Bro. A. J. Robinson. Another song Prayer by Bro. Edgar Warren. More singing followed by united prayer. Special song—"When I Looked up and He Looked Down"—presented by Sis. Judy Bush, Sis. Rhonda Bush, Sis. Janet Smith and Sis Pam Preskitt. Special song—"I'm Bound For That City", presented by Sis. Darlene Campbell, Bro. Andy Campbell and Bro. Roy Campbell. Bro. James Williams and family sang—"How Good It Is". Another special song presented by Bro. AbbWallen, Sis Becky Hickman, Bro. Hercel Hickman and Bro. Redman Brigance—"I'm Too Near Home". Good message brought by Bro. Curtis Maxwell. Dismissed in prayer.

THURSDAY MORNING, AUGUST 5

Classes were arranged late due to inclement weather. Service was opened with singing followed in prayer by Bro. Vanis King. Another song. Prayer by Bro. Norman Woodruff. Devotional led by Sis. Darla Coyle. Message brought by Bro. James Williams. God really blessed in this service. We did not dismiss for lunch until shortly after 1:00 p.m. as everyone was so full of the Spirit. Immediately following lunch all the youth returned to the tabernacle for

another devotional service. Most of the young people rededicated and gave their lives to Christ. Many of our youth were baptized this afternoon.

THURSDAY NIGHT

Opened with singing. Prayer by Bro. James Williams. Another song followed by united prayer. Song by James and Lola Williams -- "God Shall Wipe Away All Tears." During this song the service broke loose with an altar service. There was no devotional service or preaching tonight. There were more converted during this service. This was a wonderful service as the Spirit of God moved and our young people were shouting and crying unto God. The service was so good, it was decided to have service Friday night also.

FRIDAY NIGHT, AUGUST 6

Open with singing and prayer by Sis. Lola Williams. Another song and prayer by Bro. Andy Campbell. Had a couple more songs and a united prayer. Devotional led by Sis. Jane Lashley. Special singing by Bro. Idis Daniels and family, "The Love of God." Barbara Nixon, Karen Shepherd, Cherry Maxwell, "I'll Meet You By The River." Message by Bro. A. J. Robinson on Power of Prayer. Closing song and dismissed by Bro. Irby Preskitt. Youth Camp will convene Aug. 8-10 in 1972.

