

1985

**MINUTES**  
of  
**77th Annual Session**  
of the  
**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, 1985, 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, 1986, A.D.

Thursday evening  
OPENING MESSAGE  
Hercel Hickman  
Alternate  
Ben Bush

Friday, 11:00 A.M.  
INTRODUCTORY SERMON  
Tommy Brown  
Alternate  
Oma Viles

Rev. Dale Wendlandt, Stigler, Moderator  
Rev. Ward Fellabaum, Asst. Moderator  
Sis. Ruby LaFave, Rt. 1, Box 5040, Stigler, Okla., Treasurer-Clerk  
Sis. Joyce Wendlandt, P.O. Box 569, Stigler, Okla., Assistant Clerk

# 1985

JANUARY 1985

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### **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.

### 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 others, 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

### 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.

*North Seal  
Nov. Sallesaw  
March Perry  
May Lone Elm*

### PLACING OF PREACHERS' AND DEACONS' MEETINGS

- FIRST: 21 SEPTEMBER 1985/LAFAYETTE  
SECOND: 21 DECEMBER 1985/PIONEER  
THIRD: 22 MARCH 1986/TAMAH  
FOURTH: 21 JUNE 1986/McCURTAIN

### PLACING OF FIFTH SUNDAY MEETINGS

- FIRST: 27/28 SEPTEMBER 1985/LAFAYETTE  
SECOND: 27/28 DECEMBER 1985/PIONEER  
THIRD: 28/29 MARCH 1986/TAMAH  
FOURTH: 27/28 JUNE 1986/McCURTAIN

*opening message association  
Jimmie Brown  
Ward Jellebauma*

*Fri Morning  
melvin Laddie  
Stanley Smith*

## **THURSDAY NIGHT 29 AUGUST 1985**

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Rev. Dale Wendlandt. Singing directed by Bro. Lowell Nolen, singing "Looking For A City," with Sis. Lawana Johnson at the piano. Prayer by Rev. Oma Viles.

Had more singing. Had a united prayer. Service then turned to Bro. Short Brigrance for devotional service. Sang "He'll Understand and Say Well Done."

Service turned to Rev. Ward Fellabaum for message. Reading from Ezekiel 22: 23-28. Text, "They Have Violated the Law of God."

Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Johnnie Bratton.

## **FRIDAY MORNING**

Meeting called to order by Assistant Moderator Rev. Ward Fellabaum. Singing directed by Bro. Lowell Nolen, singing "Just A Little Talk With Jesus" with Sis. Lawana Johnson at the piano. Prayer by Bro. B.F. Davis. Song, "Somebody Loves Me." Motion made by Bro. Bill Apple to enter into conference to transact any business that might come before the body. The assistant moderator called for the letters; received 15.

Motion made by Rev. Ben Bush to receive the letters as read and seat the delegates. Had song and right hand of fellowship was given by Moderator Rev. Dale Wendlandt and Assistant Moderator Rev. Ward Fellabaum. Devotional by Rev. Oma Viles, reading from Philippians 4:5-7. Prayer by Rev. Oma Viles. The first item of business was the election of officers to serve for another year. All the officers were retained for another year. Moderator, Rev. Dale Wendlandt, Assistant Moderator, Rev. Ward Fellabaum, Clerk, Sis. Ruby LaFave, Assistant Clerk, Sis. Joyce Wendlandt.

Rules of order were read by Rev. Ward Fellabaum. Moderator called for petitionary letters. None received. Motion by Bro. Bill Apple to adjourn conference until one o'clock Friday afternoon. Conference was dismissed in prayer by Bro. Bill Long.

## **11 O'CLOCK SERVICE**

Service was opened by singing directed by Bro. Lowell Nolen, singing "A Beautiful Life," with Sis. Lawana Johnson at the piano. Had an altar of prayer. Service was then turned to Rev. Stanley Smith for the introductory sermon. Reading from Ephesians 5:14-20 and Romans 1:17-23. Text "Redeeming the Time." Had invitational song. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Leon Thompson, also asking the blessing on the noon meal.

## **FRIDAY AFTERNOON**

Meeting called to order by Moderator Rev. Dale Wendlandt. Singing directed by Bro. Lowell Nolen, singing "The Old Rugged Cross" with Sis. Lawana Johnson at the piano. Devotional reading by Bro. Bob Bailes, reading from Psalms 119: 31-40. Prayer by Bro. B.F. Davis. The moderator declared the

body back into conference. Prayer by Rev. Luther Brown. All visiting brethren were invited to sit in council. The next item of business was the appointing of the committees. See Committees. Had singing while waiting on committees.

Motion by Bro. Roy Campbell to accept the report of the Examining Council. See reports. Bro. Bill Apple made motion to table report of Query and Request until Saturday afternoon, approximately 2:00. Report of pulpit committee. See reports.

Motion by Rev. Robert Carter to dismiss conference until 10 o'clock Saturday morning. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Ed Tatman.

#### **FRIDAY AFTERNOON SERVICE**

Service was opened by singing directed by Bro. Lowell Nolen, singing "I Need No Mansion Here", with Sis. Lawana Johnson at the piano. Had an altar of prayer. Sang "Everybody Will Be Happy Over There." Service was then turned to Rev. Ben Bush for the afternoon message, reading from I Peter 5:5-8, I Cor. 9:19; Acts 16:25. Ps. 141: 1-5. Text, "Humility." Dismissed in prayer by Sis. Thelma Phillips.

#### **FRIDAY NIGHT**

House called to order by Moderator Rev. Dale Wendlandt. Singing directed by Bro. Lowell Nolen, singing "I'm Bound For That City," with Sis. Lawana Johnson at the piano. Prayer by Bro. Cleburn Shepherd. Sang "There Is So Little Time." Prayer by Sis. Zelma Brigrance. Sang "This World Is Not My Home." Had united prayer.

Service turned to Sis. Ruby Honeycutt for the devotional service. Song "Oh How I Love Jesus." Song directed by Bro. Julius Morris, "Send The Light," with Sis. Lawana Johnson at the piano. Special by Sis. Lawana Johnson, "I Bowed On My Knees and Cried Holy." Song by Bro. and Sis. Lowell Nolen and Sis. Lawana Johnson "When I Cross the River."

Service then turned to Rev. Oma Viles for the message. Reading from I Thes. 5: 16-24, II Tim. 1-9. Text, "Rejoice and Give Thanks." Had invitational song. Prayer by Rev. Oma Viles. Dismissed in prayer by Roy Bryant.

#### **SATURDAY MORNING**

House called to order by Moderator Rev. Dale Wendlandt. Singing directed by Bro. Lowell Nolen, singing "There Will Be Room Enough" with Sis. Lawana Johnson at the piano. Devotional by Bro. Leon Thompson. Reading from Matthew 13: 1-17. Prayer by Rev. Stanley Smith. Body declared back into conference by moderator. Prayer by Rev. Raymond Qualls. Called for letters. Received two. Motion by Bro. Jim Owens to receive the letters as read and seat the delegates. Right hand of fellowship was given by Moderator Rev. Dale Wendlandt and Assistant Moderator Rev. Ward Fellabaum. Reading of the treasurer's report by Clerk Sis. Ruby LaFave. Motion made by Rev. Ward

**LONE ELM:** Sis. Agnes Mooneyham, Sis. Okla McPeters, Bro. Amos McPeters, Alternate, Sis. Dora Randall. Pastor, Rev. Fred Riddle, Clerk, Sis. Marie Perdue, Rt. 2, Box 150, Keota, OK 74941.

**MCCURTAIN:** Bro. Larry Palmer, Sis. Helen Blaylock, Sis. Wanda Blaylock, Alternate, Sis. Jennie Wilson. No pastor, Clerk, Sis. Joan Pritchard, P.O. Box 155, McCurtain, OK 74944.

**NORTHSIDE SALLISAW:** Sis. Evelyn Mainus, Bro. Nolen Mainus, Bro. Wendell Norrid, Alternates, Sis. Linda Rowe, Bro. Merel Rowe. Pastor, Rev. Watie Hendrix, Clerk, Sis. Verna Norrid, Rt. 2, Box 62-A, Sallisaw, OK 74955.

**PERRY:** Sis. Sallie Smith, Sis. Opal Fowler, Bro. R.B. Fowler, Alternate, Bro. Leon Thompson. Pastor, Rev. Roy Bryant, Clerk, Sis. Imogene Kelley, Rt. 1, Stigler, OK 74462.

**PIONEER:** Bro. George Bullard, Bro. Paul Barnett, Sis. Bertice Horton, Alternate, Sis. Isabelle "Liz" Sirmans. Pastor, Rev. Stanley Smith, Clerk, Sis. Linda Smith, Rt. 4, Box 6085, Stigler, OK 74462.

**PORUM:** Sis. Betty Green, Sis. Ethel Applegate, Bro. Don Benton, Alternate, Sis. Jean Spradlin. No pastor, Clerk, Sis. Anna Lietch, Rt. 2, Box 3400, Porum, OK 74455.

**ROCK FORD:** Bro. Lowell Nolen, Bro. Bill Long, Bro. Foster Johnson, Alternate, Sis. Lawana Johnson. Pastor, Rev. Oma A. Viles Sr., Clerk, Sis. Francene Blaylock, Rt. 1, Box 71 F, Spiro, OK 74959.

**ROSE HILL:** Bro. Bill Shaffer, Sis. Ramona Shaffer, Sis. Mercedes King, Alternate, Bro. Claud Roye. Pastor, Rev. Kenneth Turpin, Clerk, Sis. Pam Reading, Rt. 1, Box 79, McCurtain, OK 74944.

**TAMAHA:** Bro. Roy Campbell, Bro. Brian Lewis, Sis. Brenda Campbell, Alternate, Sis. Collene Gundlach. Pastor, Rev. Ward W. Fellabaum, Clerk, Sis. Clara Ward, Rt. 1, Box 280, Stigler, OK 74462.

#### **DELEGATES TO STATE ASSOCIATION**

Bro. Bill Apple  
Sis. Marie Walker  
Sis. Verna Norrid

Sis. Alieta Bryant  
Sis. Isabelle Sirmans

### ASSOCIATION MINISTERS

Rev. Curtis Bias, 417 S. Washington, Sallisaw, OK 74955	775-9783
Rev. C.A. Brown, Rt. 1, Kinta, OK 74552	768-3340
Rev. Luther Brown, Kinta, OK 74552	768-3220
Rev. Roy Bryant, Box 133, Whitefield, OK 74472	967-8541
Rev. Ben Bush, Box 368, McCurtain, OK 74944	945-7595
Rev. Robert Carter, P.O. Box 62, Gans, OK 74936	775-3759
Rev. Ward Fellabaum, Rt. 1, Box 2720, Stigler, OK 967-4725.	
Rev. Watie Hendrix, Box 58, Gans, OK 74936	775-2127
Rev. Hercel Hickman, Rt. 2, Stigler, OK 74462	967-4567
Rev. Glen Kates, 504 N.E. A, Stigler, OK 74462	967-3197
Rev. P.E. Lambert, Warner, OK 74469	484-5266
Rev. Curtis Maxwell, Keota, OK 74941	966-3334
Rev. John Maxwell Jr., Keota, OK 74941	962-2783
Rev. Archie Peters, Van Buren, AR	501-474-6146
Rev. Raymond Qualls, Rt. 5, Box 687, Muldrow, OK	427-5879
Rev. Melvin Reading, Rt. 1, Box 79, McCurtain, OK 74944	967-4487
Rev. Fred Riddle, Stigler, OK 74462	967-4800
Rev. A.J. Robinson, Stigler, OK 74462	967-2939
Rev. Hugo Smith, Stigler, OK 74462	
Rev. Stanley Smith, Rt. 4, Box 6120, Stigler, OK 74462	799-5796
Rev. Dale Tanksley, Keota, OK 74941	966-3217
Rev. Kenneth Turpin, 1202 W. Main, Henryetta, OK 74437	
Rev. Dale Wendlandt, P.O. Box 569, Stigler, OK 74462	967-8631
Rev. Don Wood, Stigler, OK 74462	967-2937
Rev. Walker Wood, P.O. Box 187, Porum, OK 74455	484-5912
Rev. Norman Woodruff, McCurtain, OK 74944	967-4972

### ASSOCIATION DEACONS

Bro. Bill Apple, Rt. 2, Stigler, OK 74462	967-4588
Bro. Harold Barkley, Rt. 1, Box 91, McCurtain, OK 74944	945-7311
Bro. Mitchell L. Blaylock, Rt. 1, Box 71-F, Spiro, OK 74959	962-3362
Bro. Johnnie Bratton, Stigler, OK 74462	967-8077
Bro. Short Brigance, Rt. 1, Keota, OK 74941	966-3349
Bro. Homer Brown, Keota, OK 74941	966-3296
Bro. Gerald Browning, 401 N.W. D St., Stigler, OK 74462	967-2596
Bro. Bill Burgess, Rt. 1, Kinta, OK 74552	768-3464
Bro. Donnell Bush, Rt. 4, Box 6070, Stigler, OK 74462	799-5528
Bro. Frank Clyma, Rt. 2, Keota, OK 74941	966-3627
Bro. B.F. Davis, 806 E. Mary, Sallisaw, OK 74955	775-2648
Bro. Jessie Davis, Rt. 4, Box 279, Stigler, OK 74462	799-5530
Bro. Albert Dobson, 406 N.E. C, Stigler, OK 74462	967-2079
Bro. Melvin Duty, Tsa La Gi Apts., Sallisaw, OK 74955	775-9789
Bro. Fred Eakle, Rt. 1, Stigler, OK 74462	967-2763



Bro. Loyd Eakle, Rt. 1, Stigler, OK 74462	967-4710
Bro. Frank Fenton, 104 S.W. 6th, Stigler, OK 74462	967-8573
Bro. Clifton Few, Rt. 4, Stigler, OK 74462	967-4993
Bro. George Fowler, Rt. 1, McCurtain, OK 74944	967-4466
Bro. C.D. Hoose, P.O. Box 371, Porum, OK 74455	484-5629
Bro. Charlie Howell, Rt. 4, Stigler, OK 74462	799-5491
Bro. Roscoe Hulsey, Rt. 1, McCurtain, OK 74944	967-4934
Bro. Donald Jones, Box 165, Keota, OK 74941	966-3257
Bro. Leslie Johnson, 607 N.W. E, Stigler, OK 74462	967-2379
Bro. Dewey Kasiner, Stigler, OK 74462	
Bro. Kenneth Kelley, Rt. 1, Stigler, OK 74462	967-4951
Bro. Grady (Mack) Kinsey, Rt. 1, Stigler, OK 74462	967-2950
Bro. O.E. Lamb, Sallisaw, OK 74955 c/o Merle Lamb	775-5176
Bro. Jimmy Owens, Box 13, Gans, OK 74936	775-6392
Bro. R.A. Owens, Box 44, Gans, OK 74936	775-5110
Bro. Clarence Pearce, Eufaula, OK 74452	
Bro. Roy Perryman, Rt. 2, Stigler, OK 74462	967-8101
Bro. Larry Pugh, Rt. 1, Stigler, OK 74462	967-4074
Bro. David Quick, Rt. 2, Stigler, OK 74462	967-2771
Bro. Snowden Robinson, 805 N.E. A St., Stigler, OK 74462	967-2677
Bro. Larry Ross, Rt. 1, Stigler, OK 74462	967-2674
Bro. Abe Sasser, 110 Apache, Sallisaw, OK 74955	775-3143
Bro. Owen Scott, 601 Dutch St., Sallisaw, OK 74955	775-4597
Bro. Cleburn Shepherd, Keota, OK 74941	966-3386
Bro. Raymond Shepherd, Keota, OK 74941	966-3767
Bro. Luther Smith, Quinton, OK	799-5510
Bro. Nolan Smith, Keota, OK 74941	966-3354
Bro. Jess Standifer, Warner, OK 74469	463-2403
Bro. Pete Stephenson, Enterprise, OK	799-5535
Bro. Ed Tatman, 605 N.E. 3rd, Stigler, OK 74462	967-2256
Bro. Leon Thompson, Stigler, OK 74462	967-2598
Bro. Kenneth Trickett, Stigler, OK 74462	967-2390
Bro. Kenneth Ward, Stigler, OK 74462	967-4402
Bro. Cecil Wickersham, 506 N.W. K St., Stigler, OK 74462	967-2319
Bro. Otho Williams, Rt. 1, Keota, OK 74941	966-3762
Bro. Johnny Wilson, Rt. 1, Box 200A, Vian, OK 74962	773-8104
Bro. Lester Woodruff, Rt. 1, Box 74, McCurtain, OK 74944	967-4558

As treasurer of the Eureka Free Will Baptist Association, I bring you my yearly report. Time covered, Sept. 1984 to Sept. 1985. Had in treasury at the end of 1984 \$1,060.80.

Yard, minutes and delegate money .....	\$1658.00
Energy Reserve Gas Co. ....	41.72
Sold 5 treatise .....	5.25
Donations from churches .....	247.20
Collections from concession stand .....	499.76
Refund from Cookson R.E.A. ....	6.54
Churches giving to the youth camp:	
McCurtain .....	200.00
N.S. Sallisaw .....	200.00
Lone Elm .....	60.00
Iron Bridge .....	100.00
Rock Ford .....	100.00
Perry .....	100.00
Porum .....	100.00
1st Sallisaw .....	100.00
Cass .....	75.00
Lafayette .....	200.00
Tamaha .....	35.00
Pioneer .....	200.00
Crossroads .....	200.00
Rose Hill .....	100.00
Brooken .....	200.00
Donation from Rose Hill Church .....	90.00
Donation from Lafayette Church .....	204.00
Making in treasury .....	5,683.72

#### DISBURSEMENTS

Cookson Hills R.E.A. ....	\$695.67
Haskell County Water Co. ....	144.70
Stigler News-Sentinel, Minutes & Advertising .....	417.25
George Ollie's Lumber Co., Y.C. Supplies .....	165.26
State Association, Delegate Money .....	595.00
Joyce Wendlandt, Asst. Clerk Duties .....	35.00
Ruby LaFave, Clerk & Treasury Duties .....	50.00

Farmers Insurance .....	1048.00
Gulley's Service Station, Ice for Y.C. ....	30.80
Shelton's Super Mkt., Supplies for Y.C. ....	674.11
Roy Bryant, Teaching Supplies .....	25.02
Verna Norrid, Teaching Supplies .....	25.00
Nolan Mainus, Teaching Supplies .....	26.00
Evelyn Mainus, Teaching Supplies .....	35.53
Carolyn Cone, Teaching Supplies .....	24.85
Total Expenses .....	\$3992.19
Leaving in Treasury .....	1691.53

Prayerfully submitted by your  
Association Treasurer,  
Ruby LaFave

#### OBITUARY COMMITTEE

Sis. Bertice Horton, Bro. Cleburn Shepherd, Sis. Ramona Shaffer

**Crossroads:** Sis. Gertie Adams, Sis. Irene Sory

**Iron Bridge:** Bro. Jack Kates, Sis. Margie Oliver, Bro. Ed Shepherd, Bro. B.F. Wilson

**Lone Elm:** Bro. Bill (Red) Nelson

**McCurtain:** Bro. Abb Wallen, Sis. Lottie Wallen, Sis. Lena Woodruff.

**Northside Sallisaw:** Sis. Ruby O. Lamb, Sis. Edith Wade

**Perry:** Bro. Ira Thompson, Bro. John Wade.

#### RESOLUTION COMMITTEE

Sis. Helen Blaylock, Bro. B.F. Davis, Bro. Lester Woodruff. No action.

#### EXAMINING COUNCIL

We, your examining council, recommend that Bro. Leon Thompson be ordained as Deacon.

We, your examining council, recommend that Bro. Richard Pugh not be licensed to preach at this time.

*A J Robinson*

5 year man--Rev. Roy Bryant

4 year man--Rev. Stanley Smith

3 year man--Bro. Bill Apple

2 year man--Rev. Fred Riddle

1 year man--~~Rev. A.J. Robinson~~

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

5-year man--Rev. Ben Bush  
4 year man--Bro. Roy Perryman  
3 year man--Bro. Short Brigance  
2 year man--Rev. Ward Fellabaum  
1 year man--~~Bro. B.F. Davis~~

*Wadee Neuchex,  
Kenneth Surpin*

*R. Patton*

#### YARD COMMITTEE

3 year man--Bro. Johnnie Bratton  
2 year man--Rev. Melvin Reading  
1 year man--~~Bro. Raymond Patton~~

HONORARY MEMBERS: W.M. LaFave, Bro. Snowden Robinson, Bro. Otho Williams, Bro. Bob Bailes.

#### PULPIT COMMITTEE

Sis. Verna Norrid, Sis. Loretta Scantlen, Bro. Foster Johnson

Thursday evening, Rev. Ward Fellabaum brought the message. Friday morning introductory message, Rev. Stanley Smith. Friday afternoon, Rev. Ben Bush brought the message. Friday night, Rev. Oma Viles brought the message and Sis. Ruby Honeycutt had charge of devotional service. Saturday morning, Rev. Ward Fellabaum brought the message. Saturday night, Rev. Dale Wendlandt brought the message, and Sis. Zelma Brigance had charge of devotional service.

#### QUERY AND REQUEST

Bro. Ed Tatman, Bro. Redmond Brigance, Bro. Paul Barnett.

Bro. Roy Campbell and Bro. Richard Pugh request to use the Tabernacle for a youth revival 21-31 October 1985.

#### GENERAL BOARD MEMBER

Rev. Roy Bryant

~~Stanley Smith~~  
*Ward Fellabaum*

# FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Church	Minutes	Yard	State Delegate	Total
Sis. Artie Lee Nolen, Sis. Okla McPeters, Sis. Betty Green				
Brooken	\$35.00	\$ .00	\$65.00	\$100.00
Cass	<u>15.00</u>	<u>25.00</u>	<u>35.00</u>	<u>75.00</u>
Crossroads	37.50	140.00	25.00	202.50
First Sallisaw	12.00	15.00	.00	27.00
Fish Creek	15.00	15.00	.00	30.00
Iron Bridge	30.00	35.00	25.00	90.00
Keota	20.00	25.00	25.00	80.00
Lafayette	30.00	150.00	65.00	245.00
Lone Elm	16.00	20.00	35.00	71.00
McCurtain	20.00	200.00	35.00	255.00
North Side Sallisaw	25.00	25.00	65.00	115.00
Perry	30.00	55.00	65.00	150.00
Pioneer	10.00	50.00	35.00	95.00
Porum	25.00	.00	.00	25.00
Rock Ford	20.00	20.00	65.00	105.00
Rose Hill	30.00	25.00	65.00	120.00
Tamaha	12.00	15.00	35.00	62.00

TOTAL AMT. TURNED				
IN AT ASSOCIATION	\$382.50	\$815.00	\$650.00	\$1,847.50

## 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 the 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 Baptists, being composed of sundry churches in the Eureka Association--the association having no power to lord it over God's heritage nor to have any ecclesiastical power over any church becoming disorderly.

4. The association to have a Moderator, Clerk, Assistant Clerk and Treasurer who are to be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

5. No question from any church shall come under consideration of the association unless it has first been discussed in its own church.

6. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the association, except when it is withdrawn by the member who made it.

7. 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.

8. It shall be the duty of the clerk to keep a regular file of the minutes of the association for that purpose.

9. 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.

10. Amendments to the constitution may be made when it is necessary, by a majority of the members present.

11. Be it resolved that an ordaining council for the ministers and deacons be composed of three (3) ordained ministers in good standing in association.

12. Be it resolved that all money to be sent to the treasurer of the association.

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

14. The Examining Committee shall examine at the end of one year, licensed ministers and deacons for ordination at the request of the church of which the minister and deacon is a member. Request shall be made to association or the

5th Sunday meeting.

15. 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.

16. Be it resolved that we adopt the old original Free Will Baptist Treatise as our rule, faith and practice.

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

18. Be it resolved that no business from a local church shall be considered by this body unless it be included in the regular church letter and that this letter can only contain items that have been approved by the local church when in conference.

#### **RESOLUTIONS--1961**

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 adopt 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.

#### **RESOLUTIONS--1963**

4. 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 elects its own delegate.

#### **RESOLUTIONS--1964**

5. Be it resolved that our Clerk receive an honorarium of \$50.00 and our Assistant Clerk \$35.00 (Revised 1976, Resolution Committee).

#### **RESOLUTIONS--1965**

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

7. 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.

#### **RESOLUTIONS--1966**

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

#### **RESOLUTIONS--1967**

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

#### **RESOLUTIONS--1968**

10. 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--1970**

12. Be it resolved that no new minister serve on association board until he is a member for one year.

13. Removed 1978-

#### **RESOLUTIONS--1973**

14. Be it resolved that any minister refusing to attend and support the quarterly meetings, preachers' and deacons' meetings and the association, by letter or person, shall be subject to discipline, unless providently hindered.

15. Be it resolved that when a minister comes from another association to pastor a church in the Eureka Association that he be referred to the Examining Council for examination.

16. Be it resolved that we abstain from preaching or teaching from the Living Word Bible.

17. Newly organized churches may petition for membership by letter upon an examination by the Examining Council. If found orthodox and orderly they may be received into the association by majority vote present. The Moderator may give the right hand of fellowship.

18. Any church coming from another association may become a member of this association upon examination by the Examining Council and vote of the association, provided a letter of recommendation is furnished by the association from which they came.

#### **RESOLUTIONS--1976**

19. We, your Committee, request that our association send in the \$320.00 to the State Association Treasurer and that each church pay their \$20.00 into the Association Treasurer. If a church is not willing or able, let it be known and the Association will take care of it.



### **RESOLUTIONS-1978**

20. Be it resolved that Article No. 14 be changed to read that any minister or deacon refusing to attend and support the quarterly meetings, preachers and deacons meeting and the association by letter or person shall be subject to discipline unless providently hindered.

21. Be it resolved that no business from a local church shall be considered by this body unless it be included in the regular church letter. And that this letter can only contain items that have been approved by the local church when in conference. We recommend that this be added to our constitution.

22. Be it resolved that all deacons' names, addresses and phone numbers be placed in our minutes.

23. Be it resolved that we strike Resolution No. 13 from our resolutions, and that we make a resolution that we do not believe in having prayer lines or the teaching of laying on of the hands for the healing of our bodies in our churches.

24. Be it resolved that the executive board have a standing board meeting on Saturday afternoon of the ministers and deacons meeting. Let the one-year man serve as chairman and the three-year man serve as secretary. Let the secretary of the executive board report the board members' attendance of these meetings to the secretary of the Eureka Association. Let the position or place of any member who does not attend at least two of these four regularly scheduled meetings be declared vacant. These regularly scheduled meetings are not to prevent the board from meeting at its own discretion.

25. Be it resolved that the Examination Council have a standing board meeting on Saturday afternoon of the Associational Meeting and each Saturday afternoon of the 5th Sunday meetings.

Let the one-year man serve as Chairman and the three-year man as secretary.

Let the secretary of the examination council report the board members' attendance of these meetings to the secretary of the Eureka Association.

Let the position or place of any board member be declared vacant who does not attend at least three of the regularly scheduled meetings.

These regularly scheduled meetings are in no way to infer or insinuate that this board cannot meet at other times at the bidding of the Eureka Association or the 5th Sunday Meetings.

### **RESOLUTIONS-1982**

Committee: Bro. Kenneth Reading, Sis. Geraldine Royce, Bro. Raymond Patton.

26. Be it resolved that no member of Association shall be elected to more than one office on the standing boards of Association

## 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 knowledge of our Lord and Savior 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.

## ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe in one true and living God, Father, Son and Holy Ghost and these three are one in divine essence, power and glory. Romans 1:20; 1st John 1:7; John 17:21.

2. We believe that the scriptures of the Old and New Testament are the inspired Word of God and the only infallible rule of faith and practice. II Timothy 3:16; Matthew 5:18.

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

**YOUTH CAMP**  
**June 10-14, 1985**

**ELECTED OFFICERS:**

**SONG LEADER:** Tonya Norrid

**PIANO:** Greg Copeland

**SECRETARY:** Kim Duvall

**10 June 1985**

Opened with singing "Come and Dine." Prayer by Bro. Sonny Owens. Read Col. 1:19. Dismissed to classes.

Morning service opened with singing "I'll Meet You In The Morning." Prayer by Sis. Ruby Honeycutt. Sang "Looking For A City." Service then turned to Bro. Stanley Smith for message, reading from St. John 3:1-21, 14:1-6. Text, "Must Be Born Again." Invitational song "I Surrender All." Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Bill Apple.

Evening service opened with singing "Jesus Hold My Hand." Prayer. Sang "Leaning On The Everlasting Arms," and "This World Is Not My Home." Had united prayer. Special singing. The girls from the girls' dorm sang "I'll Fly Away." The boys from the boys' dorm sang "Oh How I Love Jesus." Bro. John Stevenson sang "The Longer I Serve Him the Sweeter He Grows." Sang "I Want To Stroll Over Heaven With You" and had a handshake. Service turned to Bro. Dale Wendlandt for message; reading St. John 3:1-8. Prayer by Sis. Verna Norrid.

**11 June 1985**

Opened with singing "Where The Soul Never Dies." Prayer by Bro. Wendel Norrid. Sang "Victory In Jesus." Had united prayer. Dismissed to classes. Service opened with singing "Somebody Loves Me." Prayer by Bro. Johnnie Bratton. Had special singing. Testimony services lead by Bro. Shawn.

Service turned to Bro. Roy Bryant, reading John 14:1-3, Romans 6:23, 1 Peter 1:18-19, Romans 12. Invitational song "Softly and Tenderly." Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Ben Bush.

Evening service opened with singing "There Is Power In The Blood." Had special singing. Girls sang "He's Still Working On Me." Boys sang "Leaning On The Everlasting Arms." Larry and Terry sang "Reach Out To Jesus." Greg Copeland sang "Too Many times." Bro. Johnnie Stevenson sang "Kum Ba Ya." Had testimony service with Sis. Amy Mainus in charge. Had united prayer. Service then turned to Bro. Dale Wendlandt for the message. Reading was from Rev. 5:1-6. Prayer by Bro. Roy Bryant. Had invitational song. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Carter.

12 June 1985

Opened with singing "Just Over In The Glory Land." Prayer by Sis. Doris. Sang "Jesus Is Coming Soon," "Stand Up! Stand Up! For Jesus!" Dismissed to classes.

Morning service opened with singing "We'll Work Till Jesus Comes" and "Where He Leads Me." Prayer by Sis. Verna Norrid. Sang "What a Day That Will Be." Had special singing by Bro. Greg Copeland. Testimony service was led by Bro. Matthew Owens. Prayer by Bro. Ben Bush. Service turned to Bro. Roy Bryant for message. Reading was from Ephesians 4:24-32. Prayer by Bro. Bryant. Had invitational song. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Bob Burris.

Evening service opened with singing "The Glory Land Way." Prayer by Bro. Hershel. Sang "Standing On The Promises," "I Am Resolved." Had special singing. Choir song by Bob, Kevin and Melinda. Great altar service, no preaching. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Leon.

13 June 1985

Service opened with singing "Heaven's Jubilee," "Come Unto Me." Dismissed to classes. Prayer by Jeremy.

Morning services opened with Bro. Bob Burris reading Luke 7:24-28. Song "When We All Get To Heaven" and "Somebody Loves Me." Testimony service led by Tracy. Service turned to Bro. Stanley Smith for message, reading from Rev. 3:20, I John 1:29-30. Had invitational song. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Roy Bryant.

Evening services opened with singing "When The Roll Is Called Up Yonder" and "The Old Rugged Cross."

Special singing by Greg Copeland, Camp Choir, Girls' Choir, and Group of Boys. Bro. Johnny Stevenson sang "Here Am I Send Me." Had united prayer.

Service then turned to Bro. Dale Wendlandt for message; reading I Kings 19:19. Prayer by Bro. Roy Perryman. Had invitational song, "Softly and Tenderly." Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Stanley Smith.

14 June 1985

Opened with singing "What A Day That Will Be." Prayer by Bro. Roy Campbell. Each class presented a program and awards were presented by Recreational Director Bro. Nolan Mainus. Bro. Stanley Smith delivered a short message. Had an invitational song. Dismissed in prayer.

#### TEACHERS

Carolyn Cone  
Ruby Honeycutt  
Evelyn Mainus  
Roy Bryant  
Verna Norrid  
Ben Bush

Director: Bro. Sonny R.A. Owens

Assistant: Bro. Stanley Smith

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