

MINUTES
OF THE
64th 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, 1972, 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, 1973

Thursday Evening
OPENING MESSAGE
Rev. Andy Campbell
Alternate
Rev. Fred Riddle

Friday, 11:00 A.M.
INTRODUCTORY SERMON
Rev. Tommy James
Alternate
Rev. Curtis Maxwell

Rev. Norman Woodruff, Lequire, Okla. _____ Moderator
Rev. A. J. Robinson, Rt. 2, Stigler _____ Ass't. Moderator
Sis. Ruby LaFave, Rt. 1, Box 160, Stigler _____ Treasurer-Clerk
Sis. Lessie Bailes, Box 372, Stigler _____ Ass't. Clerk



FREE WILL BAPTIST
BIBLE COLLEGE

Nashville, Tennessee

Presented By

Mrs. Ruby LaFave

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 called to order by Asst. Moderator, Bro. James Williams. Singing by choir. Singing No. 70, "Living By Faith." United prayer. Song No. 222, "When I Say, My Father." Devotional service was lead by Sis. Lessie Bailes. Good service. Special singing. Duet—"How Lost Would I Be Without Him," by Bro. and Sis. Idis Daniel, and "I'd Like to be the Keeper of the Door," by Bro. and Sis. James Williams. Services were turned to Bro. Tommy James for the opening message. Reading from Hebrews 13 chpt. 9th verse. Text—"Holy Spirit." Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Edgar Warren.

FRIDAY MORNING

Services called to order by moderator, Bro. Norman Woodruff. Singing Nos. 292 and 216, directed by Ruby LaFave with Bro. James Williams at the piano. Devotional reading by Bro. A. J. Robinson, reading from Colossians 3:1-4. Prayer by Bro. Tankersley. Motion made by Bro. James Williams to enter into conference to transact any business that might come. Call for letters. Received 12. Motion made by Bro. A. J. Robinson to receive the letters and seat the delegates. Had song and right hand of fellowship was given. The moderator invited all visiting brothers and sisters to sit in council. The election of officers for another year was the first item of business. All officers were retained except the asst. moderator. Bro. A. J. Robinson will be the asst. moderator in Bro. James Williams' place. The appointing of committees. See committees. The report of the divine comm. See reports. Motion made by Bro. Lark Spradley to adjourn conference until 1:15 Friday afternoon.

FRIDAY MORNING SERVICE

Services opened by singing. Directed by Bro. James Williams with Sis. Beulah Williams at the piano. Singing No. 290, "Looking For A City." Prayer by Bro. P. E. Lambert. Song, "I'm Bound For That City." Services were turned to Bro. A. J. Robinson, the minister selected by the committee as our appointed ministers were absent. Bro. Robinson preached a wonderful message, reading from Jeremiah 6:16-17. Text—"Seek Ye the Old Paths." Dismissed in prayer by Bro. George Fowler.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

House called to order by moderator, Bro. Norman Woodruff. Singing directed by Bro. James Williams. Singing No. 175, "Lord, Have I Done My Part?" with Sis. Beulah Williams at the piano. Devotional reading by Bro. Curtis Suttles. Reading from Romans 12 chpt. Prayer by Bro. Luther Brown.

The meeting was declared back into conference by moderator. All committees were dismissed to bring in reports. Moderator call for letters, received none. The reading of the treasurer's report by Ruby

LaFave. Motion made by Bro. Otho Williams to receive the report as read. See treasurer's report. Motion made by Bro. Bob Bailes to table question on Hoyt Church till some future date. Articles of faith and church covenant was read by Bro. P. E. Lambert. Motion made by Bro. George Fowler to adjourn conference till 10 o'clock Saturday morning. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. A. J. Robinson.

FRIDAY NIGHT

Meeting called to order by asst. moderator, Bro. A. J. Robinson. Singing directed by Bro. Craig Bickle, singing No. 246, "Where We'll Never Grow Old," with Lawana Smith at the piano. Prayer by Bro. Curtis Maxwell. Song No. 92, "Victory In Jesus." United prayer. Special Singing. Duet by Bro. and Sis. James Williams, "I'm a Child of the King." Trio, Mrs. Idis Daniel and girls, singing, "Thank God I'm Free." Duet by Mr. and Mrs. Idis Daniel, "Point of No Return." Services were turned to Sis. Lola Williams for the devotional. Had a wonderful service. Sang, "Oh, The Glory Did Roll." Service was turned to Bro. Luther Brown, the speaker for the Friday night service. Reading from Genesis 3rd chpt. Text—"Jesus Christ the Tree of Life." Invitation song. A wonderful message. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Gene Medlock.

SATURDAY MORNING

Meeting called to order by moderator. Singing directed by Bro. Abb Wallen, singing No. 166, "Everybody Will Be Happy Over There," with Lawana Smith at the piano. Devotional reading by Bro. Andy Campbell, reading from St. John 10:1-9. Prayer by Bro. Campbell. The meeting was declared back into conference by asst. moderator, Bro. A. J. Robinson. Call for letters. Received 4. Motion made by Bro. Andy Campbell to receive the letters and seat the delegates. Song and right hand of fellowship was given by moderator and asst. moderator. Report of Resolution Committee. See resolutions. Motion made by Bro. Bob Bailes to receive the report. After discussions motion made by Bro. Otho Williams to adopt resolution No. 1.

Report by committee on preacher and deacon's character. See reports. Setting of quarterly meetings. See 5th Sunday meetings.

Call for volunteers to represent the Eureka Association at the Roberts McGee Association. Sis. Beulah Williams, Zelma Brigance and Lessie Bailes were the delegates. Motion made by Bro. Otho Williams to adjourn conference until 1:30 Saturday afternoon. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Walker Wood.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

Services opened by singing. Directed by Bro. Craig Bickle. Singing No. 242. "He Set Me Free", with Lawana Smith at the piano. United prayer. Songs, "I'll Meet You By the River" and "We'll Tour That Golden City,"

by the Iron Bridge Choir. The names of the deceased were read by Bro. Norman Woodruff. All standing with a moment of silent prayer then Bro. Andy Campbell lead in prayer. Services were turned to Bro. Hercel Hickman, the speaker for the memorial. A wonderful message. Song and hand-shake. Had a wonderful service. Dismissed in prayer by Sis. Audie Wood.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

Services opened by singing. Directed by Arletta Adams. No. 92, "Victory in Jesus" with Lawana Smith at the piano. Devotional reading by Bro. Fred Riddle. Reading from 1st Cor. 10:1-12. Prayer by Bro. Craig Bickle. Declared back into conference by moderator. Report of resolution committee. Motion made by Bro. Andy Campbell to receive report. Both resolutions 2 and 3 were adopted. See resolutions. Motion made by Bro. Andy Campbell to receive all reports and dismiss the committees. Bro. Andy Campbell asked that he be released from the yard committee. Motion made by Bro. James Williams to grant his request. Bro. Lester Woodruff was placed on the committee.

Motion made by Bro. James Williams to exclude the Vian Church from the Eureka Association.

Motion made by Bro. Otho Williams to give the clerk of the association and the clerk of the preacher and deacon meeting the right to set the time for the meetings and have it recorded in the minutes. See preacher and deacon meetings. Motion made by Bro. Craig Bickle to close conference in the hopes of meeting again in the year 1973. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Tommy James.

SATURDAY NIGHT YOUNG PEOPLE'S SERVICE

Service called to order by Asst. Moderator. Singing directed by Jackie Rowe. Singing No. 142, "He Set Me Free", No. 192, "I'll Meet You by the River." Prayer by Bro. Steve Bratton. More singing, then united prayer. Special singing by Sis. Idis Daniel and daughters. "I Thank You For the Valley I Walked Through Today," and "I Have A Longing to Go Home." Song—"I'm Too Near Home to Turn Back Now", by a group of young people.

Bro. Craig Bickle had charge of the devotional service and Bro. James Williams brought the message. Reading from 1st John 1st chpt. Text—"The Word of Hope." Wonderful message. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Otho Williams.

As treasurer of the Eureka Association, I bring to you my yearly report. At the end of year 1971 we had in treasury \$563.67.

COLLECTIONS

Yard and minute money.....	\$288.00
Delegate Fees.....	30.00
Sale on Treaties.....	16.95
Lone Elm 1971.....	15.00
Cross Roads 1971.....	25.00
Keota.....	25.00
N. S. Sallisaw.....	25.00
Lone Elm.....	25.00
Cass.....	25.00
Cross Roads.....	25.00
LaFayette.....	26.00
Perry.....	20.00
Fish Creek.....	10.00
Porum.....	4.00
Concession Stand.....	79.46
Tri-Co. Singing.....	10.00
Youth Donation.....	200.00
Total Balance and Collections.....	1413.08

DISBURSEMENTS

Yost Lumber Co.....	6.00
Bob Bailes, parts for pump.....	275.50
Ruby LaFave, Clerk Fees.....	50.00
Lessie Bailes, Asst. Clerk Fees.....	25.00
Cookson Hills Coop.....	22.18
Delegate Fees.....	30.00
Stigler News-Sentinel.....	161.00
Farmers Ins. Co.....	129.00
Stigler Flower Shop.....	6.43
Ollie Lumber Co.....	40.00
Stigler Lumber Co.....	5.20
Plunkett Music Co.....	50.00
Dobyns-Lantz.....	4.55
Shelton Super Mkt.....	25.67
Ice for Y. C.....	7.00
Haskell Lassiter, milk for Y. C.....	3.00
Colonial Bread Co.....	9.28
Rose Groc.....	78.45
Service Charge.....	3.75
Total Disbursements.....	\$932.01
Leaving in Treasury.....	\$471.07

Prayerfully submitted,
Ruby LaFave, Association Treasurer

PULPIT COMMITTEE

Sis. Phyllis Nolen, Sis. Marie Kasiner, Bro. Redman Brigance.
Services as follows:

Thursday night, Bro. Tommy James brought the message.

Friday morning, the introductory message was brought by Bro. A. J. Robinson.

Friday night, Bro. Luther Brown brought the message. Sis. Lola Williams had charge of devotional service.

Saturday morning, Bro. Hercel Hickman brought the memorial message.

All the services were wonderful.

OBITUARY COMMITTEE

We, your committee, beg report as follows. We are sorry to report we have lost 15 members this past year. We feel our loss is heaven's gain. Sis. Jane Lashley, Sallie Smith and Lucille Henry.

QUERY AND REQUEST

Bro. Richard Bibb, Bro. Raymond Kinsey, Bro. Omer Moore. No Report.

EXAMINING COMMITTEE

- 5 Year Man—Bro. A. J. Robinson
- 4 Year Man—Bro. Andy Campbell
- 3 Year Man—Bro. James Williams
- 2 Year Man—Bro. Curtis Maxwell
- 1 Year Man—Bro. Norman Woodruff

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- 5 Year Man—Bro. Otho Williams
- 4 Year Man—Bro. Vanis King
- 3 Year Man—Bro. Melvin Reading
- 2 Year Man—Bro. Norman Woodruff
- 1 Year Man—Bro. P. E. Lambert

YARD COMMITTEE

- 3 Year Man—Bro. Otho Williams
- 2 Year Man—Bro. Bob Bailes
- 1 Year Man—Bro. Lester Woodruff

PREACHERS' AND DEACONS' CHARACTER

Bro. Frank Fenton, Bro. Vanis King, Sis. Jessie Timmons.

We, your deacon and preacher's committee pray if any church has any non-active preacher or deacon, go to them, pray and talk to them and try to get them back in the will of the Lord.

PLACING OF THE 5TH SUNDAY MEETINGS

- 1st—Keota, October, 1972
- 2nd—Iron Bridge, December, 1972
- 3rd—LaFayette, April, 1973
- 4th—Rose Hill, July, 1973

PLACES AND DATES OF PREACHERS' AND DEACONS' MEETINGS

- 1st—Keota, October 21, 1972
- 2nd—Iron Bridge, December 23, 1972
- 3rd—LaFayette, April 21, 1973
- 4th—Rose Hill, July 21, 1973

CHURCHES AND DELEGATES

1. NORTHSIDE F.W.B. CHURCH—Sis. Carolyn Hendrix, Sis. Vera Norrid, Bro. Reggie Rhodes. Rev. Willard Day, pastor. 1708 North I, Fort Smith, Ark. Clerk, Sis. Hazel Rhoades.
2. ROCK FORD—Sis. Lawanda Moore, Sis. Wilma Carry, Sis. Kathy Moore. Rev. Melvin Reading, pastor. Sis. Francene Blaylock, clerk.
3. McCURTAIN—Sis. Thelma Phillips, Sis. Betty Hurst, Sis. Helen Blaylock. Rev. Melvin Reading, pastor. Sis. Jennie Wilson, clerk.
4. FISH CREEK—Sis. May Pugh, Bro. Tommie Johnson, Sis. Net Colbert. Rev. Norman Woodruff, pastor. Sis. Marie Kasiner, clerk.
5. FIRST F.W.B.—Sis. Sandy Owens, Sis. Artie Pruitte, Sis. Evlyn Mainus. Rev. Tommy James, pastor. Sallisaw. Sis. Pauline Tounzan, clerk.
6. CASS—Sis. Artie Lee Nolen, Sis. Phyllis Nolen, Sis. Linda Nance. Rev. James Williams, pastor. Sis. Bertha Robinson, clerk.
7. LAFAYETTE—Sis. Lucy Krumsiek, Sis. Lucille Holt, Bro. Bob Bailes, Rev. John Maxwell Jr., pastor. Sis. Alva Patton, clerk.
8. PORUM—Sis. Jean Warren, Sis. Alta Nelson, Sis. Lessie Fool. Haven't called pastor as yet. Sis. Susie Standifer, clerk.
9. LONE ELM—Bro. Roy Campbell, Bro. Jack Kates, Sis. Helen Nelson. Rev. Curtis Maxwell, pastor. Sis. Marie Perdue, clerk.
- 10.—IRON BRIDGE—Bro. Wilburn Cordle, Bro. Loy Doss, Bro. Raymond Shephard. Rev. Norman Woodruff, pastor. Sis. Clara Doss, clerk.
11. KEOTA—Sis. Jane Lashley, Sis. Ebbie Brown, Sis. Ritta Keller. Rev. A. J. Robinson, pastor. Sis. Zelma Adams, clerk.
12. PERRY—Bro. Omer Moore, Sis. Susie Moore, Sis. Sallie Smith. Rev. Luther Brown, pastor. Sis. Mable Snow, clerk.
13. TAMAHA—Sis. Ina Eakle, Sis. Lucille Henry, Sis. Alma Ward, Haven't called pastor as of now. Sis. Clara Ward, clerk.
14. BROOKEN—Sis. Gladys Horton, Sis. Eliza Prince, Sis. Bertice Horton. Rev. U. C. Purdom, pastor. Sis. Wanda Bush, clerk.
15. ROSE HILL—Bro. Bob Sherley, Bro. Lester Woodruff, Bro. George

Fowler, Rev. Andy Campbell, pastor. Bro. Claud Royce, clerk.

16. CROSS ROADS—Sis. Henrietta Garland, Sis. Burt Hill, Bro. Bill Sappington. Rev. Hercel Hickman, pastor. Sis. Ethel Neldon, clerk.

We, your finance committee, beg leave to report as follows:

Church	Minute Money	Yard Money
Lone Elm	\$10.00	\$10.00
Cass	10.00	5.00
Tamaha	10.00	5.00
Cross Roads	10.00	10.00
Iron Bridge	10.00	10.00
Rose Hill	5.00	10.00
N. S. Sallisaw	10.00	10.00
Fish Creek	5.00	5.00
Keota	5.00	10.00
LaFayette	10.00	5.00
Perry	10.00	5.00
Brooken	10.00	10.00
Porum	8.00	5.00
Rock Ford	5.00	10.00
McCurtain	5.00	5.00
1st F.W.B., Sallisaw	10.00	10.00

State delegate money, Cross Roads \$10.00 and First F.W.B., Sallisaw, \$10.00. Youth camp donations, Iron Bridge \$25.00 and Porum \$4.00.

Finance Committee—Bro. Lester Woodruff, Bro. Jack Kates, Bro. Bill Sappington.

1972 ASSOCIATION MINISTERS

1. Rev. Curtis Suttles..... 966-3273—Keota, Okla.
2. Rev. 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. Edgar Cole..... Stigler, Okla.
8. Rev. A. A. Holdridge..... 967-4443—Hoyt, Okla.
9. Rev. U. C. Purdom..... 967-4725—Hoyt, Okla.
10. Rev. Curtis Maxwell..... 966-3334—Keota, Okla.
11. Rev. L. T. Brown..... Keota, Okla.
12. Rev. Norman Woodruff..... Lequire, Okla.
13. Rev. Walker Wood..... 484-6548—Porum, Okla.
14. Rev. Hugo Smith..... Stigler, Okla.
15. Rev. P. E. Lambert..... 484-6496—Porum, Okla.
16. Rev. Earl Powell..... 639-2523—Stigler, Okla.

17. Rev. Troy Madewell..... McCurtain, Okla.
18. Rev. Melvin Reading..... 967-4487—McCurtain, Okla.
19. Rev. John Maxwell, Jr..... WO 2-2783—Keota, Okla.
20. Rev. Joe Weldon..... Keota, Okla.
21. Rev. Odes Faries..... 967-2254—Stigler, Okla.
22. Rev. Luther Brown..... 364-7133—Kinta, Okla.
23. Rev. Kenneth Turpin..... Brooken, Okla.
24. Rev. Barney Phillips..... Checotah, Okla.
25. Rev. Harold Morris..... 436-2722—Pocola, Okla.
26. Rev. Curtis Bias..... Sallisaw, Okla.
27. Rev. Andy Campbell..... 967-8694—Stigler, Okla.
28. Rev. Tommy James..... Rt. 1, Box 106, Gore, Okla.
29. Rev. Harrison Pendergrass..... Muldrow. 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. 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 Bales, 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 incorporate 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.

1972 SESSION

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE

Bro. Tommy James, Bro. James Williams, Bro. Luther Brown.

17. Be it resolved, that any of our preachers or churches found to be tolerating the doctrine of unknown tongues, or anointing with oil for the healing of the body shall be considered guilty of heresy and shall be required to make acknowledgement to this body or stand suspended.

18. Be it resolved that no man be ordained to the ministry or office of deacon having two or more living companions and that the credentials of ministers are deemed property of the Eureka Association.

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 persevere 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. We believe God's grace is sufficient so long as they walk in the path of duty, but those who wilfully refuse or neglect to perform their duty would backslide and if persist continually would be eternally lost. 1st Peter 1:4-5, 1st Cor. 10:1-13, Hebrews 12:15-17, 1st John 5:16, Hebrews 6:6, 2nd Peter 2:20.

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.

