

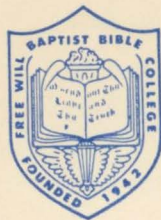
MINUTES
OF THE
FIRST MISSION ASSOCIATION
OF
FREE WILL BAPTISTS

1949

Proceedings of the
22nd Annual Session

Convened at
OLD MINSTERS' HOME - CAMP GROUND
Drumright - Sapulpa Highway
At Sub Station

THE FREE WILL BAPTIST GEM, MONETT, MO.



FREE WILL BAPTIST BIBLE COLLEGE

Presented By

Rev. Glen Lewis

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OF

FREE WILL BAPTISTS

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 Rev. Nealie Huff.....Bristow, Okla.
 Rev. John West.....Tulsa, Okla.

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Rev. Willard Day.....Wewoka, Okla.
Rev. John West.....Tulsa, Okla.
Rev. Walter Warner.....Sapulpa, Okla.
Rev. Paul Purcell.....Bristow, Okla.

Divine Service Committee

Sis. Maud Moore, Sis. Beulah Purtle, Sis. Hancock,
Sis. Hater, Sis. Cook.

Divine Service Committee

(For Camp Meeting of 1950)

Bro. L. Y. King, Eula Mae Yoekom, Bro. Inman, Ann
Thrasher, Curtis O'Donnell.

Resolution Committee

Rev. W. H. Carter, Rev. D. B. Hellard, Rev. C. C. Wil-
son, Rev. Gene Winfrey, Rev. Charlie Jones.

Sunday School Committee

Mrs. M. W. Kuykendall, Rev. R. E. Coursey, Rev. Cleo
Purcell, Rev. Hattie Newman, Sis. Manning.

Obituary Committee

Rev. Sadie Fincher, Sis. Helen Day, Bro. Crane, Sis.
Franklin, Sis. Cox.

Temperance Committee

W. N. Huff, Luther Vail, Lonnie Hall, Elda Crane,
Will Bean.

Mission Committee

George Johnston, Ann Thrasher, Sis. Whitehead, Sis.
King, Sis. Kenney.

League Committee

J. O. Franklin, Sis. Hamilton, Sis. Bowles, Eula Mae
Yoekom, Sis. Vickers.

Education & Publication Committee

Sis. Owens, Rev. A. B. Talbert, Bessie Staires, Laverne Lee, Mother Crane.

Auditing Committee

P. Smith, Rev. Bill Hood, Bessie West, Sis. Dressler, Pearl Crawford.

YOUTH CAMP

The Youth Camp and camp meeting were conducted on the Old Ministers' Home and Camp Ground site.

The teachers were Rev. Willard Day and R. B. Condry. The evangelistic services were conducted by the different ministers that were appointed by the Committee on Divine Service.

There were fifteen conversions during the Youth Encampment, with a total enrolled of ninety.

The dormitories were under the supervision of Rev. Harry Staires.

Sister J. A. Franklin had charge of the small girls' dormitory, Sis. Lyn Hamilton, the large girls' dormitory, and Rev. E. J. Wilson the boys' dormitory.

The league was in charge of the cafe during the Encampment. Bro. Wilson's Church at West Tulsa was in charge of the cafe during the camp meeting, the Tulsa First Church was in charge of it during the association.

Bro. E. S. Hill was caretaker of the grounds.

ASSOCIATIONAL PROCEEDINGS

AUGUST 23, 1949

Tuesday Evening Service

Moderator, Rev. Bert F. Rogers, takes charge.

Service opened with singing.

Invocation, Rev. Floyd Test.

Special singing by Drumright Quartet.

Devotional by Rev. Elda Crane.

Introductory message by Rev. Cleo Purcell. Subject, "Victorious Living."

Benediction, Rev. Bert F. Rogers.

Wednesday Morning Session

House called to order by Moderator.

Singing directed by Rev. Nealy Huff.

Pianist, Laverne Lee.

Invocation by Rev. Chas. Wilson.

The 22nd session of the First Mission Association was declared in conference by the moderator.

Letters were called for and read.

Motion carried to receive all letters except the Turley Church letter which was to be turned to the Business Committee for investigation.

Delegates were seated and Christian hand of fellowship extended.

Election of officers: Moderator, Rev. Melvin Bingham; Assistant Moderator, Rev. John West; Clerk, Rev. Bert F. Rogers; Assistant Clerk, Rev. E. J. Wilson.

Motion carried that moderator and assistant appoint all committees. (See Committees).

The following Credential Committee was elected by the body.. (See Committees).

Committee on Divine Service reports that messages will be delivered by Rev. Lonnie Hall and Sis. Elda Crane.

Motion carried to adjourn until 1:30 p.m.

Benediction by Rev. A. B. Talbert.

Eleven O'clock Service

Singing directed by Rev. Huff. Pianist, Laverne Lee.

Invocation, Rev. C. C. Wilson.

Special song, Rev. Don Williams.

Rev. Hall used for his text, "As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord."

Sister Elda Crane used "He has hid himself among the stuff."

Benediction by Rev. F. E. Crane.

Wednesday Afternoon Session

Song service directed by sister Maud Moore. Pianist, Sis. Cleo, Purcell.

Devotional, Rev. W. H. Carter.

Invocation, Rev. Ralph Brown.

Rules of Order were read by moderator.

Committee on Divine Service reports that the messages will be delivered by Rev. Rex Weatherman and Rev. Bill Hood.

Motion carried to accept the following reports: Credential Committee, Mission Committee, Education and Publication, League, Auditing, Sunday School, Obituary,

Temperance, Resolution, Auxiliary. (See Reports).

Resolution No. 1 adopted, Resolution No. 3 adopted, Resolution No. 4 adopted, Resolution No. 5 adopted. (See Resolutions).

Motion carried that Pastors of Churches be elected annually.

Motion carried to adjourn until Thursday morning session.

Benediction, Rev. Clyde Shade.

Wednesday Evening Service

Singing directed by Bro. Ed Mayfield.

Special singing by quartet composed of Sisters Newman, Crane, Weatherman, and Day. They sang "I'm a Millionaire."

A quartet number by Charlie Jones, Rex Shelton, Bill Fincher, and Clarence Mitchel.

Duet by Bro. and Sis. Mayfield.

Invocation by Sis. Roach.

Rev. Bert F. Rogers, State Director of Foreign Missions for the State of Oklahoma, introduced Bro. and Sis. Roach to the congregation and read the names of the different churches they would visit in their itinerate work in the State of Oklahoma. Short talks were given by each of them which were enjoyed by all.

Rev. Hood used for his message, "How long halt ye between two opinions." Rev. Weatherman used Job 13:4, "Physicians of no Value."

Benediction, Rev. George Johnston.

Thursday Morning Session

Singing directed by Bro. Kuykendall. Pianist, Laverne Lee.

Devotional, Rev. Will Bean.

Invocation, Sis. Perkins.

Committee on Divine Service reports that the messages will be delivered by Rev. Ralph Brown and Rev. John West.

Minutes of last conference were read.

Rev. Wilbur Underwood was elected as General Superintendent of Sunday Schools.

The following committee was elected to assist him: Sis. Leona Mayfield, Sis. Verdun Bingham, and Bro. Kuykendall.

Report of Bro. Kuykendall accepted. (See Reports).

Motion carried to adjourn until 1:30 p.m.

Benediction, Rev. Luther Vail.

Eleven O'clock Service

Singing directed by Bro. Lon Lewis. Pianist, Sis. Purcell.

Invocation, Rev. Floyd Test.

Rev. Brown used Rev. 22:14 for his message, and Rev. West, "Facts of the Resurrection."

Benediction, Daisy Merchant.

Thursday Afternoon Session

Singing directed by W. P. Whitten.

Invocation, Rev. Ross Brown.

Report of Trustees accepted. (See Reports).

Executive Board report accepted. (See Reports).

Motion was carried to accept resignation of Rev. Willard Day as member of the Board of Trustees.

Rev. E. J. Wilson elected to take his place.

Rev. R. E. Coursey elected as member of the Board of Trustees.

Rev. Bert F. Rogers elected as Associational Evangelist for Home Missions.

Motion carried that we employ Bro. E. S. Hill as Caretaker at \$60.00 per month.

Committee on Divine Service reports that the messages will be delivered by Sis. Leona Mayfield and Rev. Alfred Coursey.

Rev. F. E. Crane was elected to deliver the Introductory Message at the next Quarterly Conference.

The next Quarterly Conference was voted to go to the First Church of Tulsa, the second, to Drumright, the third to Lewis Avenue of Tulsa.

Rev. Melvin Bingham was elected to deliver the Introductory Message next year for the Association, Rev. Bert F. Rogers, alternate.

The following were elected as delegates to the State Association: Sisters West, Bingham, Collins, Bowles, and Rogers. Alternates: Sis. Hellard, Sis. Merchant, Sis. Coursey, Bro. Smith, and Sis. Kuykendall.

Motion carried that Bro. Talbert be given the privilege to sell his cabin to Bro. Melvin Bingham for one hundred and fifty dollars, seventy-five to go to the Association and seventy-five to him.

Motion carried that Jennings Church be left in the hands of the Executive Board.

Rev. Willard Day and Rev. Hattie Newman were

elected to preach the Memorial Messages next year at the Association.

Sis. Bessie West was elected as a delegate to the National Association.

Motion carried to elect a Committee on Divine Service for Camp Meeting next year.

The following were elected: Bro. L. Y. King, Eula Mae Yocham, Everett Inman, Sis. Ann Thrasher, and Bro. Curtis O'Donell.

Motion carried that the Camp Meeting start the same time as of 1949.

Motion carried that we add to the Constitution and By-Laws article 4 of the 1932 minutes, page 12 with the addition of the words Board of Trustees.

Motion carried that the Pitcher Church be referred to the Executive Board.

Motion carried to adjourn until the next session.

Benediction, Rev. Melvin Bingham.

Thursday Night Service

Song service directed by Charlie Jones. Pianist, Elda Crane.

Invocation, Rev. J. E. Bell.

Special singing by Drumright Quartet.

Solo by Johnnie West "God's Tomorrow."

A quartet composed of Ed Mayfield, B. F. Rogers, John West, and Sister Elda Crane sang "I'm a Millionaire."

Sis. Mayfield used for her subject, "Waiting for the Consolation," followed by Rev. Coursey using the same subject.

Benediction, Rev. Melvin Bingham.

REPORTS

COMMITTEES AND BOARDS

Sunday School—

We, the Sunday School Committee, recommend that we sponsor a Sunday School Convention to be held on Monday preceding the Association.

That this body elect a General Superintendent and that a Program Committee be elected to assist him.

We further recommend that all Sunday School Teachers be Free Will Baptists. —Signed Committee.

Obituary—

We, the Obituary Committee find that God in His loving kindness has called from us our beloved brothers and sisters from the following churches: Blue Bell: Charlie Brummet; Lewis Ave.: Ella Smith and Sis. Addie McCullough; New Home: Bro. Ben Woolsey, Mrs. Yaunts; Wewoka: Mrs. Jack Davis, Albert Henry; Turley: Billie Smith, Jr., Effie Swartz; Lawnwood: Mrs. Mattie Bell Tinsley, Mary Lou Litterall, Sallie Litterall. Drumright: Mrs. Angie Taylor, Mrs. Davis, and Charles Taylor; Silver City: Frank Shewy; Bristow: Allen Stubberfield; Liberty: Mrs. Daniel Van; Pretty Water: Donna Ray Miller; First Church Sapulpa: Alice Sutton, James Connor; Tulsa First Church: Oliver E. Lindle, A. J. Barnett, Gord Kidd, Walter C. Mickle, Effie Mae Masemore, Elmer M. Barnett, Kathryn M. Edwards.

We request a moment of silent prayer in memory of the deceased. —Signed Committee.

Missions—

We, your Committee on Missions, recommend that this Association elect an evangelist to do extension work and that our pastors encourage their churches to support the evangelist with their finance. —Signed Committee.

Education & Publication—

We recommend that all our churches support our college at Nashville, Tenn. We further recommend that they support any worthy student desiring to attend our Bible college. We recommend that we patronize our denominational presses in purchasing our literature. We also recommend that our churches stress teacher training courses that we may have more trained teachers. —Signed, Committee.

Auditing Committee—

We, the Auditing Committee, have checked each item of the books and find them to balance correctly. —Signed, Committee.

League Committee—

We, your League Committee, recommend that each church have an organized league, and that the pastors feel their responsibility to their leagues and encourage manual study. We also recommend that each church use our State League Evangelist for a youth revival once a year. —Signed, Committee.

Sunday School Superintendent's Report —

I visited 19 Sunday Schools, traveled 1010 miles, received \$30.39. I found our Sunday School work in good condition. Some of them have their record attendance this year.

M. W. Kuykendall

Caretaker's Report—

If elected as your caretaker for the ensuing year, I will be willing to work the six winter months for \$50.00 per month and \$75.00 per month the remaining six months, or \$60.00 per month the whole year through.

Signed, E. S. Hill

Trustee's Report —

We, the Board of Trustees, met at Camp Ground on March 18, 1949 with all members present.

Prayer by Rev. George Johnston.

Motion carried to employ a caretaker and pay him \$75.00 per month with all bills paid.

Motion carried to reconsider the price of graves and set the price at \$5.00 per grave.

On March 21, 1949 the board had their second meeting and employed Bro. E. S. Hill as caretaker and allowed him to move bus body on the ground for a chicken house, and to paper the caretaker's house.

Bro. Hill began work April 1, 1949.

On April 8, 1949 we met the third time and agreed to have the Camp Ground surveyed.

Motion carried to give Rev. Harry Staries authority to arrange for building showers.

We find the Association is in debt to Bro. L. Y. King \$64.14 for building material for caretaker's house and repair on lawn mower. —Signed, Board.

Resolution Committee—

Resolution No. 1. Rules for Trustees. The Board of Trustees shall be elected by and be subject to the Association. They shall act as custodians of all legal papers when authorized by the Association to do so.

Resolution No. 3. Be it resolved that deacons serving our churches be elected each year by their church.

Resolution No. 4. Resolved that we run a concrete floor in the Tabernacle.

Resolution No. 5. Be it resolved that this Association demand our ministers to adhere strictly to the Free Will

Baptist doctrine, and that we replace the latter clause of paragraph 11 in our minutes.

Executive Board—

We, the Executive Board, met March 18, 1949.

Meeting opened with prayer by Bert F. Rogers.

Motion carried that Rev. H. E. Staires be given authority to arrange for a building for the shower baths.

This was a meeting with the Board of Trustees. — Signed, Board.

Organization of Board of Trustees: Rev. D. B. Hellard was elected chairman, Rev. E. J. Wilson, clerk.

Organization of Executive Board: Rev. H. E. Staires was elected chairman, Rev. John H. West, clerk.

Credential Committee—

We, the Credential Committee have reached an agreement between Rev. Bert F. Rogers and the Turley Free Will Baptist Church:

We, the Turley Church agree that we have acted illegally against Rev. Bert F. Rogers, and we agree to accept his resignation effective September 6, 1949. —Signed Turley Church.

I hereby tender my resignation as pastor of the Turley Free Will Baptist Church of Turley, Oklahoma effective September 6, 1949 —Bert F. Rogers.

Missions—

We met in our rally at the Camp Ground for the first Friday in July, 1949 and elected our officers for the following year.

Rev. W. N. Huff was elected President, Rev. W. E. Warner, vice-president, Sis. Vera Ashton, Secretary-treasurer, Rev. Sadie E. Fincher, field worker.

Bible chapters read, 6047; sick calls, 1748; service hours, 1284; hospital calls, 50; prayers in homes, 88; dinners in bereaved homes, 15; pink and blue showers, 12; grocery showers, 6; quilts quilted, 4; amount paid for flowers, \$27.00; help for Sis. Sunday at Taliheha, \$10.00; orphanage, \$36.00; money for field worker, \$15.00; mission dues, \$6.50; active missions, 9; paid to help Jeannie Weaver in Bible College, \$75.00; paid to field worker, \$5.00; balance in treasury, \$168.64.

Sis. Vera Ashton, Sec'y-Treas.

District Auxiliary Report for 1948-49

Number of auxiliaries, 5; members, 96; new members, 17; deceased, 1, Mrs. Ella Smith, Lewis Avenue Aux.; members reinstated, 1; total number of members received, 18; inactive members, 7; study classes, 48; manual study classes, 15; stewardship study classes, 17; mission study classes, 16; seasons of prayer observed week preceding Easter, 5; nine o'clock prayer hour for missionaries, mission prayer band hour; subscribers to year book, 75; manuals, 57; church papers, 73; members engaged in directed personal service, 69; number A-1 auxiliaries, 4; No. B auxiliaries, 1; paid to foreign missions, \$115.24; to F. W. B. College, \$39.00; superannuation, \$30.00; to students at college, \$47.50; showers on Camp Ground, \$16.00; Barnard Jeep Fund, \$5.00; to state, \$10.00; state and Nat'l. dues, \$20.80; literature, \$4.80; orphanage, \$282.90; total paid out, \$572.14.

We, the District Auxiliary of the First Mission Ass'n., are very proud of the Temperance Committee report and wish to have it printed in the minutes.

We, the Temperance Committee recommend that we accept the resolution as passed and adopted by the National Association. We also urge all our people to vote no on Repeal September 27, 1949.

1. That we pledge ourselves as followers of Christ to patronize no place of business that sells strong drinks.

2. That we use our influence and votes against the election of representatives and senators to our state and national legislative bodies and any other public officials who advocate the use or sale of strong drink.

3. That we do not subscribe to any magazine that advertises strong drink, and that we protest such advertising to the editors. Furthermore, that we protest the advertising of strong drink over the radio.

And whereas we are conscious of other character-destroying evils of our country, we also recommend

4. That we seek to lift the morals of our people by strongly disapproving indecency of dress in public, that is, wearing shorts, mixed public swimming of both sexes, etc;

5. That we protest the use of popular gambling devices, that is, slot machines, pin ball machines, carnival games, card games;

6. That we take a positive stand against our youth at-

tending Hollywood inspired and Hollywood made movies that are destructive to their character; that we discourage reading of comic books, and attending the dance;

7. We further recommend that our state and national papers be more emphatic in crying out continually against these evils.

Mrs. Charles Wilson, District Sec'y.-Treas.

Auxiliary officers for 49-50: President, Cleo Purcell, 1st Vice, Leona Mayfield, 2nd Vice, Mildred Mounce, 3rd Vice, Helen Day, 4th Vice, Cherry Fipps, 5th Vice, Bertha Mae Keiffer, Sec'y.-Treas., Myrl Wilson.

Remarks: We enclose \$3.00 for printing of the minutes.

The F. W. B. League Business Day

Singing directed by Carolyn Franklin.

The following leagues reported by letter: Blue Bell, Cushing, Turley, North Heights, and Wewoka.

Motion carried to accept them.

A list of unpaid pledges were read.

Motion carried to accept League Board's report.

The following business committee was elected by acclamation: Sisters Pauline Cook, Faye Tuttle, Norma Jeane Gober, Mary Lou Merchant and Laverne Lee.

Rev. Paul Purcell was given permission to take an offering to pay for shower baths.

Rev. Willard Day was elected to bring the 11:00 o'clock message.

Faye Tuttle was elected for the devotional.

Benediction, Sis. Hamilton.

Eleven O'clock Service

Singing directed by Carolyn Franklin.

Devotional, Faye Tuttle.

Rev. Day used for his subject "Three Greater Losses."

Benediction, Jack Cook.

Afternoon Session

Song service directed by Carolyn Franklin.

Letters were read and accepted from New Home and Tulsa First Churches.

Minutes of last year's convention were read by Recording Secretary; also 1948 resolutions were stated.

The report of Finance was given and an Auditing Committee was elected as follows: Eula Mae Yocham, Carolyn Franklin, and Rev. H. E. Staires.

The following reports read and accepted:

Report of Vice President.

Report of Recording Secretary.

Report of Corresponding Secretary.

The following officers were elected: Sponsor, Jack Cook; President, Charles Smith; Vice President, Faye Tuttle; Recording Secretary, Maxine Ballard, Corresponding Secretary, Carolyn Franklin.

League Board: R. B. Tipton, Rev. Willard Day, Rev. J. A. Franklin, Rev. Everett Keiffer, and Rev. Melvin Bingham.

Dormitory sponsors: Small girls, Helen Day and Verdun Bingham; large girls, Pauline Cook and Sister Wilson; boys, Rev. J. A. Franklin and Rev. Willard Day.

Motion carried that the next rally go to the New Home Church.

Rev. Melvin Bingham elected to deliver the message; Rev. H. E. Staires, the alternate.

Resolutions were accepted as follows:

1. Be it resolved that we change the rally from the 1st Sunday to the 2nd Friday night.

2. Be it resolved that any league desiring the league rally request it in their letter.

3. Be it resolved that the youth camp last ten days.

4. Be it resolved that the League's Business Day be on the last day of the youth encampment.

5. Be it resolved that we have a General Camp Director.

6. Be it resolved that we have a Recreational Director.

7. Be it resolved that the enrollment fee be changed to \$3.00.

Rev. John H. West was elected General Director.

Bro. Jack Cook was elected as Recreational Director.

Installation of officers was conducted by Sis. Leona Mayfield.

Installation of officers next year will be in charge of Sister Verdun Bingham.

Motion carried that the date of the youth encampment would start June 19th.

A short talk was given by Rev. John H. West.

Request from the Auditing Committee was read and accepted.

Benediction, League Benediction by all.

Maxine Ballard

Recording Secretary

REPORTS OF CHURCHES

Tulsa First—

State of religion, good; members received, 25; dismissed by letter, 14; baptized, 11; No. excluded, 0; deceased, 2; resident members, 294; non-resident, 295; total membership, 589; condition of prayer meeting, very good; condition of Sunday School very good; average No. pupils, 188; officers and teachers, 36; condition of league, excellent; league membership, 65; condition of auxiliary, very good; auxiliary membership, 34; value of church property, \$35,000; paid pastor, \$3530; janitor, \$600; pianist, \$240; unified program, \$300; children's home, \$150; camp grounds, \$100; Tulsa Council of Churches, \$180; home missions, \$60; visitor and church programs, \$300; Sunday School and League Literature, \$350; utilities, \$350; evangelistic efforts, \$250; daily vacation Bible school, \$100; secretarial help, \$200; building and repair, \$1,000; miscellaneous, \$440; total, \$8,150; amount paid for minutes, \$5.00; clerk, \$1.00.

Rev. John H. West, Moderator

Susie Lee Lindle, Clerk

Vance Chappel—

State of religion, fair; condition of prayer meeting, fair; total membership, 16; Sunday School, fair; average number of pupils, 20; paid pastor, \$746.29; home missions, \$71.00; building and repair, \$13.63; amount enclosed for minutes, \$2.00; clerk, \$1.00; general fund, \$5.00.

Rev. George Johnston, Moderator

H. R. Silvester, Clerk

Drumright—

State of religion, good; number dismissed, 3; members received, 23; men's brotherhood, good; number died, 3; total membership, 250; condition of prayer meeting, good; condition of Sunday School, good; average number of pupils, 120; officers, 14; teachers, 12; paid pastor,

\$2400; evangelist, \$90.00; general fund, \$45.00; orphanage, \$216.30; building and repairs, \$2,165.45; literature, \$120.42; utilities, \$186.27; janitor, \$156.11; foreign missions, \$64.85; miscellaneous, \$205.32; we send \$3.00 for minutes; \$2.00 for clerk.

Rev. C. D. Benton, Moderator
Jack Hill, Clerk

Zion Hill—

State of religion, good; members received this year, 26; baptized, 18; dismissed by letter, 2; died, 1; condition of prayer meeting and Sunday School, good; average number of pupils, 45; officers, 2; teachers, 4; paid pastor, \$277.65; evangelist, \$252.11; home missions, \$31.14; building and repairs, \$359.10; education, \$45.00; amount enclosed for minutes, \$1.50; clerk, \$2.50; general fund, \$2.50.

Rev. Lester McDonald, Moderator
James Wofford, Clerk

Allen—

State of religion, good; members received, 2; baptized, 3; dismissed, 3; total membership, 54; condition of prayer meeting and Sunday School, good; average number of pupils, 75; officers and teachers, 7; paid pastor, \$1039.44; evangelist, \$68.00; orphanage, \$10.00; general fund, \$24.00; building and repair, \$1200; education, \$50.00; amount enclosed for minutes, \$2.00; general fund, \$6.00.

Rev. L. N. Vail, Moderator
Peggy Ruth, Clerk

Blue Bell—

State of religion, good; members received, 7; baptized, 5; dismissed, 5; died, 1; total membership, 140; condition of Sunday School, good; average number of pupils, 35; officers, 3; teachers, 4; paid pastor, \$1180; evangelist, \$93.11; foreign missions, \$30.00; education and publication, \$60.98; general fund, \$60.00; building and repairs, \$1105.02; amount enclosed for minutes, \$2.00; clerk, \$1.00.

Rev. D. B. Hellard, Moderator
Eula Mae Yocham, Clerk

Olive—

State of religion, good; baptized, 18; dismissed, 1; total membership, 24; condition of prayer meeting and

Sunday School, good; average number of pupils, 30; officers, 2; teachers, 4; paid pastor, \$120; home missions, \$15.32; building and repairs, \$25.00; value of church property, \$2500; enclosed for minutes, \$2.00; general fund, \$5.00.

Rev. Ida Dresler, Moderator
Mansarretta Osburn, Clerk

South Pitcher—

State of religion, good; members received, 6; baptized, 3; dismissed, 16; total membership, 26; condition of prayer meeting and Sunday School, good; officers, 3; teachers, 5; paid pastor, \$906.49; evangelist, \$56.06; home missions, \$65.08; building and repairs, \$174.60; enclosed for minutes, \$2.00; clerk, \$2.00; general fund, \$2.00.

Rev. Elda Crane, Moderator
Loretta Noble, Clerk

Bristow—

State of religion, good; members received, 7; baptized 5; dismissed, 3; died, 1; total membership, 106; condition of prayer meeting and Sunday School, good; average number of pupils, 83; officers, 20; condition of league, fair; membership, 30; auxiliary, good; membership, 19; value of church property, \$10,000; amount paid pastor, \$2080; evangelist, \$301.53; building and repairs, \$2747.99; incidentals, \$355.17; foreign missions, \$26.50; home missions, \$23.00; education, \$17.71; publication, \$146.64; orphanage, \$59.00; we enclose \$3.00 for minutes; general fund, \$5.00; clerk, \$1.00.

Rev. Paul Purcell, Moderator
Nona M. Bowles, Clerk

Pretty Water—

State of religion, good; members received, 9; baptized, 8; dismissed, 3; total membership, 38; condition of prayer meeting, fair; condition of Sunday School, good; average number of pupils, 25; officers, 5; teachers 3; paid pastor, \$454.51; janitor, \$32.00; evangelist, \$62.00; orphanage, \$50.00; building and repairs, \$76.97; general fund, \$30.00; miscellaneous, \$106.58; value of church property, \$2500; amount enclosed for clerk, \$2.00; minutes, \$2.00; general fund, \$2.00.

Rev. Billie Hood, Moderator
Edna Varner, Clerk

Collinsville—

State of religion, good; members received, 16; baptized, 11; dismissed, 1; total membership, 37; condition of Sunday School, good; average number of pupils, 50; officers, 3; teachers, 6; paid pastor, \$750.00; evangelist, \$133.44; building and repair, \$90.03; education, \$40.00; enclosed for minutes, \$5.00.

Rev. Ross Brown, Moderator
Rosie Brazeal

North Heights—

State of religion, good; members received, 5; baptized, 3; total membership, 25; condition of Sunday School, good; officers, 5; teachers, 4; paid pastor, \$435.26; for evangelist, \$59.85; building and repairs, \$60.33; publication, \$63.01; amount enclosed for minutes, \$1.50; general fund, \$2.00; clerk, \$1.00.

Rev. Sam Gober, Moderator
Opal Gober, Clerk

Wewoka—

State of religion, good; condition of Sunday School, good; average number of pupils, 101; auxiliary and league, good; paid pastor, \$2800; janitor, \$300; orphanage, \$264; foreign missions, \$150; building and repairs, \$450; broadcasting, \$200; Bible college, \$100; evangelist, \$100; value of chdreh property, \$35,000; enclosed for minutes, \$3.00.

Rev. Willard Day, Moderator
G. C. Rowe, Clerk

Silver City—

State of religion, good; members received, 5; baptized, 7; dismissed, 1; condition of Sunday School, good; average number of pupils, 50; officers, 2; teachers, 4; building and repairs, \$51.33; enclosed for minutes, \$3.00.

R. Whitten, Moderator
Cora Coonrod, Clerk

West Tulsa—

State of religion, good; members received, 16; baptized, 8; total membership, 45; condition of prayer meeting and Sunday School, good; average number of pupils, 40; officers, 2; teachers, 5; paid pastor, \$559.25; evangelist, \$125; building, \$618.60; repairs, \$684.74; literature,

\$71.60; enclosed for minutes, \$2.00; clerk, \$1.00.

Rev. E. J. Wilson, Moderator
Nora Sanford, Clerk

Liberty—

State of religion, good; baptized, 1; dismissed, 2; died, 1; resident members, 32; non-resident members, 10; total membership, 42; condition of prayer meeting and Sunday School, good; average number of pupils, 40; officers, 7; league, good; membership, 10; mission, good; membership, 15; value of property, \$3000; paid pastor, \$720; evangelist, \$60; building and repairs, \$50; incidentals, \$225; foreign missions, \$41; home missions, \$197.16; education, \$30; publication, \$30; minutes, \$2.00; clerk, \$2.00; general fund, \$10.00.

Rev. Nealie Huff, Moderator
Gladys Alsop, Clerk

New Home—

State of religion, good; members received, 49; baptized, 18; dismissed, 4; died, 1; resident members, 123; non-resident members, 10; total membership, 133; condition of prayer meeting and Sunday School, good; average number of pupils, 140; officers, 12; league, good; membership, 74; auxiliary, good; membership, 16; value of church property, \$18,000; paid pastor, \$2515; evangelist, \$319.39; building and repairs, \$414.18; incidentals, \$491.60; foreign missions, \$138.70; home missions, \$138.10; Bible college, \$55.00; publication, \$212.19; amount enclosed for minutes, \$5.00; clerk, \$2.00.

Rev. Melvin Bingham, Moderator
Mabel Wooldridge, Clerk

Cushing—

State of religion, good; conversions, 24; members received, 11; baptized, 7; dismissed, 2; inactive members, 44; active, 55; total membership, 99; condition of prayer meeting, fair; condition of Sunday School, good; average number of pupils, 107; officers, 3; teachers, 8; paid pastor, \$2470.00; evangelist, \$213.59; foreign missions, \$11.92; building and repair, \$196.10; publication, \$7.50; minutes, \$1.50; clerk, \$1.00.

Rev. J. A. Franklin, Moderator
Willis H. Walker, Clerk

First Church of Sapulpa—

State of religion, good; members received, 2; dismisses, 9; died, 2; total membership, 70; condition of prayer meeting and Sunday School, good; average number of pupils, 53; officers, 4; teachers, 5; paid pastor, \$1534.50; evangelist, \$99.87; missions, \$166.84; building and repair, \$279.97; publication, \$79.27; insurance, \$35.24; utilities, \$45.28; misel. \$109.90; minutes, \$3.00; general fund, \$5.00; clerk, \$2.00.

Rev. W. E. Warner, Moderator
Bessie Whitehead, Clerk

Lewis Avenue—

State of religion, good; members received, 42; baptized, 12; dismissed, 8; died, 2; total membership, 223; condition of prayer meeting, fair; condition of Sunday School, fair; average number of pupils, 170; officers, 10; teachers, 12; paid pastor, \$2640; evangelist, \$155; missions, \$2982; building and repairs, \$2705.69; education, \$120; publication, \$152; minutes, \$5.00.

Rev. H. E. Staires, Moderator
Glenn Seaton, Clerk

Lawnwood—

State of religion, good; members received, 25; baptized, 8; dismissed, 2; died, 3; total membership, 145; condition of prayer meeting, good; condition of Sunday School, fair; officers, 3; teachers, 8; paid evangelist, \$55; building and repair, \$1500; enclosed for minutes, \$1.00; clerk, \$2.00; general fund, \$22.00.

Rev. Gene E. Winfrey, Moderator
N. H. Sherrell, Clerk

RESOLUTIONS OF QUARTERLY MEETINGS

(From 1948-1949)

Be it resolved that the clerk of the association have printed forms for each church to report their work to quarterly meetings. This was modified by a motion to have the Executive Board and the clerk make the forms.

Be it resolved that the First Mission Association change its meeting date to Tuesday night before the 4th Sunday in August.

Clerk's Report—

Balance carried forward.....	\$ 1.25
Offering in Association.....	73.89
Cash from cafe.....	68.86
Offering during Association.....	30.00
Amount received on light bill.....	9.00
Received by letter.....	164.50
Total	\$347.50
Paid out during Association:	
L. Y. King for material.....	\$ 64.14
Caretaker	150.00
Floyd Wilson Grocery.....	13.77
Light Bulbs, Lime, Paper.....	5.40
Total	\$233.31
Balance in Treasury.....	\$114.19

CHURCH COVENANT

Having given ourselves to God, by faith in Christ, and adopted the Word of God as our rule of faith and practice, we now give ourselves to one another by the will of God in this solemn covenant.

We promise by His grace to love and obey Him in all things, to avoid all appearance of evil, to abstain from all sinful amusements and unholy conformity to the world, from all sanction of the use and sale of intoxicating beverages, and to "provide things honest in the sight of all men."

We agree faithfully to discharge our obligations in reference to the study of the Scriptures, secret prayer, family devotions, and social worship; and by self-denial, faith, and good works endeavor to "grow in grace and the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ."

We will not forsake the assembling of ourselves together for church conferences, public worship, and the observance of the ordinances of the Gospel, nor fail to pay according to our ability for the support of the church, of its poor, and all its benevolent work.

We agree to accept Christian admonition and reproof with meekness, and to watch over one another in love, endeavoring to "keep the unity of the Spirit" in the bonds of peace, to be careful of one another's happiness and reputation, and seek to strengthen the weak, encourage the afflicted, admonish the erring, and as far as we are

able, promote the success of the church and of the Gospel.

We will everywhere hold Christian principle sacred and Christian obligations and enterprises supreme; counting it our chief business in life to extend the influence of Christ in society; constantly praying and toiling that the Kingdom of God may come, and His will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

To this end we agree to labor for the promotion of educational and denominational enterprises, the support of Missions, the success of Sunday Schools, and evangelistic efforts for the salvation of the World. And may the God of peace sanctify us wholly, and preserve us blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testament are the infallible Word of God, and the only safe rule of faith and practice.—II Tim. 3:16; II 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; I 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. The 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 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 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.—I Cor. 15:28; I 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 this divine benefit only by his repentance toward God and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, infants and idiots excepted.—Acts 20:21; I Tim. 2:5,6; John 3:14-16; I 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; I Peter 3:21.

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

LETTER TO ASSOCIATION

To the of Free Will Baptists when convened with the Church at 19..... We send as delegates our beloved brethren:

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who 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 No. of pupils,; No. of officers,; No. of teachers,; paid pastor, \$.....; paid evan-

gelist, \$.....; Missions: Home, \$.....; Foreign,
\$.....; building and repair, \$.....; for educa-
tion, \$; publication, \$.....; amt. enclosed
for minutes, \$.....

Pastor's 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,

CONSTITUTION

From long experience, we are convinced of the neces-
sity of a combination of churches to perpetuate our union
and to maintain a correspondence among our churches.

Therefore we have adopted the following Constitution
and By-Laws for our government.

1. This shall be called the First Mission Association.

2. This Association shall be composed of such well
regulated Free Will Baptist Churches, maintaining Gos-
pel order, agreeing with the denomination in doctrine
and practices, favoring the enterprises that have been
endorsed by this Association.

3. The acting members of this Association shall be
the ministers, deacons, and the church clerks belonging
to any church composing this body, also three delegates
from each church chosen by the members of their re-
spective churches.

4. The officers of this Association shall be a Modera-
tor, an Assistant, a Clerk, an Assistant Clerk, and an Ex-
ecutive Board composed of five members. The board
members to be elected so as to require one to be elected
each year. A Board of Trustees consisting of five mem-
bers. The Trustees shall be elected by and be subject to

the Association. They shall act as custodians of all property belonging to the Association, and shall sign all legal papers when authorized by the Association to do so. All officers shall hold office until their successors are elected.

5. The property of any church in this Association that should go down until they can not transact business because they are disorganized, shall become the property of this Association and the Executive Board has power to execute legal papers for the property.

6. This Association shall meet annually at such time and place as shall be decided upon by the Association, also meet in regular quarterly meetings and at such quarterly meetings shall have power to transact all business of the Association except to change the Constitution.

7. This Association may be called together by the Moderator, by giving the churches ten day's notice of such meetings.

8. This Constitution may be changed at any yearly meeting by a two-thirds majority of members voting.

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 seat 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.

7. Motions made and lost shall not be recorded.

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

9. The Moderator shall not allow discussions when not carried on in a Christian spirit.

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

11. Any minister opposed to any of the enterprises endorsed by this 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 ensure two or more sermons or their equivalent devotional exercises each day.

ORDAINED MINISTERS BELONGING TO ASS'N.

Bean, Rev. W. L.....	Box 486, Ripley, Okla.
Benton, Rev. C. D., 139 E. Drumright St.,	Drumright, Okla.
Bingham, Rev. Melvin.....	Tulsa, Okla.
Bookout, Rev. Faye.....	Rt. 1, Drumright, Okla.
Brown, Rev. Ralph.....	Turley, Okla.
Brown, Rev. Ross.....	Collinsville, Okla.
Carter, Rev. W. H.....	615 E. 2nd St., Bristow, Okla.
Coursey, Rev. Alfred.....	Tulsa, Okla.
Crane, Rev. Elda.....	18 A St., N. W. Miami, Okla.
Crane, Rev. F. E.....	18 A St., N. W. Miami, Okla.
Dalton, Rev. Marvin.....	Nashville, Tenn.
Dressler, Rev. Ida.....	Rt. 2, B. 252, Bristow, Okla.
Dunn, Rev. P. L.....	1832 N. Atlanta Pl., Tulsa, Okla.
Enlow, Rev. R. E.....	Gen. Del., Sapulpa, Okla.
Fincher, Rev. Clint.....	B. 244, Drumright, Okla.
Fincher, Rev. Sadie B.....	B. 244, Drumright, Okla.
Franklin, Rev. J. A.....	1032 E. Walnut St., Cushing, Okla.
Gober, Rev. Sam.....	Rt. 1, Sapulpa, Okla.
Hall, Rev. Lonnie.....	Seminole, Okla.
Hastings, Rev. Clarence.....	Tulsa, Okla.
Hellard, Rev. D. B.....	604 S. Okla. St., Sapulpa, Okla.
Hill, Rev. James.....	117 Hickory St., Sapulpa, Okla.
Hood, Rev. C. C.....	Rt. 9, Tulsa, Okla.
Huff, Rev. W. N.....	Drumright, Okla.
Johnson, Rev. G. H.....	Drumright, Okla.
Jones, Rev. Charlie.....	Welston, Okla.
Lindle, Rev. Oliver.....	1632 E. Jasper, Tulsa, Okla.
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Perkins, Rev. B. F.....	Jennings, Okla.

Perkins, Rev. Flossie.....	Jennings, Okla.
Purcell, Rev. Cleo.....	B. 997, Bristow, Okla.
Purcell, Rev. Paul.....	B. 997, Bristow, Okla.
Rogers, Rev. B. F.....	Cp. Ground
Rogers, Rev. T. A.....	Rt. 1, Sapulpa, Okla.
Staires, Rev. H. E.....	Cp. Ground
Talbert, Rev. A. B.....	119 S. Florence, Claremore, Okla.
Test, Rev. Floyd.....	Rt. 5, West Tulsa, Okla.
Underwood, Rev. Wilbur.....	731 N. Wheeling, Tulsa, Okla.
Vail, Rev. L. N.....	Rt. 1, Sapulpa, Okla.
Warner, Rev. W. E.....	915 Ridgeway St., Sapulpa, Okla.
West, Rev. John.....	833 N. Utica, Tulsa, Okla.
Wilson, Rev. C. C.....	6801 E. Pine, Tulsa, Okla.
Wilson, Rev. E. J.....	Tulsa, Okla.
Winfrey, Rev. G. E.....	724 N. Boston, Tulsa, Okla.

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 seat in council
9. Appointment of committees
10. Unfinished business
11. New business
12. Reports of committees
13. Miscellaneous business

