

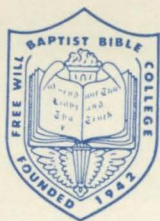
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**The
First Mission
Association
of
Free Will Baptist**

1944

**Proceedings of the
17th. Annual Session**

**Convened at
Old Minister's Home
Camp Ground Site**



FREE WILL BAPTIST
BIBLE COLLEGE

Presented by

Rev. Melvin Bingham

MINUTES

OF THE
17th ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE
FIRST MISSION ASSOCIATION
OF
FREE WILL BAPTIST

ASSOCIATIONAL OFFICERS

Rev. Melvin Bingham, moderator,	Tulsa, Okla.
Rev. John H. West, Ass't. moderator,	Wewoka, Okla.
Rev. Bert F. Rogers, clerk,	Drumright, Okla.
Miss Sarah Belle Crain, ass't. clerk	Tuskegee, Okla.

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Rev. Melvin Bingham, chairman	Tulsa, Okla.
Rev. Bert F. Rogers, clerk,	Drumright, Okla.
Rev. John H. West	Wewoka, Okla.
Rev. D. B. Hellard	Sapulpa, Okla.
Rev. R. G. Lane	Bristow, Okla.

ASSOCIATIONAL MISSION PRESIDENT

Rev. Sadie E. Fincher	Drumright, Okla.
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LEAGUE EVANGELIST

Rev. Everett Hellard	Sapulpa, Okla.
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AUXILIARY OFFICERS

Sister Melvin Bingham, president	Tulsa, Okla.
Rev. Hattie Newman, vice president,	Jennings, Okla.
Sis. Margie Weatherman, rec. sec.-treas.,	Sapulpa, Okla.
Sis. Anna Manning, cor. sec.,	Sapulpa, Okla.

The next annual session of this Association will be held at the Old Minister's Home and Camp Ground Site, on the Drumright-Sapulpa highway, beginning Saturday night before the first Sunday in August 1945.

Free Will Baptist Gem, 211 Bond St. Monett, Missouri

PROCEEDINGS

Youth Camp and Camp Meeting

The Youth Camp and Camp Meeting of the First Mission Association convened on the Old Ministers' Home and Camp Ground Site, with Rev. Bert F. Rogers as sponsor.

Charles Smith was elected president and Norma Hudson, recording secretary.

The following were elected as a Committee on Divine Service: Ruth Thomas, Norma Hudson, Charles Smith, Barbra Hancock, Dona Gale Tipton and Bert F. Rogers, sponsor.

Evangelistic services were conducted each day under the auspices of this committee. The night services were conducted by the associational evangelist, Rev. Melvin Bingham and John H. West.

There were 24 precious souls saved during this ten days.

Rev. John H. West, teacher of Church Administration, taught interesting and helpful lessons.

Sister Dorothy Marlen, teacher of the Junior department on the Life of Christ was also inspirational. Total enrollment at the end of the School was 52. All students made passing grades and received diplomas at the end of school.

League Proceedings

The Free Will Baptist League Rally convened at the Camp Ground, August 14, 1944. Singing directed by Rev. Hattie Newman. Invocation by Rev. Walter Warner. In the absence of the sponsor, Rev. John H. West took charge. Rev. R. G. Lane was elected to deliver the morning message. Rev. Lane used for his message Psalms 119-105-106, "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path." Services closed with an old time hand shake.

MONDAY AFTERNOON

Singing directed by Charles Smith. Devotional by Eula Mae Yocham, 27th Psalms. Invocation by Rev. Hattie Newman. Petitionary letters were called for, the First Church of Sapulpa came and were received into

the rally. Reports were received from the following Leagues: Tulsa, Blue Bell, Cliff View, Zion Hill, We-woka and Drumright. Motion carried that all Leaguers have a vote in the meeting.

Treasurer's report was read and accepted.

The following League officials were elected: Sponsor, Strauther Yocham; President, Bessie Staires; Vice President, Charles Smith; Secretary-Treasurer, Sarah Belle Crain; Corresponding Secretary, Dorris Bean. Motion carried to retain Rev. Everett Hellard as League Evangelist. Motion carried to do away with League Board and let the Association have charge. Rev. Charles Wilson was elected as Sponsor of the boys Dormitory. Sister Opal Bingham was elected sponsor of the older girls Dormitory. Sister Margie Weatherman was elected sponsor of the younger girls Dormitory.

Rev. Orvil Thurman was elected to deliver the first message of the Youth Camp next year. Rev. Everett Kiefer, alternate. Rev. John H. West was elected as speaker for next yearly Rally Day, Rev. Charles Wilson as alternate. Motion carried that President appoint an educational committee to work with sponsor who in turn works with Executive Board. The following were appointed: Bertha Mae Kiefer, Dorris Bean, Eula Mae Yocham. Motion carried to pay teachers of Youth Camp \$10.00 each for their services. Motion carried that expense of preparing recreation ground be taken out of fund designated for that purpose. Motion carried that President appoint delegates for the State League Rally. The following were appointed: Harold Hancock, Gene Lane, Ruth Thomas, Bertha Faye Tuttle, Eula Mae Yocham. Alternates: Mary Lou Marchant, Charles Smith, Barbetta Flowers, Sister Raymond Lee and Paul Whitten. Sister Hattie Newman was elected to give the welcome address at rally next year and Charles Smith the response. The rally in October will be at Bristow, Okla. The speaker will be Rev. Melvin Bingham. The response to the welcome will be given by Harold Hancock.

Motion carried that we recommend to the Association that each student of the Youth Camp register with a certain amount for expense while on camp ground including meals and a place to stay.

Motion carried to adjourn until next session.

League benediction was given by all.

LADIES AUXILIARY WORK

The third annual Ladies Auxiliary Convention met at the Camp Ground, August, 1944 at 9:30 a.m. Singing directed by Rev. Hattie Newman. Invocation by Rev. John H. West. Yearly reports were read and approved. President's message, Sister Opal Bingham. Report of Secretary-treasurer was read and approved. Talks were given by the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th vice presidents.

Election of Officers

President Sister Opal Bingham
First Vice President Sister Hattie Newman
Second Vice President Sister Bessie Staires
Third Vice President Sister B. F. Rogers
Fourth Vice President Sister John West
Fifth Vice President Sister Faye Bookout
Field Worker Sister Hattie Newman
Recording Sec. and Treas. Sister Margie Weatherman
Corresponding Secretary Sister Anna Manning

The Auxiliary message was delivered by Rev. John H. West.

A beautiful instillation service was held in the evening service for the new officers.

Secretary's Report of Auxiliary Convention

Meetings held 109; chapters read 11674; letters written 5835; cards written 1135; sick calls 5823; hospital calls 821; personal calls 1804; telephone calls 207; service hours rendered 2921; shut in visits 328; cottage prayer meetings 69; jail services 59; jail conversions 42; gifts given (valued at) \$582.00; Bibles to soldiers 23; floral offering \$260.00; weeks of prayer 24; sacrificial offerings \$7.28; Jehoida Chest funds \$91.00; Penny A Day Bank \$56.00; Home Mission \$380.65; National Program \$60.00; Orphanage \$163.00; Old Minister's \$46.90; Foreign Missions \$209.00; Education \$231; Building Funds \$129.00; Orphanage fund for 43-44 \$266.21; dues paid for year 1943 \$7.53; money carried forward from last year \$7.21; offering in May \$42.32; total \$49.53; paid out for minutes \$5.00; National President's expenses \$25.00; Brother Talbert's fare to California \$17.23; other expenses \$.90; total paid out \$48.13; dues paid this year \$5.66; balance in treasury \$1.40; total in

treasury \$7.06.

Proceedings of Home Mission

Singing directed by Sister Lewis. Invocation by Rev. Floyd Test. A reading on Mission work was given by Sister Lewis. Yearly reports were read and approved. Field workers financial report was read and approved. Sister Sadie Fincher was elected President of Missions. Sister Hellard was elected Vice President. Sister Gladys Shuey, Secretary-treas. Sister Eula Mae Yocham, ass't. sec.-treas. Rev. D. B. Hellard was elected field worker. Motion carried that we retain our original Mission Board. Motion carried that we pay our Field Worker the same as last year. Orphanage report was given by Sister Fincher. A report was given by the Field Worker. Motion carried that we combine the east and west side Mission circles. Motion carried that we have our rallies the second Friday in the month before the Quarterly Meeting. Motion carried that we have the next rally at the First Free Will Baptist Church in Sapulpa in November. Motion carried that we have all day services and night services at our rallies. An offering of \$6.81 was given. Rev. D. B. Hellard delivered the Mission message. Rev. J. R. Davidson gave an inspiring talk on our Free Will Baptist College. The services were then turned to Assistant Moderator, Rev. John H. West.

TUESDAY NIGHT

Proceedings of Associational Services

Singing directed by Elva Tuttle. Invocation by Rev. Carl Hood. Introductory message by Rev. C. D. Benton. He used for a subject "Weighed in the Balance." Benediction by Rev. R. G. Lane.

WEDNESDAY MORNING

Singing directed by Sister Brown. Scripture by moderator using 23rd chapter of Luke. Invocation by Rev. J. R. Davidson of Nashville, Tenn. Letters from the following churches were received: New Home, Wewoka, Bristow, Cliff View, Pretty Water, Tuskegee, Allen, Tulsa, Sapulpa First Church, Turley, Drumright, Collinsville, Zion Hill, Liberty, Cushing, Silver City, Blue Bell,

Olive, North Height, Oklahoma City. Jennings, South Pitcher, Vance.

Motion carried that letters be received and delegates be seated.

Election of Officers

Rev. Melvin Bingham, moderator, Tulsa, Okla.

Rev. John H. West, ass't. moderator, Wewoka, Okla.

Rev. Bert F. Rogers, clerk, Drumright, Okla.

Sarah Belle Crain, ass't. clerk, Tuskegee, Okla.

Petitionary letters were called for, the Lawnwood Church came with a letter. Motion carried to table the letter until Credential Committee examine the Lawnwood Church. Rules of order were read by the Moderator.

Rev. J. R. Davidson gave a short talk which was enjoyed by all.

A letter was read from our Executive Secretary of the National Conference, Rev. R. B. Crawford. Committee on Divine Service reports that Rev. J. R. Davidson of Nashville, Tenn. will deliver the message at eleven o'clock. Motion carried to adjourn until 1:30 p.m.

Benediction by Rev. Carl Hood.

ELEVEN O'CLOCK SERVICE

Singing directed by Brother Worley. Invocation by Rev. B. T. Kirby.

Rev. Davidson used for his scripture text, Eph. 2:1-10, subject "Our Debt to Grace." The message was enjoyed by all. Endowment checks of the School at Nashville, Tenn. were presented by Rev. Davidson. Benediction by Rev. W. L. Bean.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

Singing directed by Rev. John H. West. Devotional, Rev. Ralph Brown, scripture 1st Cor. 6:9. Invocation by Rev. Charles Wilson. Motion carried to accept the report of the Credential Committee in regard to the Lawnwood Church. The Church was accepted into the Association. The Moderator and assistant (empowered) appointed the following committees:

Committee on Divine Service—Sister Walter Horn, Alice Lee, E. P. Tipton, Ethel Renegar, Eula Mae Yoch-

am and John H. West.

Rev. Ralph Brown was re-elected to Credential Committee.

Rev. Melvin Bingham was re-elected to Executive Board.

Sunday School—Ruby Worley, Mary Ann Williams, Edna Rolland, Mae Speck, Frank Shuey.

Obituary—Gene Lane, Helen Cunningham, Sister Hedrick, Peggy Ruth and Norma Cope.

Resolution—Walter Warner, G. H. Johnston, Floyd Test, R. G. Lane and D. D. Dipboye.

Finance—Eula Lewis, Charles Wilson, Daisy Merchant, Virgil Bradford, Sister C. C. Hood.

Temperance—Rex Weatherman, Orval Thurman, Maggie Mallow, J. A. Taylor and George Smith.

Education and Publication—Margie Weatherman, Doris Bean, Anna Manning, W. M. Kuykendall and Patty Reese.

League—Luther Vail, Sarah Belle Crain, Opal Bingham, Ollie Lane and Sister D. B. Hellard.

Mission—Sadie Fincher, Hattie Newman, Odie Chambers, C. C. Hood, Orval Thurman.

An offering was taken for the College at Nashville, Tenn. \$40.00 was received. Sister Pruitt ask the blessing over the offering.

Minutes of last Quarterly Meeting were read. Motion carried to accept League report. Motion carried to accept report of Ladies Auxiliary. Rev. J. R. Davidson gave a report on Christian Education and the College. Motion carried to accept the report of credential committee on Sister Ida Dressler. They reported that she was not qualified for ordination. Committee on Divine Service reports that Rev. Virgil Bradford and B. T. Kirby are to deliver the messages in the night service. Motion carried to adjourn until nine o'clock.

Benediction by Rev. Doyle Dipboye.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SERVICE

Singing directed by Charlie Jones. Invocation by Sarah Ross. Devotional Rev. Carl Hood. A special num-

ber in song by Eula Mae Yocham and Sister C. D. Benton.

There was also a special number in song by the Drum-right Quartett, Charlie Jones, Rex Shelton, Clarence Mitchel and Bert F. Rogers.

Rev. Virgil Bradford uses for a text, Luke 24:17 followed by Rev. B. T. Kirby using "And being let go they went to their own company".

Benediction by L. C. Worley.

THURSDAY MORNING

Singing directed by L. C. Worley. Devotional by Moderator using Eph. 6. Invocation by Sister Florence. Statistician report was read, received and adopted.

League report was read, received and adopted.

League Board's report was read, received and adopted.

Executive Board's report was read, received and adopted.

Report of general Superintendent of Sunday Schools was read, received and adopted.

Clerk's report was read, received and adopted.

The committee on Education and Publication report was read, received and adopted.

Reports of Ministers was read, received and adopted.

Report of Missions was read, received and adopted.

Report of Obituary Committee was read, received and adopted.

League report was read, received and adopted.

The report of Credential Committee was read, received and adopted.

The report of Temperance Committee was read, received and adopted.

The report of Sunday School Committee was read, received and adopted.

Foreign Mission report was read, received and adopted.

Report of Resolution Committee was read, received and adopted.

(See reports elsewhere)

Committee on Divine Service reports that Rev. J. A. Taylor and Rev. C. C. Hood will deliver the eleven o'

clock messages.

The following delegates were elected to represent Women's Auxiliary at the State Convention: Sister Weatherman, Sister Renegar, Sister Armstrong, Sister Manning and Sister Gammon.

Motion carried to adjourn until 1:30.

Benediction by Rev. Floyd Test.

ELEVEN O'CLOCK SERVICE

Singing directed by L. C. Worley. Devotional by Moderator using Rev. 2. Invocation by Norma Cope. Rev. J. A. Taylor uses for a text Isa. 35:8 followed by Rev. C. C. Hood using "Have a vision of him who is invisible."

Benediction by Rev. W. H. Carter.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

Singing directed by L. C. Worley. Devotional by Moderator.

Motion carried to purchase wood stove for Cafe, price \$20.00.

Rev. W. H. Carter was re-elected by acclamation to general Superintendent of Sunday School.

Motion carried to accept the report of Ladies Auxiliary.

Motion carried to accept the report of Home Missions.

Resolution number 2 was read, received and adopted.

That since we are crowded for room, and others want to build cabins, we move the cabins and dormitories on the north side in line with west and east row, leaving a place for play ground and campers.

Committee on Divine Service reports that Rev. Floyd Test and Rev. Rex Weatherman will deliver the messages in the night service.

The next Quarterly Meeting will convene with the New Home Church. Rev. B. T. Kirby was elected to deliver introductory message, Rev. G. H. Johnston alternate.

Motion carried that we have Christian Workers Institute here next year. Registration fee will be \$1.00. The Teachers will be paid by the National Conference.

The following delegates were elected to represent at the State Association at Wewoka: Martha Hellard, Opal Bingham, Mary Rogers, Margie Weatherman and Doris Bean. Alternates: Norma Cope, Sister C. C. Hood, Anna Manning, Alta Hays and Edna DeHart.

Motion carried that we send \$10.00 for Minutes to State Meeting.

Motion carried that we use Instructors of Christian Workers Institute, Rev. J. R. Davidson and Rev. R. B. Crawford for Evangelist in Camp Meeting.

Rev. C. C. Hood was elected to deliver the introductory message in the Association, Bert F. Rogers, alternate.

Motion carried that Clerk be paid \$25.00 for his year's service.

Motion carried that a standing vote of thanks be given to Tulsa Church for service rendered in cafe, also to Brother King for use of his truck, also to Sister Luker for use of piano. Motion carried that Executive Board purchase a gift for the one who had charge of cafe.

Minutes were read and approved.

Motion carried to adjourn until next session.

Benediction by Rev. D. B. Hellard.

TEMPERANCE—We your Committee on Temperance recommend to the First Mission Association that we as Christians teach against the use and sale of intoxicating beverages in any form and that we impress on the minds of our Youth the evil of intoxicating drinks. We also recommend that each church have a special Temperance service and teach the harmfulness of the use of tobacco.

Rev. Rex Weatherman, chairman

FINANCE—We, the Financial Committee, have audited the Clerk's financial report from August 1943 to July 31, 1944, and find it in excellent condition. We recommend that our pastors stress the importance of the general fund to their churches and not to forget the \$1.00 for our Clerk and \$2.00 for the Evangelist each year.

Signed, Committee

OBITUARY—God in His loving tenderness has called

these beloved Brothers and Sisters to their heavenly home; Sister Emma Mobley and Sister Alice Whitehead of Sapulpa First Church; Sister P. J. McMullen of Wewoka Church; Sister W. A. Pierce, Sister Anna Harris of New Home; Sister Ella Hubbard, Sister Dortheal Gibson, Brother J. O. Parker, Brother Leo Valentine, Dorothy Gregory and Wilma Jean Renegar of Tulsa Church; Sister Dicie Rownsville of Silver City Church; Mother Lathum of Olive Church; Infant son of Brother and Sister Bud McMillen, Infant son of Brother and Sister Raymond McMillen of Zion Hill Church; Infant daughter of Brother and Sister Dale Ashton of Blue Bell Church; Sister Nancy Bay, Infant of Brother and Sister Jacob, Infant of Brother and Sister Buss of Cushing Church; Judy Bookout and Lucille Stanley of Drumright Church; Robert Stahlheber of First Free Will Baptist Church of Oklahoma City; Son of Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Aery of Allen Church.

Signed, Committee

SUNDAY SCHOOL—We, the Committee on Sunday School, find the reports from each Sunday School very good and we recommend Rev. W. H. Carter as general Superintendent of this work.

Signed, Committee

EDUCATION AND PUBLICATION—We, your Committee, find that our Associational Board has co-operated with our National Program. We find this to be a great work and recommend that we continue to encourage our churches to respond with their aid. We recommend the use of Free Will Baptist Literature in all departments of our churches, we also recommend that a Bible School be sponsored in each church of our Association once a year. We recommend that a National Institute be held here next year at the Camp Ground, along with our Camp Meeting. We recommend that each Church furnish one or more good books to help build a Christian Library for the Camp Ground.

Signed, Committee

LEAGUE—As our League membership has grown to 500 we recommend that we sponsor a greater youth program of Christian Education. We recommend that a **Christian Worker's Institute** be held at the **Camp Ground** next year and that our churches sponsor the different

organizations for youth recommended by our National Association: Free Will Baptist Leagues, Vacation Bible Schools, Young People's Auxiliary, Youth Camp Training and use Free Will Baptist Literature.

Signed, Committee

Number of Leagues	22
Number of Leagues reporting	6
Average attendance	500
Amount paid in	\$73.10
Amount paid out	\$20.00
Balance in treasure	\$53.10

Sarah Belle Crain, Secretary

MISSION—We, your Committee on Missions, recommend a world wide Mission Program and endorse the National Mission Program. We, recommend that each church allocate funds for Missions.

Signed, Committee

EXECUTIVE BOARD—We, the Executive Board have carried out plans of the Association the very best we could owing to the condition of the present time. We have placed Sister Luker in the Caretakers House owing to the fact we could find no Caretaker, she has been very faithful to care after the property and keep the ground beautified. The addition to the cafe was built also the Ice House at a cost of \$172.39. Expense of John H. West member, trip to Camp Ground \$1.35. Telephone calls \$2.10; hand bills \$4.40; postage \$.82; total \$8.67; expense of Melvin Bingham \$3.00; expense of D. B. Hellard none; expense of B. F. Rogers \$2.00; expense of R. G. Lane \$1.05; total expense \$14.72.

• Signed, Board

STATISTICIAN—Total churches 22; membership 1935; value of church property \$50,017.20; Sunday School attendance 1,121; pastors salaries \$14,503.89; Evangelist \$2,126.81; League members 500; ordained ministers 53; ordained deacons 54; licensed ministers 22.

Berdie Benton, Statistician

CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE—We, the Credential Committee have examined Sister Ida Dressler and find that she is not qualified for ordination. We recommend the acceptance of the Lawnwood Church into our Asso-

ciation. We have examined J. A. Taylor for ordination as a minister and find he is not qualified. We recommend that Sister Daisy Merchants license be extended for one year. We recommend that Sister Inabel Hamilton's license be revoked. We recommend that C. Key's Credentials be revoked. We recommend that L. C. Worley's license be extended for one year. We find Brother Clayton Watkins worthy of ordination as a deacon. We recommend that Colbert Slaybaugh's license be extended for one year. We recommend that Everett Hellard's license be renewed for one year.

Signed, Committee

LEAGUE BOARD—We, the League Board, met at the Camp Ground the first meeting with all members present. We made arrangements to have the north part of the Camp Ground cleared off, this work was done. We discussed the Youth Camp work but nothing was accomplished as to the arrangements in this meeting. We met the second time at the New Home Church with three members present. In this meeting arrangements was made for teachers and play ground equipment. Expense of League Board for 1944.

Bus fare to Tulsa \$4.46; phone calls \$2.35; material for school \$1.63; trip to Camp Ground \$1.35; phone calls \$2.20; material for Youth school \$.90; total \$11.99.

John H. West, chairman
S. P. Yocham, clerk

CLERK'S REPORT—Financial report of First Mission Association for the year beginning August 1, 1943 to August 1, 1944.

Received from churches the past year during:

August	\$752.28
September	49.73
October	61.44
November	132.32
December	93.60
January	74.26
February	136.08
March	56.52
April	74.97
May	97.24
June	115.47
July	131.38

Total	\$1,775.29
Paid our during:	
August	\$439.76
September	46.54
October	147.25
November	91.05
December	52.70
January	243.77
February	74.70
March	116.05
April	48.14
May	116.10
June	73.07
July	135.53
Total	\$1,584.66
Balance	190.63
Carried forward	136.12
In treasure	\$326.75

Rev. Bert Franklin Rogers, clerk

FOREIGN MISSION REPORT—As Treasurer of Foreign Missions for the State of Oklahoma, I give the following report: paid in from First Mission Association \$260.47; from churches of other Associations \$150.77; total \$411.24. The quota of the State of Oklahoma for 1943 was \$1,000 of which was not reached. Please respond to the great call and we will reach the \$40,000 goal for 1944. If every Free Will Baptist in the State of Oklahoma would give \$1.00 we would have \$20,000 for this great work. If every Free Will Baptist that is affiliated with the National Conference alone would give \$1.00 we would reach \$200,000 instead of our \$40,000 goal.

Bert F. Rogers, treasurer

REPORT OF GENERAL SUPERINTENDANT OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS—Sunday Schools visited 18; miles traveled 1190; money received \$224.36; expense \$13.79; tithes paid \$24.39; revivals held 3; professions witnessed 11; miles traveled in evangelistic work 320; expense \$4.36; money received \$89.36; individual gifts \$26.00; total received from Sunday School and evangelistic service \$339.62; total miles traveled 1800; total tithes paid \$35.89.

Rev. W. H. Carter

Examining Committee Elected

Rev. Ralph Brown, 5 years, 1944-49.
Rev. John H. West, 4 years, 1944-48.
Rev. B. T. Kirby, 3 years, 1944-47.
Rev. D. B. Hellard, 2 years, 1944-46.
Rev. W. H. Carter, 1 year, 1944-45.

Executive Board Elected

Rev. Melvin Bingham, 5 years, 1944-49.
Rev. John H. West, 4 years, 1944-48.
Rev. D. B. Hellard, 3 years, 1944-47.
Rev. R. G. Lane, 2 years, 1944-46.
Rev. B. F. Rogers, 1 year, 1944-45.

REPORT OF CHURCHES

TULSA—State of religion good; members received 34; deceased 6; condition of Sunday School and Prayer Meeting good; officers 7; teachers 14; paid pastor \$1,830.00; Evangelist \$468.44; missions \$251.90; College \$119.60; broadcast \$1,111.97; literature \$112.16; janitor \$370.00; flowers \$82.14; general fund \$60.00; pianist \$60.00; building and repair \$119.84; orphanage \$53.17; State Field worker \$12.00; miscellaneous \$784.68; total paid out \$6,780.90; we send \$3.00 for minutes; \$2.00 for evangelist; \$1.00 for clerk; value church property \$15,000.00; Rev. Melvin Bingham, moderator; Bro. T. J. Cope, clerk.

DRUMRIGHT—State of religion good; members received 16; baptized 6; dismissed by letter 2; number excluded 6; deceased 2; total membership 444; amount paid pastor \$1800.00; evangelist \$120.00; building and repairs \$361.55; value of church property \$5,000; missions \$125.00; flowers \$52.75; janitor \$180.00; old ministers \$27.33; general fund \$60.00; utilities \$190.61; literature \$112.16; we send \$4.00 for minutes; \$2.00 for evangelist.

Bert F. Rogers, moderator
Ivan Semler, clerk

VANCE CHAPPEL—State of religion good; members received 3; dismissed 4; total membership 81; condition of prayer meeting and Sunday School good; average attendance 44; paid pastor \$600.00; evangelist \$45.00; general fund \$30.50; janitor \$18.00; building and repair \$151.92; utilities \$23.70; miscellaneous \$130.48; lit-

erature \$29.38; foreign mission \$52.84; we send \$2.00 for minutes; \$2.00 for evangelist; \$1.00 for clerk.

Nealy Huff, moderator

Elva Haley, clerk

SILVER CITY—State of religion good; members received 4; deceased 1; total membership 59; condition of Sunday School good; officers 3; teachers 3; paid pastor \$240.00; missions \$182.89; building and repairs \$10 we send \$2.00 for evangelist and \$1.00 for minutes.

Sadie Fincher, moderator

Cora Cocnrod, clerk

OLIVE—State of religion good; members received 4; baptized 3; dismissed by letter 2; deceased 1; total membership 17; condition of prayer meeting and Sunday School good; average number of pupils 24; value of church property \$1,200.00; paid pastor \$120.00; evangelist \$18.00; building and repairs \$25.00; foreign mission \$6.00; Home Missions \$30.00; publication \$20.00; we send \$1.00 for minutes and \$2.00 for evangelist.

G. H. Johnston, moderator

Mildred Inman, clerk

ALLEN—State of religion good; members received 2; total membership 104; condition of Sunday School good; average number of pupils 38; officers and teachers 7; paid pastor \$280.00; building and repairs \$500; education and publication \$32.00; enclosed for minutes \$1.25.

Clark Vickers, moderator

Mrs. George Mathews, clerk

LIBERTY—State of religion good; members received 1; dismissed 6; total membership 51; condition of prayer meeting good; condition of Sunday School good; average number of pupils 35; officers 7; League good: membership 10; home mission good; paid pastor \$400.00; building and repair \$20.00; incidentals \$60.00: value of church property \$2,000.00; Home Missions \$127.00; publication \$28.00; enclosed for minutes \$1.50; evangelist \$2.00.

T. S. Shoopman, moderator

Gladys Alsup, clerk

JENNINGS—State of religion good; members received 2; deceased 1; total membership 29; condition of

prayer meeting and Sunday School good; average number of pupils 30; officers 2; teachers 5; paid pastor \$118; evangelist \$10.61; Home Mission \$11.50; building and repairs \$7.56; publication \$25.00; value of property \$1,500; minutes \$1.00; evangelist \$2.00; clerk \$2.00.

B. H. Perkins, moderator
Mamie Casey, clerk

TURLEY—State of religion good; members received 40; baptized 14; dismissed 7; condition of prayer meeting and Sunday School good; average number of pupils 75; number of officers and teachers 7; paid pastor \$377.50; evangelist \$265.45; building and repairs \$329.38; enclosed for minutes \$4.00; Quarterly Meeting \$18.70; flowers \$36.66; gifts \$45.25; janitor \$133.00; utilities \$72.97; literature \$46.57; Old Minister's Home \$18; total paid out \$1,343.48.

Othel Staires, moderator
Paul Whitten, clerk

NEW HOME—State of religion good; members received this year 21; baptized 5; dismissed 3; deceased 1; total membership 110; condition of prayer meeting and Sunday School good; average number of pupils 125; officers and teachers 12; paid pastor \$812.00; evangelist \$169.95; foreign mission \$20.00; building and repair \$118.33; janitor \$82.50; utilities \$151.62; general fund \$65.00; misc. \$84.14; minutes \$2.00; evangelist \$3.00; we send \$20.00 for general fund.

C. C. Hood, moderator
L. A. Wooldridge, clerk

LAWNWOOD—State of religion good; members received 15; dismissed 2; total membership 80; condition of Sunday School good; average number of pupils 53; number of officers 7; paid pastor \$763.96; building and repair \$184.59; minutes \$3.00; value of property \$1,500.

C. D. Benton, moderator
Joe Watson, clerk

CLIFF VIEW—State of religion good; members received 30; condition of prayer meeting and Sunday School good; average number of pupils 70; number of officers and teachers 7; paid pastor \$400.00; evangelist \$143.00; building and repairs \$500.59; publications \$42.63; enclosed for minutes \$1.00; evangelist \$2.00.

Ralph Brown, moderator

Glenn Seaton, clerk

TUSKEGEE—State of religion good; members received 2; total membership 56; condition of prayer meeting and Sunday School good; average number of pupils 30; officers and teachers 7; paid pastor \$365.00; publications \$70.00; utilities \$33.00; enclosed for minutes \$1.00; clerk \$1.00; evangelist \$2.00; general fund \$36.

Ralph Mounce, moderator
Sarah Belle Crain, clerk

BLUE BELL—State of religion good; members received 2; dismissed 7; total membership 77; condition of Sunday School good; average number of pupils 30; officers and teachers 7; paid pastor \$340.00; evangelist \$40.00; building and repairs \$55.53; enclosed for minutes \$1.00; value of church property \$2,500.00.

D. B. Hellard, moderator
Dorothy Marlin, clerk

BRISTOW—State of religion good; members received 17; dismissed 7; total membership 97; condition of prayer meeting and Sunday School good; average number of pupils 57; officers and teachers 8; League fair; membership 9; Home Mission good; membership 7; value of church property \$2,000; paid pastor \$1,260.00; evangelist \$170.75; building and repair \$348.14; incidentals \$180.92; Home Mission \$12.00; education \$36; publication \$37.97; enclosed for minutes \$2.50; evangelist \$2.00.

R. G. Lane, moderator
Ernest E. Greer, clerk

COLLINSVILLE—State of religion good; members received 3; condition of prayer meeting and Sunday School good; average number of pupils 40; officers and teachers 7; paid pastor \$190.00; evangelist \$58.78; Home Mission \$30.95; building and repairs \$44.25; value of church property \$2,000; enclosed for minutes \$1.50; evangelist \$3.00; clerk \$1.00.

Alfred Coursey, moderator
Rosie Brazeal, clerk

ZION HILL—State of religion good; condition of Sunday School and League good; officers and teachers 6; average attendance 35; paid pastor \$72.11; building and repair \$185.00; education \$50.00; enclosed for min-

utes \$2.00; evangelist \$2.00; clerk \$1.00.

James Franklin, moderator

Lottie Plumer, clerk

PRETTY WATER—State of religion good; members received 2; dismissed 23; total membership 45; condition of Sunday School good; average number of pupils 45; officers and teachers 8; paid pastor \$500.00; evangelist \$72.60; Home Mission \$36.35; building and repair \$164.34; enclosed for evangelist \$2.00; clerk \$1.

Rex. Weatherman, moderator

Vida Underwood, clerk

SAPULPA—State of religion good; members received 25; baptized 8; dismissed 6; deceased 2; total membership 110; condition of prayer meeting and Sunday School good; average number of pupils 45; officers and teachers 10; paid pastor \$494.51; evangelist \$82.52; Home Mission \$49.52; publication \$13.90; enclosed for minutes \$3.00; building and repairs \$144.42; for evangelist \$2.50; clerk \$1.00; deceased 2.

W. E. Warner, moderator

Hazel Bradford, clerk

SOUTH PITCHER—State of religion good; members received 2; dismissed 15; total membership 23; condition of Sunday School fair; average number of pupils 20; officers and teachers 8; paid out for rent and coal \$117.00; evangelist \$80.00; publication \$21.00; amount for minutes \$1.00.

Richmond Hattabaugh, moderator

Billie Mae Mallett, clerk

WEWOKA—State of religion good; members received 21; baptized 7; dismissed 5; deceased 1; total membership 151; condition of prayer meeting and Sunday School good; average number of pupils 81; officers 9; League fair; Auxiliary fair; value of church property \$10,000; paid pastor \$1,700.00; evangelist \$223.88; building and repairs \$2,657.98; incidentals \$568.12; foreign missions \$8.00; Home Missions \$9.00; education \$70.00; publication \$110.09; budget money paid \$45.00; for minutes \$5.00; total paid out \$5,562.90; for evangelist \$2.00.

John West, moderator

W. A. DeHart, clerk

NORTH HEIGHT—State of religion good; members

received 4; baptized 4; total membership 40; condition of prayer meeting and Sunday School good; average number of pupils 40; officers and teachers 7; paid pastor \$306.31; evangelist \$30.43; building and repair \$69.78; publication \$24.47; for minutes \$1.50; evangelist \$2.00; clerk \$1.00.

Floyd Test, moderator
Opal Gober, clerk

CUSHING—State of religion good; members received 11; baptized 5; dismissed 6; deceased 1; total membership 60; condition of prayer meeting and Sunday School fair; average number of pupils 40; officers 5; League good; members 20; value of property \$2,500.00; paid pastor \$410.00; for evangelist \$149.00; building and repair \$335.00; foreign missions \$10.00; home missions \$7.00; education \$10.00; for minutes \$2.00; for evangelist \$2.00.

G. H. Johnston, moderator
J. A. Sadler, clerk

OKLAHOMA CITY—State of religion good; members received 18; baptized 6; total membership 148; condition of prayer meeting and Sunday School good; average number of pupils 110; officers and teachers 15; paid pastor \$930.00; evangelist \$85.00 Home Mission \$173.43; building and repair \$1,132.20; education \$102.30; publication \$66.90; minutes \$2.00; evangelist \$2.00.

B. T. Kirby, moderator
Mrs. W. F. Long, clerk

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Melvin Bingham, Tulsa, Okla.
John West, Wewoka, Okla.
Bert F. Rogers, Drumright, Okla.
J. E. Phillips, Bristow, Okla.
W. H. Carter, Bristow, Okla.
D. B. Hellard, Sapulpa, Okla.
Virgil Bradford, Kellyville, Okla.
C. C. Wilson, Tulsa, Okla.
L. N. Vail, Bristow, Okla.
Floyd Test, West Tulsa, Okla.
C. C. Hood, Tulsa, Okla.
O. T. Thurman, Cushing, Okla.
Rex Weatherman, Sapulpa, Okla.

R. G. Lane, Bristow, Okla.
 G. H. Johnston, Drumright, Okla.
 W. E. Warner, Bowden, Okla.
 W. N. Huff, Bristow, Okla.
 W. L. Bean, Cushing, Okla.
 Wilbur Underwood, Tulsa, Okla.
 W. V. McPhail, Bristow, Okla.
 Ralph Brown, Tulsa, Okla.
 Susie Pruitt, Tulsa, Okla.
 Fay Bookout, Drumright, Okla.
 Hattie Newman, Jennings, Okla.
 Sadie Fincher, Drumright, Okla.
 (Licensed Ministers)
 Daisy Merchant, Talala, Okla.
 Sarah Ross, Tulsa, Okla.
 L. C. Worley, Skytook, Okla.
 Samuel L. Gober, Sapulpa, Okla.
 J. A. Taylor, Sapulpa, Okla.
 Clara J. Taylor, 532 S. Cherokee St., Picher, Okla.

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 reflection shall be avoided in all debates.
6. If any proposition of 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 present.
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 birth of the Spirit.

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

LETTER TO ASSOCIATION

To the of Free Will Baptists when convened with the church at 19 We send as delegates our beloved brethern;

..... whom we pray you to receive to sit with you in your deliberations.

State of religion Members received this year; No. baptized; No. dismissed No. died; total membership Condition of prayer meeting Condition of Sunday School average number of pupils; No. of officers; No. of teachers; Paid pastor \$.....; paid evangelist \$.....; Missions. Home \$.....; Foreign \$..... for building and repair \$.....; for education \$..... publication \$..... Amount enclosed for Minutes \$.....

Pastors name and address

Names and addresses of ministers belonging to our church

Done by order of church assembled in conference this day of 19.....

Moderator,

Clerk,

Remarks:

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 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 Missions.
12. Song and offering.

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 Saviour Jesus Christ —Acts 4:12; Titus 3:5.

5. That he that shall endure to the end, the same shall be saved.—Matt. 22:13; Rev. 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 saint's 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 cases of necessity and mercy.—Ex. 31:15; Deut. 5:12; Matt. 12:12.

9. We believe in the resurrection of the body, both of the just and 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 singly 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 toward 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 should be one at His table.—1 Cor. 1:1-11-27-28; John 17:11.

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.

MINISTER'S REPORT

	Sermons Preached			Churches Pastored			Revivals Held			Professions Witnessed			Baptized			Additions to Church			Churches Organized			Funerals			Miles Traveled		Money Received		Marriages	
Melvin Bingham	117	1	2	107	10	34	0	16																2,130.00	28					
Bert F. Rogers	134	1	2	43	6	16	0	18																2,000.87	10					
John H. West	147	1	3	36	7	21	0	13	10397															1,952.15	3					
Doyle D. Dipboye	163	1	3	61	7	31	0	0	7200															608.00	0					
C. C. Wilson	27	0	0	5	1	0	0	0	2200															10.50	0					
C. C. Hood	104	1	0	0	0	14	0	9	0															720.00	0					
R. G. Lane	110	1	1	25	0	19	0	9	0															1,365.02	6					
L. N. Vial	30	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1000															75.00	0					
W. N. Huff	120	1	2	7	2	1	0	0	3000															750.00	0					
Rex Weatherman	94	1	0	11	0	4	0	5	1000															600.00	0					
Virgil Bradford	52	0	1	10	0	0	0	0	1000															32.50	0					
D. B. Hellard	51	1	1	6	0	2	0	3	0															376.00	1					
J. E. Phillips	27	0	1	9	0	0	0	1	0															85.55	0					
C. D. Benton	121	1	1	25	15	21	0	4	500															780.00	0					
Orvil Thurman	116	0	3	17	0	0	0	1	0															127.58	0					
Floyd Test	120	1	1	20	4	4	0	3	2800															306.51	0					
B. T. Kirby	95	1	0	37	6	18	0	11	0															930.00	0					
W. H. Carter	100	0	3	11	0	0	0	3	1800															339.62	3					
G. H. Johnston	103	1	0	15	4	8	0	8	0															350.00	0					
Hattie Newman	68	0	2	38	0	0	0	0	1600															434.00	0					
Sadie Fincher	77	1	1	16	0	4	0	0	0															260.00	0					
John A. Parks	33	0	2	19	0	0	0	0	2800															21.95	0					

