

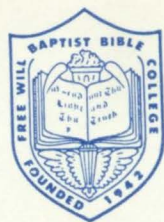
Minutes
of the
First Mission Association
of
FREE WILL BAPTISTS

1970

PROCEEDINGS OF THE 43RD ANNUAL SESSION

WHEN CONVENED AT

Old Minister's Home and Camp Ground
Highway 33, Ten Miles East of Drumright, Oklahoma



FREE WILL BAPTIST
BIBLE COLLEGE

Presented By

Mr. R. E. Spencer

OFFICERS OF THE FIRST MISSION ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

MODERATOR	Rev. Harry Staries
708 West Oklahoma, Blackwell, Oklahoma	
ASSISTANT MODERATOR	Rev. Roma Stewart
434 West 2nd, Bristow, Oklahoma	
CLERK AND TREASURER	Rev. Everett Keiffer
Rt. 2, Box 187C, Bristow, Oklahoma	
ASSISTANT CLERK	Rev. Ed Hollie
720 Burris Drive, Glencoe, Oklahoma	

GENERAL BOARD OF THE FIRST MISSION ASSOCIATION

This Board is composed of the Associational Officers, The Chairman of each Quarterly Meeting Board and the Chairman of the Associational Boards.

TRUSTEE BOARD OF THE FIRST MISSION ASSOCIATION

Rev. James Franklin, Chairman	1975
Rev. Retus Hunsucker	1974
Rev. Leon Shepperd	1973
Louie Pirtle	1972
Rev. Everett Keiffer, Clerk	1971

YOUTH CAMP BOARD OF THE FIRST MISSION ASSOCIATION

Rev. Roma Stewart	1975
Rev. Harry Staires	1974
Rev. Charles Brazeal	1973
Rev. Wayne Bookout	1972
Rev. Edjar Beaver	1971

THE NEXT SESSION OF THE FIRST MISSION ASSOCIATION OF THE FREE WILL BAPTISTS

The next session of the First Mission Annual Meeting will be set by the General Board and the date and time of the annual meeting will be sent through the mail to each church.

FIRST MISSION ASSOCIATION YOUTH CAMPS

Date and time for the youth camps will be announced through the mail.

BUDGET COMMITTEE OF THE FIRST MISSION ASSOCIATION OF THE FREE WILL BAPTISTS

This committee is composed of the Pastors of the churches and the Chairman of each Association Board or Committee. Date and place of the Budget Committee's meeting will be announced through the mail.

**MINUTES OF THE FORTY-THIRD
ANNUAL FIRST MISSION ASSOCIATION MEETING**

Thursday Night — August 13, 1970

The introductory service for the Fourty Third Annual Session of the First Mission Association of Free Will Baptist was held at the Old Ministers Home and Campground with the theme of the Association being, "The Church In A Contemporary Society". The Introductory Message was brough by Rev. James Franklin. The Text was taken from Matthew 16:13-18 and Matthew 28:19-20.

Friday Morning — August 14, 1970

The Friday morning service was opened with congregational singing led by Rev. Jim Christian. The Associatiton Moderator, Rev. Bob Duncan brought the morning devotion using Revelation 3:15 as the text. Following the giving of the devotion, the Association was called to order and placed in conference to transact all business to come before it.

Items of business transacted:

- (1) MMSC to adopt Annual Program.
- (2) Letters read from the churches and MMSC to receive letters and seat the delegates.
- (3) By-Laws of the Association read by Assistant Moderator Rev. Jim Christian.
- (4) Recognition of Visiting Brothern.
- (5) Appointment of Committees.

Resolution Committee:

Sister Matherly, Rev. Bob Ketchum, Rev. Harry Staires,
Rev. Jerry Rhoads, Rev. Charles Brazeal

Obituary Committee:

Rev. Elda Bingman, Sister Tuttle, Rev. Wayne Patton

- (6) Associational Treasurers Report read and MMSC to adopt.
- (7) Budget Committee Report read and MMSC to Adopt.
- (8) Trustee Board Report read and MMSC to adopt.
- (9) MMSC to accept resignation of Ray Hayes from Trustee Board.
- (19) MMSC to adjourn business until 1:00 p.m.

FRIDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

The Friday Morning Worship Service was opened with congregational singing led by Rev. Jim Christian. Special Music was presented by John Uasuda, OBC student from Japan. The morning message was brought by Rev. Roger Reeds, Director of the National Sunday School Work. The theme was, "The Role of The Sunday School in a Contemporary Society". Service dismissed and blessing asked on the noon meal by Rev. C. D. Benton.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON BUSINESS SESSION

The Friday Afternoon Service was opened with congregational singing led by Rev. Jim Christian. The devotion was given by Rev. Leon Shepperd using as the text Roman 15:1-6. Special Music was presented by John Uasuda. Greetings were brought to the Association by Dr. J. D. O'donnell, President of Oklahoma Bible College.

Items of business transacted:

- (11) MMSC to adopt General Board report.
- (12) Kenneth Beatty gave information concerning the organization of Youth Choirs in the State of Oklahoma.
- (13) Obituary Committee report read and MMSC to adopt.
- (14) MMS that the offices of Clerk and Treasurer be combined and the honorarium be \$60.00 per month.
- (15) MMSC to table the above motion as it involves a constitutional change.
- (16) Association business stopped for the day and Association dismissed with prayer.

FRIDAY EVENING MISSIONARY SERVICE

The Missionary service was opened with congregational singing led by Rev. Wayne Patton. Special music was presented by the West Tulsa Church. The speaker for the Missionary Service was Rev. Howard Gage. The Theme for the service was, "The Role of Missions in a Contemporary Society". An offering of \$42.19 was received.

SATURDAY MORNING — AUGUST 15, 1970

The Saturday morning session was opened with congregational singing and the devotion given by Rev. Bob Spencer.

Items of business transacted:

- (17) The Woman's Auxiliary Report was given and MMSC to adopt.
- (18) The Youth Camp Committee report was given and MMSC to adopt.

- (19) The following Trustee Board members were elected:
Louie Pirtle, 1972; James Franklin, 1975; Leon Shepperd, 1973.
- (20) The following members were elected to the Youth Camp Board:
Wayne Bookout, 1972; Roma Stewart, 1975.
- (21) MMSC to elect Everett R. Keiffer as Associational Treasurer.
- (22) MMSC to elect Everett R. Keiffer as Associational Clerk.
- (23) MMSC to elect Ed Hollie as Associational Assistant Clerk.
- (24) MMSC to elect Harry Staries as Associational Moderator.
- (25) MMSC to elect Roma Stewart as Associational Assistant Moderator.
- (26) MMSC to adjourn until 1:00 p.m.

SATURDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

The Saturday morning worship service was opened with prayer for Alicia Willey, daughter of Missionaries Tom and Imma Ruth Willey. The morning Memorial Service Message was brought by Rev. Sam Gober, using as the text I Cor: 15: 35-50. The service was dismissed in prayer by Howard Brown.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON BUSINESS SESSION

The Saturday afternoon session opened with the devotion brought by Brother Earl Lewis.

Items of business transacted:

- (27) MMSC that Associational Clerk/Treasurer be paid \$60.00 per month for services rendered.
- (28) MMSC that each Quarterly Meeting Executive Board along with the Associational Officers meet as needed to promote better relations between the Quarterly Meetings.
- (29) MMSC to give a standing vote of thanks to Associational Officers.
- (30) The Fourth Third Session of the First Mission Association of Free Will Baptists dismissed with prayer by Rev. Roma Stewart.

REPORT OF THE CENTRAL AREA QUARTERLY MEETING TO THE FIRST MISSION ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

ALLEN CHURCH

CLERK—Bertha Rushing
Route 3, Box 63, Sapulpa, Oklahoma 74066 224-4038
PASTOR—Charles Brazeal
P. O. Box 1292, Sapulpa, Oklahoma 74066 224 4500
DELEGATES/ALTERNATES—Coleen Whitehead, Pegg Ruth, Sona Van-
Arsdale, Pat Langston, Jean Montgomery, Edward VanArsdale
DEACONS—Clark Vickers, Lionel Bilby, Arvel Bishop, Charles Kennett,
Gail Langston, George Matthews, Johnny Beller
STATE DELEGATE—Mary Brazeal

BLACKWELL CHURCH

PASTOR—Harry E. Staires
708 West Oklahoma, Blackwell, Oklahoma 74631 363-1894
CLERK—Jack Bookout
524 West Kansas, Blackwell, Oklahoma 74631 363-4462
DELEGATES/ALTERNATES—Ina Haas, Fay Bookout, Viola Harris,
Darlene Russ, Danny Horton
DEACONS—Lester Bookout, Jack Bookout, Ray Dew
STATE DELEGATE—Charles Kirk

BLUE BELL CHURCH

PASTOR—Leon Sheppard
Route 1, Box 251B, Sapulpa, Oklahoma 74066 247-2876
CLERK—Imogene Watkins
Box 206, Kellyville, Oklahoma 74039 247-3190
DELEGATES/ALTERNATES—Tom Pope, Freda Waltrip, Vinita Tuttle,
Tom Watkins, Jim Watkins, Jim Conley, Ruth Conley
DEACONS—Roy Waltrip, Billy Pridmore, Lee Tuttle
STATE DELEGATE—Wilma Sheppard

BRISTOW CHURCH

PASTOR—Roma Stewart
434 West 2nd, Bristow, Oklahoma 74066 367-3755
CLERK—Mildred Mounce
301 West 7th, Bristow, Oklahoma 74010 367-3204
DELEGATES/ALTERNATES—Lula Wiley, Lille Wood, Gertrude Colley,
Freda Hill
DEACONS—E. L. Dobson, R. C. Keeling, George Dotson, George Wood,
Roy Berry, Carl Hill, Ben Stiles
STATE DELEGATE—Sister Roma Stewart

DRUMRIGHT CHURCH

PASTOR—Earl Judd
139 East Drumright, Drumright, Oklahoma 74030 352-2666
CLERK—Ray Holland
Drumright, Oklahoma 74030 352-2835
DELEGATES/ALTERNATES—Barbara Holland, P. R. Armstrong, Elsie
Keller, Ray Holland, Virginia Semler, Lea Poskey
DEACONS—Floyd Wilson, Charlie Smith, Wiley Nichols, Ivan Semler,
O. R. Hopkins

CINCINNATI CHURCH

PASTOR—C. D. Benton

211 Summit Dr., Sand Springs, Oklahoma 74063 245-1415

CLERK—Doreen Cole

5623 S. Quincy Ave., Tulsa, Oklahoma 74100

DELEGATES/ALTERNATES—Joyce Barrow, Mary Lou Flatt, Mae Hardesty, Colleen Campbell, Betty Langston

CUSHING FIRST CHURCH

PASTOR—J. A. Franklin

Box 304, Cushing, Oklahoma 74023 225-2907

CLERK—Marty Williams

1016 East Maple, Cushing, Oklahoma 74023 225-2053

DELEGATES/ALTERNATES—Genita Lambert

DEACONS—R. J. Greiner, Murray Belveal, Truman Nichols

FELLOWSHIP CHURCH

PASTOR—Robert Spencer

1519 South Chester St., Stillwater, Oklahoma 74074 372-9248

CLERK—Shirley Akins

2415 South Washington, Stillwater, Oklahoma 74074 372-9079

DEACONS—Orvil Akins

STATE DELEGATE—Orvil Akins

GARDEN HEIGHTS CHURCH

PASTOR—Wayne Bookout

209 Summitt Blvd., Sand Springs, Oklahoma 74063 245-5572

CLERK—Merla Spiller

Route 1, Box 28, Sapulpa, Oklahoma 74066 224-0755

DELEGATES/ALTERNATES—Edna Varner, Louis Gideon, Linnie Applegate, Mrs. Harris, Marie Nightengale

DEACONS—Alvin Applegate, Worley Varner

STATE DELEGATE—Wanda Bookout

HIGHLAND PARK CHURCH

PASTOR—Joe Braddy

1402 East 6th, Stillwater, Oklahoma 74074 372-6721

CLERK—Bertha Bundy

223 South West St., Stillwater, Oklahoma 74074 372-9530

DELEGATES/ALTERATES—Rachel Bess, Judy McCurry, Glenna Huff

DEACONS—Wilford Lee, James Evans

LIBERTY CHURCH

PASTOR—Edgar Beaver

Route 2, Bristow, Oklahoma 74010 352-2910

CLERK—Nadean Wheeler

Route 2, Box 192, Bristow, Okla. 74010 352-2964

DELEGATES/ALTERNATES—Ola McFarlin, Vinnis Vann, Betty Vann, LaDonna Byard, Curtis Peacock

DEACONS—Jimmy Wheeler, J. B. Dunn

STATE DELEGATE—Charlene Beaver

LONE CHIMNEY CHURCH

PASTOR—Edmon Hollie

720 Burris Dr., Glencoe, Oklahoma 74032

CLERK—Virginia Boyles

Route 1, Maramec, Oklahoma 74045 454-2461

NORTH HEIGHTS CHURCH

PASTOR—Sam Gober

1129 N. Main, Sapulpa, Oklahoma 74066 224-1117

CLERK—Wanda McGuire

314 West 45th St., Sand Springs, Oklahoma 74063 245-4831

DELEGATES/ALTERNATES—Mildred Ellis, Linda Woods, Ethel Mears,
Ora Kirby, Mary Mears, Pauline Enlow

DEACONS—Harold McGuire, Alvin Mears, Sterling Mears, Loyd Johnson,
Leon Groves, Gary Stephens

STATE DELEGATE—Opal Gober

OILTON CHURCH

PASTOR—Danny Oliver

Box 61, Oilton, Oklahoma 74052 862-3591

CLERK—Violet Robinson

Box 135, Oilton, Oklahoma 74052 862-3227

DELEGATES/ALTERNATES—Violet Tyree, J. D. Tyree, Martha Prather,
Velma Lomenick, Junior Posey, Alma Kinney

DEACONS—Claude Robinson, Dave Foust

STATE DELEGATE—Pat Oliver

OKMULGEE CHURCH

PASTOR—Lamar Kendall

601 S. Oklahoma, Okmulgee, Oklahoma 74447 756-5014

CLERK—Maxine Haynes

Route 2, Box 46, Beggs, Oklahoma 74421 756-3840

DELEGATES/ALTERNATES—Bro. Robertson, Sis. Robertson, Bessie
Ennis, Bro. Adams, Sis. Adams, Pete Haynes

DEACON—Lee Ennis

STATE DELEGATE—Duronda Kendall

PRETTY WATER CHURCH

PASTOR—Roy Bryant

712 S. 59th W. Ave., Tulsa, Oklahoma 74100

CLERK—Goldie Bock

1029 East Bryan, Sapulpa, Oklahoma 74066

DELEGATES/ALTERNATES—Noval Robinson

STATE DELEGATE—Oleta Bryant

SAPULPA FIRST CHURCH

PASTOR—Hurley Lemons

Box 344, Kiefer, Oklahoma, 74041

CLERK—Mary Brock

923 N. Ridgeway, Sapulpa, Oklahoma 224-4960

DELEGATES/ALTERNATES—Alta Sackton, Trula Mae Ham, Mae
Belle Rogers, June Lemons, Mary Brock

DEACONS—Truman Rogers

SILVER CITY CHURCH

PASTOR—David Biggers

Route 2, Jennings, Oklahoma 74038 865-3816

CLERK—Louise Haskins

Route 2, Box 54, Jennings, Oklahoma 74038 865-4331

DELEGATES/ALTERNATES—Pauline Matherly, Geneva Mainus, Shirley Mainus, Lola Fisher, Nee Cobb

DEACONS—Walter McBroom, Dick Mills, George Poston, Cleon Linton, Gerald Mills, Bob Haskins

STATE DELEGATE—Gerald Mills

STROUD CHURCH

PASTOR—Jim Christian

Box 207, Stroud, Oklahoma 74079 968-2782

DELEGATES/ALTERNATES—Stella Hightower, Judy —Cochran, Essie Sprague, Jim Magar, Carol Christian, Rose Kinnard

DEACONS—Paul Johnson, Alvin Hightower

TRINITY CUSHING CHURCH

PASTOR—Ray Price

Cushing, Oklahoma 74023

CLERK—Mrs. Conn Sadler

Route 2, Cushing, Oklahoma 74023

DELEGATES/ALTERNATES—Emma Turner, Buel Turner, Fronzie Tuttle, Shelia Odle, Joyce Whalen, Ewel Haskins

DEACONS—Emmett Tipton

WEST SIDE CHURCH

PASTOR—Willard McGuire

Box 254, Kellyville, Oklahoma 74039 247-2333

CLERK—Marland Armitage

634 S. Poplar, Sapulpa, Oklahoma 74066 224-0421

DELEGATES/ALTERNATES—Walter Kinsey, David Hampton, Mary Gaston, Gladys Kinsey, Loretta Hampton, Don Staires

DEACONS—Dovel Gaston

STATE DELEGATE—Walter Kinsey

REPORT OF THE TULSA AREA QUARTERLY MEETING TO THE FIRST MISSION ASSOCIATION OF THE FREE WILL BAPTISTS

General Information

Moderator: Rev. Connie Cariker Clerk: Marguerite Hinesley
Executive Board Members: Rev. Jerry Rhoades, Rev. Bob Duck,
Ray Webb.
Number of Churches: 11 S. S. Enrolment: 2329
Number of Ministers: 34 Church Membership: 2760
Number of Deacons: 59 Woman's Auxiliary Membership: 172

AIRPORT CHURCH

PASTOR—J. B. Fletcher
1229 N. 94th. E. Ave., Tulsa, Oklahoma 838-7619
CLERK—Margaret Reece
2001 N. Mingo Rd., Tulsa, Oklahoma 838-1036
DELEGATES/ALTERNATES—Carolyn Timmons, Betty Wells, Sister
Bennie Best, Ernest Best, Lorene Berryhill, Shirley
DEACONS—Carl Payne, Ray Hopkins, Harry Franklin, Lawson Fields
STATE DELEGATE—Betty Wells

CENTRAL CHURCH

PASTOR—David Rogers
5463 N. Irequois, Tulsa, Oklahoma 425-1092
CLERK—Rhonda Rogers
DELEGATES—ALTERNATES—Lillie Taylor, Gaylene Shurley, Coweta
Dillishaw, Cheryl Higdon, Carloyn Oglesby, Marilyn Mattix
DEACONS—Arthur McAfee, Elbert Taylor, Charles Mattix, Jr., L. E.
Turley
STATE DELEGATE—Sterling Messer

LAWNWOOD CHURCH

PASTOR—Robert Duncan
4115 West Edison, Tulsa, Oklahoma 585-9070
CLERK—Frank Hargrove
15 Bassett, Sand Springs, Oklahoma 74063 245-4892
DELEGATES/ALTERNATES—Verda Pugh, Linda Hudson, Jim Hudson
DEACONS—Albert Boggs, Fred Seawright, Nolan Haworth, Albert
Cook, Wayne Roberts, Donald Cook, Frank Hargrove
STATE DELEGATE—Fern Duncan

LEWIS AVENUE CHURCH

PASTOR—Bob Duck
2733 East Ute, Tulsa, Oklahoma 936-2380
CLERK—Lady Marie Barnes
603 N. 26th W. Ave., Tulsa, Oklahoma 582-6942
DELEGATES/ALTERNATES—Aletha Stiger, Ethel Renegar, Edward
Stiger, Bert Davis, Edna Davis, Ray Hayes
DEACONS—Garner Denton, Andy Fipps, J. E. Renegar, Warren Nelson
STATE DELEGATE—June Duck

SOUTHEAST TULSA CHURCH

PASTOR—Jerry Rhoades

1801 S. Garnett Rd., Tulsa, Oklahoma 437-4514

CLERK—Maurene Beatty

5926 E. 4th Pl., Tulsa, Oklahoma TE 5-9355

DELEGATES/ALTERNATES—Cecil Lane, Louise Wagner, Don Wagner, Darla Lane, Norma Alton, Joan Davis

DEACONS—Clifford Inbody, Kenneth Beatty

STATE DELEGATE—Sonny Rose

TRINITY TEMPLE CHURCH

PASTOR—Melvin Bingham

514 N. Irvington, Tulsa, Oklahoma 835-3718

CLERK—Wesley Summit

720 N. Irvington, Tulsa, Oklahoma 838-1521

DELEGATES/ALTERNATES—Libbie Collins, Effie Morris, Bertha Keiffer, Linda Denton, Selma Dunnegan, Benny Denton

DEACONS—Harold Hancock, Alvin Dunneagn, Hiram Roberts

STATE DELEGATE—Effie Morris

TULSA FIRST CHURCH

PASTOR—Dugan McDonald

822 N. Utica, Tulsa, Oklahoma LU 2-4014

CLERK—Mary Jo Bridges

11016 East 18, Tulsa, Oklahoma 431-5659

DELEGATES/ALTERNATES—Frank Capps, Pauline Arnold, I. C. Arnold

DEACONS—Harry Watt

STATE DELEGATE—Lela Crow

WEST TULSA CHURCH

PASTOR—Connie Cariker

922 W. 23rd Pl., Tulsa, Oklahoma 585-8094

CLERK—Esther Williams

1625 N. Delaware Pl., Tulsa, Oklahoma 936-0073

DELEGATES/ALTERNATES—Mabel Brown, Ralph Coffman, Pearl Wimer, Shirley Smith, Shirley Leach

DEACONS—Lloyd Martin, Damon Cariker, Emil Colburn, Leo Chism, Robert Sides, Jake Wimer

STATE DELEGATE — Glo Cariker

MADISON AVENUE CHURCH

PASTOR—Wayne Patton

5903 N. Madison, Tulsa, Oklahoma 425-2339

CLERK—Charlene Curtis

1639 E. 71st N., Tulsa, Oklahoma 425-1011

DELEGATES/ALTERNATES—Mary Frailey, Betty Pittser, Neta Hammons, Lois Crouch, Faye Patton

DEACONS—Clyde Humble, Perry Bishop, Eldon Pittser, Ray Kircher, Harold Frailey

STATE DELEGATE—Faye Patton

NEW HOME CHURCH

PASTOR—J. B. Chism Jr.

3110 S. 65 W. Ave., Tulsa, Oklahoma 446-0758

CLERK—Charles Rogers

3860 S. 63 W. Ave., Tulsa, Oklahoma 446-4767

DELEGATES/ALTERNATES—Howard Brown, Katherine Johnson,
Marguerite Hinesley

DEACONS—John Moss, Clarence Johnson, James Partin, Charles Hinesley, Bill Rosencutter, Jim Rhodes, Harvey Oberge, Waymon Ray, George Smith, R. M. Thames

STATE DELEGATE—Marguerite Hinesley

OWASSO CHURCH

PASTOR—Bob Ketchum

1004 N. Dogwood, Owasso, Oklahoma 74055 272-5468

CLERK—Mrs. F. J. Testerman

Rt. 1, Box 977, Owasso, Oklahoma 74055 272-3167

DELEGATES/ALTERNATES—Jessee Testerman, Bill Lisenbee, H. D. Ratliff

DEACONS—F. J. Testerman, Harold Boston, Wayne Smith, Jerry Kaase, Gale Stephens, Ray Webb, Johnny Crittenden, Bob Daniels, H. D. Ratliff, Bob Rowan

STATE DELEGATE—Mrs. F. J. Testerman

REPORTS OF BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND AUXILIARIES

BUDGET COMMITTEE REPORT

The Budget Committee met at the campground August 3, 1970. The meeting was called to order by Rev. Bod Duncan, Moderator. The meeting was a joint meeting in order to complete the previous discussion on the matter concerning financing the association and campground.

Item 1. MSC to adopt present method of financing the association and campground, and to encourage the churches to participate by giving cooperatively.

Item 2. MSC to adopt the budget set at meetint. (Please refer to treasurer's formal statement of 1970-71 budget).

Sixteen pastors were present for this meeting.

GENERAL BOARD REPORT

Date: October, 1969 Place: Blue Bell Church

The meeting was called to order by Brother Duncan, Moderator. The primary reason for this meeting was to discuss the means to support the Association and to audit the Treasurer's books. MSC to have all associational pastors to meet during the youth camp to settle associational expense matter. The Treasurer's books were audited and found to be in order. MSC to accept the audit. Everett Keiffer informed the Board he would continue as Associational Treasurer.

Date: June 26, 1970 Place: Campground

This meeting was called to order by Brother Duncan, Moderator. The meeting was to plan the program for the annual Association to be held August 13, 14, 15, 1970. MSC to adopt as theme for the program "The Church in a Contemporary Society".

TRUSTEE BOARD REPORT

The First Mission Association Trustee Board has met four times during the past year. Items of business discussed or work supervised are as follows: 1. Clearing of land at the cemetery. 2. Clearing of land north of the cabins. 3. New sign painted and placed at the cemetery. 4. Mats placed in the shower rooms. 5. The road graded up to the caretaker's house. 6. New horn placed in the drive-way entrance to cafe. 7. Concession stand painted and completed. 8. New pressure tank installed for the west pump house. 9. Front of tabernacle painted. 10. Front of girls block dorm painted as well as a good portion of the inside. 11. New water lines installed to the kitchen. 12. Associational cabin painted. 13. Cooling box for cafe installed. 14. Girls dorm leveled. 15. New motor purchased for lawnmower. 16. Repair of door on caretaker's house. 17. Repair of cafe water cooler.

We express our thanks to the following for their work on the campground throughout the last year: Rev. Harry Staires, Harrell Dunn and Cletus King. The Trustee Board has asked for an allocation of \$1500.00 for the coming year. If the request is granted, plans are to provide adequate cooling for the dorms, as well as placing a bath room in the frame girls dorm. Other items would be, cemetery enlargement, tabernacle roof, locks for dorms. As a Board we express to the Dunn

family our expression of sympathy on the passing of the campground caretaker, Brother J. B. Dunn. His work has been well done over the past 14 years and he will be greatly missed on our campground. We request the Association to fill the unexpired term of Willard Day, and fill the term of expiring board member Jim Rice.

Youth Camp Committee Report:

The total enrolment for the Youth Camps: 250. Junior Camp . . . 144 enrolled, with James Franklin as General Director and Rev. Roma Stewart as Camp Evangelist. Senior Camp . . . 106 enrolled, with Bob Duncan as General Director and Rev. Wayne Patton as Camp Evangelist.

Obituary Committee Report:

We, your obituary committee report that the following persons have been called into glory by our precious Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. CENTRAL CHURCH—Mrs. Lester (Dora) Turley, John, Pruitt, Ben McCullough.

MADISON AVENUE CHURCH—Grover McAfee.

NEW HOME CHURCH—Pearl Hibbard.

TRINITY TEMPLE CHURCH—Sarah Underwood, Cleve Light.

TULSA FIRST CHURCH—George Cordray, Mary Royster, Thomas Williams, Cherie Klein, Bradford Wheeler, Florence Baker, Edna Grubb, Bessie Prock, Cleo Williams, King Higgins, Homer Elderton, Thelma Bates, Ola Soeton, Roe Glidewell.

Relatives of members at the First Church: Timothy Tynor, Fred Capps, Irvin Orsburn, Charley Melton, Chlee Palmer, Charley Florence, Michael Ray, John W. Coley, Raymond Garrett.

WEST TULSA CHURCH—Fred Hohney

ALLEN CHURCH—Jimmy Ruth, Homer Parks

BRISTOW CHURCH—Mrs. Walter Abner

DRUMRIGHT CHURCH—Vesta Peterson, Tom Broadston, Walter Light, Arthur Dunnigan, Earnest Shoemate, Earl Woods

GARDEN HEIGHTS CHURCH—A. C. Rider

LIBERTY CHURCH—Jim Pounds, Minnie Trueblood, J. B. Dunn

OKMULGEE CHURCH—Homer Ried, Payne Hinsley, Dave Maysey, John David

CUSHING FIRST CHURCH—H. P. Boswell, Harry Walker, Edna Rowland, Jack Morgan, Mrs. Floyd Johnson, Floyd Johnson, Laura Hope

There maybe other names that have not been mentioned to this committee and if we have overlooked anyone we extend our apolog.

Wayne Patton, Elda Bingham, Fronzie Tuttle

WOMAN,S AUXILIARY REPORT

MORNING SESSION:

The First Mission District Auxiliary met August 13, 1970 at the Camp Ground. The Convention Theme was "The Promised Land", using John 14:2,3. Devotion by Helen Cook. Altar of prayer for Missionaries. Special by Allen Quartet.

Miscellaneous reports were received. We voted to give Sis Lorene Miley a love offering of \$100.00, plus the morning offering; to give a love offering of \$50.00 to Joe Haas, Jr.; to give a love offering of \$10.00 to the Tom Willey, Jr. family for Alicia's hospital expenses. A Resolution was passed to buy equipment for the camp ground kitchen. The District, Central Area and Tulsa Area Personal Service Chairmen were to be the Committee in charge of this.

The President appointed the following to take notes and report from the following:

State Convention: June Duck State Workshop: Dean Kaase

Bertha Keiffer was elected by acclamation to be in charge of installation services of officers. The following were elected to the Nominating Committee: Opal Rogers, Effie Morris, Wilma Shepherd, Mable Brown, Mary Keiffer.

It was voted that our Convention give \$75.00 each to the Gages and Combs toward the purchase of sewing machines and other necessary items, to be given as follows:

District Auxiliary	\$30.00
Each Local Auxiliary	\$ 5.00

Motion carried to delete the Appreciation Committee at the yearly District Convention at the campground.

Motion carried to have our District Workshop with CEF on October 7, 1970 at Southeast Free Will Baptist Church, 1801 S. Garnett Rd., Tulsa, Registration at 9:30 A.M., beginning Workshop at 10:00 A.M. Bring a sack lunch and Southeast Church will furnish drinks and desserts. Offering was given in the amount of \$31.37.

AFTERNOON SESSION:

Began with congregational singing, responsive reading and prayer. Mrs. Lorene Miley, Missionary to Africa, showed pictures and spoke about the "Dispensary Diary." Southeast Tulsa Auxiliary trio sang as Billy Inbody presented a chalk drawing. Dismissed in prayer. The Registration Committee reported 75 present.

Balance in Treasury 8-1-69	\$ 289.53
Total Receipts	\$4,091.46
Total Disbursements	\$4,179.46
Balance in Treasury 8-1-70	\$ 201.15
Tulsa Area membership	177
Central Area membership	96

Enrollment at beginning of convention year, 270; present enrollment, 273; number new members, 46; number lost, 49; average attendance, 173; number making contacts to enlist new members, or to bring back absentees, 100; study courses held, 82; reading circles conducted, 2;

number participating, 5; number daily Bible readers, 106; number promoting libraries, 46; number special programs held, 15; number Seasons of Prayer observed, 56; number observing Prayer Fellowship, 68; number Family Altars, 68; number engaged in personal service, 156; number making soul-winning efforts, 94; number souls won, 15; number participating in monthly missions emphasis, 163; number reading Heart-beat, 172; Mission-Grams, 183; number contributing to Missionary Provision Closet, 72.

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**TREASURER'S REPORT TO THE FIRST MISSION ASSOCIATION OF
FREE WILL BAPTISTS FOR THE YEAR BEGINNING AUGUST 1, 1969
AND ENDING JULY 31, 1970. — BUDGET \$64,750.00**

<u>CHURCH</u>	<u>ALLOCATION</u>	<u>TOTAL GIVEN</u>	<u>AUXILIARY GIVING</u>
Airport	\$3000.00	\$6355.22	\$260.75
Central	2000.00	704.13	161.40
Lawnwood	5500.00	4720.30	597.43
Lewis Avenue	4000.00	2078.12	186.43
Madison Avenue	500.00	828.95	117.37
New Home	10,000.00	9802.91	297.60
Owasso	3000.00	3099.29	78.00
S.E. Tulsa	3000.00	2595.36	114.32
Trinity Temple	1500.00	1592.00	300.70
Tulsa First	3000.00	1488.01	378.50
West Tulsa	4000.00	5066.31	261.16
Allen	1800.00	3054.64	119.20
Blue Bell	500.00	1063.79	78.97
Blackwell	1000.00	1247.24	226.45
Bristow	1200.00	2400.41	136.21
Cimacianati	200.00	45.00	
Cushing First	1000.00	516.70	95.88
Drumright	1300.00	1238.00	72.00
Fellowship	250.00	36.50	
Garden Heights	1000.00	1246.88	101.60
Grant Avenue	300.00	10.00	
Highland Park	500.00	638.33	58.00
Liberty	125.00	45.00	126.75
Lene Chimney	350.00	392.48	
North Heights	400.00	485.47	
Oilton	500.00	627.21	99.05
Okmulgee	800.00	404.40	82.23
Pretty Water	200.00	491.10	
Sapulpa First	100.00	87.07	
Silver City	400.00	390.00	127.07
Stroud	200.00	76.17	
Cushing Trinity	200.00	60.00	
West Side	100.00	50.00	
Total Church Giving		\$52,936.99	
Tulsa Q.M.	500.00	2937.97	
Central Q.M.	200.00	-0-	
Youth Camp	2500.00	3155.35	...This years Jr. C. \$1280.75
Misc:	500.00	92.92	
Cabins	125.00	70.50	
Woman's Auxiliary	4000.00	4171.46	...Includes above figures and last years \$80.00.
Camp Meeting		252.85	
Balance Carried forth 8/1/69		35.10	
Grand Total		\$63,653.14	

<u>DISBURSEMENTS</u>		<u>DISBURSEMENTS</u>
Coop: Recieved..\$19,497.91	Sent..\$15,112.86	
Des: 35,570.80	35,570.80	
Total C/D \$55,068.71	\$50,683.66	
Coop held in First Mission for local expenses:.....	\$4385.05	
Leans..\$1500.00	\$1500.00	Note: Loan
Utilities..\$700.00	681.24	Balance is
Building/Repair..\$1000.00	851.43	\$3911.85.
Travel Expense..\$200.00	155.32	
Treas and Clerk..\$520.00	520.00	
Delegate Fees..\$330.00	245.00	
Printing..\$400.00	315.75	
Youth Camp..\$2500.00	2050.00	
Misc..\$800.00	433.68	
Insurance..\$500.00	233.00	...Due/\$134.00
Camp Meeting	246.75	
Concession Stand	65.10	
Victoria, Texas	300.00	
Total Disbursements:	\$58,280.93	
Total Income: \$63,653.14		
Less Disb: 58,280.93		
Balance 5,372.21		
Less W/Aux 4,091.46		
Bal on Books \$1,280.75	...Income for Junior Youth Camp	

PROPOSED YEARLY BUDGET FOR THE CHURCHES OF THE FIRST MISSION ASSOCIATION

<u>CHURCH.....</u>	<u>ALLOCATION</u>
Airport	\$8000.00
Central	1000.00
Lawnwood	5750.00
Lewis Avenue	3000.00
Madison Avenue	1250.00
New Home	10,500.00
Owasso	3500.00
S.E. Tulsa	3500.00
Trinity Temple	2000.00
Tulsa First	3000.00
West Tulsa	6000.00
Allen	2500.00
Blue Bell	1000.00
Blackwell	1200.00
Bristow	2000.00
Cincinnati	200.00
Cushing First	1200.00
Drumright	1300.00
Fellowship	250.00
Garden Heights	1500.00
Highland Park	500.00

<u>CHURCH.....</u>	<u>ALLOCATION</u>
Liberty	125.00
North Hts.	500.00
Oilton	700.00
Okmulgee	800.00
Pretty Water	500.00
Sapulpa First	100.00
Silver City	300.00
Streud	400.00
West Side	200.00
Trinity	200.00
Lone Chimney	500.00
Tulsa Q.M.	3000.00
Central Q.M.	1000.00
Youth Camp	2500.00
Misc:	500.00
Cabin Ins.	100.00
Woman's Aux.	4200.00
Total proposed budget for 1970/1971.....	\$74,975.00
Less change of	200.00
Budget:	\$74,775.00

<u>DISBURSEMENTS</u>	<u>DISBURSEMENTS</u>
Cooperative and Designated Giving:	\$66,045.00
Leans..Martha Jennings/Muskegee, Okla. \$125/Per/Men	1,500.00
Utilities	700.00
Building and Repair	1,500.00
Treas and clerk...\$60.00 a month for combined office's.	720.00
Delegate Fees..For State Association.	320.00
Printing..For Association programs and minutes.	400.00
Youth Camp and Cafe	2,500.00
Misc:	500.00
Insurance..On all associational property and 2 cabins.	390.00
Travel Expense..5¢ per mile for all associational boards.	200.00
Total Disbursements	\$74,775.00

Youth Project Income: African Literature Center...\$1000.00
African Missionary House...\$1000.00
OBC Library Fund 556.52

Central Area Missionary Project: Gage, Willey and Combs...\$1852.60

Everett Koiffer, Treasurer
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ORDAINED MINISTERS BELONGING TO THE FIRST MISSION ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

J. B. Fletcher* — Airport Church 1229 N. 94 E. Ave. Tulsa	838-7619
C. G. Askins — Airport Church 218 S. Victor, Tulsa	584-3095
Eddie Payne — Airport Missionary to Africa	
David Rogers* — Central Church 5463 N. Iroquois, Tulsa	425-1092
Susie Pruitt — Central Church 1710 E. 54 St., Tulsa	425-4196
Marvin Dalton — Central Church 144 N. Xanthus, Tulsa	LU 3-2900
Robert Duncan * — Lawn-wood Church 4115 W. Edison, Tulsa	585-9005
Ronnie Royal — Lawnwood Church Rt. 1, Sand Springs, Okla.	CI 5-4993
Robert Duck* — Lewis Avenue Church 2733 E. Ute, Tulsa	936-2380
John Wood — Lewis Avenue Church Broken Arrow, Okla.	
Wayne Patton* — Madison Ave. Church 5903 N. Madison, Tulsa	425-2339
J. B. Chism Jr.* — New Home Church 3110 S. 65 W. Ave., Tulsa	446-0758
Lewis Sadler — New Home Church 3304 S. 63 W. Ave., Tulsa	446-4244
L. A. Woolridge — New Home Church 3144 S. 61 W. Ave., Tulsa	446-7749
Bob Gillean — New Home Church 3523 S. 71 W. Ave., Tulsa	
Joe Hass — New Home Church Missionary to France	
Melvin Bingham* — Trinity Temple Church 514 N. Irvington, Tulsa	835-8309
Elda Bingham — Trinity Temple Church 514 N. Irvington, Tulsa	835-8309
Leona Mayfield — Trinity Temple Church 519 N. Irvington, Tulsa	838-7747

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F. E. Crain — Trinity Temple Church Miami, Oklahoma	
Everett W. Keiffer — Trinity Temple Church 520 S. 101 E. Ave., Tulsa	Te 5-3760
Dugan McDonald* — Tulsa First Church 822 N. Utica, Tulsa	Lu 2-4014
John H. West — Tulsa First Church 2211 East 13, Tulsa	939-2040
E. J. Wilson — Tulsa First Church 308 N. Rosedale, Tulsa	587-3404
L. C. Worley — Tulsa First Church Skitook, Oklahoma	393-1544
J. H. Prock — Tulsa First Church 11134 E. Independence, Tulsa	437-2525
Oliver Lindle — Tulsa First Church 3318 E. Easton, Tulsa	936-5947
Floyd Barnes — Tulsa First Church 4331 S. Yale	622-1303
Connie Cariker* — West Tulsa Church 922 W. 23 Pl., Tulsa	585-8094
Robert Hidde — West Tulsa Church 715 S. Columbia Pl., Tulsa	939-2916
Ralph Brown — West Tulsa Church 1924 E. Okla., Tulsa	936-0073
Sadie Chase — West Tulsa Church 4719 E. 22, Tulsa	936-3611
Carl Hood — West Tulsa Church 6129½ W. 31, Tulsa	446-3611
E. D. Williams — West Tulsa Church 1626 N. Delaware Pl., Tulsa	936-0073
Charles Brazael* — Allen Church Box 1292, Sapulpa, Oklahoma	224-4500
Roma Stewart* — Bristow Church 434 West 2nd, Bristow, Okla.	367-3755
Harry Staries* — Blackwell Church 708 W. Okla., Blackwell, Oklahoma	363-1894
Chad Russ — Blackwell Church 1011 W. Harvey, Blackwell	
Leon Sheppard* — Blue Bell Church Rt. 1, Box 392, Sapulpa, Oklahoma	247-1876

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S. P. Yocham — Blue Bell Church Rt. 1, Sapulpa, Oklahoma	
C. D. Benton* — Cincinnati Church 211 Summit Dr. Sand Springs	245-1415
Bert Rogers — Drumright Church N. E. of City	352-3531
Perry Smith — Drumright Church 117 S. Skinner, Drumright	352-3104
Earl Judd* — Drumright Church 139 E. Drumright, Drumright	352-2666
James Franklin* — Cushing First Church 1148 E. Main, Cushing, Oklahoma	225-2907
Willis Walker — Cushing First Church 715 E. Maple, Cushing Okla.	225-3843
Robert Spencer* — Fellowship Church 1519 S. Chester, Stillwater, Okla.	372-9248
Wayne Bookout* — Garden Heights Church 209 Summit, Sand Springs, Okla.	245-5572
C. C. Wilson — Garden Heights Church Sapulpa, Oklahoma	224-5204
Fred Redfern — Garden Heights Church Tulsa, Oklahoma	
Joe Braddy* — Highland Park Church 1402 E. 6, Stillwater, Okla.	372-6721
Edgar Beaver* — Liberty Church Rt. 2, Bristow, Okla.	352-2910
Everett R. Keiffer — Liberty Church Rt. 2, Box 187C, Bristow, Okla.	352-2979
Ed Hollie* — Lone Chimney Church 720 Burris Dr., Glencoe, Okla.	
Sam Gober* — North Heights Church 1120 N. Main, Sapulpa, Okla.	224-1117
Bill Patrick — North Heights 1804 S. Ridgeway, Sapulpa, Okla.	224-3942
Danny Oliver* — Oilton Church Box 84, Oilton, Okla.	862-3591
Lamar Kendall* — Okmulgee Church 601 S. Okla., Okmulgee, Okla.	756-5014
J. A. Haynes — Okmulgee Church Rt. 2, Box 46, Beggs, Oklahoma	756-3840

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Havner Reid — Okmulgee Church 621 W. 13, Okmulgee, Oklahoma	
Roy Bryant* — Pretty Water Church 712 S. 59 W. Ave., Tulsa, Oklahoma	245-6749
Howard Butler — Pretty Water Sapulpa, Oklahoma	224-3602
Alfred Brock* — Sapulpa, First Church 923 N. Ridgeway, Sapulpa, Oklahoma	224-4900
Hurley Lemons — Sapulpa, First Church Box 334, Kiefer, Oklahoma	
David Bigger* — Silver City Church Rt. 2, Jennings, Oklahoma	865-3816
Jim Christian* — Stroud Church 627 N. 7, Stroud, Oklahoma	968-2782
Retes Hunsucker — Cushing Trinity Church 905 E. Moses, Cushing, Oklahoma	225-1598
Ray Price* — Cushing Trinity Church 320 S. Steele, Cushing, Oklahoma	225-2534
Conn Sadler — Cushing Trinity Church Rt. 2, Cushing, Oklahoma	225-1691
Nealy Huff — Cushing Trinity Church Yale, Oklahoma	EU 7-2919
Millard McGuire — Sapulpa West Side Church Box 254, Kellyville, Oklahoma	247-2333
W. E. Warner — Sapulpa West Side Church 513 S. Park, Sapulpa, Oklahoma	224-2453
Buford Zinn — Sapulpa West Side Church 916 N. Ridgeway, Sapulpa, Oklahoma	224-3408
James Hill — Sapulpa West Side Church 117 S. Hickory, Sapulpa, Oklahoma	224-0725

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PERMANENT RESOLUTIONS

1. Be it resolved that all our By-Laws and Resolutions which are now in effect, be printed in our Minutes.

2. That our Churches not send any Minister up for Ordination until he has been licensed for one year from date of examination.

3. That the examination of candidates for Ordination and License question and answer be recorded and filed with the Associational Clerk.

4. That no person can be an active Deacon or Minister in the Association who does not pay and teach tithes.

5. That the letter of all Quarterly Meetings be in the hands of the Associational Clerk at least one week before conference convenes.

6. The churches having candidates for ordination or license or ratification send request to Quarterly Conference in session prior to examination.

7. That all of our Churches use the letter forms furnished by our Clerk.

8. That since we have grown to such proportions, and the demands of service are heavy, that no member of this Association be permitted or required to serve on more than two boards at any time.

9. That no Minister be received into the Association from another Denomination or Association unless accompanied by a letter or recommendation.

10. That the Moderator with his Assistant appoint all committees.

11. That the Treasurer be in charge of all insurance business.

12. That the Associational Moderator be Chairman of the General Board.

13. That no ordained Minister or Deacon be recognized as active in the Association until they have appeared before the Credential Board.

14. That the First Mission Association have a printed program.

15. That the Associational Officers serve as the Associational Program Planning Committee.

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 appearances 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 Savior Jesus Christ."

We will not forsake the assembling of ourselves together for church conference, 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 to promote the success of the church and of the gospel.

We will everywhere hold Christian principle sacred and Christian obligation, 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 enterprise, the support of missions, 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 Timothy 3:16-17; II Peter 1:20-21.

2. That there is but one true and living God and in the God Head of 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, satisfaction, justification and redemption are by life, death, resurrection, ascension and intercession of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Acts 4:12; Titus 3:5.

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

6. All believers in Christ, who through grace, persevere in holiness to the end of life, have the promise of eternal salvation. Mark 13:13, Rev. 2:10.

7. Baptism (the immersion of believers in water), the Lord's Supper and Feet Washing are ordinances to be perpetuated under the Gospel. The Lord's Supper, which is to be observed by all believers at night, is followed by the ordinance of feet washing, which teaches humility, of universal obligation, to be practiced by all believers. Baptism: Matt. 28:19; Col. 2:12. Lord's Supper: Mark 14:17; Matt. 26:26-28; I Cor. 11:23-26; Feet Washing: John 13:4-5; I Timothy 6:10.

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 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 the just and unjust, but every one in his own order; those who have done evil to the resurrection of damnation, and that God has appointed a day in which He will judge the world in righteousness by Jesus Christ. I Cor. 15:34, John 5:28; I Thes. 3:16.

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 singly engage to promote the honor of God. John 13:35; Gal. 6:10.

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

12. 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; John 17:11.

CONSTITUTION FOR FIRST MISSION ASSOCIATION

Article 1. This yearly meeting or Association shall be called the First Mission Association, and shall be composed of such regularly organized and well-disciplined Free Will Baptist Quarterly Meetings, conveniently located, as may embody themselves under this constitution.

Article 2. The conference of this Yearly Meeting or Association shall consist of all Ordained Ministers, Ministers wives, Ordained Deacons and Church Clerks, having been duly accepted by the Association, and delegates from the different Quarterly Meetings of which it is composed, each Quarterly Meeting being entitled to one delegate, each Quarterly Meeting containing five hundred members to two delegates, and one additional delegate for every additional five hundred members. Each church may send three delegates which have been approved by the Quarterly Meeting.

Article 3. The officers of this Association or Yearly Meeting shall be: (1) A standing clerk and treasurer and a moderator who shall be chosen at every session of the Association, with assistants as may be found necessary. (2) The Associational General Board shall be composed of the Associational Officers, the Chairman of Each Quarterly Meeting Board, and the Chairman of the Associational Boards. The Association Moderator, Clerk, and three members to be elected from the General Board shall compose the Associational Executive Committee. (3) A Trustee Board so elected as to require one to be elected each year. 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. This board shall consist of not less than five members. This Board shall also serve as planning board. (4) All Associational Boards to be paid traveling expense at the rate of five cents per mile.

Article 4. Any well organized and well regulated Free Will Baptist Quarterly Meetings who will conform to the practice, endorse the enterprises, and prove themselves orthodox in doctrine may at any time on application by vote of this body, become a member thereof.

Article 5. This Yearly Meeting or Association shall have power to discipline the Quarterly Meetings of which it is composed and to exclude them for disorderly walk if labor proves unsuccessful, but in no case to reverse their decisions, nor to interfere with any of their internal regulations.

Article 6. The sessions of this Yearly Meeting or Association shall be held annually at such time and place as shall be decided upon by the Association. At which time the Association shall act upon such questions and topics as may be referred to it by its respective Quarterly Meetings, and transact such other business not repugnant to this constitution, nor to the practices of the denomination, but such as may in its judgment promote the cause of Christ and the interest of the churches and Quarterly Meetings within the limits of this Yearly Meeting or Association.

Article 7. This Yearly Meeting or Association shall have the power to adopt any regulations or by-laws, not inconsistent with this constitution, which may be deemed essential to the further regulation of its sessions.

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

Article 9. This constitution may be altered or amended by a vote of the Yearly Meeting or Association at any regular session: notice of such intended alteration having been given in writing, and recorded at the next previous session.

BY-LAWS

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

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

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

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

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

6. If any proposition or motion under debate contains two or more points, it shall be divided at the request of any member and a vote taken separately.

7. Motion made and lost shall not be recorded.

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

9. The Moderator shall not allow discussion when not carried on in Christian Spirit.

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

11. Any Minister opposed to any of the enterprises, organized Sunday School League, Master's Men, Woman's Auxiliary, endorsed by the Association will not be entitled to a seat in Conference and we will not seat any minister in this association that teaches the Baptism of the Holy Ghost separate from regeneration or the birth of the Spirit.

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

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

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Introductory Sermon
2. House called to order by the Moderator.
3. Letters called for, read, and received.
4. Seating of delegates.
5. Election of Officers.
6. Petitionary letters called for.
7. Reading Rules of Order.
8. Inviting visiting brethren to seat in council.
9. Appointment of Committees.
10. Unfinished business.
11. New business.
12. Report of Committees.
13. Miscellaneous business.

