

Minutes
of the
First Mission Association
of
FREE WILL BAPTISTS

1977

PROCEEDINGS OF THE 50TH ANNUAL SESSION

When Convened At
OLD MINISTER'S HOME AND CAMP GROUND
Highway 33, Ten Miles East of Drumright, Oklahoma

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GENERAL BOARD OF THE FIRST MISSION ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

This board is composed of the Associational Officers, the chairmen of each Quarterly meeting Board and the Chairman of the Associational Board. The Executive Community of the General Board for the year 1977-78 is composed of the Moderator of the association, the Clerk of the association and three members of the General Board.

TRUSTEE BOARD OF THE FIRST MISSION ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

Gene Bishop	1982
Charles Brazeal	1982
Orvel Romine	1981
Vernon Smith	1981
Ed Jenkins	1980
Everett Keiffer	1980
Mervin Ramer	1979
Ernest Harrison, Chairman	1979
Harry	
Harry Watt	1978
Leon Shappard	1978

YOUTH CAMP BOARD OF THE FIRST MISSION ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

Jack Bookout	1982
David Bigger	1981
Larry Tuttle	1980
Doyle Baker	1979
Don Patton, Chairman	1978

CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES OF THE FIRST MISSION ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

Camp Meeting:	June 11-17, 1978
Youth Camps: Pre-Teen	June 18-23, 1978
Youth Camps: Teen	June 25-30, 1978
Association Yearly Meeting	Aug. 10, 11, 12, 1978

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

This committee is composed of the Pastors of First Mission Churches, and the Chairmen of each Assoc. Board or Committee. Date and time of the budget meeting will be announced through the mail.

INTRODUCTORY SERVICE Thurs. Evening

AUGUST 11, 1977, 7:30 p.m.

Service called to order by clerk Rev. Leon Sheppard, in the absence of Moderator. Prayer was led by Rev. Floyd Vulgamore.

Rev. John West was asked to lead in the service until such time as the Moderator would arrive.

With Larry Tuttle at the piano, Rev. Jim Christian led the congregation in singing "I Will Sing of My Redeemer", "Leaning On The Everlasting Arms", and "Would You Live For Jesus".

Special music was rendered by Cushing First Church. Rev. and Sis. Gallant sang "I Could Never Out Love The Lord", and "The Longer I Serve Him". They were accompanied by Sis. Faith Ramer at the piano.

Rev. West introduced Rev. Bert Rogers to introduce the speaker for the introductory message.

The Speaker, Rev. Lonnie Davoult, State Executive Sec., gave a report on our state work before taking his text from Deut. 6:6-12, and II Tim. 3:14-17, from which he brought an informative and challenging message concerning the subject of: "Proclaim A Jubilee Because Of God's Provision".

BUSINESS SESSION FRIDAY MORNING,

August 12, 1977, 9:30 a.m.

Body called into session by Moderator Rev. Gene Jackson.

Rev. Jim Christian led the congregation in singing "Redeemed" with Rev. Larry Tuttle at the piano.

Prayer was led by Rev. Bert Rogers. A chorus of "Amazing Grace" was sung as the congregation shook hands with one another. The hymn "Lift Him Up" was sung.

Items of Business:

1. Rev. Earnest Harrison was elected to serve as Parliamentarian.
2. Nominations were made for Asst. Moderator. Rev. Larry Tuttle was elected to serve as Assistant Moderator.

3. Rev. Richard Gallant was asked to serve as Assistant Clerk.

Rev. Gene Jackson read Psalm 71:1-7 for the Moderator's message, and from this he exhorted us to rejoice every day. Prayer was led by the Moderator.

Church letters were read. A letter concerning the Sapulpa First Church was read. A motion was made to accept the letters, except the letter from Sapulpa First Church and the letter from Bro. Bill Patrick, Rev. Leon Groves, and Bro. Ken Turner, and that we seat the delegates, except those from the Sapulpa First Church letter, and that the letters from Sapulpa First Church and the one from Bro. Bill Patrick be referred to the Executive or Credential Board (or both) of the the Central Area Quarterly Meeting, for resolution of this question before delegates be seated from Sapulpa First Church. (Carried).

5. Delegates were seated as the congregation sang "Victory in Jesus".
6. Motion was made to accept Statistical report with the additional letters being included. (Carried).

7. Rev. Harrison read the Associational By-Laws.

8. Appointment of Committees:

Resolution: Rev. Jim Christian, Chairman

Rev. Earl Judd

Sis. Betty Brooks

Rev. Clifton McGuire

Sis. Alta Stockton

Obituary: Rev. Don Jones, Chairman
Sis. Sue Baker
Sis. Marie Roberts

9. A motion was made and seconded that we recess for Worship service. (Carried).

FRIDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

11:00 a.m.

Service was opened with the singing of "I Am Resolved". We were led in prayer by Rev. Ed Jenkins.

Bill Jones, President of Hillsdale, announced a Sunday School workshop to be at Cushing First Church Sept. 23 and 24.

Special music was rendered by the Calvary Road singers from Cincinnati Ave. Church, "If I Be Lifted Up," "Camp Meeting Day", "Sing A Song About Calvary", "Hand of God Guiding Me" and "Lord Send Me".

Rev. S. L. Gober introduced the speaker for the morning worship hour, Rev. J.A. Franklin, who took his text from II Cor. 11:24-29, and spoke of "Proclaiming A Jubilee Because of God's Protection".

The Blessing on the noon meal was given by Rev. Earl Judd.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON BUSINESS SESSION

1:00 p.m.

The session was opened with Rev. Christian leading the congregation in "Blessed Assurance".

Rev. Orvel Romine brought a devotion from Acts 1:11, "Proclaiming a Jubilee Because of His Promises", and led in prayer.

ITEMS OF BUSINESS:

10. The Moderator recognized visitors to the Association.

11. Rev. Bill Jones, President of Hillsdale College, brought a report on the progress at Hillsdale, and suggested that the First Mission Association adopt a budget of \$12,000.00 for Hillsdale this next year.

12. Motion made and seconded that a resolution concerning Article #8 of the Constitution be placed on the table until tomorrow. (Carried).

13. General Board Report was given. MMSC to accept. (See Reports).

14. The Treasurer's Report was given by Bro. Leon Sheppard. Motion made and seconded to accept the report and adopt the proposed Budget for 1978. (Carried.)

15. Trustee Board report was given by Rev. Don Jones, Chairman. A motion to accept the report was made and seconded. (Carried.)

All recommendations carried. (See Reports.)

FRIDAY NIGHT MISSIONS SERVICE

7:30 p.m.

Services opened with Charles Brazeal at the piano and Rev. Gene Jackson leading the congregation in singing.

Rev. Don Patton led in prayer.

Songs sung included: "At The Cross", "Standing On The Promises" and chorus of "Whatever It Takes".

The group was led in prayer by Bro. Jack Bookout.

Special Singing was brought by The Allen Trio: "Title To A Mansion", "It Won't Be Long".

Rev. W.T. Roberts introduced the speaker for the evening message. Rev. Bill Jones, President of Hillsdale College, took a text from Matt. 28:16-20, speaking on the subject of "Proclaiming a Jubilee Because Of His

Presence”.

Bro. Jackson led congregation in singing “Have Thine Own Way” as a Missionary offering of \$36.67 was received.

Bro. Ramer led in prayer, and a chorus of “Had It Not Been” was sung.

Rev. Doyle Baker dismissed the group with prayer.

SATURDAY MORNING BUSINESS SESSION

9:30 a.m.

With Rev. Larry Tuttle at the piano, Rev. Jim Christian led in singing of “Love Lifted Me”. Prayer was led by Rev. Clifton McGuire, after which we sang “He Ransomed Me”.

Rev. Don Patton brought devotional thoughts from II Cor. 4:15-18, “Praising God for Renewal From Day to Day”.

Items of Business

Rev. Doyle asked to serve as Assistant Clerk.

17. Letters were read from Lone Chimney and Trinity Temple Churches. Delegates from Trinity Temple were seated, also Sis. Dorothy Findley from Lake Area.

Youth Camp Board report was given by Chairman, Rev. Don Patton. Motion was carried to accept this report. (See Reports.)

19. Sis Conley was appointed to fill in for Sis. Brooks on the Resolution committee.

20. Youth Camp Booster Club report was given by Bro. Staires and Bro. Jenkins. (See Reports).

21. Motion was made and seconded to clear Booster Club account and this money be put in savings to go toward the June Payment on \$15,000.00 loan. (Carried).

22. Women’s Auxiliary Report was given by Sis. Bertha Kieffer, President. Motion was made, seconded and carried to accept report as information.

23. Motion made and carried to bring article from the table concerning Article #8 of the Constitution.

24. Motion carried to amend Article #8 of Constitution for First Mission Association by adding the following: “Let it be known also, that any ordained personnel in the Association who shall remarry and have two living companions shall forfeit his credentials. Let it also be known, if they marry someone with a living companion, they forfeit their credentials”.

25. Camp Meeting report was given by Rev. Harry Staires.

Motion to adjourn for worship carried. Prayer was led by Rev. Millard McGuire.

SATURDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

11:00 a.m.

The service was opened by the singing of “I Will Sing The Wondrous Story”. Prayer was led by Bro. Franklin, and the song, “Showers of Blessings” was sung.

Special singing was rendered by the Drumright church, the numbers including “I’m A Millionaire”, and “Life’s Evening Sun”.

Rev. Harry Staires introduced the speaker for the 11:00 o’clock worship hour.

Rev. John West, long time pastor, and now ‘Pastor at Large’, taking his text from Deut. 6:20, gave a very moving historical resume of First

Mission Association which was interwoven with the Word of God for the Memorial worship hour.

The congregation sang "I'll Meet You In The Morning", and was dismissed in prayer by Bro. Vernon Smith.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON BUSINESS SESSION

1:00 p.m.

The opening consisted of singing "At The Cross".

Items of Business

27. Registration Committee report was given. (See Reports).

28. Motion was made and seconded to continue the First Mission Assoc. Camp Meeting the week of June 11th-17th, 1978, and that we elect today two evangelists for said meeting. (Carried.)

Evangelists elected were: Rev. Earnest Harrison and Rev. J.A. Franklin.

29. Obituary committee report was given. (See Reports)

Motion carried to accept this report, the group paused for a moment in memorial, after which Rev. Richard Gallant led in prayer.

30. Resolution Committee Report given:

Resolution #1 carried. (See Reports.)

Resolution #2 carried. (See Reports.)

Resolution #3 carried. (See Reports.)

Resolution #4, Motion to refer to the Trustee Board instructing the board to set flat rate for electrical usage. (See Reports.)

31. Rev. Don Patton was elected to serve as State General Board Member for 1978.

32. Motion carried to accept resignation of Rev. Don Jones as 1981 Trustee Board Member.

33. Election of Board members were as follows:

Trustee Board: Rev. Gene Bishop----1982

Trustee Board: Rev. Charles Brazeal----1982

Trustee Board: Rev. Orvel Romine----1981

Youth Camp Board: Jack Bookout----1982

34. Election of Associational Officers:

Rev. Earnest Harrison: Moderator

Rev. J.L. VanWinkle: Assistant Moderator

Rev. Leon Sheppard: Clerk

Rev. Doyle Baker: Assistant Clerk

Rev. Leon Shappard: Treasurer

35. Date of Association meet set Aug. 10,11,12, 1978

36. Missionary offering received, this combined with Friday night offering made a total of \$75. Motion carried to designate this year's offering to Elaine Allen.

37. Motion carried to send letters of appreciation to those who have donated equipment to Camp Ground.

38. Motion carried to approve Sis. Jane Harrison as State Delegate from Drumright Church.

39. Motion carried to give Moderator Rev. Gene Jackson a standing vote of appreciation.

Announcements were made.

40. Motion carried to Adjourn.

Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Bert Rogers.

REPORTS

General Board Report

General board meeting was called for March 19, 1977, at Garden Heights Free Will Baptist Church, to organize the Executive Committee of the General Board and audit the Treasurer's books for 1976.

Three members were present. No business was conducted.

Rev. K.L. Sheppard, Clerk.

Trustee Board Report

The Trustee Board has continued to be very active. This is a hard working group of men for which the chairman has been thankful. We are thankful for the support that is being received for the Camp from our churches. Special thanks is offered to the Rev. and Mrs. Harry Staires. The idea for a Camp Booster Club has been received very well. The Staires family has been very unselfish in laboring for the Lord and our Camp this year. Outstanding work at the camp has been done by Rev. Gene Bishop, Rev. Leon Sheppard, Rev. Ed Jenkins, Rev. Ernest Harrison, Rev. Everett Keiffer, and Rev. Mervin Ramer. Rev. Vernon Smith and Rev. Charles Brazeal have been very helpful, when I called upon them for help at the Camp. Rev. Don Jones will not be serving as chairman in the coming year. So many of you have helped me and I am grateful. Jerry Mills has been the outstanding layman of the Association and he has served in many ways.

The most significant accomplishment this year has been the installation of a dishwasher in the kitchen and the refrigeration room addition. All of us are very thankful to the Women's Auxiliary for their support of this project. The camp has passed first class with the Creek County Health Department. New plastic pipe has been installed for the two old wells to the main section of the camp.

Recommendations

1. That we receive \$3,150.00 from Association Funds for the year of 1978.

2. That one-twelfth (1/12) of that amount be withheld from receipts each month.

This amounts to \$263.00 each month and will make our forwarding amount to the State Office more consistent.

3. We suggest that the Tabernacle be repaired with a new roof, complete with new 1/2" deck and 240# Asbestos Shingles. The probable cost is about \$3,000.00. This is our suggestion for the Camp Booster Club in the coming year.

Also, for the Camp Booster Club Project of this coming year, we suggest that the wiring be brought up to date in the main Camp, including Tabernacle, cabins, and caretaker's house.

The item approved by the Association in the last meeting as a supplemental report will be completed as the funds become available. This can probably be taken care of from the regular allocation, providing the Camp Booster Club is successful and each one contributes \$10.00

Namely: "...To make a recreation building of the old girls' dorm (Wooden Dorm). The top will be saved. Pipe supports will be placed to hold up the building. A concrete floor will be poured when funds are available."

Rev. Don Jones, Chairman

Youth Camp Board Report

Your Youth Camp Board met several times this year to plan and evaluate our youth camps and teen retreats. Two Teen Retreats were sponsored by this board. The interest and enthusiasm of our young people at these retreats was overwhelming, and our plans are to continue

sponsoring at least two each year. Attendance at the retreats averaged 95 teens and sponsors.

The 1977 Junior and Senior Youth Camps were successful in all areas again this year.

The Junior Camp had 110 enrolled. Rev. Doyle Baker was the Director and Rev. David Bigger the evangelist. Sister Clara Kennedy and Sister Betty Brooks provided the 11:00 a.m. program each day with their puppet skits and songs. Forty-four young souls were converted at the Junior Camp this year, which made it the great success it was.

The Teen Camp had 127 enrolled. One-hundred of these were teens. The largest number of high school seniors in recent years attended this year. There were several attending who had already graduated from school, but enjoyed camp so much that some left their jobs to come to Teen Camp. Rev. Don Patton was the Director. Rev. Gene Jackson was the evangelist. Rev. Vernon Smith filled in for Rev. Jackson on Sunday evening. No definite number of first time decisions for Christ are available, but almost every teen left camp more dedicated and enthusiastic about Christian service than when they came.

We wish to thank Rev. Baker and Patton for spending their time and energy as Directors. A special "thank you" goes to Rev. Bigger and Rev. Jackson who so ably served as evangelists. We thank Rev. Vernon Smith for filling in for Bro. Jackson on Sunday night. Again our teaching staff was very capable and eager to serve, and we thank them for taking time out to help. We couldn't have done without our sponsors to help keep things in line. Some of the sponsors served in both camps. We thank all of those who stayed in the dorms with the campers. Sis. Juanita Dobson and Sis. Verla Smith did an outstanding job as our cooks again this year. We also appreciate all the ladies, and some men, who came each day to help prepare and serve the meals.

We would like to give a special thanks to the Women's Auxiliary for their response to the needs in the kitchen. The dishwasher saves about 6 hours per day in washing dishes. The tea towels, cups, and glasses were all needed and used. Thank you, ladies, for your kindness. Thanks also to the Central Area CTS for paper dispensers, brooms, and wastebaskets. Individuals donated much needed refrigerator and washing machine for the cafeteria. Bro. Jerry Mills loaned us his ice maker which saved a lot of money.

Our costs have increased some this year. We did not choose to get commodities this year, due to the increased demand the government is putting on church camps who do. We felt it was worth the additional cost to retain full control of our camp. Our insurance increased, and of course food prices have increased some since last year. Even with these increases we anticipate being able to give the general treasure some profits this year.

Our camp was inspected by the County Health Department and given a report with no complaint whatsoever. We received the highest rating of any of the 6 camps in the county.

Some of the needs we see now are an ice-maker, a large electric grill, a clothes dryer, more chairs, floor covering for kitchen area, an upright freezer, and recreational equipment.

We thank you for allowing us to serve you and our youth.

Rev. Don Patton, Chairman.

Women's Auxiliary Report

We have a present enrolment of 186, with an average attendance at the group meetings of 239, and 52 visitors reported. Our group gave a total of \$4,833.31 the past year. Of this amount \$4,455.27 has been channeled into

the different areas of our work. The balance is for State Membership dues and our General fund.

Officers elected for the next 2 years:

President: Bertha Kieffer

Vice-President: Doris Bishop

Secretary: Sue Baker

Asst. Sect.: Pat Tuttle

Treasurer: Linda Bigger

Field Worker: Lela Crow

Mission Study: Opal Rogers

Mission Prayer: Kay Pope

Mission Action: Lura Gebhart

Camp Meeting Report

Average attendance 250, average number of ministers 22, 6 messages were preached. Very spiritual special music was held every night, souls in the altar and saved. Bro. Jackson and Bro. Zickefoose did a wonderful job of leading singing and playing the piano.

Registration Committee Report

Friday Delegates and Visitors, 89; Ministers, 23; total, 112.

Saturday Delegates and Visitors, 105; Ministers, 33; total, 138 for total attendance of 250.

Obituary Committee Report

Central Area Quarterly Meeting

Allen: Ella Bishop, Neta Vickers, Floyd Mears

Blackwell: Ransom Stout

Bluebell: Elza Grace

Bristow: Harold Cross, Mrs. Cora Cruce, Mrs. J.J. Davidson, Mrs. Nancy Fraizer, Mrs. Anna Taylor, Mrs. Minte Head, Mrs. Opal Keemp.

Drumright: C.M. Barton and Floyd Wilson

Lake Area: Mary Morgon

North Heights: George Meek

Oilton: Maude Mills

Oklmulgee: Marvin Robinson

Trinity Cushing: Merle Lea

Westside Sapulpa: Robert Parker, Jack Carr, Rev. James C. Hill

Tulsa Area Quarterly Meeting

Lewis Ave.: Dollie Harsen

Tulsa First: Myrtle Dobbs, Arville Spence, Grace Hill, Lewis Arnold, Ella Staires

Resolution Committee Report

1. Be it resolved that there will be a space reserved on the annual report for the number of souls saved from each church. (Carried)

2. The Youth Camp Board requests permission to set the dates of the Youth Camp as we deem feasible. (Carried)

3. Resolved that First Mission Association express their support of Anita Bryant and her efforts opposing homosexuality, and that a letter expressing this be sent to her. (Carried)

4. Be it resolved that those who have cabins on the campgrounds pay for the electricity they use. (Referred to the Trustee Board to set flat rate for cabins.)

ORDAINED MINISTERS BELONGING TO THE FIRST MISSION ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

Charles Brazael* - Allen Church Box 1291, Sapulpa, Okla. 74066	224-4500
Howard Butler - Allen Church 2001 S. Poplar, Sapulpa, Okla. 74066	224-3602
Clifton McGuire - Blackwell Church 708 W. Oklahoma, Blackwell, Okla. 74631	363-1894
Everett Keiffer* - Blue Bell Church Rt. 1, Box 392, Sapulpa, Okla. 74066	247-6776
Gene Jackson* - Bristow Church 434 W. 2nd, Bristow, Okla. 74010	367-3755
Gary Zickefoose - Bristow Church Rt. Box 184, Bristow, Okla. 74010	367-3173
W. T. Roberts* - Cincinnati Ave. Church 312 N. Atlanta, Owasso, Okla. 74055	272-1618
Richard Gallant* - Cushing First Church Box 304, Cushing, Okla. 74023	225-2907
J.A. Sadler - Cushing First Church 114 E. Greenlee, Cushing, Okla. 74023	225-3474
J.A. Franklin - Cushing First Church East Oak, Cushing, Okla. 74023	225-0095
Earnest Harrison, Sr.* - Drumright Church 309 N. Ohio, Drumright, Okla. 74030	352-2666
Eual Gorman - Drumright Church Drumright, Okla. 74030	
Bert Rogers - Drumright Church N.E. of City, Drumright, Okla. 74030	352-3531
Harry Staires - Drumright Church 6001 W. 37th St., Tulsa, Okla.	446-8370
Floyd Vulgamore* - Fellowship Church 722 W. 26, Stillwater, Okla. 74074	372-9248
Leon Sheppard* - Garden Heights Church 3425 S. Summitt, Sand Springs, Okla. 74063	245-5572
Gene Bishop* - Highland Park Church 1402 E. 6th, Stillwater, Okla. 74074	1-(405) 372-6721
Charles Rutland* - Liberty Church Kellyville, Okla.	247-6430
Don Patton* - Lake Area Church 4534 S. Kingston, Tulsa, Okla. 74135	622-0376
Orvel Romine* - Liberty Heights Church Rt. 1, Box 253, Bixby, Okla. 74008	366-3553
Hershell Miller- Liberty Heights Church Bixby, Okla. 74008	
Levi Self - Liberty Heights Church 218 E. Jefferson, Bixby, Okla. 74008	366-3491
J.L. VanWinkle* - Lone Chimney Church Rt. 2, Glenco, Okla. 74032	669-2595
Willis Walker* - Oilton Church 820 E. Moses, Cushing, Okla. 74023	225-3843
Sam Gober* - North Heights Church 1120 N. Main, Sapulpa, Okla. 74066	224-1117

C.L. Groves - North Heights Church Rt. 1, Box 140, Sapulpa, Okla. 74066	224-2460
Bill Patrick - North Heights Church 1804 S. Ridgeway, Sapulpa, Okla. 74066	224-3942
Ed Jenkins* - Okmulgee Church 601 S. Okla., Okmulgee, Okla. 74447	
J. A. Haynes - Okmulgee Church Rt. 2, Box 57, Beggs, Okla. 74421	756-3840
David Bigger* - Ponca City Church 1900 Resthaven Road, Ponca City, Okla. 74601	765-2793
Fred Redfearn* - Silver City Church Rt. 2, Box 63a, Jennings, Okla. 74038	865-3816
Jim Christian* - Trinity Cushing Rt. 2, Cushing, Okla. 74023	225-1014
Retes Hunsucker - Trinity Church Cushing 905 E. Moses, Cushing, Okla. 74023	225-1598
Edgar Beaver - Trinity Church Cushing 1231 E. 4th, Cushing, Okla. 74023	225-3268
Conn Sadler - Trinity Church Cushing Rt. 2, Cushing, Okla. 74023	225-1691
Millard McGuire* - Sapulpa West Side Church Box 254, Kellyville, Okla. 74039	247-6332
Buford Zinn - Sapulpa West Side Church 916 N. Ridgeway, Sapulpa, Okla. 74066	224-3408
Joe Wilson* - Central Church 1534 E. 48th St., Tulsa, Okla. 74130	425-2319
Larry L. Tuttle* - Lewis Ave. Church 2733 E. Ute, Tulsa, Okla. 74110	932-3080
Susie Pruitt - Lewis Avenue Church 1710 E. 54th N., Tulsa, Okla. 74130	425-4196
Lura Gebhart - Lewis Avenue Church 1036 N. Florence Pl., Tulsa, Okla. 74110	939-1983
Doyle Baker* - Madison Avenue Church 5903 N. Madison, Tulsa, Okla. 74126	425-2339
Glen Hood* - Trinity Temple Church 4928 E. Latimer, Tulsa, Okla. 74115	835-3717
Leona Mayfield - Trinity Temple Church 220 S. 68th E. Ave., Tulsa, Okla. 74112	838-0003
Elda Bingham - Trinity Temple Church 1370 S. 107 E. Ave., Tulsa, Okla. 74128	437-3318
Everett W. Keiffer - Trinity Temple Church 520 S. 101 E. Ave., Tulsa, Okla. 74128	835-3760
Don Jones* - Tulsa, First Church 112 N. Wheeling, Tulsa, Okla. 74110	582-5311
Floyd Barnes - Tulsa First Church 1633 E. Independence, Tulsa, Okla. 74106	587-1481
John H. West - Tulsa First Church 2211 E. 13th St., Tulsa, Okla. 74104	939-2040
L. C. Worley - Tulsa First Church 107 E. Elm, Skiatook, Okla. 74070	283-1544
Marvin Dalton - Tulsa First Church 114 N. Xanthus, Tulsa, Okla. 74110	583-2900

*Note: * Indicates the pastor at the time of the printing of the minutes.*

CHURCHES BELONGING TO THE FIRST MISSION ASSOCIATION

ALLEN - P. O. Box 1292, Sapulpa, Okla. 74066

PASTOR - Rev. Charles Brazeal, Box 1292, Sapulpa 74066224-4500

CLERK - Bertha Conley, Rt. 4, Box 103, Sapulpa 74066224-4038

ORDAINED MINISTERS - Howard Butler

ORDAINED DEACONS - Clark Vickers, George Mathews, Arvel Bishop,
Lionel Belby, Gail Langston, Wyeth White, Jim Bean

DELEGATES/ALTERNATES - Barbara Bilby, Pat Langston, Peggy Ruth,
Blenda Harrington, Helen Bean, Wanda White

BLACKWELL - P. O. Box 605, Blackwell, Okla. 74631

PASTOR - Rev. Clifton McGuire, 708 West Okla., Blackwell 74631 .363-1894

CLERK - Jack Bookout, 150 Adams, Blackwell 74631.....363-4462

ORDAINED DEACONS - Lester Bookout, Bob Harrold, Jack Bookout

DELEGATES/ALTERNATES - Fay Bookout, Viola Richardson, Donna
Bookout, David Sullin, Debbie Horton, Pearl Harrold

BLUE BELL - Rt. 1, Box 392, Sapulpa, Okla. 74066

PASTOR - Rev. Everett Keiffer, Jr., Rt. 1, Box 392, Sapulpa247-6776

CLERK - Imogene Watkins, Box 206, Kellyville 74039.....247-6591

ORDAINED DEACONS - Roy Waltrip, Bill Pridmore

DELEGATES/ALTERNATES - Sue Upton, Charles Upton, Alta Stockton,
Diane Canada, Nita Jones, Pat Davis

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PASTOR - Rev. Gene Jackson, 434 W. 2nd, Bristow 74010367-3755

CLERK - Roy E. Perry, 318 W. 3rd, Bristow 74010.....367-6157

ORDAINED MINISTERS - Gary Zickefoose

ORDAINED DEACONS - Pete Dodson, Carl Hill, R. C. Keeling, George
Wood, Terry Morton, Ben Stiles, Tom Pope (Roy Berry, inactive)

DELEGATES/ALTERNATES - Verson Smith, Don Campbell, Sis. Dunn,
Kay Pope, Ruby Campbell, Sis. Barnfield

CENTRAL - 835 E. 46th St. N., Tulsa, Okla. 74126

PASTOR - Rev. Joe Wilson, 1534 E. 48th St. N., Tulsa 74126425-2319

CLERK - Virginia D. Higdon, 6148 S. 34th W. Ave., Tulsa 74132 ..446-4636

ORDAINED DEACONS - Elbert Taylor, Arthur McAfee, Charles Mattix

DELEGATES/ALTERNATES - Lillie Taylor, Roy Bryan, Birtie Bryan

CINCINNATI AVE. - 5900 N. Cincinnati, Tulsa, Okla. 74126

PASTOR - Rev. W. T. Roberts, 312 N. Atlanta, Owasso 74055272-1618

CLERK - Mary Lou Flatt, 6323 N. Trenton, Tulsa 74126425-5609

DELEGATES/ALTERNATES Sis Ollie Ferguson, Helen Pigeon, Jimmy
Pigeon, Chester Ferguson, Imogene Snider

DRUMRIGHT - 309 N. Ohio, Drumright, Okla. 74030

PASTOR - Rev. Earnest Harrison, 139 E. Drumright 74030352-2666

CLERK - Kenneth Wilson, 203 E. Pine, Drumright 74030352-2821

ORDAINED DEACONS - Iven Semmler, C. F. Smith, Willey Nickols,
Kenneth Wilson

DELEGATES/ALTERNATES - Thurman Cox, Viola Conley, Sis. Keller

FELLOWSHIP - 722 W. 26th, Stillwater, Okla. 74074

PASTOR - Rev. Floyd Vulgamore, 722 W. 26th, Stillwater 74074...372-9248

CLERK - Doris Vulgamore, 722 W. 26th, Stillwater 74074372-9248

ORDAINED DEACONS - Max Lucas

DELEGATES / ALTERNATES, Charles Brake, Brenda Sanders, Jerry
Vera Jean Hoffman, Gene Lucas, Florence Lucas.

FIRST OF CUSHING - 1148 E. Main, Cushing, Okla. 74023

PASTOR - Rev. Richard Gallant, Box 304, Cushing 74023.....225-2907

CLERK - Ron Adkins, Box 304, Cushing 74023225-3332

ORDAINED MINISTERS - J. A. Franklin, J. A. Sadler

ORDAINED DEACONS - Murray Belveal, (Inactive: Howard Matherly, Ed
Wood, Joe Kee

DELEGATES / ALTERNATES - Mable Stringer, Ila Harmon, Susie Ramer,
Luciel Sheridan, Opal Rogers

FIRST OF TULSA - 835 N. Utica, Tulsa, Okla. 74110

PASTOR - Rev. Don Jones, 112 N. Wheeling, Tulsa 74110582-5311

CLERK - Betty Creech, 10641 E. Admiral Blvd., Tulsa 74116.....437-4479

ORDAINED MINISTERS - John West, Floyd Barnes, L. C. Worley, Marvin
Dalton

ORDAINED DEACONS - Harry Watt, Orel Creech

DELEGATES / ALTERNATES - Everett Farrar, Lela Crow, Edna Young,
Edna Young

GARDEN HEIGHTS - 3415 S. Summit, Sand Springs, Okla. 74063

PASTOR - Rev. Leon Sheppard, 3411 S. Summit,
Sand Springs 74063245-5572

CLERK - Jean Albert, 507 S. 46th W. Ave., Tulsa 74127.....584-7510

ORDAINED DEACONS - Alvin Applegate, Norval Robinson

DELEGATES/ALTERNATES - Linnie Applegate, Mary Kirby, Mattie
Younger, Bill Freeman, Lee Younger, Ed Jamison

HIGHLAND PARK - 1402 E. 6th, Stillwater, Okla. 74074

PASTOR - Rev. Gene Bishop, 1402 E. 6th Stillwater 74074372-6721

CLERK - Beulah Clary, c/o 1402 E. 6th, Stillwater 74074372-1977

DELEGATES/ALTERNATES Kenneth Fauchier, Jerry Cramer, Lela Ernst,
Sis. Riley, Pamela Fauchier, Glenda Treat

LAKE AREA - Hwy. 64, Cleveland, Okla. 74020

PASTOR - Rev. Don Patton, 4534 S. Kingston, Tulsa 74135622-0376

CLERK - Zonelle Houston, Rt. 1, Box 399, Mannford 74044.....865-3883

ORDAINED DEACONS - Bob Norrid, Charles Findley, Dale Norrid, Errol
Houston

DELEGATES / ALTERNATES Alvin Morris, Virginia Morris, Dorothy
Findley, Grace Little

LEWIS AVE. - 1928 N. Lewis, Tulsa, Okla. 74110

PASTOR - Rev. Larry Tuttle, 2733 E. Ute, Tulsa 74110932-3080

CLERK - Cherry Fipps - 2421 E. Marshall, Tulsa 74110584-1255

ORDAINED MINISTERS - Susie Pruitt, Lura Gebhart

ORDAINED DEACONS - Warren G. Nelson, W. O. Bewley, J. E. Renegar,
A. F. Fipps

DELEGATES / ALTERNATES - Ethel Renegar, Daphene Bewley, Lileth
Pirtle, Louie Pirtle, Don McCullar, Joan McCullar

LONE CHIMNEY - Pawnee, Okla.

PASTOR - Rev. J. L. VanWinkle, Rt. 1, Glencoe, Okla. 74032669-2595
CLERK - Pearl Creager, Rt. 1, Box 191, Glencoe, Okla. 74032669-2509
DELEGATES / ALTERNATES Cindy VanWinkle, Brenda VanWinkle, Cal VanWinkle

LIBERTY - Rt. 2, Box 192, Bristow, Okla. 74010

PASTOR - Rev. Charles Rutland, Kellyville, Okla. 74039
CLERK - Nadean Wheeler, Rt. 2, Box 192, Bristow, Okla. 74010...352-2964
ORDAINED DEACONS - Jimmy Wheeler
DELEGATES / ALTERNATES Gladys Peacock, Ruby Cox, Ola McFarlin, Iva Rossander, LaDonna Byard

LIBERTY HEIGHTS - Rt. 1, Box 253a, Bixby, Okla. 74008

PASTOR - Rev. Orvel Romine, Rt. 1, Box 253a, Bixby 74008366-3553
CLERK - Audie Whillhite, Rt. 5, Box 148, Broken Arrow 74012....251-4519
ORDAINED MINISTERS - Levie Self, Hershell Miller, Earl Judd
ORDAINED DEACONS - Willis Mulkey, Bill Layne, Carl Venable
DELEGATES / ALTERNATES - Lou Mulkey, Ruby Bridges, Darryel Fox, Will Whillhite

MADISON AVENUE - 5900 N. Madison Ave., Tulsa, Okla. 74126

PASTOR - Rev. Doyle Baker, 5903 N. Madison, Tulsa 74126425-2339
CLERK - Katheryn Leader
ORDAINED DEACONS - Perry Bishop, Harold Frailey, William Cravins, Gordon Stokes
DELEGATES / ALTERNATES - Jessie Jones, Betty Neff, Doris Wilson, Francis Cravins, Clifford Wilson

NORTH HEIGHTS - 8th and Fern, Sapulpa, Okla. 74066

PASTOR - Rev. S. L. Gober, 1120 N. Main, Sapulpa 74066.....224-1117
CLERK - Wanda McGuire, 408 W. 45th St., Sand Springs 74063...245-4831
ORDAINED MINISTERS - C. L. Groves
ORDAINED DEACONS - Harold McGuire, Alvin Mears, Sterling Mears, Loyd Johnson
DELEGATES / ALTERNATED - Roxie Ruth, Mary Mears, Ethel Mears, Mildred Ellis, Ora Kirby

OILTON - 202 W. 1st, Oilton, Okla. 74052

PASTOR - Rev. Willis Walker - 820 E. Moses, Cushing, Okla.225-3843
CLERK - Violet Robinson, Box 135, Oilton 74052865-3456
ORDAINED DEACONS - Claude Robinson
DELEGATES / ALTERNATES Thelma Martin, Martha Prather, Bessie Wimsett, Alma Kenney, Velma Lominick, Cecil Kenney

OKMULGEE - 601 S. Oklahoma St., Okmulgee, Okla. 74447

PASTOR - Rev. E. E. Jenkins, 601 S. Okla. St., Okmulgee 74447 ..756-5014
CLERK - Goldie Adams, P. O. Box 337, Okmulgee 74447756-5258
ORDAINED MINISTERS - J. A. Haynes
ORDAINED DEACONS - Frank Roberds
DELEGATES / ALTERNATES - John Beasley, Shirley Beasley, Goldie Adams, Betty Roberds, Bruce Mathis, Marrean Mathis

PONCA CITY (MISSION) - 1900 Resthaven Rd. Ponca City, Okla. 74601
PASTOR - Rev. David Bigger, 204 W. Fresno, Ponca City 74601 . . . 765-2793

SILVER CITY - Rt. 2, Box 63a, Jennings, Okla. 74038
PASTOR - Rev. Fred Redfearn, Rt. 2, Box 63a, Jennings 74038 . . . 865-3816
CLERK - Louise Haskins, Rt. 2, Box 54, Jennings 74038 . . . 865-4331
ORDAINED DEACONS - Bob Haskins, Gerald Mills, Dick Mills, Walter
McBroom, George Posten
DELEGATES / ALTERNATES - Pat Chandler, Helen Geyer, Betty Brooks,
Colleen Mills, Clara Kennedy, Genvia Mainis

TRINITY - 514 N. Luella, Cushing, Okla. 74023 . . . 225-4761
PASTOR - Rev. Jim Christian, Rt. 2, Cushing 74023 . . . 225-1014
CLERK - Jackie Robinson, Rt. 2, Cushing 74023 . . . 225-4897
ORDAINED MINISTERS - Retes Hunsucker, Conn Sadler, Edgar Beaver
ORDAINED DEACONS - Emmett Tipton
DELEGATES / ALTERNATES - Virgil Dooley, Ruth Dooley, Ellen Lea, Burl
Tuttle, Franzie Tuttle, Delphis Smith

TRINTY TEMPLE - 4928 E. Latimer, Tulsa, Okla. 74115
PASTOR - Glen Hood
CLERK - Jeanette Herd, 1370 S. 107th E. Ave., Apt. B,
Tulsa 74128 . . . 437-3318
ORDAINED MINISTERS - Elda Bingham, Everett Keiffer, Leona Mayfield
ORDAINED DEACONS - Harold Hancock, Alvin Dunnegan
DELEGATES / ALTERNATES Joe Romero, Denise Staires, Effie Morris

WESTSIDE - 704 S. Independence, P.O. Box 158m Sapulpa, Okla. 74066
PASTOR - Rev. Millard McGuire, P. O. Box 254,
Kellyville, Okla. 74039 . . . 247-6332
CLERK - Kenneth G. Akers - 829 S. Water, Sapulpa 74066 . . . 224-4848
ORDAINED MINISTERS - W. E. Warner, Buford Zinn
DELEGATES / ALTERNATES - Joe Bush, Floyd Johnson, Grace Berry,
Gary McGuire, Ed Berry, Joe Smith

**DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE FIRST MISSION
ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST.**

TIME PERIOD COVERED JAN. 1, 1976 - DEC. 31, 1976.

ACCOUNT	BUDGET 8/1/76 thru 12/31/76	DISBURSED 1/1/76 thru 12/31/76	PROPOSED BUDGET 1977	PROPOSED BUDGET 1978
Co-Op Designated	\$18,835.00	\$14,581.51 (Co-Op) <u>17,779.95 (Des.) (1)</u> \$32,361.46	\$43,685.00	\$47,840.00
Utilities	750.00	1,153.55	1,500.00	1,500.00
Bldg/Repair	1,500.00	4,038.22	3,000.00	3,150.00
Treas/Clerk	375.00	795.00 (2)	900.00	900.00
Printing	200.00	425.26 (3)	500.00	500.00
Youth Camp	2,800.00	3,863.87	2,800.00	4,000.00
Misc	100.00	419.28 (4)	200.00	200.00
Insurance	1,600.00	1,376.05	1,600.00	1,200.00
Milage &Phone	200.00	312.95	400.00	400.00
Postage	-0-	56.30	-0-	100.00
Loan Payment	-0-	1,850.17 (5)	-0-	3,200.00
Dishwasher	-0-	407.00 (6)	-0-	-0-
Savings Account	-0-	1,500.00 (7)	-0-	5,500.00
State Del. Fee	540.00 (1)	-0- (1)	540.00	560.00
	(\$ 8,065.00)	(\$16,197.65)	(\$11,440.00)	\$21,210.00
GRAND TOTAL	\$26,920.00	\$48,559.11	\$55,125.00	\$69,050.00

\$ 1,654.56 Balance Carried 12/31/75
 \$48,484.43 Total Income 1976
 \$50,138.99 Total Monies 1976
 \$48,559.11 Less Total Disbursements.
 \$ 1,579.88 Balance Carried 12/31/76

Campground Remodel Fund Report to
 1976 Associational Meeting
 Balance....\$1,611.21
 8/1/76-12/31/76 Deposits... 3,207.17
 \$4,818.38

NOTES FROM DISBURSEMENTS:

- (1) Delegate Fees are included in total Designated giving.
- (2) Payable \$60.00 per month Jan. - July.
Payable \$75.00 per month Aug. - Dec.
- (3) Includes cost of printing Dist. Association Minutes.
- (4) Includes Approx. \$300.00 for Title checks necessary to obtain loans.
- (5) \$20,000.00 Loan payable \$264.31 per month.
- (6) Woman's Auxiliary project purchased through Treasurer.
- (7) Savings account established for annual payment due June 1, on \$15,000.00 loan for camp remodel.

LESS DISBURSEMENTS:

K. W. Smith.....\$1,738.28
 Jerry's Appliance..... 765.00
 Big "G" Plumbing..... 175.50
 Jerry's Appliance..... 1,200.00
 Sutherland Lumber..... 143.08
 Stuart Bld'g enter..... 22.52
 Jerry's Appliance 100.00
 1st Mission Savings..... 500.00 (7)
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS.
 \$4,644.38
 1/1/77 BALANCE.....\$ 174.00

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Treasurer's Report for 1976 Associational Year Budget for 1977 and Proposed Budget 1978.

CHURCH	1976 BUDGET ALLOCATION 8/1 -- 12/31	TOTAL GIVEN 1/1/76 thru 12/31/76	BUDGET FOR 1/1/1977 thru 12/31/1977	PROPOSED BUDGET 1/1/1978 thru 12/31/1978
Central	\$ 600.00	\$ 1,408.34	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,000.00
Lewis Ave	1,300.00	3,077.02	2,700.00	4,500.00
Madison Ave	100.00	30.00	200.00	200.00
Trinity Temple	700.00	1,600.00	1,800.00	1,500.00
Tulsa First	750.00	1,075.00	1,800.00	3,000.00
Allen	2,800.00	6,123.38	6,500.00	6,800.00
Blackwell	700.00	1,709.89	2,000.00	3,000.00
Blue Bell	1,600.00	3,408.22	3,500.00	2,500.00
Bristow	2,050.00	5,100.24	4,500.00	6,000.00
Cincinnati Ave	300.00	1,282.96	800.00	1,000.00
Cushing First	1,250.00	983.98	3,000.00	3,000.00
Drumright	800.00	1,891.62	2,000.00	2,500.00
Fellowship	100.00	-0-	300.00	300.00
Garden Heights	1,000.00	2,489.22	3,500.00	3,500.00
Highland Park	800.00	2,320.01	1,700.00	2,500.00
Lake Area	250.00	350.01	800.00	1,500.00
Liberty	50.00	140.00	150.00	300.00
Liberty Heights	50.00	40.00	100.00	500.00
Lone Chimney	250.00	610.00	600.00	600.00
North Heights	200.00	505.00	500.00	500.00
Oilton	500.00	1,098.95	1,200.00	500.00
Okmulgee	700.00	2,154.50	1,800.00	2,500.00
Ponca City	-0-	253.16	-0-	1,200.00
Pretty Water	300.00	762.00	800.00	300.00
Sapulpa First	50.00	30.00	100.00	-0-
Silver City	1,600.00	2,948.40	3,500.00	3,500.00
Stroud	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
Trinity Cushing	400.00	769.69	1,000.00	1,500.00
Westside Sapulpa	100.00	340.00	500.00	1,000.00
Sub-Total	\$19,300.00	\$42,509.59	\$46,850.00	\$55,200.00
Additional Inc.				
Tulsa Area Q. M.	250.00	923.18	500.00	2,500.00
Central Area Q. M.	250.00	316.32	500.00	1,000.00
First Mission:				
Misc.	175.00	597.00	350.00	1,000.00
Youth Camp	2,000.00	1,860.00	2,000.00	2,500.00
Concessions	500.00	1,147.10	500.00	1,500.00
Cafe	300.00	271.20	300.00	300.00
Y-M Offering	125.00	267.09	125.00	200.00
Woman's Aux.	4,000.00	252.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
Teen-Retreat	-0-	325.95	-0-	350.00
Camp Rental	-0-	15.00	-0-	500.00
Total Add. Inc.	\$ 7,600.00	\$ 5,974.84	\$ 8,275.00	\$ 13,850.00
Balance Carried	-0-	\$ 1,654.56	\$ -0-	-0-
GRAND TOTAL	\$26,900.00	\$50,138.99	\$55,125.00	\$69,050.00
LESS DISBURSEMENTS		\$40,559.11		
		\$ 1,579.88	BALANCE CARRIED 12/31/76*	

*Balance carried was for;
 \$500.00 June Loan Payment
 247.00 Printing of Minutes
 832.88 Youth Camp

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STATISTICAL
REPORT FROM
CHURCH
LETTERS:

Ordained Ministers	Ordained Deacons	Licensed Ministers	Sunday School	Enrollment	Women's Auxiliary	C. T. S. Enrollment	Prayer Meeting	Church Membership	Members Received	Members Dismissed	Total Offerings Received	Spent For Local Causes	Spent For Outside Causes	Value of Church Property	Owns Parsonage
Central	1	3	0	40	6	15	45	60	2	6	\$ 9,800.00	\$ 12,690.00	\$ 1,174.00	\$ 5,000.00	No
Lewis Ave.	5	4	0	164	22	55	45	325	19	8	25,490.00	22,032.00	3,558.00	60,000.00	Yes
Malison Ave.	1	4	0	111	8	37	45	67	26	8	11,375.44	10,858.44		115,000.00	Yes
Trinity Temple	3	2	1	55	18	15	15	152	7	1	15,749.00	15,611.00	1,991.00	114,000.00	Yes
Tulsa First	5	2	1	159	25	40	40	313	1	8	29,415.51	23,459.96	5,955.50	190,000.00	Yes
Tol. Tulsa Area	15	15	1	529	79	147	145	917	55	31	91,829.95	84,651.40	12,678.50	554,000.00	
Allen	2	8	0	174	11			135	16	8	40,759.11	28,492.14	7,173.83	100,000.00	Yes
Blackwell	1	3	0	60	6			113	4	5				60,000.00	Yes
Blue Bell	1	2	1	120	13			118	10	2	19,569.25	19,909.86	3,233.92	95,000.00	Yes
Bristow	1	7	1	29	29	35	65	233	15	5	43,266.00	41,343.80	5,125.00	110,000.00	Yes
Cincinnati Ave.	2	0	0		16	18	18	26	6	17	8,110.00	6,419.00	982.00	40,000.00	No
Drumright	4	4	0	140	40	40	40	340	8	2	11,881.60	7,916.40	2,488.21	80,000.00	Yes
Fellowship	1	1	0	45				58	5	0	4,457.57	4,208.71		66,000.00	Yes
First of Cushing	3	4		236	10			251	18	2	66,400.00	54,250.00	2,839.00	140,000.00	Yes
First of Okmulgee	3	1	0	65	7	25	25	53	4	4	21,405.71	18,487.10	2,918.61	60,000.00	Yes
First of Sapulpa															
Garden Heights	2	2	1	110	9	20	20	154	7	54	19,614.15	17,843.51	2,822.53	150,000.00	Yes
Hiland Park	1	0	0		12	27	27	53	6	6	26,002.00	16,996.00	2,898.00	82,000.00	Yes
Lake Area	1	4	0			45	45	117	25	0	20,341.00	20,637.00	528.00		No
Liberty	2	1	0			34	34	3	3	0	3,400.00	2,825.00	177.75	43,000.00	Yes
Liberty Heights	4	3		63		40	40	63			17,488.01	12,089.00		75,000.00	Yes
Lone Chimney	1	1	1	31		20	20	37	0	0		5,990.15	622.00		
North Heights	3	4	0	100	18	22	22	138	7	4	15,517.00	12,613.00	1,760.00	100,000.00	Yes
Oilton	1	1	0	98	10	44	25	128	9	2	13,140.00	10,782.00	332.00		Yes
Ponca City Mission	1	1	0	35	10	19	19				4,012.00	3,200.00	1,036.00		No
Pretty Water	2	2	2	45		25	25	45	8	2					
Siber City	1	5	1	113	7	50	50	101	4	6	28,349.73	24,960.85	3,756.33		Yes
Trinity of Cushing	4	1		90		30	30	50	11	1	10,107.99	9,105.44	1,002.55	35,000.00	
Westside Sapulpa	3	0	0	128		58	58	201	18	8	31,742.00	30,573.00	381.00	124,000.00	No
Tol. Central Area	44	52	7	1653	142	160	564	2448	184	128	\$495,542.52	\$ 348,281.96	\$ 40,076.73	\$1,350,000.00	
Total First Mission	59	67	8	2182	221	307	709	3365	239	159	\$497,372.47	\$ 432,933.36	\$ 52,755.23	\$1,904,000.00	

Constitution and By-Laws

of the

Ministers and Deacons Conference

of

FIRST MISSION ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST

CONSTITUTION

Article 1

This conference shall be called the First Mission Association of Free Will Baptist, Ministers and Deacons Conference, it shall be composed of ordained Free Will Baptist Ministers and Deacons who are regular members of Free Will Baptist Church in good standing with the First Mission Association, and who have paid their annual dues of \$2.00.

Article 2

The Officers of this conference shall be: President, Vice President, Clerk-Treasurer and Assistant Clerk-Treasurer, all who shall be elected annually in November.

Article 3

This Conference shall have the power to discipline its members.

Article 4

Every Ordained minister and deacon should be a member of this conference and report at each session in person or by letter. Every member shall be required to carry a card of identification from this conference, this card shall be issued annually.

Article 5

This Conference shall meet quarterly in November, February, May, and July, on the first Thursday night of the month.

Article 6

The Credentials Committee shall be composed of three members elected annually, they shall serve with the Officers of the Conference and the Pastor of the host church to plan the program for the meeting.

Article 7

This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any regular session.

BY-LAWS OF MINISTERS AND DEACONS CONFERENCE

Article 1.

The clerk or assistant clerk or in their absence the senior minister in years shall call the ministers and deacons into conference. If a quorum of 15 is present the President, or in his absence the Vice President, shall moderate the meeting. If neither of these is present, the senior minister in years shall be in charge.

Article 2

It shall be the duty of the clerk to enroll the ministers and the deacons of the conference. Ministers and Deacons shall present themselves with proper evidence of their rights to seats therein and those enrolled by the clerk shall compose the conference. In case of questionabel representation the case under question shall be referred to the credentials committee.

Article 3

It shall be the duty of each minister and deacon belonging to this conference, to be active (disabled and retired.) Any minister or deacon belonging to this conference is expected to report at each session in person or by letter.

Article 4

Each conference shall be opened by reading a portion of God's word and prayer, and the session shall be closed with prayer.

Article 5

Roberts Rules of Order shall govern all business procedure.

Article 6

These by-laws may be altered or amended at any regular session of this conference by a two-thirds vote of members present.



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.

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 one board 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.

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, sanctification, 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 of association shall consist of all Ordained Ministers, Ministers wives, Ordained Deacons, Church Clerks and three elected delegates from all duly organized Free Will Baptist's Churches from each Quarterly Meeting of the First Mission Association. Each church shall represent by letter.

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 Trus-

tee Board so elected as to require two 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 ten members. This Board shall also serve as planning board. (4) All Associational Boards to be paid traveling expense at the rate of fifteen 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 or churches and transact such other business not repugnant to this constitution, nor to the practices of the demonination, but such as may in their 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.

Let it be known also, that any ordained personel in the Association who shall remarry and have two living companions shall forfeit his credentials. Let it also be known, if they marry someone with a living companion, they forfeit their credentials.

Article 9. This constitution may be amended or altered at any regular session of the association by a two-third (2/3) majority vote of members present and voting, provided proposed amendment or alteration be presented in writing to the body one day in advance.

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, C. T. S., 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 of 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.

