

Minutes
of the
NINTH ANNUAL MEETING
of the
FELLOWSHIP ASSOCIATION
of
FREE WILL BAPTIST

June 28-29, 1996



Woodlawn Church
Russellville, Arkansas

Moderator.....Kevin Trimble
Assistant Moderator.....Frank Matchett
Clerk.....Dalton Johnson
Assistant Clerk.....Randell Williams

1996-97 STANDING BOARDS

Executive Board

David Bishop	5 Years
Freddy Bowden	4 Years
Grover Hettel	3 Years
Randell Williams	2 Years
A.E. (Bo) Coffman	1 Year

Parliamentarian

Lawnie Coffman

Christian Education Board

Linda Hettel	3 Years
Ricky Taylor	2 Years
David Anderson	1 Year

Mission Board

Loren Sweat	3 Years
Shirley Johnson	2 Years
Brenda Housley	1 Year

Youth Board

Vicki Downum	3 Years
Lynn Crawford	2 Years
Paul Geurian	1 Year

Finance Board

Don Meadows	3 Years
Frank Matchett	2 Years
Grady Hunnicutt	1 Year

Times and Places of Meetings For 1996-1997

September 26-27, 1996	Dardanelle
January 30-31, 1997	Dover
March 27-28, 1997	Harmony
June 26-27, 1997	Oak Grove
September 25-26, 1997	Union Grove

The Preachers and Deacons meeting will be the first Tuesday night of the month of the Quarterly Meeting at the church that will host the Quarterly Meeting.

It is recommended that the pastor appoint one of his deacons to bring the devotional at their meeting.

**Fellowship Association Yearly Meeting
Woodlawn Free Will Baptist Church
Russellville, Arkansas
Friday, June 28, 1996**

The meeting was opened by Grady Hunnicutt leading the congregation in singing "Are You Washed In The Blood."

Rickey Taylor led in prayer.

Paul Geurian gave the devotion from II Timothy 4:7.

The church letters were read and the delegates were seated.

The minutes from the last meeting and the financial report were read and approved.

Elbert Hinchcliff, Tim Brown and Bob Haralson were appointed to the resolutions committee.

Lawnie Coffman, Brenda Housley and Freddy Bowden were appointed to the obituary committee.

Bro. Levan Hubbard gave a report on the Maumelle Mission Church.

The service was changed to worship time and Grady Hunnicutt led the congregation in singing "Come Unto Me", "Oh I Want To See Him", and "When I See The Blood."

Bro. Frank Matchett and Bro. Darwin Kelton sang "Take Up They Cross And Follow Me."

Frank and Bonnie Matchett and Levan Hubbard sang "Lost Sheep".

Bro. David Bishop led in prayer.

Bro. Levan Hubbard brought the message from Luke 9:23. His sermon title was "Personal Maintenance."

We were dismissed in prayer by Bro. Randell Williams.

**Fellowship Association Yearly Meeting
Woodlawn Free Will Baptist Church
Saturday Morning
June 29, 1996**

Grady Hunnicutt opened the meeting by leading the congregation in singing "When We All Get To Heaven."

Bro. Dewey Hubbard led in prayer.

Bro. David Bishop gave the devotion from Job 1:6.

The Youth Board report was given by Kevin Trimble. The following is his report: Our district sent 41 entries to the State C.T.S. Competition on May 11, and of those entries, 11 will represent us at the National Association in Fort Worth Texas. The board spent \$536.00 for state entry fees. We would like to encourage more churches to actively participate in the C.T.S. program, as it teaches God's Word from many different avenues.

On March the 30th, our Youth Rally was held at the Welcome Home Church. Bob Thompson, the new State Director was our special speaker. The banner was given to the Woodlawn Church for the greatest increase in attendance.

In January our Youth Rally was held at the Union Grove Church. Mark Stripling was the speaker, and the banner was won by the Dardanelle Church.

Our fall rally was held at the Oak Grove Free Will Baptist. Bro. Jackie Brown was the speaker. We had a cookout and games. The banner was won by the Dardanelle youth.

The late delegates were seated.

The WNAC report was given by Darla Trimble. The following is her report: The Fellowship District Women Active For Christ met on April 27th, 1996 at the Union Grove free Will baptist Church. The theme was entitled "The Lordship of Christ."

The opening devotion was given by the Oak Grove women in the form of a skit.

We also held our yearly installation service. It was conducted by Linda Hettel. It was a skit entitled, "Is There An Auxiliary Officer In The House?"

Our new 1996-97 officers are as follows: Coordinator-Barbara Taylor, Assistant Coordinator - Brenda Housely, Secretary - Darla Trimble, Treasurer - Shirley Johnson, Mission Chairman - Patsy Isom, Prayer Chairman - Geneva Coffman, Study Chairman - Pat Hunnicutt, Service Chairman - Carol Meadows.

Our Assistant Coordinator reported that there were 29 delegates present with a total of 49 registered.

Our Treasurer reported that our total giving for the year was \$13,043.19.

Our Secretary report showed that we have six active auxiliaries in the district with a total of 67 members.

We also have two Actionette Groups with a total of 29 young women members.

Sherman Yancy gave the Mission Board Report. Following is his report: The Mission Board met on November 27, 1995 with all members present. The distribution of shares of the Acts 1:8 Plan of Support for Arkansas Foreign Missionaries was the item for discussion.

A plan was suggested which would enable the Fellowship District to fulfill its obligations. There were suggested changes in the percentages allocated to each Board Fund and with each church taking on shares this would be accomplished.

The suggested distribution was 12 shares from the district funds and with the churches taking 38 shares making a total of 50 shares. This plan was presented to the Association. There were no other actions taken by the Mission Board.

The Obituary Committee gave its report. The committee found that nine member had passes away since our last annual meeting. They are: From Harmony Church - Lillian Hankins, From Oak Grove Church - Richard Eudy and Bobby Wright, From Union Grove Church - Mary Catherine Maxwell, Bevie Staggs and Ernest Harvil, Dover Church - Norma Gregory, and Ressie Price and from Woodlawn Church - Doug Mackey.

Frank Matchett gave the following Finance Board Report: We the Finance Board, upon examining our financial report for the year, find all things accurate and in order. We encourage continued financial support to all Associational involvements.

David Anderson gave the following Christian Education Board report: On January 25, 1996 the board met briefly to discuss possible ideas for the year. We also discussed the Associational revival, positives and negatives, and the possibility of having one again in the fall of 1996.

On March 29, 1996 the board met with its new member, Ricky Taylor. The ideas of a Sunday School Worship and a Singles or Married Couples retreat were the topics of discussion. Meeting adjourned until the next quarterly meeting.

On June 28, 1996 the board met briefly with no new business or ideas to discuss. No report was given. All agreed to meet again before the quarterly meeting.

The following board members were elected: Executive Board - David Bishop, Christian Education Board - Linda Hettel, Mission Board - Loren Sweat, Youth Board - Vicki Downum, Finance Board - Don Meadows.

We elected Mary Kelton, Geneva Coffman, Elbert Hinchcliff, Steve Downum and Vicki Downum delegates to the Arkansas State Association.

The following officers were elected: Moderator - Kevin Trimble, Assistant Moderator - Frank Matchett, Clerk - Dalton Johnson, Assistant Clerk - Randell Williams.

Elected speakers for next years meeting Oak Grove. David Bishop will speak on Friday night and Frank Matchett will speak on Saturday morning. Bo Coffman will be the alternate speaker.

The clerk gave a report on the status of our churches giving, property value, attendance and membership.

We voted to give the Dardanelle Church \$500.00 to help with expenses for their youth that are going to the National Association at Fort Worth, Texas.

The Association voted for the Christian Education Board to be responsible for the Friday night service and the host church be responsible for the Thursday night service at our quarterly meetings.

There were no resolutions turned into the Resolutions Committee and the committee was dismissed.

The meeting was changed to a time of worship. Grady Hunnicutt led the congregation in singing "Where The Soul Never Dies."

Elbert Hinchcliff led in prayer.

Grady Hunnicutt led the congregation in singing "Sunlight", and "The Unclouded day." Bo Coffman, Frank Matchett, David Anderson, Darwin Kelton and Linda Hettel sang "Where Could I Go" and "Amazing Grace."

Bro. Bo Coffman read the obituary list and brought the memorial message from II Timothy 4:6-8 "The Sunset Of A Fruitful Life."

Bro. David Bishop led in prayer for the families of the deceased.

Dismissed in prayer by Bob Haralson.

FELLOWSHIP ASSOCIATION BY-LAWS

1. The moderator or, in his absence, the Assistant Moderator Clerk shall call the Association into conference.
2. Each meeting shall be opened by reading a portion of the Bible and with prayer. Each meeting shall be closed with prayer.
3. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to enroll the elected delegates to the Association. These delegates shall present themselves with the proper credentials of their right to be seated. These elected delegates and other boards and members mentioned in the Constitution compose the Association and quarterly meeting. Should there be a questionable representation, the case will be referred to the Parliamentarian.
4. The following committees shall be appointed by the moderator and/or assistant moderator; Obituary and resolution.
5. Any person not a member of this Association may be invited to a seat as advisory council and by permission, from the Moderator, to speak. But in no case shall he, or they, be allowed to vote.
6. It shall be the duty of all members of this association and quarterly meeting to be present at the appointed time for each meeting and worship service.
7. The Moderator shall not allow discussions that are not carried on in a Christian spirit or when the discussion casts reflection on another person or church.
8. Anyone desiring to speak shall rise to their feet and address the Moderator by the appellation "Brother Moderator," and shall not speak further until recognized by the moderator.
9. No one shall speak more than once on the same subject without permission from the moderator.
10. All questions shall be decided by a majority of the members present except Constitutional questions which require a two-thirds majority.

ARTICLE IV

REPRESENTATION; Section 1. Each local church shall be represented by three (3) elected delegates or their alternates. A letter from each church shall accompany said delegates as requested by this body

Section 2: In the event only part of the elected delegates is present from a church, they together may, in consultation with their pastor, fill said vacancies with other members who are present from said church. Said delegates to be approved by this body.

Section 3: New churches desiring membership in this body shall send delegates bearing a petitionary letter. If the petitioning church, upon examination by the Executive/Examining Board, is found to be properly organized and willing to adhere to the Faith and Practices of Free Will Baptist as specified to the Treaties and are willing to adhere to the Constitution and By-Laws of this Association, they shall, by vote of this body, be received into full fellowship.

ARTICLE V

DISCIPLINE; Section 1. Its Churches: This Association shall act only in an advisory capacity. Should there arise in the local church any question on doctrine, practice or discipline, the Bible and the Treaties of the Faith and Practices of the Free Will Baptist shall be considered the final authority. This body, when in session, may by majority vote of members present, withdraw the hand of fellowship from said church or churches until such time they have set their house in order.

Section 2. Its Ministers: Should a minister take his letter from a church in this Association and neglect or refuse to place it in some other church in this Association for a period of one year, his name shall be dropped from the roll of ministers, his credentials revoked, and this Association will not recognize any work that may come under his hands as a minister after such time. Exceptions will be allowed for missionaries and Bible College students. Any minister in good standing in the Association desiring to pastor outside of this Association will be granted upon request a letter of recommendation within a year from his leaving this Association.

Section 3. Any minister wishing to unite with the Fellowship Association, who cannot provide a letter of recommendation from a recognized Free Will Baptist association or is coming from an association that is not recognized by State or National Free Will Baptist, after being examined and recommended by the Executive Board, must serve a period of probation not less than 12 months within the bounds of the association. Said minister cannot hold an office or serve on any board in the association during the probationary period. At the conclusion of the probationary period, said minister will

meet with the examining board and be considered for acceptance into full fellowship into the association and upon their recommendation be presented to the body for ratification of his credentials and be accepted into full fellowship.

ARTICLE VI

FINANCE; This Association shall receive its support from each church contributing one per cent of its monthly gross income to the Association. This contribution may be sent monthly or quarterly to the Clerk/Treasurer.

ARTICLE VII

OFFICERS; The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk/Treasurer, Assistant Clerk/Treasurer and Parliamentarian. These officers shall be elected annually on the last day of the Association, at the close of the business period. They shall also serve for each Quarterly Meeting of the Association and may succeed themselves.

ARTICLE VIII

BOARDS; The Standing Boards of this association shall be: The Executive/Examining Boards, The Christian Education Board, The Mission Board, The Youth Board and The Finance Board. The Executive/Examining Board shall be made up of five (5) members (ministers and deacons). These members will serve terms of 5, 4, 3, 2, 1 year. The other Standing Boards shall be made up of three (3) members each and may include men and women. Terms of these boards will be 3, 2, 1 year. An individual who leaves a Standing Board at the completion of his/her term may not succeed themselves, but may be elected to another board.

The district Women's auxiliary shall be considered auxiliaries of this body. Each of the above named boards and auxiliaries are requested to report to the yearly meeting of this Association.

ARTICLE IX

DUTIES AND RULES OF BOARDS; All boards are to organize when elected at the beginning of each associational year. They shall have a Chairman, Assistant Chairman, and when funds are entrusted to the board, a Secretary/Treasurer. Each board shall keep a written report at each meeting, the receiving and disbursement of its funds, etc., and shall make a written report to this body of its work done during the year, or as requested by the body.

ARTICLE X

RULES FOR CONDUCTING BUSINESS: Roberts Rules of Order shall be used as a guide in all business transactions, parliamentary usage, etc.

ARTICLE XI

MEETINGS: Section 1. The church year of this Association will be from July 1 through June 30.

Section 2. The yearly meeting will be on Friday night before the last Saturday in June and the following Saturday morning. The elected delegates will be seated at the Friday night service.

Section 3. The quarterly meetings will be on a Thursday/Friday night before the last Saturday in September, January, and March. The elected delegates will be seated at the Thursday night service.

Section 4. The times of all evening services will be 7:30 p.m.

Section 5. Each church will use the National Association of Free Will Baptist form of reporting to the quarterly and yearly meetings. The Clerk/Treasurer will use the same form to report to the Arkansas State Association.

ARTICLE XII

The Constitution may be amended or altered at any yearly session of this Association by a two-thirds vote of members present, provided amendments or alterations are presented in writing with the proposed change or alterations to be placed on the table no later than Friday night and to be taken up no earlier than Saturday morning.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. **THE BIBLE** - The scriptures of the Old and New Testaments were given by inspiration of God, and are our infallible rule of faith and practice.

2. **GOD** - There is one living and true God, revealed in nature as the Creator, Preserver, and Righteous Governor of the universe; and in the Scriptures as Father, Son and Holy Ghost; yet as one God, infinitely wise and good, whom all intelligent creatures are supremely to love, and adore and obey.

3. **CHRIST** - Christ is God manifest in the flesh; in His divine nature truly God, and His human nature truly man. The mediator between God and man, once crucified, He is now risen and gloried and is our ever present Savior and Lord.

4. **THE HOLY SPIRIT** - The Scriptures assign to the Holy Spirit the attributes of God.

5. **THE GOVERNMENT OF GOD** - God exercises a wise and benevolent providence over all beings and things by maintaining the constitution and laws of nature. He also performs special acts, not otherwise provided for, as the highest welfare of men requires.

6. **THE SINFULNESS OF MAN** - Man was created innocent, but by disobedience fell into a state of sin and condemnation. His posterity, therefore, inherit a fallen nature of such tendencies that all who come to years of accountability, sin and become guilty before God.

7. **THE WORK OF CHRIST** - The Son of God by His incarnation, life, sufferings, death, and resurrection effected for all a redemption from sin that is full and free, and ground of salvation by faith.

8. **THE TERMS OF SALVATION** - The conditions of salvation are:

A. Repentance or sincere sorrow for sin and hearty renunciation of it.

B. 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.

C. Continuance in faith and obedience unto death.

9. ELECTION - God determined from the beginning to save all who should comply with the conditions of salvation. Hence by faith in Christ men become His elect.

10. FREEDOM OF THE WILL - The human will is free and self-controlled, having power to yield to the influence of the truth and the Spirit, or to resist them and perish.

11. SALVATION FREE - God desires the salvation of all, the Gospel invites all, the Holy Spirit strives with all, and whosoever will may come and take of the water of life freely.

12. PERSERVERANCE - All believers in Christ, who through grace persevere in holiness to the end of life, have promise of eternal salvation.

13. GOSPEL ORDINANCES: Baptism: or the immersion of believers in water, and the **Lord's Supper**, are ordinances to be perpetuated under the **Gospel**. **Feet Washing** an ordinance teaching humility, is of universal obligation, and is to be ministered to all true believers.

14. TITHING - God commanded tithes and offerings in the Old Testament; Jesus Christ endorsed it in the Gospel (Matt. 23:23), and the apostle Paul said, "upon the first day of the week let everyone of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him" (I Cor. 16:2a).

15. THE CHRISTIAN SABBATH. The divine law requires that one day in seven be set apart from secular employments and amusements, for rest, worship, holy works and activities, and for personal communion with God.

16. RESURRECTION, JUDGEMENT, AND FINAL RETRIBUTION. The Scriptures teach the resurrection of all men at the last day. They that have done good will come forth to the resurrection of life, and they that have done evil unto the resurrection of damnation; then the wicked will "go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

CHURCH	PASTOR	CLERK	Members Received	Members Dismissed	Total Membership	Sunday Scho Attendance	Church Attendance	Baptisms
Dardanelle	Kevin Trimble Rt. 3, Box 159K Dardanelle, Ar 72834 501-229-2888	Linda Banks Rt. 2, Box 1254 Dardanelle, AR 72834 501-229-3614	21	4	209	140	145	16
Dover	Glen Matchett 806 Ave. 8 Southwest Atkins, AR 72823 501-641-2383	Sharon Barnett P.O. Box 21 Hector, AR- 72843 501-284-4041	3	6	38	30	35	0
Harmony	A.E. (Bo) Coffman 223 Cedar Creek Road Atkins, AR 72823 501-669-2412	Modean Bowman 854 Maple Springs Road Russellville, AR 72801 501-967-1751	15	4	152	52	86	4
Oak Grove	Johnny McCoy 6306 Crow Mt. Road Russellville, AR 72801 501-890-5328	Nina Loveless 1278 West Gumlog Road Russellville, AR 72801 501-967-4856	13	5	311	153	199	6
Union Grove	David Bishop 77 West Union Grove Rd. Atkins, AR 72823 501-641-7520	Gary Simmons 770 Hopewell Road Atkins, AR 72823 501-641-2234	14	5	211	130	151	10
Welcome Home	Randell Williams 127 Welcome Home Road Hector, AR 72843 501-284-2238	Virginia Hays 6568 Pine Street Hector, AR 72843 501-284-4300	1	1	127	56	82	0
Woodlawn	Frank Matchett 1000 South Larado Russellville, AR 72801 501-967-3481	Pat Hunnicutt 2201 West 2nd Place Russellville, AR 72801 501-968-7414	3	3	166	52	64	4

FINANCIAL PAGE
Year Ending June 28, 1996

Beginning balance on June 24, 1994\$6,700.70

Received From:	Fellowship	Coop	Missions	Other	Total
Dardanelle	\$1421.00	\$1431.00	\$1781.69	\$1456.61	\$6090.30
Dover	252.40	1010.60	450.00		1713.00
Harmony	661.80	2647.20	366.00		3675.00
Oak Grove	622.00	2499.68	540.00		3661.68
Union Grove	1594.00	6376.00	639.00		8609.00
Welcome Home	710.00	2819.00	2044.36	544.90	6118.26
Woodlawn	1108.00	3266.00	300.00		4674.00
	<u>\$6369.20</u>	<u>\$20049.48</u>	<u>\$6121.05</u>	<u>\$2001.51</u>	<u>\$34541.24</u>

DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE YEAR

Check #	Written To	For	Amount
363	Harmony Church	National Expense	\$200.00
637	Dardanelle Church	National Expense	200.00
638	Arkansas FWB	State Association Fees	350.00
639	Arkansas FWB	Coop & Missions	2016.00
640	Arkansas FWB	State Missions	967.00
641	Clerk	June	25.00
642	Posey Printing	Association Minutes	235.94
643	Clerk	July	25.00
644	Arkansas FWB	State Missions	583.36
645	Arkansas FWB	Coop & Missions	1932.00
646	Arkansas FWB	Coop & Missions	2107.77
647	Arkansas FWB	State Missions	205.25
648	Clerk	July	25.00
649	Kerry Gandy	Associtional Revival	500.00
650	Kroger	Youth Rally Supplies	28.16
651	Jackie Brown	Youth Rally Speaker	100.00
652	Arkansas FWB	Coop & Missions	1497.00
653	Arkansas FWB	State Missions	700.00
654	Clerk	September	25.00
655	Arkansas FWB	Coop & Missions	1856.44
656	Arkansas FWB	State Missions	100.00
657	Clerk	October	25.00
658	Clerk	November	25.00
659	Arkansas FWB	Coop & Missions	1795.90
660	Arkansas FWB	State Missions	100.00
661	Arkansas FWB	State Missions	115.00
662	Arkansas FWB	Coop & Missions	2606.03
663	Clerk	December	25.00
664	Domino's Pizza	Youth Rally	125.00
665	Mark Stripling	Youth Rally Speaker	100.00

666	Clerk	January	25.00
667	Arkansas FWB	State Missions	985.00
668	Arkansas FWB	Coop & Missions	1580.00
669	Arkansas FWB	Coop & Missions	3390.00
670	Arkansas FWB	State Missions	115.00
671	Clerk	February	25.00
672	Arkansas FWB	Acts 1:8 Plan	180.00
673	Christian Civic Fdn.	Gambling Issue	750.00
674	Kroger	Youth Rally Supplies	37.44
675	Country Mart	Youth Rally Supplies	46.93
676	Bob Thompson	Youth Rally Speaker	100.00
677	Clerk	March	25.00
678	Arkansas FWB	State Missions	450.00
679	Arkansas FWB	Coop & Missions	2285.68
680	Arkansas FWB	State Missions	100.00
681	Arkansas FWB	Coop & Missions	1887.00
682	Clerk	April	25.00
683	Arkansas FWB	State CTS Fees	536.00
684	Arkansas FWB	Coop & Missions	4031.61
685	Arkansas FWB	State Missions	285.00
686	Clerk	May	25.00
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		Total Disbursements	\$35480.51
		Balance June 28, 1996	\$5761.43

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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 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 unit 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 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.