

MINUTES
of
79th 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, 1987 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, 1988, A.D.
7:30 P.M.

Thursday evening
OPENING MESSAGE
Rev. Watie Hendrix

Alternate
Rev. Kenneth Turpin

Friday, 11:00 A.M.
INTRODUCTORY SERMON
Rev. Tommy Brown

Alternate
Rev. Kenneth Turpin

Rev. Dale Wendlandt, Stigler, Moderator
Rev. Kenneth Turpin, Asst. Moderator

Sis. Ruby LaFave, Rt. 1, Box 5040, Stigler, OK, Treasurer-Clerk
Sis. Joyce Wendlandt, P.O. Box 569, Stigler, OK, Assistant Clerk

JANUARY							MAY							SEPTEMBER							
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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 dose 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.

PLACING OF PREACHERS' AND DEACONS' MEETINGS

FIRST: 21 NOV. 1987, ROCK FORD

SECOND: 23 JAN. 1988, ROSE HILL

THIRD: 21 MAY 1988, TAMAHA

FOURTH: 23 JULY 1988, LAFAYETTE

PLACING OF FIFTH SUNDAY MEETINGS

FIRST: 27-28 NOV. 1987, ROCK FORD

SECOND: 29-30 JAN. 1988, ROSE HILL

THIRD: 27-28 MAY 1988, TAMAHA

FOURTH: 29-30 JULY 1988, LAFAYETTE

THURSDAY EVENING SERVICE

The meeting was called to order by Moderator, Rev. Dale Wendlandt. Stood for prayer by Rev. Ward Fellabaum. Singing directed by Sis. Helen Fowler, singing, "Heaven's Jubilee," with Sis. Judy Perryman at the piano. Songs, "Remind Me, Dear Lord" and "I'd Rather Be An Old-Time Christian." Prayer by Bro. Julius Morris. Song, "Heaven's Really Gonna Shine."

Had an altar of prayer. Service turned to Sis. Alta Reading for devotional service.

Song, "Oh I Want To See Him." Service turned to Rev. Tommy Brown for message. Reading from Acts 26:24. Text, "Go Forward with God." Inspirational song, "Where the Roses Never Fade."

Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Cleburn Shepherd.

FRIDAY MORNING

House called to order by Moderator, Rev. Dale Wendlandt. Singing directed by Sis. Lucille Kelton, "My God Is Real," with Rev. James Williams at the piano. Devotional reading by Bro. David Quick. Reading from St. John 13:34-35. Prayer by Rev. Melvin Reading.

Motion made by Rev. Ward Fellabaum to enter into conference to transact any business that might come before the body. Prayer by Rev. Luther Brown.

Called for letters. Received 15. Motion made by Rev. Tommy Brown to receive the letters as read and seat the delegates, with a question on the Keota Church. Had song and right hand of fellowship was given by Moderator, Rev. Dale Wendlandt, and Assistant Moderator, Rev. Kenneth Turpin. Motion made by Rev. Kenneth Turpin to receive the Keota letter and seat the delegates. Delegates given the right hand of fellowship.

The election of officers to serve another year. Rev. Dale Wendlandt, Moderator; Rev. Kenneth Turpin, Assistant Moderator; Sis. Ruby LaFave, Clerk; Sis. Joyce Wendlandt, Assistant Clerk.

Rules of order were read by Assistant Moderator, Rev. Kenneth Turpin. Called for petitionary letters, received none. Motion made by Rev. Ward Fellabaum to dismiss conference till 1 o'clock, Friday afternoon. Prayer by Sis. Artie Lee Nolen.

11 O'CLOCK SERVICE

Opened by singing directed by Sis. Lucille Kelton, singing "Stand Up, Stand Up For Jesus," with Rev. James Williams at the piano. Prayer by Rev. Wade Jernigan. Had more singing. Then had united prayer. Service turned to Rev. Melvin Reading for the introductory message. Reading from II Samuel 7:18. Text, "Who Am I?" Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Tommy Brown, also asking the blessing on the noon meal.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

House called to order by Moderator, Rev. Dale Wendlandt. Singing directed by Sis. Lucille Kelton, singing "The Lights Of Home," with Rev. James Williams at the piano. Devotional reading by Bro. Bill Apple. Reading from Hebrews 1:1-3. Prayer by Rev. Ward Fellabaum.

The Moderator, Rev. Dale Wendlandt, declared the body back into conference. Prayer by Bro. Redmon Brigance. Invited all visiting ministers to seat in council.

The appointing of committees. See Committees. Dismissed committees to bring in reports. Reading of Treasurer. See Report. Motion made by Rev. Ward Fellabaum to receive the report as read. Report of Query and Request Committee. See report. Motion made by Rev. Tommy Brown to grant the request. A report from the Oklahoma State Department of Health was read by Sis. Joyce Wendlandt, regarding conditions of dormitories and kitchen facilities at camp. Motion made by Bro. Bill Apple to receive the report. Singing while waiting on committees. Report of devotional committee. See reports. Motion made by Bro. Bill Apple to adjourn conference till 10 o'clock Saturday morning. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Bill Burgess.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SERVICE

Singing directed by Sis. Lucille Kelton, singing "What A Day That Will Be," with Rev. James Williams at the piano. Prayer by Bro. Claude Royce. Service was turned to Rev. Wade Jernigan for the message. Reading from Luke 6:46. Text, "And Why Call Ye Me Lord, Lord - And Do Not The Things Which I Say?" Dismissed in prayer by Rev. James Williams.

FRIDAY EVENING SERVICE

In the absence of Moderator and Assistant Moderator, Bro. Roy Perryman took charge of the service. Opened with singing directed by Bro. Lowell Nolen, with Sis. Judy Perryman at the piano.

Prayer by Rev. A.J. Robinson. Had more singing.

Prayer by Bro. Bob Bailes. Had one more song.

Bro. Perryman read Philippians 3:14. Had an altar of prayer. Testimony service lead by Bro. Billy Long. Sang "Amazing Grace" and had a hand shake.

Special by Rev. James & Sis. Lola Williams, "Somewhere, Someday." Larry Palmer family sang "Who Am I?"

Service turned to Rev. Luther Brown for the message reading from I Corinthians 3:21-23, I Corinthians 3:10. Dismissed by Bro. Larry Palmer.

SATURDAY MORNING

Meeting called to order by Moderator, Rev. Dale Wendlandt. Singing directed by Sis. Helen Fowler, singing "Jesus Is Coming Soon," with Sis. Ericka Wendlandt at the piano. Devotional reading by Bro. Redmon Brigrance. Reading from St. Mark, 8:27-38. Prayer by Bro. Leon Thompson.

The Moderator, Rev. Dale Wendlandt, declared the body back into conference. Prayer by Rev. Watie Hendrix. Called for letters. Received one. Motion made by Rev. Ward Fellabaum to receive the letter and seat the delegates. Right hand of fellowship was given to delegates by Moderator, Rev. Dale Wendlandt, and Assistant Moderator, Rev. Kenneth Turpin. Committees were dismissed to bring in reports. Had singing while waiting on committees. Report of Pulpit Committee. See Reports. Motion made by Bro. Leon Thompson to dismiss conference until 1 o'clock Saturday afternoon. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Wendel Norrid.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

Singing directed by Sis. Helen Fowler, singing "Standing On The Promises," with Sis. Ericka Wendlandt at the piano. Prayer by Rev. Melvin Reading. Had a short testimony service. Service then turned to Rev. Watie Hendrix for the Memorial Message. Reading of the ones deceased by Assistant Clerk, Sis. Joyce Wendlandt. See Report for their names. Rev. Watie Hendrix read from Job 14:12-14, John 11:9-27, 39-44, I Thess. 4:13-18 and II Timothy 4:7-10. Text, "Death and Resurrection." Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Ward Fellabaum, also asking the blessing on the noon meal.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

Meeting called to order by Moderator, Rev. Dale Wendlandt. Singing directed by Sis. Helen Fowler, singing "Heaven Came Down and Glory Filled My Soul," with Sis. Ericka Wendlandt at the piano. Devotional reading by Bro. Nolen Mainus, reading from Hebrews 2:1-18. Prayer by Rev. Roy Bryant.

Declared back into conference by Moderator, Rev. Dale Wendlandt. Prayer by Bro. Robert May. A portion of the minutes of the Keota church were read, from conference 10 May 1987.

The clerk wanted to know what she should do with the church books, money, deed, etc. Sis. Zula Jones said she should make a motion to let the Association hold them. The clerk said let's discuss this first. Before I can do that, I have to be allowed to withdraw the money from the bank and get it out of my name, and that account number. Sis. Zula Jones made a motion to get the money, books, deed, etc., and let the Association hold them until the church gets a Deacon, Clerk, and Pastor and if the church doesn't start

back up or reorganize after so long a time the money goes to the Association. Sis. Betty Burnes seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Bro. Donald Jones, Moderator
Sis. Zelma Adams, Church Clerk & Treasurer

Motion made by Rev. Kenneth Turpin to return to the Keota Church all records and church property, and they grant the Association a receipt on the returning of all church property.

The election of committees. See Committees. The setting of the Fifth Sunday meetings. See Fifth Sunday meetings. The election of the state board member. Report of the Query and Request committee. See Report. Motion made by Rev. Tommy Brown to receive the report. Motion made by Bro. Bill Apple that the Association grant Yard Committee and the Executive Board power to do what has to be done to meet the State Standards for kitchen and dormitories at camp. Motion made by Rev. Ward Fellabaum to receive all committee reports and dismiss the committees. Motion made by Rev. Melvin Reading to dismiss conference until our first Fifth Sunday Meeting.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SERVICE

Singing directed by Sis. Helen Fowler, singing "I Feel Like Traveling On" with Sis. Ericka Wendlandt at the piano. Service turned to Rev. Kenneth Turpin for the afternoon message. Reading from Jeremiah 2:1-2. Text, "Moreover the Word of the Lord Came To Me." Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Raymond Shepherd.

SATURDAY EVENING SERVICE

House called to order by Rev. Melvin Reading. Opened with singing "The Lights of Home," directed by Rev. Fred Riddle, with Sis. Ericka Wendlandt at the piano. Had an altar of prayer. Bro. Melvin asked Bro. Roscoe Hulsey, Bro. Larry Palmer, Bro. Lewis Forrester, Bro. Julius Morris, Sis. Helen Fowler and Sis. Lucille Kelton to help lead singing. Songs "There Is A Fountain," and "When We All Get To Heaven." Service turned to Bro. Larry Palmer for devotional service. Reading I Corinthians, Chapter 13.

Service turned to Rev. Roy Bryant for message. Reading from Genesis 12:7, Romans 6:12-12, Romans 12:1-3. Text, "Make An Altar." Had an altar of prayer. Dismissed in prayer by Rev. John Maxwell Jr.

DELEGATES

BROOKEN: Bro. Lloyd Reid, Sis. Esther Reid, Sis. Jestie Westbrook. Alternate, Sis. Esther Westbrook. Pastor, Rev. Melvin Reading. Clerk, Sis. Marie Walker, Box 34, Hoyt, OK 74440, 967-4026.

CASS: Sis. Lucille Kelton, Sis. Artie Lee Nolen. No pastor at this time. Clerk, Sis. Bernice Bisby, Rt. 2, Box 2025, Stigler, OK 74462, 967-4024.

CROSSROADS: Bro. J.B. Hamlin, Sis. Evelyn Smith, Bro. Jude Morris. Alternate, Sis. Eva Horton. Pastor, Rev. Hercel Hickman. Clerk, Sis. Ethel Neldon, P.O. Box 151, Stigler, OK 74462, 967-2325.

FIRST CHURCH SALLISAW: Sis. Kay Owens, Bro. Matt Owens. Pastor, Rev. Carl Reeves, Gans, OK. Clerk, Sis. Artie Pruitt, P.O. Box 103, Gans, OK 74936.

IRON BRIDGE: Sis. Freeda Doss, Bro. Redmon Brigance, Sis. Lori Sutter. Alternate, Sis. Beulah Cordle. Pastor, Rev. A.J. Robinson. Clerk, Sis. Clara Doss, Keota, OK 74941, 966-3421.

KEOTA: Sis. Lora Tabor, Sis. Grace McClary, Bro. Aaron Fountain. Temporary Pastor, Rev. Norman Woodruff. Clerk, Sis. Lora Tabor, Box 275, Keota, OK 74941, 966-3458.

LAFAYETTE: Bro. Roy Holt, Sis. Lucille Holt, Bro. Bob Bailes. Alternate, Bro. Lucian Scantlen. Pastor, Rev. Dale Wendlandt. Clerk, Sis. Helen Fowler, Rt. 2, Stigler, OK 74462, 967-4321.

LONE ELM: Sis. Agnes Mooneyham, Sis. Hazel Cowan, Sis. Jessie Timmons. 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. Margaret Porter. Alternate, Sis. Freda Arnwine. Pastor, Rev. John Maxwell Jr. Clerk, Sis. JoAnn Pritchard, P.O. Box 155, McCurtain, OK 74944.

NORTHSIDE SALLISAW: Sis. Hazel Clough, Sis. June Looper, Sis. Dorothy Looper. Alternates, Sis. Amy Mainus, Sis. Stepheny Wilson and Sis. Kim Wilson. Pastor, Rev. Watie Hendrix. Clerk, Sis. Verna Norrid, Rt. 2, Box 62-A, Sallisaw, OK 74955, 773-8597.

PERRY: Sis. Lucille Tyler, Sis. Diane Johnson, Sis. Sallie Smith. Alternate, Bro. Wampus Livesay. Pastor, Rev. Roy Bryant. Clerk, Sis. Linda Wade, Stigler, OK 74462.

PIONEER: Sis. Bertice Horton, Sis. Mabel Smith, Sis. Rhonda Barnett. Alternate, Sis. Gladys Horton. No pastor at this time. Clerk, Sis. Linda Smith, Rt. 4, Box 6085, Stigler, OK 74462.

PORUM: Sis. Jean Spradlin, Sis. Audie Woods, Sis. Thelma Tripp. Alternate, Sis. Meredith Spradlin. Pastor, Rev. Lonzo Smith. Clerk, Sis. Betty Green, Rt. 2, Box 4660, Porum, OK 74455, 484-5315.

ROCK FORD: Bro. Bob May, Bro. Lowell Nolen, Sis. Nikki Stubblefield. Alternate, Bro. Bill Long. Pastor, Rev. Tommy Brown. Clerk, Sis. Francene Blaylock, Rt. 1, Box 71F, Spiro, OK 74959, 962-3362.

ROSE HILL: Bro. Claud Royce, Bro. Joe Percifield, Sis. Juanita Robertson. Alternate, Sis. Mercedes King. Pastor, Rev. Kenneth Turpin. Clerk, Sis. Judy Hulsey, P.O. Box 67, Lequire, OK 74943, 967-2730.

TAMAHA: Bro. Delmon Eakle, Bro. Neal Lewis, Sis. Merry Smith. Alternate, Sis. Jaylene Odom. Pastor, Rev. Ward Fellabaum. Clerk, Sis. Clara Ward, Rt. 1, Box 2710, Stigler, OK 74462.

DELEGATES TO STATE ASSOCIATION

Bro. Roy Perryman
Bro. Leon Thompson
Bro. Bob May
Sis. Frankie Fellabaum
Bro. Bill Apple

EXAMINING COUNCIL

No Action
5 Year Man - Rev. Fred Riddle
4 Year Man - Rev. A.J. Robinson
3 Year Man - Rev. Roy Bryant
2 Year Man - Rev. Stanley Smith
1 Year Man - Bro. Bill Apple

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

5 Year Man - Rev. Ward Fellabaum
4 Year Man - Rev. Watie Hendrix
3 Year Man - Rev. Kenneth Turpin
2 Year Man - Bro. Roy Perryman
1 Year Man - Rev. Tommy Brown

YARD COMMITTEE

3 Year Man - Bro. Larry Palmer
2 Year Man - Bro. Raymond Patton
1 Year Man - Bro. Johnnie Bratton
Honorary Members: W.M. LaFave, Bro. Snowden Robinson, Bro. Otho Williams, Bro. Bob Bailes.

PULPIT COMMITTEE

Bro. Johnny Bratton, Bro. Lester Woodruff, Bro. Redmond Brigance:

Thursday evening, Sis. Alta Reading had charge of the devotional service, and Rev. Tommy Brown brought the opening message. Friday morning, Rev. Melvin Reading brought the introductory message. Friday afternoon, Rev. Wade Jernigan brought the message. Friday night, Bro. Billy Joe Long had charge of the devotional service, and Rev. Luther Brown brought the message. Saturday morning, Rev. Watie Hendrix brought the memorial message. Saturday afternoon Rev. Kenneth Turpin brought the message. Saturday evening Bro. Larry Palmer had charge of the devotional and Rev. Roy Bryant brought the message.

QUERY AND REQUEST:

Sis. Helen Fowler, Bro. Tommy Brown, Sis. Artie Lee Nolen.

The Four County Singing Convention which convenes on Saturday before the 2nd Sunday in August. (This will be Aug. 13, 1988) Would request the use of the Eureka Association facility on the above date for this singing convention.

The State Health Department has filed a report that both the boys and girls dormitory restroom facilities be remodeled and redone before next year's youth camp.

We suggest that a plan be started to construct new restrooms and showers for both dormitories so that the facilities will be both adequate for our growing number of youth and also will comply with the Health Department Report. (Add to report.) Also comply with other items on Health Inspection reports.

Why are we standing to pray instead of kneeling?

GENERAL BOARD MEMBER

Rev. Kenneth Turpin

VISITING MINISTERS

Rev. Wade Jernigan

Rev. J.C. Stump

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

CHURCH	MINUTES	YARD	DELEGATE	TOTAL
Brooken	20.00		40.00	60.00
Cass	15.00	25.00	35.00	75.00
Crossroads	27.50	140.00	35.00	202.50
First Sallisaw	20.00			20.00
Iron Bridge	40.00	50.00	35.00	125.00
Keota	10.00	25.00	35.00	70.00
Lafayette	30.00	250.00	35.00	315.00

Lone Elm	20.00	20.00	35.00	75.00
McCurtain	20.00	200.00	35.00	255.00
Northside Sallisaw	20.00	100.00	35.00	155.00
Perry	35.00	130.00	35.00	200.00
Pioneer	10.00	50.00	65.00	125.00
Porum	20.00			20.00
Rock Ford	20.00	20.00	35.00	75.00
Rose Hill	30.00	25.00	35.00	90.00
Tamaha	20.40	25.00	35.00	80.40
Total turned in at				
Association	357.90	1,060.00	525.00	1,942.90

OBITUARY COMMITTEE

Bro. Roy Bryant, Sis. Agnes Mooneyham, Sis. Jessie Timmons.

Cass: Bro. Snowden Robinson

Crossroads: Bro. Homer Bolinger, Sis. Lillie Jones, Sis. Pearl Jones, Bro. Bill Rogers.

Iron Bridge: Bro. Short Brigance, Bro. Marvin Short.

Keota: Sis. Mary Rose (wife of Rev. C.N. Rose)

Northside Sallisaw: Bro. Robert Wade.

Perry: Sis. Katheryn Johnson

Pioneer: Bro. Bill Lyons

Porum: Sis. Vera Greenhaw

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE

Bro. Roy Perryman, Bro. Raymond Shepherd, Sis. Lucille Kelton.

NO ACTION

CONSTITUTION

From the long experience of the members of the Free Will Baptist Church of God, being regularly certified 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 an 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 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 on the fifth 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 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 an 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 meetings 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 fifth 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 the board cannot meet at other times at the bidding of the Eureka Association or the fifth Sunday meetings.

RESOLUTIONS--1982

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

26. Be it resolved that no member of the 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 obligation 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 successes 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; I 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.

3. We believe that God created man good, and gave His holy com-

mandments 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 20:20-21.

5. We believe that adult persons must be regenerated and born of the Spirit of God, to inherit eternal life. John 3:3; I 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. I Peter 1:4-5; I Cor. 10:1-13; Hebrews 12:15-17; I John 5:16; Hebrews 6:6; II Peter 2:20.

8. The Terms of Salvation are: 1. Repentance of sincere sorrow for sin and hearty renunciation of it. 2. Faith or the unreserved committal of one's self to Christ as Savior and Lord with purpose to love and obey Him in all things. In the exercise of saving faith the soul is renewed by the Holy Spirit, freed from the dominion of sin and becomes a child of God. 3. Continuance in faith and obedience unto death. Heb.11:6; II Peter 3:9.

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 at night by all believers, 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 I Timothy 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 ad-

minister 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; Rom. 10:9-13.

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; I Tim. 6:16.

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; I Cor. 15:42; Thes. 1:10; Rev. 20:12-13.

1987 YOUTH CAMP

Eureka Association held its annual youth camp 8 June 1987 to 12 June. The camp was enjoyed by all. The following is a list of the camp personnel.

Director: Bro. R.A. Owens

Assistant: Bro. Paul Barnett

Night Evangelist: Rev. Carl Reeves

Assistant: Rev. Dale Wendlandt

Day Evangelist: Rev. Stanley Smith

Assistant: Bro. Larry Palmer

Camp Cook: Sis. Joyce Wendlandt

Assistant: Sis. Mable Smith

Recreation Director: Bro. Nolen Mainus

Girls' Dorm Director: Sis. Rhonda Barnett

Concession Stand: Sis. Judy Perryman

Adult Teacher: Bro. Bill Apple

Hi Teen Boys: Bro. Roy Perryman

Hi Teen Girls: Sis. Verna Norrid

Intermediate Boys: Rev. Tommy Brown

Intermediate Girls: Sis. Billie Bullard

Juniors (10-11): Sis. Evelyn Mainus

Primary (8-9): Sis. Rhonda Barnett

Beginners (6-7): Sis. Helen Fowler

Nursery (under 5 yrs.): Sis. Teresa Ross

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