

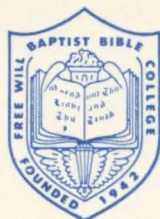
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First Mission Association Of FREE WILL BAPTISTS

1954

**Proceedings of the
27th ANNUAL SESSION**

**OLD MINISTER'S HOME—CAMP GROUND
Drumright - Sapulpa Highway
At Sub Station**



FREE WILL BAPTIST BIBLE COLLEGE

Presented By

Rev. Glen Lewis

First Mission Association

Of

Free Will Baptists

OFFICERS

Rev. H. E. Staires _____ Moderator
516 South 61st W. Ave. Tulsa, Oklahoma

Rev. E. M. Kennedy _____ Assistant Moderator
1922 N. Lewis Ave., Tulsa, Oklahoma

Rev. Ben Scott _____ Clerk & Treasurer
Box 596, Oilton, Oklahoma

Mrs. Cherry Fipps _____ Assistant Clerk
2415 East Marshall, Tulsa, Oklahoma

First Quarterly Conference convenes at the Turley Free Will Baptist Church on Thursday before the fourth Sunday in November, 1954. Introductory message is to be preached by Rev. Dale Munkus, with Rev. Earnest Kennedy as alternate.

Second Quarterly Conference convenes at the Okmulgee Free Will Baptist Church on Thursday before the fourth Sunday in February, 1955. Introductory message is to be preached by Rev. Woodrow Matthews, with Rev. Harry E. Staires as alternate.

Third Quarterly Conference convenes at the Oilton Free Will Baptist Church on Thursday before the fourth Sunday in May, 1955. Introductory message is to be preached by Rev. Harry Beatty, with Rev. Carl Hembree as alternate.

First Mission Association will hold its next annual session at the Old Minister's Home - Camp Ground, beginning on Tuesday night before the fourth Sunday in August, 1955. Introductory message is to be preached by Rev. L. A. Yandell, with Rev. John H. West as alternate.

BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

Executive Board

John H. West, Chairman, term expires 1955
E. M. Kennedy, Secretary, term expires, 1957
Ben Scott, member, term expires, 1959
H. E. Staires, member, term expires, 1958
Harry Beatty, member, term expires, 1956

Credential Board

John H. West, Chairman, term expires 1957
John Elliston, Secretary, term expires 1959
Woodrow Matthews, member, term expires 1958
Harry Beatty, member, term expires 1956
Carl Hembree, member, term expires 1955

Trustee Board

D. B. Hellard, Chairman, term expires 1956
Doyle Dipboye, Secretary, term expires 1959
Richard Shade, member, term expires 1957
George Smith, member, term expires 1955
L. Y. King, member, term expires 1958

League Board

L. A. Yandel, Chairman
Dale Munkus, Secretary
Doyle Dipboye
Richard White
Ben Scott

Home Mission Board

N. R. Smith, term expires 1957
Dale Munkus, term expires 1956
John West, term expires 1955

Sunday School Board

Harry E. Staires, Chairman, term expires 1955
John Elliston, Secretary, term expires 1957
L. A. Yandell, member, term expires 1959
Doyle Dipboye, member, term expires 1958
N. R. Smith, member, term expires 1956

Resolutions Committee

Doyle Dipboye, L. A. Yandell, L. A. Wooldridge, Lela Crow,
Virginia Powell

Obituary Committee

Hattie Newman, Velma Null, Hattie Collins, Mildred Nichols, Nora Mae Dodson

Divine Service Committee

George Poston, T. R. Montgomery, L. Y. King, Charlie Smith, J. B. Dunn

Auditing Committee

John Elliston, D. B. Hellard, N. R. Smith, C. C. Hood,
Helen Seaton

Temperance Committee

Helen Cunningham, Peggy Ruth, Gladys Elliston, Dale
Munkus, Clint Fincher

ASSOCIATIONAL PROCEEDINGS

The 27th annual session of First Mission Association of Free Will Baptists met August 17, 1954 at the Old Minister's Home and Camp Ground for the Introductory service. The meeting was called to order at 7:45 p. m. by the Moderator. Singing was led by Rev. Con Saddler, the pianist was Ann Munkus. Prayer was led by Rev. L. A. Yandell. Special songs were sung by Brother Reynolds and Sister Wilma Mills, and the pastors quartette, composed of John West, Woodrow Matthews, Dale Munkus, and Ben Scott.

The introductory sermon was preached by Rev. Harry Beaty, who used for his subject, "What is man?" The prayer of benediction was prayed by Rev. James Christian.

Wednesday Morning

Services were opened by Moderator. Singing was led by Rev. Dale Munkus, Pianist was Rev. E. M. Kennedy. Devotional reading John 1:1 was given by the Moderator. Prayer was led by Rev. Carl Hood. Letters were called for and read with 22 letters being present. Motion carried to receive letters and seat the delegates. Motion carried Moderator appoint temporary pulpit committee. Those appointed were Delia Matthews, Virene Bohannon, Ann Williams, Wilma Mills, and Martha Jones.

Rev. Harry E. Staires was elected Moderator; Rev. Earnest M. Kennedy was elected assistant Moderator; Rev. Ben Scott was elected Clerk; Sister Cherry Fips was elected Assistant Clerk. Report of Pulpit Committee was accepted. Motion carried to adjourn until 1:30 p. m. Benediction was by Rev. John Elliston.

Wednesday Morning Worship Services

Services were opened by singing, led by Rev. Raymond C. Woods, of Miami, Oklahoma. Pianist was Sister Opal Woods. Prayer was led by Rev. Carl Hembree. A special number in song was given by Rev. Raymond C. Woods, with Sister Woods at the piano. Rev. Dale Munkus took the stand and read Psalms 119:65-72. He led the congregation in prayer then turned the stand to Rev. Kennedy, who brought the morning message using as a subject, "Capitalizing our Calamities." At the close of the message a special number in song was given by Rev. and Mrs. Kennedy, "Let me lose myself and find it Lord in Thee." Pianist was Sister Ida Barnard. Benediction was by Rev. D. B. Hellard.

"Draw Me Nearer," led by Margurite Hinesley, pianist was Rev. E. M. Kennedy. Prayer was led by Rev. Dale Munkus. Devotional reading and prayer were given by Rev. Earnie Deeds. The scripture reading was from Ezekiel 37:34. A special number in song, "Thank God it is Different Now" was sung by Rev. Billy Hood from California.

Motion carried that Moderator and Assistant Moderator appoint all committees. (See committees elsewhere)

By-Laws of the Association were read by Assistant Moderator.

Visiting brethren were recognized as follows: Rev. and Mrs. Raymond C. Woods, Rev. Woodrow Matthews, Rev. Billy Hood.

Credential Committee report, Item No. 1 Adop.ed.

Resolution No. 2b carried from last quarterly meeting adopted. (This item is to be placed in Constiution)

A special number in song was given "I'd Rather Have Jesus." This number was sung by Helen Pelfrey, pianist was Hazel Munkus.

The annual report of the Woman's Auxiliary was read and adopted with Treasurer's report to be added.

Credential Committee report, Item No. 2 Adopted.

Resolution. No. 1 adopted.

Divine Service Committee report adopted.

Executive Board report adopted.

Rev. Ben Scott was elected for a five year term on the Executive Board. Rev. E. M. Kennedy was elected for three year term on the Executive Board. Report of L. C. Worley concerning Skiatook church was read and accepted.

Credential Committee report, Item No. 3 adopted.

Temperance Committee report was read and adopted.

Special prayer for Sister Elda Foster, Sister Ashcraft, and others was led by Rev. Harry E. Staires.

Motion carried to buy funeral spray for Brother Foster's funeral.

Motion carried to accept report of Auditing Committee.

Motion carried to accept Treasurer's report.

Motion carried to adjourn until 9:00 a. m. Thursday.

Benediction was by Rev. Donald Jones.

Wednesday Evening Services

The Assistant Moderator took charge of the evening services which were opened by singing led by Brother Raymond Lee. The pianist was Sister Lavern Lee. Prayer was led by Rev. Melvin Bingham. A special number in song, "The Lord is Coming By and By" was given by Brother and Sister Rex Shelton, and Brother Bill Fincher, with Sister Leota Fincher at the piano. A solo, "I'm Too Far Upon my Journey" was sung by Rev. Paul Inbody.

with Rev. E. M. Kennedy at the piano. A duet, "The Stone" was given by Rev. and Mrs. Kennedy. Rev. Raymond C. Wood sang "My God is Real" accompanied at the piano by Sister Woods. Rev. Woods then took the stand to bring the message. He read Genesis 1:1-3 and used for a subject, "Having Done All, Stand." Rev. Herry E. Staires took the stand using St. John 14:15. Benediction was by Rev. Aubrey Rozell.

Thursday Morning

Services opened with singing led by Sister Margurite Hinesley, with Rev. Kennedy at the piano. Prayer was led by Rev. Perry Smith. The devotional reading was given by Rev. Doyle Dipboile, who read Psalms 16. Prayer was led by Sister Mable Wooldridge. The minutes up to and including Wednesday evening were read and approved. The letter from North Heights church was read and motion carried to accept the letter and seat the delegates.

Rev. John Elliston was elected as 5 year man to Credential Board. Motion carried to accept the resignation of Rev. Ben Scott from Credential Board. Rev. Woodrow Matthews was elected as four year man to Credential Board.

Rev. Doyle Dipboye was elected as 5 year man to Trustee Board.

Rev. Harry E. Staires was elected as 3 year man to Home Mission Board.

Motion carried to accept resignation of Rev. Earnest Kennedy as 2 year man on Home Mission board.

Rev. Dale Munkus was elected as 2 year man on Home Mission Board.

Credential Committee report item No. 4 adopted.

Credential committee report item No. 5 adopted.

Credential committee report item No. 6 adopted.

Credential committee report item No. 7 adopted.

Credential committee report item No. 8 adopted.

Motion carried to amend resolution No. 3

Resolution No. 3 was adopted.

Resolution No. 4 was adopted.

Resolution No. 5 was adopted.

Resolution No. 6 was adopted.

The corresponding letter from Grand River Association was read Motion carried to accept letter and seat the delegates. The delegates were Rev. and Mrs. Bill Ketchum, and Rev. and Mrs. Jess Step.

Credential Committee report, item No. 9 was adopted.

Motion carried to accept Home Mission Board report and act on it item by item.

Information item in Home Mission Board report was

accepted. Recommendations No. 1 of Home Mission Board report was amended to read that Mission Board and executive board meet together and work out a plan for supporting a new church for a reasonable time. Recommendation No. 1 of Home Mission Board was adopted. Recommendation No. 2 of Home Mission board was adopted.

Motion carried to accept resignation of Rev. Harry E. Staires from Home Mission Board.

Resolution No. 7 was adopted.

Rev. N. R. Smith was elected as 3 year man to Home Mission Board.

Motion carried to adjourn until 1:00 p. m.

Benediction was by Rev. Jess Stepp.

Thursday morning worship service opened by singing led by Rev. N. R. Smith. Pianist was Rev. Kennedy. Prayer was led by Rev. Harry Beatty. A special number in song was given by the pastor's quartette entitled "There'll Be Shouting on the Hills of Glory." The Obituary Committee report was read by chairman of the committee. After this Rev. John West delivered the memorial message, using John 14:19. At the close of the sermon a period of silent prayer was observed, concluded by audible prayer by Rev. West. The Benediction was given by Rev. Bill Ketchum.

Thursday Afternoon

Services were opened by singing led by Rev. Jess Stepp, pianist; Rev. Kennedy. Devotional reading, Rev. 4th chapter was given by the Moderator. Prayer was led by Rev. Kennedy.

Motion carried to adopt report of Sunday School board.

Rev. L. A. Yandell was elected as 5 year man to Sunday School Board.

Rev. Doyle Dipboye was elected as 4 year man to Sunday School Board.

Rev. John Elliston was elected as 3 year man to Sunday School Board.

Rev. N. R. Smith was elected as 2 year man to Sunday School Board.

Rev. Harry E. Staires was elected as 1 year man to Sunday School Board.

Motion carried to accept report of League Treasurer.

Motion carried to accept report of League Rally and adopt all recommendation therein.

Motion carried to accept report of Youth Camp.

Motion carried to adopt resolution No. 8.

Motion carried to adopt item No. 10 of Credential

Committee.

Motion carried to adopt report of League Board.

Motion carried to pay Mrs. Hayter \$75.00 in settlement of fire damage.

Motion carried to go to Turley church for 1st Quarterly meeting.

Motion carried to go to Okmulgee for 2nd Quarterly meeting.

Motion carried to go to Oilton for 3rd Quarterly meeting.

Rev. Dale Munkus was elected to preach introductory sermon at Turley, with Rev. E. M. Kennedy as alternate.

Rev. Woodrow Matthews was elected to preach introductory sermon at Okmulgee, with Rev. Harry Staires as alternate.

Rev. Harry Beatty was elected to preach introductory sermon at Oilton with Rev. Carl Hembree as alternate.

Motion carried that the executive board secure evangelist for the camp meeting.

Rev. L. A. Yandell was elected to preach introductory sermon at next association, with Rev. John West as alternate.

Rev. E. M. Kennedy was elected to preach the Memorial message at next association with Rev. Doyle Dipboye as alternate.

At this time state delegates were elected to fill our quota. The entire list of state delegates will appear elsewhere.

Motion carried that minister's names be carried in the minutes but not their written reports.

Motion carried to accept report of Obituary Committee.

Motion carried to pay \$10.00 for use of P. A. system.

Motion carried to pay \$10.00 to Carl Lomenick for use of truck in moving piano to and from camp ground.

Motion carried to give Oilton church a vote of thanks for use of piano during camp meeting and association.

Minutes were read and approved.

Motion carried to adjourn.

Benediction was given by Rev. Aubrey Rozell.

List of State Delegates: Mable Wooldridge, Blanche Matthews, Bessie West, Flossie Hellard, Lucille Beatty, Ann Munkus, Susie Gasaway, Roberta Hembree, Margurite Hinesley, Inabelle Hamilton, Orela Kennedy, Genell Scott, Mrs. Doyle Dipboye, Joy Lou Yandell, Bessie Prock, Ethel Armstrong, Gladys Elliston, Glenora Staires, Emma Bingham, Edith Berry, Lorene Shade, Gladys Cutsinger, Cherry Fipps.

Rev. Ben Scott was elected to represent the association on the State General Board.

Matter of Information: The next session of the National Association of Free Will Baptists will convene in Tulsa. Any church wishing to help with the expenses of entertainment may send your contributions to Rev. L. A. Yandell, Rt. 9, Box 412, Tulsa, Oklahoma. Rev. Yandell is treasurer of the Tulsa Free Will Baptist Ministerial alliance.

Credential Committee Report

- No. 1 We, the Credential Committee find Rev. Woodrow Matthews sound in doctrine and recommend him to the fellowship of this association.
- No. 2 We, the Credential Committee wish to report that since Brother Paul Argo has not been licensed we can only refer this matter back to the church from which he was recommended.
- No. 3 We wish to report that Floyd D. Coonrod's application was accepted and we recommend that this body grant him license to preach.
- No. 4 We recommend Brother Bob Sides for ordination as deacon.
- No. 5 We recommend Brother Hollie C. Crouch for ordination as deacon.
- No. 6 We recommend Brother Cecil Wren for ordination as deacon.
- No. 7 We wish to report that Rev. Melvin Bingham has been before the board according to the law of this association and we recommend him to the fellowship of this body.
- No. 8 We recommend Brother Ivan Semler for ordination as Deacon.
- No. 9 We recommend that Rev. Jerald Herd continue as a licensed minister while pursuing the course of study recommended by the Credential Committee, and that he be recalled at a later date for re-examination.
- No. 10 We recommend that this body grant Brother Joe Smith license to preach the Gospel.

Resolutions Committee Report

- No. 1 Be it resolved that since we have grown to such proportions, we seat our delegates from the chair, without the usual line up and handshake.
- No. 2 Be it resolved that from this time on there will be no one licensed or ordained to the ministry or as

a deacon who has more than one living companion and that such a law become a part of our constitution.

- No. 3 Be it resolved that no person can be an active deacon or minister in this association who does not pay and teach tithes.
- No. 4 Be it resolved that the youth camp and the camp meeting be held together this next year.
- No. 5 Be it resolved that we petition the state to accept the cooperative plan as recommended by the National Association.
- No. 6 Be it resolved that the association adopt the resolution passed by our Quarterly Meeting that the letters from all churches be in the hands of the associational clerk at least one week before conference convenes.
- No. 7 a. Be it resolved that this association place the Sunday School board on a permanent basis, with a five-member board holding office for five years.

b. Be it further resolved that the board elected at this meeting of the association be elected one for five years, one for four years, one for three years, one for two years, and one for one year.

- No. 8 Be it resolved that the association give our out-going clerk, Rev. Le Roy Holmes fifty dollars for his service as clerk of the association; also that we give him a standing vote of thanks.

Quarterly Meeting Resolutions:

1. Be it resolved that the association give the Mission Board the power to establish churches where ever they find it possible.
2. Be it resolved that the clerk obtain blank forms for the quarterly meetings and association to be sent to each church and that letters to the association or quarterly meeting be type-written when possible.
3. Be it resolved that this quarterly meeting have a minister's conference. Be it further resolved that this conference be held quarterly, and that the time and place be set by this quarterly meeting while in session.
4. Be it resolved that all churches mail their letters to the clerk at least one week before the meeting of the conference.
5. Be it resolved that this body purchase or supply a typewriter for associational use.

Quarterly Meeting Credentials Committee Report:

1. We, the Credential Committee recommend that this Quarterly Meeting have a one day institute for our ministers in which we will study Ethics of the minister, both in

- the pulpit and in every day living.
2. We recommend that Bro. Clarence Hastings prove himself for one year, before restoration of his credentials.
 3. We recommend that we recognize the Trinity Temple Free Will Baptist Church as a duly organized Free Will Baptist Church.
 4. We recommend that the First Free Will Baptist church of Miami be accepted into this body.
 5. We recommend that the Trinity Temple Free Will Baptist church of Tulsa be accepted into this body.
 6. We recommend that Rev. Dale Munkus be accepted into the fellowship of this body.
 7. We recommend that the Airport Free Will Baptist Church be accepted into the fellowship of this body.
 8. We regret very much to report that Bro. Floyd Hutson's application for license to preach was not accepted.
 9. We recommend Bro. Charlie Wilson be accepted into the fellowship of this body.
 10. We recommend that Bro. Robert E. Duck be granted license to preach the gospel.

Temperance Committee Report:

The Temperance Committee submits the following report: Be it resolved that every time there is a United Dry meeting in our town, our ministers not only attend but urge their members to attend.

Be it resolved that our churches set up a temperance commission to educate the people of our churches, especially the youth of the physical and spiritual harm of Alcoholic beverages, tobacco, lewd comic books, and magazines, improper dress, and worldly amusements.

Divine Service Committee Report:

The committee on Divine Service presented the following report:

Rev. Dale Munkus and Rev. Earnest M. Kennedy were selected to bring the messages at the eleven o'clock hour Wednesday a. m.

Rev. Ramon C. Wood and Rev. Harry E. Staires were selected to bring the evening messages Wednesday evening.

Rev. John West was selected to bring the memorial message at the eleven o'clock service Thursday a. m.

Report of Auditing Committee:

We have examined the records of Brother L. R. Holmes, and find them in order as far as we were able to ascertain.

We wish to commend Brother Holmes as an efficient treasurer and for keeping a nice set of books.

Executive Board Report:

We, the Executive Board beg to report as follows:

We have tried to carry out your wishes this year but

have failed in part of them.

We have held ten meetings during the year and traveled about 5000 miles. We have helped to organize two churches namely: Miami, Oklahoma, and Airport Church of Tulsa Oklahoma. The association paid the rent on the Miami building for six months.

We purchased 14 pews for the tabernacle. Purchased new motor for lawnmower, painted tabernacle, painted pews, repaired pews, painted cafe. built two furnaces for campers, built two sheds 14 by 24 for campers and for classes, installed windows in cafe, brought cemetery records up to date with cards for each person deceased, built partitions and painted same for rest rooms, cancelled two ministers credentials, investigated Tuskegee Church, purchased 20 folding chairs, began monthly paper to the members of the association.

We want you to know that these things could not have been accomplished without the cooperation of our people. There were four or five work days at the camp grounds during the year. You gave us a big job to do, but you joined with us and we give thanks to the Lord for what has been done.

It was necessary for us to borrow \$400.00 to pay our bills, but we are trusting the Lord for this amount during this session.

John H. West, Chairman
Harry E. Beatty, Clerk

Obituary Committee Report:

We, your committee on Obituary find that God in His loving kindness has called our Brothers and Sisters to the great beyond; Namely: Mrs. E. R. Graham and Mrs. Wooten, New Home; Oral Holland, Cushing; Dora Taylor, Mr. James, and Mrs. Nichols, Drumright; Rev. Hunter and Dessie McFerrin, Oilton; Rev. Patrick, Turley; Riley Matlock, Blue Bell; Mack Beam and Rev. Jess Johnson, Picher; Mary Nance, Sapulpa First; Mrs. Sarah Lackey, Mr. J. H. Thomas, Mr. James T. Pence, Mrs. Jess McGuire, Lewis Ave.; Robert McQuilliam and Sharon Rose Chald, Sapulpa, North Heights; Samuel McConnell, Pvt. Earl R. McDonald, Caroline Pool, Nancy Blackwell, Maude Moxley, Alfred E. Brunner, Richard Doyle Grounds, Martha Jean Pack, Vol Dale Royster, Tulsa First Church.

League Board Report:

To the First Mission Association which convenes at the Old Minister's Home and Camp Ground August 18, 1954: We, the League Board of the First Mission Association report that we had 5 meetings during the past year and traveled approximately 400 miles. We planned the de-

tails for the Youth Camp and had a very successful youth camp. During the youth camp there was a member of the League Board on the camp ground at all times to be of assistance whenever needed. We, the League Board, have had a very successful year.

League Rally Report:

On the night of July 23, 1954, we, the young people met at the First Mission Association Camp Grounds in our yearly business meeting of our Leagues.

The following officers for the on-coming year were elected and submitted to this association for approval.

President, Charles Merchant

Vice President, L. A. Yandell

Recording Secretary, Peggy Cox

Corresponding Secretary, Norma Finemore

Treasurer, Alice Sheridan

Publicity Committee, N. R. Smith, Patty Wooden, Dale Munkus

League Board, Dale Munkus, Doyle Dipboye, Richard White, L. A. Yandell, Ben Scott

General Sponsor, Charlie Smith

Sr. Girls, Sister Beatty, Sister Charlie Smith

Jr. Girls, Sister Genell Scott, Sister Lillie Wood

Sr. Boys, Harry Beatty, Ben Scott

Jr. Boys, Dale Munkus, L. A. Yandell

Delegates to the Association, Jo Ann Bishop, Ronnie Ford, Sharon Rader

Youth Camp Report:

The Youth Camp of First Mission Association began on June 27, 1954. Enrollment began on Sunday afternoon. There were 80 enrolled. Classes were directed to their places by Brother Charlie Smith, the general director.

Activities were as follows: Devotional period at 9:00 a. m. Bible History by Rev. Willard Day, Rudiments of music by Rev. E. M. Kennedy. The eleven o'clock services were conducted by Rev. Harry Beatty, Rev. James Franklin, Rev. Dale Munkus, Rev. N. R. Smith, and Rev. Lonnie Hall. The devotional periods at one o'clock were led by Rev. Dale Munkus and Norma Finemore. Grove services were conducted each evening at 7:30. The night services began at eight o'clock, with Rev. E. M. Kennedy in charge of the music. The evening evangelistic services were conducted by Rev. Willard Day. There were 37 conversions. We wish to thank Sister Dipboye for being head cook and all others who took part in the cafe. We would like also to thank the dormitory sponsors.

Report of Cafe during youth camp: Youth's regis-

tration fee \$5.00 each; 18 meals served per youth at total cost of \$5.04 each; Total cost of each meal, \$.28; Sold extra plates to visitors to take care of additional \$.04.

League Rally Treasurer's Report

Listing	Rec'd	Paid out	Bal.
Balance brought forward			\$30.00
Tithes and offering at first rally	\$41.98		71.98
Tithes at second Rally	13.17		
Offering at second Rally	21.40		106.55
To League Board Members for travel expense		31.40	75.15
To Rev. H. E. Staires for programs		2.00	73.15
Third League Rally Tithes	12.10		
Offering	28.65		
Budget fund	10.00		123.90
To League Board members travel exp.		15.67	108.23
To League Board members for third meeting		10.00	98.23
Budget fund	10.00		108.23
Part of proceeds from youth camp	328.07		436.30
Bills for youth camp		378.51	57.79
Further returns from youth camp	19.85		
Budget fund	50.00		132.64
To L. A. Yandell for service at Y. Camp		25.00	107.64
Wonder Bread		4.72	102.92
Pepsi Cola		91.98	10.94
Bea.rice Foods Co.		3.00	7.94
Total Balance			7.94

REPORT OF SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD

To First Mission Association, August 18, 1954

We met October 22, 1953 and organized the Board. Rev. E. M. Kennedy was elected Chairman, and Rev. John Elliston was elected Secretary-Treasurer. We accepted the allocation of \$100.00 by the Association to the Sunday School Board, and re-allocated the burden as shown below.

We met May 27, 1954 and formulated a program for the Sunday School Convention which met at the Camp-ground August 16, 1954.

The Sunday School Convention met at the Camp-ground August 16, 1954. The Convention opened with the theme, "The Sunday School, the Long Arm of the Church." There were seven speakers and a question period. Total

registering was 167. Statistics on the Sunday Schools is listed below:

Sun. School	No. pres.	Enroll.	Av. at.	Allo.	Am. pd
Airport	17	211	73		
Alen	6	141	92	\$12.00	\$12.00
Blue Bell	1		60	8.00	6.00
Bristow	4	160	101	12.00	12.00
Cushing	27	142	109	12.00	12.00
Drumright	6	195	137	12.00	12.00
Lawnwood	16	214	163	12.00	12.00
Lewis Ave.	12	195	145	12.00	12.00
Liberty	2		25	8.00	
Miami	0		32		
New Home	3	252	137	12.00	12.00
North Heigh s	0		58	8.00	
Oilton	22	137	118	12.00	12.00
Okmulgee	9	52	39	8.00	8.00
Olive	0		35	8.00	
Picher	0		60	8.00	2.00
Pretty Water	2	30	22	8.00	8.00
Sapulpa First	6	150	60	8.00	8.00
Silver City	1		54	8.00	
Trinity Temple	3	93	85		12.00
Tulsa First	19	531	318	12.00	12.00
Turley	2	194	153	12.00	12.00
West Tulsa	5	95	50	8.00	
Wewoka	Transferred to Progressive Association				
Totals	167	2792	2126	\$200.00	\$164.00
Treasurer's Report as of August 18, 1954					
Total Receipts					\$164.00
Disbursements:					
To Association on allocation				\$100.00	
For Sunday School Board Expenses				21.90	
Total Disbursements				\$121.90	
Balance on hand					\$42.10

In the business session a motion was carried to elect the same three members to the Board as the previous year. They are: Ernest M. Kennedy, Harry E. Staires, and John B. Ellison.

Motion carried to enlarge the Board to five members. The two additional members elected were N. R. Smith and Ben Scott.

We recommend that this Association approve these elections.

A banner was presented to the Cushing Sunday School for having the largest percentage of their enrollment pres-

ent at the Convention.

First Mission Sunday School Board,
John B. Elliston, Clerk-Treasurer
502 W. 15th St.
Okmulgee, Oklahoma

Report of Mission Board

It has been a busy year for this board. We investigated the possibilities of a church in Coffeyville, Kansas, and found that due to high rent it was best to go to Miami, Oklahoma. The meeting was held and a church was organized. The church has continued to grow. We paid the rent on the building there for six months. We recommend that a resolution be presented to this association to start a fund to be earmarked for the help in supporting a new church for a reasonable time after organizing. We recommend that a new church be established, if at all possible somewhere in our locality during this coming fiscal year, the matter of time and place to be put into the hands of the Mission Board.

Report from L. C. Worley

To the First Mission Association when convened at the Old Minister's Home and Camp Ground, August 18, 1954.

We have discontinued the church at Skiatook and we have these items that belong to the association: 1 piano, 50 folding chairs and 7 benches.

These things should be moved as soon as possible since the piano and benches are still in the building that we had rented and the chairs are stored at my house.

L. C. Worley

Corresponding Letter

Pryor, Okla.
Aug. 16, 1954

Greetings to the First Mission Association

We send our delegates from the Grand River Association: Brother and Sister Bill Ketchum and Brother and Sister Jess Stepp, whom we pray you will seat, to sit with you in your deliberations.

We have 33 churches in our association. Most of them are active. A number of our churches reported successful Vacation Bible Schools this year.

Our Youth Camp did not convene this year on the account of the hot, dry summer, but we are looking forward to meeting again next year.

Very good revivals have been reported in some of our churches.

Our association convenes on Wednesday night before

the third Sunday in August. You are cordially invited.

May God's richest blessings rest upon this session of your association and may it be one of the best you have ever had.

Bro. Roy Howard, Moderator

Bro. Oron Estes, Clerk

Report of Treasurer from August 19, 1953 to August 18, 1954

Month	Receipts	Paid Out	Balance
August	\$768.73	\$1653.38	\$469.34
September	175.00	410.20	234.14
October	78.00	77.22	246.92
November	209.00	235.35	208.57
December	149.00	5.95	363.62
January	78.56	306.34	135.84
February	455.50	221.78	369.56
March	335.07	312.05	392.58
April	63.00	246.83	208.75
May	289.00	218.49	279.26
June	106.00	285.14	89.12
July	485.00	574.96	10.16
August 1-18	260.72	88.60	182.28

Checks on hand Aug. 18, 1954, \$6.00

Balance in Bank Aug. 18, 1954, \$176.28

\$5.00 returned from N. R. Smith, over pay

Total balance on August 18, 1954, \$181.28

This report is not itemized for the sake of time and space. However, every receipt and disbursement for the past year is on record. The auditing committee has checked the record and have reported the books to be well-kept. The committee recommended that Bro her L. R. Holmes, retiring clerk-treasurer, be commended for his fine work.

ANNUAL REPORT OF WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

Number of Auxiliaries 14. Number of members on roll beginning of Convention year 146; Number new members 58; Present enrollment 171; Average attendance 91; Members lost 37.

Enlistment work done to win members; Members making phone calls 140; Members making personal visits 83; Members mailing letters or cards 13.

Number enlistment leaflets, papers tracts distributed 313. Number of young people in district 86; Number Intermediate boys and girls in district 131; Stewardship study classes conducted 11; Manual of Methods Classes conducted 8; Evangelism classes conducted 14; Youth Auxiliary Classes 2; Number of special programs held Prayer 9; Missions 6; Stewardship 7; Evangelism 10; Week of

Prayer 19; Average number attending Week of Prayer programs 98; Number subscribers to Auxiliary Manual 61; Auxiliary Year Book 100; G. T. A. Book 20; Y. P. A. 1; F. W. B. papers 64; Cards, letters sent to aged ministers 14; gifts sent to needy ministers 13; Number members engaged regularly in community personal service 103; Number members assisting in cottage prayer meetings 104; Number members making soul-winning efforts 69; Approximate number of converts resulting from efforts made 12; Members distributing Bibles 22; Members distributing trays and baskets to needy 114; Members helping in Red Cross, W. C. T. U. and other community mission work 67.

Names and Addresses of Officers

President: Mrs. Bertha Mae Kieffer, 2735 East King St., Tulsa, Okla.

Vice President: Mrs. Verdun Bingham, 1636 East Jasper, Tulsa, Okla.

Youth Chairman: Mrs. Lela Dipboye, Turley, Okla.

Study Course Chairman: Mrs. Gladys Elliston, 502 West 15th Okmulgee, Okla.

Program Chairman: Mrs. Virginia John, 302 West 7th, Bristow, Okla.

Benevolence Chairman: Mrs. Nell Cox, Route 1, Box 13, Drumright, Okla.

Secretary: Mrs. Helen Seaton, 1343 South Louisville, Tulsa, Okla.

Assistant Secretary: Mrs. Lona Oliver, Route 1, Box 166, Drumright, Okla.

Treasurer: Mrs. Gladys Cutsinger, Route 1, Sapulpa, Okla.

Women's Auxiliary Treasurer's Report

August 1, 1953 — August 17, 1954

Receipts:

Co-labor fund \$412.12

Home Mission 110.15

Foreign Mission 107.11

National Home Mission 83.60

Children's Home 231.50

Literature 186.75

Tithes 281.28

College 37.50

Dues 78.30

Dues ('52 and '53) 6.60

Headquarters building fund 21.00

Declamation Contest expense 7.00

Lunch fund for Quarterly Conference 35.00

Offerings at Quarterly Conference 75.12

Tablecovering for Camp Grounds cafe	45.78	
'52 and '53 balance brought forward	270.86	
Total receipts		\$1718.81
Grand Total		1989.67
Disbursements:		
Co-laborer	\$412.12	
Home Mission	110.15	
Foreign Mission	107.11	
National Home Mission	83.60	
Children's Home	231.50	
Literature	186.75	
College	37.50	
Dues	52.20	
Headquarters building fund	28.00	
Declamation Contestant expense	7.00	
Lunch expense	65.00	
Tithes for '52 and '53	24.97	
Tithes for '53 and '54	28.86	
Youth camp board	100.00	
First Mission Associa ion	100.00	
Printing of Sec. & Treas. report blanks	30.05	
Printing of program	17.25	
Griddle, Table, Tablecovering and cement for camp ground cafe	100.56	
Bedspreads for Children's Home	25.00	
Awards to G. T. A.'s	5.50	
Award to W. A.'s	1.80	
Refund on Literature orders, etc.	5.05	
Misc.—Stamps, envelopes, etc.	3.91	
To'al disbursements		\$1763.98
Grand Total		1989.67
		225.69
	long acc't	3.50
Balance on Hand		229.19

We have reported \$1221.50 spent for local church work; \$95.45 for boxes to the Children's Home; \$17.00 to Aged ministers.

REPORT OF CHURCHES

Airport—

State of Religion, good. Organized March 7, 1954 with 29 charter members. Members received this year 7. Number Professions, 12. Number Baptized, 6. Total Membership 36. Condition of Prayer Meeting, fair. Condition of Sunday School, poor. Average Number of Pupils, 73. Number of Officers, 12. Number of Teachers, 10. Paid Pastor, \$1270. Value of Church Property, \$15,000. Amount en-

closed for Minutes \$5.00. State Delegate Fee, \$5.00
Modera or _____ (903 N. Utica) Dale Munkus
Clerk _____ Dora Thomas

Liberty—

State of Religion, good. Members Received Past 3 Months, none. Total Membership, 25. Condition of Prayer Meeting, good. Condition of Sunday School, good. Paid Pastor, \$600. Building and Repairs, \$157.86. Education, \$12.00. Publication, \$34.92. Enclosed for Minutes, \$2.00. General Fund, \$24.00.

Modera or _____ Rev. Raymond Hinsley
Clerk _____ Nadean Wheeler

Silver City—

State of Religion, good. Members received this year, 8. Total Membership, 42. Condition of Prayer Meeting, good. Condition of Sunday School, good. Average number of Pupils, 54. Number of Officers, 3. Number of Teachers, 5. Paid Pastor, \$480. Paid Evangelist, \$125.77. Building and Repairs, \$53.75. Enclosed for Minutes \$3.00. General Fund, \$5.00. Clerk, \$2.00.

Moderator _____ (Jennings) Rev. Ha'tie Newman
Clerk _____ Bill Null

Oilton—

State of Religion, good. Members Received this year, 13. Baptized, 7. Dismissed, 6. Died, 2. Total Membership, 127. Condition of Prayer Meeting, good. Condition of Sunday School, good. Average Number of Pupils, 118. Number of Officers, 10. Number of Teachers, 11. Paid Pastor, \$3120. Paid Evangelist, \$171.50. Home Mission, \$33.75. Co-operative plan, \$25.00. Building and Repairs, \$1577.19. For Education, \$213.93. For Publication, \$67.23. Enclosed for Minutes, \$5.00. General Fund, \$62.00. Children's Home, \$35.00. Utilities, \$171.72. Insurance, \$103.11. Miscellaneous, \$856.59.

Moderator _____ (Box 596) Rev. Ben Scott
Clerk _____ H. R. Sylvester

New Home—

State of Religion, good. Members received this year, 4. Number deceased, 2. Number Profession, 4. Number dismissed, 8. Total Membership, 166. Condition of Prayer Meeting, good. Condition of Sunday School, good. Average Number Pupils, 137. Number of Officers, 6. Number of Teachers, 14. Paid Pastor, \$3290. Paid Evangelist, \$132.50. Home Mission, \$71.00. Building and Repairs, \$206.41. Education and Publication, \$475.80. Value of Church Property, Church, \$3500. Parsonage, \$2000. Amount enclosed

for Minutes, \$5.00.

Moderator _____ (Rt. 9, Box 412) Rev. L. A. Yandell
Clerk _____ Harvey Jones

Trinity Temple—

State of Religion, good. Members Received this year, 30. Number of Professions, 11. Number Baptized, 10. Number dismissed by letter, 2. Total Membership, 68, Condition of Prayer Meeting, good. Condition of Sunday School, good. Average attendance, 85. Paid to Missions: Home, \$25.00. Foreign, \$88.92. Bible College, \$150.00. Rental on temporary church meeting place, \$1,577.27. Repairs to Rental property, \$77.16. Purchased lots, \$3.500. Education and Publications, \$108.37. Amount for Minutes. \$5.00.

Moderator (1636 East Jasper, Tulsa) Rev. Melvin Bingham
Clerk _____ Lois Light

Turley—

State of Religion, good. Members received this year, 28. Baptized, 12. Number Deceased, 1. Number Dismissed, 8. Total Membership, 126. Condition of Prayer Meeting, good. Average Attendance, 50. Condition of Sunday School, good. Average attendance, 153. On Roll, 194. Number of Officers, 9. Number of Teachers, 14. Paid Pastor, \$3,380. Paid Evangelist, \$280. Foreign Missions, \$170. For Building and Repairs, \$4,700. For Education, \$405. For Publication, \$310.40. Value of Church Property: Church, \$20,000. Parsonage, \$7,000. Additional Property, \$3,000. Total \$30,000. Amount for Minutes, \$5.00. State Delegate, \$5.00.

Moderator _____ (Box 98, Turley) Rev. Doyle Dipboye
Clerk _____ Mrs. Perry Bishop

Tulsa First—

State of Religion, good. Members received, 64. Number of Professions, 51. Number Baptized, 23. Number of Deceased, 9. Number Dismissed, 54. Total Membership, 500. Condition of Prayer Meeting, good. Condition of Sunday School, good. Average Number of Pupils, 318. Number of Teachers and Officers, 40. Condition of League, good. Enrollment, 84. Value of Church Property, \$60,000. Paid Pastor, \$4,900. Paid Evangelist, \$158.19. Paid Foreign Mission, \$1700. Paid Home Mission, \$900. Paid Bible College, \$600. Total Expenditures, \$33,109.90. Enclosed for Minutes, \$5.00. State Delegate, \$5.00.

Moderator _____ (833 N Utica) Rev. John West
Clerk _____ Lloyd Barnes

Picher—

State of Religion, good. Members received this year,

6. Number Deceased, 2. Number Professions, 4. Number Baptized, 2. Number Dismissed, 1. Total Membership, 30 active and 19 inactive. Condition of Prayer Meeting, fair. Condition of Sunday School, good. Average Number of Pupils, 60. Number of Officers, 3. Number of Teachers, 6. Paid Former Pastor, \$360. Paid Present Pastor, \$156. Paid Evangelist, \$46.80. Paid Childrens Home, \$106.19. For Building and Repairs, \$383.43. For Flowers, \$126.67. For Publications, \$59.41. For Minutes, \$3.30. For Clerk, \$1.00.
 Moderator Rev. Jerald Herd
 Clerk Beulah Owens

Cushing—

State of Religion, good. Members received this year, 6. Number Professions, 11. Number Baptized, 11. Number Deceased, 1. Number Dismissed, 4. Total Membership, 107. Condition of Prayer Meeting, fair. Condition of Sunday School, good. Average Number of Pupils, 109. Number of Officers, 3. Number of Teachers, 12. Paid Pastor, \$2,984.86. Paid Evangelist, \$181.91. Home Missions, \$15.00. Foreign Missions, \$214.23. For Building and Repair, \$1,143.56. For Education, \$356.28. For Publication, \$33.14. Value of Church Property: Church, \$50,000. Parsonage, \$3,000.00. Enclosed for Minutes, \$5.00. State Delegate fee, \$5.00.
 Moderator Rev Woodrow Matthews
 Clerk Bro. Conn Sadler

Lawnwood—

State of Religion, good. Members Received this year, 17. Number Deceased, none. Number of Professions, 31. Number Baptized, 9. Number Dismissed, 2. Total Membership, 126. Condition of Prayer Meeting, good. Condition of Sunday School, good. Average Number of Pupils, 163. Number of Officers, 15. Number of Teachers, 18. Paid Pastor, \$4,160.00. Paid Evangelist, \$245.00. Home Missions, \$136.88. Foreign Missions, \$210.00. Building and Repair, \$4,743.43. For Education, \$342.78. For Publications, \$171.39. Value of Church Property, \$30,000.00. Enclosed for Minutes, \$5.00. State Delegate fee, \$5.00.
 Moderator Rev. Harry E. Staires
 Clerk Cherry Fipps

Okmulgee—

State of Religion, good. Members Received this year, 17. Number Baptized, 9. Number Dismissed by letter, 4. Number Excluded, 10. Number Deceased, 1. Total Membership, 30. Condition of Prayer Meeting, good. Condition of Sunday School, fair. Average Number of Pupils, 39. Number of Officers and Teachers, 9. Condition of League,

fair. League Membership, 21. Condition of Auxiliary, good. Auxiliary Membership, 11. Value of Church Property, \$1500.00. Paid Pastor, \$520.00. Paid Evangelist, \$37.01. Paid for Building and Repair, \$2,107.46. For Home Missions, \$39.43. Amount for Publications, \$174.02. Amount for Minutes, \$3.00. State Delegate fee, \$5.00.

Moderator Rev John Elliston
Clerk Mary Zummer

Allen—

State of Religion, good. Members Received this year, 5. Number of Professions, 11. Number Baptized, 11. Number Deceased, none. Number Dismissed, 2. Total Membership, 141. Condition of Prayer Meeting, good. Condition of Sunday School, good. Average Number of Pupils, 92. Number of Officers, 7. Number of Teachers, 10. Paid Pastor, \$2329.65. Paid Evangelist, \$24.00. For Building and Repair, \$5,163.68. For Education, \$182.21. For Publications, \$268.76. Value of Church Property, Church \$10,000.00. Parsonage, \$2000.00. Enclosed for Minutes, \$3.00. For General Fund, \$15.00. State Delegate fee, \$5.00. Miscellaneous, \$1.

Moderator Rev Carl Hembree
Clerk Mrs. Bertha Rushing

Bristow—

State of Religion, good. Members Received this year, 8. Number Professions, 20. Number Baptized, 4. Number Dismissed, 10. Total Membership, 118. Condition of Prayer Meeting, good. Condition of Sunday School, good. Average Number of Pupils, 101. Number of Officers, 6. Number of Teachers, 13. Paid Pastor, \$3112.14. Paid Evangelist, \$471.25. Home Missions, \$286.03. Foreign Missions, \$52.20. For Building and Repairs, \$1516.35. For Education, \$615.04. For Publications, \$143.72. Value of Church Property, Church, \$10,000. Parsonage, \$4,500.00. Amount Enclosed for Minutes, \$5.00. State Delegate fee, \$5.00.

Moderator Rev N. R. Smith
Clerk Mrs. Mildred Mounce

Olive—

State of Religion, good. Members Received, none. Number Dismissed, none. Total Membership, 30. Condition of Prayer Meeting, good. Condition of Sunday School, good. Average Number of Pupils, 35. Amount Enclosed for General Fund, \$3.00. For Minutes, \$2.00.

Moderator Rev. John Peterson
Clerk Nellie Snell

Pretty Water—

State of Religion, good. Members Received this year, 10. Number Professions, 3. Number Dismissed, 3. Total Membership, 30. Condition of Prayer Meeting, good. Condition of Sunday School, fair. Average Number of Pupils, 22. Number of Officers, 2. Number of Teachers, 3. Paid Pastor, \$1,003.00. Missions, \$48.00. For Education, \$37.59. Value of Church Property, \$2,750.00. Amount Enclosed for Minutes, \$3.00. General Fund, \$12.00. State Delegate fee, \$5.00. Paid to Orphanage, \$40.63. Clerk, \$2.00.

Moderator Rev. W. E. Warner
Clerk Gladys Cutsinger

Blue Bell—

State of Religion, good. Members Received this year, 9. Number of Professions, 12. Number Deceased, 1. Number Dismissed, 1. Total Membership, 83. Condition of Prayer Meeting, fair. Condition of Sunday School, good. Average Number of Pupils, 60. Number of Officers, 3. Number of teachers, 6. Paid Pastor, \$1,200.00. Paid Evangelist, \$80.00. Foreign Mission, \$27.50. For Building and Repairs, \$300.00. Value of Church Property, Church \$2,500.00. Parsonage, \$2,000.00. Enclosed for Minutes, \$2.00. State Delegate fee, \$5.00.

Moderator Rev. Richard Shade
Clerk Mary Mae Myrick

Sapulpa First—

State of Religion, good. Members Received, 15. Number Baptized, 1. Number Dismissed, 16. Deceased, 1. Total Membership, 85. Condition of Prayer Meeting, good. Condition of Sunday School, good. Average Number of Pupils, 60. Number of Officers, 3. Number of Teachers, 7. Paid Pastor, \$1,700.00. For Education, \$8.82. For Publication, \$92.45. Enclosed for Minutes, \$3.00. For Clerk, \$2.00 For General Fund, \$16.00.

Moderator Rev. L. A. Wooldridge
Clerk Bessie Whitehead

Miami—

State of Religion, good. Members Received this year, 21. Number Professions, 3. Number Baptized, 2. Total Membership, 21. Condition of Prayer Meeting, good. Condition of Sunday School, good. Average Number of Pupils, 38. Number of Officers, 2. Number of Teachers, 5. Paid Pastor, \$165.00. Home Missions, \$5.00. Building and Repair, \$54.57. For Publication, \$27.00. Rent on Church Building, \$45.00 per month. Amount Enclosed for Minutes, \$5.00. We are happy to report that we have purchased a new home for our church. We hope to move in the very near

future. Our new location will be 2500 N. Main St., Miami, Okla.

Moderator Rev. Raymond C. Wood
Clerk Simpson Dushane, Jr.

Drumright—

State of Religion, good. Number Received this year, 23. Number Professions, 23. Number Baptized, 15. Number Deceased, 2. Number Dismissed, 7. Total Membership, 189. Condition of Prayer Meeting, good. Condition of Sunday School, good. Average Number of Pupils, 137. Number Officers, 10. Number Teachers, 10. Paid Pastor, \$2,910.00. Paid Evangelist, \$160.34. Home Missions, \$36.02. Co-operative Program, \$40.18. Building and Repairs, \$232.83. For Education, \$249.62. Value of Church Property, Church, \$12,500.00. Parsonage, \$5000.00. Amount enclosed for Minutes, \$5.00. Amount Enclosed for General Fund, \$68.00. Amount Enclosed for State Delegate fee, \$5.00. Paid to Children's Home, \$180.00. To State Sunday School Convention, \$48.00. Paid on Building, \$1200.00.

Moderator Rev. Harry Beatty
Clerk E. L. McLain

Sapulpa, North Heights—

State of Religion, good. Members Received this year, 5. Number Professions, 3. Number Deceased, 2. Total Membership, 48. Condition of Prayer Meeting, good. Condition of Sunday School, good. Average Number of Pupils, 58. Number of Officers, 6. Number of Teachers, 4. Paid Pastor, \$531.83. Paid Evangelist, \$82.95. Home Missions, \$40.00. For Building and Repair, \$289.53. For Publication, \$41.95. Value of Church Property, \$5000.00. Enclosed for Minutes, \$3.00.

Moderator Rev. Sam Gober
Clerk Maggie McQuilliam

West Tulsa—

State of Religion, good. Members Received this year, 12. Number Professions, 6. Number Baptized, 5. Number Deceased, 1. Total Membership, 51. Condition of Prayer Meeting, good. Condition of Sunday School, good. Average Number of Pupils, 50. Number of Officers, 3. Number of Teachers, 6. Paid Pastor, \$1620.00. For Building and Repair, \$8060.00. Value of Church Property, Church, \$15,000.00. no Parsonage. Enclosed for Minutes, \$2.00. Enclosed for General Fund, \$12.00.

Moderator Rev. Ralph Brown
Clerk Eula Halford

Lewis Avenue, Tulsa—

State of Religion, good. Members Received this year, 48. Number Deceased 4. Number Professions, 72. Number Baptized, 6. Number Dismissed, 39. Total Membership, 216. Condition of Prayer Meeting, good. Condition of Sunday School, good. Average Number of Pupils, 148. Number of Officers, 9. Number of Teachers, 13. Paid Pastor, \$3720.00. Paid Evangelist, \$427.80. State Home Missions, \$200.00. National Home Missions, \$300.00. Foreign Missions, \$856.82. Building and Repairs, \$2343.45. Publications, \$706.44. Miscellaneous, \$704.24. Value of Church Property, Church, \$31,000.00. Parsonage, \$5000.00. Paid Children's Home, \$100.00. Broadcast, \$1076.00. Paid Janitor, \$600.00. Flowers, \$184.64. Grand Total, \$11,344.39. Enclosed for Minutes, \$5.00. State Delegate, \$5.00.

Modera or Rev. E. M. Kennedy
Clerk Ethel Reneger

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 Mission, the success of Sunday School, 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 our 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 unjust, but everyone 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. 15:12; Matt. 12:12.

10. That is 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; 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.

CONSTITUTION

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

Therefore we have adopted the following Consitution 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 Gospel 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, Ministers wives, deacons, and the church clerks belonging to any church composing this body, also three delegates from each church chosen by the members of their respective churches.

4. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, an Assistant Moderator, a Clerk, an Assistant Clerk, and an Executive 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 to be elected so as to require one to be elected each year. 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 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 cannot transact business

because they are disorganized, shall become the property of the 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 meeting shall have power to transact business of the Association except to change the Constitution.

7. This Association may be called together by the Moderator by giving the churches ten days' notice of such meeting.

8. This Association shall not license or ordain any person to the ministry or as a deacon who has more than one living companion.

9. 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 sit 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 discussion 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 questions 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 devo-

tional 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 brethren:

_____ who
we pray you to receive to sit with you in your deliberations.

State of religion _____; members received this
year _____; No. deceased _____; No. professions
_____; No. baptized _____; No. dismissed _____;
total membership _____; condition of prayer meeting
_____; condition of Sunday School _____; aver-
age number of pupils _____; No. of officers _____;
No. of teachers _____; paid pastor \$ _____; paid
evangelist \$ _____; Missions: home \$ _____; for-
eign \$ _____; for building and repairs \$ _____;
for education \$ _____; for publication \$ _____;
value of church property: church \$ _____; parsonage
\$ _____; amount enclosed for minutes \$ _____

Pastor's name and address: _____

Names and addresses of ordained ministers belonging
to our church: _____

Names and addresses of ordained deacons belonging
to our church: _____

Done by order of _____ Church assembled
in conference this _____ day of _____, 19____

Moderator _____ Add _____

Clerk _____ Add _____

MINISTERS BELONGING TO THIS ASSOCIATION

Name	Address
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