

FIRST KANSAS QUARTERLY CONFERENCE
WICHITA, KANSAS
JANUARY 13-14, 1978

The First Kansas Quarterly Conference met at the First Church in Wichita, Kansas on January 13 and 14th 1978.

The churches were welcomed by Moderator Kenneth Stephens and prayer was given. Congregational singing was led by Dorothy Cohorn with Diane Pierson at the piano. Special music was a solo by Sister Carol Thompson and several numbers were given by Donna and Doyle Terry. Offertory prayer was given by Chuck Holdman. Offering taken was \$41.26.

Pastor Bob Thompson, of First Church, brought the evening sermon with scripture taken from Saint John 10: 40-42, entitled "John Did No Miracle". Several answered the altar call given at the conclusion of the service.

Brother Stephens appointed the following committees: Business Committee- Trymon Messer, Troy Dobbs and Chuck Holdman. Digest of reports committee were: Sister Teague, Sister Brenda Lane and Sister Harris. The evening service was dismissed with prayer.

Saturday morning meeting was opened by Moderator Kenneth Stephens with prayer by Brother Dean Long. Singing was led by Carlos Benjamin with Voncile Bolinger at the piano. Brother Stephens read scriptures from Romans 12: 1-2. "Renew Christ's Spirit in us daily".

By-laws of the conference were read by the moderator. The moderator recognized the elected and standing delegates of the convention as the voting body of the convention. Church letters were read by the clerk Wilma Ankrom from Salina, Ulysses, Wellington, Hutchinson and First Church of Wichita. Reading of the minutes of the previous meeting by Wilma Ankrom. MSC
A partial report was given by the treasurer Bro. Lois Teague. MSC
Digest of reports was given by Sister Brenda Lane. MSC

Placing of the meetings for the coming year were: for April, at Ulysses; for October, at Salina; for January 1979, at Wellington. MSC

New business was a report by Gary Brunson, Chairman of the Christain Education Board. A Retreat will be held in Salina on April 6-7-8 for the Ministers and their wives. Brother Fred Warner of Russellville, Arkansas will be the speaker for the Retreat.

Brother Trymon Messer reported for the Mission Board and for Hillsdale College. We were challenged to help keep the young people in church so Free Will Baptist College attendance could be improved. They need to be in college to filter back into denominational work. We must encourage their attendance at quarterly meetings and youth activities.

Election of officers was held with the following elected:

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| Moderator-Bob Thompson | Assistant Moderator-Marvin Harris |
| Clerk-Wilma M. Ankrom | Assistant Clerk-Brenda Lane |

Treasurer-Brother Lois Teague

Executive Board:

1 year man-Troy Dobbs
2 year man-Bob Thompson
3 year man-Dean Long

Credential Board:

1 year man-Marvin Harris
2 year man-Chad Russ
3 year man-Trymon Messer

Brother Troy Dobbs dismissed with prayer for a short recess.

Meeting reconvened by the moderator. Brother Chad Russ led in prayer. Singing was led by Carlos Benjamin with Diane Pierson at the piano. Offertory prayer was given and offering taken was \$25.80. Pastor Bob Thompson brought the morning sermon on "Love and Charity", with scripture I Cor. 13:1-3/.

Business was continued by the moderator. Final report of the treasurer was given. MSC
The Credential Board report was read recommending Brother Dale Knopf and Brother George Ash be ordained as Deacons in the First Free Will Baptist Church of Salina.

Womans Auxiliary reports were made by Ulysses and Wellington members.

Motion was made that Friday night of the Convention be designated as Youth Night, with Brother Dean Long as Coordinator of Youth, to be coordinated in conjunction with the host pastor and moderator, in planning the program. MSC

A standing vote of Thanks was given to the host church. The meeting was dismissed in prayer by Brother Trymon Messer, with Blessing ask on the food.

The First Church ladies served a bountiful dinner. Fellowship was enjoyed by all.

Wilma M. Ankrom, Clerk

Credential Committee Report:

We, the Credential Committee having examined Bro. Dale Knopf and Bro George Ash and we recommend that they be ordained Deacons in the Salina Free Will Baptist Church.

Signed: Trymon Messer
Marvin Harris
Chad Russ

Request from the Ulysses Church:

The First Free Will Baptist Church of Ulysses wish to extend an invitation for the next Quarterly Conference to be here .

Your Brother in Christ
Rev. Marvin Harris

FIRST KANSAS QUARTERLY CONFERENCE
ULYSSES, KANSAS
APRIL 14-15- 1978

The First Kansas Quarterly Conference met at the Ulysses Free Will Baptist Church on April 14-15, 1978.

Moderator Bob Thompson opened the meeting on Friday evening with prayer led by Trymon Messer. Chris Campbell led the congregation in singing the songs, "Take The Name Of Jesus With You" and "There Shall Be Showers Of Blessings", with Voncile Bolinger at the piano. Brother Dean Long led in prayer.

Special music was brought by the Joy Singers, a group of 14 young people of Ulysses. They brought a message in song with their several numbers, under the direction of Chris Campbell.

Offertory prayer by Bob Thompson. Offering taken was \$27.19.

Churches attending were introduced, Salina, Hutchinson, Wichita First Church, Ulysses and the Garden City Mission.

Brother Jack Dinwiddie and family, of the Garden City Mission, were introduced. Brother Dinwiddie brought the evening message taken from Lamentations 3: 1-27 and Galatians 6, entitled "You Reap What You Sow". The message closed with an Altar Call.

Prayer was requested for Brother Bob Shockey, Director of Home Missions, who underwent major surgery. Brother Kenneth Stephens dismissed the evening meeting with prayer.

Saturday morning services were called to order by the Moderator Bob Thompson. Prayer was led by Gary Brunson. Brother Marvin Harris led in singing "What A Friend We Have In Jesus", with Voncile Bolinger at the piano. Devotions were given by Bob Thompson from Matt 17:1-6. Prayer was led by Jack Dinwiddie.

By-Laws of the Conference were read by the Moderator. Minutes of the January meeting was read by Clerk Wilma Ankrom. MSC.

Church letters were read by Clerk Wilma Ankrom. MSC

The Appointed and standing delegates were accepted as the voting body of the Conference.

Moderator appointed the Business Committee: Dean Long, Bob Grogan and Gary Brunson.

Kenneth Stephens was appointed to serve on the Credential Board in the absence of Chad Russ.

A partial report of the treasurer was given by Bob Thompson in the absence of Bro. Lois Teague.

New Business stressed more accurately completed yearly reports.

Motion was made to help the Garden City Mission with prayer and financial giving. After discussion a motion was made to give \$200.00 to the Garden City Mission from the treasurer. MSC

Brother Jack Dinwiddie thanked the association for the offering.

A motion was made to amend Resolution #15 to read as follows: that each church give their Sunday School offering of the first Sunday of each month to the Mission at Garden City, since the Hutchinson Church is self-supporting now. MSC

Gary Brunson reported for the Christain Education Board on the Pastors and Laymans Retreat.

Youth Camp will be held at the King Solomon Camp grounds the first week in August with Rue Dell Smith as Director and Dean Long as Assistant.

The State Meeting was announced for Jun 15-17, 1978 at Topeka with Brother Fred Warner as speaker. Brother Marvin Harris dismissed with prayer for a short recess.

The meeting reconvened with the congregation singing "What a Wonderful Savior". Prayer was led by Brother Bob Thompson. Offering taken was \$17.41.

Steve Harris was introduced by his father Bro. Marvin Harris. Steve and his family brought several songs for the special music.

The morning message was brought by Brother Steve Harris, taken from Mark 8: 34-38. entitled "The Cross Today". At the close of the message an Altar call was given and he closed with prayer.

The Moderator called the business meeting to order again.

The Credential report was given and the following were recommended to be accepted into full fellowship of the Conference: Brother Jack Dinwiddie as an Ordained Pastor; that Brother Steve Harris be licensed to be a Minister and Brother Ronald Masson be accepted as a Deacon in the Ulysses Church. MSC

Final treasurer's report was given showing a balance of \$120.50. MSC

A standing vote of Thanks was given for the hospitality of the Ulysses Church. Each expressed their appreciation for the appearance of the church building after the new paneling and new windows had been installed. We were dismissed with prayer by Bro Dean Long and Blessing ask on the food.

The right hand of fellowship was extended to the new families: Steve and Sherry Harris and 3 small daughters, Jack and Jeannie Dinwiddie and 3 children and Ronald and Kandy Masson and 2 daughters. A bountiful meal was served by the Ulysses church.

Wilma M. Ankrom
Clerk MSC

Oct. 14-1978

Report of the Credential Board:

We, the Credential Board, have examined the following Brethern, recommend that we accept Bro Jack Dinwiddie into full fellowship of the First Kansas Quarterly Meeting; that we License Bro. Steve Harris as a Minister of the Gospel according to the Constitution of the Quarterly; and that we authorize the Ulysses Church to ordain Bro Ron Masson as a Deacon in thier Church.

Signed: Trymon Messer
Kenneth Stephens
Marvin Harris

Treasurers Report for April 1978

Balance on hand January 1978 \$178.78

Offering taken \$67.12
Church fees 30.00

Balance \$275.90

Signed: Lois M. Teague, Treasure

FIRST KANSAS QUARTERLY CONFERENCE
OCTOBER 13-14-1978
SALINA, KANSAS

The First Kansas Quarterly Conference met in the First Free Will Baptist Church at Salina, Kansas on October 13-14, 1978.

Pastor Bob Thompson called the meeting to order.

Gary Brunson led the congregation in singing, "Send the Light". Pastor Troy Dobbs led in prayer. Pastor Galen Dunbar, new pastor at Salina, was introduced and gave the welcome. The Moderator recognized the following churches present, Garden City, Ulysses, Wellington, First Church of Wichita, Hutchinson and Salina. The congregation sang, "Rescue The Pershing". Pastor Bob Thompson gave the Offertory prayer and the offering was taken. Gary Brunson and Skip Wood sang a duet, "Do You Know My Jesus?". Sister Julie Jones sang and played, "He Touched Me". The offering taken was given to the Cousineaus.

Mike and Deleen Cousineau, Missionaries to Ivory Coast, were introduced. They plan to leave for language school in France in August 1979. Sister Deleen spoke on her training to be a missionary. Brother Mike spoke on serving in Ivory Coast. His text was taken from John 20: 19-21. Every Christian must be concerned and get involved three personal ways. 1. by personally going, 2. by personally supporting and 3. by personally praying. If we can't go we can help support a representative. We are commanded to pray. Will you be a prayer partner? The invitation song was "Jesus Is Calling". The meeting closed with prayer.

The Moderator appointed the following to the Business Committee: Troy Dobbs, chairman, Carlos Benjamin Jr. and Dean Long. Meeting dismissed.

Pastor Bob Thompson, Moderator, opened the Saturday morning meeting. Pastor Kenneth Stephens led in prayer. Gary Brunson led the congregation in singing, "Breathe On Me", with Julie Jones at the Piano and Barbara Dunbar at the Organ. Pastor Jack Dinwiddie of Garden City gave the Devotions, taken from Matt. 5-12 and Gen. 1-28. He stressed the need to teach and to be actively involved. He closed with prayer.

The Moderator led the Business Meeting by recognizing the churches present. Standing and elected delegates were recognized.

Church letters were read from Wellington, Milan, First Church of Wichita, Garden City, Ulysses, Hutchinson and Salina by Wilma M. Ankrom, Clerk. MSC.

Minutes of the April Meeting were read by Assistant Clerk Brenda Lane. MSC.

A partial Treasurers report was read by Wilma M. Ankrom. MSC.

Kenneth Stephens was elected as 3-year man on the Credential Board, to fill a vacancy created by the resignation of Trymon Messer, August 1st. Kenneth Stephens will be chairman of the Board. MSC

Gary Brunson reported for the Christian Education Board. Youth Camp is being organized for 1979 now. A camp for primary children and one for teens is being considered.

Bob Thompson reported for the Mission Board. Good progress was reported at the Garden City Mission and the New Hope Church.

Sister Barbara Dunbar reported on Womans Retreat held in October near Salina. 29 attended. The theme, "Lord change Me" was led by Sister Linda Arrants and Sister Barbara Dunbar. Carlos Benjamin Jr. dismissed in prayer for a short recess.

Meeting reconvened with singing led by Raymond Fouard, "To God Be The Glory". and "I Love To Tell The Story". Pastor Marvin Harris led in prayer. Offering taken was \$42.21.

Solo by Barbara Dunbar, "Follow Close To Me", accompanied by Julie Jones and a solo by Skip Wood, "Love Is Why", accompanied by Mrs. Wood.

Mike Cousineau brought the message on "The Church", scripture taken from Romans 8-1 and Eph. 1-15, stressing the need of proper leadership by the Pastor, for Missions. Their interest is determined by his enthusiasm. It's a task for the church given by God. The Service ended with and altar Call and prayer.

Moderator called the Business into session again. The Business Committee report was given recommending that \$100.00 be given Mike and Deleen Cousineau. MSC.

Credential Report was read recommending we accept Rev. Galen Dunbar into fellowship of the First Kansas Quarterly Conference. MSC.

Pastor Galen Dunbar spoke on the issue "Liquor By The Drink", stressing our need to register and vote. A motion that we go on record as a Quarterly Conference, opposing the issue. MSC

Wilma M. Ankrom ask for approval to make copies of the Quarterly Minutes to be sent to the National Historical Society of the Free Will Baptist. MSC.

The Final Treasurer's report was given. An individual's gift of \$25.00 was added to the Cousineau Fund making a total of \$125.00 to them. \$60.00 was received for church fees. Balance on hand \$122.71. MSC.

A standing vote of Thanks was given for the hospitality of the Salina Church. The meeting adjourned Pastor Kenneth Stephens led in prayer and ask the Blessing on the food to be served.

Wilma M. Ankrom
Clerk

Business Committee Report:

We the Business Committee, Bro Troy Dobbs, Chrm, Bro Dean Long and Bro Carlos Benjamin Jr. recommend that we present Bro. Mike Eousinesu \$100.00 Honorarium in appreciation for his presents at our Quarterly Conference, May God Bless him and his wife.

Signed; Bro Troy Dobbs
Bro Dean Long
Bro. Carlos Benjamin Jr.

Credential Committee Report:

We, the Crdeential Committee, have examined Bro. Galen Dunbar and found him to be sound in Doctrine and the Free Will Baptist distinctives, therefore we recommend this body accept him to full fellowship and to the work of the Lord in this First Kansas Quarterly.

Signed: Kenneth Stephens
Marvin L. Harris
Chad Russ.

The National Free Will Baptist Historical Society requests that all records kept by the Clerk of the Quarterly Meetings be copied and sent to the Historical Society. After 1978 all records of each Quarterly meeting shall be copied and sent once a year to the Historical Society.

Wilma M. Ankrom, Clerk

Treasurers report to the First Kansas Quarterly Conference October 13-14, 1978

Bank Balance 4-14-78 \$275.90

Offering 44.60

Church fees 30.00

Total 74.60

Balance \$350.50

Paid Out--

Garden City Mission \$200.00

State Fees 30.00

Balance 9-19-78 \$120.50

By Bank statement

Signed: Lois M. Teague
Treasurer