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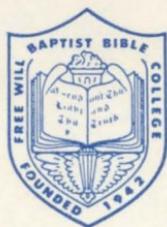
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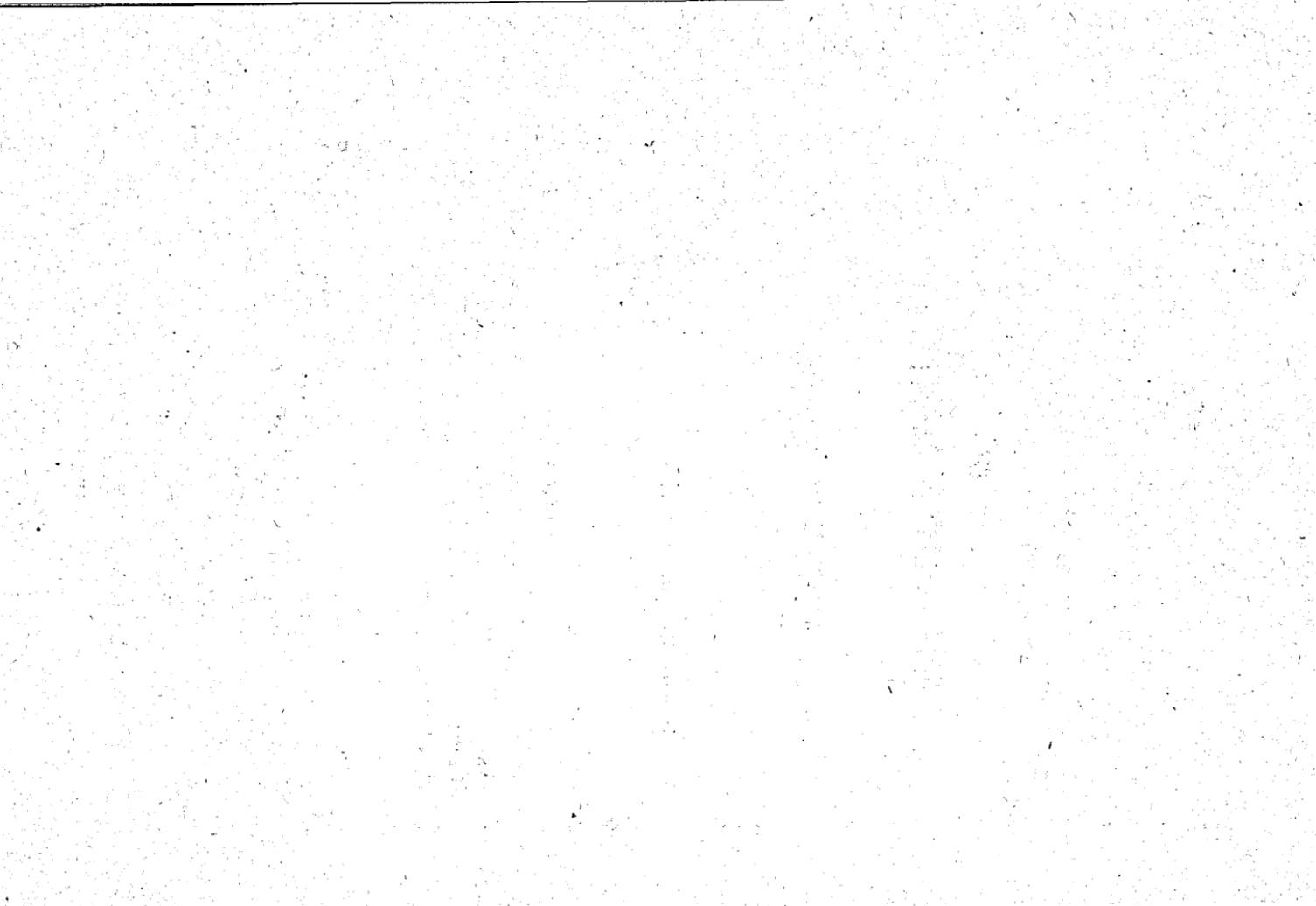
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Executive Board

Eld. W. H. Carter, Chairman,.....R3, B20a, Bristow, Okla.
Eld. John H. West, Clerk, R5, B117, Bristow, Okla.
Eld. Harry Staires, Member,.....N. Ohio, Drumright, Okla.
Eld. G. H. Johnson, Member,B1533, Drumright, Okla.
Eld. Bert. F. Rogers, Member, 401 Patten Ave., Wewoka, Okla.

Mission Officers

Superintendent West Side, Circle No. 1

Eld. J. D. Williams, R3, Cushing, Okla.
Willia Hallman, Secretary-Treasurer,Drumright, Okla.

Superintendent East Side, Circle No. 2

Eld. Cleo Aery, R2, Tulsa, Okla.
Lura Gibhart, Secretary-Treasurer, Tulsa, Okla.

Associational Evangelist

Eld. Paul Pursell, B1001, Wewoka, Okla.

Associational S. S. Superintendent

Eld. Wilbur Underwood, 1336 E. 12th St., Tulsa, Okla.

LETTER TO ASSOCIATION

.....Church of Okla., County of.....
date,P. O. Address,

Church sends greetings to the.....Annual Session of
the Brethren composing the First Mission Association of
Free Will Baptist, to let you know of our love and fellow-
ship and of our zeal for the cause of Christ.

Statistics are as follows: Pastor's salary for the com-
ing year \$..... Meeting days are on the.....
Sunday in each month. We have received by confession
.....; by letter.....; dismissed by letter.....;
excluded.....; withdrawn.....; died.....;
resident members.....; non-resident members.....;
total in full fellowship.....; value of church prop-
erty \$.....; contribution for minutes \$.....

We have chosen (Brothers and Sisters)

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as our delegates to represent us in the Annual Session
when convened with Church.

(Here ask for the next Ass'n if wanted). Pray for us.

Done in conference on the..... day of....., 193.....

..... Moderator

..... Clerk.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Introductory Sermon.
2. House called to order by the Moderator.
3. Letters called for, read and received.
4. Right hand of fellowship and seating delegates.
5. Election of Officers.
6. Petitionary letters called for.
7. Reading Rules of Order.
8. Invite visiting brethren to seats in council.
9. Appointment of Committees.
10. Unfinished Business.
11. New Business.
12. Reports of Committees.
13. Miscellaneous Business.

PROCEEDINGS

The Eleventh Annual Session of the First Mission Association of Free Will Baptist was held at Camp Ground, August 23rd to 26th, 1938.

After a ten days' camp meeting conducted by Elder, Lester Judd of Cushing, Okla. and Drew Marchant of Oilton, Okla., Evangelists, in which twelve souls were saved, the Association convened on Tuesday night, August 23rd, beginning with a song service in charge of Lewis Lindsey of Oilton, Okla.

Specials in song were rendered by Bill Fincher and Miss Hill, Fincher Trio, Walker Trio, Misses Lindsey and Marchant.

The Introductory message was brought by Eld. John H. West, using for a text Gal. 5:25, "Walk in the Spirit." Eld. W. H. Carter followed with a wonderful brief message.

Dismissed until 9:00 a. m. Wednesday.

WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION

Opened at 9:30 by singing, Moderator, Eld. B. F. Rogers in charge.

Scripture reading from 3rd chapter of Corinthians by the Moderator.

Prayer by Eld. Clay Ritchey.

Letters called for, and following churches responded by letters and delegates: Silver City, Liberty, Bluebell, Tulsa, Jennings, Allen, Collinsville, New Home, Vance Chapel, Cushing, Zion Hill, Sapulpa, Drumright, Tuskegee, Wewoka, Oklahoma City, Olive, Lawnwood, Pleasant Valley, Turley, and Vera, which were read, received and delegates seated, and given the hand of fellowship.

Elders E. E. Morris, Clay Ritchey, and Bro Hudson were welcomed from Dibble Association.

Election of Officers

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| Moderator, | Eld. Melvin Bingham, | Tulsa, Okla. |
| Ass't. Mod., | Eld. Bert Rogers, | Wewoka, Okla. |
| Clerk, | Mrs. Mae Graham, | Drumright, Okla. |
| Ass't. Clerk, | Miss Velma Walker, | Cushing, Okla. |

Standing vote of thanks given Eld. Bert Rogers, retiring Moderator, and other officers.

Prayer by Eld. Hattie Newman.

Petitionary letter read from North Heights of Sapulpa, and Picher was received with promise of a letter.

Reading of Rules of Order and By-Laws by Assistant Moderator.

Motion carried that Committee on Committees be appointed.

Appointment of Committees

Committee on Committees—Elders Melvin Bingham, John H. West, Drew Marchant, C. C. Wilson, W. L. Bean, Ralph Coursey.

Pulpit—Eld. G. H. Johnston, Irene Pursell, Goldie Andrews, E. Capron, Joe Mounts, and Sister Brown.

Credential—Elders W. H. Carter, W. M. Bingham, H. E. Staires, Drew Marchant, and John H. West.

Resolutions—Elders J. D. Williams, A. Coursey, C. C. Wilson, Wilbur Underwood, and Lester Judd.

Finance—Curtis O'Donnell, Perry Tattershell, Elva Haley, Louise Terry, and Lottie Plummer.

Missions—Eld. Hattie Newman, Martha Hillard, Mother Bacon, Lydia Warner, and Irene Pursell.

Obituary—Eld. Willard Day, Nellie Simpson, Alfred Krakal, John Parks, and Mary Mounts.

Publication and Education—Eld. B. F. Rogers, Lou Gregory, Nannie Lou Marchant, Daisy O'Donnell, and Sister Feedback.

Temperance—Eld. D. B. Hillard, Cleo Aery, Esther Miller, Anna Markam, and Audrey Newman.

Sunday School—Eld. Paul Pursell, Eunice Evans, Barbara Miller, Ethel Armstrong, and Ruby Simpson.

Pulpit Committee reported for the eleven o'clock hour, Elders E. E. Morris and Clay Ritchey.

Moment of silent prayer led by Eld. Melvin Bingham in behalf of the bereavement in the Staires' home.

Motion carried for adjournment.

Closing prayer led by Eld. Paul Pursell.

WEDNESDAY ELEVEN O'CLOCK SERVICE

Devotional and song service.

Eld. E. E. Morris filled the stand, using 1 Kings 19:12 "The still small Voice," followed by Eld. Clay Ritchey, good messages were brought.

Closed with song and handshaking.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Opened by singing.

Scripture read from 4th chapter of Ephesians by Eld. B. F. Rogers.

Prayer by Curtis O'Donnell.

Motion carried that motion of last quarterly meeting, regarding the dismissal of business while committees were out, be disposed of.

Clerk read names of churches who had paid quarterly tax.

Motion carried that churches be responsible for this \$1.00 per member tax.

Motion carried that collection be taken for payment on Eld. Paul Pursell's chairs.

Pulpit Committee reported for the evening service, Eld. Hattie Newman and Eld. Paul Pursell.

Motion carried that the ordination service for Claude Pursell be held at the evening service.

Special request for recitation by Eld. John Bean.

Motion carried for adjournment until Thurs., 9 a. m.

Prayer by Eld. John Bean.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SERVICE

Came to order by song service.

Ordination service for Bro. Claude Pursell of We-woka as deacon was held. Eld. B. F. Rogers gave the charge, prayer by Eld. Melvin Bingham.

Specials in song by Bro. Bill Fincher and Miss Hill, and deut by Lindseys'.

Eld. Hattie Newman took the stand, using Exo. 3:3, "Stop Sign," followed by Eld. Paul Pursell.

One soul came to God in this service.

THURSDAY MORNING SESSION

Opened by singing.

Lesson read by Cecil McKenzie from 23rd Psalm.

Minutes of previous session read, corrected and approved.

Motion carried that Pulpit Committee appoint the preacher to bring the Mission message.

Service turned to Mission Officers.

Motion carried that Moderator act as Mission president.

Pulpit Committee appointed Elders Cecil McKenzie and A. B. Epperson to bring the Mission message.

Good reports were read from East and West side Mission Circles and received, and Mission officers were elected.

Motion carried to adjourn till one o'clock.

Dismissed in prayer by Eld. Wilbur Underwood.

THURSDAY ELEVEN O'CLOCK SERVICE

Devotionals in song and prayer led by Eld. Ralph Brown.

Eld. Cecil McKenzie brought a message from Luke 9:34; Eld. A. B. Epperson from Matt. 20:6. Inspiring messages.

Dismissed in special prayer for Bro. King.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Came to order by singing.

Lesson read by Moderator from Corinthians.

Ministers' reports read and received.

Eld. George McLain was granted a letter of dismissal from this Association.

Reports of various committees (See reports) read and received.

Executive Board report given and \$8.00 expense account tabled.

Motion carried that we pay \$7.00 out of the general fund.

Eld. Wilbur Underwood was elected Associational Sunday School Superintendent.

Standing vote of thanks given Elders F. M. Crouch, D. B. Hillard, and Drew Marchant, retiring officers.

Eld. Paul Pursell elected Associational Evangelist.
Pulpit Committee reported Elders J. D. Williams
and Melvin Bingham for evening service.

Clerk's report read and accepted.

Motion carried to pay Clerk \$25.00 for her services,
and assistant Clerk \$10.00.

Executive Board elect: Elders W. H. Carier, John
H. West, H. E. Staires, George Johnston, and B. F.
Rogers. A hand of applause given the retiring board.

Evangelists for next year's camp meeting are Elders
Melvin Bingham and B. F. Rogers.

Motion carried for adjournment.

Dismissed in Prayer by Eld. C. C. Wilson.

THURSDAY NIGHT SERVICE

Opened with song service.

Prayer by Elder Susie Pruitt.

Specials in song rendered by Bro. Bill Fincher, Bro.
and Sister Lindsey, Fincher trio with Miss Hill, mixed
quartet, Walter trio, Sister Light, and Nona Moore.

Tulsa and Vance Chapel orchestras rendered good
numbers.

Prayer by Eld. Paul Pursell.

Message brought by Eld. B. F. Rogers, using Dan.
3.17. Eld. Melvin Bingham followed. Soul feeding
messages were enjoyed by all.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

Opened with song and prayer by Eld. Willard Day.

Minutes of previous session read and approved, with
this correction, that we recommend that each member
in our Association pay the \$1.00 tax.

By motion, credential report was read and received
with one rejection.

Pulpit Committee reported Elders Willard Day and
B. T. Kirby for the eleven o'clock service.

Resolution No. 2 read and adopted.

Eld. H. E. Staires elected to bring the Introductory
message next year (1939), Eld. J. D. Williams alternate

By motion, Tulsa Church will entertain first quar-
terly meeting in Nov. Eld. Hattie Newman is to
preach Introductory message, Eld. B. T. Kirby alternate

Motion carried for adjournment.

Prayer by Eld. Esther Miller.

FRIDAY ELEVEN O'CLOCK SERVICE

Song service and prayer led by Eld. C. C. Wilson.
Eld. Day read Eph. 4:17-24, using as his subject,
"Put off the old man and put on the new man." Eld.
B. T. Kirby followed. Both brought stirring messages.
Dismissed in prayer by Eld. W. H. Carter.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Song service and prayer led by Eld. H. E. Staires.
Ephesians 6 read by Moderator.
By motion, all arrangement of Camp Grounds was
left in hands of Executive Board.
Pulpit Committee reported Eld. C. C. Wilson to bring
the message at the night service.
Report of Credentials Committee was read and re-
ceived.

By motion, Sister Welch and others are to be noti-
fied that their names have been dropped from the
church they now belong to, until they have letters of
dismissal from their previous churches.

By motion, Drumright Church was given profit from
stand on the grounds.

The \$8.00 was paid to Executive Board on their
expenses.

Resolutions No. 3 and 4 were approved.

Motion carried to reconsider plans for the tabernacle,
and to make it frame instead of rock.

By motion, we adjourned until August, 1939.

FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICE

Song service and prayer led by Eld. George Johnston.
Eld. C. C. Wilson brought message. Text, Jer. 7:13.
Followed by Eld. H. E. Staires, using 2 Cor. 4:6, "The
face of Jesus Christ."

Dismissal prayer by Eld. Melvin Bingham.

Eld. Melvin Bingham, Moderator.
Mrs. Mae Graham, Clerk.

The Association neglected to select delegates to the
State meeting. Executive Board met Sept. 20, and
selected the following: Irene Pursell of Wewoka, E. A.
Nichols of Cushing, Chas. Taylor of Drumright, Sam
Harris of Tulsa, and Earnest Oakerson of Oilton to
act as delegates.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Temperance— We recommend that our churches teach against strong drink and, also, that they deal with members guilty of partaking of same in any form. We also recommend that our churches vote against strong drink and any thing that pertains to strong drink. — D. B. Hillard, Chairman.

Home Missions— We, your Committee on Missions, beg leave to report that we find our Missions growing. We have made great progress in the last year; and we recommend that each Free Will Baptist Church have a mission, as it is an asset to the church.

May God help us to put forth a greater effort for our Young Peoples' Mission, and may we have more cottage prayer meetings and set our goal for lost souls. — Hattie Newman, Chairman.

Sunday School— We, your Committee on Sunday School, find that the Sunday schools in our Association are in fine condition. We feel that all teachers and officers should be members of a Free Will Baptist Church. We also feel that all Free Will Baptist schools should use Free Will Baptist literature, and that the Free Will Baptist rally is a spiritual upbuild of the Sunday school. — Eld. Paul Pursell, Chair.

Finance— We, the Finance Committee, report as follows:

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| Minute fund | \$45.00 |
| Evangelist fund | 33.00 |
| On Buildings | 38.50 |
| Rent on tabernacle | 35.00 |

We also audited the Clerk's record and found it correct. — Curtis O'Donnell, Chairman.

Combined Report of East and West side Mission Circles
Monthly meetings 23; sick calls 15,788; Bible chapters 9,582; quilts made 32; bake sales 3; layette showers 16; grocery showers 18; floral sprays 13; Christmas baskets 3; suppers 8; personal calls 49; garments to needy 70; souls saved 25. Total money received \$158.82. Total money paid out \$89.66.

— Willa Hallman and Lura Gibhart, Secretaries.

Education — We, the Education Committee, recommend that every step possible be taken by each church belonging to the First Mission Association for a Free Will Baptist school for the education of our ministers and our children, and also that they give our Gem paper and the Free Will Baptist at Ayden, N. C. their consideration.
— Eld. B. F. Rogers, Chairman

Associational Sunday School Superintendent's report
Please accept my report on Sunday school work. I have visited 14 churches, traveled 758 miles, taken in cash on expenses \$24.17. There are lots of good that can be done in this work.
— Eld. F. M. Crouch, Superintendent.

Obituary — We find that God in His wisdom has called from our midst
Rev. Lewis Hopper and Bro. Ostel Yandell from Oklahoma City Church.
Sister Ada Ahner from Cushing Church.
Sister Myrtle Justice from Drumright Church.
Jess Smith from Allen Church.
Albert Boen, W. M. Hires, Jane Valentine, Polly Boen, from Tulsa Church.
We feel that our loss is Heaven's gain.
— Eld. Willard Day, Chairman.

CLERK'S REPORT

Old Ministers' Home Fund

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| Carried forward | \$90.95 | |
| Received | 12.00 | |
| Total | | \$102.95 |
| Paid out | | 90.95 |
| Balance on hand | | \$12.00 |

Camp Ground Fund

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| Received | \$314.95 | |
| Paid out | 305.95 | |
| Balance on hand | | \$9.00 |

Associational Fund

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| Received | \$60.00 |
| Paid out | 60.00 |

— Mae Graham, Clerk.

Credential—Committee reports as follows:

License to preach for one year, Sister Elva Haley, and Cecil McKenzie. Ordained as deacons, Claude Pursell and Eldridge Renegar.

We recommend that Edgar Belveal, B. Capron and Robert Shuey serve balance of year before ordination; and that Abraham Berg apply himself to study of the Bible and Free Will Baptist doctrine.

Upon examination, Eld. Willard Day is found sound in doctrine and welcomed into our Association.

We recommend that we retain the credentials of Elders Lee Oliver and Linnie Oliver, as they have joined another denomination.

That Guy Tomlinson's ordination be deferred until the 1st quarterly meeting.

We recommend that Eld. E. A. O'Donnell's credentials be revoked.

That Eld. John Bean's request be granted, that his credentials be revoked, as he no longer desires to be one of us.

We find that Sister M. C. Welch joined the Davis Church by recommendation when her membership is elsewhere.

Upon examination of the grievance of the ministry of the Oklahoma City Church, we find the church was in order in their transactions.

Upon examination, we find the Vera Church re-organized, and recommend their acceptance.

— Eld. W. H. Carter, Chairman

RESOLUTIONS

Tulsa Quarterly Meeting

No. 1.—Be it Resolved; That our charter be draped church to send \$1.00 to our associational clerk to meet our indebtedness, and to send it on or before December 10, 1937.

Vance Chapel Quarterly Meeting

No. 1. — Be it Resolved, that our charter be dropped at our Association for any departed ministers.

No. 4.— Be it Resolved, That we have placed on our deed of 37 acres, "Not Transferable," same to be recorded.

No. 6.— Be it Resolved, That we tender our heart felt gratitude to this church, their good pastor and wife, and workers for their wonderful hospitality shown our Association.

Wewoka Quarterly Meeting

No. 1.— Resolved, That the Sunday School Rally be held at Allen Church on 3rd Sunday in June.

No. 2.— We the 3rd Quarterly Meeting of the First Mission Association extend our appreciation to the Wewoka Free Will Baptist Church and all who contributed to our entertainment. We hereby invoke the blessings of God upon them and their good pastor and wife.

No. 3.— Be it Resolved, That when any one takes a special part on the program of our Association or quarterly meeting, they be introduced by the Chair.

Eleventh Annual Session

No. 2.— Be it Resolved, That we give the people of this community a standing vote of thanks for the courtesy shown this Association.

No. 3.— Be it Resolved, That hereafter from this session of the Association, that this go on record: "We will not ordain a minister or deacon who does not believe in or practice tithing, or will not teach the same."

No. 4.— Be it Resolved, That our Credential Committee be retained till our present business is finished.

CHURCH REPORTS

DRUMRIGHT— State of religion, good. Members received this year 50, No. baptized 40, No. died 1, total membership 241. Condition of prayer meeting and Sunday school, good. Average No. pupils, 250; No. of officers 8; No. of teachers, 12. Paid pastor \$972.00; paid evangelist \$105.67; incidentals \$318.35; for publication \$196.01; amount for minutes \$3.00; camp meeting evangelists \$2.00; building and repair \$1,143.51. Value of church property \$6000.00. Pastor salary for coming year \$85.00 per month

Eld. H. E. Staires, Pastor.

Lon Ivers, Clerk.

TULSA—State of religion good. Members received this year 24, No. baptized 24, No. died 4, total membership 235. Condition of prayer meeting and Sunday school, both good. Average No. of pupils 180; officers 9; teachers 11. Paid pastor \$960.00, paid evangelist \$66.69; pianist \$58.56, utility bills \$146.46, Foreign missions \$36.92, Home mission \$6.65. For building and repair \$475.17, for education \$1.00, publication \$65.71. Paid on piano \$144.49, floral offerings \$22.44, song books \$37.00. Amount included for minutes \$3.00 and \$2.00 for evangelist.

Eld. Melvin Bingham, Pastor.

I. C. Arnold, Clerk.

SAPULPA—Meeting day each Sunday; prayer meeting each Thursday evening. Received by confession 7, by letter 8; dismissed by letter 3, withdrawn 7. Resident members 25; non-resident members 24. Total membership 49. Value of church property \$800.00. Minute fund \$1.00.

Eld. W. M. Bingham, Pastor

Flossie Bradford, Clerk.

NEW HOME—State of religion good. Members received this year 17, No. baptized 4, No. dismissed 5; total membership 85. Condition of prayer meeting and Sunday school, good. Paid pastor \$660.00, gas and lights \$98.60, janitor \$48.00. Minute fund \$2.00.

Eld. Willard Day, Pastor.

W. M. Kuykendall, Clerk.

CUSHING—Paid pastor for year \$619.00. Meeting days on every Sunday. Received by confession 18, by letter 1, dismissed by letter 5, excluded 15, withdrawn 7, died 1. Resident members 100, non-resident members 22; total membership 122. Value of church property \$2,500.00. Minute fund \$2.00, evangelist fund \$3.00.

Eld. Lester Judd, Pastor.

Elva Walker, Ass't. Clerk.

COLLINSVILLE—Meeting days every Saturday night, Sunday morning and Sunday night, Young Peoples' meeting Thursday nights. Members received 24, total members 62. Value of church property \$400.00. Minute fund \$1.50, paid pastor \$190.00; paid evangelist \$18.61. Evangelist fund \$2.00.

Eld. Alfred Coursey, Pastor

Sister Abe Berg, Clerk.

LIBERTY—State of religion, good. Members received this year 1, No. dismissed by letter 1, No. excluded and moved away 25, resident members 46, non-resident members 8; total membership 54. Condition of prayer meeting and Sunday school, good. Average No. of pupils 50-60, No. of officers 7. Condition of League, good. League membership 20. Home mission, good; membership 10. Paid pastor \$208.28, paid evangelist \$62.00, amount for building and repair \$35.00, incidentals \$15.00, amount for Home Missions \$50.00, for publication \$30.00, minute fund \$2.50, evangelist fund \$2.00. Value of church property \$500.00.

Eld. George Johnson, Pastor.

Gladys Alsup, Clerk.

JENNINGS—State of religion, good. Members received this year 1, No. dismissed by letter 2, resident members 21, non-resident members 15; total membership 36. Condition of prayer meeting and Sunday school, good. Average No. of pupils 50, No. of officers 8. Condition of league good, membership 10; condition of home mission good, membership 12. Paid pastor \$93.70, paid evangelist \$25.10, amount for building and repair \$11.78, amount for incidentals \$24.25, amount for publication \$37.00, minute fund \$2.00 and \$2.00 for evangelist. Value of church property \$750.00.

Eld. Clint Fincher, Pastor.

Mamie Cassey, Clerk.

ALLEN—Paid regular pastor \$120.00; paid acting pastor \$20.00; paid evangelist \$17.25; paid for flowers \$8.00; for up-keep of church \$181.80; operating of church \$49.15. Meeting days on each Sunday of every month. Received by confession 8, by re-commendation 3, dismissed by letter 5, resident members 45, non-resident members 25. Value of church property \$1,000.00. Minute funds \$1.50; for evangelists \$2.00.

Eld. Othel Staires, Pastor,

Sister Vinita Vickers, Clerk.

ZION HILL—State of religion good. Members received this year 9, No. dismissed 12, total membership 58. Condition of prayer meeting and Sunday school good. Average number of pupils 51, No. of officers 3, No. of teachers 4. Paid pastor \$205.94; paid evangelist \$30.63; for building and repair \$126.45; minute fund \$1.00; evangelist fund \$2.00.

Eld. Ralph Brown, Pastor,

W. F. Plumer, Clerk.

OLIVE — State of religion, good. Members received this year 4, total membership 49; active resident members 30. Condition of prayer meeting and Sunday school good. Average attendance 30. Upkeep of church \$197.60, paid pastor \$150.60, paid evangelist \$20.00, Mission paid out \$17.40. Minute fund \$1.00, evangelist fund \$2.00

Eld. Jack Williams, Pastor.
Sister Susie Lacey, Clerk.

SILVER CITY — State of religion fine. Members received this year 28, No. baptized 27, No. dismissed 19; total membership 63. Condition of prayer meeting and Sunday school fine. Average attendance for Sunday school 72, No. of teachers 5. Paid pastor for year \$185.00, paid evangelist \$85.00, for building and repair \$15.00. Mission work good. Minute fund \$2.00, evangelist fund \$2.00.

Eld. Hattie Newman, Pastor.
Homer Vaughn, Clerk.

PLEASANT VALLEY — The church is enjoying great fellowship. Condition of Sunday school is good. Minute fund \$1.00, evangelist fund \$1.00.

Eld. Virgil Florence, Pastor.
Sister Bernice Gammon, Ass't. Clerk.

WEWOKA — Meeting days every Sunday; state of religion good, condition of Sunday school good, average No. of pupils 95, No. of teachers 5, No. of officers 5. Prayer meeting good. No. members received this year 19, No. baptized 10, No. dismissed by letter 4, No. excluded 3, resident members 86, non-resident members 22; total membership 108. Pastor's salary per month \$75.00. Paid evangelist \$136.00, for building and repair \$22.45, miscellaneous \$378.19. Value of church \$2,000.00. Minute fund \$2.00, evangelist fund \$2.00

Eld. B. F. Rogers, Pastor.
Mrs. A. Jack Davis, Clerk.

VANCE CHAPEL — Members 99, No. died 1. Condition of Sunday school good, average attendance 80, officers and teachers 12; condition of prayer meeting good. Pastor's salary per month \$45.00, paid pastor this year \$960.00, evangelistic work \$60.00, educational work \$75.00, building and repair \$41.00, minute fund \$2.00, evangelist fund \$3.00.

Eld. Drew Marchant, Pastor.
Elva Haley, Clerk.

LAWNWOOD — State of religion good. Members received 25, No. baptized 19, No. dismissed 10; total membership 45. Condition of prayer meeting fine, Sunday school good. Paid pastor \$237.00, paid evangelist \$53.20, for building and repair \$40.42, minute fund \$2.50. Eld. C. Hood, Pastor.
Etta Maher, Clerk.

BLUE BELL — State of religion good. Condition of prayer meeting and Sunday school good. Average attendance in Sunday school 40, officers 3, teachers 4. Paid pastor for year \$20.00, sent to foreign mission \$10.00. Members received by letter 3, resident members 32, non-resident members 35; total membership 67. Minute fund \$1.50, evangelist fund \$2.00. Value of church property \$1,500.00. Eld. C. C. Wilson, Pastor,
Elbert Banks, Clerk.

PICHER — State of religion and Sunday school good. Total membership 37, active members 25, No. saved 9, No. baptized 5. Average attendance at Sunday school 80. Value of church \$1000.00. Paid pastor \$145.00, paid evangelist \$32.00, for incidentals \$54.14, minute fund \$2.00, evangelist fund \$2.00.
Mrs. Marie Layton, Clerk.

TURLEY — Received by conversion 6, dismissed by letter 9, received by letter 10, receiver by recommendation 7. Sunday school good, average attendance 71, prayer meeting good. Minute fund \$1.00. Wonderful Young Peoples' meeting.
Eld. F. M. Crouch, Pastor,
W. S. Smith, Clerk.

NORTH HEIGHTS — Church organized on Feb. 6, 1938 with 11 charter members. Received 19 new members by letter and confession of faith; total membership 30. State of religion good. Condition of Sunday school good. Minute fund \$1.50.
Eld. Walter Warner, Pastor,
Mrs. Susie Boxendale, Clerk.

VERA — Vera church re-established on the 24th of Jan, 1938. Members 10 when organized, 8 added, total 18.
Eld. C. E. Hensley, Pastor,
Beulah Peace, Clerk.

TUSKEGEE — State of religion good. Members received this year 3, No. dismissed by letter 2, No. excluded 9, resident members 33, non-resident members 15; total membership 48. Condition of prayer meeting and Sunday school good. Average No. of pupils 70, No. of officers 8. Condition of Home mission fair. Amount paid pastor \$442.00, for evangelistic work \$4.00, for building and repair \$17.79, for incidentals \$34.36, for foreign missions \$24.00, minute fund \$2.00, evangelist fund \$2.00.

Eld. John H. West, Pastor,
Edith Brewer, Clerk.

OKLAHOMA CITY — State of religion good. Condition of Sunday school fine, condition of prayer meeting fair. Members received 20, No. baptized 7, No. dismissed 22, died 2, total membership 90. Paid pastor \$55.00, paid evangelist 50.00, for building and repair \$382.34, for publication \$6.50.

Eld. B. T. Kirby, Pastor
Flossie Greeson, Clerk.

ORDAINED MINISTERS PRESENT

Eld. Willard Day R9. Box 374, Tulsa, Okla.
 Eld. C. C. Wilson, 1628 E. Independence, Tulsa, Okla.
 Eld. Hiram Biggs, R11. Box 125, Tulsa, Okla.
 Eld. Wilbur Underwood, 1336 E. 12th., Tulsa, Okla.
 Eld. Cleo Aery R2. Tulsa, Okla.
 Eld. Carl Hood R9. Box 385, Tulsa, Okla.
 Eld. Esther Miller, 710 N. Lewis, Tulsa, Okla.
 Eld. O. H. Staires, 1339 E. Queen, Tulsa, Okla.
 Eld. Susie Pruitt R8. B696, Tulsa, Okla.
 Eld. Lura Gibhart, Tulsa, Okla.
 Eld. Harry Staires Drumright, Okla.
 Eld. Hattie Newman B 721, Drumright, Okla.
 Eld. G. H. Johnston B 1533, Drumright, Okla.
 Eld. Sadie Fincher B 244, Drumright, Okla.
 Eld. E. E. Morris Blanchard, Okla.
 Eld. Paul Pursell B 1001, Wewoka, Okla.
 Eld. Bert F. Rogers, 401 Patton Ave., Wewoka, Okla.
 Eld. George McLain, 112 S. Mek, Wewoka, Okla.
 Eld. Drew Marchant B 926, Oilton, Okla.
 Eld. Lester Judd, 11 E. Maple, Cushing, Okla.
 Eld. J. D. Williams R3, Cushington, Okla.

Eld. W. L. Bean Cushing, Okla.
 Eld. B. T. Kirby, B 4577, Oklahoma City, Okla.
 Eld. W. H. Carter R3. B 20A, Bristow, Okla.
 Eld. John H. West R5. B117, Bristow, Okla.
 Eld. D. B. Hillard R1. B273, Sapulpa, Okla.
 Eld. A. Coursey 1622 W. Oak, Collinsville, Okla.
 Eld. W. E. Warner Bowden, Okla.
 Eld. F. M. Crouch Turley, Okla.
 Eld. Ralph Brown, 1129 S. Florence, Tulsa, Okla.

Licensed Ministers

Eld. Judge Cuzick Drumright, Okla.
 Eld. Herrod Florence Drumright, Okla.
 Eld. Elva Walker R2, Cushing, Okla.
 Eld. Elva Haley B106, Oilton, Okla.
 Eld. Amanda Kester R2, Troup, Texas.

Order of Business for Missions

1. President in charge.
2. Song or songs.
3. Prayer.
4. Leader read Scripture, have prayer and turn the meeting back to the president.
5. Reading minutes of the previous meeting.
6. Treasurer's Report.
7. Unfinished Business.
8. Reports of Committees.
9. New Business.
10. Report of sick and needy.
11. Suggestions for good of the Mission.
12. Song and offering.

MINISTERS' REPORTS

| MINISTER | Sermons preached | Revivals Held | Conversions | No. Baptized | Marriages | Additions to Church ... | Funerals Conducted ... | Miles Traveled | Money Received |
|----------------------|------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Harry Staires | 180 | 3 | 143 | 71 | 7 | 50 | 20 | | \$1,043.00 |
| Melvin Bingham | 97 | | 41 | 24 | 19 | 24 | 28 | | 1,114.22 |
| Bert F. Rogers | 187 | 6 | 75 | | 2 | 27 | 7 | | 1,029.50 |
| W. H. Carter | 148 | 2 | | 19 | 1 | 19 | 2 | | 1,062.00 |
| Drew Marchant ... | 151 | | 88 | 34 | 1 | | 1 | | 1,043.00 |
| John H. West | 124 | | 37 | | 1 | | 5 | 6698 | 456.24 |
| Lester Judd | 150 | | 72 | 28 | 5 | 18 | | | 677.97 |
| J. D. Williams | | 2 | 9 | 4 | | | 1 | 4000 | 153.60 |
| F. M. Crouch | 152 | | 43 | 6 | 1 | 37 | 3 | 110 | 129.87 |
| C. C. Wilson | | 1 | 20 | 4 | | | | 7700 | 210.00 |
| Cleo Aery | 217 | 5 | 52 | 3 | 3 | | | 2000 | |
| Sadie Fincher | 100 | 1 | 57 | | 3 | | | | 56.00 |
| Ralph Brown | 160 | 4 | 37 | | | | | | 70.00 |
| Judge Cuzick | 61 | 1 | 17 | | | | | | 6.61 |
| Herrod Florence | 35 | 1 | | | | | | 300 | |
| Hattie Newman ... | 100 | 3 | 30 | | 4 | | 5 | | 207.00 |
| Paul Pursell | | | 218 | | | | | 4481 | 609.90 |

FREE WILL BAPTIST 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 the 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 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.

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 forget 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.

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 souls, and the conversion 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 the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the infallible word of God, and the only safe rule of faith and practice.—2 Tim. 3:16, 17; 2 Peter 1:20, 21.

2. That there is but one true and living God, and in the God-Head or Divine Essence, Father, Son and Holy Ghost.—Gen. 17:1; 1 John 5:7.

3. That we are fallen and depraved creatures, and cannot extricate ourselves from our fallen situation by any ability we possess by nature.—Eph. 5:1, 19.

4. That Salvation, Regeneration, Sanctification, Justification and Redemption are by the Life, Death, Resurrection, Ascension and Intercession of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.—Acts 4:12; Titus 3:5.

5. That he that shall endure to the end, the same shall be saved.—Matt. 24:13; 2:10.

6. That the joys of the righteous, and the punishment of the wicked shall be eternal.—Matt. 25:46.

7. That Baptism and the Lord's Supper, and the washing of the saints' feet are the Ordinances of Jesus Christ, appointed in the church, and none but true believers are proper subjects, and the only proper mode of Baptism is Immersion.—Mark 1:4, 9, 10; Luke 23:30; John 13:14.

8. We believe in the sanctity of the first day of the week, or the Lord's day, and that it ought to be observed and spent in the public or private worship of God, and that on it we should abstain from our worldly concerns except in case of necessity or mercy.—Exo. 31:15; Deut. 5:12; Matt. 12:12.

9. We believe in the resurrection of the body, both of the just and the unjust, but every one in his own order; those who have done evil to the resurrection of damnation, and that God has appointed a day in which He will judge the world in righteousness by Jesus Christ.—1 Cor. 15:34; John 5:28; 1 Thess. 4:16.

10. 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 be engaged to promote the honor of God.—John 13:35; Gal. 6:10.

11. We believe that Jesus Christ by the grace of God tasted death for every man; yet none can partake of His divine benefit only by his repentance towards God and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, infants and idiots excepted.—Acts 20:21; 1 Tim. 2:5, 6; John 3:14-16; 1 Cor. 15:20, 22; Romans 5:15.

12. We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ is the door into the church, that baptism is a duty in answer to a good conscience.—John 10:7; 1 Peter 3:21.

13. We believe that the Lord's people are one in Him, and therefore we should be one at His table.—1 Cor. 1:1, 11, 27, 28; John 17:11.

BY-LAWS

1. The moderator or assistant moderator, or in their absence, the oldest minister present shall call the Association into conference.

2. Each session shall be opened and closed with prayer.

3. Five members from two or more churches shall constitute a quorum. A less number may adjourn until such quorum is present.

4. Visiting brethren are invited to seats as advisory members.

5. Those who speak shall arise and address the moderator. Personal reflections shall be avoided in all debates.

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 separately.

7. Motions made and lost shall not be recorded.

8. No one shall speak more than twice on the same subject without leave of the moderator.

9. The moderator shall not allow discussion when not carried on in a Christian spirit.

10. The ruling of the moderator may be overruled by a two-thirds vote of the members voting.

11. Any minister opposed to any of the enterprises endorsed by the Association will not be entitled to a seat in conference, and we will not seat any minister in this Association that teaches the baptism of the Holy Ghost separate from regeneration or the birth of the Spirit.

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

13. At each Association arrangements shall be made to insure two or more sermons or their equivalent devotional exercises each day.

14. These By-Laws may be suspended or permanently altered or amended at any regular session of the Association, by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

